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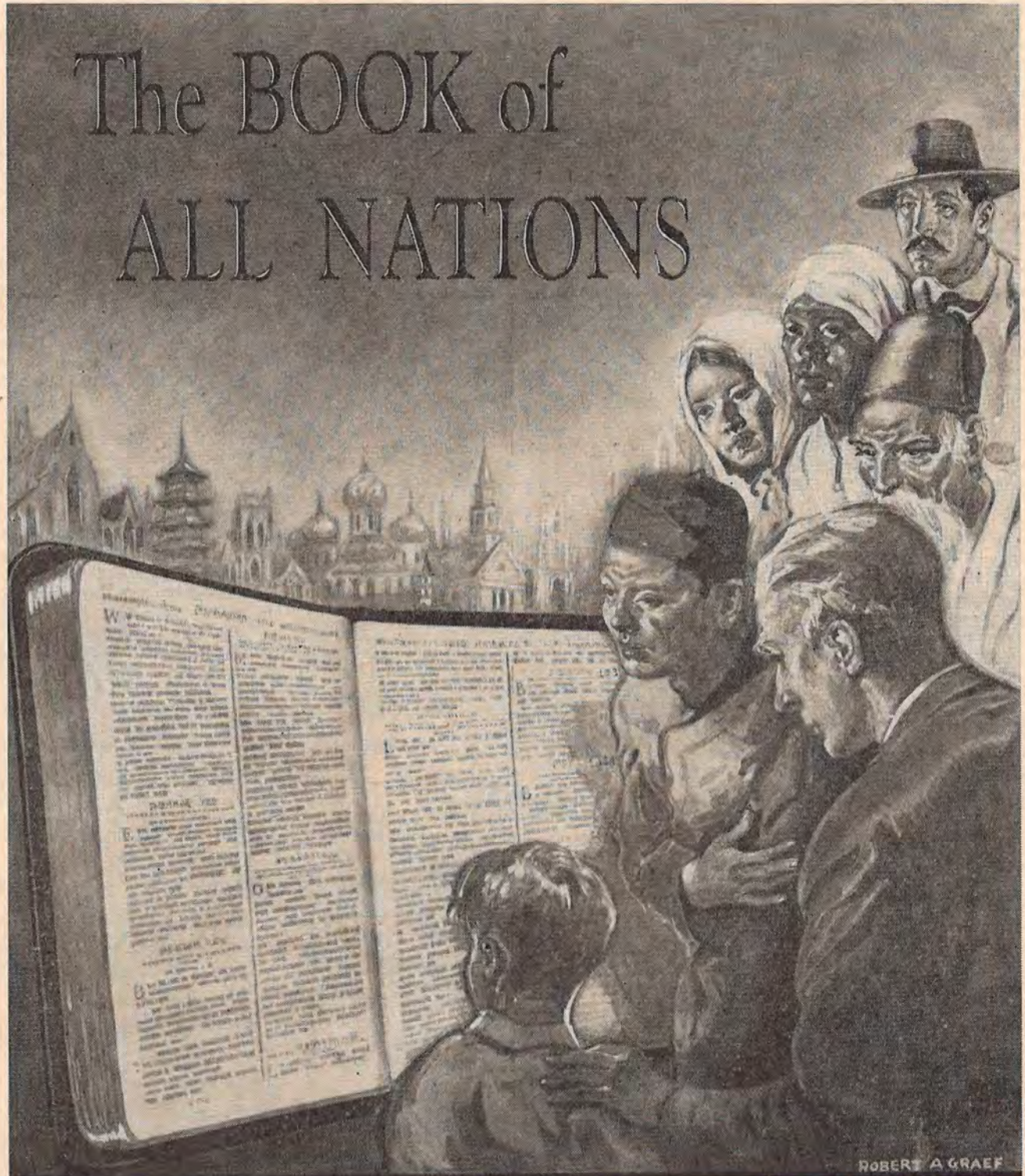
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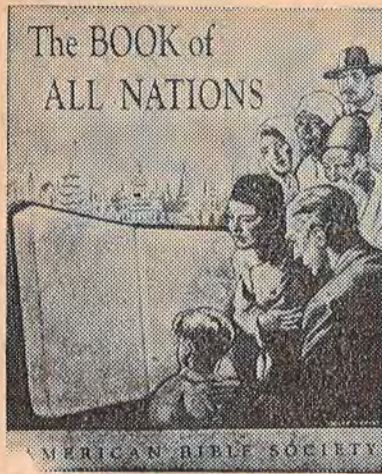
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The BOOK of ALL NATIONS



ROBERT A. GRAEF



"The Book of All Nations" is the 1948 theme of the World-wide Bible Reading, Thanksgiving to Christmas, sponsored annually by the American Bible Society.

Bookmarks listing the Bible passages suggested for each day from Thanksgiving to Christmas; an attractive poster in colors; and other special materials for the churches, are available from the Society without charge.

Thirty-four countries participated in the 1947 observance of World-wide Bible Reading; 15 million bookmarks listing the Bible passages for daily reading were distributed; also the list of daily readings was reprinted in various publications with a circulation of about 20 million copies. An even larger response is expected this year.

Reports from pastors and other church leaders indicate that the World-wide Bible Reading program fulfils a twofold purpose:

1. It gives an opportunity to enlist many new people in Bible reading.
2. The emphasis on daily reading encourages persons who have not been regular Bible readers to establish firmly, the habit of daily reading, by following the year-round programs of daily Bible reading sponsored by the various church organizations.

Southern Baptists have a special interest in this Bible reading program on an international scale. It is an expansion of the National-wide Bible Reading launched in 1944 which, in turn, resulted from the national attention drawn to an earlier Bible reading movement in Texas, sponsored by the churches and the American Bible Society, in which Baptist leadership played a major part.

Following are the Bible selections in the Bible Reading Program, Thanksgiving to Christmas, sponsored by the American Bible Society.

November

Day	Book	Chapter
25	Thanksgiving Psalms	103
26	Psalms	90
27	Psalms	91
28	Sunday Psalms	23
29	Ephesians	6
30	Phillippians	4

December

Day	Book	Chapter
1	John	17
2	Revelation	21
3	Psalms	121
4	Psalms	27
5	Sunday Acts	17
6	John	15
7	Hebrews	11
8	Romans	12
9	John	3
10	Romans	8
11	John	14
12	Bible Sunday Matthew	13
13	Luke	14
14	Luke	15
15	Luke	16

"Keep Them in Your Heart"

We call attention to the Thanksgiving Offering for the Orphanage. This is an "over and above" offering. Our people can make this offering without reducing their regular weekly contributions. There is no cause which makes a stronger appeal to our Baptist people than the Orphanage.

It should be supported worthily so as to provide the very best facilities for meeting our obligation to homeless children. We could give the new superintendent, H. C. Seefeldt, no greater pledge of confidence than to support this Thanksgiving Offering generously.

It would be a splendid idea if many of our churches would send delegations to Monticello to visit the Orphanage and to observe first hand what we have in this institution and what we need to provide adequately for the children in the home. The more we know about the institution and the more contacts we have with it, the more generous we will be in our support.

It is hoped that every Baptist church in Arkansas will observe this Thanksgiving Offering for the Bottoms Baptist Orphanage. "Where your treasure is there will your heart be also." When we invest our treasure in the Bottoms Baptist Orphanage, our hearts will be there, too, with the boys and girls for whom the institution exists.

16	I Corinthians	13
17	Isaiah	55
18	John	1
19	Sunday Mark	4
20	Matthew	5
21	Matthew	6
22	Matthew	7
23	Isaiah 2:1-5; 9:1-7	
24	Isaiah 11:1-9; 40:1-11	
25	Christmas Day Matthew	2

If you want to follow a list of daily readings for 1949, ask your minister, write to your denominational headquarters, or request copies from American Bible Society, Dept. U 450 Park Avenue, New York 22, N. Y.

Radio

"The Voice of Arkansas Baptists," a radio program produced by the Radio Commission of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, presents "Try Religion For a Day," by B. H. Duncan.

All broadcasts are by transcription and may be heard every Sunday over the following stations:

- KLCN—Blytheville, 8:00 a. m.
- KHOZ—Harrison, 8:30 a. m.
- KCLA—Pine Bluff, 8:30 a. m.
- KTFS—Texarkana, 8:45 a. m.
- KFFA—Helena, 1:30 p. m.
- KWFC—Hot Springs, 1:45 p. m.
- KELD—El Dorado, 3:30 p. m.
- KVRC—Arkadelphia, 4:00 p. m.
- KARK—Little Rock, 10:15 p. m.
- KUOA—Silosam Springs, 4:15 p. m.
- KWHN—Ft. Smith, 4:45 p. m.

Jesus on Trial

A Devotion by the Editor

"What is it which these witness against thee?"

There is widespread but superficial acknowledgment of the claims of Jesus today. It is quite generally admitted that He is a historical figure, that He was a very unusual character, a great teacher, and innocent of charges deserving death.

It is generally admitted that He is the Son of God. This acknowledgment also admits that in some mysterious way, though vague and uncertain, He has something to do with life. The probability that the race is accountable to Him is admitted, but with little certainty as to what that accountability actually is.

It is further admitted that His rejection of the Jews was stupid, that His trial was a farce, and that His execution was the greatest crime of history. People admit these things without realizing that to be logical and consistent their admissions should conform to Jesus and His teachings and His program. But the public in general, outside of Christianity and many within Christianity after admitting all this, goes on and lives in direct opposition to the teachings and principles of Jesus.

The thing that people do not recognize or admit is that Jesus is on trial before them each day and that they are passing judgment upon Him, not by the admissions just mentioned, but by reason of the principles and standards by which they live. To admit fully all that Jesus claims for Himself, and to live in absolute contradiction to all that He has taught is to aggravate one's own guilt and make himself more blameworthy.

The trial to which Jesus is subjected to each day follows, in the main, the same general procedure of His trial by the Sanhedrin. And to admit His claims does not absolve one from guilt of denying His power; to acknowledge His divinity does not excuse one for rejecting His Saviorhood; to condemn the Sanhedrin does not give one the privilege of repudiating every principle for which Jesus stood.

"And the high priest arose, and said unto him, Answerest thou nothing? What answerest thou to these things which these witness against thee?"

"But Jesus held his peace. And the high priest answered and said unto him, I adjure thee by the living God, that thou tell us whether thou be the Christ, the Son of God."

"Jesus saith unto him, Thou hast said: nevertheless I say unto you, Hereafter ye shall see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven."

"... What think ye? They answered and said, He is guilty of death" (Matthew 26:66).

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From the Editor's Desk

Report of Arkansas Baptist

Subscriptions

The Arkansas Baptist has had a successful year. Subscriptions have increased by 2,500, bringing the total to 32,300 as of this date. Thirty new church budgets have been added during the year and many churches have increased their budget subscription as new members have been received into their membership. It is encouraging to note the growing popularity of the church budget plan, by which the churches include the Arkansas Baptist in their budgets and send the paper to every family in the church membership.

We would commend to all churches the budget plan for their serious consideration. It is economical in that it costs only 11 cents per subscription per month, which is less than three cents per issue per subscriber. We believe the Baptist State paper should be put on the same basis in the church budget as the Sunday School and Training Union literature.

By sending the paper to every family in the church membership, those who need it most will receive it. Thus it becomes an effective enlistment agent by bringing to the least interested the information and inspiration of our whole denominational program.

The Staff

There have been several changes in the staff during the year. Only two of the present members were on the staff a year ago: B. H. Duncan, editor and business manager; and Mrs. E. F. Stokes, bookkeeper and circulation manager. Other members of the staff are: Mrs. Leslie W. Buchanan, editorial assistant; Miss Mary Sue Phillips, secretary; Mrs. Harry Giberson, assistant in the circulation department. The members of our staff are conscientious Christian workers who are giving the full measure of their talents to make the Arkansas Baptist indispensable to the Baptists of Arkansas.

Finances

The paper has absorbed extra expenses during the year, but hopes to close the year without a deficit. Moving to our new quarters and changes in the staff involved extra expense. Also, the cost of printing and the price of paper have advanced. We have purchased an additional addressograph machine and several items of office furniture.

The paper has three sources of income: subscription, advertising, and the allocation from the Convention. Subscriptions provide the major portion of the income of the paper, with advertising coming second.

Policy and Purpose

It is the policy of the editorial staff to deal fairly and without prejudice with cur-

rent issues concerning which our people should be informed or against which they should be warned. We strive also to give proportionate attention and space to all denominational interests and agencies, both State and South-wide. It is our intention to maintain a proper balance of reading matter, including news, stories relating to denominational work, doctrinal discussions, devotional and inspirational reading.

It is our purpose to promote the whole program of Baptists, and every agency and institution sponsored by Baptists. We want the Baptists of Arkansas to find in their State paper a source of information concerning the whole program of Southern Baptists as well as the program of Arkansas Baptists. We want our readers to find inspiration in their State paper which will stimulate them to a more loyal and generous support of the Kingdom of God as represented in the program of our denomination. We also want our subscribers to be enriched devotionally and spiritually by reading the Arkansas Baptist.

Our Needs

We need the prayers of our subscribers and of the pastors of the State. If you will pray for us you will become more vitally interested in the message and missions of the paper.

We need your co-operation in giving to our readers information concerning our churches and our denominational agencies and institutions. Also, we need your co-operation in increasing the circulation of the paper. We urge pastors and churches, which have the budget plan, to place new members on their lists promptly. We solicit your co-operation in the enlistment of other churches in the budget plan.

It has become obvious that the budget plan of subscription is the only practical plan of getting the message of our denomination, as represented by the State paper, into all the homes of our people. We should have at least 50,000 subscribers to the Arkansas Baptist, and, with the co-operation of pastors and associational missionaries throughout the State, 40,000 subscribers would seem to be within the range of early realization.

Our Pledge

"Let a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful" 1 Corinthians 4:1,2;

Launching . . .

A New Century for Christ

The Baptists of Arkansas are closing the first century of their Convention organization and program of Kingdom building. It has been a century of notable achievement and expansion. Broad foundations have been laid for rearing a super-structure of Kingdom enterprise, which ministers not only within the State of Arkansas, but to areas beyond.

It is now our privilege and obligation to start a new century with greater opportunities, more adequate facilities, vaster resources and greater unity than were possible to those who launched the first century of our Convention activities.

From small beginnings Baptists of Arkansas have grown to 200,000 in number with 1,000 churches. They are now equipped with an administrative and promotional organization which covers the whole field of church and denominational activities. They also have educational institutions, which have provided and will continue to provide in ever increasing numbers, trained leaders in both secular and religious life. They have a great hospital to minister to the sick, and a wonderful orphanage for homeless children. From the vantage point of our present resources, facilities, and organizations, Arkansas Baptists should face the second century with courage, faith, and determination. There is no excuse for hesitation, for misgivings, and certainly no reason for failure.

Arkansas Baptists should accept the present as a new beginning: the beginning of greater undertakings, of an ever expanding program of activity, of increased loyalty and devotion to the Lord, and of still greater achievement than we have accomplished in the past.

The momentum of our work is encouraging and gives rise to hopes for the future; but Arkansas Baptists cannot depend upon the momentum alone to carry them forward in an ever expanding program of Kingdom service. Added impetus must be continually given to that program by dynamic Christian living, service, giving, praying, and Bible teaching.

Those who celebrate the second Centennial will look upon us with honor and respect only if we fulfil our obligation and take full advantage of the heritage which we have received from the first century of our Convention history.

Our Lord will honor and bless us if we fulfil that obligation and follow Him in the promotion of His Kingdom in the world.

Arkansas Baptists today cannot do otherwise than to launch and promote to successful conclusion the most ambitious program in the history of our Convention. We are challenged today as never before. We must rise in the strength of our Redeemer to meet that challenge.

Kingdom Progress

Pastor Chester Ware recently conducted revival services at the Second Church, Conway, resulting in six additions to the church by baptism, 18 by letter, and 11 re-dedications. Joe Flowers conducted the music.

Pastor Orville McGuire and the Ebenezer Church, Bartholomew Association, dedicated their newly completed church building in services October 31. T. H. Jordan, First Church, Van Buren, brought the dedicatory message.

Associational Missionary A. L. Leake recently conducted a community-wide revival meeting at Farmington, which resulted in 40 conversions. At the close of this revival, October 3, the Farmington Baptist Church was organized with 60 charter members. Jesse Coleman of Farmington was called as pastor.

Sunday, October 10, the Sunday School and Training Union organizations were begun. Mrs. N. C. Shreve, Fayetteville, donated \$2,200 to the new church for building purposes. The Christian Church building of Farmington has been leased for use until the people are ready to build or buy.

R. J. McMillan, former assistant pastor of the First Church, Benton, has accepted the pastorate of the First Church, Judsonia. Mr. McMillan was graduated from Ouachita College, where for two years he was student director of the Ouachita College Choir. He was also assistant pastor of the First Church, Searcy, while a student in Ouachita.

D. W. White, pastor of First Church, DeWitt, recently conducted revival services at the First Baptist Church, Stearns, Kentucky, where C. E. Conely is pastor. There were 33 additions, 25 of which were for baptism.

October 3-17 the congregation of the First Church, Fort Smith, was engaged in one of the most fruitful revivals in the history of the church. Dr. C. E. Matthews, head of the evangelistic department of the Southern Baptist Convention was the visiting evangelist. There were 144 additions to the church, 91 coming by baptism. A 91 year record in Sunday School was broken with 1659 in Sunday School on October 10. Dr. B. V. Ferguson, pastor of the church, states: "Dr. Matthews believes in prayer and power as a result of prayer more than any man with whom I have labored, and we think that this was the secret of our great revival."

Pastor R. O. Ekru, First Church, Strong, reports steady progress in all phases of the church program. A two manual Worlitzer electric organ has been installed, the Sunday School and Training Union attendance has reached an all time high, 125 and 44 respectively. "Our finances are growing and our check for Co-operative Program this month will be the largest we have given," says Pastor Ekru.

During the last two weeks in September C. Y. Dossey, assistant superintendent of evangelism for the Home Mission Board, led a simultaneous campaign in the Banner Association in Oklahoma. There were 28 churches in the campaign. The results were 410 additions to the churches with 282 of this number coming on profession of faith.

Mrs. Ray and Miss Ashby Resign

Both Mrs. C. H. Ray, executive secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to Arkansas Baptist State Convention; and Miss La Verne Ashby, Young People's secretary, offered their resignation at the meeting of the Executive Board which met in Little Rock, October 26.

Mrs. Ray has served as Executive Secretary of Arkansas Baptist W. M. U. since 1938. During the period of Mrs. Ray's tenure of office Woman's Missionary Union in Arkansas has experienced its most rapid growth and expansion of its program.

Before becoming Executive Secretary, Mrs. Ray was president of the State W. M. U. Convention for six years, 1932-1938.

Miss Ashby, a native of Kansas, a graduate of Southwestern Training School, came to Arkansas as Young People's Secretary from Texas, where she was engaged as a field worker among the Young People.

Neither Mrs. Ray nor Miss Ashby have announced their plans for the future.

Arkansas Valley Associational Hymn-Sing

The first Associational Hymn-Sing for Arkansas Valley Association was held in the First Church, Brinkley, Sunday afternoon, October 24, with 150 in attendance, representing four churches. H. L. Lipford, the host pastor, led in the opening worship of the Isaac Watts Hymn Festival. Mrs. B. W. Nininger, state director, assisted by Mrs. B. A. Sugg, Helena, associational director, and Mrs. Albert Rusher, organist of the Brinkley church, directed the congregational singing.

Special choir numbers were rendered by Clarendon, directed by Mrs. John Holston with Mrs. Lewis Thompson at the piano; Brinkley, under the direction of Mrs. Rusher, and the Youth Choir of Helena numbering 20, under the direction of Mrs. Sugg with accompaniment by Mrs. Kenneth McElduff.

Invitation to hold the next Quarterly Hymn-Sing in the First Church, Helena, on the fourth Sunday afternoon in January, 1949, was accepted.

Pastoral Changes

Arthur S. Howard has resigned as pastor of Shiloh Church, Red River Association, to accept the full time pastorate of the Steel Bridge Church, Caroline Association.

Mark Fite, from Huntington Church, to First Church Mission, Fayetteville.

J. N. Brister of Anding, Mississippi, has accepted the pastorate of the Oak Grove Church, Harmony Association, and will begin work there November 14.

J. B. Maxwell, former pastor of First Church, Bentonville, has accepted the pastorate of the First Baptist Church, Holden, Missouri.

Don R. Williams has resigned the pastorate of the Kingsland Baptist Church, to become missionary to Centennial Association.

Ouachita Student Ordained



Wayne V. Reid, Ouachita College student, was ordained to the Gospel ministry October 10, at the First Church, Russellville. E. W. E. Speed was moderator; Nelson G. Leaf, pastor of the First Church, Arkansas, brought the ordination sermon and delivered the charge.

Arkansas Students Who Attend Southern Seminary

According to information compiled for the 1948 edition of the Student Handbook of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary 31 are enrolled in the Seminary from Arkansas. The entire 31 are enrolled in the School of Theology. Arkansans and their towns are:

Garland Henry Allen, Tuckerman; D. Armstrong, Hartford; Jesse Morris Ashcraft, Malvern; Victor Hugo Coffman Jr., Smith; Jack Wallace Cutbirth, Fort Smith; Wilson Charles Deese, Lonoke; Herbertmond Earley, Fordyce; Henry Jackson Sanders Jr., Little Rock; William Theodore Lonoke; Barney Roland Freasier, Little Rock; Marvin E. Gennings, Batesville; Hugh Ly Goldsby, Little Rock; Andrew Maurice Little Rock; Joseph C. Hall, Pine Bluff; land Hall, Little Rock; Thomas E. H. Little Rock; Andy Richard Heskett, Helena; Weldon Eugene Marcum, Jones Angel Martinez, Fort Smith; Quincy M. Arkadelphia.

David O. Moore, Texarkana; Frank Norfleet, Des Arc; Robert A. Parker, Little Rock; J. Samuel Phillips, Texarkana; Willis Craft Roebuck Jr., Pine Bluff; M. Tate Jr., Washington; Ellis L. Tiffany, loam Springs; James E. Tull, Burdette; W. E. Ward, Piggott; Alvin Ermon Webb, E. rado; and Glenn Womack, Almand.

To raise \$7,000 by January 11, 1949, for the students' Day of the Southern Seminary, Little Rock, Kentucky, is the goal of more than 100 alumni of the Seminary now living in Arkansas.

This is the amount Arkansas alumni are raising as their part of the total effort of 5,000 alumni of the Seminary, headed by C. Oscar Johnson, of St. Louis, to erect a \$500,000 Memorial Chapel on the Seminary campus. Other state alumni groups have similar quotas.

W. O. Vaught Jr., pastor of Immanuel Baptist Church, Little Rock, is chairman for the Arkansas campaign.

Echoes From the Semi-Annual Meeting of the Foreign Mission Board

By DR. M. RAY MCKAY

One of the most spiritually refreshing experiences that can come to any Southern Baptist is to be found by attending a meeting of our Foreign Mission Board. The high point of the recent October meeting was the appointment of four new missionaries on Tuesday night, October 19. Mr. and Mrs. Quinn Pett Morgan were appointed to Nigeria. Mr. and Mrs. James H. Fairchild Jr., were appointed to Brazil.

Listening to the personal experience and call to service as recounted by these young people was a great inspiration. Mr. Morgan told of his conviction as a boy of eleven years when he heard a missionary tell of the awful results of sin on missionary fields around the world. Mr. Morgan said, "When I heard the story I thought I would die. I thought I would die until suddenly I realized that Christ wanted to be my Savior. I accepted Him. I also accepted his call to foreign mission service. That has been my unwaivering goal from that day to this."

In telling of her call to mission service Mrs. Fairchild declared, "I could never get beyond the first two words of the great commission. 'Go ye,' it said. 'You go,' and I knew the Lord meant me." Young people of such evident devotion, ability, and training challenge those of us who remain at home to put the missionary cause first in our Christian living and giving.

The association with our secretaries, which the meeting of the Board affords, is also an inspiration. Our general secretary, Dr. M. T. Rankin, is a man of far vision and deep spiritual preparation. He is ably supported by Dr. Everett Gill Jr., dynamic, brilliant, and devoted secretary to Latin America, by Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, fervent and consecrated secretary to the Far East, and by Dr. George W. Sadler, faithful and ambitious secretary to Africa and the Near East. What a team these men make. Then there is Dr. Frank K. Means, newly elected secretary in charge of Missionary Education and Promotion. Under his direction visual aids for missionary instruction on an ever increasing scale are being prepared under the skillful handling of Fon H. Scofield Jr., who has recently come to the Board to head this department. The Commission has a new editor and will soon appear in attractive, two-color form. These and other leaders are ably assisted by a staff of more than thirty secretaries and office workers. The whole group exhibits a devotion and comradeship in service that would be hard to match any where.

The long established policy of our Board to conduct our Foreign Mission enterprise according to the New Testament pattern without any sort of entangling alliances is being continued. We have no comity arrangement with any denomination but reserve the right to enter fields as the Lord may lead and as Southern Baptists may provide. These principles make it impossible for us to become members of the World Council of Churches or any other similar body. The responsibility goes back to the individual Christian and to the local church. To us the command was given, "Go ye." Let each one of us hear and heed for himself.

Arkansas Club at New Orleans Seminary

The students from Arkansas who are attending the New Orleans Seminary have formed an Arkansas Club. The following officers were elected: Don Corley, president; Homer Bradley, vice president; Miss Ann Bradburry, secretary; Weldon Grafton, reporter; Stanley Durham, program chairman; and Miss Margrete Horne, social chairman.



Front row are, left to right: Donald Clark, Judy Beth Clark, Dennis Durham, and Charles Causey. Second row, left to right: Mrs. Alvin Clark and Wallis Ross, Homer Bradley, Mrs. Stanley Durham, Mrs. John Causey, Mrs. Weldon Grafton, Miss Ann Bradburry, Miss Barbara Epperson, Mrs. Don Corley and Donnia Maria, Don Corley, Dennis Park. Third row, left to right: Alvin Clark, Louis Bohlen, Harold White, Stanley Durham, John Causey, Weldon Grafton, James Stabples, William Elliot, Julio Diaz, (student from Argentina adopted by the club), Miss Margrete Horne, and Nestor Quintero, also from Argentina. Members not pictured are Dr. and Mrs. James Howlett, Mrs. Louis Bohlen, and Homer Bridges.

Fred C. Schatz, assistant to the president at the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, has been given nine months leave of absence during which time he will go to Europe as the Baptist World Alliance representative to handle details connected with the immigration of displaced Baptists from Germany and other countries to the United States.

Mr. Schatz is exceptionally well equipped for this service because of his fluency in the German language and his previous extensive travel in Europe. He accepted this position at the insistence of Dr. Paul Caudill, chairman of the Baptist World Alliance Relief committee, and of Dr. George Sadler, European representative of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board.

A Good Record

Central Church, Hot Springs, Clyde Hart, pastor, reports what it calls its "greatest year's work," at the close of the associational year, September 30, 1948.

There were 166 new members received into the church fellowship, 69 of whom were received on profession of faith and baptism. Since only 24 members were lost during the year, the net gain in membership was 142. The present resident membership of the Central Church is 751.

The Sunday School attendance for the year averaged 442; the Training Union attendance averaged 120.

The church received in contributions a total of \$46,676.15, of this amount \$11,854.11 was given to missions, local, and denominational.

The mission budget adopted for the ensuing year is as follows: for two local missions \$7,200; Co-operative Program \$4,800; Associational Missions \$600. Within the past three years gifts to the Co-operative Program have increased from \$1,200 to \$4,800.

Alaska Baptists

On October 24 C. Y. Dossey, assistant superintendent of Evangelism for the Home Mission Board, closed an evangelistic campaign with Pastor Felton H. Griffin and the First Baptist Church, Anchorage, Alaska. The revival resulted in 45 additions to the church, with 18 of this number coming as candidates for baptism. Also, there were 17 re-dedications, and six young people surrendered their lives for special service.

The First Church at Anchorage is only five years old, and has over 200 resident members. There are four other Baptist churches in Alaska. They have organized the Alaska Baptist Convention, and co-operate with the Southern Baptist Convention. Last year these five churches baptized more than 100 people. These churches have their own denominational paper and maintain a mission to the Eskimos.

Paul Brooks Leath, pastor of First Church, Vivian, Louisiana, was the visiting evangelist in recent revival services at the First Church, Smackover. Pastor Ralph H. Reasor directed the music. There were 20 additions to the church, ten by letter and ten by baptism. Two Intermediate girls re-dedicated their lives to Christ.

Pastor W. E. Speed and the First Church Russellville, recently had the services of Harvey A. Elledge, Baring Cross Church North Little Rock, in a revival meeting. Malcolm Sample, Ouachita College student, directed the music. There were 18 additions to the church, five by letter, three by statement, and ten upon profession of faith and baptism.

★★★ Christian Horizons ★★★

"We have committed the Golden Rule to memory; let us now commit it to life."

Baptist Highlights

The Foreign Mission Board of the S. B. C. adopted a budget for 1949 of \$2,958,667 at its annual meeting last week. The Board voted \$35,000 for a new building for the Baptist seminary at Budapest, Hungary. The old building was destroyed by American bombers in 1945. Damage was also reported by bombing of the Baptist property in Jerusalem.

Francis Willard Thompson has been elected as the tenth president of Bacone College, Muskogee, Oklahoma. The College is an Indian school operated by the Home Mission Society of the Northern Baptist Convention.

Dr. Willis Howard has resigned as pastor of the First Church, Oklahoma City. Dr. Ray Summers, Southwestern Seminary, will serve as interim pastor.

Highland Park Church, Chattanooga, Lee Roberson, pastor, reports 678 baptisms for 1948. The church sponsors a number of missions.

Columbus Roberts, president of the Georgia Convention, has given \$200,000 to the Georgia Baptist Foundation.

The Training Union Department reported 371,823 training awards issued for the year ending September 30. This compared with 341,863 for the past year.

Dr. J. Howard Williams, Texas mission secretary, is recovering from a slight heart attack.

Joel Sorensen, national leader of the Baptist Young People's Union of Sweden, is visiting a number of student conventions in the U. S. The Baptist World Alliance has voted to employ a world youth worker.

—The Survey Bulletin.

In the World of Religion

Many Protestants observed Reformation Day on October 31.

The United Stewardship Council will meet in Kansas City, November 18-21.

The General Commission on Chaplains will meet in Washington, D. C., November 3.

The Annual Meeting of the Association of Statisticians of American Religious Bodies will meet in Washington, November 19.

The International Council of Seventh-day Adventists, meeting in Denver, heard that membership had increased 30,000 during the past year. A total of 729 new missionary workers have been appointed for foreign posts within the past two years. Per capita contributions of \$63.20 per year were reported.

Cardinal August Hlond of Poland died last week. His death reduces the number of Cardinals to 56. The full quota is 70.

The National Catholic Rural Life Conference, meeting in La Crosse, Wis., last week heard that only 1,725 of the 5,000 rural parishes have their own parochial schools. In such cases, the Catholics were urged to build up home-study religious instruction by mail, vacation schools, and week-day after-schools religious classes.

A new Romanian decree specifies when a majority decide to change cults, the entire church must change its denomination.

The Presbyterian Synod of New York has set a minimum of \$2,200 for clergyman's salaries.

—The Survey Bulletin.

Congregations Cautioned On Purchase of Organs

A word of caution on the purchase of organs by local congregations was voiced by the United Lutheran Church in America at its sixteenth biennial convention in Philadelphia.

By resolution of the convention, congregations were urged to seek competent advice before entering into the purchase of organs.

"Local committees are faced with high prices and often fall into temporary schemes with inferior instruments," it reported. "The introduction of electronic equipment has added to the confusion and has placed music committees at the mercy of the salesman."

Adding that an organ should be considered as a permanent addition to church property, the committee said that although the original investment may seem high, the length of life of a good instrument under care will more than justify the price.

When God Speaks

When God speaks, his statements command our attention. He does not deal in speculation. His words express his will, and his will is always right, always best, always for the good of his children.

God has spoken concerning the tithe, not once, but often.

—Louie D. Newton.

Disease Research Assistance: The government has appropriated over \$17,000,000 for venereal disease treatment and research, over \$9,000,000 for the tuberculosis field, nearly \$7,500,000 for communicable diseases, \$14,000,000 for cancer, and over \$10,000,000 to deal with mental health.

Air Base Reconstructed: The United States is rebuilding the Burtonwood air field in north England, making it one of the greatest air maintenance depots in the world. With complete agreement by the British government, 2,500 Americans are working night and day to restore the hangars and landing strips to keep "Operation Vittles" supplied during the winter.

New Broadman Books

The following books are just off the press and may be secured at the Baptist Book Store, 303 West Capitol Avenue, Little Rock.

At the Gates: by F. Catharine Bryan; price \$3.00.

Preaching From the Psalms: by Kyle M. Yates; price \$2.00.

My Family and I: by Bethann F. Van Ness; price \$3.50.

Studies In John's Gospel: by Dr. John L. Hill; cloth, \$.75; paper, \$.50.

Missionaries On Furlough

Missionaries P. D. and Janie Sullivan are now on furlough from their assignment in Brazil, where they have spent the past ten years.

Missionary Sullivan is available for pulpit supply, mission study courses, revival meetings, and conferences. He may be reached by writing him at Arkadelphia.

A Smile or Two

Passerby (to angler): "How are the fish in this stream?"

Angler: "I really don't know. I've been dropping them a line every day, but I haven't had an answer yet."

The noblest of all animals is the dog; the noblest of all dogs is the Hot-dog; the noblest of all Hot-dogs is the one that feeds the hand that bites it.

Two breezy Westerners who visited the city of Street in search of funds for mine developments were introduced to a shrewd financier. "Suspicious old chap, isn't he?" remarked one, when they had left him.

"I didn't notice. How is that?"

"Didn't you see how he counted his fingers after I had shaken hands with him?"

—Exchange.

Elderly lady in phone booth, to operator: "You've been very nice, young lady, in answering my questions. I'm going to put an extra nickel in the box for you."

An engineer had lost his wallet. A few days later he received this letter: "I found your money. Remorz is naving me. I ahm sendin sum of it bak. When it naving agin, I wil sen sum more."

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Two Kinds of Executives

The boss drives his men; the leader controls them.

The boss says "I"; the leader says "we". The boss inspires fear; the leader inspires enthusiasm.

The boss depends upon authority; the leader depends on good will.

The boss says "Get here on time"; the leader gets there ahead of time.

The boss fixes the blame for the breakdown; the leader fixes the breakdown.

The boss knows how it is done; the leader shows how.

The boss makes work a drudgery; the leader makes work a game.

The boss says "Go"; the leader says "go!"

—The Display Window.

An Unreasonable Reason

"I don't like you," said the snowflake to the snow bird.

"And why don't you like me?" said the snow bird to the snowflake.

"Because," said the snowflake, "you're going up and I am going down."

And that is the reason why so many people do not like other people.

Religious Telescope.

How long will the non-Christian listen when 6,000,000 people profess that they have the answer to the world's problems and send only 670 missionaries to do the work? Our actions do not convince people that we believe what we say."

Secretary Foreign Mission Board.

—M. T. Rankin.

Faster Yet: Flying at 669.75 miles per hour, the Air Force's new jet fighter, the F-86, has set a new unofficial record for horizontal flight.

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To date this year we have a deficit of \$7,460 in our operating expenses caused by the increased number of children we have served, continued rising living costs, and the fact that we have not received our full allocation from our Co-operative Program.



Though our needs are many, we have been exercising rigid economy in the operation of our institution, and as a result much needed maintenance and repair work has been left undone.



Because we want to give more than the barest necessities to our dependent children . . . and because we want to assist the many who really need us . . . we earnestly ask that you give us just ONE DAY'S PAY to carry on our work.



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OUR DAILY BREAD"



Thanksgiving Day, 1948....

On Thanksgiving Day—when Christians all over America bow their heads in thanks to God—there are going to be dozens of other little heads bowed also, the heads of the children we are now caring for at Bottoms Baptist Orphanage.

We know this will be true because Baptists all over Arkansas are responding bountifully to our call for ONE DAY'S PAY FROM EVERY Baptist, to enable us to care for the increasing number of dependent children who just MUST be cared for.

So won't you respond to our call in order that our children may have a reason to be thankful? Won't YOU join with thousands of others, and KEEP THEM IN YOUR HEART? Thank you so much.

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Secretary

the Immanuel Brotherhood, will welcome the men of Arkansas. Lloyd A. Sparkman, Pine Bluff, will respond. The Brotherhood Secretary will get in a few words; and Ivyloy Bishop, secretary of the Royal Ambassadors of the South, will present some men of tomorrow.

Carey Selph, Mt. Ida, our State president, will take over at this point, and speak to us. Owen W. Moran, North Little Rock, will tell of his Brotherhood; and Ralph Huddleston, Hot Springs, will help us to understand something of the opportunities for service a Brotherhood brings to its members.

The Central College Quartet will sing. Perry Hayden, outstanding authority on tithing, will speak. The Chorus Choir will bring special numbers. Then the main speaker of the evening, Dr. E. H. Westmoreland, Houston, Texas, will bring the evening message.

Following the benediction there will be a period of fellowship; after which, to those who can remain longer, Perry Hayden will show a moving picture based on his book, "God Is My Landlord."

Come to the Brotherhood Night meeting. It will be to your own profit, and will bring a blessing to your church, if you will be among those present on Brotherhood Night.

And bring a carload of men with you!

Tell the men of your church about Brotherhood Night. Then help organize them so that your church can be well represented at this annual meeting of the Baptist men of Arkansas.

The Brotherhood Night meeting will be held at Immanuel Church, Little Rock, on Monday evening, November 15. Immanuel Church is the host church of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, which opens the next day; and the Immanuel Brotherhood is host to the Baptist men of Arkansas on Brotherhood Night.

Here are some of the features of the Brotherhood service:

The organ will be played by Philip Walters; and J. A. Gilbreath, superintendent of the Baptist State Hospital, will lead the singing, assisted by a chorus of 100 men.

Claude L. Durrett, on behalf of

Woman's Missionary Union

Auxiliary to Arkansas Baptist State Convention

209 Baptist Building, Little Rock

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President

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Young People's Secretary

MRS. C. H. RAY
Executive Secretary and Treasurer

ATTENTION

All Royal Ambassadors!

The annual Royal Ambassador Fellowship Supper will be held Monday, November 15, at the First Church, Little Rock, at 6:00 p. m.

Only 200 tickets for this banquet may be sold. Order yours today from this office, 209 Baptist Building, Little Rock. The tickets are \$1.

If your request for tickets is not in this office by November 13 at noon, you will have to buy your tickets at the supper, Monday evening. More than 300 attended last year's supper, so do not wait to purchase your ticket.

Special recognition for those who have advanced in rank will be given at the meeting of the State Brotherhood on that same Monday evening at 7:00 p. m. Work hard on your ranks and be ready for this special Recognition Service on Monday evening, November 15, 7:00 p. m. An excellent program is being planned for both of these meetings. Don't miss it!

Missionary Round Table List On China

Is ready for your use now. Revision of other Round Table Lists will come soon. The new China list has in it twelve books, from which you select ten for your Round Table Reading. Now, before the Season of Prayer for Foreign Missions is an excellent time to begin the reading and discussion of these books. *Last Chance In China* by Utley, is written by a newspaper woman who tells of the deadly struggle in China with Communism. Out of her vast experience in both Chinese and Russian affairs, she still believes democracy can win if we act with courage, generosity, intelligence, and understanding.

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China: A Country of Contrasts is an introduction to Chinese life in that country. *Swords of Iron* is a new, hitherto untold story of the Chinese secret societies and their part in Dr. Sun Sen's life and work. *Is China Democracy?* is a brief discussion of democracy in China as related to their family life, the community, and growth politically. *Daughters of China* was written from personal notes and is a biography of the intimate friend of Chiang; crisp narrative, bringing to life the names of China's news today. *Autobiography of a Chinese Woman* concerns a modern woman of China, her wealth and position. It reveals customs and manners and the changing status of Chinese women. *Daughter of Han*, gives an intimate glimpse of Chinese peasant life, told by a woman servant of the daughter of Southern Baptist missionaries.

The Red Chair Waits portrays the average Chinese home, the mantic element and the war of the Chinese people. *China's Religious Heritage* gives the backgrounds of Taoism, Buddhism, Animism, and Confucianism which have their effect on Christian missions in China. *Gobi Desert* is a rare book of travel and exploration in Outer Mongolia illuminated by missionary experience. *Christian Voices In China* is a stirring story of present day opportunity there, of China's survival and reconstruction and the torious witness of their Christians. *At the Gates* is the very interesting life story of Matthew T. and Eliza Moring Yates, our pioneer missionaries to China. The author is Catharine Bryan, a missionary, born and reared in a missionary home in China.

These books range in price from \$1.00 to \$3.75. They should be ordered now from the Baptist Book Store, 303 West Capitol Avenue, Little Rock, that you may have them for use as early as possible.

Notice!

The Mission Study Institute of the W. M. U. of the Red River Association will meet at the First Church, Arkadelphia, Wednesday, November 10, at 10:00 a. m. for an all day meeting, according to an announcement by Mrs. J. Porter, mission study chairman.

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FORTY ASSOCIATIONAL TRAINING UNION RALLIES

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December 6-10, 1948

Purpose of Meetings: To present the Training Union Program for 1949, to take the place of South-wide Training Union Night.

Team Number 1—B. N. Simmons, Lucien Coleman

Date	Association	Church
Monday, Dec. 6	Boone-Carroll	Berryville
Tuesday, Dec. 7	Stone-Van Buren	Clinton
Wednesday, Dec. 8	White River	Mountain Home
Thursday, Dec. 9	Benton County	Bentonville
Friday, Dec. 10	Washington-Madison	Fayetteville

Team Number 2—J. O. Young, E. C. Polk

Date	Association	Church
Monday, Dec. 6	Current River	Corning
Tuesday, Dec. 7	Big Creek	Salem
Wednesday, Dec. 8	Rocky Bayou	Melbourne
Thursday, Dec. 9	Greene County	Paragould
(Afternoon)		
Thursday, Dec. 9	Gainesville	Rector

Team Number 3—James Fitzgerald, C. Z. Holland

Date	Association	Church
Monday, Dec. 6	Trinity	Marked Tree
Tuesday, Dec. 7	Tri-County	Earle
Wednesday, Dec. 8	Black River	Newport
Thursday, Dec. 9	Mount Zion	First, Jonesboro
Friday, Dec. 10	Mississippi County	Osceola

Team Number 4—Dell Hames, C. S. Maynard

Date	Association	Church
Monday, Dec. 6	Independence	First, Batesville
Tuesday, Dec. 7	Little Red River	Heber Springs
Wednesday, Dec. 8	Woodruff	McCrary
Thursday, Dec. 9	Caroline	Carlisle
Friday, Dec. 10	White County	Bald Knob

Team Number 5—Stanley Jordan, Delbert McAtee

Date	Association	Church
Monday, Dec. 6	Harmony	Immanuel, Pine Bluff
Tuesday, Dec. 7	Arkansas Valley	Clarendon
Wednesday, Dec. 8	Delta	Lake Village
Thursday, Dec. 9	Centennial	DeWitt
Friday, Dec. 10	Bartholomew	Second, Monticello

Team Number 6—J. T. Elliff, Ralph Reasor

Date	Association	Church
Monday, Dec. 6	Hope	Hope
Tuesday, Dec. 7	Little River	Nashville
Wednesday, Dec. 8	Red River	Prescott
(3:00 p. m.)		
Thursday, Dec. 9	Carey	Fordyce
Friday, Dec. 10	Liberty	Smackover

Team Number 7—George Hink, V. E. Yarbrough

Date	Association	Church
Monday, Dec. 6	Caddo River	Mount Ida
Tuesday, Dec. 7	Buckner	Waldron
Wednesday, Dec. 8	Ouachita	Hatfield
Thursday, Dec. 9	Clear Creek	Ozark
Friday, Dec. 10	Concord	Immanuel, Ft. Smith

Team Number 8—George Stuart, Frank Shamburger

Date	Association	Church
Monday, Dec. 6	Faulkner	First, Conway
Tuesday, Dec. 7	Dardanelle-Russellville	Russellville
Wednesday, Dec. 8	Conway-Perry	Morrilton
Thursday, Dec. 9	Central	Benton
Friday, Dec. 10	Pulaski	Second, Little Rock

PROGRAM

Theme: "Found Faithful"

- 7:00 Worship.
Hymn: "My Faith Looks Up to Thee."
Scripture: I Corinthians 4:2; Psalms 143:10.
Hymn: "Close to Thee."
- 7:15 Recognition and Announcements—Associational Director or Missionary
- 7:25 Our State and Southern Baptist Training Union Plans for 1949—Team Member.
- 7:55 Our Associational Training Union Plans for 1949—Associational Director or Missionary.
- 8:15 Song: "Living for Jesus."
- 8:20 Message: "Found Faithful In Our Task"—Team Member.

Carrying Out the Great Commission

Department of
MISSIONS
C. W. Caldwell, Superintendent

Missions begin at the local church. Around the door of most every church may be found missionary opportunities. Many churches feel that when they have given to the Co-operative Program that they have discharged their missionary duty. Every church should not only give to missions but should do mission work as far as it is possible to reach. Near every church are little communities near the edge of town or some few miles out in the country which have been neglected and the people are without the influence of the church services. Near some churches are hospitals and penal institutions where regular services should be held and a visitation program carried on.

Every church should have a mission committee to work out community mission projects. The church should co-operate with the committee in getting missions established and thus reach the unenlisted.

Central Church Mission of Hot Springs

On this page may be seen a picture of the mission sponsored by the Central Church, Hot Springs, of which Clyde Hart is pastor. This mission was first begun by the Second Church, Hot Springs, and later sold to the Central Church. A full time ministry is going on from week to week. Central Church has received such splendid results in this mission work that it has agreed to begin another one in a different section of the city.

Immanuel Church Mission of El Dorado

One Sunday afternoon the mission of the Immanuel Church, El Dorado, had a unique beginning. A few children playing in an addition to a chicken house started their own Sunday School. The parents saw the seriousness of these children and offered help. The first building was made of slabs which were dragged from a little sawmill and covered with old tin picked up in the neighborhood. The seats were made of slabs placed on tin cans.

The Immanuel Church came to their rescue and began to sponsor the services and assisted in conducting Vacation Bible Schools. Now the mission has a splendid building adequate for their needs. Several thousand dollars have been spent by the Immanuel Church in completing the building. This mission, although several miles from El Dorado, shows what can be done by town churches to help in rural areas.



Locke Mission sponsored by the First Church, Crossett.



Central Chapel sponsored by the Central Church, Hot Springs.

Schools of Missions

The Foreign Mission Board, the Home Mission Board, and the various State Mission Boards sponsor jointly a fall school of missions in many of the church and associations. It is the duty of every Baptist to become informed on the work of all our mission fields. Informed Christians become part of God's answer in carrying the good news of the Savior to the unsaved in their own communities, within the boundary of the State, throughout the homeland, and around the world.

It is part of God's great economy that some of His children serve in full time mission work and that the rest use their money, opportunity, talents, and energy in giving, witnessing, and praying where God has placed them. Every job is missionary work when it is interpreted in terms of stewardship. These fall schools of missions bring first-hand information on all phases of Baptist mission work to every church member.

-Baptist Bulletin Service.



By

Joseph M. Dawson

"It is the duty of the state to help the church maintain its religious schools by aid from public funds, and equally the duty of all Catholics, as an act of religion, to demand that the state perform the duty."—POPE PIUS XI

Against this shocking utterance by the Pope and its evil fruits as seen in recent attempts by Catholics to make use of public funds for parochial schools and the employment of Catholic nuns as teachers in tax-supported schools, this book by Dr. Joseph Martin Dawson, Executive Secretary on Public Relations, Baptists of the United States, forms a line of battle for all Protestants and other Americans. It promises to become one of the most discussed books of the year.

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—Washington, D. C. Star

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PROGRAM OF THE PASTOR'S CONFERENCE

Monday Afternoon, November 15, 1948

Theme: Facing the Needs of this Critical Hour.

- 2:30—Song: H. C. Seefeldt.
- 2:40—Devotional: D. C. Applegate.
- 2:55—In What Way Do Preachers Need Reviving?—Dr. Paul Cau
- 3:25—God's Program In a Revival—Dr. C. Wade Freeman.
- 3:55—Organization and Business.
- 4:05—Meeting the Needs of Young People Through Youth Reviv
- Bruce McIver.
- 4:35—Open Forum and Prayer.
- 5:00—Adjourn.

"... unto one of the least of these"

Little children love home; they love to "play house." We feel a just pride in the sort of homes we have made for our children.

But there is another side of the picture. Throughout Southern Baptist Convention territory, there are thousands of children who do not have the love of parents, a home, understanding guidance — who sometimes do not have enough to eat.

Many State Conventions taking a Thanksgiving Offering for the state-supported Baptistphanages. One of the best ways to express to God our thanks for the bountiful blessings is to share them with the less fortunate.

Jesus said: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me" (Matthew 25:40).

-Baptist Bulletin Service

Figures To Inspire

	S. S.	T.U.	Add.
Little Rock, Immanuel	1264	427	7
Including Missions	1586	619	
Ft. Smith, First	1169	422	5
Little Rock, First	944	405	3
El Dorado, First	868	281	6
Pine Bluff, First	752	230	2
Hot Springs, Second	751	249	1
N. Little Rock			
Baring Cross	719	272	4
Including Missions	789	299	
Benton, First	592	169	4
Fayetteville, First	556	246	5
Including Missions	618	270	
Arkadelphia, First	524	238	3
Hope, First	501	122	
Little Rock, Tabernacle	486	123	2
Camden, First	485	147	1
Including Missions	687	318	
Forrest City, First	471	218	
McGehee	469	132	
Including Mission	474		
Malvern, First	466	94	
Including Mission	492		
Little Rock, Gaines St.	456	334	6
Including Mission	555		
Magnolia, Central	450	154	3
Including Mission	515		
Paragould, First	447	190	2
Including Missions	584	265	
Little Rock, Pulaski			
Heights	434	94	3
Russellville, First	426	163	
Including Mission	465	180	
El Dorado, Immanuel	425	208	16
Including Mission	452		
Warren, First	425	98	
Fordyce, First	413	216	1
Hot Springs, Central	393	103	
Including Mission	457		
Hot Springs, Park			
Place	392	134	
Ft. Smith, Calvary	374	108	
Hot Springs, First	364	75	1
Ft. Smith, Immanuel	362	134	3
Ft. Smith, Grand			
Avenue	353	87	2
Springdale, First	346	190	3
Including Missions	494		
Rogers, First	330	132	
Paris, First	329	136	
Smackover, First	319	134	
Little Rock, South			
Highland	317	133	5
Hamburg, First	316	156	3
Conway, First	301	55	2
Siloam Springs, First	300	176	
Gentry	284	129	
Jacksonville, First	276	119	2
El Dorado, West Side	270	87	
Monticello, First	257	137	2
Cullendale	255	158	1
Pine Bluff, Second	253	102	1
Harrison, First	248	114	4
Including Mission	329	140	
Greenwood, First	245	95	
Norphet, First	293	156	
Ft. Smith, Bailey Hill	231	89	1
St. Smith, Oak Grove	228	106	
Stamps, First	225	99	
Little Rock, Calvary	223	107	2
Little Rock, Reynolds			
Memorial	214		
Ft. Smith, South Side	197	52	8
Mt. Ida, First	153	117	
Monticello, Second	152	103	1
N. Little Rock, Pike			
Avenue	146		
Bentonville, First	144	47	2
Little Rock, Hebron	140	73	
Little Rock, Woodlawn	133	61	
Strong, First	124	44	
El Dorado, Joyce City	123	101	
Warren, Immanuel	118	73	
Grannis	116	89	
Pine Bluff, Matthews			
Memorial	112	137	
Melbourne	104	82	
Little Rock, West Side	102	45	
Douglaville, First	102	33	
Little Rock, Capitol			
Hill	96	43	
El Dorado, Parkview	94	71	
Texarkana, South			
Texarkana	92	57	
Hot Springs, Lake			
Hamilton	85	47	
Little Rock, Plainview	84	72	1
Sweet Home, Pine Grove	73	55	
Douglaville, Second	62	42	5
Little Rock, Belleview	56		
Arch Street Pike			
East End	55	60	
Little Rock, Tyler St.	52	41	
Little Rock, Crystal			
Valley	44	20	

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Books are keys to wisdom's treasure;
 Books are gates to land of pleasure;
 Books are paths that upward lead;
 Books are friends. Come, let us read.

—Emillie Poulsson.

The Reward of Helping Others

By HELEN GREEN

When Bobby returned after going on an errand for me, I offered him a dime.

"Thank you just the same," he smiled, "but Mother says, 'No.'"

The next time I saw Bobby's mother I asked, "Why is it you don't allow us to pay Bobby for doing errands?"

"I will tell you, my dear," she answered, "though it's rather a long story."

"Well, tell me," I urged. "I can't imagine what your reasons would be."

"Well, you know Bobby has been the neighborhood errand boy for several years. Indeed, the first two years he made quite a lot of money. Both of us were pleased. But one day little Mrs. Fields, who, you know, is quite old and has so little of this world's goods, asked Bobby to go to the store for her. His legs just flew. He was thinking of the nickel or dime he would receive when he got back. But when he returned from the grocery, Auntie Fields just smiled one of her angelic, sweet smiles and said, "Thank you, Bobby." In two minutes he was home, angry and crying.

"I won't go on any more errands for her! She never gave me a cent!" he declared, stamping his foot.

"I was amazed and shocked. I really felt like crying myself. I had never dreamed that it was only for the money that Bobby liked to go on errands.

"Why, Bobby," I said, "don't you get any satisfaction in knowing you helped Mrs. Fields, who has always been so kind to you?"

"There are no fairy folks who ride about the world at night

To give you wings and other things to pay for doing right,

But if you'll do to others what you'd have them do to you.

You'll be as blest as if the best of fairy tales were true."

"No, I want my nickel," he pouted.

"Well, I began then and there to root from Bobby's mind the idea that it is useless to do a good deed unless one receives pay for it. From that day to this Bobby's friendly services have been free of charge, while his father and I make it a point to teach him that happiness comes from helping others."

"Well, I never thought of these things in your light before," I said. "Indeed, you are wise."

"Yes, Bobby has become more thoughtful in every way. He is always trying to help folks. We never think of rewarding him, except with a few words of praise. Whenever I buy him a gift and am tempted to say, 'Here's something for being such a good boy,' something says to me, 'Yes, and tomorrow he will be good, and if he does not receive a reward he will wonder what is the use of good conduct if he doesn't get anything for it.' So his father and I keep on trying to instill into him the fact that the true reward of right conduct is the esteem of others, together with an added self-respect, and we avoid giving the impression that our presents to him have any connection with his conduct. This, however, does not prevent his having certain duties for which he receives regular payment—that is as important a part of his training as the other."

"Thank you for telling me this," I answered.

—National Kindergarten Association.

Reports of Interesting W. M. U. Rallies

Harmony Associational W. M. U. had 200 present at a quarterly meeting. Mrs. Mitchell, superintendent, said "This was one of the very meetings we have ever had. We were especially happy to have F. E. Goodbar with us. Her message was so helpful and the point in these critical times."

Mrs. Mitchell wrote 36 letters in connection with her rally. The women would know where the meeting was to be. It really does pay to advertise associational rallies.

Mississippi Associational W. M. U. held the second quarterly at Dyess with 55 present. The afternoon session was under the direction of Mrs. Emmet, young people's counselor, who had many young people on the program. Mrs. R. H. Jones, superintendent, writes further: "I attended the August and September Workers' Conference and presented to the women at the after sessions while the men were at board meeting. We had a one month's program for M. U. work. It was my privilege to lead the devotional at the W. C. Federation. The program was built on subject of "Light with miniature lighthouse on piles of rocks. The preachers were in the shape of lighthouse."

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Mission Progress In Greene County

By V. E. DEFREECE, Missionary



Worker's Conference in Green County

The past year has been one of marked progress for the Baptists of Greene County. The Workers' Conference continues to be the launching ground of our associational mission program. It was generally believed that our workers' conference average attendance last year of 149 with 17 churches represented would be the peak. Now it looks as if we will go beyond last year's figures. With only one more meeting before the associational year is over we have an average attendance of 166 with 19 churches represented. A number of our churches have made noticeable progress during the year. Two of them, Brighton and Spring Grove, have definitely been brought back to life.

Brother Jeff Rousseau and the East Side Church in Paragould have been the primary factors in the resurrection of the Brighton church. Brother Rousseau began preaching here on Sunday afternoons and some through the week, and the people responded in an encouraging way. He held a revival meeting early in the summer that resulted in fifteen additions by baptism and a spiritual awakening among the people. As missionary, I have done follow-up work here since the revival. We have a good Sunday School organized, and the church is in the process of building a new church building to replace the old one. This new building, when complet-

ed, will have rooms for Sunday School classes and Training Union groups.

My first trip to Spring Grove church and community found the church building padlocked and deserted. The people were discouraged, and the future looked dark. The church had been dead for years, as far as activity was concerned, but the "pilot light" was still burning in the hearts of some of the people.

The actual work in bringing Spring Grove back to life was launched by Brother Carroll Gibson and the church at Center Hill. They organized a Sunday School and Training Union in the church and from this beginning the "flame" spread. With the assistance of Donald Campbell, I held a revival meeting here that resulted in twelve additions by baptism and three by letter. At the close of the meeting we got together and made some needed improvements on the building and grounds. Since the meeting the church has called Neil Mays as pastor.

The spirit of evangelism in Greene County has been fanished into a flame. Every church, with three exceptions, have had their summer evangelistic campaigns. We are well out ahead in the number of baptisms over last year. We have already set the first weeks of August, 1949, for simultaneous revival. Brother E. Robertson has been elected Superintendent of Evangelism and final plans for the effort are now being worked out.

We have also made some progress with reference to our missionary's home. This home, purchased by the association in March, 1947, for \$5,500. We have now paid about \$3,200 on the property. An effort is now being planned to launch an "over the top" campaign to finish paying the home out this fall. Pray for its success.

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Drama in the Bible

By MRS. ROLAND LEATH

A familiar definition of a drama is "a play, in prose or poetry, depicting life or character." Another says that drama is "an actual human situation leading to a striking climax." The latter definition fits the book of Job exactly, although both are fulfilled in this dramatic book. There is a great deal of drama in the Bible. Job is an excellent example of this dramatic form of Biblical literature, although the book was not written for its dramatic effects, but to record the dramatic religious experiences of a real character.

Job was a historical figure; the events herein recorded were historical. In Ezekiel 14:14 and 20 Jehovah Himself mentions his name; again in James 5:11 the apostle James speaks of Job. Portions of the book of Job are quoted in the New Testament (1 Cor. 3:19) or referred to by various ones (Matthew 24:28; James 4:10; 1 Peter 5:6; Romans 11:34, 35).

The divisions of the book consist of a prologue, the action of the drama, the climax of the drama, and an epilogue. It is said to be the oldest book of the Bible. It is given to us for help, instruction, inspiration, and solace. Job is the man whom God chose to prove to the world that the true follower serves his Lord out of love and not for any ulterior motive. This book, in part, answers the question, "Why do the godly suffer?"

Job's Character

The name, Job, has two significant meanings—"hated" and "one that grieves." It would seem for a while that he was actually hated by his God, his wife, and many friends; he certainly was one who grieved. The prologue of the book does not reveal much concerning Job's ancestry or background, but it does reveal much concerning his character. He lived in the land of Uz which, some scholars think, was probably close to the Ur of Chaldeas.

As Noah was "perfect" in his generation (Genesis 6:9) so we find that Job was the man of perfection in his time. We are conscious of the meaning of that word as the Scriptures speak of human beings; he was sincere, loving, worshipped God, and hated and eschewed evil. We have the Lord's own words to testify as to the upright character of Job: "there is none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth evil" (Job 1:8).

We learn, too, of Job's industrious, pious, loving character, for he had seven sons and three daughters for whom he prayed continually (verse 5) and his industrious efforts resulted in his being "the greatest of all the men

of the East," owning many possessions and a very great household.

Job's Sufferings

On a day when the angelic beings appeared before God, Satan also came before Him, for he is free to come and go anywhere as Prince of the Powers of the air until that day when he will be forever banished. As always, Satan was on the alert to accuse and afflict. The Lord pointed to Job as his perfect servant who served because of devotion. Satan countered with the same accusations he still uses, that Christians do what they do for God because of what they get out of it. "Does Job fear God for naught?" he asked. He accused God of hedging Job in with possessions, family, and position. Job had those things, but God knew the condition of his heart and how right his attitude and relations were to Himself. In order to prove that Job would stand the test God permitted Satan to touch all he had, but not Job himself. Christians, the Devil afflicts us only as our heavenly Father permits! We are kept by His power. Oftentimes in order to purify our lives, or to glorify our God, by the permissive will of God, trying experiences come to us. If you had no other Scripture than this conversation between the Lord and Satan as recorded in Job, that would be enough to teach this all-important lesson to Christians.

Job lost his position and his children, but he blessed God and sinned not (verses 21 and 22). The persistent Devil doesn't give up easily. He went again (Job 2:1) to God and challenged the Lord to let him touch Job. He claimed that a man would do some changing if his life were in danger. The Lord's answer was "... he is in thine hand; but save his life."

Job was smitten from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head with sores; he was miserable and in despair. His wife mocked him and advised: "Curse God and die." His friends came, Eliphaz the Temanite, Bildad the Shuhite, and Zophar the Naamathite. A large portion of the book is given over to their discourses. They insisted that Job had secret sin in his life which had brought on his trials. This is another of Satan's lies. Men often point the finger of scorn at sorrowing ones because they claim sin causes trouble. It is true that suffering comes as the result of sin sometimes, but not always by any means. A fourth friend, Elihu, appears and in a long discourse attempts to help Job. Throughout it all Job main-

tains that he is righteous and while he does not sin against God, he seemed to imply that he was unjustly treated and he spoke rashly of the wonders of God's creation.

Job's Deliverance

The climax of the drama is in the forty-second chapter when God speaks to Job out of the whirlwind. We have Job's confession as he admits to the Lord that he was speaking of "things too wonderful for me" and that now the voice of God clearly reveals His mighty character. Job is humbled; he is made to realize the power, omnipotence, and omnipresence of the Lord. The Lord rewards Job for the way he stood his trials and responded by his new conception of the Lord. The epilogue reveals God's blessings as He prospers Job more than He had before and gives him 140 more years to enjoy life and his family.

The drama clearly shows that men will serve the Lord for love alone, that the righteous suffer, but that the Lord gives relief or grace and never fails His own!

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God is not often the God of the spectacular. He works best through the commonplace. Cloudbursts are never as beneficial as the steady gentle rain.

—William Ward Ayer.

Bring Them In

We have a sacred obligation to give our children the opportunity of Christian fellowship and training. We are failing a vast number of them today. Fifty per cent of all people in America are churchless, and millions of children grow into adulthood without knowing the rich benefits of religious faith. Material goals become the only objectives of many young lives. This spiritual starvation offers the most serious threat to the future of our civilization. Let us leave nothing undone in bringing the youth of our nation to the blessings of church and Sunday School. Their greatest need is spiritual resources which to draw in the crucial hours ahead.

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As we visit group after group and talk to them about our enlarged Co-operative Program and budget for 1949, which has a generous attitude toward world missions, we find an encouraging response. Church after church is increasing its allocation for the Co-operative Program. Group after group is recommending that it be done. Some churches are even doubling their allocation for missions.

We confess that occasionally we have a report from somebody in the negative, but we do not remember having received more than three letters during the entire season that sounded a discouraging note. One church says, "we are building and cannot increase our gifts to Missions." Well, brethren, most of the churches that are building are increasing their gifts for missions. We believe the Lord would bless you in your building program if you would do it. One associational leader gave a discouraging response. The State Convention has over and over again given large financial assistance to that association. We wish that out of gratitude the brethren there could see their way clear to launch a great effort for the Co-operative Program. Brethren, you are paying twice as much for other things as you formerly paid. Why not step up your mission program in the same proportion? Surely, surely, we cannot afford to chime in with the world in its heavier programs and "throw off" on the cause of the Lord.

We are giving in these reports a few of the responses that we are getting. We cannot remember all of them, and maybe there would not be space to publish all if we could remember them. You know when you are told a score of facts in two or three different localities day by day you cannot remember all of them. Write us a card brethren, and tell us the good news.

Reeves and El Dorado

The Budget Committee of the great First Church, El Dorado, with the leadership of Pastor Reeves will recommend a twenty per cent increase in gifts for the Co-operative Program for 1949. Their reports to the association for the year just closed showed more money given for missions and outside causes than for local purposes. This El Dorado Church is enjoying an unprecedented growth in every direction.

Mt. Ida Goes Up

The Mt. Ida Baptist Church is doubling its Co-operative Program allocation. When a church can increase its gifts to missions one hundred per cent it is something to thank God for. Pastor Bledsoe is backed up by a number of men of the caliber of Carey Selph and Roy Wright and others. What an inspiration.

Memorial Church Starts Right

Memorial Church is a new church near Hot Springs. Pastor J. C. Melton sends a check and says that "we are very happy that the Lord has led the membership of the Memorial Church to feel that, though it is one year old, a small church in members, and very little in wealth, and in the midst of a building program, the Master's command to 'go into all the world' is unto us the same as to any church regardless of age and size." This church also sends a State Mission offering for the Honor Fund.

Morrilton and Sallee

Morrilton has a building program, yet they have increased their Co-operative Program item nearly fifty per cent. They have been giving \$2,100, and they have increased it to \$3,100. Some of them, including the pastor, are still unsatisfied. They hope to do more and more in the immediate future. They hope to increase the amount by five per cent at least each year for several years. This is a fine example and a worthy program.

Dardanelle-Russellville Association

The leaders in Dardanelle-Russellville Association including the Associational Mission Board are recommending that all their churches give at least twenty per cent of their budgets for the Co-operative Program, and twenty-five per cent where at all possible.

Dear Dr. Bridges:

Rison Baptist Church has voted to increase its Co-operative Contributions by 16 per cent for the next year. We hope that it shall even be higher.

Yours very truly,
—T. T. Newton.

Dear Dr. Bridges:

At the October Business Meeting of the Bear Creek Springs Baptist Church, the church voted to double their gifts to the Co-operative Program, making it \$250 for 1948-49 instead of \$125.

Sincerely,
—J. W. Henderson.

Osceola Goes Over

The Osceola Church made its offering for the Honor Fund. It gave all the Committee asked it to give and more. After its cash offerings, one man said that he would give a bale of cotton if somebody would gather it. You can't outwit Pastor Clubb. He immediately asked for volunteers. There must have been twenty-five or thirty people who volunteered to pick cotton during one afternoon. They will get it. The writer was in the service and it was a joy to his soul to witness a large congregation, many of whom had been baptized within the last year. The church at Osceola is really growing.

Such Neglect

We have just received a communication from a good church member saying "I am sending you herewith \$25 for the Honor Fund. It was not even mentioned in our Sunday School and church, and I want to have a part in it."

We do not understand why a Baptist Church which has been built up through many years, and enjoys the blessings that come largely through the influence of a strong Baptist constituency throughout the territory fails to help the brethren of its denomination on great matters of this kind. This church, however, may take its collection later on. It is not too late.

Look What a Mission Church Did

The Lower Poplar Ridge Mission of Lake City Baptist Church took its collection for the Honor Fund. This little mission made an offering of \$134.13. Our people are glad when the leadership asks them to do it.

A Note

We were in Black River Association and a good woman passed to us the following note: "Brother Bridges—a wonderful talk was made. Hope our Association will do more. I am going to see that our church does more."
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"For the blessings that would come to people themselves, to say nothing of what it would mean to a lost world, I pray that every man may realize the scriptural ideal of EVERY BAPTIST A TITHER."

Our Giving

If we gauge our giving by the budget of a church and not according to the implications of the divine commission, we almost certainly give far below the needs of the program, and also far below our ability to give. As Christian laymen, we must catch the world vision of Christ and feel the weight of a lost world as our individual responsibility.

—Lawson H. Cook