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Rio de Janeiro—City of Contrasts

We returned July 16 from a meeting of the 10th Congress of the Baptist World Alliance, in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, June 26–July 3. During the trip we spent some time in nine of the Central and South American countries. In later issues we want to share with you some of our observations and experiences.

Rio de Janeiro is a city of contrasts. Viewed from an airplane as you approach the landing across Guanabara Bay, it is a thing of beauty. Or, again as you look upon this teeming city from either Sugar Loaf Mountain or Corcovado, a peak of some 2,400 feet high upon which is mounted the 180-foot statue of Christ, you are impressed with its natural beauty. Guanabara Bay, we are told, is one of the finest harbors in the world. It is adequate to hold all of the ships of the world, as the story goes. Then your eyes fall upon beautiful Copacabana Beach, with the tall and stately apartment houses in the background.

On the other hand, upon landing you discover a city that is dirty and noisy. Standing aloft Corcovado and looking toward the Copacabana area your eyes are focused upon a scene that symbolizes the contrasts of the city. For on the near side of the mountain you see one of the "favela" sections. This is one of the many slum areas of Rio. Here the houses are made of waste lumber and other materials the inhabitants have collected. There are central toilet facilities and a few water hydrants for these areas, which constitute dens of iniquity and hot beds of disease. Many of the people are living on a starvation basis.

Lift your eyes a little while looking in the same direction and you witness the fabulous Copacabana section. We are told that property values in this area are comparable to that of Fifth Avenue in New York. Here is a vivid picture of the fabulous wealth of the few and the extreme poverty of the many characteristic of Central and South America.

We Southern Baptists have been doing mission work for a number of years in Brazil and God has signally blessed our efforts. Today there are 1,550 churches in the Brazil Baptist Convention with more than 175,000 members.

The 10th Congress was attended by approximately 13,500 messengers from churches in 65 countries. It was the judgment of many that this meeting will immeasurably strengthen the Baptist and evangelical witness in the Latin countries.

—S. A. Whitlow, Executive Secretary

Cooperative Program Gifts Down Second Quarter

Cooperative Program gifts from the churches of the Arkansas Convention for the month of June totaled $130,019.29, showing a gain of $3,027.15 over the total of $126,992.14 for June a year ago. This met the operating budget of $127,256.29, for the month and allowed $2,763 carry over to the capital needs section of the budget but still left short by $7,490.75 in the latter section.

For some reason we have not been able to determine, the proverbial bottom fell out of the Cooperative Program receipts for the month of April. Receipts were down considerably in May. For this reason the June increase, although not great, is encouraging.

The total receipts for the first quarter this year (January, February and March) were $407,815.48, showing a gain of $35,019.07 over the corresponding period last year and only $4,664.52 short of reaching the total budget for this quarter. Losses in April and May, however, give us a deficit to date this year of $44,793.28.

A total of 458 churches gave more during the quarter just closed than they gave during the first quarter this year, and 466 gave more than they gave for the second quarter last year. But 334 churches gave less for the second quarter this year than for the same quarter a year ago. A total of 137 churches gave the same amounts the second quarter this year as given during the first quarter, and 86 gave the same amounts for the second quarter last year.

Carried elsewhere in this issue is a church-by-church report by Associations of the giving for the giving for the second quarter. Pastors, treasurers and other church leaders are urged to study this report and do anything they can to increase their gifts to our Southern Baptist lifeline, the Cooperative Program. —SAW
Equal Treatment

LOUISVILLE Presbyterian Theological students published a two-column advertisement in The Courier Journal expressing the support of the student body for business establishments and organizations opening their "facilities to all people irrespective of race or color" and calling upon others to support their statement "by appropriate action." The faculty, it is understood, also gave the action full approval.—The Presbyterian Outlook

Southwestern Names McBeth Instructor

HARRY Leon McBeth, who has been serving as teaching fellow in the Church History Department for the past three years, has been named instructor of church history at Southwestern Seminary.

A 1954 graduate of Wayland College with the bachelor of arts degree, McBeth is scheduled to teach five regular courses and one evening class.

He received the bachelor of divinity degree from Southwestern in 1957. He has completed his residence work and orals toward the Th.D. and plans to complete his thesis by May, 1961.

IMMANUEL Church, Little Rock, had 661 enrolled in the recent Vacation Bible School.

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Mixing Religion And Politics

By a Pastor

EDITOR'S NOTE—This is a message written by a Presbyterian pastor to his congregation when he learned that people in his community—including many church members—were engaged in the buying and selling of votes in connection with a local political campaign.

"Why doesn't the church keep out of politics?" You might as well ask, "Why doesn't the God who created man and the world stay out of it?" The church is God's chosen instrument in the world for righteousness and truth. Through the church God's message for man is proclaimed—the Bible speaks to all men, in every area of life, and in particular to those who profess to be members of the church of Jesus Christ.

The professing Christian (assuming that a church member is one) is duty bound to follow his Lord—who chose to be crucified rather than compromise his integrity and honesty. In order to keep his integrity, and in order to be true to the will of God the Father, Jesus chose the cross. He would not compromise with evil and corruption in order to bring in the Kingdom. He refused to be pressured or to be muffled by men. The world which lives by the philosophy, "the end justifies the means," says that Jesus was a fool! But history has declared him Victor—for he kept his integrity by following his conscience in obedience to the will of God.

They Were Bought

There can be no question in the minds of any that this past primary election was a sordid, rotten, and sorry mess. While no one has said openly (to any "official"), "I sold my vote" or "I bought a vote," it is common knowledge that many votes are bought with money, whiskey, and through "pressures" of one kind or another.

The disturbing thing from the Christian church's vantage point is this—that in some cases professing Christians join with others of questionable character and integrity to achieve their questionable ends. It is doubtful whether anyone who does so—really wins! If a poor man sells his soul (vote) for a mess of pottage (money or favor), hasn't he sold the only thing he really can possess—his integrity, his honor, and his character?

Does the end ever justify the means? Can you get an "honest"

man into office by "questionable" means?—the Bible says no! Isn't the victory that might be won really a tragic loss—the loss of one's personal integrity or honesty? When one sows a little gray cloud of shadiness won't the harvest be a big black cloud of degradation?

Shouldn't any professing Christians who would engage in bearing false witness (defamation of anyone's character, regardless of which party or faction within a party the individual belongs to)—shouldn't any professing Christian who would participate in the "buying, or selling of votes, or in pressuring voters," for his own sake and the sake of the church of Christ, do some real heart searching?

Walk in the Light

It is time for those of us who profess to be the followers of the One who chose to be crucified, rather than betray his responsibility to God and betray his personal integrity, to walk in the Light as God is in the Light.

The words of Paul are appropriate, and a good warning to us all:

"Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap" (Galatians 6:7).

The citizens of our community, and in particular the members of our church, ought to do some critical self-examination. If need be, we should repent and return to God. He will forgive the sincere penitent. In the future, let one's own personal conviction and conscience guide him or her in voting. A true Christian citizen does not sell, buy, or bargain for votes.—The Presbyterian Outlook

Real Misery

"REMEMBER, my boy," said the elderly relative, "that wealth does not bring happiness."

"I don't expect it to," answered the young man. "I merely want it so that I shall be able to choose the kind of misery that is most agreeable to me."
Editorials

For the second time in our history, the Democratic Party has named a Roman Catholic as its candidate for the presidency of the United States. For Baptists, staunch advocates of religious liberty and separation of church and state across the centuries, the question is not so much “Will (or, can) the Catholic nominee be elected?” as “Should a Catholic be elected?” No Baptist can consistently support a Catholic for office any more than a Catholic can exercise his own judgment, apart from the will of the Catholic Hierarchy, in the discharge of his official duties.

We are not against Catholicism as a religious faith for those who wish to be Catholics. We would die for the privilege of people to choose to be Catholics. But we must stand four-square against the threatened and actual encroachment of the Roman Catholic Church upon the lives of people outside it. Roman Catholicism is more than a religion. It is totalitarianism with a world organization centering in a foreign land and denying the right of any religion to exist outside its own hierarchy. The fact that here in America, where Catholics are still in the minority, other faiths are “tolerated” by the hierarchy should neither disarm us nor calm our fears. We know about Rome’s long-range program to take America and what life here will be like if Roman Catholicism ever has the ascendancy, for we know about the ruthless rule today of the Catholic Church in countries predominantly Catholic.

“Let’s not make an issue over religion,” a lot of well-meaning people are saying across the country. Really, friends, Americans have no choice in this matter. The very nature of the Catholic Church, which claims divine authority over all mankind, automatically injects the religious issue. Some call us bigots for lifting our voices against the constant encroachments of Roman Catholicism. If it be bigotry to stand for the God-given rights of men and women created to be free moral agents; if it be bigotry to oppose the taxing of the public for support of religious institutions and programs; if this be bigotry, then let those who will make the most of it!

It is good news that Southern Baptist leaders are to have an opportunity to face squarely the question, “Should a Catholic Be Elected to Public Office?” in conferences next month at Glorieta, N. M. (Aug. 11-17) and at Ridgecrest, N. C. (Aug. 25-31). Dr. Glenn L. Archer, executive secretary of Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church and State, will direct the study of this question, at both conferences. A conference on a related topic, “A Look at Today’s Political Scene,” will be led by Dr. Daniel R. Grant, native Arkansan who teaches political science at Vanderbilt University, at the Glorieta meeting. Dr. C. Emanuel Carlson, Washington, D. C., executive director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, will lead a study on this topic, at the Ridgecrest assembly.

Dr. Foy Valentine, of Nashville, Tenn., executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission, sponsor of the assemblies, has said:

We are not concerned about Sen. John Kennedy (D., Mass.) primarily, for our interest lies deeper than that: The pattern of action when a Roman Catholic has been elected to other offices in government in the United States—as Catholics are elected mayors, city councilmen, state legislators, governors, members of coordinate.—Continued on page 5

Personally Speaking...

Johnson Grass

It’s hard for those of us who have spent a big part of our lives fighting grass—in the cotton and corn patches and in our yards—to realize that the grasses “are first among all families of the plant kingdom in their usefulness to man.”

There are 4,700 different kinds of grasses, but just one Johnson grass.

A few weeks ago I saw a Negro workman spraying the Johnson grass with some kind of chemical. I thought about stopping to tell him he could get rid of Johnson grass in but one way—digging it up. But it was none of my never-mind.

A day or two later, all the grass was as dead as a door knob. Or so it appeared. Although the temperature was ranging in the upper 80's, the late grass had the appearance of having been snowed under by a quarter-inch frost.

Maybe I had been wrong. Maybe you could get rid of Johnson grass by pouring something on it. Wish we’d had some of that spray down on Bunker when I was growing up. It would have added several years to my life expectancy.

For several days I was out of town and I forgot about the blasted Johnson grass. Then I suddenly found myself driving along that desolate strip again. Desolate? Like a fish! There was a white new crop of Johnson pushing right up through the dead grass tops and about half as high already as it was the day the patch had been sprayed.

Our bent to sinning, sometimes called the Adamic nature, is a lot like Johnson grass. It can be sprayed with good intentions, with reformation, with “clean, ethical living,” and for a while it will seem to have died. But the roots of degeneration are still there, sowing a whole new crop.

The only relief from our sinful natures is through a death and a birth—the death of the old man of sin and the birth through regeneration of the new man as a true son of God. Nothing we can rub on the outer side of our lives will bring this about. It comes only through the miraculous power of Jesus Christ, by grace through faith.
Arkansas All Over

"Shad" Rue Begins
Arkansas Pastorate

REV. C. N. ("Shad") Rue, a native of Kentucky and a graduate of Baylor University and Southern Seminary, has resigned the pastorate of 1st Church, Phillips, Tex., to become pastor of Beech Street Church, Texarkana.

Pastor Rue became a Christian in 1945, while serving in the 2nd Division of the United States Marine Corps Reserves and, feeling a call to the ministry, began preaching soon afterward.

His pastorates have included Blue Ridge Church, near Reagan, Tex., the East Waco (Tex.) Baptist Mission, and Liberty Church and Munfordville Church, both in Kentucky. He has served the Phillips church for the past four years.

In February, 1959, Mr. Rue was one of 70 Southern Baptist preachers and laymen participating in an evangelistic crusade in Great Britain. During a week of preaching in Scotland he saw 120 persons accept Christ.

The group later toured the Bible Lands.

Mrs. Rue is the former Miss Billye Franklin, of Phillips, Tex., a registered nurse. They have three children: Deanne Marie, 8; Nelson Ray, 6; and Leslie Forbes, 14 months. They are making their home in Beech Street's new parsonage, at 2225 Beech Street.

NEW PASTOR AND FAMILY: Rev. C. N. Rue, recently called to the pastorate of Beech Street Church, Texarkana, with Mrs. Rue and children, Deanne, 8, Nelson, 6, and Leslie, 14 months.

Junior Musicians
To Have Camp

Arkansas junior musicians will have their own camp this summer.

The State Junior Music Camp will be held at Ouachita College, Arkadelphia, August 1-3.

Guest leaders will come from Georgia, Texas, and Mississippi. They are Mrs. Mabel Boyter, Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. Evelyn Phillips, Texarkana, Tex.; Dwight Phillips, Texarkana, Tex.; Cecil Roper, Jackson, Miss.

Camp fee is $7.50 plus $1 for notebook and materials. This includes registration and insurance.

The camp will open on Monday at 10:30 a.m. Registration will precede at 9:30. It will close with the final program of demonstrations and singing at 1 p.m. Wednesday, August 3.

Young people between 9 and 12 years of age may attend. At least one sponsor from each church will be included.

Campers are requested to bring Bible, notebook, recreation clothing and equipment, fan, pillow, linens, soap, and other toilet articles.

THE REV. Guy Merryman, pastor at Jasper and Deer, has been called as pastor at Parthenon Baptist Church also.

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school boards.

Their [church] statues appear in public parks. Will they (the Catholics) step up their already vigorous campaign for public funds for their sectarian institutions?

As much as we deplore the naming of a Catholic for President on the Democratic ticket, it may be that we needed some big jar like this to wake us up to what is happening all about us. Let us not be frightened into complacency and silence by the sneers and jeers of those who would keep "the religious issue" out of the fall election. The issue is there. It has not been and cannot be injected by us for it has already been injected like a hypodermic needle by the Roman Catholic Church. Nothing but Roman Catholicism stands to gain by having it overlooked or ignored.—ELM
Almost half of the churches of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention now have the Arkansas Baptist News Magazine in their budgets.

According to figures compiled by Mrs. Juanez Stokes, circulation manager, a total of 582 churches have the paper in their budgets. This is 49.6% of the 1,174 churches now affiliated with the State Convention.

Centennial Association, as previously announced, is the only association in the state which now ranks 100% circulation of the paper, all of its 11 churches having the paper in their budgets.

Benton County, with 19 of its 23 churches having the paper in their budgets, ranks second with a percentage of 83, followed closely by Washington-Madison, with 23 of its 29 churches “budget” churches for a score of 80%.

The Arkansas Baptist has a standing offer to associations to provide the front page free once a month for associational news and promotion to those associations all of whose churches have the paper in their budgets. The regular charge for this service is $17.50 per issue.

The editor will be glad to work with associational missionaries and other leaders in the interest of increasing the circulation in their areas. The paper is offered free for one month to churches considering putting the paper in their budgets. A second month will be given free to churches voting to budget the paper.

Other associations and their percentage of “budget” churches are:
- Carroll, 6 out of 8 churches for a percentage of 75.
- Concord, 29 out of 40 churches, 72.5%.
- Central, 28 out of 39 churches, 72%.
- Ouachita, 14 out of 20 churches, 70%.
- Liberty, 36 out of 52 churches, 69%.
- Hope, 29 out of 44 churches, 66%.
- Clear Creek, 20 out of 32 churches, 62.5%.
- Pulaski, 46 out of 76 churches, 60%.
- Harmony, 20 out of 35 churches, 57%.
- Little River, 16 out of 28 churches, 57%.
- White County, 14 out of 26 churches, 54%.

Red River, 20 out of 38 churches, 53%.
- Caddo River, 10 out of 19 churches, 53%.
- Carey, 10 out of 19 churches, 53%.
- Buckner, 17 out of 33 churches, 52%.
- Trinity, 16 out of 31 churches, 51%.
- Independence, 9 out of 18 churches, 50%.
- Rocky Bayou, 8 out of 16 churches, 50%.

Bartholomew, 12 out of 25 churches, 48%.
- Arkansas Valley, 12 out of 26 churches, 46%.
- Boone, 11 out of 24 churches, 46%.
- White River, 7 out of 16 churches, 44%.
- Black River, 13 out of 30 churches, 43%.
- Caroline, 11 out of 26 churches, 42%.
- Woodruff, 5 out of 12 churches, 42%.
- Mississippi, 17 out of 42 churches, 40%.
- Newton, 2 out of 5 churches, 40%.
- Greene, 16 out of 41 churches, 39%.
- Delta, 13 out of 36 churches, 36%.
- Dardanelle-Russellville, 8 out of 25 churches, 32%.
- Mount Zion, 11 out of 34 churches, 32%.
- Gainesville, 5 out of 16 churches, 31%.
- Ashley, 6 out of 21 churches, 29%.
- Stone-Van Buren-Searcy, 6 out of 22 churches, 27%.
- Conway, 4 out of 15 churches, 27%.
- Big Creek, 3 out of 13 churches, 23%.
- Faulkner, 5 out of 25 churches, 20%.
- Tri-County, 9 out of 45 churches, 20%.
- Current River, 4 out of 21 churches, 19%.
- Little Red River, 3 out of 16 churches, 19%.
- Buckville does not have the paper in the budgets of any of their 4 churches.
Race Relations

Educators Get Degrees

WE EXTEND our congratulations to Dr. Lawrence Davis and Dr. Oscar Allen Rogers, each of whom received his doctor’s degree in Education at the University of Arkansas during spring commencement. Dr. Davis is president of AM&N College, Pine Bluff. He is, in my opinion, one of the most able college administrators in the state.

Dr. Rogers was formerly president of Arkansas Baptist College. He is now dean of students, Jackson State College, Jackson, Miss.

Men and women of good will everywhere should rejoice to see men with the intellectual ability, the moral and spiritual character of Doctors Davis and Rogers dedicate their lives to the field of Education.

Camps in Session

The first of two camps for Negro children, ages 8 to 16, was held at Aldersgate, near Little Rock, July 11-15. This camp was for boys. The camp for girls will be held July 25-29. The cost per camper is $12. Our department pays $3.50 on each of the first 75 to register. You might help some girl with the balance of the cost, or with transportation.

This is the only camp program sponsored by any church group for Negro children in Arkansas.—Clyde Hart, Director.

Ordinations

GOODWIN CHURCH recently ordained Harold Vaughan as a deacon. The Rev. Johnny Green, pastor, served as moderator and led the examination. The Rev. J. E. Jackson, pastor of Wheatley Church, preached the ordination sermon. Clerk was the Rev. Walter Allen, pastor of Becksport Church. The Rev. Buddy Uth, pastor of Palestine Church, offered the ordination prayer. Mr. Vaughan is the first deacon to be ordained at the Goodwin Church.

The church had a Standard Vacation Bible School this year with an average attendance of 65. The mission offering was $24.35 and was given to Cooperative Program.

Church Scout Units

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J. (EP) — More than half — 50.1 per cent — of the 129,097 Boy Scout units throughout the United States are sponsored by religious bodies, it was reported here.

Dr. A. E. Iverson, director of Protestant relationships for the Boy Scouts of America, said that the five top-ranking religious groups sponsoring Scouting are the Methodists, with 13,221 local units; Roman Catholics, 12,686; Baptists, 7,291; Presbyterians, 7,190; and Lutherans, 5,639.

Five other denominations sponsor more than 1,000 units each, he said.

All told, more than 3,500,000 youths throughout the nation are participating in Boy Scout activities.

SMITHVILLE Church, Black River Association, reports a Standard Vacation Bible School for the second consecutive year.

The church recently completed a revival with eight decisions by baptism and four by letter. The Rev. Charles Duncan, pastor of Barksdale Baptist Church, Bossier City, La., and a native of Waldron, was the guest evangelist. Dr. Herbert M. Haney is pastor of the church.

Baptist Hospital

Enrolls New Class

A CLASS of 43 nursing students entered the Arkansas Baptist Hospital School of Nursing July 3 to begin their three years of training in the diploma program.

Twenty-four of the students are Baptists. They include: Carolyn Bennett, Crosson; Glenda Rice, North Little Rock; Martha Boyd, Rison; Betty Devonne Cherry, Little Rock; Betty Daniels, Camden; Doris Dees, Monticello;

Ramona Fortner, Hatfield; Sherry Grumbles, Pine Bluff; Betty Ann Hagar, North Little Rock; Mary Susan Holman, Hot Springs; Carolyn Johnson, Ft. Smith; Suellen Johnson, DeWitt;

Elsia Kennedy, Magnolia; Janie Lawson, McCrory; Patricia Martin, Jacksonville; Mary Ann Mercer, Sparkman; Barbara Price, Monticello; Mary Prichard, Newport;

Patricia Shelton, Little Rock; Barbara Simpson, DeWitt; Carolyn Stewart, Tampa, Fla.; Deemtra Sumner, Dermott; Barbara Thurmond, Texarkana; Cyretha Ann Goode, England.
FIRST CHURCH, Bearden, reported eight professions and two additions by letter in a recent one-week revival. Bob Stokes, Kansas City, was evangelist, and Mr. and Mrs. Aubra Lindsey of the church were in charge of the music. A. W. Upchurch Jr. is pastor.

MRS. A. C. Freeman, a charter member of Grand Avenue Church, Ft. Smith, died June 13.

THREE conversions and four others for Christ were recorded at the Vacation Bible School of Second Church, El Dorado. Enrollment totaled 231; average attendance was 200.

MISS Betty Bunn is the new church secretary of First Church, Hamburg, succeeding Mrs. Roger McDougald, who resigned after two years in the post. E. E. Grier is pastor.

MONTGOMERY — H ops q n Shirey has been elected superintendent of the Alabama Baptist Children’s Home, in Troy, effective Nov. 1.

Shirey, assistant superintendent for the past five years, succeeds E. E. Cox, who is retiring this fall.

Changes

THE Rev. J. D. Passmore, formerly of St. Joe, has recently accepted the pastorate of Calvary Church, Hope.

During his pastorate at St. Joe the church acquired a pastor’s home and new church building. Recently the church added four additional Sunday School classrooms to the building.

Fourteen professions of faith were reported in the Vacation Bible School in June.

Dr. Caylor ‘Retires’

DR. JOHN CAYLOR, who retired several months ago as editor of Home Missions Magazine and who has served for the past nine months as associate pastor of 1st Church, Little Rock, has “retired” again. He will now be available as interim pastor, supply preacher, and evangelist. He and Mrs. Caylor make their home at 10 Bertwood, in Briarwood, Little Rock. He will continue to be honorary associate pastor of 1st Church.

On a recent visit to the offices of the Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine, Dr. Caylor revealed in an interview with the editor that he is considering publishing a series of sermons on the theme, “The Master is Come and Calleth for Thee.”

Dr. Caylor is the author of nine books, two of which are devotional sermons.

MRS. PEARLE Nunnally Burke, 61, member of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board since 1953, died in a Richmond, Va., hospital Saturday, June 28, after an illness of several months. She was the wife of Dr. Kenneth E. Burke, treasurer of the Baptist General Association of Virginia.

OSCAR HUSTON, pastor of Hickory Grove for two years, has resigned effective July 10. He and his family are moving to Ft. Worth where he will attend Southwestern Seminary.

ON JUNE 5, Centennial Church entered their new educational building. The first floor has been completed and plans are being made to continue the building program which includes adding another floor and brick-veneering the present frame structure.

ERBY SPHARLEE, who recently accepted the music work for Altheimer Church, has resigned to accept a position in Ft. Worth with the railroad. He will attend the Southwestern Seminary’s School of Sacred Music.

Change of Policy

FOR a long time now this paper has had a policy of not carrying advance notices of revival meetings in local churches. Beginning with this issue we are changing our policy and will now be happy to carry such notices, provided they reach us in time to appear in our paper before the meetings begin. To assure their publication they should reach us not later than Wednesday of the week preceding our date of publication. We shall continue to carry summary reports on revivals, given at their close, and prefer to have these as soon as possible. For obvious reasons, we shall not be able to carry photographs of evangelists in connection with revival announcements.

—ELM

ARKANSAS BAPTIST
Churches Subscribe
For Arkansas Baptist

AFTER receiving the one-month free trial offer a number of churches in the state have put the Arkansas Baptist in their budgets.

They include:

- Calvary Church, Route 1, Barber, Backner Association, Rev. Gerald Schleiff, pastor, and Cecil Womack, treasurer.
- Swifton Church, Black River Association, Rev. J. I. Cossey, pastor.
- Selma Church, Bartholomew Association, Rev. Raymond Johnson, pastor.
- Cahalan Church, Carroll Association, Rev. W. H. Lively, pastor, and L. E. Colvin, treasurer.

Newly-organized Emmanuel Church, Harrison, will receive the magazine free for three months. This is in accord with the paper's policy to send a three-months subscription free to any new church in the state. Rev. Lawrence M. Hamm is pastor.

Churches which have recently accepted the one-month free trial offer and will consider putting the paper in the budget to go to all resident families include:

- 1st Church, Lonoke, Caroline Association, Rev. J. T. Harvill, pastor.
- Brownsville Church, Caroline Association, Rev. Wendell Ross, pastor.
- Spadra Church, Clear Creek Association, Rev. James Kent, pastor.
- Oak Grove Church, Caroline Association, Rev. Ted Richardson, pastor.
- Wattensaw Church, Caroline Association, Rev. John O'Neal, pastor, Mrs. Roy Smith, church clerk.

CHARLES Ernest Denney, 78, father of Rev. Ottis E. Denney, Fayetteville, died in his home in Black Oak Community recently. He was a retired school teacher and tree surgeon. He is also survived by his wife, Lena, and another son, Ralph Denney, Ft. Smith.

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Baptist Crosscurrents

Unconditional Surrender

AS I write these lines we are faced with a grave world problem: "Ike will not visit Japan." Because of mob tensions the president cannot go into a country that in my lifetime made an unconditional surrender to our own nation. We sit here at home and say it ought not be so. I agree and I will agree on one other thing. When you accepted Jesus Christ as your Saviour you made an unconditional surrender. You have no right to stand in opposition to any of his demands. It is just as wrong for you to rebel to go to his house to worship Sunday morning and Sunday night, to withhold your tithes and offerings, to refuse to give of your time and talent as it is for Japan to rebel against this nation.

Aren't you glad that God is more merciful than we? But lest we forget, God said, "Be sure your sins will find you out."—Rev. J. C. Myers, Pastor, Rosedale Baptist Church, Little Rock.

Our Chief Field

A RECENT editorial in the Memphis Commercial Appeal quoted a professor at an eastern school as saying that theological seminaries are scarcely more than "trade schools." He deplored the teaching of such subjects as will not make the minister adequate to deal with all the needs of human life.

It appears that the good professor would have ministers to be all things — including a doctor of medicine, psychiatry, etc.

To be sure, there is room for improvement in the preparation of preachers, but the greatest need is a basic foundation in the Word of God. It is in the realm of faith where men need help the most and there is no greater ground for faith than the Bible and its record of God's dealings with men.—Dr. Charles Frank Pitts, Pastor, 1st Baptist Church, Blytheville, Ark., in The Baptist Herald.

Judd Republican Keynoter


Now completing his ninth term of service in the House where he has recently become a ranking member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, Dr. Judd entered politics in 1942 with an upset victory in the Minneapolis Congressional race.

1ST CHURCH, Corning, has recently completed a contract to purchase property adjoining the church plant. To be used for future expansion of the education facilities, it consists of two lots and one house which will be used for additional Sunday School departments.

THE Vacation Bible School of Walnut Street Church, Jonesboro, was rated Standard AA. Enrollment was 248, with an average attendance of 211. There were two decisions for Christ.
Soren Elected President Of Baptist World Alliance

By W. C. Fields

RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL—John Soren, for 26 years pastor of the 1st Baptist Church, Rio, and five times president of the Brazilian Baptist Convention, was elected president of the Baptist World Alliance.

The president of the International Baptist Seminary in Ruschlikon-Zurich, Switzerland, Josef Nordenhaug, was chosen to succeed Arnold T. Ohrn as general secretary of the alliance. Dr. Ohrn is retiring after the congress session here.

Soren is a native of Rio. His mother was born in Roanoke, Va. He is a graduate of Rio Baptist College, Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky., and the University of Louisville.

In addition to his pastoral duties the new alliance president teaches Systematic and Contemporary Theology at the South Brazil Baptist Seminary in Rio. He is a former vice president of the Baptist World Alliance and has been serving for the past five years on the alliance executive committee.

Soren preached the official sermon for last congress, held in London in 1955. During World War II he served as a military chaplain with the Brazilian Expeditionary Forces in Italy. He is a charter member and was the first secretary of the Brazilian Bible Society. Mrs. Soren is a native of Rio. They have three children.

Nordenhaug comes to his new duties as chief executive officer of the alliance from 10 years of experience as president of the Zurich seminary. He was born Aug. 2, 1903, in Oslo, Norway. After receiving a degree in science at the University of Oslo, he earned master's and doctor's degrees from Southern Seminary.

He was pastor of Baptist churches in Kentucky and Virginia and later became editor of The Commission, monthly journal of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board. He has traveled widely and speaks several languages.

Mrs. Nordenhaug is a native of Kentucky. They have two children, both university students in the United States.

Nordenhaug becomes the fourth general secretary in the 55-year history of the Baptist World Alliance. He was preceded by J. H. Rushbrooke of London, W. O. Lewis of Missouri, and Dr. Ohrn, who is also from Norway.

Soren is the tenth president of the alliance, the first outside of the United States, Canada, and England. He succeeds Theodore F. Adams of Richmond, Va.

The nine vice presidents of the alliance elected by the delegates are continental representatives: V. Carey Hargroves, of Philadelphia; Joseph H. Jackson, of Chicago; Lam Chi Fung, of Hong Kong; Alfonso Olmedo, of Argentina; Alan C. Prior, of Australia; William R. Tolbert, of Liberia; Henri Vincent of France; and Yakov I. Zhidkov, of the Soviet Union.

Eight Southern Baptists were among the 50 members elected to the alliance executive committee: Walter Pope Binns, of Missouri; Baker J. Cauthen of Virginia; J. D. Grey of Louisiana; Mrs. R. L. Mathis of Texas; Duke K. McCall, of Kentucky; Edward H. Pruden, of

How Many?

JOHNIE (looking out of the window): “Oh, mother, a motorcar has just gone by as big as a barn.”

MOTHER: “Johnnie, why do you exaggerate so terribly? I've told you forty million times about that habit of yours, and it doesn't do a bit of good!”
Baptists In Virginia

THE Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is located in Richmond, Va. But Virginia has not always been kind to Baptists.

A government order, dated 1611, required every man and woman in the colony to give account of his faith to the parish minister.

It further stated that any who did not give satisfactory account to the minister were to be given religious instructions by him. Should anyone refuse to see the minister the governor could give an order for the offender to be whipped.

If the offender refused the second time, two whippings could be applied and a confession of his fault made to the congregation the following Sunday.

For the third offense whippings were to be given daily until offenders complied with the order.

The Colony was under the religious control of the Church of England. In time, the order of 1611 was used against the Baptists. Their ministers were pulled from their stands, insulted, whipped and imprisoned for not preaching the gospel according to the established church.

Ministers John Waller, Lewis Craig, and James Childs were seized at a meeting, June 4, 1768, taken before the magistrate and imprisoned 43 days in Fredericksburg, Va.

Three years later, Mr. Waller and five more ministers were arrested in Middlesex County while at worship and placed in jail at Urbanna. One preacher, Mr. Woffard, was severely beaten and carried the scars to his grave. He was told to leave the county by noon of the following day.

Christians Remiss On Witnessing

RIDGECREST, N. C. — (RBA) — "The one thing every Christian is commanded to do is to bear a public witness and yet this is precisely what most church members never do."

These were the words of Luther Joe Thompson as he addressed 3,000 church musicians attending the Southern Baptist Music Leadership Conference here July 2. Dr. Thompson is pastor of 1st Baptist Church, Chattanooga, Tenn.

"Christians are willing to serve on committees, give of their money and help the poor, but for some strange reason when it comes to public witnessing they are just not there," he continued.

"Our churches are filled with their zones of silence, curtains of spiritual indifference, conveniently dumb tongues and cold hearts. Thoughtful men are bound to share what they truly prize and sooner or later every Christian must learn either he must give the gospel away or give it up; change it, or spread it."

At the same time, six other Baptist ministers were placed in Caroline jail. While imprisoned they preached through grated windows to crowds gathered outside.

James Ireland, formerly a Presbyterian, was imprisoned in Culpepper, Va. Gunpowder was placed under the floor to blow him up, but only some boards were displaced. An effort was made to suffocate him by burning brimstone at his window. Someone tried to poison him. All efforts failed.

John Clay, father of Henry Clay, was a Baptist preacher often imprisoned for preaching the gospel. He had a son, Porter Clay, who was also a Baptist minister. He died in 1850 and was buried at Camden, Ark.

In 1889, Liberty Association unveiled an appropriate marker at the grave of the son of this illustrious name.

Seminary Professors

NEW ORLEANS — Two new faculty members have been announced for the staff of New Orleans Seminary for the coming academic year. They are: Dr. George W. Harrison and Dr. Claude L. Howe, Jr.

Dr. Harrison, teacher of Bible and philosophy at Georgetown College (Ky.) the past five years, will be associate professor of Old Testament.

Dr. Howe, former pastor of Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church, Sand Hill, Miss., will be assistant professor of church history.

First Music Clinic Set for Aug. 16-19

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB)—Southern Baptist church musicians west of the Mississippi River will convene in Tulsa, Okla., Aug. 16-19 for a denominational church music clinic. Sessions will meet in Tulsa's Immanuel Baptist Church, while a hymn festival will be conducted on the concluding evening at 1st Baptist Church.

Principal program leaders are: Thomas L. Mills, associate professor of Voice, University of Missouri, Columbia; Sterling Price, pastor, 3rd Street Baptist Church, St. Louis, Mo.; and Gaines S. Dobbins, distinguished professor of Church Administration, Golden Gate Seminary, Mill Valley, Calif.
Training Union Assembly Draws Big Attendance

By The Editor

RECREATION is spelled with an "R" and not a "W" at Arkansas Baptist Assembly, Siloam Springs, as these snapshots made on Friday afternoon of the first week of Training Union Assembly, July 4-9, reveal.

First panel, top to bottom: Ronnie Hibbs and Kenneth Moore, both of Paris, and Jimmy Joyce, Siloam, rest after a hike with their cameras; crowd in front of dining hall, just before supper; Rev. Rhine McMurry, pastor of 1st Church, Lewisville, and associate director of recreation for the camp, makes a gallant but futile attempt to save the day for the Faculty, just before they lost the championship game to Pulaski Heights, of Little Rock.

Middle panel: Don Brown, Fayetteville, and Angela Howell, Little Rock, pause after a game of tennis; Gene Bledsoe, of Waldo, shows Bonnie Fish, of Pine Bluff, the prize crayfish (crawfish, to you and you and you, he has just caught in a nearby branch; a trio from Booneville, Glenda Byrd, Janet Yarbrough and Kay Farris play a tune as Bobby Wooldridge (back to camera) looks on.

Right panel: Milton Hambrice and Gene Bledsoe, both of Waldo, continue their search for crayfish and waterdogs; boys' time for the pool; Tommy Wistrand, Waldo, left, and Mike Creech, Rogers, finish a game of box hockey. Said Mike when asked his age: "Ten hittin' eleven—just put it down eleven!"

Registered for the week were 659, from Northwest, West Central, Southwest and North Central districts of Arkansas. At least that many were expected for the next week, July 11-16, according to Rev. Ralph Davis, state secretary of the Training Union department.

Out-of-staters on the program included: Dr. C. E. Autrey, Dallas, Tex., director of the Division of Evangelism, Home Mission Board; Dr. Nolan P. Howington, of the faculty of Southern Seminary, Louisville; Mrs. W. C. Dudley, Columbus, Ohio; and Mrs. W. S. Glimer, Atlanta, Ga.

In use for the first time this year is the new Children's Building, just completed. It has facilities for Nursery, Beginner and Primary departments.
Summer Meetings

THE Sunday School Department is sponsoring two meetings in August for Sunday School workers.

The first annual Sunday School Assembly for local church Sunday School workers will be conducted at 10 a.m., Springs, August 8-13. This meeting will provide conferences for Sunday School administration, departmental age groups, and special conferences for all boys and girls and young people. There will be a Bible hour with Dr. B. K. Selph speaking and a worship hour with Dr. Ralph Phelps speaking. The assembly is a family affair. A $2 reservation fee should be sent to Melvin Thrash, 111 Baptist Building, Little Rock.

Another important meeting for Sunday School workers is designed for associational Sunday School officers. This will be held at Ouachita College and 1st Church, Arkadelphia, August 23-25. Many associations are sending their officers or are assisting the officers in their expense. Leaders from the Sunday School Board will help in this meeting led by Alvis Strickland, associational field promotion secretary, Nashville, Tenn. Reservations (no money) should be sent to Ernest Adams, 314 Baptist Building, Little Rock.

These two meetings offer the best help in good Sunday School work and will feature the program theme for 1960-61 Sunday School year.

Using the book title of Dr. A. V. Washburn as a closing thought, these meetings should assist workers and churches in their “Outreach for the Unreached.”—Lawson Hatfield, Secretary

Teacher Shortage Prompts Aid Plan

NASHVILLE — (BP) — A committee of Southern Baptist educators will explore the possibility of paying subsidies to selected Baptist students who plan to teach in Baptist colleges.

A joint administrative committee which includes members of the Southern Baptist Convention Education Commission and the Southern Association of Baptist Colleges and Schools will make the study.

The proposal for subsidies was advanced because of the shortage of faculty members at the 71 colleges and schools related to Southern Baptists. This financial help will encourage more students to become teachers at Baptist colleges, it was reported.

At the same time, the Education Commission has been engaged in a study in a companion field—that of the types of graduate work a student may undertake in Southern Baptist Universities. This study has been going on at the request of the Convention's Executive Committee.

John A. Barry, Jr., associate executive and placement officer for the Commission here, said there is a shortage of teachers at Baptist schools in all fields except Bible.

Although the Education Commission has 450 names of active registrants in its placement files, 250 of the registrants want to teach in the field of religion, a field already well supplied. At the same time, Barry continued, hardly any applicants are in the file for some subject areas where shortages exist.

WILLIAM B. Lucas, of Ft. Worth, has been named superintendent of missions for the Tarrant Association of the Baptist General Convention of Texas. Lucas has served as the association’s religious education director since 1953. He had previously served as minister of education at 1st Church, Chattanooga, and Riverside Church, Ft. Worth. (BP)

Training Union

Dr. Harris To Speak

DR. PHILIP Harris, secretary-treasurer of the Training Union department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, will be the morning speaker at the State Training Union Workshop at 2nd Church, Little Rock, Sept. 27.

Five workshops will be held during the day, from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., for all adults who work with Nursery, Beginner, or Primary children, Juniors or Intermediates. These leadership workshops will be conducted by leaders from the Sunday School Board, assisted by State Approved Workers of Arkansas.

In these workshops the programs for October, November, and December will be planned. Inexperienced workers (and many new workers who will begin Oct. 1) will learn how to do their work at this workshop. Experienced workers may also receive new ideas and renewed enthusiasm.

It will be a state-wide workshop for every worker in these five departments from every church in Arkansas. No registration, no offering taken.—Ralph W. Davis, Secretary.

JARRELL F. McCracken, who was born and reared in Greenwood, and whose father, L. Q. McCracken, was pastor of the Baring Cross Church, North Little Rock, for several years, is the president and founder of the Word Record Co., in Waco, Tex. From one room to a modern $325,-000 office building and from one employee to 58 employees has been accomplished by the 29-year-old executive in nine years. Paul Harvey, noted NBC commentator, author, lecturer and recording artist for the Word Co., made the dedicatory presentation of the new office building, located in Waco.
Counselor's Corner

Grandparents Not Ideal

QUESTION: My son was divorced from his wife three years ago, and got custody of his two children, eleven and five. His wife was a drunkard and an adulteress, and after 13 years of marriage deserted him and the children. Both of them have remarried and I keep the children for pay.

Now he is letting the oldest, a girl, spend as much time as she wants with her drunkard mother. This worries me most to death. He lets this girl decide for herself who she is to stay with. Is this right?

ANSWER: Probably not, but people who bring children into the world should bring up children in the world. In this case, if your description of your former daughter-in-law is correct, the decisions must be made by your son. You have lived longer and probably have better judgment. Nevertheless, your son is the one, right or wrong, who must call these shots.

As a rule grandparents are not ideal parents for young children. They try too hard. They have reared their family and now to start all over again is difficult.

If I were you I would try to trust my son. He just might be right.

If you have real misgivings about what is being done, suggest to your son that he talk the whole procedure out with a pastor or a social worker.

If, then, you have the responsibility of rearing your grandchildren, stay young and flexible and openminded. You might do a superb job.

(Address all questions to Dr. Hudson, 116 West 47th Street, Kansas City 12, Missouri.)

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Grace and Greg Larkin were excited when they entered the Lee apartment. Dad had promised them long ago that someday he would take them with him when he visited the House of Lee Importers. Mr. Lee imported many objects from his native country, China, to sell to Americans like Mr. Larkin, who had furniture stores. The day had finally come when Grace and Greg could go with their father to Chinatown.

Mr. Lee was very polite. He bowed as he said, "Welcome, Grace and Greg, to the humble House of Lee. My son will show you some of our treasures if you wish. You may look about until he comes."

Grace and Greg thought the teakwood tables inlaid with mother-of-pearl were very beautiful. They admired the tapestry hangings. Most of all Grace liked the little dolls with almond-shaped eyes and jet-black hair, which were dressed in the costumes of China. Greg liked the lanterns.

At last, a boy about their age came through the door at the back of the establishment. He had a crew haircut and ivory-tan skin. A pleasant smile shone through his black slanted eyes.

"This is my son Chung," Mr. Lee introduced him to the Larkin family.

"Glad to know you!" Chung said in clear, ordinary English, which did not have a tinge of accent. "Mother extends an invitation to lunch," he said almost in the same breath.

Mr. Larkin thanked him and the group followed him through the door from which he had first appeared.

"I'll show you around after lunch, all right?" Chung asked them.

"Fine!" said Grace. "That'll be interesting!" exclaimed Greg.

The Lee apartment was much like their own except that most of the furnishings came from China. The tables were lower and there were many pieces of hand-painted China and etched copper and brass objects.

Mrs. Lee wore American clothes, which disappointed Grace. She had hoped to see her dressed like one of the dolls.

"So nice you can partake of our simple fare with us!" said the Chinese woman bowing.

When Mr. Lee asked him to give thanks, Mr. Larkin said Bible verses from Psalms:

"The eyes of all wait for thee; And thou givest them their food in due season. We give thanks unto thee, O God; we give thanks."

Chung ate everything on his plate before he spoke again.

"Do help yourself to more," he said, and then he fell silent again. Grace and Greg looked at each other as if asking the question: "Why is Chung so silent?"

At last Greg said, "You've been awfully quiet, Chung. Any special reason?"

"Oh, yes," answered Chung. "One Chinese custom we Lees like to observe says that one should be thankful for the food the Lord has given him and should appreciate the work the cook has had to make the food taste good."

"Can't you be thankful and talk at the same time?" asked Grace.

"Some Chinese don't think so," said Chung. "Some believe that, if you are thankful, you give all your attention to the food."

"It's nice to know about customs in faraway lands," said Grace. "Sometimes they help us remember the good customs in our own land, such as saying grace before meals."

"So long as we do remember to be thankful," agreed Chung.

"Do we see the imports in your father's store now?" asked Greg, who agreed with all that had been said.

"Of course!" smiled Chung, and the three friends started toward the import displays in the front of the building and a very pleasant afternoon.

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God Desires Steadfast Love

By J. E. Jackson, Pastor
Wheatley Baptist Church
Hosea 4:1-3; 5:15; 6:1-6
Devotional—1 John 8:16-21
July 24, 1960

GOLDEN TEXT—For I desired mercy, and not sacrifice; and the knowledge of God more than burnt offerings. Hosea 6:6

PICTURE in your mind a fine young man as he takes a beautiful young woman as his bride. Imagine their happiness as they go out together to face life. Imagine their joy and happiness as their little ones come into the world.

But suddenly all this is changed. Happy laughter no longer rings out. Companionship is dead. A cold chill characterizes all formerly happy relationships. Sadness and misery reign.

What has happened?
A third party has intruded into the affections of the wife. She is now unfaithful to her husband and to her marital vows. She has become an adulteress. What grief the husband endures! How the affections of the wife.

Jealousy is the error. Memories of her band, children, and home flood her mind, and she is shamed and humiliated.

What would be a happy ending for this situation? This account is not cheap Hollywood fiction, but is the true story of a real-life couple. Hosea was the wronged husband, and Gomer was the unfaithful wife. Concerning the ending, we know only that they were reunited as he literally purchased her and restored her to her former standing. We can only use the imagination as to whether love and companionship returned to this home.

Hosea, was a broken-hearted prophet. Perhaps before his marital discord he had been casually performing his functions as a prophet. Certainly after this trying experience he was a changed man. Now he could understand what God had been trying to say through him to Israel. Now Hosea had gained a deeper appreciation of the pain and anguish of heart that God had endured.

Jehovah God had made a covenant with Abraham that his posterity would be God’s people and He would be their God. This principle, repeated to Isaac, to Jacob, and to the nation, was expressed in Exodus 20: 2-3 — “I am the Lord thy God . . . Thou shalt have no other gods before me.”

The message of the book is simple, “Israel has played the part of an adulteress, leaving the God who brought her out of Egypt. Israel has gone after strange gods, false, helpless, and powerless though they are. She is thus committing spiritual adultery.”

I. Indictment Against Israel (4:1-3; 5:15)

A legal term is used in the first verse, “. . . for the Lord has a controversy (or, grounds for complaint) against the inhabitants of the land.” What was God’s complaint? He could find no truth, no mercy (steadfast love), no knowledge of God in the lives of the people. Swearing, lying, killing, stealing; and sexual immorality were the natural consequences. The people knew no moral restraints, and murder was committed regularly.

Now all this was done in spite of the fact they were intended to be a holy people. Since they were to be known as God’s chosen people, they were to live accordingly. Israel is a good example of a nation committing spiritual adultery. Thus, after much deliberation, God made a drastic decision. In effect he was saying, “I will withdraw my favor from my people until they have learned their lesson.”

II. Israel’s Professed Repentance (6:1-3)

As Amos and Hosea preached, there were those, no doubt, who heard and repented, perhaps using these same words. But just what is repentance? Is it shedding bitter tears of sorrow and remorse? Is it confessing sin? This little poem defines it well:

“Repentance is to leave The sins we loved before, And show that we in earnest grieve By doing them no more.”

But that this repentance was neither lasting nor national is shown by the next verses.

III. God’s Disappointment and Demand (6:4-6)

In verse 4, the word “goodness” may be better translated as “godliness,” or “piety,” or “love.” Regardless of how we may interpret it, God is saying, “Your goodness godliness, piety, love) is as the morning clouds which the sun quickly dissipates, and as the dew which disappears in the heat of the day.” What a plaintive expression of divine disappointment and frustration! “O Ephraim! What shall I do with you? O Judah! And what shall I do with you?”

In what was God disappointed? In the short-lived repentance of the people. In what was He frustrated? In His will that they might live and enjoy His favor and blessings.

In verse 6 there is a two-fold demand. The first is that sacri-
fices and burnt offerings not be offered as substitutes for religion. The Israelites were still a religious people but ritual and ceremonial had displaced the true meaning of worship. The second demand is for a steadfast love, translated as “mercy” in this verse. This love is to be coupled with an experimental and practical, not theoretical, knowledge of God.

Conclusion

So to His people God expresses his pain and anguish that they could treat Him so indifferently. Yet His love has not been lessened toward them; He still loves them. His heart yearns that they should love Him in return.

God requires the same of us today. A deep love for God will lighten life’s burdens and sweeten our relations with others. Why love God with a steadfast love?

1. He is our Creator. “It is He that hath made us, and not we ourselves.”

2. He is our Saviour. “redeemed with the precious blood of Christ.”

3. He is our Provider. “Your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need.”

How constant and consistent is our love for God? Is it a daily emotion in our souls? Or is it a fluctuating thing, today going out to God, and tomorrow going out to the things of the world. Let us ask God to help us make our love for Him as steadfast and sure as His love is for us.

Mexican Baptists
Vote Unification

SAN ANTONIO, TEX.—(BP) Messengers to the golden anniversary meeting of the Mexican Baptist Convention of Texas voted here to unify their work with the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

Under the unification agreement, the Mexican convention will function as a departmental convention, promoting educational and spiritual growth programs similar to the Texas Baptist Sunday School and Training Union conventions.

More than 275 Latin-American churches in the state are affiliated with the Mexican convention. These churches had previously participated in the Texas Baptists’ associational and statewide programs. A Texas Baptist language missions department has coordinated the work for several years and will direct the new program.

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THE BOOK SHELF

Girls from the Land, by Virginia Whitman, Muhlenberg Press, 1960, $5.95

For those who can visit the mountains or the seashore only once in a year, the author has captured some of the vacation experiences as she has heard God speaking to her out of the world of nature. She has heard God speak “through the weightless snowflake, the varicolored rainbow, the dogwood blossom, and the dew-spangled spider web.” Her book is a month-by-month sharing of inspiration with many marvelous photographs of “gifts from the land.”

Thirty Years with the Silent Billion, Adventuring in Literacy, by Frank C. Laubach, Fleming H. Revell, 1960, $3.95

This is the thrilling story of a man who has spent a lifetime traveling the airways, seaways and highways and dirt roads of the globe to help to free millions from the bondage of illiteracy.

You think it is a pity, he says, that the illiterate cannot read. “But the real tragedy is that they have no voice in public affairs; they never vote, they are never represented in any conference, they are the silent victims, the forgotten men, driven like animals, mutely submitting in every age before and since the pyramids were built.

“It is a human weakness not to become aware of suffering unless we hear a cry. The illiterate majority of the human race does not know how to make the cry reach us, and we never dream how these millions suffer.”

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| Bethel                | H. Harriss           |                      |
| Black Oak             | T. Childers          |                      |
| Calvary               | H. Harriett          |                      |
| Calvary               | S. Cosey             | $58.00              |
| Corner's House        | H. Tinsman          | $58.00              |
| East, Side, Trumpinn | W. Crumpton         | $58.00              |
| Faith, Tibor          | J. Orr              |                      |
| Fiveter               | J. Crumpton         | $58.00              |
| Freer                 | M. Burt             | $58.00              |
| Greenfield            | E. Selby            | $58.00              |
| Harris               | C. Mccollin          | $58.00              |
| Hurds Chapel          | M. Lynn              |                      |
| Leith                | M. Crumpton         | $58.00              |
| Lepton                | R. Croft            | $58.00              |
| Maple Grove           | F. Burt             | $58.00              |
| Marked                | P. Burt             | $58.00              |
| McDuff               | T. Burt             | $58.00              |
| Naches Chapel         | J. Hodges           | $58.00              |
| Needham              | L. Davis            | $58.00              |
| Pleasant Hill        | A. Crumpton         | $58.00              |
| Pleasant Hill        | H. Crumpton         | $58.00              |
| Red Oak              | H. Jones            | $58.00              |
| Rio Grande           | E. Anderson          | $58.00              |
| Shiloh               | E. Johnston          | $58.00              |

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### WOODRUFF

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| Beebe                 | R. Howard           |                    |
| Bishop                | G. Montgomery       | $10.50             |
| Central               | B. Knob             |                    |
| Crosby                | J. Fruitt           | $4324.94           |
| El Paso               | E. Anderson          | $136.83            |
| Griffithville         | S. Baker            |                    |
| Higginson            |                    | $23.21             |
| Judson               | J. Crumpton         | $420.00            |
| Keneset              |                    | $199.50            |
| Liberty              | T. McRae            | $50.00             |
| Midway                | A. Crumpton         | $12.00             |
| Morristown            |                    |                    |
| Mt. Hebron            | M. Hill             | $22.50             |
| Mt. Moses            |                    | $22.50             |
| Pangburn              |                    |                    |
| Pleasant Valley       |                    | $15.00             |
| Rockey Point          | J. Nestor           | $12.00             |
| South                |                    |                    |
| Royal Hill            | J. Fruitt           | $35.00             |

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Chapel of Hate

IN a book by Robert Buchanan, Shadow of the Sword, the author describes the "Chapel of Hate." It stood on a bleak and barren moor of Brittany a hundred years ago. It was in ruins; the walls were black and stained with the slime of centuries; around the crumbling altar nettle and weeds grew breast high; whilst black mist charged with rains, brooded night and day about the gloomy scene. Over the doorway of the chapel, but half-obiterated, was its name. It was dedicated to "Our Lady of Hate." "Hitler," says the author, "in hours of passion and pain came men and women to cry curses on their enemies—the maiden on her false lover, the lover on his false mistress, the husband on his false wife—praying one and all that our Lady of Hate might hearken; and the hated one might die within the year."

And then the novelist adds, "So bright and so deep had the gentle Christian light shone within their minds."

A Chapel of Hate is a staggering and grim conception. And yet, are there not today multitudes who frequent a Chapel of Hate? It is the habit of people to label others. It is a way, oftentimes, of expressing hate. "Big Brass," "Fat Cats," "Liberals," "Radicals," "Fundamentalists," etc., are labels used to show a contempt of mind and heart more often than not.

One cannot read the Bible very far before he finds looming large race hatred. It was not confined to any one race. It stands, in all of its ugliness, against the Jew. Let me specify. In the synagogue at Nazareth Jesus used as an illustration God blessing a Gentile woman at Zarepath, rather than a Jew. That congregation was immediately in the Chapel of Hate. They undertook to push Jesus headlong over a precipice to accomplish his death for speaking a favorable word about a Gentile woman.

We face elections on all levels this fall. This furnishes fertile soil for hatreds. Christians should ever be patriotic and exercise voting privileges. But let us not go through the Chapel of Hate to do so.

Moreover, all candidates do well to remember an old Chinese proverb: "He who slings mud loses ground." Mud-slingers are on the losing end.

We do well to remember also that love of Christ expels hate of our fellowmen. We must have religion enough so as not to hate anyone. Anything less is not enough. The bright and shining thing about our Lord Jesus is nowhere, nor at any time, did He give hospitality to hate. He is our example here. He never entered the Chapel of Hate.

Sometimes churches become divided; rival groups exist. In such cases, houses dedicated to love and worship become Chapels of Hate. Let it never be so.


Charles Martin Flies Kite on Boys 'Day

MISSIONARY Charles Martin flew a fish kite on Japan's Boys' Day. It was in celebration of the couple's new arrival, Charles III, on April 12.

Other highlights from a letter from the Martins, Shibuya-Ku, Tokyo, included:

- The first nationwide Japanese student retreat was held recently, giving strength to many of the Christians.

A contract has been let for the building of a center adjoining the director's residence for about six million yen (about $16,650). Formal groundbreaking was held in May.

Plans are being made for the Asia Baptist Youth Conference to be held in Tokyo July 17-23.

Furlough time is not too far off.