

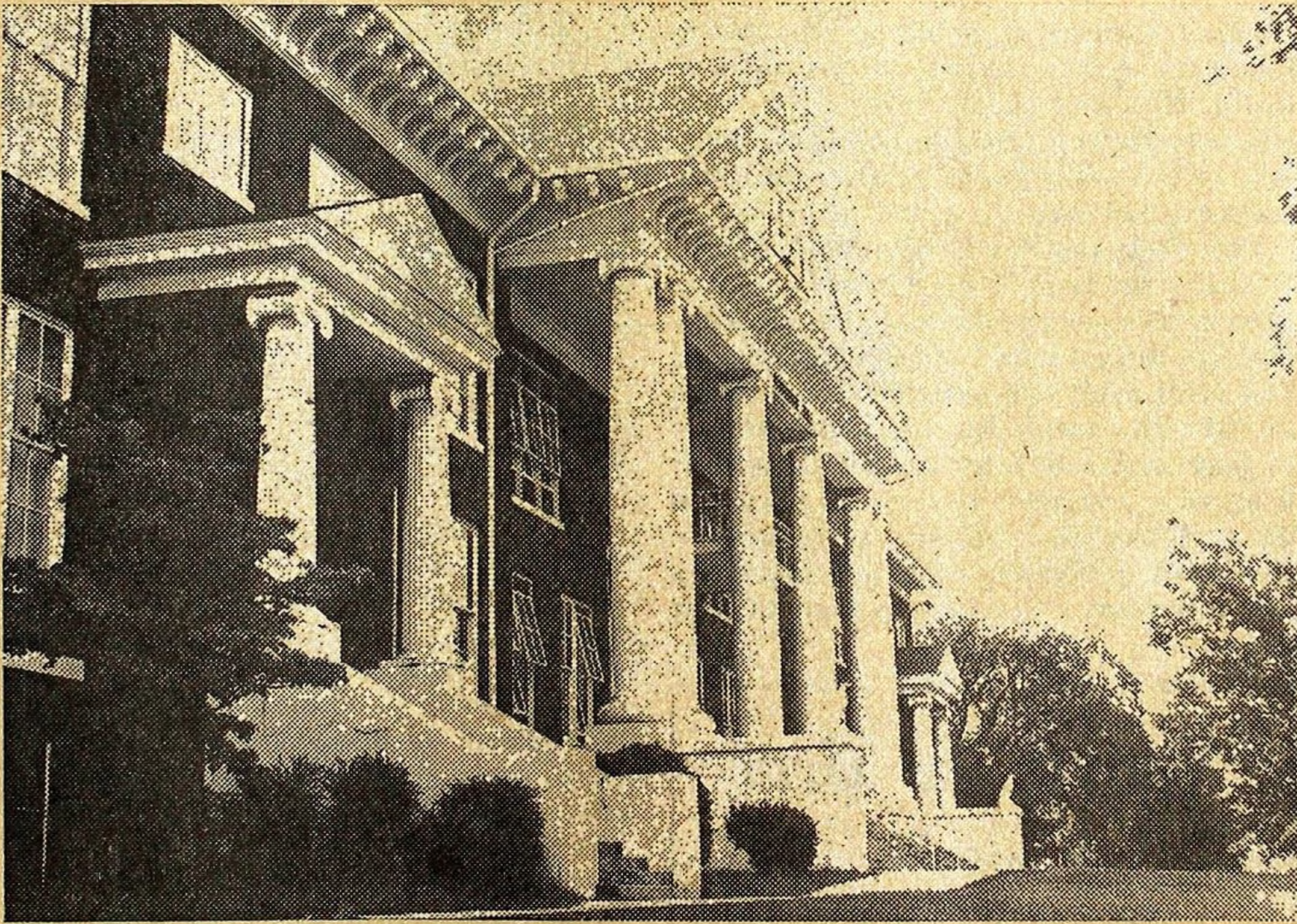
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Historic Building Destroyed

Carson-Newman College Building Leveled By Fire Last Week



Henderson Hall, constructed in 1919 on the Carson-Newman College campus, was completely destroyed by fire in the early morning hours, Wednesday, Jan. 16. Replacement of the historic landmark is estimated at approximately \$2 million. Arson is suspected in the tragedy which struck the East Tennessee Baptist college.

Commenting on the loss, Carson-Newman president John A. Fincher, stated: "This tragedy started a shock wave that has spread to alumni and friends throughout the area. The students and faculty have volunteered their efforts to overcome the inconvenience of temporary quarters and loss of resources to meet their classes while maintaining the strong academic program." Fincher went on to say that the prevailing attitude is a combination of cooperation and optimism and envisions a new landmark to embody the tradition of the college.

The facility contained approximately 48,000 sq. ft. of space and housed faculty offices and the departments of English, speech, drama, religion, and foreign languages.

Henderson Hall, before being completely converted to a classroom facility, served many years as the administration building

of the college.

According to Carl Tipton, director of public relations, the fire began some time around 1:30 a.m. Fire units from Jefferson City and Morristown battled the blaze until after 8:00 a.m.

Academic dean Walter Guyton stated that classes scheduled to be held in Henderson Hall will meet at First Baptist Church in Jefferson City, the Language Laboratory in the Learning Resources Center, and Dougherty Science Center.

Tipton reported that many of the Carson-Newman students aided in fighting the fire. The financial loss was covered by insurance.

Architects had recently completed the preliminary plans to renovate the historic structure. In 1968, Gentry Auditorium in Henderson Hall had been renovated at a cost of approximately \$200,000. The structure had been erected originally as a memorial to John T. Henderson, former teacher, president, and trustee (1892-1903).

At this time it is impossible to estimate the individual losses suffered by members of the C-N faculty who had their personal libraries, lectures, sermons, scholarly research, and other mementos in the building.

Sunday School Workers Seminar Set For Mar. 23

A one day Bible Teaching Institute for Sunday School workers in every age group will be held on the Carson-Newman College campus, Mar. 23. The institute will be one of three similar sessions offered throughout the state, according to Wendell Price, state Sunday School director. The two additional institutes will be held at Belmont College on May 4 and Union University, May 11.

Program personnel for the institutes include: D. Lewis White, bus outreach consultant, Sunday School Department, Baptist Sunday School Board; Patsy Driggers, consultant, pre-school work, BSSB; Mrs. Aubrey Hearn, consultant, pre-school work, Baptist Sunday School Board; Mrs. Eldon Boone, interim director of children's work, Tennessee Baptist Convention; Al Brewer, Sunday School Department, BSSB; Tom Clark, editor, youth materials, Sunday School Department, BSSB; and James Fitch, supervisor, young adult section, Sunday School Department, BSSB.

The institute in Jefferson City will open at 10:00 a.m. at First Baptist Church with White leading an in-depth Bible study.

During the afternoon session, pre-school and children's sections will explore the first unit in the April-June materials, and youth and adult workers will plan specific lessons.

Feb. 3 Designated BWA Sunday

Fellow believers over the world are being asked to pray for each other through intercessory prayer in a special emphasis on Sunday, Feb. 3. "Baptist World Alliance Sunday" will be observed on that day and this year's theme is "Reconciliation: God's Gift—Our Task," according to Robert S. Denny, BWA general secretary in Washington, D. C.

The BWA is the worldwide fellowship of Baptist believers. Within the BWA are 28,000,000 baptized believers in 95 Baptist conventions and unions in 75 countries.

The Alliance sponsors eight major programs of work: Communications; relief and rehabilitation; study and research; in behalf of religious liberty and human rights; evangelism and reconciliation; consultation and cooperation among Baptists; regional and worldwide meetings; and a program of lay development.

A Colony Of Heaven

By Herschel H. Hobbs

"For our conversation is in heaven."—Philippians 3:20

One must interpret this in the light of the political nature of the city of Philippi. The word rendered "conversation" is **politeuma** from the verb **politeuo** (note "politics"). It is used only here in the New Testament. Note the verb form in "let your conversation" in Philippians 1:27 (see also "lived" in Acts 23:1). These are the only uses of this verb in the New Testament. The use of the Moffatt translates this "We are a colony of heaven."

In the Roman empire as a reward for some signal service to Rome, certain cities were designated as Roman colonies. Philippi was such a city. Paul was proud of his Roman citizenship as were all Roman citizens who made up the nucleus of Philippi.

A Roman colony enjoyed certain privileges such as a degree of self-rule and freedom from certain taxes. But it also bore certain responsibilities. It was to help keep order in its area. But most of all its people were so to live as Romans that others would desire to be Romans.

It seems, therefore, that Paul drew a

parallel. As Philippi was a colony of Rome, a little bit of Rome set down in a hostile conquered area, so the church there was a colony of heaven, a little bit of heaven set down in a hostile world. By their very presence Christians should so live as to leaven the social order with the principles of Christ. Also they should so live as to lead others to desire to be citizens of the kingdom of God. Every local church, then, is a colony of heaven.

Paul notes that his readers "look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ" to come from heaven—the capital city of God's kingdom. To Roman citizens in Philippi it would be a great event if the emperor from Rome should visit them. Likewise, Christians are to look expectantly for a visit from their King when He returns in great glory and power. When He comes He should find His colonies faithfully serving Him and giving a heavenly witness to others by their manner of life.

Devotional

The Word Of Faith

By W. Wayne Allen, Pastor
East Park Baptist Church, Memphis

"The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed." Matt. 8:8

The centurion sensed the power that resided in the Word, when he so boldly broke the customary idea that the physical presence of the Saviour was necessary, and suggested that He need not come in person to his home, but just speak the word and his servant would be healed. It was a penetration into the secret of faith which thrilled the Saviour and brought those words of highest commendation to His lips: "Verily I say unto you, I have not found so



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great faith, no, not in Israel."

The Lord Jesus Himself revealed the secret of faith in that important record of His conversation with His disciples after the fig tree incident (Mark 11:12-24). In this incident, Jesus pointed out that He Himself was using the word of faith and that the disciples ought to do the same. When Peter commented on the withered fig tree to which Jesus had said the day before, "No man eat fruit of thee hereafter forever," He told them to "have faith in God" and they could do the same. In other words, the way He performed His miracles was by this word of faith, which they could use just as much as He; but He then went on to make clear that it was a spoken word of faith and not just an aspiration, request or hope for they were to say to a mountain, "Be thou removed," and not to doubt in their hearts and they would have whatsover they said.

If it is asked why there must be such emphasis on the spoken word of faith, the answer may be partly beyond our reach. Faith must reach out and take the promise and the public evidence of such taking is the spoken word of faith.

ROSARIO, Argentina—A record 333 women attending the Argentine Woman's Convention here were informed that the goal for their annual offering had been exceeded by more than \$1,000. Mrs. William Cooper, missionary to Argentina who will be retiring next year, was recognized for her years of service, and a plaque given by the women for the grave of Mrs. Luisa Hawkins, a Southern Baptist missionary to Argentina who died a year ago, was unveiled.

Pulpit To New

By Jim Griffith

A vast misunderstanding of what our true problems are contributes to the misery of our day.

For example, our real problem is not the generation gap, but the regeneration gap. And our urgent need may not be so much getting Bible reading back in the public schools, but getting it read daily in the homes.

Adding to our misunderstanding of our problems is the fact that we no longer want to "call a sin a sin." New words are used for old wrongs: thieves are embezzlers, adultery is an affair, drunkards are alcoholics, and murderers are labeled "temporarily deranged."

Moreover, we may think we have the answer to the problem when, in reality, we can be the problem. I recall the old lady who kept her seat as the slowly moving congregation passed out of the church. She said, "You know, if everyone else would only do as I do, and sit quietly until everyone has left, there wouldn't be such a crush at the door."



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Structure Committee Seeks Stronger SBC Seminaries

By W. C. Fields

Director, Baptist Press

NASHVILLE—Six Southern Baptist theological seminaries, which account for 15 per cent of the total students in accredited seminaries of all kinds in the USA, are asked by a Baptist study just released to gear up for even greater productivity.

The "Committee of Fifteen," which has spent nearly four years examining the national agencies of the Southern Baptist Convention, will submit its recommendations and observations to the SBC Executive Committee when it meets here Feb. 18-20.

E. W. Price, Jr., of High Point, N.C., is chairman of the study group.

Enrollment in the six seminaries peaked at 5,826 in 1957-58, dropped to 4,932 in 1966 and by Spring, 1973 had climbed back to 5,815, the report states.

Assets of the institutions jumped from \$27 million in 1957-58 to \$68 million in 1972-73, with endowment more than doubling to \$22 million in the same period, according to the study.

Improvement of Education

Pointing out that since 1946 more than \$36 million in Cooperative Program (SBC unified budget) funds have gone into capital projects for the schools, the committee asks that educational objectives for the next decade major on improvement of education rather than on building construction.

The 129-page report asks seminary trustees to build "only what is absolutely necessary" and recommends that development programs major on raising money for endowment and student aid.

The study asks the SBC Executive Com-

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the third in a series of four articles on the Committee of Fifteen report.

mittee and seminary trustees to approve its suggestions that seminary charters be changed and other necessary steps be taken to allow the schools to charge tuition, to charge larger fees for all degrees beyond the master of divinity level and to provide private instruction in such subjects as music and speech on a cost payment basis.

The study states that all six seminaries should continue to grant doctor of ministry degrees in keeping with requirements of the American Association of Theological Schools.

It concludes, however, that not all the schools should attempt to offer advance teaching type degrees, like doctor of philosophy, doctor of theology or doctor of sacred music.

Graduates Expected to Serve Baptist Causes

The report reaffirms a traditional policy that students are expected to serve Baptist churches or the denomination in full-time employment.

It cautions against accepting students who would "seek to upgrade their public school professional standings by acquiring denominationally financed master's or doctor's degrees" for secular employment.

The committee report emphasizes the purpose of Southern Baptist theological education as providing insight and skill, leadership qualities and techniques, vocational commitments and "personal wholeness."

To achieve these ends, the six schools are asked to complete their work in long range planning requested by the SBC Executive Committee in September, 1971.

The study asks that seminary administration and faculties maintain an awareness of the importance of the Cooperative Program to Southern Baptist theological education and requests them to "be aware of the destructive power of negative criticism."

The study group presents specific recommendations to the SBC Executive Committee for formalizing and enlarging the informal Inter-Seminary Council of presidents, for improving services to non-degree students and for increasing financial support and usage of the Southern Baptist Seminary Extension Department.

The six seminaries jointly operate the Seminary Extension Department which provides continuing education opportunities for laymen and ministers.

Seminary Extension Important

The report adds, "The Seminary Extension Department is as fully important as any other area of seminary education."

In a related manner, the study asks approval of its recommendation that a 1977 deadline be set for improvement of enrollment, financial support and academic performance at the American Baptist Theological Seminary.

This predominantly black Bible college

in Nashville is operated jointly by the Southern Baptist Convention and the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc.

The study committee proposes that another evaluation of American Baptist Theological Seminary be made in 1977 to decide whether or not the SBC assets in this institution should be converted to other forms of assistance for black religious workers.

The Southern Baptist Convention, as a national body, operates seminaries, no colleges. The affiliated Baptist state conventions operate 55 colleges and universities, plus other schools.

One of the SBC agencies, the Education Commission, provides coordination and leadership for all of these Southern Baptist institutions. The study says of the commission that its "accomplishments have been substantial."

Baptist Colleges To Aid In Support of Education Commission

A recommendation from the study committee asks the commission to move toward a goal of half of its financial support coming from the Baptist colleges by 1980, since they are the main beneficiaries of the commission's services.

The report also suggests that some materials provided by the Education Commission and some services, such as teacher recruitment, be made available to the colleges on a cost basis.

Seminary Enrollment Increased

The report of the Committee of Fifteen, an Executive Committee subcommittee, points up the fact that enrollment in the six seminaries has doubled since World War II. The ratio of students to SBC churches likewise has increased from about one to eleven in 1946 to about one to six in 1972.

Between the 1960-61 seminary term and the 1972-73 term the proportion of theology students declined about six per cent, while the proportion of religious education and church music students increased four per cent and two per cent respectively.

In 1972-73 there were 3,737 theology students (69.55 per cent of the total), 1,196 religious education students (22.26 per cent), and 440 church music students (8.19 per cent). The schools also reported 485 non-degree students in '72-'73, a considerable decline from the 912 enrolled in 1960-61.

Salaries Below Average

The study indicates a significant improvement in seminary faculty salaries in the last 15 years, but stresses that they are still below the average for other seminaries of comparable size.

Cooperative Program allocations to seminary operating budgets were up to \$6,575,373 for 1972-73, an increase of 184.65 per cent over 1957-58.

The Committee of Fifteen study is the
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A. E. Batts Re-elected Foundation Trustee Chairman

By David Keel

A. E. Batts, Nashville Banker, was re-elected chairman of the Board of trustees of the Tennessee Baptist Foundation during the group's annual meeting Jan. 17 in Brentwood. Jonas L. Stewart serves as executive secretary-treasurer of the Foundation.

Other officers elected to serve with Batts were: Thomas Pope, pastor, First Church, Somerville, vice chairman; William E. Crook, Nashville businessman, second vice chairman; and C. Leroy Norton, Jr., Nashville banker, secretary.

John O. Ellis, a Nashville bank trust of-

ficer, was elected chairman of the Foundation Investment Committee during the meeting. Other committee members elected were Jack Wyatt, Nashville banker, and Batts.

Ralph E. Norton, executive secretary-treasurer, Tennessee Baptist Convention, addressed the trustees during a luncheon following their meeting.

Retiring trustees recognized during the luncheon were Homer H. Waldrop of Jackson, who was unable to be present, and George W. Logan of Nashville.

In his sixth annual report to the trustees, Stewart said that total assets of the Foundation are at \$6,218,190.68. He also noted that, during the past year, the Foundation advised with clients or were otherwise informed of 70 wills and trust agreements prepared "that will provide funds for the Lord's work by using our services as trustee."

Stewart continued by saying that since the Foundation was chartered in 1938 income distributed to all causes stands at \$3,076,972.23. From 1968 through 1973 the Foundation has distributed \$1,612,492.64.

In pointing to Estate Assets, Stewart indicated the value of those coming to the Foundation through wills during the past year: Eugenia Rhodes estate, \$29,000; O. L. Holley estate, \$25,412; Erma H. Ewing estate, \$3,390; and the Della Mae Ray estate, \$1,305. The executive secretary-treasurer indicated further that other assets of \$262,795.97 were added to 99 existing trust accounts.

Income paid out by the Foundation dur-



Jonas L. Stewart, right, executive secretary-treasurer, Tennessee Baptist Foundation, presents plaque to retiring Board of Trustee member George W. Logan of Nashville during the group's Jan. 17 meeting in Brentwood. Not present for picture was retiring member Homer H. Waldrop of Jackson.

ing the year was noted and that paid in 1972 indicated in parentheses: Cooperative Program, \$76,844.56 (\$71,977.03); State Missions—miscellaneous to the Executive Board, \$10,493.72 (\$10,213.86); Schools, \$209,292.87 (\$100,620.82); Children's Homes, \$9,318.11 (\$7,556.93); churches and individuals, \$34,782.39 (\$29,429.58); and other causes, \$35,613.53 (\$24,316.78).

Stewart also told the group, "There are assets held which, because of the nature of the trust or investment, do not produce income for us at the present time. Other assets with low yield have come to us from various sources which also reduce the average yield on total assets. Average yield on the pool fund was 5.62 percent. Average yield on total assets held was 6.06 percent. These averages do not include any capital gains distribution.

'The Living Bible' Was Best Seller In '73

The best-selling book of 1973 was not a sex book. It was not a diet book. It was a Bible—**The Living Bible**, to be exact. Although sales records indicate that the book-buying public bought millions of diet and sex books, **The Living Bible** was the No. 1 hardback best seller as it was in 1972.

Seven million copies of **The Living Bible** were sold during 1973, according to Kenneth Taylor, president of Tyndale House—the publisher.

The total sales since the paraphrased Bible was first published in late 1971 is 13.33 million volumes.



Jonas L. Stewart, executive secretary-treasurer, Tennessee Baptist Foundation, gives his sixth annual report to the Foundation's Board of Trustees during the group's annual meeting on Jan. 17 in Brentwood. Seated to Stewart's left is A. E. Batts of Nashville, reelected chairman of the trustees.

WMU, Baptist Leaders Pay Tribute To Alma Hunt

BIRMINGHAM—Alma Hunt, who will step down Oct. 5 after 26 years as executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Woman's Missionary Union, was honored here by the WMU's executive board and leaders of Baptist agencies.

Miss Hunt was hailed at a dinner attended by nearly 400 persons as a leader of integrity, courage, love, principle and competence. She has headed the woman's auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention longer than the chief executive of any other SBC-related agency.

The WMU executive board's finance and personnel committee is seeking Miss Hunt's successor and will possibly report its nominee at the board's next scheduled meeting, June 8, before the WMU annual meeting at the Southern Baptist Convention in Dallas, according to Mrs. R. L. Mathis, WMU president. The board will elect Miss Hunt's successor.

Among speakers honoring Miss Hunt were Owen Cooper, SBC president; Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary of the SBC Foreign Mission Board; Arthur B. Rutledge, executive director of the SBC Home Mission Board; V. Carney Hargroves, president of the Baptist World Alliance; Porter Routh, executive secretary-treasurer of the SBC Executive Committee; and Mrs. L. S. Casazza, president of the North American Baptist Women's Union.

They cited her leadership as a major factor in SBC growth in home and foreign missions and in giving to the Cooperative Program and special mission offerings and praised her overall contributions to worldwide Baptist efforts.

Since she came to Birmingham in 1948, giving to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for home missions has increased from \$684,000 to \$6,884,000 and giving to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for foreign missions has increased from \$1.6 million to



GIFTS OF APPRECIATION — Alma Hunt, left, executive secretary of Woman's Missionary Union, and Mrs. R. L. Mathis, WMU president, admire a collection of gold charms representing the state WMUs, one of the gifts presented at the appreciation dinner honoring Miss Hunt upon her retirement.

\$19.6 million. Both offerings are sponsored by WMU.

WMU enrollment increased from 875,000 to 1,125,000 during that period.

Miss Hunt is vice president of the Baptist World Alliance and has served on BWA commissions and committees continuously since 1950. She is a past president of the North American Baptist Women's Union.

Retirement gifts from the WMU executive board included a 1974 automobile, a

Belmont To Host Midstate Missionaries

Superintendents of missions of all Baptist associations in middle Tennessee have been invited to Belmont College for a special day in their honor Friday, Jan. 25.

Representing counties throughout the midstate area, the men will be introduced and seated on the platform during student convocation at 10 a.m. in Massey Auditorium. Rev. H. D. Standifer, superintendent of missions for the Duck River Association, Tullahoma, will address the group. Standifer is retiring in June.

Belmont President Herbert C. Gabhart and Assistant to the President Philip R. Pitt will co-host a meeting of the group at 11 a.m. in the board room of Williams Library. The associational missionaries will be luncheon guests of the college at noon in the school's private dining room.

trip to the 1975 Baptist World Congress in Stockholm, several pieces of furniture and a silver plate with an engraving of the WMU building, acquired soon after she became executive secretary.

The dinner concluded the WMU board's annual meeting with state WMU staff members for promotional planning. Earlier in the week, the WMU executive board adopted the dated WMU program plans for 1975-76 and refined the base design of the WMU program from 1975 on. (BP)



"THIS IS WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT"—(See Page 12)

—The letter from an Acteen who decided to become a missionary became Porter Routh's testimony of appreciation of Alma Hunt, at a dinner honoring her in the year of her retirement as Woman's Missionary Union executive secretary. Routh, executive secretary of the SBC Executive Committee presented the charmingly written letter in a gold frame to Miss Hunt in recognition of her leadership in missionary education. The letter was written by Katherine Williamson, an eighth grader in the Northside Baptist Church, Sumter, S.C.

Evelyn Strickland Earns Full Accreditation In PRSA



Mrs. Strickland is the professional distinction bestowed on public relations executives who have earned this hallmark.

The Public Relations Society of America designates as Accredited those of its members who have qualified for and passed both a seven and one-half hour written examination of the basic body of public relations knowledge and a three hour oral examination on their competency to apply that knowledge in the practice of public relations.

Mrs. Strickland, who has been in Public Relations work with the Tennessee Baptist Convention for eight years, is the first woman in the Tennessee Baptist Convention to receive accreditation and only the second woman in the Southern Baptist

Convention and its related institutions and agencies to earn the coveted accreditation in the prestigious PRSA the nation's top-ranked public relations society.

Formerly, Mrs. Strickland was an employee of the Sunday School Department of the California Baptist Convention and the Baptist Bookstore in Fresno, California.

She is the wife of W. Alvis Strickland, adult consultant in the Sunday School Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville.

STRUCTURE COMMITTEE

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first major structure evaluation of all SBC agencies and their total programs since 1958.

The 22 recommendations, 97 "concerns," and observations of the committee will be discussed at length by the SBC Executive Committee in its Feb. 18-20 meeting.

Most of the items approved in the report are expected to be passed on for the consideration of agency trustees. A few will go as recommendations to the June 11-13 meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Dallas.

The report was released by the Executive Committee to provide ample time for study before action is taken in February.

POWERLINE A Straight Line to Teens

Dr. J. P. Allen, Director, Audience Response

FRAUDULENT DISCHARGE PLAGUES CONSCIENCE

This was a heavy load for a 19-year-old to bear, and his decision had enormous possibilities. One of our goals is to prod youth to face up to realities and make right choices.

Last November I was discharged from the army. The problem is, I obtained the discharge fraudulently. Since then the guilt has grown to the point of making life unlivable. I have prepared a letter to be sent to the proper military department but fear prevents me from mailing it. I consulted my father, a retired officer, and he is opposed to that action. I am going to hold off until I receive a reply from Powerline. I know I cannot accept what I've done. Please help.

He need not have added he had an I.Q. of 172, but he did. I could tell it by his beautifully worded and neatly typed letter.

I am going to answer you in a personal way since I have had specific experience with this problem.

I agree that you must take the initiative and rectify the mistake. A lie is a kind of dragon that grows. You serve your conscience and moral integrity well by acting rather than waiting until caught and then reacting. But reconsider your strategy.

A letter to the military is thrown into channels, likely impersonal. But a face to face confrontation may produce quite another attitude. Recently a young woman in Washington filed false documents with a branch of the service. She came to me as counsellor and asked if I would go with her to make confession and seek restitution. In a sense I became a non-legal advocate for her. I was by her side as she told what she had done and why. Her subsequent behavior had demonstrated her trustworthiness and I could vouch for her acting on her own initiative. I conclude that this approach helped in the lenient attitude shown her. She was restored with only modest penalty.

If you can arrange such an intermediary, why not do so? Your pastor might be a good choice. The principle is sound. Recall that this is the way God has made redemption for us. His Son, Jesus Christ, stands by our sides as intercessor, and the Father is willing to forgive us because of the sacrifice of his Son.

POWERLINE is a 30-minute program for teens produced by Southern Baptist Radio-TV Commission and carried by 771 stations. Write for a station list, Box 12157, Fort Worth, Texas 76116.

Union To Host Bible Conference, March 11-13

The third annual Spring Bible Conference will be held at Union University, March 11-13, according to Lewis Sewell, dean of religious affairs, and coordinator of the event. Theme of the program will be "Holy Spirit, Faithful Guide." Sessions will feature study groups, musical presentations, and special worship programs.

Cal Guy, professor of missions, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, will serve as teacher of the New Testament studies. Pierce Matheny, professor of Old Testament, Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Mo., will lead the Old Testament studies. Adrian Rogers, pastor, Bellevue Church, Memphis, will deliver a message.

At the final session, Robert G. Lee, pastor emeritus, Bellevue Church, will deliver a sermon on "Holy Spirit, Faithful Guide."

More than 2,500 church workers and laymen from across Tennessee and from surrounding states are expected to attend, Sewell said.

Life In Christ

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

MEMORY VERSE: Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. John 14:6.

Background Scripture: John 14:1-7; 15:1-17
Scripture Lesson: John 15:1-11

The background scripture for our lesson today relates the succinct and pointed exhortations which Christ gave his disciples in the Passover Chamber and en route from there to the Garden of Gethsemane. There is an unusual accent to what he said as well as strong repetition for impression's sake. He is trying to drive home his utterances. He wants no misunderstanding. He speaks in firm, staccato tones.

Christ the Life

In the Passover Chamber, Christ foretells his coming for his own. This will be after he has prepared the place for his disciples. In no other utterance does he use the words, "If it were not so, I would have told you." (14:2) It is quite obvious that he doesn't want any questioning or doubt about the matter he is telling them. He expects acceptance without reservation. However, doubting Thomas throws out a question to which Jesus responded with pointed haste by claiming to be "the way, the truth and the life."

In a universe governed by infinite reason and righteousness, Christ provides the way by linking in himself in perfect union the highest truth and the noblest life. No mere man could dare say, "I am the life," or, "I am the resurrection and the life," unless he was the possessor of perfect spiritual life. Christ then is the source of all life, both then and now, here and hereafter.

As far as we can trace it, life always comes from life. Life that is Christian is always traceable to Christ. He communicates to others the life which he possesses. "Newness of life" and "abundant life" are likewise traceable to him. He is also the author of immortal life for "he has brought life and immortality to light by the Gospel."

Life in Christ

After making it quite clear that he is the source of spiritual life Christ then uses a parable to stress that the life which he gives should be lived in him. There are three distinct aspects, stages or segments to life in Christ: The natural relationship among the vine, branches and vinedresser; the fruit from the branches; and the importance of the continuing relationship.

The Relationship

Christ claimed to be the vine, the true

vine. His disciples, all men in Christ, are the branches; while the Father is the vinedresser. No branch can bear fruit separated from the vine. Vines need to be trimmed, pruned.

In claiming to be the true vine, Christ was stating that reality resided in him. He was stating that between him and the totality of them that hold him by faith, there is one life, passing ever from root through vine into branches. (All activity revolves around the vine: its health and strength and productivity.) In claiming to be the true vine he was destroying all concepts of other vines, false and misleading. Satan's specialty is counterfeit religion. People need to be made aware that all religion is not good, that religious people are not necessarily joined to the true vine.

God is the vinedresser, the husbandman. He plants the vine, cultivates and cares for it. He keeps the vineyard. He therefore has the right of pruning. Worthless branches of the vine are removed by the vinedresser and cast into fire for destruction. The ultimate purpose of the vinedresser through pruning is that the living branches of the living vine might bear fruit, and that worthless, dead branches might not hinder or harm the full productivity of the healthy branches. God still has that position in the vineyard of life. Empty, phony professions of belonging to Christ are a drag on the vine.

The disciples were the branches and even among the twelve there was one who betrayed him, a worthless branch, and others who bore fruit, for their lives were in him, the true vine.

Five times the words "abide in me" are used in the first ten verses of Chapter 15, and the word "abide" is used ten times in the same verses. The repetition is purposeful and significant. Christ and the Christian must never be separated. They must ever be a part of each other in words, thoughts and deed.

Fruit Bearing

The purpose of the relationship of the vine and the branches and the work of the vinedresser is that fruit might appear on the branches. Christians who abide in Christ and in whom Christ abides will bear fruit of a threefold nature. **First**, a Christian bears

William Jewell College Names First Woman Trustee

LIBERTY, Mo.—For the first time in the 125-year history of William Jewell College here, a woman is serving as a member of its board of trustees.

Mrs. Lavonne R. Rukin, president of the Industrial Fumigant Company, Kansas City, has been elected to a term to expire in 1976 on the board of the Southern Baptist school.

A native of Norfield, Miss., she is a graduate of Mississippi State College for Women, Columbus, Miss.

The Industrial Fumigant Company was organized in 1939 by Mrs. Rukin's late husband. The company has branches in Illinois, Oregon, Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas and Missouri, with a home office in Kansas City.

Besides Mrs. Rukin, 24 business, civic, education and church leaders of Missouri serve as members of the board of trustees of William Jewell College, Missouri's oldest four-year private college, founded by the Baptists of Missouri in 1849. (BP)

fruit when he brings others to Christ. Soul winning is fruit bearing. **Second**, a Christian develops his spiritual character in the bearing of the "fruits of the spirit." There are nine of these virtues mentioned in Galatians 5:22,23 such as love, joy, peace, patience, gentleness, faithfulness, goodness, humility and self-control. **Third**, those who abide in Christ have the promise that "ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you." (15:7). One might rightly say that these fruits comprise the abundant life.

Continuation Essential

Life in Christ is not a one-time harvest. The word "abide" is the same word used for "continue." As fruit trees bear an annual harvest, so is the Christian to "continue ye in my love," which is an act of unbroken relationship between the vine and the branches. As Christ abides in his followers through infilling them with his word, so his followers go on abiding in him by keeping his commandments. As fruit trees obey the natural laws of fruit bearing, so the Christian must obey God's commandment if he is to be fruitful. Obedience is the real test.

Jesus again comes back to his commandment of "love one another." This is the test of discipleship and when carried out it will produce much fruit. Then comes a beautiful note in the teaching of Jesus. He tells his disciples that henceforth he will not call them servants but friends. For he is sharing with them the secrets his Father tells him. As his friends, they are "in," "belonging to the fellowship," no longer strangers or outsiders. Fruit-bearing churches are made up of people who have real life in Christ, who love one another, who keep his commandments, who abide in him.

Tennessee News Briefs

Home concert by Belmont Reasons is scheduled for Friday night, Jan. 25, at 7:30 P.M. at Massey Auditorium, Belmont College under the direction of **Bob Molloy**, associate professor of music.

Bakers Grove Church, Nashville Association, ordained **Don Jones** and **William "Butch" McRay** as deacons. **Earl Hooper** is pastor.

Bruce Rogers and **Bobby Scoggins** were ordained as deacons at First Church, Bemis. **Pat Kough** is pastor.

Clint A. Oakley Jr., pastor of Mountain Terrace Church, Memphis, reported the ordination of **C. D. Hampton** and **Charles Chunn** as deacons.

Chestnut Grove Church, Bledsoe Association, ordained **John Sherman** and **Verner Draper** as deacons. **Forrest Creekmore** is pastor. **Draper** is treasurer of the church.

Lakeview Church, Nashville Association, ordained **Arnold Adkins** and **Bobby Brown** as deacons. **B. E. Rickman** is pastor.

David N. Young, associate professor of history at Carson-Newman College, has been elected to serve in an office of Phi Alpha Theta, International Honor Society in History. **Young** has been affiliated with the society for several years and in 1966 became the advisor of Carson-Newman's Theta Epsilon Chapter. He will serve a two year term as "councillor."

In Lawrence County Association, Beech Grove Church ordained its pastor, **H. L. Jackson**, into the gospel ministry; and Park Grove Church licensed **Bob Thomas** to preach. **Kenneth Brewer** is pastor of Park Grove Church. Meadow View Church held dedication services for a new educational building. The featured speaker was former pastor **Guy Burger**. Pine Grove Church ordained **Fred James** and **Ottis Freeman** as deacons. **Wayland Hartsfield** is pastor.

Deacons ordained in Holston Association recently included: **John Keesecker** at First Church, Erwin; and **Ronnie Williams**, **Wallace Ricker**, **Ivan Potter**, and **Bobby Hensley** at Greene Hills Chapel. **Melvin G. Faulkner** is pastor of the Erwin Church; and **Carlos Peterson** serves the Greene Hills Chapel Church.

H. Franklin Paschall observed his 18th anniversary as pastor of First Church,

Nashville. More than 6000 persons have united with the church since he began his ministry there.

Jimmy Duncan, **Jimmy H. Smith**, and **Randy Wilkerson** were ordained as deacons at the Richland Church in Nashville.

In Holston Valley Association, Big Creek's interim pastor, **Floyd Looney** was ordained to the gospel ministry by his home church, West View, recently. Shepards Chapel Church ordained **James Absher** and **Harold Powers** as deacons. **S. F. Way** is pastor.

An extensive remodeling program has been completed at the Clear Branch Church in Holston Association, according to Pastor **Eddie Roberts**. The program included both the sanctuary and fellowship hall which were redecorated with ceiling panels, folding doors, fluorescent lighting, and new floor covering.

William J. Purdue celebrated his 11th anniversary recently as pastor of First Church, Kingsport.

MISSIONARY NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Ned L. Duncan, newly appointed missionaries to Uruguay, have begun orientation and may be addressed at Box 535, Pine Mountain, Ga. 31822. He is from North Carolina, and she is the former Sandra Rhyne of Anderson County, Tenn. He was a pastor in North Carolina before their appointment.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert C. Sutton Jr., missionaries to Angola, have completed orientation and may be addressed c/o Dr. Grayson Tennison, Bombeiros Voluntario, Lote 119, 10-D, Lisbon 3, Portugal. He grew up in Asheville, N.C., and she is the former Virginia Cox of Washington County, Tenn.

Dr. and Mrs. Tucker N. Callaway, missionaries to Liberia, may be reached at the Baptist Training Center, P.O. Box 1778, Monrovia, Liberia. He is a native of Atlanta, Ga., and she is the former Elizabeth Clark of Tennessee. She was born in Nashville and lived in Chattanooga. He was a pastor in Kentucky when they were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1945.

Miss Anita Coleman, missionary to Japan, has arrived in the States for furlough. Her address is 414 N. Claybrook St., Apt. 1, Memphis 38104. A Tennessean, she was born in Buena Vista and lived in

LEADERSHIP CHANGES

Ricky H. Munn has accepted a call to serve as minister of music and youth at First Church, Gatlinburg, according to Pastor **Charles Maples**. A native of Mississippi, **Munn** is a graduate of William Carey College and has just received a Masters Degree in Church Music from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He is on the field this week.

Robert Shipe, former pastor of First Church, Blountville, is the new pastor of South Harriman Church in Harriman. A native of Corryton in Knox County, **Shipe** served the Blountville church for nine years and was pastor also at Blue Springs Church in Rutledge and New Hope Church in Knox County. He is married to the former **Mary Kathryn McCarter** of Knoxville, and has two daughters, **Trina** and **Debbie**.

E. J. Kearney, pastor of Highland Park Church, Texarkana, Tex., for the past five years, has accepted the call of Poplar Avenue Church in Memphis. Both he and his wife are natives of Tennessee. **Kearney** is a graduate of East Texas Baptist College and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He was listed in "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities."



Kearney

In Lawrence County Association, **James Knaves** resigned as pastor of Barnesville Church; and **Leo Bunt** resigned as pastor of Eva's Chapel.

R. B. Easterling has resigned as minister of music of Brook Hollow Church in Nashville. **John B. Daley** is pastor.

In Shelby County Association, **Jim Elder** is the new pastor at Victory Heights Church. He comes to Memphis from Windorn Church in Windorn, Miss. **Charles Dill** has been called as minister to youth at Broadmoor Church. A native of Memphis, he comes to the position from the pastorate of Sycamore Road Church in De Kalb, Ill. The new minister of education at Berclair Church is **Lewis E. Bratton Jr.**

the New Zion community near McKenzie. She was appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1962.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Donald Mantooth, missionaries to Israel, may be addressed at Box 0372, Hertzlia Bet, Israel. He was born in Blue Ridge, Ga., and lived in Tennessee. Before they were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1973, he was pastor of Beaver Dam Church, Knoxville:

Euting Resigns Board Post For Virginia Pastorate

NASHVILLE—George L. Euting has resigned as coordinated promotion planning coordinator at the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board to become pastor of New Bridge Baptist Church in Richmond, Va.

During five years as coordinated promotion planning coordinator, Euting worked with program committees of all Southern Baptist Convention agencies and relayed the yearly emphasis to the state executive secretaries.

Euting expressed regret at leaving the board. "Working at the board has been a pleasant and rewarding experience, but I feel God is leading me in this direction or I wouldn't be going," Euting said. "It was a very difficult decision and took intensive prayer."

The native Virginian is a graduate of the University of Richmond and earned the Th.M. degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth.

Prior to coming to the board, he was vice-president of Bluefield (W. Va.) College. He formerly served as program director for the Southern Baptist Brotherhood Commission in Memphis, Tenn., and as Brotherhood secretary for the Baptist General Association (convention) of Virginia. (BP)

WMU Sets Sunday Evening Session In Dallas June 9

Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, has slated a Sunday evening starting session for its annual meeting in Dallas next June, and has designated a headquarters hotel for WMU members.

Mrs. R. L. Mathis, Waco, Texas, president of WMU, said the missions program Sunday, June 9, will be WMU's gift to Baptists of the Dallas area to early convention arrivals.

"Several pastors in the Dallas area have expressed enthusiastic support for the unusual missions night we have planned," Mrs. Mathis said. The session will be held at 7:30 in the 10,000-seat arena of the Dallas convention center.

WMU had Sunday evening sessions last year in Portland and the previous year in

Philadelphia. Mrs. Mathis said that attendance at these sessions was outstanding but that a greater turnout is expected in Baptist-dominated Dallas.

Headline feature in Dallas Sunday night will be a commissioning service for new foreign missionaries conducted by Dr. Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board. The missionary appointees will bring personal testimonies.

Dr. Gardner C. Taylor, pastor of the Concord Baptist Church, Brooklyn, New York, will deliver the keynote address. Dr. Taylor's subject will be the theme for the WMU meeting, "Listen to Your World."

Dr. Taylor, a leader in the Progressive National Baptist Convention, is former co-chairman of the Baptist World Alliance Commission on Religious Liberty and Human Rights.

Soloists for the session will be Miss Irene Jordan, concert and opera star who has made frequent world tours for foreign missions, and Dr. Sidney Buckley, concert artist from Easley, South Carolina. The Joy Singers from Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene, Texas, will also perform.

Dr. George R. Beasley-Murray, professor at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, will be featured pianist. Dr. Beasley-Murray was a concert pianist before becoming president of Spurgeon's College in London. Dr. Joyce Jones, concert organist-in-residence at Baylor University, will be organist.

WMU will also have sessions Monday morning, afternoon, and evening. Plans for these programs will be announced later.

The Adolphus Hotel in Dallas has been named the WMU headquarters hotel. "This is the first time in several years that we have had a hotel adequate to be called the WMU headquarters," Mrs. Mathis said. "This year WMU members and friends can list the Adolphus as their first choice when applying for rooms."

Reservations should be addressed to the SBC Housing Bureau, 1507 Pacific, Dallas, Texas 75201.



Second Baptist Church, Knoxville, held special services recently to set the cornerstone of the new educational building now under construction. Pictured above are left to right: Thomas Gatton, pastor; Carey Crowe, minister of music; Ross Benson; O. K. McConnell; Ernest Sharp; T. R. Turner, Rodney Napier; Mrs. Charles Pebley; and Gerald Brown. The total cost of the building and furnishings will exceed \$340,000.

Race Relations Sunday, Feb. 10

Churches across the Southern Baptist Convention will observe Race Relations Sunday on Feb. 10, according to Floyd A. Craig, director of public relations, Christian Life Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention. The Commission sponsors this special emphasis.

According to Craig, the Commission is not providing packets of promotional material this year for the emphasis but suggests I John 2:9 be followed as the theme.

It is suggested that if Feb. 10 is not an appropriate date, churches choose a time which would best suit individual schedules.

The Changeless In A Changing World

By T. B. Maston

Professor of Christian Ethics, Retired
Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary

"Who made the Bear and Orion,
The Pleiades and the chambers of
the south" (Job 9:9, RSV)

Have you ever visited a place where you lived many years ago? If so, you were doubtlessly impressed with the many changes that had taken place. This was particularly true if that place was in a city. Just a few weeks or even a few days can mean noticeable changes in a city.

There are other changes in our contemporary world that are some significant than material changes. There have been, in recent years, rather drastic changes not only in styles of dress for both men and women; there have also been noticeable changes in life-styles. Some types of conduct formerly considered wrong are now rather generally accepted as all right. Such changes in moral standards and values are disturbing to most sensitive Christians.

It may be a source of encouragement to you, as it is to me, to go out into the night and look up at Orion, Pleiades, and the other constellations of the stars. Those constellations, along with planets and stars known by name, were there in the days of Job and Amos (see Amos 5:8).

Even more reassuring is to remember that back of Orion and Pleiades and explaining their unchangeableness is the changeless God who placed them in their places. He is the same yesterday, today, and forevermore. He is the great "I am."

Faith in the changelessness of much of God's creation and in his changelessness should help to stabilize our souls. Such a faith should give us quietness and peace in the midst of the changes and uncertainties of our world.

Missionaries In Bangladesh Aided By 'Baptist' Ducks

NOAKHALI, Bangladesh—A supply of "Baptist" ducks distributed to the people here by Southern Baptist agricultural missionary Carl F. Ryther might help alleviate some of the hunger in this densely populated district.

In this unique project, Ryther hopes to distribute a pair of highly productive ducks to each family in the district by 1976 so they can raise their own eggs and meat.

Missionary press representative Charles A. Beckett said the Thai-Khaki Campbell ducks which Ryther imported are excellent for egg production and have tremendous potential for helping to meet the nation's food crisis.

The government of Bangladesh has been encouraging citizens to plant fruit trees and raise poultry to help alleviate the critical food shortage. Ryther is an official agricultural consultant to the government.

Ryther says the ducks are a good type of poultry for the area because they produce up to 300 eggs a year and are less susceptible to diseases and more adaptable to wet weather than chickens. Because ducks are adaptable to water, there is a greater chance of their survival in a country which is struck by frequent tidal waves.

Ryther has named the project "Baptist Ducks" because Southern Baptist funds and Southern Baptist missionaries have been instrumental in helping the project get started.

Texas College Experiments With 4-Day Academic Week

BELTON, Tex.—Mary Hardin Baylor College here is doing its part to conserve energy.

The Southern Baptist school will change to a 4-day academic week in the spring to conserve fuel, according to Bobby Parker, president.

Classes will be held Tuesday through Friday, with Monday set aside for committee meetings, faculty sessions, conferences and lab work.

Night classes will be held in a centralized location to conserve electricity.

If the plan is successful, Parker said, it may be used next fall. (BP)

NBC And SBC Commission Schedule Joint Productions

FORT WORTH, Tex.—"Discovery," the first of several joint religious productions by the National Broadcasting Company and the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission will be shown Feb. 3 on NBC stations.

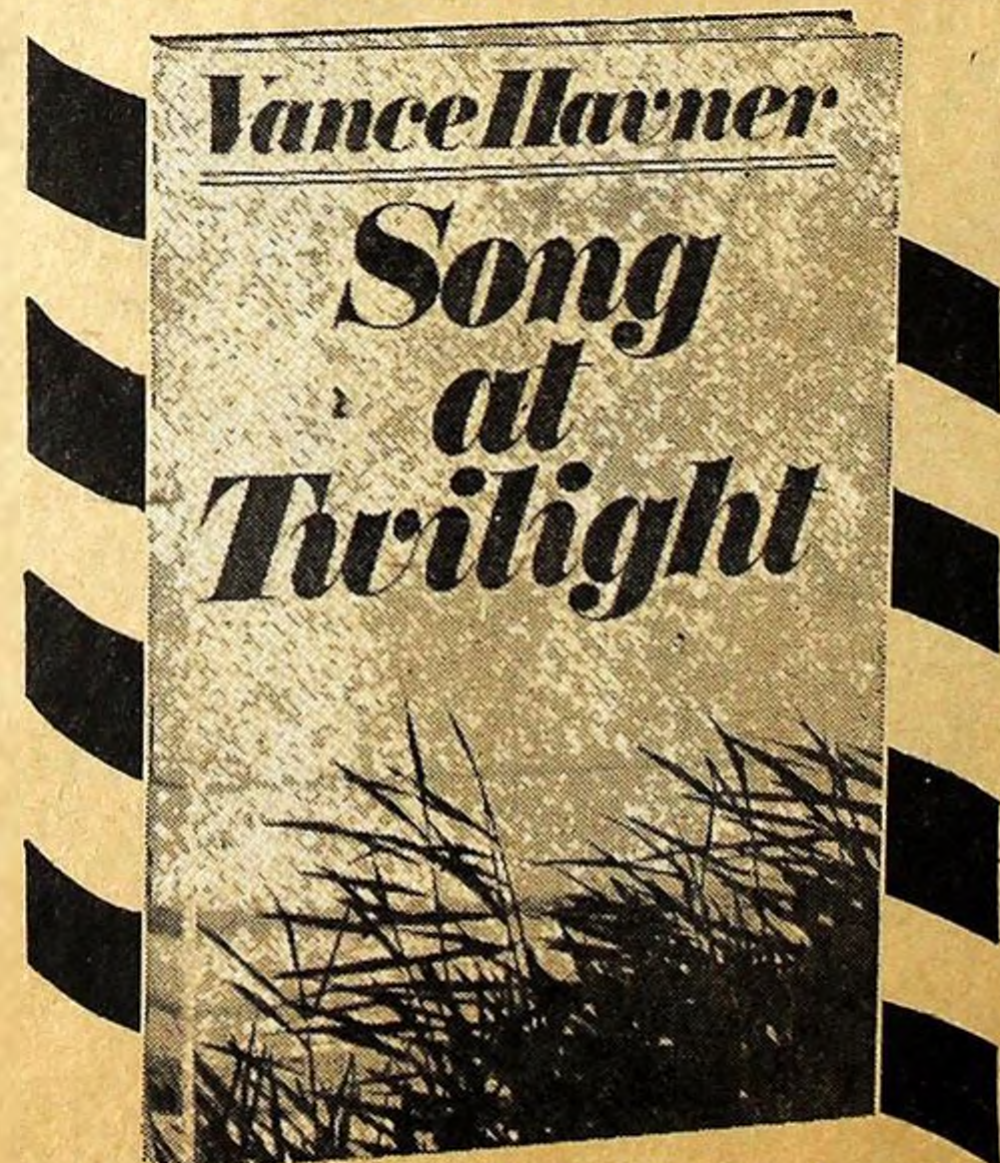
The hour-long special will feature historical sites in the Holy Land sacred to three major religions—Christianity, Judaism and Islam. Scenes include the desert areas through which Abraham and Moses wandered, Mount Sinai where the Ten Commandments were given to mankind, the caves of Qumran where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found, the Jordan River, the shores of the Sea of Galilee, the Mount of Olives, Calvary, the Masada where 960 Jews chose death over slavery and the Dome of the Rock in Jerusalem, sacred to Islam.

"Discovery" was produced by Doris Ann, director of religious programming for NBC, with photography by Joseph Vadala. (BP)

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Moral Leadership Question Skirted By Gerald Ford

By W. Barry Garrett

WASHINGTON—Vice President Gerald R. Ford skirted the problem of moral leadership by the Nixon administration during a question and answer session with Baptist college students during a student seminar on political involvement here.

Sixty-seven students from 40 colleges in 15 states attended the week-long seminar, sponsored jointly by the National Student Ministries of the Baptist Sunday School Board and the Christian Life Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The vice president, during a 35-minute appearance, was asked what he intended to do to bring back moral leadership for the United States by government officials.

Avoided Watergate Discussion

Avoiding a discussion of the Watergate scandal and the role of highly-placed government officials, Ford reminded the students that he had recently gone through two months of intensive investigation by congressional committees, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and others. "I come to the job with reasonably clean hands. That should help," he said.

Ford then said that much misinformation had been given out about moral standards in the federal government. While stating that he hoped all who are guilty of law violations in the Watergate scandal would go to jail, he said that there should not be a blanket condemnation of public officials.

Ford responded to a question on the need for election reforms in the light of Watergate and related scandals. He opposed (1) changing the term of office for U.S. representatives and senators, (2) changing the presidential term of office from four years and a maximum two terms to a single term of six years and (3) public financing of elections.

Other speakers during the seminar were not as cautious in their assessments of the moral leadership of the Nixon administration.

Brooks Hays, former congressman and former president of the Southern Baptist Convention, proposed an alternative to impeachment of President Nixon. He said that he would prefer that some way could be devised for the nation symbolically to say to the president that the time had arrived when he could no longer do the job and that he should resign.

There is a great tragedy in President Nixon's failure to exercise moral leadership which would have prevented such conduct in the White House, Hays said. "The element of consistency in the crimes connected with Watergate is that there was no

guiding principle in the lives of the men involved in the crimes," he said.

"Lord of Politics"

James M. Dunn, executive secretary of the Texas Baptist Christian Life Commission, declared, "If Jesus is Lord of all life, then he is Lord of our politics."

Dunn then charged the White House with committing "spiritual offenses, not just legal and ethical blunders. They are spiritual offenses against the spirit of the nation," he said.

"This is true," Dunn declared, "because democracy cannot survive long in a nation unless the majority voluntarily abide by the law, unless a substantial portion of the population is basically honest and unless a significant percentage of the people share the spirit of democracy."

At the seminar, coordinated by Nell Magee, a National Student Ministries consultant, the students worked in study groups on the political aspects of civil rights and civil liberties, the economy, national priorities and budget allocations, environmental concerns, family concerns and international relations and national defense.

Some of the colleges represented gave the

Spring Street Completes Last Scheduled Taping

NASHVILLE—The last scheduled taping of the evangelistic television program, "Spring Street, USA" was completed here in January.

No new taping is scheduled unless new funds become available, a Southern Baptist Home Mission Board spokesman said.

The eight half-hour shows taped here bring the total in circulation to 34, televised on stations across the nation.

Guest stars for the final eight shows included: Jeannie C. Riley, country singer; Paul Anderson, weight lifter; Noel (Paul) Stookey (formerly of Peter, Paul and Mary) and Gene Cotton, folk singer; Mary Costa, opera singer; Ray Hildebrand and Myrtle Hall, gospel singers; and William "Fishbait" Miller, doorkeeper of the U.S. House of Representatives.

The program is produced by the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission for the Home Mission Board. (BP)

students from one to four credit hours for work during the week, depending on the amount of work done, papers prepared and follow-up studies. (BP)

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'Whoever Reads This Letter Please Pray For Me'

By Catherine Allen

BIRMINGHAM—Thirteen - year - old Katherine Williamson of Sumter, S. C., got a new box of stationery for Christmas and sat down to write a letter to Nashville, Tenn. She had decided to become a missionary—perhaps to Hong Kong—and wanted some helpful literature. "I don't know who is going to read my letter," she wrote, "but whoever does, I hope you will please pray for me."

Little did Katherine know that her letter would be heard by almost 400 missions leaders and other guests at a retirement dinner in Birmingham, honoring Alma Hunt, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Woman's Missionary Union.

Porter Routh, executive secretary-treasurer of the SBC Executive Committee, received Katherine's letter and used it to pay tribute to Miss Hunt for leading WMU and encouraging mission volunteers in promoting missions and churches.

Katherine wrote the three-page letter on Christmas Day on her brand new girlish stationery, using bright red ink. Now it rests in a gold frame and will be hung in Miss

Hunt's home as a symbol of her work. The letter told how Katherine felt "God's call" on November 14 last year to be a missionary and of her decision announced at her church, Northside Baptist Church, Sumter, S.C., on Dec. 2. The decision came on the day Miss Zella Woody, state Baptist Young Women's director for the South Carolina WMU, spoke in her church.

Katherine credited her church and its Acteens (girls' mission education organization sponsored by WMU) for her decision. "I've got a great church with a great preacher (Robert F. Craig) and family. My Acteens leader (Mrs. R. F. Prichard) had a lot to do with my calling."

"This is what your work is all about," Routh told Miss Hunt. "It's about preachers and churches and calls to God's work and little girls who get a vision."

Katherine added a P.S. to her letter which seemed appropriate on the eve of Miss Hunt's retirement after 26 years of service: "Have a happy new year and many more to come." (BP)

Centennial Youth Music Festival Slated For March 15-16 At Murfreesboro

A state-wide "Centennial Youth Music Festival" will be held March 15-16 at the Murphy Athletic Center in Murfreesboro, according to Frank Charton, state church music director.

R. Paul Green, professor of choral music and chairman of the Division of Fine Arts at Houston Baptist College, will serve as all-state choral director; and Gerald Welker, director of bands and professor of music at Union University, will lead in band direction. Green served for four years as director of the Baptist Hour Choir and was choral and recording specialist at the Baptist Sunday School Board from 1960-63. He has held the position of minister of music in several Oklahoma and Texas churches.

A graduate of the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, New York, Welker has done post doctoral work in conducting with Roger Wagner at Westminster Choir College in Princeton, N.J. and in Vienna, Austria. His experience covers numerous appearances on records, in Broadway orchestras, as a solo recitalist, and concerts. He came to Tennessee in 1966.

Charton explained that the Church Music Festival is a musical program for Tennessee Baptist churches sponsored by the Church Music Department.

Twenty-six regional festivals will be held prior to the state festival, Charton stated, plus a handbell festival to be held at the TBC Building in Brentwood, Feb. 15-16. Each festival (except youth) will have both

adjudication and a joint worship service in which all choirs will participate. All youth regional festivals will feature a rehearsal time to work on the state-wide centennial festival selections.

Locations, dates, and times of festivals are listed below:

February 15-16			
Nashville—TBC Building	Handbell Festival		
February 21—Adult			
Chattanooga—Red Bank		7:30 p.m.	
February 23—Children			
Dayton—First		9:30 a.m.	
Younger Children			
Memphis—Raleigh		9:30 a.m.	
February 28—Adult			
Knoxville—First		7:30 p.m.	
Lebanon—First		7:30 p.m.	
Milan—First		7:30 p.m.	
March 1—Youth			
Memphis—Eudora		7:30 p.m.	
Pulaski—First		7:30 p.m.	
Kingsport—First		7:30 p.m.	
Alcoa—First		7:30 p.m.	
Jackson—First		7:30 p.m.	
Chattanooga—First		7:30 p.m.	
March 2—Children			
Dyersburg—First		9:30 a.m.	
Nashville—Crieveview		9:30 a.m.	
Rogersville—First		9:30 a.m.	
Tullahoma—First		9:30 a.m.	
March 7—Adult			
Sweetwater—First		7:30 p.m.	
Elizabethton—First		7:30 p.m.	
March 8—Adult			
Memphis—Ardmore		7:30 p.m.	
March 8—Youth			
Morristown—First		7:30 p.m.	
Union City—First		7:30 p.m.	
Goodlettsville—First		7:30 p.m.	
March 9—Children			
Crossville—First		9:30 a.m.	
Concord—First		9:30 a.m.	
Clarksville—First		9:30 a.m.	
March 9—Older Children			
Memphis			
Highland Heights (north)		9:30 a.m.	
Trinity (south)		9:30 a.m.	
STATE FESTIVAL			
March 15-16			
State-wide			
Centennial Youth Festival			
Murfreesboro-MTSU Murphy Athletic Center			

"Winter Workshops" Set At Conference Centers

NASHVILLE—Two "Administrative Services Workshops," conducted by the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board's church administration department, will be held at Glorieta (N.M.) and Ridgecrest (N.C.) Baptist Conference Centers in February and March, 1974.

The twin workshops are designed for ministers of education, church business administrators, food services personnel, church secretaries and church housekeeping personnel. One workshop will be held at Glorieta, Feb. 11-14, while the Ridgecrest workshop will be held March 25-28.

"This is the first time we have offered a conference for minister of education," states Reginald M. McDonough, administrative services section supervisor in board's church administration department. "Also, it is the first time we have conducted the winter workshop in Ridgecrest. This will be the third year it has been held at Glorieta."

The Bible study leader at Glorieta will be Roy L. Honeycutt, professor of Old Testament and Hebrew at Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Mo. Donald Ackland, writer of Sunday School Bible study materials and a retired editor of the board, will be the leader at Ridgecrest.

Personalities for the Glorieta workshop include: David Burhans, pastor of Weatherly Heights Baptist Church, Huntsville, Ala.; Margaret Jo Wise, financial secretary of College Baptist Church, Big Spring, Tex.; Orion Waters, food services supervisor at that conference center; and Homer Sutherland, Glorieta's supervisor of maintenance.

The Ridgecrest personalities are: Albert Cardwell, pastor of First Baptist Church, Macon, Ga.; Mrs. Joan McDonough, former church and legal secretary; and Mrs. Donald Ackland, food service director of Nashville's First Baptist Church.

Registration fees will be reduced when more than one person registers from the same church, according to Howard B. Foshee, secretary of the board's church administration department. Registration fees are \$20 for one person, \$10 for the second person from the same church and \$5 each for the third and fourth persons.

Hotel and meal rates are \$13 a day at Glorieta and \$12 a day at Ridgecrest. Reduced rates are available for multiple occupancy.

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ASSOCIATIONAL EVANGELISM CONFERENCE
DATES

By F. M. Dowell, Director

Sixty-six of the associations in the Tennessee Baptist Convention are making plans for an Associational Evangelism Conference. The purpose of these conferences is to help the churches in the local association to do a better job in evangelism. During this Centennial Year, we are having simultaneous revival crusades across our state. Preparation for and participation in the Centennial Crusade Revivals will be a vital part of the program for our 1974 Associational Evangelism Conferences.

Association	Chairmen of Evangelism	Date
Alpha	Carl B. Allen	February 11
Beech River	Wilford Hunter	February 11
Beulah	Gerald Stow	February 11
Big Emory	Herbert Lee	February 11
Big Hatchie	J. V. Reeves	February 5
Bledsoe	Richard Patton	February 11
Bradley	Marvin Gibson	February 4-5
Campbell	Don Reynolds	February 11
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Copper Basin	Ernest Arms	February 11
Crockett	Johnny Criswell	February 5
Cumberland	John D. Laida	February 12
Cumberland Gap	Johnny Niday	February 11
Cumberland Plateau	James McPherson	February 7
Duck River	Tom Madden	February 5
Dyer	Nick C. Harris	February 5
East Tennessee	Ralph Smith	February 4
Fayette	Thurman Shutt	February 4
Gibson	J. G. Wise	February 5
Giles	Clarence Stewart	February 7

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Thomas Mosley	February 4
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Leon Mayo	February 18
James Bond	February 11
Clarence Sexton	February 4
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Lamar O. Ball	February 11
Robert Benson	February 5
Don Bouldin	February 4
Jack Day	February 11
Hiram A. LeMay	February 4
Wayne Bassette	February 7
Ira B. Goad	February 11
John Crawford	February 5
Joe Cody	February 21-23
Albert Tipton	March 1-2
Lynn Marshall	February 4
Lester Flatt	February 18
John Adams	February 18
Bratton Tucker	February 11
Norman O. Baker	February 15
Donald E. Franks	February 11
John Budlong	February 18
Alfred Luffman	February 11
Quintin Rose	February 4
James Hutson	February 4
J. B. Morris	February 4
Lauren Atkins	February 11
Tommy Thompson	February 4
James Lindsay	February 12
Mike G. Davis	February 12
Noel Edwards	February 14-16
Kelley Carter	February 11
William Enoch	February 11

Bible-Preaching Conferences Scheduled At Conference Centers

NASHVILLE—A combination of the old and new will mark the Bible-Preaching Conferences to be held this summer at Glorieta (N.M.) and Ridgecrest (N.C.) Baptist Conference Centers, according to Howard B. Foshee, secretary of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board's church administration department.

Dates for the Glorieta conference are July 27-Aug. 2; while the conference at Ridgecrest will be held Aug. 10-16.

"The Bible-Preaching Conferences will be a new experience for us," says Foshee. "In an effort to bring out the true meaning of these meetings, the conferences will combine the old with the new."

One of the oldest conferences at Ridgecrest was the Preaching Conference, states Foshee. For several years, George W. Truett of First Baptist Church, Dallas, went to Ridgecrest to preach during the conference. Later, it was called the Bible Conference and "now we have joined the best aspects of the two," he added.

The conferences are designed for pastors, church staff members and their families, and laymen desiring in-depth Bible study and preaching.

Participants will be exposed to a week of warm-hearted preaching, Bible study and music. Also, practical sessions will be held concerning church administration, pastoral ministries, family ministry and vocational guidance. There will also be conferences for ministers' wives and teen-agers, day care/kindergarten workers, church secretaries and deacons.

The Baptist Heritage Series and History workshop sessions will be sponsored by the Historical Commission during the week. The research services department at the board and the Commission will conduct an Associational Clerks' Conference.

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Maintenance Engineer
Retires With A Bang

DALLAS—The retiring chief maintenance engineer of First Baptist Church here went out with a bang during what was intended to be a simple awards ceremony honoring his 47 years of work at the church.

Minutes after 70-year-old Clarence Harris received a plaque and a check, an explosion rocked the building, and a fireball shot out of the smokestack on top of the structure.

Most people in the congregation thought the explosion was on the roof but Harris knew better, pinpointing the boiler room.

Sure enough, one of the 50-year-old cast iron boilers in the Southern Baptist Convention's largest church had exploded when a church worker attempted to light a pilot inside it.

Dallas firemen rushed to the 16,000-member church but took no action since there was no fire damage, according to the "Dallas Times-Herald." (BP)

Does Jesus Care?

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

Basic Passages: Mark 1:21-45, 4:35-41
Focal Passages: Mark 1:21-27, 40-42, 4:35-41

There are only two ways known whether Jesus cares or not. One is by revelation and the other is by experience.

The Bible recounts the record of the actions and reactions of Jesus Christ during his earthly ministry. It also describes His heavenly ministry after He ascended to glory.

We are told that He went about doing good. He did so many good things for so many people in such a short time. His life was packed full of deeds in behalf of others because He did care.

He was interested in people's suffering and did something about it. He relieved suffering and afflictions again and again. He was concerned with physical, mental and spiritual suffering.

Misfortune like blindness, deafness or being crippled in various ways touched Him deeply. Staggering, struggling people, burdened down with loads too heavy for them, were invited to unload their burdens on Him and find rest.

His concern and care for us is what His incarnation is all about.

The root of all of man's trouble was the alienation of man from God. God came into history to do something about it, therefore God was in Christ reconciling the world unto Himself.

By believing that Christ cares and inviting Him into our lives, we can know by experience whether He cares or not. We will find a satisfaction, a victory and a strength we never knew.

Uses Authority To Liberate Mark 1:21-27

The doctrines of the laws seemed like echoes in contrast with the authority with which Jesus spoke. What he said had the ring of genuine authority.

A man with an unclean spirit was in the synagogue when Jesus entered to worship. The unclean spirit recognized Jesus as the Holy One of God immediately. He was uncomfortable and feared instant judgment. He knew that Jesus not only could speak with divine authority but could act with authority.

Jesus lost no time but commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. He threw the man into convulsions as he came out of him. He also shrieked with a loud voice as he departed. The audience was profoundly awed by this dramatic event. Jesus not only spoke with the ring of authority as he taught but commanded with the power of authority.

It was not a magic display of moral

strength but a beneficial deed and a divine revelation of truth showing that Jesus really cared. The miracles of Jesus were never a display of power but an expression of love and concern.

Moved By Leper's Appeal Mark 1:40-42

A leper kneels at the feet of Jesus and says, "If you are willing, you are able to cure me." At least in our opinion that is the true sense of his appeal.

Jesus was filled with pity, not only because of his plight but because he could question His willingness. Jesus went more than halfway. He not only commanded by cleansing but did an unheard of thing toward him. The compassion of Jesus and its expression are marvelous.

Saves Boat From Sinking Mark 4:35-41

Jesus wanted to go over to the other side of the Sea of Galilee. His disciples were taking Him across. His boat was accompanied by other smaller boats. A severe storm stirred up the waves to the point of sinking the ship.

The frightened disciples aroused the Master who had fallen asleep. Evidently He was very weary.

They cried to Him, "Carest Thou not that we perish?" Jesus rebuked the winds and the angry waves. There was dead calm at once.

They were utterly amazed at His sovereign power. They observed that even the winds and the waves obeyed Him. He demonstrated that He was Lord of life and nature more than that He showed that He deeply cared.

He did not hesitate to use divine authority

Campus Favorites Named At Union University

Twenty students at Union University have been named as "Campus Favorites" for 1974, according to Melinda Scott, Student Government Association reporter.

The 20 students, chosen recently in a campus wide election, were selected from almost 50 candidates on the basis of personality, leadership and friendliness.

The students from Jackson receiving this honor at the Baptist college are: Jimmy Cagle, Robert Dailey, Kathy Bell, Randy Pate, Jenny Seabrook, and Bradley Simmons.

Others include Memphians Robert E. Bragg, Brenda Falcinelli, Sandra Milford, Becky Pitt, Katherine Steppe, and Terry Stovall.

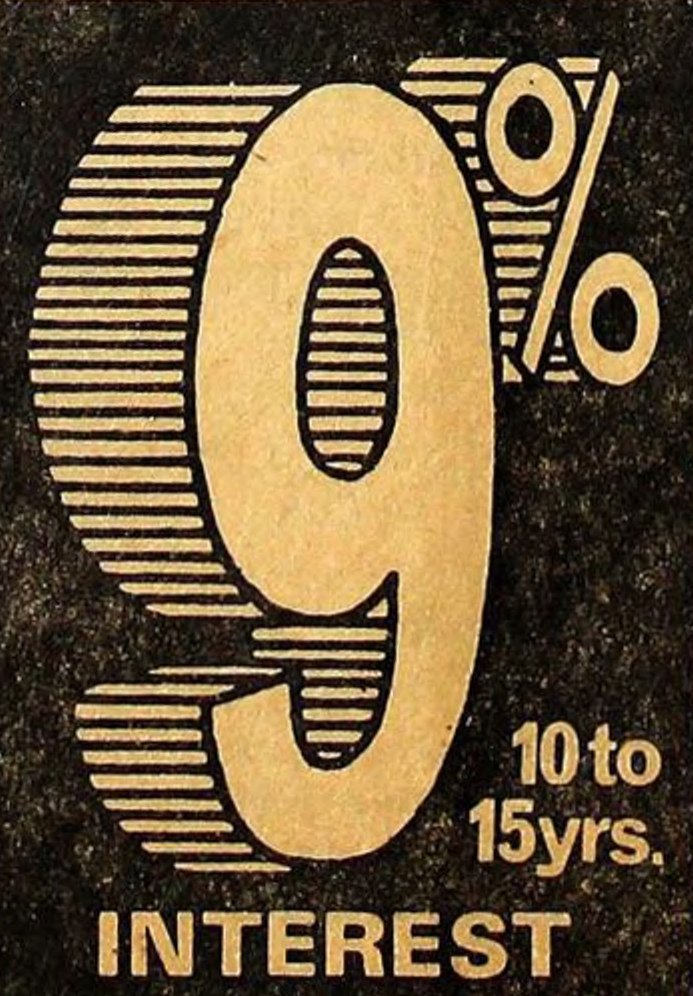
Also Sandy Bratcher, Brentwood; Lois Ann Morton, Bethel Springs; Art Murphy, Trimble; Bob Tucker, Huntingdon; Larry Million, Trenton, Ohio; and Donnell Wilson, Almstead, Illinois.

The 1974 Campus Favorites will be honored with special recognition in "Lest We Forget," Union's yearbook.

and power to rescue the perishing. What more victorious revelation of the human and the divine! One moment weary as a man and the next moment Master of the storm.

HOUSEPARENTS WANTED

We will need soon three couples for houseparents at the West Tennessee Branch, Tennessee Baptist Children's Homes, Memphis. If interested, please contact Rev. Erba A. Butler, 6896 Highway 70, Memphis, Tn. 38134. Telephone 901/386-3961.




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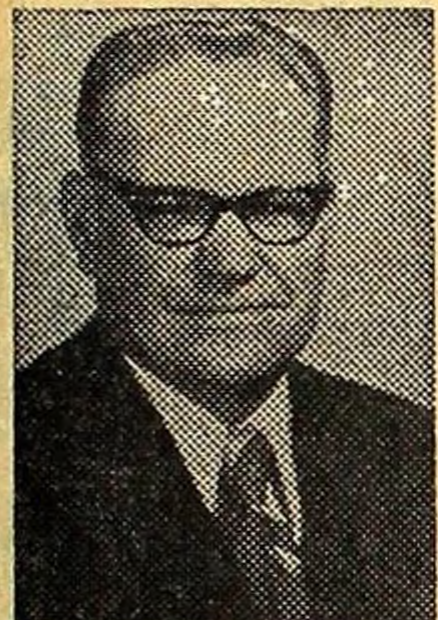
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From the Executive Secretary

By Ralph Norton

Because of the urgent need for wide distribution and use of the Scriptures, and believing that Tennessee Baptists must assume a greater responsibility in sharing the Gospel with all people in our state who are without Christ, we have had printed for distribution during our Centennial Year a special edition of the Gospel of John.



Norton

Included in this Gospel is a page outlining the plan of salvation, a brief history of Tennessee Baptists, a map showing location of our Convention ministries, and on the front cover a picture of the office building in Brentwood.

During preparation weeks prior to the simultaneous crusades in March and April, the uses of this Gospel in visiting and witnessing are unlimited. A copy can be left with prospects with selected passages hand-marked. Copies can be furnished all outreach leaders for distribution to class members who need to make commitments for Christ. Throughout the year they can be widely used in Vacation Bible Schools, WMU Mission actions, bus ministries, camps or assemblies, plus a multitude of additional opportunities when groups within the churches find occasion to distribute copies in various public places.

We would encourage every church in our state to contact the associational missionary who has order blanks available for ordering these special Gospels. At a cost of only ten cents per copy, many churches will want to order one for each member plus an additional quantity for distribution during the year.

We are concerned with the responsibility we have for spreading the Gospel and we want to discharge that responsibility during our Centennial Year with greater determination than ever before. So as you place these Gospels in the hands of people, our prayer is that God will prepare hearts to accept the message of salvation which they contain.

And wouldn't you like to keep a copy for your own personal souvenir of this special year?

BROTHER PASTOR:

Baptist And Reflector will keep your membership informed.

On Matters of Family Living

By Dr. B. David Edens,
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Columbia, Missouri 65201



Case History: Money Fights

Anger is probably most often expressed about money, sex and the rearing of children. Very few marriages exist in which the subject of money has not at one time or another led to heated exchanges.

Most studies indicate the fighting is not so much over the amount of money, but how it is to be spent. Fighting seems to be equally spread among the poor, the affluent and the rich. And probably with equal vigor.

We asked a couple we know to share with us their long search of some 15 years for agreement on **how to handle money as creatively and lovingly as possible** in their marriage. Ruth and Dan are the first to note they still do not have the problem completely whipped but they feel the bitter fights they had in their early years of marriage are a long way behind them.

They freely admit they couldn't begin to work out a solution until they agreed to rely on a **neutral third party**—in this case a psychotherapist-marriage counselor—to referee their disagreement.

Their first move, with the help of a therapist, was to agree to have Ruth handle the money completely on a 3-month trial basis. She resented Dan's handling of the money previously as an attempt on his part to show his male power. He agreed, but only if he could review the checkbook each month.

They agreed also there would be two separate checking accounts so there could be no accidental writing of checks to embarrass the other.

The **most important agreement**, they say, was to discuss money only once a month, during which time they could give vent to their feelings and let loose any anger they might have about the way the money was being handled.

After a few strong disagreements they wrote out a formal set of ground rules to govern the way they spent the money and how priorities were to be established. Dan agreed to put any "extra" money he might earn into a common account and Ruth agreed not to add any new debts over \$25 without Dan's prior agreement.

Says Dan: "The key to the solution we've worked out is that we only discuss money once a month and don't let money fights fester and go on day after day."

Says Ruth: "So far as I'm concerned, having control over the daily spending of our mutual money has released a lot of my previous anger at always having to ask for what I considered my rightful needs."

Historically:

From the files

> 50 YEARS AGO <

In the 10 years from 1914 to 1924, the Broadway Church of Knoxville increased in membership from 116 to 1381 and increased gifts from \$14,242 to \$30,761. B. A. Bowers was pastor.

The first anniversary of the Nashville city wide junior and intermediate B.Y.P.U. was celebrated at Park Avenue Church. The unions were organized and led by Miss Roxie Jacobs.

> 20 YEARS AGO <

O. D. Fleming, 70, retired Tennessee pastor, died in Florida. He had served churches in Chattanooga, Etowah, Morristown, and Sweetwater. Following his retirement, he had remained active as a visitor for First Church, Knoxville, and as a supply pastor.

Antioch Church, McMinn Association, announced plans for a new building. Arlin Baker was pastor.

> 10 YEARS AGO <

Lincoln Park Church, Knoxville, was making plans to celebrate its 55th anniversary the first of February. Pastor Charles Ausmus and Sunday School superintendent Otis Gray announced that an attendance goal of 1630 had been set for Sunday School.

Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis opened a 28-bed nursing unit for acutely ill patients, according to Frank Groner, administrator. The Lamar Unit was opened Jan. 28.

New Books

The Gospel for the Ghetto by Manuel L. Scott, Broadman, 125 pp. Sermons from a black pulpit.

Testing Tongues by the Word by Jimmy A. Millikin, Broadman, 48 pp., A clear, vigorous, and concise answer as to what the Bible says about tongues-speaking.

Baptists: The Passionate People by C. Burt Potter, Jr., Broadman, 128 pp. A sympathetic look into the "heart" of America's largest evangelical denomination.

Book Alive! by John W. Tresch, Jr. and Kathryn Griffin, Convention, 160 pp. Written especially for youth, is an exciting exploration of the source, nature, and content of the biblical revelation. First volume in a series of seven.

THE CHRISTIAN AND THE OCCULT: The Reality

By Bill Viser

Not long ago, the newspapers were full of an account of the torture slaying of a seventeen-year-old California youth by a "witchcraft cult." At least 11 persons were charged with the murder, and thus far, ten have been indicted. Though police have said that the witchcraft angle has been overemphasized, it has been established that one of the participants was so involved in the worship of Satan that he and his wife had been married



Viser

by a devil priest in rites that required both him and his wife to cut their abdomens.

It hardly seems possible that it could happen in our country today, and yet it takes little effort to uncover what is happening to bring about such a brutal crime.

Two books, "The Exorcist" and "Rosemary's Baby" have become best sellers and continue to be widely read throughout the country. The former has to do with demon possession while the latter has to do with Satan worship. Their acceptance has been so popular that both have been made into motion pictures. Some critics have been quoted as saying that "The Exorcist" may receive an academy award as the best picture of the year.

The television media has carried the influence of the occult right into our homes with such series as "Dark Shadows" and "The Sixth Sense." The number of made-for-TV movies dealing with the occult are becoming increasingly popular. One such movie claimed the largest viewing audience of any such movie yet shown with a record 51 million viewers!

The University of Wisconsin and Boston College, to name but a few, have added courses to their curriculum that deal with the occult. Five hundred students signed up at the former and, at the latter, a local archpriestess from the Church of Evil was included in the lectures.

Even high schools are not immune to the onslaught. One such example is a New Hampshire high school with a course entitled, "Witchcraft and Mysticism." Many ministers have expressed concern that students are not only studying it but practicing it. Some have come to a minister believing themselves to be under the threat of death.

Editor's Note: Viser, a native of Memphis, is a student at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, where he received the Master of Divinity degree in 1973. This article is the first in a series of seven.

Astrology has made the Zodiac into a 200 million dollar a year business among those desiring to know what the future holds for them.

What Can We Do

What does all of this say to you and to me as Christians dedicated to serving Jesus Christ?

Some would say ignore it. Don't talk about it. This is "the less said the better" attitude. This attitude does nothing to help those enslaved in the occult who desperately want out but find no one to help them. It does nothing to warn young people or people of any age of its dangers.

Some would say it's only a fad that will soon die out. The ever-increasing numbers of those joining the occult ranks disprove this.

Others might go so far as to recommend experiencing various aspects of the occult, that is, attend a seance or an occult meeting of some type so that you can judge for yourself. This is definitely not the answer. The occult is not to be taken lightly. Experience has shown that Christians who attend seances or expose themselves to occult powers not only lose interest in spiritual things but become opposed to the Word of God.

God's Word Speaks

God's Word speaks clearly and forcefully to the Christian encountering the occult today. His Word tells us much about the one who instigates and profits the most from occult popularity—Satan. We read of his great revolt (Isa. 14:12-14), the organization of the fallen spirits under him (Eph. 6:12), his part in the fall of man (Gen. 3:1-8), his persistent activity (1 Peter 5:8), and his final destiny, along with his followers (Matt. 25:41 and Rev. 20:10).

The warnings in God's Word are numerous and we would do well to heed the warning issued by God through Moses in Deut. 18:9-12:

(9) When you arrive in the Promised Land you must be very careful lest you be corrupted by the horrible customs of the nations now living there.

(10) For example, any Israeli who presents his child to be burned to death as a sacrifice to heathen gods, must be killed. No Israeli may practice black magic, or call on the evil spirits for aid, or be a fortune teller.

(11) or be a serpent charmer, medium, or wizard, or call forth the spirits of the dead.

(12) Anyone doing these things is an object of horror and disgust to the Lord, and it is because the nations do these things that

Twenty-Six Students At Union Complete Grad Requirements

Twenty-six students have completed all requirements for graduation at Union University during the Fall semester and will receive their degrees at the annual commencement exercises June 1.

Students at the Baptist college may complete graduation requirements at the end of the regular semesters or the winter and summer terms with degrees presented only once a year, according to Dr. G. Wayne Brown, vice president for academic affairs.

Jackson students and degrees they will receive include: Danny R. Jones, Bachelor of Music; Emily K. Stowe and Mrs. Debra Delene Homes, Bachelor of Arts; Mrs. Linda Sanders Crowell, Mrs. Karen S. Lambert and Joseph Holloway, Bachelor of Science.

Others include: Rose Mary Carroll, Enville, B.A.; Mrs. Norma Teresa Rhodes, Henderson, B.A.; Garry S. Miller, Athens, B.A.; James Bart Shanklin, Palmersville, B.M.; JoAnn Beard, Camden, B.S.; Mary Zon McKeel, Tiptonville, B.S.

Also Randall C. Robertson, Big Sandy, B.S.; Cheryl Lynn Taylor, Henry, B.S.; Susan M. Arnett, Paris, B.A.; Richard Winn, Jr., Germantown, B.S.; and Memphians Roy Whaley, B.A.; Lumsford C. Brantley, B.S.; Janet Riggs, B.S.; and Philip Glisson, B.A.

Out of state students are: Ray Wilder, B.S., and Carl Hamblin, B.S., Kentucky; Michael Sean McManus, B.S., Colorado; and Chan Wing Kwong, B.S.; Susie Fung, B.S.; and Anne Law, B.S., all from Hong Kong.

Belmont Aid Meets Feb. 7

New academic programs at Belmont College will be spotlighted when the Belmont Aid, an organization of 600 midstate women supporting the college, convenes on the campus, Feb. 7.

According to Mrs. Henry Horrell, program chairman, Belmont's nursing, music business, and merchandising programs will be featured at the session in Massey Auditorium at 11 a.m. A coffee hour hosted by women of Nashville's Woodmont Baptist Church will follow at noon in Acklen Hall.

Mrs. E. DeVaughn Woods, Belmont Aid president, will preside at the group's winter quarterly meeting.

the Lord your God will displace them. (Living Bible)

The warning is clear. The Christian must heed it!