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—H. Armstrong Roberts.

Dare we hide our Christian testimony?

★ TRENDS AND EVENTS ★

A condensed summary of trends and events taken from publications and original sources each week by Porter Routh, Secretary of the Department of Survey, Statistics and Information of the Baptist Sunday School Board.

Facts of Interest

The total number of families in the United States increased from 37,450,000 in May, 1945, to 37,900,000 in February, 1946. The trend which took 800,000 farm families away from the farm between 1940 and 1945 was also halted during this same period. Of the 3,160,000 family heads who were discharged veterans of World War II, only 7.3 per cent were living on farms, as compared with 19.7 per cent of other male family heads. About 19,500,000 families, in February, 1946, had one or more children under 18 years old living in the home.

The 1946 income of American farmers amounted to about \$23,500,000,000 as compared with 10 to 11 billion dollars in pre-war years.

Consumer credit in November was nearly \$1,500,000 more than in March, indicating that people are having to pay less cash and charge more.

Domestic airlines carried more than 13,000,000 persons in 1946 over 6,000,000,000 passenger miles with only 1.47 fatalities per 100,000,000 passenger miles compared with 2.31 in 1945. Rail passenger traffic dropped 32 per cent below the 1944 peak.

About 675,000 houses were started in 1946 and about 450,000 units were completed. It is hoped that 1,000,000 houses can be built in 1947.

James A. Gray, Winston-Salem, has established a \$1,700,000 endowment fund for eleven North Carolina colleges.

The population in Alaska on July 1, 1945, including the armed forces, was 133,671. The population on July 1, 1940, was 74,342.

In the World of Religion

The Foreign Missions Conference at Buck Hill Falls, Pa., is planned for January 14-17. The International Council of Religious Education will be held February 10-15 in Grand Rapids, Mich. The National Conference on the Church and Economic Life will be held in Pittsburgh, February 18-20. World Lutherans will meet in Lund, Sweden, late in June to complete plans for organization of a new alliance to be known as the Lutheran World Federation.

John G. Winant, former ambassador to Great Britain, has been named chairman of American Brotherhood Week to be observed February 16-23. The week is sponsored by the National Conference of Christian and Jews.

A special committee of Protestant churchmen told the Home Missions Council meeting at Buck Hill Falls that "All religious or other missionary enterprises now organized on a basis of segregation should be re-examined with a view to removing as rapidly as possible all barriers to free intercourses without reference to race."

Methodists report nearly 10,000 conversions in Poland during the past year. They report that the present government is much more tolerant toward Protestants.

The Chicago Herald-American reports that several large Chicago industrial plants were

forced to close during the day before Christmas because the workers became so drunk that operation was unsafe.

M. Leo Rippey, General Board of Education of the Methodist Church, reports that there are now 2,250,000 adults enrolled in the 75,000 adult Bible classes in the 43,000 Methodist churches, the largest number in their history.

Baptist Highlights

After delays, the 1946 Southern Baptist Handbook is now at Baptist bookstores.

Total mission receipts through the Executive Committee for 1946 were \$10,259,995.77. Of this amount, \$4,602,212.48 went through the Cooperative Program. A total of \$7,065,133.29 went to the Foreign Mission Board, including \$3,743,300.73 for World Relief.

The Relief and Annuity Board has issued 18,708 annuity memberships, 2,541 of these in 1946. The Widows Supplemental Plan has been started in Virginia, North Carolina, Georgia, Louisiana, Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Arizona, California, Missouri, Kentucky, and Illinois. Alabama, Tennessee, Mississippi, and Arkansas are expected to qualify this year.

Dr. M. Ashby Jones, retired Baptist minister and leader in racial good-will died on January 2 at Atlanta. His father was a chaplain to Gen. Robert E. Lee.

John Caylor was elected chairman of the Southern Baptist Missionary Education Council meeting in Nashville last week. Frank Means was named vice-chairman and Marjorie Moore was renamed secretary. Joe Burton is the retiring president.

Oklahoma Baptists will send three representatives to the Baptist World Alliance. The Convention will send Secretary Andrew Potter and Editor Albert McClellan; the Brotherhood will send Dr. T. P. Haskins.

During 1946, Bellevue, Memphis, reported 373 baptisms, and offering of more than \$300,000. Dr. R. G. Lee is the pastor.

Soiled Garments

A young woman who was defending her continual attendance at some doubtful places of amusement once said, "I think a Christian can go anywhere."

"Certainly she can," rejoined her friend, "but I am reminded of a little incident which happened last summer when I went with a party of friends to explore a coal mine. One of the young women appeared dressed in a dainty white gown. When her friends remonstrated with her, she appealed to the old miner who was to act as guide to the party.

"Can't I wear a white dress down into the mine?" she asked petulantly.

"Yes, mum," returned the old man, "there's nothing to keep you from wearing a white frock down there, but there will be considerable to keep you from wearing one back."

—The Christian Herald.

A GOOD MAN

A Devotion by B. H. Duncan

"There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus."

I think we may assume that Nicodemus was a good man, as men count goodness. Yet in all Christ's ministry He never spoke more emphatically than when He said to Nicodemus, "Ye must be born again."

If the good "must" be born again, certainly those who are not so good "must" be born again. How good must one be in order to be saved? Others came to Jesus with that question. In every case we are thrown back upon this inescapable "must." There is but one thing that brings salvation, "Ye must be born again." Jesus sends this message to the haunts and dives of sin and wickedness, and to the circles of respectability, refinement and culture.

Nicodemus had schooled himself in the refinements of human behavior, he had trained himself to look for and recognize in others their best qualities. It is commendable of one to so discipline himself. But to such an one Jesus said, "Ye must be born again."

Nicodemus must realize that his goodness is not enough. His goodness did not go so far as to confess his sins. No goodness is good enough until it leads one to see his own sins, to see in himself that which is not good, and to confess his sins to God. Our greatest goodness lies in the confession by us of that which is not good in us.

It is only by such confession that we may hope to gain the greatest of all goodness, the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus.

"There was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews . . . Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, Verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God" (John 3:1-3).

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Students of Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, Oakland, Calif., have organized a student association, the immediate objective of which is to raise \$29,000 of the \$96,000 needed for the purchase of seminary property. The Seminary is operated by the Southern Baptist General Convention of California. Dr. B. O. Herring, recently going from the Bible Department of Baylor University, is president of the school.

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Across the Editor's Desk

How Was That?

Do you remember back during the war when the liquor crowd cried that the dries were being unfair because we called local option elections while soldier boys were overseas and could not vote?

In the light of that long standing complaint, it is interesting to note results of two local option elections held in Independence County.

On May 16, 1944, the citizens of that county voted dry 1457 to 1252, a dry majority of 205.

On January 15, 1947, since the soldier boys have come home and are privileged to vote, the citizens of that county voted dry 2052 to 1432, a dry majority of 620.

Now, who can say that their side was handicapped by the absence of the soldiers?

Welcome

Arkansas Baptists are fortunate in the announcements of two men this past week accepting work in the state. We refer to Dr. C. W. Caldwell, now pastor at Fordyce, who comes to be Superintendent of Missions in our state Baptist headquarters, and Dr. R. C. Campbell, outstanding denominational leader, who comes as pastor of the First Church, Little Rock. Both men plan to begin their new work February 16.

The missions post has been vacant since Dr. Otto Whittington resigned that he might direct the million dollar campaign for Ouachita College. It is tragic that the office has been vacant so long. It is joyous however to know that the vacancy will be filled by Dr. Caldwell, a man of great mission interest and a pastor's heart. His qualifications for the job were listed by Dr. Bridges on the back page last week. He will do a great job leading the new missions program adopted by the Convention.

We are rejoicing in Dr. Campbell's coming to First Church, Little Rock, as much for what it will mean for the denomination in Arkansas as for the church. He is one of the South's greatest pastors, and his leadership in the church will be most wholesome. And he also is one of the South's greatest denominational men, now being vice-president of the Southern Baptist Convention and earlier having served five years as executive secretary of the Baptist General Convention of Texas and last year as president of the Southern Carolina Baptist Convention. He is author of a dozen religious books.

To Dr. Caldwell and Dr. Campbell, we shout "Welcome."

Uniform Marriage Law

For the past eight years Senator Arthur Capper, the Republican from Kansas, has introduced a bill to amend the Constitution so that Congress may pass a uniform marriage and divorce act.

His bill had little chance of passage in former years. But in view of the present high divorce rate—there were more divorces than marriages in Los Angeles county in 1946—agitation for such a law is increasing, says RNS Correspondent Larston D. Farrar.

With a little encouragement and prompting from outside forces, Senator Capper could push his proposal through Congress this year and the amendment could be presented to the various states for ratification.

Some religious leaders see many advantages from a uniform marriage and divorce law.

They point out that it would do away with present-day marriage and divorce mills, by means of which husbands or wives can get married (or divorced) on the spur of the moment in some areas. In some states, boys and girls of 14 and 13, respectively, are permitted to marry. In Nevada, as is well-known, a divorce may be obtained on either real or fancied grounds in six weeks.

Senator Capper told his colleagues, when he introduced his latest "marriage and divorce bill" last week, that the nation was "shocked" to learn recently that "for every three couples that marched to the altar, one wedding ended in the divorce courts."

"Are we going to allow this problem to wreck our homes, the very core of civilization and human progress?" he asked. "I am convinced it is one of the greatest dangers confronting the American people today and we must do something about it.

"After careful study of the problem over a number of years, it is my conclusion that uniform federal regulation of marriage and divorce laws through a constitutional amendment is necessary to correct the situation."

The bill, S. 198, was referred to the Senate Committee on the Judiciary.

Brotherhood

The 1947 program of the Baptist Brotherhood of the South is an ambitious one. It aims to place the men of our churches to work in serving the Lord and His Church. It is one that every pastor and every Baptist can support wholeheartedly for the enlistment of men in the work of the kingdom. The 1947 objectives are outlined on page fourteen of this issue. Read it, and go to work.

Salaries Up

The 1946 Southern Baptist Handbook, just released by the Baptist Sunday School Board, reveals that the average salary for Baptist full time pastors increased 25 per cent in 1945 over 1944. No 1946 figures were presented.

Of 26,134 cooperating churches in the Southern Baptist Convention, a total of 9,399 were reported as being full-time, 183 were three-fourth time, 8,322 were half-time, and 8,127 were fourth-time.

Average pastor's salary for full time work in 1945 was \$2,124 as compared with 1944's average of \$1,693. Other 1945 figures were three-fourth time pastorates, \$853; half-time, \$441, and fourth time, \$203.

Hotel Menace

Does a hotel have a moral right to sell intoxicating liquors? Should not the sale of liquors be entirely divorced from the hotel business?

The frightful holocausts which have sent hundreds of men and women to flaming death in recent weeks and months, raise these questions. Answers should be made.

When a hotel maintains a nightclub or a cocktail room in a building where hundreds are sleeping, it greatly increases the hazard of death by fire.

When a hotel delivers intoxicating liquors to guests in their rooms, the hazard becomes an even greater menace.

Perhaps it is not important that people are deprived of their rest by disorderly drinkers, but it is important indeed when their lives are endangered by the be-fuddled carelessness of a half-intoxicated man attempting to smoke in bed.

SBC Reservations

We are publishing on page ten of this issue an announcement from the Saint Louis Entertainment Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, listing hotels in which Convention messengers may be accommodated. Also published is the adopted blank to be used by all applicants for accommodations.

Chairman O. R. Shields sends along this emphatic word: "I do want to urge that the instructions on this sheet (published on page ten) be followed carefully, for only reservations coming to us in this manner will be honored. I would especially call attention to the fact that all reservations with hotels must be made through the Housing Bureau, 910 Syndicate Trust Bldg., St. Louis 1, Mo. It will be a waste of time for individuals to write direct to hotels."

God is not worried over atomic energy, for it is His creation; but God is concerned for the man who has learned the physical laws of the universe and has neglected to discover the great spiritual realities.—Porter Routh in the Baptist Training Union Magazine.



DR. ELLIS A. FULLER

President Fuller Reports To the People Progress In Southern Seminary's Program of Expansion

Since I came to the presidency in 1942, we have presented persistently the needs of the Southern Seminary. You will be encouraged to know that we have made very gratifying progress in the enlargement and improvement of our physical properties and equipment. Among these achievements may be listed the following:

Item: Two magnificent buildings of distinguished Georgian architecture located on 12½ acres of land adjacent to the campus have been acquired for a Music School.

Item: One of the buildings has been completely equipped with twelve pianos and four pipe organs for the study of sacred music.

Item: The other building has been attractively furnished as living quarters for the students of the music school.

Item: A new wing has been added to Norton Hall, giving us 5 regular classrooms, 2 speech rooms, seven seminar rooms, and rooms specially equipped for radio broadcasting and voice recording.

Item: The professors' offices have been completed and appropriately furnished.

Item: A 12-unit apartment house adjacent to the Campus has been acquired.

Item: Our present chapel has been redecorated and equipped with a new piano and a two manual pipe organ.

Item: A new cafeteria has been installed and the kitchen completely modernized.

Item: A new Seminary post-office will be installed; a full-time book store established; and a student supply center opened.

Item: Plans are being drawn for construction of a new chapel and substantial gifts have been received for this purpose.

These splendid improvements, made possible by the special gifts of relatively few individual donors, indicates how easy it will be to meet all urgent needs if other individuals will join in this worthy effort.

We have made good progress and we are grateful for the fine cooperation of loyal and consecrated friends, but we still have many objectives to attain.

When the physical equipment necessary for efficient service is acquired; when the faculty is increased to full strength; and when the school is made secure by additional endowment funds, we will then be ready to throw our full strength toward promoting every phase of our Kingdom Enterprise, at a relatively small continuing maintenance cost to the denomination.

A gift to the Seminary is a gift to a "going institution," to a vital, vigorous, succeeding institution. Investments in it are as safe as investments in government bonds. The dividends are eternal end, being spiritual, beyond price.



Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

LOUISVILLE, KY. . . . DR. ELLIS A. FULLER, PRESIDENT

LEGISLATIVE NEWS Of Religious Interest

The Christian people of Arkansas, courageous and united, can make one of the most effective lobbies ever known in legislative history.

After two weeks of orientation and back-batting, making friends and defining the political leanings of their fellow legislators, Arkansas lawmakers give promise of settling down to real business. The next week should give us an idea of just what to expect from this meeting of the General Assembly—whether it will be 60 days of wasted effort or 60 days of beneficial policy-making for the state.

One thing is most encouraging. This writer is much impressed with the dignity manifest in the sessions of both the House and Senate thus far. The early decision of the House of Representatives to bar lobbyists from the floor has resulted in a much less disturbed legislative hall than has been known at many sessions. Visitors now must take a seat in the gallery, leaving the solons alone for necessary thought and debate. And the apparent desire of every member is for good lawmaking, because we found the whole procedure quite orderly.

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MARRIAGE: A number of bills pertaining to the home have made their way into the hoppers. Only one proposal, however, hits at the base of the matter to encourage more thought on the seriousness of the marriage vows.

Three proposed acts ask for blood tests of both parties prior to the issuance of a marriage license. Representative Sam Sullivan and others have offered a bill (HB 43) requiring marriage license applicants to pre-

sent to the issuing official a medical certificate from a licensed physician certifying that the applicant has been examined within the last 30 days and is not infected with syphilis. Representative H. H. May is asking in HB 92 that the certification shall state both parties are free of venereal disease, idiocy, feeble-mindedness, imbecility, epilepsy or insanity.

A more stringent bill is that (HB 87) by Representative Edward Cash which prohibits issuance of a marriage license (1) except during office hours of the issuing clerk; (2) except when notice is filed by both applicants with the clerk five days in advance of issuance of license; (3) except when applicants file certificate by a licensed physician that blood tests within the last 30 days show applicants free of syphilis.

Already passed by the House is HB 14 by Representative John States, repealing an old law which prohibits adoption of a child of living parents without consent of parents except where such consent is not possible or practicable. And passed by the Senate is SB 3 by Senator L. Weems Trussell providing that in divorce proceedings when the court finds that either party is entitled to a divorce, the court may restore the wife to the name she bore prior to the marriage dissolved, provided that no children have been born to the marriage.

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ELECTIONS: Senator Trussell's SB 1 re-

pealing Act 107 of 1945 which was aimed at preventing Negroes from voting in primary elections for state and county officials seems certain of adoption. It passed the Senate unanimously, and Representative Claude Lee Coffelt's HB 2 which had the same purpose has been sidetracked to permit early House passage of the Senate bill.

Two other bills which would vitally affect our election machinery are House Joint Resolution 5 by Representative Louis Watts to lower voting age from 21 to 18, and Senate Joint Resolution 2 by Senator Berl S. Smith to allow only one primary election (instead of the present run-off system) and declaring that a simple plurality (instead of a majority) of votes be necessary for nomination.

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LIQUOR: In the stack of liquor bills, it appears that the legislature is striving to strengthen present laws. Various proposals would help keep whiskey out of dry counties, and others would so tax the liquor wholesaler that the state probably will realize as much "profit" as if the stores were state-owned.

SB 47 by Senator Ernest Maner has already been approved by the Senate committee to which it was assigned, and this probably is the liquor tax bill with the best chance of becoming law. It would levy an annual privilege fee on all wholesale liquor distributors of 25 per cent of gross profits derived from sales, in addition to other license fees and taxes. This bill compares with HB 12 by Representative Carroll Hollensworth, asking a 33 per cent tax on gross profits, and SB 30 by Senator Trussell to tax each wholesale liquor establishment a privilege fee of \$10,000 annually rather than the present \$700.

Representative P. P. Alexander's bill (HB 16) to construe possession of more than one
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Dr. Dillard Plans Retirement From SBC Post; No Action on Western Assembly

By PORTER ROUTH

The surprise announcement by Dr. J. E. Dillard that he plans to retire in June highlighted the called meeting of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention in Nashville on January 22.

Dr. Dillard, director of promotion for the Executive Committee since 1936, and leader of the successful Hundred-Thousand Club which played a big part in the payment of Southern Baptist debts, has been in ill health for the past few months, and asked to be relieved of his heavy duties, effective at the June meeting of the Committee.

Dr. Frank Tripp, Montgomery, Ala.; Dr. George Ragland, Lexington, Ky.; and Dr. John Buchanan, Birmingham, Ala., were named members of a committee to serve with Dr. Duke McCall in nominating a successor to Dr. Dillard and also the late Dr. Walter M. Gilmore. The nominations will be presented at the pre-convention meeting of the Executive Committee at St. Louis on May 6.

Petition to Truman

Memorial services for Dr. Gilmore, who died in Nashville on December 19, were conducted by Dr. Louie D. Newton, president of the Southern Baptist Convention. Dr. McCall was elected treasurer, and Dr. Merrill Moore, pastor of the Immanuel Baptist Church, Nashville,

was elected recording secretary of the Executive Committee. Dr. Gilmore held both of these positions.

A petition calling on President Truman to terminate the appointment of Myron C. Taylor as his personal representative at the Vatican was presented by Dr. Newton and unanimously adopted. "The treaties with the countries contiguous to and immediately related to the Vatican having been agreed upon," the petition stated, "we earnestly and respectfully urge and petition the president of the United States to fulfill his promise, made last June, as the earliest possible date."

Allocations Recommended

The Committee unanimously endorsed the evangelistic plans for April, May, and June as outlined by Dr. S. F. Lowe of the Radio Commission and Dr. C. E. Matthews, director of evangelism for the Home Mission Board.

The report of the allocations committee, which will be presented to the St. Louis convention for final approval, recommended that the percentages for the Cooperative Program remain as fixed at the Miami Convention. A \$10,000,000 mission goal for 1948 was suggested, with \$7,500,000 to be raised through the Cooperative Program and \$2,500,000 to be raised by designated gifts. It was recommended that the agencies plan their operating bud-

get on the basis of \$4,000,000 receipts with the balance for capital funds. It was proposed that the Home Mission Board and the Foreign Mission Board could use capital funds for operating expenses.

No action on the proposed Western assembly was taken by the Executive Committee.

1,000,000 Tithers

Certain changes in the business and financial plan of the Convention which will be presented at the St. Louis meeting were approved. One motion approved by the Committee asks that "the Convention recommend that the trustees of all agencies be requested to amend their charters so as to provide that the trustees of such agencies be elected by the Convention and that their amended charters could not be further amended except with the prior consent of the Convention."

Dr. Frank Tripp, chairman of the promotion committee, brought in a report calling for renewed interest in the campaign to reach 1,000,000 tithers. It was decided to recommend to the Convention that October, November, and December be designated as special tithe months, and that an effort be made to enlist all Southern Baptists in the plan of giving for these three months.

Dr. Louie D. Newton, associate secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, reported that prospects were very gloomy for shipping space to the Baptist World Alliance in Copenhagen. He said that definite plans regarding the meeting would be announced by February 15.

Why I Am For— THE OUACHITA CAMPAIGN

By SAM C. REEVES, Pastor
First Church, El Dorado

In the first place, I am for the Ouachita College Campaign because I am for Christian education. I believe the Bible teaches us to provide training for our people.

In the second place, I am for the Ouachita College Campaign because of the demonstration here in our beloved America of the wisdom in providing a system of checks and balances in matters of government, business, religion, and education. It seems to insure a greater measure of safety and freedom in our democratic way of life. We use this system in our legislative bodies and in our state and federal governing bodies. This system of checks and balances is part and parcel of our American life.

Our denomination will be wise to insure the continuance of this principle by making stronger her colleges and universities. They ought to be second to none at any cost. We may not want or need enrolments as large as our state schools, but we do want and need facilities and faculties on a par with the very best they have to offer. We need to give all of that plus Christian training on a Christian campus.

In the third place, I am for the Ouachita College Campaign because I have examined the record of Ouachita's stewardship and found it to be commendable. It is an enviable record. It is a mystery and nothing short of providential how so much has been done with so little. The investment of our forefathers has paid off by the Biblical score of thirty, sixty, and even one hundred fold. Any Baptist can invest in Ouachita College with confidence.

In the fourth place, I am for the Ouachita College Campaign because of the fact that the college seems to be suffering from growing pains and not dying pains. Her future is as bright as Arkansas Baptists will let it be. We ought to rejoice that it is that way.

In the fifth place, I am for the Ouachita College Campaign because I want to be a co-

operating Baptist. I want it written on my tombstone that "He tried to cooperate." Voluntary cooperation is the only way Baptists know how to get their work done for the Lord. We believe that it is the Bible-way. We have prospered under such a plan and we can still prosper under it. It is tragic for God and us when we do not do so.

In the final place, I am for the Ouachita College Campaign because our church has some of our finest young men and young wo-

men in school at Ouachita. We are proud of them and of the vast host who have gone out from her walls to serve God and country. We can use more like them in the years out ahead.

For these reasons I am trying to lead my church to do a worthy thing in this campaign. We have placed half of our quota in the regular church budget. We will endeavor to raise the other half through voluntary subscriptions. A good start has been made.



"Let the Redeemed of the Lord say so."

STEWARDSHIP DAY

February 9

or Nearest Convenient Sunday

WHAT IT IS

1. A day in the Calendar of Denominational Activities for special emphasis on Christian Stewardship.
2. A day to challenge Southern Baptists to take God at his word and resolve to contribute the Scriptural portion of their net income to the Lord's work.
3. A day to call for, count, and record those who will be among the million Southern Baptist Tithers for Christ.

THE WHY OF IT

1. To inform our people on the Glorious Doctrine and Blessed Life of Christian Stewardship.
2. To urge our people to enter into a closer, happier, more effective partnership with Christ.
3. To help provide a permanent, dependable, practical support for all Christian causes.

HOW OBSERVE IT

1. Urge all the people to attend all church services that day.
2. Have short tithing talks and testimonies in all services that day.
3. Have sermons stressing Scriptural basis and spiritual blessings of Christian Stewardship.
4. Call for, Count, and Record in a Book of Remembrance the names of present and would-be-tithers.

Kansas Baptists Name

Dr. Sipes President

Dr. L. M. Sipes, professor of pastoral efficiency at Central Baptist Seminary, Kansas City, Kans., has been elected president of the Kansas Baptist Convention. Arkansas will rejoice over this honor coming to one who served the state faithfully for many years.

Dr. Sipes was graduated from Ouachita College and from Southwestern Seminary. He served as pastor of First Church, Conway, for three years before going back to Southwestern as librarian and pastor of what was then Seminary Hill Baptist Church. While there he did graduate work for his Th. D. Degree.

In 1922 he became pastor of First Church, Little Rock, and served there until he became vice-president and professor of Bible at Central College in 1929. He returned to Little Rock as editor of the Arkansas Baptist where he worked 20 months before accepting the pastorate of Pulaski Heights Church, Little Rock. He was called to his present place in 1941.

Wanted: A MILLION SOUTHERN BAPTIST
TITHERS FOR CHRIST

The Executive Committee

SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

NASHVILLE 3, TENNESSEE



GOD'S REDEEMPTIVE PLAN

REDEEMED

The second chapter of Ephesians contains an abundance of teaching concerning the entire scope of God's redemptive plan. There is described the awful condition of man lost in sin. Contrasted with that condition is that of the man who has been redeemed from sin. There was such a radical change that Paul felt directed by the Holy Spirit to call their attention to how this change was brought about. The adequacy of this way of Salvation was emphasized in order that the Ephesian Christians would feel no need for returning to ceremonies of the law urged upon them by the Judaizers.

Man Cannot Save Self

In bringing to their attention the how and what of their change, Paul approaches it from both the positive and negative viewpoints. Let us notice some of the things that did not bring this change about. In Ephesians 2:8 we read, "For by grace are ye saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, and not of works." Two clear and unmistakable assertions are made here. Salvation was "not of yourselves" and "not of works." We see from this that it is impossible for man to save himself. Yet there are many people today who think that a man's chances of winning the favor of God depend upon his works. If it had been possible for a man to save himself, then Jesus died in vain.

Salvation is not of works lest any man should boast. No one will ever walk the streets of gold in that city of God, and boast that he worked his way in. If it had been possible for man to earn his salvation by works, then Jesus was mocked when he cried in the garden of Gethsemane, "Father if there is any other way let this cup pass," and yet He was not delivered. There was no other way, He had to die on the cross if men were to be saved.

Salvation is not obtained by church membership. Why did Jesus die if churches could save people? You may join every church of every faith and be baptized by every form known to man, and still die and go to Hell.

We are not saved by the teachings of Christ. We are not saved by His beautiful and perfect example. We are not saved by His miracles or His parables. We are not saved by His church, but by Christ Himself.

A Saviour

The Scripture does not present to us a plan of salvation, but a Saviour, "for unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord. Thou shalt call His name Jesus, for it is He that shall save His people from their sins." The mighty operation which works such a marvelous change in the lives of men is not a system of beliefs nor a formal creed, but a living Person who is Jesus Christ. No person can read this second chapter of Ephesians without seeing that all the changing was done—"in Christ Jesus," "by Jesus Christ," "through Christ Jesus," "with Christ Jesus," "by the Blood of Christ," through Him, by the cross.

This change was brought about because of the mercy of God resulting from His great love for us. In verses four and five of this second chapter of Ephesians we read: "But God, who is rich in mercy, for His great love wherewith He loved us, Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ."

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The third and fourth in a series of four radio messages on the Second Chapter of Ephesians, "the alpha and omega of God's redemptive plan."

By A. B. PIERCE, Pastor
First Church, Pine Bluff

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God's great love for a rebellious creation constrained Him to extend His mercy and provide a means of reconciliation through Jesus Christ. Salvation is not an afterthought of God, but was decided upon before the foundation of the world. Long before man was created, God's plan to redeem him was laid.

Salvation is by grace through faith in Jesus Christ. Faith does not save, but puts man in the proper position for Christ to save him. "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them." Salvation is wholly, totally, absolutely and entirely of God.

A New Creation

A saved soul is a new creation. God does not do a repair job on man. He creates him anew as we read "Created in Christ Jesus." Only God has the power to create. This change from sin to salvation, from condemnation to justification, is the creative act of God through Christ Jesus our Lord.

It is by the blood of Christ that men who were afar off are made nigh to God. Sin must be suffered for. The ultimate penalty for sin was death. Jesus suffered on the cross and died in our place that we who were lost might be saved. Some today attempt to preach a gospel without the Blood. The Scripture says, "without the shedding of blood there remains no remission from sin." Again, "the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth from all sin. Every stain of sin is washed out by the Blood of Christ. The Blood of Christ is necessary for cleansing, and praise God! it is sufficient to cleanse all men from all sin in all ages.

When we are reconciled to God by forgiveness of sins, and made new creatures in Christ Jesus, the things we once loved, now we hate; the things we once hated, now we love. There is peace in the soul, and hope and joy in the heart, because we are no longer strangers, sojourners but fellow-citizens with the saints in the household of God. Let us never forget that this transformation has been wrought not by ourselves and our works, but by the grace of God through the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

If you are yet in your sins, turn not to yourself, to some other person on earth, or even some church to save you, but turn to Jesus Christ and He will save you now for eternity.

GOD'S PURPOSE

No student of the Scriptures will deny the fact that God had a purpose in redeeming lost men. Much of what man does is pointless, but God does nothing by accident or by mistake. God had a purpose in creating the world and establishing certain material and physical laws. He had a purpose in making man in His own image, and since man disobeyed consciously and deliberately, he became a lost sinner with the sentence of death passed upon him.

God's love was so great for men that He provided redemption for him at a tremendous price. Our Heavenly Father would not stand by and see man, who was created a little lower than the angels and crowned with glory and honor, be forever banished from His loving presence without giving him a chance to repent, and return to sonship and favor with Himself.

Man was made in the image of God, and is the crowning masterpiece of all His creative work. God could have been just and at the same time left disobedient condemned man to die in his sins, but ours is a God of mercy and love.

We find some of God's purposes in redemption revealed in the second chapter of Ephesians.

Spiritual Life

First, God provided a way of salvation in order that man might have spiritual life. The Ephesians, like everybody else, were formerly dead in trespasses and sins. They were made alive in Christ. One of the purposes for which Christ came to the earth was, "that they might have life, and have it more abundantly."

Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth and the life." He also said, "For God so loved the world that He gave his only begotten Son that whosoever believeth on him should not perish but have everlasting life," not death. On the occasion of the raising of Lazarus from the dead, our Lord said to Martha, "I am the resurrection and the life: he that believeth in me though he were dead, yet shall he live: And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die." "As in Adam, all die, so in Christ are all made alive." Our God is a God of the living and not of the dead.

Service to Creator

We see in the second place that man was redeemed that he might serve his Creator rather than work against Him. Previously, I emphasized that no person can be saved by works. That is certainly true according to the Scriptures, but we are saved for service.

In the tenth verse of the second chapter of Ephesians we read, "For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them." Man is saved not only to give him an insurance against Hell, but that he might give himself in service to His creator. Jesus has set the example for us in this respect. He said, "I came not to be ministered unto, but to minister and give my life a ransom for many." On another occasion He said, "I must work the works of Him that sent me while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work."

In the fifteenth chapter of John, Jesus said: "Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth

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STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLINIC



J. N. BARNETTE

A State Sunday School Clinic sponsored by the Religious Education Department and the Sunday School Board will be held in the First Baptist Church, Fort Smith, March 9-16.

J. N. Barnette, Secretary of the Sunday School Department, Sunday School Board, and a corps of southwide and state leaders will direct the program and work.

Pastors, educational directors and secretaries, associational missionaries, and all Sunday School officers and teachers are invited to enroll. Bed, all meals, and necessary books will be provided free of charge to those accepted for enrolment. Only cost to clinicians will be \$1.00 registration fee and transportation to Fort Smith and return.

Plan NOW to enroll. Watch for further details in next week's issue of the Arkansas Baptist. Send name, address, Sunday School office, and \$1.00 registration fee to Dr. Edgar Williamson, 203 Radio Center, Little Rock.

Legislative News

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illegal possession has been amended to read "one fifth gallon" and now has a committee pint of liquor in dry territory as evidence of okay. HB 35 by Representatives Russell C. Roberts and Dan Stephens prohibiting possession of more than one gallon of whiskey, wine or beer in dry territory has been amended to not apply to common carriers in transit through the county. It also has committee recommendation.

And a proposal (HB 85) by Representative Hollensworth would make the renewal of beverage permits mandatory upon the revenue commissioner excepting where a court has asked revoking of the permit. Present law permits the revenue commissioner to deny renewal of a license when his own investigation indicates wisdom of such refusal.

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HOSPITALS: Better hospitals for Arkansas are a hope of HB 109 by Representatives Glenn F. Walther and R. L. Criner, establishing in the Health Department a Division of Hospitals to make an inventory of existing hospitals and to develop a construction program and administrative plan to provide adequate hospital facilities for all the state. Federal funds are said to be available for this work.

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Love Gift for

Mr. and Mrs. Pugh

By C. W. CALDWELL
Member, Orphanage Board

The Baptists of Arkansas probably know that Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Pugh will be retiring from the Bottoms Orphanage as soon as the newly elected Superintendent can take up his work. The State Convention gave the Board of Trustees permission to ask the churches to give \$4,500 as a love offering for these faithful servants for the purchase of a home. The Orphanage Board was also authorized to contribute the same amount which would make \$9,000 in all. The latter has already given the amount authorized and about one-half of the goal from the churches has been received.

This is to call the churches' attention to this special love offering and to ask that this "special" be completed right away as Mr. and Mrs. Pugh will likely be leaving within a few weeks. So, if you wish to show your appreciation to these two dear people who have given their labors of love to our orphan children for 26 years, send your offering to Dr. B. L. Bridges at once. It is to be understood, however, that all such offerings are out-right gifts with no strings attached.

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God's Redemptive Plan

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fruit He purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit." Further in this same chapter He says: "Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples." If we are the children of God, we will bear good fruit and serve our Lord.

In the sermon on the mount Christ warns against false prophets, and the way to distinguish between false and true prophets is by their fruits. The Master said, "wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them." "Not every one that saith unto me Lord, Lord, shall enter into the Kingdom of Heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father who is in heaven." A man's works are good because his life has been made right by the creative power of God in salvation. If a man's works are always evil, that is an indication that he is evil in his nature and life.

In God's plan for the spread of the gospel of redemption, He has chosen to use those who have been saved to witness Him to a lost world. Surely we can conclude that one of God's purposes in saving men was that He might use them to preach the gospel to others that are lost and bring them to the Savior.

An Earthly Habitat

The third purpose we note here is that God might have a body here on earth for Him to dwell in. In the last verse of the second chapter of Ephesians we read: "In whom (Christ) ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit." We usually think of God as a Spirit dwelling far away from this earth. The only way His work can be visibly witnessed by man today is as Christ works through His churches. A New Testament church is the visible body of Christ on earth. Churches are made up of saved souls. Christ

gave the commission to His Church and promised His presence if they obey His commands.

Revelation of Grace

Finally, God's purpose in saving man was that he might reveal the riches of His grace to him through the ages to come. This truth is given in the sixth and seventh verse of Ephesians 2. I read: "And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus: That in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us through Christ Jesus."

Salvation is present possession, and its benefits are great in this life, but from many standpoints, the life to come will be where God will reveal the exceeding riches of His grace toward us. There is so much we cannot know here, and so much that we cannot behold with our natural eyes. We see now darkly as through a smoked glass, but then face to face. Grace and mercy and love constitute the very nature of God, and it will be pleasing to Him to lavish this love on all who will accept it throughout eternity.

In the world to come all Christians will see the glory of our God and share in the glory of our Savior. Even the sufferings of this present world are not worthy to be compared to the glories that will be revealed in us.

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Rev. C. M. Myrick, Siloam Springs, retired minister after 50 years' service, died January 20.

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(This Statement Does Not Include Receipts for Ministers Retirement Fund)

QUARTERLY REPORT

Church and Pastor	Undesignated Cooperative Program Contributions	Designated Contributions
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ARKANSAS VALLEY ASSOCIATION

Barton—Rev. J. B. Measel	\$ 10.00	—
Beck's Chapel—J. J. Franklin	—	—
Brickeys	—	—
Brinkley, 1st—Reese S. Howard	330.00	\$ 250.00
Clarendon, 1st—A. T. King	171.02	165.40
Elaine—Raymond D. Harris	130.81	112.41
Friendship—E. G. Waddell	50.00	—
Helena, 1st—J. T. McNew	300.00	128.00
Helena, North—E. M. Bragdon	—	—
Hickory Ridge—J. B. Measel	10.00	—
Hughes—W. D. Wallace	150.00	90.90
Lexa—Sam McNeal	30.00	—
Marianna, 1st—W. F. Couch	3450.46	648.77
Mexican—E. G. Gonzales	—	—
Monroe—A. T. King	10.72	8.20
Moro	—	50.00
Onelda—J. B. Measel	—	—
Petty's Chapel—Sam McNeal	2.00	—
Rehobeth—Sam McNeal	—	—
Turner—E. G. Waddell	—	28.05
Twin Bridges—B. F. McDonald	—	1048.93
West Helena—D. D. Smothers	875.25	—
TOTALS	\$5520.26	\$2530.66

BARTHOLOMEW ASSOCIATION

Antioch	—	—
Beech Creek	—	\$ 20.00
Cominto—Q. M. Powell	\$ 4.00	—
Corinth "A"—Morris	7.50	—
Corinth "B"—Jack Jordan	18.33	27.00
Crossett, 1st—Wilford M. Lee	600.00	133.50
Eagle Lake, Cross Roads	7.84	4.95
Ebenezer—Don Williams	18.00	100.00
Eden—J. O. Corker	10.00	—
Enon	19.89	28.20
Fellowship—J. C. Higgenbotham	—	—
Fountain Hill, 1st—E. H. Acuff	57.50	66.90
Florence—Ed Cloud	18.00	39.50
Hamburg, 1st—Stanley Jordan	650.00	—
Harris Chapel	1.83	—
Hermitage—B. S. Franklin	45.00	3.00
Jarvis Chapel—Ed Harris	10.00	—
Judson	—	—
Ladelle—H. A. Johnson	—	—
Macedonia	—	—
Magnolia—T. H. Berry	15.00	50.00
Marsden	5.00	—
Meridian—D. B. Brockwell	5.00	—
Monticello, 1st—R. D. Washington	396.00	847.89
Monticello, 2nd—E. A. Lindsey	65.60	9.40
Mt. Olive, No. 1—M. P. Timberlake	—	—
Mt. Olive, No. 2—S. E. Powell	—	—
Mt. Zion	8.75	3.27
New Liberty—Lloyd Tucker	—	—
North Crossett—Lloyd Tucker	—	—
Northside, Monticello—J. T. Warbington	—	—
Old Union	—	—
Pattsville—R. R. Shreve	—	—
Pleasant Grove	9.00	—
Prairie Grove	—	7.50
Saline—Don Williams	—	—
Sardis	13.93	—
Selma	10.00	—
Shiloh—H. A. Johnson	22.40	—
Union Hill—R. R. Shreve	—	—
Unity	—	—
Warren, 1st—Paul Alken	750.00	1733.27
Warren, 2nd—Keith Babb	63.88	22.62
Wilmar—Clarence Creed	12.50	—
Westwood Chapel	6.60	—
TOTALS	\$2851.55	\$3097.00

BENTON COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Bentonville, 1st—J. B. Maxwell	\$ 150.00	\$ 180.00
Centerton—Melvin Coffelt	82.51	24.37
Decatur—J. A. Scoggins	60.24	—
Garfield—A. F. Agee	7.69	—
Gentry—Carl P. Nelson	148.11	214.00
Gravette—Edgar Harvey	47.59	40.15
Gum Springs—Jno. B. Stephens	30.00	25.00
Highfill—E. G. New	25.00	45.00

Logan	—	—
Lowell—Geo. H. Brooks	13.60	11.00
Mason Valley—John Terry	—	30.05
Monte Ne—Tom Richards	68.87	—
Pea Ridge—A. J. Deason	50.99	30.72
Pleasant Hill—Jno. B. Stephens	27.00	84.00
Rogers, 1st—Rel Gray	309.15	—
Rogers, Immanuel—A. L. Leake	73.88	87.61
Siloam Springs, 1st—B. N. Simmons	300.00	119.70
Sulphur Springs—S. R. Bynum	29.04	—
Twelve Corners—Jno. B. Stephens	—	—
TOTALS	\$1423.67	\$ 891.60

BIG CREEK ASSOCIATION

Bronaugh (Spring River)	\$ 5.00	—
Enterprise—J. Seth Compere, Jr.	5.00	\$ 8.00
Flora—J. Seth Compere, Jr.	—	5.00
Gum Springs—J. W. Shields	9.75	—
Hardy	8.34	—
Mammoth Spring—Alphus Capps	—	—
Mt. Calm	5.00	—
Mt. Zion—J. W. Shields	—	—
Oak Grove	—	—
Salem	45.00	25.00
Shady Grove—J. W. Shields	—	—
Viola	55.30	—
TOTALS	\$ 133.39	\$ 38.00

BLACK RIVER ASSOCIATION

Airport	\$ 6.00	—
Alicia	—	—
Amagon	—	—
Banks—Joe Price	3.00	—
Black Rock—Chas. D. Tibbels	15.00	15.00
Clear Springs—Chas. D. Tibbels	—	—
Clover Bend—T. T. Walker	3.00	—
Diaz—F. F. Weaver	21.00	—
Horse Shoe—J. N. Weaver	18.00	6.44
Hoxie—G. W. Boyd	15.00	—
Imboden	7.25	—
Jacksonport—F. F. Weaver	3.50	—
New Hope, No. 1—D. Campbell	13.48	18.81
New Hope, No. 2—D. Campbell	—	—
Newport, 1st—Chas. F. Wilkins	75.00	—
Old Walnut Ridge—Geo. McGehey	—	—
Pilgrim's Home—Robert Traw	—	—
Pleasant Valley	—	—
Portia—E. H. Hamblin	—	—
Ravenden—C. L. Davis	—	5.00
Sedgwick—J. T. Tippitt	10.00	—
Smithville	—	—
Swifton—Darrell Ball	—	—
Tuckerman, 1st—Ray B. Rhyne	40.00	84.06
Walnut Ridge, 1st	—	—
Blake Westmoreland	120.00	65.65
TOTALS	\$ 350.23	\$ 194.96

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Alpena Pass—B. L. Dorman	\$ 45.00	—
Bear Creek Springs—J. W. Henderson	25.00	\$ 100.00
Bellefonte	—	—
Berryville—Gray Evans	60.00	8.00
Blue Eye, 1st	15.00	10.00
Burlington—J. W. Henderson	72.14	—
Denver—Perry Fitchue	—	—
Eureka Springs, 1st—W. T. Coston	49.12	—
Gaither	—	10.00
Grandview—Russell Hunt	15.00	—
Green Forest—J. F. Bow	20.00	30.00
Grubb Springs	20.00	5.00
Harrison, 1st—E. E. Griever	412.19	91.09
Highland	—	—
Hopewell—Truman Logan	9.00	20.00

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New Hope—E. F. Cox	40.50	108.35
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Prairie View	—	12.00
Rock House—H. F. Fisher	5.00	—
Rock Springs—Dan Champlin	—	—
Shady Grove	—	—
Union	15.00	5.00
Valley Springs—J. S. Martin	—	—
White Oak	—	—
TOTALS	\$ 823.95	\$ 456.29

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Clarks Chapel	4.00	—
Dayton—Dan Berry	—	—
Fellowship—Harold Plunkett	—	—
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Friendship—J. B. Hunt	18.00	—
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Mtn. View—Thelmer Amos	—	—
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New Providence	—	—
Parks—J. E. Evans	10.23	2.80
Pilot View—Howard Toller	—	—
Pleasant Grove, No. 2—T. M. Finney	12.00	—
Pleasant Grove, No. 3	2.00	—
Poteau	3.00	—
Rock Creek	4.80	6.15
Salem—Harmon Allen	—	—
Salem No. 2	—	—
Shiloh	—	—
Union Hope—Thelmer Amos	—	—
Unity	—	—
Waldron—C. G. Davis	256.79	140.01
West Harmony	10.00	—
West Hartford	20.00	25.00
Miscellaneous	—	24.00
TOTALS	\$ 553.07	\$ 235.06

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Buckville	\$ 7.50	\$ 26.85
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Mt. Tabor	5.00	—
Mt. Valley—Lous Dodd	—	—
New Buckville	—	—
Onyx—Burt Bashaw	—	—
Prairie Grove—Homer Speer	5.00	—
Rock Springs—Homer Speer	—	—
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TOTALS	\$ 17.50	\$ 26.85

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Pleasant Grove	—	—
Pleasant Hill	—	—
Pleasant Valley	—	—
Refuge—J. P. Emery	5.70	—

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Fifty Boys From 25 Churches Attend Initial Royal Ambassador Congress

The first Arkansas State Royal Ambassador Congress was held January 17-19 at Immanuel Church, Little Rock, with 50 boys and their counselors from more than 25 churches all over the state, present. State leaders, speakers, and visitors swelled the attendance to more than 60 at several sessions.

The program with the theme, "I Pledge Myself," featured discussions by outstanding leaders. Mr. J. I. Bishop, Southwide Royal Ambassador Secretary, led discussions on RA work, for boys and counselors. The boys were challenged to more effective Christian living by Mr. Nelson Tull, State Brotherhood Secretary, Gen. E. L. Compere, outstanding Baptist layman, Rev. W. O. Vaught, pastor of Immanuel Church, and Dr. Harry Rimmer, guest preacher at Immanuel last week. Dr. Dawson King, former missionary to China, led the boys in missions conferences. Mission movies and recreation were other program features.

The following were elected Arkansas Royal Ambassador Officers for 1947: Ambassador-in-Chief, Benny Johnson, Blytheville; First Assistant Ambassador-in-Chief, Charles Ragland, El Dorado; Second Assistant Ambassador-in-Chief, John Holbrook, Russellville; Recorder, John Wylie, Little Rock; Scribe, Otis Fox, Ft. Smith; Herald, Alfred Sparkman, Pine Bluff; Custodian, Marvin Stiles, Little Rock; Steward, John Paul Jones, Newport; Pianist, Tommy Tedford, Corning.

Enthusiastic support was given to the plans for a second Congress next year.

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Leadership Conferences

Associational and district WMU leaders spent January 15-17 in a series of conferences regarding their work for this year. The conferences were held at Central College, Conway, with separate sessions for the Associational Superintendents and District Presidents, led by Mrs. C. H. Ray, Executive Secretary of WMU, and Associational and District Young People's Counselors, led by Miss LaVerne Ashby, Young People's Secretary.

Miss Juliette Mather, Southwide Young People's Secretary, and Mr. J. I. Bishop, Southwide Royal Ambassador Secretary, gave inspiration and new ideas as they helped with the conferences and spoke to the joint session on Wednesday evening. Mrs. J. E. Short, state WMU president, led the worship services for the presidents and superintendents. State chairmen of mission study, Mrs. H. M. Keck, stewardship, Mrs. H. B. Tillman, and community missions, Mr. F. E. Goodbar, conducted conferences on their respective work.

Dr. R. L. Whipple, president, the faculty, and the student body of Central College were gracious in hospitality to the 52 leaders who were present at the conferences. At the closing joint-session, Miss Mather gave a message which challenged all present to return home with a determination to make 1947 the best year ever in the promotion of WMU work.

Intermediate GA Conference

March 14-16 is the date for the 23rd Annual Intermediate GA Conference at Central College, Conway. Four girls and one counselor may come from any one church. Send in your names and registration fee of \$1 to the State WMU Office immediately, with the blank that was mailed to every Intermediate GA Counselor.

Registrations must be limited to the first 200 received, so get yours in early. The Conference will begin on Friday evening, March 14, with a missionary banquet. Other activities will include the Missionary Reading Contest, movies, a missionary play, missionary speakers, and the coronation service. Every Intermediate GA will want to be present.

Application for Housing Accommodations

SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

St. Louis, Mo., May 4-11

For your convenience in making hotel reservations for the coming meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention, May 4-11, 1947, in St. Louis, hotels and their rates are listed below. Use the form at the bottom of this page, indicating your first, second, and third choice. Because of the limited number of single rooms available, you will stand a much better chance of securing accommodations if your request calls for rooms to be occupied by two or more persons. All reservations must be cleared through the Housing Bureau. All requests for reservations must give definite date and hour of arrival as well as definite date and approximate hour of departure, also names and addresses of all persons who will occupy reservations requested must be included.

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Majestic	2.00	2.75	4.00	
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Statler	3.50	5.00	6.50	
York	2.00	3.50	4.00	

All rates listed are minimum. Better rooms are priced \$1 to \$3 higher. Hotels are reserving the right to alter all rates in case hotel rate structures are changed.

ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NOT LATER THAN APRIL 21, PRECEDING THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

Housing Bureau, Southern Baptist Convention
910 Snyder Trust Building
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Please reserve the following accommodations for the SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION, May 4-11, 1947.

Single Room _____ Double Bedded Room _____
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 _____ Third Choice Hotel _____

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 _____ hour _____ A. M. _____ P. M.

THE NAME OF EACH HOTEL GUEST MUST BE LISTED. Therefore, please include the names of both persons for each double room or twin bedded room requested.

Names and addresses of all persons for whom you are requesting reservations and who will occupy the rooms asked for:

(Individual Requesting Reservations)

Name _____
 Address _____
 City and State _____

If the hotels of your choice are unable to accept your reservation, the Housing Bureau will make as good a reservation as possible elsewhere providing that all hotel rooms available have not already been taken.

If you would prefer a room in a private home at \$1.50 per night for bed and breakfast, please indicate here _____

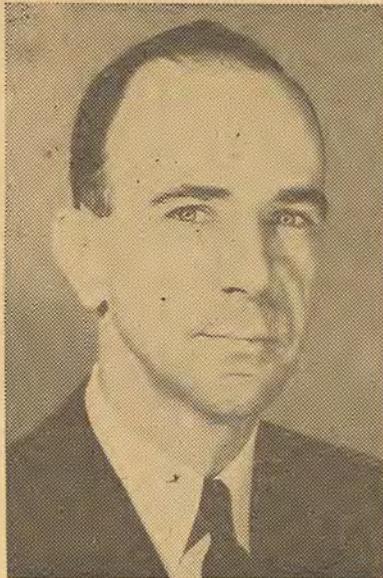
Pastor Whitlow Will Be Speaker on Baptist Radio Program in February

"Christ—Our All" is the theme of the second series of messages, beginning February 2, to be heard on 11 stations carrying the Arkansas Baptist radio programs. Speaker will be Pastor S. A. Whitlow, First Church, Hope. His first message is on the subject, "Christ—the Foundation of Life."

Splendid response throughout the state has been received regarding the enlarged ministry of the Arkansas Baptist Radio Commission and the first series of messages by Pastor A. B. Pierce, First Church, Pine Bluff. The weekly program is 15 minutes in length and features an outstanding pastor and music by the Arkansas Baptist Quartet, directed by C. E. McMeans, music professor of North Little Rock schools, and choir director at Second Church, Little Rock.

The program may be heard every Sunday over the following stations:

- KFFA, Helena—7:45 a. m.
- KLCN, Blytheville—8:00 a. m.
- KCLA, Pine Bluff—8:30 a. m.
- KHOZ, Harrison—8:30 a. m.
- KTFS, Texarkana—8:45 a. m.
- KARK, Little Rock—10:30 a. m.



Speaker Whitlow

- KELD, El Dorado—12:15 p. m.
- KFPW, Fort Smith—1:15 p. m.
- KWFC, Hot Springs—1:30 p. m.
- KGHI, Little Rock—1:30 p. m.
- KUOA, Siloam Springs—4:15 p. m.

Ft. Smith Immanuel Counts Blessings

Immanuel Church, Fort Smith, under the leadership of Pastor Victor H. Coffman, has shown definite progress in every phase of church and denominational work during the last year. One hundred fifty-five new members were received.

More than \$50,000 passed through the church treasury. Approximately \$14,000 went to missions, \$10,000 of which was through the Cooperative Program. Eight hundred dollars worth of moving picture projector equipment and two large restaurant stoves were purchased. Repair work and improvement on the present building amounted to \$2,000. The parsonage was completely redecorated and refinished and \$6,000 was added to the building fund which now totals \$13,000.

Immanuel voted to contribute \$6,000 to the Ouachita College Campaign and has already paid \$2,500. The World Emergency Relief offering totaled \$823.

The church has 12 students in the three seminaries and the three state denominational schools preparing themselves for the ministry, religious education, or mission work.

The Arkansas Baptist, The Commission and Home Missions are sent to all deacons, departmental Sunday School officers, teachers and class officers, Training Union officers and leaders, and the WMU officers.

Last Easter the church started

broadcasting chimes from the church each Sunday morning and evening and Wednesday evening.

There are now five full-time workers: pastor, director of activities, educational secretary, church secretary, and custodian.

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New Appointments

In the January meeting of the Home Mission Board, Rev. and Mrs. A. D. Dawson of West Palm Beach, Fla., were named as missionaries among migrant workers in the Southland; Miss Margaret Owen as student missionary in Rachel Sims Mission, New Orleans; and Rev. and Mrs. Rudy Hernandez as missionaries in Menard and Eden, Tex.

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The Training Union of First Church, Siloam Springs, was completely departmentized and four new unions were organized during an enlargement campaign directed by Ralph W. Davis, state Training Union director. Assisting Director Davis were Miss Irene Jones, Fort Smith; Mrs. Carl A. Clark, El Dorado; Mrs. William J. Perkinson, Fort Smith, and Miss Eileen Ellis, Little Rock. Average attendance for the week of training was 142. Enrolment of the Training Union was advanced from 126 to 133 on Sunday evening following the campaign. The organization has been Standard for six months and plans have been made to maintain the Standard throughout 1947. Mrs. Ruth Tolleson is the director.

Three Surrender To Mission Work

By A. L. McDANIEL, Pastor
First Church, Mt. Ida

The Lord poured out His blessings in abundance upon the people of First Church, Mount Ida, on January 12. It started with a high hour in the morning service with two additions to the church, one for baptism and one by letter.

In the evening service Bro. Clyde Hankins, missionary to Brazil and former pastor of this church, preached for us. There were two conversions, one of them joining the church as a candidate for baptism, and three of our young people surrendered their lives to God as foreign missionaries. They are Nona Bea Hankins, 14-year-old daughter of Bro. and Mrs. Hankins; Glen Elliott Hickey, 15-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Hickey, and Carey Veazey Selph, 10-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carey Selph.

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Northern Baptists Urge Pay Increase

A minimum pay increase of 10 per cent for all pastors of the denomination has been recommended by the State Secretaries Council of the Northern Baptist Convention.

Pointing out that its pastors do not have "recourse to measures open to men in industry and business" for increasing their pay, the council stated that the churches should raise salaries "sufficient to insure an income equal in purchasing power to that received prior to the inflation era."

The council said that the increased cost of living is forcing many ministers to live close to or below the subsistence level. In proposing the 10 per cent increase, the council suggested that in most instances the raises should be above that figure.

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Rev. G. Ashton Smith, who supplied the pulpits of churches in and around Little Rock while serving as chaplain in the Army and stationed at Camp Robinson, is now pastor of First Church, Hogansville, Ga. He reports that the per capita gifts in the church last year amounted to approximately \$65. Building facilities are inadequate at present, but plans are underway for the erection of a new building and \$20,000 is already in a fund for that purpose.

Dr. McCall Receives Plane From Churches

Eight Baptist churches have presented an airplane called "The Gospel Flyer" to Dr. D. A. McCall, executive secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

Dr. McCall, who has traveled 252,000 miles through Mississippi since 1939 carrying out his religious duties, thus becomes the only missionary secretary in the United States who owns his own plane and does his own piloting.

A Bible bound in olive wood from Palestine and a vial of water from Phillip's fountain in the Holy Land—both to be carried in the plane—were also presented.

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SOUTHERN BAPTIST HOME MISSIONS has enjoyed a fruitful year. Many churches have subscribed for it on the budget plan. Lithographed on heavy offset paper for the past several months, it has made a beautiful and dignified appearance. The editors are grateful for many expressions of commendation. The mission magazines and the state Baptist paper ought to be in the budget of every Baptist church.—John Caylor.

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Church and Pastor	Undesignated Cooperative Program Contributions	Designated Contributions
Rosboro—Coy D. Sims		
Sulphur Springs—James H. Miller	6.00	11.37
Washita—J. P. Emery		5.00
TOTALS	\$ 637.91	\$ 424.11

CAREY ASSOCIATION

Bearden—H. S. Coleman	\$ 77.97	\$ 13.64
Dalark—Claude Stewart	4.00	
Fordyce—C. W. Caldwell	1091.61	275.50
Hampton—C. A. Maule	40.00	110.04
Harmony—Gus O. Douglas	12.00	
Manning		
New Hope—T. L. Graves	21.00	
Ouachita—J. M. Basinger	22.50	26.00
Prosperity—Wallace Denton	7.00	5.00
Shady Grove—John Caussey	5.00	43.00
Sparkman, 1st—J. M. Basinger	255.00	172.41
Thornton—Gus O. Douglas		
Tinsman—Wallace Denton	30.00	
Miscellaneous		59.55
TOTALS	\$1566.08	\$ 705.14

CAROLINE ASSOCIATION

Austin Sta.—W. G. Dove	\$ 5.00	
Baugh's Chapel	4.00	
Biscoe—Tommie Lonergan		\$ 25.00
Brownsville—Emmett Graham	2.50	3.00
Cabot—Dale McCoy	200.00	356.75
Camp Ground		
Caney Creek—E. Rawlings	33.00	
Carlisle—Guy D. Magee	255.00	61.05
Chambers—Guy D. Magee		
Coy—E. J. Tankersley	58.34	144.35
Des Arc—Ernest Baker	45.00	65.45
DeValls Bluff	30.00	
England, 1st—W. B. Pittard	240.00	330.00
Hazen, 1st—Chas. Hampton	160.00	80.00
Lonoke—W. M. Pratt	146.33	18.01
Mountain Springs		
New Hope—W. M. Pratt	70.00	
Oak Grove, 1st—C. H. Dunaway		
Old Austin	2.37	10.00
Pleasant Hill		
Pleasant Valley	15.00	
Steel Bridge		
Toltec—V. D. Griffin	9.75	10.00
Ward	58.84	50.00
Wattensaw—Jim B. Varnell		
Whippoorwill		
TOTALS	\$1335.13	\$1153.61

CENTENNIAL ASSOCIATION

Almyra—Walter N. Hill	\$ 330.44	\$ 209.85
Bethel		
DeWitt, 1st—Douglas M. White	200.00	350.00
Humphrey—Walter H. Watts	30.00	
Hagler—C. R. Cooper	30.00	
Reydell		
Stuttgart, 1st—Ralph D. Dodd	885.00	545.46
Tichnor—L. E. Ross	6.00	10.00
TOTALS	\$1481.44	\$1115.31

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION

Antioch—Everett Taylor	\$ 26.00	\$ 26.00
Bauxite—R. A. Butler	291.75	291.75
Benton, 1st—Virgil A. Rose	1500.00	1181.82
Bethel		
Gravel Hill—C. H. Seaton	9.00	
Harvey's Chapel—Ray Bunch	30.00	17.61
Hot Springs, Central—Clyde Hart	450.00	
Hot Springs, 1st—B. H. Duncan	450.00	985.91
Hot Springs, Park Place—Jesse Reed	550.01	86.16
Hot Springs, 2nd—W. J. Hinsley	375.00	547.00
Jessieville—Ernest Moseley	15.00	
Lake Hamilton—Joe Melton	30.00	
Lonsdale		
Malvern, 1st—T. K. Rucker	500.00	150.00
Malvern, 3rd—William Kersh	92.82	38.50
Mountain Pine—C. H. Seaton		
Mt. Vernon—H. H. Coble	10.00	
Mtn. View—J. E. Abbott	15.00	28.00
Owensville—O. R. Richey	18.00	28.50
Perla		
Piney—Edward Anderson	36.16	
Pleasant Hill—Alex Garner	140.58	150.00
Shorewood Hills—Joe Medford	18.00	
Union		7.89
Walnut Valley—Ed Vallowe	26.00	
TOTALS	\$4550.42	\$3539.14

CLEAR CREEK ASSOCIATION

Alix—E. H. McAllister	\$ 3.00	
Alma—D. O. Stuckey	40.00	\$ 225.00
Altus—G. L. Lonsberry	6.82	
Bethlehem		
Cedarville	9.65	
Clarksville, 1st—Sibley Wallis	236.00	886.75
Coal Hill—G. L. Lonsberry	9.00	9.00
Concord—S. A. Haley		
Dyer—Coy Lyons		
Fine Springs		
Forest Mission—L. H. Harwell	16.46	
Hagarville—E. McGoldrick		
Macedonia		
Mountain Top—E. H. McAllister	3.00	
Mulberry—J. N. Vandiver	47.95	51.75

New Prospect—J. N. Vandiver	12.50	
Ozark—Don Hook	75.00	350.00
Ozone—F. L. Painton	8.00	
Rudy		
Shady Grove—Joe Lee		
Shibley		
Spadra	5.00	
Sweet Home—H. G. Milam	31.99	25.00
Trinity (Johnson Co.)—L. D. Williams		
Trinity (Crawford Co.)		10.00
Union Grove—L. D. Williams		
Uniontown		
Van Buren, 1st—T. H. Jordan	300.00	183.50
Webb City—Coy Lyons		
White Oak—E. H. McAllister		
Zoar—F. J. Dillard	5.00	
TOTALS	\$ 809.37	\$1741.00

CONCORD ASSOCIATION

Bailey Hill—A. G. Escott	\$ 175.00	\$ 25.00
Barber—Frank Cleveland		
Bethlehem, Ft. Smith	9.15	
Bloomer—A. L. Hart		
Booneville, 1st—W. W. Grafton	520.00	6.72
Branch—Houston Grayson		103.00
Burnville		
Calvary, Ft. Smith—L. H. Davis	962.57	377.79
Charleston—Arthur L. Hart	90.00	375.00
Excelsior	15.00	22.00
Ft. Smith, 1st—B. V. Ferguson	1950.00	4133.70
Glendale—Houston Grayson		
Golden City		
Grand Ave., Ft. Smith—J. Earl Bryant	225.00	55.50
Greenwood—Geo. H. Hink	276.88	24.69
Hackett—S. C. Simpson	12.50	11.32
Immanuel, Ft. Smith—Victor H. Coffman	2500.92	1137.00
Lavaca—F. R. Sawyer	25.00	
Lick Creek		
Long Ridge		10.00
Magazine—J. I. Owens	22.35	4.00
Mill Creek—H. E. Marsh	4.00	22.00
Mixon—Frank Cleveland		
Mt. Zion		
New Prospect		
Oak Grove, Ft. Smith—W. A. Crow	103.86	
Paris—H. C. Seefeldt	565.66	1201.78
Rateliff—W. D. Best		
Rye Hill—L. L. Gilliam	26.00	
Scranton		
South Ft. Smith—Samuel L. King	224.95	51.51
Union Hall—Tom Finney		4.10
Vesta—A. L. Hart		
TOTALS	\$7708.84	\$7565.11

CURRENT RIVER ASSOCIATION

Bethany—Raymond Sconce		
Biggers—Alvin Allison		\$ 16.00
Columbia—Jarrett—Fred Lewis		
Corning—L. C. Tedford	\$ 80.00	
Dell—Geo. Anthony		
Hopewell—C. F. Gwinup	30.00	60.00
Moark—D. C. Applegate, Sr.	15.00	15.00
Mt. Pleasant	21.69	
New Home—Clay Roach	15.00	
Oak Grove—H. L. Waters		15.00
Pochontas—W. H. Hunt	40.00	38.36
Ravensden Springs—S. W. Wilkerson	9.00	
Reyno—Clay Roach		42.00
Shiloh (Clay County)—E. G. Pavey	6.00	
Shiloh (Randolph County)—Success—James Busby	30.00	
TOTALS	\$ 210.00	\$ 208.05

DARDANELE-RUSSELLVILLE ASSOCIATION

Atkins—Cecil Archer	\$ 108.87	\$ 45.50
Baker's Creek	50.00	
Jno. Grace Memorial (Belleville)		
Centerville		
Danville—P. J. Beach	77.33	100.00
Dardanelle—J. A. O. Russell	81.47	63.00
Dover		
East Point—S. D. Seymour		
Flat Rock—J. H. Cunningham		
Havana—Geo. Findley		
Hopewell		
J. A. Taylor, Bluffton		
Knoxville—Virgil Logan	50.50	63.89
London—B. D. Smith		10.00
Moreland—Cecil Archer		
Morrilton, 1st—J. F. Brewer	403.00	386.00
Mountain Springs		
Mt. Vernon		
New Hope—J. A. O. Russell		
Ola	9.00	52.50
Piney—Sid Gotocher		
Pittsburg—L. D. Williams	5.00	
Plainview		16.00
Pleasant Hill, Briggsville		
Plumerville—L. L. Jordan	45.00	257.81
Pottsville	5.00	10.00
Rover		
Russellville, 1st—Fritz E. Goodbar	746.00	334.57
Scottsville		
Whiteley		
TOTALS	\$1581.17	\$1339.27

DELTA ASSOCIATION

Arkansas City—Nelson Greenleaf	\$ 80.00	\$ 7.00
Auds—Jim Matthews		10.00
Bartholomew (Gaines)—G. McMurray	16.00	
Beouff River		
Bellair		24.00
Bethel—A. J. Ready	20.79	
Boydell—T. J. Barnes		15.00
Collins—J. L. Stone		16.50

Crooked Bayou—J. M. Moore		
Cypress Creek—Rev. Chesney		18.00
Daniel's Chapel	21.79	
Dermott—Carroll D. Wood	36.00	562.00
Eudora—Clarence Cutrell	443.53	300.00
Halley—Dallas Roscoe		4.00
Jennie—R. L. Blackwell	81.10	34.20
Kelso—Howard A. Bash	56.00	
Lake Village—J. T. Eliff	333.33	
McArthur		
McGehee—Theo T. James	824.06	280.67
Midway—A. U. Kinney		
Montrose—Earl Ferrell	97.35	44.70
Mt. Pleasant	80.40	
New Hope—A. J. Ready		
New Liberty, No. 2—W. T. Lynn		8.30
Oak Grove—J. M. Devine		
Omega	9.41	30.59
Parkdale—V. A. Clanton	32.00	8.00
Pleasant Ridge		3.00
Portland, 1st—John P. Whitlow	88.87	
Ryecraft		
Richland—J. C. Higgenbotham		
Tillar—Dale Taylor	80.00	312.00
Union Hill		
Watson		
Wilnot—Irwin Moshier	270.50	135.25
TOTALS	\$2571.13	\$1813.21

FAULKNER COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Bee Branch—W. G. Dove	\$ 15.00	
Beryl—P. E. Turner	30.00	\$ 158.00
Bond—Grady Sellers	5.00	
Brumleys Chapel—James D. Reed		
Cadron Ridge—Grady Sellers	52.00	5.00
Conway, 1st—H. B. Tillman	1200.00	32.00
Conway, 2nd—Hugh Owen	57.60	10.00
Emmanuel—W. G. Dove	5.00	
Formosa		
Friendship—Grady Sellers	10.00	
Happy Hollow	2.50	25.10
Hill Creek		18.03
Holland—Floyd Ward	12.00	5.12
Mayflower—W. G. Dove	10.00	
Mt. Vernon—T. W. Hayes		25.00
New Bethel	5.00	
Oak Bowery	10.00	
Pickles Gap—T. W. Hayes	10.00	
Pleasant Grove—P. E. Turner		
Southside—W. G. Dove	15.00	
Union Hill		10.00
Wooster—Ralph Boyette	10.00	
TOTALS	\$1449.10	\$ 288.25

GAINESVILLE ASSOCIATION

Austin—S. R. Pillow	\$ 12.50	
Brown's Chapel	6.00	\$ 6.00
Grace		
Greenway—S. W. Wilkerson	19.00	27.00
Harmony—S. R. Pillow		
Leonard—S. R. Pillow	9.00	
Lone Prairie—Geo. Anthony		
Mt. Hebron—W. H. Horn	12.00	28.80
New Hope—Roscoe Priddy	24.00	
Nimmons—E. W. Gray	16.00	14.70
Nutt's Chapel—Tom Arnold	32.00	
Peach Orchard—Russell Duffer	8.00	8.00
Piggot, 1st—J. C. Young	224.34	40.78
Pollard—Geo. Anthony		
Rector, 1st—E. C. Polk	85.00	
St. Francis—O. R. Steiner		
TOTALS	\$ 447.84	\$ 125.28

GREENE COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Alexander Chapel		34.00
Beech Grove—Donald Campbell	36.14	
Bethel Station—Carroll Gibson	10.00	20.00
Big Creek—R. C. Rogers		
Brighton		
Brown's Chapel—Jeff Rousseau	8.00	39.00
Cache Valley—Alvin Allison		50.00
Center Hill—Carroll Gibson		
Childress Chapel—J. H. Hughes		50.00
Delaplaine		
Eight Mile—A. O. Collier		5.00
Epsaba		
Fairview—J. W. Whitlock	10.00	
Fontaine		
Harmony		
Lafe	2.00	17.47
Marmaduke—C. E. Robertson	38.67	25.00
Mounds	7.40	5.29
New Friendship—Jeff Rousseau	50.00	
New Hope—Carroll Gibson	6.00	
New Liberty		9.00
Paragould, East Side—J. H. Griffin	128.55	300.00
Paragould, 1st—Irving M. Prince	1187.07	533.95
Pleasant Grove—Carroll Gibson	5.00	
Pleasant Hill—J. H. Hughes	12.00	
Pleasant Valley		23.00
Robb's Chapel—R. C. Rogers	60.00	31.5

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Church and Pastor	Undesignated Cooperative Program Contributions	Designated Contributions
Criger Mission		
Dumas—Ralph Douglas	300.00	10.00
Gideon—Hamp Chavis	2.00	
Gould—L. W. Williams	60.00	50.00
Greenlee Memorial—E. O. Martindale	15.00	36.70
Hardin		
Hickory Grove—Luther Dorsey	6.00	
Kingsland—Don Williams		
Lee Memorial, P. B.—Chas. Finch		
Matthews Memorial—L. G. Whitehorn	151.90	43.19
New Bethel—Bob McPherson		
Oak Grove—Robert D. Hughes	63.50	
Pine Bluff, Calvary—Elmo Johnson	46.70	9.51
Pine Bluff, 1st—A. B. Pierce	2004.02	2516.28
Pine Bluff, Harmony—Clyde M. Cutrell	137.95	
Pine Bluff, Immanuel—Paul Fox	650.00	123.25
Pine Bluff, 2nd—Homer H. Bridges	170.00	10.00
Pine Bluff, Southside—Lloyd A. Sparkman	604.00	330.83
Pine Bluff, West Side—Frank Brown		
Plainview—G. E. Nethercutt	30.00	32.93
Plum Bayou (Wright)—A. F. Robinson		20.00
Rankin's Chapel—J. H. Chavis		13.17
Rison—T. T. Newton	186.67	2.50
Shelby Memorial, Wabbaseka—Star City—Luther Dorsey	446.94	173.25
Tyro		
White Sulphur Springs—Desmond Castleberry	26.03	17.46
Yorktown—Bob McPherson		
TOTALS	\$4906.71	\$3409.07

HOPE ASSOCIATION

Beech St., Texarkana—Bruce H. Price	\$1439.20	\$1624.06
Boyd—Alex Garner	12.50	
Bradley	90.00	100.00
Canal—James Olive		
Canfield	20.27	8.20
Central, Magnolia—L. L. Hunnicutt	750.00	368.93
College Hill—Roger M. Baxter	300.21	207.00
Doddridge—James Pleitz	15.00	
Emmanuel—Lee Baxter		
East View—Wallace A. Ely	55.28	57.77
Evergreen—Odell Rhyne		
Fouke, 1st—Howard Wilson	15.90	200.00
Garland		
Genoa—J. T. Midkiff	12.00	20.35
Guernsey	3.00	
Haley Lake—A. W. Wagon		
Harmony Grove—Chas. Cornell		
Hope, 1st—S. A. Whitlow	990.00	1055.00
Lewisville—J. W. Royal	140.66	500.00
Macedonia, No. 1—Frank Eaton		
Macedonia, No. 2—Mandeville		50.00
Mt. Zion—J. P. Olive	18.00	
Piney Grove—Lawrence Ferriell		20.00
Pisgah	5.00	
Red River—A. W. Wagon	6.00	
Rocky Mound—Frank E. Eaton	4.50	35.00
Shiloh—George DeLaughter	20.00	
South Texarkana—Orlin Allen	100.00	20.00
Spring Hill		
Stamps, 1st—Walf Hamilton	90.00	80.00
Silverino—C. R. Pierce, Jr.		25.00
Tennessee	5.00	
Trinity—Warren Nutt	40.61	65.18
Troy		
Arabella Heights—Raymond Crotts		
Anderson Union—Sid White		
Miscellaneous		21.50
TOTALS	\$4133.13	\$4457.99

INDEPENDENCE ASSOCIATION

Batesville, 1st—E. P. J. Garrett	\$ 375.00	\$1954.05
Calvary, East Batesville—Byron King	85.00	3.00
Cord		
Cushman		
Desha—D. L. Patton		6.00
New Union		
O'Neal		
Pilgrims' Rest—Tom Poole		
Pleasant Plains	200.00	100.00
Rehobeth, Moorefield		20.00
Rosie	12.00	29.00
Ruddell Hill	30.00	30.00
Salado	3.00	
Salem—George M. Roberts		
Stony Point	75.00	
Sulphur Rock—George M. Roberts		44.58
Union Grove	14.78	50.00
Union Hill Mission		12.50
West Batesville	300.00	282.67
White River (Oil Trough)		11.62
TOTALS	\$1094.78	\$2543.42

LIBERTY ASSOCIATION

Caledonia—Grant Pickens	\$ 10.00	\$ 65.00
Callon—P. C. Church		5.00
Camden, 1st—T. L. Harris	1428.16	1597.61
Chidester—R. C. Daley		
Cross Roads—Jack Cutbirth	20.00	10.00

Cullendale—J. Elmer Morgan	555.00	6.00
Ebenezer—John Burton, Jr.	15.00	
El Dorado, 1st—Sam Reeves	4024.42	3043.19
El Dorado, Immanuel—R. C. Brinkley	625.62	50.00
El Dorado, 2nd—Jas. E. Carroll	855.06	60.00
El Dorado, West Side—C. A. Johnson	180.00	388.00
Elliott—H. S. McLaren	75.00	165.00
Felsenthal—Edward Harris		
Galilee	36.00	59.50
Huttig—R. C. Nixon	65.00	10.00
Joyce City—Garland Anderson	161.49	183.77
Junction City—Dell Hames	220.24	
Knowles Chapel		
Lapile	8.25	
Lawson—J. R. Pratt	25.00	
Liberty		
Lisbon	1.50	
Louann—Louis Gustavus	30.00	12.55
Midway—F. E. Canady		
New London—L. J. Tucker		
Norphlet—Loyal Prior	765.93	286.10
Norris		
Parkview, El Dorado—H. B. Marks	103.16	
Philadelphia—Chas. Riley	10.00	50.00
Salem—Hugh Cantrell	2.00	55.55
Shuler—Paul Shipman		9.97
Smackover—Ralph Reazor	750.00	203.02
Snowhill—L. H. Jones		
Stephens—Hugh Cantrell	393.66	
Strong—Arthur G. New	50.97	
Three Creeks—Paul Shipman		
Union—W. O. Miller	150.00	188.40
Urbana—Marsh Whittington	150.00	796.25
Village—J. E. Hargett	60.00	600.00
Wesson—J. B. Ritchie		
Miscellaneous		10.00
TOTALS	\$10,771.46	\$7854.91

LITTLE RED RIVER ASSOCIATION

Brownsville		
Camp Heber		
Concord—O. D. Yount		
Edgemont, Fairview		\$ 2.00
Floral (Pleasant Hill)—Delbert Garrett	\$ 8.62	30.55
Heber Springs—Othar Smith	240.90	
Lone Star—O. D. Yount		
Mt. Olive		
Mt. Zion	15.00	3.00
Palestine—W. J. Smith		10.00
Pleasant Ridge		
Pleasant Valley—W. B. O'Neal	7.50	
Post Oak		
Shiloh	5.00	45.00
Quitman—G. W. Norman		
TOTALS	\$ 277.02	\$ 90.55

LITTLE RIVER ASSOCIATION

Ashdown—Lawson Hatfield	\$ 203.52	\$ 112.75
Athens—Leonard D. Dove		
Ben Lomond—Dean Newberry	8.00	
Bingen, 1st—Mack Gates		
Brownstown		
Mineral Springs	34.00	3.00
Columbus—R. C. Creed		18.66
De Queen, 1st—Boyd Baker	261.42	
Dierks—Sidney Oxendine	15.00	
Foreman	20.00	
Hicks—Lawson Hatfield	10.00	28.00
Horatio—Russell Armer	10.00	900.00
Liberty		20.91
Lockesburg—W. T. Byrum	105.00	45.00
Lone Oak	98.13	
Murfreesboro—R. E. Baucom	90.00	199.00
Mt. Moriah		5.00
Nashville, 1st—W. E. Perry	639.80	125.00
New Home, Belton—Mack S. Gates	10.00	16.15
Ogden—Charles Cornell		12.85
Ozan		
Paraloma	2.00	
Rock Hill		
Sardis	6.58	
State Line—B. Atterbery	10.00	8.50
Washington—M. E. Tate, Jr.	55.00	
Wilton	24.27	
Winthrop—Don Jones	3.00	10.00
TOTALS	\$1615.72	\$1504.82

MISSISSIPPI COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Armored—D. C. Mayo	\$ 15.00	\$ 44.49
Blackwater—T. J. Richardson	12.00	
Blytheville, 1st—E. C. Brown	1250.06	167.00
Blytheville, Calvary—P. H. Jernigan	44.00	101.65
Boytont		
Brinkley Chapel—Emmitt Cross	26.00	
Brown's Chapel—Roy Johnson		21.18
Clear Lake—H. W. Wooten	37.00	84.00
Cole Ridge—W. C. Steward	21.51	27.33
Cross Roads—W. C. Steward	17.04	38.30
Dell—L. G. Scott	74.85	
Dyess, Central Church—Hal Gallop	137.31	9.52
Emmanuel—A. M. Houston		50.00
Etowah—Roy Johnson		5.51
Fairview—J. T. Richardson	15.00	
Gosnell		
Joiner—M. E. Wiles	100.00	57.36
Kelser—C. S. Womack	24.00	
Leachville—Rex Brown	35.00	56.00
Luxora, 1st—A. B. Hill	45.00	
Manila—C. J. Rushing	230.05	24.00
Mary's Chapel—M. E. Griffin		16.50
New Bethel—Ellis C. Burnett	15.00	
New Liberty—L. G. Miller	271.32	98.63
New Providence—R. F. Liddell	548.00	88.00
Nodena—M. D. Davis	40.80	57.16
Number Nine—Howard H. King	22.50	
Osceola, 1st—E. T. Smith	500.00	16.00

Rocky		
Wardell—Doyle Creech	15.45	31.46
Well's Chapel—Auton	3.00	
Whitton—H. M. Robertson	351.05	2.57
Wilson—A. F. Muncy	225.58	500.00
Woodland Corner—Arnold Clayton	38.95	10.50
TOTALS	\$4115.47	\$1507.16

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Bethabara, Cane Island—M. E. Wilfong		8.00
Black Oak—Floyd North		
Brookland		31.20
Caraway—Robert W. Johnson		
Cash		200.00
Deason Lake—A. S. Smith	20.00	
Egypt—J. E. Ratliff	12.50	
Friendly Hope—O. S. Conley		
Grubbs—Walter L. Phillips	25.00	
Jonesboro, Central—J. I. Cossey	195.00	37.00
Jonesboro, 1st—C. Z. Holland	1365.00	2344.68
Jonesboro, Fisher St.—Frank Waite	82.50	
Jonesboro, Walnut Street—C. C. Duncan	162.50	53.92
Lake City—W. E. Speed	260.00	1337.49
Lunsford—Jack E. Laffler	47.00	46.80
Monette		
Mt. Pisgah—Osborne Justice	10.00	
Mt. Pleasant		
Mt. Zion—J. O. Miles	150.00	10.00
Nettleton—Carl Bunch	74.24	54.87
New Antioch		
New Bethel		
New Hope, Black Oak	50.00	
New Hope, Jonesboro—Daniel Hughes		21.24
Philadelphia—Basil Goff	24.00	38.92
Rowe's Chapel—Elmer McCall	19.00	
TOTALS	\$2535.94	\$4165.92

NEWTON COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Ben Hur	\$ 9.00	
Deer—Jno. R. Stratton		
Jasper—John R. Stratton	20.00	
Moore—John E. Stratton		
Parthenon—John R. Stratton	9.00	
Walnut Grove, Boxley	8.00	
TOTALS	\$ 46.00	

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Bethel (Potter)—C. P. Cowert		
Board Camp—M. L. Wallis	\$ 7.50	
Cherry Hill—J. M. Holman	60.75	
Concord		
Cove—Joe Hall	9.00	\$ 5.50
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Gillham—H. V. Wilson	7.10	
Grannis		32.13
Hatfield—C. S. Anderson	30.00	
Hatton—Mark Roberts		20.00
New Hope—J. B. Liles		
Salem—John Liles		
Two Mile—C. P. Cowert		
Vandervoort—H. V. Wilson	27.19	42.91
Wickes—B. Atteberry	15.00	
Yocana—J. M. Holman	12.00	10.00
TOTALS	\$ 168.54	\$ 110.54

PERRY COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Bigelow	\$ 32.50	
Casa—Claud Miles	26.31	
Harmony		
Houston		
Perry		\$ 35.64
Perryville—G. H. Ussery	14.39	
Pleasant Grove		
Thornburg		
TOTALS	\$ 73.20	\$ 35.64

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Bethel—A. H. Morris		
Crystal Hill—H. L. Mowrey		\$ 19.00
Crystal Valley—R. D. Herrington	\$ 38.24	
Douglasville—Allen McCurry		
East End—Harry A. Nettles		25.00
Friendship—G. W. Smith	32.27	
Geyer Springs—A. L. Puckett		
Grace—E. S. Ray	176.67	
Graves Memorial—Walter Adkins		
Harmony		
Hebron—W. Dawson King	104.23	42.07
Holly Springs—L. A. Tribble	18.55	5.00
Ironton—M. E. Faulkner	53.62	68.41
Jacksonville—H. W. Ryan	134.00	239.00
Levy—O. A. Greenleaf	113.56	56.03
Liberty—Perry Corder		
Life Line—Lawrence Kendrick	10.00	4.00
Little Rock, Baptist Tabernacle—L. H. Roseman	517.75	174.00
Little Rock, Calvary—P. J. Crowder	180.00	104.54
Little Rock, 1st	3750.00	6273.99
Little Rock, Gaines Street—C. E. Lawrence	507.50	
Little Rock, Immanuel—W. O. Vaught, Jr.	1950.00	7057.90
Little Rock, Pulaski Heights—W. H. Hicks	1666.36	114.98
Little Rock, Reynolds Memorial—G. S. Wilson	122.00	67.82
Little Rock, 2nd—M. Ray McKay	2205.85	794.87
Little Rock, South Highland—Ray Branscum	273.33	
Little Rock, Biddle—Horace Grigson	16.13	5.80

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BROTHERHOOD OBJECTIVES

(As submitted by the Baptist Brotherhood of the South)

Our 1947 Objectives

The Baptist Brotherhood of the South suggests the following program of activities for 1947. We believe this to be as comprehensive a program of Christian activities as the men of our churches could possibly engage in.

During the year we shall be busy in four fundamental fields of Christian endeavor: Soul-winning; A Proper Observance of the Lord's Day; The Promotion of the Co-operative Program; The Promotion of Laymen's Revivals.

We believe that our denominational life is rooted in these four fundamentals.

Soul-Winning

The main task of a Christian is to win souls to Christ. This is fundamental, and everything else is to be contributory to it.

We are thinking especially in terms of personal soul-winning—individual contacts, man-to-man engagements, men going out and personally introducing their Lord to those who do not know Him.

Of course, we will not be unmindful of congregational soul-winning efforts—evangelistic services in our churches conducted by ministers of the gospel, to which services men will exert their best efforts to bring lost men.

We are also thinking of services in schoolhouses, under brush arbors, in public auditoriums, on street corners; in fact, everywhere and upon all occasions conducive to winning souls to our Lord.

A Christian layman has not reached the maximum of Christian service until he has become a zealous winner of souls.

To this great task the men of our Brotherhoods will dedicate their lives during 1947.

The Lord's Day


This is an enlargement upon last year's emphasis upon the worship services of our churches. To be sure, it includes these services, for no man can absent himself habitually from the worship services of his church and properly observe the Lord's Day. Indeed, that would be a definite and direct violation of the divine intent of the day.

On the other hand, a man could attend the worship services of his church every Sunday during the year and desecrate the rest of the day by engaging in irrelevant activities.

In speaking of a proper observance of the Lord's Day, the Brotherhood has in mind a Christian conduct which would carry out the divine command to set aside one day—every hour of it—as holy unto the Lord.

We believe it to be our Lord's

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desire that, on the day which we call Sunday, we shall give ourselves only to those engagements through which we can lend a spiritual influence that will advance His kingdom on the earth.

Cooperative Program

Every denominational need—operational and capital—state and southwide, can be adequately financed through the Cooperative Program when Southern Baptists understand it thoroughly and, subordinating every other appeal to it, will give it right-of-way.

The Baptist Brotherhood of the South stands unalterably for the Cooperative Program. We believe it to be the best and most effective plan yet devised for financing the world-missions program of Southern Baptists, and by "world-mission" we mean every phase of our work, at home and abroad.

We suggest a substantial increase in our offerings, and also that we channel our offerings through the Cooperative Program as the basic plan for financing our work. The Cooperative Program is the only medium through which Southern Baptists can give their financial support to the entire denominational program.

The high objective of ten million dollars for southwide causes has been set for this year. Such a high financial goal can be realized only by a continuous, vigorous, and concerted effort on the part of all of the agencies of the convention, and with the wholehearted and generous support of Southern Baptists.

Laymen's Revivals*

The Baptist Brotherhood of the

South proposes a goal of five hundred Laymen's Revivals during 1947.

It must be clearly understood that what we are proposing is not a revival in the popular sense of the word. We do not have in mind a series of evangelistic services, but rather five rededication services—Sunday morning, Sunday night, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday nights.

A Laymen's Revival is to be conducted entirely by laymen. The pastor will be consulted throughout the revival, and will, of course, give us his hearty support and co-operation, but the revival must be considered a special effort on the part of the laymen of a church for an all-out masculine enlistment.

*The Baptist Brotherhood of Arkansas is also sponsoring Brotherhood Revivals in which the men of the church or the Brotherhood accept the major responsibility for every phase of the revival effort. (See Brotherhood column AR-KANSAS BAPTIST issue of January 16, 1947.)

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Revival at Joyce City

By GARLAND ANDERSON
Pastor, Joyce City Church

Joyce City Church, near El Dorado, had Jay W. C. Moore of Muskogee, Okla., and Frank Adams of Paragould, in a revival. Bro. Moore has been missionary of the Muskogee Association for the past eight years. He preaches the Word with simplicity and power and the Lord blesses him with many souls. In the eight years in that association he has led to the Lord and church membership more than 900 souls.

Bro. Adams is known throughout many states as an evangelistic singer. The Lord keeps him busy continually. He knows how to prepare people's hearts through song for the message to follow.

The pastor was ill and in bed, but these men together with the church went to work and the Lord poured out His blessings. There were 29 professions of faith, 27 for baptism, and many rededications. This, from all accounts, was the best revival Joyce City Church has ever experienced. It is still going on, too.

Figures to Inspire

January 19, 1947

Church	Addns.	S.	S.	T. U.
Arkadelphia, First	4	382		204
Benton, First	2	478		87
Camden, First		341		100
Conway, First	1	379		114
Cullendale, First		204		77
Dyess, Central		129		61
El Dorado Churches:				
First	1	548		154
Second		308		100
Fordyce Church	1	244		117
Fort Smith, First	2	890		330
Hamburg, First	1	185		118
Hot Springs Churches:				
Central	12	312		113
Park Place	1	325		120
Second		308		101
Including Mission		349		
Little Rock Churches:				
Baptist Tabernacle	2	377		95
Baring Cross	2	540		175
Bellevue		45		
Calvary	2	139		60
First	7	800		273
Gaines Street	10	328		201
Grace	5	90		33
Immanuel	13	1023		325
Including Mission		1396		521
Ironton	1	77		
Pine Grove		51		
Second	2	626		
South Highland	2	245		88
Trinity	7	83		
Woodlawn	1	105		61
Magnolia, Central		308		110
Mena, First	2	270		101
Mount Ida, First	1	104		57
Norphet, First		164		102
North Little Rock:				
Central	1	176		45
First	3	477		
Paris, First		338		115
Pine Bluff Churches:				
First	5	594		171
Including Mission		659		206
Matthews Memorial	1	81		68
Second	2	183		68
Rogers, First		332		85
Springdale, First	2	326		159
Including Mission		396		
Walnut Valley		78		55
Warren, Immanuel		61		49

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DO YOU HAVE A DIPSY DOODLE?

Jesus Uses Miraculous Power To Meet Hopeless Human Needs

By R. PAUL CAUDILL

The golden text for today's lesson may well be regarded as a perfect epitome of the larger lesson: "Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth on me, though he die, yet shall he live" (John 11:25).

Again He said, "I came that they may have life, and may have it abundantly" (John 10:10), and in John 14:6 he declared, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one cometh unto the Father, but by me."

When Hope is Low

Our lesson presents three instances of the miraculous power of Jesus in meeting the desperate needs of human life. The first one—that recorded in John 4:46-51—symbolizes the meaning of Christ for human hearts when hope is low—when the candle of hope has all but gone out.

The scene of the first miracle is laid in Cana of Galilee, the place where Jesus made the water wine. John tells us that "A certain officer in the service of the King, whose son was sick at Capernaum," upon hearing that Jesus was in the city came to Him and besought Him to come down and heal his son. The officer in all probability was one of the courtiers of Herod the Tetrarch of Galilee. He had perhaps heard of the miracles worked by Jesus in Jerusalem and may have been familiar with the one performed by Him in Cana.

At any rate he makes it clear to Jesus that his son is at the point of death, and that hope is low.

Jesus is manifestly conscious that He is being sought in His own country not as a prophet but as a miracle worker. In Samaria He had been received as a prophet without performing a miracle. But here it was different. The multitude continued to turn to Him for outward visible demonstrations of His mighty power. Hence Jesus' answer to the officer: "Except ye see signs and wonders, ye will in no wise believe" (v. 48).

It is not that Jesus would discount His "signs and wonders" but rather that He is apparently disappointed because in Galilee the emphasis is on His miracle working power rather than upon the truth He utters as the prophet of God (Robertson). Thus His picturesque reminder of the stubborn refusal of people to believe in Him without miracles (v. 48).

The faith of the officer, however, remained unshakened. He refused to let go of the last ray of hope as he stood before Jesus, saying "Sir, come down ere my child die" (v. 49).

Jesus was evidently moved by the tender concern of the anxious father for his child and because of

Sunday School Lesson For February 2

John 4:46-51; 5:2-9; 11:41-44

the manner in which the father clung to Him for help. Consequently, Jesus said unto him, "Go thy way; thy son liveth" (v. 50).

John tells us that as he was going down to his home his servants met him saying that his boy was alive. Upon inquiry as to the time when the boy began to amend the officer learned that it was the seventh hour, the very time in which Jesus said unto him, "Thy son liveth." As a result he believed and his whole house.

Here is a lesson that Christians ought ever keep before them. So long as there is life there is hope—in Christ Jesus. No matter how low hope may lay in the face of the vicissitudes of life, we must ever look to Christ with believing heart and mind. God is able—even unto the uttermost.

When The Years Fail

The second miracle recorded in our lesson took place at the pool of Bethesda. There the multitude of those that were sick—the blind, the halt, the withered—gathered in the hope that by being placed in the pool they might be healed.

Westcott suggests that whatever healing properties the pool may have had was probably due to its mineral elements. We do know that there are mineral springs here in our own land today that many regard as beneficial for certain ailments. Eusebius described the waters of the pool identified with it in his time as "marvelously red." The redness of course could come from deposits of iron on the stone. Sulphurous or chalybeate springs have, through the centuries, been regarded as efficacious in cases of weakness.

Jesus found lying by the pool a man who had suffered an infirmity for thirty and eight years—a long, long time to be sick. How He knew the length of the man's infirmity, we are not told. It could have been by His supernatural knowledge (John 2:24f.). He may have overheard the people talking about the condition of the man and about the length of his illness.

The tragedy of the man's case lay in the fact—at least from his own standpoint—that he had no way of getting down into the water at the proper time (John 5.7).

Jesus, moved by the words of the

man, said to him, "Arise, take up thy bed, and walk." And straightway the man was made whole, and took up his bed and walked.

This miracle, says Dummelow, "may be regarded as a parable illustrating the deadly effects of and the power of the Saviour to deal with the most helpless cases. This poor man in his youth had shattered his nervous system by a life of sensual indulgence (v. 14), and had lain for 38 years a hopeless paralytic" (v. 5).

It is interesting to note that Jesus did not delay His merciful act of healing for the helpless cripple but immediately ministered unto him. In this particular instance it appears that the working of the miracle by Jesus led to faith on the part of the one healed. The man went away bearing witness of the blessing that had come to him at the hands of the Lord.

When The Worst Comes

When Lazarus became sick Mary and Martha sent unto Jesus, "Lord, behold, he whom thou lovest is sick" (John 11.3). Upon receiving the message, Jesus said, "This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God may be glorified thereby." He then remained at the place where He was two days before starting for the Bethany home.

Upon His arrival Jesus found Lazarus had already been dead four days. Nevertheless, he gave command for them to take away the stone and at the same time reminding those in sorrow that if they would but believe they would see the glory of God.

Following this Jesus lifted His eyes unto the Father and then spoke with a loud voice to Lazarus saying, "Come forth," and he that was dead "came forth, bound hand and foot with grave-clothes" (John 11:43f.).

When the worst comes in life, as come it must to every home one day, and to every soul, there is but one to whom we can turn with confidence and hope: that one is Jesus. If as followers of Christ we could but come to trust Him fully, death would lose for us its sting.

NEW PASTOR



Warren Nutt, student at Ouachita College, has become pastor of Trinity Church, Hope Association, succeeding O. O. Davis, who resigned because of ill health.

Mr. Nutt was converted at the age of 13. He attended A. and M. College, Monticello, two years and served four and one-half years in the Army, 31 months of which was spent overseas. He surrendered his life to the ministry in 1945 and was ordained a few months later.

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Ferriel to Bigelow

By Mrs. John Dabry

Bro. Lawrence Ferriel has accepted the pastorate of Bigelow Church. He is a thoroughly consecrated man of God who depends upon the Lord to lead him in every thing and preaches without fear the gospel of Christ.

We feel that the church will move forward under his leadership. Pray for us that through the power of God and under the leadership of Pastor Ferriel we will go forward in the Lord's work and accomplish great things for him.

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Church and Pastor	Undesignated Cooperative Program Contributions	Designated Contributions
Little Rock, Woodlawn—Joe L. Ingram	91.40	29.18
Martindale—C. D. Johnson	—	16.00
Mountain View—W. L. Wadley	—	—
Mountain View, No. 2—W. D. Kilpatrick	—	—
Nall's Memorial—Sam Burnett	3.00	—
Natural Steps	—	30.00
North Fork	—	—
North Little Rock, Baring Cross—H. A. Elledge	1190.87	456.50
North Little Rock, Central	203.89	35.00
North Little Rock, 1st—Owen W. Moran	1248.00	1300.00
North Little Rock, Pike Avenue—Raymond Strickland	111.12	41.00
North Point—E. W. Goodson	—	3.61
Oakwood	—	—
Pilgrim's Rest—R. C. Otey	20.00	5.00
Pine Grove—Harold White	45.00	18.50
Plainview—C. O. Abbott	176.49	—
Pleasant Grove—W. J. McConaghey	—	—
Roland—Tommie Hinson	—	—
Shady Grove—W. T. Craton	20.00	—
Stanfill	10.00	—
Sylvan Hills, 1st—E. S. Ridgeway	30.00	—
Trinity—Clyde E. Parish	18.40	—
Vimy Ridge	—	—
Woodson—Lee Lewis	36.89	—
Worrell's Memorial—H. R. Boyd	63.50	20.00
Zion Hill—Jack Hogue	82.70	8.82
TOTALS	\$15,221.32	\$17,016.02

RED RIVER ASSOCIATION

Antoine—Raymond Lindholm	\$ 12.00	—
Arkadelphia, 1st—J. G. Cothran	1350.00	\$ 316.00
Arkadelphia, 2nd—O. C. Harvey	90.00	—
Beech Street, Gurdon—Kenneth R. Grant	150.00	25.00
Belrne—Marvin Gennings	18.00	10.15
Bethel	10.40	—
Bethlehem—Guy Hopper	—	—
Boughton—J. Theo Atkinson	25.04	—
Caddo Valley—Tommie Roberts	—	—
Curtis—Ned White	30.00	—
De Gray—Guy Branscum	38.54	72.65
Emmett—Theo Atkinson	—	—
Fairview—Graham Fowler	31.50	6.00
Harmony—C. E. Pennington	3.00	9.80
Hollywood—Chas. Riley	—	—
Lake View	—	—
Mt. Bethel	—	—
Mt. Olive—Guy Hopper	4.00	—
Mt. Zion—Glenn B. Wright	14.00	—
New Hope (Inactive)	—	—
Okolona	—	—
Pleasant Hill—Hugh Howard	11.70	—
Prescott, 1st—Fred White	180.00	524.00
Richwoods—Everett W. Taylor	19.20	42.00
Sayre—Ernest Moseley	—	6.60
Shady Grove—Fred Alexander	—	—
Shiloh—Raymond Lindholm	—	50.00
Social Hill—L. W. Rhodes	—	—
South Fork—George S. Fox	9.00	—
Sycamore Grove—Guy Hopper	—	—
Unity—E. C. Patterson	—	84.00
Whelen Springs—Frank Van Landingham	10.00	—
TOTALS	\$1994.68	\$1157.90

ROCKY BAYOU ASSOCIATION

Belleview—J. R. Hamilton	—	—
Calico Rock	—	\$ 5.00
Evening Shade—W. E. Davis	—	18.50
Finley Creek—Hugh Cooper	7.00	12.00
Franklin—Hugh Cooper	10.50	10.50
Gulon—Geo. M. Roberts	6.90	19.00
Hickory Flat	—	—
Johnsonview	—	—
Lone Star—Troy F. Melton	—	—
Melbourne	—	37.00
Mt. Pleasant, Sage—Hugh Cooper	22.50	53.50
Oxfodr—Hugh Cooper	3.00	40.00
Rocky Bayou, Lunenburg	—	—
Saints' Rest	—	—
Sidney—W. E. Davis	—	32.80
Zion Hill—Hugh Cooper	—	—
TOTALS	\$ 49.90	\$ 278.30

STONE-VAN BUREN ASSOCIATION

Clinton—Claud Jenkins	\$ 37.50	\$ 22.61
Corinth (Holly Mt.)—J. M. Hayes	—	—

Evening Shade	—	—
Harness—Zack Davis	—	—
Happy Hollow	—	—
Leslie—R. F. Weeks	\$ 40.00	\$ 50.00
Lexington—J. M. Hayes	—	—
Marcella	—	—
Marshall—W. L. Leach	107.05	121.05
Morning Star—Homer Crabtree	—	—
Mountain View, 1st—Gus Poole	40.00	—
Pee Dee—J. D. Reeves	—	—
Plant—J. M. Hayes	—	4.00
Pleasant Valley—C. M. Dauber	—	—
Red Hill—J. M. Hayes	10.00	—
Shady Grove	—	—
Shirley—C. M. Dauber	12.00	3.00
Valley Springs	—	—
Zion	2.00	—
Zion's Light—Loy Moody	—	—
Dennard Mission	2.10	—
TOTALS	\$ 250.65	\$ 200.66

TRI-COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Antioch—Andrew Heskett	—	—
Barton's Chapel—Billy Walker	\$ 70.00	—
Beck Spur—Glen Giles	8.00	4.36
Bethel	—	—
Cherry Valley	6.30	—
Crawfordsville—Ray Y. Langley	45.00	351.89
Earle—H. L. Lipford	962.75	1464.11
Fair Oaks	—	—
Fitzgerald Cross—Shaw	—	26.00
Forrest City, 1st—Minor E. Cole	975.00	649.66
Gladden	—	—
Harris Chapel—W. R. Woodell	96.00	106.00
Jericho—G. C. Anderson	—	—
Liberty	—	—
Madison—Glen Giles	8.00	—
Marion—B. P. Martin	117.50	121.54
May's Chapel—J. R. Pruettt	5.00	47.20
Mt. Pisgah	—	—
Palestine—Glen Giles	6.00	12.39
Parkin—Selbert Haley	382.53	281.20
Pine Tree	—	—
Riverside—W. M. Thompson	—	—
Shell Lake	12.00	—
Vandale—Cadwell	—	—
West Memphis—Aubrey C. Halsell	650.00	176.51
Wheatley	—	53.59
Wynne, 1st—W. R. Woodell	817.95	215.00
TOTALS	\$4156.03	\$3509.45

TRINITY ASSOCIATION

Bethel	—	—
Corner's Chapel—Kermit Early	\$ 20.25	—
Fisher—H. L. Waters	30.00	—
Freer—L. C. Edwards	—	—
Greenfield	9.00	—
Harrisburg	60.00	11.75
Holman Chapel	—	—
Hurd's Chapel—J. H. Garrett	—	—
Lebanon	—	—
Lepanto—Leslie Riherd	187.50	—
Maple Grove	—	—
Marked Tree—James Fitzgerald	226.81	43.97
Neiswander—R. E. Cole	—	—
Pleasant Grove	—	—
Pleasant Hill—L. C. Edwards	15.00	4.25
Pleasant Valley—R. E. Cole	—	—
Red Oak	72.21	24.00
Ridgeview	—	—
Shiloh	—	—
South McCormick—C. F. Barnett	13.50	8.93
Trumann—Edgar Griffin	140.00	3.00
Tyronza—Boyd Eldridge	325.00	31.00
Valley View—R. D. McEwen	10.84	8.60
Waldenburg—Robt. E. Leigh	—	—
Weiner—C. F. Barnett	7.00	6.00
Weona Junction—J. H. Garrett	—	25.50
TOTALS	\$1096.86	\$ 187.25

WASHINGTON-MADISON COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Brush Creek—Elisha Holland	\$ 7.50	—
Fayetteville, 1st—O. L. Gibson	750.00	\$ 426.68
Fayetteville, 2nd—Norman V. Drake	—	—
Friendship	3.00	—
Hindsville—Oakley Long	—	—
Huntsville—R. W. Jones	20.00	—
Johnson—Ewel Logue	10.00	—
Lincoln—A. J. Scott	11.30	14.20
Prairie Grove—B. L. Ayers	15.00	—
Sonora	—	—
Springdale, 1st—C. E. Willbanks	600.00	337.50
Spring Valley—Oakley Long	27.26	68.86
Sulphur City—Louis Bohlen	10.00	3.72
West Fork—Al Feltz	6.00	—
Winslow—Glen Steele	28.68	25.45
TOTALS	\$1488.74	\$ 881.41

WHITE COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Beebe	—	—
Bethany, Georgetown	—	\$ 15.00
Central, Bald Knob—C. S. Maynard	30.00	\$ 26.00
Crosby, Armstrong Springs—H. M. Dugger	—	12.00
El Paso—Ernest Anderson	45.00	130.00
Griffithville	—	26.00
Harris Chapel—Roy Balley	15.00	10.00
Higginson	—	4.00
Judsonia—L. M. Keeling	150.00	95.06
Kensett—L. C. Langley	50.00	90.50
Liberty, Walker	7.20	—
McRae	—	50.00
Morrow—B. C. Guler	—	—
Mt. Hebron	—	25.00
Mt. Sidon—H. M. Dugger	—	25.00
New Bethel, Floral—Albert Pate	—	—
Pleasant Valley—O. B. Smythe	8.00	—
Rescue—Jeff Davis	—	7.50
Rocky Point—Thatcher	6.00	10.00
Rosebud	—	10.00
Royal Hill—Ernest Anderson	9.00	30.00
Searcy, 1st—W. R. Vestal	455.00	269.50
Smyrna—T. W. Hayes	5.00	10.00
Union Valley—Jeff Davis	6.00	25.00
West Point—Jack Auten	—	10.50
TOTALS	\$ 802.20	\$ 864.06

WHITE RIVER ASSOCIATION

Antioch, Flippin—J. F. Richardson	7.71	5.00
Blooming Grove	—	—
Cotter—Dennison Yates	48.00	120.00
Gassville	—	25.00
Flat Rock—J. F. Duncan	—	—
Hopewell (Colfax)—Geo. W. Johnson	—	50.00
Lone Rock	—	—
Mountain Home—D. W. Stark	107.50	480.50
New Athens	—	—
New Hope	—	—
Norfork	—	5.60
Oak Grove	—	—
Pea Ridge	—	—
Pilgrims' Rest—J. F. Richardson	—	—
Pleasant Hill, Bruno	3.50	5.00
Rehobeth, Flippin	—	—
Whiteville—G. W. Johnson	—	—
Yellville	—	—
TOTALS	\$ 197.31	\$ 680.50

WOODRUFF COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Augusta	\$ 150.00	\$ 21.00
Cotton Plant—Rivos H. Dorris	137.27	6.00
Good Hope	3.00	5.00
Gregory	—	—
Hunter	18.00	10.00
Log Cabin	—	—
McCrary—Chester Parker	64.11	86.16
Pleasant Grove (Howell-Wiville)—J. M. Hitt	60.00	6.00
Raynor's Grove	—	—
Tupelo	44.62	—
TOTALS	\$ 477.00	\$ 134.16

UNASSOCIATED CHURCHES

Brown	—	—
Keo	\$ 103.75	\$ 20.00
Mena, 1st—James A. Overton	100.00	26.00
High Street, Little Rock—Harvey Hicks	25.00	—
TOTALS	\$ 228.75	\$ 46.00

MISCELLANEOUS CONTRIBUTIONS

WMU DIXIE JACKSON CONTRIBUTION	\$2300.33	—
GRAND TOTALS	\$93,501.70	\$94,488.76

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