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THROUGH  
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Photo by Glen Erwin

Instrumental music is the focus of the Southern Baptist Convention church music program for 1982-83. Through use of instrumental music, non-singers have the chance to lend their talents to making a joyful noise to the Lord. Arkansas' Church Music Department joins in the objectives of leading instrumentalists to grow spiritually through worship, service, stewardship, and training. The emphasis was introduced at a leadership conference at Ridgecrest Baptist Conference Center, the source of a story on page 19.

## Volunteer leaders vital to Baptists by Jim Lowry

RIDGECREST, N.C. — Every week an army of volunteers assume positions of leadership in Southern Baptist churches to implement the 13.8 million member-demonstration's ministry efforts.

Conservatively speaking, 750,000 volunteers do approximately 90 percent of the teaching, training, planning and preparation in Southern Baptist churches, according to John Chandler, supervisor of the church staff section of the Sunday School Board's church administration department.

"Volunteers are the only way Southern Baptists can hope to accomplish Bold Mission Thrust," Chandler told pastors and other church leaders attending a seminar during Bible Preaching Week at Ridgecrest Baptist Conference Center. "The church at work is volunteer leadership."

Volunteerism is based on the priesthood of the believer and responsibility of individuals to use the gifts, skills and interests God has given them, Chandler explained.

"Church members, as Christians who are also to be ministers, need the opportunity to contribute their insights and talents," he continued. "To harness this energy, the pastor has to develop planning and training where people meet to work toward common interests and expectations."

Chandler said the importance of volunteers becomes more obvious when you consider the potential personal contact of the 50,000 full-time staff members in Southern Baptist churches. Add to this the three

quarters of a million volunteers and the contacts they make in their families, vocations and in the community.

"In small churches where the pastor is the only staff member, which is more than 20,000 in the Southern Baptist Convention, volunteers are especially vital," Chandler added.

"In a practical way, God has placed the resources in each church to fulfill the mission," Chandler said. "Churches need to move to establish a climate for motivating persons to volunteer for important tasks. This can be done best in a climate of stability, teamwork, affirmation and challenge."

Overloading the volunteer worker is the greatest danger churches in the denomination face in working with volunteers, according to Chandler. He advises limiting the number of major responsibilities assigned to any one person.

Vocation, family life or both will suffer when a volunteer leader has an inordinately heavy responsibility at church, Chandler noted. Pastors need to make a strong effort to broaden the base of involvement by enlisting persons not involved in the ministry of the church. Involvement results in personal growth of individual church members, numerical church growth and growth in the fellowship of the church.

"Volunteers are partners in the ministry efforts of the church with the pastor, other staff members and church members," Chandler said. "Their influence can reach far beyond the limits of staff persons."

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### Next week:

Does the system work to protect the public from drunken drivers? Draw your own conclusions as a second article on DWI offenses looks at the realities of the system that Christians must know if they are to stop drunken driving.

## Foreign Board Commissions 99 missionary journeymen

RICHMOND, Va. — The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board commissioned 99 new missionary journeymen July 16 during a service at Northminster Church in Richmond, Va.

All Southern Baptist college graduates under 27, the journeymen will work for two years alongside career missionaries in 43 countries, handling assignments ranging from music ministry, youth evangelism and teaching to well drilling, health care and relief work.

The 18th group commissioned since the first journeymen went abroad in 1965, the

99 represent at least 90 Southern Baptist churches in 22 states and Canada. The number tops by 17 the 82 journeymen named in 1981, but falls short of the record 130 commissioned in 1980.

The new journeymen will travel overseas in late July and August as the 1980 group completes service and returns to the United States.

The Arkansans were Allan Aunspaugh, Russellville; Nancy Bryant, Pine Bluff; Ann Cross, McNeil; David and Sonia Garrison, of Camden and Arkadelphia; Mike Lee, Warren, and Cheryl Reed of Summers.

## Short named to New Orleans faculty

NEW ORLEANS — Mark Short has been named associate professor of Church Administration at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. His assignment will be effective at the beginning of the fall semester. Classes begin Aug. 24.

The Texas native comes to the seminary from the Louisiana Baptist Convention where he was associate director of the Church Programs Services Division. He formerly served as manager of Glorieta Baptist Conference Center in New Mexico, and has served churches in Arkansas, Kentucky,

Oklahoma, and Tennessee as minister of music and education.

Short earned the B.A. degree from the University of New York and the M.L.S. from the University of Oklahoma. He attended Ouachita Baptist University and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

He and his wife Margie are the parents of five children: Mark III, of Fayetteville, Ark.; Marla, of Belle Plaines, Kansas; Marty and Marvin, of Houston, Texas; and Marlon, at Baylor University, Waco, Texas.



It was the early evening of April, 1521, when Martin Luther appeared before a group of notable men. His writings lay before him. He was asked whether he would recant of the statements he had made. Knowing that his very life was at stake, he asked for a day to consider the charges that were made against him. A day's reprieve was granted.

The following afternoon in a larger hall and before an even larger crowd Luther reappeared. He stated that he would recant if he could be convinced of his error, either by scripture or by evident reason. Otherwise, he would not go against his conscience, which was bound by the Word of God. After a long discussion and no such evidence was forthcoming, Luther emphatically declared, "Here I stand. I can do no other."

Unlike Martin Luther, at this point in his life, many of us have doubts about what we have believed. Some even doubt their very salvation.

Some dogmatists would have us to believe that no "Christian" could ever doubt his salvation. However, no matter how narrow the path that we attempt to walk, every Christian's life has its dark moments. To deny doubt is to deny history and Christian experience. Were it not for the need of reassurance, II Timothy 1:12 need never to have been written. Here, Paul declared, "... for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day."

Doubt is a predictable consequence of a number of situations. It may arise with immature seekers or critical human situations. Like any insecurity, doubting one's salvation is best handled by self-confrontation, that is, by admitting the doubt and seeking understanding from the promise of the scripture. Rightly understood, we must realize that salvation is a gift, that salvation is provided on an individual basis and that salvation is eternal.

Salvation is a gift. The whole of the scripture centers around the gift of salvation. The Old Testament believers looked forward to the coming of Christ and today Christians look back to the cross. No scripture more graphically portrays the sacrificial gift than does the accounting of the lamb in the wilderness which replaces Isaac as Abra-

ham's sacrifice (Gen. 22:1-19). This prophetic passage graphically portrays what Christ did for us as he became the sacrificial Lamb.

Salvation is provided on an individual basis. The type of salvation experience people have and the change that it produces vary. For some, salvation leads to a totally new lifestyle with new goals, new commitments and new friends. For others, who had lived extremely consistent moral lives, salvation is only an about face in attitude or direction.

No life was ever more notably changed than was Paul's on the road to Damascus; yet, Paul did not demand this type of experience for others. Many factors affect the kind of experience an individual will have. Among these are an individual's emotional makeup, the time in life in which he makes a decision and the kind of life previously lived.

The other apostles who followed Christ had much less dramatic experiences than did Paul. Yet, their salvation was no less real.

Salvation is eternal. Conversion does not exempt an individual from temptation, nor does it create perfect knowledge. Paul aptly stated, "Now we see through a glass darkly ..." (I Cor. 13:12). Paul's faith was not based on perfect knowledge but on perfect security.

There are many evidences of this security. For example, the life brought to us in Christ is described in many places in the New Testament as eternal. Jesus said, "... whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life," (John 3:16).

Again, our security is guaranteed in that we have a vital union with Christ. Because Christ lives, we also live. One's salvation is not contingent on what he does but rather on the power of Christ who holds onto each Christian.

Finally, the believer's security is guaranteed by the seal of the Holy Spirit (Eph. 1:13). The Holy Spirit which indwells in each Christian is a promise of pledge that our redemption will be completed in the resurrection of the body.

May we have the insight and courage of Martin Luther that we may know what we believe and may we seek the commitment of Paul who wrote, "For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain."

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## Nurturing compassion in our society

The truest test of any society lies in how it treats its young and its weak. If it destroys them either intentionally or by neglect, it forfeits its right to moral leadership. It ultimately forfeits its future. If it nurtures them and strengthens them, its moral and spiritual health is sound. Its future can be assured.

Many societies have built their lives on conquest, control and cruelty because their religious affirmations were wrongly centered. The message that has come to us, through the revelation of God in Israel and in Jesus, centers in the fact that God cares for the weak and for the young. In the Jewish scriptures or our Old Testament, God instructed carefully that the young were to be nurtured in understanding God's direction and honoring life with principle. As Jesus came, he sought out the broken and defeated and they heard him gladly. He revealed that love reaches out toward the imperfect and the weak.

In Alexis de Tocqueville's famous journey around early America, he pointed out

that one of the marks of America's goodness was that when people were in need, those around them moved to meet that need. It is the presence of compassion.

In our day of economic anxiety, we are being sorely tested at the taproots of our compassion. When we're struggling to keep our heads above the economic waterline, it is difficult for us to look with genuine response at those who are not making it in the struggle. That's showing up in governmental actions and in community actions.

The taproot of this compassion must be renewed. Churches and fellowships of Christians have a primary role there. And one of the real hopes for renewing that compassion lies in the telecommunications media. Television and radio have served well in graphically showing us human need and providing challenges to meet that need. It faces its greatest challenge in the days ahead because of the climate of cooling concern for basic human rights and human needs.

by Jimmy R. Allen

Those of us who have a lovers' quarrel with television, in that we're always finding its flaws and wanting it to improve, are now bound to want to contribute positively to meet this national challenge. Voluntarism has been called for by our governmental leaders as one of the responses to this moment. It is absolutely essential that we call people to invest themselves in the voluntary assistance to those around us through every available community resource. Television and radio have the responsibility and opportunity of contributing to a consensus of compassion which may indeed recover the soul of America.

If a nation's greatness is actually tested by how it meets the needs of its young and its weak, we still have agendas to deal with on that subject.

**Jimmy R. Allen is president of the Radio and Television Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention. He was president of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1978-79.**

## YouthLine

### A place to grow

"He grew up in a church" is a phrase spoken of those whose parents were active members in their local church and who were encouraged, expected or required to attend church. I, too, "grew up in a church" for I cannot remember a time in which I did not attend church on a regular basis.

This relationship to the church had great effect upon my life for it provided a nurturing environment in which to grow — spiritually, mentally, and emotionally. The foundation of my decision to enter the ministry was laid in the local church and was greatly influenced by the loving concern and support of its members.

Though the church in which I grew up was not large enough to have paid youth ministers, the people were committed to the development of their youth through Bible study, music, training, and missions. This commitment provided the base for the nurturing, caring environment which is unique to the church.

I grew up in Bible study and in Sun-



Bohannon

### by Ron Bohannon

day School. I grew because my teachers cared enough to commit themselves. I can't remember the specific lessons I studied, but I can't forget the loving concern, dedication, and patience of some of the teachers. They provided me with a strong foundation for theological study and understanding which has served as a base for my continuing spiritual growth.

I grew, too, in Church Training and in Church music. Concerned, dedicated leaders and directors who shared with me a great part of their lives taught me the importance of discipleship. They helped me to discover gifts and talents and led me to put these gifts to work for God.

It was through the local church that I was introduced to Royal Ambassadors, a program which had great impact upon my life. It taught me the importance of applying the things I had learned and the skills I had developed toward meeting the needs of a very needy world. Royal Ambassadors instilled in me a deep concern for missions, both home and foreign, a concern which resulted in the commitment of my life to this endeavor.

It was not merely the programs, however, that made the church a place to grow. Programs are such cold and in-

human things... unless you have involved people. I don't remember all the songs I sang, the lessons I studied, or the activities I attended. But I will always remember the warmth of that group of leaders. Though I did not realize it then, they cared enough to spend long hours preparing lessons, teaching classes, and just spending time with me. These people went far beyond merely teaching Sunday School, Church Training, or music; they lived the example of Christ — caring for me, the things I felt, my joys and my sorrows, my good times and my bad times. They listened; they loved.

Today, I'm still growing. Now, as then, it is not the great theologians and philosophers who stimulate my growth. It is not usually the great religious leaders who inspire me. Instead it is the volunteer leaders within the local congregation who make the church what it is — a place to grow.

Ron Bohannon is minister of education, music and youth at Lakeshore Drive Church in Little Rock. He is originally from Kensett, Ark. and has been on staff at Lakeshore Drive two years. He is married to the former Robin Harris. He is a graduate of Ouachita Baptist University and has attended Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky.

## Editorial disturbing

In the July 15 issue of the ABN, I became disturbed by some of your comments concerning Dr. Draper's message to the ABN. First of all you urged Dr. Draper to use his power of appointment (of committees) to make fair appointments recognizing the wide variety of views. The question is, how wide should he go? If it's a matter of eschatology, "pre", "post", or "A", that's one thing, but if it's a matter of the virgin birth, the miracles of Christ, the cross, the resurrection or the infallible word of God, that's another.

The other disturbance comes from your attitude toward healing the convention. If unity, love, and overlooking one another's faults is one of our prime tasks, then why the cutting remark about our past presidents, who have supposedly failed to give adequate support to all of our mission efforts? You seem to seek a wide variety of theological opinions but a narrow line for Cooperative Program givers and supporters. I say praise God for our past presidents who are men of God, especially Dr. (Adrian) Rogers and Dr. (Bailey) Smith. My hope is that Dr. Draper will be God's man too, and not men's man. — Roy Hargrave, Jonesboro, Ark.

**Editor's note:** Thank you for your opinion concerning presidential appointments. I agree that President Draper should not appoint anyone who does not believe in the virgin birth, the miracles and the bodily resurrection of Christ, or the absolute authority of the Bible. Such a person is not a Southern Baptist. I do not, personally, know any in our denomination who deny our most basic doctrines; although, I suppose there are a few.

With respect to my comment that "some of our presidents have failed to give adequate support to all mission efforts," if you will reread the paragraph, you will see that no mention was made of the Cooperative Program, its givers or supporters. In the context of the editorial I was speaking of the Bold Mission Thrust, another name for the Great Commission. — J. Everett Sneed

## 'Moderate' wrong term

The term "moderate" is increasingly being used in the secular and religious press in referring to the contemporary controversy in the SBC.

It should be avoided. For many it implies a compromised position somewhat between conservative and liberal. However, the vast majority of Southern Baptists are

theologically conservative. They should insist that the term "conservative" should not be surrendered.

If it is necessary or wise to use labels for purposes of distinction, let it be "conservative" and "ultra-conservative."

Also, it should be recognized that the present controversy is not basically theological. It is primarily and ultimately political. It seems increasingly apparent that an effort is being made on the part of a relatively few to gain control of our institutions and agencies.

Proof that it is primarily political is evidenced by the fact that there are pastors who are ultraconservatives theologically but who will have no part in the political maneuvering. God for them!

I am personally disappointed that some capable, dedicated pastors are permitting themselves to be used politically. It is time that they woke up to what is being attempted and became aware of the ultimate results if the effort to "take over" is successful.

Whatever may be our specific position in regard to the contemporary struggle, let us refuse to accept or to use "moderate" as a theological label for the vast majority of Southern Baptist pastors and people. — T. B. Maston, Ft. Worth, Texas



## Arkansas honors Virginia RA group

Royal Ambassadors of Partlow, Va., and their leader/pastor, Chris Rackley, were honored at the Arkansas State Capitol in Little Rock July 28. The appreciation ceremony was in recognition for their part in blazing a braille trail, Arkansas' first and the third in the United States, in Burns Park at North Little Rock. Barbara Duncan, a visually im-

paired person and the state's coordinator for the Year of the Disabled, was in charge of the ceremony in which Arkansas Traveler certificates were presented to the Virginia visitors (left). She is shown here (photo at right) checking her braille order of service, assisted by Scott Edwards, vice-president of North Pulaski Association R.A.'s. Dignitaries

representing the state, civic organizations, the city of North Little Rock and Arkansas Baptist State Convention were speakers. Neal Guthrie, director of Brotherhood work for ABSC, received a special certificate for the work being coordinated by Arkansas R.A.'s on this Smokey Edwards Braille Trail.

by Millie Gill/ABN staff writer

#### Hughes First Church

will observe its 60th anniversary with homecoming Sept. 19. Pastor Carroll Evans has planned a traditional morning worship service that will be followed by a potluck dinner. There will be an afternoon program beginning at 1:30. Former pastors and staff members will be speakers. Other guests will include former members and friends of the church. Mrs. C. G. Morgan is serving as anniversary chairman, assisted by Mrs. F. J. Allen, Mrs. Henry Harmon, Bob K. McKenzie and O. E. Worrell.

#### Mount Carmel Church

at Cabot has planned a summer mission project to be conducted within the Cabot area. Youth and adults will divide into seven teams to work with children ages 6-12 in Backyard Bible Clubs.

#### Harmony Association

launched a new ministry Aug. 1 that was planned by the Christian Ministries Committee composed of Kyle Johnson, chairman, Pat Manning, Mrs. Frances McCollum, Mrs. Margie Pittard, Bennie McCracken and Lannie Smith. Sunday worship services have been planned for the Jefferson Regional Hospital in Pine Bluff. There will be 12 associational churches assisting.

#### Rosedale Church

in Little Rock will celebrate its 35th anniversary Sept. 19.

#### Sunset Lane Church

in Little Rock has broadened its missions outreach program through the organization of Acteens for teenage girls. Marilyn Keener is leader.

#### Blytheville First Church

men left July 31 for a mission project in Lincoln, Neb. Pastor Ed North led a commissioning service for them on July 25. Youth of the church recently returned from doing mission work in Indianapolis, Ind.

#### Pine Bluff Immanuel Church

recently conducted a lay-involvement mission tour to Odon, Ind. The 30-member team, most of them retired adults, worked with the Odon Church with men renovating a portion of the church building. Others assisted with a Vacation Bible School and distributed tracts at a fair display booth. There were 13 professions of faith recorded during the week. Pastor Mike Huckabee and Bruce Rodnick, minister of music, coordinated work. Assistance for the trip was provided by two other Pine Bluff churches, Matthews Memorial and Eastside.

#### Archview Church

in Little Rock will observe its 25th anniversary Aug. 15 with a regular morning schedule, followed by a noon meal and afternoon program at 2:30. Glenn Hickey, director of missions for Pulaski County Association, will be afternoon speaker. Clyde Vire is pastor.

#### Little Rock Immanuel Church

honored its retired church hostess with "Mary Ruth King night" Aug. 11. Mrs. King served the church 25 years before being forced to retire due to her husband's illness. Donations to the Kings were sought from church members in multiples of 25.

#### Geyer Springs First

extended the church's scheduled revival to run through Sunday, Aug. 1. Pastor Paul Sanders reported 53 conversions, 11 new members and 154 rededications during the first half of the revival week. Evangelist Paul Jackson led the services.

#### Excelsior Church

was in a recent revival led by evangelist Jeff Moore, Jr. of Tyler, Texas. Pastor Wally Thames reported three professions of faith and that baptismal services for these were held in the Jim Fork River.

#### Siloam Springs First

is beginning an adult weekday Bible study for adults of all ages and church affiliations at 10 a.m. Wednesdays. The first study was scheduled Aug. 4. The study will be "Great Truths of the Bible" by Alan Stringfellow. Notebooks are available.

#### River Road Chapel

at Redfield will celebrate its fifth year at an annual homecoming and will dedicate the first permanent building on site at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 15. The dedication will relieve the portable chapel now on site for use at another mission site. Former pastors, members and friends are invited to the ceremony. Billy G. West is pastor of the chapel, which is sponsored by Lee Memorial, Rison and Pine Bluff First churches.

#### Batesville West Church

commissioned a 21 member mission team July 25. The group will be working in Bedford, Ind., according to Pastor Randy Maxwell.

#### Heber Springs First Church

mission team has returned from Wabash, Ind., where they led Backyard Bible Clubs, conducted a weekend revival and did survey work, making contacts in 450 homes. Bill Moxley, minister of music for the Heber Springs church, was revival speaker. J. R. Crow is pastor of the Indiana mission.

#### David L. Jackson

has joined the staff of Central Church in Jonesboro as minister of campus evangelism. He is a graduate of Southern Baptist College and Ouachita Baptist University. This summer he completed graduate school at Arkansas State University with a master of music degree. He is the son of Rev. and Mrs. Lendo Jackson of Powhatan.



Jackson

Larry Nettles has resigned as music director of the Morilton First Church to accept a position in Oklahoma.

#### Bob Sivils

has resigned as minister of music/youth at the Sheridan First Church to move to Glenwood where he will serve as a band director.

#### Bob Mathis

of Mountain Home has been awarded Mastership in the Academy of General Dentistry after completing more than 600 hours of continuing education in 13 prescribed subject areas. He is the first Arkansas dentist to receive this award. Mathis is pastor of the Lone Rock Church near Norfolk.

## focus on youth

#### Little Rock First

youth will report Sunday, Aug. 15 on a mission tour to Canton, New York. Thirty-nine youth worked with Calvary Church there, working in three day camps, aiding in construction and presenting the musical, "Joy Comes in the Morning."

## missionary notes

Ruth Spence, missionary associate to Beirut, Lebanon, has returned to the States (address: c/o Mrs. Pauline Sparks, P.O. Box 133, Knightdale, N.C. 27545). Born in Arkansas, she also lived in Garner, N.C. At the time of her employment by the Foreign Mission Board in 1978, she was teaching in an Anson County, N.C., school.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman L. Coad, missionaries to Upper Volta, have completed furlough and returned to the field (address: BP 580, Ouagadougou, Upper Volta). He is a native of Maplewood, Mo., and she is the former Beverly Gallegly of Little Rock, Ark. They were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1972.

## Indiana update



## Food and fellowship

Virginia Kirk and Jane Purtle

### Church wide picnic

If your church hasn't had a picnic this summer, it's not too late. Last year, First Church of Batesville had one of its most successful annual picnics the last Sunday afternoon in September, with new members as honored guests. They were sent special invitations, given name tags, and asked to share something about themselves during the fellowship hour.

The picnic started at 3:30 for those who wanted to play games such as horseshoes, volleyball, and softball. Others brought lawn chairs and visited with new and old friends until supper time at 5:30.

After the meal, the choir sang "The Old Fashioned Singing," an arrangement of gospel hymns by Gene Bartlett. Then the congregation joined in singing several familiar choruses before the pastor's sermon. Afterward, everyone felt they had been to a real old fashioned "singing and dinner-on-the-ground."

Committees worked to make the picnic run smoothly. The social committee brought paper plates and eating utensils along with tea and punch. Another committee brought and assembled the sound equipment. Transportation was furnished from the church parking lot for those who needed it. A publicity committee functioned to assure that everyone knew the time, place, and other details of the picnic.

The recipes this month are excellent ones for a picnic, as well as other occasions.

#### Judy's apple pie

- 3 large Golden Delicious apples, sliced
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 stick margarine
- cinnamon and nutmeg to taste
- pastry for 2 crust 8-inch pie

Arrange sliced apples in pastry lined pie pan. Pour sugar over apples and slice margarine on top. Dust with cinnamon and nutmeg. Cover with top crust, cut slits and dust with sugar. Bake at 450 degrees for 10 minutes. Lower heat and bake at 350 until browned.

#### Sweet and sour baked beans

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|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 4 onions, cut in rings   | 2-15 oz. cans dried            |
| ¼ cup brown sugar        | lima beans, drained            |
| 1 teaspoon dry mustard   | 1 lb. can green limas, drained |
| ½ teaspoon garlic powder | 1 lb. can red kidney beans,    |
| (optional)               | drained                        |
| ½ cup vinegar            | 1 lb., 11 oz. can baked beans  |
| 1 teaspoon salt          | 8 slices bacon, fried          |
|                          | and crumbled                   |

Fry bacon and remove from skillet. Saute onions in bacon grease. Add brown sugar, mustard, garlic, salt, and vinegar. Cook covered on low heat for 20 minutes. Add beans and bacon. Pour into large baking dish and bake one hour at 350 degrees or cook on low heat in a slow cooker all day. Serves 12.

Virginia Kirk, professor emeritus at Arkansas College, is a member of Batesville First Church. Jane Purtle is on the staff of Christian Counseling and Teaching Center in Syria, Va. They have enjoyed cooking together for several years.

### OBU fall registration nears

ARKADELPHIA — Registration for the fall semester at Ouachita Baptist University will be held Tuesday, Aug. 31, and Wednesday, Sept. 1, according to Tom Turner, vice president for academic affairs at OBU.

Registration will be held in Evans Student Center and Lile Hall. The first day of classes is Thursday, Sept. 2.

The last day to register or add a course is Sept. 15. The last day to drop a course is Oct. 21. Registration times are assigned by student I.D. numbers.

### David Meece concert Sept. 4 at OBU

Contemporary Christian recording artist David Meece will appear in a concert sponsored by the Student Entertainment and Lecture Fund of Ouachita Baptist University Saturday, Sept. 4 at 8 p.m. in Mitchell Hall Auditorium at OBU in Arkadelphia.

Meece's third album, "Everybody Needs a Little Help," reached the top of contemporary Christian music charts. His latest album, "Are You Ready?" has enjoyed similar success.

Ticket information is available from Andy Westmoreland, director of student activities, P.O. Box 793, Arkadelphia, 71923, phone 246-4531, extension 539.

### Monticello BSU sponsors 'Truth' concert

A concert by "Truth", a seven-member vocal group backed by an eight-member band, will be held free of charge on the lawn of the cafeteria at the University of Arkansas at Monticello Thursday, Aug. 26. The concert, which begins at 6 p.m., is sponsored by the UA-Monticello Baptist Student Union.



John H. McClanahan, pastor of First Church of Pine Bluff, is author of the January Bible Study for 1983, "I Peter: Message of Encouragement". The book was published by Broadman Press, a division of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. McClanahan has been pastor at Pine Bluff First since 1965. He holds the B.D. and the Th.D. from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and is a graduate of Ouachita Baptist College (now University). He has had a number of writings published by the Sunday School Board. He is thought to be the first Arkansan to write a January Bible Study. The series has been published since 1948.

While traveling in the Southern Baptist Convention, Annuity Board President Darold H. Morgan often is questioned about the Southern Baptist Retirement Program for ministers and church employees. The following represents his response to a frequently asked question.

**Q. May a member use the program to secure a loan, as with a savings account?**  
A. No. A member cannot borrow from the program or pledge the funds as collateral on a loan.

# A word about your Baptist state papers

by Harold C. Bennett

Baptist state papers have been serving Southern Baptists for 160 years. The 34 Baptist state papers have functioned effectively and with commitment to the cause of Christ and the mission programs of the state conventions and the Southern Baptist Convention.

Southern Baptists are fortunate indeed to have an adequate means of communications with the 36,079 Southern Baptist churches and their 13,789,580 church members.

It is estimated that the state papers are read by 5.5 million persons. The present circulation of the state papers is 1,847,292, with the estimate that at least three persons have access to each paper and read all or a part of the issue.

The oldest of the state papers is *The Christian Index* which was founded in Georgia in 1822, 23 years before the organization of the Southern Baptist Convention in Augusta, Georgia, in 1845. The *Western Recorder*, Kentucky was established in 1826 and is the second oldest state paper. The newest state paper is the *Northern Plains News*, established in 1976 and relates to the Northern Plains Baptist Convention which encompasses the states of Montana, North Dakota and Wyoming.

Prior to the organization of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1845, there were six Baptist state papers in existence: *The Religious Herald*, Virginia, was founded in 1828; *The Biblical Recorder*, North Carolina, was established in 1833; *The Alabama Baptist*, Alabama, and the *Baptist and Reflector*, Tennessee, were both established in 1835. The state paper with the largest circulation is the *Baptist Standard*, Texas, with a circulation of 376,544.

The state papers have made an inestimable impact on the work of the state conventions and the Southern Baptist Convention. They exist to inform the Baptist constituency about the work of Southern Baptists, to report the religious news, to challenge Southern Baptists and to inspire church members to action. This results in more informed decisions, better coordination of programs, clearer vision of the needs of the people of the world and the undergirding of denominational confidence.

Baptist Press is a news gathering and distribution service sponsored by the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. It began in 1946 as a part of the work of the Department of Survey, Statistics and Information of the Sunday School Board. Porter W. Routh was the secretary of the department at that time. Later that same year, under the leadership of Duke K. McCall, the Executive Committee assumed responsibility for Baptist Press and in 1947 elected C. E. Bryant as director

of publicity. Later Albert McClellan served as director, and since 1959 Wilmer C. Fields has been the director of Baptist Press. The press releases are mailed daily to about 400 news media offices, including the Baptist state papers, daily newspapers, wire services, national magazines, radio and television stations and networks and other publications of both religious and secular press.

"A well-informed constituency is essential for the health and strength of any democratic body," Fields said. "That includes Baptist life. The Baptist state papers are vital to this kind of enlightened participation. As we strengthen the role of these papers we strengthen Baptist life generally."

Edgar R. Cooper, editor and manager of the *Florida Baptist Witness* and president of the Southern Baptist Press Association, has indicated that state papers have faced a number of postal rate increases during the past 18 months. These increases have been absorbed by the Baptist state papers. Southern Baptist editors are facing the possibility of further postage increases in the near future. This is a critical matter, but

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Cooper said the state papers are making the necessary adjustments to face the crisis.

Southern Baptists read the state papers and are better informed about the work of the state conventions, foreign missions, home missions, the ministry of our six seminaries, and all of the other state and Southern Baptist Convention programs. I urge support for the vital ministry of the Baptist state papers.

There is one bright note. "While the postal rate increases hurt," said Cooper, "it may be good. It forces us to re-evaluate the paper and to search for innovative ways to meet the crisis." He also stated that many of the editors feel "paying our own way" in mailing costs is the right way to go. It supports the historic Baptist position of the separation of church and state. He believes, as many of us believe, that the Baptist state paper is worthwhile and "if it is worthwhile, let's pay for it."

It is appropriate that sincere appreciation be expressed to the editors and staff members of the state papers. Their skills, insights and commitment to the cause of Christ are evident. They serve all of us as we together serve our Lord and the churches of our Convention.

Harold C. Bennett is executive director of the SBC Executive Committee.

## SWBTS announces archaeological museum

FORT WORTH, Texas (BP) — Artifacts from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary's continuing archaeological expedition in Tel Batash, Israel, will be housed in the Charles D. Tandy Archaeological museum when the new A. Webb Roberts library opens this fall on the seminary campus.

The Tandy Corporation, a consumer electronics company, gave \$100,000 toward establishing the museum to house the collection currently stored at Israel's Hebrew University.

Charles D. Tandy, a Baptist, was founder and chairman of the board of Tandy Corporation, with headquarters in Fort Worth. He died Nov. 4, 1978.

Under mutual agreement, artifacts discovered at the dig at Tel Abtash (Timnah) in Israel are divided between Hebrew University and Southwestern Seminary. Since the seminary until this time has had inadequate storage and display area, its share of the finds have been kept at Hebrew University.

The 100,000 square foot A. Webb Roberts library, to be dedicated Oct. 19, has been constructed at a cost of \$6.6 million and is considered the largest theological library in the United States. Both the library and the museum will be open to the public.



Leaders of Baptist Memorial Hospital observed the 70th anniversary of the Memphis institution with an advertising program and a large birthday cake at a meeting of trustees July 20. They are (from left) Dr. W. Fred Kendall II of Union City, Tenn., chairman of the hospital board of trustees; Joseph H. Powell of Memphis, president of Baptist Memorial Health Care System, Inc.; and William A. Crabb of Marks, Miss., board chairman of the health care system. The three-unit hospital is one of eight institutions in the health care system.



# Going up

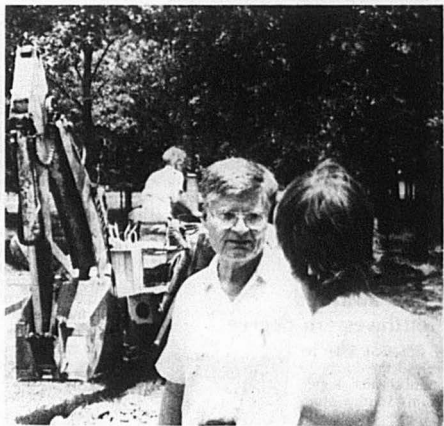
## Construction underway on chapel at Camp Paron



Prayers are not the only thing going up at Camp Paron this summer.

Construction began in July on a much-needed chapel at the camp owned and operated by the Arkansas Baptist State Convention. The go-ahead for the chapel was given by the state Executive Board last December, with most of the work to be done by volunteers. Some preliminary work was done in May. Footings were scheduled to be poured by Aug. 6, with the foundation completed by Sept. 1. Framing is scheduled to begin by Sept. 15 and the chapel is expected to be roofed and enclosed by Nov. 1, according to Robert Ferguson, business manager for Camp Paron.

Anyone wanting to help on the chapel may contact Ferguson at (501) 376-4791. Room and board will be provided for workers.



Construction on the chapel at Camp Paron is under the supervision of O. B. Yeager, a North Little Rock resident serving as volunteer construction superintendent. (Above) Yeager talks over some details with a worker, (left) a backhoe operator and workers put their backs into digging trenches for footings, and (above left) take a breather while elevations of the work are shot.

Photos by Robert Ferguson

# Cradle Roll ministers to child, parents

by Linda Lawson

NASHVILLE — "The best thing you can do for a preschooler is reach his parents for Christ," says Cos Davis, emphasizing the importance of Cradle Roll ministries to infants and their families.

Davis, supervisor of the preschool program section in the Sunday School Board's Sunday School department, said the purpose of regular home visits by Cradle Roll

visitor-teachers is to offer love and nurture to the child, support to the parents and, with families who are not Christians, to share the gospel.

"Our ability to parent is enhanced by a growing relationship to Christ," Davis emphasized. "Christ does make a difference in a person's life."

In 1981, 11,188 of Southern Baptists' 36,000 churches reported a Cradle Roll involving a total of 71,802 families. For 1982, a goal has been set to increase the number of churches having a Cradle Roll by 500 and the number of families by 10,000, according to Cradle Roll consultant Patsy Driggers.

Cradle Roll is both a ministry to church members and an outreach program.

The desire by parents to provide the best kind of home for their child and their concern about meeting the child's needs often make them receptive to a visit from a Cradle Roll visitor-teacher, said Davis.

"There's probably never a time parents feel more inadequate than when they hold their first child and realize his total care is

up to them," he noted.

The support offered by workers must go beyond the delivery of a white Bible and smiling comments about the "pretty baby," said Davis. Workers must be willing and prepared to offer help in meeting any needs they discover and to share their faith as opportunities arise.

Involving a child in the church through Cradle Roll provides an opportunity for workers to begin to offer love, nurture and a strong spiritual foundation, said Driggers.

Churches with Cradle Rolls may discover prospects through their regular visitation program, suggestions from church members and door-to-door visitation by Cradle Roll workers.

Non-Christian parents are receptive to visits by concerned workers from a church "because they're interested in the welfare of their child," said Driggers.

"It is important to relate as a friend and to show love. The next step is to seek to involve them in the church. One of the most satisfying moments is when the first parent makes a profession of faith," she said.



Southern Seminary photo/Howard Shock

Roy L. Honeycutt (left), president of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, visited with Ronald M. Ford of North Little Rock, alumni president of the state of Arkansas, during a meeting of the National Alumni Association Advisory Council on the seminary campus in Louisville, Ky.

## Sides awarded Southwestern degree

James M. Sides received the doctor of musical arts degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary during summer commencement exercises July 16 at Fort Worth, Texas.

Sides has been choral director and instructor in music at Southern Baptist College



Sides

at Walnut Ridge five years. He will be leaving Arkansas this fall to accept an assistant professor of music position at Toccoa Falls College, Toccoa, Ga.

## Youth decisions highlight Centrifuge

by David Haywood

TIGERVILLE, S.C. — Approximately 30 percent of youth attending Centrifuge camp at North Greenville College here are making professions of faith, vocational decisions or rededications, according to camp director Keith Inman.

Centrifuge, sponsored by the Sunday School Board's church recreation department, is being held this summer at five locations nationwide, with the Greenville campus being the newest addition.

Inman said the 337 decisions among the 1,060 camp participants during the first five weeks is approximately the same percentage of decisions as those at the four other locations in 1981. Centrifuge also is held at Ridgecrest (N.C.) and Glorieta (N.M.) Conference Centers and Mobile College (Ala.) and Hannibal-LaGrange College (Mo.).

Inman, a student at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, and a native of Blytheville, Ark., attributes the high rate of decisions to the fact that youth come prepared to deal with issues critical to their lives.

Activities of each week's camp include Bible study, worship, fellowship and recreation, with a strong emphasis on building relationships between

campers and the staff.

Paul Aday, minister of music and youth at First Church of Conyers, Ga., brought a group from his church to Centrifuge. "I don't think there is pressure put on the young people to make decisions," he said. "But the campers are pulled away from distractions and set in an environment where everything is geared toward a Christian attitude."

Larry Gray, associate pastor at Trinity Church at Lexington, Ky., said one strength of Centrifuge is the low-pressure approach and the willingness of the 14 member staff to get involved personally with the young people.

Approximately 14 percent of the decisions are vocational commitments. "I think that one of the reasons that the number of vocational decisions are so high is because we have representatives from both the Foreign and Home Mission Boards on staff," Inman said.

Inman said he believes Centrifuge will have an impact on the future of Bold Mission Thrust. "These are the people who will be carrying the gospel to the world in the year 2000," he said. "I would like to believe that Centrifuge played some part in their decisions to share Christ with their world."



# Your state convention at work

## Evangelism

### Understanding of salvation necessary for response

It is very important for the Continued Witness Training visiting team to understand salvation. They must be able to communicate these truths to the lost person. The lost person must have a basic understanding of salvation to make a genuine response to it.

Salvation is not just being good. Being good enough to please God to receive eternal life is one of Satan's great lies. It is impossible for a lost person to earn salvation. Salvation is not just being religious. Saul of Tarsus was a very religious man, but lost. Man's efforts at being religious ultimately lead to the dead end of spiritual failure. Man within himself can



Shell

never become holy enough to please the holy God.

Salvation is the miraculous transformation. (II Cor. 5:17) "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold all things are become new." Salvation makes whole our fragmented lives. It sets us free from our bondage. The glorious experience of salvation heals our wounded and broken lives. It delivers us from the destructive power of sin. This experience is a new birth that gives one a new nature in Christ.

A lost person receives salvation only by doing the impossible. Jesus said in John 3:7 "Ye must be born again". Only God can make possible the rebirth.

Our highest goal in evangelism is for each of our Christians to daily share Christ. It is our daily prayer that the evangelized will become evangelists. — **Clarence Shell Jr., director**

## Christian Life Council

### Walking before

In the midst of widespread discussion as to what laws are and are not constitutional, it's good to look again at the preamble of our U.S. Constitution. The word preamble means "walking before." It is from the Latin word *praeambulum*. The preamble of a document simply states its purpose. In case you have forgotten, the preamble of the U.S. Constitution is as follows:

"We the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America."

Any time the Constitution with its amendments are interpreted, the preamble should be kept in mind. Laws and amendments

that are proposed and voted upon are always to be within the framework of such purposes.

There should be no law that will tear down and weaken a more perfect union, the establishment of justice, the insuring of domestic tranquility, the provision for the common defense, the promotion of the general welfare, and securing the blessings of liberty.

By the way, at least one teacher of the New Testament has referred to the Beatitudes (Matt. 5:1-11) as the preamble for the rest of the Sermon on the Mount (Matt. 5:7). He refers to that sermon as the Constitution of the Christian faith.

As dual citizens of heaven and earth, we should be well acquainted with both preambles and constitutions. We certainly should live by them. — **Bob Parker, director**

## Stewardship

### Budget programs develop stewards

Many churches develop, present and adopt a budget; fewer churches have a definite plan for leading members to commitment to these budgeted ministries.

The Stewardship Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention produces six good budget development programs. They are listed in order of time and work involved. The six programs are:

1. Basic Church Budgeting
2. Stewardship Revival
3. Tithers Commitment

4. Committed to Ministries
5. Growth in Christian Stewardship
6. Forward Program of Church Finance

The Stewardship Department has packets of Basic Church Budgeting and Committed to Ministries available upon request. Information on the other programs is also available. Contact the Stewardship Department for materials or information on budget development and promotion. — **James A. Walker, director**

## Missions Ministries, Missions Department

### Arkansas Campers on Mission Fall Rally set Aug. 26-28

The Fall Campers on Mission Rally is scheduled for Camp Paron, Aug. 26-28. A historical tour and a stop at the Baptist Building in Little Rock are scheduled for the early arrivers. The regular meeting will begin Friday evening with a potluck supper at 7:00.

The program will include a mission emphasis from Doyle Lumpkin, chaplain for Youth Services Center, Alexander, Ark. Officers to serve for 1983 will be elected.

Campers are urged to bring their favorite craft to share with the rally.

There were 10 Arkansans attending the National Campers on Mission Rally in Knoxville, Tenn., July 23-25. The 1983 national rally is scheduled for June 24-26 at Peach Queen Campground, Jamison, Ala. — **Pete Petty, director**

# Arkansas Baptist State Convention CONTRIBUTIONS

Total cash contributions received in office of Executive Secretary of  
Executive Board January 1, 1982 through June 30, 1982.

Notify L. L. Collins, 525 West Capitol, Little Rock, Arkansas, if any errors are found in this report.

CHURCHES	COOPERATIVE PROGRAM	DESIGNATED GIFTS	CHURCHES	COOPERATIVE PROGRAM	DESIGNATED GIFTS	CHURCHES	COOPERATIVE PROGRAM	DESIGNATED GIFTS
STATE AT LARGE:						BUCKNER		
INDIVIDUAL RECEIPTS	30.00	34,477.84	SELMA	74.81	25.00	BUCKNER ASSN		
ARK BAPTIST PNOM	3,387.74	37,563.47	UNION HILL	18,822.33	9,237.97	ABBOTT	256.13	117.02
3 A WHITLOW MEM.			WEST SIDE	838.35	118.79	BATES	625.25	
MURKIN D. DUMMERTON		115.00	WILMAR	1,046.15	1,333.16	CALVARY, BOONEVILLE		
WNU CONTRIBUTIONS	178.50	148.13	SOUTHSIDE	440.41		CDAR CREEK	40.00	
RUSSELLVILLE 1ST	23,008.20	13,240.55	ASSOCIATION TOTALS	56,302.86	24,678.90	CLARKS CHAPEL	35.00	
MT PLEASANT			BENTON COUNTY			DATTON	1,145.27	498.59
NE PLEASANT			BENTON ASSN			EVINGTON		
VANDERBILT AVENUE			BELLA VISTA	11,045.76	11,864.48	EVENING SHADE	491.19	120.70
BENTLEY, MANILLA			BENTONVILLE 1ST	11,801.16	7,942.31	FELLOWSHIP	595.40	
TEMPLE, W. MEMPHIS			CENTRAL 1ST	2,322.58	1,446.12	FRIENDSHIP	113.53	
NEW LIFE	10,763.59		CENTRAL AVE+BENTON	995.88	586.20	HARTFORD 1ST	5,452.91	1,494.75
FAITH COMMUNITY BAP	399.84	570.00	DECATUR 1ST	3,908.31	2,530.48	HAW CREEK	723.36	178.83
KIMBERLING HILLS			GARFIELD 1ST	1,200.00	970.00	HUN	547.55	250.00
CALVARY, ASHDOWN	2,199.57	846.79	GENTRY 1ST	13,293.84	4,457.86	HUNTINGTON 1ST	520.61	
NEW LIFE	300.00		GRAVETTE 1ST	1,503.99	1,596.00	LONG		
ASSOCIATION TOTALS	42,285.44	106,763.78	GUM SPRING	2,252.22	1,446.12	JAMES FORK	1,058.16	1,398.07
ARKANSAS VALLEY			HARVARD AVE. SILDOM	5,101.94	1,457.06	LUND RIDGE	980.83	219.34
ARKANSAS VALLEY ASN	834.20	396.00	HIGHMILL 1ST	2,258.25	3,210.55	MANFIELD 1ST	4,701.40	1,419.79
BRICEWAYS	240.49		IMMANUEL, ROGERS	14,500.27	10,213.78	MILAN 1ST	1,842.95	184.30
BRINKLEY 1ST	19,912.36	21,611.83	LAKEVIEW	710.50	1,107.00	NEW PROVIDENCE	154.92	40.00
CLARENDON 1ST	5,059.43	1,488.13	LOWELL	2,421.04	574.00	PARKS	1,128.00	112.45
ELAINE	7,808.13	405.35	MASON VALLEY	1,391.56	807.01	PLEASANT GROVE #1	900.07	320.00
FRIENDSHIP			MONTIE NE	50.00	137.88	ROCK CREEK	395.43	87.00
HESLER 1ST	10,228.56	4,754.30	OPEN OAK	3,636.61	331.98	SHILOH		
HUGHES 1ST	4,249.98	5,202.05	PARK STREET, BENTON	441.30	39.00	TEMPLE WALDRON	469.43	125.00
LAMBROOK 1ST	2,887.59	40.77	PEA RIDGE 1ST	8,895.43	1,878.95	UNION HOPE	186.41	
LESLIE	2,496.86	3,183.31	PLEASANT HILL	810.77	240.96	UNITY	71.71	
MARIANNA 1ST	8,015.88	6,947.16	RODGERS 1ST	30,951.81	8,494.28	WALDRON 1ST	13,592.38	2,407.00
MARVELL 1ST	3,850.00	733.25	SILDOM SPRINGS 1ST	23,089.58	17,022.27	WEST HARTFORD	175.24	820.00
MONTICELLO 1ST	2,046.50		SUGAR CREEK	519.81	20.00	WINFIELD	424.59	
MORO	1,350.00	1,216.50	SUNPLUM SPRINGS 1ST	410.10	237.40	SOUTHSIDE, WALDRON	236.19	100.00
NORTH SIDE, HELENA	159.21		SUNNY SIDE	1,449.02	120.00	BOLES MISSION		
PETTY'S CHAPEL			TRIMPTON, ROGERS	224.90	10.00	ASSOCIATION TOTALS	36,255.70	10,670.29
SNOW LAKE	21.50	172.56	TWELVE CORNERS	370.80	125.00	BUCKVILLE		
TURNER	928.32	6,828.88	RO-LYNN HILLS	350.00	258.00	BUCKNER ASSN		
WEST HELENA	14,744.02	6,475.42	FAITH	681.00	842.15	CONCORD		
WEST HELENA 2ND		2,563.91	LAKEVIEW	1,827.41	842.15	MT. TABOR	351.00	
BROADWOOD	2,112.68	1,444.00	ASSOCIATION TOTALS	143,102.18	80,424.54	ROCK SPRINGS	438.94	
IMMANUEL, ELAINE	947.55	480.57	BIG CREEK			ASSOCIATION TOTALS	787.94	
CALVARY+WEST HELENA	390.00	8.00	BIG CREEK ASSN			CADDO RIVER		
HOLLY GROVE 1ST SOU	848.81		COUNTY LINE			CADDO RIVER ASSN		
ASSOCIATION TOTALS	91,225.49	37,576.57	ELIZABETH	35.00		ANITY 1ST	842.39	86.70
ASHLEY COUNTY			ENTERPRISE	70.00	87.88	BLACK SPRINGS	474.47	
ASHLEY CO ASSN			FLORA	58.00		CADDO GAP	75.00	
CALVARY, CROSSSETT		35.00	GUM SPRINGS	688.15	105.00	GLENWOOD 1ST	7,440.59	892.73
CORINTH	1,850.71	160.00	MAMMOTH SPRING	688.15	384.93	HILL SIDE		
CROSSSETT 1ST	59,597.30	12,848.49	MT. Zion	105.00	200.00	LAKE OUCHITIA	782.44	384.00
CROSSSETT 2ND	332.01	85.00	SPRING RIVER	105.00	210.00	LIBERTY		
EDEN	1,039.97		VIOLA	210.00	671.51	LITTLE HOPE		
FELLOWSHIP	2,900.00	82.00	ASSOCIATION TOTALS	1,224.15	1,370.32	MT GILEAD	127.45	3,179.22
FOUNTAIN HILL 1ST	780.00	488.98	BLACK RIVER			MT IDA 1ST	4,046.71	
GARDNER	2,893.81	1,018.36	BRUBBS 1ST			NORMAN 1ST	360.00	611.25
HANBURG 1ST	12,000.00	4,704.81	GROESBECK	19.00		OK GROVE		
JARVIS CHAPEL	472.25		HOBBS 1ST	1,121.03	57.00	OSSEN 1ST	1,294.40	265.00
MAGNOLIA	9,428.96	1,833.94	IMMOCEN 1ST	3,327.81	2,347.48	PENCIL BLUFF	801.65	875.00
MARTINVILLE	288.00		IMMANUEL, NEWPORT	2,450.00	1,606.55	REFUGE	446.39	
MEREDIAN	2,781.00	444.25	JACKSONPORT	192.00		SULPHUR SPRINGS	178.73	223.56
MT OLIVE	13,210.28	2,787.16	MURPHY'S CORNER	40.00	40.00	PINE RIDGE	170.15	50.00
MT PLEASANT	1,268.00	842.25	NEW HOPE #1, SMITH	90.00	5.00	BIG FORT MSSN		
NORTH CROSSSETT 1ST	3,639.87	2,494.73	NEW HOPE #2, HARDY	248.33	205.83	ASSOCIATION TOTALS	17,038.37	6,571.46
SARDIS	148.99	76.45	OLD WALNUT RIDGE	14,950.10	4,948.91	CALVARY		
SHELBO	10,934.75	5,965.94	PIKE	733.83	100.00	CALVARY ASSN		
PLEASANT LAKE	622.88	384.77	RAVENDEN 1ST	349.48	30.00	ANTIDCH	200.00	305.00
ASSOCIATION TOTALS	121,576.78	33,687.13	SEWICK	486.21	410.00	AUGUSTA 1ST	8,802.11	9,382.03
BARTHOLOMEW			SMITHVILLE	1,327.35	550.00	BEERE 1ST	5,326.88	411.90
BARTHOLOMEW ASSN	55.93		SPRING LAKE	1,295.53	585.95	BETHANY	425.61	
ANTIDCH	238.75	156.00	SWIFT	1,115.62	275.07	CENTRAL, BALD KNOB	11,440.33	9,090.18
CORINTO	20.00		TUCKERMAN 1ST	875.10	886.26	COTTON PLANT 1ST	4,027.00	1,018.25
CORINTH	489.16	259.02	WALNUT RIDGE 1ST	11,027.14	45.00	CROSBY	614.00	70.00
EAGLE LAKE	1,386.58	500.00	WHITE OAK		45.00	EL PASO	538.57	182.12
EBENEZER	1,338.00	594.55	CALVARY, WAL RIDGE	300.53	322.08	GOOD HOPE	402.21	425.00
EDEN	71.73		SOUTHSIDE	42.26	498.00	GRACE	1,860.00	1,036.00
HERMITAGE	3,107.11	927.87	ASSOCIATION TOTALS	45,690.87	23,519.41	GREGORY	594.00	75.00
IMMANUEL, WARREN	8,651.23	4,650.36	BENTONVILLE 2ND			GRIFFINVILLE 1ST	557.25	
LABELLE	436.34		BENTONVILLE 3RD			HIGGINSON	1,408.29	1,152.00
MACEDONIA	208.10		BENTONVILLE 4TH			HUNTER 1ST	1,251.34	390.00
MARSDEN	50.00		BENTONVILLE 5TH			JACKSONVILLE 1ST	4,941.31	5,461.80
MONTICELLO 1ST	4,901.10	307.70	BENTONVILLE 6TH			JACKSONVILLE 2ND	5,386.44	4,895.45
MONTICELLO 2ND	3,782.58		BENTONVILLE 7TH			LIBERTY	325.71	258.88
NO SIDE, MONTICELLO	889.48		BENTONVILLE 8TH			MCCORDY 1ST	3,557.84	2,617.53
OLD UNION	337.75		BENTONVILLE 9TH			MCKRAE 1ST	1,608.00	682.00
PLEASANT GROVE	30.00		BENTONVILLE 10TH			MIDWAY	198.64	
PREARIE GROVE	70.00		BENTONVILLE 11TH			MORROW, DISBANDED		
SALINE	469.24							

CHURCHES	COOPERATIVE PROGRAM	DESIGNATED GIFTS	CHURCHES	COOPERATIVE PROGRAM	DESIGNATED GIFTS	CHURCHES	COOPERATIVE PROGRAM	DESIGNATED GIFTS
MORTON	921.63	1,559.03	GRAVEL HILL	895.88	6,174.13	PINE LOG		213.79
MT HERBON	1,001.02	392.09	HIGHLAND HEIGHTS	11,315.61	6,756.13	RAFTCLIFF 1ST	1,105.03	204.93
PANGBURN 1ST	2,413.53	39.00	HILLDALE ALEXANDER	793.69	150.00	ROSELVILLE	300.00	208.25
TRIGERSON 1ST	257.31	39.00	HOT SPRINGS FIRST	21,897.23	10,184.34	EYE HILL	8,211.88	1,487.79
PLEASANT GROVE	777.13	70.00	HOT SPRINGS 2ND	34,556.04	10,131.45	SOUTH SIDE/BOONEVILLE	2,008.70	1,917.79
PLEASANT VALLEY	360.21	155.75	HURRICANE LAKE	2,236.34	821.50	SOUTH SIDE/PT SMITH	370.17	3,395.65
BAYTON GROVE	109.00		LAKESHORE	14,458.00	1,500.00	SPRADLOU	1,200.00	1,128.00
ROCKY POINT	516.90		LAKESHORE HEIGHTS	1,473.35	2,004.00	TEMPLE FT. SMITH	9,234.65	1,078.16
ROSE BUD	1,283.00	792.00	LAKESIDE	3,679.36	3,058.08	TRINITY FT. SMITH	5,101.33	4,327.00
SEARCY 1ST	35,179.82	13,179.82	LARKWOOD	978.23	1,050.00	UNION HALL		
SEARCY 2ND	8,679.76	954.00	LEONARD ST/HOT SPOGS	1,921.00	1,293.31	VESTA		
TEMPLE SEARCY	8,078.29	1,709.45	LONSDALE	280.69		VINDA	3,200.00	1,340.84
TIFFIN	2,811.57	992.91	MALDEN 3RD	6,751.02	4,917.00	WILSON BREEKE	1,444.05	232.25
TUPELO 1ST	2,076.50	903.91	MEMORIAL	2,458.00	1,136.08	HOPPETT MISSION		
UNION VALLEY	581.84		MT VERNON	788.97	3,171.50	WESTSIDE	294.77	1,022.77
WEST POINT	393.96		OLIG UNION	300.00		WINDY HILL	1,224.05	
VALLEY	3,092.00	1,580.82	OWENSVILLE	1,586.00	1,476.00	CENTRAL 1ST	1,000.00	920.70
ROYAL HILL	95.18	40.00	PERCY	783.06	1,427.20	SOUTH SIDE MSN/PARIS	150.00	237.75
DENMARK	274.00	450.00	PINEY	5,022.46	2,457.86	FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH		
ASSOCIATION TOTALS	115,100.57	65,746.53	PLEASANT HILL	1,947.44	788.81	ASSOCIATION TOTALS	388,257.19	211,957.72
CAREY			RIDGECREST	801.43	421.68			
CAREY ASSN			RIVERSIDE	878.23	683.30			
BARDEN	3,513.75	1,402.00	SALEM	8,090.79	3,073.49	CONWAY-PERRY		
BETHSDA	274.27		SHERIDAN 1ST SOU	592.81	322.49	CONWAY-PERRY ASSN		
CALVARY CAMDEN	4,068.84	1,281.00	SHREWOOD HILLS	331.17	94.85	ADONA, DISBANDED		
EAGLE HILLS	135.00		TRINITY BENTON	7,070.84	2,222.15	BIGLOU	200.00	341.25
FAITH	678.96	243.00	TRINITY HALVERST	2,103.17	1,703.17	CASA 1ST	450.70	288.49
FOREICE 1ST	9,999.98	992.00	WALNUT VALLEY	1,434.72	599.27	HARNOY	1,072.00	284.87
HARPTON 1ST	3,916.59	25C.93	BARCELONA ROAD	2,417.89	2,417.89	HOLLAND	104.38	74.36
HARNOY	207.88		TEMPLE	1,577.08	608.35	MORRILL 1ST	5,170.48	4,654.01
HOLLY SPRINGS	619.28		MAGNET COVE	901.21	315.00	NEHRD 1ST	780.86	786.75
MANNING	785.49		MEDDVIEW	222.58	372.97	PERRY	1,223.65	1,000.00
NEW HOPE	659.50	193.00	ASSOCIATION TOTALS	173,469.62	89,404.49	PERRYVILLE 1ST	2,900.92	8,172.08
SOUTH SIDE/FOYDCE	900.15	346.00	CLEAR CREEK			PLEASANT GROVE		90.00
SPARKMAN 1ST	18,495.00	127,817.00	ALTUS 1ST	208.88	268.88	PLUMBERVILLE 1ST	735.00	184.00
THORNTON 1ST	894.38	287.40	BATSON	220.00	844.00	TOLONGACHA	407.42	343.75
TENISON 1ST	90.00		CAIRO	93.54	100.00	STONY POINT	930.56	800.00
TULIP MEMORIAL	133.46	150.00	CLARKSVILLE	1,889.15	601.11	UNION VALLEY	324.87	609.56
ASSOCIATION TOTALS	46,101.27	30,501.60	CLARKSVILLE 1ST	11,312.92	5,640.77	OPPELO	200.00	182.00
CAROLINE			CLARKSVILLE 2ND	1,118.10	796.84	CIRCH M CHAPEL	164.52	
CAROLINE ASSN		100.00	COAL HILL 1ST	512.05	101.25	R G LEE MISSION		
AUSTIN STATION	853.00	244.02	CONCORD	4,662.07	1,076.43	ASSOCIATION TOTALS	13,685.14	15,177.80
BAUGH CHAPEL	877.63	430.00	DYER 1ST	570.72	570.72	CURRENT-GAINS		
BISBEE 1ST	2,087.57	1,139.80	E. MT ZION, TRINITY	623.81	77.00	CURRENT-GAINS ASSN		
BROWNVILLE	1,087.55	655.00	HAGARVILLE	470.33	210.00	BIGGERS	1,112.21	151.00
CABOT 1ST	11,393.55	9,225.17	HARTMAN 1ST	470.33	210.00	BROWN'S CHAPEL		
CADY 2ND	620.26	3,000.00	KIBLER	5,983.92	2,871.31	CALVARY CORNING	811.15	250.00
CANEY CREEK	1,505.02	74.61	LAMAR	1,797.68	640.04	COLUMBIA JARRETT		
CARLISLE 1ST	14,022.06	5,784.05	MCINTAIRBURG 1ST	3,000.00	1,795.50	CORNING 1ST	3,049.55	6,245.10
CHARGES 1ST	60.79		MUGERY 1ST	3,603.47	2,307.97	EMMAUS, PIGGOTT	720.00	534.65
COCKLEBUR	514.65	52.00	OAK GROVE	5,008.00	5,008.00	GREENWAY 1ST	700.00	
COY	938.03	455.94	OAK GROVE 2ND	12,461.93	3,301.24	HARNOY	292.94	
CROSS RADS			DIARK 1ST	854.26	840.00	HOLLIS ISLAND	1,000.00	439.30
DEVALS BLUFF 1ST	12,817.72	1,552.89	DYER 2ND	182.50	200.00	HOPPEL	742.77	238.80
ENGLAND 1ST	2,012.80	1,002.00	SHADY GROVE	267.63	100.00	KNOBEL 1ST	248.00	
HAZEN 1ST	9,488.97	2,898.94	SHINLEY	887.82	88.75	MT PLEASANT	497.40	106.40
HUMPHRE 1ST	233.58	190.00	SPADRA	93.61	31.73	NEW HOPE	1,246.14	683.90
IMMAMUEL, CARLISLE	1,622.19	892.88	TRINITY, ALMA	1,014.00	791.08	NIMMONS 1ST	130.00	
JEFF	3,830.29	2,150.77	UNION GROVE	313.04	300.00	OKA GROVE	1,115.00	842.50
LONOKE	11,090.46	4,073.75	UNIONTOWN	326.66	300.00	PEACH ORCHARD 1ST	14,035.15	8,019.81
MT CARREL	16,193.75	4,814.33	VAN BUREN 1ST	19,937.16	7,594.33	PIGGOTT 1ST	5,875.92	8,401.83
MT SPRINGS	839.16	637.40	VAR BUREN 2ND	974.25	323.00	POCOMONTAS 1ST	678.88	1,120.00
NEW HOPE	800.17	120.00	VIE PRAIRIE	421.10	8.42	RAVENDEN SPGS 1ST	5,200.00	3,796.45
OAK GROVE	943.45	1,211.78	WEBB CITY	1,380.53	1,286.66	RECTOR 1ST	1,115.00	218.90
OLD SPRING	984.25	196.20	WOODLAND	50.00	290.00	REYNIS 1ST	2,390.21	522.25
PLEASANT HILL	818.86	250.00	ASSOCIATION TOTALS	86,325.28	40,578.23	SANSHAW	234.63	197.00
STEELE BRIDGE	100.00	205.80	CONCORD			ST FRANCIS	2,100.00	843.49
TOLEDO	1,920.87	1,786.33	CONCORD ASSN	1,844.88	1,087.20	SUCCESS 1ST	1,582.26	505.25
WARD 1ST	2,697.08	1,398.61	BAL ZION 1ST	186.65	70.00	TIPPERRARY	175.00	
WATTENHAM	2,983.83	1,518.06	BETHEL	186.65	148.00	METTS CHAPEL	1,162.79	1,174.53
SOUTH BEND	219.73	219.73	BLOOMER	50.00	148.00	ANIOCH	45.55	
CALVARY, WARD	1,687.94	330.93	BLUNT AVE, PT SMITH	1,875.87	885.38	ASSOCIATION TOTALS	470,100.23	261,229.05
ROBERSON MEN BAPTIST	429.50	222.03	BOONEVILLE 1ST	10,497.12	6,297.19	DARDANELLE-RUSSELLVILLE		
ASSOCIATION TOTALS	119,444.62	47,180.23	BRANCH	2,505.75	1,041.40	SCRANTON 1ST	1,933.81	234.85
CENTENNIAL			BURNSVILLE	12,515.65	6,049.08	DARD-RUSS ASSN		350.00
CENTENNIAL ASSN		150.00	CHARLESTON 1ST	7,020.39	3,624.00	ATEKINS	2,937.60	2,401.83
ABERDEEN 1ST	845.63	164.00	CLARKSVILLE 2ND	4,122.53	895.18	BAKERS CREEK	235.20	110.00
ALMIRA 1ST	13,732.00	319.00	ENTERPRISE	141.08	275.00	BLUFFTON	184.46	
ALTON 1ST	4,752.00	4,752.00	EXCELSIOR	742.80	215.75	CLARKSVILLE	278.85	338.32
EAST SIDE, DEMITT	700.00	106.00	FORBETH 1ST	97,485.44	97,485.44	DANVILLE 1ST	4,654.54	3,405.85
GILFILL	473.00	283.00	LENDALE	1,221.19	272.85	DARDANELLE 1ST	9,203.77	2,342.34
GILFILL 1ST	200.00		GRAND AVE, FT SMITH	117,607.85	32,456.83	DOVER	1,903.31	1,177.06
HAGLER	25.00		GRAYSON			EAST POINT	674.00	353.57
NORTH MAPLE, STUTTG	1,487.07	1,104.88	GREENWOOD 1ST	16,976.06	6,962.62	FAIR PARK	119.79	123.20
REYNIS 1ST	2,487.07	555.84	HACKETT 1ST	647.94	115.11	GRACE MEMORIAL	1,500.00	1,174.44
SOUTH SIDE, STUTTG	3,414.04	955.00	HARLOW HEIGHTS	518.00	180.00	HAYAVA	305.47	519.34
ST CHARLES	1,761.94	176.24	HIGHWAY 96 1ST	33.29		HECTOR 1ST	353.89	187.85
STUTTG 1ST	26,336.94	12,000.00	IMMAMUEL, FT SMITH	12,194.99	3,221.50	HOPPEL	382.52	95.00
TECHNER	80.00	120.00	JEROME 1ST	3,501.80	1,373.28	JEROME RUSSELLVILLE	874.28	487.89
FAITH	708.13	375.22	LAVACA 1ST	7,481.85	4,912.00	KELLEY HEIGHTS	451.83	150.00
ASSOCIATION TOTALS	53,753.62	22,996.57	MAGAZINE 1ST	2,057.97	688.10	KNOXVILLE	1,316.05	508.31
CENTRAL			MEDICAL	697.13	592.22	LONDON 2ND	725.80	371.70
CENTRAL ASSN	19,694.19	16,248.58	MIDCO	244.92	13.34	MORELAND 1ST	181.00	125.00
BUES 1ST	248.87	35.00	MT. HARNONY	81.00	81.00	NEHOPE	238.21	204.21
CALVARY, BENTON	7,141.74	4,123.42	NET. ZION	2,775.70	725.82	OLA 1ST	2,063.00	1,159.08
CENTRAL, HOT SPRING	10,746.18	9,821.84	NEW HOPE	847.04	661.35	PLATTSBURG	95.00	870.00
GILEAD	182.40		NORTH SIDE CHARLEST	1,880.00	555.00	PLAINVIEW 1ST	992.76	
			NORTH SIDE/PT SMITH	3,559.66	2,390.33	PLEASANT VILLAGE	1,448.28	943.16
			OKA CLIFF 1ST	359.04	511.33	POITTSVILLE	151.50	145.00
			PALESTINE	7,217.53	5,015.71	ROVER	779.38	27,426.28
			PARIS 1ST	6,240.83	1,811.90	RUSSELLVILLE 2ND	1,316.55	120.49
			PHENIX VILLAGE			IMMAMUEL, DANVILLE		

CHURCHES	COOPERATIVE PROGRAM	DESIGNATED GIFTS	CHURCHES	COOPERATIVE PROGRAM	DESIGNATED GIFTS	CHURCHES	COOPERATIVE PROGRAM	DESIGNATED GIFTS
CALVARY MISSION	138.44	25.00	LAKE ST. PARAGOLD	198.37	14.87	PELLENTHAL		608.00
CALVARY, DARDANELLE	304.00	300.00	LIGHT	728.89	648.01	GALLIE	498.14	372.70
ASSOCIATION TOTALS	43,459.36	207,287.74	NARRADOUKE 1ST	425.85	989.46	GRACE		3,511.69
DELTA			NEW FRIENDSHIP	452.50	452.31	HARDY	1,895.49	1,211.35
DELTA ASSN			LIBERTY	218.41	108.14	HILLBIDE	4,330.00	1,648.85
ARKANSAS CITY	3,697.08	976.30	NUTTS CHAPEL	876.05	831.00	HUTTIG 1ST	3,441.32	1,413.65
AUDS			DAN GROVE	536.70	194.38	IMMANUEL, EL DORADO	30,592.00	22,029.99
BAYOU HASON	11,191.17	816.15	PARADISE 2ND	28,637.92	13,867.29	JOWETT	7,323.32	1,013.47
BEAULRIE	2,897.04		PLEASANT VALLEY	222.98		JUNCTION CITY	2,976.06	3,599.27
JOYDELL			ROBBS CHAPEL	240.00	495.00	KNICES 1ST	879.94	86.00
CHRICKSON	455.76	173.00	ROSEWOOD	920.42	410.92	LARUE	543.26	
DANIEL CHAPEL	1,079.00	400.00	STANFORD	500.83		LAWSON	1,100.81	501.25
DEWITT			STONEMALL & DISBANDED			LIBERTY	925.87	821.20
EUODRA	13,239.24	8,112.41	THELANA AVE-PARAGOLD			LITTLE	588.14	
GAINES	207.35		UNITY	120.00	446.73	MAPLE AVE-SMACKOVER	9,033.30	1,857.20
JENNIE	515.00		VINES CHAPEL	1,748.00	252.34	HARRIS HILL	95.86	1,525.90
JEROME	215.00		WALCOTT	3,505.01	1,023.81	NEUDORADO		926.00
KELSO	1,041.23	1,205.76	ASSOCIATION TOTALS	63,274.30	28,769.38	NEW LONDON	872.86	
LAKE VILLAGE	4,249.98	2,212.40	HARMONY			NORPHLET 1ST	12,751.01	5,521.66
MARTHUR			HARMONY ASSN		1,000.00	PAROLE 1ST	6,209.27	2,601.95
MCLIGHEE 1ST	17,560.24	4,908.41	ALTHEIMER 1ST	1,689.38	596.00	PHILADELPHIA	1,650.00	413.35
NORTRIDE	11,531.50	1,096.27	ANDERSON CHAPEL	1,312.18	232.45	SALEM	2,127.00	1,658.00
NORTH HOPE	1,406.85	100.00	BETHL	23.18		SMACKOVER 1ST	20,161.23	31,990.83
NORTH SIDE- EUODRA	7,020.00	639.00	CENTEMIAL	7,068.88	1,234.65	SOUTH SIDE-EL DORADO	1,807.38	886.45
ONEGA	90.00		CENTRAL, PINE BLUFF	3,239.84	1,024.10	STEPHENS 1ST	9,611.33	2,893.10
PARADISE	1,800.00		DOLLARWAY	2,293.24	423.00	STRONG 1ST	13,258.49	8,428.29
PARKWAY	150.00	20.27	DOWNEY	1,400.44		SYLVAN HILLS	4,005.00	125.00
PORLAND	2,849.05	2,358.79	DUMAS 1ST	18,831.00	7,993.31	TEMPLE & CADDEN	1,200.27	1,648.00
RICHMOND			EAST SIDE-PINE BLUF	2,036.53	850.46	TEMPLE EL DORADO	9,213.04	3,179.55
SHILOH	379.35	517.18	EENESEE	15.00		TRINITY, EL DORADO	9,719.00	8,796.11
SOUTH MCGEE	2,147.92	826.91	FOREST PARK	6,782.82	4,474.40	UNION	6,236.37	4,140.14
TEMPLE & DEWITT	1,000.00	180.00	GOLD 1ST	2,412.05	1,813.70	UNION 2ND	2,107.00	1,880.00
TILLAR 1ST	708.95	270.00	GRAND 1ST	35.34	3,400.00	URBANA 1ST	1,527.25	1,150.00
WATSON	1,246.41	1,569.22	GREENLEE	4,513.56	1,426.26	VICTORY	1,971.89	901.06
WELLS	3,385.00		GREEN MEADOWS	3,887.86	6,860.20	VILLAGE	1,237.47	567.50
WELLS 2ND	885.07		GARDIN	4,873.87	4,288.91	WEST SIDE-EL DORADO	11,173.98	6,070.33
ASSOCIATION TOTALS	77,093.08	30,802.72	HICKORY GROVE	330.00	1,147.05	WILMOUTH	399.40	20.00
FAULKNER COUNTY			MUMPHRY	1,509.78	679.60	WILDWOOD	1,000.00	95.00
FAULKNER CO ASSN			EMMANUEL-PINE BLUFF	11,098.88	5,976.84	ASSOCIATION TOTALS	302,276.25	204,286.35
BERT	1,545.85	988.00	KINGSLAND 1ST	741.10	545.00	LITTLE RED RIVER		
BOND	257.50	51.40	LEE MEMORIAL	12,398.68	3,416.85	LITTLE RED RIV ASSN	401.67	335.00
BURLEY CHAPEL	1,580.88	750.32	LIMWOOD	11,941.17	413.60	JMWYND 1ST	716.00	231.00
CADWADY RIDGE	1,820.21	1,076.84	MATTHEWS MEMORIAL	6,820.45	2,784.76	KENTON 1ST	1,402.75	492.35
CANNON 1ST	13,499.48	10,033.33	NORTHSIDE-STAR CITY	80.00		LITTLE ROCK	46.58	
CONWAY 2ND	13,309.03	5,403.82	OAK GROVE	445.00	312.88	HARRIS CHAPEL	31,577.86	8,583.88
EMMANUEL CONWAY	716.64	860.01	WEST SIDE HSSN	395.49	30.00	HENDER SPRINGS 1ST		
EL WIND	72.00	233.25	PINE BLUFF 1ST	41,007.49	13,395.59	LIFE	60.00	375.00
FRINSHIP	1,097.74	304.00	CADWADY 2ND	4,448.38	3,361.38	MT. OLIVE	240.00	41.00
HAPPY HOLLOW	582.00		CADWADY 2ND	4,448.38	3,361.38	NEW BETHEL	25.41	
HARLAN PARK	5,868.49	3,598.41	FLUM BAYOU	436.27	200.83	PALESTINE	987.20	284.03
HARRIS CHAPEL	1,071.00	187.08	RANKIN CHAPEL	66.14	32.00	PEASANT VALLEY	372.62	45.50
HOLLAND	1,182.32	3,478.86	RESON	3,800.00	2,289.01	PLEASANT VALLEY	3,801.21	2,300.33
PLYMFOUR 1ST	1,855.21	817.43	SHANNON ROAD	760.50	765.00	PUSAD 1ST	1,787.75	158.75
REVEREN	846.25	1,167.63	SOUTH SIDE-PINE BLF	18,790.09	5,769.51	QUITMAN	1,525.32	1,216.63
NAYLOR	1,054.90	551.90	STAR CITY 1ST	14,548.59	3,742.00	REVEREN 2ND	1,873.78	1,094.15
PLEASANT GAP	9,945.52	4,444.13	WABBAKAPA, INACTIVE	20,309.68	5,661.24	SOUTH SIDE-HEBER SP	1,395.49	227.34
PICKENS 2ND	3,409.33	1,486.53	WATSON CHAPEL	4,250.47	1,846.38	WOODROW		
SOUTH SIDE-DAMASCUS	2,405.41	1,239.85	WEST SIDE-SUMMER SPRGS	50.00	10.00	BREWER MTH MISSION		
UNION HILL			YORKTOWN	940.00	70.00	LITTLE RIVER		
WOODSTEV 1ST	1,193.98	819.42	RIVER ROAD CHAPEL	295.57	10.00	LITTLE RIVER ASSN	16,906.50	8,923.90
GOLD CREEK			SHEPHERD HILL	2,033.73	894.94	SAK LONDON 1ST	132.18	
SALTILLO HEIGHTS	429.23	109.45	ASSOCIATION TOTALS	207,317.96	90,055.68	BIENES 1ST	165.80	825.00
GREENBRIER FAIR	1,854.50		INDEPENDENCE			BROWNSTON		
ASSOCIATION TOTALS	67,983.15	36,721.32	INDEPENDENCE ASSN			CEN. BAPT. GEMERAL SPG	1,800.00	3,100.38
GARLAND COUNTY			WESVILLE 1ST	19,500.00	9,435.97	COLUMBUS	905.75	1,518.84
CEGAR GLADES	60.77	790.05	CALVARY, BATESVILLE	16,100.22	7,667.19	COLUMBUS	1,996.46	454.50
ANTIOCH	1,221.24	523.00	CALVARY, TIMBO	337.35	509.00	DIETZ 1ST	1,549.39	325.04
ANTIOCH-HOT SPRING	576.00		CRB	193.00	781.00	FIREMANS 1ST	920.76	1,123.04
FAIRDALE	600.00	991.80	CUSHMAN	50.00		HICKMAN 1ST	847.37	209.09
GRAND AVE- HOT SPGS	10,257.21	3,480.10	DESHA 1ST	1,522.37	162.00	HORR 1ST	500.00	2,201.52
JESSES CHAPEL	7,348.00	1,760.93	EASTSIDE CAVE CITY	401.99	162.00	KERN HEIGHTS	600.00	
JESSIEVILLE	2,068.38	417.37	EMMANUEL-BATESVILLE	2,629.29	1,137.03	LIBERTY		
MILL CREEK	846.10	80.00	FLORAL	1,260.29	1,137.03	LOCUSTBROOK 1ST	2,704.90	1,322.51
MOUNTAIN PINE 1ST	2,421.88	505.00	MARCELLA	261.01	261.01	LONE DAK	150.00	100.00
MOUNTAIN VALLEY	364.03	268.77	MOUNTAIN VIEW 1ST	3,632.73	4,282.41	MT MORIAM	70.00	115.00
PARK PLACE	184.14	5,994.44	MT ZION	832.56	835.40	MURFRESBORO 1ST	2,789.51	2,756.20
RECTON HEIGHTS	1,711.09	389.55	NORWIDE-BATESVILLE	500.73	536.05	NASHVILLE 1ST	13,713.18	11,813.58
VIETA HEIGHTS	306.00		PILGRIMS REST	500.73	536.05	NEW HOME		
GARLAND COUNTY ASSN	107.00		PLEASANT PLAINS	911.75	323.09	OAK GROVE	570.00	217.36
ASSOCIATION TOTALS	43,729.71	18,807.47	REHOBETH	421.00	158.93	OGDEN	367.78	155.52
GREENE COUNTY			RODIE	1,840.70	1,583.10	QZAN INACTIVE		
GREENE ASSN		50.00	RUDDELL HILL	1,684.03	920.43	RIDGEWAY 1ST	4,670.03	990.78
ALEXANDER	2,975.42	147.34	WHITE RIVER	921.00	881.15	STATE LINE		
BEECH GROVE	125.44	140.00	SULPHUR ROCK	568.81	367.02	WILMOT 1ST	1,088.16	100.00
BETHLEHEM STATION		50.91	WEST BATESVILLE	12,662.14	10,141.74	WINTHROP 1ST		
BRIGHTON	70.58		WHITE RIVER	881.15	392.00	LAKESIDE	1,203.63	203.70
BROWN'S CHAPEL	1,418.81	1,289.49	ARBANNA	173.63	32.00	CROSS ROADS 1ST	731.92	165.00
CALVARY, PARAGOLD	1,731.19	30.00	NEWARK SOUTHERN FELLOWSHIP	883.25	468.70	ASSOCIATION TOTALS	52,576.82	37,596.18
CENTER HILL 1ST	2,274.93	1,104.63	ASSOCIATION TOTALS	69,002.54	40,695.23	MISSISSIPPI COUNTY		
CLARK CHAPEL	505.00		LIBERTY			MISSISSIPPI CO ASSN		1,213.00
DELAPEANE	273.68	226.86	LIBERTY ASSN			ARMOREL	2,333.47	443.05
EAST SIDE-PARAGOLD	7,030.65	3,860.77	FAIRVIEW ROAD	294.00	52.50	BETHANY-BLTHEVILLE	635.95	31.55
EENESEE	959.20	265.92	CALEDONIA	300.00	1,500.00	BLTHEVILLE 1ST	4,987.05	1,371.00
FINCH	30.00		CAL. ST 1ST	2,426.24	1,607.00	BLTHEVILLE 2ND	62,979.47	10,092.81
FONTAINE			CAMDEN 1ST	33,208.55	2,879.66	BRINKLEY CHAPEL	90.00	
HAMMILL & PARAGOLD LA	2,993.45	521.10	CAMDEN 2ND	1,286.51	1,325.00	BUKERSBUSH	129.00	114.28
		100.00	CHICKESTER			CALVARY-BLTHEVILLE	2,472.52	924.47
			CROSS ROADS					
			CULLENDALE 1ST	17,238.00	8,963.21			
			EAST SIDE-EL DORADO	15,395.70	5,970.05			
			EENESEE	5,218.86	2,515.09			
			EL DORADO 1ST	22,527.55	51,246.11			
			HOGSHEAD 2ND	15,273.86	1,438.00			
			ELLIOTT	8,859.80	8,081.07			

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CALVARY, OSCEOLA	1,211.72	1,280.47	ROCK SPRINGS	703.09	430.28	PULASKI COUNTY		
CENTRAL OFFICE			AUDIO	725.03	233.46	BRYANT 1ST SOUTHERN	15,191.88	2,303.34
CLEAR LAKE	2,019.94	1,462.20	ST. JOE 1ST	360.42	800.00	INDIAN SPRINGS	2,527.00	2,225.00
COLE RIDGE	1,201.47	526.32	SOUTH SIDE LEAD HILL	330.69	634.54	PULASKI CO ASSN		
CROSSROADS	151.14	91.05	TRINITY	175.58	124.92	ALEXANDER 1ST	3,671.39	1,256.54
DEAR BROTHER	2,081.58	318.00	UNION	2,188.21	1,545.09	ARCHVIEW	6,074.57	3,824.42
EAST SIDE OSCEOLA	912.44	912.44	VALLEY SPRINGS	2,379.19	2,739.92	PARKWAY PLACE	7,773.27	3,346.12
EMMAUEL BLYTHEVILLE	860.26	328.57	WOODLAND HEIGHTS	5,111.78	1,673.30	GARNEYS MEMORIAL	1,939.88	389.56
EDWARDS	91.34		WINDY HILLS	238.33	43.00	CHESTNUT ROAD, HARBEL	8.20	1,002.00
GOSNELL	4,743.92	1,927.65	WESTERN GROVE CHAP	364.50		BROOKWOOD 1ST	1,843.88	569.95
JUJNER	8,856.79	359.49	SNOWBALL	91.52		CALVARY LITTLE ROCK	29,572.52	13,891.19
KESS 1ST	1,548.94	1,548.94	LAKELAND	320.00	400.00	CHESTNUT HILL	3,400.00	2,443.34
LEACHVILLE 1ST	4,040.00	1,912.00	GRAVER LAKE	320.00	302.27	CROSSROAD	1,409.17	787.91
LEACHVILLE 2ND	1,058.19	342.56	ASSOCIATION TOTALS	105,029.44	49,461.74	CRYSTAL HILL	3,400.00	2,443.34
LEADVILLE 1ST	1,058.19	342.56				GREEN MEMORIAL	1,177.00	1,750.00
LEWISVILLE	9,377.05	3,740.24				EAST END HENSLEY	4,215.20	2,238.48
MARYS CHAPEL	610.86	277.25				FORDS TOWER	13,888.59	19,311.92
MEMORIAL	373.99	86.64				GARDEN HOMES	362.79	133.12
NEW HARMONY	333.28					GEYER SPRINGS 1ST	60,360.01	22,252.80
NEW LIBERTY	1,807.00	1,609.49				GREEN MEMORIAL	2,730.55	1,619.49
NEW PROVIDENCE	1,039.55	320.00				HERBON	2,409.01	870.77
OSCEOLA	333.28	343.31				HOLLY SPRINGS	1,080.92	411.10
OSCEOLA 1ST	368.90	124.85				IMMANUEL 1ST	123,276.14	80,442.86
RIDGECREST	1,746.86	5,331.64				IRONTOWN	3,053.86	1,947.22
ROSA	902.00	138.00				LAKESHORE DRIVE	1,174.39	1,947.22
TRINITY, BLYTHEVILLE	8,174.64	2,554.40				LIFE LINE	21,070.83	8,624.44
JARDELL	422.00	260.00				LITTLE ROCK 1ST	2,400.79	1,750.00
LAURENCE MANILA	1,362.25	1,026.15				LITTLE ROCK 2ND	18,934.38	10,078.37
WHITTON	366.76	123.08				MARSHAM STREET, LR	6,642.70	6,043.17
WILSON 1ST	6,089.15	1,573.90				MARSHAM STREET, LR	2,182.79	2,008.48
WOODLAND CORNER	3,425.82	1,477.00				NALLS MEMORIAL	2,346.20	2,376.20
YARRARD	1,477.00	262.80				NATURAL STEPS	2,530.94	4,081.00
FRIENDSHIP	879.76	110.00				NORTH POINT	16,096.73	10,535.59
BETHEL	292.57					OLIVET	1,513.82	1,134.69
ASSOCIATION TOTALS	145,655.33	40,036.65				PINE GROVE	1,371.73	213.20
						PLEASANT GROVE	1,074.14	350.00
						PULASKI HEIGHTS	43,044.37	13,042.42
						REYNOLDS MEMORIAL	736.46	156.11
						ROCKLAND	1,942.00	2,542.00
						ROSEDALE	5,126.44	3,125.44
						SHADY GROVE	749.00	311.54
						SHANNON HILLS 1ST	1,348.00	643.00
						SHERIDAN 1ST	8,458.33	6,552.13
						SOUTH HIGHLAND	7,268.83	3,561.81
						SUNSET LANE	7,873.03	4,074.86
						TRILEX DRIVE, LR	2,402.75	2,100.00
						VIEW RIDGE IMMANUEL	1,402.94	1,321.59
						WAKEFIELD 1ST	923.23	309.00
						WEST RIDGE, LR	1,225.21	1,621.11
						WOODLAND	5,192.91	3,347.82
						WOODSON	644.06	509.85
						SPANISH MISSION	14.72	
						TRINITY	2,121.85	505.95
						NEW HAVEN		43.00
						UTTER CREEK CHAPEL	97.32	268.00
						ASSOCIATION TOTALS	512,033.36	297,891.67
						RED RIVER		
						MALVERN 1ST	8,099.78	8,675.54
						FORD RIVER ASSN		500.00
						ANCHOR	576.70	185.50
						ANTIONE	382.12	1,230.00
						ARADAPHELIA 1ST	18,577.05	12,014.60
						ARADAPHELIA 2ND	1,201.74	4,750.04
						BEECH STREET/GURDON	8,445.14	5,896.97
						BERNE 1ST	755.34	551.21
						BETHEL	1,700.00	804.35
						BETHLEHEM		187.50
						BOUGHTON	247.87	
						CADDO VALLEY	579.49	701.00
						CEDAR GROVE	960.16	150.00
						CENTER POINT	120.00	201.00
						DEGRAY	944.00	328.00
						EAST WHELEN	411.79	100.00
						EMMETT		
						FAIRVIEW		
						HARMONY HILL	240.00	266.49
						HOLLYWOOD	86.80	
						LAUREL	55.25	30.00
						LAKELAND	451.22	90.25
						MT BETHEL	877.15	
						MT OLIVE	716.94	74.00
						OKOLONA	60.00	
						PARK HILL	4,385.76	3,906.10
						PRESIDENT 1ST	4,400.83	3,930.30
						READER 1ST	25.00	
						RICHMONDS	3,337.89	712.50
						SHADY GROVE		
						SHELTON	509.00	814.80
						SOUTH DORK	703.64	51.50
						SYCAMORE 1ST		70.00
						THIRD ST ARADAPHELIA	2,066.53	634.31
						UNITY	386.50	683.00
						WHELEN SPRINGS		88.00
						SOUTHSIDE, PRESCOTT	40.00	
						ASSOCIATION TOTALS	70,777.23	47,459.37
						ROCKY BAYOU		
						FAITH, BATESVILLE		831.04
						SALEM 1ST	1,516.10	1,048.65
						CHEERIE VILLAGE	1,806.30	2,076.35
						SADDLE CREEK	304.72	109.42
						ROCKY-BAYOU ASSN		
						ASH FLAT	223.00	171.50

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BELLEVILLE	557-63	76-00	BECKSPUR	938-33	100-00	WASHINGTON-MADISON		
BOWLING			BURNETT GANE					
CALICO ROCK 1ST	1,164-90	880-60	CALVARY W-MEMPHIS	9,463-34	5,870-13	WASHINGTON-MADISON		
DOLPH	257-60	105-13	CHEFNEY VALLEY	2,308-37	67-00	BERRY STREET-SPGALD	2,748-41	2,255-05
EVINGING SHADE 1ST	972-11	92-29	COLUMBIA	1,752-00	83-00	BLAC	742-39	742-39
FINLEY CREEK	30-00	50-00	CRAMFORDVILLE 1ST	2,175-59	295-50	BUSH CREEK	1,368-92	1,151-11
FRANKLIN	218-75	121-00	EARLE	10,000-77	5,313-47	CALVARY HUNTSVILLE	511-25	127-46
GUNTON	713-60	584-00	EMERALD-FOR CITY	1,956-53	267-50	CAUDR AVE-SPGALD	2,425-00	250-00
HARDY 1ST	2,974-18	2,030-63	FAIR OAKS	11,440-75	535-00	CUMS	50-00	25-00
MELBOURNE 1ST	1,004-00	594-00	FAITH	269-82		ELKINS	130-00	
MIDWAY	215-00	75-00	FELLS LERALD	1,118-11	86-37	ELKINS 1ST	755-58	711-00
MIFORD	82-26		FORREST CITY 1ST	9,750-00	7,711-39	ELMOALE	10,075-98	8,323-98
SAGA	1,194-41	326-83	FORREST CITY 2ND	2,015-48	574-50	FARRINGTON 1ST	1,158-20	558-06
SIENRY	1,074-30	79-00	GARDNER	785-29	200-00	FATEYVILLE 1ST	17,875-07	19,241-00
SPRING LAKE 1ST	30-00	280-53	GOODWIN	511-57		COLLEGE AVENUE		120-00
WISMAN	363-00	300-00	HARRIS CHAPEL	647-00	78-55	FRIENDSHIP	35-00	7-00
WYOMING	1,941-35	292-00	HINDSVILLE	358-98		GREENLAND 1ST		25-00
HORSESHOE BEND	1,941-91	294-28	INGRAM BOULEVARD	7,130-86	3,745-63	HINDSVILLE	1,118-65	902-04
MIDWAY	821-21	293-00	MADISON 1ST	330-00	591-75	HUNTSVILLE	907-82	364-17
ST LEAGANON	57-80	224-50	MADISON	6,935-51	1,088-89	IMMANUEL-FAYETTEVILLE	2,184-00	2,184-00
M PLEASANT 1ST	294-83		MIDWAY	594-52		JOHNSON	745-28	394-42
			PALESTINE		200-00	KINGSTON 1ST SQU	1,168-09	780-00
ASSOCIATION TOTALS	16,861-78	10,981-75	PARKIN 1ST	5,137-68	200-00	LIBERTY	1,761-41	1,794-78
			PINE TREE	248-08	209-81	LINCOLN 1ST	4,074-86	1,819-55
SOUTHWEST ARKANSAS			SHILL LAKE	150-00	20-00	NEW HOPE INACTIVE		
			TILLTON	30-00		DAR GROVE	722-93	
ROSE HILL			TOGO	814-02	258-00	PRAIRIE GROVE 1ST	4,225-85	2,446-45
SOUTHWEST ASSN			TURRELL	885-82	42-00	PROVIDENCE	761-60	99-40
ANDRUSON	656-35	530-96	UNION AVENUE WYNN	7,380-77	596-35	EDGEVIEW	875-13	958-00
ARABELLA HEIGHTS	2,207-39	2,146-03	VANDALIA	759-33	1,048-15	ROLLING HILLS	2,051-15	867-00
BEECH STREET 1ST	31,184-98	21,104-29	WEST MEMPHIS 1ST	68,764-63	16,824-82	SILENT GROVE	527-00	161-00
BIRNEY	340-00	190-00	WEST MEMPHIS 2ND	4,697-60	1,078-00	SONDRA	875-13	305-85
BONNAY HEIGHTS	522-15		WHEATLAND	1,414-00	3,198-00	SOUTHSIDE-FAYETTEVILLE	294-98	20-87
CALVARY HOPE	8,603-45	2,978-02	WIDENER	350-00		SPRINGDALE 1ST	30,350-00	46,417-76
CALVARY TEXARKANA	8,326-29	2,510-32	WYNN	21,944-41	13,871-96	SPRING VALLEY	456-32	470-42
CANFIELD	732-50	1,114-99	EAST BAPTIST CHURCH	735-55	200-00	SULPHUR CITY	5,125-00	2,926-67
CENTRAL MAGNOLIA	65,191-20	26,120-29	LAKESHORE	100-00	70-00	UNIVERSITY-FAYETTEVILLE	2,450-55	2,368-89
FOUNT 1ST	49,337-51	1,125-23	LAKESHORE	825-55	241-00	WEST FORK	2,450-55	2,368-89
GARDNER	75-00	80-00	IMMANUEL			WENSLAW 1ST	1,988-65	1,988-65
LANE 1ST	860-00	671-95	ASSOCIATION TOTALS	173,300-47	71,507-34	SANG AVENUE	155-00	1,177-00
GLORIA 1ST	60-00		TRINITY			NORTHEAST SQU HSSN	299-26	333-32
GURKNEY	60-00					WEDDINGTON WOODS FIR	41-95	
HALEY LAKE	167-17	275-00	CALVARY LEFANTO	301-35		ASSOCIATION TOTALS	109,416-66	119,906-93
HARMONY GROVE	50-00	1,130-10	YALETOWN	155-25	3-00	WHITE RIVER		
HICKORY ST-TEXARKANA	3,058-47	936-27	ANDERSON TULLEY	155-25	3-00			
HIGHLAND HILLS	23,820-86	10,797-65	BETHEL			MORNING STAR	212-18	
HOPE 1ST	1,711-08	874-40	BELUCAR	573-60	63-00	WHITE RIVER ASSN		
HOPE 2ND	1,711-08	874-40	CALVARY	2,179-92	1,195-73	ANTIQUITY INACTIVE		
IMMANUEL MAGNOLIA	5,733-21	1,532-74	CALVARY HARRISBURG	1,430-35	50-12	ARKANA	325-78	50-30
IMMANUEL TEXARKANA	4,773-56	1,510-00	EASTSIDE TURKUM	275-54	75-00	BUL SHADALS 1ST	677-18	39-15
LEWISVILLE 1ST	525-00	657-00	FISHER 1ST	2,896-83	827-50	CONTR	1,714-00	1,307-54
MACEDONIA 21	203-06	50-00	FISHER 2ND	845-28		CRUIER	5,371-74	1,260-24
MACEDONIA 22	24,376-99	2,658-80	GREENFIELD	508-00	317-00	FALPUMP 1ST	2,681-49	1,550-48
MAGNOLIA	50-00		HARRISBURG 1ST	3,954-01	2,011-50	GASSVILLE	2,408-76	2,479-59
MICHELL ST-TEXARKANA	222-50	430-00	LEFANTO 1ST	1,026-90	134-00	HENDERSON 1ST	1,176-81	264-65
MT ZION	1,273-32	260-00	LEFANTO 2ND	180-00	200-00	HOPKINSVILLE	382-30	224-96
NORTH EAST ST-TEXARKANA	750-00	96-00	MAPLE GROVE	2,973-72	1,893-06	HOPKINSVILLE	1,831-14	30-11
PISGAH	196-87		MARRED TREE 1ST			LONG ROCK	1,189-30	746-23
PISGAH RIVER	277-62		MCCORMICK	128-20	200-00	MOUNTAIN HOME 1ST	23,428-49	17,999-29
ROCKY MOUND	1,133-83	1,136-49	NEAL'S CHAPEL			NEW HOPE	687-38	603-00
SHILOH MEMORIAL	1,037-05	166-82	NESWANDER	4,918-96	717-29	NORFOLK 1ST		
SOUTH TEXARKANA	444-86		PLEASANT GROVE	76-00	50-00	DAR GROVE INACTIVE		
SPRINGMILL	7,645-87	6,952-30	PLEASANT HILLS	1,004-51	532-60	PILGRIMS REST	280-00	170-00
STAMPS 1ST	902-84	37-81	PLEASANT VALLEY	169-15	36-61	PRATT	877-49	357-42
TENNESSEE	342-40	233-00	PROVIDENCE	600-24		REA VALLEY	181-26	
TRINITY TEXARKANA	14,711-68	6,976-72	RED OAK	721-97		SUMM	512-62	191-78
WESTSIDE MAGNOLIA	557-20	297-87	RIVERVALE	876-99		TORAHAM	250-97	52-05
FAITH TEXARKANA	2,639-49	231-58	TRINITY	13,820-20	7,011-28	WHITEVILLE	240-00	194-15
PALMON 1ST BAPT CHU	169-57		TRINITY	3,605-33	966-70	YELLSVILLE	3,497-90	1,750-34
			TRINITY	256-34		BIG PLAT MISSION	116-33	
ASSOCIATION TOTALS	184,371-04	99,605-19	WENNER 1ST	1,154-23	283-55	HILL TOP	350-40	56-00
			WEST RIDGE			PEEL	406-81	168-95
TRI-COUNTY			SHILOH	84-91	36-44	ASSOCIATION TOTALS	51,504-04	29,683-41
PLEASANT HILL	403-00		WALDENBURG	1,591-25	849-85	MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS		9,962-00
TRI-COUNTY ASSN			CENTRAL BAPTIST CHU	53,478-08	17,538-90	GRAND TOTALS	4,451,647-68	2,468,372-48
ANTIQUITY	90-00							
TRINION CHAPEL	1,008-90	341-00						

## Unchurched Americans increasing faster than Baptists

GLORIETA, New Mexico (BP) — The number of unchurched Americans increased almost twice as fast as the number of Southern Baptists during the decade of 1970-80, the director of the Home Mission Board's research division told more than 1,900 persons attending Home Missions Week at Glorieta Baptist Conference Center.

Orin H. Morris said recent research indicates Americans who are not affiliated with any religious group increased by five million, or 23 percent, from 69 million in 1970 to more than 84 million persons in 1980.

The number of Southern Baptists, however, increased only two million or 15 per-

cent to 13.6 million in 1980.

Morris said the data indicates Southern Baptists are going to have to work harder to keep up with the increase in unchurched Americans if the denomination is going to meet the goal of Bold Mission Thrust.

Pointing to another research report, Morris said the number of new churches established by sect groups in America increased by more than 30 percent during the past decade, compared to only four percent for Southern Baptist churches.

Sect groups established more than 3,800 new churches during the decade, compared to a net gain of only 1,400 Southern Baptist churches, Morris said. All other Baptist

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groups in America reported an increase of 6,300 churches during the decade.

During the same period, however, the number of evangelical churches in America declined by 1,400 congregations; other Protestant churches decreased by 2,700; and the number of all types of Catholic churches decreased by 1,100.

Morris commented Southern Baptists must put more emphasis on establishing new churches, rather than building "super churches," or building cathedrals.

He also called for more emphasis on meeting the needs of people, both the rich and poor. Morris said Baptists seem to have neglected ministries to both the "up and out" and "down and out."



# Families should be conscious of birthrights, expert says

by Jim Newton

GLORIETA, N.M. (BP) — Christian families need to deal with the reality that in almost every family, one of the children receives the parents' "blessing" or "birthright," even though the parents may not do so consciously, a family life expert says.

Karl Olsson, a member of the Evangelical Covenant Church (Swedish), author and authority on family life, spoke to Southern Baptist chaplains at Glorieta Baptist Conference Center during Home Missions Week.

As Southern Baptists begin a three-year emphasis on strengthening families, Baptists need to be aware that the biblical tradition of giving one child "the blessing" still exists unconsciously in most families today, Olsson said.

The unconscious "blessing" can cause rivalry, resentment, authoritative control taking, psychological problems among family members, and conflict within the family, Olsson said.

If Baptists are going to be effective in strengthening families, they must deal with this natural, human tendency with love, understanding and sensitivity, Olsson added.

Among the families in the Old Testament, there was almost always the "chosen son" (and the "unchosen" son) who received the father's blessing and birthright," Olsson said. The classic example is the story of Jacob stealing the birthright from his brother, Esau, who was "the chosen one" in the

family. Another classic example is the story of Joseph and his "coat of many colors," Olsson said. In the New Testament, the best example is the story of the prodigal son who was "the chosen one" and the elder brother who was "unchosen," he said.

Even today, in many families parents "choose" one child to inherit certain family heirlooms or items with sentimental value. This often causes resentment among the other children who feel the brother or sister is loved more by the parents, and granted special privileges, he said.

Olsson said this natural tendency among parents today is not necessarily bad, "it is just human." But it does sometimes cause problems.

To deal with it, Olsson said parents should show love to the "unchosen" and seek to assure them, "I'm going to give you as much love as I can possibly give you." But they also need to recognize "the blessing is a mystery that is beyond control," and to "accept that which they cannot change."

Another way to deal with such family problems is to invite all family members into what Olsson called "the family of grace," the church, where the separation between the blessed and the unblessed is transcended in Christ, and where all are spiritual equals.

Although Olsson said there is no data to back his hypothesis of the "blessed" and

"unblessed," he believes many pastors and religious leaders turn to the church and ministry because they are the "unblessed" ones in their families and find their "blessing" by ministry in the church.

Olsson called for emphasis in the family and the church on "loving and leveling" in which all members of the family are loved and accepted as equals.

In an interview, Olsson said many of his concepts about the family were developed in personal conversations with Myron Madden, a Southern Baptist who is director of pastoral care and chaplaincy at Southern Baptist Hospital in New Orleans. Olsson and Madden have been friends for 38 years and were chaplains together during World War II.

In 1972, both Madden and Olsson wrote books on the concept of the blessing: Madden's "The Power to Bless," and Olsson's, "Come to the Party," (based on the story of the Prodigal son).

Olsson said another Southern Baptist who "changed my life" was Howard Butt, who invited him to Laity Lodge in Leakey, Texas, in 1967 for a conference that ultimately led Olsson to resign as president of North Park College and Seminary in Chicago and begin leading conferences and workshops for churches and religious groups both in the United States and Sweden.

## Missions awareness urged for youth

by Charles Willis

GLORIETA, N.M. — While studying about missions is important, youth also need a personal involvement with missions to really understand how God uses people in mission service, according to an editor of mission materials.

Mary Jo Stewart, an editor with the El Paso Baptist Publication Mission, told leaders of youth during Summer Youth Celebration here, "It is real important for youth to get to know missionaries. They need to dispel misconceptions and to find that missionaries are real, ordinary people that God uses."

In encouraging leaders to provide opportunities for young people to meet missionaries, she urged that they "get acquainted with missionaries working at different kinds of careers — teaching, medicine, music, agriculture, publishing."

An additional method of involvement she recommends is encouraging youth to get to know persons from other countries. "Meeting internationals provides an ap-

preciation for other cultures," said Stewart.

Personal involvement is one of the most important teaching tools, she feels. "A lot of young people don't know about the mission needs of their own communities," she said. "What missionaries do in other countries is the same thing you can do here. Missions are missions. It isn't confined to a geographical area."

Mission tours to other countries can be fun, Stewart said, but it is much more practical to take youth to a country where they can use their own language. "I've had young people tell me they went to a foreign country, but they couldn't talk to the people," she said. "When I asked what they did on their trip, they said they learned to smile a lot." Working with English-speaking congregations in some foreign countries may provide a practical solution to the language barrier, she said.

Youth who feel called to vocational service often need help from leaders in under-

standing the meaning of their call and the actions they need to take, said Stewart. "It's better to make an open-ended commitment to following God's will at that age. Narrowing a decision to a field of service is generally not finalized until college or later," she said.

She warned that spontaneous public decisions for mission service made in highly emotional services sometimes create problems for youth. "If missions is really the thing for them, they'll come out all right," said Stewart. "If missions is not for them, they will be embarrassed because they made a public commitment."

"I think kids ought to get emotional because something has happened in their lives and they have something happen because they got emotional," she noted.

More than 2,200 youth and leaders attended the Summer Youth Celebration sponsored by the Sunday School Board's church training department.



# Southern Baptists collide at school prayer hearing

by Larry Chesser

WASHINGTON (BP) — Four Southern Baptists, including two U.S. senators, collided over the school prayer issue at a Senate hearing.

As the Senate Judiciary Committee opened a series of hearings likely to extend into September on President Reagan's proposed constitutional amendment on public school prayer, Sen. Mark O. Hatfield, R-Ore., told the panel he opposed the measure, while his colleague, Sen. Jesse Helms, D-N.C., reiterated his long-standing support for such legislation.

Appearing on a panel of religious leaders, former Southern Baptist Convention president Jimmy R. Allen said the proposal would be "a mistake rather than a solution" for resolving disputes over free exercise of religion rights.

On a separate panel Edward E. McAteer, president of the Religious Roundtable and a member of Memphis Bellevue Church, urged the panel to pass the amendment "with all possible speed to nullify the infamous decision of the highest court of ours which virtually stopped prayer in our nation's classrooms."

Hatfield contended that assuring free exercise rights can best be accomplished by considering realistic alternatives to the President's proposed amendment.

"Instead of concentrating our attention on initiatives like a school prayer amendment, which I oppose," Hatfield said, "I would urge my colleagues to devote their energies to rooting out ridiculous barriers that have been erected to forbid voluntary meetings of students who seek to meet and pray in non-disruptive ways."

Helms told the panel he supports the President's proposal but will continue to push his own school prayer bill which removes Supreme Court and lower federal court jurisdiction in school prayer cases.

Helms also leveled a blast at the media in general for failing to report his contention that "Marxists and out-and-out Com-

munist" have been involved in opposing state-mandated prayer in public schools.

Allen, president of the SBC Radio and Television Commission, emphasized he was speaking for himself as a "theologically conservative evangelical Christian" since it "is a cardinal principle among Baptists that no Baptist speaks for another."

The former pastor of First Church of San Antonio, Texas, urged the committee to let the "confusion about what can and cannot be done in the free exercise of our faith within the context of public education" be resolved by the courts. He emphasized that courts are just now beginning to define the meaning of the free exercise clause of the First Amendment after years of "hammering out the meaning of the no establishment of religion clause."

"To attempt to solve the issue of free exercise of religion in public education as suggested in this amendment to the whole Constitution is to use a sledgehammer and pickax for an operation which demands a laser beam and scalpel," Allen said. He insisted the amendment is unnecessary "because the right to prayer is already safe in our nation."

McAteer acknowledged that individual voluntary prayer is available, just as it is to prisoners in Siberian labor camps, and penitentiary inmates on death row.

"This is not what we have in mind when we say our little children should be allowed to practice voluntary prayer," McAteer explained.

McAteer also said in response to a question from Sen. Jeremiah Denton, R-Ala., who chaired the hearing in the absence of Judiciary Committee chairman J. Strom Thurmond, R-S.C., that he opposed use of state-written prayer in classrooms. However, in his statement he indicated that under the prayer amendment, local prayer leaders would be free to compose their own prayers. "If groups of people are permitted to pray, someone must have the

power to determine the content of such prayer," he said.

The Memphis layman also pointed to the 1982 Southern Baptist Convention resolution supporting the prayer amendment which reversed long-standing SBC opposition to state-sponsored religious exercises.

Explaining the change in the SBC position, McAteer said, "Because of the way the question had been framed and how the agenda had been set for debate, Southern Baptists had been prevented from having an opportunity to say to the nation what they really thought about prayer in school."

Asked by Denton about the 1982 SBC school prayer resolution, Allen offered a different analysis.

He pointed to his written testimony which explained that Baptist churches elect messengers and not delegates to annual denominational meetings and while the resolutions reflect the judgment of a majority of messengers at a particular session, they have "no impact of authority." Acknowledging that messengers to the 1982 session went on record in support of the prayer amendment, he stated that messengers to conventions in 1964, 1971 and 1980 had adopted resolutions opposing such legislation.

The differing resolutions, Allen told Denton, should be accepted "as part of our Baptist pluralism."

The prayer amendment's chances in this Congress remain unclear but with this session rapidly approaching an expected early October adjournment time is working against it.

In the House of Representatives where Judiciary Committee leaders are opposed to the prayer amendment, sponsor Thomas N. Kindness, R-Ohio, has introduced a discharge petition to bypass the Judiciary Committee and bring the measure to the floor for a vote. Such a move requires 218 House members to sign the petition.

## Senate passes act to benefit ministers

WASHINGTON (BP) — Legislation to remove Internal Revenue Service obstacles hindering churches from providing ministers and lay employees with adequate retirement incomes has been passed by the U.S. Senate.

According to the legislation's sponsor, U.S. Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas, the legislation amends "several provisions of the IRS code that unfairly obstruct the acceptable accumulations of retirement benefits for the majority of clergymen and lay employees of denominations."

The Bentsen-introduced legislation, S.1910, was incorporated into the large tax bill which passed the Senate 50-47 on July 23, and currently is awaiting action by the

House Ways and Means Committee.

The legislation is supported by the Church Alliance for Clarification of ERISA (Employee Retirement Income Security Act), an organization of 27 U.S. church denominations. It would permit participants in denominational retirement programs, who typically have a pattern of poor compensation in the early stages of their careers, to make catchup contributions to their annuity plans in later years.

The bill also would treat all years of a person's service in any Baptist congregation, agency or institution as service to a single employer, an important change since the years of service in the present job is one factor in determining the annual limit of

contributions to a pension plan.

The bill also would clarify that church pension boards are authorized to issue tax-sheltered annuities, reversing a recent IRS ruling that only insurance companies could do so.

"The typical Southern Baptist minister receives only \$125 per month in retirement income. This bill will allow churches to increase their contributions to their ministers and lay employees retirement accounts so they will have enough income to live their retirement with dignity," said Darold H. MORGAN, president of the Southern Baptist Convention's Annuity Board and chairman of the steering committee of the Church Alliance for Clarification of ERISA.



The many sounds of worship are put into use by (counterclockwise from left) Joseph King, associate professor of church music education at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary; an instrumental ensemble under the direction of George Rawlin, instrumental director at First Church of Atlanta; Paula Oliver, of Scottsville, Ky., during a handbell practice; and 11-year-old Erik Davidson of High Point, N.C., at the Church Music Leadership Conference at Ridgecrest.



## A joyful noise is more than singing

Photos and essay by David Haywood

RIDGECREST, N.C. — "Make a joyful noise unto the Lord," the unofficial motto of church musicians, has taken on a new dimension with the advent of instrumental groups in churches.

No longer is the lack of choral skills a barrier, to those both young and old with instrumental skills, to participate in a church's music ministry. Ensembles enable members to make a joyful sound without lifting their voices.

Church instrumental groups cover a broad spectrum, from a small ensemble to a handbell choir to a complete band or orchestra. But regardless of size, church instrumental groups are providing members a new avenue to use their musical gifts and provide their churches with a new song.

During the Church Music Leadership Conference at Ridgecrest Baptist Conference Center here more than 1,100 people participated in the instrumental conferences introducing the 1982-83 Southern Baptist Convention church music emphasis, "Reaching People Through Instrumental Music."



## Camper on Mission rally focuses on 'people energy'

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (BP) — More than 200 Baptists and other Christians pulled campers and hauled tents from 20 states to participate in the 10th annual national Campers on Mission (COM) rally July 23 to 25.

In keeping with the theme of the Knoxville 1982 World's Fair — "Energy Turns the World," — the Southern Baptist Home Mis-

sion Board-sponsored event concentrated on energy resources, primarily on the energy of Christians ministering to others.

Workshops detailed ways in which members of Campers on Mission can use their energies to minister in the city, country, to youth and in campgrounds.

Mike Robertson, associate director of special mission ministries at the HMB, chal-

lenged campers to tithe their vacations, giving a portion to ministry efforts.

"The Lord will bless your family," Robertson said. "He will bless your life in mission work. I could stand up here and tell you our needs. I could burden you. I won't do that. But America's hungry."

Robertson reminded the participants of the resources they have for Christian work, and noted that among the resources are recreational vehicles and camping gear.

Claude McGavic, COM promotion/coordination consultant, explained that if campers will get in touch with the Home Mission Board the SBC agency will match the volunteers' interests with particular mission needs.

Those who participated in the workshops included Pete Petty, director of special missions ministries for the Arkansas Baptist State Convention.

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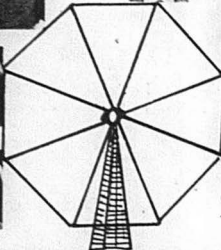
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## International

### Priscilla and Aquila: Tentmaking ministers

by L. L. Collins Jr., Interim Executive Secretary, ABSC

Basic passages: Acts 18; Romans 15:3-5; 1 Corinthians

Focal passages: Acts 18:1-4, 18-21; Romans 15:3-5a

Central truth: Priscilla and Aquila, forced to leave their home in Rome, were faithful witnesses wherever they were.

Many people are often uprooted from their homes and relocated for a number of reasons. Priscilla and Aquila went to Corinth because all Jews were forced to leave Rome. Being tentmakers they came into contact with Paul, who also made tents.

While in Corinth, Paul and his new friends attempted to minister in the synagogue. They went about the normal pursuits of life including occupation and worship and reached out to others. Perhaps the most effective ministry is still done in this fashion.

When Paul left Corinth for Ephesus Priscilla and Aquila went with him. It would appear that at this point in their lives their usefulness in God's service was more important than the trade they had established in Corinth. The secret of a meaningful life is knowing how to establish priorities.

Perhaps a challenge that needs to be given or accepted is for Christians to consider relocating. A strong Christian family moving to a community that needs a Christian witness might bear more fruit than sending a preacher. In a mobile climate where change is commonplace certainly there are Christians with the skills to earn a living that could effectively serve the Lord in a new town.

While in Ephesus, Priscilla and Aquila reached out to a young preacher and ministered to him (Acts 18:24-28). The effectiveness of their work was evidenced by the fact that a large number of the Corinthians were drawn to him (1 Cor. 3:4-6).

At some point Priscilla and Aquila returned home to Rome. There they continued what they had learned and practiced in Corinth and Ephesus. The church met in their home. Paul expressed appreciation for them, because they endangered their own lives in behalf of Paul and Gentile Christians.

Serving Christ is not without risk. In different ages and circumstances the risks may vary. Christians who faithfully follow the teaching of Christ today may risk friends, home, jobs, life or countless other things. Priscilla and Aquila used their occupations and thereby became ministers of the gospel.

## Life and Work

### Enduring suffering

by C. A. Johnson, Walnut Street, Jonesboro

Basic passages: Hebrews 10:32-39; 12:1-11; 13:13-14

Focal passages: Hebrews 10:32-36, 39; 12:1-3, 7, 11

Central truth: Christians can endure suffering in the race of life Jesus has already run the race, strengthens us, and waits to reward us at the end of our race.

1. We are called to persevere. Most believers start well, but many falter when suffering comes. Many have good times when all is well, but the great virtue is to "walk and not faint". Many can manage in pleasant times, but falter in times of suffering. We must not let suffering weaken and cut short our faith.

2. Hope brings strength in times of suffering. The athlete will put forth his best because he hopes to win the goal. Since we are on the way to heaven and a crown, we must put forth our best effort. We need the memory of the end. It is the end of life that makes the living of life all important.

3. We are running a race. We have a goal to attain — Christ and eternal life. We are not strollers along the byways, we are wayfarers on the high road. We are not tourists, we are pilgrims. We are going somewhere and each day we should check our progress.

4. We have inspiration. We are like runners in a crowded stadium. The crowd looking on are those who have already won the race. How can we do less than our best with such an audience looking down upon us?

5. But we have a handicap — our sin. We cannot run well when we are burdened down. There may be habits, pleasures, associations, self-indulgences that hold us back. We must shed our burdens and run the race.

6. We have an example — Jesus himself. He endured all things for the goal set before him. He abandoned heaven, refused earth's triumph, endured the cross. We must follow his example.

7. We have a presence — Jesus himself. He is the goal of our race and the companion of our journey. He is the one we are running to meet and the one who goes with us. We are in the company of him who has already run the race, reached the goal and waits to welcome us.

## Bible Book

### Lament concerning enemies

by Gerald Taylor, Life Line Church, Little Rock

Basic passages: Psalm 58; 64; 83

Focal passages: Psalm 58:1-11; 83:1-2, 13-18  
Central truth: The believer can rejoice in God in the face of bitter criticism.

1. Psalm 58 consists of three parts. (1) The enemy is described (v. 1-5). They are wicked and false, even from birth, poison in words and deaf to the appeal of conscience. (2) The second part consists of a prayer for God to intervene (v. 6-9). The Psalm closes in exultation of the righteous (v. 10-11).

2. Psalm 64 is a beautiful Psalm consisting of two sections: (1) a prayer for deliverance from enemies (v. 1-6); and (2) the assurance that God will deal with enemies of truth. The righteous shall see it and glory in God (v. 7-10).

3. It is probable that Psalm 83 was written during the threat of invasion. The Psalm is a prayer that God will no longer remain silent (v. 1). The scope of their treachery is exposed (v. 2-5). The enemy is identified (v. 6-8). There is a reminder of past victories (v. 9-12). The Psalm closes with a prayer for victory that will glorify God (v. 13-18).

4. The three Psalms serve to illustrate a great truth: It is not the business of God's people to vindicate themselves. God is their defense. To him belongs judgement (see Rom. 12:17-21).

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## Foreign mission briefs

### Pastor's family among first baptized

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attends seminary extension courses in Kyela and has applied to the Baptist Seminary of East Africa in Arusha, Tanzania. Two seminary teachers fly to Kyela six times a year to teach extension classes for about 65 pastors and church members.

### Bermuda church celebrates 50 years

HAMILTON, Bermuda — Telecasts of an interview involving Baptist leaders and a youth musical, "It's Cool in the Furnace," based on the fiery furnace experiences of

Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, highlighted the recent 50th anniversary celebration of Emmanuel Church, Hamilton, Bermuda. The principal speaker, Raymond Kelly, pastor of Harlem Park Community Church, Baltimore, preached to overflow crowds all week. Emmanuel's pastor, Daniel Stanley, interviewed Kelly and Azariah McKenzie, executive secretary-treasurer of the Caribbean Baptist Fellowship, in a 30-minute telecast. Monthly evangelistic services are planned for the remainder of the anniversary year.

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## Ministers' families suffer from fatigue

by Charles Willis

RIDGECREST, N.C. — "A minister's stress does not exist in isolation but relates to his or her family as well," Shirley Montgomery told minister of music couples here during the Church Music Leadership Conference.

Montgomery, a pastor's wife and freelance writer, said occupational demands and pressures fit into the whole picture of family relationships. "Excessive or continual demands can limit the family's closeness or prevent its functioning adequately."

What she terms "family fatigue" can result from spouses and children having to live the same high-visibility life that the church staff member lives.

"Spouses and children are identified with ministers' work as in no other occupations," she said. "A lawyer's wife and children are not expected to go with him to court or to be law experts, but the minister's family quite often is considered part and parcel of his or her service."

Minor pressures, stacking up day by day, may not show up as accumulated stress until a major problem surfaces, Montgomery feels. "Coming to grips with pressures on the minister's family involves recognizing the signs of undue strain, identifying stress points and developing survival techniques to use in these situations," she said.

Four common signs of family pressure identified by Montgomery are fatigue, irritability, apathy and tension. "Most families experience varying degrees of these symptoms from time to time," she said. "In-

dividual family members may go through stages of response to different events. However, when a consistent pattern of signals can be observed, it's time to look at what is happening in the life of the family."

Among the possible sources of family fatigue, Montgomery included what she called "seasons of stress," regularly-occurring events which can be noted as times of high demand on the minister as well as the family. Christmas, Easter, budget review, stewardship emphasis, revival, building program, election of officers and teachers and other such events call for a high level of the minister's involvement.

Other sources of fatigue may be a change of ministry area or field; a change in community status, such as an economic shift; a change of family status, such as a birth or death; or an absorption of family time by the pace of ministry.

To survive stress and prevent family fatigue, Montgomery suggests that church staff members acknowledge their pressures, provide a verbal or physical escape mechanism, protect the family integrity by establishing reasonable priorities, strengthen the family through love and encouragement and define ministry in terms of family.

"You are ministering as much by being a good spouse and parent as through your church position," she said. "As far as your family is concerned, you preach what you practice. They weigh your ministry, your Christian commitment as a result of what they see of your ministry."

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## Spouses cite joys, problems in ministry

GLORIETA, N.M. — Married couples who work together in ministry — whether both are paid church staff members or one is in a supporting role — experience both joy and pain in Christian service.

DeRema Dunn of Beaumont, Texas, knows both the positive and negative aspects of ministry after 15 years of marriage to Dickie Dunn, associate pastor of First Church. She is a second grade school teacher, a curriculum writer for Southern Baptist publications and a conference leader.

She led a conference on couples sharing ministry during Summer Youth Celebration sponsored by the Sunday School Board's church training department.

Dunn recalled a time when her husband's career as a minister of music and youth resulted in her loneliness. "We had a lot of fun doing things together with the church's youth until we had children of our own. After that, I felt I never got to see my husband because he was always gone somewhere with 'the kids.'"

At a youth camp she met five other wives who were experiencing the same feel-

ings. "It was wonderful! I had thought I was the only person in the world in that situation," she said.

Participants in the conference listed from their experiences positive and negative facets of shared ministry.

Mutual encouragement and support and working together for a common goal were among the positive experiences they identified. Others included getting to know a wide range of people, seeing changes in people's lives and having a spouse who understands the importance of involvement in church work.

Among the negatives were anxiety and stress that lead to marital problems. Living a "fishbowl" existence, dealing with jealousy of the spouse's time and finding the right balance of who leads out in ministry in different situations were also listed as problems.

However, one quipped, "I'll surely see my husband on Sunday morning, Sunday night and Wednesday night."

Added another with mock seriousness, "You never have to worry about what you're going to do on weekends."

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