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Wanted: Me, Lord?

By GEORGE W. SCHROEDER

I was sitting at home one evening recently reading the manuscript of a book entitled, *Pilgrimage to Spanish America*, by Dr. Everett Gill Jr. I was reading the manuscript something like we self-styled busy laymen usually read—just hitting what we consider to be the high places—when all of a sudden my eyes brushed across a statement which caused me to move quickly from my at-ease position to one like that of a rabid football fan whose favorite team has the ball on the opponent's one-yard line.

What I had read was a statement from an annual report of Missionary W. J. Webb, who in 1947, along with his wife, became one of the first missionaries of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board of Guatemala. After reviewing the work in Guatemala, Mr. Webb summed up the year of missionary activity by saying: "This past year we experienced one big revolution and five attempted ones, one big flood and many little ones, one big inflation and numerous minor ones, one big continuous advance in our Baptist work in spite of many big and little adversaries."

What a statement! It said a lot! I read it again and again. With each reading I saw more in it. I saw danger and uncertainty, disappointments and hardships, insecurity and want.

But the last part of the statement—"... advance . . . in spite of big and little adversaries"—meant victory in spite of all opposition and difficulty. It was victory not easily won, but made possible only because of dedicated lives.

After reading Missionary Webb's statement, I unconsciously let the manuscript fall to my lap, closed my eyes, and in my imagination tried to transport myself to Guatemala. I traveled across the plains of Texas, across the Rio Grande, then down through Mexico until I arrived in the little republic.

Then my thoughts were focused upon myself. Here I was, a layman and deacon, sitting in my home reading of something that had happened hundreds of miles away. I asked myself, "Am I involved?" Instantly, the answer came back: "Of course." Then with all the force that can come as one's mind is flooded with the love of Christ, the truth came afresh that no person who has ever had a saving experience with Christ, and who has identified himself with a New Testament church, can ever be excused from being a part of an all-out effort to give Christ and his message to the world. Then it was that I realized that Christ was weighing my missionary fervor. I was humbled because I knew that in the weighing I was found wanting.

Then my mind went back to the Republic of Guatemala and the report of Missionary Webb. Let's see, he said, "... one big continuous advance in our Baptist work in spite of many big and little adversaries."

Those two key words—advance and adversaries—I just could not get away from them. Maybe I did not want to, for they were opening for me many fields of thought through which I wanted to travel.

Then it was that I again closed my eyes and mentally took a trip through the fields which play a vital part in the life and work of the mission program of my church and denomination.

The first field into which I entered was that of prayer. As I walked across it, I was continually asking God to lead and give me a fuller understanding of the message of Christ and its relation to the people of the world. Long before I had crossed the field, I felt that God had heard my prayer and had come to be my companion.

From the field of prayer we entered the field marked **mission study**. As we walked through this field and saw the wealth of information contained in it, it suddenly dawned upon me that I had really been in this field only a few times in my life. The deeper we penetrated the field, more grieved I became. I was made to see the needs of the world as never before. I saw literally millions upon millions of people without Christ—saw them with their arms outstretched pleading for the message of salvation.

Before I realized it, I was out of the field of mission study and again in a field of prayer. It did my heart good to talk again with my Companion, confess to Him my unconcern for the lost of the world, and ask for His forgiveness. He seemed to understand and explained that all along the way one would find such fields of prayer in which one might find strength and guidance.

We started again on our journey. The next field we entered was marked **dedicated talents and lives**. This field with its many sections proved to be most fascinating.

As we entered I was thrilled to see so many talents and lives that had been dedicated to the cause of Christ. I saw sections where talents of writing, witnessing, healing, teaching, training, working, living, preaching, making money, directing business establishments, and many more similar talents had been dedicated to the work of our Lord and Savior.

Yet, the thing that impressed me most of all, as we slowly made our way across this field, was the fact that even though there was evidence of untold numbers of dedicated talents and lives, there was room for many more.

I looked at my Companion. I saw grief and sorrow on His face. I knew what He was thinking—those millions of His followers who were called by His name but who were withholding their lives and talents from His cause.

Suddenly we came upon a section of the field that seemed so empty. I turned to my Companion to ask why. Before I could speak, however, it dawned upon me that in this section were represented the missionary volunteers—those who had dedicated their lives to give Christ to the lost world.

Such a devoted group they were—yet so few! What was wrong? I wanted to know. I turned to ask my Companion, but before the words could come to my lips, I realized that I, and millions of other laymen like me, was the answer. I saw as never before my responsibilities as a layman in helping the Master recruit volunteers to fill this section of the field. Those responsibilities as they flashed through my mind included the following:

Pray. I could pray both privately and publicly that God would call from my church some who would serve as missionaries.

Dedicate. I could dedicate my own children that if it be God's will they might serve as missionaries on foreign fields.

Be Loyal. I saw that I could be more loyal to my church and every phase of its work.

Yes, I sat there realizing as never before that I, too, as a layman had a definite part in the mission task of my church and denomination. I, and millions of other men like me, had really failed our Master in this important phase of his work.

I thought again of Missionary Webb's report in which he had said: "... advance . . . in spite of adversaries." How thought-provoking! How challenging!

— The Commission

Everyday Christianity

A Devotion by the Editor

"As ye go, preach."

Where are you going? Whom will you see? What will you say?

You will go somewhere. The necessities of the day will take you to many places. Duties and obligations of your position will determine the number of places you will visit. Your relationships, your friendships, your sports and recreations will also dictate the places which you frequent.

Whom will you see? You will see some people, perhaps many people in the course of the day's normal activities and engagements will meet many people during the day or over an extended period of time. Some will be good and others will be bad, some will be rich and others will be poor, some will be strong and others will be sick, some will be carefree and others will be burdened, some will be glad and others will be sad.

What will you say to these people as you meet in so many different places and under so many different circumstances? You will say something. What you say will be determined by various things. The cord you feel towards others may be the deciding factor. Only pleasant and friendly greetings may satisfy the demands of the occasion. You may speak a word of kindness to one who is hurt. You may speak words of encouragement to the discouraged. You may speak words of comfort to the sorrowing. You may speak words of criticism and rebuke to the arrogant and presumptuous.

Why should I dwell at such length on these simple matters of going places, meeting people, and talking with them? Because this is life. Our daily life is made up of just these things. We go somewhere, we meet somebody, we say something.

If our Christianity is what it professes to be, if it is as vital in our experience as we profess it to be, if its message carries the power and assurance which are attributed to it, our Christianity is worth taking along with us wherever we go, it should be dominating our character whomsoever we meet, it should enter into our conversation every day of our lives. Christianity is not a relic to be kept in a safe place to collect dust and to be displayed only on occasions when an occasion happens to be the fad.

Christianity is a vital experience of our daily life. Jesus instructed His disciples to "ye go, preach." Following the ascension of Jesus, it is reported of the disciples:

"And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, confirming the word with signs following. Amen." Mark 16:20.

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From The Editor's Desk

Lord, Don't Overlook My Sins

It is said that the novelist, George MacDonald, once wrote a letter to a friend in which he asked what would be the most dreadful calamity which could happen to anyone. Then answering his own question, he wrote: "The worst calamity which could befall us would be for God to let our faults pass unnoticed. Let God forgive, let Him forgive splendidly, royally. But let it be forgiveness and not never minding. Let not our Father be content that one spot should be passed by."

Fatal Tendency

This calls to our attention a widespread and sometimes fatal tendency among men. It is the tendency to seek the indulgence of God for our sins and our faults and to expect to be let off for our failures and our carelessness.

Children often expect their parents to indulge them in their disobediences, their selfishness, and their infraction of the rules of a well-ordered family life. The little tot who can scarcely talk, threatened with punishment for some disobedience, will promise, "I'll be dood, Mama," in the hope of getting off this time. And the youth, growing wise in the ways of the world, thinks the "old man" is cranky if he still insists upon disciplinary measures for the correction of faults. The indulgent and indulgent parent has become proverbial in our civilization. And so juvenile delinquency is encouraged and increases at an alarming rate.

Lamentable as this tendency is in the child, both in the home and in the school, it is infinitely more tragic in the spiritual and religious life. There are many adults who are no different from the children in the home and the pupils in the school. They expect an indulgent God to overlook their carelessness, their favorite sins, their faults and failures. It is often piously claimed that a loving God would not hold His children responsible for these infractions of His laws and the rules of life. There are those who profess to believe that God loves us too much to punish us for our sins, even hinting that He may chuckle like an indulgent father over the impudence of our disobedience.

Where Safety Lies

Our greatest folly is in trying to hide our conduct from God. Shall we deceive ourselves into believing that we can cover up our disobediences from God so that He does not see them; that we can hide our disloyalties from Him so that He does not know them; that we can camouflage our sins so that He does not recognize them.

Still we have not reached the limit to which this tendency sometimes goes. Men and women are known to have become so confirmed in their habits of religious indifference, so set in their sins, that they defied the corrective measures of God and complained bitterly against the discipline which He imposed upon them.

Our only safety lies, not in getting off, but in not being let off. The recovery of one's health depends, not upon hiding the cause of his illness from the physician, but in making the cause of his illness known to the physician; not in refusing the remedy offered by the physician, but in accepting that remedy.

We are writing our own life compositions. God is our great teacher, and He is grading the papers. He is checking our mistakes, He is marking our errors, He is calling attention to our faults, He is telling us how we may improve our skill in expressing ourselves in the composition of our lives.

Corrective Discipline

The only way we can improve the writing of our life story is to study the corrective discipline of God, take that life story, written day by day, corrected, marked, and graded by God, take it to God and go over it with Him and ask Him to help us understand the corrections He has made.

This is the process of prayer, confession, and repentance. We must voluntarily bring our lives to God, lay them open before Him and ask that He shall point out to us all the weaknesses, failures, and sins which He finds in them. We don't want Him to overlook a single thing that should not be there.

The Psalmist pleaded, "search me and try me," "cleanse thou me from secret faults." I want the physician to probe for the hidden infection which I have not discovered; I want Him to put me under the X-ray and look through me that He may find the undiscovered displacements which are causing me pain and grief.

Surely I will be as fair with God as I am with my physician. "Search me and try me." Probe my heart and soul for any hidden infection of sin, and finding it, "cleanse me from secret faults." Look through me with thine all-seeing eye, overlook no slightest stain of sin or spirit of disobedience and rebellion.

For that hidden fault may be the cause of my undoing at some future time; that unsuspected weakness may cause me to fail when I want most to succeed; that secret sin may be the means of my downfall at a time when great issues are depending on me. May we welcome the searching presence of God that He may discover, expose, and forgive our every sin and disobedience, but never pass them unnoticed.

We must accept the discipline of God for the correction of our sins, the remedial measures which He adopts for the overcoming of our faults, the chastening of the Lord for the benefit of our lives.

Don't Let Me Off

May we not say to our parents, "punish me if you will, chastize me if you must, to correct me of my disobediences and teach me to respect constituted authority and the rights

We Have Not Lost Ouachita

Although Ouachita College has lost her accreditation with the North Central Association, yet the Baptists of Arkansas have not lost Ouachita College. It is the same Ouachita with the same high purpose that has motivated the college through the years. The Christian idealism of Ouachita has not been lowered, nor have the requirements for high quality work been slackened.

Perhaps the first reaction to the news that Ouachita had been dropped by North Central from the list of accredited colleges was shock and disappointment; but after this first reaction and a reappraisal of the status of Ouachita we may discover that we haven't lost anything of intrinsic value, and that the students and graduates of Ouachita will suffer no embarrassment from this action of North Central, and that our young people need not hesitate to enroll in Ouachita.

After all is said and done, accreditation depends upon the individual student. Ouachita has a competent faculty and adequate facilities to provide our Baptist young people with a college education in a Christian atmosphere and with a Christian content. Students who do creditable work will have no difficulty when transferring credits to other institutions. Let it be borne in mind that, given a competent faculty and adequate facilities, it is the work of the student that finally determines the credits.

This is a time for all Arkansas Baptists to realize that they have inestimable assets in Ouachita; a time to stand solidly united, prayerfully co-operative, and generously loyal in their support of Ouachita College.

of others; but do not allow me to grow up a self-willed person, a law unto myself." May we not say to our teachers, "Look for my mistakes and errors, point them out to me and by stern discipline, if necessary, insist that I master each assignment, but do not allow me to pass a single recitation or a single test that does not represent my best efforts, and so encourage and confirm me in careless mental habits which will render me incapable of solving the problems of life or cause me to shun its responsibilities." May we not say to our doctor, "Probe deep for the infection, it may hurt, but use strong, caustic drugs, if necessary, put me on the operating table if that is best; but whatever you do, don't leave the infection to spread through my whole body and perhaps result in death."

May we not say to God, "O God, correct me, discipline me, chastize me, punish me, if you must; make me to know the evil of my way, the disobedience of my self-will, the iniquity of my carelessness and indifference, the failure of my idleness, the rebellion of my sin; bring it all before me and make it real to me by thy corrective discipline; but do not overlook the most innocent-looking fault and don't allow the smallest sin to pass unnoticed."

"Let God forgive, let Him forgive splendidly, royally. But let it be forgiveness and not never minding. Let not our Father be content that one spot should be passed by."

Kingdom Progress

Music-Education Director Baring Cross Church



John Moreland

Since coming to the Baring Cross Church, North Little Rock, last October, as music and educational director, John "Foots" Moreland has graded and organized the choirs of the church: Adult, young people, intermediate, and junior.

Mr. Moreland is a native of Marshall, Texas, a graduate of East Texas Baptist College. He came to Baring Cross Church from First Church, Overton, Texas.

Mrs. Moreland is the former Miss Sue Shook of Henderson, Texas. The Morelands have two children: Tommy, 3, and Jimmy, 2 months.

Seminary Alumni Breakfasts In San Francisco

Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, will have its conventionwide Alumni Breakfast in San Francisco at Hotel Whitcomb, Friday, June 22, at 7:30. The hotel is located one block from the Convention Auditorium.

Former students who expect to attend are urged to make reservations as soon as possible through Ralph D. Churchill, publicity director, Seminary Hill Station, Fort Worth, Texas.

Tickets are \$2 which include tax and tip.

The New Orleans Seminary Alumni Breakfast, during the Southern Baptist Convention in San Francisco, will be at the Hotel Whitcomb, Friday June 22, at 7:30. Tickets are \$2 and may be secured in advance by writing Miss Vivian Fogleman, 1220 Washington Avenue, New Orleans 13, Louisiana.

Hymn-Sing

The Zone Hymn Sing for Liberty Association met with Urbana Church on the afternoon of April 8. There were 54 in attendance representing four churches. Liberty Church received the Attendance Banner for having the largest number present.

Credits of Ouachita College Students

By S. W. EUBANKS, *President*

There is no reason whatsoever for our Baptist young people to turn away from Ouachita College following the announcement by the North Central Association. Only about five years in its sixty-five years of history has the college ever been fully accredited; 1928-1933. And in the sixty-five years, thousands of young men and women have attended Ouachita College, gone on to professional and graduate schools with good grades without question or loss of credits. Some of the most successful professional men and women, former students and graduates of Ouachita, attended the college when it was not accredited by the North Central Association.

The ability of a student to do quality work is more important than the formal accreditations of his institution. Students who cannot or do not do quality work, a good C or better, will have trouble continuing in his own institution as well as in the attempts to transfer elsewhere. In many respects Ouachita College is stronger and better than ever before, the program is good and the college has a good reputation with graduate and professional schools. The good reputation cannot be lost overnight. Some of its professors are recognized as among the best in the land. We have many reasons for urging high school seniors and all prospective students to come on to Ouachita College this summer and in September. Properly prepared Ouachita students will have no trouble transferring to professional or graduate schools.

We do not wish to minimize the importance of a fully accredited college. The reason that Ouachita has such a good program and academic reputation at the present is because we have worked hard toward the standards and objectives of a fully accredited institution. Arkansas Baptists are moving forward in support of Ouachita College. The North Central Association officials are aware of this fact. Arkansas Baptists will continue in this fine support, the program will be made stronger, standards will not be lowered, and academic policies will not be relaxed. By following such a determination, Ouachita College in due time can again enjoy the worthy prestige and fine professional fellowships of the North Central Association.

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Arkansans in Revivals Across the River

Following is a continued list of Arkansas men who conducted recent revival meetings in the Simultaneous Crusade east of the Mississippi River.

Nelson Greenleaf, Murfreesboro, was at Andalusia, Alabama; Lawson Hatfield, DeQueen, was at Troy, Alabama; Ralph Douglas, First Church, Helena, was at Brown Memorial Church, Hickory, North Carolina; Dr. W. O. Vaught, Immanuel Church, Little Rock, was at Madisonville, Kentucky; George Hink, State Sunday School Superintendent, was at Tallassee, Alabama.

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Every day something gets done that "couldn't be done."

Ordained To Ministry



Floyd Panell

Floyd Panell, a student in Ouachita College, was ordained to the gospel ministry at the Calvary Church, Benton, on Sunday, March 18.

P. D. Sullivan served as moderator and A. W. Upchurch was acting clerk for the ordination. The presbytery was composed of 25 ordained ministers and deacons.

The examination of the candidate was conducted by Dr. Bernes K. Selph and the ordination prayer was led by Dr. L. T. Walden. Boyd Eldridge, Bauxite, delivered the charge and P. D. Sullivan presented Mr. Panell with the Bible.

George T. Blackman, Ouachita College, delivered the ordination sermon.

Mr. Panell is pastor of the Clear Spring Church, Central Association.

Great Service Rendered in Crusade By Bible Institute Students

Faculty members and students of Bible Institute, Lakeland, Florida, rendered effective services during the Revival Crusade. Reports from them, presented through President Leon M. Gambrell, showed 101 people who served in 55 meetings with the result that 497 people were won to Christ, 450 of whom were united with churches for baptism. "There were 172 additions by letter and statement," "It is only natural," states President Gambrell, "to expect such results where evangelism is a central theme in all our teaching."



Listen to the
BAPTIST HOUR

Date: April 29

Speaker: Charles Wellborn

Subject:
"About Face"

Arkansas Stations:

KELD, El Dorado, 2 p. m.
KTHS, Hot Springs, 4:00 p. m.
KENA, Mena
KXLR, Little Rock, 12:15 p. m.
KDRS, Paragould, 1:30 p. m.
KUOA, Siloam Springs, 4:30 p. m.

Going to San Francisco?

Are you going to attend the Southern Baptist Convention, meeting in San Francisco, June 20? If so, you are already considering the transportation problem. Doubtless many persons will make the trip by automobile and perhaps plan side trips and make a sort of vacation trip as well as attend the Convention. Doubtless many others will go by rail and some by plane.

This is written in the interest of those who go by rail and to offer our services if we can assist in giving information or arranging a schedule.

It would seem practical and possible to arrange for at least one special car from Little Rock. A minimum of fifteen passengers is required for a special car. Any persons in the state interested in making the trip by special car may communicate with us at the **Arkansas Baptist offices**. Both the Missouri Pacific and the Rock Island offer excellent accommodations and doubtless either would provide a special car if a sufficient number of passengers were secured.

The round trip first class fare is \$124.60. The round trip clergy fare is \$81.86. Lower berth one-way, \$19.61. Roomette, one-way, \$27.43. Bedroom, one-way for two persons \$43.13.

It will require at least three days and two nights or possibly three days and three nights to make the trip from Little Rock to San Francisco. If we can help in any way to arrange your schedule for the trip, don't hesitate to call on us or you can write direct to either the Missouri Pacific or Rock Island here in Little Rock.

—Editor.

A Spontaneous Revival

By OTTIS E. DENNEY

It happened in a one-room country school, in Butler County, Kentucky. A revival had not been planned, no publicity program had been promoted, there was not even a preacher present. However, a revival was in progress at Union Baptist Church and at other churches in adjacent communities.

One day Opal Hudnall, age 12, with two other Christian girls and three unsaved girls decided to play "church." They had a song book and began to sing. Opal led them in repeating the Lord's prayer.

One of the unsaved girls began to cry and, in response to questioning, said she was sick. Opal got a Bible and read John 3:16. By this time the other two unsaved girls were crying.

The situation obviously required more experienced guidance than Opal could give, so she enlisted the help of the teacher, Mrs. Liza Givens. The teacher offered a prayer for the three unsaved girls and they responded to her invitation to trust Jesus as their Savior, the three gave Mrs. Givens their hands as a token of their faith in Jesus.

Re-entering the school house, the services continued and six other girls were saved. That night six of the nine girls presented themselves for baptism at the Sandy Creek Baptist Church.

I learned later that Opal plans to be a missionary.

You Asked For It!



The Baptist Sunday School Board under the direction of Dr. T. L. Holcomb and Dr. Jerome O. Williams has been constantly endeavoring to offer authoritative training in the field of recreation, fellowship, arts and crafts, and leisure-time activities as they relate to the entire church program.

In the summer of 1950, 283 people selected the Leadership Conference on Christian Recreation at Ridgecrest as their first choice in conferences. The reception to the new conference was such that it was imperative that the Sunday School Board again sponsor a similar conference in the summer of 1951.

Dr. Jack B. Fellows of Central Baptist Theological Seminary was again selected to direct the conference. The above picture

shows Dr. Fellows and one of his associates Mr. John Louis Brown of St. Louis, Missouri as they embark for a trip around the world. One of the objectives in the trip is to make moving pictures and tape recordings for use at the Recreation Conference this summer.

Conference dates of the Second Annual Leadership Conference on Christian Recreation are August 16-22. An outstanding program and excellent leaders promise an ever greater program for this new conference. Information may be secured by writing Dr. Jack B. Fellows, Central Baptist Theological Seminary, Kansas City 2, Kansas, and reservations may be made by writing Mr. Willard K. Weeks, Manager, Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, Ridgecrest, North Carolina.

Science Building Dedicated

The dedication of the C. Hamilton Moses Science Hall will take place on the campus of Ouachita College Sunday, May 20, at 2:30 p. m. This is also the day for the baccalaureate sermon for the 1951 graduating class of Ouachita.

The new science building at Ouachita has been named the C. Hamilton Moses Science Hall in honor of Hamilton Moses, president of the Arkansas Power and Light Co., it was announced by Dr. S. W. Eubanks, Ouachita College president. The modern science building was constructed at a cost of \$255,000.

Mr. Moses is a graduate of Ouachita College and was president of the board from 1932 until 1948. During the sixteen years that he was president, Ouachita College made great progress. Its enrollment increased to more than 800. The college endowment increased from \$240,000 to \$550,000. During this time twelve new buildings were placed on the campus and all paid for. Dr. J. R. Grant was president of the college during this time.

In 1909, Mr. Moses graduated as Valedictorian from Ouachita College. His graduation address on "Arkansas on the March," delivered in the presence of Tulane's president, Edwin Booth Craighead, earned him a full scholarship to Tulane. Finishing Tulane in 1910, he entered the University of Arkansas School of Law in Little Rock, receiving his Bachelor of Law degree in 1911. In 1950, Ouachita College conferred upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws.

Dr. S. W. Eubanks, president of Ouachita College, stated that the C. Hamilton Moses Science Hall will be a fitting tribute to "a man who has put his life into serving Christian education and the entire state of Arkansas."

Unlimited Opportunities

Dr. George W. Sadler, Secretary for Europe, Africa, and the Near East, reports that Nigeria appeals for 17 missionary couples and 10 single missionary women. If these missionaries were sent to Nigeria, Southern Baptists would then have only one missionary for every 137,000 population.

Two new stations have been opened in Italy and the work among women is being developed. The work is encouraging in both Spain and Lebanon.

The Board supports 334 missionaries in 13 Latin American republics, serving in 62 different centers. Of this number, 130 missionaries are in direct field work, preaching and organizing churches; 83 are engaged in secondary and seminary education; 40 in publication, denominational and special work; 13 in medical and social service; and 68 studying Spanish and Portuguese in our language schools.

In China the missionaries are facing increasing danger. Only four Southern Baptist missionaries remain in communist China. Though there are great opportunities in Formosa the work in Siam, Singapore, and the Philippines is going forward.

The Foreign Mission Board is reasonably sure of appointing 100 new missionaries in 1951. The Board has on file the names of more than 500 mission volunteers who are now in the seminary and will be seeking appointment within the next three or four years; 1,200 others, most of whom are still in college or high school, are listed in the Foreign Mission Board files as preparing for Foreign Mission service.

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When I sit in darkness, the Lord shall be a light unto me (Micah 6:8).

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By Religious News Service

Newton Warns Against 'Emotional Partisanship'

A plea that Americans refrain from "emotional partisanship in this crucial hour" was made in Atlanta by Dr. Louie D. Newton, pastor of Druid Hills Baptist Church, in a statement on the Truman-MacArthur controversy. Dr. Newton is vice-president of the Baptist World Alliance and a former president of the Southern Baptist Convention.

"History reminds us that hysteria weakens and confuses those who allow themselves to get mad and lends comfort to the enemy," he said.

"Speaking as a Baptist—not for Baptists—I have first to remind myself that my personal admiration and affection for General MacArthur are not challenged by his removal. He remains, in my opinion, the greatest living soldier, and I have no fear about the ultimate verdict of history on that score.

"Second, I must remind myself that no man in this world is ever infallible—that man at his best is only man.

"Third, however deeply I may feel that conditions in Korea might have been bettered by heeding MacArthur's earlier appeals for more help, I must remind myself that decisions at this juncture have to be made in the light of facts which I do not possess."

Southern Baptists Raise Six Millions for Missions

A total of more than \$6,000,000 was raised during 1950 by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, an increase of \$695,000 over the previous year, Dr. M. Theron Rankin, executive secretary, told the board. This amount did not include relief funds.

He said that \$275,000 has been earmarked for the purpose of sending out 100 new missionary appointees this year. Thirty of the new missionary appointments have been made so far.

The greatest single area of advance has been in Japan, where there are now 74 Southern Baptist missionaries, according to Dr. Rankin. Plans are to bring this total to 100 before the year ends. Mission points are being opened in 20 additional Japanese provincial cities.

Reiterating the basic policy of the board, Dr. Rankin said, "We seek, in the lands where we serve, to develop native Baptist churches and constituencies with the necessary institutions and organizations that will enable them to become indigenous, self-supporting witnessing churches just as we have here in our own Conventions among Southern Baptists."

2,000 Korean Soldiers Join Protestant Churches

Two thousand South Korean soldiers have joined the Presbyterian and other Protestant churches in Korea since the beginning of the year, church officials reported in Pusan.

Many of the converts, the officials said, were wounded soldiers who were given instruction in the Christian faith while undergoing hospital treatment.

Protestant churches are planning to send representatives to give instruction to other Korean soldiers who have expressed a wish to become Christians. The group will be supervised by Pastor Kim Yung Hwan.

Protestants-United To Hold New York Mass-Meeting

A mass-meeting "to protect recent clerical-inspired suppression of films and publications and clerical interference in public school education in New York City" will be held at Carnegie Hall on May 1, under the auspices of the Metropolitan Committee for Religious Liberty.

The committee is the local affiliate of Protestants and other Americans United for Separation of Church and State.

Speakers at the rally will include Dr. Edwin McNeill Poteat of Raleigh, North Carolina, president of POAU, and Paul Blanshard, author of "American Freedom and Catholic Power." Chairman will be Dr. W. Stanley Rycroft, secretary for Latin America of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.

Push Inquiry Into Federal Morals

Sen. Paul H. Douglas (D.-Ill.) disclosed plans for a public inquiry into "Federal morals and ethics" as members of both Houses made new attacks on "government at cocktail bars" and other irregularities uncovered by the Senate RFC and interstate crime hearings.

Senator Douglas was named to head a subcommittee of the Senate Labor Committee to look into "ethical conduct" in government after Sen. J. William Fulbright (D.-Ark.) introduced a resolution to set up a full-dress commission to study the matter.

Dr. Reinhold Niebuhr of Union Theological Seminary, New York, said that he and Wilfrid Parsons, S. J., of Catholic University of America, had been approached about serving on the proposed Fulbright commission.

Meanwhile, Sen. Robert S. Kerr (D.-Okla.), in an address to the men's brotherhood class of Metropolitan Baptist Church, Washington, D. C., repeated his earlier charge that in government circles "every kind of business—monkey or serious—has to be mixed with a drink." He first attacked Washington cocktail parties in a news letter to his constituents.

At the same time, Rep. Brooks Hays (D.-Ark.) began a series of six lectures on "A Christian and Public Morals" at Calvary Baptist Church in Washington.

Indonesia to Aid Damaged Churches

Financial support for the reconstruction of damaged churches in Indonesia was pledged at a general conference of the Ministry of Religion at Bandung. The conference was presided over by Minister of Religion Kyai Wachid Hasjim.

Also pledged was support for "private enterprise in religious education" in Indonesia.

It was announced that local offices of the Ministry of Religion would be set up in every district of Indonesia.

Speakers at the conference stressed that in its activities the Ministry would deal impartially with all religious faiths.

Mr. Kyai Wachid Hasjim told the conference that although there was no evidence that the Indonesian people were "anti-God," there was a tendency toward atheism, "which has to be fought."

A Smile or Two

Musician: "Do you enjoy good music?"
Guest: "Yes, but go right ahead."

A young woman was mailing the old family Bible to her brother in a distant city. The postal clerk examined the heavy page carefully and inquired whether it contained anything breakable.

"Nothing but the Ten Commandments," was her quick reply.

The bride was shy about asking her husband for more money.

"Jack dearest," she said at breakfast, "you please lend me \$5 but only give me of it?"

"Yes, darling," said her husband, puzzled, "but why only half of it?"

"Why then you'll owe me \$2.50 and I'll owe you \$2.50 and we'll be square, won't we?"

Upon due reflection, a school teacher decided to give full credit to a pupil for answer to an arithmetic problem.

The question: "If your father sold 100 bushels of grain for \$2 per bushel, how much would he get?"

The answer: "A new car."

"May I have this check cashed, please?" asked the young woman of the paying teller. "Of course, madam," the teller replied. "Just endorse it, please."

"Must I endorse it?" she asked, apparently puzzled. "I'm Mrs. Smith, you know. My husband is out of the city and mailed the check to me."

"Yes, it must be endorsed. Sign on the back and Mr. Smith will know we paid it to you."

Mrs. Smith took her pen from her pocket and passed the check back to the teller. "Endorsed," "Your devoted wife, Ethel."

The gentleman had just completed a course of driving lessons and was being commended by his instructor: "A little more practice on your own and you'll make a first-rate driver."

"Thanks," beamed the pleased novice. "I was struck with a thought, he asked: "Say, would you advise me to do in case the brakes give way?"

"I'd suggest," commented the other, "that you steer toward something cheap."

While working on a log drive, a lumberjack fell into the water. Dizzy and nearly exhausted, he managed to grasp a big log and hold on to it. The current was so strong and swift that it swept his body under the log until his feet stuck out on the other side.

Just as a comrade, who had run to his assistance, grabbed him by the shoulders and caught sight of his own feet protruding from the other side of the log.

"I can hold on a bit longer, Jim," he groaned. "Save the fellow who's in head first."

At a popular port all the crew asked for shore leave except one man. "What's the matter?" asked the officer, "are you the only sailor who hasn't got a wife in this port?"

"No, replied the exception, "I'm the only one that has."

Teacher: "What's a metaphor?"

Young hopeful: "To keep the cows in their course."

Policeman: "How did the accident happen?"
Motorist: "My wife fell asleep in the back seat."

News From Baptist Press

Southeastern Seminary May Open September First

Dr. S. L. Stealey, newly elected president of the Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, has announced that this new institution will probably open September 1, with a faculty of five and a student body of around 100. The opening date will be announced definitely following a meeting of the Southeastern Board of Trustees at Biloxi, Mississippi, on May 16.

Arrangements for adequate facilities on the campus of Wake Forest College are being worked out with Dr. Harold W. Tribble, president, and his Board of Trustees. Dr. J. Glenn Blackburn, pastor at Wake Forest and chaplain of the college, is helping with housing arrangements for faculty members and students and is optimistic over present prospects.

Dr. Stealey said, "I wish to express deep appreciation of the confidence shown in me and to pledge my best efforts to establishing a seminary of which Southern Baptists may rightly be proud. Every effort will be made to secure a faculty of deep consecration, sound scholarship, and tested teaching ability. The worth of any school is measured better by its faculty than by any other test.

"More than three hundred students have expressed positive interest in attending the new seminary. Of course, not all of these will actually come. In fact, we can hardly care for more than one hundred the first year."

Dr. Stealey also pointed out that even though his acceptance of the presidency of the seminary was for June 1 that he has already spent several days in Wake Forest working on plans for the seminary. His commitments to graduate students in Southern Seminary at Louisville, where he is now professor of church history, make it impossible for him to get fully into the work of Southeastern Seminary before summer.

Suggests 1952 Drive

Dr. G. Kearnie Keegan, secretary of the Baptist Student Union, has suggested a campaign to get all Southern Baptists to read the Bible through in 1952. He believes it to be a good way to help secure all we have gained in the two simultaneous revival crusades. He says, "If only one million of the seven million Southern Baptists should participate, a spiritual impact undoubtedly would result which would defy our wildest expectations. How splendid it would be for the world to know that Southern Baptists, who believe the Book implicitly, had set themselves to this unprecedented venture."

He even suggests today the words "READ THE BIBLE THROUGH IN 1952." The campaign will not take the place of any Bible reading done in Sunday School, Training Union, or by other groups.

Executive Committee Employees Will Not Enter Social Security

Employees of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention will not enter the government plan for social security. The decision was reached recently when a formal poll of the ten employees revealed a unanimous opinion that they should not participate. The vote was taken following through on the action of the Executive Committee in December declaring that the terms of social security participation as defined in U. S. Government Bill 6,000 "did not seem to be in violation of the cherished principle of separation of church and state."

Forgets Offering

Cecil Cook, pastor in Bluefield, West Virginia, got so enthusiastic over the success of the simultaneous revival in his church that he forgot to receive the offering. He says, "I will never live it down, and I dare say the treasurer will never recover."

Texas Oilman Wins Six Souls in One Day

William Fleming, the millionaire layman president of Texas Baptists, is setting the pace in personal witnessing in the Texas effort to win 250,000 people to Christ.

A seventy-two year old Houston man recently wrote him asking if he could come to Fort Worth to talk to him about becoming a Christian.

"No," replied Fleming, "I will come to see you." He flew from Fort Worth to Houston.

After explaining to the man the way of salvation and securing his committal, together they went to see the man's two sons. They were both won. They then went to see a grandson. He was won. The man then took Fleming to see two of his business associates. They were won, making six for the day. Fleming returned by plane to his home in Fort Worth in the evening.

It was Fleming who challenged Texas Baptists to win the quarter million souls to Christ this year.

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Minister Claimed by Death

Dr. H. F. Vermillion, widely known in Arkansas, died April 14, at Eastland, Texas. He was 80 years of age, and since retirement had lived in McKinney and Eastland, Texas. He was a graduate of Ouachita College and held the honorary degree of doctor of divinity from Baylor University.

Dr. Vermillion was ordained 60 years ago. He was founder of the Southern Baptist Sanatorium at El Paso and was its superintendent from 1918 to 1930. He had served as president of Mountain Home College, Mountain Home, Arkansas, from 1916 to 1918, as Baptist secretary of education in Arkansas, and as state evangelist for both Arkansas and New Mexico. He had also served with the relief and annuity board of the Southern Baptist Convention at Dallas.

His pastorates included churches at Roswell and Las Cruces, New Mexico, Nevada and Anna, Texas, and Prescott and Walnut Ridge.

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Porter Routh Says . . .

A group of stockholders of the *Saturday Evening Post* is demanding that the magazine accept liquor advertising. The annual meeting is scheduled for April 18 in Philadelphia.

Charges made by church-affiliated schools and hospitals have been removed from price control.

The Government of Colombia has increased the amount it pays to the Roman Catholic Church from \$40,000 to \$130,000 a year.

The Roman Catholic hierarchy in France has demanded that the state take "immediate and drastic measures" to aid parochial schools.

The Christian Reformed Church now reports 367 congregations with 154,950 members.

J. Edgar Hoover And Sunday School



Three years ago the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation wrote an article for *The Sunday School Times* on "Crime and the Sunday School" (Feb. 7, 1948). It was in such demand that over 275,000 reprints were sent out by the *Times*.

Mr. Hoover has now written another article exclusively for the *Times* entitled "The Sunday School—Key to Tomorrow." Here are just a few extracts:

"The continuing flood of immorality and crime accompanies an all too evident substitution of a secular, materialistic philosophy for the historic reliance upon divine guidance which has been a cornerstone of our democracy."

"The youth who has experienced old-fashioned Christian training and discipline in the home and has received sound, efficient Bible teaching in Sunday School has been given a sword and buckler against temptation."

"Parents . . . must create in the home an atmosphere of Christian living and reliance upon divine guidance. This may well be accomplished by a revival of family Bible reading and prayer."

Pastors, Sunday School superintendents and teachers, and parents will not want to miss this article.

It will be published in the issue of May 5. Reprints will be issued by the *Times*, and prices will be announced. An 18-weeks' subscription for \$1 (\$1.10 in U. S. A. dollars in Canada) sent in immediately, will secure Mr. Hoover's article and many other fine things which the *Times* has in store for its readers.

Why not let your friends know about the *Times* by giving them one of these short term subscriptions? Orders, asking for the J. Edgar Hoover short-term subscriptions, should be sent early to The Sunday School Times, 325 N. 13th St., Philadelphia, 5.

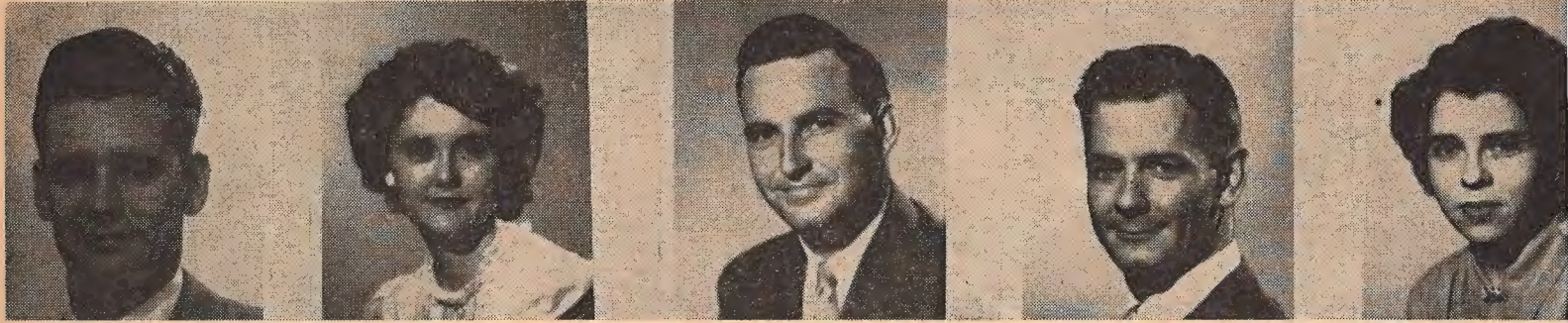
Methodists report 1,772 now enrolled in their ten theological schools, compared with 1,261 three years ago. They estimate 1,200 Methodists are preparing for the ministry in other seminaries.

Pastor Martin Niemoeller has said that he plans to stay out of German politics in the future.

The American Catholic Philosophical Association recently restated the traditional Catholic teaching that "gambling is not in itself immoral." On the same day, the National Council of Churches adopted a resolution asserting "the so-called innocent forms of gambling . . . contribute to weakening the moral fiber of the individual and lower the tone of the community."

Arkansas Candidates For Degrees In Spring Graduation

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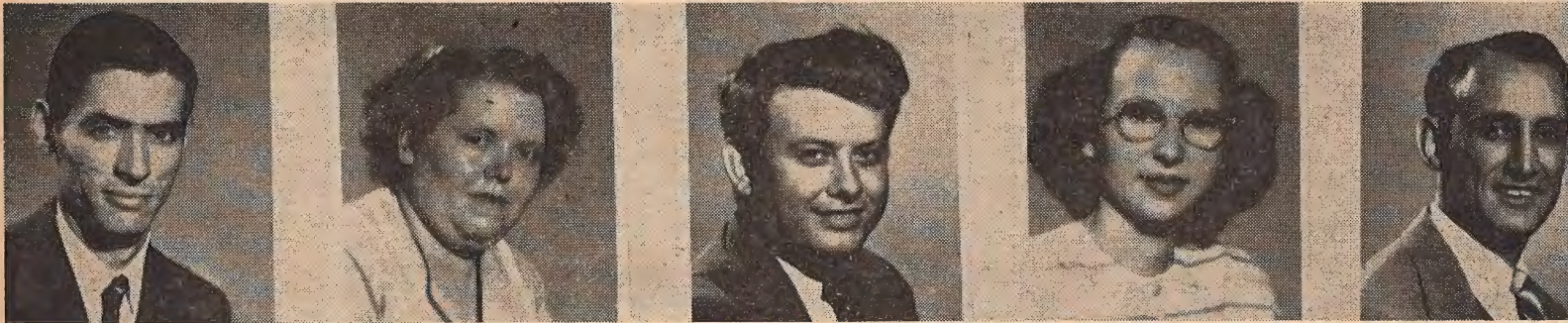
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Cowards or Conquerors

Review by W. A. Criswell

It was my thought upon reading Dr. H. H. Hobbs' volume of sermons, **Cowards or Conquerors**, that the title-sermon would be the best. It is the first presented. But upon reading the second message I said, "No, this is the best." When I read the third I said, "No, this is the best." I changed my mind eight times as I read through the eight chapters! They are all superlative and each one excels in the unique development of its own theme.

Dr. Hobbs preaches, not on the passing fancies of the day, but on the great, eternal verities! God's answer for human sorrow, blood redemption, the wisdom and love of God, faith, prayer, and the world-wide mission endeavor.

Amanda Tinkle Has New Address

Miss Amanda Tinkle, Southern Baptist missionary in Nigeria, has moved from Shaki, Nigeria, to Baptist Mission, Okuta, Nigeria,

West Africa. Miss Tinkle is a native Benton.

Bassett at Tabernacle

Pastor Ralph Dodd and the Baptist Tabernacle, Little Rock, will have the services of Evangelist Carl Bassett in revival service April 22-May 6.

In addition to his preaching ministry, Evangelist Bassett is an accomplished troubadour; he is also a chalk artist.

Home Mission Advance



Dr. Frank Belvin

Advancement in home missions is made by replacements as well as by new appointments to missionary service. A number of eminent missionaries during recent weeks have reached the age of retirement and have been replaced by the transfer of other missionaries to new fields and the promotion of others to greater responsibility.

Upon the retirement of Dr. J. B. Rounds, as superintendent of Indian missions, the Board has named Dr. B. Frank Belvin as general field worker among the Indians. Dr. Belvin has moved from Okmulgee to Oklahoma City where he will have his headquarters in the Indian Center Building. Himself half Choctaw, he is the first Indian to be given the high responsibility which devolves upon him as leader in that field. Dr. Belvin is a graduate of Bacon College and holds the doctor's degree from seminary. He is a young man of impressive experience, having taught in Bacon College and for three years having served as a missionary of the Home Mission Board.

Other Replacements

Due to the resignation of Clovis A. Brantley to become pastor of Valence Church in New Orleans, Charlie Brumbeloe has been named as acting superintendent of the Rescue Home, and Mrs. Allegra LaPrairie, as acting superintendent of the Woman's Emergency Home in New Orleans.

L. D. Wood has taken over the work as superintendent of Spanish-speaking work in San Antonio, Texas, under the new arrangement by which Texas Baptists and the Home Mission Board co-operate in the Spanish-speaking work in that state.

New Appointments

Mr. and Mrs. George Hook of Raytown, Missouri, have been appointed as missionaries to the Indians in Farmington, New Mexico. Mrs. Melvina Roberts has been transferred from Farmington to Tinian, New Mexico.

Elias Rodriguez has been appointed missionary-pastor at Mission, Texas, and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Morris have been named student missionaries at Ada, Oklahoma. Miss Ella Keller has been appointed to the River Front Missions in New Orleans.

Among the French

Cecil Webb has been named missionary to Cloutierville, Louisiana. This French city has

been an object of great concern to Dr. L. C. Smith, Louisiana French missionary, for many years. New work is expected to develop rapidly in that field.

W. Y. Pond to Canal Zone

Mr. and Mrs. W. Y. Pond Jr. were elected missionaries to the Canal Zone at the April meeting of the Home Mission Board. Brother Pond is the son of Dr. W. Y. Pond, Texas evangelist. The young missionaries will serve in the Cocoli Church. Mr. Pond went to the Cocoli Church in the Canal Zone for a revival meeting and felt the call of the Lord to respond to missionary service in that field.

Missions Among the Migrants

The Home Mission Board has elected Mr. and Mrs. James J. Horton of Golden Gate Seminary as missionaries to the migrants in the West. Brother Horton is graduating this year from the seminary and Mrs. Horton has had nurses training, and is a musician. This well-equipped team of migrant missionaries will enter upon service immediately after the close of the seminary year.

Migrant missionaries have been appointed for summer work to serve under the direction of Sam Mayo. Mr. and Mrs. James R. Harris, Washington, Georgia, who have their own car and trailer, will enter upon their service in June, but will return to Louisville for another year's study at the seminary.

Good Will Center Property

The Board has made provision to buy adequate property in Miami for Good Will Center work. A church building adjoining the present property is being purchased for the enlargement of the work. Mrs. Minnell Graves is superintendent of the Miami Good Will Center.

Building in Juneau, Alaska

The \$25,000 earmarked for building in Juneau, Alaska, has been made available to the church for the construction of its building. It is expected that the new church will be built this summer.

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What Shall We Do With Them?

By W. C. BAZEMORE

The Lord has done mighty things in these weeks past, as thousands of souls have been born again and have entered into the fellowship and membership of our Baptist churches. We have had great revivals. The Spirit of the Lord has come in many places to refresh, regenerate, and renew. Now that we have all these new converts, what shall we do?

It appears that three things certainly ought to claim our attention and prayerful efforts in this important matter. Conservation of the results of the revivals must be effected. In our churches we must follow through according to the words of Jesus in the third phrase of the Great Commission, "teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." And let us be sure that we teach and indoctrinate these new Christians in all things our Master has commanded.

Consecration in the Master's service through His work, in all the activity of His church, must be sought. Every church member ought to be found faithful in attendance, in giving of his means to support the Lord's work, and in finding some place of service in the many organized channels that offer so many op-

Bookstore Manager Awarded Trophy



A beautiful loving cup recently became the property of Manager H. S. Simpson (left) of the Carbondale, Illinois, Baptist Book Store, as his store took top honors over other Baptist Book Stores in a contest sponsored by Broadman Press for its publication **Broadman Comments, 1951.**

Presentation of the award was made by George W. Card, secretary, Sales and Advertising Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, during the annual Book Store Managers' Conference in Nashville, which ended early this month.

Broadman Press, book publishing division of the Sunday School Board, reasoned that the more people who were privileged to own a copy of R. Caudill's **Broadman Comments, 1951**, (International Sunday School Lesson Uniform Series), the greater service the publishers would be extending to the constituents served by the Baptist Book Stores. From this incentive evolved the idea for the contest to reach more people by setting sales goals for each of the stores and putting the stores against each other.

Final tabulation found Simpson and the Carbondale Store the winners, while Manager Clarice Taylor and the Owensboro, Kentucky store took second place.

Simpson has been at his present post since 1946, going there after working in the Houston Baptist Book Store for a number of years.

Because of the enthusiasm in the initial contest, it was announced in Nashville this week by Broadman Press that the **Broadman Comments** contest will be an annual affair.

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And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us: And if we know that he heareth us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired him (1 John 5:14-15).

opportunities today in a Baptist church.

And then there must be continuation of soul-winning efforts, continued visitation, enlistment of others not yet churched, reaching out into the most remote places to the very ends of the highways and hedges, that God's people may be "laborers together with Him" in reaching out to gather in all who need the blessing of salvation and the joys of service in a local church. "Efforts are required before blessings are bestowed," and in this world task of evangelism and Christian witnessing our Lord expects us to do our full part. He may continue to send His marvelous blessings.

—Biblical Recorder.

Ling K'ang Led Me To Jesus



Lois Yang



Ling K'ang

By MRS. JOHN ABERNATHY
Manila Philippines

About two weeks after the opening of our Chinese Mission in Manila, a lonely girl drew up close to me and said, "Will you give me an English name?" I always try to give them Bible names, so immediately thought of "Grandmother Lois," who was commended by Paul. I call to remembrance the **unfeigned faith** that is in thee, Timothy, which dwelt first in thy "Grandmother Lois." Now she is lovingly referred to as "Lois Yang." Lois is an orphan who lives with a Buddhist grandmother. She often turns to me with her problems. Among the first was, "Would it be all right for me to destroy all of grandmother's outfit for Buddhist worship in our home?" She was so sincerely earnest. A little prayer for wisdom was breathed. Then I said, "No, Lois, we can't do it that way. You probably would just antagonize Grandmother, and she would purchase a new outfit." Then I referred her to Matthew 5:16 "Let your light so shine" before Grandmother, that she may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven. I then urged her to pray and to solicit other Christians to pray for her grandmother. I also promised to go to the home and do what I could. Since Grandmother and I speak different dialects, it would be necessary for Lois to be our interpreter.

Again she stayed behind to tell me about how she became a Christian. She said, "Yeh Ling K'ang led me to Jesus." Ling K'ang (Miss Yeh) is the daughter of my Chinese language teacher, and plans to go to the U. S. A. in May of this year, where she will do her college work. "When Ling K'ang first wrote urging me to become a Christian, I cursed her; but she kept praying for me and writing about her new found joy. Finally I accepted her invitation to spend my vacation with her. We were such good friends that I wanted to go, but still I dreaded having her further push this issue. Another friend was invited for the same time. We accepted, and Ling K'ang lost no time. She really was **His witness**. Finally the time came for mid-week prayer meeting, and

Ling K'ang was eager to take her guests to the church. I hesitated, argued, and made excuses; but Ling K'ang went on with her plans. I couldn't stay at home by myself, because I was afraid. Reluctantly, I went with the other girls. Soon I was listening intently to everything Dr. Crawley was saying, and found myself assenting to his scriptural arguments. I gave myself to Jesus that night and have been rejoicing ever since.

"The way has been rugged. My friends have buffeted, mocked, and reviled me. The places of amusement they frequent no longer interest me, but still there was a struggle going on within. Every time I weakened, there would come a letter from Ling K'ang urging me to stand firm, be patient, read God's word, pray much, and not to forget that the devil was using this as a medium through which to discourage me. She told me just to say, 'Get thee behind me, Satan: . . . for thou savorest not the things that be of God, but those that be of men.'"

It was beautiful to see this winning young Christian girl give her testimony at the Youth Revival. She was radiant and unafraid as she faced the audience, waiting for her Fookienese interpreter to pass the message on to most of the audience. Practically every service we find it advisable to give the message in two dialects.

We request your prayers for Grandmother Yang, as well as Granddaughter Lois. We predict a happy life of Christian service for her, but realize that her enemy will be alerted.

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BEAUTY OF THE BENEDICTION

"The Lord bless thee, and keep thee. The Lord make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee: the Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace."

This is known as the Aaronic benediction; so called because Aaron was the first man whom God commissioned to use it (Numbers 6:22-27).

It was spoken to the children of Israel.

The benediction is a God-inspired poem, full of grace and truth.

Baptist Brotherhood of Arkansas

NELSON F. TULL, State Secretary

Some Things I've Noticed

I HAVE NOTICED that when I look out over a congregation of people assembled in a church auditorium, and see men there, then boys are there, too. No men, no boys; a few men, a few boys; many men, many boys.

When God's men ARE FAITHFUL to come to church, the church congregation is a cross-section of the community; with men, women, boys and girls all among those present. When God's men are NOT faithful, then the congregation is made up largely of women and children, with hardly a single adolescent boy among them.

Seldom does a lost man ever come to a church where God's men are not faithful to attend. God's men are the KEY to successful congregational church services.

I HAVE NOTICED that in a community where God's men are faithful to the Lord and to their church, lost men and boys can be won to the Lord. But in a community where God's men are not faithful, it is well nigh impossible to win lost men and boys to Christ. It is hard for lost men even to think of coming over on the Lord's side when they know they will have to stand alone.

And in a community where God's men are not faithful the attitude of lost boys toward God is that of extreme cowardice. But when lost boys have before them the courageous examples of faithful Christian men and Christian boys, then lost boys can be more readily won.

I HAVE NOTICED that in a community where God's men are not faithful, the greatest single hindrance to the salvation of lost men is the terrific stumbling-block of careless living put in their way by men who claim to be Christians.

I HAVE NOTICED that in a community where God's men and boys play Sunday base-ball or go to Sunday ball games, it is extremely difficult to win lost men and boys to Christ.

I HAVE NOTICED that cigarette smoking church members are not soul-winners. There may be some exceptions to this rule, but it hasn't been my privilege to work with many of them. It seems that a cigarette smoking soul-winner is bound to give up smoking—or his soul-winning.

I HAVE NOTICED that when we call for a men's prayer-meeting sent out, some of the men smoke outside the prayer room and are not really interested in praying for the souls of other men. They are not concerned with what their example is setting to boys and other men. They are letting a filthy habit bring them down to a level on which it is impossible to live effectively, to do effective service to the Lord.

I HAVE NOTICED that the happiest Christian men are those who live clean lives, and witness daily for their Lord. The happy experience possible for a Christian is to lead somebody else to the Lord. Happy men are soul-winners!

I HAVE NOTICED that tithing men have tithing wives and tithing children. I HAVE NOTICED also that a few tithing men can build a tithing church; and that a church's whole concept of stewardship can be changed and defined when a few tithing men lead the way.

I HAVE NOTICED that tithing churches are not in financial difficulties. They have the money to meet their needs and they have money to channel through the cooperative Program to help set forward the world-wide program of Southern Baptists.

Yes, I HAVE NOTICED that God's work prospers everywhere when God's men stand up as Christian, stand out as Christian, and stand together in the work of the church of the Lord Jesus Christ!

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State Assembly Speaker

J. Harold Smith will be the speaker at the night services during the 1951 Arkansas Baptist State Assembly July 3-11. Brother Smith is the pastor of First Church, Fort Smith. Since December 17, 1950, when he began his ministry in the First Church, Fort Smith, the Sunday School attendance has averaged 1,356 and the offerings have increased 100 per cent. Since January 1 there have been 280 additions to the church, 3 by statement, 129 for baptism, and 148 by letter. During the year 1950 Brother Smith made a 30,000 mile tour of Europe and the Holy Land.

Pastor Smith was born in Woodruff, South Carolina. He was converted September 4, 1932, and was ordained to the gospel ministry by the Poinsette Baptist Church, Greenville, South Carolina, March, 1933. During the first two months of his ministry over 2,000 people were converted and reclaimed. Since 1932, 162,000 persons have responded to invitations and have testified that they have been saved or reclaimed.

His first pastorate was with the Conistee Church, Conistee, South Carolina. During his ministry with this church the membership tripled and offerings increased 500 per cent. He resigned this church to accept the pastorate of the Six Mile Church in South Carolina. The year before he accepted the pastorate of this church \$6 was given by the church through the Cooperative Program. Four years later when Brother Smith resigned to accept the call of another church the Six Mile Church was giving \$600 per year and had called a pastor to full time ministry.

Brother Smith was called to the Woodland Park Church in Chattanooga, Tennessee, in November of 1948. During his ministry there the Sunday School attendance increased from 550 to 1,200 each Sunday. The offerings increased from an average of \$625 per week to an average of \$2,036 per week.

Brother Smith began his radio ministry in 1935. It has continued to the present day. He now has 35 broadcasts each week. It is estimated that the Sunday morning broadcast from the auditorium of First Church, Fort Smith, reaches some ten million



J. Harold Smith

hearers. For four years he has been broadcasting over radio Station XERF, Del Rio, Texas, one hour each day.

Brother and Mrs. Smith have two children, Martha, sixteen years of age, and Donnie, six years of age.

Coming Events

April 27-29: Baptist Student Union Spring Retreat.

April 29: Join the Training Union day.

July 3-11: Arkansas Baptist State Assembly, Siloam Springs.

July 7: Hymn-playing Tournament, State Assembly.

July 13, Aug. 25: Organized Summer Field Work (Training Union)

Sept. 4: State Associational Sunday School Leadership Meeting Little Rock

Sept. 16-21: Forty-four Associational Sunday School Rallies

Oct. 15-16: State Sunday School Convention, Jonesboro

Oct. 29: State Associational Training Union Planning Meeting, Little Rock

Dec. 10: Training Union "M" Night

Dec. 30: Student Night at Christmas.

Thankfulness for God's mercies is a sure guarantee against indifference and selfishness.

Let's Begin In May

By HERMAN L. KING

The two and one-half million unenlisted church members provide a potential power reserve for Christ and the churches, but they will never become a power until we enlist them in Bible study and challenge them to service. One of the most practical ways of doing this was suggested in a recent communication sent to pastors and superintendents. We reprint this message here so that you may have the benefit of it in your church:

Dear Fellow Worker:

Have you considered your unenlisted church members? The churches need their permanent support. They need all that the churches are and have. Children need a positive Christian example. The churches have an inescapable responsibility. Many of them will respond to a Christian service appeal. So, let's use a positive approach and boldly ask them to do something important in the church. They will respond. What? How?

Select eight to ten men, church members not in Sunday School. Let pastor and superintendent extend a written invitation for a meeting of these men, preferably a meal provided. Ask them to form then and there a new Sunday School class. Have present a good teacher. Have ready a place for the class to meet. Have in hand the names of eight to ten lost men. Call upon the church members to enroll the lost men for Bible study, win them to Christ and to church membership. Present the call, the opportunity, and the needs forcefully and attractively, and stay with your appeal! They will respond.

After this class is established take eight to ten women to form a class in the same way. Multiply this action with men and with women as many times as needed until all of your resident church members have been enlisted. The idea merits a worthy effort. Let's do it, and let's do it in May of 1951; You can Will you?

Yours for more people won no

J. N. Barnette, Secretary
Sunday School Department, Baptist Sunday School Board.

This idea is based upon the need of the churches for the services of the unenlisted members and the need of these members for spiritual development through a service which they can render. They are not to be put into existing classes and become sitters and listeners, but are to be led afresh after the lost in the service of Christ. Adult men and women can be enlisted with such challenge.

The plan is to start a new class for men from among the unenlisted church members within an age range which fits into your present grading plan. Then a similar class would be started for women. This would continue until enough new classes could be started to enlist all the unenlisted church members.

We believe that if new classes are started for them, new teachers secured, new places are provided for them to meet and they are challenged to go after the lost, we can reach a great majority of them. Will you try this now — in May?

Gillett Reports Fine Training Union Study Course

Don Williams, associational missionary, Centennial Association, reports on a recent Training Union study course with the church at Gillett.

"The Gillett church just closed an unusual Training Union study course. We say unusual because the enrolment totaled 96 with an average attendance of 83. We are grateful for the great loyalty of God's people at Gillett."

"Three courses were offered with the following individuals serving as teachers:

Miss Jeanne Whisenhunt, Gillett, Mrs. Ed Blackmon, DeWitt; and U. C. Broach, Hagler."

Soul Winning Study Course Conducted At Dumas

Word has come from Minor Cole that a soul-winning study course conducted at Dumas was a grand success. Many said that it was the best the church had

ever witnessed. The enrolment was 149 with an average attendance of 122. One hundred awards were granted.

Brother Cole writes, "The new Training Union books of soul winning are wonderful. Dr. Matthews book *Every Christian Job* is the most practical book for soul winning study that I have seen. Every church member should study this book and try to become a soul winner."

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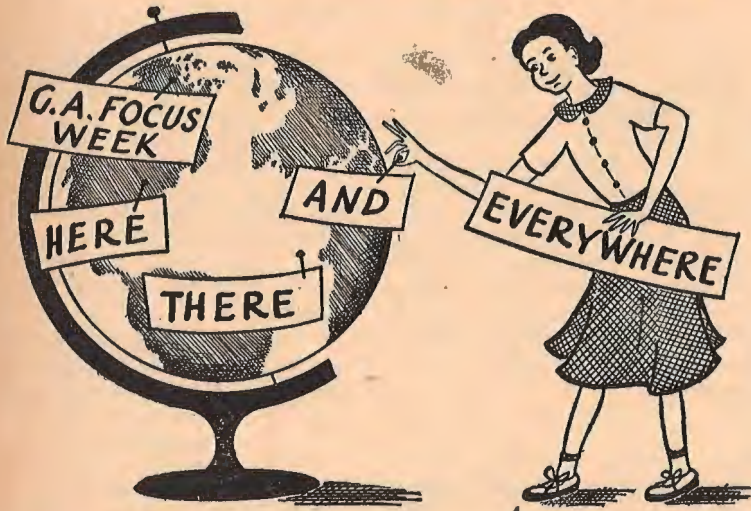
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Girl's Auxiliary Week, May 6-12



Yes, **HERE**, **THERE** and **EVERYWHERE** during the week of May 6-12, girls will be joining hearts and hands "To Encircle the World with Friendliness". The leaflet, "One Girl Pleads for All Girls" states: "We cannot consider too seriously the work of Girls' Auxiliary. In these small units of girlhood part of the destiny of our nation is being shaped. Who can estimate the power of a generation of consecrated women? A vast untouched treasure is hidden in the life stream of girlhood in our land. Let us go prospecting for Christ in this gold mine of ours".

Our missionary magazine, "World Comrades", May 1951, carries splendid suggestions for this important Focus Week. Following are suggestions from the article, page 5, "To Encircle the World with Friendliness".

STUDY:

Give extra thought and study to your missionary program from "World Comrades" for that week.

Regular, faithful reading of our missionary magazine will keep our eyes open to the people, places and problems in our world. Put on a magazine campaign during the week. Set as your goal "100 percent subscribing."

Focus Week is a fine time for a mission study class. Have you studied "Extra, City Edition", price 50c or "Whisper Out of the Dust", price 50c. Order from Baptist Book Store, 303 West Capitol, Little Rock, Ark.

Study on Forward Steps will make you an alert member of Girls' Auxiliary. Do you have your new Forward Step chart, 25c? Order junior dolls 10c a sheet (seven dolls) or two sheets for 15c. The intermediate dolls are the same price.

SERVE: Helping others is a wonderful way to show friendliness. See what needs to be done in your Girls' Auxiliary, in your church, in your community.

The crippled children's ward in a hospital may need games and toys; there may be a need for someone to read or tell stories to

the children. There may be a home for old people where your Girls' Auxiliary can give a missionary program or party. Make some bright felt cases for glasses, scissors or needles, and take them to the shut-ins. Make lace paper dolly May baskets, fill them with flowers and carry them to the lonely or forgotten in your community. As you visit these various places sing some of the beautiful hymns and quote scripture verses.

How many girls in your community or Sunday School need to be enlisted in your Girls' Auxiliary? List them and work definitely to bring them to your Focus Week activities.

Have you had a banquet in your Girl's Auxiliary recently? This would be a good time to honor the Queens in your group. Decorate the tables with dolls dressed in white, wearing crowns, and other insignia. Fasten little gold crowns around the nut cups and make little corsages out of spring flowers.

SHARE: We may give without loving but we cannot love without giving. As you take into your hearts all of the people of all the world and earnestly try to be a friend to them, you'll want to share your material possessions as well as your time and energy. Pack a box of soap, towels, and washcloths, coats, sweaters, and dresses and share them with those in Europe and Japan and other needy places. Sharing makes friendship.

Our splendid stewardship plans will teach us to share our dimes and dollars. During Focus Week give some special time to the study of the Cooperative Program and discover how your own church aids in supporting missions around the world. Order G.A. tithers pledge cards free from your W.M.U. Office, 209 Baptist Bldg., Little Rock.

WORLD COMRADES WILL ENCIRCLE THE WORLD WITH FRIENDLINESS not only during Focus Week but during every week of the year

Mission Notes

By C. W. CALDWELL, Superintendent

A new church has been organized at St. Joe, in Stone-Van Buren Association, with 31 members. This is the result of the First Church, Marshall, E. W. Taylor, pastor, going there to establish a mission station.

E. H. Acuff has resigned as missionary in Bartholomew Association to accept a similar place in Caddo River Association.

The Mission Department has sent \$250 to the Morton Church. This church was resurrected from inactivity last summer by Missionary E. F. Boyles in Woodruff Association.

Churches in Greene County Association have "showered" their missionary, Amos Greer. Amen! Why shouldn't the missionaries be remembered with special gifts occasionally, like pastors.

The Superintendent of Missions gave an evangelistic message in the Workers' Conference of Dardanelle-Russellville Association, meeting with East Point Church, April 12.

R. A. Hill reports a great revival in Kentucky, with 57 adoptions for baptism and many letters and a great host of rededicated.

Three Creeks Church in Liberty Association dedicated their new building Easter Sunday. This is another church aided by the Mission Department.

Nimrod Church, Conway-Peabody Association, will be dedicated Sunday April 29. D. C. Barlow will preach the dedicatory sermon. Missionary H. D. Palmer has served as pastor. This church is a direct result of our mission program.

C. W. Caldwell was in Arcadia, Louisiana, Sunday, April 15, to participate in the formal opening of their new church building. He served as pastor there nearly fourteen years before coming to the pastorate at Fordyce.

Has your church planned at least two mission revivals for this summer?

TAKE TIME FOR GOD

CHRISTIAN HOME WEEK
MAY 6-13, 1951

Foreign Mission Advance

M. THERON RANKIN, *Secretary*

What Are Our Measurements?

By M. THERON RANKIN

What are the principal measurements by which the overall condition of the Foreign Mission Board's program can be judged?

The most crucial responsibility the Board carries today is in maintaining a healthy balance between a forward moving program of advance and a sufficiently sound and stable financial condition to support missionary advance in the kind of world that exists today. The more critical world conditions become, the more imperative it is that we seek in every way possible to bring the peoples of the world into a knowledge of God's salvation in Christ Jesus. To stand still at such a time is unthinkable. To follow any kind of "safety first" policy would be to deny the faith we profess to proclaim.

At the same time, we would be inexcusable in our administrative responsibilities if we were to ignore the possibilities that a most serious political and financial crisis can be precipitated at any time. This Board has long range commitments in more than 20 areas around the world. Every time our Board appoints 100 missionaries and sends them abroad, we increase our commitments by a minimum of \$300,000 annually. Normal needs would amount to \$400,000. Every advance step we take in our program of world missions must be supported by adequate financial reserves to undergird that forward move in case of a sudden emergency. Our present position is stable.

It is the basic policy of the Board to seek to develop constituencies with the necessary institutions and organizations in all the lands where we serve. This will enable them to become self-supporting, witnessing churches. We work to make ourselves dispensable, so that the Baptist churches there may achieve as quickly as possible the ability to stand and walk on the basis of their own resources and their own faith in God's leadership.

If we were to stop at this point in measuring the program of the Foreign Mission Board, we feel that we would have ample cause for satisfaction. But there is another question: How does Jesus look at our undertaking?

The salvation of people within the United States of America is no more urgent in the heart of Jesus than the salvation of peoples in Asia, Europe, Africa, and South America. We have 7,000,000 Southern Baptists in an area of the world which contains approximately three per cent of the world's population. In 1950 we

contributed \$197,000,000 for all purposes. Of that amount, \$191,000,000 was used within the territory where three per cent of the people of the world live, and \$6,000,000 was used in all the rest of the world.

When looked at from the viewpoint of Jesus, our foreign missionary program appears woefully inadequate. When measured by the faith which we profess to believe and by the vast resources which we possess, our program appears painfully small.

Advance Takes an Inventory

By FRANK K. MEANS

Total gifts to local and missionary causes have increased in a gratifying manner, both from the standpoint of total gifts and per capita gifts. Total gifts to missions have increased, while per capita gifts have remained fairly constant. The increased giving of Southern Baptist churches is being absorbed in expenditures for local programs and properties.

Real cause for alarm stems from the fact that the part of the "collection plate" dollar which is devoted to all missions and benevolences continues to shrink. Here are the figures: 1948, \$0.1947; 1949, \$0.1756; 1950, \$0.1693, only \$0.0305 of which came to the Foreign Mission Board.

Theological education has benefited more from the Advance Program than any other major cause. The percentage of Executive Committee receipts distributed to the mission boards has declined, while the percentage distributed to the seminaries and training school (not counting Southeastern and Golden Gate) has almost doubled.

Five hundred four missionaries were in active service as of December 31, 1944. Six years later, December 31, 1950, 803 were actively engaged as the Board's representatives. This gratifying total, however, is still less than fifty per cent of the ultimate goal of 1,750.

Southern Baptists must be informed that Southwide Cooperative Program receipts must be increased to approximately \$7,650,000 during 1951 to give the Foreign Mission Board as much income from this source as in 1950.

Southern Baptists must be made aware that Southwide Cooperative Program receipts must be increased to not less than \$8,150,000 during 1951 to assure a margin for continued advance.

Southern Baptists must be challenged to follow up the current Evangelistic Crusade with a Crusade in Religious Education.

The Weak Place

By CHARLES A. WELLS

We seldom get a view of the drain upon our national strength caused by racketeering, intemperance, gambling and political corruption. But now that our nation is beginning to load up with a new costly defense program, any such drain becomes a critical factor. In short, the loss to our nation each year from such great leaks in our national economy totals so near what we will spend on rearmament that we cannot carry the load and permit the leaks. The total costs of war and lawlessness will reduce to beggary our schools, cultural institutions, churches and the other sources of our fortitude, courage and integrity. The things that have made our nation great and kept it great are already being forgotten. Moreover, there is a

feeling that the leaks do not matter in such an emergency era, the idea that with all we are spending, the graft, lawlessness and responsibility are not too important. On the contrary, unless there is an awakening of moral and spiritual responsibility, our nation may suffer disaster and defeat without an enemy setting foot on our shores.

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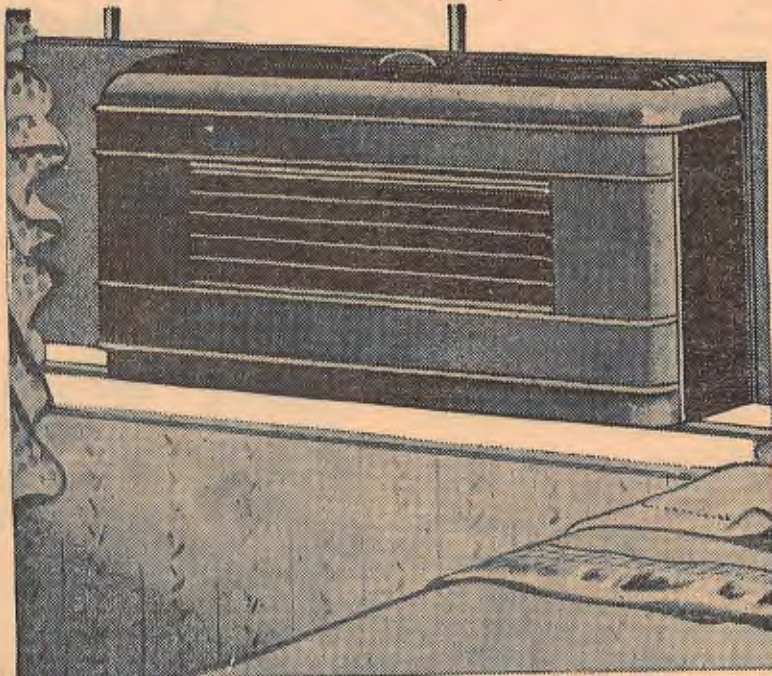
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Fort Smith, First	1257	770
Including Missions	1518	850
Little Rock, Immanuel	1217	418
Including Missions	1436	574
Little Rock, First	1126	519
El Dorado, First	938	237
Including Mission	1012	285
Hot Springs, Second	877	190
N. Little Rock, Bar. Cross	844	349
Including Missions	956	411
Little Rock, Second	777	168
Fayetteville, First	685	289
El Dorado, Second	599	306
El Dorado, Immanuel	581	282
Including Missions	649	346
Camden, First	566	172
Including Missions	865	384
Benton, First	563	118
Including Mission	659	201
Magnolia, Central	546	191
Including Mission	616	
Forrest City, First	539	149
Including Mission	613	207
Little Rock, Gaines St.	522	298
McGehee, First	515	188
Including Missions	650	269
Texarkana, Beech Street	504	239
Paris, First	497	194
Including Mission	532	
Paragould, First	494	227
Including Missions	746	444
El Dorado, West Side	462	205
Fordyce, First	459	191
Little Rock, Baptist Tab.	459	133
Hot Springs, Park Place	439	147
Siloam Springs, First	438	315
Stuttgart, First	434	197
Including Mission	492	234
Springdale, First	400	230
Including Mission	490	
Hot Springs, Central	400	201
Jonesboro, Walnut Street	397	135
Cullendale, First	393	182
Rogers, First	378	135
Fort Smith, Calvary	370	182
Conway, First	365	78
Norphlet, First	348	223
Little Rock, S. Highland	339	116
Texarkana, Calvary	330	120
No. Little Rock, First	313	104
Monticelo, First	313	93
Hamburg, First	312	132
Fort Smith, Temple	307	178
Fort Smith, South Side	297	80
Bentonville, First	283	104
Pine Bluff, Second	270	115
No. Little Rock, Park Hill	270	82
Levy	255	132
Wilson, First	253	124
Including Missions	323	
Mena, First	233	99
Hot Springs, Piney	230	179
Hot Springs, First	224	90
Little Rock, Hebron	219	120
No. Little Rock, 47th St.	216	119
Star City, First	214	61
Little Rock, Reynolds Memorial	207	
Springdale, Caudle Avenue	196	160
Little Rock, Calvary	195	71
Rt. Little Rock, Ironton	195	135
Gurdon, Beech Street	194	107
Augusta, First	175	104
No. Crossett, First	170	101
Nettleton	158	108
Pine Bluff, Bethel	147	74
Little Rock, Tyler Street	144	53
Strong, First	138	76
Curtis	116	74
Little Rock, Capitol Hill	95	38
Hot Springs, Grand Avenue	94	80
Magnolia, Immanuel	89	58
Hot Springs, Emmanuel	69	42
Fort Smith, North Side	86	75
Little Rock, West Side	86	65
Monte Ne, First	86	65
Little Rock, Bethel	82	
Gillett	76	79
Walker, Liberty	68	64
No. Little Rock, Cedar Heights	53	43
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Geyer Springs	46	37

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Settlement In Canaan

By Mrs. HOMER D. MYERS

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**Sunday School Lesson for
April 29, 1951
Joshua 1:1-14; Judges 2:6-25**

Two years after Israel entered the wilderness from Egyptian bondage found them with three great accomplishments. They had received the laws of God at Sinai, had built the magnificent tabernacle for worship, and had crossed the wilderness with all its hardships, and were camped on the very border of the promised land toward which they were traveling, and hoping to attain. God told Moses to send twelve men to spy out the land. They returned with wonderful samples of the productivity of Canaan. But ten of them said they saw giants, they heard the land was infested with them, and that their cities were walled up to heaven! Therefore, the obstacles were too great and they could not take the land.

Caleb and Joshua insisted they could take the land by the help of Jehovah. The people were ready to stone these two men when God intervened. Because of their unbelief, Israel was made to wander around in the wilderness for 38 more years (Deut. 2:14) until a new generation was raised up who would be more susceptible to the leadership of the Lord. Moses died at the end of the wilderness journey and Joshua was made commander-in-chief of Israel's army.

Fear Is Our Enemy

Our memory selection contains the beautiful promise God gave him: "Be strong, and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest." What a different world this would be if every Christian soldier would commit his way unto the Lord and appropriate this promise to himself. "Be strong" is not a frivolous commandment. If we are waiting for the Lord to MAKE US STRONG, we depend too much upon the Lord to do for us what we can do for ourselves. God can hardly be expected to make a weakling strong unless he is willing to cooperate with the Lord. The person who thinks defeat, whose mind is filled with fear and dismay, who refuses to lift his mind above the uninspiring things in every day life to seek the brighter side of the pattern, cannot be made strong even by the Lord, and we speak reverently. God doesn't pour strength, and convictions, and fortitude into us like pouring water through a funnel, but strength comes by exercise; confidence with experience; and grace is supplied in sufficient quantities to aid the person who determines to obey His commandment to "be strong."

It is so dishonorable to fear when we have a multitude of promises that "I will be with thee whithersoever thou goest."

Indifference Is Our Enemy

Joshua was a great leader, his success being limited only by the complacency of his people. The Israelites were much like average Christians of today. Many were indifferent to their possibilities; for example, every man in the nation was promised a homestead, but many never bothered to claim their inheritance! In his last days Joshua became impatient with them, and we read in Joshua 18:2-3: "There remained seven tribes which had not yet received their inheritance, and Joshua said unto them, **HOW LONG ARE YE SLACK TO GO TO POSSESS THE LAND** which the Lord God of your fathers hath given you." Amazing, is it not, that so many people could be so trifling as to neglect claiming a blessing that was theirs simply for the taking?

But how true that is of Christendom today. "Look unto the fields for they are white unto harvest," but "how slack are we to go forth and possess the land which the Lord God hath given us." He promised us the heathen for our inheritance, but who wants an inheritance? Just a few are willing to go forth and suffer the hardships that accompany the task of "possessing the land for Christ."

Love Of Ease Is Our Enemy

We can thank God that in every age He has a few spiritual giants who keep the remainder of us prodded into some degree of spiritual consciousness. Such a man was Caleb. He was one of the twelve spies; one of the two who pleaded for Israel to enter Canaan, to accept the blessings of the Lord. When they entered 38 years later, Caleb did not rush in and demand his inheritance at once; but when he was 85 years old he quietly approached Joshua and sought a place no one else wanted: Mount Hebron, the mount which was supposed to have been infested with giants and cities walled up to heaven. If Caleb did not know all the while, he found out that the ten spies had delivered a false report; he found only one family of giants in the Mount, Anakim and his three sons. It has always been human nature to magnify the opposition and minimize the power of God.

Caleb asked for his inheritance that portion of land that would require the most effort and courage to take; Joshua gladly gave it to him and he had little difficulty in obtaining possession of it. How different was Caleb from modern Christianity. If one deliberately sought the hardest place he could find today, he would be looked upon as being "odd" by his contemporaries.

Lack of Knowledge Is An Enemy

"Give me this mountain" said Caleb, and the devil's territory changed hands.

After the death of Joshua we read tearfully, "There arose another generation which knew not the Lord nor yet the works which He had done for Israel," in spite of the fact that God had warned Israel to teach His precepts to their children, to discuss the laws of Jehovah and the great works He had done in delivering them many times from their enemies, in the presence of their children and grandchildren, at morning, noon, and night. But Jehovah was forgotten and "every man did that which was right in his own eyes." That was what the race was doing in the days of Noah when sin be-

came so great as to bring catastrophe upon the earth.

Israel plodded along for three or four hundred years with many ups and downs, and their "downs" were definitely in the majority, being led by an occasional judge who would rise up to defend them against an enemy. The great nation they were destined to be was delayed several centuries by the lack of sanctified enthusiasm.

The difference in being great, successful, and prosperous, or just being ordinary and commonplace is the difference of having God in our lives. It was true of Israel, and so it is today. No individual really successful who doesn't know the Lord; he may appear to be, may be financially independent of other men, but it is "God that giveth thee power to get wealth." The truly happy and successful in this world are God's men and women.

History is replete with the names of nations and kings, pharaohs, tentates and emperors, who have forgotten God, rejected His leadership, and have drunk the bitter dregs of defeat, disappointment and death.

Israel's settlement in Canaan was successful just to the degree of their consecration to God.

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Associational Roster and Data — 1951

Name of Association and Moderator	Date of Annual Meeting	Place of Annual Meeting	Time of Workers' Conference
Arkansas Valley H. L. Lipford, Brinkley	Oct. 25	Turner	No stated time
Ashley County J. W. Buckner, Crossett	Oct. 9	Fountain Hill	Tuesday after 1st Sunday
Bartholomew Keith F. Babb, Warren	Oct. 9	Enon	Friday after 3rd Sunday
Benton County John V. Terry, Decatur (Nights)	Oct. 8-12	Siloam Springs	Tuesday after 1st Sunday
Big Creek A. M. Farrel, Moody, Mo.	Oct. 3-4	Viola	3rd Thursday each month (night)
Black River J. V. Chandler, Hoxie	Oct. 16	Old W'nut Ridge	Thursday after 2nd Sunday
Boone County E. F. Cox, Omaha	Sept. 17-18	Eagle Heights (Harrison, Ark.)	Tuesday after 3rd Sunday
Buckner Karl McClendon, Mansfield	Sept. 27-28	Waldron	Last Saturday each month
Buckville Homer Speer, RFD., Hot Springs	Sept. 27-28	Rock Springs	No stated time
Caddo River Roy Wright, Mt. Ida	Oct. 15-16	Mount Ida	Monday after 3rd Sunday
Carey J. T. Elliff, Fordyce	Oct. 11	Fordyce	2nd Friday each month
Caroline R. E. Bacum, Carlisle	Oct. 24-25	Toitec	Thursday after 1st Sunday
Carroll Gary Evans, Berryville	To be set	To be set	Tuesday after 1st Sunday
Centennial Walter N. Hill, Stuttgart	Oct. 18-19	Stuttgart	Fourth Tuesday (night)
Central J. C. Melton, Hot Springs	Oct. 4-5	Coal Hill	Thursday after 1st Sunday
Clear Creek Walter L. Yeldell, Clarksville	Sept. 27-29	Harvey's Chapel	1st Thursday each quarter
Concord Don Hook, Paris	Oct. 9-10	Trinity, (Ft. Smith)	No stated time
Conway - Perry John F. Cox, Morrilton	Sept. 27	Perryville	First Sunday each month
Current River Leo B. Golden, Corning	Oct. 11	Shiloh (Clay Co.)	2nd Monday each month
Dardanelle-Russellville W. E. Speed, Russellville	Oct. 13-14	Knoxville	Thursday after 2nd Sunday
Delta Theo. T. James, McGehee	Oct. 22-23	Eudora	Second Monday night each month
Faulkner J. S. Rogers, Conway	Oct. 19-20	Pleasant Grove (Conway, Ark.)	Last Sun. afternoon each month
Gainsville Dr. F. H. Jones, Piggott	Oct. 24-25	Piggott	Tuesday after 1st Sunday
Greene County Jeff Rousseau, Paragould	Oct. 30-31	Alexander Chapel	Thursday after 1st Sunday
Harmony T. T. Newton, Rison	Oct. 8-9	Dumas	Executive Board, 1st Mon. each month
Hope J. W. Royal, Lewisville	Oct. 11-12	Beech St. (Texarkana, Ark.)	Friday after 1st Sunday
Independence L. H. Roseman, Batesville	Oct. 25-26	To be decided	First Thursday each month
Liberty Jay D. Tolleson, El Dorado	Oct. 16-17	Norphlett	Second Tuesday each month
Little Red River W. F. Montgomery, Heber Springs	Sept. 13-14	Valley Hill	Friday after 1st Sunday
Little River Lawson Hatfield, DeQueen	Oct. 9	Murfreesboro	Friday after 2nd Sunday
Mississippi County Russell Duffer, Blytheville	Oct. 11-12	Manila	Friday after 1st Sunday

Mt. Zion J. H. Fitzgerald, Jonesboro	Oct. 11-12	1st, Monette, 1st, Jonesboro	Friday after 2nd Sunday
Newton County Ernest Cheatham, Deere	(No information at this time)		
Ouachita A. L. McDaniel, Mena	Oct. 4-5	Board Camp	3 PM each 3rd Monday
Pulaski Guy S. Wilson, Little Rock	Oct. 15-16	Pulaski Heights Little Rock, Ark.	Every 3rd Monday
Red River S. M. Cooper, Arkadelphia	Oct. 18-19	South Fork (Near Gurdon)	Friday after 2nd Sunday
Rocky Bayou W. C. Steward, Calico Rock	Oct. 18-19	Melbourne	Monday after 1st Sunday
Stone—Van Buren—Searcy Chester Roten, Leslie	Aug. 30-31	Zion Church (Fox, Arkansas)	Friday before 3rd Sunday
Tri-County Ray Y. Langley, Parkin	Oct. 9-10	Cherry Valley	Thursday after 1st Sunday
Trinity W. F. Carlton, Marked Tree	Sept. 11-12	Marked Tree	Tuesday after 2nd Sun. (night meeting)
Washington-Madison Stanley Jordan, Springdale	Oct. 15-19	Fayetteville (1st Church)	Second Thursday in month
White County Ernest Anderson, El Paso	Oct. 11-12	Searcy	Friday after 2nd Sunday
White River T. E. Funderburk, Cotter	Aug. 30-31	Yellville	Mon. after 1st Sun. (night meeting)
Woodruff Doyle L. Lumpkin	Oct. 26	Cotton Plant	Fri. after 1st Sun. (night meeting)

Stanfill and Park Hill

Sunday, April 8, the fourth anniversary of the Park Hill Church. Brother Stanfill has been the pastor the entire four years. A news letter states that four years ago there were "44 members in the first meeting, no building, no lots, no money, but faith in God." The report shows that the church now owns five lots, three good buildings with an estimated value of \$100,000, a membership of around 400, an average Sunday School attendance of about 300. The report also shows that more than \$120,000 has been contributed for all causes and the present church budget for 1951 is more than \$35,000. The Arkansas Baptist goes to the homes of the resident members and contributions are made regularly for the mission causes. Stanfill is a strong preacher and the church has grown under his ministry and leadership.

Partnership

Whoever makes a garden
Has never worked alone,
The rain always found it
The sun has always shown.
The wind has blown across it
And helped to scatter seeds
Whoever makes a garden
Has oh! so many friends,
The Glory of the morning
The dew when daylight ends.
The wind and rain and sunshine

A Good Record First Quarter

The first quarter of our 1951 Convention year was a good one. From a financial standpoint, we were greatly encouraged by the fact of having received enough money each month to meet our budget requirements. Our quarterly report of receipts will be published in the first issue of the Arkansas Baptist in May. From the standpoint of fellowship, we have never seen it better. For all of these things we are thankful to the Lord. We are grateful for the fine spirit of loyalty and cooperation on the part of our people. The pastors are leading out in a great fashion.

The quarterly report will show a few churches which have not been able thus far to send in a gift for the support of the Cooperative Program. We trust that these churches will begin the Second Quarter by sending in a gift of some amount for the Cooperative Program thereby enabling the sister churches to carry the load of our Baptist Mission Program. We believe they will! Let us remember that the Cooperative Program is "Every Baptist giving for every cause supported by Baptists."

And dew and fertile soil
And he who makes a garden,
Work hand in hand with God
(Author Unknown)