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NEWSMAGAZINE



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Personally speaking Editor to bow out



ELM

It is the editor's happy privilege to announce his retirement. The date has been set for next March 1, which will be the 15th anniversary of his coming back to his native state from Louisville to begin this most thrilling assignment.

Quitting a few months ahead of time of compulsory retirement will give a little more time, perhaps, to relax and take things a bit easier.

Nothing else I have done has been quite so challenging and soul-satisfying as editing this paper. It has been a great privilege to stay at the post the longest of all of the editors to date of the Arkansas paper. Any regrets are greatly outweighed by deep gratitude to God and to the people for all of the privileges of service the position has afforded.

My tenure here has touched three different administrations—those of Executive Secretaries Ben L. Bridges, S. A. Whitlow, and Charles H. Ashcraft. I shall always be deeply in debt to these men—to Dr. Bridges for bringing me here and helping to launch my editorship; to Dr. Whitlow for sustaining me with his great friendship and moral support throughout a decisive decade; and to Dr. Ashcraft, who has kept the editor on, notwithstanding he has had full authority to send him packing.

As enjoyable as being a state Baptist editor is, the assignment is never easy. It is a job that takes all a fellow has and makes him—and not infrequently his readers—wish that he had more to give.

The Lord willing, I shall continue to enjoy being editor for these remaining weeks. But come March, it will be great to step down and see a new man installed. The new editor from the beginning will have our prayers and full support in this strategic and tremendously responsible place. With the Lord's help, we shall be neither envious, jealous, nor pitying.

This column would not be complete without tribute to my marvelous staff. One valuable staff member, Mrs. E. F. Stokes, bookkeeper, and later, associate editor, was forced by illness to retire nearly two years ago, after more than 20 years with the paper. Mrs. Harry Giberson, secretary to the editor, and Mrs. Weldon Taylor, formerly mailing clerk and now bookkeeper, have been mainstays for many years. Two proficient young ladies round out the present staff—Mrs. William L. Kennedy, managing editor, and Miss Linda Flesher, mailing clerk.

Not the least of the privileges has been that of being a fellow "denominational serpent" with the aggregate of all the wonderful Baptists who comprise the working force of the Executive Board of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, in Baptist Building and across the state.

And bless you, dear reader. You are the salt of the earth or you would never have read thus far. You pay the greatest tribute to the editor in reading his stuff, whether you swallow it or not. Please don't go away, we hope to be back.

Erwin L. McDonald

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- Are church-owned pastoriums the best way to provide housing for a pastor? This is the question put to churches in a guest editorial this week on page 3. Read the reasons behind Georgia Editor Harwell's question.
- Columnist Iris O'Neal Bowen relates the ordeal of an adult learning to drive in her "Woman's viewpoint," found this week on page 6.
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- How to get ready for the January Bible study is the subject of an article by T. Miles Bennett, professor at Southwestern Seminary. See page 8.
- As of January 1, 1972, health insurance through the SBC Annuity Board will cost more. A report on price increases and changes in enrollment procedures for new members is found on page 12.
- Instant information on missionaries and SBC foreign missions will be as near as your telephone when a new "Missions Hot Line" is in service, beginning Nov. 1. More details on this story, which is featured on the cover, are found on page 16.

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Guest editorial

Is it time to consider selling your pastorium?

Does your church provide a pastorium for its pastor and his family? If it does, how long has it been since your congregation seriously considered selling the pastorium and giving your pastor a housing allowance instead, so he and his family can buy their own home?

Time was when furnishing a pastorium was the best way to provide ministerial housing. And in some small towns where housing is so hard to come by, it still might be the best way. But, some mitigating factors need to be studied by your people about the practice in today's changing times.

Pastors like laymen ought to make full provision for caring for their families in any eventuality that might happen to the bread-winner. If a minister has lived in a pastorium all of his ministry and dies or is killed unexpectedly, what happens to his family then?

If he has laid aside extra monies for them—and what preacher can do that on church salaries?—or if he has wisely invested in real estate somewhere, his family might be cared for. But if he hasn't, his wife and children immediately become a major problem for his church and for his ministerial successor.

A subtle problem related to pastoriums involves the pastor and his family feeling that their house is not really their home, and thoughtless church members

feeling the same. We have known of many cases where neurotic parishoners and committees almost drove ministerial families crazy with picky but aggravating reminders about who was the real mortgage holder at the pastorium.

With the growing anti-clericalism in our nation over churches abusing their tax-exempt privileges, we anticipate a day when pastoriums will no longer be tax-exempt. Why not erase the problem now before it becomes urgent?

We know that such a suggestion might be hard to implement in every situation. But adjustments can be made if the church deems a change wise. For example, ministers who have lived in pastoriums for many years won't likely have a down payment for a private home. Churches might work out a loan-purchase agreement for the benefit of the minister and the church. It has worked successfully in many places.

For ministers whose churches don't deem it wise to provide housing allowances, may we earnestly beg you and your families to rigidly force yourself to set aside extra resources for your own protection?

Mr. Deacon Chairman, why not talk to your pastor about this? He might be reluctant to broach the subject, but eager to pursue it.—Jack U. Harwell, Editor, *The Christian Index*, Atlanta, Ga.

Guest editorial

The church and more leisure

The church has already suffered from the presentday emphasis on leisure. More families are finding more places to spend the weekend rather than at home. Life in the city has become so hectic for many families that they are trying to find some relief by spending two-day weekends at their beach or mountain resort.

Now a new revolution is taking place in America. The new cry is "four/forty" which means working forty hours in four days. Latest reports indicate that the movement is widespread and is finding favor with both labor and management. Factories are reporting more production with the new work schedule. Employees are happy because they have more time with their family and more time for leisure and hobbies.

With more families having three days each weekend, we can expect that the church will suffer more. The long weekend will not only take more people away from the church on weekends, but will also take the church funds and leadership, both of which are needed for expanded programs.

How can the church deal with this new phenomenon in American society? The answer lies in the fact that many churches will have to change some

of their programs. If the people are going away on weekends, then their needs of worship and fellowship will have to be met at other times.

We have heard of some churches planning worship services one night in the week. This may be the best answer to the problem we face.

Rather than all churches seeking to do the same thing, it would seem wise for several churches in an area to jointly sponsor a worship service in the middle of the week. The service, of course, would be something more like the morning worship service rather than the mid-week prayer service.

A service one night of the week might be far more meaningful and reach the people gone on weekends rather than the service many churches hold on Sunday night.

We might as well expect more people gone on weekends. The long weekends already in effect have taken many from the city on those weekends. The long weekend every week could play havoc with many churches, especially if the government moves to the four-day work week.—James O. Duncan, Editor *Capitol Baptist* (Washington, D.C.)

I must say it!

Uninformed or misinformed



Dr. Ashcraft

Someone has said it takes six years just to say "hello" to Southern Baptists. We are a big denomination and getting bigger all the time. The problem of communication becomes progressively difficult as our numbers increase.

Many of us have made a life of solving problems. Years ago I committed myself to this ministry. I have said if one can make a "career of discomfort and a science of suffering" there is a place for him in the Baptist fellowship.

In connection with my problem solving career I have discovered the main source of problems is with the uninformed or the misinformed. A very trite saying reminds us that "people are usually down on the things they are not up on." Millions are expended annually to get the facts before our people. Churches write many letters and publish many bulletins to keep their members informed yet some do not read carefully, and some do not read the material at all. The result is that problems arise which can only be described as ignorance or stupidity.

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The bookshelf

The Interpreter's One-Volume Commentary on the Bible, edited by Charles M. Laymon, Abingdon Press, 1971, \$17.50

Representing seven years of planning and research, this volume includes recent archaeological data, and represents the latest technological developments in its production. Seventy scholars, including Protestants, Roman Catholics, and Jews, have contributed their interpretations of the truths of the Bible. The commentary is designed for use by laymen, ministers, librarians, and college and seminary professors and students. It covers each book of the Old and New Testaments and of the Apocrypha, includes 43 general articles, special reader helps on chronology and measures and money, index of Scripture references, 16 pages of revised Oxford maps in full color, and an extensive index of subjects.

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The Great Fire, Chicago 1871, by Herman Kogan & Robert Cromie, P. G. Putnam's Sons, 1971, \$12.95

The authors make use of more than 200 illustrations collected from public and private collections and archives to present this visual testament of the days of 1871, when Chicagoans struggled in the face of disaster to save and then resurrect their city. Divided into four sections, the book depicts with

photographs, lithographs, prints, on-the-spot pencil sketches, and other illustrations, the city as it appeared just before, during, and immediately after the fire.

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The War of American Independence, Military Attitudes, Policies, and Practices, 1763-1789, by Don Higginbotham, Macmillan, 1971, \$12.95

Dr. Higginbotham, professor of history at the University of North Carolina, traces the military history of the Colonials during the era of the Revolution, 1763-1789. More than a mere exercise in battles and campaigns, this is an examination of military policy and attitudes toward war. Dr. Higginbotham considers the causes and consequences of the Revolution as they related to things military. A central point is the importance of the Seven Years' War as a rehearsal for the Revolution itself. America is at the heart of the study, but attention is also given to the internal concerns of the British armies on American soil.

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Norman Rockwell, Illustrator, by Arthur L. Gupitll, Watson-Gupitll, 1971, \$17.50

This is the reissue of a book first published in 1946. In the preface, Dorothy Canfield Fisher says of

The Arkansas Baptist Convention is committed to the ministry of rightfully informing the people. This we do in many ways. The *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine* is our chief instrument of passing out the facts to our people. This paper should be in every church budget with every family receiving every edition. Even with this we would not have 100 percent success but we would be a happier people.

Ignorance is not an achievement nor are high prices paid for misinformation. The good Baptist who inquired of his pastor, "When will we ever get the Cooperative Program paid out?" is not alone. The person who is under the impression that the Baptist convention and the Baptist Building is one and the same thing could never be more wrong.

Those on the Baptist Building staff are the servants of the convention and carry out the directives of the convention and/or the executive board. Baptist Building personnel are not in the policy making business but they are in the business of projecting the great programs and objectives of the convention. Our Baptist Building people will never be in the forefront of affairs on the floor of the convention nor will they presume to choose presidents for the convention or pastors for our fine churches. Our people will remain your humble servants, only wishing a call from you if our ministries are needed and acceptable.

I must say it! — Charles H. Ashcraft, Executive Secretary.

Rockwell: "It is obvious from the story of his life and work that he is single-heartedly focused on what makes up the life of any kind of creative personality, the long, desperate struggle with his own limitations. But if we are to understand him, we will do well to remember that it does not make sense to think that his elimination of tragedy and cruelty can be laid to a wish to please the people who look at his work, because he leaves out, firmly and consistently, something else that would please them, something which moderns love to look at—the beauty of Nature . . . It is plain that he purposefully makes his own choice from an inner necessity."

Writes third book

Daily (Mrs. Charles B.) Crowe, Jonesboro, is the author of a new book, her third.

It is Breezes from Varied Climes.

Much of the material in the new book is taken from Mrs. Crowe's experiences as a teacher and homemaker. Portions of it are based on scriptures. The book also includes a number of photographs and illustrations, the work of Mrs. Betty Batey, a senior art major at Arkansas State University.

The book may be secured directly from Mrs. Crowe, at her residence at 705 Warner, Jonesboro, for \$3.50.

Editor McDonald sets retirement

Erwin L. McDonald, editor of the *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine* for the past 15 years, has announced his retirement as of March 1.

Dr. McDonald, who will not be 65 until Oct. 31 next year, said that he was taking early retirement "not to quit, but to shift gears." He said that he was considering several part-time assignments and hoped to have more time for travel, creative writing, supply preaching, "and a little fishing."

A native of London, Pope County, Dr. McDonald is a graduate of Russellville High School, Arkansas Polytechnic College (while it was a junior college), Ouachita University, Arkadelphia, and Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

He has served as pastor of churches in Arkansas, Kentucky, and South Carolina, and was director of public relations at Southern Seminary, and, later, at Furman University, Greenville, S.C. He established and edited for several years *Furman University Magazine* and is a former city editor of the *Daily Courier-Democrat*, Russellville, a former editor of the *Southern Standard*, Arkadelphia, and a former editor of *The Tie*, monthly publication of Southern Seminary.

For three years, immediately before returning to Arkansas to edit the *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine*, Dr. McDonald was coordinator of Kentucky Baptist schools and colleges, including Georgetown College, Georgetown; Cumberland College, Williamsburg; Campbellsville College, Campbellsville; Bethel College, Hopkinsville (now discontinued); the Mountain Preachers School, Pineville; and Oneida Institute, Oneida.

Active in civic, church, and community affairs, Dr. McDonald is a past president of the Greater Little Rock Ministerial Association, the board of directors of the Economic Opportunity Agency of Pulaski County, and the Southern Baptist Press Association. He is a former member of the board of trustees of Southern Seminary.

He is currently a member of the Arkansas Advisory Committee of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights; a member of the executive board of the Christian Civic Foundation of Arkansas, Inc.; a member of the board of directors of the Associated Church Press, Chicago, Ill.; and editor of the weekly bulletin of the Rotary Club of Little Rock.

In 1958, Georgetown College conferred on Dr. McDonald the honorary doctor of letters degree. He has the distinguished alumnus award from Ouachita University and the

Former Arkansans named as new missionaries to Taiwan



Mr. and Mrs. Wolf

Rev. and Mrs. J. Michael Wolf, Ft. Worth, Tex., formerly of Westville, Okla., were among 18 new missionaries named Oct. 12 by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board in a service at Grace Church, Richmond, Va. He expects to do radio and television programming in Taiwan.

Wolf enrolled in Southwestern Seminary last spring to complete theological requirements for missionary service.

The people speak

On answered prayer

I have a suggestion which might create reader interest and help people. Why not have a column perhaps called, "My Answer to Prayer," in which some Christian would tell in twenty-five words or less, how God answered his prayer, or had given him a Bible verse which gave him the answer he was seeking? This would give Christians a chance to acknowledge through this letter their gratitude to the Lord and also would encourage other Christians to pray for solutions to their problems.

distinguished Baptist minister award from Southern Baptist College, Walnut Ridge.

Dr. McDonald is author and co-author of several books and writes a weekly column, "Week-Day Religion," for the *Daily Courier-Democrat*. He is "creator and sustainer" of Clabe Hankins, "an Arkansas backwoods philosopher" whose sayings have appeared in several different publications, including *People*, magazine, Nashville, Tenn.

Mrs. McDonald is the former Mary Elsie Price, of London. The McDonalds have two daughters, Mrs. Sam H. Jones Jr., Dothan, Ala., and Mrs. Jay W. Lucas, Little Rock, and three grandchildren.

Wolf graduated from John Brown University, Siloam Springs, where he received the bachelor of science degree in radio production, last spring. For two years he was pastor of First Church in nearby Westville, Okla.

A native of Tulsa, Okla., he has had broadcasting experience with radio stations in Berryville and Fayetteville, Ark., as well as at the university station in Siloam Springs. He was associate pastor of First Church, Warren, 1968-69.

For two years the Wolfs lived in Golden, Mo., where they taught school and he was part-time pastor of First Church. They call Golden home.

Mrs. Wolf is the former Patricia Pickle, Siloam Springs. She received the bachelor of science degree in radio speech from John Brown University and studied for a year at Baylor University, Waco, Tex. There she was graduate assistant in a radio course and managed Baylor's radio station.

Besides teaching in Golden, she taught school in Berryville and Warren, and in Westville, Okla.

Three children complete the Wolf family: James Michael Jr., 10, Christine Scott, 8, and John Clarence, nearly 2.

Someone said: "Christians pray as though they were trying to overcome God's reluctance rather than depend upon His Willingness to answer their prayer!"

I believe that helping Christians to depend upon the Lord for the solutions of their daily problems would also be of great help to overburdened pastors who are called upon to help their people with their personal problems.—Richard R. Nosek, 2322 So. Drake Ave., Chicago, Ill., 60623.

REPLY: An excellent idea! But let us set the limit at 50 words or less. We welcome such reports on answered prayer.—ELM

W. Darrell Edwards moves to Jonesboro

One of our fine Arkansas men has returned to the state in retirement and is available for supply or interim church work. I refer to W. Darrell Edwards, now residing at 1824 Greenwood Ct., Jonesboro, Ark. 72401.

Brother Edwards was pastor at a number of churches in the state, including Marked Tree and First Church, Batesville, and served on the Executive Board.—J. T. Eloff, Little Rock

Jenkins is moderator for centennial year

By Paul E. Wilhelm
Supt. of Missions

The 99th annual meeting of Clear Creek Association was held Oct. 12, with First Church, Mulberry. The doctrinal message was by Wendell Morse, host pastor and moderator.

Presiding during the morning and afternoon sessions was W. H. Jenkins, pastor of the Kibler Church, vice moderator.

The annual sermon was by Billy R. Usery, pastor of First Church, Clarksville.

Baptisms for the year totaled 437, an all-time high.

Concord Church, near Van Buren, will host the centennial meeting of the association next Oct. 9-10. "To God Be The Glory" has been adopted as centennial theme.

Concord Church, George W. Domerese, pastor, will also celebrate its centennial next fall.

W. H. Jenkins was elected moderator for the coming year and Roy Gean Law, pastor of First Church, Ozark, vice moderator. Re-elected treasurer was Mrs. Faber L. Tyler, Ozark. Paul E. Wilhelm, Ozark, was re-elected clerk.

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Dennis Mitchell, Van Buren, former member of Uniontown Church, accepted a call recently to become pastor of Rudy Church, northwest of Alma.

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Archie Wheeler, pastor of the Union Grove Church, west of Clarksville, since December 1968, has resigned to become pastor of Woodland Church, also Clarksville. During his time as pastor at Union Grove, there were 29 additions to the church, 14 by baptism. Repairs were made to the main buildings, and the church purchased and repaired a dormitory at Baptist Vista. Mr. Wheeler was formerly pastor at Woodland.

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First Church, Mulberry, ordained Carroll Polly and Arvel Satterfield as deacons, Oct. 3. David Marvin was clerk, Chester Francis presented the candidates, and Fred Moon led the singing. Questioning was led by James Simons, pastor of Shady Grove Church. The charge was given by Glen Jent, pastor of Webb City Church. Paul E. Wilhelm, missionary, preached the sermon. Roger Ghormley, associate pastor of Mulberry First, gave the benediction. Wendell Morse, pastor, served as moderator.

Woman's viewpoint Look, Dad, I'm driving!

By Iris O'Neal Bowen



Mrs. Bowen

About three years ago I learned how to drive. Until then I depended on family, kind friends and the bus company to get me places.

I had been brainwashed by two brothers into believing I would never learn. Each had given me one horror-soaked lesson.

With Walter, I ran into a ditch, and he announced then I would never learn.

Later, Bob made the effort, and that time I headed for a fence post. He repeated Walter's prophecy.

Husband also made several stabs at teaching me, but gave up when he started having high blood pressure.

Finally, some kind soul suggested driver education classes and I, trembling all the while, went down to the High School, laid down the \$25 fee and enrolled.

We were given a book to study. I was informed that when I learned to drive, I could go out without an adult driver in the car with me. I could hardly wait!

On our first lesson, we took turns getting in, fastening the seat belt, locking the door and turning on the key. Then we reversed the process.

The next lesson, we progressed to figure eights, driving in reverse, parallel parking and running stop signs. It was great fun.

When the family saw I was going to learn, after all, they started giving me lessons on the side. Son insisted the most important thing was to be relaxed. He demonstrated it by hanging one elbow out the window, sprawling in his seat and steering with his wrist drooped sleepily over the wheel.

Husband kept telling me, "Why, driving is nothing! The car will drive itself, if you just let it," and he would turn the wheel with his little finger. After several such examples, he asked, "Weren't you surprised when you found the car would drive itself, if you would just let it?"

"No," I yelled. "How could I be surprised, when that is all I have heard for the last six weeks?"

When I got my license, my husband was so proud of me he went around telling people, "All these years afraid of a car, and now she's driving everywhere!"

"I was not, either, afraid! I just finally found someone who thought enough of me to teach me to drive!" I would answer.

"It's not that," he argued. "I would have taught you, too, for \$25!"

Not As I Do

In a letter to *Volunteer*, the magazine of the Peace Corps, former volunteer Ella Doran recalls that when she was sent to Bolivia in 1964, she and other corpsmen were instructed to try to motivate and educate the Indians to do the following things:

1. To wear shoes or sandals so they wouldn't get worms.
2. To cut down on their chewing of cacao leaves because it dulled their initiative.
3. To be sanitary in order to eliminate disease.
4. To learn better nutrition.
5. To respect other people's property so that there would be no need for vicious dogs, adobe walls with broken glass encrusted on top, etc.

Three years after her Peace Corps service she became a resident director in a girl's dormitory at Kent State University and encountered educated students in a highly civilized country who do the following:

1. Go barefoot everywhere but to class.
2. Smoke pot.
3. Throw garbage out the windows.
4. Eat mostly hamburgers, pizzas and French fries.
5. Steal university property and from each other without any real personal need.—*Sun-Sentinel*, Ft. Lauderdale

Ouachita students named to 'Who's Who'

Twenty-five Ouachita University students have been named to the latest edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges."

Selected by the OBU senior class and the faculty and administration, the students were chosen for the listing on the basis of scholarship, participation and leadership in academic and extracurricular activities, citizenship, service to the university and future promise.

Those named are Carol Anthony, Hope; Rex E. Babcock, Chanute, Kan.; Deborah Bledsoe, Hope; Mimi Boyle, West Helena; Charles Carozza, Nashville; Tommy Chaffin, Dallas, Tex.; Anne Coppenger, Arkadelphia.

Also, Ray Estes, Arkadelphia; Timothy Gayle, Longview, Tex.; Patricia Greene, Malvern; Monte Hollowell, Helena; John Holston, Texarkana; Alana Ichter, Minden, La.

Paul Kaneshiro, Honolulu, Hawaii; Shirley Ann Lock, Arkadelphia; Roger Margason, Mountain Home; Roberta Miller, Mountain Home; Vanilla Nelson, Camden; Rebecca Russell, Warren.

Also, Linda Selph, Benton; Jerry Smith, Morrilton; Gabriel Srouji, Nazareth, Israel; Linda St. John, Batesville; Neal Sumerlin, Arkadelphia; and David E. Tate, Camden.

J. W. Whitley takes Hot Springs post



Mr. Whitley

J. W. Whitley has resigned the pastorate of Centennial Church, Pine Bluff, to accept the pastorate of Lakeside Church, Hot Springs.

During the nearly nine years Mr. Whitley has been with Centennial Church, there have been 718

additions, 301 by baptism. The budget has increased from \$20,000 to \$48,000. Mission giving through the Cooperative Program has increased from 8% of undesignated gifts to the church to 13½%. The associational mission gifts have increased from 1% of undesignated gifts to 3%. Total gifts to all mission causes have been \$44,338.

Mr. Whitley served as moderator of Harmony Association for 1970-71 and has been on the Executive Board of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention since 1969.

At state convention

Billy Graham associate, state president first of speakers



Dr. Bonham



Dr. Wilson

Tal Bonham, pastor of South Side Church, Pine Bluff, and president of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, and Grady Wilson, associate evangelist of Billy Graham, will be the featured speakers for the first session of the 118th annual session of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention. The meeting will be held in the Second Church, Little Rock, Tuesday night, November 16.

Dr. Bonham, who will open the session, is serving his second year as president of the convention. He is a native Oklahoman, a graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University and Southwestern Seminary. He has been pastor of South Side Church since 1964.

Dr. Wilson of Charlotte, N. C., who will bring the closing message of that

session, is a native of Charlotte, and a graduate of Wheaton College, Wheaton, Ill. He served as pastor of churches in South Carolina from 1943-1947, and since that time he has been associated with the Billy Graham evangelistic team. He has received honorary doctorates from Wayland College, Plainview, Tex., William Jewel College, Liberty, Mo.; and John Brown University, Siloam Springs.

The special music for this session, which begins at 6:45 p.m., will be provided by the Handbell Choir of Second Church, Little Rock, and the Music Men of Arkansas, which is a choir composed of the ministers of music of churches affiliated with the Arkansas Baptist State Convention.

Golden Gate Alumni schedule meeting

Raymond Palmer, minister of education at First Church, Russellville, and president of the Golden Gate Seminary Alumni Association for Arkansas, has announced that the Golden Gate Alumni group will be meeting on Nov. 17, in connection with the annual meeting of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention in Little Rock. The supper meeting is scheduled for 5 p.m. at the Golden Host Cafeteria, in Park Plaza.

Currently, there are 18 alumni of the Golden Gate Seminary located in Arkansas, Mr. Palmer reports. These and friends of the seminary are invited to attend.

Southern Seminary meet scheduled for Nov. 17

Arkansas alumni of Southern Seminary will meet here in conjunction with the Arkansas Baptist Convention in November.

The alumni luncheon is scheduled for Nov. 17 at 12:15 p.m. at Franke's on the Mall. Presiding will be James E. Hill Jr., Hot Springs, who is the current president of Southern Seminary alumni in Arkansas.

Forrest H. Heeren, Dean of the School of Church Music at the seminary, will be the featured speaker.

January Bible study countdown

By T. Miles Bennett

Professor of Old Testament, Southwestern Baptist Seminary

Plans for convention-wide Bible Study of the Book of Job for January '72 are in position on the launching pad. Are you ready for the liftoff, Bro. Pastor? Whatever your stage of burning (preparation), perhaps the following suggestions will help provide the thrust necessary for putting your plans in orbit.

Familiarize

1. Familiarize yourself with the literary types found in Job. The book is primarily poetry (3:1-42:6). Hebrew poetry possesses a unique characteristic—*parallelism*—by which is meant it rhymes (is parallel) in thought instead of sound. Basically, this means that two or more lines express the same thought in different words. This simple device for emphasis may prove repetitious to the point of boredom unless the reader is aware of its presence and purpose.

Also, familiarize yourself with the content of Job by several rapid readings of the biblical text itself, using various versions. (Most versions later than KJV render the poetical section as poetry).

Such a procedure will enable you to become more keenly aware of the poetic style characteristic of most of the book. At the same time, begin to probe for the possible purposes of the author for writing such a book.

In addition, at this stage of your preparation give consideration to the literary structure (outline) used by the author to present his inspired ideas. The Book of Job is uniquely structured—a tribute to the literary genius of its author.

Utilize

2. Utilize the literature on the Book of Job. Since works old and new on this

ancient classic are so numerous, there is a real danger that one's preparation may be too extensive, and final plans for presenting the book are never formulated. A thorough grasp of a more limited bibliography is definitely superior to a hazy understanding of an extensive one. If time permits, read widely. The greater the input the greater the output, other factors being equal.

The following selected bibliography should prove adequate.

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Journals: Two journals produced by Southern Baptists annually devote the entire fall issue to a treatment of the biblical book to be used in the forthcoming January Bible study. A veritable treasure house of information, instruction, and guidance is available in the publications.

One of these, *The Review and*

Expositor, is authored by the faculty (and guest writers) of Southern Baptist Seminary, 2825 Lexington Road, Louisville, Ky. 40206 (\$1.50 single issue). The other, *The Southwestern Journal of Theology*, is produced at Southwestern Seminary, Box 22038, Ft. Worth, Tex. 71622 (\$1.50 single issue).

Finalize

3. Finalize your plans for January Bible Study. First of all, make a decision relative to your method of approach with your people. What basic thrust will you emphasize—preaching or teaching? Many pastors effectively combine the two approaches. If you plan to invite someone outside your church to lead, what preliminary work should be done in order to prepare your people to receive maximum benefit from the study?

Again, you need to come to a final decision as to the author's major purpose in the Book of Job. At least, decide which of his several purposes you will magnify and make plans accordingly.

Lastly, finalize the structure (outline) you plan to use in presenting what you feel to be the major emphasis of the author of Job. This is especially necessary if you plan to teach the book.

In summary, familiarize yourself with the literary types and content of the Book of Job; utilize the literature on the book; and finalize your plans for presenting the book to your people. And do it all in the spirit of prayer and dependence on God.

Good luck! May your plans have a successful orbit and safe splashdown. Ten-nine-eight-seven-and counting.

Deaths

James Joseph Townsley, 59, North Little Rock, died Oct. 16. He was a carman for the Rock Island Railroad and a member of Pike Avenue Church.

Mrs. Lillie Simpson Jordan, 88, Stuttgart, died Oct. 14. She was a member of First Church.

Mrs. Nettie Van Pelt Blasingame, 83, Jacksonville, died Oct. 18. She was a member of Park Hill Church, North Little Rock.

John Edgar Clower, 23, Warren, was killed Oct. 14 while helping fight a forest fire. He was a member of First Church.

Mrs. Alice Harrington, 93, Ft. Smith, died Oct. 16. She was a member of First Church.

William C. Brock, 85, North Little Rock, died Oct. 19. He was a member of Immanuel Church.

Mrs. Emma Pruitt Morris, 89, Gurdon, died Oct. 19. She was a member of Beech Street Church.

Mrs. Stella Keys Minton, 77, Gurdon, died Oct. 21. She was a member of Beech Street Church.

Mrs. Ollie Cromer, 81, Pine Bluff, died Oct. 19. She was a member of First Church.

Mrs. Margaret Ethel Chambers Little, 79, Little Rock, died Oct. 21. She was a member of Calvary Church.

Evelyn Corbitt Leonard, 88, a native of Louisiana and retired foreign missionary, wife of Charles A. Leonard, died Oct. 8, in Naples, Fla.



Ouachita students do voter surveys

ARKADELPHIA—Three Ouachita University political science students are currently trying to shed light on some questions of voter attitudes and behavior, especially within the new 18-21-year-old voting group.

The students, who are each preparing separate survey-and-analysis projects, are Johnnie Ware, Arkadelphia; John Hodges, Green Forest; and Joe Edmonds, Mountain Home. They are developing their surveys in honors program and special studies projects under the supervision of James L. Ranchino, associate professor of political science.

Ware and Hodges will survey Ouachita students on voting behavior, while Edmonds will cover the Baxter County area in Northern Arkansas.

Ware is limiting his survey to black students at Ouachita, while Hodges' survey will be limited to white students. Edmonds, in the meantime, will be distributing his questionnaire throughout the various voter precincts of Baxter County, surveying young and old voters alike.

The questions will deal generally with such things as various political issues, the civil rights movement, particular politicians and their performances in office, party preferences and possible candidates for various offices. For the 18-21 year-olds, there are various questions concerning whether or not they have registered to vote, how they feel about being given this right and what effect they feel their vote will have in elections.

Southwestern Seminary alumni meet set



D. David Garland, professor of Old Testament at Southwestern Seminary, will speak at the annual meeting of the seminary's Arkansas alumni association Nov. 18.

The group will meet in the dining hall of Little Rock's Second Church at

noon. Cost of the luncheon is \$2.00. The meeting is being held during the Arkansas Baptist Convention.

O. Damon Shook, pastor of Hot Springs' Park Place Church, is president of the Arkansas alumni association and will preside at the meeting.

Baptist beliefs

The Gospel versus gain

By Herschel H. Hobbs

"Sirs, ye know that by this craft we have our wealth"—Acts 19:25

The "craft" was the making of miniature temples or shrines of Artemis (Diana). These were sold to her worshippers. They were made of silver or terra-cotta. Many of the latter have been found in the ruins of Ephesus. The former probably were melted for the silver.

Ephesus was the center of the worship of Artemis, the goddess of fertility. Her temple there was one of the seven wonders of the ancient world. In a museum there today may be seen a statue of this goddess. It is covered with what once were thought to be many breasts. Now they are recognized as eggs, symbols of fertility.

Paul had been preaching that pagan gods were not gods at all. So effective was the gospel that many were turning from Artemis. So that the sale of shrines was decreasing, not only in Ephesus but throughout the province of Asia. It probably was the time of the May festival to this goddess.

Demetrius, who was probably head of the silversmiths, aroused his fellow-artisans including those who made terra-cotta shrines to oppose Paul and his work. They caused a riotous situation. Failing to find Paul, they caught two of his aides and rushed into the theatre. This theatre, seating about 25,000, may be seen today.

Friends of Paul prevented him from rushing to their aid. It could have cost him his life. The town clerk, head of the assembly, finally quieted the mob, warning them that the assembly was illegal. So he dismissed it, lest the Roman authorities punish them. Shortly thereafter Paul left Ephesus for Macedonia.

The craftsmen were more concerned about falling sales than religion. Note the orders in verse 27. This was neither the first nor the last time that a lust for profits led men to oppose the gospel.

Charlotte Baptist pastor endorses liquor by drink

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (BP)—The pastor of Myers Park Baptist Church, Eugene Owens, told his congregation here that he intends to vote in favor of liquor by the drink in an upcoming referendum.

Owens read a statement to the congregation saying there was no "Christian position" on the consumption of alcohol and that many Christians have been dishonest about the matter.

The statement by the pastor of one of North Carolina's largest and wealthiest churches was in direct opposition to the stand taken by most other Baptist leaders in North Carolina. Two counties in the state, Mecklenburg and Moore Counties, face votes on the issue in November.

For the past two years, the editor of *Biblical Recorder*, J. Marse Grant, has been one of the state's most outspoken opponents of liquor by the drink. Grant said after Owens issued the statement he was "extremely disappointed" with the pastor.

Owens, in the statement, charged that "what was supposed to be a debate on the control of the sale of beverage alcohol has become a shouting contest on the evils of alcoholic consumption. Christian faith and the Christian Church have been abused and misused.

"There is much dishonesty in this

matter," Owens continued. "It is the dishonesty of a simplistic solution written in absolutist terms."

He said he believed that religious people have encouraged a shameful attitude toward drinking. "It must be done on the sly, the way small boys smoke in the bathroom or behind the barn. A feeling of guilt has developed which contributes actually to the problem of alcoholism rather than aids in its solution."

Owens said that prohibition is not the best way to treat "the disease of alcoholism." "Some reasonable method of control seems best to me, or even better, the development of dignity and personal discipline within a society where alcoholic beverages are readily available."

A reporter from the *Charlotte Observer*, in an interview with Owens, asked if he personally abstains from alcoholic beverages. Shaking his head, Owens replied: "If I want a beer, I have a beer. I don't feel the necessity to hide it. It's no big problem for me."

Owens has been pastor of Myers Park Church for the past three years. The church is dually-aligned with the Southern and American Baptist Conventions, but is not a member of the Mecklenburg Baptist Association of SBC churches in the area.

Brotherhood

Deadline approaches for RA supper

The final day is drawing nigh for making reservations for the Royal Ambassador Fellowship Supper. The deadline for reservations is Nov. 4.

The Fellowship Supper is scheduled for Monday evening, Nov. 8, at 6:15 p.m. The supper will be served at Life Line Church on Baseline Road in Little Rock.

The missionary speaker will be Blake Western from Japan. Mr. Western will thrill the hearts of all who hear him. In addition to his message on missions, he will present the life of Christ in music. He is an excellent musician. Boys enjoy Mr. Western as was evidenced by their reception of him during two weeks of Royal Ambassador camp.

There will be special music by a singing group. Special soloist will be Bobby Rolland from Wynne.

The food and fellowship will be excellent. Food will include chicken with all the trimmings. Fellowship will be the mingling of friends from across the state and making new friends.

Information regarding the Fellowship Supper and reservation forms have been mailed to all counselors and pastors.

Remember, reservations are to be made by Thursday, Nov. 4. Make yours now.—C. H. Seaton

Sunday School

Business, recreation Retreat features

A few relaxing hours . . .

Apples and roasted peanuts . . .

Warm bed and good meal . . .

Information, inspiration, and fellowship . . .

How does that sound for a weekend in December? This is exactly what is planned for the annual Sunday School General Officers Retreat at Camp Paron, Dec. 4-5.

The program is designed for pastors, other staff members, and general Sunday School officers. Outreach, training, and use of Achievement Guides will be major program areas. General outreach directors will want to attend for help in understanding their role as the outreach leader of the Sunday School.

There will be a special presentation of a new training program for training Sunday School leaders. A new booklet, *Ideas for Training Sunday School Leaders*, by William R. Cox, will be available. This presentation will provide some answers to this great area of need in our Sunday School program.

Cost in nominal—\$4.75 for three meals and a good bed, Friday night (supper) through noon Saturday. Bring linens and "goodies." Write us of your plans to attend.—Don Cooper, Sunday School Department.

Your state convention at work

Arkansas churches in ministry for students of Deaf School



Deaf students who attend Immanuel Church, Pine Bluff.

First Church, Little Rock, makes available a well-planned religious program for the students in the Arkansas School for the Deaf.

A bus is sent to the school to transport the students to the church. Five or six classes are provided with a good staff of teachers, and preaching services with a pastor for the deaf conducting the services. The order of service is comparable to a worship service for the hearing, with songs, scripture and a sermon geared to the deaf world and understanding.

Many will say, "This is wonderful." But a matter of great concern is: What is provided for these boys and girls when they go home for the summer?

Usually there are church services in a town near the young people's home. Our appeal is to the parents of these

young people to provide means for them to get to the places where services are provided.

The young people pictured above are students in the deaf school who live in Pine Bluff and attend the services that are held in Immanuel Church there.

There are about 20 students in the rehabilitation center at Hot Springs. With the placing of a chaplain there, plans are being made to provide church services. The deaf meet in Central Church, Hot Springs.

Bob Parrish, pastor to the deaf in Little Rock, also teaches a class in the sign language to prepare workers to take care of students that attend church services from the School for the Deaf.

A bus is also provided to transport the black students to a Negro church.—C. F. Landon

Names pulpit committee

Centennial Church, Pine Bluff, has named as a pulpit committee: John Moody, chairman, O. G. Monk, Mrs. Elgin Mullinax, Mrs. Arnold Harden, and David Wilderson.

The following have been designated a committee on interim and pulpit supply: R. R. Watson, chairman, H. B. Hall, Mrs. R. G. Melton, Mrs. O. W. Phillips, and Miss Linda Phillips.

OBU Professor to be listed

James C. Berryman, professor of religion and philosophy at Ouachita University, has been notified that his name will be included in the 1972 edition of "Personalities of the South."

A native of Russellville, Dr. Berryman graduated from Ouachita in 1957 with a

bachelor of arts degree in speech and drama. He holds a doctor of theology degree from Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth. Dr. Berryman joined the Ouachita faculty in 1964.

Revivals

Caledonia, El Dorado, Nov. 1-7; Harold Cook, Junction City, will be evangelist, Joe Williams, El Dorado, will be singer. Hugh Nelson is pastor.

Second Church, Arkadelphia, Sept. 22-Oct. 3; Jesse Reed, evangelist, Mark Short, song leader; 14 for baptism and 10 by letter. Carl Kluck is pastor.

Melbourne, First, Oct. 3-12; Clarence Shell, evangelist, Herbert "Red" Johnson, song leader; 19 professions of faith, 5 by letter, two by statement. Lon Brown is pastor.

Evangelism Workshop

Nov. 11-12

Camp Paron



Dr. Allen

R. Earl Allen, writer, lecturer, humorist, evangelist and pastor of Rosen Heights Church, Ft. Worth, Texas will be the main speaker. There are 4,000 members of his church.

Dr. Allen is the author of *Bible Paradoxes* publish-

ed by Fleming H. Revell in 1963; *Memorial Messages*, a volume of funeral sermons published by Broadman Press in 1964; *Trials, Tragedies, and Triumphs*, published by Revell in 1965; and *Christian Comfort*, a 1965 release of Broadman. A fifth book, *Strength from Shadows*, published in 1967. A Christmas book, *The Sign of the Star*, was released by Broadman Press in Oct. 1968. *Silent Saturday* was published by Baker Book House in Nov. 1968.

Dr. Allen is recognized as one of the

most creative preachers in our convention. He majors on evangelism. During the workshop he will speak on "The Schedule of a City Pastor," and will close the conference with a message of his own choosing.

This program is for the Superintendents of Missions, Chairmen of Evangelism, and Baptist Building Staff. Anyone else desiring to attend may do so by sending \$5 to this department. This will include one night, three meals, and 25¢ insurance. — Jesse S. Reed, Director of Evangelism.

Thursday evening, Nov. 11

- 6:00 Supper
- 7:00 Song and praise Ural Clayton
- 7:10 Introductions and purpose of meeting
- 7:15 "People-to-people" Lawson Hatfield
- 7:40 Sharing time Wayne Davis
- 7:50 "The schedule of a city pastor" Earl Allen
- 8:15 Break
- 8:30 "Revival preparation" Forest Bynum
- 8:50 Singing
- 8:55 Solo Ural Clayton
- 9:00 "I want it in the record" Leo Hughes
- 9:30 Prayer and Confession Period

Friday morning, Nov. 12

- 7:30 Breakfast
- 8:30 Song and prayer
- 8:40 Bible study Everett Sneed
- 9:05 Sharing time Kenneth Threet
- 9:20 Things in general
 1. Siloam Springs Lawson Hatfield
 2. Street preaching & tract ministry
 3. Lay evangelism schools Ralph Davis
- Bob Holley and Jesse Reed
- 4. Conferences Jesse Reed
- 10:15 Recess
- 10:45 Singing
- 10:50 "Evangelism and National Baptists" Robert Ferguson
- 11:15 Special music
- 11:20 Message Earl Allen

Lunch and pay expenses

Cost of ministries is very worthwhile

It requires \$2,087.68 every hour around the clock to maintain the missionary and educational programs of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention.

No, it doesn't require that much to operate the Baptist Building in Little Rock, or to pay the salaries of the convention employees. But it does require that much to maintain the many ministries that Arkansas Baptists consider important in their service for Christ.

Missions has always been paramount in Southern Baptist theology, and it is only natural that the state convention would be expected to provide leadership in a multitude of ministries. Special provision is made for work with the deaf; work with National Baptists; chaplaincy work in the military, institutions, and industry; and specialized needs such as resort missions, those in poverty, or the illiterate.

Evangelism is a New Testament imperative for New Testament churches. The state convention doesn't "do evangelism;" it helps pastors and laymen and churches fulfill their own God-given tasks.

Jesus magnified the teaching ministry, which is reflected in the educational programs of our churches. The state convention provides leadership to assist the churches through its departments of Sunday School, Church Training, and Church Music. Woman's Missionary Union and Brotherhood contribute leadership both in missionary education and mission action.

Paul sought to "build up the Churches" in stewardship and to challenge them to support the spread of the gospel in other places. That is the task assigned to the Stewardship-Cooperative Program Department, the newest of the state convention departments.

The *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine* receives some operating funds, although it is largely self-supporting through subscription receipts.

Funds are provided for Ouachita Baptist University and Southern Baptist College. Baptist Student Union work is supported, not only on the two Baptist campuses, but also at 19 other colleges and universities in the state.

The Arkansas Baptist Family and Child Care Services (formerly called the Baptist Home for Children) receives its share of Cooperative Program funds, and the Arkansas Baptist Foundation receives operating funds.

A generous portion of Cooperative Program funds is used to pay the state's portion of retirement dues for Southern

Higher premiums to be assessed for Annuity Board insurance

DALLAS—The Southern Baptist Annuity Board will continue to offer the Health Benefit Plan through Blue Cross-Blue Shield and improve certain benefits. However, as of Jan. 1, premiums must be increased and enrollment procedures of new members changed, board officials have announced.

According to Annuity Board officials, the decision to administer the Health Benefit Plan with Blue Cross and make specific changes is the result of a nine-month study initiated last April when premiums were increased because of a \$450,000 deficit experienced by the Plan.

Plan participants were told that the board was making a detailed study and submitting specifications to other insurance companies to determine if a satisfactory plan at lower costs could be developed.

Of the 20 insurance companies contacted, only three submitted bids. The others expressed no interest in underwriting health insurance. Neither of the three who submitted bids could improve on either benefits or costs which Blue Cross provides. Other ideas were considered such as state by state and regional coverage but none could be worked out satisfactorily.

Under the revamped Health Benefit Plan, participants will continue to have all benefits currently provided plus improvements in certain categories. Benefits improved or added include: the elimination of the \$25 deductible for each hospital admission; increasing the maximum surgical benefits from \$300 to \$450; scheduled diagnostic X-Ray laboratory expenses in the doctor's office; in hospital medical coverage (doctor's visits); restoration of used major medical benefits up to \$10,000; and improved claims and service procedures.

Also eliminated is the separate premium for sponsored dependents—children, unmarried and attending school between 19 and 25 years of age.

The new rate structure calls for increases in monthly premiums on January 1, 1972 as follows: single

Baptist pastors, and a small amount helps provide annuity services and counsel.

Additional funds are used for administrative purposes, convention expenses, ministerial education, and the operation of Camp Paron and Siloam Springs Assembly. Some funds are wisely held in reserve for unforeseen needs or emergencies.

If sufficient funds are received to meet the budgeted needs of the programs

persons, \$18.80, up from the former \$14.00; member and one dependent, \$46.50, up from \$33.50; and member with two or more dependents—including the former sponsored dependents, \$54.80, up from \$37.00 a month.

The new schedule also calls for more stringent cost controls in an effort to stabilize the over-all costs of the Plan. One provision eliminates open enrollment of new members after Jan. 31, 1972. Any new member who joins prior to January 31, 1972, will be eligible for coverage one month later. After the closing date, all prospective new members must provide evidence of good health with a waiting period of one year for pre-existing health conditions.

Enrollment limitations do not affect current participants.

Board officials have been deeply concerned about rising costs of medical care because they knew that Health Benefit Plan premiums had to be increased. Higher premiums will definitely create hardships on family budgets. The board expressed hope that churches will provide payments for the premiums or at least share part of the costs with their employes.

Blue Cross had to increase premiums 36 percent last April. Even with the increase, the current plan is expected to show a deficit of almost \$1,000,000 by Dec. 31.

Congress, too, is well aware of the high costs of medical care. A National Health Program looms as a real possibility, with approval perhaps as early as 1972. The board feels very strongly that churches providing the Health Benefit Plan now will be much better prepared to cope with the full cost of mandatory National Health Program once it becomes law.

Statistics reveal that the extra expenses incurred by churches during times of illness of ministers or employes are greatly reduced through the Health Benefit Plan. Since the plan began in September, 1965, more than \$22,250,000 has been paid in hospital and major medical benefits.

and ministries and services mentioned above; then additional funds are set aside in a special capital needs budget for capital needs of several of the institutions and ministries already enumerated.

Yes, the hourly rate for all of this may seem high, but every penny is spent for the ultimate purpose of bringing men to Christ. And that makes it all worthwhile.—Roy F. Lewis, Secretary of Stewardship-Cooperative Program.

Pioneer missions volunteers report on work in Utah

Two Gravel Ridge Church young women who volunteered recently for a year of missions work in Blanding, Ut., have given their first report to the *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine*.

In a letter to Editor Erwin L. McDonald, Sharon Phillips, who with Diana Rhodes, is working in Blanding, reported that the Baptist church there had resumed operation recently. The church now having an average of 22 in Sunday School, with Sunday morning preaching service attendance ranging from 20 to 25.

This is quite an achievement, the young ladies feel, when it is taken into account that 97 percent of the people in the community are of the Mormon faith.

Writes Miss Phillips: "Diana leads the singing and I play the piano. In Sunday School she teaches grades 1-3 and I teach grades 4-6. No adults have come to Sunday School yet."

The weekly schedule of activities includes Sunday School and preaching service each Sunday morning, special Bible classes for children from grade one through six, each Tuesday afternoon; preaching and prayer meeting on Wednesday night; sewing classes for ladies and classes for pre-school children, Thursday afternoon at 2 p.m.; and teen-age recreation on Thursday nights at 7 p.m.

Friends wishing to write to the young ladies may address them at Post Office Box 629, Blanding, Utah 84511

Daniel Threet called to Booneville church

Glendale Church, Booneville, has called Daniel Threet, Harrison, as pastor.

Mr. Threet is a graduate of Arkansas State University and of Golden Gate Seminary, Mill Valley, Calif. He has served as an army chaplain and has held pastorates in Tieton, Wash., and Batavia, Ark.

Mrs. Threet, the former Joan Garey, is a native of West Memphis. She is a graduate of Union University, Jackson, Tenn., and has a M.R.E. degree from Golden Gate Seminary.

The Threets have two children, Stephen, 9, and Phillip, 7.



Mr. Threet

Ouachita student called by Hampton

First Church, Hampton, has called Larry Grayson to serve as youth and music director. He is with the church each weekend.

Mr. Grayson graduated from Camden High School, where he served as student council president.

He is now a music major at Ouachita University, where he is president of the freshman class.

John C. Robbins is pastor of the church.



Mr. Grayson

Mrs. Bowen wins top poetry award

Mrs. Iris O'Neal Bowen won the top award in the annual contest of the Poet's Roundtable of Arkansas here, Oct. 16, at the Albert Pike Hotel.

Mrs. Bowen, writer of the "Woman's viewpoint" feature for the *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine* each week, won the annual Sybil Nash Abrams Award for unrhymed, blank verse on famous lovers in history. Her poem, "Idylls of a Perfect Love," was about Mr. and Mrs. Robert Browning.

The prize, from a trust fund, totaled \$243.

This award was established in 1968 and the two previous winners were Ercil Brown, North Little Rock, and Edith Schay, Little Rock.

Mrs. Bowen also won first places in two other categories, in illustrated poems: "On a Winter Night," and "Small Kingdom."



CENTURYMEN VISIT—W. Truett Myers, Radio and Television Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention; Jim Raymick, minister of music, Park Hill Church, North Little Rock; William J. Reynolds, secretary, Church Music department, Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, and James L. Sullivan, executive secretary-treasurer, Sunday School Board (left to right) discuss 12 recordings produced in Nashville by "The Centurymen," a men's choir composed of ministers of music in Southern Baptist churches. The choir had 77 of their 100 members present in Nashville, where they prepared for participation in an hour-long NBC special to be shown from Israel. The gospel-oriented music had as its theme the life and ministry of Christ. Parts of the music will be performed at the 1972 Southern Baptist Convention in Philadelphia.—Photo by Robert Jackson



Photo by Hans Geiger. Photos

Kenneth N. Taylor presents autographed copies of his book, *The Living Bible*, to members of the cast and crew of "Godspell," the smash off-Broadway musical based on the Gospel of Matthew. He is pictured here with John-Michael Tebelak, who first conceived the idea for "Godspell" and directed the New York Production. Also pictured are Michael Forella (center) who plays John/Judas in the New York cast; and Jeanne Lange, who is a member of the Los Angeles cast.

SBC board sends \$10,000 for Pakistan cholera relief

RICHMOND (BP)—On recommendation of Southern Baptist missionaries in Pakistan, the Foreign Mission Board has sent \$10,000 to the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) office in New York to purchase medical supplies in the cholera relief project in Pakistan.

UNICEF officials in Dacca, after conferring with SBC missionary James F. McKinley, had suggested that the board underwrite the entire cholera project, at a cost of \$53,000. However, administrative officers at the board took the position that a smaller participation in this particular project was advisable, said John D. Hughey, secretary for Europe and the Middle East for the board.

"The situation in Pakistan and among the Pakistan refugees in India is growing more tragic daily," Hughey said. "The Foreign Mission Board and missionaries

in East Pakistan are eagerly watching for new opportunities to help. Personal participation of outsiders is so far held to a minimum by the governments of Pakistan and India."

UNICEF special advisor to the executive director, V. A. M. Beermann, said that under normal circumstances about 1,000,000 cholera cases can be expected in any one year in East Pakistan. In view of the conditions which currently prevail, however, major cholera problems are expected this year.

The project to which the Foreign Mission Board is contributing is aimed at direct treatment of children and mothers during this crisis. Specifically, the board allocation will be used for disposable needles, syringes and infusion sets. These materials have already arrived in Dacca, board officials said.

Bible nuggets for a daily walk

Walk

By T. B. Maston.

"Therefore thou shalt keep the commandments of the Lord thy God, to walk in his ways, and to fear him (Deut. 8:6, KJV).

It would be a very rewarding experience to study the use of the word "walk" in the Scriptures. It is used frequently in both Testaments. It is a figurative expression which is sometimes translated "live."

In the Old Testament there is a frequent admonition for the children of Israel to walk in the way of the Lord (cf. Deut. 10:12; 28:9; 2 Kings 21:22). To walk in the way of the Lord was to walk in obedience to his commandments. The Revised Standard Version translates Deuteronomy 8:6 as follows: "So you shall keep the commandments of the Lord your God, by walking in his ways."

A word in the New Testament translated "walk" or "live" is *peripateo* which literally means "walk around" or walk about." It is found throughout the New Testament but particularly in the Pauline epistles and to a lesser degree in the Johannine writings. For example, Paul says that "we walk by faith, not by sight" (2 Cor. 5:7). To the Romans he said, "We . . . should walk in newness of life" (Rom. 6:4). He suggested that the Galatians should "walk in ('by,' RSV) the Spirit" (Gal. 5:16, 25; cf. Rom. 8:4) and that the Thessalonians "walk worthy of God" (1 Thess. 2:12) and walk or live so as to please God (1 Thess. 4:1). Do we so walk?

Here is enough to challenge us not only for today but for many a day.

Tragedy compounded for Pakistanians

Monsoon rains and floods have imposed an additional burden on the 8,500,000 East Pakistan refugees in India. Rising waters and roads turned to quagmires have slowed down and in some places stopped food and medical supplies from reaching the refugee camps. (EBPS)

Baptist Men to meet

YAZOO CITY, Miss. (BP)—Nearly a dozen speakers are slated to address the Pan American Union of Baptist Men when the hemisphere-wide laymen's group convenes for its second meeting, scheduled July 17-27, in Cali, Colombia.

Pan American Union President Owen Cooper, who heads the Mississippi and Coastal Chemical Corp. here, said he expects about 750 Baptist laymen from 25 countries in North, Central and South America to attend the meeting.

North Carolina Convention warned about watchdog role

ASHEBORO, N.C. (BP)—The general secretary of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, in a speech before the convention's general board here, warned against the convention's "serving as a watchdog for orthodoxy in the churches."

W. Perry Crouch was referring to an amendment which will be introduced at the state convention Nov. 22-24 in Charlotte that would limit admission of convention messengers to those representing churches that have a strict policy on baptism by immersion.

M. O. Owens Jr., pastor of Parkwood Church, Gastonia, N.C., has served notice that he will introduce a constitutional amendment at the convention limiting convention messengers to those from churches "practicing baptism by immersion only, thus consisting of immersed, professed believers in Jesus Christ."

In fulfillment of constitutional requirements, Owens' proposed amendment was published in the *Biblical Recorder*, the convention's official weekly newspaper, on the week of the general board meeting. It must also be published once more, be read twice at the convention, and receive a two-thirds majority to pass.

In his address to the general board, Crouch warned that "the mode of baptism is not the subject in question (since) 99.99 percent of our Baptist people agree on that subject. The real question is," Crouch continued, "shall we establish a required creed for our convention? 'Baptists have never been a creedal people,' he declared. 'I am confident they will not transform our democratic convention into an authoritative, ecclesiastical organization.'"

Student representation proposed for South Carolina general board

COLUMBIA, S.C. (BP)—The General Board of the South Carolina Baptist Convention has approved a plan for a student to become a voting member of the convention's 66-member policy-making board, has voted to recommend a record budget, and elected two new staff members.

If the plan for youth representatives is approved by the full convention in November, South Carolina will become the second Baptist state convention to provide for a student representative on the board as a voting member.

According to a survey conducted by the state Baptist Student Union, only Georgia Baptists, have student representation with voting rights on the state Baptist board. Three other conventions, North Carolina, Virginia, and Oregon-Washington, have non-voting, ex-officio student participation.

The South Carolina board will ask the state convention to change its constitution to include the president of the state Baptist Student Union as a voting member of the board. The amendment stipulates that the BSU president must be a member of a South Carolina Baptist church.

Bill Bellinger, president of the state Baptist Student Union and a student at Furman University, Greenville, S. C., praised the action, saying it would "greatly increase communication between students and the structure"

and could be "a turning point in youth attitudes toward the state convention and the total work of our churches."

"At a time when the institutional church and its organized structure is being attacked from all sides of society, and especially from every area of the campus, this is a positive step toward involving students significantly in the convention's work," Bellinger said.

The board voted to recommend adoption of a \$5.75 million budget for 1972, an increase of \$250,000 over the 1971 budget. The budget would allocate \$3.8 million for state Baptist causes and \$1.9 million for Southern Baptist Convention causes.

Elected to a newly-created position as the convention's first full-time consultant on church-minister-denomination relationships was Charles Henry Rabon, pastor of Boiling Springs Church, Spartanburg.

The board also named Benjamin Franklin Hawkins, superintendent of the Greenville Baptist Association, as the convention's first full-time director of stewardship development.

The board also voted to pass on to the state convention in Columbia on Nov. 16-18 a request from North Greenville Junior College to change its name to North Greenville College, and a request from the convention's Baptist Student Union department to change its name to Baptist Campus Ministry department.

He added that for 141 years the convention has operated under the purpose outlined in the constitution: "The object of this convention shall be to promote missions, evangelism, education, social services, distribution of the Bible and sound religious literature, and to cooperate with the work of the Baptist State Convention."

Crouch pointed out that the constitution says that "churches are not voted into our convention, but qualified to send messengers when 'they work in friendly cooperation with this convention and are sympathetic with its purpose and work.'"

The convention's chief executive officer urged the Baptists of the state to "keep it (the convention) a great, cooperative convention."

In major actions, the general board recommended adoption of a record budget, approved loan requests from four Baptist institutions in the state, and agreed to a request of Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem, N.C., to phase out its nursing and paramedical schools.

Loans totalling \$16.5 million were approved including a \$14 million loan to the hospital in Winston-Salem. Other loans approved included \$2 million to Gardner-Webb College, Boiling Springs, N.C., for construction of a library and other buildings; \$250,000 to Campbell College in Buie's Creek, N.C., for construction of a swimming pool and field house; and \$275,000 to Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute, Hendersonville, to fund the reconstruction of a classroom building which was recently destroyed by fire.

Major interest during the board meeting, however, centered around Crouch's address, and speculation of a major controversy brewing at the state convention over the issue of baptism.

Owens, who plans to introduce the constitutional amendment, is head of a group called "Baptists United for Spiritual Renewal." The group met in Charlotte in September during a Bible prophecy conference at Derita Church and decided to ask Owens to introduce the amendment at the convention. About 50 persons attended the Charlotte meeting.

'Peanuts' Schulz speaks

MILL VALLEY, Calif. (BP)—The creator of the famed "Peanuts" cartoon series, Charles M. Schulz, will be among the special lecturers at Golden Gate Seminary here during the 1971-72 lecture-dialogue series. Schulz will speak Nov. 10.

Guest lecturers at the seminary include three Southern Baptist Convention agency heads, a Sacramento psychiatrist, four seminary professors, two California pastors, an Episcopal bishop, and a foreign missions leader.

'Missions Hot Line' has instant information

The latest news and prayer information about Southern Baptists' foreign mission ministries will be as close as the nearest telephone, when a "Missions Hot Line" is in service from Nov. 1 to Dec. 31.

"Missions Hot Line" is a 24-hour information service reached by direct dialing (Area Code 703) 358-7975. The cost of the service is the regular station-to-station rate from any locality to Richmond, Va.

The hot line's three minute message will be updated twice weekly, Tuesday and Friday afternoons.

"Instant, accurate and current information excites Southern Baptists to personal involvement in mission support," said Samuel A. DeBord, director of promotion for the Foreign Mission Board, Richmond. "It is hoped that use of instant communications will contribute to knowledge and awareness of continuing foreign missions programs around the world."

Uses of "Missions Hot Line" can be varied: A Sunday or Wednesday night congregation could hear the telephone message through a "live" hookup with the public address system. A recording could be made from the call and played back later for a church service or group meeting.

The telephone hot line might be used to emphasize the 1971 Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions, Nov. 28-Dec. 5, and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

Also, the hot line can relate many Southern Baptist churches to Foreign Missions Day in Sunday Schools on Dec. 5, with the telephone recording as a special feature for a whole Sunday School, department, or class.

The hot line may also be used for personal devotions for family prayer times.

Messages will include prayer requests, personnel needs, reports of the Lottie Moon offering, film and literature availability, and current overseas news and features.

"News of critical needs and unusual opportunities for Christian witness around the world are as near as a telephone," DeBord said.

The cover



Robert T. Baggott Jr., pastor of First Baptist Church, Newnan, Ga., takes notes while listening to a "Missions Hot Line" telephone message during a test run of the equipment. "Missions Hot Line" is a 24-hour information service originating from the Foreign Mission Board from Nov. 1 to Dec. 31. The Code-a-phone unit (clockwise from left) sends the latest news and prayer information about Southern Baptist foreign missionary ministries, and messages will be updated twice weekly on Tuesday and Friday afternoons. The caller can record messages from the phone directly into a tape recorder by using a telephone pickup coil or holding the recorder's microphone near the telephone receiver. "Missions Hot Line" news can be shared with larger groups through telephone company hookup with a public address system. (Photo by W. Robert Hart)

Board adopts budget, names new missionaries

RICHMOND (BP)—The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, in annual meeting here, adopted a record budget of \$35 million, appointed 18 new missionaries and heard reports from its administrative staff members.

The board also re-elected four of its five officers, heard presentations of several new promotional projects, and honored 11 emeritus missionaries.

Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary of the board, gave members an overview of the proposed 1972 budget. The total budget is \$35,297,808, largest in the board's history, \$970,899 more than the 1971 budget.

Most of the increase applies to the missionary section of the budget, which provides for the appointment and supply of the missionary force. The capital, field work and home office sections of the 1972 budget are less than in 1971.

Early in the year it was anticipated that the amount of money the board was to receive from the SBC Cooperative Program for 1972 would be the same as in 1971, Cauthen said, and word was sent to the mission fields that all budgetary projections for 1972 should be on the same level as 1971.

Approximately 91 percent of the proposed budget is for overseas work, with more than 50 percent of that in the missionary section and about 33 percent in the field work and foreign fields-general sections. The \$4 million capital section accounts for the balance of the overseas portion of the budget.

Funds for the budget come primarily from two sources, the Cooperative Program and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, Cauthen pointed out. "The Lottie Moon offering enables us to go twice as far as we could go without it," he said.

The board anticipates that 44 percent of its 1972 income will come from the 1971 Lottie Moon Offering and 42 percent from its Cooperative Program allotment. The remainder will come from designated gifts, temporary investments, and advance funds from the 1970 Lottie Moon Offering.

About \$960,000 of the 1972 budget is designated for missionary additions.

Missionaries listed

The new missionaries are: Mr. and Mrs. John H. Dillman of Mill Valley, Calif., appointed to East Africa; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas T. Jackson of Ft. Worth, appointed to Korea; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond D. Joye of Wake Forest, N.C., Nigeria; Mr. and Mrs. James E. McAtee, Hayward, Calif., Indonesia; Dr. and Mrs. Jon D. Tillinghast, Oklahoma City, appointed to Yemen; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel T. Upton, Ft. Worth, Malawi; Mr. and Mrs. Joe H. Williams, Louisville,

Jordan; and Mr. and Mrs. J. Michael Wolf, Ft. Worth, Taiwan.

Employed for a four-year term as missionary associates were Mr. and Mrs. James E. Corbin, Denton, Tex., assigned to Uganda.

The board's total missionary force now stands at 2,532.

'Spiritual awareness'

The board's secretary for Southeast Asia, R. Keith Parks, reported that missionaries in his area are experiencing "a deepening spiritual awareness and renewal of commitment to a 'servant ministry' and witnessing that has come at God's initiative."

Parks, currently making his home in Singapore for a year, was in Richmond to attend the board meeting.

The "spiritual revivification" is being experienced by missionaries and nationals in every Southeast Asian country, Parks said. "I am convinced that the Lord has chosen to move in a decisive way in Southeast Asia at this time. I believe we are on the verge of real renewal."

Parks also interpreted for the board members certain actions of the Indonesian Baptist Mission (organization of missionaries) taken during its annual meeting. In particular, the mission is recommending "the extension and revision of the seminary in Semarang, including the adding of several branches of multilevel theological education," he said.

Joseph B. Underwood, recently named to head the Baptist World Alliance (BWA) World Mission of Reconciliation through Jesus Christ, called for additional ministries of reconciliation "in an effort to demolish racial, tribal, national, class and religious prejudices, fears and suspicions."

In carrying out the projected five-year world mission of reconciliation, the 87 Baptist conventions and unions affiliated with the BWA will set up their own committees and plan their own participation and emphases, Underwood said.

1971 is 'record year'

Underwood also told the board that 1971 is expected to be a record year for the number of baptisms by Baptists around the world, and reports on stewardship in several countries "are tremendously encouraging and challenging." Whereas membership has grown 3½ times in the past 20 years, contributions by Baptists on the mission fields have multiplied 10¼ times, Underwood said.

The percentage of self-supporting churches has increased from 53 percent in 1950 to 75 percent in 1970, he added.

The board re-elected Drew J.

Gunnells Jr., Montgomery, Ala., as president; Joseph B. Flowers, Hampton, Va., first vice president; Mrs. John I. Alford, Atlanta, recording secretary; and Miss Elizabeth Minshew of the board's home office staff, assistant recording secretary.

Austin W. Farley, Richmond, was elected second vice president, succeeding Mrs. Clyde V. Hickerson Richmond.

Jesse C. Fletcher, director of the Mission Support division, introduced several new promotional projects being initiated by the board among Southern Baptists. One is a telephone information service called "Missions Hot Line," which will be operational during November and December.

Fletcher also announced that a foreign missions musical has been written. "Few forms of communication have more potential for reaching young people than this," he said.

Another innovation is a briefing service for Southern Baptist groups who will be traveling overseas. Samuel A. Debord, director of promotion for the board, is in charge of travelers' briefings.

Eleven emeritus missionaries were honored by the board during a luncheon. Each was presented a scroll and service pin by Winston Crawley, director of the Overseas Division. The missionaries represent a total of 378 years of missionary service: Miss Ruth Ford, Memphis, Tenn.; Mrs. and Mrs. R. Elton Johnson, Jefferson City, Tenn.; Miss Harriett King, Friendswood, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Lingerfelt, Seymour, Tenn.; Dr. and Mrs. Howard D. McCamey, Dallas; Dr. and Mrs. Buford L. Nichols, Mill Valley, Calif.; and Miss Letha M. Saunders, Eunice, N.M.

Dependence

Every living thing on earth
From a first breath at time of birth
Is dependent in every way
Throughout its short or lengthy day.

Even the oak tree, strong and great,
For rain and sunshine must await.
The wily fox must find a den
And straw be found to rest a wren.

My life on many things depends
And I thank God for what he sends —
Air and water, grain and meat
And other blessings full replete.

If I should die, it all depends
On kith and kin and also friends
As to where my bones shall lie
And whether there's a sad goodbye.

—W. B. O'Neal

The truffle hounds

By Enola Chamberlin

Everyone in Jimmy's class was supposed to write an article on dogs. Jimmy knew quite a bit about dogs. He had one all his life, and he had read many articles about them.

"I don't want my article to be like all the others," he said to his sister Irma, who was a grade ahead of him in school. "I want it to be different."

"Why don't you write about truffle hounds?" asked Irma.

"What's a truffle hound? I've never heard of one."

"Probably no one in your class has either."

"That's for me then," said Jimmy. "Where am I going to find out about these truffle hounds?"

"I know a little," Irma told him, "and I know where we can find all the information you are likely to need."

"What are we waiting for?"

On their way to the library, Irma told Jimmy about these unusual dogs.

"About the only place I know that the people have truffle hounds is Italy. They aren't any special breed of dogs, just any dog that can be taught to hunt truffles."

"The mystery deepens," said Jimmy. "What's a truffle? Are they wild beasts I've never heard of?"

Irma laughed. "Nothing so exciting. They are a sort of mushroom. They are round and covered all over in the way a mushroom is covered just on top. They grow underground around the roots of trees. You might have to shovel up a half acre to find even one. That's where the truffle hounds come in."

Jimmy cut in on her. "I know. The truffle hound smells the truffle. Then he digs it up."

"That's right."

At the library the two found information on truffles and truffle hounds in some books on Italy.

"Listen," said Jimmy. "It says here that a good truffle hound is worth one hundred and fifty dollars."

"Yes, he must be well trained and training takes time. A truffle hound trainer ties up a bit of truffle in a piece of cloth. He throws it for the dog to bring back to him. When the dog does, the trainer buries the truffle and sends the dog to find it."

"The dog can find it because the truffle has a very peculiar smell, a smell all its own," read Jimmy.

"Although truffles are similar to mushrooms," said Irma, "they are different. A mushroom is a plant by itself. A truffle is a parasite. It lives off other living vegetable matter. That is

why they are mainly found around the roots of such trees as oaks, elms, hazelnuts, and poplars."

"Truffle-hunting men try to keep their best truffle ground a secret from their neighbors," said Jimmy. "Therefore, they hunt truffles at night with a dim lantern. Dogs that don't bark easily are the most prized, but why are truffles so valuable?"

"Because people like to eat them," said Irma. "It says here they are worth a

dollar and a quarter an ounce. After a wet summer they may grow as big as soccer balls. Harvest time is from late September to January."

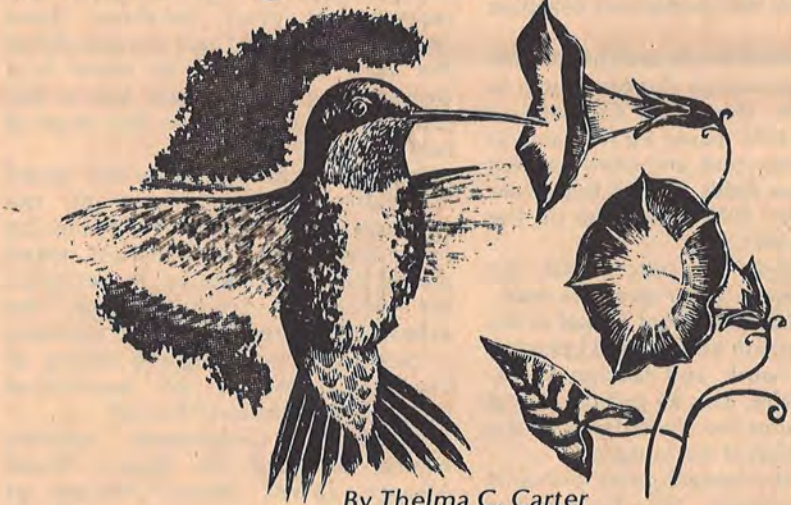
"Since people must feed their truffle hounds all year just for four months of work, owners must like little dogs best."

"I would suppose so, but perhaps a good truffle hound earns his keep no matter how big he is."

Jimmy closed his book. "I think I have all the information I need," he said. "I surely do thank you, Sis. If I have the best dog article, you will deserve the credit."

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Hummingbirds in the desert



By Thelma C. Carter

Why do tiny hummingbirds live in the desert? This is a big puzzle. Why would they choose to live where it is hot and dry? Where there are hundreds of rattlesnakes, deadly coral snakes, ground squirrels, vultures, and other enemies of birds there would seem to be nothing but trouble and sorrow for such small birds.

Hummingbirds are the smallest birds we have. Some are about the size of a big bumblebee. Most desert hummingbirds are about three and a half inches long. A robin, by comparison, is about ten inches in length.

Hummingbird nests are usually the size of half an eggshell. Some are smaller. In early spring thousands of tiny, black-chinned hummingbirds and other kinds of hummingbirds build their small, neat homes in crotches of desert plants, such as twisted evergreens and Joshua trees.

Hummingbirds are beautiful, jewel-like birds. They have bronze-green coats

with violet spots, white marks, and sparkling red vests.

Naturalists tell us that these lovely birds prefer desert areas. They like the sweet nectar of desert flowers, such as wild desert lilies, prickly pear, desert poppies, yucca, and saguaro. This nectar is so attractive to them that they fly over land and sea from their native hot, equatorial home in South America to our own United States deserts.

God always provides for His creatures. He has given special gifts to hummingbirds. Their speed and endurance are unequaled by any other birds. For protection and food-gathering, their bills are needlelike, sharp, and deadly. Their tongues are twice the length of their bills, making it possible for them to drink from deep-hearted and trumpet-shaped flowers.

The courage of these birds is amazing. Hummingbirds will attack birds twice their size, as well as animals and snakes which threaten their baby birds.

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Maryland streamlines committee structure

LUTHERVILLE, Md. (BP)—The Baptist Convention of Maryland will be called on to approve a recommendation of its board that only 29 of its 95 members serve on standing committees.

In a long session here, the board adopted bylaw changes which restrict standing committees to three; a committee on *The Maryland Baptist*, official journal for the convention; a financial appropriations committee; and a committee to deal with a camp and retreat center under consideration.

In other actions, the board approved a proposed 1972 budget of \$1,130,000, a seven percent increase over expected receipts in 1971.

Anticipated receipts from the Cooperative Program for the coming year are \$867,000.

Sixty percent of all Cooperative Program funds received will be used in Maryland, and 40 percent will be sent on to Southern Baptist Convention causes, the same distribution pattern followed in 1971.

The proposed retreat center for the state convention will receive 60 percent of any Cooperative Program (undersigned) funds received above the goal for 1972. The remaining 40 percent of the surplus would go, as a matter of convention policy, to Southern Baptist Convention causes, a board spokesman said.

The state convention will act on these matters when it meets in annual session Nov. 15-17 at Cumberland, Md.

Southern Seminary to give scholarships

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—Competition has officially opened for the 10th annual Luther Rice and Adoniram Judson Scholarship Awards. Applications are now being taken by O. Norman Shands, co-ordinator of development services at the seminary.

The awards, which are named for the early Baptist missions and education leaders, are for students who will be entering the seminary in the fall of 1972.

Designed to give recognition to the most gifted and best motivated young men and women who intend to enter Southern, the scholarships provide \$1,000 to each winner for his first year at the seminary. A maximum of five Rice and five Judson awards are given annually.

Identical in both amount and criteria by which applicants are selected, the scholarships differ only in the geographical areas where the students plan to serve after finishing their formal education. The Luther Rice awards are

Louisiana board recommends budget, opposes prayer change

PINEVILLE, La. (BP)—The Executive Board of the Louisiana Baptist Convention voted here to recommend a record \$4.2 million budget for 1972 and adopted a Southern Baptist Convention-approved resolution cautioning Congress against adopting a so-called "prayer amendment" to the U.S. Constitution.

Board members unanimously adopted the resolution which was approved both in 1964 and 1971 by the Southern Baptist Convention, which states: "We appeal to the Congress . . . to allow the First Amendment of the Constitution . . . to stand as our guarantee of religious liberty, and we oppose the adoption of any further amendment to that Constitution respecting establishment of religion or free exercise thereof."

In miscellaneous business, the board discussed the possibility of adopting a resolution approved earlier this year by

the New Orleans Baptist Association asking for a public apology from Mid-City Baptist Church in New Orleans for alleged fraudulent bond sales.

The board requested the resolutions committee of the convention to investigate the advisability of a similar resolution to that of the New Orleans Baptist Association in order to give strength to the association's request for an apology from the church.

The proposed budget, which must be approved by the Louisiana Baptist Convention when it meets in Pineville, La., Nov. 15-17, would provide \$1.2 million for Southern Baptist Convention causes, and \$2.7 million for state Baptist programs.

The board also agreed to take the lead in efforts to raise an additional \$336,000 for Louisiana College, a Baptist school in Pineville, La., in a special fund campaign.

Foreign Mission representatives confer with presidential assistant

WASHINGTON (BP)—Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, and five of his associates conferred Oct. 7 in Washington, D. C., with a White House staff member regarding President Nixon's upcoming trip to China.

Cauthen expressed the conviction that among Chinese people as a whole there remains a "large reservoir of goodwill." He urged that the President be conveyed his hope that negotiations would allow time for true Chinese goals to emerge.

Friends of the Foreign Mission Board had requested a conference with the President in order that Cauthen might express his views regarding the implications of Nixon's reapproachment with the People's Republic of China. The White House responded, inviting Cauthen to come to the Executive Office Building adjacent to the White House to discuss his views.

"China has a history of sudden and dramatic change," Dr. Cauthen said,

suggesting that such a change could alter China's situation after current leadership passes off the scene.

Dr. Cauthen said that much of the Chinese revolution has cut across traditional Chinese values, and it is possible that a new turn in Chinese direction could come within a few years. "It is my hope that we will not do anything to strengthen the position of those who would hinder such change," he added. "America's allies in Asia will be measuring America's resolution to maintain existing relationships with them," Dr. Cauthen continued.

Dr. Cauthen was accompanied by James D. Belote, FMB area secretary for East Asia; Winston Crawley, director of the overseas division; Jesse C. Fletcher, director of the mission support division; Eugene L. Hill, secretary for missionary education and promotion; and R. Keith Parks, area secretary for Southeast Asia.

Dr. Cauthen was a missionary in China from 1939 to 1945. Belote, Crawley and Hill are also former missionaries to China.

for those who, for the present, feel their ministry is to be carried on in the United States. The Adoniram Judson scholarships are for those who currently feel their ministry is to be outside the U.S. Selection will be made by a committee of seminary deans, trustees and faculty members on a basis of

churchmanship, scholarship and leadership.

Applications are due in Dr. Shands' office no later than Feb. 15. Winners will be announced by March 15.

Application forms may be secured by writing the admissions office at the seminary address.

CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMISSION, SBC

• A National Urban Coalition followup of the Kerner Commission report on the riots of 1967 has concluded that unless there is a major change in American life "most cities by 1980 will be preponderantly black and brown and totally bankrupt." In a survey that took coalition members to six cities—including Atlanta—it was found that despite the plans for reform made in the wake of the riots, most of the changes in the cities since 1967 "have been for the worse." The only spark of hope found during the coalition's journey about the nation was the detection of "a new tough pride, self confidence and determination" among some inner-city dwellers to take the lead in improving their lives without wait-int for the government to act. The coalition concluded "the basic causes that sparked the tragic ghetto rebellions are still there—worse in most cases than ever."

(The Atlanta Constitution, Sept. 24, 1971)

• The Ford Foundation has announced a six-year, \$100 million program designed to increase higher educational opportunities for minority group members. McGeorge Bundy, foundation president, said the \$100 million figure would represent three-quarters of the foundation's aid to higher education over the six-year period. The assistance, he said, would be divided equally into two categories: individual awards for advanced study to minority group students and developmental grants to a limited number of private, traditionally black colleges. The program, Bundy emphasized, is directed at the "central problem of American society—the failure to achieve equality of opportunity for members of America's racial and cultural minorities." He said one aim of the project was to encourage the eventual integration of traditionally black schools by improving their quality."

(Richmond Times-Dispatch, Oct. 10, 1971)



APPRECIATION DAY—W. A. Criswell, right, pastor of First Baptist Church, Dallas, receives a Certificate of Appreciation for Outstanding Service to Royal Ambassadors from Jay Chance, Royal Ambassador director for the Southern Baptist Brotherhood Commission, Memphis. Chance cited Criswell for initiating and backing within his church a strong Royal Ambassador program which has more than 350 boys enrolled. Chance made the presentation in connection with the 27th anniversary of Criswell's pastorate in Dallas. (BP Photo by Robert O'Brien)

New Mexico church revival breaks two state records

HOBBS, N.M. (BP)—An evangelistic crusade at First Church here has resulted in the church's breaking two records in the state—the largest number of baptisms in a single year and the largest Sunday School attendance.

During the week-long crusade, led by evangelist Freddie Gage of Houston, the church baptized its 307th convert for the year, breaking previous records for number of baptisms during a single year by a Southern Baptist church in New Mexico.

Sunday School attendance records were also broken, with 1,577 persons attending Sunday School on the final day of the crusade. It broke a previous record of 1,400 held for many years by First Church, Albuquerque, N.M.

According to the pastor, Bailey E. Smith, the revival ended with 130 professions of faith for the week.

(Editor's note: Pastor Smith was pastor of First Church, Warren, immediately before going to Hobbs.)

God judges nations

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International
Habakkuk 1 and 2
Acts 17:22-31
Oct. 31, 1971

Habakkuk prophesied in Judah at the end of the seventh century B.C., just prior to the fall of his nation to the armies of Babylon. As a loyal patriot he agonized just as any other concerned citizen agonizes as he looks out upon the steady encroachment of a world power bent on conquest.

Habakkuk's sorrow was intensified by his religious faith in the covenant ties of his nation with the Lord. He had probably accepted the loss of the northern nation since Israel had flagrantly violated the covenant; but it was extremely difficult for him to think of his beloved Judah and the city of Jerusalem being invaded and destroyed.

Background passage (Hab. 1:1-4)

The book opens with a dialogue between the prophet and the Lord on the subject of God's governance of the world. This is not the case of an audacious man attacking God because of his policies in world management, but of a disturbed man seeking to understand God's program in managing international affairs.

Habakkuk opens the debate with the question "Why?" Why does God sit by in idleness while destruction and violence go unchallenged? He complains that his prayers are unanswered even though he seeks to enlist God's power against the forces of evil. Because God does not strike against the oppressor, he says divine law has broken down and justice is perverted.

Divine involvement (1:5-11)

1. The Lord invited the prophet to broaden his horizon and survey the work of God on a wider scope of world affairs. The prophet's difficulty, like that of his people, was a squint-eyed view of God's whole operation. He thought that God's entire involvement in world affairs was designed to bring about good for the people of the covenant, but failed to see, as we sometimes do, that the Almighty is equally concerned about all men on the face of the earth.

God reveals himself in his deeds. His inspired spokesmen often called on their people to review their history and trace the pattern of God's purpose. We, too, can see the footprints of God in secular history, if we look for them.

There are, however, two conditions that must be met if one is to discover the acts of God in history or in current events: one must possess spiritual insight, and one must deliberately seek him.

Paul said that spiritual things must be spiritually discerned. This discernment comes through the Spirit of God, who dwells within. The great spiritual truths come to those who try to follow the guiding Spirit and deliberately seek to apprehend new truth about God and his purpose.

The person who has not been able to find meaning in life might do better by lifting his line of vision to look beyond himself and his immediate surroundings. He is likely to be astounded as the Lord told Habakkuk that he would be.

2. Next, the Lord told the prophet that God was, at that time, already involved in world affairs: he was promoting the sweep of Babylon (Chaldeans) around the Fertile Crescent and into the areas of Israel.

This bit of information probably had to wait at the door of Habakkuk's mind while he dispossessed some of his prejudices so as to make room for the new truth. One of the painful aspects of gaining new truth is that for every new insight taken in an old prejudice usually has to go.

3. The Lord recognized the prophet's difficulty in believing that the Lord was working through such a bitter and violent nation as Babylon. He described them as a giant war machine propelled by its own assumption that might makes right, bent on conquest, and scoffing at the puny resistance offered by enfeebled kings. God's purpose in giving a detailed description of the Chaldean juggernaut was to make clear that he was involved in world affairs, however sordid.

One of the greatest, if not the greatest, contributions of the modern radical theology is its stress on the immanence of God in international and secular affairs. Just as ancient Israel failed because she was not willing to go as far as God was in bringing truth to other races and nations, so also we will fail if we try to bind God up in the tight wrappings of ecclesiastical organizations.

The holy silence (1:12-17)

Habakkuk was shaken by what God had just said about sending the Chaldeans upon Israel, so shaken that some of his former views had been dislodged; but in dislodging some

previous ideas he made possible some new discoveries.

1. He examined but held onto his basic views that God was eternal and holy and that the covenant nation would not be allowed to die.

2. He concluded that the Lord was making use of the Chaldeans as an instrument with which he would strike in judgment against Judah. Previously, Isaiah had written of Assyria as a chastising rod (Isa. 10:5). But the employment of Babylon as a means of judgment against Judah evoked two more questions from the prophet.

3. How can a holy God sit in silence while a most wicked nation such as Babylon swallows up a less wicked nation such as Israel (v. 13)? That question has quite often surfaced and the answers have not always been honest ones.

Sometimes the answer has come from abstract traditional theology rather than from human experience. The friends of Job got their answers in this manner and they gave wrong answers; whereas, Job hammered out his answers on the anvil of human experience and, although not altogether correct, they were honest; and God commended him.

A sizeable portion of popular theology results from inference: people come to know God and then infer how the God that they know would manage human affairs. Many of our inferences are false because they are short-termed: we get hung up by the years while God is concerned about the centuries.

4. His final question was: will the Chaldean oppression continue forever? It was the same old question: how long? The suffering saint can endure much if the end is in sight.

Habakkuk could not see light at the end of the tunnel but he seemed quite certain that the tunnel of suffering had an end (1:17).

Woe to the conqueror (Hab. 2:6-8)

The dialogue ended with the Lord's quiet assurance that the unrighteous would ultimately fail and the righteous prevail because of his faith (2:1-3).

The author seems to be expressing his reinforced faith when he sounds a general warning to all oppressors (6-8). He states that the conquered nations which have plundered and sacked will arise and plunder their former conquerors.

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The Master's mission

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The people of God have had only one problem throughout their long history: accepting all the people God accepts.

Beginning with Cain and Abel, forward into early Israel and up until this very day, every church spat and every church split can be traced to a basic rejection of certain people whom God has accepted. Sometimes it has been the rejection of an elected leader; sometimes a backslidden but repentant member; sometimes a member of a different social or racial group; but always a discrimination against those whom God accepts.

Why? Does it not seem strange that a nation like Israel, born in the mercy of God, would try to hoard the goodness of God rather than share it with other nations? And it is not hard to understand why a church, which almost always begins as a mission, will simply ignore or openly reject certain people in its own community?

Jesus felt the sting of rejection early in his public ministry. Furthermore, it came from the very people who knew him best over a period of 30 years. In one stroke they angrily threw him out of their church and out of their town and would have thrown him out of life had it been within their power. What happened to change these friends into foes?

A mission foretold

Jesus did not go straight home after his baptism and wilderness experience but wherever he went it was in the Spirit's power. In Cana of Galilee, he performed his first miracle, and in Jerusalem he made his first move against irreligious practices in God's house. He also "rapped" with Nicodemus on the new birth. Near Samaria, he liberated a confused woman from the clutches of adultery and back at Cana spoke a word of healing to a distressed father.

International lesson

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Conclusion (Acts 17:26-27)

Paul put it all together in his speech in Athens. He said that God made one man and from him all men, that he determined boundaries for the various nations or races and set times for their rise and fall. He said that God's purpose in all his sovereign control over history is that all men might come to know him.

Thus the end of history is to find God.

Well, the word got around that Jesus was something else. His miracles excited them and they even praised his sermons in the synagogues. Galilee was swept off her feet because she was being accepted by God. Then Jesus went home to Nazareth.

As was his custom (We all have habits, so why not develop good ones?) Jesus went to the synagogue. Naturally, being a favorite son and a visiting teacher, he was invited to read a passage of Scripture and interpret it. Now it is generally assumed that people at worship will accept all of God's word. Right? Wrong!

Being handed the scroll of Isaiah, Jesus deliberately unrolled it to chapter 61, verses 1 and 2.

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; he has appointed me to preach good news to the poor; he has sent me to announce that captives shall be released and the blind shall see, that the downtrodden shall be freed from their oppression, and that God is ready to give blessings to all who come to him.

"Then he added, 'These Scriptures came true today' " (*Living Bible*).

The people gulped in the beautiful words and ran with them like a fish with a mouth full of fresh bait. Yet, immediately, their computerized minds searched the mental files under Messianic doctrine and they reeled at the answers that started to come. Red flags fluttered everywhere and the rumble of a coming explosion was deafening. But Jesus was way ahead of them. Before they could read the offense, he pulled the draw play from their "beloved" prophets and ran right at them. Jesus knew they were about to shout "proof!" So he blocked them with two illustrations!

Elijah, in a time of great famine, was sent by God to help a Gentile, a foreigner, instead of the Jewish widows in need. Likewise, Elisha healed Naaman of Syria rather than the many Jewish lepers needing his help.

Now the hook caught sharply and the people came up screaming "blasphemy." They now knew the meaning of what Jesus had said and it was totally unacceptable.

1. Jesus, a carpenter from their own circle, claimed to be the anointed one of Messianic prophecy.

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Life and Work

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Luke 4:14-44

2. Jesus, as the Messiah, would take the news of God's mercy and grace to the Gentiles.

It was all foretold in the Scriptures!

A mission revealed

From the hills of Nazareth, Jesus descended to Capernaum (about 680 feet below sea level) to continue his ministry of healing and preaching. The Devil, having been challenged and repelled in the desert, tried to expose him as the Son of God by sending demons into men and confessing Jesus aloud. Jesus silenced them quickly by the spoken word. (He never had to touch a demon-possessed man, so great was his power).

At this point, confessing Jesus as the Messiah would be premature. Jesus progressively revealed himself to his own followers and to the people in general. Otherwise, they would react as the people of Nazareth did—with violence. No man would take his life. Jesus would give it when the time was ready.

People in need swarmed over Jesus when they witnessed his power. He healed the sick and cast out many evil spirits from helpless men. His teaching was so fresh and revealing that the tradition-quoting rabbis were completely eclipsed. Many people heard, saw, believed, and became angry when he suddenly disappeared. But so great was Jesus' awareness of the urgency of his mission that he could not stay in Capernaum.

So, here it is again: Jesus was sent to all mankind. Nazareth tried to kill him and Capernaum tried to hoard him. Why? Because Jesus accepted people they did not want to accept.

But, then, that is our problem, too! Only the names and dates have changed and none are innocent.

"Lord, help us make your mission ours."



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Customer: "Say, this car you sold me can't climb a hill, and you swore up and down it was a good car."

Salesman: "No, I didn't swear up and down. I said on the level it was a good car."

A three-year-old girl visited her grandmother and carried in the milk and a bill that were on the front steps. Giving the milk to Grandma, she declared, "Grandma, here's the milk. And you got a letter from a cow."

A minister, making routine calls on members of his congregation, rang the doorbell of one family. The lady of the house, expecting her young daughter home from school, called out:

"Is that you, angel?"
 "No," answered the preacher, "but I'm from the same department!"

Store Manager: I'm sorry I can't hire you, but I just wouldn't be able to find enough work to keep you busy.

Applicant: You'd be surprised how little it takes.

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A smile or two

A real estate man was using high pressure tactics to sell some poor farmland. "All this land needs is a little water, a cool breeze, and some good people to settle here," he said. "Maybe so," replied the farmer, "but that's all Hell needs too."

After taking several snapshots of an elderly Indian chief, the vacationer asked, "Have you lived on the reservation all your life?"
 "Not yet," retorted the chief.

A civil servant who received a memo and obeyed instructions to initial it and pass it on got it back three days later. Attached was a note: "Since you were not meant to read the memo please erase your initials and initial the erasure."

"Son, there is a wonderful example in the life of an ant," pointed out the father to his young son. "Every day the ant goes to work, and works all day. Every day the ant is busy, and in the end what happens?"

Unimpressed, the boy replied, "Someone steps on him."

Break-even point: The moment when you stop trying to balance the budget and begin trying to budget the balance.

Southeastern plans new doctoral degree

WAKE FOREST, N.C. (BP) —Southeastern Seminary here will begin offering a program of study leading to the doctor of ministry degree during the 1972 fall semester.

The decision was made after a study of the ministry and theological education by scholars in the United States and Canada, and after a series of consultations with theological educators within the Southern Baptist Convention, said seminary officials.

The study will be oriented toward academic excellence and professional competence, according to seminary officials. It will utilize experimental learning and interdisciplinary teaching in seminars, colloquia, and clinical settings including churches, hospitals and other areas of ministry.

Academic and professional work for the doctor of ministry degree at Southeastern seminary normally will require four years beyond college graduation. It will be open to graduates of recognized colleges and universities who have earned also the master of divinity degree or equivalent theological preparation with distinction.

Attendance report

October 17, 1971

Church	Sunday School	Training Union	Ch. Addns.
Alicia	79	72	
Banner, Mt. Zion	36	18	
Berryville			
First	172	63	
Freeman Heights	161	50	
Rock Springs	106	71	
Blytheville, Calvary	212	77	
Camden, First	403	93	
Cherokee Village Mission	148	48	2
Crossett			
First	576	143	
Mt. Olive	273	156	
Dumas, First	252	58	
El Dorado			
Caledonia	34	27	
Ebenezer	152	65	
Forrest City, First	522	151	1
Ft. Smith			
First	1245	471	8
Grand Avenue	686	235	8
Moffett Mission	41		
Haven Heights	247	147	
Gentry, First	166	92	2
Grandview	93	61	
Greenwood, First	288	97	
Hampton, First	242	56	
Harrison			
Eagle Heights	248	95	
Northvale	127	72	1
Helena, First	261	102	8
Hope, First	471	150	3
Hot Springs			
Lakeshore Heights	113	54	
Lakeside	167	79	
Jacksonville			
Bayou Meto	137	72	11
First	397	86	1
Marshall Road	347	149	13
Jonesboro			
Central	452	214	5
Nettleton	275	106	
Lake Village, Parkway	52	44	2
Lavaca, First	297	140	
Lincoln, First	147	50	
Little Rock			
Crystal Hill	142	71	
Geyer Springs	695	279	
Lakeshore Drive	92		1
Life Line	651	220	4
Nalls Memorial	102	53	
Luxora, First	73	44	
Magnolia, Central	597	230	
Marked Tree, First	160	54	
Melbourne			
Belview	136	95	
First	129	51	
Horseshoe Bend Mission	22		1
Monticello			
Northside	114	70	
Second	203	82	
North Little Rock			
Baring Cross	529	179	2
Calvary	368	174	2
Forty-Seventh Street	183	67	
Gravel Ridge	200	115	
Levy	444	106	2
Park Hill	741	207	4
Sixteenth Street	53	38	
Sylvan Hills	236	136	
Paris, First	392	98	3
Pine Bluff			
Centennial	225	106	
East Side	203	123	
First	725	165	6
Green Meadows	76	39	
Second	158	62	
St. Charles	85	45	
Springdale			
Berry Street	115	59	
Elmdale	344	116	
First	644	224	7
Van Buren, First	463	206	13
Mission	48		
Vandervoort, First	43	33	
Walnut Ridge, First	315	102	13
Chapel	21	24	
Warren, Immanuel	262	105	1
West Memphis			
Calvary	237	103	
Vanderbilt Avenue	101	55	

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PLAN CHRISTMAS CRUSADE: Making plans recently in Dallas for a Christmas evangelistic crusade in Hawaii were, left to right: Don Rohrs, Moanalua Gardens Missionary Church, Honolulu; Dan Liu, retired Honolulu chief of police; Billy Graham; and David Meier, president, Meier International Study League, religious educator and organizer.

European Baptists add new church

The European Baptist Convention (English language), meeting in Rhein Valley Baptist Church, Walldorf, Germany, accepted a new church into its membership and adopted a budget of \$44,650 for next year.

Attending the meeting were messengers and guests from Belgium, England, Germany, Italy, Austria, Spain, Libya, Israel, and the United States.

Newly elected officers are Kenneth Emerson, Walldorf, this year's host pastor, president; Richard Lisk, Suffolk, England, vice president, Richard Higley, Darmstadt, Germany, secretary; and Luther Morphis, Berlin, treasurer.

Calvary Baptist Church, Middleton, Stoney, England, was received into the convention, bringing the total to 38 in six countries of Europe.

The 1972 convention will be held at Kaiserslautern, Germany, Oct 5-6. (EBPS)

Nigerian proposes Missionary exchange

A Baptist leader in Nigeria has proposed a world-wide exchange of missionaries as a form of "cross fertilization" which would offer new

growth potential for Christianity.

The West has much to gain from the vitality of the newer Christians in the "Third World" of Asia and Africa, said J. T. Ayorinde, general secretary of the Nigerian Baptist Convention and a vice president of the Baptist World Alliance.

He said Western missionaries, on the other hand, are needed abroad because their skills and resources cannot be replaced in Africa and Asia. (EBPS)

Graham discusses nudity and styles

CHICAGO (EP)—"Dress as though Jesus were your escort," Evangelist Billy Graham told *Daily News* fashion editor Patricia Shelton.

"I don't know much about fashion," the famous preacher told Miss Shelton by phone from North Carolina, "but I do believe nudity is wrong for Christians. There are certain parts of our body that are private and not to be exposed."

The *Daily News* editor quoted Graham as saying: "I would not say a woman has to wear a bra, or should not wear a miniskirt. There is nothing in the Bible that says a woman must conceal the fact that she is a woman.

"But the Bible does say women are to dress modestly. This is something each Christian woman must decide for herself."

Leighton Ford holds 'one-way crusade'

MARION, Ind. (EP)—A capacity crowd of 5,500 jammed Memorial Coliseum here ending the 10-day Leighton Ford Marion Crusade which had begun with a massive demonstration of 1,200 young people.

Youth, enthusiastically pointing heavenward with one finger indicating "one way," carried a banner in the special demonstration reading, "Ford has a better idea!" The marchers walked for four miles.

Night after night the Coliseum was filled, requiring an extra program on closing night to accommodate the large crowds.

Aggregate attendance was 52,000, with 1,108 of these responding to the invitation to make a commitment to Christ. Just a little over 75 percent of the more than 1,000 inquirers counselled were reported to be young people under the age of 20.

Clean living held good health habit

LOS ANGELES (EP)—The date of birth on Levi Records' driver's license reads 10-6-71. But he's more than a few days old.

The "71" refers to 1871, while the license is new because Mr. Records passed his driving test this summer with a perfect score.

To live as long as he, said the retired farmer, "let all drinks alone... and leave tobacco alone, too."

The centenarian added: "I go to church every Sunday and pray to the Lord."

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