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Stewardship Reports

WE ARE still getting Stewardship reports from some of the churches that used the Forward Program of Church Finance to subscribe their budgets for this year.



DR. DOUGLAS

Let me again urge each church to send us a report of budget results if you used any part of the Forward Program of Church Finance. Of course, it is best to use the entire program but if you used any part of the program, send us a report and tell what phases of the program you used.

This can help in many ways. It can encourage other churches to study the Forward Program and use it. Too, these reports can help us in advising and working with other churches that are weak, Stewardshipwise. Then the reports help churches to see their possibilities when a church of like potential wins a great Stewardship victory.

Yes, we know that it takes time to make reports and it may seem trivial, but somewhere some group of church members may be hesitant, and a word from your church could turn the tide into aggressiveness.

Last, perhaps, it helps us who promote the work to know who is doing what. Believe it or not, once in a while a denominational worker needs encouragement.

Now, after all is said and done, we believe that when we enlist our people in the matter of Stewardship they will ultimately become better Christians and this will make better church members. Try it! Report it! We'll be grateful to God for it! And the Kingdom of God will come to the hearts of many because of it! — Ralph Douglas, Associate Executive Secretary ■

Baptist Crosscurrents

King James Version

THIS YEAR the English-speaking Christian world will celebrate the 350th anniversary of the King James Version of the Bible, which is hailed by Dr. Luther A. Weigle as "the noblest monument of English prose." Dr. F. William Faber said, "It lives on the ear like a music that can never be forgotten, like the sound of church bells, which the convert hardly knows how he can forego." How remarkable that a translation of the Bible made 350 years ago still retains supreme popularity with the mass of Christians! In his book *The Learned Men* (Thomas Y. Crowell Company, New York), in which he relates the fascinating story of the King James Bible, Gustavus S. Paine makes this pregnant statement: "One of its great virtues is that it allows and impels us to put any part of it in other words, into our words, that we may get glimpses of more meanings from it and then turn back to it with more delight and profit than ever before." This is true even when we have considered the various revised versions, and other versions which are, really, free renderings. The lasting glory of the King James version is such that it is unnecessary to pick flaws in later translations. It is our good fortune that we have the modern versions while we keep the old Bible too. We may mutually differ regarding the translations but it is only like the rubbing of thought on thought—which produces the sparks of our enlightenment. But all of this is useless unless we read the Bible, unless we let its language permeate our speech, making us wise in its wisdom and envisioned in its intellectual beauty. Make the most of it then this anniversary year. You will not need this exhortation later if you do. You will become the captive of the wisdom of God.—Editor John W. Bradbury, in *The Watchman-Examiner*

On Church Union

TWO things keep Southern Baptists from entering into any church union movement as a body. First is the fact that Southern Baptists look to God's Word for authority for both their beliefs and behavior. They have avoided movements based largely or partially on human judgment. For Southern Baptists to enter any such movement at the price of compromising any of their doctrines (or even of soft-pedaling them) would forfeit us our right to speak for God with any authoritative voice. It would cost us far more than we could possibly gain by organizational union with those who base their beliefs only partially on the Scriptures and partially on the opinions of men or councils or creeds.

The second factor against Baptists getting into such movements is an abiding belief in the autonomy of the individual Baptist church. Final authority for Baptist action rests with the individual church, for which no other organization can speak. No association or convention can bind a single church by any of its decisions. Hence, no Baptist association or convention can properly join any movement for any Baptist body other than itself. It cannot commit any one of its affiliating churches to membership in anything.—From an editorial entitled "Campaign for Church Union," by Editor W. G. Stracener, in *Florida Baptist Witness*

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Carl Vaught Wins Scholarships



Ouachita News Bureau Photo

DR. RALPH A. Phelps, Jr., president of Ouachita College, congratulates Miss Sharon Green, Pine Bluff, after she was crowned queen of Tiger Day at Ouachita, Mar. 24. Miss Green won out in the queen contest over 24 other candidates. The day's activities attracted some 1,500 high school seniors and guests to the campus.

MISS Sharon Green, Pine Bluff, was crowned queen by Dr. Ralph A. Phelps, Jr., Ouachita College president, as a highlight of Tiger Day activities which drew some 1,500 high school seniors and guests to the campus Mar. 24.

Miss Green won out over 24 other queen candidates. Runners-up were Connie McCaughan, Hamburg; Joetta Boyce, Little Rock; Pam Scott, Camden; and Carole Hudson, Searcy.

Miss June Self, of Warren High School, won the newswriting and editorial contest for the \$100 journalism scholarship. She tied for first in editorial writing and placed third in newswriting. Frank Coder, Fort Smith, was a close runner-up. Paul Fray, Sylvan Hills, placed third, while Ann Ellis, Jacksonville, and Barbara Ann Jones, Perryville, tied for fourth. William Echols, Arkadelphia, tied for first in editorial writing, but did not enter the newswriting. ■

CARL Gray Vaught, 21, son of Dr. and Mrs. W. O. Vaught of Little Rock, a senior at Baylor University, Waco, Tex., won enough college fellowships, and more, last month to see him through to his doctor's degree.

He received a Rockefeller Brothers Theological Fellowship, a Woodrow Wilson Fellowship and a Danforth Fellowship. He had to reject the Rockefeller stipend because it was incompatible with the other two, which provided funds for graduate study at a university. The Rockefeller award stipulated that he must attend a theological institution.

The other two will pay for four years of graduate work, enough to earn his Ph.D. degree in philosophy. Vaught plans to use the Woodrow Wilson Fellowship at Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., for a year, starting this fall, and then use the Danforth for the remainder of time needed to get his Ph.D. degree.

Vaught will be graduated in May from Baylor, where he has held a Presidential Scholarship four years. He was graduated from Little Rock Central High School in 1957.

Vaught was one of 98 selected for a Danforth Fellowship from about 800 competitors.

At Baylor, Vaught has served on the Honor Council and on the Board of Directors of Circle K, a men's service club. He has served as president of Phi Sigma Tau, an honorary philosophy society, and Alpha Chi, national scholarship fraternity.

His father is pastor of Immanuel Church, Little Rock. ■



MR. VAUGHT

New Judge



MR. MADDOX

EDWARD Stacy Maddox, 50-year-old Harrisburg attorney, has been appointed a circuit judge by Governor Faubus.

Mr. Maddox, an active Baptist layman and deacon in First Church, Harrisburg, was the unanimous choice of the seven-county Northeast Arkansas Bar Association to fill the vacancy on the bench of the Second Judicial District created by the death of Circuit Judge H. G. Partlow of Blytheville. ■

Dr. Bayless Honored On 10th Anniversary

DR. C. GORDON Bayless was given a surprise "This Is Your Life" service by Central Church, North Little Rock, the night of March 26, on the occasion of his tenth anniversary as pastor of the church. Serving as master of ceremonies was Dr. Frank Morgan, organist of the church. The church presented Pastor Bayless with a power garden tractor for use at his farm home near Little Rock and presented Mrs. Bayless a bracelet. Under Dr. Bayless' ministry Central Church erected its new sanctuary and has received a total of 860 new members. ■



DR. BAYLESS

Ball Team Honored

SOUTHERN College, Walnut Ridge, Basketball Team received the Sportsmanship Trophy from Region VII of the National Junior College Athletic Association. Region VII is composed of junior colleges in Arkansas, Alabama, Tennessee and Mississippi. The trophy was presented by President H. E. Williams to J. R. Foster, captain of the Eagles, in a chapel program March 29. The Eagles have completed their first winning season in Inter-Collegiate competition with a 16-won, 10-lost record. ■

HIGHWAY robbery, in which masked gunmen stop travelers at remote places and relieve them, at gun point, of their valuables is uncouth and out-moded for our times. Such ribald antics may still be all right in shoot-'em-up television dramas, but there

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The Respectable Way*

are much better and more respectable ways of separating people from their do-ra-mi. You don't have to wear a mask or risk even your respectability anymore. You do it by price-fixing. Get together with others in the same rack--er, business you are in and have an understanding as to what your prices are going to be, whether it is for goods or services. Stick together and the public be hanged.

Instead of considering what a thing is worth, determine what the traffic can be expected to bear and the devil take the hind most! Put your prices in some official "blue book" to which you can resort when soaking a customer. If he howls, tell him you are sorry, but that is the standard charge and you can't depart therefrom without getting into trouble with "the association." It's a matter of ethics, you know. No matter how outlandish the price is, it just wouldn't be fair to the rest of the boys for you to cut the prices down to something based on reason from the customer's standpoint. Customers, like cows, are to be milked.

Have you ever wondered who profits when milk jumps two cents a quart over night, or meat continues to be out of reach of any but the well-to-do? Why do things not ever level off? More and more the evidence points to price manipulation by the price fixers. The sensational break recently of price-fixing involving 29 major manufacturing firms of the electrical trust may be an indication that the long worm of public abuse in the realm of price histing may be beginning to turn.

Many a distraught customer will be revived by the news that Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy and his department are investigating alleged price-fixing in meat, milk, drugs and other products. Something must be done about the modern counterparts of the cattle rustlers and stage coach bandits. Somehow I feel that the Lord may deal a little more kindly with the old-time highwayman than with respectable church members who use their respectability and the anonymity of their trades or professions—instead of masks and guns—to fleece the people.

THE latest decision of the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals, calling for a speeding up of integration in the Little Rock schools, indicates that the race problem is still with us. Surely now is the time for the people of Little Rock and of Arkansas—

*It's Time to Get Our
Heads, Hearts Together*

segregationists, integrationists, moderates, and just plain Christians—to get their heads and hearts together to solve their common problems. Cussing the Supreme Court has never proved very effective however satisfying. We can never solve the school problem by mob rule or by any other form of open defiance of court orders. Nor can we solve it by closing our eyes to it. It is not going to go away. We have certainly found that out!

The action of the Greater Little Rock Ministerial Association in moving toward preparing the Little Rock community for the opening of the city schools next fall is highly commendable. Not only our school boards, but ministers, business and civic leaders, educators, and just plain citizens must share the responsibility of meeting the court requirements.

FOR THE third successive year, Baptist students in the colleges of Arkansas, through their respective Baptist Student Union organizations, are sending fellow students out to serve as summer missionaries on home and foreign mission fields.

*Students Give Money,
Labors to Missions*

This year eight students have been named. One will go to far-away Ghana. Others will serve in Jamaica, Alaska, New York City, Chicago, Oregon, Mexico and Central America, and on the home-state mission fields, in Arkansas. The student missionaries will each be working at no salary for more than two months. Their travel expenses, estimated at \$3,000, are now being raised by fellow students on their respective campuses. Dr. Tom Logue, secretary of the Baptist Student Union department for Arkansas, and his fellow student secretaries on the college campuses are to be commended for this along with the students themselves. Not all young people are "going to the dogs"!—ELM

Secret of Living

A SMALL group of Little Rockians meet each night for "coffee" at a downtown hotel. Senator John McClellan



ELM

graces the group with his presence from time to time as he is stopping over in the city. One night recently, I am told, the Senator took note of the fact that one of the women in the party had brought along a current book on how to control tension.

"What are you doing reading a book like that?" asked the Senator.

"I have tensions," the woman confessed, with a smile.

"Can't you control your tensions?" he asked.

"No, and I thought this book might help me."

"Would you like to know what I've found most effective for tension?" asked Mr. McClellan.

"Yes," said the lady, possibly expecting that he would suggest some other book in the growing and prosperous field on how to face the daily frustrations of life.

"Prayer," replied the Senator.

Learning to live is a lot like learning to ride a bicycle. The sooner you can get your attention off yourself, the sooner you can expect to go zooming along in perfect balance.

You can't learn to ride a bike by merely reading a book. And neither can you learn to live a serene life by something you read. This may jar some of my readers, but reading a book is not sufficient — even if it be the Bible itself. How many have read the Bible, at least after a fashion, but have found no help.

The Bible is the Book of books. No other book is worthy to be compared with it. But it is not enough that the Bible is a beacon light showing the way to God. One must walk in that light.

Want the secret of living from one of the world's great Christians? Here it is:

"Be careful for nothing; [don't worry] but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus" (Phil. 4:6-7).

Edwin L. McDonald

THE PEOPLE SPEAK

The Bridges Article

PAGES 12 and 13 of the March 23 issue grabbed my attention on the first time through. You are to be admired for your fairness to the segregationist. The article is a 'classic' on the traditional attitude.

You have been right in the middle of the boiling kettle. Know that we appreciate your open stand and others throughout the land will add their vocals to your pungent lines. — James A. Walker, Pastor, Forest Oaks Baptist Church, Houston 17, Tex.

I WISH to commend Brother Bridges for stating his stand on segregation (Mar. 23rd issue) when most voices in **Arkansas Baptist** were for integration. He expressed my views better than I myself could.

Furthermore, I would advocate the impeachment of the Supreme Court judges because of their decision on integration which it was very evident would disrupt the harmony of the south and delay the greatest good to the southern Negroes. — Chas. L. Hopkins, Eureka Springs.

THANK God for B. L. Bridges. What So. Baptist needs is 100 more preachers just like him. I have been disgusted many times with articles in this paper approving integration. — Mrs. L. D. Hodges, North Little Rock.

Assembly Coverage

I WANT to again thank you for giving space in the **Arkansas Baptist** for articles concerning moral issues during the 63rd General Assembly.

These articles along with the roll call on the various bills had a profound effect upon the members of the General Assembly. I wish all church papers would do likewise.

Rev. Lee Dance did a very good job. He is to be complimented. — O. P. Hammons, Representative, St. Francis Co., Forrest City

Distillery A Church?

THE Roman Catholic Church, through one of its many subsidiaries, or "Orders" (The Christian Brothers) has on file in the Federal Court at Sacramento, Calif., a suit demanding that the profits of its huge winery and brandy distillery at Napa, Calif., be exempt from federal income taxes on the ground that it is "church property under control of the Pope."

If the Roman Catholic Church is permitted to place a liquor distillery in the same tax-exempt status as its churches in order to evade taxes it will be one of the biggest frauds ever perpetrated on the American taxpayers, and will make a mockery of our tax laws.—Jack Odom, Ft. Bragg, Calif.

Special Offerings

PLEASE pardon my delayed response to your request for what I think about your editorial for March 2 . . .

Although I am not sure that the solution which you propose is the ultimate answer to the problems of the Cooperative Program, I am sure that unless we have editors who are willing to stick their necks out and who are willing to discuss these matters openly the Cooperative Program will continue to be in trouble. When we find ourselves facing a problem we cannot solve it by everybody clammng up and being silent for fear of offending somebody. It is only in the course of sustained discussion that Baptists can arrive at happy solutions.—W. Barry Garrett, Associate Director, Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, Washington, D. C.

Southern College

IT WAS my privilege to spend the day, Feb. 23, on the campus of Southern Baptist College. The occasion was the "going away party" for the Walter Allens—mission appointees to Tanganyika, East Africa. To one who was in on the starting of Southern Baptist College twenty years ago, but who has rarely been on the campus during the past 18 years, it was really an eye opener. I realize that without the one cumbersome cobblestone building at Pocahontas, and the six faculty members, largely volunteer and inexperienced, Southern would not now exist. The 40 students, a borrowed library, and a \$50 chemistry laboratory looked small to us — even at that time.

Now to view a serious-minded student body of well over 200; a scholarly and experienced faculty of 15 or 20 consecrated men and women; a modern plant of permanent buildings and almost unlimited housing facilities for married students and faculty members one is made to exclaim anew, "What hath God wrought!"

Should you visit the churches of Arkansas you would find in about every

fourth one a student or alumnus of Southern Baptist College as pastor, many in the larger churches. Yea, the alumni of Southern are to be found in places of leadership in many states and on foreign fields and in many walks of life.

Sitting in on the Board meeting and hearing discussed the future of the college in terms of ever increasing service, and a program to cost hundreds of thousands of dollars, I was humbled and made thankful for having had even a small part in its beginning and will ever rejoice in its future attainments. —W. O. Taylor, Little Rock, (former associational missionary, Current River —Gainesville Association)

In Behalf of Unity

THANK you for the gracious act of publishing my recent article from **The Watchman-Examiner** in the March 2 edition of the **Arkansas Baptist**. I found the magazine most interesting and informative.

It would appear that there is a growing interest in this subject, ["SBC and ABC, Why?"] and I trust that we shall move closer to the place where we can sit down and begin talking together about our relationships in a more positive and constructive manner. I believe men such as you who have a deep concern for the Kingdom and the ongoing witness of Jesus Christ can do much to help bring us to that place. — Howard R. Stewart, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Dover, Dela.

From East Africa

JUST a note to let you know how very much we appreciate the **Arkansas Baptist** as it reaches us out here on the far side of the world. The news, of course, is not as fresh as it would be if we were in the States, but it makes little difference to us . . . we absorb every article about the work of the Kingdom and about the activities of former classmates and friends from other days.

I wanted to ask you to please change the address on our paper since we have moved from Dar es Salaam to Mombasa. We have been here now since January 1 and the Lord is good to us in so many ways. We have come to open evangelistic work on the main island of Mombasa in a city of 150,000 people. The population is mostly African, but there are also many Asians, Arabs, Indians, Europeans.

We have begun three preaching points which we hope to see develop into churches and have seen the beginning of an English speaking fellowship on Sunday evening since our coming. The work is not easy and yet we rest in the confidence that our God is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we may ask or think.

Thank you again for the paper and for your evident interest in our Lord's work around the world. — Charles A. Tope, Box 2948, Mombasa, Kenya, East Africa. ■

Church Chuckles
by CARTWRIGHT

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"I regard it as a sort of insurance policy. Eternity in heaven at a cost of only one hour per week."

God Changest Not

O GOD, who remainest the same though all else fades, who changest not with our changing moods, who leavest us not when we leave Thee; we thank Thee that when we lose faith in Thee, soon or late we come to faith in something that leads us back again with firmer trust and more security. Even if we wander into the far country we take ourselves with us; ourselves who are set towards Thee as rivers to the sea. If we turn to foolishness, our hearts grow faint and weary, our path is set with thorns, the night overtakes us, and we find we have strayed from light and life.

Grant to us clearer vision of the light which knows no shade of turning, that we stray not in folly away; incline our hearts to love the truth alone, so that we miss Thee not at last; give us to realise of what spirit we are, so that we cleave ever to Thee, who alone can give us rest and joy. Amen.—W. E. Orchard, *Leaves From a Spiritual Notebook*, Thomas S. Kepler

Use Your Eyes

I WHO am blind can give one hint to those who see—one admonition to those who would make full use of the gift of sight: Use your eyes as if tomorrow you would be stricken blind. And the same method can be applied to the other senses. Hear the music of voices, the song of a bird, the mighty strains of an orchestra, as if you would be stricken deaf tomorrow. Touch each object you want to touch as if tomorrow your tactile sense would fail. Smell the perfume of flowers, taste with relish each morsel, as if tomorrow you could never smell and taste again. Make the most of every sense; glory in all the facets of pleasure and beauty which the world reveals to you through the several means of contact which Nature provides. But of all the senses, sight must be the most delightful. — Helen Keller, 1880, *Leaves From a Spiritual Notebook*, Thomas S. Kepler.

Prayer for Strength

THIS is my prayer to Thee, my Lord — Strike, strike at the root of penury in my heart. Give me the strength lightly to bear my joys and sorrows. Give me the strength to make my love fruitful in service. Give me the strength never to disown the poor or bend my knees before insolent might. Give me the strength to raise my mind above daily trifles. And give me the strength to surrender my strength to Thy will with love. — Rabindranath Tagore, *Leaves From a Spiritual Notebook*, Thomas S. Kepler.

A LITTLE BOY sat in the Sunday School of his church on Sunday morning. He listened as his teacher talked of the importance of the kingdom of God. "It must come first," the teacher said. The lad was greatly surprised because the teacher seemed so sincere.

That night the little boy came back to the Evening Service. He

looked for the teacher who had taught him, "The kingdom must come first," but she was home watching television.

The lad never came back to Sunday school. The teacher often wondered why. Do you??? —*Central Baptist Challenger*, North Little Rock

Today is the Great Adventure

Father,
No glimpse of light can we see
On our future path;
But our hands are in Thy strong
hand;
And Thou canst see.

Therefore, fearless and unafraid,
We will march through the darkness,
Upheld and guarded and led by Thy
love,
Well knowing that every step of the
way
Shall prove Thee more faithful and
tender,
More wholly enough for all that we
need.

O Father,
Our hearts and our lives, with deep
and secret delight,
We render to Thee;
And forward we press, on our great
adventure
On this day Thou hast given,
To discover still wider and fairer
realms
Of Thy great love,
And to labor for Thee.
—John S. Hoyland, *Leaves From
a Spiritual Notebook*, Thomas S.
Kepler

Elgin Cathedral Epitaph

Here lie I, Martin Elginbrodde:
Hae mercy on my soul, Lord God,
As I would do, were I Lord God
And Ye were Martin Elginbrodde.
—*Leaves from a Spiritual Notebook*, Thomas S. Kepler

Prayer for Generosity

Teach us, good Lord, to serve Thee
as Thou deservest:
To give and not to count the cost;
To fight and not to heed the
wounds;
To toil and not to seek for rest;
To labour and not to ask for any
reward
Save that of knowing that we do
Thy will.
—Ignatius of Loyola, *Leaves From
a Spiritual Notebook*, Thomas S.
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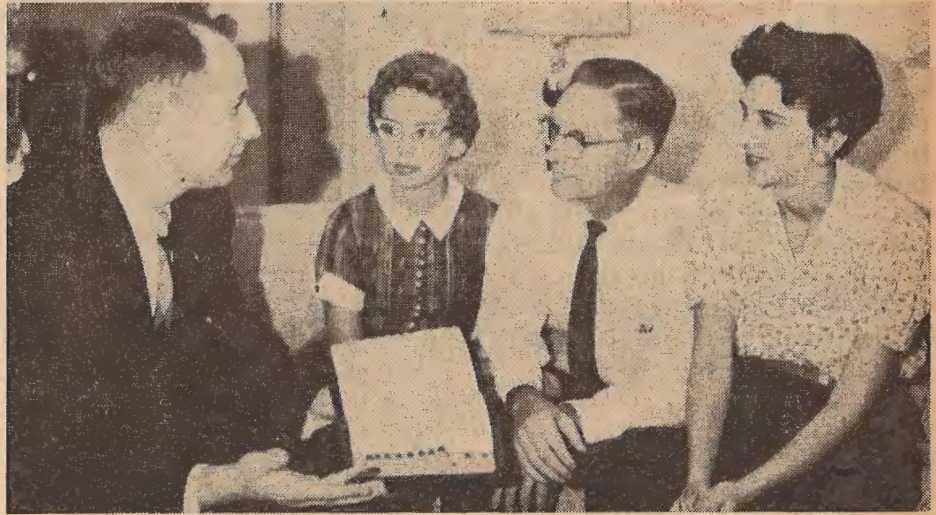
A Different Kind of Visitation Plan

IN A booklet sent out by the Sunday School Board, the statement is made: "Growing Sunday schools have always been characterized by visitation."

Even though Baptists realize a visitation program is essential for growth, many times it is hard to get people interested. The once used phrase, "You all come for visitation this week," just simply won't work in many churches. The excuses people use for not coming to church visitation are many and varied: intending to visit on visitation night but never getting around to it; too loaded down with other responsibilities; wanting to spend more time at home with family; good television programs are on at night and there are lots of other places to go.

Realizing that each church should use the type of visitation program that will be the most effective in its particular situation, East Side Church, at Paragould, has been using one that perhaps is different, but is definitely working, the pastor, Rev. Lendol Jackson, reports.

In Mark 6:7 it says, "And he called unto him the twelve, and began to send them forth by two and two . . ." In East Side's visitation program this principle is carried forth.



THE Rolla Utley family became members of East Side Church as a result of visitation program. Buck Rogers, Superintendent of Enlargement (left), talks with Jenny and Mr. and Mrs. Utley.

Facilities needed include:

A visitation box (or post office) with a shelf or box for each Sunday School class in the Adult and Young People's Department, and for each department from the Intermediates on down. Beside each box or shelf the name of a class or department should be listed. The pastor should have a place too.

Prospect cards, for each teacher.

Absentee cards for each teacher.

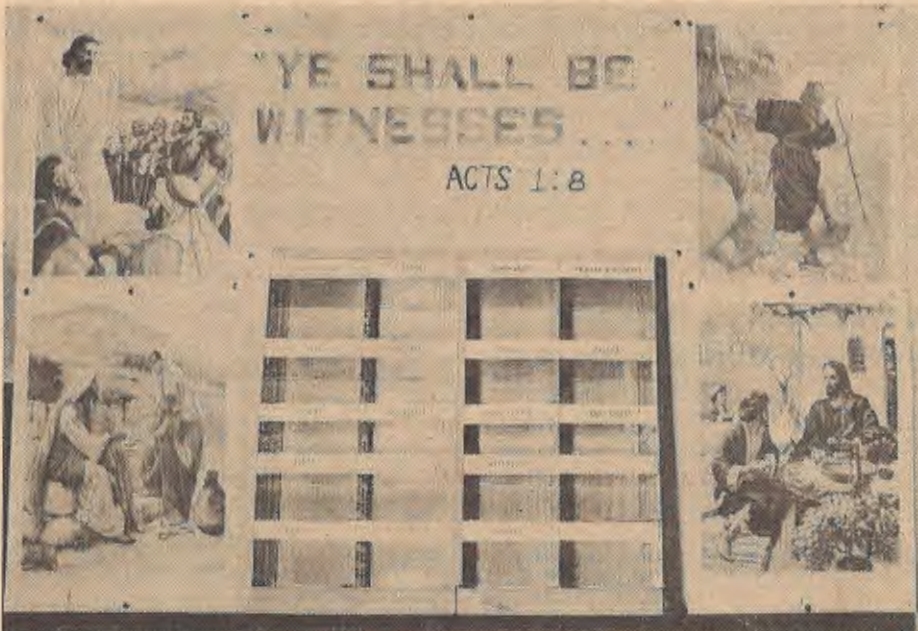
A filing box for each teacher, which is to be kept in the classroom for the filing of cards not in use.

Specific duties are placed with each person as follows:

Superintendent of Enlargement: elected by the church to work with the pastor in directing the visitation program; assist department superintendents and teachers by explaining the system and creating interest; coordinate the program as a whole and see that details are carried out; preside at visitation group meeting each week; take the names of those present and the classes they represent; take turns visiting as a general officer or in respective departments.

Department Superintendents: keep the visitation program before the department, making sure everyone understands it; create interest; see that each class is represented on visitation night; take turns visiting as a general officer or in respective departments.

Sunday School Teachers: immediately after arriving at church for Sunday School, go by visitation box and pick up all cards (these cards should be put in the classroom file box, towards the back, so they will eventually work towards the front); after opening assembly and everyone has gone to their classes, should select at least two cards out of visitation file, prospect or absentee card or both, and ask for two.



THIS is the visitation box with a shelf for each class or department,

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Mrs. John Harp Authors Article

MRS. John Harp, librarian, Park Hill Church, North Little Rock, is the author of an article entitled "Read-E-O Reading Club," in The Church Library Magazine, April issue, a Baptist Sunday School Board publication. Describing the summer reading club sponsored by the church library, Mrs. Harp tells how a rodeo theme was used to encourage young readers. ■

Recognition for WMU's

SIX churches in Arkansas have received special recognition for maintaining an Honor Woman's Missionary Union during the year, 1959-60: Blytheville, First; Elliott; Fordyce, First; Fort Smith, Grand Avenue; Little Rock, Life-line; and Ozark, First. ■

OBC Scholarship Winners Named

SIX recipients of a total of \$1,150 in scholarships to Ouachita College have been announced by Dr. Ralph A. Phelps, Jr., Ouachita president.

The scholarship winners are Franklin Dee Spann, North Little Rock; Pamela Scott, Camden; Beverly Tucker, El Dorado; Luella Cobb, Corning; Jane Pouzar, Little Rock; and Gwendolyn Lane, Arbyrd, Mo.

Spann received the \$250 Theodore Blake scholarship. Winners of the \$200 special presidential merit scholarship were Miss Scott, Miss Tucker, and Miss Cobb. Miss Pouzar and Miss Lane received \$100 special presidential merit scholarships. ■

TWENTY-TWO members of the Training Union of First Church, Dover, earned awards in the church membership study course Mar. 20-24. Sixteen of these had perfect attendance, Pastor Don R. Hankins reports.

Associate at ABH



MR. HASSELL

REV. Jerre Hassell, pastor of Geyer Springs First Church, has been appointed associate chaplain at Arkansas Baptist Hospital, Dr. Don Corley, chaplain, has announced.

Mr. Hassell has been with the Geyer Springs Church for the past four years. Two summers ago he served eight weeks as a pastoral intern with the chaplain's department at ABH.

He is a native of Dallas, Tex., and attended Southern Methodist University for three years before going on to Baylor University, where he received his degree. He is also a graduate of Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky. He is a former pastor of Providence Church, Campbellsburg, Ky.

Mr. Hassell is married and has a daughter, aged 3. He began his duties at ABH April 3. ■

Arkansans to Attend National Conference

TWO more Arkansans have registered for the Second National Conference of Southern Baptist Men which will be held Sept. 13-15 at Memphis, Tenn.

The addition of O. P. Hammons of Forrest City and Virgil Smith of Van Buren brings to 17 the number of Arkansas men planning to attend the conference. ■

Rosedale, Little Rock Offers Building Bonds

ROSEDALE Church, Little Rock, in the midst of a needed expansion program, is offering the remainder of a \$136,000 six per cent bond issue, of which \$95,000 of the bonds have been sold, to other churches.

Organized Sept. 14, 1947, Rosedale has outgrown its original auditorium and educational building annex and another auditorium later built across the street from the first two. The church's Little Rock street address is 7624 West 40th. Rev. Gerald Rowe is pastor. ■

Granted Assistantship

PAT Boldosier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. K. D. Boldosier, Norphlet, has been granted a \$1,700 graduate assistantship at the University of Tennessee starting Sept. 1.

Miss Boldosier, a senior home economics major at Ouachita College, plans to work toward a master's degree in home management. The assistantship is for a full year. ■

Little Rock Mission Dedicates Building

THE UNION Rescue Mission, Little Rock, a non-denominational temporary home for men, dedicated its new building Mar. 24. The mission is supported by donations from churches and businesses in Little Rock and North Little Rock.

The homeless men are made welcome by the Mission superintendent, Rev. Purl Stockton, so long as they attend services conducted daily by Mr. Stockton and other ministers.

Labor donated by labor unions and donated building materials cut the cost of the new \$60,000 building to about \$29,000. The new mission has 136 bunks and can handle up to 200 men a day. A modern kitchen can prepare more than 600 meals a day. A first-floor chapel takes most of the new building's space. The mission currently has more than 140 residents. ■

Woodruff Co. Church

'Harvests' Building

MEMBERS of Morton Church in Woodruff County made a unique plan work when they "made a crop" in order to build their church a new sanctuary, The *McCrorry Leader* reports.

With labor, fertilizer and seed donated by members and friends, the congregation worked last year to make a cotton crop on 32 acres set aside for them on a farm. About 12 acres were lost to the rains but the remaining acreage produced 16 bales. The only expense was pickers hired when it was necessary to get the crop out before it was ruined in the field. After expenses about \$2,000 remained for the church treasury.

This year work will begin on the new sanctuary on a lot just south of the present building. Rev. John Maynard is pastor. The church recently put the *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine* in its budget. ■

Granted Fellowship

A OUACHITA College senior has been awarded a \$1,500 Woodrow Wilson fellowship for graduate study at the college of his choice.

Charles Tittle, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Tittle, Hope, is one of 1,400 students from throughout the nation to receive the grant. He will attend the University of Texas next fall to do graduate studies in his major field, sociology.

The fellowship provides for tuition and fees plus the \$1,500 and lasts for one year. Tittle has also entered competition for a Danforth Fellowship of four years duration.

Tittle attended Texas A. & M. before coming to Ouachita in January, 1958. ■

REV. W. Harry Hunt, pastor of Levy Church, was the evangelist for a revival at Ardmore Church, Memphis, Tenn., recently, and reports 26 additions, five young people surrendered to mission service and many rededications.

Little Rock Ministers Support School Board

THE Greater Little Rock Ministerial Association, in its March meeting, adopted a resolution asking the Little Rock School Board and business, civic and religious leaders to start to work preparing the community of Little Rock for the increased racial desegregation required by the courts.

Shortly before the vote was taken, Russell H. Matson, Jr., vice president of the Little Rock School Board, told the association that he thought the School Board had been "remiss" in its preparation of teachers and students for the changes brought by desegregation in Central and Hall High Schools.

Mr. Matson is reported to have proposed "workshops" for teachers before September to help the teachers better understand the problems of desegregation.

Making it clear that he was speaking for himself and not for the board, Matson said that he would welcome help from such groups as the ministerial association.

The resolution first asks the ministers themselves to "seek to prepare the members of their congregations."

It then urges:

"2. The School Board to seek to prepare the teachers and students;

"3. The PTA to seek to prepare school patrons;

"4. The Chamber of Commerce and the civic clubs to seek to prepare the business and professional community,

"That in all good faith our schools might meet the requirements of the recent court ruling in a peaceable and orderly fashion."

The resolution took note of the fact that the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals at St. Louis, in reversing a ruling of federal District Judge John E. Miller March 1, ordered the school board to "take affirmative steps on their own initiative" to end racial discrimination in the schools.

The resolution also noted that the Appeals Court further observed that the board had had ample time to achieve more than token integration.

"The Ministerial Association is concerned that our local community should be better prepared this fall than we were in 1957-58," the resolution said.

Dean Charles A. Higgins, of Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, president of the ministerial association, said the association's Public Schools committee probably would bring to next month's meeting specific suggestions for the ministers in carrying out the resolution in the churches.

The association is an integrated group that includes ministers from North Little Rock as well as Little Rock. Pastors of most of the large churches of the two cities are members. ■

MR. AND Mrs. Edward G. Berry, Southern Baptist missionaries to South Brazil, have moved from Rio de Janeiro to Brasilia, where he will promote religious education for Baptists in the Federal District. Their address is Caixa Postal 558, Brasilia, D.F., Brazil. Mr. Berry was born in Rio de Janeiro, the son of missionaries, and was educated at Ouachita College, Arkadelphia. Mrs. Berry is the former Lois Roberts, of Maryville, Tenn.

Arkansans in Jamaica Revival

TWO Arkansas ministers will participate in the Jamaica Baptist Jubilee Revival, April 16-30: Rev. Charles D. Graves, pastor, First Church, Van Buren, and Rev. H. B. Fuller, pastor, Junction City Church. The revival is sponsored by the Division of Evangelism of the Home Mission Board of Southern Baptist Convention, Dallas. ■

Southern College Senior Day April 12

THE annual High School Senior Day at Southern College, Walnut Ridge, will be held Wednesday, April 12. Registration and guided tours of the campus will be from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. A chapel program directed by Coach Jake Shambarger will be held at 10:30.

Music will be furnished by the Southern College choir. The seniors will be welcomed by President H. E. Williams.

The keynote speaker for the senior Day program will be Rev. Jim Yates, pastor of First Church, Paragould.

Lunch will be served in the cafeteria at 11:30. Following this a talent show by Southern College students will be given in the gymnasium at 1:00 p.m. ■

Revivals

NEW Bethel Church, Conway, closed a six-night revival with Evangelist Walter K. Ayers, which broke attendance records. There were four additions by baptism and many rededications. Rev. Jimmy Rose is pastor.

NAYLOR Church, Conway, was also in revival with Mr. Ayers, having just completed a 10-day meeting. Rev. Bobby Cobb, pastor, reports five additions and all attendance records broken.

FIRST Church, Augusta, has been in revival with Rev. Jesse Reed evangelist and Carroll Evans, McCrory, leading the music. Rev. Thomas E. Lindley, pastor, reports 53 additions by baptism, 12 by letter and 51 rededications.

FIRST Church, Russellville, will be in revival April 23-May 3 with Rev. Marvin Gennings, pastor of South Side Church, Ft. Smith, as evangelist. Rev. Emil Williams is pastor.

DR. G. Earl Guinn will be the evangelist for the revival April 23-30 at First Church, Monticello. Hoyt Mulkey will be the singer. Rev. Thomas J. Welch is pastor.

REV. Jack Livingston, pastor of Gravel Ridge Church, North Little Rock, was the evangelist in a revival at Sherwood Church, North Little Rock, which resulted in eight additions by baptism, and three by letter and two rededications. Rev. Charles F. Ragland is pastor.

MURPHY Corner Church, Rev. Rodger Criner, pastor, was in revival Mar. 5-12 and reports 28 decisions, 14 by baptism and one by letter. Avery T. Willis, Tulsa, Okla., was the evangelist and Bill Bateman led the music.

FIRST Church, Hughes, Rev. Billy G. Pierce, pastor, was in a revival Feb. 26-Mar. 5. There were 27 additions, 19 by baptism and eight by letter, and one dedication to full time service. Billy Walker was the evangelist and Frank Adams led the music.

FIRST Church, West Memphis, Rev. Walter L. Yeldell, pastor, has concluded a revival with Mr. Walker as evangelist during which more than 200 made decisions or rededications. There were 52 additions, 37 by baptism and 19 by letter. Mel Mintz, Little Rock, was song leader.

NEW Hope Church, Jonesboro, had its spring revival Mar. 12-19 with Rev. E. Clay Polk, pastor of First Church, Piggott, as evangelist, and its own pastor, Rev. Max L. Taylor, leading the singing. There were six additions by baptism, two by letter and several rededications. The church recently moved into a new brick educational building and has completed other renovations.

THE revival at First Church, De Queen, closed Mar. 19 with 48 approved for church membership, 43 by baptism. Clift Brannon, Longview, Tex., was the evangelist and Charles Mayo, Benton, led the music. The church, led by its pastor, E. Butler Abington, prepared for the revival with a week of visitation, using Clift Brannon's Soul Winner's New Testament.

FIRST Church, Fountain Hill, was in a revival Mar. 12-19, with Rev. B. G. Hickem as evangelist and O. H. Bourns leading the music. There were two additions by letter, one on profession of faith and 34 rededications, the pastor, Rev. Hugh Nelson, reports.

REV. Grady Estes, pastor of Central Church, Pine Bluff, was the evangelist and Mark Short Sr., Arkadelphia, conducted the singing during revival week Mar. 20-26, at Plainview Church, Pine Bluff Arsenal. There were 18 additions, three by letter, and eight public rededications. Rev. Homer Haltom is pastor of Plainview.

REV. Jesse Reed was the evangelist during revival services Mar. 5-12 at Bigelow Church. There were 37 additions, 32 by baptism, two by letter and three other conversions. Rev. Pat Mehaffey led the singing. Rev. Garland Morrison is pastor.

NEW Liberty Church, Blytheville, completed a week-long revival Mar. 5, during which there were 60 public professions of faith, four by letter, and many rededications. Bill Lewis was the evangelist and Red Johnson led the music. Rev. James G. Marljar is pastor.

ROSEDALE Church, Little Rock, Rev. Gerald Rowe, pastor, will be in a revival April 9-16. Dr. Ben Bates, Jr., pastor of First Church, Jacksonville, will be the evangelist, Ed Haynes will be the song leader.

CALVARY Church, Benton, has been in revival with Rev. T. K. Rucker as evangelist and Gene Bartlett, director of Music for the State Convention in Oklahoma, leading the music. There were eight additions by baptism and 15 by letter. The pastor, Rev. James W. Royal, reports one of the finest revivals Calvary has ever known. At the close of the revival the church voted unanimously to ask Dr. Rucker and Mr. Bartlett to return in 1962.

Clear Creek Association

PAUL E. WILHELM, MISSIONARY

REV. Archie Wheeler was ordained to the gospel ministry recently. The services were held in the East Mt. Zion Church, of which he is pastor. Twenty-three preachers and deacons made up the ordination council.

Those taking part in the program were:

Presentation of the candidate, Julian Rowton and Boice Donaldson, deacons of First Church, Clarksville. Moderator

was Rev. Paul E. Wilhelm, missionary, with Rev. George Domerese, pastor of Second Church, Clarksville, as associate.

Rev. Vernon Cavender, pastor of Webb City Church, led in the opening prayer. Rev. S. A. Wiles, retired missionary led in the questioning.

Rev. Ben T. Haney, pastor of First Church, Ozark, led in the ordination prayer. After the laying on of hands, Rev. Elmer Linton, pastor of Central Church, Altus, presented the Bible provided by the East Mt. Zion Church.

Rev. Paul E. Wilhelm brought the message with Rev. M. E. Wiles, state missionary, pronouncing the benediction. Dewey Woolard, music director for the host church, was in charge of the music.

REV. James A. Kent has resigned as pastor of Spadra Church. There were two additions by baptism during the time Bro. Kent was pastor. A Bible School was conducted last year.

REV. L. S. Pinnell resigned as pastor of Ozone Church effective March 19. He and his family plan to move to Russellville. During the year there were 13 additions to the church. The church was able to operate without State aid and the average attendance was 25.

OF THE three churches having members hurt in the tornado, March 19, Woodland Church, where Rev. Louis Dewett is pastor, had the most. One family among those hurt

was from the East Mt. Zion Church, where Rev. Archie Wheeler is pastor, and First Church, Ozark, where Rev. Ben T. Haney is pastor. Some were hospitalized and some suffered the loss of homes. None of the church buildings were damaged.

REV. J. W. Burrows has appointed the following as a nominating committee: Rev. Vernon Cavender, pastor of Webb City Church, chairman; Rev. George Domerese, pastor of Second Church, Clarksville; Rev. Alfred Duncan, pastor of the Concord Church, near Alma.

Harmony Association

By Amos Greer, Missionary

WABBASEKA Church has called Rev. Harold A. Wilson, formerly pastor of Canfield, as pastor. He was ordained by Sulphur Springs Church and attended Southern Baptist and Ouachita colleges.

PLUM Bayou Church is rebuilding the church recently destroyed by fire, mostly by volunteer help. When completed, the auditorium will seat 250 and the structure will also contain fellowship hall facilities, baptistry, restrooms, pastor's study and classrooms.

Trinity Association

L. D. Eppinette, Missionary

RIDGEVIEW Mission has called Victor Faulkenberry as pastor, to succeed C. F. Barnett.

REV. Mack Lynn has resigned as pastor at Hurd's Chapel to accept a call from Mt. Pisgah Church, Mt. Zion Association.

Mt. Zion Association

J. Carl Bunch, Missionary
LUNSFORD Church has called Leroy Rogers, Southern College, Walnut Ridge, student as pastor. Dixie Church has called Arthur Simpson, Bay, former pastor at Providence and Alsup, and Mt. Pisgah Church Mack Lynn, Trumann, at one time pastor at Alsup.

Attendance Report

March 26, 1961

Church	Sunday School	Training Union	Additions
Armored	145	106	
Belme, First	82	55	4
Berryville			
First	171	66	
Freeman Heights	179	95	
Camden, Cullendale First	504	215	1
Cherry Valley	122	83	3
Conway, First	441	107	5
Crossett			
First	589	202	2
Mt. Olive No. 2	278	152	
El Dorado			
East Main	271	115	
First	1033	298	7
Immanuel	627	302	
Parkview	305	163	
Trinity	150	128	
Eudora	309	110	1
Ft. Smith			
Grand Avenue	722	314	5
Kelley Height	173	112	3
Towson Avenue	205	133	2
Trinity	300	128	
Fountain Hill, First	75	36	
Gentry, First	211	87	
Harrison, Eagle Heights	294	114	
Hot Springs, Park Place	432	164	
Huntsville, First	200	106	
Jacksonville, First	600	294	9
Jonesboro, Central	541	215	24
Levy	518	256	
Little Rock			
First	1027	508	
Forest Highlands	130	69	1
Gaines Street	425	257	1
Immanuel	1200	526	14
South Highland	514	239	4
Tyler Street	256	137	
Magnolia, Central	746	311	
McGehee, First	484	179	
Mena, First	301	87	
Midway, East Side	64	54	1
Monticello, North Side	109	82	
North Little Rock			
Baring Cross	676	268	5
Central	294	131	1
Park Hill	666	331	1
Sherwood	105	54	7
Pine Bluff			
Immanuel	637	237	5
Sulphur Springs	71	48	2
Watson Chapel	122	56	
Rogers, Sunnyside	140	78	
Springdale, First	567	187	5
Van Buren, First	448	150	1
Waldron, First	284	99	4
West Helena	380	121	5
Wynne, Fair Oaks	102	73	

New Arkansas Baptist Subscribers

Church	Association	Pastor
New Budgets:		
Clarksville, East Mt.		
Zion (Trinity)	Clear Creek	Archie Wheeler
Emmet, First	Red River	Haskel Malone
Ward	Caroline	Houston Austin
One month free trial offer:		
Bruno, Pleasant Hill	White River	Glen Hicks
Wheatley	Tri-County	Carl Fawcett

Scotland Evangelistic Crusade Opens

By ERWIN L. McDONALD

(Editor, Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine and Director of Press Relations for Scotland Evangelistic Crusade)

TAKING off from New York City Wednesday night of this week by jet airliner for Glasgow, Scotland, were half a hundred Arkansas Baptists, augmented by a sprinkling of fellow Baptists from half a dozen other states.

In addition to cameras, sunglasses and other paraphernalia which have long since become the distinguishing marks of American tourists, the most of the members of the party carried Bibles. For this is to be a tour of Christian duty as well as sightseeing.

Led by Arkansas Pastor

HEADING the party as crusade-tour director is a young Arkansas pastor, Rev. Lewis E. Clarke, now in his fourth year as pastor of Maple Avenue Church, Smackover.

Clarke became a world traveler for Uncle Sam during World War II. As an aviation machinist mate with the Navy, he served in the North African theatre of the war. Later, as a technical sergeant with the U. S. Air Force, he served in the Orient, at which time he engaged in a private preaching mission for six months in Japan.

In 1959, as a member of a Southern Baptist preaching crusade sponsored by Church Evangelism Association of Corpus Christi, Tex., Clarke helped in the winning of 6,200 people to the Christian faith, in simultaneous revivals in England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales and France.

As a result of this mission and the new Baptist friendships he formed abroad at that time, the young minister decided to organize his own evangelistic crusade for a special mission to Scotland this spring.

Started by Clarke as an independent venture, with the Rev. A. M. Stewart, pastor of Lochee Baptist Church, Dundee, Scotland, assisting, the Scotland Evangelistic Crusade, as the current mission is officially designated, has long since received the official backing of the Baptist Union of Scotland and the Arkansas Baptist State Convention.

Baptists in Minority

IN SHARP contrast with the situation in the southern United States, where Baptists constitute the most numerous denominational group, Baptists are very much in the minority in Scotland, having a total of only 153 churches, many of them small.

The Arkansas group will be conducting evangelistic services simultaneously in 30 of these churches, from Saturday night, April 8, to Sunday, April 16.

But many more than this number of Scotch churches will be having some part in the crusade. In one area, for example—in Glasgow—six churches are working together in support of one of the 30 revivals.

In addition to the preachers in the party there are a number of laymen and women, including Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Ward of Little Rock, who will be speaking on various aspects of Southern Baptist work. The crusade group also includes a number of church musicians, who will direct the music in many of the revivals.

Sunday Schools Differ

SUNDAY School is quite different in the Scotch churches from what it is in most American churches. Instead of being for all age groups and constituting an integral part of the regular Sunday morning church services, it is held in the afternoon and is for children only.

Clarke feels that one of the greatest contributions the crusade could make to the Scotch Baptist work would be to encourage the Scotch churches to organize all-age Sunday Schools similar to those of Southern Baptist churches.

To familiarize the Baptists of Scotland with the Southern Baptist Convention Sunday School program, Rev. Lawson Hatfield, secretary of the Sunday School department of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, will conduct regional conferences in the various sections of Scotland, meeting with leaders from most of the Scotch churches.

Scotch Church Loyalty

BUT THE Southern Baptist group is not going to Scotland with all the answers, Clarke cautions. They expect to benefit greatly from sharing of experiences and ideas with their hosts.

One thing in particular will have the undivided attention of the Americans—the remarkable church attendance record of Scotch Baptists. For in Scotland, unlike in Arkansas and the United States, church members are very faithful in attending the services of their churches.

Here at home we often say it is a lot easier to join a church than a civic club. But in Scotland it is far more difficult to get your name on a church roll than it is here. And it appears that church membership there is far more meaningful than here in the States.

We Americans keep the membership doors of our churches always open and we will gladly receive as

members any we can persuade to "walk the aisle." Not so in Scotland, where the churches are very careful not to over-persuade people to join. The Scotch churches do not major on a prolonged invitation period at the close of each church service as we Southern Baptists do, often singing several hymns and pleading for joiners.

When someone indicates an interest in joining a Scotch church, he is not received forthwith and immediately. First there are sessions with the pastor and other leaders of the church to be sure the prospective member is living a Christian life and to emphasize that joining the church means shouldering certain obligations among which is regular attendance at the church services.

The Scotch churches expect to have at least as many present at their regular worship services as they have names on the church rolls. No wonder they are amazed to learn that we Southern Baptists never expect more than half our members to attend, and build our auditoriums accordingly.

Sightseeing Scheduled

WHILE the Arkansas crusaders will be quite busy during their stay in Scotland, they will have opportunity for sightseeing over much of this historic land which has had such a prominent role in the spread of Christianity to the Western World.

On Sunday night, April 16, the party will fly to London, on the first leg of a tour that will take them

to Switzerland, Italy, Greece, Egypt, Lebanon, Syria, Jordan, Israel, and France, in that order.

One of the highlights of the visit in London, as previously reported, will be a tea, in the House of Commons, where the party will be the guests of Sir Cyril Black, a noted member of Parliament and an active Baptist layman.

British Pastor Concludes Visit

TRAVELLING with the party from New York to Britain was Dr. Albert Ernest Willmott, pastor of West Ealing Baptist Church, West Ealing, England, and immediate past president of the London Baptist Association, an organization of 270 churches with memberships totaling 40,000.

Dr. Willmott has just concluded a month's preaching mission in the States, on the invitation of Mr. Clarke. This was his second trip to the United States. In 1953 he spent the summer in Kentucky.

His strongest impression is not on the complimentary side. He expressed concern over the growing "looseness" of American church members which finds more and more of them forsaking their churches on Sundays to use the day for work and play.

All travel arrangements have been made by the Jackson Travel Agency of Tyler, Tex. Travel between all major points will be by jet planes. Except for a small number of the party who will remain over for an extra week in the Scandinavian countries and Germany, the group will be due back in New York City May 6. ■

Example

WAS it Gladstone who said, One example is worth a thousand arguments? Anyway, Roman Catholics offer Southern Baptists a challenging example with their 113 diocesan newspapers and 462 other publications with a total circulation of 25,000,000 subscribers. Present total circulation of our 28 State Baptist Papers in the Southern Baptist Convention is 1,465, 471. We are striving to reach a circulation of 1,750,000 by 1964. Write your Editor and ask him for a suggested goal for your Church and Association. Thanks.

LOUIE D. NEWTON,
Chairman

SBC Committee on
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State Baptist Papers

Mail Wanted by Scotland Crusaders

WHEN you are away from home—a long way from home—nothing is quite so important as news from home. For that reason we are carrying here the hotel schedule for the Scotland Evangelistic Crusade.

(The lapse between April 7 and April 16 is for the simultaneous revival in Scotland, during which time members of the party will be out on Scotch church fields.)

Mail should be sent by air. Allow at least five days for anything addressed to a point in Europe and at least six days for the Middle-East. This applies to mail between key cities only (as New York to London; Chicago to Paris, etc.). A day or two longer should be allowed for mail to smaller, off-the-beaten track places. If you mail from a small town, an additional one or two more days should be added.

Extra time should be allowed for letters to arrive at destination prior to the weekend when departure of addressee is between Saturday noon and Monday noon.

Airmail postage from the United States to Europe is 15¢ per half ounce; anywhere else on this list, 25¢ per half ounce.

Mail should be addressed to the person for whom it is intended, to hotel, city and country and a note added such as: "Hold for arrival Scotland Evangelistic Crusade Tour Scheduled to arrive: April __, 1961."

For further details, do not hesitate to contact our travel agent: Jackson Travel Agency, Ltd., 116 South Broadway, Tyler, Tex.

Here is the hotel schedule:

April 6-7: North British, Glasgow, Scotland; April 16-19: Mount Royal, London, England; April 19-20: Righof, Zurich, Switzerland; April 20-22: Dei Congressi, Rome, Italy; April 22-24: Athenee Palace, Athens, Greece; April 24-26: Semiramis, Cairo, Egypt; April 26-27: Riviera, Beirut, Lebanon; April 27-28: Semiramis, Damascus, Syria; April 28-May 1: Shepherds, Jerusalem, Jordan; May 1-2: Zion, Haifa, Israel; May 2-3: Ein Hayam, Natanya, Israel; May 3-6: Normandy, Paris, France.

Let us hear from you!—ELM

BY THE BAPTIST PRESS

Prayers for Space Man

CHURCHES at the north end of Cape Canaveral, Fla., plan to conduct continuous worship services when the first astronaut goes into space. Joseph E. Boatwright, pastor, First Baptist Church, Mims, Fla., and president of the North Brevard County Ministerial Association, said the 11 churches of the association plan to hold services from launching time until the man sent into space returns or is officially given up for lost.

Boatwright told the Baptist Press he hopes the prayer chain will stretch to other churches on the Florida coast near the base, and eventually throughout the United States.

"A materialistic society would launch a man into space without thinking of praying for him. Ours is a Christian nation. We need to show this concern," he stated.

U. N. Observer Important

BROOKS Hays, former president of the Southern Baptist Convention now serving in the U. S. Department of State, said in a recent interview he considered Convention approval of his proposal to have an unofficial observer at the United Nations the most significant achievement of his administration as SBC president.

He proposed the idea in his second presidential address in 1959. It was also embodied in the report of a special World Peace Committee that year. The Convention approved the committee report and authorized Christian Life Commission to provide the observers. Hays himself was the first representative.

Hays said of his views on the importance of representation for Southern Baptists: "Our faith has always been biblical and the cause of peace is eternally proclaimed in the Bible. Jesus was called the Prince of Peace. Peace was the concern of the prophets. God the Father is the God of all nations.

"This is a time of crises," he continued. "We are threatened with possible slaughter. The voice of Christianity is needed. If we

fail to give our witness in the council for world peace we will not realize our potential as a denomination."

Committee for Precepts

A COMMITTEE on Baptist ideals has been appointed to draft a statement describing precepts which guide Baptists in their actions.

Southern Baptist Convention members of the committee, named by C. C. Warren, Charlotte, leader in the Baptist Jubilee Advance, include Ralph A. Herring, pastor, First Church, Winston-Salem, N. C.; H. Franklin Paschall, pastor, First Church, Nashville; W. W. Adams, professor of New Testament interpretation, Southern Seminary, Louisville; T. B. Maston, professor of Christian ethics, Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth; Sydnor L. Stealey, president, Southeastern Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C.;

H. H. Hobbs, pastor, First Church, Oklahoma City; T. A. Patterson, Dallas, executive secretary, Baptist General Convention of Texas; W. A. Carleton, vice president, Golden Gate Seminary, Mill Valley, Calif.; Ralph H. Elliott, professor of Old Testament and Hebrew, Midwestern Seminary, Kansas City, Mo.; Frank Stagg, professor of New Testament and Greek, New Orleans (La.) Seminary; John J. Hurt, Jr., Atlanta, editor, *Christian Index*; Mrs. R. L. Mathis, Waco, Tex., president, Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to SBC;

Theodore F. Adams, pastor, First Church, Richmond, Va.; Clifton J. Allen, editorial secretary, Sunday School, Nashville, and Grady C. Cothen, executive secretary, Southern Baptist General Convention of California, Fresno.

Ex officio members are Porter Routh, Nashville, executive secretary, SBC Executive Committee; E. S. James, Dallas, editor, *Baptist Standard*; Davis C. Woolley, Nashville, executive secretary, SBC Historical Commission, and Warren, former president of the Convention.

Churchman of the Year

C. OSCAR Johnson, who has been president of the Baptist World Alliance, president of the American Baptist Convention and vice president of the Southern Baptist Convention, has been named Clergy Churchman of the Year by Religious Heritage of America. He is now a professor at Berkeley Baptist Divinity School, Berkeley, Calif. The award, given for outstanding church and community leadership, interchurch activities and notable achievements as a clergyman, will be presented to him during the 11th annual Washington Pilgrimage of American Churchmen June 22-24.

Sermons Filmed

A PILOT filming project in "sound on film" has been initiated in the preaching department at Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex., Jesse Northcutt, dean of the School of Theology, has announced.

Immediate plans are to film portions of sermons preached in class, develop the film and then make it available to the student for study. Five minutes of each sermon will be filmed. "This filming will help the subject have an objective appraisal of where he is now in preaching and through discussion with the teacher he can work out a plan for improvement," Northcutt states.

There are more than 400 students enrolled in preaching classes each year at the seminary.

Northwest Crusade

A DOZEN Southern Baptist ministers from seven states will take part in a two-week evangelistic crusade in Seattle, Wash., as a mission contribution to work in the Northwest. Leland H. Waters, Atlanta, executive assistant of the Convention's Home Mission Board, will direct the crusade April 9-21. There are 25 churches with a membership of 2,533 in the metropolitan Seattle area. The pastors' expenses will be paid by their churches.

Cuba Offerings Up

GIFTS to Baptist churches in western Cuba increased by 20 per cent over the previous year, Herbert Caudill, Havana, reported to mission officials in Atlanta. Caudill, who is superintendent of work on the island for the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, did not indicate how much of the increase is due to an inflation of the tiny nation's economy. Gifts for the year just closed amounted to \$210,000, with gifts through the Cooperative Program for Cuba reaching \$25,118. Designated gifts and special offerings brought an additional \$34,000 for the general work. There are 83 churches and 10 missions affiliated with Baptist work. The churches reported 601 baptisms, and recent evangelistic crusades resulted in 5,116 conversions.

Religious Liberty Emphasis

THE Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs and the Historical Commission have asked the cooperation of all Southern Baptist agencies for an emphasis on Baptist heritage and religious liberty. The emphasis may take the form of a 11-2 hour motion picture, filmstrips, and books to be used in June, 1963.

Paul M. Stevens, Ft. Worth, director of the SBC Radio and Television Commission, suggested "all agencies involved in Baptist ideals on religious liberty and Baptist heritage should go together in production of a film which would be used both on television and at the Baptist jubilee meeting in 1964 in Atlantic City."

New Bible Sales

THE NEW Testament portion of the New English Bible went on sale Mar. 14 throughout all English-speaking countries with a total initial printing of 1,275,000 copies. It became a best-seller in Britain within a few hours. Some branch stores sold out in 30 minutes. Of the total printing, 900,000 copies have been issued by the Cambridge and Oxford Presses in London and the remainder in the United States — 250,000 by the university presses in New York and 125,000 by six New York religious book clubs.

Life Commitment Sunday April 9



Baptist Press Photo

WHAT WOULD God have you do with your life? On Life Commitment Sunday, April 9, in Southern Baptist churches, young people will be confronted with opportunities for service in church-related vocations.

LIFE Commitment Sunday will be observed in Southern Baptist churches Sunday, April 9.

This special day has been established by the Convention as a special occasion for churches to "call out the called," Lloyd Household, counselor, church-related vocations at the Baptist Sunday School Board, said.

He pointed out the need for the observance of such a day has been highlighted by a recent study revealing that only one-fifth of the young people who commit their

lives to church or denominational service do so in their home churches. Most such decisions are made at camps and assemblies.

"During the past year, Southern Baptist seminaries have evidenced decreased enrolments," Household said. "Church related vocation volunteers in our colleges have diminished. Fewer persons were ordained. Thus, pastors and church members must help young people to understand God's call and respond to it as never before," he urged. ■

Maryland Studying Paper

CONDITIONAL approval of a weekly state paper for Maryland Baptists, beginning Jan. 1, 1962, has been voted by the Maryland Baptist State Mission Board. The favorable action was on a proposal by Editor Gainer E. Bryan, Jr., for an eight-page, magazine-type journal continuing the present

slick paper, to be published 50 times a year. This proposal was recommended to the board by the advisory committee of the *Maryland Baptist*.

Now published twice monthly, the paper moved up from monthly publication shortly after Bryan became the first full-time editor, in November, 1957. Circulation, then 11,500, is now 14,730. ■

may not be worthwhile. The old Hindu idea that there is a divine essence in the world, and that every individual possesses something of it and can develop it, appeals to me."

National Church

WASHINGTON, D.C. (EP) — The Evangelical Free Church will soon have a national church here, joining many other denominations with similar congregations.

Ground has been broken for construction of a \$160,000 church on a three-acre lot in suburban Annandale, Virginia. It will accommodate a congregation of 500 worshippers and will have a \$35,000 educational unit ready for use in the spring.

The denomination now has 452 congregations in 28 states and Canada with 32,480 members and 598 pastors. It also supports 246 foreign missionaries and has 14 chaplains in the armed forces.

Religious Giving

NEW YORK (EP)—The American Association of Fund-Raising Counsel has reported here that total religious giving in 1960 for all faiths reached an estimated \$4.18 billion—compared with \$3.9 billion the previous year. The association said this figure amounts to about 51 per cent of the \$8.2 billion grand total of philanthropic giving last year.

Episcopal 1961 Budget

NEW YORK (EP) — Through its administrative arm, the National Council, the Protestant Episcopal Church has announced a 1961 budget of \$9,609,819. This represents an increase of \$670,820 over current appropriation. The largest share of the new budget—\$3,574,174—will go to the Church's Overseas Department for missionary work. ■

Warns Against Communism

BOSTON (EP)—Richard Cardinal Cushing, Archbishop of Boston, has issued a strong warning here against Communist "penetration" of American life.

In a statement entitled "Communist Party Damage in the United States," he charged that current Soviet "peace gestures" may "blind us to the declaration of undying war upon the United States."

Pointing to a Moscow manifesto issued in November, he declared: "Soviet espionage is only a small feature of the great penetration of American life which is carried forward by the Communist Party, now openly acknowledging itself again as an agent of Moscow.

"In no thought or deed dare the Communist Party of the United States differ from the decisions made by the almighty Kremlin."

Nehru Believe in God?

NEW DELHI, India (EP)—Long known as one of the world's most articulate agnostics, India's Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru has repeatedly attacked religion in general and Hinduism in particular, declaring in his famous book, *The Discovery of India*, that "India must . . . lessen her religiosity and turn to science."

But in a new book just off the press, Mr. Nehru underscores the need for spiritual solutions of some problems.

R. K. Karanjia, editor of *Blitz*, a Bombay weekly newspaper, asks Nehru in the new book, *The Mind of Mr. Nehru*: "Isn't it unlike the Jawaharlal of yesterday to talk in terms of ethical solutions? What you say raises visions of Mr. Nehru in search of God in the evening of his life."

Mr. Nehru replies: "Yes, I have changed. The emphasis on ethical and spiritual is not unconscious; it is deliberate. . . . I believe the human mind is hungry for something deeper in terms of moral and spiritual development without which all the material advance

fellowship should exist among godly Christians. Particular churches had the power and duty to choose and ordain their pastors, and on this basis they entreated the church to send messengers to give the right hand of fellowship.

Dr. Mather expressed his surprise at the request, but readily consented to the proposal. He knew the young man to be serious and pious, having observed him in college. He also expressed his conviction that the other members of the church were godly persons.

Dr. Cotton Mather preached the ordination sermon entitled "Good Men United." In this he pled for unity and brotherly love as far as conscience would allow. Beyond this men could, at least, tolerate differences. He pointed out that there were acts in the past of which they were not proud, but these days were past. Through the Holy Spirit they had some basis for union.

Recognized by leading ministers and churches of the Congregational faith, Baptists found themselves in a new day. No longer were they harassed as in earlier times for existence. Under an alert, well-trained minister, they were ready to carry on with vigor. ■

Beacon Lights of Baptist History

By BERNES K. SELPH, Th.D.
 Pastor, 1st Baptist Church, Benton

Breach Healed in Boston

BOSTON Baptists' former enemy was invited to assist in the ordination of the church's pastor, May 21, 1718.



DR. SELPH

This was a far cry from the spirit which nailed shut the meeting house door in the preceding century, but time, Christian conduct, and information had melted the Congregational church.

When the elderly Callender stepped aside as pastor, the Boston church called his son and authorized his ordination to the ministry. The young man had attended Cambridge college. Since cordial relations existed between the two religious bodies, an invitation was sent to the Congregational church, Dr. Increase Mather, pastor.

The invitation noted the doctrinal differences between the two bodies, but maintained that a holy

Churches Answer TV's Challenge

TV SETS are outnumbering bathtubs.

This social revolution is not without its impact on the churches. Star-studded evening dramas on television are reducing attendance at Sunday night worship services.

Many churches are answering this challenge rather than surrendering to what may seem overwhelming odds. These churches are using TV to increase Godliness.

Such a church is Bellevue Baptist Church of Memphis. It has the second largest congregation in the Southern Baptist Convention and largest east of the Mississippi River. Its membership nears 10,000.

Three years ago, to celebrate the 30th anniversary of its eminent pastor, Dr. R. G. Lee, Bellevue bought between \$50,000 and \$60,000 worth of TV equipment. It began telecasting its Sunday morning worship hour.

Dr. Lee has since retired, although he appears in the pulpit occasionally at the request of his successor, Dr. Ramsey Pollard. The fact that Dr. Lee was for three years president of the Southern Baptist Convention and is famed world over for his sermon, "Pay Day Some Day," doubtless made Bellevue a photogenic church. This was continued with the calling of Dr. Pollard during his two-year tenure as SBC president to succeed Lee.

Its chandeliered auditorium; its massive, robed choir, its large attendance — even on Sunday evenings — add to its TV charms and high audience ratings. The church is second only to First Baptist Church of Dallas in membership.

Bellevue Church is not by a long shot the only Southern Baptist church telecasting its services. But it has gained recognition by buying the very latest in equipment, even having some which commercial TV stations here do not possess; for example, a telephoto lens that shows Dr. Pollard's head and shoulders close-up although the camera is in the rear of the

balcony, far from the pulpit.

The church is highly pleased with the TV activity, and so is the station (WHBQ-TV, Memphis) which carries it from 10:45 a.m. to noon every Sunday. The church pays \$200 per Sunday for this time, a reduced rate because the church has its own equipment and because it has trained four of its young men to operate the cameras.

One of the miracles about getting on the air was that an expected six months' red tape in securing permits from authorities was cut to only 30 days. The church feels it has a bargain in the TV program. Bob Lewis, a member at Bellevue and also on the TV station staff, and one other profes-

sional in TV production are consultants. The four cameramen give their time as a service to their church. They were picked because of their interest in photography.

How else could a preacher reach from 23,000 to 75,000 persons every Sunday morning as effectively and personally for \$200? Lewis asks. The audience statistics are based on a New York research firm's data on the least and most persons who have tuned in Bellevue on any given Sunday.

The church has a full-time visitor on its staff. Many of his contacts are a follow-through on "fan" mail to the church and the station because of the TV program, Lewis said. (BP) ■

(VISITATION PLAN—from page 7)

volunteers to represent the class on visitation night; after class dismissed, take the cards they have selected for visitation that week and put them in the visitation box. This way the cards will be ready for the class representatives to pick up when they come for church visitation.

Class Members: volunteer to visit when their turn or when needed; after each visit, put all vital information on card regarding results, date, etc.; upon completion of visitation on visitation night, return all cards to visitation box so they will be there ready for the teacher to pick up on Sunday morning.

Pastor: works with superintendent of Enlargement in the directing of visitation program and helps supply names of prospects; sees that names of classes represented on visitation night are printed in the church bulletin each week or posted somewhere.

If in the judgment of those who visit, a pastoral visit should be made to anyone contacted, the information should be put on the prospect or absentee card and the card put in the pastor's box. There should be two representatives from each class in the Adult and Young People's Departments.

In the Intermediate, Junior, Primary, Beginner and Nursery departments, the department superintendents and teachers do the visiting for their departments, when possible, securing the aid of Intermediate pupils. There should be two representatives from each of these departments.

One of the main advantages is that certain people are delegated to represent particular classes or departments. This does not mean that others are not allowed to visit, but it does place the responsibility. By placing the names of classes and departments that were represented on visitation night in the bulletin, not only are people informed about the visitation program but indirectly those classes and departments that were not represented are pointed out.

Everyone will be visiting those in their own age group or the group they are teaching. Church members will get to spend more time at home with their families, being relieved of the responsibility of visiting except when it is their turn or when they are needed to represent their class or department.

East Side Church feels that most of its new members came as a result of its visitation program. ■

Brotherhood

To Ohio

THE Brotherhood Department is grateful to those pastors who have helped so much to search out laymen for the Ohio Tour. The men will be leaving Arkansas on Friday, April 14, and will gather in one place at Dayton for the orientation meeting on Saturday evening, April 15. Each of the men will be notified as to the place of meeting. They will leave Ohio on April 21 or 22 (choice), and arrive back home by (or on) Sunday, April 23.

More men are needed! Our quota of Arkansas men for work in the Dayton area is 24. While other men are still giving prayerful consideration to the matter, only 13 men have (as of March 28) committed themselves completely to make the trip. They are: G. C. Hilton, Fayetteville; James E. Linder, Hamburg; J. P. Cheatham, Eudora; Tom De Loach, West Memphis; Paul Power, Little Rock; Harold Anderson, Heber Springs; Dr. James F. Sawyer, Benton; Elbert Wilson, Batesville; O. P. Hammons, Forrest City; W. L. Layman, Springdale; Robert Moore, Arkansas City; Frank Shamburger, Little Rock; Nelson Tull, Little Rock.

The work in Dayton will consist mainly of visitation and personal soul-winning; giving testimony of salvation experience; (some) leading an evangelistic service; (some) speaking at a church or mission revival; conducting prayer meetings in homes; — and other similar activities that have to do with the general work of personal witnessing, dealing with individuals, and dealing with groups.

One factor that has made it difficult to find men readily for the Tour is that the men must pay their whole expense (transportation, meals, and lodging) while on the Tour. However, churches and Brotherhoods are facing their responsibility, and are helping some of the men to go. Also, some individuals

who would like to go, but cannot, are helping others to go. If you will be enlisted as a volunteer for the Ohio Tour, get in touch with the Brotherhood Department immediately. If you know of some man who ought to go, talk the matter over with him, and write the Brotherhood Department without delay. The time is getting short; and we surely want to fill our quota with the 24 men who are so crucially needed in Ohio. — Nelson Tull. ■

Sunday School

Odds and Ends

BUS TRIP to Convention Assembly: Because there have been so few reservations for Ridgecrest, the Sunday School bus from Arkansas will not be scheduled. The bus to Glorieta Sunday School Week (June 22 - 28) is about full and will make the trip, provided there are no "wholesale" cancellations.



MR. HATFIELD

Plan now to attend the Arkansas Baptist Sunday School Assembly at Siloam Springs, August 7-11. Rates vary from \$5 to \$11 for children and from \$14 to \$16.50 for adults. Hear a host of age-group workers and three special speakers, Mr. Howard Halsell, Sunday School Secretary for Kansas; Dr. John McClanahan, pastor of First Baptist, Hope; and Dr. Robert Scales, pastor of Trinity Church, Oklahoma City. A special attraction for family groups is the provision of a modern Children's Building and provision in classes and recreation for all ages of Young People. Send \$2 registration and reservation fee to Melvin Thrash, Baptist Building, Little Rock. This amount applies on your total rate.

Operation Home Study is coming up before long. Watch your mail for leaflet and promotional materials and titles of three books to be suggested for the study.

Pastor-Led Sunday School Enlarge-

ment Campaigns are being scheduled for the next three years. Associational Missionary, Associational Sunday School Superintendent and the Associational Moderator are giving consideration to this all important growth project. Of the 44 associations we have not heard from 24 as yet. Of these 24, 13 have already had a campaign within the past, or three years. Fifteen associations heard from say they want to plan a campaign and three feel they are not ready to plan one just now. Have we heard from you? Do you want growth in your churches? Write us about the campaign. — Lawson Hatfield, Secretary ■

Training Union

Last Call

OVER 1,000 Intermediates and Young People are expected to attend the State Youth Convention at First Church, Little Rock, Friday, April 14, beginning at 9:55 a. m. and closing at 8:15 p. m.



MR. DAVIS

Bailey Smith of Ouachita, convention president, will preside. A panel "The Pressures of the Crowd," will be presented at 10:15 by Carlton Carter and Mrs. Leonard Wedel of Nashville,

Tenn., assisted by two Intermediates and two young people.

Ken Boen of Fort Smith, rodeo clown and bull fighter, will give his testimony at 2 p. m.

Mack Douglas, Tower Grove Church, St. Louis, will bring a message at each of the three sessions.

Age group conferences with Intermediate and young people participation will be conducted in the morning and afternoon.

State Sword Drill and State Speakers' Tournaments will be conducted Friday night.

No registration fees. No offering taken.

Siloam Right

Around the Corner

Send your \$2.00 reservation fee for Training Union Week at Siloam Springs to Mr. Melvin Thrash, 111 Baptist Building, Little Rock, immediately.

People from Northwest, North Central, West Central, and Southwest district should attend the first Training Union Week — July 3-8. People from Northeast, East Central, Southeast, and Central districts should attend July 10-15.

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The Bookshelf

Reed Takes Office

JESSE S. Reed, officially became the director of evangelism for Arkansas Baptists April 1. He is already well known, loved and appreciated by the vast majority of our pastors and other church members. He is humble; he has a compassion for lost people; he preaches with fervor; he works untiringly and he wears a winning smile for all people. He will "make full proof of his ministry" and will "do the work of an evangelist," but don't expect the impossible.

The Lord's hand is upon Jesse as evidenced by the large number of conversions in his recent revivals. During January, February and March he has witnessed 124 professions of faith and 33 additions by letter. In a revival with Southside, El Dorado, there were 28 for baptisms and 12 by letter. In a rural church at Bigelow there were 32 for baptism and 2 by letter. Then in a town church, First, Augusta, there were 55 for baptism and 12 by letter.

Let us give to Bro. Reed our full cooperation and make 1961 a great year in evangelism.—C. W. Caldwell ■



DR. CALDWELL

Play Activities for the Retarded Child, by Bernice Wells Carlson and David R. Ginglend, Abingdon, 1961, \$4

"Most retarded children like to play; and when they play," say the authors, "they not only have fun, but usually develop physically, mentally, and socially—frequently beyond the realm of general expectation."

This book centers on how to help the retarded child grow and learn through games, handicraft, and other play activities.

To aid the inexperienced person, the authors outline the needs and special problems of retarded children. The activities are divided according to the five key areas of development—mental health, social, physical, language, and intellectual.

The Story of America's Religions, by Hartzell Spence, Holt, Rinehart and Winston, 1960, \$4

Mr. Spence, in chapters that first appeared in *Look Magazine*, explores the origins and growth of 14 great religious faiths and appraises their impacts on the American spirit through the centuries: Methodists, Baptists, Lutherans, Presbyterians, Congregationalists, Roman Catholics, Eastern Orthodox, Episcopalians, Jews, Seventh-Day Adventists, Disciples of Christ, Mormons, Christian Scientists,

and Quakers.

The series received the 1959 and 1960 National Brotherhood Award of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, the Freedom Foundation's 1959 and 1960 Distinguished Service Award, the National Religious Publicity Council's magazine award for 1959, and the Periodical Distributors Maggie Award for family service in 1959.

The Civil War, a Narrative, Fort Sumter to Perryville, by Shelby Foote, Random House, 1958, \$10

In this book of more than 800 pages, Mr. Foote, a native Mississippian who resides in Memphis, Tenn., begins a sweeping narrative of the Civil War, "an experience more profound and meaningful than any other the American people have ever lived through."

The first of three volumes on the war, this volume opens with Jefferson Davis' resignation from the United States Senate and Abraham Lincoln's departure from Springfield for Washington, D. C. All the great battles are here from Bull Run through Shiloh, the Seven Days, Second Manassas to Antietam, and Perryville in the fall of 1862.

The smaller encounters, both on land and water, are also reported.

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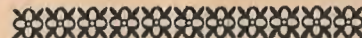
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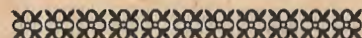
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FAMOUS BIBLE JOURNEYS

By EVELYN PICKERING

IN Bible days people traveled many miles, often walking or riding a donkey, sometimes using carts or chariots. See how many of the men connected with the following journeys you can identify correctly.

1. God called this faithful man to leave his own country of Haran. He promised to bless him on this journey and make of him a great nation. (Genesis 12:1-4)
2. As this man traveled to Damascus, a light from heaven flashed about him, and a voice spoke, calling his name. (Acts 9:3-4)
3. In a dream God told this man to take the young child and his mother and to journey into Egypt. (Matthew 2:13-14)
4. This man was chosen by the Lord to lead the Israelites on their long journey from Egypt to Canaan. (Exodus 3:4-10)
5. When God commanded the second time, this man made a three days' journey and preached in the city of Nineveh. (Jonah 3:1-4)
6. When an angel spoke to him, this man arose and traveled to the desert of Gaza. An Ethiopian was converted and baptized here when this preacher told him of Christ. (Acts 8:26-39)

Answers

1. Abraham, 2. Saul (later called Paul), 3. Joseph (the husband of Mary), 4. Moses, 5. Jonah, 6. Phillip
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God's Wondrous World

Showers and Rainbows

By THELMA C. CARTER

WHEN April showers bathe apple blossoms, daffodils, and violets and bird song swells the air, you may see a rainbow. The red, orange, green, violet, blue, and yellow of the bow are as colorful as springtime flowers.

"I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant between me and the earth" (Genesis 9:13). The rainbow is the token of the covenant which God made with Noah when he left the ark. The covenant is that the waters should no more become a flood to destroy all living things.

As we look upon the jeweled colors of a rainbow, we cannot doubt that we are seeing a heavenly sight, a miracle of God's world. Rainbows come with showery weather. They are caused by

Meadow Family

By ENOLA CHAMBERLIN

ESTHER went to the meadow early one evening with Grandfather. She was going to help him drive the cows to the barn. Since he was taller than she was, he could see things she couldn't. Suddenly he stopped. He held up his hand for her to stop, too.

"Do you want to see something pretty?" he whispered.

"Yes," Esther whispered back.

"Then stand right here by me," Grandfather went on, "and watch along that little trail."

Esther took Grandfather's hand. She stood so that she could look where he pointed. All at once the grass swayed and rustled. Then out into the open space walked a beautiful black animal with white stripes down her back. She had little white stripes on her nose, too. She carried her big bushy tail high in the air.

"A skunk!" Esther whispered.

Grandfather squeezed her hand. "Keep looking," he said.

Right behind Mama Skunk came a baby skunk, then another and another and another. The four of them looked just like Mama Skunk except that they were tiny. They looked so cuddly that Esther wanted to reach out and pick them up.

Mamma Skunk walked along slowly, undisturbed. She stopped and scratched at a bunch of grass. She poked around looking for a bug or a worm. As each baby skunk came up to the grass, it stopped. It scratched at the bunch of grass. Mamma Skunk flipped over a



flat stone with her funny little nose. Each baby skunk tried to flip the stone as it came to it. Mamma Skunk went around a rock to the right. Each baby skunk went around the rock to the right, too.

"They are playing 'follow the leader,'" said Esther.

"Yes," said Grandfather, "no matter what Mama Skunk does, each baby does the same. No matter which way Mama Skunk goes, each baby goes the same way."

The skunks were leaving. All Esther could see was Mama Skunk's bushy tail through the breaks in the grass.

"Would they run if we followed them?" asked Esther.

"No," said Grandfather, "if we bother them, they will stop. Mamma Skunk will release her strong scent at us. We would be the ones to run."

Esther laughed. "Perhaps we had better leave and let them go in peace," she said. "After all, God gave them that strong scent to protect them."

"That's right," said Grandfather. "Now let's get the cows." ■

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RHYMING BIBLE WORDS

By IDA M. PARDUE

1. Aged prophetess (Luke 2:36)
2. Food from heaven (Exodus 16:15)
3. Pagan goddess of Ephesus (Acts 19:24)
4. Word used by the people of Jerusalem to acclaim Jesus (Matthew 21:9)
5. Samuel's mother (1 Samuel 1:20)
6. One of the women who found the tomb empty (Luke 24:10)

Answers

1. Anna, 2. Manna, 3. Diana, 4. Hoanna, 5. Hannah, 6. Joanna.
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The True Source of Wisdom

By H. L. LIPFORD

Pastor, First Church, Cabot

April 9, 1961

Bible Passages: Job 28:12-28; Proverbs 1:2-7

Ecclesiastes 12:13-14; James 1:1-8

Lesson Passage: Proverbs 1:2-7; Job 28:20-28

Devotional Reading: Psalm 90:1-12

Memory Selection: "If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him" (James 1:5).

MANY are those who have sought wisdom and there are many who are seeking wisdom. Some have the wrong idea as to true wisdom. Jesus spoke about the worldly wise and indicated that people should be wise toward God. People of good judgment are known as wise people. They may be very wise and understanding in many of the areas of human life and endeavor, but the true source of wisdom is to be found in God's Word.

The passages in this lesson and the lessons for April are considered the wisdom literature of the Bible.

I. Wisdom as Revealed in the Book of Proverbs, Proverbs 1:2-7

THE book of Proverbs was written by more than one author and at different times. It truly is a compilation of wise sayings. The chief author was Solomon. God inspired Solomon and others to put these wise sayings into the Bible, which is the inspired Word of God.

1. We are to know and understand wisdom and instruction (verse 2).

The Bible here impresses upon us that God respects common sense and intelligence and places great importance upon proper education about the philosophy of real practical living. We are to gain wisdom through Christian education and moral training. The word "instruction" properly means to "discipline" in study toward wisdom in the things of God. We are urged to "perceive," which means to discern that which is good or bad and make the proper applications. The wisdom indicated here is that which comes from God.

2. We are to receive and use wisdom (verses 3-6).

We are to "receive the instruction of wisdom" by taking it into life daily and using it in righteousness, justice and reasoning. Fair dealing is implied in the word "equity." These things include

the duty to God and man. These things are needed in every area of human life and endeavor for all time to come.

The ability to foresee evil and avoid it comes from this wisdom of God. It comes to those who sometimes are thought of as unlearned in the ways of the world; they who are ready and willing to learn. Young people can have this knowledge and discretion to make life successful for God.

3. "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge" (verse 7).

The fear of the Lord here means to have a reverence for God which will lead to a worship of Him and an obedience to Him. We are to recognize God as the One who reveals this wisdom to us. He it is that opens the mind and heart to the great and deep things of life here and hereafter. God reveals Himself in His Word and through His Son for true wisdom. Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth and the Life."

II. Wisdom as Revealed in the Book of Job, Job 28:12-28

THIS wisdom cannot be found or bought (verses 12, 20).

Man has made many things because of his skill. He has discovered many things. His inventions have blessed the world with so many enjoyable things. Man has been relieved of burdensome toils by the fertile brain of man.

But with all the powers God has given to the man to find, assemble and develop, he is at loss when it comes to having wisdom. The place nor the price of such understanding is not in man's power himself. He must have the wisdom of God to know the nature of things and to guide him in their use. It cannot be bought nor exchanged. "What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul?"

1. Wisdom is beyond man's understanding (verse 21).

Job says that it is hid from the eyes of all the living. The natural "man cannot see wisdom, because it is immaterial, and he cannot even conceive of it, because its nature transcends him. The sight of birds is far keener than that of man; but even birds cannot detect where wisdom is" (Pulpit Commentary).

This wisdom is hidden from death and destruction. Death and destruction are here personified and they have only heard a rumor of wisdom.

2. Wisdom comes from God (verses

23, 28).

God understands the way and the habits of man. He has all knowledge as to the place of wisdom and is in full possession of it. Man's knowledge is limited but God's knowledge is complete and perfect: "He looketh to the ends of the earth and seeth under the whole heaven."

God's knowledge of everything, past, present and future, in the earth is unlimited. Just so is His knowledge of everything in heaven. Everything operates in order and in its realm; the wind, waters, rain, thunder and lightning. It is all prepared by God and He has tried it all out (verse 27).

The fear of the Lord is wisdom (verse 28). As in Proverbs this fear means to reverence, worship and serve the Lord, Job goes one step farther than Proverbs did and declares, instead of "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom" that, "The fear of the Lord is wisdom" itself. Along with the fear of the Lord there must be a complete and final separation from evil in every way.

III. Wisdom as Revealed in the Book of James, James 1:1-8

IN THESE verses from the book of James we have some words from James, a half-brother of our Lord, concerning some directions as to how we can obtain wisdom. James says, "but if any one of you is deficient in wisdom, let him ask God who generously gives to everyone and never reproaches one with its lack, and it will be given to him" (verse 5, Williams).


The scripture preceding this indicates that the testings and trials of life, if patiently borne, should bring one to a more perfect Christian life. It is hard to bear severe afflictions wisely. To count manifold trials "all joy" and "let patience have its perfect work" everyone needs wisdom above his own. The lack of wisdom to rightly use knowledge and the experiences of life is a need that almost everyone is very conscious of. Especially for the trials of life, one needs the wisdom of God to make the unpleasant happenings of life joyful.

Wisdom is obtained by asking from God (verses 5-6). "But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering;" so one must have faith in God. One must believe in God and trust in God for results. "Let him ask of God . . . and it shall be given him" (verse 5). The Christian is a child of God and the scriptures indicate that as an earthly father will not give a stone for bread or a serpent for fish to his children, so will our heavenly Father provide the things necessary for His children.

God wants us to have wisdom and if we ask He will not reproach us. He is generous in giving needed wisdom for every decision of life from our youth on to old age. ■



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MAN setting up a television set (pointing to the antenna): This goes on the roof of your house.

Moe: Boy, it's just as I said. One thing leads to another. Now we'll have to get a roof put on our house.

Anniversary Remembered

A PATIENT rang the bell of a young dentist who had just started out to practice. The dentist's wife opened the door.

"Can I see the doctor?" asked the patient.

"Couldn't you come tomorrow night?" asked the wife.

"Is he that busy?" inquired the patient.

"No," said the wife, with a winning smile, "but you are his first patient and I'd like to surprise him tomorrow, as it's his anniversary."

Pesky Things!

ABRAHAM Lincoln was resting in a hotel lobby. As usual the village dudes had congregated there and one bolder than the rest remarked: "Mr. Lincoln, your speech was great, but there were some points beyond my reach."

Lincoln looked at him and chuckled. "I'm sorry for you. I once had a dog that had the same trouble with fleas."

Mission Accomplished

AS HE paid his bill, the departing guest turned and yelled to the bell boy. "Quick, run up to room 424 and see if I left my razor. Run, because I've just seven minutes to catch my train."

Five minutes later the boy raced back to report breathlessly, "Yes, sir, it's up there."

Perfect Understanding

"**I AM** a woman of few words," announced the haughty mistress to the new maid. "If I beckon with my finger, that means, 'Come'."

"Suits me, mum," replied the girl cheerfully. "I'm a woman of few words, too. If I shake my head, that means 'I ain't comin'.'"

Hitting the Cosmetics

"**BABY'S** got her mamma's complexion."

"Nurse, are you letting that child play with those paints?"

Pass the Metrecal

"**WHAT'S** Mabel so mad about?"
"She stepped on one of those scales with a loud speaker and it called out, 'One at a time, please.'"

Worth Thinking About

A SMALL boy once wrote:
"Each time that I pass a church I stop to pay a visit,
So that when I am carried in
The Lord won't say, 'Who is it?'"

Heady Draught

SOPH: "I always drink lots of milk because my doctor says milk is a great bone builder."

Frosh: "Too bad it's gone to your head."

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'Husband Drinks to Relax'

QUESTION: My husband does very hard work, construction work, and is very tired at the end of the day. He is kind, good, and honest. But he drinks some, especially on week-ends, to relax him.



DR. HUDSON

I feel guilty about this, especially at church and during Bible study at the W.M.U. Also I worry about the influence on my two boys and a girl. Am I wrong in judging him? Or should I leave it to the Lord?

ANSWER: One person is always wrong in judging another, if by this you mean criticizing or condemning.

So far as the effect on your children is concerned, that will depend on many factors, one of which is how much and how he acts when he drinks.

If your husband wants to relax there are medicines that are more specific and much less expensive. Why doesn't he try them? Of course, alcoholic beverages have been used from time immemorial for this purpose.

I doubt that one adult, even if he is married to the other, ever has the right to tell another adult what to do about this. If you feel guilty, think your problem through and pray about it. If you do not drink, what are you feeling guilty about?

Talk to both your husband and the Lord about this. Then leave both of them free.

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