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# ARKANSAS BAPTIST

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*Liberty*



*Bell*

Ring out once more across the world  
Of harsh and futile strife;  
Ring out and fill our hearts with dreams,  
That are the breath of life;  
Ring out and make us see again  
The brightly gleaming star  
That we have lost amid the gloom,  
As we have wandered far  
From ways wherein our fathers fared  
To find their shining goals;  
For we are groping through the dark  
With anguish in our souls.

Ring out across the hills and plains;  
Ring out across the seas;  
Ring out and make us know again  
The old simplicities  
That gave our sturdy fathers strength  
To make their dreams come true,  
As they shaped in the wilderness  
A nation nobly new;  
Ring out and lead our stumbling feet  
From ways where gray ghosts nod  
To paths our fathers humbly walked  
With faith in man and God.

—By Edgar Daniel Kramer

# ★ TRENDS AND EVENTS ★

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

## Facts of Interest

In the current Fortune Poll, 57 per cent of the workers questioned said they would choose a different occupation or trade if they could go back to the age of 15 and start life over again. Seventy-two per cent of the workers thought their company was as good a place to work as any.

Americans will spend \$595,000,000 for sporting goods in 1947, according to a recent survey. It is estimated that \$25,500,000 will be spent for playing cards, and \$16,750,000 for golf balls.

Another estimate predicts that Americans will spend in 1947, \$150,000,000 for musical instruments, including 140,000 pianos. The sale of pianos is much below the figure after World War I.

Of the \$10,000,000,000 dollar Negro income, \$500,000,000 goes for alcohol.

The Tobacco Education Association has been formed in Dallas, Tex., to disseminate information nationally on the "harmful effects of smoking." Among the organizers are well known Texas physicians.

The Encyclopedia Britannica 1947 Yearbook predicts that there might be one divorce for every two marriages by 1957.

Dr. David G. Monroe, Northwestern University Traffic Institute, told the recent national conference of Traffic Judges and Prosecutors at New York University that drunken drivers have been responsible for more deaths than any war or debacle in the history of the world.

A yearly income of \$13,221 is now required to match the benefits of a \$3,075 income in 1914, as far as savings for a retirement income or a comparable stake in business are concerned, the McGraw-Hill Department of Economics has estimated.

## In the World of Religion

Francis Cardinal Spellman has accused those who oppose use of tax funds for parochial busses of "driving a wedge between the children of our country!"

Mrs. Helen Chafee Elwell of East Hebron, N. H., has been elected president of the Christian Scientist church.

Methodists report 2,060 students enrolled in the 10 theological schools in 1946 with 441 graduates. The theological schools received four per cent of the World Service dollar.

The Supreme Court has agreed to review the decision of the Illinois Supreme Court that religious instruction may lawfully be held in public schools. The instruction was offered on a voluntary basis on the part of students.

The United Lutheran Synod of New York has protested aid to parochial schools in any bill proposing Federal aid for education. Both the Taft bill and the Aiken bill provide such aid.

The Davella Mills Foundation of New Jersey has granted \$500,000 to Rollins College in Florida for a new library.

The War Assets Administration reports that 257 chapels now house peacetime worshippers. Three hundred more will be offered within the next six months. Current listings are available through the Chief of Chaplains, Washington.

## Baptist Highlights

Mr. J. E. Lambdin has been awarded an honorary doctor's degree by Cumberland University.

John Hurt, young Atlanta, Georgia, Associated Press writer, has been elected editor of the Christian Index, Georgia Baptist paper. Hurt is the son of Dr. John Jeter Hurt, former president of Union College, Jackson, Tenn.

Fred Porter, Eastland, Tex., has been elected as an associate in the Vacation Bible School Department of the Sunday School Board.

Mr. Will Gupton, Nashville layman, has been elected president of the Sunday School Board to succeed Dr. W. F. Powell, whose term on the Board expired.

Of the 26,401 churches in the Southern Baptist Convention, 24,288 have fewer than 500 members, 1,417 have from 500 to 1,000, 367 have from 1,000 to 1,500; 237 have 1,500 to 2,500; and 92 have more than 2,500.

## In Conclusion

Robert M. Rownd was supposed to get his degree from Allegheny College in 1867, but he had to leave to fight in the Civil War. Last week he received the degree.

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## Arizona and Georgia Select New Editors

Two of the Southern Baptist states have recently elected new editors for their state papers. The states are Arizona and Georgia.

John Jeter Hurt, Jr., member of the staff of the Associated Press in the Atlanta Bureau, was elected editor of the Christian Index, oldest Baptist newspaper in the South, at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Georgia Baptist Convention, to succeed the late Dr. O. P. Gilbert.

Mr. Hurt will assume his duties as editor about July 1. Dr. Louie D. Newton, pastor, Druid Hills Church, Atlanta, Ga., and editor of the Index from 1920 to 1930, has served as acting editor since the death of Dr. Gilbert.

Serving with the Associated Press since 1936, in Nashville, Chattanooga, Memphis, New York, and Atlanta, Mr. Hurt has maintained close touch with his denomination as a deacon and Sunday School teacher. He was born in Conway, the son of Dr. John Jeter Hurt, Baptist minister and educator.

W. Barry Garrett, for the past year pastor of the North Tucson Baptist Church, Arizona, became managing editor of the Arizona Baptist Beacon June 1. This is the first time Arizona has had a full-time editor. The state executive secretary-treasurer has served as editor of the Beacon since its first appearance as a mimeographed tabloid in 1932.

## Christian Equipment

A Devotion by the Editor

"Thoroughly furnished unto all good works."

The professional man must keep his information and his equipment up to date. The business man must keep his stock of merchandise and his merchandising methods up to date. The craftsman must keep his tools and his knowledge of their use up to date.

That is the idea cleverly couched in our Scripture text. The man of God must keep his equipment for good works up to date, else he will fall behind the times both in equipment and in performance.

"All scripture is given . . . that the man of God" may be equipped for all kinds of good works. The Bible is the most modern book in the world. Without it the Christian worker is behind the times. Equipped with the Scripture the Christian worker is up-to-date both in spiritual understanding and in spiritual facilities and faculties for doing all kinds of good works.

Much emphasis is being placed upon the physical equipment necessary for doing spiritual work. This equipment is necessary and we need more of it. It, too, must be kept up-to-date. We must not fall into the danger of emphasizing the physical equipment to the neglect of the spiritual.

Some of the greatest Christian service ever rendered has been rendered with little or no physical equipment, with only the spiritual equipment provided by the Word of God and the Holy Spirit.

The Christian worker will always be up-to-date if he uses freely and prayerfully the Holy Scriptures in his Christian service.

"All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works" (2 Tim. 3: 16, 17).

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"The New Racial Situation — The Way Out," recent book by Dr. E. P. Alldredge, may be ordered for \$1 from Dr. Otto Whittington, 229 Urcuhart Building, Little Rock. Dr. Alldredge has given 100 copies of this book to the Ouachita College Campaign, and every cent of the money will go for that cause.

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# Across the Editor's Desk

Let Us Not Substitute . . .

## Military Strength for Spiritual Strength

Peace-time universal military training is being advocated by the President, by his advisory commission which he appointed to study the military needs of the nation, and by high army officials. A determined effort is being made to impose a program of universal military training upon the nation against the known opposition of the majority of the people.

The proposed program, "which calls for six-months' compulsory training for all American boys beginning at the age of 17," is neither enlightened nor progressive. The plan is a reversion to the out-moded concepts of the past, concepts which American history has proven false; namely, that the strength and security of the nation depend upon the entire manhood of the nation being trained for military service.

### Look at History

The most casual glance at history should be sufficient to convince one that universal military training is no guarantee of national security. Germany and Japan are such recent examples of the failure of military training to secure these nations that we need no further documentary evidence than to revive our memories. France is another example of the weakness of universal military training. She had what was said to be the greatest army in the world. Yet that army collapsed almost without a fight.

Universal military training in the totalitarian nations resulted in a hardness of heart and indifference toward, even a contempt for, all the humanities of life. It produced in these states a complete void of the virtues which make people and nations great. It produced a brutality unsurpassed in human history.

Universal military training in the democracies, as in France, resulted in excessive indulgencies which left the military impotent in the time of crisis.

There is implicit in universal military training an old, old philosophy that the citizen exists for the benefit of the state. The late President Roosevelt boldly asserted that the youth of the country owed the nation a year of their lives, both young men and young women. This philosophy underlies the demand that every young man should receive military training. The idea is not modern, it is not progressive, it is not enlightened. It comes from the distant past, as far back as recorded history sheds any light upon the relation between tribal, national, or racial groups.

This conception of life has been proven false by history. We have twice seen, within

one generation, the collapse of universal military training when opposed by the moral and spiritual forces of the world. Twice in our generation we have seen the defeat of the philosophy that the people belong to the state by the philosophy that the state belongs to the people.

### Moral and Spiritual Strength

The greatest strength and security of any nation lies in the moral and spiritual character of its people. It is that quality of life which has made America strong. It is a sign of incipient weakness when our government officials fear to rely upon that quality of life which has made America the most powerful nation in the world. If we lose our moral and spiritual character which make a great nation, no military power can make us secure.

This is not pacifist argument. America should keep up its defenses and be alert to any approaching danger. But we affirm that universal military training would be the least effective method of keeping up our defenses and at the same time the most expensive.

Of what value to our national defense would be the proposed six months' military training for all 17-year old young men? Looking at the proposal from a military point of view, it would add but little to our military strength.

There is a far simpler, more economic, more democratic, and a more effective way to build and maintain our military strength, than by universal military training.

Military training is highly technical and requires the highest type of skill. Instead of the government demanding that all 17-year old young men be required to serve six months in the armed services, it should offer inducement which would attract capable young men. The government could provide better pay, better opportunities for family and home life, and break down the caste system.

The armed services should be kept on a democratic basis instead of being placed upon a totalitarian basis. A smaller number of volunteers trained thoroughly would give the nation a greater degree of military security at much less cost to the taxpayers than a mass of 17-year old boys trained for six months.

Have a care, America! You should not be so weak militarily as to invite the marauder to plunder your realm. But do not make the mistake of substituting the fiction of military strength for moral and spiritual strength.

## Our Doctrines

There is a demand for doctrinal preaching and teaching and writing. This demand is a legitimate one, arising out of the conscious need for a sense of spiritual security. There is something substantial, solid, and enduring in a great challenging doctrine. To accept such a doctrine, or a set of such doctrines, produces a sense of stability and firmness of conviction.

There is considerable confusion among many people over what constitutes doctrinal preaching, teaching and writing. There is a popular notion that the treatment of doctrinal themes must be pugilistic or argumentative or at least didactic.

There are occasions which require that doctrinal subjects be set forth in such manner. When the occasion calls for it, we must fight for the truth as it is in Christ, we must "contend earnestly for the faith," we must continually teach the doctrines of our religion.

Christian doctrines are affirmative and the predominant method of presentation from the pulpit is by proclamation. Proclaim the gospel, for the gospel has a vitality and power of its own to combat error and correct false conceptions. Know the gospel and make the gospel known is our commission.

Many people do not recognize doctrines unless they are labeled. Yet it would become very monotonous for the minister to label every doctrine which he discusses in the pulpit. Any minister who preaches the gospel preaches doctrine. It is impossible to preach the gospel without preaching doctrine. If a minister preaches on sin, condemnation, eternal death and torment, he is preaching doctrines. If the minister preaches on God, Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit, he is preaching doctrines.

The great doctrines of the Bible are appealing, winsome, magnetic. They are not cold and forbidding. The doctrine of sin is preached with the alternative of imputed righteousness. The doctrine of condemnation is preached with the alternative of redemption. The doctrine of spiritual bondage is preached with the alternative of spiritual freedom. The doctrine of eternal death is preached with the alternative of eternal life. The doctrine of hell is preached with the alternative of heaven. The doctrine of the devil is preached with the alternative of God.

It is our purpose to discuss some of the great doctrines of our faith in the future issues of the Arkansas Baptist. We shall present the doctrines of the Bible in response to a felt need and in the hope of helping some one to understand more clearly and to more deeply appreciate these doctrines.

### No Paper Next Week

In accordance with the custom of the Arkansas Baptist through the years, there will be no issue the week of July 4. Our next issue will be that of July 10.

# NOTES OF ADVANCE

A revival at Mt. Olive Church, No. 2, Bartholomew Association, in connection with the Vacation Bible School, resulted in 25 conversions, 14 additions, 12 for baptism. Rural Evangelist M. E. Wiles did the preaching.

Pastor Virgil Rose, First Church, Benton, did the preaching in evangelistic services in Greenfield, Tenn. There were 17 professions of faith and additions. Rev. Floyd Lacy, Mounds, Ill., directed the music. Pastor O. C. Cooper writes: "The best personal work that I've ever witnessed was done by these servants of God."

First Church, Forrest City, celebrated the sixth anniversary of the pastorate of Minor E. Cole on June 1. The church is making big plans for the future.

Benton County Associational WMU young people's rally will be held at First Church, Siloam Springs, June 30. Mr. and Mrs. Victor Kanuebbe from the Indian Center, Shawnee, Okla., will be guest speakers. Arkansas Baptists arriving in Siloam Springs to attend the Arkansas Baptist Assembly may wish to attend this meeting.

Floral Church, Delbert Garrett, pastor, would like to contact any church which has used pews for disposal.

Rev. Edward F. Vallowe has become pastor's assistant at First Church, West Memphis.

First Church, Augusta, began a revival June 23 with Pastor Del Hames preaching, and Frank Adams, Paragould, directing the music.

Pastors, please announce the Southern Baptist Hour via shortwave Thursday nights at 9 o'clock CST over station HCJB, Quito, Ecuador. Find it at 9.95 and 12.5 and 15.1 on the shortwave band.

The Business Women's Circle of Des Arc Church presented Pastor Ernest Baker with a bouquet of pink carnations at a special Father's Day program.

Matthews Memorial Church, Pine Bluff, had 11 additions by baptism in evangelistic services with Pastor A. B. Pierce, First Church, Pine Bluff, preaching and R. P. James, minister of music and education, also of First Church, directing the music. The Vacation Bible School held in connection with the revival enrolled 120. L. G. Whitehorn is pastor.

Temple Church, Ruston, La., observed the first anniversary of the pastorate of Leroy Smith on June 15. Since Pastor Smith went to Temple Church from Second Church, El Dorado, a year ago, there has been an increase in church membership of 335, making the

present church membership 1,648. The Sunday School enrollment has increased from 681 to 863; the Training Union enrollment has increased from 241 to 422. Total gifts for the year were \$46,228.

St. Francis Church, Gainsville Association, has gone to full-time work and called Charles Holland, Ouachita College graduate, as pastor. A revival began June 15 with Pastor Russell Duffer, Peach Orchard, as evangelist. A pastor's home is under construction.

Listen to the Southern Baptist Hour Thursday nights, 9 to 9:30 CST, over shortwave station HCJB, Quito, Ecuador, at 9.95, 12.5, and 15.1 on the shortwave band.

The Tie, monthly news magazine of Southern Seminary, is being enlarged from eight to 12 pages, beginning with the June issue. Circulation of the magazine is now reported to be more than 10,000.

Dr. William Potter, Southern Baptist evangelist of Siloam Springs, has just completed engagements in Memphis, Tenn., where he supplied the pulpit of Trinity Church, addressed a luncheon meeting of the Laymen's Evangelistic Association, and preached in special evangelistic services at Levi Church. Dr. Potter recently resigned the pastorate of First Church, Carthage, Miss., and returned to his home in Siloam Springs where he is available for pulpit supply, interim pastorate, and evangelistic work.

Dr. Charles Clayton Morrison has resigned as editor of The Christian Century after serving 39 years in that capacity. Dr. Paul Hutchinson has been appointed editor. Harold E. Fey succeeds to the position of managing editor held by Dr. Hutchinson for 23 years. Dr. Morrison has accepted appointment as contributing editor.

Following the remodeling and painting of the building of Independence Church, Hope Association, a revival was held which resulted in 15 additions, seven for baptism. Twelve members pledged to tithe their income, an offering for associational missions amounted to \$28.85, the church voted to give five per cent of its income to associational missions and 10 per cent to Cooperative Program, the Home Life Magazine was placed in all the homes of the community, and the church adopted tithes and offerings as its financial plan. Harrison Pikes, student in Ouachita College, is pastor of this rural half-time church. He is a courageous and progressive young pastor and well loved by the people. Missionary Ottis Denney assisted the pastor in the revival.

Thomas Lee Tedford, son of Pastor and Mrs. L. C. Tedford, Corning, was licensed to preach by the church at recent services.

## MOVING TO DALLAS?

Worship With  
Ross Avenue Baptist Church  
Ross and Moser  
Homer B. Reynolds, Pastor

Mr. Kerr Will Appear On

## Baptist Radio Series

Hon. Robert S. Kerr, former governor of Oklahoma, will be the speaker on the Southern Baptist Hour June 29. His subject will be "The Christian, a World Citizen."

Governor Kerr has been a Bible class teacher since he was 17 years old, and is at present teacher of the Men's Bible Class and deacon of the First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City. He is a prominent leader in the Southern Baptist Convention as well as in the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma.

This will be the last of the current Baptist Hour series on the theme, "Christ is the Answer." The series will be followed by two months of broadcasting on the same network by the Presbyterians and Episcopalians, each giving a program on alternate Sundays.

The program may be heard in Arkansas over Station KUOA, Siloam Springs, WFFA, Dallas, KWTO, Springfield, Mo.; and KSD, St. Louis, Mo., at 7:30 CST Sunday morning, and over WREC, Memphis, Tenn., at 8:30 CST.

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New Orleans Baptist Seminary plans a new campus. The ground has been acquired and plans are underway to raise money from three sources: Cooperative Program, gifts, and special foundation arrangements locally organized.

The Southern Baptist Chaplains Association held its first annual banquet and meeting at St. Louis, Mo., during the Southern Baptist Convention. Two hundred ten chaplains, former chaplains, and several wives attended. Pastor Broadus E. Wall, First Church, S. C., was elected president to succeed Rev. George Simmons, Martinsville, Va. The Association promotes fellowship among chaplains on duty and former chaplains. It seeks to maintain denominational interest regarding the chaplaincy and to keep duty chaplains in vital contact with the denomination. The Association has 410 members. State units meet in conjunction with the state conventions. The next annual meeting will be in Memphis, Tenn., during the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1948.

Wayland College, Plainview, Tex., will become a four-year college, making it one of 10 senior Baptist colleges west of the Mississippi and the only one in operation between Abilene, Tex., and Redlands, Calif. Dr. J. W. (Bill) Marshall, former personnel secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, is the new president.

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## PASTORAL CHANGES

Reese Howard from First Church, Brinkley, to Central Church, Jonesboro.

Claud D. Hughes from Oden Church to Parkdale Church.

# The Bible Says Be Reverent

By CARL A. CLARK  
Missionary, El Dorado

No man can worship God without a proper attitude of reverence in his soul. "Be still, and know that I am God" (Psalm 46:10). The attitude of reverence and the act of worship and adoration of God are inseparably intertwined. The Biblical use of reverence seems always to have the element of fear of God intimately involved. I think we need to say in beginning that simply being quiet does not mean that a person is reverent. A child, or an adult, may be ever so quiet, yet have no attitude of reverence and fail to participate in any worship.

A reverential attitude is illustrated by the conduct of Moses when God spoke to him from the burning bush: "Draw not nigh hither: put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground . . . And Moses hid his face; for he was afraid to look upon God" (Ex. 3:5-6).

The meeting ground between man and God is fearfully hallowed ground. Gideon was moved by great fear as he worshipped God. Can we have reverence without a fear of God? Must there be an attitude of fear in our hearts before we will be in the proper reverential mood in our churches today? Fear does not mean to run from the presence of God, but rather to stand in awe. A vital consciousness of the presence of God seems to be essential to reverence.

Isaiah was truly reverent as he stood in the presence of God in his vision in the Temple. He saw the holy presence of God and stood in awed silence at the glorious visitation. He felt himself undone, because he, a sinful man in the midst of sinful surroundings, had seen God.

The disciples stood in awed silence gazing up into the sky as they saw the Lord ascend back to the Father. It took an angelic message to interpret the significance of the experience to them. I would that we would stand in like reverence in the presence of the ascended Lord!

## Reverence and Worship

Reverence is absolutely essential to man's worship of God. The very nature of worship, being a personal adoration of and devotion to a personal God, demands the spirit and attitude of reverence. Irreverence destroys all worship and worship values. Worship is individual and can be fostered in a group by proper atmosphere. Environmental conditions go a long way toward promoting or preventing worship in an individual's heart.

I visited a service that I thought would produce some high spiritual moments, but the leader jumped up and rushed around the platform without the decorum of a religious occasion. The music was jazzy. The whole atmosphere was one calculated to induce movement and distraction, not quietness and reverence. I was not surprised to notice juniors wiggling and twisting and flipping song-books; young people whispering and giggling, and adults talking.

You cannot listen to the whispering of your neighbor in church and at the same time hear the still small voice of God. All worship values depend upon the creation of the prop-

er reverential atmosphere through all means at one's disposal.

## Aids and Hindrances

Let us set down some practical aids to reverence, with their counteracting hindrances. The first thing we think of that is conducive to worship is a proper and adequate building, rightly arranged and equipped. The overcrowding of an auditorium to the point that the people are uncomfortable makes worship almost impossible.

After meeting several months in an unfinished auditorium one of our deacons came to me feigning a terrible distress, saying he did not know now what he could do; he could not see the rafters to count them while I preached! Following a service several people mentioned the fact that the odor from the nearby vinegar works became especially noticeable about the middle of the sermon. They had been distracted momentarily from the thought of the service by an odor.

Both articles on this page are reprinted from the June issue of *The Baptist Training Union Magazine*.

Another aid, and perhaps the greatest, is good music. The quality of the music selected, the instrumental accompaniment and the conduct of the director will all have a very prominent part in producing reverence or irreverence. Organ music is more worshipful than piano, and a sense of dignity on the part of the director and choir is a great help.

The example of the adult leadership in any service will go far to set the pace for the people in the group. I do not care for an extreme but I do feel that a measure of dignity, a reserve, a decorum befitting a religious service is a great help in creating a worshipful atmosphere.

The congregation will inevitably reflect the spirit of its leader. Let the adult leadership set the right example. Plan everything in advance so as to build confidence rather than a feeling of uncertainty. Center everything on spiritual realities, not on the material. Focus attention, create and maintain interest, plan for variety and progress in the service, give the people the opportunity to realize the presence of God and thus bow in reverential awe.

# The Bible Says Be Pure

By MRS. CARL A. CLARK

"Keep thyself pure . . . Keep thyself pure . . ." The text of the morning sermon rushed over and over in Aleen's mind. Her gang had been slipping and she knew it. Again she was getting hold of herself and the Christian convictions that she had possessed were gripping her once more.

Christian people need to rethink God's Word concerning "be pure." When Paul wrote, "Keep thyself pure" (I Tim. 5:22), he was writing to a young man whom we usually think of as possessing a clean, chaste character. Paul exhorts him to continue to keep himself pure from every fault, immaculate in character and conduct.

Early one morning a group was standing at the airport waiting for the airliner to land. Over the speaker came these words: "I know I am near but I cannot find the field." The fog was low and had obscured the field from the pilot's view. Sin is the fog that closes man's eye to all that is beautiful.

Impurity is the great hindrance. Man's view of God is cut off and he loses his way. That David felt that he had lost the way and was cut off from God when he sinned is reflected by his prayer, "Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me" (Psalm 51:11).

## Keep Thyself Pure in Conversation

Little Tommy was playing with a new playmate one afternoon when the little friend used some word which Tommy thought a little boy should not use, so he proceeded to tell his friend, "No, no, God's Book says not to say that." Whereat his little friend asked, "Whereabouts does it say that?" Tommy replied, "I don't know just where, but it says, 'Let the words of my mouth . . . be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord'" (Psalm 19:14).

Many a time we have let God down with

our conversation. It seemed the proper thing to drag God's name out at the end of a statement. It made it more emphatic, you know, and besides it let other people know we were not goody-goody.

*If you see a tall fellow ahead of a crowd,  
A leader of men, marching fearless and proud,  
And you know of a tale whose mere telling aloud,  
Would mean that his head must in anguish be-  
obwed,  
It's a pretty good plan to forget it.*

It is much easier to repeat a tale than to forget it, but purity in speech demands it. James says that the tongue "is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison" (James 3:2), but "if any man offend not in word, the same is a perfect man" (James 3:2).

## Keep Thyself Pure in Conduct

"Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers . . . in purity" (I Tim. 4:12). Our world is looking for the practice of personal purity. There are theories and creeds of purity, but unless they are translated into every-day actualities they remain theories and creeds.

Mary was a freshman on a state school campus. With her attractiveness and her personality plus, she was qualified to become the most popular girl on the campus. But the students said Mary was a bit old-fashioned because she would not take part in the weekly Saturday night dance, nor did she pet and smoke, other qualifications of popularity on that campus.

Fellow students nagged and threatened, but to no avail. Mary had convictions all her own and because she did she would not compromise. Weeks passed. Mary was appointed to the social committee. At first the thought flashed that it was done in derision,

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In many states in the South Baptists are observing Christian Education Day, and the offering is being given to some worthy object of Christian education in that state.

We hope we can have the cooperation of many of our churches, even though the offering may be small.

This will give the boys and girls an opportunity to have some part in the building of Ouachita along with the rest of the church.

We want to express our appreciation to Dr. Edgar Williamson for his splendid cooperation in connection with this Education Day program and to every church and individual for their offering.

Send All Money to Dr. B. L. Bridges, 200 Radio Center Bldg., Little Rock, Ark.

# Life's Relationships

By C. Z. HOLLAND  
First Church, Jonesboro

Christianity has been challenged through all the years of its history. The Hebrew theologians disputed the claims of Jesus. The Greek philosophers challenged His program. The answer to Christianity by pagan Romans was to crucify its founder.

Today Christianity is being challenged more vigorously than at any time in the world's history. It is being called upon to demonstrate its right to the claim that it is the one world religion. Even the long neglected, dark corners of the earth are awakening and asking questions.

The inquiry comes: Is Christianity different from other religions? If so, how? Why should the Chinese forsake the smug mysticism of India and follow the teachings of a crucified Galilean carpenter? In what respect is Jehovah different from Allah? Is Jesus better than Mohammed?

Christianity is being challenged in the homeland where it has taken its deepest root. What right has it to a voice in international affairs? In what way is Christianity related to our political life? What has Christianity to do with economic affairs? What is Christianity anyway?

In answer to these vital questions, may we say: Christianity is not merely a subscription to a creed, neither is it merely a mode of worship. It is not church affiliation, nor is it just a way of life. Christianity as taught in the Bible and verified in personal experience is a vital union with a living Christ.

Things about us become significant by virtue of their relationship to other things. The light globe is able to give light by virtue of its relation to some power plant. There is no community life aside from the relationships the people sustain to each other.

The church of the living Christ is fundamentally a group of baptized believers in Christ, associating themselves together under the leadership of the Holy Spirit to carry out more perfectly the will of Christ. Aside from this sacred relationship there would be no church. The home is established as two lives come to be fused into one by a relationship so binding that they assume one name.

So it is with Christ and His disciples. There is a vital union that makes it possible for His followers to share in His very nature. Jesus said, "Apart from me ye can do nothing." When the vital union with Christ ceases there will be evidence of death before long.

Christ teaches that between Him and those that hold on to Him by faith, there is life ever passing and as a result of that life flow, there will be fruit bearing. There is oneness of life of those who are held by Him to the extent that they partake of His divine nature.

## Evidences of Union With Christ

This living union issues forth in similarity of life.

There is the tongue that gives evidence of this union. When one speaks his mother tongue for long he can never master another language in such a way that his native tongue will not betray the fact that he was once from another land. So it is with the one that is held by Christ. He will speak the

language of Zion even though he never preaches from the pulpit or occupies a chair in a Christian institution.

Not only will the tongue reveal the fact of this vital union with Christ, but people will take note that one keeps company with Jesus because his face radiates His beauty. The face perhaps more than anything else reveals the heart of man.

One's conduct will show forth the fact of this union with Christ. One of our honored missionaries that had served in China for nearly 40 years was walking the streets of a Southern city and conducted himself in such a way as he window-shopped that he attracted the attention of the people that passed by. For nearly 40 years he had lived in China and talked their language. The Chinese customs and habits had so fastened themselves to him that he even acted like a Chinese when he was unaware of it.

We are so closely bound to Christ by virtue of this union that it is impossible for Christ to be anywhere without our interest being there. Many have lived on bloody battle-

*This is the first in a series of four messages by Pastor Holland being heard on 11 Arkansas radio stations through programs by the Radio Commission of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention.*

fields, or on the high seas, or perhaps even far up in the blue skies because some loved one was there. Their lives were so bound together that it was impossible for them to be anywhere without your presence there also.

So it is with our Christ; our lives are so linked with His life that for Him to be anywhere carries us there also. This puts every follower of His in the mission business on large scale. Then it follows that for Christ's servants to be anywhere is for Him to be there also. That was what Paul was teaching when he said, "For me to live is Christ." For Paul to be on a ship in the midst of a storm was for Christ to be on that ship. For Paul to be in prison was for Christ to be in prison. For Paul to be in the presence of Caesar's household was for Christ to be in the presence of Caesar's household.

We now come to understand the full import of the meaning of Paul's great statements, "For me to live is Christ," or again, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

## Convention Executive Committee Makes Plans for Promotion of Tithing Effort

By C. E. BRYANT

Launching of promotion plans for the Southern Baptist Convention's every member tithing crusade this fall highlighted the semi-annual meeting of the Convention Executive Committee in Nashville, June 10-11. In other actions, the Committee:

Called on Baptists to give "faithful and vigilant observance" to the principle of separation of church and state.

Suggested that the program committee for the Convention in Memphis next May consider a mass evangelistic appeal.

Elected the first layman president in its history.

Set out principles of good business procedure in church building programs.

Looked with favor on a proposal of Alabama Baptists to erect a Sampey Memorial Church.

The tithing crusade received the hearty endorsement of state mission secretaries, state stewardship leaders, state paper editors, and Southwide executives who met with the 31-member Executive Committee to plan promotion of the appeal. Leaders viewed the 90-day "test the tithe" period as potential beginning of a great spiritual awakening of Baptist people, pointing out that recognition of stewardship obligations leads to greater kingdom service.

"Encouragement of our people to tithe for 90 days is similar to a baby's first step," said Dr. Ellis A. Fuller of Southern Baptist Seminary. "They will take their first step, then keep on walking, and maybe soon they'll run a marathon."

Pastors and other denominational leaders were urged to devote the months of July, August, and September to emphasis of tithing principles, that a maximum number will be ready to sign tithing pledges on Tithers Enrollment Day, October 5. Nothing will be

done to disturb those estimated 800,000 members who are already tithing, and every emphasis will be used to encourage new tithers to make it a life principle.

George B. Fraser, a Washington, D. C., attorney, was elected president of the Executive Committee at the opening of the two-day session. Dr. George Ragland, pastor, of First Church, Lexington, Ky., was named vice-president, and Porter Routh of Nashville, recording secretary, and C. E. Bryant, Nashville, director of publicity.

After hearing a report from Dr. Louie D. Newton of Atlanta, Convention president, that certain Florida Baptist institutions have allegedly received grants of land and tax funds, the Committee voted to "earnestly call the attention of our Baptist brethren in the instances cited and throughout the Convention territory to the clear and unceasing emphasis of Baptists upon the historic conviction of complete separation of church and state, and we fraternally urge faithful and vigilant observance of this long-established position."

The Committee also adopted a paper presented by W. A. Harrell, secretary of the church architecture department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, estimating that 13,000 churches of the denomination are in need of more buildings and urging "we must not fail the rising generation." Church building committees were encouraged to meet their needs but to follow good business procedure.

A proposal by Mr. Fraser that a strong evangelistic appeal be made to unsaved people in the city of Memphis during the Convention sessions there next May 19-23 was referred to the Convention's program committee for consideration. Mr. Fraser suggested that the appeal would be made through house-to-house invitations issued by Convention messengers and climaxed by an evangelistic preaching service in the city ball park.



# Southern Baptists and Foreign Missions

M. THERON RANKIN  
Executive Secretary

E. C. ROUTH  
Editor, The Commission

## Material Available to Associations

We are facing the season when, in most of the states, annual associational meetings will be convening. These county and district associations are the units of denominational cooperation. As go the associations, so will go the state conventions and the Southern Baptist Convention.

Messengers from the more than 26,000 churches cooperating with Southern Baptists meet in these annual associations and consider their progress, problems, possibilities and purposes. The Foreign Mission Board, along with other agencies of Southern Baptists, appreciates the spirit, fellowship, and achievements of these associational organizations.

Complying with the requests from state executive secretaries, our Board has prepared material for information concerning world missions, which is being sent out to the states in sufficient numbers to supply one or more copies to the missions committee in each one of the 928 cooperating associations. We hope that this information will not be used as a report on missions, but rather provide material which may be incorporated in a report written by the committee.

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Speaking of associations, Dr. W. B. Crumpton, many years ago the beloved secretary of Alabama Baptists, described in his autobiography a meeting of the Bethel Association shortly after entering upon his duties as corresponding secretary. Miss Willie Kelly said to him: "Did you know, I wanted to go to China? The first trip you made to McKinley after my baptism, you gave out some Foreign Mission Journals. There I saw a letter from Miss Lottie Moon and was impressed to be a Foreign Missionary." That experience led her to China where she gave nearly half a century in glorious service.

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Here is a letter from Mrs. Rosalee Mills Appleby of Brazil, who writes that a spirit of prayer is more manifest among Brazilian Christians. "We have hundreds of prayer bands called 'Intercessors,' praying daily for a spiritual awakening in Brazil. There are persons in every part of the country who are feeling the same urge." Believers both in North America and in South America, and in all the world, need, above everything else, to magnify intercessory prayer.

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## They Were "Expendable"

A recent number of *The Christian Century* carries a report of the meeting of the Northern Presbyterians in Grand Rapids. The staff correspondent describes the hesitancy of the General Assembly to adopt a larger missionary budget.

Then a woman arose and quietly described her recent visit to the Philippines. With a Filipino pastor she visited the military cemetery on Leyte and saw there the 12,000 white crosses and stars of David. Those men were "expendable." Then she went on to say that if the Christians of America had the same spirit as those men who sleep yonder on Leyte

and would offer themselves to the Lord Jesus Christ as "expendable," there would be no question about adopting larger budgets for world missions.

Without further debate the great Presbyterian body adopted the enlarged budget without a dissenting vote. We need, all of us, to have the spirit of the Apostle Paul who wrote, "I will most gladly spend and be spent for your souls."

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A few days ago Mr. Buxton brought in a report of the Lottie Moon Offerings year by year since 1930. In 1932 the total Lottie Moon offering was \$129,000-plus. Fifteen years later the Lottie Moon offering for \$1,381,000 was more than 10 times greater.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Culpepper left May 16 for Chile; Miss Alma Jackson May 26 for Belo Horizonte, Brazil; Dr. William L. Wallace and Miss Blanche Bradley for Wuchow, China, and Miss Thelma Williams for Yangchow, China, on May 30; and Miss Hazel Moon for Nigeria on June 22. Recent arrivals are Miss Lora Clement from China, now at 25 N. Mountain St., Union, S. C., and Mrs. Anne Sowell Margrett from Argentina, now at 2023 Euclid Ave., Dallas, Tex.

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We heard an associate secretary of the Seventh-Day Adventists say recently that the total sales of their religious literature and inspirational books last year almost reached the high total of \$10,000,000. This literature, in 185 languages, was distributed by more than 3,100 colporteurs. Their latest statistical report (1945) shows that 576,378 members gave \$6,041,024.68 for foreign missions, in addition to \$15,163,385.54 tithes and \$3,965,059.79 for home missions, a total of \$25,169,470.01, or \$118.47 per capita.

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## The Ridgecrest Program

The theme of the Ridgecrest Foreign Missions Conference August 14-20, is "World Evangelism Is Our Job," with each day's program emphasizing one major field of evangelism—teaching, feeding, healing, preaching, home-making. Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., will be in charge of the program.

Professor Inman Johnson of Southern Baptist Seminary will direct the music. Dr. John A. Mackay, President Princeton Theological Seminary and a former missionary to Lima, Peru, who was on our program in 1944, will speak August 18 and 19. Dr. M. Theron Rankin will return from Copenhagen in time to bring a message concerning the Baptist World Alliance meeting there. Fuller announcements concerning the program will be given later.

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From Warsaw, Poland, comes a letter of thanks, one of many messages of appreciation to American Baptists: "I do not know how to begin to thank you for the package which I have received. It was for us the most priceless thing obtainable. Christmas day I sat and wept because we were hungry, and my little girl asked me why St. Nick did not come to us as we really didn't have anything. How

could I explain to a child, and here out of the clear comes your box. I do not know how to tell you of the joy it brought us. We cried and laughed and could not take our eyes off of it." Continue to give for relief through your church.

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The Foreign Board has received notice that the rate of exchange for China has recently jumped from \$12,000 to \$33,000 for \$1 U. S. Prices have increased proportionately. This problem, created by unsettled economic conditions as a result of war, makes imperative the availability of relief funds from American Christians.

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Effective at once, the State Department of the United States is granting passports for American missionaries to Japan, except families with children under one year of age, but only those who have adequate housing facilities will be cleared, and the destruction on Kyushu Island where Southern Baptist work is located will limit the number of Foreign Mission Board workers this year to about 13.

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By arrangement of the Radio Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, Radio Station HCJB, "The Voice of the Andes," at Quito, Ecuador, is now broadcasting the Baptist Hour on Thursday, 10 to 10:30 p. m. Eastern Standard Time.

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## Layman Made President Of Sunday School Board

By PORTER ROUTH

William Gupton, Nashville layman and long-time member of the Sunday School Board, was elected president to succeed Dr. W. F. Powell in the annual meeting held recently in Nashville. Because of the rotation system adopted for the boards at the Miami Convention, Dr. Powell was not renamed to the Sunday School Board at the St. Louis Meeting.

Dr. T. L. Holcomb, re-elected for his 12th year as executive secretary-treasurer, pointed out the progress made in sales in periodicals and merchandise for the first five months of 1947, and assured members of the Board that every effort would be continued to produce the very best Bible study material available.

Dr. J. O. Williams, head of the Division of Education and Promotion, announced that Fred H. Porter, pastor of First Church, Eastland, Texas, had been elected as an associate in the Vacation Bible School Department.

Dr. Clifton J. Allen, head of the Division of Editorial Service, reported that, effective January 1, "Open Windows" would follow the Training Union series of Bible readings and would be featured as a devotional study for personal use. Dr. Allen also announced that the story papers published by the Board, "Storytime," "The Sentinel," and "Upward" would be graded and enlarged to furnish more adequate material for boys and girls.

Harold E. Ingraham, head of the Division of Business Management, told the Board that a new Baptist bookstore would be opened at Tulsa on June 15, and at Charlotte, N. C., in September.

Support for an intensified drive against beverage alcohol under the leadership of Dr. John L. Hill was approved by the Board.

# CHRISTIAN HORIZONS

*Blessed is the man whose skylight is undimmed  
by the dust of doubt or sin of disobedience.*

**Begin at Home:** Describing America's first need as "making democracy work at home," Former Governor Ellis Arnall, of Georgia, speaking in Little Rock, advocated better educational facilities, a health program to improve the physical conditions of citizens, better housing, jobs, and economic opportunity for all. "Education," he said, "is an antidote for ignorance, bigotry, intolerance, and prejudice."

**Summer Missionaries:** Three hundred college students from campuses in every Southern state are serving this summer as associate missionaries to regular workers of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board. The students, all of them volunteer workers, include 70 men and 230 women from 61 colleges and five seminaries.

**Churchless Capitols:** The Christian Church now exists in every capital city on earth with the exception of three—Lhasa, Tibet; Mecca, Arabia; and Kabul, Afghanistan—the Rev. A. E. Armstrong, secretary to the Board of Overseas Missions, told delegates to the 23rd annual meeting of the Manitoba conference of the United Church of Canada which met in Winnipeg. "The biggest advantage today," he said, "is that it is now a friendly world, with no lands closed to Christianity. People are open-minded, and there is no criticism of Jesus."

**Air Parish:** Luther leagues of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the South Dakota district are sponsoring purchase of an airplane, costing about \$3,000, for use in a recently established "air parish" in the northwestern part of the state. Norvel Hegland, of Miles City, Mont., is the "flying parson" of the west country. He will be an old-fashioned circuit rider with a thoroughly modern type of transportation. He will pay regular flying visits to his many congregations in the entire west river country.

**Career Help:** Youth revival sessions designed to acquaint young people with the various professions they may choose as careers were sponsored by the Cascade Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga. Police Chief Herbert Jenkins addressed the young people on "Law Enforcement"; Dr. Frank Wells, "Medicine"; Ralph McGill, editor of the Atlanta Constitution, "Journalism"; Solicitor General Paul Webb, "Law and Politics," and Miss Dana Hudson, superintendent of nurses at the Georgia Baptist Hospital, "Nursing."

**Anti-Discrimination Bill:** The Illinois House passed by 122 to 1 and sent to the Senate a bill denying tax exemption to any hospital in the state which refuses use of its facilities to any patient because of his race, color, creed, or national origin.

**Religious News:** Religion Views the News, a 15-minute program aired every Saturday night over WTRY, Troy, N. Y., was named one of the top public service programs of local

origin in the nation by Billboard, show business publication, in its 16th annual radio editors' poll. The program is edited by four clergymen, who alternate each week in presenting it over the air. They use dispatches from Religious News Service and newspaper clippings as the basis of their broadcasts.

**Vigil For World Peace:** Nearly 200 young people attending the annual conference of the Church of the Brethren in Orlando, Fla., participated in a prayer vigil for world peace. Meeting in a small room back of the Municipal Auditorium, where the conference was held, between two and five of the young people continuously devoted successive 15-minute periods to prayer for peace and for suffering people around the world.

**Potatoes:** Because the public outcry against destruction of potatoes was so widespread, the Department of Agriculture has publicized the fact that charitable institutions and church-related organizations are eligible for free gifts of government-owned early potatoes. And Congress is going right on with an investigation to learn new ways of getting rid of potatoes without destroying them.

**Sheets, Jobs, And Hope:** The church people of Switzerland recently contributed an amount of money which would have purchased 900 bed-sheets for the needy of Germany. Instead of buying sheets, however, the frugal Swiss sent Germany seven tons of raw cotton. That is enough for over 7,500 sheets!

As the church members of Germany work up this cotton, they get eight sheets for every single one which could have been bought

ready-made. The unemployed Germans get jobs doing this. And so they get hope.

Following the Swiss pattern, the World Council of Churches this month sent a first shipment of eight and one-half tons of raw cotton to the German churches.

**Behavior:** Hal Boyle, of the Associated Press, said: "A veteran assured me recently that he had learned something from the war. 'I learned,' he said, 'how to live with men and to get along with them.' But that's a pretty expensive way to learn something you're taught in Sunday School."

**Prayer:** Prayer moves an arm that is almighty, and that arm moves the world.

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## The Bible Says Be Pure

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but the next impression was that it was the first chance that had come openly to confess Christ. She accepted it.

For weeks her word meant nothing in the committee meetings. Then one day the chairman shouted, "If you think you can plan something better you do it!" This was her opportunity. She prayed, she worked, she enlisted the cooperation of other Christian students and the outcome was one of the most hilarious times the students on that campus had ever seen. Everyone came to see Mary's ideas fall flat, but left requesting more planned parties like Mary's.

### Keep Thyself Pure in Heart

Purity of conversation and conduct depends upon a man's heart, "for as he thinketh in his heart, so is he" (Prov. 23:7). The life cannot but give expression to what the heart feels, "for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh" (Matt. 12:34). Man is so constituted that he amplifies the depth of the soul through outward expression. In purity there is power. Jesus puts purity of heart as a prerequisite to seeing God. "Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God" (Matt. 5:8).

"Who shall ascend into the hill of Jehovah? And who shall stand in His holy place?"

"He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart" (Psalm 24:3-4 ASV).

## ATTEND TRAINING UNION WEEK AT RIDGECREST

July 24-30

### Chartered Bus to Ridgecrest

Leave Immanuel Church, Little Rock, 7 a. m., July 23  
(Overnight at Nashville, Tenn.)

Arrive Ridgecrest, N. C., 5 p. m., July 24  
Attend Training Union Assembly July 24-30

Leave Ridgecrest, N. C., 7 a. m., July 31  
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## Outstanding Speakers Will Appear On RA, GA Camp Summer Programs

Missionaries from several countries and from various phases of our Home Mission work will be at Girls' Auxiliary and Royal Ambassador Camps this summer. Rev. Mike Lopez, missionary to the Spanish-speaking people in New Mexico, Rev. John A. Parker, missionary to Chili, Rev. Clovis A. Brantley, superintendent of the Baptist Rescue Mission in New Orleans, Rev. Milford Howell of Nigeria and Mr. Ivyloy Bishop, Southwide Royal Ambassador secretary, will speak at the three RA camps.

Mrs. Milton Leach, missionary to the Spanish-speaking people in Texas, Miss Katherine Cozzens, missionary to Brazil, Miss Rda Jackson, missionary to Nigeria, and Miss Minnie Lee Mook, Ouachita student, of China and America, will be featured on the two GA camp programs. Altogether, there will be five young people's camps sponsored by the WMU of Arkansas this summer.

Camp dates are as follows:

Junior Girls' Auxiliary at Ferncliff, July 14-19. Intermediate Girls' Auxiliary at Ferncliff, July 21-26. Junior Royal Ambassadors at Ferncliff, July 28-August 2. Junior Royal Ambassadors at Ravenden Springs, August 4-9. Intermediate Royal Ambassadors at Ferncliff, September 1-6.

Ferncliff Camp is located 17 miles west of Little Rock, on Twelfth Street Pike. There will be a bus to carry the boys and girls from Little Rock to Ferncliff on the opening and closing days of camp. The cost for the camp at Ferncliff is \$11.50 per person; at Ravenden Springs, \$7.50 per person. The Ravenden Camp is located just north of Ravenden on highways 62 and 63 between Pocahtontas and Hardy.

Reservations for these camps may be made by sending \$1 registration fee (which will count on the total \$11.50 or \$7.50 camp fee) to Baptist WMU Office, 209 Radio Center, Little Rock, with name of the boy or girl, his advancement in the Ranking System or Forward Steps, and the camp which he is to attend. The limit is 150 registrations for the Ferncliff camps, 200 for the Ravenden Springs RA Camp. Send your reservations in today!



John A. Parker



Mike Lopez



Ada Jackson



Katherine Cozzens

### GIRLS' AUXILIARY CAMPS

**WHERE:** 17 miles west of Little Rock on Twelfth Street Pike. Take left turn at Ferndale Store.

**WHAT TO BRING:** Each camper will bring own towels, sheets, a warm blanket, Bible, GA Manual, pencil, bathing suit, plain clothes, modest playclothes. If you wish, bring kodak, flashlight, musical instrument, tennis racket.

**BUS SERVICE TO CAMP FROM LITTLE ROCK:** There is no regular bus service, but a school bus will be provided to transport our groups to and from camp on the opening and closing days of camp. This bus will leave Second Church, Little Rock, Eighth and Scott Streets, 1:30 p. m., on the opening day of each camp. It will bring campers to Little Rock by 11:30 a. m., on the last day of each camp. The fare will be 30 cents each way.

**MAIL:** Should be addressed in care of Baptist Camp, Ferndale, Arkansas.

**REGISTER:** Send your name and registration fee of \$1 to Baptist WMU Young People's Department, 209 Radio Center, Little Rock.

### ROYAL AMBASSADOR CAMPS

**JUNIOR CAMP FERNCLIFF:** 17 miles west of Little Rock, July 28-August 2, Monday afternoon through Saturday morning, ages 9-12. Total cost, \$11.50. Missionary speakers, Rev. John A. Parker, Chili, Mike Lopez, Santa Fe, N. Mex., Limit, 150 boys.

**RAVENDEN SPRINGS CAMP:** Near Ravenden Springs, August 4-9, Monday afternoon through Saturday morning, ages 10-17. Total cost, \$7.50. Missionary speakers, Rev. Mike Lopez, Santa Fe, N. Mex., Rev. H. A. Zimmerman, Arkansas and Brazil. Limit, 200 boys.

**INTERMEDIATE CAMP FERNCLIFF:** 17 miles west of Little Rock, September 1-6, Monday afternoon through Saturday morning, ages 13-17. Total cost, \$11.50. Missionary speakers, Rev. Clovis A. Brantley, New Orleans, La., Rev. Ivyloy Bishop, Southland and South America. Limit, 150 boys.



Ivyloy Bishop



Clovis Brantley

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## First State Music Convention Arouses Much Interest in Increased Training

The first Church Music Convention of Arkansas Baptists is now history. Many fine contributions were brought to the meeting by pastors, directors and others.

Professor J. Campbell Wray, head of the Church Music Department at Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Smith, the guest conference leader, inspired everyone with his masterly presentation of vocal methods and materials for use in the average church choir.

Possessed of singular charm and originality, this fine musician is eminently fitted to guide the music training of pastors, educational directors, and others preparing for effective service in religious education through music. His was a major contribution.

The topics discussed by several pastors of the state were well handled and intensely constructive. In speaking of these, Mr. Wray said: "Never before have I listened to such intelligent treatment of the essentials of music training at the hands of preachers. They manifested an unusual knowledge coupled with genuine interest and concern. Arkansas is designed to go forward in a peculiar fashion with such understanding between musicians and pastors."

Several of the associate workers in Church Music appeared on the program and gave comprehensive discussions on notation, youth choirs, the organist's contribution, congregational singing and brotherhood choruses.

The Choral Festival on Monday night brought a high spiritual blessing to all. Directed by Professor Wray, the large choir sang three great anthems, gave a choric reading of the 150th Psalm and led the congregational singing.

Dr. M. Ray McKay, pastor, Sec-

### Musicians . . .

### Please Note!

Plans are going forward for a "top flight" band and orchestra at the Arkansas Baptist Assembly, July 1-9.

All those who would like to participate in this fine phase of our assembly program are invited, and urged to bring along with them their musical instrument and have a part in this feature of the program.

ond Church, Little Rock, delivered a significant address entitled, "Also A Song." W. O. Vaught, Jr., pastor of Immanuel Church, Little Rock, and Owen W. Moran, pastor, First Church, North Little Rock, offered prayers.

### Sunday School Awards

Has your church had a training school for Sunday School workers this year? How many awards does your school have for this year? Surely our Sunday School will not be any better than its workers. Teachers cannot teach what they don't know. Still worse, teachers can teach things they do know which are wrong.

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Joe Allen Hess, Eureka Springs, intermediate, and Gavnelle Maupin, McGehee, junior, were judged the best hymn players in the statewide contest which featured the first Church Music Convention of Arkansas Baptists. The convention was held at First Church, Little Rock, under the direction of Mrs. B. W. Nininger, director of church music for the Arkansas Baptist State Convention.

Second and third place winners were: Junior division, Lynda Stucky, Alma, second; and Pat Murray, Harrison, third. Intermediate division, Virginia Ruth Nowell, second; and Mary Katherine Hall, Alma, third.

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## Pastors and Laymen Will Help Direct Brotherhood Conference at Assembly

A Brotherhood conference at Silcam Springs will be held each morning at 9:40. Some of the pastors and laymen who will direct the various periods are: Pastor Owen Moran, First Church, North Little Rock; Pastor Don Hook, First Church, Ozark; Pastor C. E. Wilbanks, Springdale; W. A. Jackson, First Church, Benton; Pastor Ralph Douglas, Dumas; Pastor R. C. Brinkley, Immanuel Church, El Dorado; Pastor Lawson Hatfield, Ashdown; Missionary A. A. Brady, Benton County Association, and Carey Selph, Mt. Ida, president of the Baptist Brotherhood of Arkansas.

These conference leaders are men who believe in Brotherhoods as an instrument which helps mightily to set forward all of the work of their churches.

The purpose of the conferences is to find what is being done in our various churches to use men to undergird and extend the church program, and to discuss ways and means of leading our men into greater and more effective Christian service.

Pastors, laymen, and all others interested in Brotherhood work, are urged to attend this series of Brotherhood conferences.

### Revival at Corning

These words are written from Corning, where your Brotherhood secretary is engaged in a few days of Brotherhood revival with First Church, Corning, where L. C. Tedford is pastor. Work is getting underway towards the goal of reaching many for Christ and the church. Rev. Leland Hall and wife, an Arkansas couple, living at present in Indiana, are directing the music.

### The Tithing Campaign

The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, in the June meeting, perfected plans for the extension of the campaign to reach a million tithers for Christ throughout the Southern Baptist Convention. The Baptist Brotherhood of Arkansas is thoroughly in accord with this great movement and we pledge our every resource to help the cam-

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paign to succeed throughout our state.

Ten thousands of our people have yet to take the tithing step up the long stairway of Christian stewardship. One of our most acute denominational needs is for more men and women who are developed and matured in scriptural giving. One of our greatest denominational challenges is to develop within our people a concept of their stewardship.

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### Memphis Church to Have Baby Building

Pastor and Mrs. Robert G. Lee, Bellevue Church, Memphis, have given \$10,000 to be applied on a Bellevue Baby Bungalow, a building solely to serve children up to three years of age. It will be one of five or six such buildings in the Southern Baptist Convention.

The project, which will cost approximately \$40,000, will provide a place for children while their parents attend church and at the same time give them a regular program of study. Dr and Mrs. Lee had previously given the lot and building to provide nursery facilities for 300 children.

The gift of \$10,000 increased the total gifts of Dr. and Mrs. Lee to \$20,000 since November 1, 1946. This is in addition to their regular giving of tithes and offerings on each Lord's Day.

## Mountain Preachers Now Go to School

By Religious News Service

Mountain preachers now go to school at Clear Creek Mountain Preachers Bible School near Pineville, Ky. Ten prefabricated houses have been completed and are occupied by GI students who are preachers.

"The willingness of some mountain preachers to learn more is gratifying," says Dr. L. C. Kelly, president. "At a meeting at the school some time ago, a Baptist preacher in Bell County said, 'Brethren, I am 89 years old. All the schooling I have ever had was in the University of Hard Knocks on Greasy Creek. I have prayed for years that God would build something here in the mountains to help us mountain preachers to help ourselves. God answered my prayer with the mountain preacher's school.'"

This school for mountain preachers is considered unusual. As Dr. Kelly explained:

"Educators have provided high schools for boys who have finished grade schools, colleges, for high school graduates, and seminaries and universities for college graduates. But until the idea was born at Clear Creek Springs, no institution had been provided for that group of God-called preachers whose average education is below high school level."

The 1946-47 enrollment was 101. Of this number, 54 came from the territory of the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky. The others came mostly from the mountain sections of Virginia, North Carolina, Tennessee, West Virginia, Alabama, and Georgia. A few were from other states.

Most mountain preachers are married and have large families. Few receive more than a bare existence from their pastoral efforts. Nearly all preachers who enroll must be provided with work to enable them to earn a substantial part of their board, room, tuition and books. A few cottages are available for married students with families at nominal rentals.

A student using one of the cottages has a wife and seven children. He sold his home in the mountains for \$900 and is using

that and what meager income he receives from the mountain church he serves, to pay his school expenses and living expenses of his family for three years.

The preachers are willing to work and the school tries hard to provide the work. Much of the labor on proposed buildings will be done by the students.

Enough standing timber is on the school property (530 acres) to provide most of the rough lumber necessary for the building program. This will furnish many students work for years to come. The student body has the men to cut the timber and turn it into lumber. The school needs a saw mill in order to put these men to work and asked friends to "join in prayer that this saw mill may be provided."

A tractor is needed for snaking logs and other uses and a bulldozer for grading building sites and roads.

Unlike most mountain mission enterprises, the desire for the Preachers School originated in the mountains. Three years before the school was formally organized, it operated as a school for mountain preachers with three teachers.

The average age of the students is 33. One is 55, 16 are from 20 to 24.

The average schooling of the student is eight years, ranging from third grade grammar school to high school. One man finished the third grade, five the fifth grade, 12 the sixth, 15 the seventh, 20 the eighth, two the ninth, 19 the tenth, one the eleventh, and 14 the twelfth.

The 32 mountain counties in Kentucky have a population of 821,594. Of these, only 152,115 are members of any church. That leaves 669,479 unchurched, or 81.49 per cent.

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# Rural Church Sets Pace for State

In Harmony Association, some 10 miles out from the city of Pine Bluff, there is a very progressive rural church that deserves much praise for the work being done and the steps of progress made. It is Oak Grove Church with Robert Hughes as pastor.

The church house itself has one of the most attractive auditoriums to be seen anywhere. The pews are superb. A Butane gas system gives proper heat. Large attic fans aid in air conditioning the church. Eight large Sunday School rooms are provided.

This church owns a bus which is used in transporting people in the outlying districts to the church services. Two trips are made each Sunday morning. Over 50 people are carried to the church services by the bus service.

The pastor of this church is a graduate of Ouachita College and holds his Master of Theology Degree from Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Tex. He lives just about 100 yards from the church in the parsonage. This young man, with his wife and children, is making a lasting impression upon the people of that community.

He is there for their training schools, serves as principal of the Vacation Bible School, conducts the funerals, marries the young people, and is ready to answer the call for service at any time.

This church has adopted tithing as their method of financing the church and their offerings are made from week to week through the Sunday School. In a meeting with the deacons the pastor asked that they would recommend to the church that tithes and offerings be their method of financing the church and they voted to do so. They are carrying on a financial program which includes all causes in their budget. The total amount of the budget is \$4,000 per year.

The budget of the church is as follows:

Pastor's Salary	-----	\$2000.00
Notes and Interest	---	265.00
Janitor's Salary	-----	120.00
Literature	-----	120.00
Missions	-----	
Associational	---	\$ 75.00

## Department of MISSIONS

C. W. Caldwell, Superintendent

Cooperative Program	-----	225.00
Total	-----	300.00
Lights	-----	35.00
Fuel	-----	100.00
Improvements to the Parsonage--		
Gas Range	-----	\$102.00
Current Needs	---	300.00
Total	-----	402.00
Insurance	-----	38.22
Church Bus	-----	200.00
Building Fund	-----	300.00
Miscellaneous--		
Flowers, Christmas, Charity, Supplies, V. B. S. Heaters, etc.	-----	120.00
Grand Total	-----	\$4000.22

This church is an example for many others to follow. The picture shows the congregation assembled in front of the auditorium. Reverend Hughes is the first adult on the back row reading from left to right. The picture was taken last November.

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## Radio

Pastor C. Z. Holland, First Church, Jonesboro, will be heard in the second of four radio messages next Sunday over 11 Arkansas stations carrying the program of the Arkansas Baptist Radio Commission. His subject will be "Why Men Pray." Music will be by the Ouachita College Chorus.

The program may be heard every Sunday over:

- KFFA—Helena, 7:45 a. m.
- KLCN—Blytheville, 8:00 a. m.
- KCLA—Pine Bluff, 8:30 a. m.
- KHOZ—Harrison, 8:30 a. m.
- KTFS—Texarkana, 8:45 a. m.
- KARK—Little Rock, 10:30 a. m.
- KELD—El Dorado, 12:15 p. m.
- KFPW—Fort Smith, 12:45 p. m.
- KWFC—Hot Springs, 12:45 p. m.
- KGHI—Little Rock, 1:45 p. m.
- KUOA—Siloam Springs, 4:30 p. m.



Oak Grove Church, Harmony Association

## Figures to Inspire

June 15, 1947

Church	Addns.	S. S.	T. U.
Arkadelphia, First	3	404	124
Benton, First	1	535	104
Including Mission		594	
Camden, First		483	97
Conway, First	1	375	56
Dyess, Central		134	84
El Dorado Churches:			
First	6	655	162
Second		402	72
Ft. Smith, First	2	852	352
Hamburg, First	2	852	352
Hot Springs Churches:			
Park Place	1	438	123
Second	12	502	128
Including Mission		557	150
Little Rock Churches:			
Baptist Tabernacle		475	72
Gaines Street	5	359	249
Immanuel	23	1011	376
Including Miss.	26	1410	565
South Highland	4	263	91
Magnolia, Central	2	445	112
Mena, First	2	288	71
Norphet, First		214	116
N. Little Rock, Baring Cross	3	565	242
Including Mission		611	263
Paris, First		335	130
Pine Bluff, First	1	683	173
Including Mission		726	205

Pine Bluff, Matthews Memorial	7	152	65
Rogers, First	2	316	98
Siloam Springs, First		255	150
Stuttgart, First		298	109
Warren, Immanuel		108	73
West Memphis, First	3	385	194

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Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love. Where there is doubt, faith. Where there is despair, hope. Where there is darkness, light. And where there is sadness, joy. O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved, as to love; for it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

—St. Francis of Assisi

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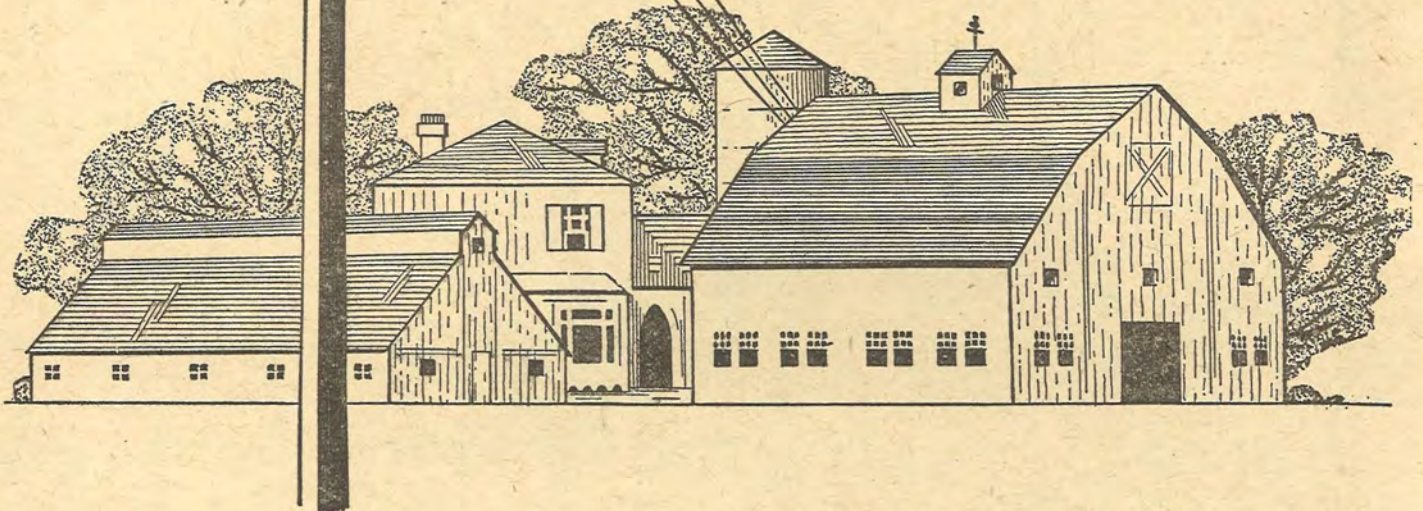
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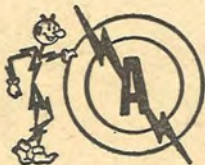




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## God Gives Plan of Redemption To Entire World Through Israel

By R. PAUL CAUDILL

In the opening verses of his letter to the Ephesians, the apostle Paul tells us that God anticipated our needs as to salvation before "the foundation of the world" and "chose us in him. . . having fore-ordained us into adoption as sons through Jesus Christ unto himself, according to the good pleasure of his will."

It was with the call of Abraham, that God began to implement, in a specific way and through human instruments, His world-wide plan of redemption. With the call of Abraham, we see the laying of the structural framework for the founding of a great and mighty nation, a nation that for centuries to come would serve as a chosen people from whose ranks would come the interpreters of God and His will for human life throughout the world.

What were some of the salient contributions of this "chosen" people to the other peoples of the earth?

### One God

The doctrine of monotheism, the belief that there is but one God, found its perfect expression in the prophetic voices of Israel, and comes to us today as one of the first and greatest contributions of the chosen nation. Abraham was called out from a people who for long generations had had their system of worship, a system that made provisions not merely for one God but for many gods.

Polytheism, the doctrine or belief in a plurality of gods, was the prevailing and accepted standard of religious belief everywhere. No one as yet had arisen to point the way with clarity of precept and practice to the one and only true God.

The Hebrew concept of monotheism gave no quarter for the doctrine of polytheism. The words "Hear, O Israel: Jehovah our God is one Jehovah" (Deut. 6:4) leave no possible room for more than one deity. God was put at the hub-centre of all religious thought and His eternal omniscient, omnipotent presence was the constant concern of the heart of the true Israel.

This belief in the one true God has run, like a scarlet thread, throughout the course of Israel's history and has been a potent influence in shaping the lives of men of all succeeding generations. Israel gave us our doctrine of one God.

### The Bible

Israel gave us our Bible—not the New Testament; but the Old. The only Bible that early Christians had was the Old Testament. It was from its pages that Jesus quoted so often in His relations with men. It was with its message

### Sunday School Lesson For June 29

Psalms 119:105; Isa. 2:2-4;  
Mich. 6:1-8.

that He met and vanquished the tempter in His wilderness experience (Matt. 4:1ff.). It was the prophecy of Isaiah to which he turned and read in the synagogue at Nazareth for an interpretation of His own mission among men (Luke 4:16-31) just prior to His rejection by the very people in whose midst He had grown to manhood.

"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path" (Ps. 119:105). Whenever and wherever men have sought a refuge for their minds and hearts in the midst of life's vexing storms, they have turned to the Bible—God's infallible message of hope and light and truth—and therein found sufficient and abiding rest for their souls. "Unless thy law had been my delight, I should then have perished in mine affliction" (Ps. 119:92).

### Our Relationship to God

It is from the nation of Israel, also, that we received—through the Bible—the basic principles governing the ideal relationship of man with Jehovah. "And thou shalt love Jehovah thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might" (Deut. 6:5). These words, said Jesus, constitute the first and greatest commandment.

We must first be true to God if we would be true to self and our fellow man. In fact, if we are true to Him, we can be false to none. Our relationship with Him serves as the determining factor of all of life's varied relations. And God does not want our offerings apart from our sincere and contrite hearts. "Will the Lord be pleased with the thousands of rams or with ten thousands of rivers of oil . . . He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good" (Micah. 6:7f.).

### Our Relationship With Man

Finally, Israel gave us the concept of our ideal relationship with our fellowman: "He hath showed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God" (Micah 6:8). Here in these brief words is to be found the keystone principle in the arch of human relations—justice and mercy. How the world could be made to rejoice if these ideals could only be realized in increasing measure.

Israel, as a nation, departed far from this lofty idealism at times.

## Book of Job Deals in Reason For Suffering and Affliction

By R. PAUL CAUDILL

The general theme of our lessons for the third quarter is "Ancient Writings and Modern Problems." Our first lesson is taken from the book of Job.

As a piece of literature the book of Job is a masterpiece, but it is more than that. It is a divine message which deal: with a theme that is as old as the human race, namely, "the reason of human suffering, the why and wherefore of those afflictions that fasten not merely upon the guilty, but, as it often appears, upon the righteous and the innocent."

The first two chapters of the book constitute the prologue. The chapters that follow form the poem itself while the last chapter is the epilogue.

### His Character

In the prologue (chapters 1 and 2) we have the picture of an Eastern chieftain called Job, who lives in the land of Uzz, probably near Eden (Dummelow). The ancient writer tells us that he was "perfect and upright," one who "feared God, and turned away from evil."

One might very well dwell for the entire period of the lesson on this opening tribute to Job—perfect and upright! How few there are today among all the peoples of the earth of whom this could be said.

If men were "perfect and upright" in character the whole complexion of society would soon be changed. There would be no need of locks on doors or of measures of protection for personal and private property.

### His Role As Father

Being a very pious man, one who feared God and eschewed evil, Job's prosperity was commonly regarded as an unmistakable token of divine favor. He possessed immense herds of camel, oxen, sheep, asses, and is described as "the greatest of all the children of the East."

It is Job's family life, however, that impresses one rather than his financial prosperity, for his relationship to his sons and daughters as a devout father is one of the tenderest and most beautiful to be found in the Bible.

One needs only to glance at the words that fell from the lips of the prophets to realize just how far she did depart from them. But her departure proved to be her own undoing. It was because of her failure to heed the plaintive call of the prophet who sought to lead her back in her devotion to God and man that led to the long nights of captivity.

But the ideal remained, even as it has for all succeeding generations.

### Sunday School Lesson For July 6

Job 1:1; 27:1-5; 31:19-28.

Evidently a very wholesome relationship existed between the children—10 in all, seven sons and three daughters—of his household. We read of how his sons went and held "a feast in the house of each one upon his day," and how they sent and called for their sisters "to eat and to drink with them."

As a father, Job felt it his duty to remember, often, at the throne of God's grace his children. Consequently, the ancient writer tells us that "when the days of their feasting were gone about, that Job sent and sanctified them, and rose up early in the morning and offered burnt-offerings according to the number of them all: for Job said, "It may be that my sons have sinned, and renounced God in their hearts. Thus did Job continually" (1:5).

If fathers stayed on their knees more in behalf of their wayward sons, and if mothers spent more time in the prayer room in behalf of their wayward daughters, there would be less heartaches in the world today.

### His Concern For Others

Job was, in spite of his own prosperity, one who manifested great concern for his neighbor's welfare. "If I have seen any perish for want of clothing, Or that the needy had no covering . . . If I have lifted up my hand against the fatherless . . . Then let my shoulder fall from the shoulder-blade, And mine arm be broken from the bone" (31:19ff.).

Job is protesting the integrity of his life in response to those who held that his afflictions had come upon him because of his failure to live an upright life. Just as prosperity was commonly regarded as a token of divine favor, even so misfortune was looked upon as an evidence of divine disfavor. Job holds persistently, however, to his own integrity calling attention to his regard for suffering humanity.

### His Hope

Job's hope was in God: "If I have made gold my hope, and have said to the fine gold, Thou art my confidence . . . This also were an iniquity to be punished by the judges; For I should have denied the God that is above" (31:24ff.).

The secret of Job's ability to endure suffering and to persevere in the midst of his tragic misfortunes is found in his faith in God.



## Next Sunday Is An Important Day

### What is the occasion for Baptists?

It is Christian Education Day.

### What are the churches asked to do?

1. Study Christian education!
2. Make an offering for Ouachita College!

The Executive Board of the State Convention is asking the churches to observe Christian Education Day next Sunday and make a special offering for the Ouachita College Campaign.

It would seem that every church that has not made a cash contribution to the campaign would by all means be willing to do that next Sunday. Other churches also will do so. Will yours?

A science hall must be built.

This is one of the buildings that the campaign is to provide and for which the campaign was started.

A library building must be erected.

The Standardizing Association insists upon the erection of these buildings. Shall we make Ouachita College the great college that it ought to be?

## Help Your Senior College Now!

### Ouachita Enlargement Campaign Funds

#### Total Cash Receipts:

1945 .....	650.00
1946 .....	91,355.45
1946 (Designated for Endowment)	607.50
1947 (January-May, Inclusive)	76,247.27
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#### Total Cash Disbursements:

Campaign Expenses—	
1946 .....	11,493.84
1947 (January-May, Inclusive)	6,364.30
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#### Remitted—

1946 .....	80,500.00
1947 (Jan.-May, Inclusive)	52,000.00
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	132,500.00

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Balance on Hand May 31, 1947 18,502.08

and a dependable pastor. He is loved and trusted not only by his church members but also by the people of the town.

He is greatly interested in all the work of the churches. He loves the mission causes and supports missions to the ends of the earth. Any man who can and will stay on one field 17 years is unusual and is useful indeed in the kingdom of God. We congratulate the church in Harrison.

### Smothers and West Helena

Pastor D. D. Smothers came to West Helena from Tennessee years ago. West Helena is an industrial town separated from Helena by "Crowley's Ridge." The church is a splendid one indeed. More than 600 are enrolled in Sunday School, and large congregations attend the preaching services.

Pastor Smothers is a wise counselor and pastor, and is an aggressive and trusted leader. He wisely approaches the church problems and solves them correctly. He believes the Bible in every respect; he preaches the doctrines of Baptists and pungently proclaims the Word of the Lord.

### Price and Taxarkana

Pastor Bruce Price, of Beech Street Church, Texarkana, is giving his congregations a spiritual thrill. He is preaching a series of sermons on the Beatitudes. Price is a great preacher. His sermons stir the hearts of his hearers. He is leading the great Beech Street Church into larger fields of service, and to deeper consecration.

### Luck and the Sanatorium

For some months Rev. Joe Fred Luck has been serving as chaplain of the State Sanatorium at Booneville. He is working, of course, as an employee of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention. The management of the Sanatorium is gracious and cordial toward our worker there. They make it possible for him to contact and reach the patients in the institution.

This institution is a very large one indeed. There are people of all denominations, and from every part of the state. Brother Luck is kindhearted, sympathetic, prayerful, and thoroughly sincere. His ministry is more than acceptable. He is really doing an outstanding piece of work in this State Sanatorium. All of us love Joe Fred, and we are happy that we can support a work of this sort.

### Swords Into Plowshares

Turning swords into plowshares has come true to the Board of Home Missions of the United Church of Canada. Recently, the Board bought a small warship from the War Assets Corporation and sent it to sea as one of a fleet of seven crafts to do mission work on Canada's eastern coast and around Newfoundland.

H. M. Dawe, superintendent of missions in Newfoundland, said: "The marine work requires ministers who can operate an engine, read a chart, and navigate a boat, as well as preach a sermon and organize a church board. They distribute literature, carry medical supplies, and deliver clothing for the needy."

### Pastor Griever Has 17th Anniversary

Pastor E. E. Griever, Harrison, has recently observed his 17th anniversary as pastor of First Church there. He has made a remarkable record. The church has had a steady growth under his ministry all the way through. He has proven to be a wise leader