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Retired Pastor To Serve As Wilson Co. Moderator

Messengers to the Wilson County Associational meeting elected W. L. Baker, interim pastor, moderator to serve the association for 1974-75. Baker is retired after having served as pastor of Donelson First Church. Serving with Baker will be Bill Enoch, pastor of Cedar Grove, vice moderator; Charles Gresham, pastor, Cedar Creek, treasurer; and James Hutchings, pastor, Prosperity, clerk.

The association went on record as being opposed to the increasing violence and vulgarity depicted on the three major television networks and urged church members to address complaints to the presidents of the networks and to the chairman of the F.C.C.

Smith Fork and Cedar Grove Churches will be the sites for the 1975 sessions which will be held Oct. 16-17.

Bill Robbins Elected Moderator For Haywood

Bill Robbins, pastor of Calvary Church, Haywood Association, was elected moderator for that association recently. Levi Parish, pastor of the Allen Church, was elected vice moderator; and George Herring, a member of Allen Church, was elected treasurer. Adrian Knipper, pastor of Harmony Church, will serve as clerk.

Poplar Corner Church, Brownsville, will be the site for the 1975 annual associational sessions, Oct. 14.

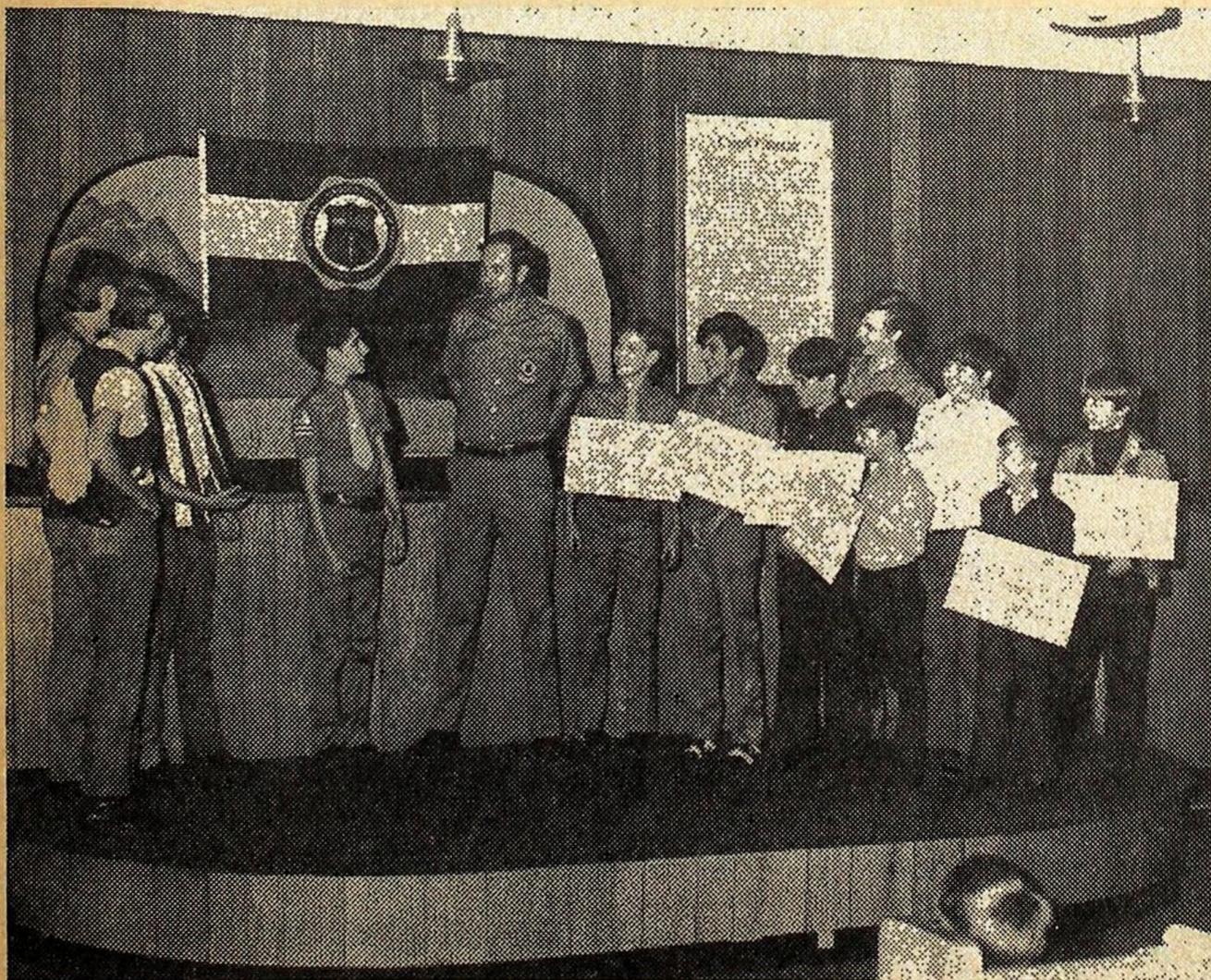
CONVENTION PHONE

To reach messengers and others attending the Tennessee Baptist Convention, Nov. 11-14, in Murfreesboro, call 615-890-0880.

COMING EVENTS

- Nov. 1-2—Medical Missions Conference, Henry Horton State Park, Chapel Hill.
- Nov. 3-9—Royal Ambassador Week.
- Nov. 4—Baptist Women's Day of Prayer.
- Nov. 5—East Tennessee Evangelism Leadership Meeting, Bell Avenue Baptist Church, Knoxville.
- Nov. 6—Middle Tennessee Evangelism Leadership Meeting, Belmont Heights Baptist Church, Nashville.
- Nov. 7—West Tennessee Evangelism Leadership Meeting, Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson.
- Nov. 8-10—Lay Witnessing Week End, Murfreesboro.
- Nov. 11—Woman's Missionary Union Convention, First Baptist Church, Murfreesboro.
- Nov. 11—Tennessee Baptist Pastors' Conference, Murphy Center, Murfreesboro.
- Nov. 11—State Baptist Men's Convention, Riverdale High School, Murfreesboro.
- Nov. 12-14—Tennessee Baptist Convention, Murphy Center, Murfreesboro.
- Nov. 17—High Attendance Day in Sunday School.
- Nov. 21-23—Drama-Fellowship Conference, Smoky Shadows Conference Center, Pigeon Forge.

Royal Ambassador Week November 3-9



Royal Ambassador Week will be observed in churches throughout the Tennessee and Southern Baptist Conventions Nov. 3-9, according to Bill Highsmith, state R.A. secretary. Pictured above are Royal Ambassadors and their counselors leading out in services at their church. Suggestions for the week include a mission fair, parent and son banquet, special prayer meetings, campouts, and emphasis in regular worship services. Tennessee Baptists have over 16,000 boys enrolled in RAs in 66 associations.

Witnessing Weekend November 8-10 Murfreesboro

By Roy Gilleland

What is the greatest way to celebrate our 100th anniversary of the Tennessee Baptist Convention in Murfreesboro? Your Baptist Men think we need to tell people what we think of Jesus Christ—especially non-Christians.

We plan to meet at First Baptist Church, 200 Main St., Murfreesboro at 5:00 p.m., November 8, for prayer, orientation, and assignments. At 8:00 a.m. we will meet again at First Baptist Church for breakfast and prayer. We plan to spend all day Saturday, Nov. 9, witnessing in the homes of the people of Murfreesboro. Sunday, Nov. 10, we worship in the churches.

There will be men coming for the weekend from over the state. They will stay in homes. If you are in driving distance of Murfreesboro, we invite you to at least spend Saturday, November 9, with us. Meet us at 8:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as you can at the First Baptist Church.

If you can be a part of this witnessing weekend call or write Roy Gilleland, P.O. Box 347, Brentwood, 37027, phone (home 292-1357) or office 833-4220-ext. 55)

Faith Is The Victory!

By Herschel H. Hobbs

"For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith"—1 John 5:4

BWA Seeks To Implement Bible Importation To Romania

WASHINGTON—The Romanian government has approved a request of the Romanian Baptist Union to allow Bibles to be imported into the country, the Baptist World Alliance reported here.

Carl W. Tiller, BWA relief coordinator, said the alliance needs between \$6,000 and \$7,000 to import 2,500 Bibles into Romania. He said the British and Foreign Bible Society has Romanian-language Bibles in stock in Zurich, Switzerland, and that the shipment can be made as funds are raised.

"Christians in Romania have urgently needed Bibles for sometime," a BWA spokesman said. "Several years ago, the Romanian government granted permission to import 5,000 Bibles, but the grant expired before the action was accomplished. This is the first time since the prior approval that necessary government approval has been obtained."

The Romanian Baptist Union is an affiliate of the BWA. (BP)



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The Christian lives in a hostile world-system which is built with little or no recognition of God. Thus if one would live for Christ he can expect a continuous conflict (John 15:18-20). But he is also promised a continuous victory. This is expressed in the present tense of the former "overcometh," keeps on overcoming. The tense of the latter "overcometh" singles out an individual victory in a trial or temptation.

These two verbs and "victory" are a family of words. The play on words does not come through in the English. The word rendered "victory" is *nike* (note the Nike missile). And this "overcoming" (victory) is our "faith." This faith involves not only our confession of faith in Christ (vv. 1,5), it involves commitment to His way of life (vv. 2b-3).

In verse 3 John says that the Lord's commandments are not "grievous" or heavy. They make their demands upon us, but our love for the Lord makes them light (Matt. 11:28-30).

Pulpit To New

By Jim Griffith

An article in an evangelical periodical states that congregations across our land are being disrupted because some are being told that they are "second class citizens of the Kingdom of God if they do not speak in tongues or show other specified evidences of the Holy Spirit."

Since our God is a God of order and not confusion, there is a possibility that some aspects of the "spirit-filled movement" could be more person-centered than Christ-centered.

Held under the penetrating light of Scripture, the entire "neo-pentecostal" operation may be found to have some dark, hazy spots.

It's difficult to imagine people saying to fellow Christians, "I'm more spiritual than you"—especially when you can hear in the background the terrible sound of tearing flesh and hammers pounding nails into a wooden cross.

As for "speaking in tongues," one recalls that there was actually more Christian unity among the brethren when all we had to worry about was "wagging tongues."

'Just Like A Father'

By Ray Jones Jr., Pastor

Main Street Baptist Church, Lake City

I have a great dad! The phrase "Just like a Father" carries a lot of weight with me. I do not use it lightly, and right now I want to use it in relation to some choice "men of the cloth" who have been fathers to me in the area of my vocational calling.



Jones

I hope that you older brothers realize how much weight your interest and concern carries with young pastors-to-be. From the time I became aware of God's leadership I was acutely aware of the attitudes and responses of pastors. Many of them responded positively. They became my friends and ever-available advisors. They did not try to manipulate or control me, but they provided guidance when I needed it, and I still count some of them among my most trusted confidants. The years have proven how helpful they really were. They seemed to take great pride in my decision-making process, for in some ways they related to me so completely that my victories became theirs; my disappointments became theirs; and together we formulated goals and ideals that are affecting my ministry most emphatically to this very day.

Their counsel was crucial at many vital points—from choosing a school to knowing whether or not you're "really in love!" They were just great, and in the years since my graduation they have continued to be my pastors, and I have drawn freely from their reservoir of experience and warmth which has been accumulated over many years of faithful service. I am very proud now to be not just their "son in the ministry" but also their colleague in the work.

Paul's hope for Timothy is well expressed in I Tim. 1:2: "To Timothy, my true child in faith: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus the Lord." Believe me, it's a good feeling—I've been there! This kind of warmth has been expressed to me. We err if we ever fail to do as much.

NOTICE!

Effective February 1, 1974, no pictures are being returned unless a self-addressed stamped envelope is sent with the picture. This is due to the increase in postal rates.

Charles Wesley Pope: Executive Secretary

By W. Fred Kendall

Charles W. Pope was born on February 16, 1890, at Cedartown, Georgia. He graduated from Mercer University with the A.B. and M.A. degrees. He was honored with a D.D. degree by Carson-Newman College and an LL.D. by Cumberland University at Lebanon. He was ordained to the ministry in 1915.

He married Mattie Mae Willoughby of Tallapoosa, Georgia, November 5, 1911. Their children were Maurice (deceased), Hughlan, Stanley, Virginia and Mary Elizabeth.

Dr. Pope engaged in evangelistic work in the southern states 1915-1920. He served as instructor in evangelism in Mercer University 1924-25. His pastorates were Dublin, Georgia, 1920-1924; Concord, Chattanooga, Tennessee, 1926; First Baptist Church, Jefferson City, Tennessee, 1927-1942. He served on the Executive Board of the Tennessee Baptist Convention and filled many other places on Boards and Committees in the work of Tennessee and Southern Baptists.

At a called meeting of the Executive Board of the Tennessee Baptist Convention on September 15, 1942, Dr. Pope was elected Executive Secretary to succeed John D. Freeman who had resigned to become editor of the "Western Recorder" in Kentucky. Pope began his administration November 1, 1942.

He began his administration in the years of World War II. The war had brought many problems to the churches with the drafting of so many men for the armed forces. Tennessee Baptists rendered a great service to the many areas of the state affected by the military training areas or war industries. The State Mission program under Pope's leadership rendered a great service in special ministries to these areas.

In 1945 Southern Baptists celebrated the Centennial of the Southern Baptist Convention. A great evangelistic crusade was engaged in with a goal to win a million souls to Christ. Pope led in this effort. He also led in completing the payment of all debts of the state in the early part of his administration.

After World War II he led Tennessee Baptists in the greatest expansion of their

institutions and of their work in all of their history. Cumberland College was given to the Baptists by the Presbyterians. Tennessee Woman's College at Murfreesboro was closed and consolidated with Cumberland. It was later given back to its original owners and Ward-Belmont College was purchased in Nashville and Belmont College was started in 1951.

The Tennessee Baptist State offices were moved from the old residence on Sixth Avenue to Belmont College. The old property was sold to the Salvation Army. Belmont was started as a junior college but was advanced to a senior college as it grew to justify it.

East Tennessee Baptist Hospital had been started locally. It was taken over by the State Convention. The Nashville hospital was acquired in 1947. The Children's Homes were expanded and the new homes were built in Memphis and Chattanooga and the Min Tom Home was taken over after a disastrous fire. It was rebuilt and made a part of the Child Welfare program.

The work of the Executive Board was redefined and strengthened during this period of Pope's administration. An Education Commission and a Hospital Commission were created to promote these programs. The Business Office was set up with a business manager. The State Mission Department was separated and a new Department of Evangelism was created. The Student Department was made a separate Department and a Department of Church Music was created.

Pope retired on November 1, 1956 after fourteen years of service. He had been a great and able leader and had served longer than any other Executive Secretary to that time. He led in a great period of growth and expansion and established the institutions for a great work in the years ahead.

He and Mrs. Pope made their home in Tallapoosa, Georgia. He engaged in preaching and interim pastorates after retirement until his health limited his work. He died in the East Tennessee Baptist Hospital in Knoxville, October 13, 1973 at the age of 83. He was buried in Steadman, Georgia. He has left a record in Tennessee Baptist life that only eternity can measure. His name will live on and his work will live on to bless his memory for many years yet to be.

Baptist Leaders Of The Past To Appear At Murfreesboro Convention



Quinn Pugh portrays William Screven, founder of First Baptist Church, Charleston, S.C., oldest Baptist church in the South, during the Sesquicentennial of the South Carolina Convention in 1970. Pugh will present dramatic monologues on five Tennesseans during the state convention meeting in Murfreesboro.

Prominent leaders from Tennessee Baptist history will address messengers at the opening of five sessions of the Convention through dramatic monologues to be presented by R. Quinn Pugh of Bel Air, Maryland, Nov. 12-15. On Tuesday he will portray Tidence Lane, pioneer Baptist pastor and organizer of the first association in Tennessee, as he reflects on early Baptist work in the state. The second monologue will feature R. B. C. Howell, famous Nashville pastor, Tennessee leader, and president of the Southern Baptist Convention in the 1850's. Subsequent monologues will focus on the contributions of Austin Crouch denominational leader who did so much to unify the work of Tennessee Baptists in the 20th century; A. U. Boone, long-time Memphis pastor and founder of the Memphis Baptist Hospital; and J. T. Henderson who was president of the Tennessee Convention for 11 years and first general secretary of the Laymen's Missionary Movement.

Through the use of make-up and costumes, Pugh will appear before messengers as the man portrayed, speaking out of a specific dramatic setting from the character's experience. He has developed each script through careful study of the character and contributions of these outstanding leaders from the past. Pugh will make history come alive for Tennessee Baptists as they convene for each session of the Centennial Convention.

Commemorating Our Heritage—



Committing Our Future

(Note: Pope was the fourteenth secretary to serve the Tennessee Baptist Convention.)

For A Look On The Fields

By R. Paul Caudill

Following his experience at Jacob's well with the woman of Samaria, Jesus said unto his disciples, "Say not ye, there are yet four months, and then cometh the harvest? Behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest" (John 4:35).

As Jesus spoke these words to his disciples, he doubtless was looking out upon the people from the village as they came in "little batches" up the hill, wearing their white robes that stood out so clearly against the ground and the sky, people who were beginning to flock to Him in response to the Samaritan woman's story. At any rate, there they were, streaming out across the fields in their white robes, part of the field of which Jesus spoke, a field that was then, as now, white unto harvest around the world!

For those who would take a look at the field, of which Jesus spoke, Tennessee Baptists have no better assistance in their look than that provided by our own BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR. There within the columns of its pages may be found editorials, selected articles, and news dispatches, all carefully selected by understanding eyes and careful hands so as to give Tennessee Baptists a good look at the white harvest fields not only of Tennessee but also of the world.

Many of Tennessee's Baptist Churches have found this to be literally true. They have found in the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR an instrument of immeasurable value in the education of the membership in the matter of Baptist doctrines, Baptist movements, Baptist institutions, and Baptist cooperative endeavor. In fact, there is no other single channel of information so ready, so apt, so convincing in its approach to our mission and message as Baptists in Tennessee and the world.

The First Baptist Church of Memphis for a number of years employed the MEMPHIS MIRROR as an instrument of information and promotion. The church was using the MEMPHIS MIRROR more than 30 years ago, when we came to our post as undershepherd. Soon thereafter the church switched from the MEMPHIS MIRROR to the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR, placing it in the church budget, and sending it to every home in the membership. The passing years have led us to believe that such was a wise choice.

A recent survey of the First Baptist membership, choosing at random 25 families from A to Z, disclosed these facts: of the 25 families contacted, 25 indicated they read the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR. The range of interest on the part of the readers, as revealed by the survey was as follows: headlines and interesting articles—9; Dr. Hobb's column—1; Sunday School Lesson—11; missionary activities—1; Dr. White's column—1; devotional—1; just a look at the pictures 1; Dr. Edens' column—7; just glance through—2; read pretty thoroughly—3; Pulpit to Pew—2. Only one member indicated that they read only the First Baptist Church news carried in the jacket supplement.

Thirty-two other Baptist churches in Shelby County have the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR in the budget.

A total of 629 Baptist churches in Tennessee have the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR in their budget, 20 of these

since November 1, 1973. These churches are scattered widely throughout the Associations across the state.

If your church does not have the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR in the church budget, the BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR has a trial plan that you might wish to consider.

Under the trial plan BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR will send each resident family in your church a free subscription for 60 days.

During that time your church is requested to vote in business meeting whether or not to continue the Every Family Plan at the cost of 4-1/2 ¢ per family per week.

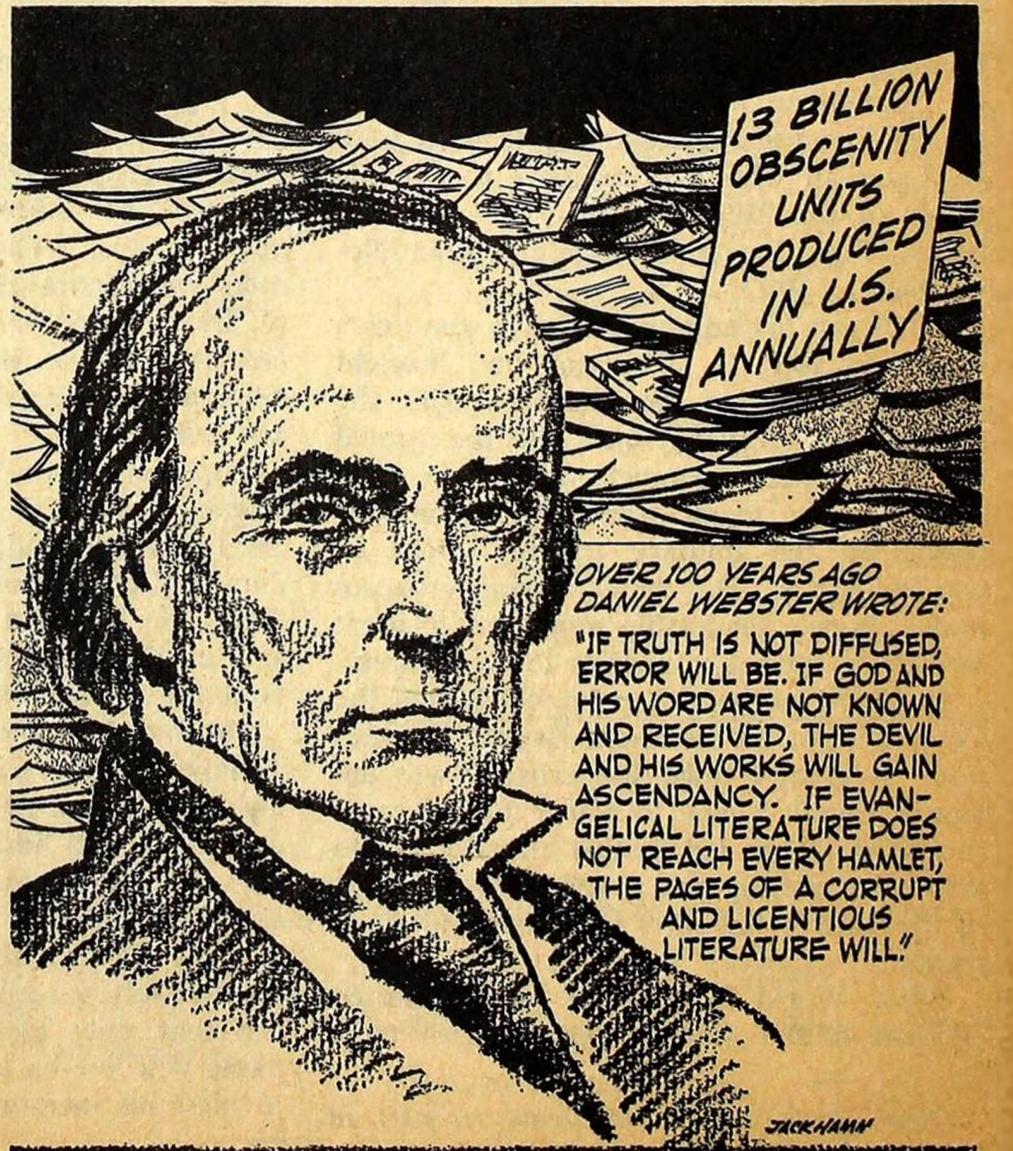
If your church decides to continue the subscriptions, BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR will bill the church on a monthly, quarterly, or yearly basis, whichever the church prefers, but do let BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR know your decision.

In sending in the names of the congregation for the trial plan, it is imperative that correct addresses be given along with the zip code.

One word more: to qualify for the Every Family Plan, a church must send the paper to at least 51% of the resident church families.

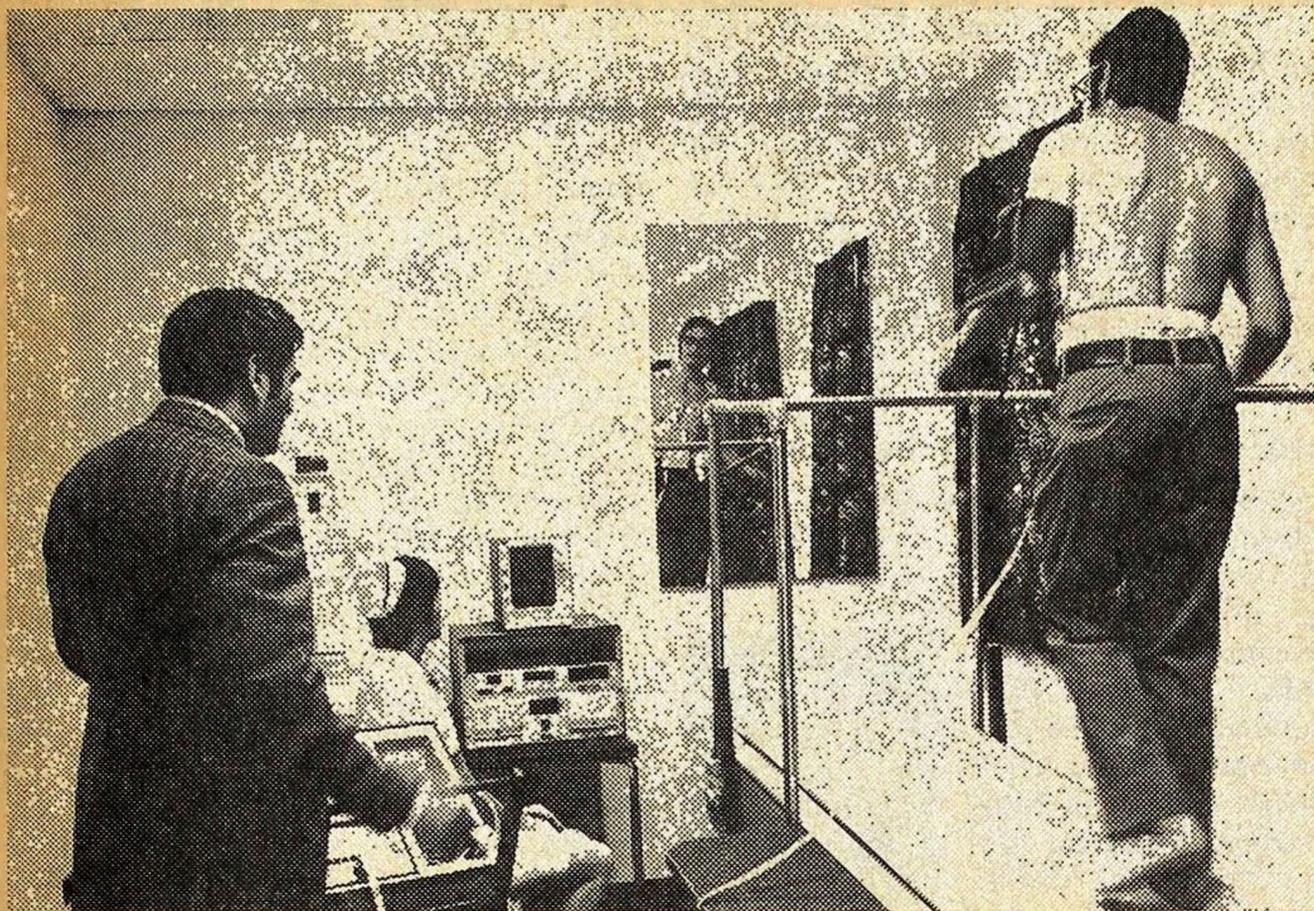
As pastor of a church that has engaged in the Every Family Plan for more than 30 years, may I earnestly entreat each church, whether large or small, to pray earnestly about the matter of adopting the Every Family Plan. Those doing so, we believe, will find it to be an instrument of blessings beyond measure!

Prediction Come True



(Note: Dr. Caudill is pastor of First Baptist Church, Memphis).

East Tennessee Baptist Hospital Opens Heart Center Unit



Testing the work of the treadmill is assistant chaplain Mark Gaines from the Pastoral Care Department of ETBH. The man in left foreground is Dr. H. A. Oxman, one of the Heart Center's directors. The girl in the background is Maxie Irwin, EKG technician.

A heart center specializing in the diagnosis and treatment of all forms of heart disease is the newest service to be established at Baptist Hospital in Knoxville. The project was announced jointly this summer by hospital president Earl Skogman and Dr. James Cox, chief of staff.

The East Tennessee Baptist Heart Center is located in the Baptist Professional Building and will be under the direction of Drs. Herbert A. Oxman, M.D. from the Mayo Clinic and Ronald F. Yatteau, M.D. from Duke University. Both physicians are board certified cardiologists. Dr. Yatteau joined the staff in August; Dr. Oxman arrived this month.

"There has been no lack of interest or competence in heart care in our medical community," Dr. Cox said and he commended both the scientific contributions made by a number of local physicians and their ability to keep abreast of the improved technology in the area of cardiovascular disease. "The fact remains, however," continued Dr. Cox, "that scientific developments in the field of cardiovascular disorders have been rapid and the rising costs of medical equipment to keep up with advances are heavy—far greater than any private practitioner or group of practitioners should be expected to bear without outside support."

"We have carefully studied our present coronary care facilities and services as an

essential step in establishing the heart center," Skogman said. "Because of our existing coronary care units, heart laboratory facilities and personnel already at hand, the cost to provide preventive coronary services and the additional diagnostic equipment required is manageable and moderate."

The Heart Center will initially be divided into two areas: Non-invasive, or external, diagnostic heart testing for both inpatient and outpatient use, and an invasive, or internal, diagnostic cardiac laboratory.

Non-invasive diagnostic testing will be located on the second floor of the Baptist Professional Building. Diagnostic tests will include:

Exercise Stress Testing: Three devices for monitoring the heartrate, blood pressure and electrocardiogram during controlled periods of physical exertion to detect early evidence of lack of blood supply to the heart.

Phonocardiography: The use of special pressure and sound detectors to permanently record sound patterns of the heart; to aid in detecting heart abnormalities.

Vectorcardiography: Producing a three-dimensional picture of the electrical activity of the heart to detect possible heart muscle damage, congenital heart disease and arterial blockage.

Echocardiography: By deflecting ultrasound waves off the heart structures, one can detect fluid around the heart, heart valve and chamber abnormalities and certain congeni-

Holston Association Adds Two Churches

Omer Painter, pastor, Second Church, Greeneville, was re-elected to the post of moderator of the Holston Association during its annual meeting recently. Elected to serve with Painter were vice moderator E. W. Barnes, pastor, Boone Trail Church, Jonesboro; treasurer Luther Reed, pastor, Beulah Church, Kingsport; and clerk Mrs. Tena Eades, member of the University Parkway Church in Johnson City.

Churches applying for membership into the association were the Green Pine Church in Johnson City and Johnson City First Church. Don Foster is pastor of the First Church, and Greene Pine is presently without a pastor. Two churches, Buffalo Ridge and Belle Meadows, were dropped from the association at their request.

tal heart defects.

Dynamic Electrocardiography: A portable device attached to the patient producing a 24-hour history during normal activities.

Pacemaker Follow-Up: By use of the telephone, a patient with a permanent pacemaker may check its condition from his own home by transmitting to the heart institute his pacemaker function.

The invasive diagnostic cardiac laboratory has been in operation since 1969 and is located in the Special Procedures Room in the Department of Radiology in Baptist Hospital. It is under the supervision of Dr. William Nelson, head of the hospital's Radiology Department. Some of the procedures:

Cardiac Catheterization: Catheters placed in different chambers of the heart detect abnormalities in heart valves and the presence of congenital defects.

Coronary Arteriography: Photographs coronary arteries to determine if blood flow supplying the heart muscle is unrestricted.

His Bundle Electrograms: Records electrical impulses of the heart to localize abnormalities in heart rhythm and blocks in electrical conduction.

Equipment in the Hospital's existing cardiac rehabilitation unit is presently being re-evaluated to assure top clinical efficiency.

Phase II in the development of The Heart Center will introduce open heart surgery to East Tennessee Baptist Hospital, eliminating the need to transfer a heart surgery patient and his family to other locations. Upon the completion of all clearances, this phase is expected to be in operation within 24 months after the opening of the center.

Beyond open heart surgery, other services are in the future plans for the center including sponsorship of annual cardiovascular testing on a community basis, civic sponsored studies for preventive heart care and the use of a computer and the aid of telephone lines to provide electrocardiographic interpretations for outlying communities in the East Tennessee area.

Convention Related Meetings

Denominational Workers' Wives

A luncheon for wives of all ministers, education, music, recreation, youth workers will be held during the convention on Wednesday at First Baptist Church, Murfreesboro. Mrs. Eugene Cothey of the Baptist Ministers' Wives Fellowship will preside. In keeping with the centennial theme, the program will be built on the changing role of the minister's wife. Featured speakers will include Mrs. J. O. Williams, Nashville, and Mrs. Don Bouldin, Columbia. Musical entertainment will be presented by Jesse and Phyllis Newcomer, Murfreesboro.



Bouldin

New Orleans Seminary Alumni

Tennessee alumni of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary will meet Tuesday, Nov. 12, at 5 p.m., for their annual business session. Site of the dinner will be Murfreesboro First Church. Highlighting the reunion will be an address by Wilbur Swartz, actor and professor of speech at the seminary. Also on the agenda will be the election of new officers.

Newcomers' Reception

A reception for all new Tennessee Baptist church staff personnel will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 13, following the evening session of the Tennessee Baptist Convention. The reception will be held at Ramada Inn I-24.

Golden Gate Seminary Alumni

The Tennessee chapter of Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary Alumni Association will hold its second annual meet-

ing on Wednesday, Nov. 13, at 7 a.m., at the Murfreesboro Ramada Inn near I-24. The breakfast meeting will be addressed by W. Fred Kendall II, pastor of Union City First Church. Tennessee chapter president Robert N. Lowry, Nashville, said there are about 35 Golden Gate alumni in Tennessee. Persons planning to attend are asked to contact James L. Young at the Southern Baptist Convention Building, 460 James Robertson Pkwy., Nashville.

Southwestern Baptist Seminary Alumni

Huber Drumwright, dean of the School of Theology at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, will speak at the annual meeting of the seminary's Tennessee alumni association, Nov. 13. The group will meet at 5 p.m. for dinner at the Third Baptist Church in Murfreesboro. Malcolm McDow, pastor of Cherry Road Church, Memphis, is president of the seminary's Tennessee alumni association and will preside at the meeting. The group will hear a report



Drumwright

on the seminary's record enrollment of 2394, the plans for a proposed physical fitness center, and the results of a six-month long-range planning study.

Baptist Laymen

Owen Cooper, Kenneth Chafin, William Cox, Jr., and Joe Ann Shelton will appear at the Baptist laymen's meeting Monday night, Nov. 11, at the Murfreesboro Riverdale High School Gymnasium at 7:00. The annual affair is sponsored by the Brotherhood Department of the Tennessee Baptist Convention. Cooper, past president of the Southern Baptist Convention, will speak to the group along with Chafin, pastor of the South Main Church in Houston, and Cox, sales supervisor, Broadman Consumer Sales Department, Baptist Sunday School Board. Miss Shelton will be the featured soloist. She will be accompanied by Loen Bushman. Mrs. Cox, organist at Two Rivers Church, Nashville, will also be on the program.



Chafin

Women, Come Celebrate The Centennial

The swishing of taffeta will be heard in Murfreesboro both at the Woman's Missionary Annual meeting, Nov. 11, and the Tennessee Baptist Convention, Nov. 12. The occasion is the celebrating of 100 years of Tennessee Baptist Convention history. And so the fashions of the day (1874) are in order for those who would like to wear them.

Already women are making their dresses for the celebration. Suggestions are that the dresses be worn Monday evening at the Woman's Missionary Union Annual meeting and Tuesday evening at the Tennessee Baptist Convention meeting when the historical pageant is given. A number of current pattern books show a selection of modern long dresses which with alterations might be used to depict the era of 1874. Also dresses worn during the 74th Anniversary of Woman's Missionary Union in 1963 are appropriate.

Women, come with your long dresses and join in the celebration of 100 years of progress in Baptist work (but do not stay home if you do not have one).

Letter To The Editor

Gillespie Avenue Baptist Church, Knoxville, used the Historical Skits prepared for the Centennial of the Tennessee Baptist Convention in worship services on a recent Sunday.

Much interest was shown by the Young Adult and Youth Departments in preparation and presentation. As a result of these services 12 subscriptions to BAPTIST AND REFLECTOR were received and have been sent to you. M. K. Cobble is interim pastor.

Sincerely,
Mrs. M. K. Cobble
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Knoxville, Tenn. 37917

The Living God's Concern For Moral Values

By Dr. Robert O. Byrd, Asst. Prof. of Religion, Belmont College, Nashville

Bible Material/Lesson Text: Hosea 4:1-3, 6; 6:1-3; 7:4-7; 11:8-9

It does not require a prophet to see that the last quarter of the twentieth century likely will confront humanity with some of its greatest challenges.



Byrd

The list is too long and obvious to require enumeration here. However, the most significant may be the need of mankind to develop moral values which are sufficiently positive, strong, and rugged to provide a foundation for struggling with all the other problems in a way that will please God and achieve the maximum benefits for the world and all of its creatures. For moral values naturally will influence our resolution to every issue. The book of Hosea provides outstanding guidance for the development of an adequate moral consciousness.

THE BACKGROUND

A major portion of the narratives of God's people has grown out of events in the kingdom of Judah. The most dangerous era in the existence of the Southern Kingdom occurred early in the sixth century B.C. It is too often overlooked that the situation in the eighth century of the Northern Kingdom of Israel was just as potentially destructive as the sixth century would be later in Judah.

The conditions of the Northern Kingdom of Israel where Hosea ministered in the eighth century were very troubled. A major cause of this unrest was the power of Assyria. The result of its force climaxed when Samaria was taken and Israel capitulated in 721 B.C. Much of the material in Hosea was a response to this major international crisis which was intensified further by the decay of the internal affairs of Israel. It is significant that it is in relation and reaction to this dismal picture that this prophet of God calls for an elevation of moral awareness and commitment on the part of the Israelites.

The mention of God's controversy (4:1) is a reference to an ancient legal action which may be understood as an indictment.

The whole book has been understood as a court scene with God, through his prophet, presenting the charges.

THE CHARGES

Before the prophet announced the specific charges, he articulated three broad accusations against the people. All three were deficiencies in the dedication of the Israelites to God. First, there was an absence of faithfulness to God. There was also a lack of steadfast love/loyalty toward God. Although there was considerable activity at the location of worship and some knowledge about God by the population, they had refused to respond to God with any meaningful commitment. As a result of this essential lack of fitness to function as God's people, swearing, lying, killing, stealing, and adultery were everywhere (4:2).

This sounds like a description of the modern world. It should be kept in mind that it was precisely these dramatic failures which created the need for the Israelites to develop a strong moral fiber.

THE CAUSES

Of particular importance was the part the priests had played in creating the lack of knowledge of God which was destroying his people (4:6). Comparisons have been drawn between the teachings of Amos and Hosea at this point. Many have concluded that "whereas Amos taught that ritual propriety without social justice was an abomination in the sight of God, Hosea taught . . . just behavior springs from a just heart, the heart that knows God through faith" (Ward). The role of religious leaders in developing a moral consciousness is a responsibility not to be taken lightly.

It should not be overlooked that Hosea identified yet another cause of those malignant inadequacies which threatened God's people. "A spirit of harlotry has led them astray, and they have left their God" (4:12b RSV). They had begun to accommodate themselves to their society and commit themselves to a culturally acceptable kind of religious faith (4:13-5:14). When the worship of God becomes a mere matter of

Christians Attacked In Northeast India

WASHINGTON—The Baptist World Alliance (BWA) has reported "highly destructive vigilante attacks" by bands of high school students on the growing Christian movement in Arunachal Pradesh, India.

The attacks, the BWA reports, include widespread looting, burning of homes and churches, and physical assault.

The information came to the BWA in a request for relief assistance for Baptist churches and church members in the area of India's most northeasterly projection between the borders of Burma and China.

Carl W. Tiller, relief coordinator for BWA, said that the alliance has sent \$2,000 from its emergency relief funds and is seeking another \$40,000 in contributions which will feed 350 people for four months.

"Rapid growth of Christian churches in the last 10 years has alarmed anti-Christian forces of the area," a BWA spokesman said. "The people were formerly animists. During the last decade the number of churches in one tribe has grown to more than 50 with 4,000 baptized believers. Its leaders say that another 1,000 new believers are awaiting baptism."

Two district associations of churches have been formed, under auspices of the Baptists of Assam, a neighboring state in Northeast India, the BWA reports. The sponsoring group in Assam was once a mission of the Baptist General Conference (USA and Canada), but the expatriate missionary force is now down to two nurses.

Reports reaching the BWA say the high school students go from village to village in Arunachal Pradesh directing the attacks only toward Christians.

The list of damages includes: 37 churches burned down; 25 dwellings burned and 74 other dwellings damaged, affecting 343 families; 53 persons physically assaulted; 16 granaries burned down and 162 granaries destroyed or looted; 463 head of livestock and 1,273 fowl stolen. (BP)

social convenience and status, then God's people are in serious trouble.

THE CONFIDENCE

The prophet does not leave the people hopeless. They are reminded that God would continue to try to call his people back to himself. Even if judgment came, it would be for their healing (5:15-6:6). The tragedy is that Israel did not return to God with steadfast love/loyalty and knowledge. God's people followed the misguided morals of their society and religious and political leaders.

The consequences for modern man may be even more disastrous than they were for the Israelites, unless under God we discover and develop a more elevated level of moral stature.

Our People and Our Churches . . .

LEADERSHIP . . .

G. W. Davenport resigned as pastor of Barfield Church, Concord Association, effective Nov. 10. He has served the church for over seven years. He and Mrs. Davenport are planning to move to Dunlap where he will do supply or regular pastorate work.

West Jackson Church, Jackson, has called two interim music directors. The men are Joseph Blass, who will lead the sanctuary and youth choirs, and David Howard, who will lead the children's choirs. Blass is professor of music at Union University with principal teaching responsibilities in the area of private voice. Howard is a senior at Union with a major in music. He plans to enroll in Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary next fall. David Q. Byrd is pastor at West Jackson.

In Holston Valley Association, Duck Creek's new pastor is Albert Bentley. Gills Chapel has called Curtis Monday as pastor, and McCloud has called Glenn Sexton as pastor.

Dandridge First Church, Robert D. McCray, pastor, called Charles Wiggins as minister of music and youth. A student at Carson-Newman College, he is the son of Rev. and Mrs. Branson Wiggins.

The new pastor at Tracy City First Church is Burgess B. Vincent. He came to the position from Faith Church in Bessmer City, N.C., and is a graduate of Fruitland Bible Baptist Institute in Hendersonville, N.C.

Rick Griz, a native of Johnson City, has accepted the call as associate pastor in charge of music at Hilldale Church in Clarksville. He is already on the field. He came to the position from a similar capacity at the Grove Hill Church in Knoxville. E. Lee Griggs is pastor at Hilldale.

Carthage First Church called Terry Taylor as music and youth director, and he is already on the new field. He is a sophomore music major at Cumberland College.

Shuttle Buses For TBC

The Committee on Arrangements for the Tennessee Baptist Convention meeting Oct. 22 at the Executive Board Building in Brentwood approved the use of shuttle buses during the annual convention to be held in Murfreesboro, Nov. 12-14. Bus schedules will be available at registration desks and motel desks.

Parking space is going to be scarce!

PEOPLE . . .

Rockwood First Church ordained Daniel D. Jones as a deacon. His father, St. George Jones, Jr., presented a Bible to him on behalf of the church membership. John Burchfield, senior life deacon, delivered the charge, and Joe Howard led the ordination prayer. Pastor Robert W. Campbell preached the ordination sermon.

Dr. and Mrs. Merrill Moore Jr., medical missionaries to Gaza and formerly from Tennessee, will be guests at a reception in their honor at the Brook Hollow Church in Nashville, Sunday, Nov. 3. Moore is scheduled to speak at the morning worship service at 10:45. John Daley is pastor of the church.

Ronnie Batchelor, Ronnie Collins, Paul Grooms, and Jerry Rial were ordained as deacons at Greenfield First Church recently. J. D. May is pastor at Greenfield.

Blue Grass Church, Hendersonville, ordained Andy Barrett, Earl Carnahan, and Ken O. Skinner as deacons recently. Pastor Robert Woody delivered the ordination message.

Deacons ordained at Mt. Juliet First Church included Gilbert Davis, Jerry Hart, Earl Lane, Ron Nokes. James Barry, Baptist Sunday School Board, delivered the ordination message. Billie Friel is pastor.

Ralph Duncan, director of public relations at the Clear Creek Baptist School in Pineville, Ky., suffered a heart attack earlier this month. A native of Speedwell, Tenn., Duncan attended Carson-Newman College and is a graduate of Clear Creek. In the pastorate for 23 years, he has served churches in Michigan, Ohio, Kentucky, Virginia, and Tennessee. After a period of convalescence, Duncan is expected to resume his duties at the school.

Humboldt First Church ordained Bobby Brittain and Danny Gilstrap as deacons. Speaker for the occasion was H. K. Sorrell, pastor of Brownsville Church.

Members of the Humboldt First Church held a reception in honor of their pastor, R. A. Boston, on the occasion of his fifth anniversary with the church.

Mickey Cope and Elmer Hackney were ordained by Lawrenceburg First Church. Paul J. Tabor is pastor.

Hermitage Hills Church, Hermitage, ordained Gene Johnson as a deacon recently.

CHURCHES . . .

Woodbury Road Church, Murfreesboro, celebrated its homecoming on Oct. 27. It was the church's 27th anniversary. Guest speaker in the morning service was Eugene Skelton. Lesley McClure is pastor.

Calvary Church members, Haywood Association, moved into their new sanctuary recently. Dedication services were held earlier this month. Bill Robbins is pastor.

Trinity Baptist Church of Manchester celebrated their 10th anniversary on October 27th. Trinity was a Mission of First Baptist Church, Manchester, for one year prior to constituting. The first pastor of Trinity was Harold Smith of Cleveland. The present pastor of Trinity is Rev. J. C. Carpenter. Guest speaker at the church was Charles Norton who preached the first sermon when the mission was started.

Indian Hills Church, Bledsoe Association, ordained Irving Downs, Leland Boatman, and Marcus Smith as deacons. James Smith, pastor, New Hope Church, Alexandria, preached the ordination sermon. Dallas Garland is pastor.

Rome Church, New Salem Association, ordained Haskel Jenkins, Bobby Slack, Jim Mofield, and Baxter Napier as deacons. Pastor Robert Sanders preached the ordination sermon.

In Beech River Association, Jimmy Borroughs was ordained to the gospel ministry recently at the Mt. Gilead Church. Dennis Beal delivered the ordination sermon, and George McMinn brought the charge to both the candidate and the church.

Calvary Church, Oak Ridge, Clinton Association, ordained Calvin McClain, Bob Nucholds, Scottie Carter, and Bert Brewer as deacons. Don Long is pastor.

Ruth Carrington Elected To Post For 27th Year

Eddie Wallace, a member of Union Church, Beech River Association, succeeded Paul Shell as moderator of the association. He was elected by messengers at the annual associational meeting, Oct. 17-18.

Re-elected to the post of vice moderator was Wayne Vernon, pastor of the Bear Creek Church in Parsons. Elected to serve for the 27th year was Ruth Carrington, a member of Parsons First Church. She will serve as treasurer and clerk.

The 1975 sessions will be held at Calvary Church in Parsons, Oct. 16-17. The church will be celebrating its 20th anniversary at that time.

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Bible-oriented radio and television programs produced for Baptists by their Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission have been so well received by the industry that in 1973 more than \$8.5 million in public service broadcast time was given Baptist programs.

"That means that the Commission's \$1.5 million budget from the Cooperative Program has grown to eight times its original size and changed from money into changed lives," said Paul M. Stevens, Radio-TV Commission president.

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WMU Reorganizes; Hires Male Editorial Supervisor

BIRMINGHAM—The national office of the Woman's Missionary Union, Southern Baptist Convention auxiliary, has announced a staff reorganization and the employment of Lawrence E. Webb as the first male supervisor of professional personnel in its history.

The reorganization was announced here by Mrs. R. L. Mathis, WMU president, and Miss Carolyn Weatherford, new WMU executive secretary.

Earlier announcement was made to WMU employees before Miss Alma Hunt, WMU executive secretary for 26 years, retired October 5. The WMU executive board authorized the reorganization and personnel changes after a nine month study by its finance and personnel committee, chaired by Mrs. A. Harrison Gregory of Danville, Va., president of the Virginia WMU.

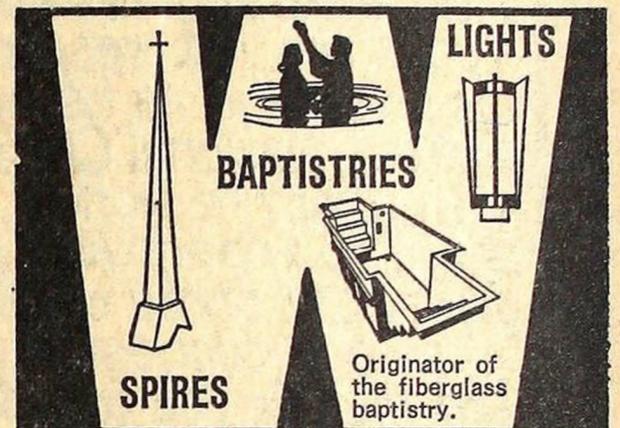
The committee worked with Miss Hunt, Miss Weatherford and a management consultant firm before recommending the new structure.

Mrs. Lee N. (Catherine) Allen, who had been director of public relations, and Miss June Whitlow, former education division director, were named assistants to the executive secretary. Mrs. Allen will direct employee and public relations and Miss Whit-

low will direct planning and research.

The education division will be headed by Miss Bobbie Sorrill, who had supervised the general WMU administration department. Age group departments within the division have been reconstructed into a promotion department and an editorial department.

Webb, associate pastor in education and youth for First Baptist Church, Toccoa, Ga., will head the editorial department, which consists of editors and artists of WMU's publications. Webb, former public relations secretary for the Georgia Baptist Convention, is the only new employee named in the reorganization. (BP)



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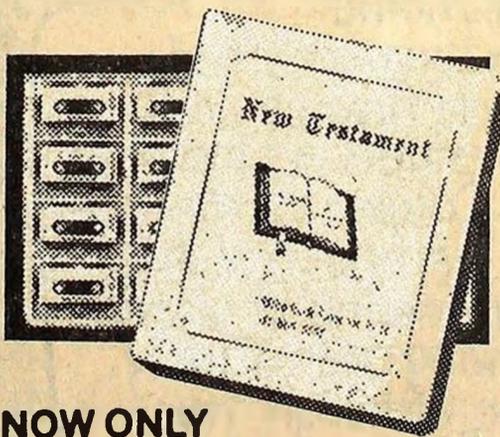
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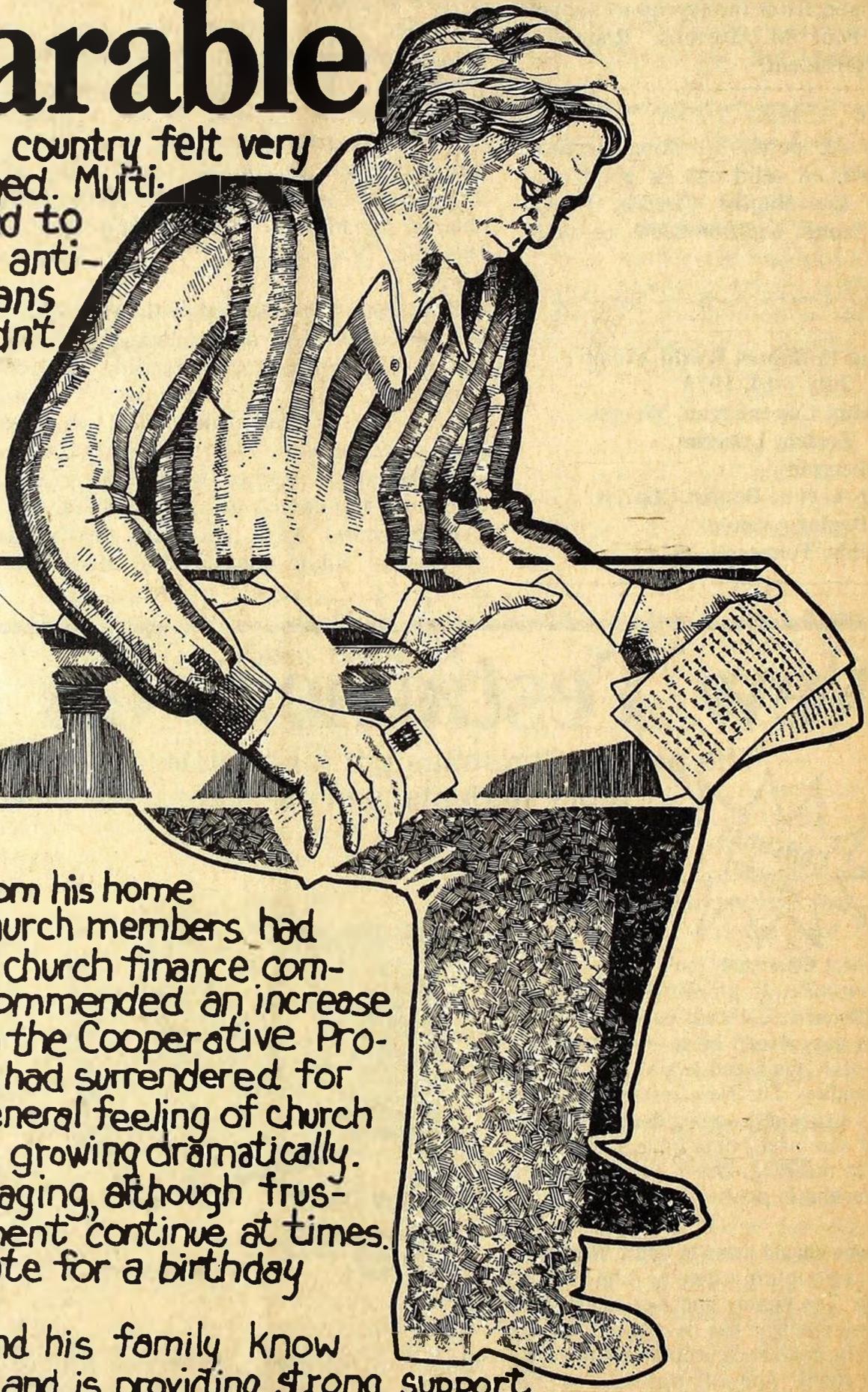
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Then he got a letter from his home church. On his birthday, church members had prayed for his work. The church finance committee had recently recommended an increase in missions gifts through the Cooperative Program. Two young couples had surrendered for missionary service. The general feeling of church support for missions was growing dramatically.

The letter was encouraging, although frustration and discouragement continue at times. And there was no chocolate for a birthday cake this year.

But the missionary and his family know someone at home cares and is providing strong support for their work.

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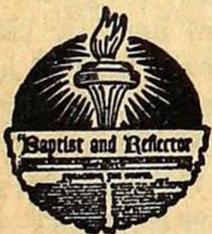
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Now I will tell you the strange part of my life, I have been a church member for 35 years, a Song Leader, a Deacon and various other jobs in church, now you see why my story is strange.

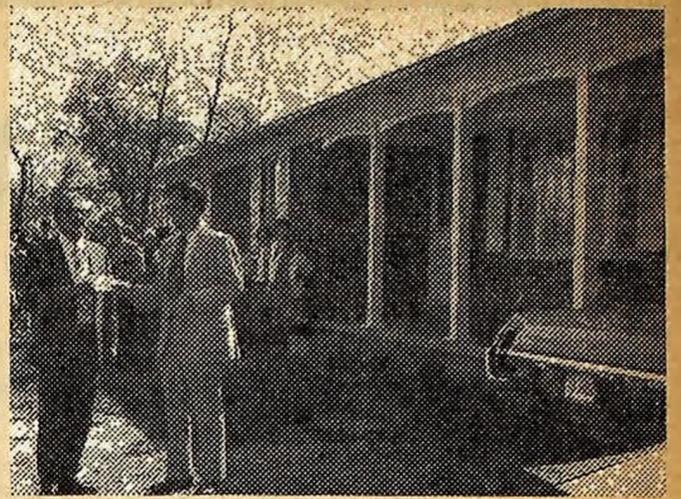
Let me tell you, church member I came close to going to hell because God's Spirit had just about quit speaking to me.

On this Sunday, October 13, 1974, with Bro. Henry E. Linginfelter preaching and

Dick Barrett leading the singing, God told me to go confess my sin, for this is your last chance. This I did before God and the congregation. Boy was my pastor (pleasantly) shocked. The reason for my writing this letter is—church member, don't go to hell lost because you are proud, or what people will think about you, because your Christian friends will love you to death.

The Bible says that God's Spirit will not always strive with men, this I know for a fact. Now you know the reason for my topic "If you ain't got it (Christ) then you ain't going" (to Heaven).

Christian love,
John Lynn
Highland Park Baptist Church
Columbia, Tennessee 38401



Pastor Paul Leftrick, Westmoreland First Church, hands the bank note on the new parsonage that was recently paid off to the church treasurer Billy Ray Caruthers. A dedication and note burning service was held at the church parsonage recently. The \$15,000 indebtedness was paid off in less than two years. Leftrick is the first full-time pastor of the church.

Baptist Missionary Refutes Attack On Honduran Officials

SAN PEDRO SULA, Honduras—A Southern Baptist medical missionary here has refuted accusations made to the press by an American physician that the Honduran government has confiscated and misappropriated food, clothing and medical supplies flown here for hungry and sick villagers.

"Our experience has been exactly the opposite," said Dr. W. David Harms, Baptist missionary physician who has been coordinating the Honduran relief efforts of the medical assistance program. "The Honduran government and the Honduran military have been very helpful in allowing us to get all our medicines and goods."

Southern Baptist missionaries stationed in Honduras said they "were alarmed and distressed" by wire service news reports of an interview with Dr. Edward Austin of Coca, Fla., who had spent two weeks on a relief mission to the flood-ravaged Central American country.

Austin reportedly stated to reporters that he had been told that the government was confiscating relief supplies for its use and planning to sell them on the black market "at the price of gold." Baptist missionaries called such accusations "false and ungrounded."

"The release of the article," Harms said, "is tragic because it hurts so many people in such great need by undermining our support base—the United States." (BP)

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Cumberland Plateau Association, **Emmanuel Church**, Crossville, H. Vern Daugherty.

100th Year Observed By Big Emory Association

Messengers to the annual sessions of Big Emory Association, celebrated the association's 100th anniversary during special services earlier this month.

Robert Campbell, pastor of Rockwood First Church, was re-elected moderator for the association, along with Lloyd Napier, pastor of Middle Creek Church who was re-elected vice moderator. Gerald Bland, pastor of Wartburg First Church, was the newly elected treasurer. Mark Scarbrough, retired pastor and a member of Oakdale First Church, was re-elected to the post of clerk.

New churches applying for membership into the association included Hopewell, Pastor Fred Scarbrough, and Pilot Mountain, Pastor James Phillips.

The 1975 sessions will be held at South Harriman, Calvary, and Crab Orchard Churches, Oct. 9-10.

Officers Re-elected To Big Hatchie Posts

Messengers to the Big Hatchie Association meeting re-elected all officers who served last year to posts for 1974-75. The officers included: moderator James A. Williams, pastor, Garland Church; vice moderator, Paul Woodford, pastor, Ripley First Church; treasurer, Mrs. Ben W. Emerson, member, Ripley First Church; and clerk, Henry G. West, pastor, Covington First Church.

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Other officers, all re-elected, included vice moderator Huel Hooker, pastor of the Pleasant Grove Church; treasurer James O. Woody, a member of Antioch Church; and clerk Lucille Shipman, a member of Benton Station.

The 1975 sessions will be held Oct. 20-21 at Smyrna, Cedar Springs, and Hiwassee Union Churches.

Harold Smith Re-elected Bradley Moderator

Harold Smith, pastor of the Westwood Church, Bradley Association, was re-elected moderator of that association during recent annual sessions. Elected to serve for the first time was vice moderator R. L. Gentry, pastor of the Philippi Church.

The treasurer and clerk were both re-elected. They were John Paysinger, a member of the Valley View Church, and Ernest Condee, pastor of Stuart Park.

The site for the 1975 meetings will be Clingan Ridge, Hopewell, and Big Spring Churches. Sessions will be held Oct. 13-14.

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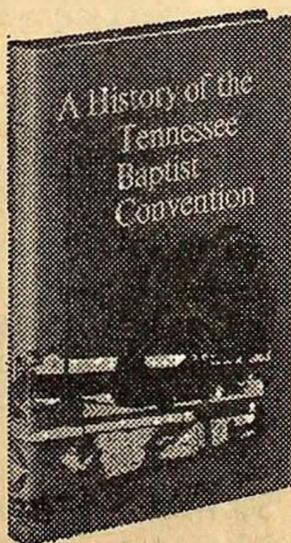
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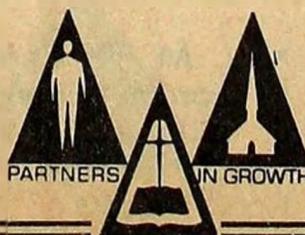
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Report of Special Study Committee on Board Representation

(To be presented to the 1974 annual TBC at Murfreesboro.)

Part I—CONSTITUTION:

Article VI, Paragraph 2

Present

2. The Directors of the Executive Board of the Tennessee Baptist Convention shall be seventy-five (75) in number, at least twenty-five (25) of whom shall reside in each grand division of the state. The directors required to be elected from such grand division of the state shall be distributed throughout such grand division on the basis of the Baptists per capita therein as reported to the preceding Convention.

Proposed

2. The Directors of the Executive Board of the Tennessee Baptist Convention shall be ninety-nine (99) in number, of which twenty-five (25) shall reside in each of the three grand divisions of the state. The remaining twenty-four (24) members shall be, as nearly as possible, distributed in proportion to the Baptist population in these grand divisions as reported to the preceding convention.

Article VI, Paragraph 4

Present

4. Any director changing residence from the grand division of the state in which such director resided at the time of election shall thereby vacate the office.

Proposed

4. Any director changing residence from the grand division of the state in which such director resided at the time of election shall continue to serve only until the end of the Convention year.

Part II—BYLAWS:

Article III, Section 2

Present

2. No individual shall be elected after their present memberships expire to serve on more than one of the governing bodies of such institutions, etc., simultaneously, excepting the Baptist Memorial Hospital whose Board members may serve on two boards. So far as possible, members serving on more than one board shall serve in varying fields. Individuals nominated for service on the Executive Board of the Tennessee Baptist Convention after 1973 may not be nominated for any other Convention board or standing committee.

Proposed

2. No individual shall be elected after their present memberships expire to serve on more than one of the governing bodies of such institutions, etc., simultaneously, except the Tennessee Baptist Foundation whose charter requires that three of its trustees must be members of the Tennessee Baptist Convention Executive Board. Individuals nominated for service on the Executive Board of the Tennessee Baptist Convention after 1973 may not be nominated for **any other Convention board** or standing committee.

Article III, Section 5

Present

5. Any member of any such body who shall leave the state shall thereby vacate his office. Any member of any such body who shall leave a grand division of the state in which he resided at the time of election and moves to another grand division shall continue to serve until the end of his term of office. Provisions in Section 4(b) shall apply to any additional period of service. Members of the Executive Board of the Tennessee Baptist Convention moving from one grand division to another shall serve only until the end of the Convention year.

Proposed

5. Any member of any such body who shall leave the state shall thereby vacate his office. Members of the Executive Board of the Tennessee Baptist Convention moving from one grand division to another shall serve only until the end of the Convention year. Provision in Section 4(b) shall apply to any additional period of service.

Article III, Section 10

Present

10. Trustees shall be members of churches affiliated with the Tennessee Baptist Convention.

Proposed

10. Trustees need not be confined to the geographical area where an institution or agency is located, but they must be residents of Tennessee and members of churches affiliated with the Tennessee Baptist Convention.

Article III, Section 14

Present

(Not now in Bylaws)

Proposed

14. The Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Convention shall be an ex officio, non-voting, member of the boards of trustees, directors, or governing bodies of Tennessee Baptist Convention institutions and agencies.

Respectfully submitted,
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What You Should Know About the Annuity Board Plans and the New Pension Reform Act.

By
Darold H. Morgan



ANNUITY BOARD PRESIDENT

The new Pension Reform Act is one of the better decisions Congress made this year. It is extremely complex and involved, but we feel some word should be said about it. Many have asked, "Does the Act affect the Annuity Board?" Others have sought information about provisions of the Act, primarily involving tax shelter.

First of all, the Annuity Board plans consistently equal or surpass every requirement of the Act. Like all denominational pension agencies, the Board is not subject to the detailed and expensive reports demanded by the government.

But, the Board is accountable to the Southern Baptist Convention and to each state convention and provides them with completely audited reports each year. Also, each member is given an annual statement showing his accumulations and benefits.

Second, the new Act allows individuals, who have no access to adequate retirement plans as our church and agency employes do, to invest for retirement through Individual Retirement Accounts.

There are four primary differences between Individual Retirement Accounts (IRA) and the Southern Baptist Protection Program (SBPP):

(1) In IRA, a person may tax shelter up to a maximum of \$1,500 a year. (Ministers are not eligible for the HR-10 (Keogh) plans.) In SBPP, a member may tax shelter 20% of his total compensation with no maximum each year.

(2) In IRA, participation is exclusive. In SBPP, there is no restriction for participation in other plans.

(3) In IRA, withdrawal of funds prior to age 59½ calls for a 10% penalty. In SBPP, there is no penalty.

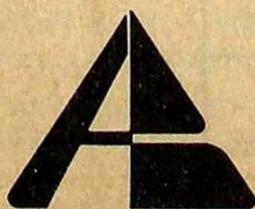
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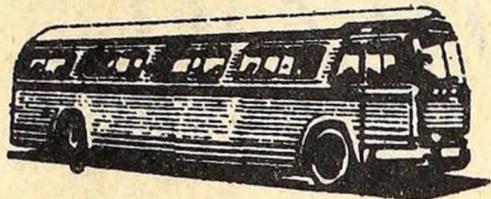
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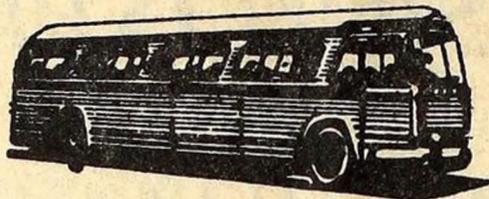
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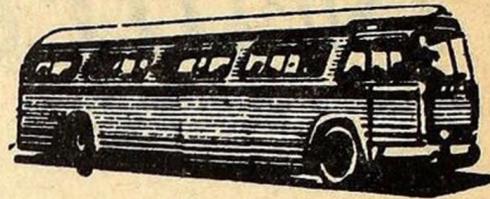
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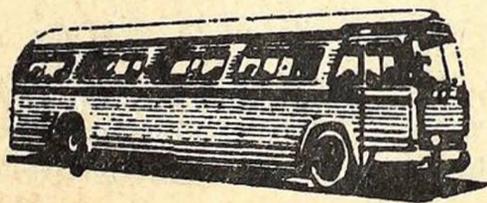
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Southern Baptists' Record Of Giving—Up, Up And Away

NASHVILLE—Southern Baptists are attempting to raise their batting average in giving to missions and other needs within the 12.3-million member denomination.

October 1974 saw the culmination of a three-year push in educating church members concerning the Southern Baptist Cooperative Program (unified budget). Stress for October, designated Cooperative Program Month across the convention, was laid on commitment to an increase of support by churches. "Operation One," as the emphasis was billed, called on churches to increase Cooperative Program giving by at least one per cent.

Some churches give up to 50 per cent of their income for Baptist state and SBC-wide causes, but the average is around 10 per cent.

The year 1975-76 marks the 50th anniversary of the Cooperative Program of the 129-year-old denomination, a system devised in 1925 for a joint effort in funding missions and other worthy causes among Southern Baptists.

The Foreign Mission Board normally receives as much as 50 per cent of these undesignated monies distributed to national agencies of the convention, with the Home Mission Board receiving 18.75 per cent, according to the latest figures.

The first total recorded gifts by churches was in 1885 and amounted to \$1,513,640. Membership then was 1,013,160. Per capita giving for the year was \$1.49.

Cooperative Program Began in Memphis

By 1925, when the Cooperative Program was born at a meeting in Memphis, Tenn., convention membership had doubled. That year Southern Baptists gave \$4,128,188 in (national and state) Cooperative Program gifts for a per capita figure of \$1.17. Membership was 3,649,330 in 1925 and total gifts for all causes for the year were \$39,627,009 for a per capita total gifts figure of \$10.86.

In 1928 the per capita figure for the Cooperative Program went down six cents, with the Cooperative Program total for '28 dropping \$24,504, yet total gifts were up—\$301,000.

All figures dropped steadily from 1929 until in 1933 the Cooperative Program total hit a low of \$1,903,615 and a per capita figure of 46 cents. Total gifts for that year were low also: \$23,289,361 and a per capita amount of \$5.58.

The '30's, however, were a depression era and dollars and cents values have changed drastically across the years.

(Note: Young is feature editor for the Baptist Press, SBC, Nashville.)

In 1933, for example, personal income per household in the United States was \$2,550 while in 1950 it was \$3,780. Per capita income in the nation in 1933 was \$700 contrasted with \$900 per annum in 1950.

By 1940, giving denomination-wide was up to a record \$40,359,038 for total gifts (to all Baptist causes). Church members that year totaled 5,104,327 and they gave \$3,415,124 to the Cooperative Program. The per capita figure for total gifts was \$7.91 while the Cooperative Program per capita amount was 67 cents.

As Southern Baptists approach the 50th anniversary of the Cooperative Program, 1973 has seen state and national Cooperative Program gifts reach a year-end total of \$100,647,475 and a per capita amount of \$12. The denomination, 12.3 million strong according to '73 statistics, gave total gifts for all causes amounting to over \$1.2 billion or \$98.01 per capita—all-time records in the Baptists' giving.

A tally of giving reported by the various Baptist state conventions since 1925 reveals that Cooperative Program gifts had reached \$1,144,367,781 (not including 1974), while the total gifts for all causes 1925-73, was \$15,021,881,303. Total gifts from 1885-1924 were \$528,550,512, while the total gifts from 1885-1973 were \$15,550,431,815.

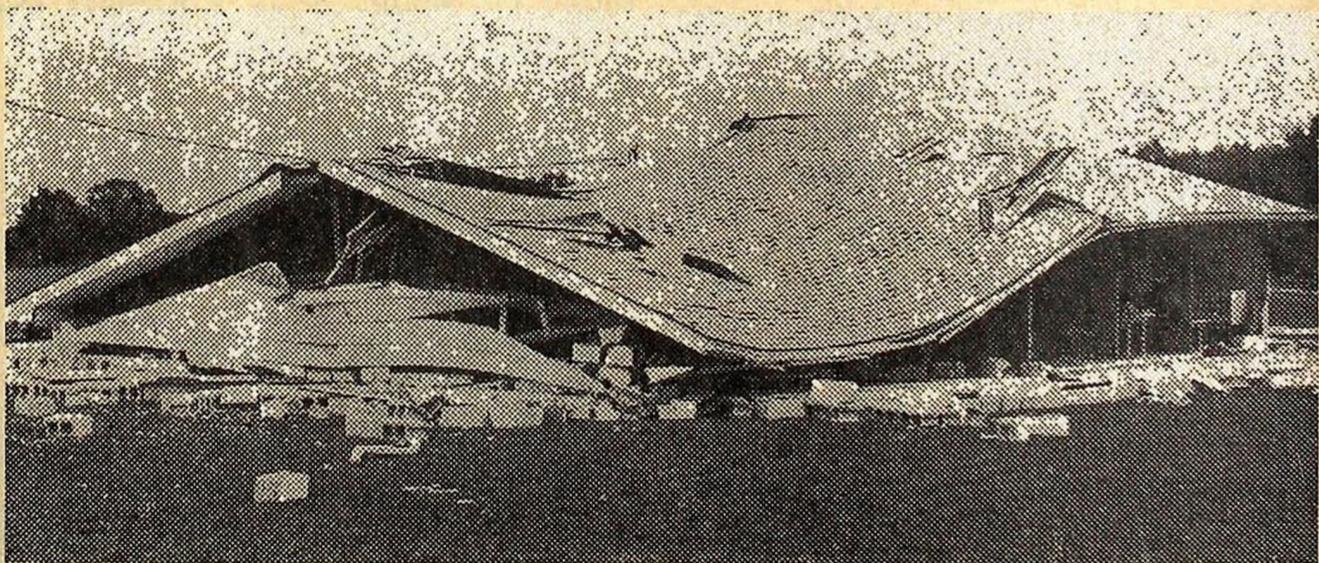
Administrative costs for the Cooperative Program at the SBC level have been kept at a minimum. The "convention operating budget" receives less than one per cent of the SBC Cooperative Program funds. This allocation provides for the budget of the Nashville-based SBC Executive Committee, the expenses of the annual SBC meeting and an allocation to the Baptist World Alliance.

As the denomination swings into observance of the Cooperative Program 50th anniversary, 1974 is already another record year in Southern Baptist giving. But totals for the calendar year won't be available until next spring.

The call to conventionwide commitment in giving comes at a time when the SBC has already approved a \$150 million goal on the state level for the Cooperative Program—to coincide with the U.S. Bicentennial in 1976—for state and national causes.

It is anticipated that a projected \$51 million of the goal will go to SBC level agencies budgets, while the rest (about 65 per cent) will remain in the 33 Baptist state conventions. Reaching the \$150 million goal will require an even greater commitment from the more than 34,000 churches in giving. It's an opportunity for Southern Baptists to leap ahead in giving as they have never done before.

In view of the annual two per cent rate of membership increase over the past several years, and the steady increase in giving since 1940, the Bicentennial goal of \$150 million for state and SBC Cooperative Program is a good possibility. (BP)



A Middle Tennessee Baptist Church was destroyed and a man injured when an explosion rocked through the facilities of Riva Lake Church in Duck River Association recently.

According to Hoyt Jennings, superintendent of missions for Duck River, the explosion occurred when a pilot light, which had gone out, was relighted. Morris Cofer, the only person in the building at the time, received second and third degree burns.

The structure contained several Sunday School rooms, a nursery, preschool, and young people's department in addition to the sanctuary. Everything in the sanctuary was destroyed also. Pastor of the church is David Brumley.

The membership of approximately 110 will meet in the Franklin County Elementary School until a new building can be constructed.

Home Missionary Leads Youths In 'Christian High Adventure'

By Elaine Furlow

LAKE TAHOE, Nev.—Missionary Chuck Clayton talks to people about God in some most unchurch-like settings.

His outdoor "pulpit" at Lake Tahoe is a five-foot cross section of California pine. In winter, he expertly maneuvers the nearby ski slopes, holding worship services right on the snow, where the skiers are. And in summer, the denim-shirted Clayton, wearing heavy lug sole climbing boots and a weathered felt hat, leads teenagers on three backpack expeditions in the California mountains.

Clayton says his backpack program, Christian High Adventure, "relates the adventures of the Christ life to the adventure of outdoor experience."

CHA is part of Greater Tahoe Ministries, a resort ministry of the Home Mission Board in cooperation with the Brotherhood Department of the Southern Baptist General Convention of California. Clayton is a graduate of Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary and was pastor for 14 years.

"I want to communicate to a kid that he's okay. God has a purpose for him. The adventure in the Christian life is finding out what that purpose is," explains Clayton, an experienced mountain climber and graduate of the National Outdoor Leadership School.

The adventure backpack trip and the coed trip take six days. The wilderness mountaineering expedition, for boys over 16, last 15 days in the high Sierras.

"You know there is not much for guys in high school who make C's, have two dates a year and are on the third string tiddledy-winks team. Well, this kind of thing—backpacking—is real good because it gives a guy confidence in himself.

"I was the garden variety type kid growing up, so I know," laughs the tanned, trim missionary.

"When they climb a major peak," says Clayton, "they can look around and say, 'Hey I can do it. I am as good as these other fellows.'"

He recalls one crybaby who had had no friends at home. "The first two days of the hike, he hurt. He was carrying that 65-pound pack, and he wanted to lay down. I wouldn't let him. 'You can't quit,' I said. 'Get off your duff.'"

"He kept at it," Clayton remembers proudly. "He was scared to death he was going to fall off the mountain, but when he had made the climb, he was so proud of himself."

Each day of hiking includes a 20-minute devotional and a quiet time.

"You need not be a Christian to come,

but we are unapologetically evangelistic in our emphasis," Clayton emphasizes.

"I don't put my knife to a guy's rope on the mountain and say, 'you gonna become a Christian?'" Clayton laughs, "but I make sure they know what our purposes are.

"We're going to see the adventure of Christian living, and learn some skills and have fun at the same time."

Shelby Messengers Elect Emmett Wade

Emmett Wade, director of education and music at the Germantown Church, Shelby Association, was elected moderator for Shelby Association at its recent annual meeting. He succeeds Lowell Adams, pastor of the Graceland Church.

Jimmy Roberts, pastor of Oakville Memorial Church was elected vice moderator; and James Humphreys, pastor of Forest Hill, was re-elected treasurer and clerk.

Resolutions were passed opposing drugs and alcohol, pornography, and the use of violence, sex, profanity and crime on television. Messengers expressed their support for the World Missions Conference, associational mission work, and reaffirmed their beliefs to teach and preach the Bible as their guide in faith.

Fisherville First and East Park Churches will be the site for the 1975 meetings, Oct. 6-7.

Clayton teaches classes in sanitation, cooking, rope handling, bouldering, setting up a rain fly, navigation and map reading, and trail and expedition procedures. Cooking is his specialty: "spaghetti, sweet rolls, fried meat pies . . . we even have German chocolate cake, if you can believe that."

After the day's hike and a good meal at night, there is plenty of time for talk around the campfire. "We get to know each other gradually," says Clayton. "They find it's okay to open up, to share things about themselves. We accept each other and don't put each other down."

That acceptance of other people is Clayton's trademark—on the trail, at the Squaw Valley ski slopes, or with the vacationers at Lake Tahoe.

Westside Church, Halls, Voted Into Dyer Assn.

Westside Church, Halls, which was constituted as a church last summer, has been accepted for membership into Dyer Association, according to a report from the annual meeting. Previously a mission of Halls First Church, the new membership is served by pastor Richard Owens.

Re-elected to the post of moderator was Max Walker, pastor of Newbern First Church. He will serve for the coming year with vice moderator James Daniel, pastor of the Springhill Church; treasurer Guthrie Dotson, a member of Dyersburg First Church; and clerk R. H. Dills, retired pastor and member of Hillcrest Church.

In business at the meeting, action was taken, upon recommendation of the evangelism committee, to conduct an area wide crusade, June 22-29, under the leadership of E. J. Daniels.

The next annual meeting will be held Oct. 13-14 with the Elon and Mt. Vernon Churches.



Dedication services were held on September 29, for the new Doe River Baptist Church, located in Watauga Association. Participating in the dedication were former pastors, Gary Hardin and S. E. Strong and Miss Gertrude Hale, associational superintendent of missions. The congregation occupied the new church facilities on September 1, and on the following Sunday honored their pastor and wife, Rev. and Mrs. Otto Giles with an appreciation tea. The new church which was built at an estimated cost of \$150,000, contains a sanctuary with a seating capacity of 325, an education complex, office space and kitchen facilities. The old church and property has been purchased by the Watauga Baptist Association for future office space.

Excess Offering Funds Set For Evangelism, Missions

ATLANTA—Responding to convention expressions for increased emphasis on evangelism, the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board here ticketed some \$630,000 of the 1975 Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for evangelism projects. The board also voted to use all funds received over the offering's \$8.5 million goal for evangelism and missions needs.

Evangelism-oriented matters, including a call to win America for Christ now by Southern Baptist Convention president Jaroy Weber, dominated the agenda of the fall meeting of the board.

But in other actions the directors voted to increase the interest rate on church loans, approved new salary guidelines for staff members and missionaries, appointed 26 missionaries and missionary associates and honored executive director-treasurer Arthur B. Rutledge for 10 years at the board's helm.

They also honored three retiring staff members and accepted the resignation of another, heard plans for Home Mission Board projects in observing the nation's bicentennial and approved themes for a bold mission thrust, 1976-79.

The directors voted to distribute the 1975 Annie Armstrong Easter Offering as follows, if the \$8.5 million goal is met:

—\$5.9 million for missionaries and field ministries;

—\$1.3 million for special projects;

—\$1.3 million for advance in critical areas.

Evangelism projects would receive four per cent (\$240,000) from the \$5.9 million designated for missionaries and field ministries and 30 per cent (\$390,000) of the \$1.3 million for advance in critical areas.

All over the \$8.5 million goal would be used "for urgent unmet field ministries needs in missions and evangelism." (BP)

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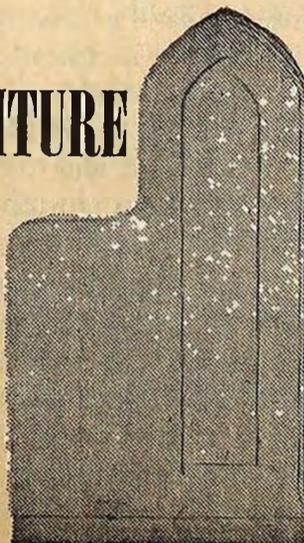
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Brotherhood And WMU Raise Flag Of Love In Campaign

By Catherine Allen

While some authorities say Americans are becoming a nation of strangers, Southern Baptists are raising a flag in favor of life-changing neighborliness.

"Love Thy Neighbor" is a year-long intensive drive mounted by Southern Baptists' missions organizations for men and women. The purpose is to remind Baptists that they are surrounded by people who need not only religious faith, but who need a simple dose of human kindness and help.

The SBC Woman's Missionary Union (WMU) and Brotherhood Commission published details about "Love Thy Neighbor" in a 16-page brochure and started distributing it early in the summer. Already 210,000 copies have been snapped up and 55,000 are coming off the press to answer eager questions about "How can we get involved?"

Brotherhood and WMU launched "Love Thy Neighbor" to put feet to the SBC's emphasis for 1974-75 entitled "Share His Love Now." "Love Thy Neighbor's" title and motivation were lifted straight from the Bible, where Jesus taught that love in action

directed towards neighbors was second in importance only to love of God.

Who Is My Neighbor?

A man seeking to excuse his limited concept of neighborly love asks Jesus, "Who is my neighbor? Jesus answered with the story of the Good Samaritan, who did not ignore a stranger who had been victimized and mistreated, but who invested time and money to help.

"Jesus pointed to a wider community in which Christians must love all men as brothers and seek to draw them into wholeness," said Alma Hunt, executive secretary of WMU, and Glendon McCullough, executive director of the Brotherhood Commission. The two lay leaders urged congregations to welcome many kinds of people, to witness by work and deed, and to develop a throb of action during the year-long project.

"'Love Thy Neighbor' is more than an attractive theme. It involves the essence of Christian living: to love God completely and to love others redemptively," McCullough and Miss Hunt wrote to Southern Baptist pastors.

Personnel for "Love Thy Neighbor" projects will be drawn from segments of the population as often ignored as the needy neighbors they will help. One project is for families; one is led by teens, one puts laymen into crisis situations as ministers and witnesses, and one attempts to draw help from the entire congregation.

Ways To Love Thy Neighbor

Hundreds of warming examples of "Love Thy Neighbor" are already in hand: the Birmingham couple that took a forgotten mental patient into their home to ease her back into society; the California doctor who replaced a missionary doctor temporarily and performed 169 surgeries in 80 days; the team of volunteer carpenters who helped rebuild Baptist buildings in earthquake-damaged Nicaragua.

There was the Tennessee church that took worship services to the banks of a resort lake, the Louisiana family that made a place for unloved juveniles in their home.

Then there were the Alabama girls who stocked a church closet with food and clothes that sustained several families through hard times, the Atlanta congregation that resettled displaced foreign families and the family that adopted a batch of forgotten old people as grandparents.

Family mission action, churchwide mission action, crisis closets and lay ministries are the four legs of "Love Thy Neighbor" that can help churches walk into concerned neighbor relations.

When the flurry of projects comes to an end 12 months from now, no statistics will be around to indicate the win-lose score. Most of the participants will be reluctant to stand and be counted. But if here and there Americans stop to help a neighbor at a personal level, "Love Thy Neighbor" will have made its mark. (BP)

Georgia Church Ordains Woman To The Ministry

DECATUR, Ga.—Miss Hazel Grady, a 20-year staff member of Oakhurst Baptist Church here, has been ordained to the ministry by the church in a Sunday morning service.

Miss Grady, current associate minister of education at the church, has been serving part-time on the church staff while studying clinical pastoral education at Georgia Baptist Hospital, Atlanta, where she is a chaplain intern. She was fulltime educational director at the church for more than 18 years.

Believed to be the second woman ordained by a Southern Baptist church in Georgia, Miss Grady is a former vice president of the Georgia Baptist Convention, has served as president of both the Atlanta Baptist and Georgia Baptist Religious Education Associations and is former vice president of the Eastern Baptist Education Association.

She holds an associate of arts degree from Mars Hill (N. C.) College, a bachelor of arts from Meredith College, Raleigh, N. C., and a master's degree in religious education from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

Before joining the Oakhurst church staff, she served as education director at First Baptist Church, Fort Thomas, Ky.

No exact figures exist on the number of women ordained by local Southern Baptist churches throughout the nation, but the total exceeds 15. The latest available information indicates that only one of these women, Mrs. Druecillar Fordham of Christ Temple Baptist Church, a black congregation in New York City, serves as a pastor. Mrs. Fordham was already serving as pastor of the church in New York when it joined the Manhattan Baptist Association in 1972. It is dually aligned with Southern Baptists and the Progressive National Baptist Convention, a black body. (BP)

Cumberland Accepts New Church, Elects Officers

Northside Church was voted into the membership of the Cumberland Association at its recent annual meeting after having been under watchcare for the past year, according to Glenn Hester, moderator. The pastor at Northside is John Landers.

Also at the meeting, messengers re-elected Hester, who is pastor of the Gracey Avenue Church, as moderator; and Marvin Hines, pastor of Hillcrest Church, as vice moderator. The treasurer, also re-elected, is Virgil Allison, pastor of Canaan First Church. Elected to serve as clerk for the first time was Mrs. Norman McWhorter, a member of the Gracey Avenue Church.

The 1975 sessions will be held Oct. 20-21 using an associational fair for emphasis. The location has not yet been set.

19th Century Ministers; Parallels And Opposites

By James Lee Young

One was a died-in-the-wool Confederate and the other was known as a Union sympathizer. Both were Baptist ministers and leaders in Tennessee Baptist history. Each believed he was right—theologically and politically.

Parallels and opposites in the lives of Robert Boyte Crawford and James Madison Pendleton brought them some acclaim among Baptists, positions of leadership, and persecution—for one prison and the other a temporary exile.

They lived in the 1800s when Tennessee Baptists were pioneering in a land that was still being tamed. Both had connections with the old Union University, then in Murfreesboro where the Tennessee Baptist Convention was born in 1874. Each man played a role in the establishing of colleges, of seminaries, and of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1845.

They were among early Tennessee Baptists, whose memories will be commemorated at the Centennial Convention of the Tennessee Baptist Convention in Murfreesboro, Nov. 11-13, 1974.

Pendleton was the pastor of First Baptist Church, Murfreesboro 1857-62. And Howell, who served two four-year terms as SBC president, was the pastor of First Baptist Church in Nashville, 1834-50 and from 1857 until he resigned in 1867, due to failing health.

Landmarkism and James Robinson Graves, another well-known early Tennessee Baptist leader, were two realities in the lives of Pendleton and Howell. Pendleton became the theologian of Landmarkism, having come to the persuasion under Graves' influence. Howell opposed the movement and was successful in removing its dominant influence from the Bible Board in Nashville, although Howell, himself opposed infant baptism.

The Landmark question, which arose largely over the issue of accepting Pedobaptist baptisms—baptizing of infants—and Pedobaptist preaching, resulted in the Cotton Grove Resolutions prompted primarily by Graves, "which repudiated the authority of non-Baptist churches, ministers and ordinances," according to the Encyclopedia of Southern Baptists, Vol II.

Many Baptists refused to endorse Landmarkism, although enough did to make the "new Southwest a stronghold for it," the

Encyclopedia notes.

Both Pendleton and Howell were editors of Tennessee Baptist papers and both suffered for their political views.

Pendleton's leanings as an "emancipationist" made him suspect to the people of Middle Tennessee and caused him difficulty to the point that rumors were spread about his Union leanings. The preacher believed, however, the slavery problem should be dealt with gradually, W. Fred Kendall writes in "A History of the Tennessee Baptist Convention." (The author is the immediate past executive secretary-treasurer of the Tennessee convention)

Whatever Pendleton's true label (pro-Union or not), Kendall writes, false reports were spread about the minister, and he was falsely quoted. Radicals wanted Pendleton hung, and his life was in greater danger as the Civil War dragged on.

The final blow for Pendleton came when two Union regiments camped near his home in 1862. By the end of August, the Pendletons had packed and left Murfreesboro.

Since the railroad was in the control of Federals, Pendleton went by train while his family went by horse and carriage. The minister carried letters for Union officers and feared for his life, Kendall writes.

And justifiably so, the author notes, since the carriage was stopped by a band of guerrillas who let it be known they were looking for Pendleton. He escaped and was later called to be the pastor of a church in Hamilton, Ohio.

Howell, on the other hand, suffered at the hands of Pro-Union forces and Governor Andrew Johnson. While the pastor of First Baptist Church, Nashville, Howell refused to leave the city when Union forces captured it. Johnson, who was military governor of Tennessee by order of President Lincoln, dealt with Tennesseans severely, as Howell was to learn.

Under Gov. Johnson, many citizens were arrested and/or imprisoned although charges weren't filed. Citizens were forced to take an oath of allegiance to the U.S. Government and give a security bond that they would uphold the government. Those refusing to do so were forced to vacate their offices.

Howell dared to believe the South should have a right to express its own opinion(s). He was among ministers of Nashville called together and asked by Gov. Johnson to verbally pledge allegiance to the U.S. Government. The ministers, Kendall says, tried to reason with Johnson and asked for a de-

lay so more ministers could be involved.

Gov. Johnson scheduled a meeting for the next day, but Howell and three others were all that showed. Asked to take the oath, they refused and were locked in the penitentiary.

Howell became seriously ill in prison but encouraged church members to stay together during the crisis, he was released from prison in August 1862.

Pendleton, after leaving Tennessee, stayed only a short time in Ohio. His last pastorate was in Pennsylvania where he helped to establish Crozer Theological Seminary. It is worth noting that Howell also advocated the founding of a seminary.

Ten years after Howell's proposal—for a seminary—at the SBC annual meeting in 1849, The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary (now in Louisville, Ky.) was begun in Greenville, S.C.

Howell led in the founding of the Old Union University, which opened in the early 1840s, in Murfreesboro. Pendleton served for a time as acting president of the old school, which folded in the fall of 1861. The present Union University was founded by Tennessee Baptists in 1874.

Pendleton was instrumental also in the beginning of Bethel College in Russellville, Ky., in 1849. Like Howell, Pendleton spent his last days in Middle Tennessee. The Pendleton's left Pennsylvania, where he was a pastor, for Nashville in 1883. In 1885, after a winter in Austin, Tex., they left Texas for Murfreesboro to be near their children.

Two of the many stars that shone among Tennessee Baptists in those early years had dimmed by 1874 when the Tennessee Baptist Convention was formed. Howell died in 1868, and Pendleton, who died in 1891, was still a pastor in Pennsylvania when the Tennessee Convention was organized.

Virginia Baptist Board Votes Equal Pay For Women

RICHMOND—The board of the Baptist General Association of Virginia, statewide convention of Southern Baptists in Virginia, voted here to pay female staff members of the convention "equal pay for equal work."

The adoption of special budgetary provisions completes a program of salary increases for female campus ministers and educational consultants who have been paid less than men of equal preparation and similar job description.

Three employees and two vacant positions are involved in the change.

The Baptist General Association of Virginia is one of 33 state conventions, covering 50 states, affiliated with the 12.3-million-member, 34,665-church Southern Baptist Convention. (BP)

Note: James Lee Young is Feature Editor for Baptist Press, news service of the Southern Baptist Convention, and is a member of First Baptist Church, Nashville.

Motives For Ministering

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

Basic Passage: 2 Corinthians 4:13 to 5:15

Focal Passage: 2 Corinthians 4:16 to 5:15

Different people have a variety of motives for ministering. Some minister and serve for show. They want to impress, to be seen of others like the ancient Pharisees. They want to know the praise of men. They carry it to a ludicrous degree.

Some do it from a sense of duty. They feel that they ought to do their part. They are not so much interested in the praise of men but in staying on good terms with their standards and convictions.

Others do it as compensation to their consciences. They have fallen short at some point or have violated their conscience and want to salve their sense of guilt or make it appear to men as not as bad as it looks.

Still others do it out of love and for the glory of God. Jesus urged His disciples to let their lights so shine not to receive the praise of man but that God might be glorified. If by meeting someone's need, we point toward God in Christ, we meet two needs—a lesser and a greater need.

Spiritual Recharging 2 Corinthians 4:16

Time takes its toll on the body. The inner man can be renewed each day. There is no need to faint or fail when God is willing to strengthen by might, the Spirit in the inner man.

Our spiritual batteries will run down if we do not recharge them by special communion with Christ, through the Holy Spirit. Unless our spiritual life is kept healthy, we cannot minister on the highest level.

In The Light Of The Eternal 2 Corinthians 4:17-18

The way things react on us is determined by the scope of our perspective. Do we see the experience or the situation in the light of the immediate or in the light of the eternal? With that vision Paul saw time as shortened and his affliction lightened. He envisioned facts not immediately available

to the present situation. It is true that a small leaf close to our eyes can hide a star that is millions of miles larger than our earth. Many things have changed as to how they look after years of experience. What will eternity do to our way of seeing and feeling things?

Even right now things are often not as bad as they seem. In fact, the seen is very superficial and fleeting as compared to the unseen or the other side of the coin of reality. We must minister in the light of these facts.

The Finish Of The Great Reality 2 Corinthians 5:1-10

There is a bigger, better and more blissful dimension of existence. This is a small part of our existence. Somewhere there is the great central and focused presence of the Lord.

There will be a perfect environment for our redeemed spirits. Sometimes our highest and best urges are so repressed and frustrated. We long for the freedom of glory in our homeland.

Paul turns to another phase of our future as Christians. We must appear before the judgment seat of Christ. Our rewards will be revealed. That will be an awesome experience. All our works and lives will be evaluated or tried by fire as they stand the test. We receive a reward or otherwise we will suffer loss. Motives will play a big part. In any case our salvation will depend upon whether Christ is our foundation. 1 Cor. 3:11-13.

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From the Executive Secretary

By Ralph Norton

We made reference recently in this column to the Salary Committee which was authorized by the convention in Memphis, 1973, to study church staff salaries. We urged you to remember this committee in your prayers as they sought to make this comprehensive study.



Norton

This report has now been completed and copies should be in the hands of representatives in each of our churches, including the pastor. If by any chance these copies have not reached any pastor or church, please notify us at once and additional copies will be mailed.

We believe a study of this report will be helpful as lay leaders in our churches attempt to evaluate and determine fair salary levels for the pastor and other paid staff members. May we encourage you to use this information in your church in any way you feel that it will be helpful to you.

Below are listed the names of the men, all laymen, who made up this Salary Committee. We appreciate their exhaustive efforts and are grateful for this report.

Jack Knox, Memphis
Clark Huffman, Oak Ridge
R. Eugene Galloway, Elizabethton
Carmen R. Keathley, Memphis
James S. Lunceford, Covington
Lawrence B. Miller, Hixson
Ruby Newby, Tullahoma
Lynn Rouse, Morristown
Donald E. Russell, Germantown
Clifton Ward, Chattanooga
Leonard E. Wedel, Franklin

Other laymen across our state serve equally well. I have been informed that perhaps three thousand Baptist men plan to attend the State Baptist Men's Convention on the evening of November 11 in Murfreesboro prior to our Centennial Convention. Brother Roy Gilleland has an excellent program planned and we are happy that our men, many of whom are actively involved in our churches, are planning to participate in this program. Again, may I express my thanks to the laymen whose faithfulness and loyalty are the foundations upon which Baptists have built during these one hundred years.

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New Number Announced For Literature Service

NASHVILLE—In order to expand the capacity of receiving telephone calls from Southern Baptist churches placing literature orders, the materials services department at the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board has obtained a rotating number from South Central Bell telephone company. The new telephone number, effective Nov. 1, is (615) 254-1592.

"Due to the increasing number of calls we receive about literature orders from our churches, it was necessary for us to obtain the rotating telephone number. With the five direct lines this rotating number will create, we can better serve our customers," said H. S. Simpson, manager of the board's materials services department.

HISTORICALLY:

FROM THE FILES

> 50 YEARS AGO <

D. W. Lindsay, pastor of Grove City Church, Knoxville, reported that he had closed out a revival at Fair View Church with 55 conversions. While speaking at a high school, 41 students were saved, also he said.

Emery L. Cole was leaving the Fayetteville Church to move to Morrilton, Ark., where he was to be pastor.

> 20 YEARS AGO <

Walnut Hill Church, Harriman, presented their pastor and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Ray T. Myers, with a ranch style brick home valued at \$14,500. Myers had served as pastor of the church for a year.

Shelby Avenue Church, Nashville, ordained Jewell Carney Spencer to the gospel ministry. He had been called as pastor of Rosedale Church in Nashville.

> 10 YEARS AGO <

After eight years as pastor of Friendsville First Church, Willis R. Allen has retired at the age of 66. He planned to reside in Knoxville.

Plans were being made for the dedication of the new Baptist Student Center in Harrogate. Planned and built through a summer missions work camp project of students, the building was to be used primarily by students at Lincoln Memorial University.

On Matters of

Family Living

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Charge TV Fills Child With 'Sanitized' Form Of Violence

The violence children see on TV is especially harmful to emotional development because it comes in a dangerously "sanitized" and "eerily vacuous" form, a child psychologist told participants in the Milton S. Eisenhower Symposium held at Johns Hopkins Univ.

There is no indication on TV shows of the ways in which the violent end of one life affects those who were part of that life, Dr. Alberta E. Siegel of Stanford Univ. pointed out. "The child is spared any exposure to the bereaved; the children who are left fatherless, the widow left to mourn her husband's loss."

Observing that U. S. children are spending one third of their waking hours "in a world of conflict, violence, mayhem and murder" she reminded that "with each new generation of children, every civilization is only 20 years away from barbarism." It is vital that we "adapt the modern media of communication to the continuing task of civilizing oncoming generations."

TV now has a stronger effect on young children than school, says Siegel, yet no efforts have been made to control what is taught on the screen as they have to control what is said in the classroom.

There are still no standards for those who manage tv, no professional requirements, no way a citizen can "elect, reelect or recall" the persons who manage the industry, and "no public spirited citizens with a mandate to review the contents of the tv curriculum."

New Books

Good Morning, Lord by Tommy Chupp, Baker Co., 60 pp. \$1.95. A series of devotions for the quiet time.

Good Morning, Lord by Lindsay L. Terry, Baker Co., \$1.95. Family devotions from famous hymns.

Good Morning, Lord by William C. Hendricks, Baker Co., \$1.95. Devotions for boys.

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At the Lord's Table, by Ralph G. Turnbull, Baker Co., 141 pp., paperback, \$1.95. Twenty-One Communion meditations.

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State Assembly Site Purchased

An announcement concerning purchase of property for a state assembly site has been made by Mrs. Bob Peek, Tennessee Woman's Missionary Union President, and Miss Mary Jane Nethery, WMU Executive Secretary-Treasurer. The land, comprised of 127.9 acres, is located sixteen miles south of the Tennessee Baptist Convention Executive Board Building and 2½ miles east of the I-65 Peytonsville exit. Purchase price was \$74,000.

A need for a state assembly for adult leadership training, board meetings, conferences, retreats, and house parties has been felt for a number of years. Tennessee is one of the few states that does not have such a facility.

For several years there has been an allocation in the Golden state Missions Offering for an assembly site. An assembly committee of the Woman's Missionary Union Executive Board, chaired by Mrs. Claude Jennings, Lebanon, has considered several pieces of property. Before purchasing the present acreage, men from the Baptist Sunday School Board evaluated it as a potential site and a land developer appraised its value. Lee Anderton and Jerry Prevette of the BSSB described it as a magnificent piece of property, ideally suited for a religious center, both in location, usable space, and scenic beauty. The church architectural department has developed a master plan to accommodate 1,400 persons.

All monies for the property have come from the Golden State Missions Offering just as (according to Tennessee Baptist Convention Business Office records) all monies for construction and capital expansion for the two present camps at Linden and Carson, with the exception of individual gifts, have come from the Golden State Missions Offering.

Tennessee Woman's Missionary Union began the Golden State Mission Offering in 1901 and has from that time set goals and determined allocations and written materials for promotion. All monies are sent from the churches to the treasurer of the Tennessee Baptist Convention.

In 1968 the Woman's Missionary Union Executive Board requested that a representative committee comprised of the TBC Executive Secretary-Treasurer, the TBC Stewardship Director, Brotherhood Director, WMU President, WMU Executive Secretary-Treasurer and WMU Policy-Finance Chairman form the body to determine goals and allocations. The committee is chaired by the Tennessee Baptist Convention State Missions Secretary.

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