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Arkansas Baptist State Convention
Would a Name Change Help?

A GREAT deal is being said about a name change of the Southern Baptist Convention. There’s nothing new about this. It pops up with varying degrees of interest year after year.

Proponents of a name change can offer what would appear to be plausible reasons for it. For instance, they say that the term “Southern” has a regional or sectional connotation. They say some of the churches in pioneer areas have difficulty in securing favorable acceptance because of the name “Southern.” Some have said that the term “Southern” identifies them with the racial issue.

We submit that the name Southern Baptist Convention does not indicate that it was intended to remain purely a sectional convention, though some of the founding fathers did so interpret it. However, in setting out their purpose, Southern Baptists in their organization meeting in 1845 said that the convention was formed in order to provide a means for the Baptist churches in the United States and its territories to work together in the spread of the gospel. The truth is, they organized in order to have a free hand in the appointment of missionaries and they never will be able to escape history’s truthful record concerning the slavery question. Make all the name changes you please, and that record, for better or worse, stands.

Now there may be a few of the brothers up North who have a little difficulty in explaining the term “Southern,” but they at the same time will have much opportunity to point out the points of difference between Southern Baptists generally and most of their Northern or American Baptist brethren. In many cases there are differences of doctrine and practice and we don’t believe that it is wrong to point out the differences if we will always remember to call attention to the points upon which we agree.

Some of us have worked in so-called pioneer areas for a long time and we do not find a great deal of difficulty in gaining acceptance, especially if we continually call attention to the fact that such and such church cooperates with the Southern Baptist Convention and if we do not seek to give the impression that it is purely sectional.

Let’s get back to the main old sugar stick of the advocates of the name change, the race question. If the Baptists in the South are giving a bad impression to people up North who do not fully understand the race question, may we suggest that in all probability it’s their conduct and not the name of the Southern Baptist Convention that’s causing the trouble. If all the Baptists in the South will start acting like Christians and will declare, by word of mouth, the printed page, and by personal conduct that they are not fomenters of racial prejudice, discrimination, and strife, the Southern Baptist Convention is apt to be appreciated rather than depreciated.

They can do all of this without making any effort to destroy the Negro Baptist churches in the South, but rather they can help them. They can do all of this without planting the seeds for a mongrel race, but rather they can do much to help Negroes and the other races to be proud of their heritage and to seek to maintain it with dignity, justice, and honor.

Nevertheless, if Baptists want to speak with the voice of Jacob but feel with the hands of Esau on this matter, a change in the name of the Southern Baptist Convention would not make a great deal of difference either way.

Suppose we remember the purpose of the Convention from the beginning was nationwide in scope. So, let us proceed with the original purpose and forget the name change.—Floyd Looney, in The California Southern Baptist
**For Mother's Day**

**In Loving Memory**

The greatest soldier of the cross that I have ever known visited my home in Benton on March 19, 1961. We had a most wonderful visit for about two hours. We discussed our loved ones, politics, our churches, and many other things of interest to both of us. You see I had known this person for more than 49 years. We had been through many battles of life together—we had always been close to each other.

At 5:45 p.m., after talking about the service to be held that night in her church, she said she must start back to Little Rock. She walked down the hall in my home and we heard her fall. I rushed to her side and placed her head on my arm. For ten minutes I looked into the face of my mother. I was holding her when God received her soul into heaven.

Many of you who read this will remember Mrs. K. P. Vick, the teacher of the oldest ladies' class of First Baptist Church of Little Rock.

Last year I wore a red rose for Mother's Day. Now I'll experience wearing a white rose for the first time. As I wear it I will have no regrets for I honored my mother. I loved her as a son should love a parent.

To you who wear the red rose this Mother's Day, wear it with pride. Be to your mother what she would have you be.—Volmer (Cactus) Vick, Calvary Church, Benton

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**CORRECTION**

The Quarterly Report of Church Contributions in the April 27 issue of the Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine listed East Main Church, Liberty Association, as having given $538.75 to the Cooperative Program during the first quarter of 1961. The correct amount is $588.75.

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**New Dormitory To Be Dedicated At Southern Baptist College**

SOUTHERLAND HALL, a new men's dormitory at Southern Baptist College, Walnut Ridge, will be officially dedicated to J. K. Southerland, Batesville, during commencement activities May 22. The new dormitory was occupied last September. It is of brick, steel and native stone construction and will house 74 men. There is a spacious lobby and a large matron's apartment. The building has been constructed so that two new wings can be added whenever needed in the future.

TWO outstanding Southern Baptist leaders will participate in commencement exercises May 22 at Southern Baptist College, Walnut Ridge, President H. E. Williams has announced. Dr. Robert L. Smith, pastor of First Church, Pine Bluff, will deliver the commencement sermon. Dr. W. R. White, president of Baylor University, will be the commencement speaker.

Also scheduled for commencement is dedication of a new men's dormitory first occupied last September. It will be officially dedicated to J. K. Southerland, Batesville.

**Bulletins**

REV. W. A. Pruitt, 43, pastor of Greenlee Memorial Church near Union (Jefferson County) died May 4 at his home. He was a native of Russellville and had pastored churches at London, East Point, DeValls Bluff and Montrose. He was a Mason.

He is survived by his wife; a son, William Pruitt, Pine Bluff; two daughters, Miss Loretta Pruitt and Miss Nora Ray Pruitt, both of Pine Bluff; his mother, Mrs. Sophie Johnson Pruitt, Russellville; a brother, Dave Pruitt, Paris, and a sister, Mrs. Violet Jolly, Buzzards Bay, Mass.

REV. ROY Hilton, pastor of First Church, Harrison, and Mrs. Hilton became grandparents while they were away on the Scotland Evangelistic Crusade [see story on page 12 of this issue]. Steven Hilton Bowen was born April 27 at Arkansas Baptist Hospital, Little Rock, to Mr. and Mrs. David Bowen. Mrs. Bowen is the former Ann Hilton. The baby is the first grandchild of Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Bowen, North Little Rock, and the first great grandchild of Rev. and Mrs. W. B. O'Neal, Jacksonville.

DR. ERWIN L. McDonald, editor of the ARKANSAS BAPTIST NEWSMAGAZINE, arrived back in the United States May 6 after participation in the Scotland Evangelistic Crusade and a subsequent tour of Europe and the Holy Land.

ROBERT G. COLLER, acting chairman of the English department of Hardin Simmons University in Abilene, Tex., for the past six years, has been named dean of Wayland Baptist College, Plainview, Tex. He succeeds Cecil Cooper, dean at Wayland since 1957, who will become coordinator of Wayland's teacher education program and head of the department of education.

Collmer, who was born in Guatemala City, Central America, where his parents were independent Baptist missionaries, is a cum laude graduate of Baylor University, with both the bachelor and master of arts degrees. He earned the doctor of philosophy degree at the University of Pennsylvania where he also served as assistant instructor for three years.

TWELVE missionaries have been appointed by the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board in Atlanta. This brings the total number of missionaries serving under the board in the United States, Cuba and Panama to 2,910. Appointments were made for Spanish and Indian missions, mission center work and juvenile rehabilitation.
SEVERAL of our Baptist editors, starting with a suggestion from Editor Marse Grant, of The Biblical Recorder, official Baptist weekly of North Carolina, have discussed the advisability of Southern Baptists and American (formerly Northern) Baptists considering the possibility of uniting in the interest of “a strong and united Baptist witness in America.”

Editor H. H. McGinty said recently in The Word and Way (Missouri), in an editorial entitled, “Cooperation, Yes—Union, No”: “Certainly it is agreed that a stronger Baptist witness is needed in America and throughout the world. It also follows that unitedness would increase the weight of that witness. But it is a greater degree of unity which is needed, and not union.

“We do not believe that the organic union of the Southern and American Conventions is feasible or desirable. The size of the Southern Baptist Convention is already one of the problems, and this problem would be increased by such a move. Furthermore, there are differences between the two conventions in policy and program, as well as in theology. These distinctives probably produce more strength than weakness. To dispense with them in the interest of organic union would create more loss than gain.

“In the meantime there are great areas in which Baptists can cooperate, and this they are doing. They are cooperating on the national scale through the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs with its headquarters offices in Washington, D.C. . . . Baptists are cooperating on the North American basis through the Baptist Jubilee Advance . . . Baptists of the world are cooperating through the Baptist World Alliance . . . There is nothing which Baptists can do through union that they cannot do better through the cooperation of the several conventions.”

What we need is not so much the greater numbers which the bringing of the two conventions together would result in as more efficiency for Christ in local churches and in the individual lives of church members. As matters now stand, union would pile even higher the dead wood with which we are already heavily weighted.—ELM

THE race issue has its heartaches for officeholders. A Washington public official who had been invited to Florida recently to speak determined not to get onto anything that by any stretch of the imagination might be controversial. So he talked on “Water Conservation” and stuck to his subject all the way through. At the close of the meeting an old Floridian took the speaker by the hand, and looking him square in the eye, said: “I liked the most of your talk. But I don’t agree with you on one thing.”

“What was that?” asked the statesman, greatly concerned.

“Irrigation,” replied the challenger. “I think we ought to go on having separate schools!”

IT MIGHT be a good idea, as somebody has suggested, to pray while waiting for the traffic light to change. Provided, of course, that one does not restrict one’s prayer life to traffic stops. Sometimes prayer is needed much more on the open road.

IF, as the Bible says, “the tithe is the Lord’s,” the Lord certainly has a lot of money tied up in recreational paraphernalia these days.
THE PEOPLE SPEAK

Whose Ideas?

IN SEVERAL recent issues our editor has come "under fire," for what some writers have termed, "using our paper to express his own ideas."

Pray tell me whose ideas is an editor supposed to express if not his own? Dr. McDonald has stated time and again that ideas expressed were his own and not necessarily those of the Convention. A look between the lines will reveal that those who are howling are really doing so because the editor is not expressing their idea.

I have known and loved our good friend Dr. Bridges for many years. Arkansas Baptists owe him a debt of thanks that we will never be able to repay. I have disagreed with him at times. I certainly disagreed with his recent letter to the editor, but I certainly contend for his right to his belief. Editor McDonald gave him the privilege of expressing himself in our publication, as he will anyone else who so desires.

So this is my commendation to our editor for a job well done. Keep up the good work, Brother Mac.

How do you feel, fellow Baptist? — Signed but name withheld

Paging J. D. Wagon

I AM trying to find an evangelist by the name of Rev. J. D. Wagon, who held a revival in Eureka Springs in 1955, or '56 — or even 1954.

It is very important that I find him at this time. — Mrs. Virginia Hoover, Eureka Springs.

Brasilian Report

ONCE again we report to you some of your activities as your missionary representatives in equatorial Brazil. We have, among other things, accepted the responsibility of missions treasurer for Maranhao state, taught two one-week bible clinics, preached frequently, presented two or three dozen evangelistic visual aid programs, counseled pastor students, lay preachers and other church leaders most daily, and served as host to the executive committee of the Equatorial Baptist Mission.

We have also helped in a revival in our local church and laid groundwork for another here at Sao Luis in which I will preach. Many hours have been spent also, in the planning, designing and partial direction of construction of our new mission residence. Actual construction began Valentine's Day and the rough brick walls are almost up now. This has been a source of great pleasure and anticipation for us because of the cramped and unsanitary "closeness" of downtown residence. Excellent neighbors have compensated for most of the unpleasantness. However.

Since December the work has also necessitated traveling more than ten thousand miles by jeep, plane, mule, bus, foot, taxi, streetcar and of course Model "A" Ford. I (Glyn) attended the Brazilian Baptist Convention at Sao Paulo. Sally, Mark, Clyde and I accompanied ten students by plane to our theological institute in Belem. I dispensed airsick pills to four of them who couldn't take the stormy weather in the veteran C-46 tow-motor. These all had excuse for being "upset" on their first flight but little did they know that I was as "woozy" as the worst of them.

Now, if you're feeling sorry for your "poor humble sacrificial servant" I surely do appreciate it but the fact is I don't deserve it because there's more joy in this "primitive," pioneer missionary than you could feel sorry for or give thanks about.

Our hope for the evangelization of this state is with three "ifs" and the grace of God. If our existing churches will let the Holy Spirit guide them into biblical stewardship so that they financially support their own pastors thereby releasing missionary assistance and some of their own for new work; if the good number of ministerial students recently begun and now beginning to prepare will answer the call to return to the difficult interior at material sacrifice; if you folks at home will zealously lay up a worthy treasure in the Heavenly storehouse by way of this branch office called "world missions," we may expect a thrilling advance in the evangelization of this area that will dwarf even the spectacular achievements already visible.

Biblical Christianity in Brazil is outnumbered, out-sized and out-financed but God is busy here and it's your move. — Glyn, Sally, Mark and Clyde McCulman, Missao Batista Equatorial, Calif Postal 163, Sao Luis, Maranhao, Brazil.

The Bookshelf


Bishop Loane relates the moving story of the vigorous struggle between the churches and the State for recognition of the churches' right to govern their own affairs, through the biographies of Henderson and Rutherford of Scotland and Bunyan and Baxter of England.

These men were in the van of the freedom-fighters in their own age, and they fought for freedom of truth and conscience, freedom for life and worship, freedom both as citizens and as Christians.

The Complete Toastmaster, by Herbert V. Prochnow, Prentice Hall, 1960, $4.95

As the name implies, this is a book of source material to help those who have to speak on short notice, who have to preside over a club, lodge or business gathering, be a toastmaster, introduce speakers, or pitch hit for the guest entertainer. Included are 35 attention-getting introductions and responses adaptable to wide and varied occasions; 407 humorous stories and definitions to spice up a speech; over 300 quotable quotes; more than a thousand quotations to pin point what you want to say; 60 rib-tickling tales for special occasions.

Bible Light on Daily Life, by Phillip E. Howard, Jr., Baker, 1960, $2.50

Presented here are 200 devotional readings applying the teachings of Scripture to daily life. The meditations are classified under eight headings: The Christian's Book, Home, Work, Guidance, Year, Trials, Walk and Sword. It is aimed at helping pastors, radio speakers, departmental superintendents, youth leaders and others called on to make short devotional talks.
Why I Go to Church on Rainy Sundays

I ATTEND church on rainy Sundays because—
1. God has blessed the Lord's day and hallowed it, making no exceptions for rainy Sundays.
2. I expect my minister to be there. I should be surprised if he were to stay at home for the weather.
3. If his hand fail through weakness, I shall have great reason to blame myself unless I sustain him by my prayer and presence.
4. By staying away I lose the prayers which may bring God's blessings, and the sermon that would have done me great good.
5. My presence is more needful on Sundays where there are few than on those days when the church is crowded.
6. Whatever station I hold in the church, my example must influence others. If I stay away, why may not they?
7. On any important business rainy weather does not keep me at home, and church attendance is, in God's sight, very important.
8. Among the crowds of pleasure seekers I see that no weather keeps the delicate female from the ball, the party or the concert.
9. Among other blessings such weather will show me on what foundation my faith is built. It will prove how much I love Christ. True love rarely fails to meet an appointment.
10. Those who stay from church because it is too warm, or too cold, or too rainy, frequently absent themselves on fair Sundays.
11. Though my excuses satisfy myself, they still must undergo God's scrutiny, and they must be well grounded to bear that (St. Luke 14:18).
12. There is a special promise that where two or three meet together in God's name He will be in the midst of them.
13. An avoidable absence from the church is an infallible evidence of spiritual decay. Disciples first follow Christ at a distance, and then others.
14. Such yielding to surmountable difficulties prepares for yielding to those merely imaginary until thousands never enter a church, and yet they think they have good reason for such neglect.
15. I know not how many more Sundays God may give me, and it would be a poor preparation for my first Sunday in Heaven to have slighted my last Sunday on earth.—Frances Ridley Havergal in Printopics

Who Makes the Match?
[With apologies to Longfellow]

Tell me not in mournful numbers
Married life is but a dream;
Tho there be a thousand blunders
Some withstand life's raging stream.

Happy old folks oft remind us
They were wedded not in vain,
That their lives were held together
Like two links within a chain.

If we have but one example
Of a happy wedded life,
It is proof of God's great wisdom,
Joining two as man and wife.

Failure here can only show us
It was Satan made the match,
Else 'twas he that found attendance
In the couple's garden patch.

—W. B. O'Neal

Quotes

[From HOME LIFE, June, 1961]

AS I look at my own children growing much too rapidly, learning more each day about things that were unheard of in my youth, I lean on God.—Eileen M. Hasse.

THE BEST environment for rearing children who will be total abstainers is one in which they feel loved, understood, and wanted.—C. Aubrey Hearn.

WHEN MEN and women leave God out of their lives, and out of their marriages, they always suffer.—Judge Joseph M. Crespì.

SUMMER is the time for children to discover the joy of living, and for parents to discover the wonders of living with children.—Harriet D. Pennington.

PERHAPS the most important contribution parents can make in preparing their young people to be more marriageable is that of making the home a place where emotional needs are met.—Dorothy E. Pitman.

IF Christianity doesn't work in the home, it doesn't work.—Myron C. Madden.

A RIDDLE

Cooperative Twins

By W. B. O'NEAL

Twins we be,
We aid each other;
Together see
I and my brother.
Now he can do the work of both,
And so, also, can I;
But one can do what both can't do.
Your answer, what and why?

A Bag of Tools

By R. L. SHARPE

Isn't it strange
That princes and kings,
And clowns that coper
In sawdust rings,
And common people
Like you and me
Are builders for eternity?
Each is given a bag of tools,
A shapeless mass,
A book of rules;
And each must make,
Ere life is flown,
A stumbling-block
Or a stepping-stone.

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The Cover — a Tribute for Mother's Day

My Favorite Teacher

[Editor’s Note: This Mother’s Day feature about one of Arkansas’ well known and widely loved mothers in a sense speaks for all of us. For each of us there is no one to compare with Mother. Harriet (Mrs. Andrew M. Hall, Fayetteville) has prepared this at the Editor’s request. We hope you find it as interesting and inspirational as do we.—ELM]

By HARRIET GRANT HALL

My father was a college president, but my mother was a teacher, par excellence.

It was mother—who had taken Latin for several years and studied Greek, French, and German—who knew what the difficult word meant. (If she did come across a new one she went straight to the dictionary.)

It was mother, who, having gone through college algebra and physics, helped us with our arithmetic and later our higher mathematics.

It was mother who worked calmly as she nursed two very sick children back to health at the same time, when Elizabeth had pneumonia and George had diphtheria.

It was mother who rose early every Sunday morning and managed to have most of her dinner ready before leaving with all five of us, scrubbed and tubbed, for Sunday School and church.

It was mother who instilled in each of us from the cradle a great love for music—with her “Lady Moon,” “Little Brown Brother,” “Grasshopper Green,” and a host of other children’s songs. Many of these had been sung to her by her own mother, who was tragically burned to death when mother was only eight years old.

After her mother died she went to live with her aunt in Monticello. It was while she was attending the University of Arkansas that she met her future husband, J. R. Grant.

The $800 Honeymoon

My mother has always been a good manager. To have helped her husband get a Ph.D. degree while taking care of five children, she had to be a good manager. Those who have read Green Shoot from Gum Log recall the story of their “$800 honeymoon.”

When they married they had that amount invested in a sound company. While on their honeymoon, they received news that the company had gone into the hands of the receiver. As my father put it, “We never got any of that money. The other fellow was the receiver.”

On that occasion Jim Grant turned to Grace, his bride:

“My dear,” he said, “if I were alone this blow would not worry me.”

“Do you wish you were alone?” she asked.

“No,” he replied. “I can’t say that.”

Then with a look that gave her husband a new lease on life, she said, “The dishonesty of other people doesn’t shake my faith in you. We know what it is to make a living. We are blessed with health. Life is before us and this incident is not big enough to cast a permanent shadow over us.”

The rest is history. They had planned to do graduate study; so they borrowed enough money to go on to school. The following year they paid it all back, in addition to having their first child, Elizabeth, and paying for her, too!

In the years that followed, my mother helped steady the boat on many occasions when the situation was not an easy one. She knew what it was to try to keep her children happy in a tiny apartment in New York while her husband was doing graduate work at Columbia University. Later she helped him with research, proofreading, etc., for his books, Arkansas Geography and Acquiring Skill in Teaching. These were the books that got him admitted to “Who’s Who in America.” He said, “I always thought that meant something until they let me in.”

‘Fruits of the Spirit’

When all five of the children were growing up, life was pretty lively around our house. Richard says, “Despite all the feudin’ and fussin’ George and I used to do, mother handled us in her inimitably gracious way—using a good switch when she had to—but never any unkind words.” He thinks the “fruits of the Spirit” described in Galatians 5:22-23 give a good description of her qualities: “joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, and temperance.”

We all got rambunctious at times, but mother rarely said, “Don’t.” Instead, she sent us outside to get rid of our excess energy. She never slapped us, or yelled at us, but firmly and quietly maintained good behavior with her endless patience. Perhaps one reason she kept us happy most of the time was because she kept us satisfied with such good food. No one could beat her cooking—specially her delicious bran muffins or her Christmas ambrosia.

(Continued on page 14)
ARKANSAS Baptist Hospital had its first open heart surgery performed and opened a new radioisotope laboratory last month. Both are firsts for a private hospital in Arkansas.

The first open heart surgery patient was Mrs. Fred Penny of Jones Mill, a 42-year-old grandmother whose main heart valve was gradually closing off because of damage done to it by disease when she was a child. A team of doctors headed by two surgeons, technicians and nurses performed the seven-hour operation of repairing the valve.

Mrs. Penny was on the heart pump, which takes over the heart's function of keeping the blood circulating through the body while the heart itself is being repaired, for two and a half hours during the operation. Her surgery was the result of more than six months of preparation and training for the heart surgery teams who performed the operation.

Equipment used for the operation, besides the heart pump, included a water mattress attached to a heating and cooling pump, a cardioscope for monitoring electric activity of the heart, a recording device for measuring pressure in arteries, a cylinder for measuring blood taken out and emergency cardiac equipment.

The hospital also recently purchased an $18,000 image intensifier which increases the brightness and clarity of x-ray pictures in fluoroscoping during tests prior to heart surgery.

The isotope laboratory, where radioactive substances are used for treatment and diagnosis, contains $7,000 worth of new equipment.

Theo T. James New Greene County Missionary

REV. Theo T. James, pastor of Arkansas City Church for the past two years, has resigned to accept the call of the Greene County Baptist Association as missionary. He and Mrs. James moved May 1 to Paragould where they will live during his service in the association.

Before coming to Arkansas City, Mr. James was pastor of Immanuel Church, Pine Bluff; First Church, McGehee; Rison, Heber Springs and Amity churches. He served three and a half years as chaplain during World War II. He is a member of the Executive Board of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention from Delta Association. He is a graduate of Dierks High School and Ouachita College. He received the Master of Theology degree from Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth.

Arkansas Evangelist Has Book Published


Entitled "How Can These Things Be?" the book deals with the life of a Christian from the time of conversion to maturity. It is now on sale at book stores all over the country, including the Baptist Book Store, Little Rock. It is priced at $1.95.

Several autograph parties were held in honor of the publication, including one at West View Church, Paragould, the church of which Mr. Lewis is a member, and Gaines Street Church, Little Rock, in which he was ordained. Southern Baptist College will have an autograph party May 19.

The book will be introduced at the Book Store display at the Southern Baptist Convention in St. Louis.
Darrell Black Accepts Toltec Church Pastorate

DARRELL Black, former pastor of Ebenezer Church in Bartholomew Association, has accepted the pastorate of Toltec Church, Scott, in Caroline Association.

During his two years at Ebenezer there were fourteen additions. The church went from a class to a department-type Sunday School. A church library and office were established and an R.A. Chapter and a Y.W.A. organized. The church also purchased a mimeograph machine and began a weekly bulletin. The auditorium was finished and the parsonage painted and other improvements made to the pastor's home.

Mr. Black is married to the former Miss Glenda Holcomb, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Jesse Holcomb of Second Church, Monticello. They have three sons, Ricky, 3½, Marque, 1½, and Dell, two months.

Woodson Church Reports Progress

WOODSON Church, Rev. Alfred R. Cullum, pastor, has built a $2,500 addition to the parsonage and is presently adding a water softener system and completing plumbing for an automatic washer connection.

The church has bought new folding chairs and a divider for the purpose of providing space for another Sunday School class. At the beginning of the Sunday School year it was averaging between 30 and 35 in attendance in Sunday School. Attendance now averages over 70. New classes organized include a Nursery and a Young Married Couples class.

The church was in revival services April 2-16 with Rev. A. T. Sartius, pastor of Bethany Church, North Little Rock, as evangelist. There were 20 additions on profession of faith and baptism. Sunday, April 9, there was a record attendance in Sunday School of 110 and in Training Union of 85.

ABH Refurbishes Rooms

NEW furniture has been purchased and placed in 75 rooms in the old part of Arkansas Baptist Hospital.

All private, semi-private and three-bed rooms have been redecorated with the new suites of furniture. Each room is getting a walnut finished metal bed with a three-crank control and orthopedic head and foot panels designed for using traction, a matching bedside table with white formica top, an occasional chair in white upholstery, a lamp and an easy chair.

Total cost of the new furniture was $30,000. This also included easy chairs which open out into beds for the rooms in the new part of the hospital.

Cage Star Evangelist For Youth Rally

REV. Ronny Ryan, past All-American basketball star of Hardin-Simmons University and now youth evangelist in Fort Worth, Tex., was guest speaker at an associational-wide Youth Rally sponsored by Third Street Church, Arkadelphia.

The April 29 rally climaxed a week of pre-revival services in which the young people of the church filled all places of leadership.

Revival services began April 30 with Rev. Sartius Beaver, formerly of Arkansas and now living in New Mexico, as evangelist. Rev. G. T. Blackmon is pastor of Third Street Church.

A HUGE sidewalk throng gathered April 13 to watch a crane from Arkansas Foundry Co. lift the tower for Ouachita College's $200,000 Bible Building, now under construction. The tower stands 104 feet high from ground level, the highest elevation in Arkadelphia.
Alumni Awards For Distinguished Grads

THE “Distinguished Alumni Award” will be conferred on three former students at Ouachita College's Diamond Jubilee commencement exercises May 28, President Ralph A. Phelps, Jr., has announced.

Those selected to receive the awards are David W. McMillan, Arkadelphia, Miss Anna Wollerman, Pine Bluff, and Col. James P. Jernigan, San Antonio, Tex.

McMillan, a retired Arkadelphia lawyer, served on the Ouachita Board of Trustees from 1922 until 1946. School officials credit his work with helping to keep the college open during the height of the depression of the 1930's. He received his B.A. from Ouachita in 1900.

Miss Wollerman is home on furlough as a Southern Baptist missionary to Brazil. She received her B.A. degree from Ouachita in August, 1941, the top student in her class of 71. She received her M.R.E. at Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth. At one time she served as Baptist Student Union student secretary and teacher of business at Ouachita.

Col. Jernigan is director of hospital services at the U. S. Air Force hospital at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio. He received his B.S. in 1936 from Ouachita with cum laude honors. He is a native of Rector.

Youth-Led Services At Tyler Street, LR

SIXTY-FIVE young people at Tyler Street Church, Little Rock, taught all the Sunday School classes and Training Union Departments and led the worship services at the church Sunday, April 30, climaxing the observance of Youth Week.

Rev. Harold Hightower, pastor, spoke on “Today's Youth” in the morning service. Walter Smiley, Baptist Student Union director at Little Rock, spoke in the evening service.

Leading the services were Earl Paul, Jr., Paul Orton, Jr., Danny Tyler, and Frank Watson, Jr.
Plan Mother's Day Banquet

THE Junior and Intermediate G.A.'s of Toltec Church, Scott, are planning a mother-daughter banquet on May 12 to celebrate Mother's Day. The guest of honor will be Mrs. Billy Howell. There will be prizes for the oldest and youngest mother in attendance. Sponsors are Mrs. DeRay Miller and Mrs. Dan Thomas.

Youth Week at Earle

EARLE Church observed Youth Week April 2-9 with 60 young people taking part. Youth Week pastor, Bill Hodges, student at Arkansas State College, Jonesboro, preached at the Sunday morning service, April 9. Rev Homer A. Bradley is pastor.

Revivals

FIRST Church of Gravel Ridge has been in revival with evangelist Tom Newton, pastor of Joyce City Church, Smackover. Music director was Bill Hunt, student at Ouachita, son of Rev. Harry Hunt, pastor of Levy Church, North Little Rock. There were 13 additions, five for baptism, and eight by letter. Rev. Jack Livingston is pastor.

REV. Homer Bradley, pastor of First Church, Earle, was the evangelist at a recent revival at Grace Church, Asheville, N. C. Thirty were added to the church by profession of faith and by letter. Rev. C. R. Pierce, Jr. is pastor of the church.

WATTENSAW Church, Rev. John O'Neal, pastor, was in revival April 17-23 with Rev. L. A. Tribble as the evangelist. There were six additions by baptism and one by letter.

DR. LOYD L. Hunnicutt was the evangelist for the revival April 23-30 at Central Church, Magnolia, where he has been pastor for 17 years. Don Edmondson, minister of music at Central, directed the music, and Earl Bailey, the church's minister of education, was chairman of attendance promotion. The church witnessed the largest revival attendance in its history. There were 20 additions; 14 for baptism, six by letter, and one other profession of faith.

FIRST Church, Osceola, was in revival the week of April 2-9, with Dr. Lloyd Hunnicutt, pastor of Central Church, Magnolia, as evangelist and Earl Bailey, as the church's minister of education. There were 10 additions by baptism and six by letter. Rev. Harry G. Jacobs is pastor.

IMMANUEL Church, Fayetteville, has completed revival services with Rev. R. V. Haygood of the state Training Union Department as evangelist. Don Wright, director of the youth choir, First Church, Fayetteville, was song leader. There were 10 professions of faith, and one addition by letter. Rev. Terrel Gordon is pastor.

FIRST Church, Hamburg, closed its spring revival April 2 with six candidates for baptism and four on promise of letter. The revival messages were brought by Rev. B. G. Hickem, pastor of First Church, Crossett, and the music was directed by Rev. Norman Ferguson of Fort Smith. Rev. E. E. Griever is the pastor.

REV. Walter K. Ayers was the evangelist at a revival in First Church, Harrison, April 5-9. Gale Bone, First Church, Searcy, led the singing. There were over 60 decisions. Rev. Roy Hilton is pastor.

April 13-16 Mr. Ayers held a revival in the First Church, Alpena. There were many professions of faith, and attendance records were broken. Rev. S. B. Hacker is pastor.

Mr. Ayers was also evangelist in a revival in First Church, Mountain Home. There were 25 decisions. Rev. Harold Elmore is pastor.

Cadron Ridge Church, Conway, has completed a revival meeting with Mr. Ayers as evangelist. There were 10 professions of faith.

EL PASO Church conducted a revival April 2-9 with Rev. Richard Adams, Crossett, as the evangelist. Music was directed by Davy Lee Moody, Ward. There were seven additions, four by baptism and three by letter. Rev. Ernest Anderson is pastor.

IMMANUEL Church, Warren, has completed a revival with Rev. Al Butler, First Church, Bentonville, as evangelist. Jack Reed, minister of music and education, First Church, Warren, led the music. There were 10 additions by baptism.

Rev. Dean E. Newberry, Jr., pastor of Immanuel, preached in a revival for the Sunnyside Church, Wichita Falls, Tex. Rev. Aubrey Puckett, Ouachita College graduate and former pastor in Arkansas, has been pastor of Sunnyside Church for five years. There were 32 additions during this revival, 25 for baptism and seven by letter.

TEMPLE Church, Crossett, was in revival April 2-9 with its own pastor, Rev. J. W. Buckner, as evangelist and J. V. Armor, Farmerville, leading the music. There were 10 additions by letter and 17 by baptism including a man 83 years of age and the first child born to members of the congregation after the church was organized eight years ago. The revival was the first to be conducted in the church's new sanctuary.

UNION Valley Church, Conway, was in revival April 10-16 with Rev. C. R. Collum, pastor of Calion Church, as the evangelist. There were five additions by baptism and one by letter. The church is pastorless at present.
The Scots are a great people. They are not so pampered and spoiled as we Americans. Few of them in the average working class can afford automobiles. They regard any place within a radius of two or three miles as being in walking distance. Street transportation in Glasgow ranges from three pence to nine pence, according to how far you ride. This is from four cents to eleven cents in our money.

Much that I learned about Scotland during a visit of little more than a week came from my association with the people in the Shettleston area of Glasgow, and particularly the Ronald Leatham family.

Ron, as Mr. Leatham is known to his friends, and Zadie Prentice were married during World War II, while Ron was serving with the Royal Artillery. They have two daughters, Rosalind, 14, and Anne, 5 1/2. Mrs. Leatham's mother, Mrs. Margaret Prentice, completes the household.

As section head of the Change-of-Tenancy department of the Electricity Board, Ron receives an annual salary of 800 pounds, which is about 200 pounds above the average income for Scottish families. Translated into our money, at the present rate of $2.80 per pound, this is $2,240 per year or less than $200 per month.

Out of this must come about 100 pounds a year for taxes and transportation, and another 100 pounds for rent and utilities for the four-room apartment occupied by the family. The remaining 600 pounds must cover the family's groceries, clothing, education, recreation, gifts to the church, and charity, etc. (Mrs. Leatham's mother lives on a pension.)

As most of his fellow countrymen, Mr. Leatham gave several years of his life to the war effort during World War II. As was true of many others, he had to give up his choice career. He had wanted to be an attorney, but the war left no opportunity for the necessary schooling. While Scotland escaped with comparatively little blasting of its land during World War II, there were frequent air raids, including bombings and strafings. Two people were killed at a home just down the street from where I stayed, when a Nazi bomb hit their bomb shelter.

A Scottish Family At Home

The Scots are well fed. They have three square meals a day and another that is almost square. They begin the day with a hearty breakfast. Along with oatmeal, they have toast and eggs and a meat. The meat varies from bacon to sausage to smoked haddock. Then there is tea, always tea.

At noon the Scotch people have what is called "dinner," including a soup, a meat, a vegetable or two, dessert, and, of course, tea. Five o'clock is tea time again.
The climate can be and usually is rather severe. Most of the buildings in Scotland, including the homes, are poorly heated, by American standards. The average temperature in the homes will be in the fifties or lower, during the day, and much lower at night. The only heat is likely to be, as at the Leatham’s, from a coal fire in an open grate in a fireplace, and from the cook stove.

The children of school age usually have “home work” at night, as do American children, and, for the most part, are not given much to do around the house. They start to school a year younger than the children in America, beginning their studies at the age of 5. Secondary school, corresponding to our high school, completes the public school system. Comparatively few Scots young men and women are able to go on to college and university.

One worry a Scottish family does not have is hospitalization. This is provided through a program of social welfare, at the expense, no doubt, of the taxpayers.

Unlike most Scots, who are usually members of the church of Scotland (Presbyterian), the Leathams are devout Baptists. Mr. Leatham is treasurer of the Shettleston Baptist Church and Mrs. Leatham is a member of the church choir. Between their church work and work in their yard and small vegetable-flower garden back of their apartment, the Leathams have little time for recreation outside the home. Once a year, however, they go on a family vacation, usually by train, to some Scottish resort for a week or two.

The Scots are truly a hardy people, and they have learned to be happy in the face of difficulties many of us Americans would regard as insurmountable.

Crusade Lauded by Briton

MINISTERS of churches in the English-speaking nations can contribute much toward peace for the world, through preaching missions such as the Scotland Evangelistic Crusade, Sir Cyril Black, a member of the British House of Commons and an active Baptist layman, told the Crusade party at a banquet in London. Most of the group, largely from Arkansas, stopped over there on route to the Holy Land.

The evangelistic party was given a tea by Sir Cyril in the House of Commons. Others attending the tea and banquet included Rev. W. D. Jackson, general superintendent of the London Metropolitan area of the Baptist Union of Great Britain, who was one of the principal speakers last year at the meeting of the Baptist World Alliance in Rio de Janeiro, and Rev. W. Charles Johnson, secretary of the London Baptist Association, who, with two other Baptist ministers, made a preaching visit to Arkansas and the United States last year.

A highlight of the tea in the House of Commons was the presentation by Rev. Lewis E. Clarke, to Sir Cyril of a plaque of appreciation for Sir Cyril’s “devoted service to Baptist world missions.”

German Reunion for One Family

REV. AND Mrs. Roy Hilton, of Harrison, Ark., members of the Scotland Evangelistic Crusade party, will visit their son, Lt. Kenneth Roy Hilton, of the United States Army Infantry, and family, in Augsburg, Germany, before returning to the states. This will be their first time to see their son since he went to Augsburg over three years ago.

The younger Hilton, making a career of the Army, is a graduate of Ouachita College, where he was commissioned a second lieutenant upon completion of his Reserve Officers Training Corps.

Mr. Hilton is pastor of First Church, Harrison. Prior to his call to this church a year ago, he was pastor of First Church, North Little Rock, for six years. Other pastorates in Arkansas have included First Church, Bay; New Hope Church, Sparkman; First Church, North Crossett and Sweet Home Church.

During the Scotland Evangelistic Crusade, Mr. Hilton was an evangelistic in a Scotch Baptist church and Mrs. Hilton spoke to women’s groups on the work of the Woman’s Missionary Union of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Lt. Hilton is married to the former Miss Rogna Peterson of Eudora. He and his wife have a baby son, Robert Roy, who with his mother visited in the Hilton home in Harrison last January.

On a visit to Baptist mission fields in Rome, the Hiltons invited a young German woman studying at the Armstrong Memorial Training School to spend a year as a guest in their home in preparation for enrolling in a Southern Baptist college in the states.

The young woman, from a German refugee family, was highly recommended to the Hiltons by Miss Virginia Wingo, head of the Baptist Training School for young women here in Rome. Her acceptance of the Hilton offer will depend upon someone providing passage for her to Harrison.
On The Agenda for SBC Messengers

The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention has under preparation an “organizational manual” which, when completed, will set forth all Convention programs as assigned to various Convention agencies. The following article is one of several based on program structures which will come under consideration when the Southern Baptist Convention meets in St. Louis, Mo., May 23-26.

By THE BAPTIST PRESS

The Historical Commission

“SYSTEMATIC effort” to assemble, record and preserve Baptist history has been described as the duty of the Southern Baptist Convention Historical Commission.

By means of a library to house historical material and through conferences and printed articles to call attention to Baptist history needs, the commission achieves this objective.

Such is the description of the agency which will be put before the 1961 session of the Southern Baptist Convention at St. Louis for adoption. Later, along with program outlines of sister agencies, the description will be a part of an SBC agency manual.

The Executive Committee of the SBC, charged with the task of outlining programs for the agency manual, will present the Historical Commission description to Convention messengers.

Among its assigned responsibilities, under the proposed format, would also be “a constant program of study and research in order properly to evaluate historical materials and discover their relative worth.”

It maintains contacts with state Baptist history societies, with church history departments in seminaries, with sister SBC agencies and indirectly with local Baptist associations of churches. It is permitted to be partner with another SBC agency in fulfilling its library duties. [It and the Sunday School Board of the Convention presently have the jointly-sponsored Dargan-Carver Library at Nashville.]

These library facilities are open to writers, editors, researchers, college students, professors and others with special history projects. The assembling of biographies of Baptist people is another facet of the commission’s assignment.

As stated in the Executive Committee recommendation, the commission should have the following objective:

“The Historical Commission shall assist Southern Baptists in the propagation of the gospel by (1) constantly encouraging the recording of the current efforts of Baptists in every area of endeavor; (2) diligently preserving these records by whatever manner is considered expedient; (3) faithfully endeavoring to secure the critical consideration of these materials as research is conducted, decisions made, and plans projected.”

My Favorite Teacher

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When asked to write this article about mother, my thoughts turned back to our days on the Ouachita campus. It was during those 17 years of busy campus life that she made her way into the hearts of so many students, faculty members, and friends. In addition to her family duties she also attended voice recitals, band concerts, debates, one-act plays, three-act plays, football games, basketball games (she is an avid sports fan to this day), and presided at the annual Senior Reception, Christmas Faculty Party, Dinner for New Faculty Members, ad infinitum.

She was often asked to judge debates and even did occasional substitute teaching. In the midst of all her college duties she gave loyal service to her church. She frequently found time to have her Sunday School class of college girls in our home. Missionary Mary Elizabeth Halsell said to me during her last furlough, “I always remember that delicious divinity and fudge Mrs. Grant used to make for us.”

My husband recalls an incident concerning his first introduction to mother:

“Rev. W. R. Hamilton had made some movies of the students and faculty and was showing them in chapel. In one scene Dr. and Mrs. Grant were walking out of their home and down the sidewalk. As this was shown, two girls behind him were talking. One said, ‘Isn’t she precious!’ and the other added, ‘Just precious!’ ”

Of this incident he remarks, “Those girls did an excellent job of describing the remarkable person who is now my mother-in-law.”

In the midst of her activities as a college president’s wife, mother also found time to serve on the Executive Board of the W. M. U. and later served as State president. The fact that mother continually goes from one teaching engagement to another is almost a standing joke in our family—so much so that when Daniel writes to her he often asks, “Where are you preaching this week?”

Just One Small Failing

In reflecting on some things mother had taught him, Daniel said: “Her sense of fair play seemed to cut across almost every human circumstance. I came to learn that I could not expect mother to ‘take my
"the finger of God cast out devils... rather should reign in yours... Be consummated in some fashion."

"Gain of... gain... Leges... Bible schools... Academies..."

"The tension is... between God and man."

"Courage Through Faith"

One of the factors that has endeared mother to... so many is her radiant smile and real courage in the face of deep sorrow. It was not easy that day the telegram came saying that George had been killed in action on D-Day in Normandy. Nor was it easy when her companion of forty-one years had a fatal heart attack. But through it all her faith in God has helped her teach others many things—including how to meet sorrow.

One of the members of mother's Sunday School class who visited her during this time later wrote to her: "Words can teach only so much, but seeing you and your family having such trust that permits smiles during sorrow has changed our lives."

Two decades ago. when I was a teen-ager, I knew almost as much as my mother—but now. with two teen-agers of my own, I appreciate her more every hour of every day."

'Dial-A-Saint' Service

MiamI, Fla. (EP) — The popular "Dial-A-Prayer" and "Dial-A-Thought" services have now been eclipsed by a brand new telephone service called "Dial-A-Saint." Roman Catholic priests in this area have recorded the 60-second tape-recorded messages featuring the life of the saint of the day or the history of the feast being celebrated on a particular day.

Israeli Baptists Publish

Jerusalem (EP) Hagahad (Togetherness) is a new 16-page monthly magazine published by the Israel Baptist Convention—first such publication in Israel.

Enrollment on Rise

Nashville, Tenn. (EP) — Total enrollment for all Southern Baptist schools (including colleges, Bible schools, academies and seminaries) is now 65,338—a gain of about 4,000 in 12 months. Enrollment in Southern Baptist seminaries has reached 5,931—a gain of 10 percent over last year. It is the first increase in the denomination's seminaries in three years.

May 11, 1961

Gleanings from the Greek New Testament

by V. Wayne Barton

And the Reign Came

The kingdom is past. However, it is not entirely past, for it is also present and future.

The kingdom is past (not passed!). Jesus said, "If I with the finger of God cast out devils no doubt the kingdom of God is come upon you" (Lk. 11:20). Quite literally, what he said was, "The reign... come." The tense, of course, is past. For Jesus cast out devils in his day from one end of Palestine to the other.

And he continues to do so till this hour. So, the kingdom is present.

Moreover, the kingdom is future. Because "the kingdoms of the world became the kingdoms of our Lord, and his Christ: and he shall reign for ever and ever" (Rev. 11:15).

A matter of no small significance is the meaning of "kingdom." The Greek basileia (kingdom) is thought by most contemporary New Testament scholars to have the sense of dominion, not dom-
Clear Creek Association

Paul E. Wilhelm, Missionary

REV. O. Lynn Langston, pastor, and First Church, Alma, conducted a Youth Week program April 8-9. Young people led the singing, ushered, helped with the offering, and brought the inspirational message. The proof that youth can be a benefit was seen the last Sunday morning when 17 came forward during the invitation, 14 on profession of faith and for baptism. Others appearing on the program were: Bro. Dwayne Fischer, music and educational director, First Church, Van Buren; Rev. Charles Graves, pastor, First Church, Van Buren; Rev. Ben T. Haney, pastor, First Church, Ozark; Rev. Charles Chesser, Jr., pastor, Kibler Church, Alma; Rev. James A. Kent, pastor, Hartman and Spadra churches; Rev. Paul E. Wilhelm, associational missionary; Rev. J. W. Burrows, moderator, and pastor of Oak Grove Church, near Van Buren; Rev. S. A. Wiles, retired missionary; Rev. O. Lynn Langston, pastor, First Church, Alma; Rev. Alfred Duncan, pastor, Concord Church, near Alma; Rev. Vernon Cavender, pastor, Webb City Church; Rev. Charles Chesser, Jr., pastor, Kibler Church; Boyd Rye, B. R. Cole, B. E. Plunkett, C. R. Starbird, W. D. Patton, J. A. Burns, D. E. Molder and J. D. King, all of First Church, Alma.

The service was under the direction of Rev. George Lonsbury. The annual associational Royal Ambassador Recognition service was held April 21 at First Baptist Church, El Dorado. There were 16 boys recognized for having passed all the requirements to advance one rank.

There were 10 recognized as Pages, two as Squires, two as Knights, and two as Ambassadors. Those recognized were Paul Miller, Johnny Wilhide and Faunt Smith, of First Church, Camden; Gary Johnson, Olen Parker, Mike Thomas, Jerry Johnson, Durwood Hatcher, Ray Head, and O. J. Taylor of First Church, Smackover; and Eddie Wood, John Allen Daniels, DeWayne Scott, Billy Warnock, Bobby Daniels and Mitchell McElroy, Elliott Church. The service was under the direction of the associational R. A. Leader, Don Moore.

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ARKANSAS BAPTIST
Arkansans to Graduate from Southwestern, New Orleans Seminaries

Arkansas Nurse Awarded Degree

A SOUTHERN Baptist missionary nurse, a native of Arkansas, will be among the 137 candidates for degrees and awards at the annual spring commencement program May 19 at New Orleans Seminary.

Miss DeVellyn Oliver, daughter of Mrs. W. E. Oliver, Hampton, will receive the Master of Religious Education degree. Now on furlough from her post in the Philippines, Miss Oliver works with another missionary nurse and Filipino doctors and nurses at a 30-bed hospital in eastern Mindanao.

Miss Oliver studied at New Orleans Seminary before her appointment to the mission field. She received her B.S. degree from the Baylor University School of Nursing.

Prior to her missionary service she was a nurse at Hillcrest Memorial Hospital, Waco, Tex.; Arkansas Baptist Hospital, Little Rock; Calhoun County Hospital, Hampton, and Southern Baptist Hospital in New Orleans.
Camp Season Nears

THE ANNUAL Royal Ambassador camp season is rapidly approaching. The season opens on Monday, June 12, and we hope to have the best year in camping that we have ever known.

All of the 1961 Royal Ambassador camps will be held at the Arkansas Baptist Campground which is located off Twelfth Street Pike, west of Little Rock, and about two miles west of Ferndale, in Pulaski County. C. H. Seaton, associate Brotherhood secretary, will serve as director of general camp supervision. Please note that the Royal Ambassador camps constitute one of the Brotherhood Department's wonderful opportunities as well as one of the department's sacred responsibilities. And we are glad to accept all that is involved in planning the camps, holding the camps, and working towards the building of a more worthy camp program for Arkansas Baptists.

In 1961, the camp schedule is as follows: June 12-16, First Intermediate Camp; June 19-23, First Junior Camp; June 26-30, Second Junior Camp; July 10-14, Third Junior Camp; July 17-21, Second Intermediate Camp; July 21-25, State Brotherhood Encampment.

And now something special! The Brotherhood Department has on hand some money, made available by some people who have the Royal Ambassador camps in their hearts. One-hundred and forty-five dollars of this money is hereby offered the churches on the following conditions: To the first 10 churches sending in five or more registrations for any one camp, the Brotherhood Department will, with the above funds, pay the full camp fees ($14.50) for another boy from your church for the same camp, some boy who otherwise could not come to camp.

Please note that this offer can apply only to 10 churches. First come, first served! Let us hear from you!—Nelson Tull, Brotherhood Department.

Aims for Children

THERE ARE 3,760 hours in a year. Should the boys and girls attend every session of our Sunday School we would only have 60 hours of this time to attain the aims we are working toward. Are we making the most of these precious moments?

Are these your aims as a worker? To help each child: Feel comfortable and happy, loved and wanted, secure and unhurried.

Know that God made and cares for the world and the things that are in it. See Christianity as to life as we face it today by using all the ingenuity we have in presenting the word through the best teaching methods.

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Bible stories that are meaningful to him, related to his own experiences. As we teach them to solve their problems, so they may have peace and harmony in their lives, helping to unify life.

Begin to associate God with feelings of wonder, love, and happiness, and want to talk to God in his own way. Feel more secure with adults, with other children, and in a variety of situations.

Think of his church as a special place where the family may go to learn more about God and Jesus, to have happy experiences with friendly people at “my church.”

“We cannot do today’s business with yesterday’s methods and expect to be in business tomorrow.”

Have you made your reservations on our Arkansas bus to Glorieta, June 21-29? There we learn about today’s methods, but there is still another chance at Sunday School Leadership Week August 7-11, Siloam Springs Assembly. Send your reservations now.—Mary Emma Humphrey, State Elementary Director.

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The tours could be so arranged that our pastors could live close to our missionaries and come to feel the heart-beat of these chosen servants of God and witness the results of our mission giving.

In my judgment our churches would be making one of the best mission investments possible if they would make it possible for their pastor to make a mission tour. — S. A. Whitley, Executive Secretary.

More Baptisms in Churches Emphasizing Stewardship

THE statement was made at a recent denominational meeting that the churches which emphasized the teaching of Stewardship by using the Forward Program of Church Finance would not baptize as many as the churches that did not use the Forward Program of Church Finance.

That statement started me thinking and I began to look at the picture more closely. We took the reports from the churches that used the Forward Program and selected churches of comparable size in membership which did not use the Forward Program and compared the number of baptisms.

We found that the churches using the Forward Program baptized one for every 28 members. The churches not using the Forward Program baptized one for every 31 members. The amazing thing about our research was this: It took about 29 or 30 church members to win one soul to Christ in many of our churches. We must all agree that this is a sad picture. When one remembers that the average Baptist keeps two-thirds of the tithe, and is apparently not interested in winning souls, the picture is not at all bright.

When we hear someone say, “The Forward Program of Church Finance will hurt some churches because the people aren’t ready for it,” we want to reply, “The majority never win a soul and do not now tithe and many attend one church service per week (Sunday morning).” About the only thing a program could do to these people would be to help.

Surely, there must be a reason for practicing this kind of stewardship. If there is a reason, then there must be an approach to the problem. That approach is not an easy route and the solution is not less effort, less planning or less stewardship teaching. It means more praying and less bickering about what should be done; more planning and less spinning of our spiritual wheels; more facing the facts and less sticking our heads in the sand or the clouds; more Christ-like attitudes and less self-interest approaches.

No doubt, the Master would say to us, “Let the dead bury the dead and come follow me.”—Ralph Douglas, Associate Executive Secretary.
BY THE BAPTIST PRESS

Strickland Named to Post

BROADMAN Press' public relations program was placed in charge of W. Alvis Strickland beginning May 1. He has been superintendent of association promotion in the Baptist Sunday School Board's Sunday School Department since August, 1959.

Strickland's new duties will consist of implementing a recently-created public relations program for Broadman Press, publishing press of the Sunday School Board.

A native of Cross Plains, Tex., he holds the A.B. degree from Union University, Jackson, Tenn., and has attended the divinity school at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, and Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

Soren Cancels Trip

JOHN F. Soren of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, president of the Baptist World Alliance, has cancelled a May-June trip to North America because of illness.

Soren cabled Josef Nordenhaug, general secretary of the Alliance, news of an impending operation. The cable said the Baptist leader's condition is "not serious."

Soren's announced schedule was to begin with the baccalaureate address at Southern Seminary, Louisville, May 18, and conclude with a meeting of the Alliance executive committee at Wake Forest N. C., June 27-29.

Addresses at the annual meetings of the Southern Baptist Convention, the American Baptist Convention, the Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec, and the Student and Foreign Missions Conferences at the Southern Baptist assembly in Ridgcrest, N. C., are among the appointments cancelled.

Lottie Moon Gifts

BOOKS on the 1960 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering closed May 1 with a total of $8,238,471.07. This represents an increase of $531,623.78, or 6.89 percent over the 1959 total of $7,706,847.29. Any additional Lottie Moon funds received by the Foreign Mission Board will be counted on the 1961 offering.

Adams to Nashville

SAXE Adams, minister of music at Travis Avenue Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Tex., became director of the Beginner Primary music work for the Baptist Sunday School Board's Church Music Department, effective May 1. He will be available for field work in all phases of church music work, but will give major attention to the beginner and primary age groups, especially leadership.

A native of Alabama, Adams is a graduate of Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Tex., and Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth. He has done additional graduate study at Cincinnati Conservatory of Music.

Ouachita Former Student Assoc.

Coffee Hour

Date—May 23rd
Place—Crystal Room—Sheraton—Jefferson Hotel
Time—Following the Evening Service—9:00 P.M.
Price—$1.00 Adults, $.50 Children

"Meet Me In St. Louis"
God's Wondrous World

Brazil-Nut Trees

By Thelma C. Carter

You would not think that the Brazil nut with its sweet white meat comes from a tree that grows sometimes three to four stories high, with a trunk thirty to forty feet around.

It is difficult to believe that the Brazil-nut tree has brown pods as hard as iron that sometimes weigh forty pounds each, but it is true.

When you see the Brazil-nut tree, you think this huge, towering tree can't be true. The pods are as hard as cannon balls. They fall to earth with a terrific thud. Only the Creator knows the "why" and "how" of this tree.

One cannot help but think of the words of the psalmist: "Many, O Lord my God, are thy wonderful works which thou hast done" (Psalm 40:5).

When a seed pod of this great tree is broken, eight to 24 nuts spread apart like the sections of an orange. Brazil nuts are harvested from January to June in South America.

All along the Amazon Valley in South America, amid the great upland forests of coco and babassu palms, mahogany, and other hardwood trees are found the giant Brazil-nut trees. Also growing wild in the same areas are cashew trees.

Green masts of vines, seedlings, and shrubs grow under the huge, tropical trees. Here Nature's hot, steamy, tropical world has its fluttering, clattering, bright-colored birds as well as squawking, growling monkeys and other small animals.

When you purchase Brazil nuts in your supermarket, take a moment to remember the strange, wild, wondrous natural world which is their home. 

ETERNAL SPRING

By Marie L. Olson

Before the blossoming of spring
Lies winter, bleak and cold;
There must be stormy clouds and rain
Before the buds unfold!

There must be showers in the sky
Before the rainbow's glow;
There must be pruning of the vines
Before much fruit will grow.

Through death comes life, through loss comes gain,
Then trust, rejoice and sing;
And labor on—ahead there lies
With Christ, eternal Spring.
Sunday School Lesson

Discipline in the Home

By DENNIS M. DODSON
Pastor, North Crossett First Church, Crossett

May 14, 1961


Memory Selection: “Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.” Prov. 22:6.

INTRODUCTION: The lesson for this Sunday is one that comes in a time of real need. We are living in a period where our ideas concerning parental authority, discipline in the home and filial duty are being challenged on every hand. Rebellion by the child and irresponsibility by the parent are shaking the very foundation of our social structure. There is a truth for both child and parent in this lesson—a truth that needs to be understood, agreed with, and practiced now or we shall bear the bitter fruit of waywardness. Discipline in the home needs to be accepted as the way of strength, wisdom and love. It is God’s way and we should walk in it.

I. The Discipline Cycle

In Proverbs 4:1-4 the writer is strengthening his instruction by the authority of his father. He is showing that what he is teaching was taught to him by his father. This brings out the discipline cycle. The father is to instruct the child and the child, likewise his children. There is to be a continuous cycle of teaching and obedience. This cycle is to be centered around disciplinary instruction which the word “instruction,” used by the writer, indicates.

In Proverbs 10:1 we find indications of the two possible directions in which children may turn. Some prove to be foolish, incorrigible and evil; others become wise, teachable and good. One is a disappointment and a sorrow to his parents and the other brings joy and happiness to his parents.

This verse brings out the fact that the training by the parent is reflected in the child’s conduct and the conduct of the child is reflected in the parents’ joy or grief. This is a cause and effect cycle which points toward the importance of teaching by the parent and obedience by the child. They are necessary for happiness in the home.

II. The Discipline Channel

Discipline in the home is a way of building character. It is the means God has chosen to control and guide physical life at its very fountainhead. Children are to be taught the ways of God and the principles of living in the very source of their beginning, the home. Experience has shown that parental correction is essential in the education of a child. As one has said, “The undisciplined child becomes the wayward boy, the dissipated young man, the wreck of manhood.” (Pulpit Comm.)

It is the Way of Love,
Proverbs 13:24

The chief point in this verse is that discipline is sometimes necessary for the good of the child. The child is inexperienced, so he must be taught. It is not unkindness to give a child positive guidance and insist upon him conforming to it. This is really the way of a loving parent. It must be understood that discipline is to be for the welfare of the child and not for the gratification of the parent. The parent should choose the “rod” —spanking, rebuke, exclusion from certain privileges—which will help the child learn the lesson and which will best encourage him to want to practice the lesson. The desire to do is just as important as to know what to do.

It is the Way of Character,
Proverbs 20:11

The emphasis here is not on manners but on the inner character of the child. It is upon truth, honesty, purity, etc. The simplicity of childhood enables a person to determine much of the inner life of a child by his external acts. Childhood is the time to observe people to see what is bad and to correct it and to see what is good and to encourage it. For as one said, “As the twig is bent, so is the tree inclined.”

It is the Way of Understanding,
Proverbs 22:6

Although many have indicated this verse of Scripture is speaking of religious training, which is good and necessary, it is not emphasizing this. The emphasis is upon considering the child’s nature, faculties and temperament in his education.

If a child is trained in accordance with his abilities, his personality and his desires, when he is old he will not depart from that way because it is in accord with his individual ways of thinking, acting, etc. A child comes into the world with his own individualism. He is different. He has his own desires, impulses and urges. Some are the same as other children’s; some are different. They belong only to him. These desires, impulses and urges need to be directed, not stifled.

The parents’ responsibility is not to determine these for the children but to guide them in proper outlets. Guidance is the keynote and not determination. A parent should understand his child and use that understanding to guide the child in the way he should go and when he is old he won’t depart from it.

It is the Way of Happiness,
Proverbs 29:17

The parent who patiently disciplines his child will be rewarded by the achievements of the child. As a rule this is so but there are exceptions. Proper discipline produces dependable men and women who can behave wisely in a crisis and who can stand in the storm. This brings happiness to them and to the one who trained them.

III. The Discipline

Cooperative

Ephesians 6:1-4

In these verses Paul writes of the mutual obligations that exist in the matter of discipline in the home. There is to be cooperation between the parent and the child. The child is to cooperate by being obedient to the parent. This is a Christian duty and is to be rendered like all others in recognition of the Lord who will end in obedience to it. When this duty is observed, it contributes to the welfare of the person and thereby results in a longer life.

The parent is to cooperate by not provoking the child to wrath. A parent should not excite wrath and rebellion in the child because of injustice in the matter of discipline. The child is an individual and must be respected in his individuality. The parents who know the individualities of their children and have their love and confidence can reason with them in questions of discipline and usually get a good response.

Conclusion

Discipline in the home is something that has been sanctioned by God. It is the parents’ God-given responsibility to discipline the child and the duty of the children to obey the parents. Discipline is to be carried out in understanding and love with a constructive purpose. When this is done it usually leads to happiness for both the child and the parent.

“Parental authority cannot be destroyed without injuring the roots of...
our religious life, as well as endangering the stability of the world." (W. S. Bruce). The training of the child in filial duty and parental respect is the best guarantee of social order. The mutual agreement of the parent and child is needed in this fact.

**A Smile or Two**

**Nothing To It!**

AN FBI marksman passed through a small town and saw evidence of amusing shooting. On trees, walls, fences and barns were numerous bullet holes with the bullet holes in the exact center. He asked to meet the remarkable marksman.

The man turned out to be the village idiot. "This is the most wonderful marksman I've ever seen," said the FBI man. "How in the world do you do it?"

"Easy as pie. I shoot first and draw the circle afterwards."

**Building Character**

THE STATE Central Savings Bank of Keokuk, Iowa, offered free lumber to the parents of the teen-age vandals who dismantled its wooden sidewalk benches, commenting: "The lumber will make a heck of a swell paddle, and used on one end, might cause some thought at the other end."

**Cats and People**

THE following essay on "cats" was turned in by a 10-year-old pupil: "Cats and people are funny animals. Cats have four paws but only one man. People have forefathers and only one mother."

"When a cat smells a rat, he gets excited, so do people."

"Cats carry tails and a lot of people can't do this."

"All cats have fur coats. Some people have fur coats and the ones who don't have fur coats say crazy things about the ones who do have them."

**Soft Answer**

A MAN who was called "Colonel" by nearly everyone in the community, although he had never served in the Army, was being heckled by a lawyer who wanted to know how the Colonel came by his title.

"Well, you see," explained the Col onel, "in a soft voice, 'that title in front of my name is like the 'Honorific' in front of yours; it doesn't mean a thing."

**Indispensable Man**

"YES," said the personnel manager to the job applicant, "what we're after is a man of vision; a man with drive, determination; fire; a man who can inspire others; a man who can pull our bowling team out of last place!"

**Outdoor Type**

"ARE you a clock watcher?" asked the employer of a candidate for a job. "No, I don't like inside work," replied the applicant, "I'm a whistle listener."

**Punctuated Job**

BOSS, to recently hired steno: "Now, I hope you thoroughly understand the importance of punctuation."

"Oh, yes," the sweet young thing replied, "I always get to work on time."

**Stop Talking**

THE human brain is a wonderful thing. It starts working the moment you are born and never stops until you stand up to speak in public.

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Federal Aid Breakthrough

A BREAKTHROUGH on Federal aid to private education will take place if Congress approves the bill to aid higher education that is now being debated by the House Committee on Education and Labor.

The House subcommittee on education, headed by Rep. Edith Green (D., Ore.), approved by a 4-1 vote a revised version of the bill on which hearings were earlier held. The full Education and Labor Committee, of which Rep. Adam Clayton Powell (D., N. Y.) is chairman, has debated the bill for several days.

The original bill was a college construction and student scholarship program. But the bill as reported out of the subcommittee included grants for construction. No distinction was made between public and nonpublic colleges.

The new bill calls for a five year program of grants and loans for construction of college facilities. The $1.5 billion to be authorized would be divided 60 percent for grants and 40 percent for loans.

The basic scholarship program would authorize $148,750,000 over a five year period, plus additional appropriations to cover the costs of scholarships begun during this period. Scholarships would not exceed $1,000 per year.

Under the proposed grant program for both public and private colleges it is clearly stated that the grants and loans cannot be used for facilities that are used for sectarian instruction, or as a place of worship, or that is used for a part of a divinity school (BP).

Concert for Convention

A BRIEF concert of gospel music and favorite hymns has been scheduled for the opening of the Southern Baptist Convention Tuesday evening, May 23, in St. Louis, Mo.

W. Hines Sims, secretary of the Church Music Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, will conduct more than one hundred nationwide Southern Baptist ministers of music in the concert (BP).