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## Executive Board Approves \$7,000,000 Budget Goal For 1974

By David Keel

The Executive board of the Tennessee Baptist Convention adopted a \$7,000,000 Co-operative Program budget goal for 1974 during its September 27th meeting, held at the board's office building in Brentwood, and heard a report from Ralph E. Norton, executive secretary-treasurer, TBC, that the board building in Brentwood which was completed four years ago at a cost of \$1.7 million, is now debt free.

Clarence Stewart, president of the 75-member body, and pastor of First church, Pulaski, called the meeting to order and presided over deliberations.

The board passed on several other matters which will also be presented to messengers to the 99th annual meeting of the TBC for consideration next month in Memphis.

### Reserve Fund Approved

Gaye L. McGlothlen, Nashville, chairman of the Tennessee Baptist Program Committee, presented the detailed Cooperative Program budget, pointing out that 33.33 per cent would be distributed through the Southern Baptist Convention and 66.67 per cent through the TBC.

The board also approved a \$25,000 reserve fund (included in the 1974 goal of \$7,000,000). Norton spoke to this portion of the report, stating that the newly-established reserve fund would be on an accumulative basis, set up to provide for financial emergencies. The Program Committee had adopted the reserve fund recommendation from the Convention's Administrative Committee.

Norton also noted that Cooperative Program receipts as of Sept. 26 amounted to

\$6,114,030.12, representing a gain of \$426,578.38 over the same period last year.

### Committee On Aging

The Program Committee presented other recommendations which were adopted by the board. These dealt with the appointment of a Committee on Aging, to consist of nine members, these to be appointed by the president of the board and the executive secretary-treasurer of the convention.

The committee was named and members are: Tom Madden, Tullahoma; Gaye L. McGlothlen; J. Ralph McIntyre, Chattanooga; Virgil Peters, Franklin; Robert Orr, Dyersburg; Mrs. Bob Peek, Athens; Clarence Stewart; Charles D. Earl, Knox County; and Marvin T. Robertson, Bolivar. This special committee will work under the direction of the executive board as an advisory committee for programs and properties involving the aged until such time as definite assignments have been made in this area of work.

Other recommendations by the Program Committee on Aging which were adopted by the board included:

1. That the Tennessee Baptist Convention authorize a feasibility study of facilities for the aged which will include professional counseling and which will indicate what resources and type of facilities are necessary, and that meanwhile our Baptist people be encouraged to make contributions for the erection of such a facility using the Tennessee Baptist Foundation as the repository for their gifts.

2. That a survey be made of ministries to the aged being provided by our churches and other sources of information, and that this information plus other pertinent material be shared with the churches.

3. That the state missions departments be encouraged to include appropriate programs for the aged in their activities, as determined by the executive secretary-treasurer.

### Kiwanians To Install Belmont President

Dr. Herbert C. Gabhart, Belmont college president since 1959, will be installed as president of the Nashville downtown Kiwanis Club at a banquet at the college Thursday, Oct. 4.



Gabhart

Bob Ballow, local attorney, will preside at the 8 p.m. event to be preceded by a tour of historic Acklen Hall beginning at 7 p.m.

Banquet entertainment will be provided by the Belmont Reasons, performing tour group of the college; and four

Belmont freshmen—Lana Lott, Rebecca, Teresa, and Brenda Thompson. Miss Janet Wilson, associate professor of English, will interpret some of the history and people who have become synonymous with the Belmont tradition.

A native of Morganfield, Ky., Gabhart is former business manager of "The Baptist Messenger," published in Huntington, W. Va. He served pastorates in Williamsburg, Ky., and Memphis before assuming the Belmont presidency.

A graduate of Carson-Newman college, he holds master's and doctor's degrees from Southern Baptist Theological seminary, Louisville, Ky. He has frequently been honored by these institutions, having received Carson-Newman's distinguished alumni award and been president of the Southern Seminary Alumni Association.

A past president of the Affiliated Independent Colleges of Tennessee, he has held this same position with the Association of Southern Baptist Colleges and Schools.

Gabhart is married to the former Helen Ashburn. They have three daughters: Diana Ruth Gabhart, of Atlanta; Mrs. Randy Smith, Nashville, and Mrs. Dan Aleshire, Ramsey, N.J.

He is a member of Nashville's Belmont Heights Baptist church, Blue Key National Honor Fraternity, the Nashville Chamber of Commerce, and the International Platform Association.

4. That all institutions and agencies of the Tennessee Baptist Convention correlate programs in the area of aging with the Tennessee Baptist Program Committee.

5. That the executive board be authorized and instructed to implement these

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### Meeting Scheduled For Oct. 11 To Oppose Legalized Gambling

There will be a meeting sponsored by the Public Affairs and Christian Life Committee of the Tennessee Baptist Convention in the chapel of the Executive Board building in Brentwood at 9:30 a.m., Oct. 11, according to Joe Stacker, chairman. This meeting is for laymen, pastors, and superintendents of missions across the state of Tennessee to consider possible action regarding gambling and pari-mutuel betting bills which could come before the State Legislature.

Phil Padgett and members of the United Tennessee League, Nashville, will share in the program.

Stacker said the meeting is open to any interested persons.



# Not Running In Vain

by Herschel H. Hobbs

"That I have not run in vain, neither laboured in vain"—Phil. 2:16

If Paul's words quoted above be studied out of context, one might see them as supporting works as a means of salvation—and that one cannot know for certain that he is saved until the Judgment Day. But when seen in their context they tell quite a different story. The apostle is not talking about how to be saved. His writings abundantly attest his certainty at that point (Eph. 2:8-10; 2 Tim. 1:12). He is talking about the fruit of his labors as a Christian.

In verse 14 Paul exhorts his readers to avoid strife among themselves. Otherwise their own Christian witness will be ineffective. This is to the end that in the midst of a crooked and twisted age, as sons of God they may be blameless or free from censure, harmless or unadulterated in their Christian example, and without rebuke or without spot in their reputation. The lost world likes to point at weak Christians as an excuse for not trusting in Jesus.

Paul says that the Philippians shine as "lights" in the world. The Greek word so rendered means luminaries or stars. Christ is the Light of the world, Christians also are lights reflecting His light as do stars in the night reflecting the light of the sun. A

girl was asked which is more important the sun or the moon. She replied, "The moon. The sun shines in daytime when we don't need light. The moon shines at night when we need it." Of course, the sun still shines. But the moon and stars reflect its light at night. And Christians are to reveal Christ's light in a darkened world. They do so by holding forth "the word of life."

So Paul is concerned that his readers do this. Else his work for Christ will be in vain or empty insofar as their lives are concerned.

## MESSENGER CARDS AVAILABLE

Registration cards for messengers to the annual session of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, Memphis, November 13-15, are available in the office of Wallace E. Anderson, Recording Secretary, P.O. Box 647, Brentwood, Tennessee 37027.

## Pulpit To Pew

By Jim Griffith

In Arlington, Va., a gas station operates on the lower floor of the Arlington Temple church building through a lease arrangement with the congregation which holds services upstairs while the oil company does business downstairs.

As the preacher expresses it: "If they pump as much down there as I do up here, we'll gradually fill 'em up."

This is not a high church in the usual sense of the term, but you could call it a high octane congregation. But it is a bit strange—having more high test in the basement than in the auditorium.

Still, it is presumed that one could get accustomed to most anything—just so long as no one tries to stand up and sing "Amazing Gas."

And there is one advantage in selecting an appropriate church slogan. They can say "fill 'em up" at the gas pumps and when the collection plates are passed.

## Devotional

### 'The Kingdom Of Heaven Is . . .'

By James H. Walker, Pastor  
Avondale Baptist Church, Chattanooga

In the thirteenth chapter of Matthew Jesus likened the Kingdom of Heaven to several things.



Walker

In verses 31 and 32 He says that the kingdom is something to be sowed. In the preceding verses He had told two parables concerning sowing. Then, He says in these verses that the kingdom is like a seed. In verse 24 He referred to the good seed. So the kingdom is "good seed" to be sowed in the hearts of mankind. It may be

ever so small, but as the individual lets the power of God work in his heart, then the seed grows to maturity.

In verses 44 through 46 Jesus says that the Kingdom of Heaven is something to be sought. In this modern day people are burning themselves out seeking for that which has real meaning for their life. But I find very few who are burning themselves out seeking for this treasure above all treasures, the Kingdom of Heaven. And, yet, Jesus says that a person should be willing to give all to possess this treasure. Yet the kingdom is something to be sought.

In verses 47 through 50 Jesus says that the kingdom is something to be separated. In this word picture He uses the fisherman's net to show the Kingdom of Heaven. Just as the net gathers both good and bad fish that must be separated, so Jesus says that there shall be a time of separating by God's holy angels. Those that are termed "good" possess the Kingdom of Heaven; the "bad" do not possess the Kingdom of Heaven.

Yes, the Kingdom of Heaven is something to be sowed in your heart, something to be sought by you with all your heart, and something to be separated because of the condition of your heart. Many people wonder whether or not they possess the Kingdom of Heaven. If you have turned the throne of your life over to the reign of Jesus as Lord, then the Kingdom of Heaven is yours.

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# Law And Gospel Or Rules Or Relationships?

By Dr. Herbert C. Gabhart, President, Belmont College, Nashville

Background Scripture: Galatians 2:11-21; Romans 2:17-3:31

Scripture Lesson: Romans 3:19-28

Memory Verse: "Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law." Rom. 3:28



Gabhart

## The Relevant Importance of the Law

During Paul's time the non-Christian Jews insisted that the Law given at Sinai was final and authoritative. However, some of the Christian Jews were mixing the law with salvation through Jesus Christ by insisting that the law of circumcision was still valid and imperative. Paul quickly laid this point to rest by asserting that a real Jew is not one who is such outwardly, nor is true circumcision that of the flesh. It is the circumcision of the heart. (Rom. 3:28-30; Col. 2:11; Gal. 5:6, 6:15)

The law during Paul's time was not absolutely null and void. There was a relevant importance to it, and even so today. All of God's words are his law. His laws are his will as to man's conduct. A deep sense of sin is frequently the product of the revealed law. Laws can produce a reformation, but not a transformation. Laws can point man to a rightness in the affairs of men. Laws do not provide salvation for man but an acknowledgement of sin which in turn reveals guilt which in turn needs forgiveness. The law was to drive home to men's consciences the conviction of sin and the need of atonement. They were never meant to be an end, sufficient unto themselves.

## The Redemptive Grace Through Faith

The presence and power of sin in man's life is unquestionable. Sin condemns and destroys. It has broken man's position before God. Forgiveness and justification are absolutely necessary before man can stand in righteousness before God. If the law does not provide that avenue of redemption, how then is it going to come about? Paul again

emphatically stressed the fact that redemption, which includes both forgiveness and justification, can come only through faith in the vicarious death of the Son of God on the cross.

Accomplishment through self-effort and pride in that accomplishment are not sufficient and are excluded by faith. Redemption and righteousness are a gift from God, not a gift to God through man's goodness under the law.

According to Paul God took the initiative in providing redemptive grace. His provision was an all sufficient sacrifice through the gift of his Son. It was a redemption which paid the full price. The sacrifice of Christ was the fulfillment of the Old Testament types and prophecies of redemption. Its completed truth is set forth in three Greek words used in the New Testament which are translated redemption. (1) *Agorazo*, "to purchase in the market." The underlying thought here is that the subjects of redemption are sold under sin and moreover under the sentence of death. The purchase price is the blood of the Redeemer. (2) *Exagorazo*, "to buy out of the market" because in Christ the redeemed were never again exposed to sale in the market. (3) *Lutroo*, "to loose" as in Christ redeemed man has been set free by his paying the price.

Now faith is that act of belief, acceptance, and commitment which is a voluntary act on man's part whereby he acknowledges his sin, implores divine forgiveness and commits his total life to Christ's will and way. Faith is not contingent upon obedience to a law or laws either once or a thousandfold. It is not just the acceptance of a creed; it is a personal commitment to Christ, trusting him for salvation.

## Relation of Faith and the Law

Faith does not repeal the laws, it merely fulfills them. The Ten Commandments have not been repealed. Christ has given man a better understanding of the commandments challenging man to a positive approach of love—God, love of neighbor, respect of parents and property and a purity of mind, body and soul.

By reading God's word, his laws, man may discover his wrongness. The laws bore witness to a future more perfect revelation of God's righteousness. The law was the schoolmaster, not the teacher, bringing man to Christ, the master Teacher. (Gal. 3:24)

This is the first Uniform Series Sunday School lesson written by Dr. Herbert C. Gabhart, president of Belmont college, Nashville. He will be writing this series for the next six months.

A native of Morganfield, Ky., Dr. Gabhart is a graduate of Carson-Newman college, Jefferson City; Bowling Green (Ky.) Business college; and Southern Baptist Theological seminary, Louisville, Ky.

In addition to holding several denominational positions, Dr. Gabhart served as pastor at First church, Williamsburg, Ky., and McLean Baptist church, Memphis, before his election as president of Belmont college in 1959.

The law was symbolic and prophetic.

Faith does not void the law but puts it on sure footing by fulfillment. (Matt. 5:17) The only sure way to reach the state of conformity required by the law is by faith. Christ is the channel for redemption, faith is the condition, that means whereby God's redeeming love can be appropriated in man's heart. As Christ's redemption is the channel through which God's grace comes to me, so faith is the condition through which we can make grace (acceptable and receivable ours). And this gospel of grace is a gospel for the whole world because it deals with all men on the same level—the level of deep-seated identities and not with superficial differences. It is not wisdom; it is not righteousness; but faith that joins man to Christ.

There is only one way of getting rid of sin, of standing justified before God, and that is by the blood of the perfect lamb slain for sin, Jesus Christ. There is only one way of having that blood applied to a man's heart and that is by a personal confession of sin and commitment to him through faith in his death, burial, resurrection and activities through the Holy Spirit.

As the ancient Jews thought they were acceptable to God because they were circumcised, they attended the required feasts, they kept the laws of Moses; too many people today think that because they have been baptized, attend church on Easter and at communion time and try to live decently outwardly, they too are acceptable to God. But not so without total faith and complete reliance upon him through a faithful commitment to his entire teachings.

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# EDITORIAL

## Budget Planning Time

During the month of October, many churches in the Tennessee Baptist Convention will be considering their financial programs for the next year. There are many demands which are made upon the budget of any Baptist church. The financial program of a Baptist church must, as we see it, reflect to a strong degree missionary impulses which have been the focal point of our growth and effectiveness over the years.

It is, therefore, well for us to consider carefully and prayerfully the mission outreach of the local church as responsible committees study areas of need. We encourage consideration of and provision for our mission ministries through the Cooperative Program because of a deep conviction that the Cooperative Program continues to be, by far, the best method for the individual Baptist

to share in a ministry of world-wide importance beginning at home.

Additionally, we would surely encourage the churches to consider placing **Baptist And Reflector** in the church budget under the Every Family Plan. We have grown skeptical over the years of the rather specious argument advanced by some who say that since not every family will read a state paper, there is no point in sending it to every family. Most families we know do not read the daily newspaper cover to cover. However, they don't stop taking it for this reason. Rather they read at least portions of the paper and we believe that continued exposure of the **Baptist And Reflector** will create increased readership. We therefore ask sincerely that the budget committee and other leadership in the church place **Baptist And Reflector** in the church budget for each family to have week by week.

## Bible Studies To Highlight Pastors' Conference, Nov. 12-13

The 1973 Tennessee Baptist Pastors' Conference program will be held at the Eudora church in Memphis Nov. 12-13, according to George Capps, president of the conference and pastor of First Baptist church of Cookeville.

The conference will precede the 99th annual session of the Tennessee Baptist Convention.

Bible studies will be held at each of the three sessions. Leaders for the studies will include Hiram Barefoot, Union university; John H. Tullock, Belmont college; and William Blevins, Carson-Newman college.

A special event slated for this year, according to Capps, will be a discussion on "Facing the Issue: Tongues." The discus-

sion will be led by David Byrd, pastor of West Jackson church in Jackson. The afternoon message "Keeping Fresh," will be brought by Ramsey Pollard.

During the Monday evening session, a session on "Helps for the Pastor from the Denomination" will be presented by Allen Comish, Baptist Sunday School Board. Discussion from the floor will follow. Special music will be brought by the youth choir of First church, Cookeville.

Tuesday morning's message, "First Things First," will be delivered by William Purdue, pastor, First church, Kingsport. The sessions will begin at 2:15 Monday afternoon, 6:45 Monday evening, and 8:15 Tuesday morning.

Other conference officers are vice president Melvin G. Faulkner, First church, Erwin; and secretary Edwin R. Alexander, First church, Rutherford.

years of employment times the number of years employed.

### Church Staff Salary Study

C. Winfield Rich, Memphis, serves as chairman of the Denominational Cooperation Committee. The board approved recommendations from this committee which have to do with the establishment of a Church Staff Salary Study Committee. This special committee is to be elected by the Tennessee Baptist Convention with its findings and recommendations distributed to the churches of the convention.

This committee, to be composed of 15 laymen, five from each grand division of the state, are to be nominated by the Committee on Committees. The recommendation also suggested a limit of \$15,000 for expenditures, be funded through the Convention Committee section of the budget.

The board also approved recommendations from the State Missions Committee, Carl Allen, Hohenwald, chairman. These included consideration of a request of the State Student department secretary relative to the replacement of the entire roof of the multipurpose room of the Baptist Student Center in Knoxville including the bid of \$11,760 from a company in Knoxville, and the authorization for the executive secretary-treasurer to borrow this entire amount for capital needs; adoption of the responsibilities of the Local Baptist Student Union Committee; and adopted proposed Baptist Student Union policies.

Robert E. Craig, President, Union university, Jackson, in a statement to the board concerning Union's proposed move to Memphis, said, "We feel the pressures of the times," as he spoke of divisions on the matter. Craig requested the executive board members to join the school in prayer "... to find the Lord's will in this matter."

## WMU And TBC Meetings In Memphis

Women attempting to make reservations at the headquarters hotel for the Woman's Missionary Union Convention in Memphis, Nov. 12-13, should identify themselves as being with the Tennessee Baptist Convention Woman's Missionary Union, according to Miss Mary Jane Nethery, state WMU executive secretary-treasurer. When making reservations for the Holiday Inn-Macon Road, Miss Nethery stated that confirmation should be made through the administrative key on the Holidex machine.

She stated that numerous requests for reservations had been turned down by the hotel because the management did not realize that the women would be attending the Baptist Convention meetings.

Miss Nethery also stated that it would be better to write in person and get a confirmation from Holiday Inn.

## Executive Board Approves

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recommendations as soon as possible by providing necessary funds.

Recommendations adopted from the Administrative Committee, O. M. Dangeau, McKenzie, chairman, included: That the pre-convention bulletins be sold for \$1.00 per copy upon registration at the annual session of the Tennessee Baptist Convention (if approved in Memphis this recommendation will become effective in November, 1974); and that the annuities of the Tennessee Baptist Convention employees who will reach retirement age by 1990 be supplemented to one and one-half per cent times the average salary for the last five



# State Convention To Meet In Memphis

## Program Announced For 99th Session Set For Nov. 13-15

George Capps, pastor, First church, Cookeville; Adrian Rogers, pastor, Bellevue church, Memphis; William E. Hull, provost and dean of the School of Theology, and professor of New Testament Interpretation at Southern Baptist Theological seminary; Franklin Paschall, pastor, First church, Nashville, and Fred Wood, president of the Tennessee Baptist Convention and pastor, Eudora church, Memphis, will deliver major addresses at the 99th annual session of the Tennessee Baptist Convention meeting in Memphis, Nov. 13-15.

The sessions will open Tuesday morning, Nov. 13, at 10:00 with Wood presiding. The theme for the convention is "Sharing Christ Through His Word."

Reports to be given at the first session include: Credentials Committee, William Cope; Committee on Arrangements, Richard Patton; Centennial Committee, Tom Madden, and Protection Plans, Vern Power. The afternoon session, convening at 2:00 p.m., will hear reports on TBC Schools, Special Study Committee, Gaye McGloth-

len; Constitution and Bylaws Study Committee, Gaye McGlothlen; Tennessee Baptist Children's Homes, James Gregg; presentation of the budget, Ralph Norton; Sunday School, Wendell Price; Baptist And Reflector, James A. Lester.

During the Tuesday evening session, Gene Kerr will speak on the activities of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, and Norton will recognize SBC and fraternal messengers. The session will begin at 6:45 p.m. A special RA national award will be presented during the evening session also. The presentation of the Union university trustees will be made at 8:30 p.m.

A recognition of new pastors, educational directors, music directors, and other new staff members will be given by Norton on Wednesday morning. Reports to be given during the day include the report of the Executive Board, Clarence Stewart; report of the treasurer, Ralph Norton; Committee on Arrangements, Richard Patton; Committee on Boards, J. L. Ford; Committee on Committees, Tom Madden.

The Tennessee Baptist Hospitals report, Evangelism Department report and Missions Department report, will be presented Wednesday afternoon by Wood, Frank Groner, F. M. Dowell, and Leslie Baumgartner respectively. At the same session, reports from Mary Jane Nethery, Woman's Missionary Union; Frank Charton, Church Music, and W. C. Summar, Stewardship, will be heard.

A special report from Union university will be given at 6:45 p.m. Wednesday evening by Kenneth Hartley. Other reports to be included that evening will be Church Training, Charles Norton; Foundation, Jonas Stewart; Student Department, Glenn Yarbrough. Discussion and action on the Union university issue will be heard during the Wednesday evening session.

The final session of the convention, Thursday morning, will hear the Committee on Resolutions, Bill Delaney; Committee on Audits, Maurice Coleman; Committee on the Journal, Lynn May; Tennessee Baptist Historical Society, John Bolton; Program Services, Wallace Anderson; and Brotherhood, Roy Gilleland. The library report will be given by Mary Anderson. A memorial service will be held during the final session also.

The worship times in song will be led by Harold Maples, Leroy Summers, Louis Ball and the Volunteer State Chorale. Jerry Harvey, Norman White, Kenneth Hartley, and Ken Miller.

The convention sermon will be delivered by Capps on Tuesday morning at 11:30. A member of the Executive Board of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, Capps is a graduate of Auburn university with a degree in

civil engineering, and New Orleans Baptist Theological seminary.

Wood, pastor of Eudora church since 1952, serves additionally as an author, evangelist, and Bible conference speaker. He will deliver the president's address at 8:00 p.m. Tuesday. Rogers will speak at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday. Since Sept. 1972, he has been pastor of the Bellevue church in Memphis. He was a speaker at the annual session of the Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference meeting in Philadelphia last year.

Hull's message is slated for 4:05 p.m. Wednesday. He has been on the faculty at Southern seminary since 1954, and served as guest professor at Baptist Theological seminary, Ruschlikon-Zurich, Switzerland in 1963. He did advanced study at the University of Gottingen, Germany in 1962-63 and at Harvard university in 1971.

Paschall will speak at the closing session of the convention Thursday morning. He was president of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1967-68 and delivered sermons to the Southern Baptist Pastors' conferences in 1961, 1969, and 1971.

Cal Guy, professor of missions, Southwestern Baptist Theological seminary, will give the devotionals at each of the sessions of the convention.

## Agee And McFadden To Lead Union's Religious Emphasis Week

Religious Emphasis Week is being held at Union university this week, according to Lewis Sewell, dean of religious affairs and coordinator for the event.

Bob Agee, pastor, Ardmore church in Memphis, is speaking along with George McFaddin, minister of music at the Ardmore church. Agee, a 1960 Union graduate, has served several churches in Kentucky and Tennessee. He holds the B.D. and M.D. degrees from Southern Baptist Theological seminary in Louisville.

Services are being held each morning and evening at the school.

### SPRING STREET, USA

Spring Street, USA is being carried over approximately 40 Television stations. Nashville's WLAC station shows it at 11:00 p.m. on Sunday. Three Virginia stations carry it also. They are as follows: Richmond's WWBT, Channel 12, at 8:00 a.m. Sunday; Harrisonburg's WSVB, Channel 3, Saturday at 11:00 p.m.; and Norfolk's WAVY, Channel 10, at 10:00 a.m.

## Former Missionary, Harley Brooks, Dies

Harley Brooks, associational missionary for the Cumberland Gap Baptist Association for 22 years and Tennessee pastor for 46 years, died Sept. 22 in Hancock County Memorial Hospital. He was 78 years of age.

The associational leader served as missionary from August 1943 until his retirement in December 1965. Previously, he was pastor of churches in the Northern Association and Cumberland Gap Association. Included in the churches he served were: Nave Hill, Mt. Gilead in Harrogate, Red Hill, Pump Springs, and Tazewell. He served also as a supply pastor for numerous churches in Tennessee and Virginia, and was exceptionally active in all phases of associational work.

For 10 years he directed off-campus extension work for Carson-Newman college; and in 1966, he and Mrs. Brooks were honored by the school for advanced achievement in off campus education.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Sept. 25, in the chapel of Coffee Funeral Home in New Tazewell. Casper Moore, pastor of the Pump Springs church, and I. S. King, pastor of the Chadwell Station church, officiated.

Brooks is survived by his widow, Nelia of Harrogate; three sons: Walter, Pound Ridge, N.Y., Harley Jr., Nashville, and Michael, Bulls Gap; and three daughters: Mrs. Mary Garland, Sneedville, Mrs. Vena Large, New Tazewell, and Mrs. Lena Sandefur, Tallahassee, Fla.



## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BOARDS

1973-74

The Committee on Boards of the Tennessee Baptist Convention presents the following nominations. All nominations for terms expiring 1976 are being made by the Committee on Boards. Other nominations to fill the unexpired terms of men who have left the state, resigned, passed away, or moved from one grand division to another are indicated with asterisks.

J. L. Ford, chairman  
Wade Darby, vice chairman  
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Paul B. Clark  
Norris G. Hite  
Howard S. Kolb  
Carroll Owen  
David C. Sharp  
J. Howard Young

### EXECUTIVE BOARD

#### Term Expiring 1976

1. James A. Canaday, Johnson City E
2. John R. Churchman, Morristown E
3. Wade E. Darby, Jefferson City E
4. James Hutson, Madisonville E
5. James McCluskey, Knoxville E
6. Robert W. Campbell, Rockwood E
7. Hayward Highfill, Clinton E
8. Charles Ausmus, Knoxville E
9. Virgil Peters, Franklin C
10. Tom Madden, Tullahoma C
11. James W. Owen, Lewisburg C
12. William J. Powell, Monterey C
13. Alfred T. Royer, Shelbyville C
14. Clarence Stewart, Pulaski C
15. Harold White, McMinnville C
16. James Jennings, Woodbury C
17. Thomas Bryan, Nashville C
18. R. Paul Caudill, Memphis W
19. P. O. Davidson, Memphis W
20. D. William Dodson, Martin W
21. Rufus H. Moore, Jackson W
22. Robert L. Orr, Dyerburg W
23. Carroll C. Owen, Paris W
24. Thomas W. Pope, Somerville W
25. Bruce Coyle, Memphis W

#### Term Expiring 1975

1. J. Carroll Chapman, Kingsport E
2. Grant L. Jones, Sevierville E
3. J. Ralph McIntyre, Chattanooga E
4. Anderson McCulley, Sweetwater E
5. John W. Outland, Jonesboro E
6. Bob M. Polk, Jellico E
7. C. Henry Preston, Chattanooga E
8. R. Richard Smith, Athens E
9. Ray Fowler, Chattanooga E
10. George E. Capps, Jr., Cookeville C
11. W. Elmer Crosby, Sparta C
12. James L. Harney, Lawrenceburg C
13. Bill Delaney, Chattanooga C
14. Ray Mabey, Cookeville C
15. R. T. Martin, Nashville C
16. Joseph T. Nickell, Crossville C
17. J. Arnold Porter, Madison C
18. Raymond Boston, Humboldt W
19. O. M. Dangeau, McKenzie W
20. Jerry Glisson, Memphis W
21. John F. May, Memphis W
22. W. Fred Kendall, II, Union City W
23. R. Trevis Otey, Jackson W
24. Dillard West, Trezvant W
25. Keith Wilson, Grand Junction W

#### Term Expiring 1974

1. Larry E. Dukes, Oliver Springs E
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3. Gordon T. Greenwell, Knoxville E
4. Herman Callahan, Chattanooga E
5. William E. Purdue, Kingsport E
6. Lee Morris, Oak Ridge E
7. Robert A. Sanders, Knoxville E
8. Joe R. Stacker, Concord E
9. Carl B. Allen, Hohenwald C
- 10.\*\*
11. James B. Henry, Nashville C
12. John P. S. Humphrey, Clarksville C
13. Archie D. King, Murfreesboro C
14. Gayle L. McGlothlen, Nashville C
15. Richard D. Patton, Portland C
16. Courtney Wilson, Hendersonville C
17. Pat L. Landrum, Brighton W
18. Don J. Milam, Memphis W
- 19.\* Howard Kolb, Memphis W
20. James A. Nunnery, Malesus W
21. C. Winfield Rich, Memphis W

22. Marvin T. Robertson, Bolivar W
  23. Jim R. Osborne, Savannah W
  24. H. K. Sorrell, Brownsville W
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5. Clifford E. Hooper, Nashville
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8. Stirton Oman, Jr., Nashville
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#### Term Expiring 1974

1. Harold Allen, Gallatin
  2. Goebel Bunch, Nashville
  3. Oscar W. Carter, Nashville
  4. Eugene Cotey, Murfreesboro
  - 5.\*
  6. John Justice, Nashville
  7. Henry Horrell, Nashville
  8. Drew F. Maddux, Hendersonville
  - 9.\*\*Ed Kennedy, Nashville
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4. Sidney Walts, Memphis
5. John Bolton, Springfield
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10. Brooks McLeMore, Jackson
- 11.
12. Don Stephenson, Jackson
13. Waymon G. Jones, Memphis
14. E. B. Bowen, Bolivar
- 15.

#### Term Expiring 1975

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5. Irvin Hays, Bartlett
6. Mrs. Wallace Johnson, Memphis
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9. Ralph R. Lawler, Trenton
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6. Joe Little, Sweetwater
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8. Kalth Jones, Jefferson City
9. Lawrence Smith, Rutledge
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6. T. L. Seeber, Clinton
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8. Clinton Ward, Chattanooga
9. William A. Fortune, Knoxville
10. Frederick Schlafer, Knoxville
11. Chester Parker, Johnson City

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2. John R. Churchman, Morristown
3. Robert Clyde Fox, Oliver Springs
4. Joe R. Haynes, Knoxville
5. Hayward Highfill, Clinton
6. David H. McConnell, Newport
7. Ernest T. Neal, Cleveland
8. William Palmer, Morristown
9. William Purdue, Kingsport
10. Charles Trentham, Knoxville
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1. Russell T. Birmingham, Nashville
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5. Bob Johnson, Knoxville
6. L. Edsel Kilday, Greeneville
7. Ralph McCarter, Concord
8. Dewey W. Tucker, Knoxville
9. Herbert Ward, Clinton

**Term Expiring 1974**

1. Louis O. Ball, Sr., Knoxville
2. Wallace Frazier, Knoxville

3. Gordon Greenwell, Knoxville
4. J. William Harbin, Maryville
5. Glenn Morris, Knoxville
6. Ivan Privette, Knoxville
7. Frederick Schlafer, Knoxville
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9. Earl Wilson, Knoxville

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2. W. W. Cope, Pigeon Forge  
Committee on Boards Nomination
3. Raymond Langlois, Nashville  
Committee on Boards Nomination

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1. Roger Shelton, Nashville
2. Ted Huckaby, Maryville
3. Bob O. Orr, Dyersburg

**Term Expiring 1974**

1. Wilson Lonas, Knoxville
2. Raymond Boston, Humboldt
3. Tom Madden, Tullahoma

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- Three Years**  
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- Two Years**  
Archle King, Murfreesboro  
Ed Deusner, Lexington  
James McCluskey, Knoxville

- One Year**  
Elmer Bailey, Memphis  
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- Three Years**  
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Craig Steele, Cookeville  
Frank Kemper, Humboldt

- Two Years**  
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Robert W. Campbell, Rockwood  
Kenneth Hubbard, Manchester
- One Year**  
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Richard Smith, Athens

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- George M. Horton, Union City  
Bob Peek, Athens

**Two Years**

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John McGinnis, Knoxville  
Gaye McGlothlen, Nashville

**One Year**

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**Three Years**

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Max T. Walker, Newburn  
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**Two Years**

- William Housholder, Tullahoma  
Rudy L. Fitts, Memphis  
Don Wilson, Johnson City

**One Year**

- Paul Williams, Jackson  
Maurice D. Coleman, Waverly—Temporary Chairman  
A. J. Smith, Maryville

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**Three Years**

- Ray R. Ridgeway, Smithville  
Joe T. Naylor, Dyersburg

**Two Years**

- Robert Benson, Jackson  
Elmer J. Foust, Chattanooga  
Don Owens, Lebanon

**One Year**

- Hoyt Wilson, Kenton  
W. Elmer Crosby, Sparta  
Paul M. Adams, Knoxville

**Committee on Boards**

**Three Years**

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(President and Vice President's nomination)

- John Holland, Knoxville  
Paul Tabor, Lawrenceburg

**Two Years**

- Norris Hite, Old Hickory  
Paul Clark, Jackson  
David Sharp, Morristown

**One Year**

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# Tennessee News Briefs

First church, Cookeville, ordained **Dwight E. Kramer** as a deacon recently. **George Capps** is pastor.

**Curtiss D. Kesterson** was ordained a deacon of First Baptist church, Dandridge, Sept. 23. **Robert D. McCray** is pastor.

**Mrs. Etta Simpson**, widow of **Ed Simpson**, the former pastor of South Clinton church, died recently in Somerset, Ky. at the age of 77. She lived in Oneida and Clinton previously. Funeral services were held at Oneida.

Radnor church, Nashville, ordained five deacons recently. They included **Neil Cantrell**, **Dennis Duke**, **Ray Melton**, **Larry Post**, and **E. F. Suddeth**. **Paul Durham** is pastor of the church.

## REVIVAL RESULTS

First church, Mt. Juliet, reported 21 professions of faith and 13 additions by letter and statement during a recent revival there. **W. W. Harrison**, pastor of the Madison Creek church, Goodlettsville, served as evangelist; and **Ken Parkinson**, Gallatin Road church, was the song leader. **Billie Friel** is pastor.

**Edward G. Robinson** led revival services for Calvary church in Erwin recently. **David Gregg** is pastor.

Revival services at Leawood church in Memphis opened with 1325 in Sunday School recently, the largest attendance in the history of the church. **Jerry L. Glisson**, pastor, reported 50 professions of faith with baptism, 23 additions by letter or statement, 75 additional professions of faith, two surrendering to full-time Christian service, and 55 rededications. The services were led by the **Wayne Bristow** Evangelistic team. **Felix Snipes** conducted the music and **Jimmy Hodges** led the youth program.

**Tommy Sesler** with the evangelist for services at First church, Joelton, where **W. D. Thomason** is pastor. There were 12 professions of faith and one addition by letter.

In Gibson County Association, **P. H. Hooker**, Benton, was the evangelist at First church, Scotts Hill, last month. There were 18 professions of faith. **Edwin Dyer** serves as pastor.

Revival services at Trace Creek church, New Johnsonville, were led by **Jonas L. Stewart**, Nashville, recently. Music was under the direction of **Jack Gregory**, minister of music and youth, Temple church, Paris. **William D. Fox**, pastor, reported 18 professions of faith and one addition by letter. New attendance records were set in Sunday School and Training Union.

**Mr. and Mrs. J. Lee Dixon**, members of Scenic Hills church, Memphis, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sept. 23. **William E. Burney** is their pastor.

West Broadway church, Loudon County Association, ordained **Roy Bowlin** to the gospel ministry recently. He has been called as pastor of the church.

**Walter Warmath**, vice president for development at Union university, celebrated his 10th anniversary in the position last month. During his first year, direct gifts to Union totaled \$86,956.41. Last fiscal year, \$769,092.14 were given to the school. **Warmath** serves also as a minister and has preached in 91 churches, held 21 revival meetings, and served as interim pastor on 15 occasions during the 10-year period.

Charlotte Road Baptist church, Nashville, will hold ground-breaking ceremonies for a new church auditorium and educational building on Sunday, Oct. 7, according to pastor **O. L. Taylor**. The structures, planned to be completed by Christmas, will contain an auditorium which will seat 300; a pre-school department equipped to take care of 80 children; five adult Sunday School departments, and a pastor's study. Cost of construction is estimated at \$128,600.

## LEADERSHIP CHANGES

Gibson church, Gibson Association, called **Herschel Lindsey** as pastor. A recent graduate of Southwestern Baptist Theological seminary, he will begin work at the church Oct. 14. While attending school, **Lindsey** served as pastor of Kamay church in Kamay, Tex. **S. R. Woodson**, Jackson, has served the Gibson church as interim pastor for several months.

**Clifford Gibson** and **Bill Motsinger** have been called to serve on the staff of the Grandview church in Nashville. **Gibson** will serve as music director, and **Motsinger** will be youth director. **Gibson** has served as music director for the Donelson View church and the Mill Creek church. **Motsinger** is a student at Belmont college. **Ted J. Ingram** is pastor of Grandview.

In Maury Association, **Randall Dick** is the new pastor of Calvary church; and **Bill Pierce** is on the field as full time pastor of the Pierce church. Other new pastors in the association include: **Caryls E. Tudor** at the Knob Creek church, **Milton Hicks** at the Southside church, and **Harold White** at the Riverview church. **Bill Sharpe** is serving as interim pastor at the Williamsport church.

**John Hanson** has resigned as pastor of Looneys Chapel church in Holston Valley Association.

## Children's Homes

### 'Me Too'

By **James M. Gregg**, Executive Director

My nearly three-year-old granddaughter, **Christinia**, was spending the night with "Mamaw" and me recently. At bedtime I was helping her with her prayers. I prayed, "God bless mother and daddy - - -" and I mentioned others in the family and closed the prayer. **Christinia** said, "Me too, Papa." I realized that I had not included her in the prayer because I was really wording her prayer for her. I said, "O yes, Lord bless **Christinia**." She sighed and went to sleep.

The homeless children under our care for the most part do not have a "papa" to pray for them. Will you put them on your daily prayer list. They really are saying, "Me too, Tennessee Baptists." Thank you.

**Clay Turner**, minister of music at White Oak church in Chattanooga, resigned from his position, effective Oct. 14. He has been called to First church, Fernandina, Fla. as minister of music and youth. **Ray Fowler** is pastor of White Oak church.

In Hardeman County Association, **E. C. McCord** is the new pastor at Essary Springs church. He comes to the position from Oakland church in Fayette County Association.

**Bob R. Taylor** is serving as interim minister of youth at First church, Nashville. **Franklin Paschall** is pastor.

Waterville church, Bradley County Association, called **Vester Blanton** as pastor. He comes to Waterville from Pikeville.

In East Tennessee Baptist Association, Mt. Zion church called **Randall Joines** as pastor; and **Johnny Wallin** of White Pine is now serving as pastor of Rankin church. **Andy Ball** resigned as pastor of Cave Hill church.

**Douglas Hawkins** resigned as pastor of Michigan Avenue church, Bradley Association, to accept the call of Welcome Hill church in LaGrange, Ill.

In Clinton Association, **David Hanes** has resigned as pastor of Clear Branch church, and **C. W. Church** has resigned as pastor of New Mountain View church. **Paul Wilson** resigned as pastor of Longfield church to move to Beech Park church, Big Emory Association.

In Stone Association, **Carl Boggs** is serving as pastor of Johnson church; and **Hurshel Riddle** resigned as pastor of Rocky Point church.

**Bob Kendig**, pastor of Northview church in Memphis for the past several years, has accepted a call to First church, Millington. He is a graduate of Southern Baptist Theological seminary and succeeds **H. A. Hunderup Jr.**, who resigned last spring.



## Maston, A 'Loyal Critic,' Probes Southern Baptists

NASHVILLE—A Southern Baptist elder statesman assumed the role of "loyal critic" and led members of the denomination's Christian Life Commission here through what to him was a "personally painful" examination of trends affecting Southern Baptist Christian Social concerns.

T. B. Maston, speaking at the commission's annual meeting, bared his feelings in such subjects as "big business" attitudes within the denomination, ultra-conservatism, anti-intellectualism, denominational publishing efforts, freedom of press and conscience, the charismatic movement and maintenance of Biblical the theological foundations for ministry.

"One condition that I think very definitely affects the Christian Life Commission and what it stands for is the affluence which has touched and influenced all of us in the entire program of our denomination," said Maston, professor emeritus of Christian ethics at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth.

### Avoid 'Big Business' Perspective

Citing the millions of dollars handled by Southern Baptist Convention agencies, Maston said, "I'm not condemning the agencies, but the effect is almost inevitable that those who administer these agencies and institutions will have a 'big business' perspective.

"Some, and possibly most, of them will tend to have little sympathy or understanding of the ordinary working man and especially for the underprivileged, the poor and the needy in general."

Maston emphasized that Southern Baptists "should couple a basically conservative theological stance with our social concern," but he pointed to a "revival of ultra-conservatism" among Southern Baptists, "which is almost fundamentalism" and noted:

"Extreme conservatives have little interest in social morality or social concern in gen-

eral. This is a threat in so far as there has been a revival there."

### Anti-Intellectual Growth Noted

Closely related to the ultra-conservatism, Maston said, "is a constantly latent anti-intellectualism" among Southern Baptists.

Maston outlined problems he sees with both state Baptist papers and Broadman Press, publishing arm of the SBC, operated by the denomination's Sunday School Board.

"I doubt if there is any group among us that influences the thinking of our people more than the state Baptist editors," Maston said. "How grateful we ought to be that considerable number of them—I didn't say all of them—can be counted in the rank of denominational statesmen.

"There have been and are attempts to make these papers little more than promotional agencies for state denominational leaders. We should help the editors resist every such effort. It's doubtful if there's anything that threatens a democracy, religious or political, more than a controlled press."

### A Cry For Freedom

"All of us should seek to cultivate an atmosphere among Southern Baptists that would give our (Broadman) Press greater freedom, as well as give its writers more freedom.

He told the Christian Life Commission that the impact of its work over the past 20 years shows itself in the programs and literature of a number of denominational agencies.

He said the commission and Southern Baptists need to increase concern for all kinds of people—with a "special concern for the underprivileged"—and that emphasis on people will surface important social issues—including a possible rediscovery of the race issue. (BP)

## Dr. James Dobson To Address Family Relations Group Oct. 12-13

James Dobson, author of *Dare to Discipline* will be the featured speaker at the fifth meeting of the Tennessee Council on Family Relations on Oct. 12 and 13 at Hiwassee college, Madisonville.



Dobson

Theme of the meeting will be "The Family and Mental Health." William A. Laycock, director of Town and Country Department, at the college is program chairman. The meeting is planned for parents, pastors, teachers, those engaged in the counseling field, and interested persons.

On Oct. 12 at 8:00 p.m. Dobson will speak on "Teaching Respect and Responsibility to Children." Saturday morning at 10:00 he will speak on "Inferiority: Mental Health Enemy Number One." Harold Bergen, family ministries consultant, Baptist Sunday School Board, and president of the Tennessee Council on Family Relations, states that "Dr. Dobson is a Christian psychologist and uses the Bible for his thesis on discipline. He endorses spanking in respect to blatant defiance by a child."

Two other noted authorities on the family will also take part on the program. Dr. K. Edwin Graham will speak on "Money and Power in Family Relationships" and "Important Factors in Handling Money With Children." Graham is program director of the Interfaith Council for Family Financial Planning, Washington, D.C.

Jere Ledsinger, director of the Tennessee Commission on Children and Youth, will present the status of children's services in the state of Tennessee, Nashville.

Meals for the meeting will be \$4.75. This includes Friday dinner, Saturday breakfast and lunch. Registration is \$5 each; or \$8 for husband and wife. Meal and registration money should be sent in advance to William A. Laycock, Hiwassee college, Madisonville, Tenn. 37354. Motel reservation listing will be sent on request. Average rate is about \$8.50 per night.

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# Home Mission Offering Tops \$6.6 Million Goal

ATLANTA—The annual offering by Southern Baptists for home missions topped its 1973 goal of \$6.6 million in mid-September, the earliest in history.

The offering, known as the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering, totals \$6,603,226, with additional funds expected through December.

The offering is 12 per cent above the amount received at this time last year.

Many states showed significant increases in giving to the offering, and for the first time one state—Texas—gave more than \$1 million.

Arthur B. Rutledge, executive secretary-treasurer of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, said, "This will give us great help in moving into some fields and projects we were not able to budget for."

All funds above \$6 million are earmarked for advance in church extension, television

evangelism, Christian social ministries and special mission ministries.

"I believe victory in the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering came as a result of divine blessing on human efforts," said Alma Hunt, executive secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union, Southern Baptist auxiliary which sponsors the offering in consultation with the Home Mission Board and promotes it along with the SBC Brotherhood Commission, missions organization for men and boys.

"These efforts are gradually awakening churches to an awareness of our opportunities through home missions," Miss Hunt said. "I believe the success of the offering began in most churches with the study of home missions graded series books.

"Concern was deepened through the prayer experiences during the Week of Prayer (for Home Missions). The result is the convincing evidence that God answered prayers and blessed the sincere efforts of thousands of Southern Baptists," Miss Hunt said.

The goal for the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering has been set at \$7.2 million in 1974. (BP)

## Religion Around the World

MARTIN, Tenn.—Methodist and Catholic students at the University of Tennessee at Martin will begin religious counseling from the same man this fall after an unprecedented agreement by officials of both faiths.

Jerry Harber, director of the Methodist sponsored Wesley Foundation on the campus, will serve as the **United Methodist and Catholic campus minister** by a joint agreement by United Methodist Bishop H. E. Finger Jr. and Catholic Bishop Carroll T. Dozier of the Memphis Diocese. Harber, who is working toward a Ph.D. in church history at Vanderbilt, said he would be a Catholic campus minister in every respect except that he would not perform any sacraments for Roman Catholics.

LONDON—Over 20,000 persons gathered into the Earls Court arena in West London recently for **five days of training in the arts of communication and evangelism**. Evangelist Billy Graham led the group in the interdenominational event inspired by a similar event in Dallas last year. The conference consisted of sessions and seminars at Earls Court during the daytime when delegates were taught essentials of the Christian faith and how to communicate them.

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## Baptist Dominate Top 100 Sunday Schools List

WHEATON, Ill.—Southern Baptists placed more church Sunday Schools than any other group on the national listing of "The 100 Largest Sunday Schools" compiled here by "Christian Life" magazine.

The list includes 37 Southern Baptist churches and 80 Baptist churches of one variety or another. Forty-three of the top 50 churches are Baptist.

The SBC's largest church, First Baptist church, Dallas, which runs only six Sunday school buses, reported an average weekly attendance of 5676, finishing third behind two independent Baptist churches. They are First Baptist church of Hammond, Ind., with 139 buses and an average attendance of 7837, and Highland Park Baptist church of Chattanooga, Tenn., with 18 buses and 5756 average weekly attendance.

First Baptist church of Van Nuys, Calif., whose pastor had earlier recommended abolishing the list because "it makes liars out of some pastors," finished fifth. It has 11 buses and 3695 average attendance.

The independent Baptist church's pastor, Harold Fickett, said in March at a conference in Fort Worth, "Six out of the 10 largest Sunday schools (on the national list) include attendance at early morning worship services as the pastor's Sunday school class." He specifically noted that First Baptist church, Dallas, does not inflate its totals in such a manner.

Although agreeing with Fickett that such padding is improper, A. V. Washburn, secretary of the Sunday School Department of the SBC's Sunday School Board, said "The list of top Sunday schools creates excitement and proves that people can be reached."

"I don't know of any Southern Baptist church which pads its Sunday school with large, worship-service type attendance," Washburn said. "Southern Baptists concentrate on lay-led Bible study, approaching laymen on their level of learning."

"Inspirational early morning services do some good, but that approach alone leaves undone some of the basic teaching elements so vital to bearing permanent fruit."

Commenting on the Baptist domination of

the list, Washburn said, "The thing that ultimately creates a growing church is to center on reaching people for the Lord. If there isn't an evangelistic emphasis, it becomes purely academic. A cold, intellectual approach never attracts multitudes of people."

A breakdown of states showed Texas churches led Southern Baptist representation on the list with 13. Florida followed with six and others were scattered in nine states.

Besides the 37 Southern Baptist churches, the 80 Baptist churches on the list included 23 categorized as "independent," 15 from the Baptist Bible Fellowship, 2 from the Baptist General Conference and 1 each from the American Baptist churches, Conservative Baptists and World Baptist Fellowship. (BP)

## National Teacher Examination To Be Given At Carson-Newman

The National Teacher Examination will be given at Carson-Newman college, Nov. 10, according to Ray Koonce, director of guidance at the school.

The examination, prepared and administered by Educational Testing Service, is designed to assess cognitive knowledge and understanding in professional education, general education, and subject-field specialization.

Koonce said that college seniors preparing to teach and teachers applying for certification, licensure, or those seeking positions in school systems which encourage or require the NTE will be taking the tests.

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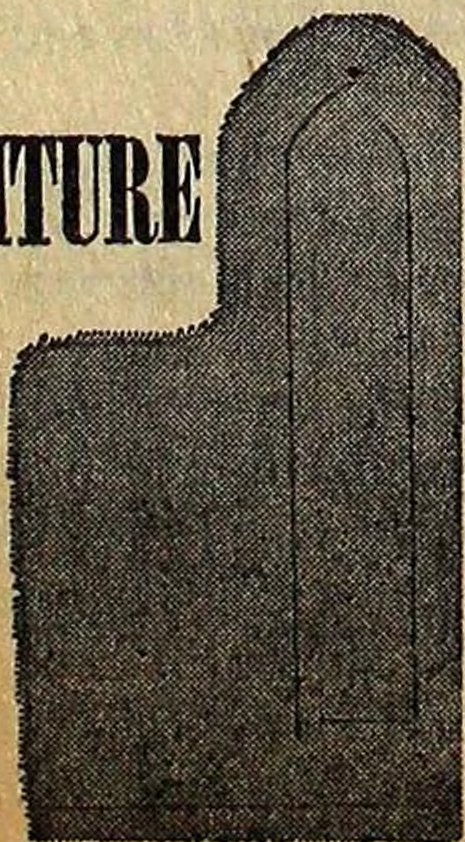
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# Spanish Baptist WMU Celebrates 25th Year

**DENIA, Spain**—The Spanish Baptist Woman's Missionary Union (WMU) celebrated their 25th anniversary at their annual convention here recently.

Guest speaker Mrs. R. L. Mathis, president of the Southern Baptist Conventions WMU, and president of the women's department of the Baptist World Alliance, culminated the two days of regional reports, promotion features and personal messages.

"I have fallen in love with your country and especially with the people here," she told the delegates representing 45 different churches and missions. "I congratulate you on 25 years of missionary service, and my love and prayers are with you as you enter into the second 25 years."

"What a great mission God has given to women," she continued. "We see those faithful followers of Christ who went to the garden tomb that first Eastern morning. Our Lord said, 'Come and see . . . go quickly and tell.' Women around the world are given that responsibility. May the Lord strengthen and empower you as you carry out His Great Commission."

## BSU Convention Planned For Oct. 26-27 In Jackson

The Tennessee State Baptist Student Convention will be held Oct. 26-27, at First church, Jackson, with "Living the Good News" as the student theme for 1973. Mike Pennington, state president, will preside along with Marion Arbuckle and John Shipp, both vice-presidents.

Seminars, Bible study, and special messages will highlight the convention this year, according to Glenn Yarbrough, state Student Department secretary.

Frank Stagg, professor of New Testament, Southern Baptist Theological seminary, will lead in the Bible study at each session. Bob Tremaine, pastor, Worcester church, Worcester, Mass., will speak on "Good News for Troubled Times;" and Don Bouldin, pastor of First church, Columbia, will speak on "The Good News."

Saturday morning seminars will explore "Discovering the Will of God," "How to Study the Bible," "How to Lead a Bible Study Group," "Determining Priorities," "Developing a Meaningful Prayer and Devotional Life," and "Coping with Drives, Depression, Loneliness, Failure."

Special musical groups and testimonies will be featured also.

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Spanish WMU president Mrs. Noemi Tejerina, wife of an active Baptist layman from Barcelona, delivering the presidential report on "Woman's Mission in the World," emphasized the importance of faithful witnessing at home, in the community and at church.

"Our personal testimony is made up of all that we are and all that we do," she said. "Our smallest attitude or personal trait may make or break our testimony. We are made to be beautiful in the Lord . . . We are all to be missionaries."

Personal testimonies highlighted the convention. One delegate told how she and her husband came to know Christ while working in Switzerland.

In addition to the permanent watchword, "Laborers Together With God," the Spanish women chose a scripture passage as their guide for the coming year.

"It seemed particularly appropriate that Daniel 11:32 should be chosen in the new day of more toleration for Baptist churches in Spain," said Mrs. Charles W. Whitten, Baptist press representative in Spain.

"The people who know their God shall prove themselves strong and shall stand firm." (Daniel 11:32, Amplified).

## Methodist Congregation Gets Ex-SBC President 'On Loan'

**WASHINGTON**—Brooks Hays, former president of the Southern Baptist Convention, has accepted a part-time, unsalaried position as "lay minister in residence" at the Capital Hill United Methodist church here.

The 75-year-old former Arkansas Congressman said, "I will remain as a Baptist and work on loan in my own neighborhood to establish pilot projects to meet community needs."

"As one deeply concerned with neighborhood problems—and Washington has them because this is part of the inner city—I started helping James Archibald, the young pastor of the Methodist church, and he asked me to give more time," Hays told Baptist Press.

"My pastor, George W. Hill of Calvary Baptist church, said he was glad to loan me for a while to this neighborhood church, which is just around the corner from my home," Hays explained. "But I will continue to teach the Vaughn Men's Bible Class at Calvary once a month as I have for years, and I will continue to support Calvary and contribute to it financially."

Hays said his increased commitment to ministry in the neighborhood where he has lived for 27 years is in "response to SBC President Owen Cooper's appeal for more volunteerism. I think this will support his wholesome emphasis on volunteerism in church work," Hays said. (BP)

## Brotherhood

### Tennessee Baptist Men Organize For Lay Witness

By Roy J. Gilleland,  
Brotherhood Secretary

One of the most significant steps taken at our State Brotherhood Officers Meeting, Sept. 22, was the decision to enlist Lay Witness Leaders in each region and association. This is in keeping with the revised program statement of the Brotherhood Department of the Tennessee Baptist Convention approved by the Tennessee Baptist Convention. This statement assigned additional responsibilities in the area of lay evangelism to the State Brotherhood Department.

Lay evangelism remains the responsibility of the Department of Evangelism under F. M. Dowell. The State Brotherhood organization in cooperation with the Associational Brotherhood Organizations is to serve in a supporting role to the Department of Evangelism in the area of lay evangelism.

The Superintendent of Missions, the Associational Chairman of Evangelism, and the Associational Brotherhood Director are being asked to enlist an Associational Lay Witness Leader for their association. These men will be given the best instruction possible to enable them to become effective in the sharing of Christ with others.

Another major responsibility of the Associational Lay Witness Leader will be to assist the Associational Chairman of Evangelism in promoting attendance at the Associational Evangelism Conferences and Layman's Night at the State Evangelistic Conference.

Every effort is to be made to involve and train the men of our churches in Christian witnessing and Christian growth.

## New Books

**Turn Over Any Stone** by Edna Hong, Tyndale, 192 pp., \$1.95, paper. The author questioned the goodness of God when she learned that her granddaughter was mentally retarded. After much searching for the answer to suffering—in Greek and Hebrew literature, in writings of Melville and Dostoevsky, and finally in the New Testament, she found a way of grasping by faith the love of God and the meaning of suffering.

**The Strong Name** by James S. Stewart, Baker, 260 pp., \$2.95, paper. A series of twenty-four sermons on the persons of the Trinity.

**Victory over the Devil** by Jack R. Taylor, Broadman, 134 pp. An adventure into the world of spiritual warfare.

**They Call Me Coach** by John Wooden as told to Jack Tobin, Word, 190 pp., \$5.95. Wooden found his inner strength in his deep faith in God and his love for his fellow-man.



Church Literature Prices  
Will Increase In April

NASHVILLE—Increased cost of paper, postage, printing, binding, packaging and shipping will raise prices of most Southern Baptist Sunday School Board church literature materials about five per cent next April.

“We want to give churches an opportunity to prepare for this in their 1974 budgets so we are making this announcement well in advance,” said board president, James L. Sullivan.

“In the past year we have been able to absorb a portion of cost increases,” said Allen B. Comish, director of the board’s church services and materials division. “Raising prices is never a pleasant experience.

“We had originally scheduled a price increase for October, 1973, but delayed six months,” Comish explained. “As a result, we have absorbed more than half the calculated 11 per cent increase allowed by the current Phase IV program of the federal government.”

All but three of the board’s 111 church literature periodicals, (More, Bible Reader’s Guide and Test Your Knowledge—Life and Work Series) will be affected by the price increase, with the majority receiving a one to four cent increase, Comish said.

Due to paper shortages, all major grades of paper used by the board have increased in cost by 18 to 21 per cent in the last year, said John O. Jackson, manager of the procurement department. At the same time, printing, binding and typesetting costs have risen approximately seven per cent.

Paper industry publications generally attribute increases costs to increased demand, shortage of pulp, pollution controls and increased costs of fuel, freight and labor.

Reportedly 66 paper manufacturing machines were closed in 1972 because of high costs of pollution abatement. Estimates indicate the industry will spend over \$500 million for pollution controls this year and a similar amount in 1974.

In addition to the paper crisis, postage increases have added to the Sunday School Board’s publishing costs. “Second class postage has risen 12.5 per cent over last year,” said H. S. Simpson, materials services department manager.

“The board mails approximately 14 million pounds of materials each year, of which 12 million pounds require second class postage.

“The cost of packaging materials has risen 25 per cent while other transportation costs of shipping materials have risen 10 per cent, Simpson said.

Increased prices of all church literature materials for the April, 1974, quarter will be listed on the Church Literature Order Form for the January, 1974, quarter. (BP)

FORMER PASTORS’ WIFE  
DIES IN MEMPHIS

Mrs. Pearl Cude Rhodes, wife of Otey Rhodes, former pastor of Baptist churches in West Tennessee, Fulton in Lauderdale County, Brownsville, Oakland, and Weakley County, died Sept. 15 in Memphis. She was 71.

A native of McNairy County, she and her husband were members of the Bellevue church in Memphis where the funeral was conducted. Burial was in Memphis Memorial Park Cemetery.

FLAT MOUNTAIN PASTOR  
DIES IN AUTO ACCIDENT

J. V. Angel, 72, pastor of the Flat Mountain church near Dunlap, was killed in an automobile accident Aug. 23.

He had been active in the Sequatchie Valley Baptist Association and had preached in over 100 churches in Tennessee, Georgia, and Alabama.

Funeral services were held at the Flat Mountain church. His widow, Mrs. Grace Angel, resides near Dunlap.



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# WHAT IS WITNESSING?

By W. R. White  
Baylor University, Waco, Texas

## Focal Passages Acts 6:3; 8:26-40

The predominant connotation in the New Testament for the word, witness, is martyr. Early Christians risked their lives when they dared to witness for Christ.



White

Real witnessing is not easy, even in a country where we have religious liberty. There is an element of courage and self-denial necessary.

A material witness in the courts comes under severe scrutiny and cross examination every time. His character and integrity must be above reproach. It may not be so obvious for a Christian witness but the world critically observes the strong witness for Christ.

There is great need for consistency in the life of a witness for our Lord. Sometimes one's life is the greatest witness.

Word of mouth can be very effective. It is expected by our Lord. Such witnessing should be saturated by the Word of God. It should be empowered and directed by the Holy Spirit. A seemingly poor effort can be very dynamic. Do not be afraid to begin. If it is from the heart and has the ring of reality, God can use it.

## Filling of the Spirit Imperative Acts 6:3

The seven selected to solve a problem in the early church in Jerusalem are often referred to as deacons. At least two of them came to be dynamic witnesses. They were men of good report and full of the Holy Spirit.

Barnabas was referred to as a good man full of faith and the Holy Spirit. Following this observation we have these words, "and many people were added to the Lord."

## Divine Leadership Required Acts 8:26-30

The Lord has led Philip to Samaria where a great revival sprang up. Yet in the midst of this the Spirit directed him to leave this great spiritual awakening and go south into the desert. He found an Ethiopian official reading Isaiah, 53rd chapter. He was on his way back to Ethiopia evidently. The Holy Spirit directed Philip to join him and

inquire of him if he could understand what he was reading.

## Human Assistance Needed Acts 8:30-40

It was discovered that he needed a spirit-filled child of God to assist him in interpreting the Holy Word. Philip took this passage and preached unto him Jesus Christ. He evidently explained the fifty-third chapter of Isaiah in the light of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus of Nazareth.

They came to a body of water and the Ethiopian Eunuch wanted to know why he could not be baptized. Philip told him that he could if he believed with all of his heart. He confessed his faith in Jesus the Son of God. Philip baptized him, going down into the water and coming up out of it together. Philip was caught up of the Spirit and the Ethiopian saw him no more for he was transported to another witnessing mission elsewhere.

It may seem strange that Philip was led away from a great revival in a populous center to a lone man in a desert, yet who can question the wisdom of God. Likely this mission of Philip introduced the gospel to the continent of Africa. Ethiopia covered a much larger area then than now and that country still is nominally Christian.

We need both mass and individual evangelism or witnessing. The strategy of the Lord is far greater than the tactics of man.

It was said of Philip, Stephen and the whole seven that they were not only filled with the Holy Spirit. They had spiritual insight and discretion. They did some very daring things but they were not blundering fanatics.

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By Jonas L. Stewart

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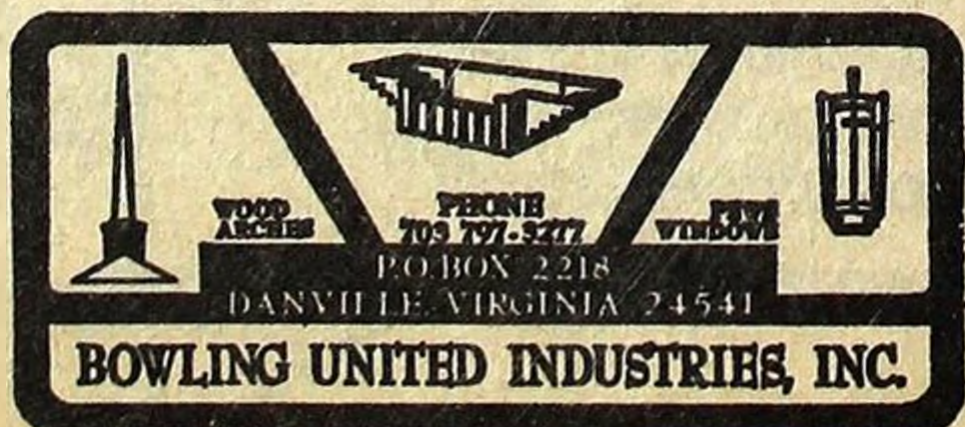
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# From the Executive Secretary

By Ralph E. Norton

It was my privilege a few weeks ago to bring the message on Sunday evening at the Inskip Baptist church in Knoxville and on the occasion of Robert A. Sanders' tenth anniversary as their pastor.



Norton

I have known Brother Sanders for several years and have followed his ministry with much appreciation. He has served his churches well and has contributed much time and ability to other areas of work by serving on various denominational committees.

The significance of this anniversary, however, was the unusual but generous gesture on the part of the members of the church, when they demonstrated their consideration for Pastor and Mrs. Sanders by giving them the equity in the parsonage, thus making it possible for them to purchase a home. A problem which could have developed later at Brother Sanders' retirement was averted because a congregation voted many years before retirement age to allow him to begin to provide for his own housing.

There are some occasions when a pastor prefers to live in a parsonage. Perhaps there are areas when the use of a housing allotment is less convenient. In instances of this nature, the church needs to realize that if they provide the pastor the use of a home in lieu of salary, they will ultimately own the house at the pastor's expense. Therefore, some extra salary consideration must be made, and the pastor should develop some savings plan of his own so that he can purchase a home when he retires.

The matter of housing for retired pastors is a serious one. Many are now facing critical problems as they endeavor to provide housing with limited resources during this inflationary period.

If you are involved as a deacon or layman with responsibility for making decisions or recommendations concerning your pastor's housing, wont you arrange to discuss this matter with your pastor? A suggestion from the church that he purchase his own house will meet with the approval of many fine pastors across our state who are already giving serious thought to providing adequately for their future housing when retirement age arrives.

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### First-Born Has Best Chance Of Going To College

It's the eldest—not the only—child who has the best chance of graduating from college, a survey of 8284 British university graduates suggests.

Seventy percent of the 8284 were the first-born in their families according to Anne Poole and Annette Kuhn, who conducted the study, "In general, the development of the first child is more rapid and more geared to achievement than that of his or her brothers and sisters," they hypothesize.

What about the "only" child, who would seem to be the most likely candidate for a college diploma? "Though the bulk of previous research has consistently pointed to the educational advantages enjoyed by only children, these children run the risk of being smothered by their parents and by a lack of impetus of rivalry from brothers and sisters," noted Kuhn and Poole. The more affluent the parents, the more likely this will happen.

### Doctor Prescribes Prayer As A Partner Of Medicine

Dr. Edward Aubert, a British physician for more than 30 years, has urged a renewed partnership between religion and the medical profession in treating the sick.

Aubert said that modern medicine has become "too materialistic" and treats people as if they were mechanical entities, instead of living souls.

Resident physician at the Dorothy Kerin Home of Healing, a center for spiritual and physical healing in Kent, England, Aubert said that after 20 years as a family doctor and 11 years spent in a place where prayer and medicine have been combined, he had had a chance to observe the difference. The British doctor said there should be no rivalry between medicine and spiritual healing. Both stem from God, the source of all healing, he added.

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The T. E. L. Sunday School class of the Baptist church in Humboldt was making quilts for the Tennessee mountain schools. Under the guidance of Mrs. H. N. Thorp, class secretary and W.M.S. corresponding secretary, the quilts were given to schools and to students coming into the schools.

#### 20 YEARS AGO

A native Tennessean returned to the state when First church, Maryville called Brooks Ramsey as pastor. He came to Tennessee from the Galena Park church in Houston.

The Eastwood Baptist church in Nashville, organized earlier that summer, bought a building to hold worship services. They had 68 charter members with 14 additions the first Sunday.

#### 10 YEARS AGO

Members of the Oakwood church, Knoxville, honored Mrs. W. A. Nelson for serving over 35 years as choir director for the church. She was honored on "Roxie Nelson Day" and said that she planned to continue serving her church as president of the WMU and Sunday School teacher.

An editorial urged Tennessee Baptists to "know the Day, know the Bible, and know what stand to take in the face of evil." The editor cited a Christian's firmness of faith as its chief asset.



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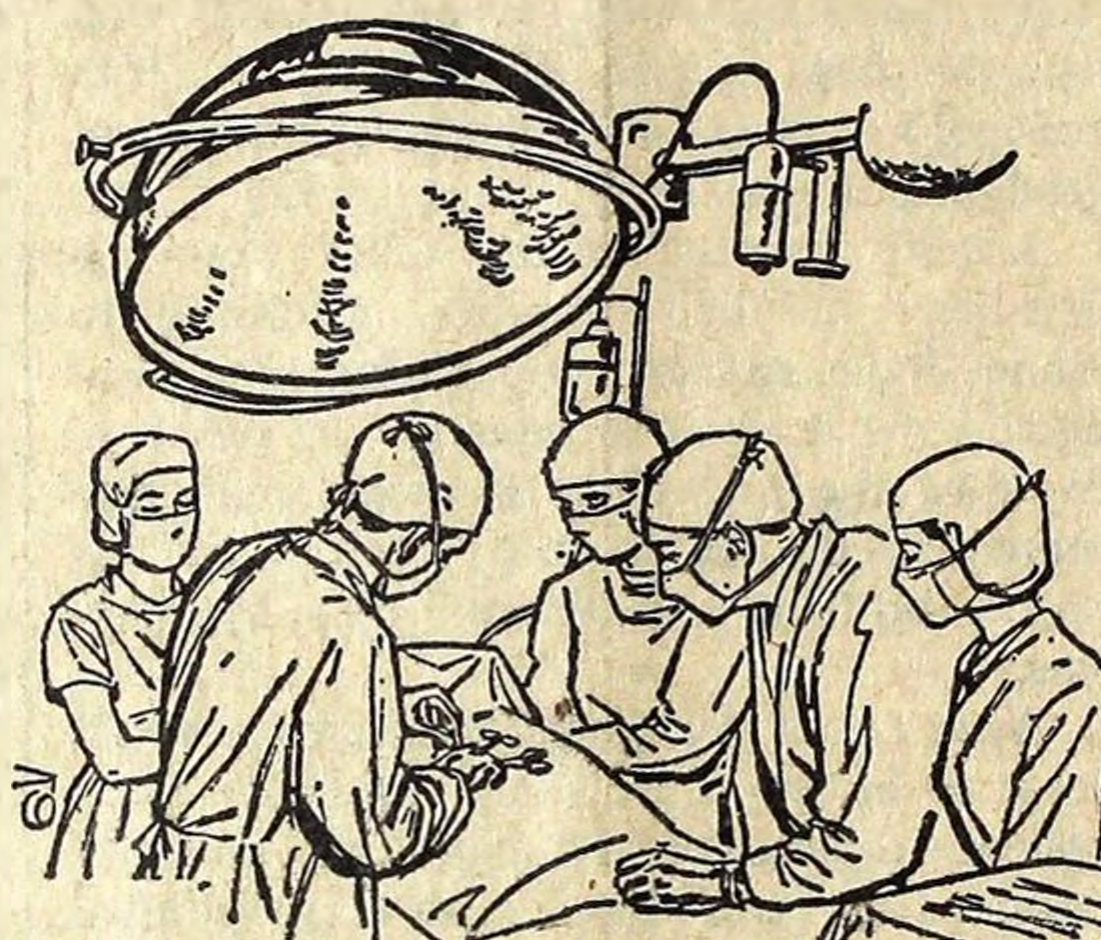
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### Bible Nuggets

### Fleeing From God

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But Jonah rose up to flee unto Tarshish from the presence of the Lord, and went down to Joppa (Jonah 1:3, KJV).

Jonah was not the first nor the last person to attempt to flee from the presence of God. You have doubtlessly heard preachers, and possibly missionaries, tell how they fought against the Call of God. Some, in seeking to get away from God, wandered far into sin.

The attempt to get away from the presence of God has not only been the experience of some preachers and others in church-related vocations; many of us in our own way and for our own reasons have attempted to flee from the presence of God. It may be that we were afraid of his presence because of some sin that had come into our lives and defeated us. We were very uncomfortable in the presence of the holy God. Or, we may have known that he wanted us to do something that we were unwilling to do, or we may have had some hurtful habit that we knew God wanted us to give up and we wanted to hold onto it.

Many of us have discovered over and over again, as was true of Jonah, that we cannot escape the presence of God. Jonah could get on a ship bound for Tarshish but God was on the ship with him. He might be thrown overboard into the sea, but God was there with him. God was even present with Jonah in the belly of the whale. Jonah could not get away from God. Many of us have discovered that wherever we may flee God is there.

How much better it would have been for Jonah to have accepted God's commission and to have been the willing agent of God in delivering his message to Nineveh! So it is with us; we cannot escape his presence. Why should we attempt to do so?

**KAMPALA:** The government of Uganda banned the Jehovah's Witnesses and ten other Christian sects in June. They were described as being "dangerous to peace and order." The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Kampala supported the move and stated that if certain sects were found to be "subversive" they should be banned in the "interests of the nation."