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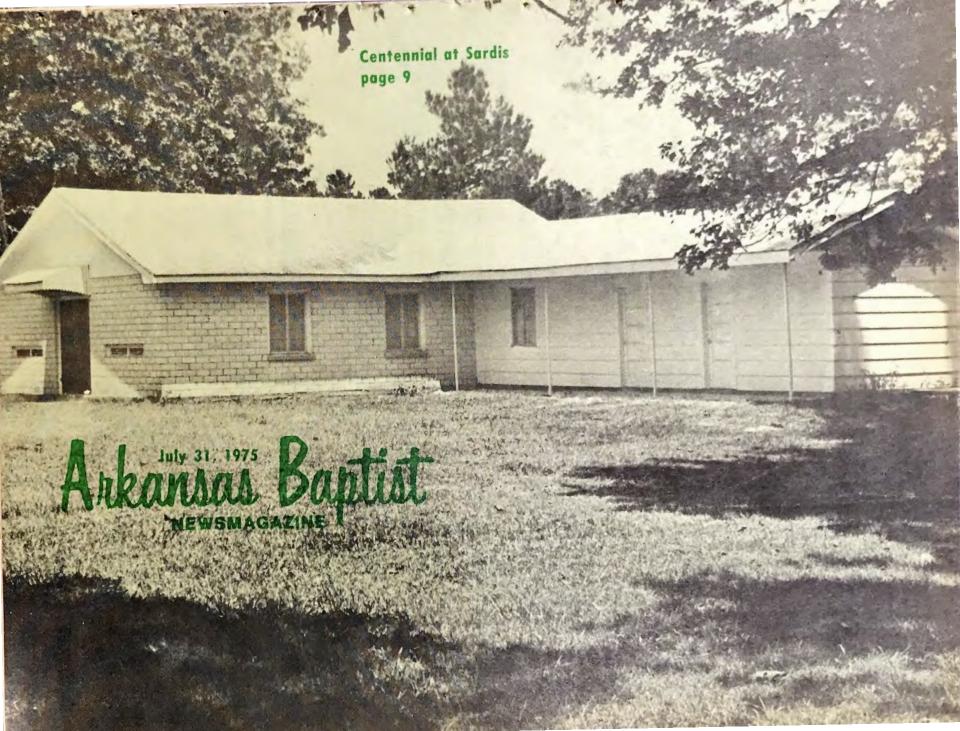
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I must say it

Charles H. Ashcraft/Executive Secretary

Every generation determines...

Every generation determines its own morals. Morals are not inherited. Every generation arranges its own scale of values. Values are not passed down. Every generation develops its own theology. A theology does not come by osmosis. Every generation formulates its own philosophy. Such is not transmitted by birth.

Every generation sets in order its own doctrinal expression of the Holy Scriptures. Doctrinal beliefs are not inherent in the genes. Every generation adopts its own ways of achnowledgment of the Lordship of Christ. How to do it varies. Every generation chooses its own life style. Life styles do not come by mail order. Every generation arrives at its own definition of wisdom, truth, integrity, honesty, honor and purity. Every generation has a role in the family of generations under God's master design.

There is no guarantee, quite the contrary, that the best of the generations will be preserved, retained, assimilated and passed on, either accidentally, automatically or purposely to the on-coming generation. The unfeined faith which dwelt in Lois and Eunice does not compound itself and dwell in Timothy's life by the divine right of kings nor against the pleasure of Timothy.

There is something, however, which can be done to give cohesion, continuity, relevance and meaning to the swift march of the centuries. The terms, reassessment, re-evaluation, revision, re-examination, restatement, reassemble, must become everyday words for every generation, ours not excluded.

What harm can come to all the above listed qualities, morals and such by re-examination and re-evaluation? Does the nature of God change because of more advanced study? Are we to be indicted for saying the same thing but in a more understandable manner?

Is not an honest doubt more righteous then blind acquiecsence to a decreed dogma? Is Jesus so frail he cannot undergo a thorough examination by unbelievers? Are God's people afraid to subject morals to an open forum? Is not original faith and a fresh presence to be derired over warmed-over ideas whose chief virtue is age?

The answer lies in II Timothy 2:1. This will bridge the generations with continuity, relevancy and meaning to the disjointed situation we inherit. Let the Christian message (the things which thou hast heard among worthy witnesses) be passed on to the on-coming generation by means of faithful people capable of leading others.

This is perpetual motion in its most refined sense. This message which can be passed on should be clothed with freshness, originality, and in one's own words. Second-hand testimonies do not stir to action.

I must say it!

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Hearing God's call

The editor's page

J. Everett Sneed



We know that God calls some people for special Christian service. But before there is involvement in the tasks for which God is calling, individuals must hear and respond. The two most important instruments in assisting Christians to hear and respond the call are the church and the home.

The Bible gives clear evidence that God uses some to counsel others on hearing God's call. Young Samuel thought it was Eli who had called him. Eventually, Eli was certain that it was God who had called Samuel and counseled "...Go lie down: and it shall be, if he call thee, that thou shall say, speak Lord; for thy servant heareth..." (I Sam. 3:9)

Often people have the mistaken idea that God only calls extraordinary people to serve him. The fact is that he calls ordinary people with extraordinary dedication. Perhaps the most important single ingredient in successful Christian vocational service is commitment. God can and does overcome numerous disabilities but he cannot use the uncommitted individual.

Paul lays down two important requirements for the "bishop" (1 Tim. 3:1-8), overseer or pastor of a church: (1) He is to have a proper relationship at home. This is his first duty and Paul asked: "If a man knows not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?" (1 Tim. 3:5) (2) He is to have a proper relationship with people whom he comes in contact. (1 Tim. 3:7) Although these requirements are given specifically for the pastor, they apply to all who are in Christian service.

In the past Christian service was thought of exclusively in terms of the pastoral or preaching ministry. Today, however, there are, almost innumerable opportunities available to those who respond to God's call. These include education directors, music directors, college and seminary

teachers, administrators, Christian social ministers, home and foreign missionaries, etc. Missionary service involves opportunities as diverse as agriculture and medicine.

In Samuel's experience one should not forget that Hannah provided an environment which her son could hear God's call. The home was one in which God was worshipped and his leadership was sought. Hannah gave Samuel to the Lord even before he was conceived.

Today families should provide an atmosphere in which the children can hear God's call. This can be created by proper worship – public and private, and by the commitment of the parents.

The church also has a responsibility to provide a spiritual climate in which the members may respond to God's voice. The pastor should occasionally preach on responding to God's call. Such things as literature, prayer emphasis and mission studies can assist the individual greatly in knowing God's will for his life. The youths can also be assisted greatly by the congregation providing opportunities to them for attending Christian vocational guidance conferences. In short a church should maintain an attitude in which they expect God to call people from their membership into full-time Christian service.

Sometimes, an individual may have a false idea concerning the methods God uses in calling. Actually, God uses various methods to speak to his followers. But basically it is an inner compulsion which urges one toward Christian service.

Churches and homes should plan to be incubators in which God can call out his servants and in which they can grow and develop. Individuals whom God is calling should respond like Samuel: "Speak; for thy servant heareth." (I Sam. 3:10)

Guest editorial

Stewardship? What's that?

The men of one of the local Southern Baptist churches invited me to speak to them at their breakfast. The subject they assigned me was stewardship.

I have a catchy message I call "The Color of Stewardship." I thought it would be good for the occasion. As I began to review it and pray about it, another idea began to crowd my mind. Of course, in that message I point out that we are stewards of more than just money.

The idea crowding my mind became clearer. Suddenly it exploded in my thinking. We are stewards of more than money, time, talent, and influence. We are stewards of the gospel!

We are stewards of the gospel.

O.K. I had a new idea about stewardship. But what did it mean? I thought of several things. How a worker uses his tools is important, but if he doesn't get the job done he has failed regardless of how well he cares for the equipment. The same could be said about his time, ability, and influence.

I raised the question with those men at breakfast: "Just what is it that we are stewards of?" We are responsible for more than just resources. We are responsible for telling people about Christ and for ministering to them in his name.

We are stewards of the gospel and we are responsible to the Lord himself for what we do about it.—Editor Elmer Gray in the "California Southern Baptist"



by R. Wilbur Herring

This is the time for you to have your church committee elected, that is, if you haven't already done so. Since your nominating committee is at work in preparation for the new associational year this is the ideal time to have them nominate a '76 Life and Liberty Committee for your local church.

You will need seven well qualified people to lead your local church in this great state-wide effort. First, you need a general chairman who has the burden of fulfilling the great commission, and one who has the administrative ability to lead others in the accomplishment of this objective. Most of the members of our state steering committee are strong on the idea that this chairman should be the pastor. Every pastor should be burdened and concerned about fulfilling the great commission. I just can't imagine a man called and ordained to the gospel ministry without having this concern. In addition to this, most pastors have the administrative ability to lead others. I will agree with my brethren on the state steering committee that it would be best if the pastor would assume this role for his local church.

But then there are some of us so busily engaged with the state, area, or associational level of leadership that we need someone to help us in the churches that we pastor. So in our cases we might have to select a capable staff worker or layperson to take this position in order to do it justice. In the church where I pastor we have elected Frank Lady for our general chairman. Frank is a very capable leader having a burden for the lost and at the same time he is blessed with outstanding leadership in administration.

You will also need a general vice chairman who will double in the role as chairman of personal evangelism. A prayer chairman and a chairman of special events (or mass evangelism) will be needed. The other three leaders needed must be tried and proven leaders for this is where the water hits the wheel. If you fail in this area of personal evangelism you will probably fail in the whole endeavor as far as your local church is concerned. The three are (1) the enlistment chairman, (2) the training chairman, and (3) the sending chairman. You see you will need to enlist, train and send one fifth of your total church membership if you and your church do your fair share of the campaign.



One layman's opinion

Daniel R. Grant / President, OBU

Amusement parks and male and female maturation

amusement parks before women do. I had never noticed this until recently when Mrs. Grant and I were in Nashville, Tenn, and she insisted that I take her to Opryland, U.S.A.

Some years earlier she insisted that we go to Disneyland, but I thought this was because of our three small children. Now that our children have all pretty well grown up and put away childish things, it has become difficult to hide an attraction to amusement parks under the guise of entertaining the children.

We did have one "patriotic" reason for going to Opryland, U.S.A. We lived for 21 years in the Nashville area and observed the long planning period for this music-centered theme park, and it seemed to be only a matter of civic loyalty, if not simple curiosity, that we would come back to Nashville and observe how the multi-million-dollar project turned out.

I decided that it was my Christian duty as a good husband to pretend that I too was having a good time at Opryland, U.S.A. Besides, my Scotch blood dictated that after paying \$6.50 each for admission, we should see as many of the shows and ride as many of the rides as humanly possible. As a matter of fact, I was a little shocked that Betty Jo was ready to leave the park before we rode the log flume ride, the antique

automobiles, the roller coaster, or the raft ride on the lake. I knew she really wanted to ride these and, even though it was getting late, I made the personal sacrifice of insisting that we stay for these rides. She cleverly hid her enjoyment of these rides, just as I carefully concealed my having long since ou grown such childish things. I must admit, however, that I got a great deal of enjoyment out of knowing that my wife was enjoying the evening.

As we drove back to the hotel I reflected on the difference between men and women, and how women retain their interest in such childish pleasures so much longer than we men. It also just occurred to me that Arkansas has a very fine amusement park in Dogpatch, U.S.A., and that I really should be willing to make the sacrifice to take my wife to enjoy a visit to that park also. Knowing of the sacrifice it would require of me, she probably would say she did not want to

It further occurred to me that I could remind her that Dogpatch, U.S.A. is owned by less Odom, a very fine member of the Board of Trustees of Ouachita Baptist University. On still further reflection I decided not to mention it to her until she was a bit more rested up from the trip to Opryland.

BSU summer missions report: Julia Hartsfield



Miss Hartsfield

I really enjoyed and benefited from the orientation I attended in Portland. First, it gave me a break between home and the area I was assigned to. Secondly, the information was good and the fellowship with other students was fantastic.

The church really made me feel welcome. I am serving at Surburban Heights Baptist Church in Klamath Falls, Ore. It's a change in size from 600 at home to 60-80 at Surburban Heights. The kids seem to be glad I'm here and hungry for spiritual food and guidance. This is part of my goal – to meet this need.

We just attended a week-long youth camp for Southern Oregon. It was well organized and they had good speakers. Many of our kids rededicated their lives while they were there.

I have had several meetings with the youth to plan activities. We have started a book study and so far I have had a good response. At camp I myself really benefited from the kids and even more from the other counselors. I began to feel a little more confident in being here. And, they really expressed the desire for more student summer missionaries to come to this area.

There is a lot of work to be done but many opportunities in this Northwest area. — Julia Hartsfield

(Julia is one of 34 BSU summer missionaries and is serving in Klamath Falls, Ore. She is a student at Henderson State University.)

OBU summer graduates will hear former WMU executive secretary







Miss Hunt

is Bell Caldwell

ARKADELPHIA-Miss Alma Fay Hunt, former executive secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Southern Baptist Convention, will be the commencement speaker at graduation exercises Aug. 8 at Ouachita University.

The summer ceremony in which 80 diplomas are to be awarded will begin at 10:30 a.m. in Mitchell Hall Auditorium.

A native of Roanoke, Va., Miss Hunt served as executive secretary of the womens' group between 1948-1974. She is a vice president of the Baptist World Alliance.

Miss Hunt is a graduate of Longwood College (B.S., 1941) in Farmville, Va., and Columbia University (M.A., 1947). She is

the recipient of a doctor of humanities degree (1958) awarded by William Jewell College in Liberty, Mo.

Miss Hunt is the author of two books, Woman's Missionary Union and History of Woman's Missionary Union.

Ouachita will honor Miss Arvine Bell of Ridgecrest, N.C., and J. Wiley Caldwell of Houston, Tex., as Distinguished Alumni during the exercises. The awards will be presented by the Former Students Association.

A 1946 Ouachita graduate, Miss Bell has served more than 20 years as founder and director of Camp Crestridge For Girls in Ridgecrest, N.C. The camp, located in the Blue Ridge Mountains, is part of

Ridgecrest Baptist Conference Center, which is included in a program of work of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Miss Bell holds graduate degrees from Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex. and Indiana University in Bloomington. Among her civic interests, she had served on the Recreational Committee of Woman's Auxiliary of the Salvation Army in Asheville, N.C., the Committee of the Home for Unwed Mothers, Asheville and a Trustee of Christian Camping International.

Caldwell graduated from OBU in 1974 and is a partner in the law firm of Fulbright, Crooker and Jaworski in Houston. He is a Trustee of the Baylor University College of Medicine, a Fellow of the Southwestern Legal Foundation in Dallas and Secretary of the Tax Research Association of Houston. He is Co-Chairman of Ouachita's YOU PLUS 2 Alumni Campaign Drive.

Distinguished Alumni are nominated annually by a OBU Former Student Association Committee, composed of FSA board members, administration and faculty, and then approved by the Trustees of the University. The criteria for selection are distinction in one's chosen field and distinction in service to Ouachita.



When the chapel choir and South Side Singers of South Side Church, Pine Bluff, made an eight-day, eight-state tour beginning July 8, their itinerary included participation in a U.S. Bicentennial program at the Indiana State Capitol. At left is the group's director, Richard D. Smith, and right is Indiana's Governor Bowen.

Missions director resigns position

Lawrence Green has resigned Director Missions Gainesville River Current Associations after serving 18 months there. He and his wife will move to near Puxico, Mo., and he will do supply preaching,



Green

interim pastoral work and hold revivals. Green is a Missouri native. He is a graduate of Union University, Jackson, Tenn., and holds the Th.M. degree from Southwestern Seminary. He has served as pastor of churches in Missouri, Tennessee and Louisiana. He served as pastor of First Church, Rector, Ark. for 10 years, leaving that post to become director of missions.

Outdoor Expert 'Preaches Doctrine' of Conservation

by James Lee Young

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (BP)--Baptist layman George Purvis, a hunting and fishing expert, believes the gospel of Jesus Christ has direct application for his livelihood and two favorite pastimes.

Purvis, a deacon, Sunday School teacher and choir member at Immanuel Church here, is chief of information and education for the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission. He likes to hunt, fish, draw and paint and has a more than passing interest in archery and bow hunting.

One of his favorite pastimes is telling young people about the wise use of natural resources. He speaks to about 100 groups of young people and-or adults a

As a man on the side of hunting and fishing and as a staff member of the Fish and Game Commission, Purvis told Baptist Press, "We get a lot of flack from some environmentalists."

The "flack" comes, he says, because many environmentalists do not understand the necessity of harvesting game, trees and other such products of nature "to insure a natural balance and reproduction on a satisfactory level."

In fact, Purvis considers himself something of an environmentalist and believes the vast majority of American hunters want to preserve the environment.

Appropriately, he is a member of the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission, which deals extensively with social and moral issues of life.

When he talks to groups, Purvis stresses one word-"stewardship."

"In stewardship, the first steward is self. We may be doing the very best in conservation of natural resources, but if we throw our own life away, we have



FISH AND CAME EXPERT—George Purvis, chief of information and education for the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission, draws a bead on small game during a hunting trek. Purvis, a Southern Baptist deacon, applies a Christian point of view to his activities as hunter, fisherman and preserver of the environment. (BP) Photo

wasted the primary resource God has given us.

"God expects us to get right with him first, then we will be able to use the rest of our resources better," Purvis said.

A heavy schedule cuts deeply into what Purvis likes to do best-hunt, fish and stay close to nature. But he believes his time is well spent in helping others to enjoy and preserve the natural resources of Arkansas.

A Fish and Game Commission staff member for 24 years, he has two weekly television shows and weekly radio programs on 44 stations. His television shows include one 15-minute program on Saturday nights called "Arkansas Outdoors," now in its 15th year and a 30-minute show on Thursday nights, in its 9th year on educational television, called "Arkansas Game and Fish Highlights."

In previous years, he wrote a column for the weekly Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine but quit that "because my schedule was too heavy."

Purvis' thinking reflects his Christian upbringing and reasoning.

"For example, say the limit on quail is eight. Certainly no Christian would try to kill 10 then go to church on Sunday and say he or she is honest. It's the same in any line of work."

"I stress honesty," Purvis adds. "Baptists need to be honest like anyone else.

"Too often, we have the feeling, especially in the South, that we have the God-given right to hunt and fish. And sometimes we look on wildlife as belonging just to this generation. We

don't stop to realize the need to conserve for future generations."

Rather, Purvis says, "The uses of these resources is a privilege. Americans are wasteful.

"Hunters get a lot of flack because they kill and harvest—and, at the same time, find pleasure," says Purvis. "But the average man with a gun doesn't take advantage of game. In fact, it's the exceptional hunter who usually gets a deer. Some 200,000 deer hunters in Arkansas last year killed 34,000 deer. So most hunters didn't get a deer," he says.

"Wild life needs a supply of food, cover and specialized nesting areas to raise their young, he continues, and a proper kill-harvest helps maintain a balance. If any one of these is eliminated, wild life could be eliminated, in that area.

Not much possibility exists of exterminating small game, he adds, but "there is a real possibility of reducing the numbers of small game, so there would be no big harvest."

Agricultural practices continue to need regulation, he said. But without a harvest of animals "many products and goods would be eliminated."

Purvis noted an anti-hunting sentiment is growing, but not so much in the South. "Here we are still closer to the land. For example, people realize they like sausage and they have to kill to eat—or someone does."

"There should be no waste of natural resources, but some environmentalists make mistakes in saying don't cut trees, just let them grow."

sometimes we look on wildlife as In defense of hunters and fishermen, belonging just to this generation. We Purvis insists, "They are actually among

'There should be no waste of natural resources....'

the leading environmentalists in the United States. They donate large sums of money annually and work regularly to insure the conservation of natural resources rather than the wasting of them.

"There are some who spoil it for the rest of us, but you have these in any area of life," Purvis said, noting there is an element in our society which has the attitude that laws were made for other people.

"These wild life outlaws annually take a staggering toll on our fish and wild life resources. But without law enforcement the numbers would no doubt multiply and the problem increase tremendously."

Among his many duties, Purvis issues information on the commission's game and fish divisions. Game species drawing the major attention of game management practices are deer, turkey, ducks, quail, squirrels and rabbits.

Since Arkansas draws a large number of migratory birds, such as dove, duck, geese and other varieties of water fowl the game division emphasizes management and development in suitable areas to attract game species popular with hunters, Purvis says.

"Modern game management practices consist largely of habitat improvement through timber management, development of food plots, construction and maintenance of man-made structure for flood control, and trapping and transplanting deer and turkey," he says.

The game division also practices timber management, which consists of removing trees to improve game habitat and ultimately to increase game population. The timber is not harvested as a revenue-producing measure, Purvis notes.

The commission's fishery division manages the state water to provide fishermen with the most fish possible and to keep the fish population at the highest possible level.

Like the game division program, the fishery program is completely financed by fishermen and "not one penny of tax money or general revenue is spent on lake and stream fishery management," Purvis stresses.

Purvis feels his views on preservation of the environment, hunting and fishing make good sense and are "in keeping with the stewardship, necessary for any Christian, as well as any other concerned citizen, hunter, fisherman or otherwise."

Preaching the wise use of resources and emphasizing wise conservation of self, is Purvis's ministry. He lives what he preaches.



The 5600 square foot building of First Church, Omaha, has seating for 200 people in the auditorium.

Omaha Church holds dedication

The First Church, Omaha, dedicated their new church plant on July 20. The new 5600 square foot structure was erected for a cost of \$24,260, but has a replacement value of over \$60,000. The building, which has a full basement, consists of an auditorium which seats 200 people, eight Sunday school class rooms, a nursery, the pastor's study, a kitchen and fellowship hall. The facility has central heat and air conditioning and has hardwood floors throughout. The walls are made of Vermont birch paneling and the baptistry scene was painted by Mrs. Ermal Andrews.

The church was organized in October, 1883, with 10 charter members. The first services were held in the Omaha school, but when the school house burned a small house was erected next to the Omaha Cemetery.

The congregation built a larger church house across the street from where the new building has been erected.

In August, 1971, the members voted to build a new church plant rather than to repair the old one. The missions department of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention gave a grant of \$2,500 to the church, and \$6,000 was borrowed. The church now owes \$1.500.

The activities of the day included a dedicatory message by Editor J. Everett Sneed, who spoke from Acts 2:41-47. Dr. Sneed reminded the people that their new facility was not the church. He said "The church is the congregation of the believers within this community. Each Christian is just as responsible for witnessing to the lost of the community as is your pastor." Sneed concluded his message by saying: "It is obvious that the early church loved everyone. As you reflect Christ's love to the people of this community your congregation will grow."

Four former pastors were present to bring greetings to the congregation. These were Floyd Cobb, Perry Fitchue, C.R. McCulloh, and Quentin Middleton.

Pastor Gus Poole led in the act of dedication and building committee chairman Alfred Hicks presented the keys to the congregation. The prayer of dedication was given by associational director of missions John Finn.

Pastor Poole, who has served the church since May 1973, said "This new facility will enable the congregation to do a much more effective job in reaching the people of this community."

Letter to the editor-Thanks for help

We, from First Church, in Edgewood, Tex., would like to express our thanks and appreciation to the wonderful Christian people in Arkansas who were so willing and ready to help us during a time of great need.

When we were returning home from a trip with our young people after seeing the plays "The Shepherd of the Hills" and "The Passion Play", our bus broke down near Rogers. When the people of the First Baptist Church there learned of our misfortune they came with their bus and

arranged for us to spend the night there in the church fellowship hall. Then they let us borrow one of their buses to come on home in.

Mr. Ferguson, who is with the State Highway Department, was very helpful, and we are so very grateful. Everyone realized our need and were really the Good Samaritan. We are grateful that God is always standing by and through his people provides for those in need. We humbly praise our Lord for his watchful care.—L.J. Yeager, Pastor

The resurrection of the dead



of the resurrection of the body. One is the resurrection theory. This is the view that the righteous are raised from the dead at one the time and unrighteous at another time. According to this

view, Christ will come for the rapture of the church at the beginning of the millennium, and this will be the first resurrection. (Rev. 20:5) The unrighteous will be raised at the end of the thousand years for judgment, and this will be the second resurrection. The only place in the New Testament where two mentioned resurrections are Revelation 20:4-6

The belief in only one resurrection is held by such men as Ray Summers, Herschel Hobbs, W.T. Conner, Charles Hodge, E.Y. Mullins, A.H. Strong, and Robertson. They hold that a fundamental principle of biblical interpretation is that a difficult and obscure passage must be interpreted in the light of the clear passages throughout the New Testament. Let us notice a few of the Scriptures that these men consider resurrection will be "at the last day."

There are two to be definite proof of one general resurrection.

In John 5:25 the reference is to the spiritually dead who are regenerated. But in John 5:28 Jesus says, "the hour is coming in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice." In this verse 'all" means the resurrection of all menlost and saved. In verse 28-29 Jesus tells of the resurrection of the righteous and the wicked. "This statement from Jesus is one of the foundation statements for the view of one general resurrection at the last day. The best of the expositors affirm this interpretation and hold that there is no basis whatever for the idea of two separate resurrections at two different periods of time." (Ray Summers, The Life Beyond, p. 55)

This idea is positively affirmed in Acts 24:15b. "and there shall be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust." It will be "a" resurrection. In Matthew 16:27 Jesus says, "For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward." every man according to his works." Daniel 12:2 states, "And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt." In John 6:39-40,44, and 54, Jesus specifically states that the

"Paul's word about a first resurrection simply means that 'the dead in Christ shall rise first' (Thess. 4:16) before the living Christians (4:17.)" (Hobbs, Fundamentals of Our Faith, p. 157) Conner states, "The teaching of the Bible is that there will be one general resurrection, at the time of the second coming of Christ, including the righteous and the unrighteous." (A System of Christian Doctrine, p. 537). He continues by saying, "It should be noted whatever is meant by this first resurrection, it is not said that it includes all the righteous, but only those who 'had been beheaded...'... Other plain passages seem to teach one general resurrection."(p. 539) Strong writes, "At the second coming of Christ, there will be a resurrection of the body, and a reunion of the body to the soul from which, during the intermediate state, it has been separated. Both the just and the unjust shall have part in the resurrection." (Systematic Theology, Vol. 3, p. 1015)

Next issue: The final judgment.



Woman's viewpoint

Iris O'Neal Bowen

The upper reaches of the road

We had driven up into the mountains for the day and were returning late in the afternoon. Long shadows were lying across the road in places and suddenly we drove into a solid shade made by a heavily wooded area. It was nearly dusk and before our eyes become adjusted to the darkness, we could hardly see. It seemed foolish to use the headlights when it was still day, yet it could be dangerous to go ahead into the gloom, so the lights were turned on.

"It is so dark!" someone remarked. "I didn't know it could get so dark so quickly!"

"But look up there!" someone else said. "See, there on the mountain, where the road emerges from the shade?"

We looked, and sure enough, high above us, we could see the upper reaches of the road we were now traveling! The sun was shining on the road, which seemed to beckon to us to keep moving until we reached the heights still lighted

by the sun.

How like the Christian life, I thought. We start out on the journey through life and as we pass through troubled shadows and sunshine times, we suppose there will be more sunshine than shadows. And we resolve not to worry about small shadows, for everyone has a few of those.

Then suddenly, often without warning, we are engulfed in the darkness and the evil that may lurk there. Child-like, we think we will never know anything but darkness from now on.

Then a voice says, "Look up here!" and we raise our eyes, and there, high above us, the road emerges from the darkness, shining and bright.

So we are given hope and strength to press forward, even in the dark, for we know that if we keep moving in response to God's voice, we will surely emerge from the troubled shadows, and make our way upward into the sunshine again!

Baptist heritage

by Bernes K. Selph

In July, 1651, John Clark, Obadiah Holmes, and Rev. Crandall, visited blind William Whittier, a Baptist, residing at Lynn, Mass. They conducted worship services in his home on the Lord's Day following their arrival. While Dr. Clark was preaching Constables stormed into the house with a warrant, arrested the three "erroneous persons" and placed them in jail. From here they were sent to prison in Boston.

The men were given the choice of paying heavy fines or being whipped. Holmes and Clark chose the whipping. Someone paid Clark's fine but Holmes refused help, saying to do so would

admit of wrong doing.

Thirty powerful strokes with heavy leather lashes left his back and shoulders a bloody mass of quivering flesh. When the whipping stopped two women rushed to his side and said, "God bless you." For this they were hustled off to jail. Because of his wounds he slept on his stomach or propped on his hands and knees for the next three weeks.

We enjoy freedom of worship and think it our privilege to do so. But it was not like that in Baptist life in America 324 years ago.

W.W. Hamilton, Sermons On The Books of the Bible, Vol III, Broadman Press, Nashville, Tenn. 1947, p. 102.

On the cover





TOP: The church's remodeled building

ABOVE: A sign directs visitors

RIGHT: Members gather for celebration



Sardis Church celebrates Centennial

Sardis Church, located near Montrose, celebrated its hundredth anniversary and dedication of the remodeling of its sanctuary and new Sunday school rooms in April.

The speakers for the occasion were former pastors John W. Harris, who spoke in the morning service, and Jerry Shelby who spoke in the afternoon. Jimmy D. Wallace, another former pastor, led the singing and brought the dedicatory prayer.

The Sardis Church was organized in 1875. One of the first pastors was a Rev. Garner. J.D. Dingler was elected clerk. Regular business meetings were held on Saturday night before the first Sunday in each month. Sunday school and church

was conducted for many years on the fourth Sunday of each month.

The church was originally organized at Lyon, but was later brought to its present location. The congregation has used three buildings across the years. The first of these was a log building and later a wooden building was erected.

Recently under the leadership of pastor John W. Harris the church remodeled and enlarged its facility. The Friendship Church, Snyder, gave the Church a building. The men of the Sardis Church raised the building and used the materials in the construction of the new Sunday school rooms. The young people painted the inside of the church, while the ladies made drapes. The 504 square

foot addition was constructed without indebtedness.

The congregation is pleased that it has been able to give opportunity to many young men entering the ministry. Among those that have served the church for their first pastorate are Jerry Selby, Joe Tipton, Jimmy Wallace, and John Harris. The church also licensed Jimmy Bates to the ministry.

Harris recently resigned as pastor to further his education. Harris said "I am grateful for the people at Sardis. These new Sunday school rooms will enable them to be more effective in their work for Christ. As they continue to work together for Christ great things are in store for Sardis."

State Sunday School Convention will be held in Pine Bluff The 1975 state Sunday School Convention will be held in Immanuel Church, Pine Bluff, Sept. 22-23. The



Miss Ratton

close with an evening session on Tuesday. Program personnel will include E.S. Anderson, pastor of the Riverside Church, Ft. Myers, Fla., author of ACTION, a Sunday School enrollment

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Conferences are scheduled for general officers and workers with adults, youth, children, and preschoolers. Conference

leaders from the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., will include Alvis Strickland, adult; Joe Haynes, young adult; Tom Clark, youth; and Cosette Baker, children (Bible Learners.)

Other conference leaders will include Mrs. James Griffin, Lenexa, Kan., cradle roll: Al Foy, Raleigh, N.C., four-and fiveyear olds: Mrs. Charles Hill, North Little Rock, children (Bible Searchers); Mrs. Sam Gilson, Ft. Smith, children (Bible Discoverers); Mrs. Leslie Wilfong, youth; and Freddie Pike and Pat Ratton of the state Sunday School department.

All Sunday School workers should plan to attend all five sessions of the convention. This will be a good opportunity for training for the new Sunday School year .- Pat Ratton, Sunday School department

Hanh thi Nguyen (left) found her sister, Phuong, at Ft. Chaffee.

Student finds sister among refugees

Recently Hanh thi Nguyen learned that her sister, Phuong thi Nguyen, was among the Vietnamese refugees at Ft. Chaffee. Hanh, a third semester student at Southern College, Walnut Ridge, on a full scholarship, contacted First Church, Ft. Smith, and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Spencer became the sponsors of Phuong. Both girls are living in the Spencer home.

Hanh is teaching English to the Vietnamese at Ft. Chaffee during the summer. She will return to Southern College in the fall to complete her work there. She has been offered a half scholarship at East Texas Baptist College, Marshall, for her final two years of college work. First Church, Ft. Smith, took a special offering to assist Hanh in completing her education at East Texas.

The Spencers plan to sponsor another sister and a brother of Hanh when they arrive at Ft. Chaffee. Hanh has six brothers and sisters as well as her parents who did not get out of Saigon. Mrs. Spencer, who is secretary to William Bennett, pastor of First Ft. Smith, said "My Church, husband and I fell in love with Hanh. It is a joy to help her."

At evangelism conferences

Professor will be Bible teacher.

Jimmy Millikin will be the Bible teacher for the adult "Life and Liberty Area Evangelism Conferences" Sept. 7-

Dr. Millikin is a graduate of Southern Baptist College and East Texas Baptist College, Marshall, Tex. He received the B.D. and Th.D. degrees at Southwestern Seminary.

From 1965 to '73 he was professor of Bible at Southern Baptist College, Walnut Ridge. Since the Fall of '73 he has been professor of Bible Interpretation at Mid-America Seminary.

Dr. Millikin is a warmhearted, dynamic, compassionate, popular Bible preacher and teacher.

The conference will be held at the following places: Sunday, Sept. 7, 2:20

p.m., Calvary, Batesville; Sept. 8, 7:30 p.m., Central, Jonesboro; Sept. 9, 7:30 p.m., First, Nashville;; Sept. 10, 7:30 p.m., South McGehee, McGehee; Sept. 11, 7:30 p.m., First, Waldron.

Wilbur Herring will preach in the adult conferences.

The youth conferences will be conducted by Neal Guthrie and Steve Boehning. Special programs are planned for pre-schoolers. Nurseries will be open.

Each conference will begin with the ringing of the Liberty Bell. We shall pledge allegiance to the Christian and American flags and sing "America." We shall also sing our new chorus on "Let Freedom Ring." Ervin Keathley, Secretary of Music, will be in charge of the music. -Jesse S. Reed, Director of Evangelism.

News briefs-

Grace Church, North Little Rock, began a personalized prayer service on July 9th. Pastor Dennis Tyner said that for some time he had felt that there was a real lack of burden on the part of the people attending the Wednesday evening prayer services. He is now distributing sheets of paper in which those attending the prayer service are to list by name those who are lost, those who are sick and those who are in need.

Jim Gayle, Southern Baptist missionary to South Vietnam, who is now director of Protestant worship services at Ft. Chaffee, will speak at the morning worship service at Lakeshore Drive Church, Little Rock, on Aug. 3.

Life and Liberty manuals available

The '76 Life and Liberty Campaign Manuals have been completed and one copy mailed free to all pastors and superintendents of missions. Additional copies are available to the churches at \$1 each. Please order from:

Mrs. Nadine Bjorkman Box 550 Little Rock AR 72203

Church business affairs conference



Holley

"Managing the Business Affairs of a Church" will be the subject of Arkansas' first Church Business Administration Conference. The conference will be held Monday through Wednesday. Sept. 15-17, and will meet at the Baptist Building in Little

Rock. The conference is designed for pastors, ministers of education, church administrators, deacon chairmen, trustees, treasurers, and the chairmen of stewardship, property and space, and finance committees.

Program leaders include Idus Owensby, consultant in the Church Administration Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville; Harry Trulove, executive director, Arkansas Baptist Foundation; Roy Lewis, secretary of the Stewardship and Cooperative Program Department, Arkansas Baptist State Convention; Bob Conner, vicepresident, Union National Bank, Little Rock; and Willard Zeiser, minister of education, Park Hill Church, North Little Rock.

The conference agenda includes such areas as (1) business meetings and the business affairs of the church, (2) policies and procedures related to church business, (3) wills and trusts, (4) understanding bank services in church business, (5) building loans and bond programs, (6) housekeeping and maintenance management, (7) records that contribute to effective management, (8) designing the programs of church finance, and (9) the church and legal responsibility.

This conference will be the first state conference of its kind to be conducted by a state convention and promises to be a very profitable experience for the participants. Registrations and requests for additional information should be sent to the Church Training Department, P.O. Box 550, Little Rock, Ark. 72203.—Robert Holley

And some.....evangelists

(Eph. 4:11)



Holcomb

Bill W. Holcomb has entered evangelistic singing. Holcomb was born in 1944 at Paragould. He started singing solos when he was 11 years old and leading music in revivals and worship services at 16. For the past six years he has been minister of music and youth at the Sulphur Springs Church, Pine Bluff.

Holcomb is a graduate of the Luxora high school and attended Southern College, Walnut Ridge, and Arkansas State University, Jonesboro. Holcomb is married to the former Karen Jane Dunken of Blytheville. They have two children, Shyron Renee and David Byron.

W. Harold White, superintendent of missions for the Harmony Association, says "I have known this man approximately eight years. It is with a good deal of pleasure

that I commend this man's services to churches in need of evangelistic singers. He and his lovely wife work together, and they made a good team. You will be blessed by their music and fervent evangelistic spirit."

Billy G. West, pastor of the Sulphur Springs Church, Pine Bluff, says "He will respect every pastor and assist in every way he is needed to develop spiritual growth among the people. He has firm convictions about prayer and the need for prayer power. He has a burden for the lost people and believes in personal witnessing. Bill will be a blessing to any church that feels led to invite him to serve as their evangelist."





The Southern accent

Service

A student is failing in his college work; a pastor needs a revival team for a weekend revival; a forty year old man surrenders to preach, knowing little or nothing about the Bible or church polity. Each has a need uniquely his own. Southern Baptist College has a solution uniquely tailored for each.

For the student needing help, Southern has a course, Communicative Skills, designed to help him in the areas of writing, research, and study. And, perhaps an even greater aid is the personal tutelage by the professors themselves, given on a voluntary basis to those needing additional instruction outside the classroom.

The In-Service Training program, while primarily designed for the young person training for a Christian vocation, provides a great service to those churches who are seeking an evangelistic team for a week-long or weekend revival. At the church's request, the In-Service Training Director will select a team, give them a briefing on what the church wants, and some last-minute instruction in proper relations between team members and the church. So, for a minimum of work on the church's part, they can secure the services of young, enthusiastic and energetic Christian workers to lead in revival.

When a man surrenders to preach who considers himself too old to go to college, or who feels he doesn't need many of the non-religious courses taught in a liberal-arts school, but who knows nothing about the Bible and church organization and methods for carrying out their responsibilities, Southern Baptist College has a program that will meet his need. Theological Adult Education is a program for preachers who never finished high school, who feel too old for college, or who want only courses in Bible and church history and polity.

Many have come to Southern with a need, and found the answer. Somehow, some way, Southern's services have always provided. The Southern Accent is on service. Come on and see what Southern can do for you!—Danny P. Carroll

Revivals_

Big Creek Church, Hooker, June 23-29; Bill H. Lewis, evangelist, Paul Payne, singer; 21 professions of faith for baptism. Marvin Wolfe is pastor.

Slide presentation on work is free

"An Arm of the Church Reaching Out" is the ministry of the Arkansas Baptist Family and Child Care Services. Many church groups have viewed and responded positively to our new slidecassette presentation bearing this title. It is our desire to share this program with every church in the convention in an effort to be informative and accountable to Arkansas Baptists for the funds received which make possible our outreach ministry to families and children.

Someone from our staff will be happy to come to your church and present this program. It has been used effectively for Sunday evening services, Wednesday evening services, W.M.U. meetings (church and associational), Brotherhood meetings (even early breakfasts), associational meetings, and pastor's conferences.

"Our church is so small, we are reluctant to ask someone to come just for our group." This is a comment I have heard often and I want to emphasize that the size of the church does not matter to us. We are grateful for the support and interest of all of our churches and want to visit the small churches as well as the large ones. There will not be any expense to the church to have this program presented. We would appreciate an invitation so that we could share with you the story of this exciting life-giving ministry.

A pastor of one of the small churches has suggested that two or three churches might want to join together on a Sunday evening for a time of fellowship and presentation of the program.

Please contact our office so that we can schedule this program for your church.-Johnny G. Biggs, Executive Director, Arkansas Baptist Family and Child Care Services.

'THE HUMAN DIMENSION' MAKES IT BIG IN NEW YORK

"The Human Dimension," the awardwinning television documentary and drama series produced by the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission, has finally made the bigtime - WABC-TV in New York City.

WABC-TV, the flagship station for the Broadcasting Company American network, will air the show at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings. There is a potential of 20 million viewers in the New York television market

National Acteens conference draws 11,000 to Memphis

MEMPHIS (BP)-About 11,000 junior and senior high school girls and their adult leaders got "in touch" during the National Acteens Conference sponsored here by Woman's Missionary Union (WMU), national auxiliary of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The crowd strained the capacity of Cooke Convention Center at times as girls searched for seats in the auditorium, browsed in exhibit halls, dozed in the lobby, stood in lines at concession stands and overflowed into nearby churches for dozens of small group "encounter" conferences

Shirley Cothran of Denton, Tex., the current Miss America, and dozens of missionaries launched the meeting with testimonials to their commitment. Behind them a blue backdrop framed a huge rear-projection screen on which images constantly interpreted the conference theme - "In Touch.'

Miss Cothran, a Southern Baptist and former Acteens leader, told the girls that following Jesus Christ in faith and behavior can bring satisfaction and achievements.

She gave her personal testimony, telling of a third grade "scare" profession of faith and a true conversion experience in camp at Falls Creek, Okla.

"In September I will take off the crown that I occasionally wear as Miss America, but I have an eternal crown in my heart and it is worn by Jesus Christ," she said.

"Being Miss America didn't just happen. It is something I worked hard for," Miss Cothran said, describing her dieting, exercising and talent practice in pursuit of local titles. She said that she did not meet with success until she asked God's guidance. "I had put Shirley number 1 and God number 2, and that is a losing combination."

She challenged the Acteens to stick to their beliefs about Christian behavior. She said she does not smoke, drink, use drugs, or "sleep with my boy friend. My challenge to you is that it is not necessary to compromise for an artificial high when you have an all time natural high through Jesus Christ," she said.

Melvin Torstrick, representing the SBC's Foreign Mission Board, and Jerry Scruggs, representing the SBC's Home Mission Board, presented couples who were commissioned for missionary service.

They included Mr. and Mrs. William J. Campbell from Ohio, to work with national Baptists in Nashville; Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hill from Georgia and North Carolina, to the Philippines; Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Murphy, Massachusetts and Texas, for a two-year appointment in Honolulu; Mr. and Mrs. Mike Owen, Alabama, to Guatemala.

In the closing session of the five-day conference, Carolyn Weatherford, WMU's national executive secretary, charged the girls to return to their daily routine with determination to keep in touch with themselves, with God and with the world.

"We began this meeting by commissioning missionaries. That was important, but even more important is this time of commitment for you," she said. "The conference was planned so that you could hear God speak to you. All that we have done makes no difference if God has not spoken to you," she said, urging the Acteens to respond to God's leading in their lives.

The conference featured the fifth birthday of Acteens (using a giant cake as the focal point), a wide range of musical expression. special missions presentations and discussions of future adult roles.

Juliet Mather, WMU's first fulltime professional youth leader beginning in 1921, came out of retirement in Indialantic, Fla., to give a capsule the daily news with implications for missions.

Miss Mather stressed the need for response to world hunger, for re-aligning the world's resources among the nations. for sensitivity to political situations. In a documentary on the news, she told of the Baptist involvement of the late Chiang Kai Chek

The Memphis meeting was the second national convocation WMU has sponsored for girls in grades 7-12, since Acteens was founded in 1970. WMU leaders hope to schedule another meeting within the next five years for the next generation of Acteens.

50 years in ministry



John Wordy Buckner will celebrate 50 years in the ministry Sunday, Aug. 3. Buckner will preach at the morning service at Temple Church, Crossett, and will be honored with a reception at the church at 2 p.m.

Buckner

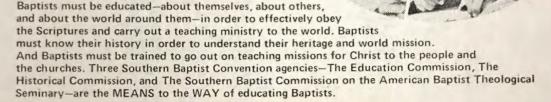
He served Temple church for 16 years.

Buckner is a native of Louisiana and served the first 25 years of his ministry in Louisiana churches. The rest of his ministry was in Arkansas. Buckner holds the B.A. degree from Louisiana College and the M.A. Degree from Northeast Louisiana State University. He has studied at New Orleans Seminary.

The EDUCATION COMMISSION
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The Education Commission

There are three major purposes of the Education Commission:

- To promote cooperation between Southern Baptist-sponsored educational institutions;
- 2. To provide specific services to Baptist colleges and schools;
- To maintain liaison for them with various accrediting associations and societies.

The Commission reflects the Southern Baptist commitment to be obedient to the Scriptures in carrying out a teaching ministry. Its programs of service are: Christian education leadership and coordination, college studies and services, teacher-personnel placement services, student recruitment, and Convention relations.

The Historical Commission

The Historical Commission seeks to serve Southern Baptists, their churches, associations, conventions, and institutions to enable them to know and appreciate Baptist history. The Commission conducts a program of recording, procurement, preservation, and utilization of historical materials to serve history interests of Southern Baptists.

Every church and association is urged to assure preservation of their records by having them microphotographed by the Commission. The Commission also aids churches in writing their histories and in observing anniversaries by publishing and distributing pamphlets, consulting with church leaders, and providing research services.

The Southern Baptist Commission on the American Baptist Theological Seminary

This Commission is a joint venture of the Southern Baptist Convention and the National Baptist Convention to train ministers and mission workers through the American Baptist Theological Seminary. The Commission receives funds from the SBC and disburses them to the Seminary for its operation and capital needs. The board of trustees of the Seminary is composed of both National Baptists and Southern Baptists.

In addition to its full-time students on campus, the Seminary serves a large number of pastors through an extension program.

Together,

Together, these three independent agencies of the SBC play an important role in Baptist education. Funds from the Cooperative Program make their work possible. And, of course, you and your church make the Cooperative Program possible. Your gifts through the program provide the MEANS. The Commissions on Education, History, and the American Seminary provide the WAY.



Seventh in a series of ads on the Cooperative Program.

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Calvary, Crossett	461.63	360.45	Spring River	309.64 100.00	97.85 295.00	Murphy	5.00	.00
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Enon	640.90	195.75	Spring Lake Swifton	234.75	269.93 427.00	McCrory	1,242.60	1,413.00
Florence	36.00	40.00	Tuckerman	380.41 980.00	281.75	McRae	101.38	1,310.00
Hermitage	563.70	393.28	Walnut Ridge 1st	7,094.86	4,549.88	Midway	103.64 199.70	25.00
Immanuel, Warren Ladelle	5,370.64 225.05	1,890.60	White Oak	240.00	296.72	Morton	260.93	60.00
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North Side, Monticello	616.53	374.54	Abbott	109.52	25.00	Raynor Grove	.00	.00
Old Union	154.00	.00	Bates Calvary, Booneville	56.90 75.92	.00	Rocky Point •	288.49	89.00
Pleasant Grove Prairie Grove	30.00	.00 33.54	Cauthron	.00	.00	Searcy 1st Searcy 2nd	17,165.48 373.30	5,921.44
Saline	51.42	.00	Cedar Creek	76.37	.00	Temple	3,736.86	770.83 1,480.90
Selma	54.00	.00	Clarks Chapel	35.00	.00	Trinity	1,493.97	1,220.87
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Bella Vista	2,136.12	734.06	lone	379.27	.00	Bethesda	.00	.00
Bentonville 1st Centerton 1st	3,566.68 974.00	5,028.68 885.00	James Fork Long Ridge	493.21 78.26	466.41 20.00	Calvary, Camden Dalark	984.85	968.40
Central Avenue, Bentonville	76.02	300.16	Mansfield	2,166.53	1,348.50	Eagle Mills	230.24	.00
Decatur	1,537.13	939.33	Midland	834.80	31.15	Faith	416.00	100.00
Garfield	525.94	380.74	New Providence	34.00	.00	Fordyce 1st	7,600.79	6,309.91
Gentry	6,242.87 1,478.76	2,139.02 672.66	Parks Pleasant Grove No. 2	321.47	126.86 71.00	Hampton	2,006.95	161.00
Gravette Gum Springs	607.53	250.00	Pleasant Grove No. 3	35.18	.00	Harmony Holly Springs	18.00 35.00	.00
Harvard Avenue	2,819.43	835.15	Rock Creek	161.10	48.00	Manning	400.15	240.00
Highfill	770.52	1,516.75	Shiloh	10.00	.00	New Hope	239.79	16.00
Immanuel, Rogers	1,888.05 389.73	1,813.49 169.50	Temple, Waldron	604.04	103.50 30.00	Ouachita Brosparity	63.00	94.00
Lakeview	007770	107.00	Union Hope	115.90	30.00	Prosperity	197.66	25.00

	Churches	Cooperative			Cooperative	Desig-		Cooperative	
	Churches Shady Grove	Program	nated	Churches	Program	nated	Churches	Program	nated
	South Side, Fordyce	40 00 266 00	10.00	Vista Heights	492.82	182.15	Solgohachia	.00	on
	Sparkman	4 635 20		Walnut Valley Hilldale Road Mssn	960 17	174.60	Stony Point	00	54 07
•	Thornton Tinsman	596.55	384.50	Hot Springs Village Mssn.	327.57	410.00	Thornburg Union Valley	460.05 557.69	128 76
	Tulip Memorial	75.00 26.81	30.00 50.00	TOTAL			Oppelo Chapel	157 00	178 20
	Willow	36.00	.00	TOTAL	94.295.56	60,830,43	TOTAL	10,490.73	6,475.41
	TOTAL	10 500 50		CLEAR CREEK ASSOCIATION	11.394.92	4 846 22	TOTAL	10,490.23	0,473,41
		19,503.53	12,607.81	Altus 1st	45.00	6,545.31	CURRENT RIVER ASSOCIA	TION	
	Austin Station			Batson	222.00	84.60	Biggers Caralan	673.85	259.67
	Baughs Chapel	1,008.68	205.33	Cedarville	119.72 553.85	50.00 180.68	Calvary, Corning Columbia Jarrett	806.54	1.755 16
	Biscoe	585.00	149.90	Clarksville 1st	5,133.55	1.788.26	Corning	1,379.10	3,787.00
he.	Brownsville Cabot 1st	891.54	312 39	Clarksville 2nd	518.01	426.48	Hopewell Moark	177.81	445.36
	Cabot 2nd	9,536.82 583.11	4,113.05 354.48	Concord	1,437,93	62.85	Mt. Pleasant	282.29 147.40	30.00
	Caney Creek	1,330.40	425 00	Dyer	283.42	151.36	Oak Grove	241.00	250.00
	Chambers	8.604.80	1,287.92	East Mt. Zion	375.00	84.00	Pettit	72.00	69.00 989.80
	Cocklebur	12.00 163.96	.00	Hagarville Hartman	162.36 296.19	133.25	Pocahontas Ravenden Springs	174.00	64.35
	Coy	837.41	312.82	Kibler	1,450.56	1,060.59	Reyno	583.61	124,70
	Cross Roads Des Arc	4 200 200	.00	Lamar	582.00	213.15	Shannon Shiloh, Corning	637.86	101.00 85.01
	De Valls Bluff	6,285.38	3,212.38	Mountainburg Mulberry	425.68	510.00	Shiloh, Pocahontas	00	.00
	England 1st	6,982.14	1,324.35	Oak Grove	1,500.00	1,781.83	Success	429.66	214.00
	Hazen	5,419,49	2,493.58	Ozark	5,496.03	1,409.45	Witts Chapel	602.42	796.13
	Humnoke Immanuel, Carlisle	265.01	53.58 433.58	Ozone	348.25 18.36	370.20	TOTAL	9,147.47	9,059.92
	Keo	1,078.91	1,610.00	Shady Grove	168.48	61.63			
	Lonoke	8,226.29	3,220.40	Shibley	261.14	.00	DARDANELLE RUSSELL ASSOCIATION	VILLE	
	Mt. Carmel Mtn. Springs	743 12	248.03 185.83	Spedra Trinity, Alma	.00	.00	Atkins	812.11	834.71
	New Hope	211.46	.00	Union Grove	289.81	156.00	Bakers Creek	263.84 134.86	58.76
	Oak Grove	.00	.00	Uniontown	444.84	134.03	Bluffton	59.88	.00
	Old Austin Pleasant Hill	394.50 280.97	234 17 513 40	Van Buren 1st Van Buren 2nd	8,415.00	4,425.26 162.75	Centerville Danville	1,418.69	2,112.55
	Steel Bridge	285.52	282.00	Vine Prairie	112.18	63.82	Dardanelle	3,570,49 288.95	2,889.50
	Toltec	4,540.75	3,329,55	Webb City	611.86	202,00 75.00	Dover East Point	606.24	196.59
	Ward Wattensaw	1,386.46	945.67 786.58	Woodland Centercross Mssn.	50.00	.00	Fair Park	373.66	178.00
				First Baptist Mssn., Van Buren	.00	.00	Grace Memorial	111.13	20.00
	TOTAL .	66,485.18	26,233.84	Jamestown Mssn.	.00	,00	Havana Hector	164.27	84.19
	CENTENNIAL ASSOCIATION			TOTAL	43,531.61	22,199.90	Hopewell	50.00	406 40
	Aberdeen Almyra	345.23 14.576.00	70.63 4,546.84	CONCORD ASSOCIATION			Immanuel, Russellville	310,00 272.82	116.56 127.50
	DeWitt	5,397.68	7,812.44	Barling	661.95	245.00	Kelley Heights Knoxville	573.41	267.60
	East Side, DeWitt	40.00	117.85	Bethel	876.42	788.80	London	945.02	301.25
	Gillett Gillett 1st	71.71 201.12	38 25 63 00	Bloomer Bluff Avenue	45.00 3,340.36	1,225.44	Moreland	159.64	63.55 48.00
	Hagler	180.96	37.45	Booneville 1st	3,159.60	3,188.35	New Hope Ola	1,232.64	606.00
	North Maple	1,970.16	704.00	Branch	676.56	559.37 50.00	Pittsburg	20.00	.00
	Reydell South Side, Stuttgart	129.02 3,037.41	386.07	Burnsville Calvary, Ft. Smith	4,132.76	4.925.95	Plainview	168.92 153.99	526,00 60.00
	St. Charles	1,428.00	1,111.00	Charleston 1st	3,449.16	1,993.93	Pleasant View Pottsville 1st	387.51	198.68
	Stuttgart 1st	18,449.70	10,914.74	East Side, Ft. Smith Enterprise	4,970.84 303.39	3,001.97 151.85	Rover	462.80	112.00
	Tichnor North Side Missn.	.00	62.00	Excelsion	230.87	.00	Russellville 2nd	4,177.29	3,636.80
	Misc.	.00	120.00	Fort Smith 1st	41.662.65	21.791.29	Misc.	.00	300.00
			27 040 00	Glendale Grand Avenue, Ft. Smith	588.93 35,237.82	210.06	TOTAL	17,288.50	13,471.16
	TOTAL	45,886.99	27.869.29	Grayson	.00	50.00	DELTA ASSOCIATION		
	CENTRAL ASSOCIATION	488.99	323.25	Greenwood 1st	4,664.00	2,848.00	Arkansas City	1,264.72	935.00
	Benton 1st	12,750.00	8,962.85	Hackett Haven Heights	252.31 3,603.50	2.045.55	Aulds	.00	.00
	Bryant 1st Southern	1,410.00	1,273.00	Highway 96	.00	.00	Bayou Mason Bellaire	347.20 2,175.62	139.00
	Buie Calvary, Benton	242.83 4,466.32	67.03 3,588.45	Immanuel , Ft. Smith	8,056.12	2,420.75	Boydell	102.68	.00
	Central, Hot Springs	6,794.89	6,386.59	Jenny Lind Lavaca 1st	1,796.73 4,238.11	713.21 2.912.97	Chickasaw	405.12	259.00
	Cross Roads	275.09	99.34	Magazine	959.84	310.75	Collins . Daniel Chapel	1,359.00	330 00
	Emmanuel, Hot Springs Fairdale	749.62 486.49	310.98 211.67	Memorial	79.65	.00	Dermott	4,303.90	4,608.43
	Faith	364.73	.00	Mixon	143.04	411.94	Eudora	5,002.00	2,711.95
	Gilead	89,81	60.00	Mt. Harmony Mt. Zion	49.43	25,06	Gaines Jennie	675.00	170.00
	Grand Avenue, Hot Springs Gravel Hill	359.39	5,467.00	New Hope	1,179.41	483.10	Jerome	214.45	157.37
	Harveys Chapel	1,468.41	836.64	North Side, Charleston North Side, Ft. Smith	814.35	1,016.62	Kelso Lake Village 1st	461.90	1,420.38
	Highland Heights Hot Springs 1st	3,443.63	4,780.97 5,411.32	Oak Cliff	359.60 2,746.63	475.75 1,490.08	McArthur	1,500.00	1,054.23
	Hot Springs 2nd	13,258.75	9,988.01	Palestine	379.81	383.58	McGehee 1st	10,527.24	3,904.74
	Hurricane Lake	1,020.84	156.00	Paris 1st Phoenix Village	4,200.00 1,962.82	1,682.75	Montrose New Hope	774.57 702.19	452.11
	Indian Springs Jessieville	378.76 449.21	301.50 49.08	Pine Log	93.43	.00	North Side, Eudora	465.72	151.00 449.55
	Lake Hamilton	563.43	746.05	Ratcliff	592.32	93.78	Omega	230.15	77.25
	Lakeshore Hieghts	1,548.06	656.17	Roseville Rye Hill	75.00	138.20 471.68	Parksdale Parkway	210.00	75.00
	Lake Side	1,209.79 971.78	374.10 149.70	Scranton	1,116.39	112.79	Portland	2,015.46	20.00 1,025.62
	Lee Chapel Leonard Street	1,033.00	37.50	South Side, Booneville	480.00	291.75	Richland	74.34	.00
	Lonsdale	209.89	.00	South Side, Ft. Smith Spradling	3,728.56 455.00	989.85 727.20	Shiloh South McGehee	351.56	263.82
	Malvern 3rd Memorial	5,843.06	1,381.95	Temple	1,615.55	986.23	Temple	301.90 493.49	195.46 26.25
	Mill Creek	1,697.34	288.00	Trinity	-2,606.75	1,018.81	Tillar	762.67	359.25
	Mountain Pine	1,242.17	416.33	Union Hall	.00	.00	Watson	200.19	.00
	Mountain Valley	320.35	20.00 42.00	Windsor Park	.00	2,477.46	Wilmot	1,338.00	1,530.57
	Mt. Vernon Old Union	353.40 617.65	.00	West Side Chapel	198.08	229.89	TOTAL	36,259.07	21,360.98
	Owensville -	529.00	.00	TOTAL	146 741 54	94 070 67			
	Park Place	9.723.08	1,735.04	CONWAY-PERRY ASSOCIATION		84,070.57	FAULKNER ASSOCIATION		743.00
	Pearcy Perla	272.00 40.83	656.00	Adona	60.00	.00	Bono	1,596.14 25.00	761.23 59.00
	Piney	3,175.02	. 1,452.21	Bigelow	514.89	255.95	Brumley Chapel	922.59	178.75
	Pleasant Hill Rector Heights	586.85	407.13 120.06	Casa Harmony	150.00	77.00	Cadron Ridge Conway 1st	288.31	353.80
	Ridgecrest	399.23 667.00	260.23	Houston	69.81 40.78	73.00	Conway 2nd	4,999.98 5,431.86	1,977.67
	Riverside	992.04	439.35	Morrilton 1st	6,596.25	2,393.83	Emmanuel, Conway	265.65	.00
	Salem Sheridan 1st Southern	1,844.66	299.11 287.05	Perry	1,015.54	339.50	Enola Friendship	103.23	.00 78.95
	Shorewood Hills	702.89 134.18	.00	Perryville	12.52 296.20	743.79	Happy Hollow	303.46 64.00	114.86
	Trinity, Benton	2,467.91	1,118.75	Pleasant Grove	50.00	35.00	Harlan Park	1,712.72	697.15
	Trinity, Malvern	1,473.62	629.06	Plumerville	510.00	2,196.31	Harmony	106,99	.00

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	Cooperativ	e Desig-		Cassanatura	Dosin		Connecative	Desig-
Churches	Program	nated	Churches	Program	Desig- nated	Churches	Cooperative Program	nated
Holland Mayflower 1st	409.15	224.88	White Sulphur Springs	1,981.76	718.36	Park View	3,194.48	1,588.81
Mt. Vernon	866 23 255.66	72.00 196.10	Yorktown	367.06	145.50	Philadelphia	185.45 624.00	25.00 175.00
Naylor New Bethel	21.00	.00	TOTAL	103,841.86	53,174.62	Salem Smackover	7,803.13	1,864.25
Oak Bowery	.00	135.00	HOPE ASSOCIATION			South Side	263.93 4,229.87	2,289.42
Pickles Gap	4,516.37	920 18	Anderson Arabella Heights	367.20 1,288.11	179.00 384.45	Stephens Strong	3,562 34	1,849.49
Pleasant Grove South Side, Damascus	1,813.51	603.00	Beech Street 1st	11,846.04	11,270.25	Sylvan Hills	10.00	75.00 98.94
Outon Hill	547.38	200 00	Bradley Relabte	900.00 277.83	563.00	Temple, Camden Temple, El Dorado	677.81	91.53
Wooster First Baptist Mssn., Greenbrier	962.19	296.45	Bronway Heights Calvary, Hope	6.717.10	1,944.05	Three Creeks	932.58	429.26 2,338.06
	,00	1,102,16	Calvary, Texarkana	2,440.43	927.79	Trinity Union	1,800.00	410.00
TOTAL	26,013,68	11,982,16	Canfleld Central, Magnolia	265.00 23.049.83	985.55	Urbana	222.45	380.85 251.90
GAINESVILLE ASSOCIATIO	N		Evergreen	.00	.00	Victory Village	247.17 747.55	365.25
Browns Chapel Emmanuel, Piggott	14.00	.00	Fouke 1st Fulton	848.41 400.00	437.51	Wesson	288.47	2,634,76
Greenway	596.25	504.47	Garland	.00	.00	West Side, El Dorado	11,485.88 50.00	.00
Harmony Holly Island	180.00	51.11	Genoa	178.97 60.00	11.00	White City Wildwood	189.00	27.00
Knobel	36,00 188,17	54.05	Guernsey Haley Lake	.00	21.10		150,918.42	90,529.03
New Hope	762.59	569.88	Harmony Grove	25.00	125.00 592.32	TOTAL		
Nimmons Peach Orchard	30.00	50.00	Hickory Street, Texarkana Highland Hills	496.06 399.30	661.08	LITTLE RED RIVER ASSOC Arbanna	90.21	.00
Piggott	3,790.79	5,648.80	Hope 1st	17,608.14	13,550.65	Brownsville	95.79 50.00	.00 52.10
Rector St. Francis	900.00	1,020.25	immanuel, Magnolia immanuel, Texarkana	656.52 5,187.34	914.93	Center Ridge Concord	379.46	355.97
Tipperary	88.25	.00	Lewisville 1st	2,729.83	760.71	Harris Chapel	18.00	4,762.50
TOTAL	10 247 04		Macedonia No. 1 Macedonia No. 2	193,24 450.26	,00 450.00	Heber Springs 1st Life Line	.00	.00
	10,343.06	10.718.95	Mandeville	1,014.00	200.00	Lone Star	.00	.00
GREENE ASSOCIATION	424.34	25.00	Memorial Mitchell Street	1,490.76	767.96	Mt. Olive Mt. Zion	86.00	83.00
Beech Grove	100.00	125.00	Mt. Zion	210.00	400.00	New Bethel	91.62	25.00
Bethel Station	24.00	.00	Northeast	1,224.64	367.50 41.27	Palestine Pines	659.23 210.67	182.00 223.50
Big Creek Brighton	163.31 72.00	179.77	Piney Grove - Pisgah	293.44 123.96	.00	Pleasant Ridge	173.22	184.30
Browns' Chapel	898.90	721.09	Red River	75.00	.00	Pleasant Valley	204.26 60.00	35.00 25.00
Calvary, Paragould Center Hill	1,223.76 528.14	620.02 186.85	Rocky Mound Shiloh Memorial	36.00 1,229.96	730.50	Post Oak Quitman 1st	1,214.19	1,476.61
Clarks Chapel	156.00	281.93	South Texarkana	377.06	300.96	Rose Bud	614.17 397.14	715.67
Delaplaine East Side, Paragould	150.00 2,640.16	1,093.44	Spring Hill Stamps 1st	295.65 3,280.80	3,706.11	South Side, Heber Springs West Side, Heber Springs	218.72	494.79 501.54
Fairview	170.70	93,38	Sylverino	240.00	265.00	Woodrow	.00	.00
Finch	257.61 79.25	140.07 86.05	Tennessee Trinity	537.69 7,353.08	291.32	TOTAL	16,130.82	9,116.98
Fontaine Immanuel, Paragould	1,870.43	781.70	West Side, Magnolla	220.30	123.72			,,,,,,,,,
Lafe	39.00 60.00	75.00	TOTAL	94,446.95	66,683.85	Ashdown	6,658.71	4,634.90
Lake Street	202.94	82.14			00,003.03	Ben Lomond	72.30	50.00
Marmaduke	1,017.55	519.50	INDEPENDENCE ASSOCIAT	4,428.00	6,100.00	Bingen Brownstown	170,00	730.00
New Friendship	218,95 335.43	153.00 226.70	Calvary, Batesville	6,194.83	3,697.67	Central, Mineral Springs	2,084.00	1,816.64
New Liberty	48.00	.00	Calvary, Timbo	210.05 700.50	428.00	Chapel Hill	58.30 275.47	101.44
Nutts Chapel	297.79 280.88	300.00 193.89	Cord Cushman	42.00	34.13	Columbus Dierks	317.78	146.60
Oak Grove Paragould 1st	19,951.45	9,468.75	Desha	607.74 312.44	26.85 167.30	Foreman	1,043.97	552.81
Pleasant Valley	.00	18.00	East Side, Cave City Emmanuel, Batesville	735.22	1,150,67	Hicks Horatio	494.69 333.30	225.00 1,174.75
Robbs Chapel Rock Hill	227.50	349.00	Floral	818.53	1,961.93	Kern Heights	1,136.10	426.01
Rosewood	343.71	341.23	Marcella Mountain View	3,022.70	119.60	Liberty	1,301.51	.00
Stanford	180.00	.00	Mt. Zion	452.38	221.55	Lockesburg Lone Oak	37.50	1,143.64
Stonewall Third Avenue	15.00	.00	Pilgrims Rest Pleasant Plains	331.17	243.49 198.60	Mt. Moriah	56.08	.00
Unity	120.00	329.79	Rehobeth	384.79	199.56	Murfreesboro Nashville	1,490.32 6,183.44	1,862.80 6,242.68
Vines Chapel Walcott	1,345.64	53.48	Rosie	1,094.32	446.09 420.09	New Home	.00	.00
West View	1,479.99	407.06	Ruddell Hill Salado	143.86	155.00	Oak Grove Ogden	209.54 350.99	100.00 399.23
Misc.	.00	500.00	Sulphur Rock	125.91	167.57	Ozan	.00	.00
TOTAL	34,922.43	17,415.94	West Batesville White River	7,287.47 · 107.73	88.70	Ridgeway	1,071.96	642.08
HARMONY ASSOCIATION			North Side Mssn.	289.50	172.10	Rock Hill State Line	171.44	.00
Altheimer	1,158.67	495.00	TOTAL	28,859.87	23 974 37	Washington	210.00	219.82
Anderson Chapel Bethel	84.00	.00	TOTAL	20,037.0/		Wilton Winthrop	501.70 407.92	400.00
Centennial	3,144.43	1,666.68	LIBERTY ASSOCIATION Buena Vista	503.00	50.00			
Central Dollarway	1,833.24 722.39	749.20 531.00	Caledonia	230.00	59.00 194.50	TOTAL	24,637.02	21,029.55
Douglas .	388.46	347.06	Callon Camden 1st	965.64	765.57	MISSISSIPPIASSOCIAT	ON	
Dumas 1st	10,802.25	5,951.47 1,370.94	Camden 1st Camden 2nd	24,094.94 727.71	450.42	Armorel	652.75	67.31
East Side, Pine Bluff Evergreen	3,471.94 299.85	.00	Chidester	491.10	472.16	Bethany Black Water	236.07	13.76
Forrest Park	2,855.20	2,473.40	Cross Roads Cullendale 1st	1,344.00	3,332.82	Blytheville 1st	20,216.29	6,532.53
Gould Grady	977.66 100.00	1,470.25 305.68	East Main	6,015.65	3,371.51	Brinkley Chapel	60.00	.00
Greenlee	2,623.65	816.09	Ebenezer El Dorado 1st	3,472.13	1,649.09	Brown Chapel Calvary, Blytheville	193.34 794.97	.00 517.96
Green Meadows Hardin	241.12 2,028.79	.00 958.04	El Dorado 2nd	12,886.71	8,186.36	Calvary, Osceola	1,726.17	352.64
Hickory Grove -	48.00	45.30	Elliott	2,729.50	640.75	Central, Dyess Clear Lake	772.00 4 1,200.00	831.12 1,651.05
Humphrey	785.05	800.00	Felsenthal Galilee	251.26 120.00	378.25	Cale Ridge	809.34	189.25
Immanuel, Pine Bluff Kingsland	7,124.57 487.82	5,235.05 550.16	Grace	745.40	786.37	Cross Roads Dell	341.18	125.00
Lee Memorial	4,851.63	1,450.90	Harmony Hillside	560.21 894.00	185.00 425.00	East Side, Osceloa	755.78 406.14	242.15 150.00
Matthews Memorial	542.76 1,200.00	396.15 872.75	Huttig	2,422.96	1,117.80	Emmanuel, Blytheville	348.71	28.00
North Side, Star City	83.00	.00	Immanuel, El Dorado	10,967.11	7,805.74	Efowah Gosnell	1,019.95	.00
Oak Grove Oakland	608.83 330.08	543.52	Joyce City Junction City	2,857.88 2,457.14	362.38 1,646.78	Joiner	518.44 .	106.75
Pine Bluff 1st	15,951.06	9,649.24	Knowles	164.10	.00	Keiser Leachville 1st	873.17 3,922.00	204.84 1,745.00
Pine Bluff 2nd	5,073.90	5,124.45	Lapile Lawson	375.62 262.62	36.42 120.25	Leachville 2nd	335.63	99.77
Plum Bayou Rankin Chapel	215.42 a 34.42	17.20	Liberty	449.20	137.55	Luxora Manila 1st	1,467.82 3,600.53	432.15 1,240.36
Rison	2,538.73	1,074.00	Louann Maple Avenue	51.00 4,278.22	2,200.95	Marys Chapel	174.98	58.28
Shannon Road South Side, Pine Bluff	322.28 14,514.77	394.00	Marrable Hill	1,429.77	201.10	Memorial New Harmony	417.48 108.08	327.07
Star City	8,407.22	2,857.89	Midway New London	349.00 435.91	77.00	New Liberty	584.15	.00 470.29
Wabbaseka Watson Chapel	7,641.85	2,542.47	Norphlet	5,440.73	2,211.66	New Providence Nodena	799.80 214.03	401.96
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	Ridgecrest Rosa	150.00	.00	Indianhead Lakes Indian Hills	3,845.15	2,146.00	Caddo Valley	25.00 174.35	25.00
	Tomato	46.00 3,973.78	1,208.59	Jacksonville 1st Jacksonville 2nd	10,448.51	7,599.00 1,320.75	Cedar Grove Center Point	140.00	73.00
	Trinity Wardell	205.00	.00	Levy	16,730.83	4,721.17 1,996.84	Curtis DeGray	723.00	1,322 17 92.33
	Wells Chapel West Side, Manila	37.50 1,070.74	.00	Marshall Road Morrison Chapel	5,457.98 216.26	73.00	East Whelen	30.00	106.35
	Whitton	187.65 5,397.00	325.66	North Little Rock 1st	4,657.50	4,916.67	Emmet Fairview	.00	.00
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	Black Oak Bono	488.90 405.95	200.00 161.80	Misc.	.00	4,000.00	Park Hill Prescott 1st	2,851.00	2,132 60
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	Childress Dixie	218.47 62.50	180.73	Cherry Hill	70.00 150.00	.00	Unity	191.65	295.00 28.35
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	Fisher Friendly Hope	3,816,96	1,335.22 650.26	Dallas Avenue, Mena De Queen 1st	2,312.41 4,078.31	676.09 5,993.45	TOTAL	4.1-1.1	20,614.75
	Jorusboro 1st Lake City	15,235.00	13,068,68	Gillham	124.30	544.17	ROCKY BAYOU ASSOCIATIO	.00	.00
	Lunsford	490.51	96.50	Grannis Hatfield	284.52 385.95	240.10	Ash Flat 1st Belview	229.85 42.00	.00
	Monette Mt. Pisgah	2,636,22 522.85	806.54 61.47	Hatton	192.00 45.00	.00 19.00	Boswell Calico Rock	430.01	141.50
	Mt. Zion	1,358,11	1,253.45 36.00	Lower Big Fork Mena 1st	9,878.02	4,431.08	Dolph	321.49	99.95
	Needham Nettleton	3,944.05	1,123.80	New Hope Salem	76.15 128.97	13.80	Evening Shade Finley Creek	35.00 139.00	40.00
	New Antloch New Hope, Black Oak	481.83 67.13	65.24	Two Mile	.00 543.13	.00 506.42	Franklin	.00	.00
	New Hope, Jonesboro	89.47	30.00	Vandervoort Wickes	458.78	268.39	Guion Hardy	1,459.20 825.00	578.62 1,073.00
	North Main Philadelphia	550.00 3,082.25	1,490.00	Yocana	1,045.65	137.39	Melbourne Mt. Pleasant	143.12	45.26
	Providence	135.69	82.60 11.00	TOTAL	21,222,41	13,617.89	Myron	30.00 35.00	70.00
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	TOTAL	68,406.93	30,882.40	Brookwood Calvary, Little Rock	17,018.47 1,559.53	10,880.46 830.47	TOTAL	5,604.14	2,716.30
	NORTH ARKANSAS ASSOCIA	TION 483.31	200.00	Chicot Road Crystal Hill	2,452.00	1,325.39	SEARCY ASSOCIATION	1,076.84	590,70
	Alpena Batavia	.00	25.00	Douglasville	544.53 2,300.32	1,049.97	Morning Star	138.12 79.51	100.00
	Bear Creek Springs Bellefonte	748.32 90.00	84.25	East End Forest Highlands	8,515.21	12,624.43	New Hopewell Snowball	34.86	.00
5	Berryville	3,825.28	2,844.02 379.00	Forest Tower Garden Home	385.68 145.78	149.50	TOTAL	1,329.33	690.70
	Boxley Burlington	155.00	100.00	Geyer Springs	19,938.65	11,754.87	TRI-COUNTY ASSOCIATIO	N	
	Cassville Deer	105.00 247.75	25.00 95.00	Green Memorial Hebron	3,550.70	2,205.54	Antioch Barton Chapel	65.27 354.03	129.10
	Eagle Heights	4,969.00	2,094.54	Holly Springs Immanuel, Little Rock	618.93 51,196.93	250.00 70,342.07	Beckspur	504.15	150.00
	Elmwood Emmanuel, Harrison	70.00	328.20	Ironton	1,081.35 692.20	668.13 1,061.04	Burnt Cane Calvary, W. Memphis	5,933.98	2,074.00
	Everton	138.06 73.10	.00 525.00	Lakeshore Drive Life Line	18,050.88	6,745.84	Cherry Valley	1,526.67 90.00	141.00 155.00
	Gaither Grandview	750.30	277.16	Little Rock 1st Little Rock 2nd	12,620.55 9,210.86	13,268.28 8,986.28	Colf Crawfordsville	1,054.67	304.86
	Green Forest Grubb Springs	2,413.13 355.19	993.96 242.96	Markham Street	5,368.75	4,098.65	Earle Emmanuel	5,311.78 510.68	3,440.08 148.25
	Harrison 1st	14,249.14 183.21	8,208.21 210.00	Martindale Nalls Memorial	2,227.94 1,243.59	441.65 493.50	Fair Oaks	914.79	310.00
	Hopewell Jasper	760.19	193.04	Natural Steps	1,446.20	1,365.45	Faith Fitzgerald	703.51	.00
	Lead Hill Marshall	460.16 1,309.93	602.41 421.75	North Point Olivet	.00	35.50 9,003.42	Forrest City 1st	5,333.32 1,795.11	5,135.70 551.27
	New Hope	300.00	150.00 839.67	Pine Grove	2,140.04 1,157.01	1,004.29 346.32	Forrest City 2nd Fortune	40.15	.00
	Northvale Omaha	2,586.48 148.16	174.00	Plain View Pleasant Grove	730.18	162.00	Gladden Goodwin	143.00 343.39	.00 87.09
	Oregon Flat	729.81 143.37	318.20	Pulaski Heights Reynolds Memorial	26,722.59 528.17	10,203.38	Harris Chapel	337.52 100.00	469.49
	Osage Parthenon	138.60	1/.00	Ridgecrest	.00	.00 46.00	Hydrick Ingram Boulevard	3,217.87	590.50
	Rock Springs Rudd	815.56 361.13	298.83 83.26	Roland Rosedale	215.00 3,248.98	2,445.05	Jericho Madison	60.00 125.00	7.00 57.00
	South Side, Harrison	99.96	227.48	Shady Grove	454.00 429.54	974.50 528.34	Madison Marion	2,458.15	1,102.40
	St. Joe Union	261.03 162.69	12.20 425.63	Shannon Hills Sheridan 1st	3,306.89	3,328.90	Midway Palestine	104.88 48.00	.00 50.00
	Valley Springs	127.72 813.58	70.58 566.23	South Highland Sunset Lane	7,134.20 4,122.58	6,224.93 2,571.51	Parkin	3,876.13 74.32	1,709.77
	Woodland Heights			Tyler Street	1,393.92	568.76 546.49	Pine Tree Shell Lake	329.21	37.53 33.15
	TOTAL	38,522.41	21,032.58	Vimy Ridge Wakefield 1st	545.28 120.00	130.00	Tilton	50.00 866.29	.00 562.57
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	Baring Cross	17,910.13 2,032.86	9,756.39 563.56	Woodson .	286.90	120.00	Union Avenue Vanderbilt Avenue	1,586.54 1,066.86	616.02 881.06
	Bayou Meto Berea	2,042.90	1,347.81	White Rock Mssn. Misc.	.00	4,500.00	Vanndale	497.56	121.63 9,549.86
	Bethany Calvary, No. Little Rock	600.00 9,582.40	399.45 2,227.06			214,497.06	West Memphis 1st West Memphis 2nd	41,287.18 311.26	47.61
	Cedar Heights	1,194.00	696.32	TOTAL RED RIVER ASSOCIAT	242,839.93 TION	214,477.00	Wheatley Widener	223.00	721.11
	Central Chapel Hill	4,939.55 41.55	2,478.83 100.31	Anchor	205.81	.00	Wynne	4,179.96	4,833.26
	Crystal Valley	870.00 1,382.00	1,538.46 819.91	Antoine Arkadelphia 1st	190.62 11,209.69	60.00 8,097.00	East Baptist Mssn. Misc.	325.86 .00	77.01 500.00
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Churches	Cooperative	Desig- nated	Churches	Cooperative	Desig- nated	Churches	Cooperative	Desig- nated	1
TRINITY ASSOCIATION			Shirley	77.98	75.00		215.23	.00	
Anderson Tulley	56.36	.00	Standley Memorial	60.00	294.84	Bruno	1.093.12	760.00	
Bethel	6.00	00	Zion	135.28	00	Cotter 1st		1,162.20	
Black Oak	200.32		Fairfield Bay Mssn		.00	East Side	1,850.92	484.05	2
Calvary, Harrisburg	849.72	.00	Fairfield Bay MSSN	424,30	.00	Flippen	547,48	428.60	/
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East Side, Trumann	572.80	261.04	TOTAL	3,402.86	1,167,41	Henderson	272.16	160.46	
Faith	174.65	170.93	WASHINGTON	MADISON		Hopewell	240 20	34.55	
Fisher	120.30	.00	ASSOCIATIO			Lone Rock	75.69	297.50	
Freer	614.09	801.61	Berry Street	1,483.06	854.00	Midway	681.39	5,225.31	
	311.50	.00	Black Oak	245.00	536.00	Mountain Home	9,129.07	105.00	
Greenfield	498.00	640.60	Brush Creek	595.70	452.50	New Hope	259.51	00	ı
Harrisburg 1st	4,451,54	1,600.00	Calvary, Huntsville	427.01	193.65	Norfork 1st	120,07		4
Lebanon	425.76	,00	Caudie Avenue	1,603.09	574.34	Oak Grove	.00	.00	
Lepanto	2,072,68	1,818.07		15.00	.00	Pilgrims Rest	130,00	25.31	
Maple Grove	74.20	110.00	Combs	30.00	.00	Pyatt	277.77	79.00	7
Marked Tree	3,303.61	1,777.50	Eikins	441.96	41.00	Rea Valley	101.34	50,00	
McCormich	.00	.00	Elkins 1st	8,933.88	5,767.80	Summit	549.93	221.15	
Neals Chapel	62.57	32.00	Elmdale	687.37	502.15	Tomahawk	101.20	.00	
Neiswander	.00	39.07	Farmington	13,143.01	11,701.92	Whiteville	208.00	51.00	
Pleasant Grove	1,822.82	38.15	Fayetteville 1st	360.94	94.46	Yellville	2.458.72	996.70	
Pleasant Hill	381.00	52.32	Fayetteville 2nd	00	.00	Arkana Mssn.	.00	.00	
Pleasant Valley	400.67	.00	Friendship	270.34	100.00	Big Flat MSSD	17.46	.00	
Providence	218.43	.00	Greenland	137.00	173.46	Bull Shoals Mssn.	496.47	305.50	
Red Oak	50.00	.00	Hindsville	995.47	67.50	Eros Mssn.	30.82	.00	
Riverdale	124.74	60.05	Huntsville				220.04	76.50	
Trinity	72.03	.00	Immanuel, Fayetteville	2,795.64	1,161.60	Hill Top Mssn.	.00	.00	Ä
Trumann 1st	4,023.58	1,469.82	Johnson	674.23	346.93	Lakeway Mssn	246.86	80.00	
Tyronza 1st	2.950.78	915.51	Kingston	432.33	.00	Peel Mssn.	240,00	00.00	
Valley View	282.94	193.10	Liberty	943.28	201.81	TOTAL	20.180.39	10,616.50	
Weiner	370.00	275.00	Lincoln	1,213.32	414.75	TOTAL	20, 180.39	10,010.50	
West Ridge	.00	.00	Oak Grove	458.51	34.90	OTHER CHURCHES	e e		
Waldenburg Mssn.	48.20	.00	Prairie Grove	2,561.12	1,190.89		670.96	857.47	
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TOTAL	24,539.29	11 00 4 77	Ridgeview	304.07	.00	Clinton	1,626.83	797.55	
TOTAL	24,539,29	11,004.77	Rolling Hills	1,540,82	656.63	Eureka Springs	316.97	.00	
VAN BUREN ASSOCIATION	N		Silent Grove	113.62	88.22	Faith Freeman Heights	2.597.94	817.93	
Bee Branch	570.09	441.00	Sonora	686,62	678.59		2,397,94		
Botkinburg	15.00	.00	South Side, Fayetteville	178.72	14.58	Halfmoon		3,714.34	ı
Corinth	36.57	.00	Springdale 1st	34,231.47	14,502.65	Malvern 1st	4,216.59	1,995.99	
Formosa	.00	129.39	Spring Valley	224.98	.00	Russellville 1st	8,519.39	.00	
Friendship	595.26	85.74	Sulphur City	394.00	425.00	Trinity	27,58	.00	
Lexington	128.79	.00	University	4,166.64	8,228.56			0.000.04	
Pee Dee	330.00	74.07	West Fork	583.75	565.86	TOTAL	20,990.27	9,502.06	
Plant	112.80	.00	Winslow	802.78	295.20			05 500 70	
Pleasant Valley	31.26	.00				Miscellaneous Contributions	686.78	25,533.38	
Rupert	286.43	48.00	TOTAL	82,373.28	50,046.71				
Scotland	441.94	19.37				GRAND TOTAL	2,155,716.93	,323,348.20	
Shady Grove	157.16	.00	WHITE RIVER ASSOCIA		04				
Shady Grove	137.10	,00	Antioch	17.95	.00				1

Resort area employers clamor for Christian workers

GRAND CANYON, Ariz. (BP)—A group of Christian young people set such a good example here last year as employees of a resort area corporation—and got such astounding results—that resort employers from all over the Southwest want some more just like them.

Paul Milton, pastor of First Church in Grand Canyon, last year recruited some 40 young people, most of them from Arizona and Texas Baptist colleges and Baptist Student Unions, for summer jobs with the Fred Harvey Corporation, concession operator at Grand Canyon shops, lodges and cafeterias.

The pastor had an ulterior motive, of course. He knew the students would be in prime positions to share their Christian faith with the more than two million tourists who visit the canyon each year.

But he was also confident they would be good employees. He was right on both counts, as the young people reported numerous opportunities for witness and the Harvey company reported some

amazing results.

The company had suffered a 60 percent turnover in summer help in June, 1973. Milton told Harvey manager Bill Maxwell the problem would be solved if he recruited his summer employees at church-related colleges.

A pilot, Milton even flew the Harvey recruiters to several colleges, spoke to several Baptist student retreats and conventions in the recruitment effort and received assistance from the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board.

About 40 Baptists students took summer jobs at the canyon in 1974. The turnover rate dropped to 16 percent. Some 50 more Baptists are working there this summer.

Milton says the Harvey people estimate the improved quality of work, plus the more stable work force, has saved them "hundreds of thousands of dollars."

As that kind of news has spread among other resort areas in the Southwest, the pastor says, other employers have begun writing and telephoning him about providing the same kind of service for them.

"One man called and said if what he had been hearing was true, he wanted all his supervisory personnel to be Christians," Milton said.

"Right now I have jobs for a head chef, executive housekeepers, desk clerks—almost everything in the resort field. Many are seasonal openings, but some are permanent, too."

Milton said he sees a "revival in evangelism at work--on the job." He is planning witnessing clinics to better prepare people for Christian witnessing and counseling in their areas of work.

According to the Home Mission Board, Milton is also considering establishing something like an employment agency through which to channel the requests and the job assignments and already has selected "management services" as the name of the facility.

He is interested in having the names of persons "even remotely interested" in the opportunities. The address is Box 227, Grand Canyon, Ariz., 86023.

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Structure, staff changes approved for BWA

STOCKHOLM (BP)—The Baptist World Alliance (BWA) got a new president, seven new member bodies and a new constitution, involving changes in the BWA structure and staff, during the 13th Baptist World Congress here.

The body also established goals for worldwide relief projects and set Toronto, Canada, as the site for the 14th Baptist World Congress in mid-July, 1980. More than 10,000 persons attended the 13th Congress, the BWA's most representative one in its 70-year history, with 9,612 from 84 nations officially registered.

David Y.K. Wong, an architect and engineer from Hong Kong, became the first Asian and the first layman to hold the BWA presidency. He succeeds V. Carney Hargroves of Philadelphia, a minister of the American Baptist Churches, USA, for a five-year term.

Besides Wong and 12 vice presidents, Congress delegates re-elected Mrs. R.L. (Marie) Mathis of Waco, Tex., immediate past president of the Southern Baptist Woman's Missionary Union, to chair the BWA Women's Department. Stephen Steeves of Moncton, New Brunswick, Canada, succeeded Wong as chairman of the Men's Department and Daltro M. Kiedann of Porto Alegro, Brazil, succeeded Karl-Heinz Walter of West Germany as chairman of the Youth Department.

The new constitution, representing the first basic change in the BWA's structure since it began in 1905, called for adding a new division of evangelism and education and looked toward the establishment of area BWA offices for Asia, the Americas, and Europe, Africa and the Middle East.

The BWA's new General Council, previously known as the Executive Committee, also made major staff changes.

C. Ronald Goulding associate

C. Ronald Goulding, associate secretary in the London office since 1965, will move the headquarters office in Washington, D.C., in early 1976. He will probably direct work in the new division of evangelism and education.

Gerhard Claas, now general secretary of the Baptist Union of West Germany, will fill Goulding's position as secretary for Europe about mid-1976, and a new area office will be opened in Asia, possibly Hong Kong, with Alan C. Prior of Australia as associate secretary for a three-year period.

The positions of General Secretary Robert S. Denny and C.E. Bryant, associate secretary for communications, and Carl W. Tiller, associate secretary for study and research, were left unchanged.

Associate Secretary Theo Patnaik, who directed BWA youth work, has resigned, effective Oct. 1.

The General Council took a hard look at financial costs of the major organizational changes and outlined a series of priorities which will be taken in turn as funds become available. Top priority will go to implementing the new division of evangelism and education.

The 1975 annual BWA budget of \$237,600 will climb to \$264,000 in 1976 and \$285,000 in 1977. The council also approved a relief goal of \$539,300 for 1975 and \$577,150 for 1976.

In another action, the council approved a suggestion from the retiring 1970-75 committee of the World Mission of Reconciliation Through Jesus Christ to "appeal to all Baptists, both inside and outside the BWA, to improve and increase missionary service to the rapidly growing billions of persons in our generation."

The BWA increased its member bodies from 99 to 106 with a combined membership of 28,020,436 out of 33.8 million Baptists in the world.

The new bodies are the Baptist Convention of Rhodesia, Baptist Union of Central Africa, Communaute Baptiste du Fleuve Zaire, Garo Baptist Union of Bangladesh, Bahamas Baptist Missionary and Educational Convention, Association of Indonesian Baptist Churches and European Baptist Convention (primarily made up of English-speaking churches with strong Southern Baptist backgrounds).

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New BWA president urges

lay-pastor team work

by John J. Hurt



Wong

STOCKHOLM (BP)--The new president of the Baptist World Alliance (BWA), David Y.K. Wong, sees himself as a symbol of the feeling about Baptists that laymen and pastors should together as ministers."

The 65-year-old Hong Kong architect and engineer, a fourth generation Baptist, said evangelism must have the Baptist priority "and in order to accomplish the task, and being a layman, I would like to promote lay evangelism."

Wong, the first Asian and first layman

elected to the BWA presidency, fielded questions in good English at a press conference after his election.

Asked what significance Asians would attach to his election, Wong said it might prove "it is time for Chinese Christians to carry more responsibility in the task of evangelism.

Small in stature, five feet and four inches and weighing only 125 pounds, Wong wears a perpetual smile. He has long been active in Baptist work, having served as chairman of the board of governors, Hong Kong Baptist College, chairman of the Asian Baptist Fellowship and chairman of the BWA Men's Department

Wong refers to himself and his wife, Lillian, as "common people," although he is rated high among the leaders in his profession. He said he would be "just as happy if God wants us to hand out tracts on the corner of the street.

Apparently a veteran in diplomacy, Wong kept the press from pinning him into a corner as to whether he would or could visit Communist China or Russia. "If invited, I am willing to go," he said. A second question brought only the answer that his passport carried no restrictions.

He professes a loyalty to China. He was an engineer on the Burma Road before the Japanese invasion and was employed

as an engineer during World War II.

Looking back on those war years, Wong describes himself as a Christian "living in a well protected cage." His devotion developed later as a refugee in Hong Kong. "The Lord has blessed me continually since," Wong said. "As the years go

by, I realize more and more that there is plenty of work to be done for the Lord.

"The Lord willing, I am going to devote my whole time to serve him in whatever capacity He wants me in. My wife has the same desire. We pray that God will use us to work for his glory."

In an address prepared for acceptance of the presidency, Wong expressed appreciation and called upon Baptists in a "rapidly changing world" to ask, "What would Jesus want us to do in this situation?"

He identified seven "priorities for the work of our Baptist

World Allianee" as:

1. "To strife to make the Alliance a visable, living symbol of the essential unity and oneness of Baptists in the Lord Jesus Christ.

2. "To encourage support for the (BWA's newly voted) . . . division of evangelism and education, so that the mission of

the church may be extended and strengthened.

3. "To join all Baptists-especially those of Asia, Africa and South America-more fully in the missionary task of spreading the good news of Jesus Christ. This good news extends throughout the diverse geographical areas, the language groups and the cultures in which God has placed us.

4. "To emphasize the need for lay persons to become

actively engaged in ministry and personal witness.

5. "To emphasize the urgent need for Christians to accept responsibility for the alleviation of human suffering for the fostering of religious liberty and for social justice. We recognize that proclamation, Christian service and social action are necessary expressions of our love for neighbors and our obedience to Jesus Christ.

6. To establish relationships of mutual understanding, respect and cooperation with other believers who share our concern for making Christ known in every place, and for

serving mankind in His name.

7. "To continue to work for peace and reconciliation in the midst of the tension, distrust, violence and conflict which abound in our world."

Wong concluded by saying only "God has the strength that we need and our trust is in him."



NOTHING TO DO? NOT HER!-Esther Robinson of Eminence, Ky., helps in the local headstart program as part of a field service assignment from Campbellsville College, Baptist a school Campbellsville, Ky. A social work major, she typifies many Baptist students across the country who give their spare time in volunteer, college or mission agency related services each year, particularly during the summer months, at home and abroad. (BP) Photo

Resources for Christian growth

Philippians 4:4-9; Colossians 3:1-4,12-17



Myers

Every Christian should be growing toward spiritual maturity but many are, all too often, satisfied and complacent in their present condition. Growth to spiritual maturity is important as growth to physical maturity. Therefore, every

Christian should have a strong desire to grow in the knowledge and likeness of Christ.

God desires our growth and has provided the resources necessary for such growth. But we need to know what these resources are so that we may use them in our own spiritual development. This is the purpose of our lesson today: to help us discover some of God's resources for growth. Christian growth is not automatic; we must avail ourselves of these resources.

Radiant joy in Christ (Phil. 4:4-9)

Radiant joy in Christ is a positive factor in Christian growth. Because the Christian's joy is "in the Lord," he is able to rejoice in circumstances that might otherwise bring despair to his heart. His joy is not dependent upon his external circumstances. This does not mean that every experience of life is a joyful one for the Christian. But even in the sad experiences he is free from undue anxiety, for he knows he can find strength and understanding through prayer. He can "in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let (his) requests be made known unto God." Indeed, the true Christian, through prayer, refers the whole of his life to God.

The result of such a spirit of prayer will be the possession of a wonderful peace, the peace of God. By "the peace of God," Paul means the kind of peace God enjoys and bestows upon those who place their trust in him. It is God;s peace which he alone can give, and its unique quality surpasses all human understanding. Many have experienced it, but no one has ever been able to comprehend it. Like a guard on duty, it stands to protect those who are in Christ.

Joy and peace will be enhanced if our minds are set on the things of eternal value and moral quality. We grow like our thoughts, for we are corrupted by impure thoughts and are ennobled by pure thoughts. Knowing the truth of this, Paul gives an inspiring list of objects for the mind. The Apostle is saying, "Take

charge of your mind and think on the things that are true, honest, just, pure, lovely, of good report." These are qualities of moral excellence which lead to proper growth and right action.

Light from above (Col. 3:1-4)

An important factor in the Christian's growth is the light he receives from above. Having been raised with Christ, he is to seek those things which are available only from above, where Christ has been enthroned at the right hand of God. The believer has been transformed to a higher plane of life with Christ, and all his thoughts and desires must be centered in his risen Lord. Christ is the Lord of his life and controls his thoughts; indeed, Christ is his life.

Three times in four verses Paul says that the Christian is "with" Christ. A person cannot live with Christ unless he centers his mind upon heavenly things and not upon earthly things. This does not mean that he is to have no concern for the things of the world. He is in the world and participates in normal human relationships, but he no longer lives as if the world is all that matters. His relationship to Christ controls his mind, enabling him to see the world in its proper perspective. Christ reveals to him the important difference between that which is only temporal and that which is eternal. He chooses to spend his time and energy on the eternal treasures of

The Christian's new life with Christ is hidden from the people of the world who do not understand the things of God. But this hidden life will be revealed when Christ returns to earth and the Christian will "appear with him in glory." Then it will become apparent that the life of the Christian will abide eternally while the temporary things of the world will be destroyed. This glorious prospect of living with Christ throughout eternity inspires the believer to open his heart to the light from above and grow in grace as he looks toward the future.

Fellowship with believers (Col. 3:12-17)

Fellowship with believers in a New Testament church is a sure means of Christian growth. In the paragraph from Colossians 3:12-17, Paul probably had in mind the expression of the Christian lite within the framework of the church. The basis of his appeal is that believers are the elect of God, members of one body, who are to teach and help one another. Thus Paul is dealing with the spirit which should characterize Christians in their relationships with each other.

The expression of the virtues listed here is an indication of growth in the Christian life. Spiritual maturity cannot Aug. 3, 1975

be achieved until one has clothed himself with all of these qualities. Therefore, the growing Christian will put on these beautiful garments of righteousness: compassion and kindness toward others, a spirit of humility and meekness, a patient and tolerant attitude toward the faults of another, and a genuine forgiveness of any mistreatment. These are positive attributes which indicate that the Christian life involves more than the absence of certain sins. They constitute an excellent guideline by which a Christian can measure the quality of his growth in relation to others.

When these qualities are bound together with love, the peace which God himself knows is experienced and enjoyed. No wonder the Apostle exhorts his readers to express their gratitude by always being thankful. God's blessings are so matchless that the grateful Christian can only respond with worship

and praise.

Worship is the primary function of the assembled church. Verses 16 and 17 present a beautiful picture of the church engaged in worship. In our worship we would be wise to follow the pattern set forth by the early followers of our Lord. Preaching must be centered in the message of Christ. Teaching has a vital place in worship, for it is a means of imparting an understanding of God's will. Hymns and spiritual songs are means of worship when they are sung from the heart with a desire to glorify God. Prayer at its best is thanksgiving and praise to God the Father. The keystone of worship is that everything must be done in the name of the Lord Jesus. A worshipful atmosphere is the best climate for spiritual growth. The worshiping Christian is a growing Christian.

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Life and Work Lesson

The power of words

Proverbs 12:15-19; 26:20-26; 18:21; 25:11



Adams

"Sticks and stones can break my bones but words can never hurt me!" Childish indeed this retort of earlier years to insults given. The truth is that words often have the power and strength to do more harm physical than objects. This week's

lesson probes the subject of the proper and improper use of the tongue.

Hurting and healing (Prov. 12:15-19)

emphasizes the passage difference between a foolish man and a wise man in their use of words. It presents a vivid contrast in the selfcomplacency of the fool and the conduct of the wise man. Verse 15 says that the fool is one who knows no other measurement of standard than his own. He directs his life by his own opinion and self-conceit. He rejects advice and turns a deaf ear to the thoughts of others. When headed in the wrong direction, he persists in his choice despite counsel to do otherwise. He is thus foolish because no man possesses sufficient knowledge and wisdom within himself to direct his every path through life.

A wise man is aware of his own lack of wisdom. He is willing to listen to counsel and to be advised. The wise man does not regard his own wisdom and judgement to be so correct so as not to consider the thoughts of others. He acknowledges his dependence upon minds other than his own.

The foolish man, when provoked, quickly reveals his anger in emotional outbursts. By word and behaviour he openly reveals that he has little self-control. He often says and does things which he later regrets and he frequently loses his own self-respect.

In contrast the wise man "covers" his displeasure so as not to increase his anger to his own hurt. He keeps his anger from overpowering him and he masters his own emotions in such a way that unhealthy situations are not aggravated. Rather than dwelling on insults or reproofs, he has the wisdom and ability to take them in stride without overacting or revealing weakness.

Words may do great mischief and harm when they are used by a lying tongue. The individual who, with the consciousness of untruth, proceeds to confirm by his testimony that which is not so, gives utterance to his own poor

and impure character. Verse 17 places in casual connection the words of men and their own internal character. Words reflect what a man is. When a man lies, he gives proof of a wicked intention, the delight of doing wrong, or of self-interest which may be directed toward the hurt of his neighbor. On the other hand, the person who speaks the truth conscientiously lets his voice testify of uprightness and integrity.

The liar can pierce the human spirit with his "babbling tongue." The results are often more damaging than the thrusts of a sword into human flesh. To utter words carelessly, to speak with little thought and concern is to handle one's tongue like a sword. The sword can cut and divide and so can slander and talk that is neither bridled nor reflected upon. The words of the wise, used in gentleness and with a mind toward the comfort of others, can be a supporting, encouraging, soothing influence. Let all men be aware that "a lying tongue is but for a moment" compared to the eternal character of truth. The Hebrew suggests the brief and flitting movement of the eyelids and may be translated, "But the lying tongue only while I wink with the eye." The tongue of untruth is only for "a wink of the eye" for it is soon recognized and with disgrace is brought to silence, but the lip speaks truth has eternal duration.

> Gossip and hypocrisy (Prov. 26:20-26)

The talebearer, or gossip, is not only cruel with words, he is also treacherous. Often his face is never seen and his voice is never heard by those whom he preys upon. Verses 20-22 center upon the individual who uses idle words, rumors or hearsay and hurts others. He is pictured as one who adds fuel to a fire and keeps it going when it would have died out. He kindles strife and encourages contention. lealousy, alienation and discord are the ashes of his tales and misrepresentations.

However, the destructiveness of the talebearer is made possible and enhanced only by the assistance of those who listen to his gossip. There must be the ear to hear what the mischievous voice has to say. At least two persons are involved in the guilt of gossip. The writer of Proverbs refers to the one as the bearer of "dainty morsels" and to the other as receiving with relish those morsels and feasting with gusto upon them.

Verse 23 deals with (the art of dissembling) which under the guise of a shining exterior, hides his hatred and destruction. The proverb speaks of the assurances of friendship, sealed by passionate kisses which actually serve to

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conceal a far different heart. The "silver dross" was a combination of lead and oxygen used to glaze over pottery so as to give the vessel a better appearance. "Burning lips" are just flattering and hypocritical lips. The vessel covered with silver dross is still earthen; the silver appearance is not silver, but the refuse of silver.

Both lips and silvery pottery are false. One had best be on guard against the person who has such lips and such deceit for a whole host of abominable thoughts and designs are in his heart. However, ultimately the one whose course of conduct is maliciously directed toward the deception of another will find that he will be brought out from behind his mask and be revealed publicly for what he is.

Influential and infinite (Prov. 18:21)

There is no question but that the words which flow from the tongue can be used as great influences for good or evil. According to that use, a man may fall under the power of death or attain to life. Men can dig their own graves or the graves of others by a foul and a false tongue. One may also protect and make life more abundant for himself and for others by a prudent and wise use of words. Censorious, harsh or lying tongues embitter and darken life and lead toward death. Kind, sympathetic and helping words have a tendency to bring sunshine and life. The simple power to influence men by speech is awesome and carries infinite responsibility for it often holds the alternatives of life and death. Therefore, one had best be most careful in his use of the tongue for he will ultimately eat the fruits that he produces.

Attractive treasure (Prov. 25:11)

"A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver." This proverb signifies that the right word spoken at the right time is a beautiful, delightful and valuable gift that may well be set apart from all others in a fashion so as to heighten its richness and its good influence.

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Alpena	81	20	1	Jonesboro, Nettleton	237	79	1
Bentonville			,	Kingston, First	41	41	1
Central	74	23		Lavaca, First	317	110	1
First	244			Little Rock			
Mason Valley	72	42		Cross Road	127	80	
Berryville				Geyer Springs	599	140	2
First	192	59	2	Life Line	455	107	
Freeman Heights	138	58		Woodlawn	99	44	
Rock Springs	68	48		Magnolia, Central	551	144	
Blytheville, Clear Lake	101	88	12	Melbourne, Belview	111	67	
Booneville				Monticello			
First	308	265	6	First	246	25	1
South Side	7.4	68	-	Second	285	139	
Bryant, First Southern	71	47	4	Murfreesboro, First	124	51	
Cabot, Mt. Carmel	229	84	5	North Little Rock	124		
Camden, Cullendale	508	129		Calvary	428	122	3
Cash, First	111	54		Gravel Ridge	212	88	
Concord, First	90	33		Levy	460	75	1
Conway				Park Hill	659	61	2
Pickles Gap	151	85		Paragould	957		
Second	243	62		Calvary	225	167	
Crossett, Mt. Olive	365	214	4	East Side	192	98	7
El Dorado	300	414		First	446	123	8
Trinity	106	38	3	West View	173	100	0
West Side	365	357		Paris, First	419	89	
Forrest City, First	604	126	2	Pine Bluff	417	2,	
Ft. Smith	504	120		Centennial	165	79	1
First	1156	250	12	East Side	195	95	
Grand Avenue	790	240	1	First	515	108	2
Moffett Mission	30	240		Second	115	29	
Temple	141	67		South Side	652	178	4
Trinity	165	39		Tucker	11		
Windsor Park	839	239	- 8	Oppelo	15	11	
Garfield, First	97	27		Sulphur Springs	161	99	
	162	49	3	Watson Chapel	358	125	1
Gentry, First Grandview	65	40	-	Prairie Grove, First	117	51	
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Eagle Heights	317	116		Sheridan, First	216	42	
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	102	26	1	Berry Street	80	42	
Hatfield, First	266	63		Caudle Avenue	118	45	1
Helena, First	200	63		Elmdale	311	77	
Hope	164	85	2	First	1295		5
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Hot Springs	459	200	23	Vandervoort, First	63	41	
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Memorial	110	50 70		Second	180	94	
Park Place	328			West Helena Church	272	83	2
Hughes, First	172	76			82	54	
Jacksonville	107	97		Wooster, First	8.2	34	
First	407	87					

A smile or two

A woman entered a butcher shop to buy a piece of beef. A man followed her into the shop and stood behind her at the counter.

Suddenly, the woman screamed. The man bolted out of the shop, colliding with a passing policeman who found the man armed. Later, it was discovered that the man was a dangerous robber.

"Mrs. Moore," the butcher exclaimed after he learned the identity of the man in his shop, "you certainly saved me from being robbed. How did you know that the man was a criminal?"



"I didn't," she laughed. "I screamed when I saw the price of your roasts!"

When someone told the old mountaineer, "Your neighbors are honest, I hope," he said, "Yep, they is." "But you keep a loaded shotgun near your chicken coop," the other man declared. The mountaineer replied, "Yep, that keeps 'em honest."

Little girl (on a transcontinental train): "Mama, what's the name of the last station we stopped at?"

Mother: "Don't bother me. Can't you see I'm reading. Why do you ask?"

Little girl: "Because Brother got off there."

A wealthy world traveler was showing his guests the trophies he had brought back from a hunting expedition in India. Indicating a tiger-skin rug, he boasted, "When I shot this tiger, it was a case of him or me!" "Well," said one of the unimpressed guests, "he sure makes a better rug."

Ex-con chaplain brings 'renewal' to Florida prison

by Toby Druin

GAINESVILLE, Fla. (BP)--Austin Brown is a chaplain at Florida State Prison. Make that "chain gang" chaplain.

The "chain gang" title doesn't mean he's chaplain to a chain gang at the prison; they don't have those at the Florida State Prison, near Stark, Fla. Brown earned it because, before he became a chaplain, he was a prisoner.

A man died one night in a drunken labor camp brawl in Dade County and Brown drew 15 years for manslaughter.

He doesn't like to talk about his past-"I don't like to talk about Austin Brown too much; let's talk about Jesus."

But you have to know where and who Austin Brown has been before you can appreciate where he is and who he is now-chaplain to more than 1,100 inmates and one of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board's lay renewal associates. If anyone personifies "renewal" it is Austin Brown.

Brown's life is hardly a success story, at least up until about eight years ago. Now 46, he is a native of Chiefland, Fla., but didn't hang around there long, joining the Navy in 1942 in spite of his tender 14 years.

He made it through until the end of World War II, but by then he had

acquired a liking for liquor and it got him dishonorably discharged. After a couple of years, he tried the military again, this time the Air Force, only to get a second discharge--also for dishonorable drunkenness

"I just drifted around after that not doing much of nothing," Brown recalls. "I had a pretty good trade as a professional cook and worked at that, but I was still drinking hard and doing

just what came naturally."

"Doing what came naturally" got him into a lot of Florida jails. "It was disorderly conduct, assault, all on account of my drinking," he recalls. The last six and a half years, he confesses, he was no more than a "public wino."

"It wasn't living; it was existing; in one jail and right out; 90 days here; 90 there;

six months or whatever.

"One thing I learned, man, is that a person don't want to be a drunk. You start watching people who are living what you think is successfully-going about their business, with families, homes, good jobs--and you wonder 'what happened to me?' Even drunk, you want that.

"But you find that you just can't cut it and go along with it. And, man, I tell you it's just plain hell right here on earth to

live that kind of life."

Brown says that his concept of God at the time, taught to him as a child, was of someone "up there" ready to "beat his brains out.'

"No one ever walked up to me and told me God loved me," he says. "No one ever said to me God loved me just the way I was and that Jesus Christ had come to die for me. All they could tell me was that I was wrong. Well, I knew I was wrong; I needed to know what was right."

Prisoners at Belle Glade where he was sent to do his time were taken to the chapel for orientation when they arrived. One of the first persons Brown met was Chaplain Max Jones. And the first thing he heard Jones say was, "Do you know Jesus as your own personal Savior?"

'That's the first time I ever heard it in my life-the first day," Brown says. "I just sat there and looked at him and thought he was crazy.'

But he began to watch Jones-"about the jolliest fellow you ever saw"-and as soon as he got settled into prison life he began to attend the chapel services. And it wasn't long before he made a profession of faith.

"I will never forget it," he recalls. "I told the Lord if he couldn't do anything for me then I would just prefer he would take the life he had given me. I didn't want to go back to what I had left outside that prison."

With Jones' help, Brown began studying what it meant to be a Christian. "It was a crash program for me, Christianity was," he says. "I had to really just reach in and grab-no time to just a drag along and enjoy it."

He studied the Bible through many times and began giving his testimony on trips Jones arranged to churches and

other gatherings in the area

One day as he was listening to a former prisoner give his testimony, Brown said he said to the Lord, "When I get out of prison that's what I want to do-tell others what Jesus has done for me.

It wasn't long before he got his parole and went to work for a sugar mill near the prison. He didn't forget his promise and became a prison evangelist, visiting the Florida correctional institutions and sharing his faith.

About a year after he got out of prison, he met Mickey Evans at Dunklin Memorial Camp on Lake Okeechobee. The camp is a spiritual retreat center for alcoholics. Evans "became like a father"

to him, Brown says

Through the ministry of the camp, Brown, a Negro, began sharing his testimony in area churches, almost all of them exclusively white congregations. He believes part of his ministry has been that through his sharing of his testimony some prejudices have been set aside.

Ray Boggs of Niceville, who invited him to participate in a Lay Renewal weekend, introduced him to the Home Mission Board's lay renewal program. He's been active in the program ever since, traveling all over the South to share his faith.

Last year the Florida corrections department began to use ex-felons in their program and Chaplain Jones said the first person he thought of was Brown. He didn't have to ask him twice. Brown joined him as a chaplain at the prison in July, 1974.

Brown now has a two-fold ministry, still participating in the Lay Renewal program, but focusing on ministering to the prisoners, many of whom he knew when he was one of them.

"I used to say I wasted those first 36

years of my life," Brown says, a twinkle in his eye and a broad smile animating his entire face. "But the Lord got to me through those experiences, and I have come to thank him for the pain and

misery of it all.

"I couldn't be as effective here today if that hadn't happened to me. God had compassion on me. I know it. I've experienced it. That's not wasted life. The waste is to leave this life without knowing the Lord as your personal Savior.'

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