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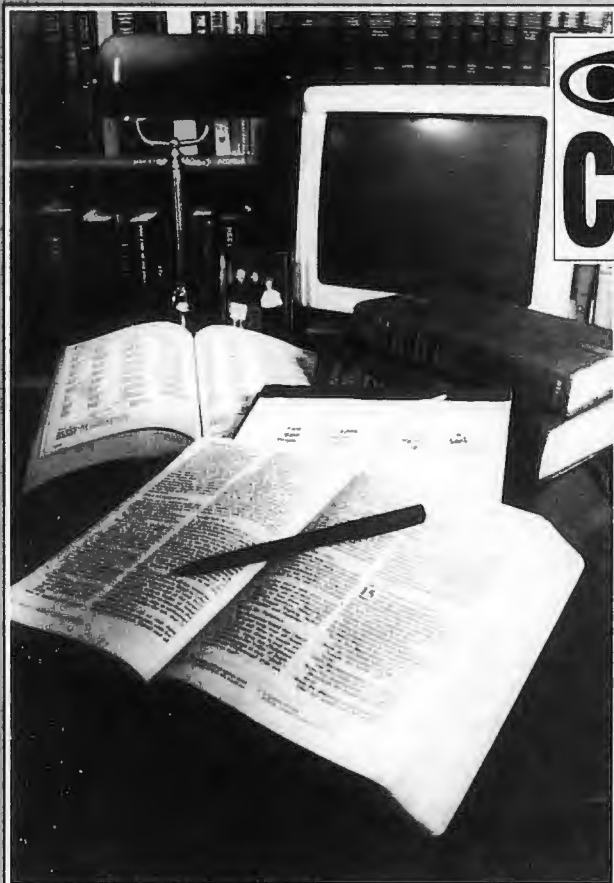
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Pages 10-19 highlight the work of Christian higher education and student ministries in Arkansas.

# Scottish Rite article targets HMB, draws Baptist response

Southern Baptists' debate over Freemasonry, a focus of the 1993 Southern Baptist Convention annual meeting, continues to crop up more than a year later. The latest incident involves a newsletter article mailed to nearly 1,300 Scottish Rite members throughout northeast Arkansas.

The report adopted by SBC messengers last year stated that "many tenets and teachings of Freemasonry are not compatible with Christianity and Southern Baptist doctrine while others are compatible." The action called for Masonic membership to be "a matter of personal conscience."

A recent newsletter of the William Nash Scottish Rite Temple in West Memphis included excerpts from an April 28 letter by Fred Kleinknect, the head of the national Scottish Rite organization in Washington.

Despite a 31-30 vote in April by Home Mission Board trustees against authorizing a study of whether to bar Masons from serving as home missionaries, Kleinknect voiced concern that "God-called Masons may soon be disqualified from service as missionaries" through the HMB. In response, he urged Southern Baptist Masons to stop supporting the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for home missions and consider channeling their offering funds to the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship or "designate all offerings for local church use only."

An Arkansas Scottish Rite member shared the newsletter article with his pastor who alerted Don Moore, executive director of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention. Moore responded by writing to the leaders of the William Nash Scottish Rite Temple.

Calling the newsletter article "a most

unfortunate occurrence," Moore said Scottish Rite leaders "have degraded your organization by becoming involved in an attack on a single denominational group.... Stopping to become embroiled in the denominational struggle of a single denomination and taking sides in the affair is clearly beyond the bounds of propriety, reason and fairness."

Moore emphasized that designating or withholding Cooperative Program or Annie Armstrong funds "is an appeal to stop funding 8,000 missionaries, six seminaries and multitudes of ministries that are meeting needs around the world."

Carroll Evans, pastor of First Church, Hughes, and chairman of the northeast Arkansas Scottish Rite Temple's executive board, responded to Moore's letter. He noted that Kleinknect had sent his letter to all Scottish Rite groups, advising them to "disseminate the information at their own discretion and in whatever way they deemed advisable."

Voicing regret that the article was published locally, Evans said he was unaware that the article was included in the newsletter until after it had been published. "Please accept our apologies," Evans wrote to Moore. He said he will seek to clarify the issue in the organization's next quarterly newsletter.

"My personal advice would be to continue supporting the Cooperative Program and the missions offerings," Evans told the *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine*. "The convention has expressed itself and I'm hopeful that Southern Baptists have put this anti-Masonic issue behind them. I don't really think we've got a quarrel with the convention."

## Cover Story

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# Anti-gambling advocates plan state strategy

By Trennis Henderson  
Editor, Arkansas Baptist

Describing gambling as "bad business, bad politics and bad morals," Don Moore urged Arkansas Baptists to take the lead in opposing efforts to expand legalized gambling in the state.

Moore, executive director of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, was the featured speaker at a July 14 "key leaders' meeting" organized to help mobilize Arkansas Baptists in the battle against legalized casinos, lottery and bingo. Voters are expected to face three or four proposed constitutional amendments on the November ballot which would authorize various forms of gambling throughout the state.

The "key leaders' meeting," sponsored by the Christian Civic Action Committee, was held at Immanuel Church in Little Rock. It attracted pastors, directors of missions and other concerned leaders from throughout the state. The CCAC will hold similar meetings for other denominations wanting to join the anti-gambling effort.

Calling the campaign "an opportunity to rally together around something really worthy," Moore said he believes the effort "will bring great glory to the Lord."

Addressing a number of questions related to the campaign, Moore asked, "Is it appropriate for us to confront this evil in the public arena?"

Pointing to the biblical examples of Samuel confronting King Saul, Nathan confronting King David, Elijah confronting King Ahab and John the Baptist confronting Herod, Moore emphasized, "There is no venue, there is no area where it is not appropriate to apply the truths of God, including the state, the government and including issues like this.

"The real question," he added, "is not 'should we do it?' but 'how can we not do it?'"

Moore said the ignorant, the intimidated, the indifferent and those involved in gambling are the only ones who should not be expected to join the fight.

"If we care about the welfare of people who look to us for leadership, we have no choice," he said. "We must come down with strong opposition to threats to the moral, spiritual and economic welfare of our people."

Moore said another question to consider is: "Will the results justify the effort?"

CCAC officials hope to raise \$2 million to battle out-of-state gambling interests which are expected to spend twice that much promoting the gambling amendments. Moore said gambling opponents

are committed to "spend whatever we have to" to accomplish their goal.

"I believe with all my heart that we can win this battle," Moore declared. But regardless of the outcome, he added, "This world will know that there are men and women of principle inspired by a holy God who are willing to pay a price for their principles. If we'll lose on every count, we'll still be winners if we stand with that which honors God."

Noting that "there are people who would never understand you being cowardly and not taking a stand on this," Moore said, "Many will be warned, educated and steered away from the evils of gambling just by the effort we're putting forth."

Moore said an additional question to be faced is: "What are the keys to victory in this fight?"

He said the first step is for concerned individuals to "shift gears from passive gear into active gear. We're going to have to shift gears from watching and waiting to working."

He said other keys are to "make every relationship and contact count" and to "move from timidity to boldness."

Sharing a checklist detailing "the case against legalized gambling," Moore said gambling is "a sophisticated form of legalized stealing."

"The state has to promote its citizens losing in order for the state to win," he pointed out. "Government was created for the people, for their protection; not for their exploitation."

Describing the anti-gambling campaign as "a call to arms," Moore insisted, "It is a just war. It merits being fought. It merits boldness. It merits sacrifice.

"Fight with faith; fight with prayer; fight with zeal; fight with passion," Moore concluded. "I want this to be a victory where everybody knows there is something to our God."

CCAC executive director Larry Page emphasized that "the church will either win or lose this election." Noting that "the

## The case against legalized gambling

Arkansas Baptist State Convention executive director Don Moore shared the following anti-gambling checklist during a July 14 campaign meeting against expanded gambling in the state.

- **GAMBLING creates no new wealth.**
- **GAMBLING depresses legitimate business.**
- **GAMBLING increases welfare costs.**
- **GAMBLING increases crime.**
- **GAMBLING corrupts government.**
- **GAMBLING produces human desperation.**
- **GAMBLING is a sophisticated form of legalized stealing.**
- **GAMBLING produces the wrong attitudes toward work.**
- **GAMBLING contradicts social responsibility.**
- **GAMBLING violates all sound, standard theories of taxation.**
- **GAMBLING has a consistent record of failure as a source of state revenue.**
- **GAMBLING is socially, politically and morally dangerous.**

facts are on our side," he urged church leaders to utilize prayer, education, financial resources, voter registration and other means to communicate the anti-gambling message.

"We have truth on our side. We can be confident in our message. Gambling is a bad deal," Page remarked. "There's only one winner in this deal and it's the owners and operators... We need to articulate our message well and disseminate it well."

CCAC steering committee chairman Barry King, pastor of Grand Avenue Church in Hot Springs, warned that "wherever there is increased legalized gambling, there is a proportionate increase in illegal gambling as well."

King said prayer and financial support are the two most important components of the anti-gambling fight. He said CCAC leaders are asking each congregation in the state to donate \$2 per church member to help finance the effort.

"The cost of winning will be high," King acknowledged, "but the cost of losing will be even higher."

## YOU'LL BE GLAD TO KNOW



By DON MOORE  
ABCS Executive Director

Most pastors have a deep influence on their church members. It may be profound or it may be more subtle, coming to bear on a person's life over a longer period of time. Who can doubt that the pastor has the greatest potential for good and bad of any person in the Body of Christ? This is the reason the qualifications for pastors as outlined in the New Testament are very strict. No novice should aspire to this position. No brawler is qualified. And no one should be in this position without a clear and convincing word from God.

This calling is not without a price. Everyone who answers the call expects to pay a price. Often it is greater than expected. Disappointment, disillusionment and sometimes bitterness develop. Suspicion, anger, defensiveness and discontent often follow. The pastor, his family and his people are impacted. Relationships are difficult and productivity is hampered.

A 1991 survey of several hundred pastors revealed the following information:

- 90 percent work more than 46 hours a week.
- 80 percent believe their work has had a negative effect upon their families.
- 70 percent say they have a lower self image than when they started.
- 70 percent do not have anyone they consider a close friend.
- 50 percent feel they are unable to meet the needs of the job.

■ 40 percent report a serious conflict with a church member at least monthly.

Perhaps we need a clearer understanding of the call and what it means to commit oneself to a lifetime of servant leadership. Perhaps the churches need to be more careful who they license, ordain and call as pastors. They certainly need to be more respectful of those God calls to serve them.

If we expect to be visited by God with an awakening, we must be done with our rowdy, ruthless and ruinous ways.

More tears could be shed over this than nearly any other sin of the Church. There is a more excellent way. It is outlined in I Corinthians 12:31-13:13.

RONNIE ROGERS

## The President's Corner

### America's greatest need



The present decline of America into the abyss of moral ambiguity, intellectual absurdities and the church's inability to stay the decline makes it questionable if we will leave an America at all, at least as we have known it, for our posterity. The greatest threat to America is that the church will fail to be the church.

We must prioritize:

■ **Evangelism**—The greatest need for any individual is to be saved. We will only change America by changing Americans one at a time, with the gospel of Jesus Christ. This necessitates intentional, lifestyle, crusade, confrontation, lay, marketplace evangelism, bus ministry, E.E., MasterLife, revivals, Bible studies and whatever we can use to reach people. I am leery of discarding methods of evangelism when we have one million unchurched (lost) and 248 baptismless churches in Arkansas. Now is not the time to eliminate evangelistic approaches.

■ **Holiness**—I Peter 1:15 stands as a constant reminder of God's call upon our lives. In our quest to fill the Church, we, at times, sacrifice purity for people. The Church cannot have the power of

God upon her without holiness anymore than Jesus could have.

■ **Prayer**—Is as essential to us as breathing. At times we have underestimated the power of our adversary and overestimated the power of the flesh to accomplish spiritual victories which results in our certain and constant failure in spiritual warfare.

■ **Separated Life**—II Corinthians 6:14, "Come out among them and be ye separate." You can tell whether you are living the separated life by whether you are seeking God's will in all that you do. We are to be governed by the will of God and not the latest poll.

■ **Speak the Truth in Love**—Christians must learn how to articulate their faith in a post-Christian era. We must not only know what we believe but why; we must speak the truth of scripture in every area of life including education, government, jurisprudence, human nature, economics, ad infinitum, and do so unapologetically.

America does not need revival; America needs a revived church!

Ronnie Rogers, pastor of Lakeside Church in Hot Springs, is president of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention.

## Personal perspectives

"If we are to reach students, it must be through lifestyle evangelism that is not afraid to bring a student to saying 'yes' or 'no' to Jesus."

—David James, ABCS student ministry department director

"In Islamic law an apostate is one who does not believe in God, the prophets or the resurrection of the dead. We Christians believe in all three!"

—Mehdi Dibaj, Iranian Christian leader charged with apostasy from Islam, who was recently found murdered following his release from prison

"We're looking at six months to a year for cleanup and rebuilding. The cleanup is going to be a long haul. I hope we Baptists are in it for the long haul."

—Charles Holland, director of missions for Bowen Baptist Association in Georgia, discussing flood cleanup

# Martyr's message leaves lasting legacy

Recent headlines in the *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine* have chronicled the story of Mehdi Dibaj. January 13: "Iranian man facing execution for his Christian faith"; January 27: "Iranian Christian released; execution canceled"; July 14: "Two Christian leaders murdered in Iran."

The three articles, along with the February 10 editorial, "A portrait of sacrificial faith," have familiarized our readers with the plight of Dibaj, an Assemblies of God minister who was charged with apostasy from Islam and spent nine years in prison after converting to Christianity. He was sentenced to death and then abruptly released earlier this year, only to become one of two recent murder victims. His only crime apparently was faithfully proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ despite persecution and eventual death.

Although I knew of Dibaj and his ministry only through those occasional news articles, I was struck with a sense of grief when I read that he had been murdered.

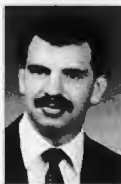
During his trial last December, Dibaj shared a courageous testimony that stands as a tribute to him and other martyrs of the Christian faith. The following text was his message to the Iranian court that was gathered to determine if he should be executed for the crime of apostasy:

*"In the Holy Name of God who is our life and existence.*

*"With all humility I express my gratitude to the Judge of all heaven and earth for this precious opportunity, and with brokenness I wait upon the Lord to*

## STRAIGHT FROM THE EDITOR

By TRENNIS HENDERSON



*deliver me from this court trial according to His promises. I also beg the honored members of the court present to listen with patience to my defense and with respect for the Name of the Lord.*

*"I am a Christian, a sinner who believes Jesus has died for my sins on the cross and who by His resurrection and victory over death, has made me righteous in the presence of the Holy God. The true God speaks about this fact in His Holy Word, the Gospel. Jesus means Savior, because He will save His people from their sins. Jesus paid the penalty of our sins by His own blood and gave us a new life so that we can live for the glory of God by the help of the Holy Spirit and be like a dam against corruption, be a channel of blessing and healing, and be protected by the love of God.*

*"In response to this kindness, He has asked me to deny myself and be His fully surrendered follower, and not fear people even if they kill my body, but rather rely on the Creator of life who has crowned me with the crown of mercy and*

*compassion, and who is the great protector of His beloved ones and their great reward.*

*"I have been charged with apostasy. The invisible God who knows our hearts has given assurance to us Christians that we are not among the apostates who will perish but among the believers so that we may save our lives. In Islamic law an apostate is one who does not believe in God, the prophets or the resurrection of the dead. We Christians believe in all three!*

*"They say, 'You were a Muslim and have become a Christian.' No, for many years I had no religion. After searching and studying I accepted God's call and I believed in the Lord Jesus Christ in order to receive eternal life. People choose their religion but a Christian is chosen by Christ. He says, 'You have not chosen me but I have chosen you.' From when? Before the foundation of the world."*

The apostle Paul offered all Christians a stirring challenge and a lasting hope when he penned the words in *Philippians 1:21*, "For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain."

Jesus assured us in *Matthew 16:25*, "Whoever shall lose his life for my sake shall find it."

When Christians today are tempted to let pettiness, personal problems or misplaced priorities sidetrack us from living for Christ, we should pause to remember the testimony of Dibaj and thousands of others throughout history who have sacrificed their lives for the sake of the gospel.

Thank you, Mehdi Dibaj, for your unwavering commitment to Christ.

## Day of Prayer for World Peace: 'He is our peace'

By Louis A. Moore

SBC Christian Life Commission

Even as the threat of world communism recedes from memory, peace remains an elusive goal for many people today.

While war stalks places such as the former Yugoslav republics, lack of peace also is seen today in lives tarnished by abuse and violence in their own homes and neighborhoods. Communities large and small are gripped by news accounts of family violence in which children kill parents and parents kill children and of scenes in which former co-workers take out their hatred for their former employers with guns aimed at anybody in sight.

Driving this abuse and violence are the "secret" sins of society that fuel the reservoirs of hate and despair which

invade the homes of the rich and poor alike. Some statistics bear this out: 18 million alcoholics, including 4.5 million teenagers, live in the U.S. alone, affecting 76 million family members; one in four American girls and one in eight boys are sexually abused by age 18; incest reportedly touches one in five Americans.

Sadly, Christians are not immune to the spin-off from the breakdown of families and the deterioration of ethical standards in society in general. The consequences of divorce, AIDS, sexual abuse, alcoholism, drug abuse, mental illness, and all the other plagues on humankind have left deep scars on many Christians today.

The situation has spawned a quest for peace in the hearts of millions of people.

The apostle Paul in *Ephesians 2:14* reminds us that the peace we so

desperately seek is found in Christ. "For He is our peace," Paul said. In the context, Paul was speaking about how the shedding of Christ's blood has broken down the walls that separate Jews and Gentiles. Through Christ, the enmity that destroys peace is itself eradicated, reconciling Jew and Gentile through the cross.

In the wider context, if we allow Him to do so, Christ is able to heal the scars in our hearts caused by a world that still lives in enmity with God. No matter what disquiets the heart, Christ is our peace.

As Southern Baptists observe the Day of Prayer for World Peace on Aug. 7, Paul's words in *Ephesians 2:17-18* remind us that Christ "came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh. For through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father."

## Southwestern trustee recounts process that led to Hemphill

FORT WORTH, TX (BP)—A month and five days after Russell Dilday was fired as president of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, a trustee search committee met to begin the process of choosing his successor.

A half-dozen meetings and less than three months later, the committee was ready to recommend Kenneth S. Hemphill for the job. Trustees are scheduled to vote this week on Hemphill's election during a called meeting July 28 at the seminary campus in Fort Worth.

Search committee chairman Miles Seaborn, pastor of Birchman Baptist Church in Fort Worth, described Hemphill as "a peacemaker at heart" who "understands the mandate of the Southern Baptist Convention concerning the conservative resurgence and is personally committed to that mandate and to leading Southwestern Seminary in fulfilling the direction of the convention."

Trustee chairman Ralph W. Puley Jr., an attorney in Dallas, said, "We believe the recommendation of Hemphill is a mandate from God and rejoice over the almost miraculous way in which the search committee's unanimity evolved over the past four months. We think he is uniquely qualified academically, spiritually and experientially to lead our seminary into the 21st century."

Hemphill, who said he is "passionate about the church," noted that the opportunity to be involved in training thousands of young ministers at Southwestern is a challenge he never dreamed would be his.

### Search process chronology

Presidential search committee member Pat Campbell, pastor of Ridgecrest Baptist Church in St. Charles, Mo., provided a chronology of the nine-member committee's work.

When members gathered for their first meeting April 14, the committee already had 23 names of prospective candidates and 12 resumes. Committee members agreed to classify the candidates into a first tier, a second tier and a third tier. The first tier of "best possibilities" was to be limited to four candidates.

The list of 23 included Hemphill, who had been proposed by trustee Darrell Robinson of the Home Mission Board.

Individuals whose names had been proposed but who had not submitted resumes were contacted and asked whether they wanted to do so, Campbell said. Some declined to apply.

The search committee assigned Campbell to chair a subcommittee to compose a purpose statement to give to presidential candidates. Also, members of the full committee were told to fast and pray for God's guidance in their task—one meal per week.

At the second meeting, May 2, the committee reviewed, edited and adopted the purpose statement, which Campbell had written with input from subcommittee members. The statement called for "a man of vision and faith who can dream big dreams and bring them into fruition...."

Also May 2, the committee identified a first tier of four men and a second tier of four men, based on members' classification of candidates.

The search committee met again May 17 and approved a motion to begin the interview process June 7. Six men were invited for interviews: Hemphill, director of the Southern Baptist Center for Church Growth in Atlanta; Timothy George, dean of the Beeson Divinity School at Samford University in Birmingham, Ala.; Richard Melick, president of Criswell College in Dallas; Richard Land, executive director of the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission; Ralph Smith, pastor of Hyde Park Baptist Church in Austin, Texas; and Mark Coppenger, vice president for convention relations at the SBC Executive Committee.

Melick, Smith, Land and Coppenger were interviewed June 7. George and Hemphill were interviewed June 15 during the Southern Baptist Convention annual meeting in Orlando.

The committee decided to invite Hemphill, George, Melick and Smith for second interviews, with their wives. However, George was out of the country and unavailable for a second interview. Hemphill was interviewed June 30; Melick and Smith on July 1.

At about 3:30 p.m. July 1, the search committee voted unanimously to recommend Hemphill to become president of Southwestern. Campbell seconded the motion of search committee vice chairman Ollin Collins, pastor of Harvest Baptist Church in Watauga, Texas, to recommend Hemphill.

Campbell acknowledged the search committee had been mindful of the need for peace at Southwestern after the uproar caused by Dilday's firing, but he insisted the committee's overriding objective was to do God's will and to name God's man for the job. "Whoever that was, we were going to go with that," he declared.

## Southern Baptist relief workers aid flood victims

ATLANTA (BP)—Intense flooding from rainfall produced by tropical storm Alberto paralyzed many parts of Georgia, Alabama and Florida this month, but not the efforts of Southern Baptist relief volunteers.

Reports of more than 21 inches of water in one day in Americus, Ga., and similar volumes in other areas rocked the three states as the scope of the crisis became apparent. As much as 10,000 square miles was covered by water, hundreds of homes and businesses were destroyed, and at least 43 counties were declared federal disaster areas. Thirty people were confirmed dead.

Preliminary reports indicated that more than 14,000 homes have been damaged, according to the American Red Cross. Crop damage is estimated at \$100 million. The Red Cross has opened 74 shelters in the states.

But as in past disasters, Southern Baptists have responded well. Help came in the form of immediate assistance to friends and family, as well as through coordinated efforts of local churches, associations and Southern Baptist disaster relief operations. Baptist disaster relief workers from several states provided more than 80,000 meals during the first two weeks following the initial flooding.

"I saw an amazing response from the local Baptists in their churches," said Rick Patchin, an associate in the Georgia Baptist Convention Brotherhood department and state on-site coordinator for disaster relief operations. "Before Georgia Baptist disaster relief even got there they were already responding—setting up shelters, feeding people, meeting all kinds of needs, from the smallest church to the largest church."

"We're looking at six months to a year for cleanup and rebuilding," said Charles Holland, director of missions for Bowen Baptist Association. "The cleanup is going to be a long haul. I hope we Baptists are in it for the long haul."

The ongoing volunteer efforts will be coordinated through the Home Mission Board and state Brotherhood departments. To volunteer, call the HMB at 1-800-HMB-VOLS.

# Merger provides Gloryland new home

When members of Pike Avenue and Gethsemane churches in North Little Rock voted to merge April 24, the merger and subsequent move paved the way for the relocation of a Southern Baptist congregation many observers say is more reflective of the community in the Pike Avenue area.

According to Mike Seabaugh, pastor of the newly merged Crosspoint Church, one of the major factors in the decision to move "was that Pike Avenue felt like we had a ministry and the church was located in a place that still needed a ministry. But maybe God wanted us to get out of the way. We were committed to see a ministry come in here and reach the downtown area."

That ministry emerged in mid-June as Gloryland Church, a predominantly black Southern Baptist congregation, voted to buy the Pike Avenue site and celebrated its first service there July 17.

## Community impact

Seabaugh said Gloryland will reach a segment of the population unreachable by the former Pike Avenue. "Gloryland Baptist Church is reaching prostitutes, pimps and dope dealers," he said. "That's the real war on crime. I can't think of anything prouder for this building to be doing than to be reaching the people of this community."

Gloryland is led by senior pastor Cedric Hayes, a musician and former radio station manager who organized the church in January 1993 with five members in an automotive repair shop. It has grown to include a membership of 285 and several care ministries.

Hayes is enthused about the impact the move will have on the church. "We now can broaden our base of evangelism," he said. "We can now cover a larger area and minister to more people."

He said the decision to move "was unanimous. A lot of our members wanted to go and hadn't even been to the building."

Hayes said the church will operate a thrift store at its old location "with the funds to go to a gymnasium and swimming facility to be built at the new location."

"We want to establish a caring center here; ministries that will meet the needs of the community," he explained.

Gloryland already has diverse ministries under way, including efforts aimed at job



Members of Gloryland Church march to their new church home prior to a July 17 dedication service of the new location.

training, ex-gang members, divorce recovery and substance abuse. It plans to target other needs in the near future such as children born out of wedlock, battered spouses, nutrition, single parenting and money management.

Hayes said the church also plans to add recreation facilities and a homeless shelter. "Don't ask me how we're going to build these things," he told his congregation. "But if the Lord can put us in this church building, He can do it."

Representative of the impact of the church's ministry is Khayyan Davis, a father of four and former drug dealer, who found a home at Gloryland. "I've just been blessed," Davis remarked. "I've been through a whole lot. I've used marijuana and crack cocaine and I've fed my children

and myself from (proceeds from) those things. Now the only 'dope' I need is here in this Bible, my manual."

Marvin Peters, director of missions for North Pulaski Association, said the Gloryland move represents "growth not only for Gloryland but for Southern Baptists as we reach out to the people in the inner city in North Little Rock in a greater way."

Peters said the move "enhances the ministry. They are going to continue ministering at the building on East 15th Street (the church's former location) as well as here. It will give them opportunities to reach out with a larger facility."

Peters said Gloryland is one of three black Southern Baptist churches in the association. State statistics show there are 15 predominantly black Southern Baptist churches in Arkansas.

Jack Ramsey, an associate in the Arkansas Baptist State Convention missions department, said the move is a dynamic one for Southern Baptists. "I think, from the perspective of Church Extension, it says to Arkansans that Arkansas Baptists are concerned about reaching all un-converted people."

"In Arkansas, we have not done well reaching into other cultures," Ramsey acknowledged. "I definitely see it affecting black Southern Baptist work and Gloryland will serve as an effective model for black pastoral leadership."

## Pike Avenue, Gethsemane merge

Pike Avenue Church and Gethsemane Church members met last month to commemorate Pike Avenue's 50th anniversary and final service as the two North Little Rock churches signed document to merge and adopted a new name, Crosspoint Church. They have located at the former Gethsemane's facilities. The congregations voted April 24 to merge in response to both churches' needs for ministry expansion. The merger promised to give Pike Avenue members a new location while providing Gethsemane members an injection of "enthusiasm," according to Gethsemane deacon chairman Bill Sultor.

Crosspoint pastor Mike Seabaugh, former pastor of Pike Avenue, said Gethsemane was in a neighborhood "right in the heart of where many of the members have moved." Seabaugh said

ideas for a merger began after the church conducted a study that classified Pike Avenue as a "declining congregation in a transitional neighborhood."

Members established a study with the intent of looking at new ministry opportunities. The study suggested relocation and members voted to begin searching for a new location in October.

Trustees from both churches signed incorporation documents during the June 5 service, which also featured reviews of the church's history and testimonies from five ministers called to the ministry while members of the church.

"We're looking forward to occupying our new home with our new family," said location task force member Roseann Kennedy. "Instead of being a time of sorrow, which I thought it would be, this has been a wonderful day."



## Church news

**Mount Olive Church** of Crossett recently held a noteburning service, celebrating payment of church indebtedness on the renovation of the fellowship hall, preschool departments and church office, as well as construction of a kitchen. Participating in the service were building renovation committee chairman Royce Harville, pastor Ricky Lee, Sunday School director J.D. Moore, chairman of deacons J.B. Rainey, minister of music/senior adults Don Ward and minister of youth/education Jeff Jones. Former pastor Ferrell Morgan was the speaker for a "Family Reunion" service which preceded the noteburning.

**Pine Grove Church** will celebrate its 125th anniversary Aug. 14. Former pastor Harold O'Brian will be the speaker for the morning worship service that will be followed by a dinner and afternoon anniversary service.

**Brinkley First Church** will host a revival Aug. 14-17, featuring evangelist Angel Martinez. Music for the 7 p.m. services will be directed by Steve Taylor. Jim McDaniel is pastor.

**Immanuel Church** of Little Rock will host TRUTH, a musical group of 25 young adults from across America, in concert Aug. 20, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

## Staff changes

**Bert Self** is serving as pastor of First Church in Monette, going there from Grace Church in Augusta. He also has been a staff member of churches in Texas and Mississippi. Self is a graduate of Arkansas State University and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He is married to the former Rebekah Garner. They have one son, Jonathan.

**Manuel Macks** began serving July 3 as pastor of First Church in Jasper, coming there from Midway Church in Melbourne. Macks, who has served several other Arkansas churches, was serving as moderator for Rocky Bayou Association. He and his wife, Euna Faye, have a son, Tim.

**J.D. Woodard** has joined the staff of East End Church in Hensley as part-time minister of youth, coming there from Claud Road Church in Pine Bluff. Woodard is pursuing a master's degree in physical education at the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff where he is a graduate assistant football coach. He is a graduate of Ouachita Baptist University.



## ARKANSAS ALL OVER

By MILLIE GILL

**Jim Thomas** joined the staff of First Church in Fayetteville July 1 as minister of youth, coming there from First Church in Flower Mound, Texas. A native of Texas, he is a graduate of Baylor University and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Thomas also has served as a youth intern for two churches in Texas.

**Scott Smith** has joined the staff of First Church in Cherokee Village as associate pastor for music and youth. He is a recent graduate of Williams Baptist College. Smith and his wife, Andrea, moved to Cherokee Village from Walnut Ridge.

**Charles Ray** is serving as interim pastor of Pine Grove Church of Pochontas. He is a sophomore at Williams Baptist College.

**Harold Parsons** has joined the staff of First Church in Lake City as minister of music and youth, coming there from Joyce City Church in Smackover. He is a graduate of Ouachita Baptist University.

**Spencer Ray** began serving July 3 as pastor of Magnolia Road Church in Jonesboro. He attended the University of Arkansas and received his master of divinity degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Ray and his wife, Michelle Anne, have two children, Abigail Anne and Truett Colary.

**Victor Coleman** is pastor of Remount Church in North Little Rock. A graduate of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, he previously served as a foreign missionary to Venezuela. In addition, he has been associate pastor of Bayou Meto Church of Jacksonville and pastor of Victory Church in Jacksonville. Coleman and his wife, Sherri, are the parents of two adult children.

**Michael Bain**, who recently completed service with the U.S. Air Force, is serving as pastor of Morrison Chapel Church, North Little Rock. While serving at the Little Rock Air Force Base, he also was associate pastor and pastor of Stanfill Church and minister of youth at Remount Church in North Little Rock. He has completed Southern Baptist seminary extension courses.

**Elton Ballentine** accepted the call July 17 to serve as pastor of Victory Church in Jacksonville. He is employed in the emergency department of the University

of Arkansas School of Medical Sciences in Little Rock. Ballentine also has served as pastor of three Arkansas churches and of one church in Texas. He is a graduate of Ouachita Baptist University and attended Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He and his wife, Martha, are the parents of two adult daughters.

**Robert E. "Bob" Hall** will begin serving July 31 as pastor of First Church in Beebe, coming there from eight years of service as pastor of First Church in Caraway. He is a graduate of Ouachita Baptist University and Mid-America Seminary. Hall and his wife, Margaret, have three children, Joshua, Justin and Hannah.

**Billy Williams** will join the staff of First Church in Malvern in mid-August as minister of youth and music. He and his wife, Leslie, will move there from Springhill, La., where he has been serving on the staff of First Baptist Church. He previously has served on the staff of other churches in Louisiana. Williams is a graduate of Northeast Louisiana University in Monroe.

## Obituaries

**William Alvin Hattson Sr.** of Warren died July 16 at age 73. He was a retired Southern Baptist foreign missionary to Brazil where he founded the Royal Ambassadors, built and directed the Sitio do Sossego RA camp and started churches. In addition, he served Arkansas Baptists as RA secretary in 1946-47, served as an Arkansas church staff member and as pastor of Texas churches. Hattson, who was awarded the RA International Legion Award by the SBC Brotherhood Commission in 1993, received numerous RA awards while serving in Brazil. He was a graduate of Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene, Texas, and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. His funeral services were held July 20 at First Church in Warren where he was a member. Survivors are his wife, Francis Bumpus Hattson; two sons, William Alvin "Bill" Hattson Jr. of Paris, France, and John Hurley Hattson of El Paso, Texas; two daughters, Lydia Newman of Tillar and Sarah Janell Drummond of Fort Worth, Texas; two stepsons, Larry Bumpus of El Dorado and Allen Bumpus of Brazil; two stepdaughters, Linda Qualls of Texas and LaDonna Ugalde of Brazil; his mother-in-law, Idelle Jordan of Warren; one brother; one sister; and 22 grandchildren. Memorials may be made to First Church of Warren or the SBC Foreign Mission Board.

**Carl R. White** of Gassville, pastor of Whiteville Church, died July 16 at age 79. He also had been pastor of churches in Big Creek, Rocky Bayou, Calvary, Mount Zion, Black River and White River associations, and interim pastor of First Church of Yelville. Survivors are a son, James C. White of Mabelvale; two daughters, Sandra Goble of Kimberling City, Mo., and Guyla Armstrong of Springfield, Mo.; one brother; one sister; eight grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren. Memorials may be made to the Whiteville Church.

**Sherry W. Thrasher**, 47, died in a hiking accident July 13. A member of First Church in Springdale, she was a past president of the Arkansas Baptist Minister's Wives Association. Her burial was in Albertville, Ala. Survivors are a daughter, Ashleigh; and a son, Stephen.



Participating in the recent constitutional service for Crestview Church were (left to right) Arkansas Baptist State Convention executive director Don Moore, former Concord Association director of missions Ferrell Morgan, current Concord Association director of missions Nelson Wilhelm, former pastor Leroy French, deacon Eldon Thomas, ABSC director of church extension Jack Ramsey and pastor James Kinney.

## People

**Martha Rosenbaum** observed 20 years of service as church pianist at First Church of Little Rock July 1. The church honored her July 3 in morning worship services, presenting her with gifts of roses and an antique jewel box.

**Milton I. Redeker**, director of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention Sunday School department, has been elected to a four-year term on the board of directors of the Southern Baptist Religious Education Association.

**Craig Miller**, university pastor and world missions coordinator for First Church of Springdale, observed his fifth anniversary of service July 17. In recognition, the church presented him and his wife, Vicki, with a vacation to San Antonio, Texas.

**Tom Collins**, pastor of Caddo Gap Church, was ordained to the gospel ministry in an ordination service at the church July 17.

## Missionary notes

**Gerald and Penelope Pullen**, missionaries to Kenya, are on the field (address: P.O. Box 32, Limuru, Kenya). He is from Florida. The former Penelope Taylor, she was born in Little Rock. They were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1989.

**John and Brenda Bayer**, missionaries to Panama, are on the field (address: Apartado E, Balboa, Ancon, Republica de Panama). He considers Clinton his hometown; she is the former Brenda Wynn of Clinton. They were appointed in 1988.

## Crestview Church constitutes as state's newest congregation

Arkansas Baptist State Convention executive director Don Moore challenged members of Crestview Church at New Blaine to "let the Antioch church of Acts 11 become your model." Moore was the featured speaker as Crestview Church constituted June 26, the 10th new congregation to become a part of the ABSC this year.

Moore told the 54 charter members that the Antioch church had the "hand of the Lord upon it," resulting in many converts. "Their evangelism was balanced with strong efforts in discipling the believers," Moore said. "In fact, Barnabas got Paul to come and spend an entire year helping him disciple the people and it paid off. The people around them began to call them Christians because of the testimony they had in the community.

"The Antioch church was also a fine example of ministry and missions," Moore concluded. "Everyone contributed to the offering to relieve the needs of the poor in Jerusalem. This was followed by the appointment of the first Christian missionaries."

Pastor James Kinney also wants Crestview Church to become a role model for the community. "I hope the church will continue to reach people in the community of which we are a part, and become an established church that will

continue until Jesus comes again," he said.

Kinney noted the congregation, which is in phase one of a building program, will launch phase two next year which will include Sunday School and other education space. An auditorium will be completed at a later date during phase three.

The new congregation was launched Oct. 2, 1988, as a mission of South Side Church in Paris following an area PROBE directed by Jack Ramsey, ABSC director of church extension. He was assisted by South Side pastor Jan Akins and laymen of the church.

Concord Association purchased four acres of land and placed a trailer there as work began under the volunteer leadership of deacon Eldon Thomas and his wife, Uella, and deacon Floyd Trisler and his wife, Vera, from the sponsoring church. Ferrell Morgan, then associational director of missions, preached the congregation's first sermon.

Ramsey served as interim supply pastor for eight weeks and Leroy French was called as the first pastor on April 16, 1989. French led the mission to construct its first permanent building which was dedicated March 19, 1990. Akins also served as pastor of the mission which has continuously grown in its five years and eight months of ministry through professions of faith and baptisms.

# Williams is no longer state's 'best kept secret'

By Brett Cooper

Williams Baptist College, Walnut Ridge

Advertisements for Williams Baptist College proclaim the institution to be "the best kept secret in Arkansas. Until now." A flurry of recent positive developments could assure that Williams is a secret no more.

The college is adding six majors for the fall of 1994. Construction of new residence halls should be completed next year. And Williams is preparing to move its athletic program into the NCAA.

Williams, formerly Southern Baptist College, is a liberal arts college in Walnut Ridge. The college has been a four-year school for a decade now, but the current rate of progress has many at Williams sensing that a new era has begun.

"These things do indicate that the college has matured dramatically," noted Kenneth Startup, professor of history at Williams. "The development of the college's academic programs has been acknowledged by our accrediting agency, and, of course, that is very gratifying to the institution's faculty and leadership."

Startup referred to a regularly scheduled visit by North Central Association. The accrediting team gave high marks to Williams and gave the college the go-ahead to add majors at will.

## Six new majors

The result is six new majors starting this fall. The new degree programs are in family psychology, biology/pre-medicine, church music, studio art, English and history. The additions give Williams a total of 17 majors.

The new academic programs, along with other big changes, are welcomed by Williams president Gary Huckabay. "We are pleased that many people are discovering the quality of Williams," he affirmed. "The college is like a cup of cold water in today's wilderness, able to quench a thirst for knowledge and, more importantly, traditional family values."

Progress is being made at such a clip that Huckabay and others at the college say it is a challenge to keep pace. "Our biggest problem right now is fulfilling our potential," he remarked. "So many good things are occurring at Williams in academics, athletics and student life that we can hardly keep up with the details. Clearly, the future is extremely bright."

Huckabay compares being president of

the college to being engineer on a train. "When I came to Williams a little over a year ago I discovered a steam engine fully stoked and ready to move," he said. "Since that time we've been attempting to lay track as fast as the legendary John Henry himself."

To make room for the expected increase in the number of students, Williams officials plan to begin construction in coming months on new residence halls. "We are going to add contemporary style housing on an ongoing basis for the next few years," Huckabay explained. "The first phase is to be completed by September 1995." He said the first phase of dormitory construction will add between 75 and 100 rooms.

The Williams athletic program is also moving ahead. Like other schools in the Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference (AIC), Williams is applying to become an NCAA Division II college. The move by the colleges is intended to add prestige to their sports programs.

As some colleges depart the AIC in favor of stronger football conferences, Williams and other "non-football" schools are working together to develop a new alliance.

Williams is adding two new sports this year, golf and cross-country. Danny Leasure, head coach of the Eagles basketball team, will take on coaching duties for the golf squad.

Greg Lawson, director of counseling at Williams, will coach the men's and women's cross-country teams. He is in the process of recruiting runners for both teams.

The Eagles baseball team also has a new coach. Charles "Gabby" Hayes took over as coach in June. Hayes is a former professional baseball player and a former Williams student. A native of Black Rock, he played with the New York Yankees organization in the 1960s, taking classes at Williams in the off-season.

Startup said the growth of athletics at Williams is a healthy sign for the college as a whole. "I think quality athletics is a rallying point for an institution, its alumni and its students," he said. "Obviously, any institution that stresses excellence is



going to strive for that in any sphere."

It is the drive for excellence in all spheres that motivates Huckabay as he pushes a program of quality at Williams. "In recent days," he noted, "Williams has achieved a new level of quality and has committed to constantly making improvements a measured objective."

"Put in more poetic terms, we are constantly striving to be the apple of God's eye and to produce graduates who are the apple of God's eye."

Student life at Williams will be guided by new leadership this fall. Sharon Eldridge will be vice president for student affairs.

Huckabay said he desires a college environment that is "caring but not controlling" for students. "We see students as young adults with the need to have a prudent environment in which to mature," he added.

With so many changes occurring at once, Startup said there is a sense of excitement on the Williams campus. "I think there is a consensus among students, faculty and administration that the college is ideally positioned to achieve the very high goals that have been established for the institution," he emphasized.

Change is not always easy, and change at the pace being felt at Williams Baptist College can be quite a challenge. But Huckabay, Startup and others at Williams agree that positive changes on campus are producing positive challenges. The changes also are helping assure that Williams is no longer "the best kept secret in Arkansas."

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# Ouachita reflects ongoing signs of growth

By Jeff Root

Ouachita Baptist University, Arkadelphia

The signs of growth are evident this summer at Ouachita Baptist University, where construction and maintenance crews are busily preparing the campus for the nearly 1,500 students expected in the fall.

In what some have called the busiest summer ever at Ouachita, project sites are numerous.

■ A new, four-story men's dormitory, and its adjacent parking lot, is nearing completion. Its suites will be filled by upperclassmen beginning in August.

■ Cone-Bottoms Hall, the oldest building on campus, is under renovation. The former women's dormitory will become OBU's administration building. Homecoming on Nov. 12 is the target date for a dedication ceremony.

■ Flippen-Perrin dormitory for freshman women is undergoing major renovation. The summer work includes extensive remodeling in each room, a new roof and new carpet, paint and lighting in the hallways and lobby.

■ Three apartment complexes for married students also are undergoing extensive renovation.

■ Land has been cleared for the construction of a four-story women's dormitory to match the new men's dorm. The new women's dormitory will house approximately 140 residents.

■ A number of smaller projects also must be completed, such as the move of the home economics department to a new home in Evans and Lile Halls, the addition of new mailboxes to an enlarged campus post office and the renovation of West Hall to a dormitory for women.

A two-year enrollment boom created the need to build the first new dormitories at Ouachita since the 1960s. New student applications for the 1994-95 academic year reached an all-time high, passing the 900 mark for the first time in late June, according to Randy Garner, director of admissions counseling. Fall enrollment is expected to be more than 1,450, up from 1,371 in the fall of 1993 and 1,296 in 1992.

Financial support for the university has never been greater as a result of the current fund-raising campaign, "The Decade of Progress." The first phase of the campaign is in its final stages with a capital drive continuing among alumni. The Decade of Progress challenge goal of \$26.7 million was surpassed earlier in the year, and the development team is currently gearing up for phase two of the campaign.

During the summer, Ouachita has been the home to more than 8,000 summer campers, most taking part in religious activities. It will soon once again be the home to scores of college students, most of whom will participate in Ouachita's many opportunities to enhance their spiritual lives.

## Spiritual development

The blending of academics and spiritual development is demonstrated in OBU's religion computer lab. Heralded as the first of its kind when it opened two years ago, the lab is still on the cutting edge of technology. While its vast resources provide immeasurable aid to religion majors doing original research or preparing sermons, the lab remains open to all Ouachita students. With its user-friendly software, the lab also is popular with campus visitors, who may arrange for classes or time in the lab by calling the religion department.

One of the ways religious life permeates the campus is through music. In addition to frequent performances from choir and band ensembles in the School of Music, many students make contemporary Christian music their pastime of choice.

These students were thrilled last spring when Point of Grace, four Ouachita alumnae, won the Dove Award for New Artist of the Year. Heather Floyd, Shelly Phillips, Denise Masters Jones and Terry

Lang Jones were honored as Worthy Ouachitonians in an April reception. They will return to campus to perform at the New Student Retreat, August 7-9.

The Baptist Student Union provides a variety of religious activities which enable students to minister through missions, discipleship and evangelism. Activities range from Bible study groups in the dormitories to mission trips worldwide. Destinations for recent missions trips have included South Carolina, the Dominican Republic and Taiwan. More than 50 Ouachita students are working in Christian camps this summer and 14 students are full-time summer missionaries.

Ouachita is a popular college choice for the children of missionaries. In fact, Ouachita leads all Southern Baptist colleges and universities in number of MKs.

## International awareness

Ouachita's commitment to international awareness has been exemplified this summer as students and faculty have traveled to Russia and China for extended study trips. Another Ouachita group saw Europe's major cities as part of the annual European study tour.

The Ouachita Sounds, a mixed voice show choir, toured the Far East in May with Ouachita president Ben Elrod, Betty Lou Elrod, evangelist Jack Hazlewood, Sounds co-directors Mary Shambarger and Sim Flora and their spouses. Sounds

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The newest additions to the Daniel R. Grant International Studies Program are opportunities to study at Moscow State University, Beijing University and the University of Derby, England. Exchange and study relationships continue with Bretton Hall College of the University of Leeds, England; Salzburg College in Austria; Seinan Gakuin University in Fukuoka, Japan; and the Bilim Institute in Alma Ata, Kazakhstan.

The Carl Goodson Honors Program continues to grow with record numbers of gifted academic students applying for membership. The honors program has established a relationship with the University of Bonn in Germany to serve as a home base for Ouachita students studying in Europe. Honors students compete for travel scholarships to do on-site research. The Ben Elrod Scholarship and the Carl Goodson Scholarship enable students to travel anywhere in the world to do research for their theses.

Ouachita continues to attract many of the region's top high school students, as evidenced by an average ACT of 24 for entering freshmen. Arkansas Governor's Scholars also are discovering Ouachita in record numbers. Fifteen Governor's Scholars enrolled in the 1993-94 freshman class, second only to the University of Arkansas in number. An even larger group is expected among the 1994-95 freshmen.

The College Society at Ouachita is an outgrowth of the Younger Scholars



Program, funded by a grant from the Pew Foundation. Eight freshmen from the 1993-94 class were chosen as charter members of the College Society, and another group will be chosen from this year's freshman class. The purpose of the program is to promote college teaching as a career choice, especially in church-related universities, and to place students in the nation's best graduate programs.

Student activities are as numerous as student interests at Ouachita. While much of the sheer fun of college life is of the

informal, unplanned variety, students have more than 50 student clubs and organizations from which to choose.

#### Social outlets

Social clubs at Ouachita promote friendships and school spirit through service projects, shows and cordial competition. While club members add much to the culture of campus, their impact also is felt strongly in Arkadelphia, where they help others in a variety of ways, such as adopting a disadvantaged child in a Big Brother program or volunteering at the local Head Start.

Perhaps the friendly rivalry of the social clubs is most visible at Tiger Tunes, an all-campus sing sponsored by the Ouachita Student Foundation (OSF). The show is scheduled for Homecoming weekend, November 11-12.

Football weekends are a magnet for students, prospective students and alumni. The Tigers play five games at A.U. Williams Field, beginning September 3 with the season-opener against Southwest Baptist University. Parents' Day/Preview Day, celebrating both prospective students and parents of current students, is set for October 8.

The formula for success at Ouachita is based on the idea that students will be best prepared for tomorrow's world when they excel in the skills learned in the realms of religious, academic and social life. Ouachita's commitment is to educate the whole person, to combine faith and academic discipline in a supportive atmosphere where individual leadership is encouraged.

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# BSU ministries focus on developing students

By Russell N. Dillard

Associate Editor, Arkansas Baptist

Arkansas Baptist Student Unions are reaching out through evangelism, missions and discipleship in ministries David James says are "developing the kind of student who knows God and wants to serve Him."

James, director of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention student ministry department, said Arkansas BSUs "want to impact students' lives in such a way that they know what they believe and are willing to do something about it. This means our directors give strong attention to developing students and involving them in a personal ministry. It also means our vision is to expose each student on campus with the claims of Jesus Christ."

Arliss Dickerson, BSU director at Arkansas State University in Jonesboro, said BSU's greatest function "is equipping students in dealing with the present as they prepare for the future. We want students to do good thinking and to make intentional decisions."

George Sims, associate director of the ABSC student ministries department, said successful ministry to students should "focus on their needs. Collegians are faced with the most critical decisions of their lives. They need BSU's help to find God's plan for their lives, so that other decisions can be made in proper perspective."

Arkansas BSUs currently involve more than 6,500 students on 25 campuses. Last year they recorded 113 professions of faith as a result of their ministries.

James said state BSUs "are giving strong attention today to intentional evangelism," although "evangelism may be more difficult to accomplish than in previous years."

"It seems apathy is more difficult to penetrate than not knowing about Christ," James pointed out. "If we are to reach students," he said, "it must be through life-style evangelism that is not afraid to bring a student to saying 'yes' or 'no' to Jesus."

Diane O'Connell, BSU director at the University of Arkansas Medical Sciences school in Little Rock, emphasizes evangelism as she ministers to students and teachers in the UAMS system. Professions of faith have been made by 36 students and faculty in the last two years as a result of the ministry.

"I'm the Southern Baptist missionary to this mission field," she explained. "As a missionary, I do whatever it takes to lead these people to encounter Jesus and grow in their walk with Him. That includes students, faculty or parking lot attendants."

She said she is seeking to influence students at a critical time in their lives. "I consider the college years the most influential in a person's life because, for the first time, they are put in a position to make their own decisions."

"I find that at this time more than any other, they are making strategic decisions to direct the course of the rest of their lives," she noted. "If you present the gospel

to them at that time, you have more of a probability of them accepting Christ."

O'Connell said she has led evangelism trips with medical students, including a 1992 trip to Guatemala where "we had 237 saved in four days of medical ministry through the team from the medical school." She is planning 1995 missions trips to Ecuador and the Dominican Republic.

BSU's commitment to evangelism made a life-changing difference for Julie Snider, a senior at Ouachita Baptist University. She accepted Christ during a BSU summer missions trip.

"I think getting involved with other people is the best thing about BSU," said Snider, who is youth intern this summer at Baring Cross Church in North Little Rock. "I started out kind of shy and some friends introduced me to summer missions and I became a Christian while working with summer missions."

"I think I found my niche at Ouachita in BSU," she noted. "There are so many ways to minister, you can take your pick."

Diane Parker, associate director in the ABSC student ministries department, said the program's longstanding commitment to missions continues in current emphases.

"For over 50 years, students have been participating in missions through summer missions ministries," she explained. "The objectives of student missions are to create an opportunity for students to participate in world missions, both in the United States and in other countries...to help



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others come to know Christ as personal Lord and Savior."

Parker said more than 100 Arkansas college students are participating in summer missions projects. "Thirty-seven of these students have gone to overseas locations and 74 are serving in the U.S."

Two completed missions projects were short-term efforts in May. The trips included a Mississippi River Ministry project in Memphis and a foreign mission trip to Jamaica.

Teresa Stephens, BSU director for Southern Arkansas Technical University in Camden, led nine students from seven colleges in the MRM project as they worked at Brinkley Heights Baptist Church in Memphis May 21-28.

She said the group's duties included cleaning and painting the church and distributing clothing and food.

"We also saw the trip as an opportunity to minister to that church in intercessory prayer as we came to a better understanding of their ministry," she noted.

Linda Osborne, associate director of the BSU of Arkansas State University in Jonesboro, led 11 students on the Jamaican trip. She said team members led revival services, school assemblies and Backyard Bible Clubs through preaching, puppet

shows, testimonies and music.

"The team led assemblies and classroom activities for close to 1,000 youth in four schools and over 200 energetic children attended our two Backyard Bible Clubs," she explained. "More than 40 Jamaicans made professions of faith."

Discipleship historically has been and continues to be a hallmark of student work in Arkansas, said James. "One of our primary concerns with discipleship is accountability and responsibility. Responsibility allows the student to perform a task and us to evaluate that task. The issue of accountability allows us to monitor what students say they will do and what they actually do," he explained.

Part of the success of discipling through the BSU relies on effective programming by directors. Robert Pinkston, director of the BSU of Southern Arkansas University in Magnolia, plans diverse programs to involve students. "I'm working toward a multi-racial BSU where everyone supports (each other)," he said. The SAU program has involved black students, international students, freshmen and athletes in promoting diversity.

"The Fellowship of Christian Athletes has met with the most success," he said. "Our FCA has a weekly Bible study and we

vary it with competitive games. But it has really turned out they like good Bible study." Pinkston also serves as SAU's soccer team coach and FCA sponsor.

Pinkston said the BSU also sponsors the Black Student Fellowship. Relating how the ministry began, he noted, "A couple of black students were on fire for the Lord and wanted to reach other African-Americans. That wasn't being done.

"They may have had the mentality that the BSU was a 'white' program, but it's for everyone," he emphasized.

Arkansas student work is not without its problems. James listed lack of personnel, resources and time among battles directors must address.

"There really are two or three problem issues," James added. "One is the issue of student commitment and leadership. We must develop student leaders.

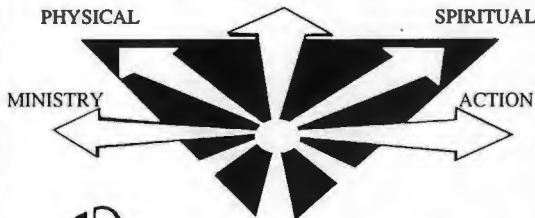
"I'm also concerned that African-American students are not being reached in traditional BSU work," he said.

"The biggest problem BSU faces is the enormity of the task," added Arliss Dickerson. "BSU workers could be full-time administrators or full-time workers with students," Dickerson said. "Which to do? Both. How to do that, however, is quite a struggle."

Sherry Baker, director of the Rich Mountain Community College BSU, added that "trying to help non-Christians overcome their apathy toward the church" is a constant challenge for BSU workers.

In addition to the problem, however, she also cited the solution: "We show them love."

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## Arkansas State University

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Ariss Dickerson, Director  
Linda Osborne, Associate  
Box 730  
Jonesboro, AR 72476  
Phone: 932-7241

### Welcoming Activities:

Survival '94, Aug. 21, "Orientation from a Christian Perspective"

Welcome Concert, Aug. 25, 6:30 p.m., BSU Center.

Artist: Greg Johnson

### Ongoing Activities:

Lunch Program, Monday, 12 noon

Bible study, Monday, 6 p.m.

Thursday Night Together (TNT), 6:30 p.m.

## Arkansas State University, Beebe

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Wanda Holland, Director  
P.O. Box 235  
Beebe, AR 72012  
Phone: 882-6953

### Ongoing Activities:

Weekly Bible studies, lunch

Monthly luncheon at Caroline Association

## Arkansas Tech University

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Scott Willis, Director  
1404 N. Arkansas  
Russellville, AR 72801  
Phone: 967-3217

### Welcoming Activities:

Casual cookout, Aug. 21, 6 p.m., BSU Center

Freshman adventure, Aug. 23, 4:30-8 p.m., BSU Center

Noonday lunch, Aug. 24, 12 noon, "New Student Day"

Sandblast, sand volleyball on the river, Aug. 25, 6:30 p.m.

Fall retreat, Sept. 16-17, Eureka Springs

### Ongoing Activities:

Freshman Family Groups meet weekly

Noonday lunch on Wednesdays, 12 noon

TNT, Thursdays, worship and fellowship, 7:30 p.m.

## Baptist School of Nursing & Allied Health

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P. Hope Coleman, Director  
11900 Col. Glenn Rd.  
Little Rock, AR 72210  
Phone: 223-7468

### Welcoming Activities:

"Back to School" luncheon, Aug. 9, 12 noon

### Ongoing Activities:

TCL, Tuesday Lunch Club, 12 noon

Weekly Bible Study

BSU Prayer Time, Mondays, 7:30 a.m.

## Garland County Community College

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100 College Drive  
GCCC Box 73  
Hot Springs, AR 71914-3470  
Phone: 767-9389

### Welcoming Activities:

Continental Breakfast, Aug. 22-25

First lunch, Aug. 26

### Ongoing Activities:

Luncheon, Fridays, 11:30 a.m.

Weekly Bible study/prayer groups

## Henderson State University

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Mark Robinson, Director  
713 North 12th Street  
Arkadelphia, AR 71923  
Phone 246-6592

### Welcoming Activities:

Move-In Day (free Pepsi all afternoon), Aug. 21

Welcome Day at the BSU Center, Aug. 22

Cookout on BSU lawn, Aug. 23, 3 p.m.

Gurdon Light excursion, Aug. 23, 9:30 p.m.

Freshman Survival Weekend, Aug. 26-28

Welcome back bash, Aug. 31, noon

### Ongoing Activities:

Power lunch, Wednesdays, 12 noon, 1 p.m.

NiteLite (worship service), Tuesdays, 9 p.m.

Weekly Bible Studies

Campus revival with Chuck McAllister, Sept. 12-13

True Love Waits rally, Oct. 25, 9 p.m.

## Lyon College

Leslie Ellis, Director  
195 11th St.  
Batesville, AR 72501  
Phone: 698-0231

### Welcoming Activities:

Club Carnival  
Ice cream social

### Ongoing Activities:

Weekly Bible study  
Weekly Noonday meetings

## Ouachita Baptist University

Ian Coah, Director  
Kristi Langemeier, Assistant  
Box 3783, OBU  
Arkadelphia, AR 71998-0001  
Phone: 245-5536

### Welcoming Activities:

BSU New Student Mixer, Aug. 22, 7 p.m.  
BSU New Student Talent Show, Aug. 25, 7 p.m.  
Fall Retreat, Aug. 26-27, Camp Paron  
MK Cookout, Sept. 10, 5:30 p.m.

### Ongoing Activities:

Noonday, Mon/Wed/Fri., student-led worship  
University-wide chapel, Tuesdays, 10 a.m.  
Praise and worship, Thursdays, 9 p.m.  
Weekly dorm Bible studies, discipleship groups  
Mission '95, Louisville, Ky.  
Australia mission trip, summer '95

## Phillips County Community College

Terry Garrison, Director  
56 Phillips, 314 Rd.  
Lexa, AR 72355  
Phone: 572-3593

### Welcoming Activities:

PCCC registration, Aug. 22, 8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.  
PCCC registration, Aug. 23, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

### Ongoing Activities:

Tuesdays, Bible study, 12 noon  
Wednesdays (starting Aug. 24), Lunch Bunch with Bible study, 12 noon

## Rich Mountain Community College

Sherry Baker, Director  
1100 Bush St.  
Mena, AR 71953  
Phone: 394-5012

### Welcoming Activities:

Howdy Party, Aug. 24, 11:15 a.m.

### Ongoing Activities:

Weekly Bible study  
Noonday lunch, Fridays, 11:15 a.m.

## Southern Arkansas University

Robert Pinkston, Director  
Tara Smith, Assistant  
Box 1275, SAU  
Magnolia, AR 71753  
Phone: 234-2434

### Welcoming Activities:

Aloha Party, Aug. 23, 8 p.m.  
"Jam'n '94," Aug. 29-31, 8 p.m.  
(Fall Revival - "Jesus and Me Now!")

### Ongoing Activities:

Black Student Fellowship, Monday, 9 p.m.  
Free lunch and devotional, Wednesday, 12 noon  
IMPACT (worship, devotional, fellowship), Thursday, 8 p.m.  
Brown Bag Bible study, Friday, 12 noon

## Southern Arkansas Tech University

Teresa Stephens, Director  
Box 4171  
Camden, AR 71701  
Phone: 574-2368

### Welcoming Activities:

Howdy party, Aug. 23, 7 p.m.  
Welcome lunch, Aug. 24, 12 noon  
TNT, Aug. 25, 7 p.m.  
Fall retreat, Sept. 23-24

### Ongoing Activities:

Leadership/discipleship meeting, Mondays, 7 p.m.  
Power Time (campus-wide prayer meeting), Tuesdays, 7 p.m.  
Noonday, Wednesdays, 12 noon  
TNT, Thursdays, 7 p.m.

## University of Arkansas

Lynn Loyd, Director  
David McKinney, Associate  
944 West Maple  
Fayetteville, AR 72701  
Phone: 521-4370

### Welcoming Activities:

College Quest, Aug. 25-27  
Hamburger Bash, Aug. 28  
Freshman Thang, Aug. 30, Sept. 6, Sept. 13  
That Labor Day Thang, Sept. 5  
Fall Retreat, "Building successful relationships," Sept. 9-10

### Ongoing Activities:

Impact, Thursdays, 8 p.m.  
Lunchcounter, Mondays, 11:30 a.m.  
Small Group Bible studies  
Student Missions team, Tuesdays, 7 p.m.  
Prayer, witnessing, encouragements teams  
Fine arts teams

**University of Arkansas, Little Rock**

Dan McCauley, Director  
 Anna Anthony, Assistant  
 5515 West 32nd Street  
 Little Rock, AR 72204  
 Phone: 582-4383

**Welcoming Activities:**

Welcome Party, Aug. 25, 7 p.m.  
 1st Lunch Encounter, Aug. 30, 12 noon  
 Fall Retreat with Dennis Lee, Sept. 16-17

**Ongoing Activities:**

Monday Night Live (International Students), Mondays, 7 p.m.  
 Bible Study, Tuesdays, 7 p.m.  
 Black Student Fellowship, Tuesdays, 7 p.m.  
 Lunch Encounter, Wednesdays, 12 noon  
 Experiencing God, Thursdays, 5:30 p.m.  
 Power Up! (worship), Thursdays, 7 p.m.

**University of Arkansas Medical Sciences**

Diane O'Connell, Director  
 4324 W. Markham  
 Little Rock, AR 72205  
 Phone: 661-8078

**Welcoming Activities:**

"Spiritual Grand Rounds" luncheon, Aug. 24, 12 noon  
 "Luke Society"/Mentor party at doctor's home, Aug. 12, 7 p.m.  
 "Spouses of Students" (S.O.S.) Social, Aug. 22, 7 p.m.

**Ongoing Activities:**

"Encountering God" prayer breakfast, Mondays, 7 a.m.  
 "Experiencing God" discipleship training, Mondays, 9 p.m.  
 Faculty/Staff Bible study, Tuesdays, 12 noon  
 BSU Celebration, dinner & program, Tuesdays, 5:30 p.m.  
 "The Mind of Christ" discipleship training, Wednesdays, 9 p.m.  
 BSU "Lunchbunch," lunch & program, Thursdays, 12 noon  
 "Word Search" dorm Bible study, Thursdays, 7 p.m.  
 "Spiritual Grand Rounds," monthly doctor-led program on campus  
 "Spouses of Students," monthly spouses' fellowship  
 "Luke Society," monthly Christian doctors' fellowship  
 Three mission trips (Educador, Mexico, Dominican Republic)

**University of Arkansas, Monticello**

Darrell Cook, Director  
 Box 3073, UAM  
 Monticello, AR 71856  
 Phone: 367-5381

**Welcoming Activities:**

Welcome Party, Aug. 23, 6:30 p.m.  
 "Pop" into the BSU, Aug. 24, all day long (free popcorn)  
 Cookout, "Bigger than Dallas" in concert, Aug. 25, 6:30 p.m.

**Ongoing Activities:**

Tuesday Night Bible Study, 6:30 p.m.  
 Lunch Encounter, Wednesdays, 11:30 a.m. and noon  
 Monday Night Together, 6:30 p.m.

**University of Central Arkansas**

Richard Boyles, Director  
 Box 5164, UCA  
 Conway, AR 72035  
 Phone: 329-5763

**Welcoming Activities:**

"Breaking Out Party" for freshman, Aug. 22, 4:30-9 p.m.

**Ongoing Activities:**

"Lunch Bunch," free meal and devotion, Wednesdays, 12 noon (starts Sept. 24)  
 "Celebration," music, worship, fellowship, Thursdays, 6 p.m. (starts Sept. 25)  
 Weekly Bible studies  
 Retreat with UALR BSU, Sept. 16-17  
 Mission activities, trips, conferences

**University of the Ozarks**

Mike Kinsey, Director  
 BSU C-Box 377  
 Clarksville, AR 72830  
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**Welcoming Activities:**

Howdy Party, Aug. 25, 6:30 p.m.

**Ongoing Activities:**

Noonday, Thursdays, 12 noon  
 Prayer and Bible study, Tuesdays, 7 p.m.  
 Saturday Fun Night, 3rd Saturday of the month  
 Spanish Bible study, Fridays, 7 p.m.

**Westark Community College**

Darrell Ray, Director  
 813 North 49th Street  
 Fort Smith, AR 72903  
 Phone: 782-1219

**Welcoming Activities:**

Howdy Party, Friday, 7 p.m., in the BSU Center

**Ongoing Activities:**

Noonday, Wednesdays, 12 noon  
 Prayer and share groups, primarily for freshmen.  
 TNT, Thursday Night Together, 7 p.m.

**Williams Baptist College**

Jackie Burton, Director  
 P.O. Box 3458  
 College City, AR 72476  
 Phone: 886-6741

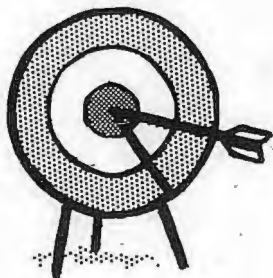
**Welcoming Activities:**

BSU Welcome Howdy Party  
 BSU Fall Retreat  
 Freshman Family Groups

**Ongoing Activities:**

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 Mission study, monthly  
 Weekly Bible Study  
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Tipton, University Intern ... 701 S. Main ... 932-  
3456

### Highland Drive Baptist Church

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Highland ... 932-2197

### Nettleton Baptist Church

Todd Clements, Minister to Students ... Trent  
Blackley, Music Minister ... E. Nettleton and  
Thorn ... 932-4960

### Walnut Street Baptist Church

Allen Elkins, Minister to Students ... Bruce  
Raley, Education Minister ... 1910 Scenic ...  
972-0220



**The Gang:** (L-R) Arliss Dickerson, Bruce Raley, Linda Osborne, Brent Powell, Nancy Burke, Mika Tipton, Trent Blackley, & Jerry Muckensturm. Front: John Dresbach. (Linda & Arliss take care of things at the ASU/BSU!!!)



# Judge Roy receives 1994 Brooks Hays Award

Elsijane T. Roy, senior United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Arkansas, received the 1994 Brooks Hays Memorial Christian Citizenship Award from Second Church in Little Rock July 10.

The Brooks Hays Award has been presented annually by Second Church since 1982 as an ongoing memorial to Brooks Hays, a U.S. congressman for 16 years, a former member of Second Church and a former president of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Mark Allison, chairman of the Christian Life Committee of Second Church, said the annual award is presented to honor individuals who have applied the Christian faith in the arena of public service in a profound way. "During her distinguished career as a trial and appellate judge, Roy has been a role model for women in the legal profession and has epitomized devotion to the Christian faith through her professional life in a deep and personal way," he said. "For these reasons she was

selected as the 1994 award recipient."

Roy is quick to credit her deceased parents, Judge Thomas Clark Trumble and Elsie Walls Trumble who were members of



Judge Elsjane Roy

Lonoke Church, for both her Christian commitment and law profession. She proudly explains to those who visit with her that she now presides in the courtroom once used by her father. She also readily affirms her mother's 65 years of service as a Sunday School teacher.

Judge Roy, a member of Immanuel Church in Little Rock, was admitted to the bar in 1939 and practiced law in Blytheville until 1963, when she returned to Little Rock to serve as a law clerk. In 1966, she was appointed a circuit judge and later was a senior law clerk until her appointment in 1975 by then Gov. David Pryor to the Arkansas Supreme Court. In 1977, President Jimmy Carter appointed Judge Roy to her present federal position.

Judge Roy has received numerous honors including the Woman of the Year in Arkansas from the *Arkansas Democrat* in 1976, Outstanding Appellate Judge in Arkansas for 1976-77, the University of Arkansas-Fayetteville's Distinguished Alumnus Citation in 1978, the Gayle Pettus Pontz Award by the Women's Law Caucus of the University of Arkansas School of Law in 1986 and the Rotary Club of Greater Little Rock's Paul Harris Fellows Award in 1992. She was given an honorary doctor of laws degree by the University of Arkansas, Little Rock, in 1978. She also served two terms as a member of the board of directors for the *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine*.

"I feel very touched, humble and unworthy to be the recipient of this distinguished award, but of course, I am very appreciative of it," Roy remarked. "I consider the Brooks Hays Award as one of the finest honors I have ever received and I will cherish the memory of this day forever."

"It is quite appropriate that this award be named after Arkansas' distinguished congressman, Brooks Hays, who always applied his Christian faith in the arena of public service to both the state and the nation," she concluded.

## MK birthdays

Missionary kids attending college in Arkansas with birthdays in August:

■ Aug. 5: Matt Beck, OBU Box 3431, Arkadelphia, AR 71998-0001; freshman from Malaysia.

■ Aug. 8: Belinda Burnett, UAMS, 4301 W. Markham, JBSU Box 134, Little Rock, AR 72205; graduate student from Brazil.

■ Aug. 15: Beth Turner, OBU Box 4222, Arkadelphia, AR 71998-0001; freshman from Kenya.

## IMPACT '94

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## Three seminary classes scheduled this fall on Little Rock campus

The Little Rock campus of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary will offer three Monday classes of graduate theological education this fall.

Classes offered Aug. 29 through Oct. 21 will include Philosophy of Religion, taught by Keith Putt, assistant professor of philosophy of religion, and The Problem of Evil and Suffering, taught via satellite by Steve Lemke, assistant professor of philosophy of religion.

The philosophy class will begin at 9 a.m. and conclude at 5 p.m. The class on evil and suffering will begin at 6 p.m. and conclude at 8:40 p.m.

A third class, Survey of Education, will be offered from Oct. 24 through Nov. 18. It will be taught by Royce Rose, assistant professor of administration. It will begin at 9 a.m. and conclude at 5 p.m.

All classes will be held in Room 217 of the Baptist Building in Little Rock. The deadline for registration for returning students is Aug. 1 and Aug. 23 for new students.

Carter Tucker, administrator for the Little Rock center, said off-campus centers are "a way for men and women to get a seminary education who otherwise just couldn't do it."

He pointed to convenience, low travel time and the ability to stay on the job as pluses for Arkansans wanting to get theological education.

Tucker said limited scholarships are available to qualifying Arkansas students.

For more information or to register, contact Tucker at the Arkansas Baptist State Convention missions department; phone 376-4791, ext. 5249.

## 1994 Sunday School Convention details literature changes

Adult Sunday School literature "is going through change, change, change," said Ed Hinkson. "The change we resist most is that which invades our comfort zone and for some, the changes being made with the adult Sunday School materials are invading our comfort zone."

Hinkson, an associate in the Arkansas Baptist State Convention Sunday School department, noted, "Regardless of how you feel about the changes, we have help and interpretation for you at the State Sunday School Convention."

The convention will be held Sept. 23-24 at Geyer Springs First Baptist Church.

The theme for the two-day convention is "BREAKTHROUGH: Witness to Win."

In addition to help for Sunday School teachers, Hinkson said the program will feature help for outreach leaders, care group leaders, basic adult work and those involved with homebound ministries. Separate classes also will be held for age-graded teachers and for teachers using the three different Southern Baptist educational curriculum series.

Conferences for general officers, teachers of all age groups and church architecture also will be offered. Approximately 35 workshops will be offered during each of the four conference sessions.

The general conference will feature Bill Taylor, executive pastor/minister of education and administration for North Phoenix Baptist Church, Phoenix, Ariz. Taylor was instrumental in leading Prestonwood Baptist Church, Dallas, to increase its Sunday School membership from 600 to 13,000 over a 10-year period. He is the immediate past president of the Southern Baptist Religious Education Association.

The convention will begin Friday at 6:30 p.m., with the base conference beginning at 7:45 p.m. and Friday sessions will conclude at 9:15 p.m. Saturday preschool conferences will begin at 8:30 a.m. and conclude at 12:45 p.m.

There is no cost for the convention or any of the conferences. Participants are responsible for their own meals and lodging. For more information, contact the ABCS Sunday School department; phone 376-4791, ext. 5128.

## Russellville retreat offered for CPA, CGA pastors and wives

Jack Ramsey has invited two groups of pastors and their wives to meet with him at Marina Inn in Russellville Sept. 16-17 "for a weekend of inspiration and information."

The Pastors/Wives Retreat is open to all pastors receiving CPA (Church Pastoral Aid) through the Arkansas Baptist State Convention or CGA (Congregational Growth Aid) funds through the Home Mission Board.

Ramsey, an associate in the ABCS missions department, said the inspirational portion of the program will come from a special concert on Friday evening and through Bible studies led by Ramsey on Galatians, the 1995 Southern Baptist Convention Winter Bible Study.

"The program will also give information through updates on convention events

and opportunities," he said. He added that the retreat has been popular in the past "because 95 percent of participants are bivocational and have very little time to spend exclusively with their wives."

He said a highlight of past retreats has been a "sharing time that is important so they can understand what others like them are going through and can share their joys and their problems."

There is no cost for the retreat, but participants must provide their own transportation expenses. For more information, contact Ramsey at the ABCS missions department; phone 376-4791, ext. 5149.

## Music workshop planned for volunteer, part-time musicians

Volunteer music leaders, church pianists and organists can receive specialized training at the Volunteer/Part-Time Music Workshop Aug. 20 at Williams Baptist College.

Glen Ennes, an associate in the Arkansas Baptist State Convention church music ministries department, said the workshop is designed for leaders in the northeast area of the state "to afford them the opportunity to meet new department director Rob Hewell," adding that Hewell "will bring fresh insights to the workshop."

Ennes said the workshop also will offer "an opportunity for participants to develop their skills in song leading and congregational singing and accompanists will get insight into hymn playing."

Conferences will include "Music Leader: More than a Song Leader," led by Hewell; "Organists: Knowing the Instrument," led by Kathy Cooper, organist for Second Church, Little Rock; "Pianists: Hymn Playing Expanded," led by church music ministries associate Peggy Pearson; "Leading the Choir," led by Bob Magee, chairman of Williams College's music department; and "Leading the Congregation," led by Ennes.

Participants must bring the following books in their field or purchase them at the Baptist Book Store at the workshop: *Five Practical Lessons for Church Pianists or Organists*, *The Pedalpoint Organist*, *The Pedalpoint Accompanist*, *Song Leading Made Easy* and *What to Do in Case of a Choir Rehearsal*.

The workshop will begin at 9 a.m. and conclude at 3:30 p.m. The cost is \$4 per person and includes lunch. For more information or to register, contact Ennes at the ABCS church music ministries department; phone 376-4791, ext. 5121. The deadline for registration is Aug. 8.

**Baptist teams to aid Rwandan refugees**

RICHMOND, VA (BP)—Southern Baptists will send medical teams and water purification units to aid thousands of Rwandan refugees now inundating Goma, Zaire—a place rapidly becoming a waking nightmare of disease and death.

The Southern Baptist Brotherhood Commission will recruit doctors, nurses, water technicians and support staff for the teams. The Foreign Mission Board will use world hunger funds to purchase water purification units, water containers and other equipment for the aid effort.

They hope to begin operation Aug. 7 in Zaire, a nation where no Southern Baptist missionaries are now assigned. Missionaries who evacuated Rwanda previously set up operations in Tanzania to work with the overwhelming refugee problem there. They're working in cooperation with Florida Baptists, Tanzania missionaries and local Baptists.

More than 1 million primarily Hutu ethnics have streamed into the border town area because they fear being slaughtered in revenge attacks by forces of the Rwandan Patriotic Front, the Tutsi-dominated rebel army that has declared victory in the Rwandan civil war. Hundreds of thousands of Tutsis have been murdered in the past four months by the just-ousted Hutu government's troops or roving Hutu militia bands.

**Bangladesh crisis prompts strikes, prayers**

DHAKA, BANGLADESH (BP)—Christians in Bangladesh will lie low and pray July 29 when Muslim militants lead a protest march on Dhaka, the national capital.

"It's time to be wise as serpents and harmless as doves," said a Southern Baptist representative who asked not to be identified in a July 14 telephone interview. "Most (Christians) plan to be very careful about where they go and if at all possible will stay indoors."

The latest Islamic show of force is directed at a government crippled by a four-month-old parliamentary crisis. The parliament is deadlocked over plans for the handling of general elections scheduled for 1996.

Opposition groups in parliament have demanded that the government form a "caretaker administration" prior to the general election to ensure fair polling. The government, however, has asserted Bangladesh's constitution has no provision for such an arrangement.

Muslim militants are taking advantage of the national leadership vacuum by pressing their own demands. These include:

- The execution of Taslima Nasrin, a writer accused of making anti-Islamic statements.
- The call for a national blasphemy law that would punish those found guilty of criticizing Islam.
- The establishment of an Islamic state.
- Abolishing foreign nongovernment organizations working in development programs in the country, including Christian relief groups.

Christians have responded to the crisis and the pending July 29th protests with calls for prayer. Churches throughout the country are scheduling special times for prayer and sending out urgent appeals for worldwide prayer.

"Prayer is the critical thing our brothers and sisters around the world can do for us," the Southern Baptist representative said.

**Baptist workers plan return to Yemen**

LARNACA, CYPRUS (BP)—Southern Baptist workers who fled Yemen in early May started planning their return this month, after northern Yemeni forces declared victory in a 65-day civil war.

The north completed a campaign against the southern port city of Aden July 7, driving out troops rebelling against the central government and sending their leaders fleeing to neighboring Oman. Quiet reportedly settled into the region after weeks of fierce fighting.

"We're ready to get home to our things and our jobs, and the kids are ready to get back to their toys," said a relieved Drew Whitson. Whitson and his wife, Martha, are Southern Baptist workers who flew to Cyprus with their four children about a week into the war after a Scud missile landed a mile from their home in Yemen.

The Whitsons and some other workers assigned to Yemen, along with their families, have been staying on Cyprus, an island nation in the Mediterranean. Altogether, 16 Southern Baptist workers left Yemen in May because of the war. Others left later during the 65-day period for other reasons.

"We're sending them back as soon as we can get them in," said Dale Thorne, Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board area director for the region.

Other Southern Baptist workers who remained in Yemen throughout the conflict—and had begun anticipating their own evacuation—now can stay. New personnel, including a family and two shorter-term International Service Corps workers, also are preparing to enter Yemen now that peace has been established.

**Missionary returns to Peru after attack**

LIMA, PERU (BP)—Southern Baptist missionary Gary Crowell, who nearly died after being shot and robbed in Lima in March, returned to Peru June 30 after a three-month medical leave in Houston.

During the leave, Crowell and his family prayed he would be well enough to go back to Peru by the end of June.

He has undergone physical therapy after surgery to repair damage to his left elbow caused by a bullet that passed through his left arm. After the shooting in Lima, he underwent emergency surgery there for a bullet-severed major artery.

Two armed men robbed and shot Crowell as he was returning from the bank to his office in Lima, where he is treasurer for Southern Baptist missionaries in Peru.

Colleagues who heard the shots saved his life by rushing him to the nearest hospital.

**Rural China open to Baptist medical teams**

HONG KONG (BP)—The door to China's isolated countryside is open to Southern Baptist medical teams, but none has entered.

It's now common for foreigners to live in major cities of China, but still rare for them to live and work in rural areas, where more than 75 percent of the Chinese people live.

Cooperative Services International (CSI), the Southern Baptist aid organization, has opportunities to place five four-member medical teams in such areas, but so far has been unable to fill the positions.

"We needed to have the teams working this summer, but that didn't work out," a CSI administrator noted. "But we still have hope for the fall."

"We're now also planning to place long-term medical personnel in these areas," he added. "If possible, we want to maintain a constant medical presence."

Immediate openings exist for medical teams in rural locations in Henan province and medical personnel for training programs at a university and hospital in Xian, the capital of neighboring Shanxi province.

People interested in more information about the CSI medical teams may call Alvinia Michalec in CSI's Richmond, Va., office toll-free at 1-800-999-3113.

## Bates to assist FMB candidates

Carey Bates, a Southern Baptist missionary to Portugal, has been named a candidate consultant in the Foreign Mission Board's personnel selection department.

Bates, 43, from Memphis, Tenn., will work with missionary candidates from Arkansas, Mississippi and Tennessee. He plans to join the board staff in Richmond, Va., Aug. 5.

Bates and his wife, the former Lynne Pepin of Memphis, have been on leave of absence from their assignment in student and youth work in Portugal since late 1993. During that time he has been interim minister of youth at Ridgeway Baptist Church in Memphis.

Before missionary appointment in 1983, Bates served on the staff of churches in Tennessee and Georgia. His father, Ben Bates, is a former Arkansas Baptist pastor.

Bates holds degrees from the University of Tennessee at Martin, Mid-America Seminary in Memphis and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

The Bateses have three children: Heather, 15; Hollie, 13; and Hudson, 9.

## August workshop features 'TeamKid'

A new children's discipleship club concept that one Arkansas pastor has called "the greatest thing since hip pockets" will be reviewed at a workshop at Park Hill Church in North Little Rock Aug. 26. The TeamKid workshop will introduce the implementation of TeamKid, which combines fun learning experiences, scripture memorization and study times for children in grades one through six.

The workshop, designed for pastors, church staff members and children's leaders, will be led by Bill Young, retired manager of the preschool-children's section of the Baptist Sunday School Board discipleship and family ministry department. Young was involved in the development of TeamKid.

Robert Holley, director of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention discipleship and family ministry department, said TeamKid will use a new cycle each year. This year's theme is "God's Way = My Way."

He said one of TeamKid's strengths is its flexibility. "TeamKid can be implemented as an after-school activity, on weeknights, on Saturday mornings or as a summer emphasis during breaks in other children's programs."

Holley did emphasize, however, that TeamKid "is not designed to replace the balanced curriculum of children's Discipleship Training or the regular missions education programs of the church."

Ed Saucier, pastor of Grand Avenue Church in Fort Smith, told BSSB president

James Draper that the church's workers are convinced TeamKid "is the greatest thing since hip pockets."

Saucier said Grand Avenue searched through several programs because "we did not have anything substantial for the younger kids on Wednesday night." He said after finding out about TeamKid, members liked that the program "seems to be less competitive and...you can fit it to your style and it stresses scripture memory to kids."

He said TeamKid's popularity has grown and the program now has more than 100 participants every Wednesday night. He said children attend because "it's fun. It's mostly business, but enough monkey business that kids like it. In all seriousness, though, I think it's the best thing offered."

"Every kid can come and enjoy the activity," he noted. "Leaders are called coaches. They relate to that. Before kids know what's going on, they are being disciplined."

The workshop will begin at 10 a.m. and conclude at noon. There is no cost for the workshop. TeamKid materials will be available for purchase at the workshop.

For more information on the workshop or implementing TeamKid in your church, contact Holley at the ABSC discipleship and family ministry department; phone 376-4791, ext. 5160.

### Classifieds

**Part-time position available** — Bookkeeper/secretary, 20 hrs per week. Bookkeeping/computer skills required. Contact Pulaski Baptist Association 374-0319.

**Part-time minister of music** — Send resume to Music Committee, Third Baptist Church, B17 Young, Malvern, AR 72104.

**Plantian wanted** — paid position. Bingham Road Baptist, LR. 888-2140.

**Youth/music** — Earle Baptist Church, P.O. Box 674, Earle, AR 72331, is now accepting resumes for Youth/Music minister.

**Music/youth minister** — Contact Music/Youth Search Committee, First Baptist Church, P.O. Box "O", Hazen, AR 72064.

Classified ads must be submitted in writing to the ABN office no less than 10 days prior to the date of publication desired. A check or money order in the proper amount, figured at 90 cents per word, must be included. Multiple insertions of the same ad must be paid for in advance. Classified ads shall be restricted to church-related subject matter. The ABN reserves the right to reject any ad because of unsuitable subject matter. Classified ads will be inserted on a space-available basis. No endorsement by the ABN is implied.

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### Prayer Thrust

Thank the Lord that we have received student summer missionaries to fill all migrant missions positions. Pray for them in their work with an estimated 50,000 seasonal Hispanic farmworkers at:

■ Hope Migrant Mission Center: Beth DeHaven, Mariel Mercado

■ Bartholomew Migrant Center: Michael Montalvo Efre, Mark Strickler

■ Mississippi County Association: Elisabet Mendoza, Mona Villarreal

■ Mount Zion Association: Raul Rojdan. Pray that Arkansas Baptist churches will consider partnering with a European Baptist Convention church in 1994-96.

Pray that God will call out some of our retired pastors to serve as International Service Corps volunteers to serve churches in Europe that need English-speaking pastors.

## Christian Physicians

Christian physicians interested in participating in a medical mission trip with the UAMS Baptist Student Union to:

Mexico • Oct. 15-22, 1994

Ecuador • March 11-18, 1995

Dominican Republic • June 10-17, 1995

Please contact Diane O'Connell  
at 661-8078.

The "Luke Society," a newly formed organization of Christian physicians and scientists, would like to extend an invitation for two doctors (MD and PhD) to attend a fellowship at the home of Dr. John Redman on Aug. 12 at 7 p.m. RSVP at 661-8078.



Quality  
Van Sales

Used 12 and 15 passenger vans, special prices to churches. 501-268-4490, 1500 E. Race, Searcy 72143. Larry Carson





Central-Bald Knob,	6,301.47	14,737.67	Steel Bridge-Lonoke,	732.95	945.47	Mountainburg-First-Mounta	1,623.35	632.35
Cotton Plant First-Cotton	479.00	1,181.00	Toltec-Scott,	438.19	3,096.65	Mulberry First-Mulberry,	1,029.00	5,580.76
Ward-Searcy,	125.00	555.00	Ward First-Ward,	624.41	4,501.08	North Park-Van Buren,	3,762.58	11,925.85
Denmark-Bradford,	50.00	262.00	Wattensaw-Lonoke,	715.00	1,600.66	Oak Grove-Van Buren,	3,397.25	9,043.23
El Paso First-El Paso,	91.00	433.11	Caroline	50,154.62	201,866.22	Oark-Oark,	.00	.00
Good Hope-McCrory,	274.00	693.90	<b>Centennial</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>	Ozark First-Ozark,	1,912.00	30,413.08
Grace-Augusta,	1,056.46	1,150.00	Aberdeen First-Rose,	1,266.11	979.26	Ozone-Ozone,	350.00	1,112.44
Grace-Pangburn,	198.00	655.00	Almyra First-Almyra,	4,090.01	14,093.00	Rudy-Rudy,	176.25	240.00
Gregory-Gregory,	25.00	127.00	DeWitt First-DeWitt,	3,985.00	13,270.01	Shady Grove-Van Buren,	149.25	700.74
Griffithville-First-Griffith	.00	1,056.03	East Side-DeWitt,	573.00	873.00	Shibley-Van Buren,	171.21	928.94
Hunter First-Hunter,	.00	800.00	Faith-DeWitt,	870.99	986.38	Southside-Alma,	366.75	5,936.35
Judsonia First-Judsonia,	7,026.84	10,590.95	Gillett First-Gillett,	725.89	1,753.57	Sparks-Clarksville,	325.00	229.61
Kensett First-Kensett,	1,074.52	4,858.00	Hagler-Stuttgart,	.00	.00	Trinity-Alma,	.00	300.00
Liberty-Searcy,	60.00	109.41	North Maple-Stuttgart,	44.26	1,436.02	Union Grove-Clarksville,	308.69	1,436.89
McCrory First-McCrory,	1,728.75	7,334.49	Reydel-Reydel,	375.00	900.00	Uniontown-Uniontown,	1,800.00	646.75
McFar First-McFar,	1,195.32	3,240.78	Saint Charles-Saint Charl	337.25	2,729.99	Van Buren First-Van Buren	18,538.46	27,754.19
Midway-Judsonia,	.00	1,056.03	South Side-Stuttgart,	363.50	2,409.82	Van Buren Second-Van Bure	.00	42.00
Mount Hermon-Searcy,	897.03	1,941.07	Stuttig First-Stuttig	37,315.1	50,031.85	Web Prairie-Mulberry,	.00	851.93
New Morrow-Searcy,	.00	71.00	Tichnor-Tichnor,	720.00	60.00	Wedge City-Ozark,	996.24	1,414.85
Pangburn First-Pangburn,	155.00	3,681.95	Centennial	50,664.32	89,520.90	Woodland-Clarksville,	832.00	883.23
Patterson First-Patterson	.00	.00	<b>Clear Creek</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>	Clear Creek	53,781.64	177,988.33
Pleasant Grove-McCrory,	166.57	575.99	Barling First-Barling,	379.41	2,081.04	<b>Concord</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>
Rocky Point-Judsonia,	89.98	974.53	Bethel-Berling,	170.00	62.72	Barling First-Barling,	379.41	2,081.04
Rose Bud-Rose Bud,	1,719.00	2,699.55	Bloomer-Charleston,	.00	.00	Bethel-Berling,	170.00	62.72
Royal Hill-El Paso,	.00	.00	Bluff Avenue-Fort Smith,	634.34	2,868.36	Bloomer-Charleston,	.00	.00
Searcy First-Searcy,	45,343.96	93,927.91	Boonville First-Boonville	3,846.33	23,344.09	Bluff Avenue-Fort Smith,	634.34	2,868.36
Sidon-Rosebud,	30.00	352.71	Branch-Branch,	878.15	1,547.59	Boonville First-Boonville	3,846.33	23,344.09
Temple-Searcy,	1,300.79	8,209.31	Briar Creek-Magazine,	15.00	10.00	Branch-Branch,	878.15	1,547.59
Trinity-Searcy,	2,525.90	14,029.77	Burnville-Greenwood,	.00	439.52	Briar Creek-Magazine,	15.00	10.00
Utopia First-Utopia,	1,050.00	2,125.31	Calvary-Fort Smith,	2,726.25	5,849.61	Burnville-Greenwood,	.00	439.52
Union Valley-Beebe,	809.56	4,292.56	Calvary-Malvern,	180.00	912.07	Calvary-Fort Smith,	2,726.25	5,849.61
Valley-Searcy,	951.00	8,732.15	Central-Benton,	32.81	.00	Central First-Charlem-La	774.40	1,050.00
West Point-West Point,	164.75	792.99	Central-Hot Springs,	2,354.00	7,975.72	Central First-South-La	5,058.34	18,823.82
Calvary	87,437.11	225,459.65	Congo Road-Benton,	787.00	1,802.53	Charleston First-Charlem-La	5,058.34	18,823.82
<b>Carsy</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>	Gilead-Malvern,	41.00	337.37	Crestview-New Blaine,	60.50	688.95
Bearden First-Bearden,	1,468.09	4,467.30	Highland Heights-Benton,	3,430.25	16,966.93	East Side-Fort Smith,	8,874.45	95,170.15
Bethesda-Thomton,	35.00	513.29	Hilldale-Alexander,	320.00	500.00	Enterprise First-Enterprise	3,874.03	21,110.00
Calvary-Camden,	4,440.85	18,863.36	Hot Springs First-Hot Spr	21,936.20	46,575.44	Excelsior-Greenwood,	.00	679.71
Faith Mills-Camden,	275.00	2,589.00	Hot Springs Second	66,527.88	171,040.09	Faith-Fort Smith,	294.00	1,207.57
Eagle-Camden,	.00	392.97	Hurricane Lake-Benton,	.00	.00	Fianna Hills-Fort Smith,	2,611.35	15,996.96
First Southern Baptist-Sh	.00	50.16	Lake Hamilton-Lake Hamilt	2,092.52	6,114.53	Fort Smith First-Fort Smi	90,372.03	87,008.41
Fordyce First-Fordyce,	16,582.56	20,041.16	Lakeshore Heights-Hot Spr	44.00	54.00	Glendale-Boonville,	1,303.91	2,881.31
Grace-Hampton,	357.00	618.80	Lighthouse-Hot Springs,	.00	.00	Grand Avenue-F Smith,	32,190.97	106,066.55
Hampton First-Hampton,	880.20	8,864.23	Lonsdale-Lonsdale,	.00	182.00	Grayson-Boonville,	.00	.00
Harvey-Thomton,	110.00	474.51	Macedonia-Lonsdale Pine,	70.00	198.64	Greenwood-First	3,672.00	40,901.41
Holly Springs-Sparkman,	434.70	1,025.04	Magnet Cove First-Southern	1,391.56	8,279.24	Hackett First-Hackett,	757.28	2,537.50
Manning-Sparkman,	.00	1,391.64	Malvern First-Malvern,	3,774.68	8,819.30	Highway Heights-Fort Smith,	4,368.94	20,888.44
New Hope-Sparkman,	120.00	1,548.41	Malvern Third-Malvern,	3,304.79	15,643.79	Haven 96 First-Lavaca,	100.00	200.00
Quachita-Sparkman,	278.00	703.00	Meadowview-Shendan,	498.48	1,059.36	Immanuel-Fort Smith,	5,142.00	13,265.00
Prosperity-Bearden,	.00	464.79	Memorial-Hot Springs,	348.15	2,608.59	Jenny Lind-Greenwood,	357.62	2,703.36
Shady Grove-Sparkman,	200.00	1,000.00	Mount Vernon-Benton,	2,721.50	2,139.22	Jenny Lind-Fort Smith	100.00	100.00
South Side-Fordyce,	935.00	1,258.82	New Life-Alexander	341.00	1,139.45	Laotian [of Grand Avenue]	120.00	.00
Sparkman First-Sparkman,	6,212.75	15,526.75	New Life-Hot Springs,	25.00	170.00	Lavaca First-Lavaca	13,241.07	26,800.00
Thomton First-Thomton,	212.40	1,463.74	North Main-Sheridan,	359.84	621.92	Magazine First-Magazine,	783.29	3,195.95
Tinsman First-Hampton,	.00	100.00	Old Union-Benton,	428.57	3,818.00	Memorial-Hackett,	375.00	967.00
Tulip Memorial-Carthage,	940.00	260.94	Owensville-Lonsdale,	636.75	2,404.25	Midland First-Midland,	1,844.15	2,401.51
Carsy	32,668.65	80,583.81	Piney Hot Springs,	1,977.53	7,047.77	Mixon-Boonville,	.00	155.95
<b>Caroline</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>	Ridgecrest-Benton,	1,665.67	8,335.68	Moffett - Grand Avenue-Fo	.00	85.00
Austin Station-Austin,	772.00	1,626.75	Riverside-Donaldson,	901.00	2,716.04	Mount Harmony-Greenwood,	.00	85.00
Baugh Chapel-Austin,	525.00	2,663.09	Royal-Royal,	411.00	532.00	Mount Zion-Greenwood,	2,211.09	1,260.84
Biscoe First-Biscoe,	1,036.00	4,829.77	Salem-Benton,	5,649.70	13,488.84	New Hope-Greenwood,	718.00	3,046.00
Briarwood-Cabot,	181.00	1,767.82	Shorewood Hills-Jones Mill	.00	.00	North Side-Charleston,	135.00	444.77
Brownsville-Lonoke,	178.00	1,625.03	South Hill First-Malvern	74.00	86.00	North Side-Fort Smith,	.00	424.44
Cabot First-Cabot,	12,168.10	58,718.83	Temple-Benton,	1,000.00	1,744.69	Oak Cliff-Fort Smith,	9,089.74	14,808.44
Cabot Second-Cabot,	30.00	482.00	Trinity-Benton,	3,534.02	10,733.47	Palestine-Greenwood,	972.45	730.07
Calvary-Ward,	2.62	1,260.35	Trinity-Malvern,	3,778.42	4,340.75	Paris First-Paris,	8,014.90	11,730.07
Caney Creek-Lonoke,	.00	.00	Walnut Valley-Hot Springs	702.89	1,140.98	Parkview-Boonville,	664.00	1,640.33
Carlisle First-Carlisle,	1,169.98	17,848.46	Central	167,219.47	397,849.52	Phoenix Village-Fort Smit	1,178.00	1,733.43
Cocklebur-Ward,	1,358.89	4,183.52	<b>Clear Creek</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>	Pine Log-Boonville,	178.00	1,021.61
Coy-Coy,	318.95	961.49	Alma First-Alma,	6,469.65	34,623.70	Ratcliff First-Ratcliff,	175.94	1,068.04
Des Arc First-Des Arc,	3,439.48	20,365.24	Altus First-Altus,	.00	698.33	Ratcliff-Ratcliff,	10.00	367.71
Ovalls Bluff First-OvAl	286.75	1,209.40	Baton-Ozark,	25.00	25.00	Rye Hill-Fort Smith,	4,068.26	7,358.50
East First-England,	3,742.67	11,252.29	Cabin Creek-Lamar,	.00	.00	South Side-Boonville,	711.08	1,708.58
Hazen First-Hazen,	1,673.06	7,559.22	Cass-Ozark,	.00	.00	South Side-Fort Smith,	7,585.72	12,007.37
Immanuel-Carlisle,	1,242.95	1,853.03	Clarksville-Cedarville,	354.00	1,600.02	Southside-Paris,	290.94	414.96
Kao-Kao,	492.72	2,185.19	Clarksville Second-Clark	2,002.46	4,233.70	Spradling-Fort Smith,	4,772.98	8,020.75
Lonoke-Lonoke,	2,325.00	25,174.74	Coal Hill First-Coal Hill	1,052.00	711.50	Temple-Fort Smith,	845.00	5,380.57
Mount Carmel-Cabot,	13,939.64	14,666.49	Concord-Van Buren,	1,360.00	16,275.53	Trinity-Fort Smith,	1,613.63	2,977.63
Mountain Springs-Cabot,	1,444.54	1,258.82	Dyer First-Dyer,	296.91	1,247.78	Union-Charleston,	.00	.00
New Hope-Lonoke,	250.00	425.20	East Mount Zion-Clarksvi	728.00	5,078.05	Victory-Boonville,	49.59	519.75
Oak Grove-Lonoke,	466.61	551.21	Eastern Heights-Van Buren	.00	1,245.69	Vietnamese-Fort Smith,	.00	180.00
Dakridge-Austin,	80.00	150.00	Graphic Southern-Alma,	.00	445.58	Vietnamese-Fort Smith,	300.00	3,000.00
Old Austin-Austin,	507.00	2,231.51	Harpersville-Cedarville,	290.00	1,688.00	Westside-Fort Smith,	1,912.52	923.58
Pleasant Hill-Cabot,	872.41	4,850.24	Hartman First-Hartman,	480.00	445.58	Windsor Park-Fort Smith,	.00	.00
Roberson-Lonoke,	.00	1,012.61	Kibler-Alma,	5,412.35	4,824.58	<b>Concord</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>
South Bend-Jacksonville,	147.70	812.39	Lamar-Lamar,	627.82	2,201.00	Bigelow-Bigelow,	457.86	1,517.85
			Lee Creek-Van Buren,	1,316.54	3,006.71			

Casa First-Casa,	371.76	590.30	Cadron Ridge-Conway,	2,122.60	3,350.96	<b>Harmony</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>
Center Ridge-Center Ridge	700.00	488.80	Conway First-Conway,	15,358.99	37,958.42	Altheimer First-Altheimer	176.00	1,773.43
Cove Chapel-Southern-Spr	60.84	494.00	Conway Second-Conway,	8,232.13	37,562.00	Bethel-Gould,	.00	.00
Harmony-Permyville,	733.40	843.41	Easternwood-Mayflower,	17.04	34.78	Central-Pine Bluff,	.00	.00
Houston-Houston,	1,445.29	1,445.29	Emmanuel-Conway,	51.00	2,733.75	Central-Pine Bluff,	4,076.19	3,471.96
Morrilton First-Morrilton	8,901.54	21,402.34	Enla-Enla,	191.00	452.83	Cloud Road-Pine Bluff,	449.00	3,032.82
Nimrod-Permyville,	2,315.00	1,389.00	Friendship-Conway,	440.85	6,790.48	Dolanvar-Pine Bluff,	601.00	2,843.64
Oppelo-Permy,	479.00	300.00	Gale Creek-Conway,	.00	584.72	Dumas First-Dumas,	10,242.00	16,921.00
Perry-Perry,	.00	200.00	Greenbrier First-Greenbri	1,078.00	4,617.58	East Side-Pine Bluff,	1,291.75	7,221.96
Permyville First-Permyvil	7,500.30	8,637.52	Happy Hollow-Vilonia,	400.00	258.00	Forrest Park-Pine Bluff,	753.86	7,168.95
Peñit Jean First-Morrito	300.00	483.66	Harlan Park-Conway,	3,475.11	7,493.56	Gould First-Gould,	6,885.00	2,351.94
Pleasant Grove-Permyville	60.00	62.00	Hickory North Little Rock	791.42	2,102.83	Grady First-Grady,	815.00	978.25
Plumerville First-Plumery	277.76	1,425.21	Holds-Vilonia,	1,123.55	1,856.82	Green Meadows-Pine Bluff,	1,302.89	6,208.51
Solgochacha-Solgochacha,	218.00	579.00	Mayflower First-Mayflower	1,078.00	1,078.00	Greenlee-Pine Bluff,	1,159.40	3,304.97
Stony Point-Houston,	333.32	333.32	Mount Vernon	483.10	7,206.22	Hardin-Pine Bluff,	1,652.00	9,842.85
Sweet Home-Permyville,	136.03	134.87	Naylor-Vilonia,	.00	331.07	Hickory Grove-Star City,	893.48	893.48
Thornburg-Permyville,	430.50	1,536.63	New Bethel-Conway,	.00	274.80	Humphrey-Humphrey,	292.57	2,220.46
Union Valley-Permyville,	329.74	630.44	New Hope-Conway,	677.00	2,015.11	Immanuel-Pine Bluff,	16,491.52	25,060.04
Wye Mountain Southern-Big	84.00	390.39	Oak Bowers-Conway,	1,459.00	7,397.58	Kearney-Redfield,	.00	632.16
Conway-Permy	24,156.23	42,971.67	Pickles Gap-Conway,	3,512.00	21,821.90	Kingsland First-Kingsland	738.00	2,237.76
			Pleasant Grove-Conway,	2,506.53	5,731.30	Linwood-Moscow,	631.00	753.22
<b>Current-Gaines</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>	Saltito Heights-Conway,	265.25	1,081.06	Matthews Memorial-Pine Bl	5,094.40	10,773.30
Biggers-Biggers,	259.12	1,000.96	Smyrna-Mount Vernon,	.00	53.70	Northside-Star City,	100.00	200.00
Calvary-Corning,	538.00	1,180.00	South Side-Dumas,	473.00	1,899.17	Oak Grove-Pine Bluff,	1,022.23	1,022.23
Colonia Jarrett-Maynard,	.00	.00	Sunny Gap-Conway,	206.87	877.59	Park First-Pine Bluff,	16,705.41	39,122.20
Corning First-Corning,	6,553.70	4,923.95	Sunny Southern-Conway,	1,473.05	1,401.51	Pine Bluff Second-Pine Bl	797.83	1,976.99
East Side Holly Island-Re	745.06	1,166.62	Woodland His-Conway,	5,405.17	23,145.74	Plum Bayou-Wright-Pine Bl	1,522.85	1,522.85
Emmanuel-Piggott,	45.00	1,944.16	Wooster First-Wooster,	2,263.75	5,137.02	Rankin Chapel-Dumas,	.00	.00
Greenway First-Greenway	1,293.00	752.50	Zion-Conway,	245.00	810.49	Rison-Rison,	1,710.00	6,825.88
Harmony-Reactor,	187.31	252.00	<i>Faulkner County</i>	<i>59,779.52</i>	<i>192,484.92</i>	River Road Baptist Church	649.76	1,227.27
Hopewell-Corning,	787.00	740.84	<b>Garland County</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>	Shannon Road-Pine Bluff,	610.00	3,155.26
Knobel First-Knobel,	10.00	90.00	Amity First-Amity,	2,793.16	2,800.94	Shpherd Hill-Pine Bluff,	491.00	6,022.68
Moark-Corning,	.00	60.00	Antioch-Royal,	2,995.72	6,027.84	South Pinewood-Pine Bluff	375.00	1,334.56
Mount Pleasant-Maynard,	371.40	.00	Cedar Glades-Mountain Pin	.00	1,202.22	South Side-Pine Bluff,	3,645.27	18,493.92
New Hope-Pollard,	2,022.92	5,427.92	Emmanuel-Hot Springs,	232.43	150.06	Star City First-Star City	6,346.40	18,402.85
Nimmons First Baptist Ch.	13.00	273.26	Fairdale-Hot Springs,	305.00	1,735.65	Sulphur Springs-Pine Bluff	1,070.06	2,275.07
Oak Grove-Pocahontas,	150.00	433.00	Grand Avenue-Hot Springs,	2,250.00	7,509.47	Victory-Dumas,	.00	801.70
Peach Orchard First-Peach	.00	.00	Harvey's Chapel-Hot Sprin	1,907.01	5,899.65	Watson Chapel-Pine Bluff,	4,458.94	45,058.62
Piggott First-Piggott,	3,656.13	24,138.04	Jessieville-Jessieville,	357.92	5,976.87	White Hall First-White Ha	3,680.40	28,149.18
Pine Grove-Pocahontas,	10.00	338.79	Lakeside-Hot Springs,	1,205.10	2,512.12	Yorktown First-Yorktown	500.00	2,033.40
Pocahontas First-Pocahont	6,271.65	11,685.22	Leonard Street-Hot Spring	4,328.00	2,458.50	<b>Harmony</b>	<b>88,782.20</b>	<b>281,472.00</b>
Ravenden Springs First-Ra	20.00	605.28	Mill Creek-Hot Springs,	998.84	1,006.04	<b>Independence</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>
Reactor First-Reactor,	1,613.75	5,426.25	Mount Tabor-Buckville,	.00	179.10	Arbanna-Mountain View,	1,454.69	932.95
Rayne First-Rayne,	10.00	801.38	Mountain Pine First-Mount	332.00	1,665.84	Batesville First-Batesvil	18,021.83	49,781.23
Saint Francis-Saint Franc	500.00	1,800.00	Mountain Valley-Hot Sprin	.00	145.57	Calvary-Batesville,	11,568.73	19,122.25
Shannon-Pocahontas,	218.61	984.15	Park Place-Hot Springs,	2,600.10	14,559.44	Calvary-Timbo,	427.25	1,620.91
Shiloh-Corning,	.00	240.00	Peary-Permy,	504.05	1,708.56	Cord-Cord,	787.00	2,899.00
Success First-Success,	2,116.61	2,447.87	Reactor First-Hot Springs	241.81	816.16	Desha First-Desha,	466.50	1,968.74
Watson's Chapel-Maynard,	1,058.25	2,804.36	Twin Lakes-Hot Springs,	906.06	1,755.11	Eastside-Cave City,	4,019.94	3,728.87
<b>Current-Gaines</b>	<b>26,500.74</b>	<b>66,518.44</b>	Vista Heights-Hot Springs	55.00	402.17	Emmanuel-Batesville,	125.00	1,341.44
			<i>Garland County</i>	<i>23,957.50</i>	<i>66,571.31</i>	Faith-Batesville,	.00	932.96
<b>Delta</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>	<b>Greene County</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>	Fellowship-Batesville,	125.00	516.00
Anderson Chapel-Dumas,	126.50	1,353.07	Alexander-Paragould,	145.77	3,123.65	Flora-Floral,	818.00	3,745.25
Arkansas City-Arkansas Ci	2,280.00	6,948.67	Beech Grove-Paragould,	1,347.00	451.50	Foothills-Mountain View,	334.00	3,876.47
Bayou Mason-Lake Village,	832.52	4,244.76	Bethel Station-Paragould,	.00	527.84	Marcella-Marcella,	170.00	812.15
Bellaire-Dermott,	1,520.00	5,815.87	Big Creek-Paragould,	110.00	70.00	Mountain Zion-Batesville,	500.00	2,708.00
Chickasaw-McGehee,	50.00	271.35	Brown's Chapel-Paragould,	26,135.56	12,069.03	Mount View First	6,293.50	10,346.70
Colins-Dermott,	100.00	717.90	Calvan-Paragould,	594.35	2,844.44	Newark Southern-Newark,	1,344.00	2,434.94
Daniel Chapel-Dumas,	3,218.12	6,688.00	Central Hill-Paragould,	1,205.00	1,369.71	Northside-Batesville,	140.00	1,400.00
Dermott-Dermott,	2,485.25	7,107.89	Clarks Chapel-Paragould,	57.00	750.00	Pilgrims Rest-Batesville,	51.00	680.51
Eudora-Eudora,	.00	115.94	Delaplane-Delaplane,	279.89	284.00	Pleasant Plains-Pleasant	341.58	950.14
Gaines-Wilnot,	.00	612.03	East Side-Paragould,	14,940.60	20,871.72	Rebethel-Batesville,	272.00	1,854.84
Halley-Dermott,	.00	612.03	Fairview-Paragould,	.00	100.00	Rose-Rosie,	510.00	1,690.82
Jennie-Lake Village,	475.00	1,634.24	Finch-Paragould,	666.05	999.12	Ruddell Hill-Batesville,	582.25	6,568.95
Jerome-Jerome,	79.00	300.00	Fontaine-Paragould,	.00	60.00	Salado-Salado,	525.00	422.00
Kelso-Rohwer,	.00	.00	Immanuel-Paragould,	1,265.00	2,620.87	Strawberry Southern-Straw	80.00	.00
Lake Village-Lake Village	5,499.60	6,028.06	Lake Street-Paragould,	325.00	33.00	White River-Sulphur Roun	3,618.57	1,622.01
McGehee First-McGehee,	3,280.36	6,440.82	Light Light,	559.28	936.38	West Batesville-Pine Bluff	215.50	1,531.69
Montse-Montrose,	405.25	600.00	Marmaduke First	1,490.97	6,371.59	<b>Independence</b>	<b>54,022.03</b>	<b>152,513.31</b>
New Hope-Eudora,	334.00	2,005.53	New Friendship-Marmaduke,	.00	.00	<b>Liberty</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>
North Side-Eudora,	267.00	600.00	New Liberty-Marmaduke,	.00	104.73	Caledonia-El Dorado,	1,589.33	1,500.00
Omega-Eudora,	82.85	180.00	Oak Grove-Paragould,	218.42	1,240.14	Calion-Calion,	2,097.17	1,686.12
Parkdale-Parkdale,	200.00	250.00	Paragould First-Paragould	5,491.00	14,325.19	Camden First-Camden,	22,180.00	35,836.56
Parkway-Lake Village,	50.00	1,050.00	Life-Life,	325.00	33.00	Camden Second-Camden,	.00	377.40
Portland-Portland,	601.91	2,221.44	Lake Street-Paragould,	32.00	1,042.94	Chidester-Chidester,	925.00	1,777.97
Shiloh-Lake Village,	14.00	439.56	Light Light,	559.28	936.38	Cross Roads-Louann,	867.27	1,692.01
South McGehee-McGehee,	1,119.45	3,545.15	Marmaduke First	1,490.97	6,371.59	Cullendale-Camden,	9,294.52	25,564.00
Temple-Dermott,	1,884.47	4,499.42	New Friendship-Marmaduke,	.00	.00	East Main-El Dorado,	5,779.34	13,874.94
Tillar First-Tillar,	449.85	1,499.42	Robbs Chapel-Paragould,	.00	120.00	Ebenezer-El Dorado,	7,568.12	8,670.63
Watson-Watson,	11.00	1,431.61	Rosewood-Paragould,	600.00	1,567.00	El Dorado First-El Dorado	13,321.38	37,005.78
Wilmot-Wilmot,	3,341.15	4,108.71	Southside-Paragould,	.00	817.67	El Dorado Second	18,567.18	27,681.36
<b>Delta</b>	<b>28,309.03</b>	<b>71,382.71</b>	Stanford-Beech Grove,	273.00	970.40	Elliott-Camden,	458.01	8,633.81
			Third Avenue-Paragould,	43.00	276.17	Fairview Road-Camden,	190.00	1,016.37
<b>Faulkner County</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>	Union-Paragould,	1,788.58	1,956.00	Felsenthal-Hutig,	300.00	1,530.00
Baryl-Vilonia,	833.60	4,456.94	Vines Chapel-Beech Grove,	353.95	353.95			
Blaney Hill-Conway,	.00	.00	Walcot-Walcot,	570.00	1,800.00			
Bono-Greenbrier,	20.00	830.85	West View-Conway,	3,577.30	15,005.00			
Brookside-Conway,	.00	.00	<b>Greene County</b>	<b>64,825.93</b>	<b>95,760.25</b>			
Brumley-Conway,	1,181.00	3,449.68						

Gallele-El Dorado,	453.78	436.91	State Line-Winthrop,	333.00	511.77	Westvale-Jonesboro,	57.00	774.00
Grace-Carmen,	1,616.77	3,293.47	Washington-Washington,	525.00	415.00	Woodsprings-Jonesboro,	373.00	454.74
Harmony-El Dorado,	1,684.24	2,055.10	Wilton First-Wilton,	343.58	1,023.00	<b>Mount Zion</b>	117,450.99	269,625.40
Hillside-Carmen,	2,047.77	9,080.00	<i>Little River</i>	33,759.91	82,486.69	<b>No Membership In A</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>
Huttig First-Huttig,	2,044.20	4,282.55	<b>Mississippi County</b>	<b>Designated</b>		Clarksville First-Clarksv	8,228.53	14,108.33
Immanuel-El Dorado,	16,001.90	65,015.68	Amorel-Amorel,	504.65	5,277.80	Community Church-Jonsab	100.00	600.00
Joyce City-Smackover,	1,019.02	6,071.09	Bethany-Gosnell,	77.29	945.00	Cushman-Batesville,	00.00	00.00
John City First-Junct	2,990.00	5,689.87	Bethany-Mania,	00.00	120.00	Family Life-Pine Bluff,	00.00	4,539.43
Knowles-Strong,	442.00	1,059.78	Blackwater-Mania,	100.00	273.70	Higginson First-Higginson	1,635.30	3,982.91
Lapile-Strong,	00.00	490.00	Bythville First-Bythvil	13,023.94	84,229.83	Kononia-Imboden,	286.00	231.00
Lawson-Lawson,	652.00	2,026.16	Brinkley Chapel-Discola,	100.00	180.00	New Beginnings-Pine Bluff	00.00	321.23
Liberty-Lawson,	700.00	2,130.90	Brook Chapel-Mania,	200.00	342.00	New Life-Pine Bluff,	00.00	00.00
Loann-Loann,	00.00	219.08	Calvary-Bythville,	687.98	4,010.90	Providence-Little Rock,	50.00	00.00
Maple Avenue-Smackover,	1,859.57	2,486.95	Calvary-Discola,	1,059.13	4,661.92	Rolling Hills-Fayettevill	2,309.45	309.16
Marable Hill-El Dorado,	3,084.00	4,059.75	Clear Lake-Bythville,	1,912.35	2,439.16	Southside-Newport,	00.00	00.00
Mickey El Dorado,	135.00	1,086.60	Cola Ridge-Bythville,	219.59	1,757.15	Trinity Baptist Fellowship	210.00	1,289.00
New London-Strong,	00.00	1,571.35	Crossroads-Bythville,	65.00	243.51	Unity-Crossett,	00.00	00.00
Norphlet First-Norphlet,	5,991.64	10,537.71	Deil-Deil,	346.00	1,885.58	<b>No Membership In A</b>	<b>—72,719.28</b>	<b>25,389.06</b>
Northwest-El Dorado,	22.49	1,445.31	Dyess Central-Dyess,	341.25	240.00	<b>North Arkansas</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>
Parkers Chapel First-El D	1,624.53	4,422.05	East Side-Discola,	150.00	814.82	Alpena First-Alpena,	1,475.48	1,791.99
Parview El Dorado,	1,055.50	4,338.73	Emmanuel-Bythville,	150.00	772.03	Batavia-Harrison,	438.79	1,078.18
Philadelphia El Dorado,	346.00	860.00	Etowah-Etowah,	00.00	75.00	Bar Creek Springs-Harris	382.00	1,189.32
Reader-Childster,	530.00	465.00	Gosnell-Bythville,	2,778.48	10,811.16	Baxterville-Eureka Spring	135.00	434.91
Salem-Stephens,	135.00	2,182.00	Joiner-Joiner,	151.00	308.37	Bellefonte-Harrison,	760.00	1,600.00
Samoyer First-Strong,	1,994.00	22,306.90	Keiser First-Keiser,	428.20	1,779.50	Berryville First-Berryvil	2,499.54	16,851.23
South Side-El Dorado,	232.00	1,413.43	Leachville First-Leachvil	685.00	12,401.00	Beth El Green Forest,	118.00	1,018.30
Stephens First-Stephens,	7,274.00	6,077.00	Leachville Second-Leachvi	694.20	3,344.54	Blue Eye First-Blue Eye,	1,797.05	2,917.01
Strong First-Strong,	721.00	4,368.88	Luxora First-Luxora,	2,920.25	1,500.47	Baxley-Ponca,	1,051.50	1,534.63
Sylvan Hills-Camden,	141.00	600.00	Mania First-Mania,	2,729.55	1,500.47	Burlington-Omaha,	111.50	1,465.98
Temple-Camden,	23.00	700.70	Marys Chapel-Amorel	00.00	120.00	Cassville-Deer,	563.00	701.00
Temple-El Dorado,	288.00	988.25	Memorial-Bythville,	62.00	142.68	Deer-Deer,	00.00	00.00
Three Cracks-Junction Cit	5,247.32	7,100.84	New Harmony-Mania,	112.50	335.50	Diamond City First-Diamon	260.00	1,011.00
Trinity-El Dorado,	100.00	1,595.51	New Liberty-Bythville,	1,045.15	5,119.85	Dove Circle-Eureka Spring	590.00	2,497.44
Union-El Dorado,	770.00	5,813.16	New Life Korean-Bythvill	478.00	250.00	Eagle Heights-Harrison,	245.00	17,812.94
Urbana-Urbana,	680.00	450.95	New Providence-Leachville	00.00	460.00	Elkir-Bergman,	473.36	1,534.51
Victory-El Dorado,	245.00	2,004.64	Nodeva-Winona,	697.15	1,188.97	Elmwood-Harrison,	371.85	1,573.05
Village-Magnolia,	392.50	3,011.83	North Tent-Bythville,	731.10	5,033.30	Emmanuel-Harrison,	1,559.72	1,585.55
Wesson-Junction City,	00.00	927.06	Number Nine-Bythville,	371.85	335.55	Eureka Springs First-Eure	420.00	1,673.58
West Side-El Dorado,	7,489.50	4,095.96	Oscola First-Oscola,	1,942.93	11,490.69	Everton-Everton,	150.00	1,271.15
White City-Camden,	25.00	806.20	Pleasant View-Oscola,	00.00	00.00	Faither Heights-Berryvill	1,440.55	8,434.81
Liberty	152,230.28	361,934.59	Ridgecrest-Bythville,	328.00	1,480.00	Georgetown,	84.00	466.07
<b>Little Red River</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>	Rosa-Luxora,	00.00	100.00	Grandview First-Berryvill	1,136.64	7,009.21
Brownsville-Drasco	75.32	770.15	Trinity-Bythville,	907.02	6,445.32	Green Forest First-Green	2,287.66	7,575.82
Concord First-Concord,	411.19	917.89	Wardell-Joiner,	75.50	570.00	Grubb Springs-Harrison,	375.00	1,023.10
Harber Springs First-Harber	19,596.04	38,683.91	Woodland Comer-Bythvill	50.83	408.78	Harrison First-Harrison,	11,169.91	62,460.39
Life Line-Pleasant Plains	00.00	00.00	Yorba-Bythville,	924.00	1,711.18	Hopewell-Harrison,	135.00	585.00
Lone Star-Gears Ferry,	00	926.66	<i>Mississippi County</i>	35,467.32	193,116.00	Jasper First-Jasper,	2,280.10	5,201.56
Mount Zion-Concord,	73.85	107.73	<b>Mount Zion</b>	<b>Designated</b>		Lakeland-Omaha,	70.00	300.00
New Bethel-Floral,	7.00	74.08	Alsop-Bay,	00.00	411.00	Lead Hill First-Lead Hill	3,204.75	3,827.00
Palestine-Quitman,	224.00	1,946.85	Bay First-Bay,	1,933.96	6,348.17	Marble Falls-Dopatch,	224.40	311.54
Pines-Quitman,	143.50	809.01	Bethabara-Lake City,	266.00	1,289.36	New Hope-Omaha,	459.52	1,374.30
Pleasant Ridge-Greers Fer	00.00	60.00	Black Oak-Black Oak,	939.00	2,316.48	Newton County-Hasty	33.17	265.70
Pleasant Valley-Heber Spr	59.11	1,535.04	Central-Gono,	311.71	3,217.71	North Arkansas-Harrison,	100.00	00.00
Post Oak-Greers Ferry,	65.81	36.30	Bowman-Lake City,	611.37	3,723.60	Northvale-Harrison,	4,231.20	11,898.54
Quitman-Quitman,	00.00	00.00	Brookland-Brookland,	396.27	878.08	Omaha First-Omaha,	00.00	350.38
South Side-Heber Springs,	00	1,044.99	Buffalo Chap-Caraway,	00.00	74.80	Oregon First-Bergman,	119.50	98.87
Sugar Loaf-Heber Springs,	1,025.00	3,363.00	Caraway First-Caraway,	3,486.34	5,284.70	Osage-Alpena,	1,437.80	2,748.48
Tumbling Shoals-Tumbling	752.50	602.01	Cash First-Cash,	304.50	1,756.52	Parthenon-Parthenon,	1,555.00	893.88
West Side-Greers Ferry,	1,594.34	6,552.53	Central-Jonesboro	17,933.27	128,435.67	Pindell-Marshall,	00.00	15.43
Woodrow-Ferry,	404.71	1,316.67	Childs-Monette,	200.00	270.95	Rock Springs-Eureka Sprin	417.08	1,121.06
<i>Little Red River</i>	24,593.37	56,903.97	Dixie-Lake City,	130.00	276.00	Rudd-Green Forest,	706.00	2,147.76
<b>Little River</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>	East Walnut-Maria,	545.13	5,126.90	Saint Joe First-Saint Joe	00.00	532.40
Ashdown First-Ashdown,	6,202.90	11,272.09	Friendly Hope-Jonesboro,	2,252.00	1,794.52	Searcy County-Marshall,	00.00	532.40
Ben Loma First-Ben Loma	100.00	118.00	Highland Drive-Jonesboro,	1,727.41	9,500.00	Snowden-Deerfield,	75.00	98.81
Brownstown-Locksburg,	00	186.21	Jonesboro First-Jonesboro	53,678.22	4,354.66	South Side-Lead Hill,	750.90	1,366.33
Central-Mineral Springs,	3,344.52	2,363.87	Lake City First-Lake City	5,838.98	3,571.69	Trinity-Harrison,	87.03	235.60
Columbus-Columbus,	240.55	410.68	Lunsford-Lake City,	22.00	65.00	Union-Harrison,	984.04	4,030.96
Cross Roads First-Winthrop	450.00	1,251.29	Magnolia Road-Jonesboro,	1,042.39	2,218.68	Valley Springs First-Vall	3,902.04	5,994.42
Dierks First-Dierks,	828.15	1,407.87	Monette First-Monette,	405.63	8,289.40	Valley View-Eureka Spring	260.00	1,623.67
Hickens First-Foremam,	2,252.64	4,083.94	Phileas-Jonesboro,	1,128.20	5,137.93	West Gate-Western Gro	200.00	415.51
Foreman First-Ashdown,	231.71	455.07	Mountain Zion-Jonesboro,	496.50	3,743.38	Woodland Heights-Harrison	2,861.53	9,071.73
Kennett First-Hedio,	1,852.19	3,278.08	Needham-Paragonid,	755.26	822.17	Zion Light-Saint Joe,	73.00	605.94
Knox Heights-DeQueen,	1,050.00	1,445.00	Nettleton-Jonesboro,	14,110.09	34,249.98	<b>North Arkansas</b>	52,635.87	200,115.44
Lakeside-Kirby,	95.00	986.04	New Antioch-Brookland,	433.00	3,108.27	<b>North Central</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>
Liberty-Mineral Springs,	00	288.00	New Hope-Black Oak,	189.00	839.27	Angora-Lesia,	00.00	00.00
Locksburg First-Lockesbu	2,769.24	4,394.05	New Hope-Jonesboro,	150.01	913.18	Bay Branch-Bee Branch,	119.00	503.43
Lone Oak-Horatio,	150.00	180.00	North Main-Jonesboro,	1,691.81	5,492.27	Botkinburg-Clinton,	150.00	20.00
Maranatha-Mineral Springs	300.00	695.68	Phileas-Jonesboro,	1,128.20	8,289.40	Burr Ridge-Clinton,	00.00	00.00
Millwood-First-Strong,	1,816.00	695.68	Providence-Jonesboro,	00	79.45	Clinton First-Clinton,	3,080.72	18,361.78
Mount Monah First-Murfreesboro	236.00	5,687.04	Rowe's Chapel-Caraway,	212.29	538.50	Coarith-Clinton,	257.50	138.70
Murfreesboro First-Murfreesboro	2,316.00	6,687.04	Strawflore-Jonesboro,	1,062.00	2,463.19	Fairfield-Bay-Fairfield B	1,068.00	7,954.00
Nashville First-Nashville	8,768.00	31,536.34	University-Jonesboro,	2,789.00	3,433.00	Formosa-Clinton,	1,010.00	2,382.81
Oak Grove-Ashdown,	369.94	1,373.57	Valley Ridge-Jonesboro,	00	824.34	Friendship-Clinton,	4,811.00	4,811.00
Ogden First-Ogden,	150.50	867.31	Walnut Street Jonesboro,	2,605.02	21,165.76	Halfmoon-Clinton,	8.00	30.00
Ridgevay-Nashville,	901.00	7,431.48				Immanuel-Clinton,	526.65	1,539.19
Rock Hill-Locksburg,	200.00	00				Leslie First-Leslie,	2,039.19	4,297.09

Laxington-Clinton,	50.00	6,625.00
Marshall First-Marshall	737.69	4,236.97
Morning Star-Leslie	58.40	269.06
New Deep-Will-Leslie,	.00	91.55
Pae Doe-Clinton,	249.00	1,379.00
Piant-Clinton,	60.00	477.59
Plains Valley-Shirley,	451.56	1,355.04
Rupert-Clinton,	.00	1,328.42
Scotland-Scotland,	815.41	1,555.80
Shady Grove-Shirley,	433.23	499.25
Shirley-Shirley,	107.20	1,575.19
Skyland Southern-Fox,	320.00	375.30
Sugar Loaf First-Higdon	.00	1,112.89
North Central	13,177.44	54,871.73

North Pulaski	Designated	Coop
*Geteshmane	.00	2,520.00
*Pike Avenue	1,755.80	1,611.69
Amboy-North Little Rock	1,348.00	7,623.41
Baring Cross-North Little	33,307.22	25,139.19
Bayou Meto-Jacksonville,	1,516.00	8,685.80
Berea-Jacksonville,	381.33	698.33
Bethany-North Little Rock	3,350.00	3,685.93
Bethel-Jacksonville,	6,118.84	6,323.10
Calvary-North Little Rock	1,560.00	14,299.00
Cedar Heights-North Littl	1,653.90	8,245.00
Central-North Little Rock	11,022.45	24,427.64
Chapel Hill-Jacksonville,	167.21	766.39
Christ-North Little R	.00	14,416.04
Crystal Valley-North Lit	577.56	295.54
Forty-Seventh Street-Nort	125.00	3,000.00
Friendship-Sherwood,	1,687.93	3,568.85
Good Stewardship-North Li	.00	.00
Grace-North Little Rock,	291.10	739.98
Gravel Ridge-Jacksonville	6,294.76	12,246.17
Graves Memorial-North Lit	1,183.18	5,798.00
Highway-North Little Rock	17,896.50	14,375.50
Indian Hills-North Little	.00	10,372.57
Indeanhead Lake-Sherwood	2,735.35	3,845.89
Jacksonville First-Jackso	4,734.64	34,755.00
Jacksonville Second	4,407.63	16,423.50
Korean (of Arkansas)-She	.00	1,000.00
Korean-Jacksonville,	587.45	.00
Levy-North Little Rock,	8,602.52	26,867.21
Levy-North Jacksonville,	834.00	834.00
Marshall Road-Jacksonvil	6,917.04	9,199.90
Maumelle-Maumelle,	6,747.05	7,139.39
Military Road-Jacksonvil	2,230.65	1,221.42
Morrison Chapel-North Lit	.00	548.53
North Little Rock First-N	9,227.64	7,106.52
Oakwood-North Little Rock	.00	300.00
Park Hill-North Little Rock	86,207.86	139,806.06
Renton-North Little Rock	711.30	1,470.00
Riverside-Maumelle,	340.00	.00
Royal Oaks-Sherwood,	.00	.00
Runyan First-North Little	1,317.72	5,932.33
Sherwood First-Sherwood,	5,247.91	31,702.54
Sixteenth Street-North Li	80.00	1,064.53
Stanhill-Sherwood,	.00	215.00
Styvan Hills-North Little	7,916.51	6,650.00
Trinity Baptist Church-Ma	331.25	180.00
Village-Jacksonville,	310.12	1,246.50
Zion Hill-Cabot,	2,333.88	8,685.12
North Pulaski	242,526.10	460,776.07

Northwest	Designated	Coop
Amazing Grace-Bentonville	.00	1,869.87
Avoca-Avoca	.00	315.03
Bella Vista-Bella Vista,	11,741.86	48,692.73
Bentonville First-Benton	7,788.88	35,557.47
Calvary-Bentonville,	.00	2,204.06
Centerton First-Centerton	11,076.21	10,533.37
Central Southern Rogers,	4,129.01	180.00
Decatur First-Decatur,	2,635.94	4,822.55
Emmanuel-Pineville,	151.47	581.50
Faith-Colcord,	306.55	1,442.35
Garfield First-Garfield,	186.60	3,388.90
Gentry First-Gentry,	10,728.23	16,770.76
Grace-Rogers,	1,120.65	1,896.29
Gravelly First-Gravelly,	966.00	150.00
Gum Springs-Silver Spring	821.01	21.00
Harvard Avenue-Sloam Sp	1,820.00	20,545.06
Hickory Creek-Springdale,	50.00	498.13
Highfall First-Highfall	541.85	3,536.55
Hiwassee First-Hiwassee,	264.48	1,366.43
Immanuel-Rogers,	25,089.28	17,777.77
Lakeside-Rogers,	324.07	5,795.51
Lakeview-Cave Springs,	978.61	2,674.84
Lowell First-Lowell,	2,867.18	13,390.34

Mason Valley-Bentonville,	559.25	944.88
Monte Ne-Rogers,	409.00	2,680.10
Mountain Springs-Rogers,	80.25	341.00
Open Door-Rogers,	.00	1,036.18
Park Street-Bentonville,	230.12	1,455.50
Pea Ridge First-Pea Ridge	2,419.20	5,404.78
Piney Point-Rogers,	.00	391.71
Pleasant Hill-Rogers,	409.38	963.25
Rogers First-Rogers,	8,749.89	20,568.68
Silver Springs First-Sio	19,928.40	24,707.07
Spanish-Bentonville,	.00	262.23
Sulphur Springs First-Sul	50.00	262.23
Sunny Side-Rogers,	850.00	.00
Trinity-Rogers,	26.41	329.72
Twelve Corners-Garfield,	100.00	1,405.21
Northwest	119,808.31	318,707.30

Duochita	Designated	Coop
Bethel-Hatfield,	70.45	99.24
Board Camp-Mena,	818.87	3,059.84
Calvary-Mena,	459.00	1,455.91
Chapel Hill-DeQueen,	832.28	873.23
Cherry Hill-Mena,	350.00	263.47
Concord-Mena,	556.75	1,122.26
Cove First-Cove,	600.00	648.96
Dallas Avenue-Mena,	6,127.00	12,974.05
De Queen First-De Queen,	16,218.50	24,876.00
Gilman-Gilman,	219.00	670.90
Grannis-DeQueen,	2,193.75	2,345.75
Hatfield First-Hatfield,	1,180.93	6,902.93
Hatton-Cove	.00	589.49
Mena First-Mena,	4,852.17	31,291.39
New Hope-Mena	50.00	272.32
Saint Johns-DeQueen,	168.00	506.97
Salem-Mena,	1,052.30	1,790.63
Two Mile-Mena,	.00	116.47
Wickes First-Vanderv	3,021.66	3,419.43
Wickes First-Wickes,	.00	.00
Yocana-Mena,	.00	530.85
Duochita	38,182.66	93,661.10

Pulaski	Designated	Coop
Alexander First-Alexander	1,054.15	5,263.90
Archview-Little Rock,	3,822.44	6,717.29
Barnet Memorial-Little R	516.47	719.14
Bingham Road-Little Rock,	894.45	4,206.82
Brookwood First-Little Ro	505.00	2,180.70
Bryant First-Southern-Bry	2,259.28	13,984.32
Calvary-Little Rock,	33,424.82	65,852.06
Cherry-Little Rock,	.00	.00
Chicot Road-Mabelvale,	2,759.71	2,791.61
Cross Road-Little Rock,	1,569.73	1,891.76
Crystal Hill-Little Rock,	1,466.31	2,905.89
Douglasville First-Little	.00	75.00
East End-Hensley,	3,807.10	11,663.25
Faith Southern-Alexander,	.00	36.12
Four Towers-Hensley,	624.45	2,866.93
Geyer Springs First-Littl	5,605.56	16,618.72
Greater Grace-Little Rock	.00	1,050.00
Green Memorial-Little Rock	1,396.00	3,484.82
Hebron-Little Rock,	496.18	2,375.80
Highlands-Little Rock,	2,467.99	100.00
Hispanic-Little Rock,	.00	.00
Holly Springs-Little Rock	307.00	540.36
Immanuel-Little Rock,	10,814.30	182,078.33
Indian Springs-Bryant,	977.12	11,898.95
Ironton-Little Rock,	915.00	6,580.50
Lakeshore Drive-Little Ro	2,070.88	891.58
Lancaster Road-Little Roc	142.43	1,083.01
Line-Line-Little Rock,	25,417.30	38,256.76
Little Rock First	80,538.03	113,289.95
Little Rock Second-Little	28,894.34	2,220.55
Little Rock Sweet Home,	1,170.76	2,465.16
Martindale-Little Rock,	1,987.00	3,571.35
Natural Steps-Roland,	1,641.55	5,856.37
New Beginnings-Little Roc	131.83	294.21
North Point-Roland,	.00	305.48
Olivet-Little Rock,	4,596.00	17,536.49
Otter Creek First-Little	2,687.14	6,116.25
Parkway Place-Little Roc	4,967.59	13,080.26
Pine Grove Sweet Home,	2,465.16	2,465.16
Pinnacle-Little Rock,	1,432.00	2,233.90
Plainview-Little Rock,	85.00	1,028.62
Pleasant Grove-Little Roc	430.70	4,528.00
Pulaski Heights-Little Ro	16,923.22	41,324.42
Reynolds Memorial-Little	1,018.15	830.96
Roland-Roland,	554.69	1,223.46
Rosedale-Little Rock,	271.00	4,134.05
Shannon Hills First-Mabel	1,028.18	1,608.21

Sheridan First-Sheridan,	1,528.00	18,021.30
South Highlands-Little Roc	8,092.07	20,441.03
Sunset Lane-Little Rock,	100.00	468.00
Trinity-Mabelvale,	324.72	781.35
Tyler Street-Little Rock,	1,251.00	2,984.80
Vimy Ridge Immanuel-Alexa	344.76	197.26
West Pulaski-Little Rock	230.00	553.00
West Rock-Little Rock,	.00	4,571.80
West Side-Little Rock,	1,394.40	1,475.49
Whispering Hills-Mabelval	90.00	2,76.75
Woodlawn-Little Rock,	950.00	9,247.00
Woodson-Woodson,	368.05	626.08
Pulaski	366,940.99	843,252.01

Red River	Designated	Coop
Anchor-Donaldson,	47.00	116.37
Antoine-Arkadelphia,	396.62	718.68
Arkadelphia First-Arkadel	29,235.05	41,539.54
Arkadelphia Second	5,894.01	20,958.59
Beech Street-Gurdon,	50,328.02	82,829.33
Beirne First-Beirne,	218.00	521.86
Bethel-PreScott,	.00	618.25
Bethlehem-Whelen Springs,	.00	168.00
Bismarck First-Southern-B	372.00	662.07
Boughton-PreScott,	.00	139.35
Caddo Valley-Arkadelphia,	1,150.00	1,268.19
Cedar Grove-Arkadelphia,	323.00	550.00
Center Point-Gurdon,	300.00	240.00
Curtis First-Curtis,	536.80	3,045.18
Dalark-Arkadelphia,	.00	168.00
DeGray-Arkadelphia,	925.00	1,129.00
East Whelen-Whelen Spring	.00	.00
Emmet First-Emmet,	340.05	1,178.10
Harmony Hill-Arkadelphia,	101.52	450.00
Hollywood-Arkadelphia,	.00	.00
Lakeview-Arkadelphia,	209.53	209.53
Maumelle-Bowling,	399.00	549.60
Mount Bethel-Arkadelphia,	.00	.00
Mount Olive-Arkadelphia,	206.00	783.18
Mount Zion-Arkadelphia,	613.00	1,223.30
New Jerusalem-Arkadelphia	.00	76.00
Okolona-Okolona,	.00	148.00
Park Hill-Arkadelphia,	5,831.91	13,231.01
PreScott First-PreScott,	3,367.00	10,275.58
Red River-Arkadelphia,	500.00	500.00
Richwoods-Arkadelphia,	250.00	845.26
Shady Grove-Gurdon,	135.00	.00
Shiloh-Arkadelphia,	538.00	979.00
South Fork-Gurdon,	.00	.00
Southside-PreScott,	.00	294.49
Sycamore-Gurdon,	40.00	.00
Third Street-Arkadelphia,	328.00	4,002.00
Unity-Arkadelphia,	687.00	881.00
Whelen Springs-Whelen Sp	.00	120.00
Red River	103,268.66	114,600.54

Rocky Bayou	Designated	Coop
Ash Flat-Ash Flat,	61.00	841.65
Belview-Melbourne,	1,544.05	3,859.70
Boswell-Boswell,	.00	253.00
Calico Rock-First-Calico	4,919.02	4,229.79
Cherokee Village First-Ch	4,436.32	5,042.28
Dolph-Dolph,	291.00	676.37
Evening Shade First-Eveni	256.50	509.92
Fimley First-Fimley,	500.00	3,645.98
Franklin-Franklin,	451.00	400.00
Guion-Guion, AR,	.00	.00
Hardy First-Hardy,	1,133.00	4,616.24
Horseshoe Bend First-Hors	1,854.37	5,772.55
Immanuel Southern-Salem,	.00	300.00
Melbourne First-Melbourne	1,999.93	6,568.00
Midway-Melbourne,	858.98	5,587.56
Mount Pleasant Southern-M	2,280.00	2,280.00
Myron-Ash Flat,	220.79	1,015.00
Oxford-Oxford,	.00	294.77
Sage-Sage,	364.50	1,986.14
Salem First-Salem,	578.00	2,908.63
Sidney-Sidney,	806.40	2,666.84
Sylamore First-Calico Roc	.00	433.67
Rock Hill-Melbourne,	488.94	758.75
Rocky Bayou	20,499.30	46,705.48

Southwest	Designated	Coop
Anderson-Hope,	200.00	1,933.40
Arabella Heights-Texarkana	803.82	1,863.59
Beech Street-First-Texark	.00	48,407.84
Bradley-Bradley,	1,850.55	2,169.75
Calvary-Hope,	3,064.76	19,055.65
Canfield-Lewisville,	1,166.69	1,107.78

Central-Magnolia, Corneston-Texarkana, Faith-Texarkana, Fellowship-Texarkana, Fouke First-Fouke, Garland-Garland, Genos First-Genoa, Grace Community-Texarkana, Guemsey-Hope, Hickory Street-Texarkana, Highland Hills-Texarkana, Hope First-Hope, Immanuel-Magnolia, Lewisville First-Lewisvil, Line Ferry-Texarkana, Macedonia at Doddridge-Do, Macedonia First-Fouke, Mandeville-Texarkana, McNeil Second-McNeil, Memorial-Walco, Mitchell Street-Texarkana, Mount Zion-Doddridge, Phillips Chapel-Stamps, Piney Grove-Lewisville, Pinson Park-Texarkana, Pisgah-Fouke, Red River-Bradley, Rocky Mount-Fouke, Shiloh Memorial-Texarkana, South-Texarkana-Texarkana, Springfield-Fouke, Stamps First-Stamps, Sylvester-Fouke, Tennessee-Texarkana, Trinity-Texarkana, Westside-Magnolia, Southwest	21,362.17 3,624.35 445.60 255.12 4,307.62 1,600.00 1,500.48 0.00 10,101.94 327.50 12,883.95 35.00 1,706.07 0.00 580.00 0.00 218.34 0.00 1,428.00 0.00 368.00 0.00 178.80 250.00 0.00 262.00 1,573.02 201.94 1,070.60 5,174.86 300.00 300.00 15,502.25 307.43 87,919.57	62,631.70 8,243.85 1,205.69 1,753.52 7,448.16 226.34 2,007.80 562.16 370.60 7,376.95 4,545.73 26,455.00 745.00 6,739.07 1,129.70 965.00 399.24 758.18 0.00 3,752.26 0.00 1,580.37 28.77 550.40 1,940.73 296.00 90.00 907.62 3,718.67 1,023.06 5,571.60 12,515.00 2,770.43 1,993.81 62,558.10 307.43 303,695.97	Trinity, Anderson Tully-Harrisburg, Black Oak-Tyronza, Calvary-Harrisburg, Calvary-Lepta, Central-Marked Tree, Corner Chapel-Trumann, Eastside-Trumann, Faith-Trumann, Fellowship-Tyronza, Fisher First-Fisher, Green-Trumann, Greenfield-Harrisburg, Harrisburg First-Harrisbu, Lebanon-Harrisburg, Lepanto First-Lepanto, Maple Grove-Trumann, Marked Tree First-Marked, McCormick-Trumann, Neal's Chapel-Lepta, Neiswander-Marked Tree, Pleasant Grove-Harrisburg, Pleasant Hill-Harrisburg, Pleasant Valley-Trumann, Providence-Trumann, Red Oak-Georgetown, Riverview-Riverview, Shiloh-Harrisburg, Shiloh-Marked Tree, Trumann First-Trumann, Tyronza First-Tyronza, Valley View-Harrisburg, Waldenburg-Waldenburg, Weiner First-Weiner, West Ridge-West Ridge, Trinity	Designated 87.65 87.65 464.85 919.08 0.00 1,792.26 228.60 131.00 100.61 70.77 509.25 248.87 965.02 371.00 15.00 1,543.00 200.00 371.00 802.60 155.00 250.00 341.00 387.72 368.55 242.48 5,450.50 572.33 229.79 45.00 720.00 370.00 0.00 100.00 0.00 13,625.02	Coop 396.65 0.00 5,475.15 400.00 256.05 696.55 1,028.85 245.59 358.40 1,524.66 248.87 965.02 5,302.56 1,072.05 5,462.16 4,534.00 3,502.56 445.08 95.33 0.00 4,707.45 1,503.59 737.10 1,208.78 4,645.40 983.29 754.41 336.87 11,744.36 2,096.37 683.05 24.02 731.47 0.00 42,384.23	Washington-Madison, Berry Street-Springdale, Black Oak-Fayetteville, Brush Creek-Springdale, Calvary-Huntsville, Caudle Avenue-Springdale, College Avenue-Fayettevil, Combs-Combs, Elkins-Elkins, Elkins-Elkins, Elmdale-Springdale, Farmington First-Farmingt, Fayetteville First-Fayett, First Southern-Kingston, Friendship-Springdale, Goshen First-Southern-Gos, Greenland First-Greenland, Hindsville-Hindsville, Huntsville First-Huntsvil, Immanuel-Fayetteville, Johnson-Johnson, Lake Hill-Fayetteville, Liberty-Lincoln, Life Change Com. Fellowsh, Lincoln First-Lincoln, Northeast Southern-Fayett	Designated 3,103.38 0.00 1,963.45 1,088.66 45.00 0.00 473.61 100.00 6,283.19 2,249.61 36,106.08 0.00 1,328.74 269.00 1,207.76 304.44 1,227.00 217.96 140.00 0.00 945.58 317.11 670.50 0.00	Coop 4,882.57 5,000.00 4,262.20 2,557.26 2,253.62 30.00 100.00 100.00 36,204.56 8,878.99 55,624.82 59.24 2,057.46 3,103.55 1,500.00 1,174.98 6,557.87 674.78 626.00 0.00 2,759.71 2,167.73 5,059.68 470.31	Oak Grove-Springdale, Old Missouri Road-Springd, Prairie Grove-First-Prair, Providence-Fayetteville, Ridgeview-Fayetteville, Sang Avenue-Fayetteville, Sierra Estates-Fayettevil, Silent Grove-Springdale, Senora-Springdale, Southside-Westfork, AR, Spring Valley-Springdale, Springdale First-Springda, Sulphur City-Fayetteville, University-Fayetteville, Wedington Woods-Fayettev, West Fork West-Fork, West Hill Southem-Fa, Winlow First-Winlow, Washington-Madison	248.58 311.00 1,978.09 140.00 300.00 4,124.76 0.00 1,178.00 2,474.99 3,878.27 139.26 275.00 23,078.42 176.00 26,000.00 0.00 2,720.46 129.20 716.17 — 28,816.55	1,065.28 658.00 4,082.72 1,087.20 6,122.70 1,179.90 0.00 0.00 2,474.99 3,878.27 438.00 480.06 90,333.35 652.03 26,000.00 70.53 7,863.50 504.00 2,002.19 287,007.37	White River, Antioch-Flippin, Arkansas-Mountain Home, Big Flat-Big Flat, Bruno-Everton, Bull Shoals-Bull Shoals, Cotter First-Cotter, East Oakland-Mountain Hom, Eastside-Mountain Home, Flippin First-Flippin, Gamaliel-Gamaliel, Gassville-Gassville, Henderson First-Henderson, Hill Top-Oakland, Hopewell-Mountain Home, Lone Rock-Norfolk, Midway-Midway, Mountain Home First, Mountain Home, New Hope-Yellville, Norfolk First-Norfolk, Peel-Peel, Pilgrims Rest-Gassville, Pyatt-Pyatt, Rea Valley-Flippin, Summit-Summit, Tomahawk-Saint Joe, White River-Flippin, Whiteville-Gassville, Yellville First-Yellville	Designated 263.56 75.00 5.00 38.57 1,259.75 883.85 144.45 5,889.04 128.63 264.50 2,343.42 672.89 60.00 90.00 343.00 1,710.18 12,219.25 1,414.54 1,000.00 1,000.00 241.00 70.00 1,120.12 0.00 85.48 300.00 274.74 3,950.60 35,582.66	Coop 411.69 1,271.00 232.90 359.12 3,990.50 2,020.30 267.35 11,642.85 13,463.68 467.82 3,901.90 2,052.00 306.74 480.45 1,639.17 4,239.03 38,246.87 3,540.16 1,255.64 915.18 306.74 325.00 1,839.72 613.21 0.00 1,586.31 240.00 240.00 9,321.67 104,738.77	Misc Organizations, Individual Contributions, Totals	Designated 147,840.70 7,872.41 3,122,250.78	Coop 34,807.74 0.00 7,628,168.58
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## State CP gifts top \$7.6 million, still below goal

Arkansas Baptist Cooperative Program receipts for the first half of 1994 topped \$7.6 million but remain short of the \$7.98 million needed to meet the budget goal.

The overall goal for the year is \$15.96 million, an increase of 5 percent over the 1993 goal of \$15.2 million. 1994 CP receipts currently are about 1 percent above last year's pace.

Arkansas Baptists gave more than \$15.3 million to state and national ministry causes last year, topping the state CP goal for the third time in four years.

Don Moore, Arkansas Baptist State

Convention executive director, voiced concern that "it appears from church letters that churches are continuing to have increased receipts but they have not followed with increased percentages to the Cooperative Program. If we continue at this pace, it appears we will fall short of the budget for the year."

Despite the challenge of receiving more than half the budget needs in the final six months of the year, Moore affirmed, "When Arkansas Baptist churches are aware of the needs that exist, I believe both pastors and laypeople will work hard to meet these needs."

## Convention Uniform

### God's concern for life

By J. R. DeBusk, pastor,  
South Side Church, Pine Bluff  
Basic passage: Leviticus 25  
Focal passage: Leviticus 25:1-28  
Central truth: God is concerned for  
your total life.

In the wilderness, Israel learned the valuable truth that God was able to provide for their needs. This was one lesson the Lord did not want them to forget once they reached the promised land. The Sabbath Year and the Year of Jubilee provided the perfect opportunity for God to prove His providential power.

Leviticus 25 is a record of the regulations regarding the Sabbath Year (vv. 1-7), the Year of Jubilee (vv. 8-24) and the laws concerning the rights of redemption of property and slaves (vv. 24-55). God proclaimed these regulations because the land ultimately belonged to Him (v. 23).

The Sabbath Year occurred every seven years, while the Year of Jubilee was observed on the 50th year. The Lord had a three-fold purpose in mind when He set forth these regulations.

■ There was an environmental purpose. Every seventh year the land was not to be cultivated (vv. 2-3). This was a time when the productive powers of the land could be refreshed. Just as man needs the Sabbath to rest, the earth also needs a time for reinvigoration. Crop rotation has been proven to benefit the productivity of the land.

■ The Year of Jubilee provided a way to prevent the inequities of wealth and poverty (v. 17). The Lord desires justice and equality among people.

■ The Year of Jubilee was also a time to set the slaves free and to restore the land to the family which originally possessed it. The Lord owned the land and the Israelites were to be stewards or managers. During this redemptive year liberty was to be the recurring theme (v. 10).

Obviously, we must conclude that the Lord is concerned with all of life. He is concerned about the environmental status of His creation. He also cares about the economic and class distinctions which divide and separate men. If these are God's concerns then they also should be ours.

## Life and Work

### Our response to suffering

By Art Horne, minister of education,  
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Basic passage: II Corinthians 1:16-12:10  
Focal passage: II Corinthians 12:9  
Central truth: A Christian can trust the power of God even in times of suffering.

The best Christian you know calls and tearfully tells you that his wife of 12 years has left him for another man. You receive a phone call from a doctor who tells you that one of your family has been stricken with a fatal condition. You rush to the hospital to find a sweet Christian single mother in hysteria because her two-year-old daughter has died.

Are these experiences rare? Do you know of other times when people who seem to be following the Lord in obedience suffer great losses? What can be said about the justice of God when we experience such calamities?

We read in verse 12:9 that Paul had an unusual discipline as he suffered repeatedly for Christ. He gloried in his infirmities, that the power of Christ would rest upon him. The word *infirmity* means "weakness, indicating inability to produce results." Have you ever been in a position when you desired results or relief and yet had not the means to produce either? What is a Christian response when we are helpless to produce results?

In the scriptures we find many appropriate responses. Here are three:

■ *Be truthful and face the fact of our inability.* This allows the Christian to give glory to God for His strength and deliverance from trials.

■ *Trust God's nature.* God is loving kindness. He loved us before we loved Him. He is the Great Initiator and man is the respondent. We can trust God's heart.

■ *God is not limited.* Verse 12:9 could be translated, "My grace is enough for you, for power (strength) is moment by moment growing to its full energy and complete operation in the arena of our weakness." There seems to be a spiritual principle here that, though we don't have the strength to produce results that God requires, when we realize our lack of strength God fills us with His ability.

In times of trial, may Christians live that the world may see that God can and does work powerfully in the lives of people today!

## Bible Book

### The whirlwind's voice

By Jack J. Bledsoe, retired DOM,  
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Basic passage: Job 38:1-42:17  
Focal passage: Job 38:1; 32:1; 42:7  
Central truth: God watches, hears and cares and will vindicate our commitment to Him.

During the first 37 chapters of Job, we hear the cry of a suffering man. We will never understand why anyone suffers, even the righteous. It comes to everyone.

Through it all Job expressed his desire for a personal audience with God, but nothing happened. Suddenly, in chapter 38, a theophany occurs. God Himself speaks directly with His creation, man, just as He had with Moses at Sinai, Elijah at Carmel and Jacob at Jabboc. Some theophanies came through thunder and lightning in the mountains, at the burning bush or in a still, small voice. This time it came in a whirlwind and brings Job's experiences to a successful conclusion.

■ *God did not answer Job's questions.* There are some things about human suffering which God cannot explain to us without destroying the purpose they are designed to fulfill. God challenged Job by asking him where he was when God performed His mighty acts of creation. The infinite creating and controlling power of God was contrasted with the finite ignorance and impotence of Job. This emphasized that Job was not meant to know the explanation of his suffering, only that God is sympathetic, concerned and in total control. The divine purpose was that Job should rest in God Himself and that Job should come to understand the nature of his sins of presumption, repent and find his all in God.

■ *Job repented in sackcloth and ashes.* Job's sin was in presuming to question God, who is sovereign in His creation. When he sees himself in relationship to God, Job repents of his presumption, confesses his inadequacy and throws himself on the mercy of God. He asks for no further explanation for his suffering.

■ *Job is vindicated and rewarded.* God always rewards righteousness. It might not come to us in this life, as it did to Job, but the story will not be complete until you and I stand before the Judgment Seat of Christ, receive our rewards and hear Him say, "Well done." But the rewards will come if we are faithful. Our responsibility is to keep the faith, for the best is yet to be. Keep the faith.



## Convention Uniform

### The courage to stand

By J.R. DeBusk, pastor,  
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Basic passage: Numbers 13-14  
Focal passage: Numbers 13:1-3, 25-33; 14:1-4, 30-38  
Central truth: Trusting and obeying God requires courage.

Two major events occurred at Mount Sinai: God gave Moses the Law in written form and the Tabernacle was constructed. After eleven months at Sinai, the cloud lifted from the Tabernacle and Israel began the journey to Canaan (vv. 10:11-12).

At the appropriate time, 12 spies were sent to make a scouting report of the Promised Land (vv. 13:1-2). After 40 days the spies returned from their expedition. Majority and minority reports were given.

Ten of the spies reported the fruitfulness of the land, but they also warned that the Israelites would be overwhelmed by the troop strength and fortifications of the Canaanites (vv. 13:25-29).

Joshua and Caleb, on the other hand, called for immediate mobilization of the Israelite troops. Caleb was convinced the Lord would provide victory (v. 13:30).

The negative report of the 10 spies had a paralyzing affect on the Jews. Their reaction was to grumble against Moses and, worst of all, to wish to be back in Egypt (vv. 14:1-4).

God's judgment on the nation for this lack of faith was that they would wander in the wilderness for 40 years. This generation would die in the desert and the succeeding generation would enter the Promised Land. Only Joshua and Caleb would survive (v. 14:30-35).

Joshua and Caleb were distinguished by their faith in God. Their faith gave them the courage to fight against the Canaanites or to stand against the negative talk and reaction of their fellow citizens. Our faith should be strong enough for us to have the courage to always take our stand for God.

## Life and Work

### Our response in giving

By Art Horne, minister of education,  
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Basic passage: II Corinthians 8:1-12  
Focal passage: II Corinthians 8:3, 5, 11-12  
Central truth: God gives us power to please Him and to have joy in giving.

There are trials and there are tests. Many times Christians are allowed to be tested in the area of personal finances. Liberality, or lack of it, in giving financially reveals our willingness to obey God.

We learned last week that it is God who gives us the power to please Him in our service. This principle is valid in the area of our response to financial needs. We read in verse 8:3 that the Macedonian churches gave as much as they were able and even beyond their ability. How are Christians to give so that we please God in our service of giving?

From these verses we can find three steps to giving in a way that pleases God:

■ Verse 8:5 states that the Macedonian churches first gave themselves to the Lord. Any time we seek to worship the Lord we must first renew our commitment to Him by searching our motives and intentions. After realizing that within ourselves there is no power to please God, we yield to Him and ask for His blessing and power to accomplish the service we seek to give.

■ The Macedonian churches then gave themselves to Paul and to the fellow Christians for whom the offering was being received (v. 8:5b). What a loving act! Not only were they willing to trust God, but they were willing to trust and follow God's leaders to do the right thing with their money in order to bless others. Their testimony was clear to the world. They loved one another and proved their love by their actions. Oh, that Christians today would behave toward one another and our leaders in such ways that would state to a lost world that we love one another!

■ They completed their work of giving with joy. There were three components that led to their generosity: the most severe trial; their overflowing joy; and their extreme poverty. They realized that they were helpless to perform the service before them. But, trusting in God, they received power to give beyond their abilities.

What should be our response to such lessons? Give yourselves to God first, then obey Him in tithing and giving, so the world will see that we love one another.

## Bible Book

### Seeking after wisdom

By Jack J. Bledsoe, retired DOM,  
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Basic passage: Proverbs 1:1-9:18  
Focal passage: Proverbs 3:5-6  
Central truth: The Bible gives practical laws from heaven for earthly life.

The English word *proverb* means "a brief saying instead of many words." The Hebrew word translates *proverb* in the same manner but allows for expansion to include many words or phrases which would not be classed as proverbs in the biblical sense. The genius of the proverb lies in its short stating of a truth that catches on and becomes easier to remember. The Proverbs are attributed to Solomon, with the Sayings of Agur (chapter 30) and the oracle of Lemuel's mother (chapter 31), which were added later.

It is recommended that one chapter of Proverbs be read each day, along with other Scriptures. The first nine chapters deal with the prudence of seeking after wisdom. This lesson will concentrate on placing our faith and trust in God.

■ *The essence of faith is trust in God that never gives weight to our own intellect.* When God created man, He gave him an intellect. He can think and reason and act on his own, even to the point of disobedience of the will of God. Man's intellect is not to be used to make him independent from God, but to enhance his fellowship with God. The man who guides his life by trusting in God will succeed and the man who guides his life by reason of his own intellect will fail.

■ *The object of faith is God.* Rightly related to God through the new birth always points a man in the right direction. We can trust in our own abilities, our friends or luck, but Jesus Christ is the Way, the Truth and the Life. Only those whose faith is in the finished work of Christ through His perfect sacrifice for sin can be properly related to God for eternity.

■ *The measure of faith.* With all your heart, total commitment is demanded. Jesus calls us to follow Him and become fishers of men. We are asked to surrender our own will to His divine will.

■ *The results of faith in God.* The blessings of God come without measure to those who trust in Him. To have all of our pathways directed by Him and to have our lifestyles under the control of His will assures us that we will overcome every obstacle of life and live securely in Him.



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### BSSB continues to restructure, eliminate staff positions

NASHVILLE, TN (BP)—Continuing reorganization and personnel cuts at the Baptist Sunday School Board and its conference centers have resulted in the elimination of 25 positions in the BSSB's church growth group and Ridgecrest (N.C.) Conference Center. BSSB officials have announced 48 personnel cuts since May and anticipate an additional 24 to 30 cuts in a reorganization of the Bible teaching-reaching division.

The latest downsizing has resulted in the elimination of six positions in the pastor-staff leadership department and five in the music department. Four people will retire in the music department, and the remaining personnel will receive severance pay and outplacement assistance. Specific personnel cuts in the pastor-leadership department are not yet finalized.

Included among retiring personnel in the music department are Bill Anderson, a 26-year employee and editor of *The Church Musician*, and Fred Kelly, an 18-year employee who has been a music ministries consultant in the church music ministries department.

Changes at Ridgecrest will result in the deletion of 14 positions, including four management and 10 support staff. Three of the 14 positions currently are vacant. Of the 11 affected employees, one will take early retirement and 10 will receive severance benefits and outplacement assistance.

### Accrediting agency seeks follow-up visit to SWBTS

FORT WORTH, TX (BP)—The major accrediting association for theological schools has asked for a second visit to Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in the wake of the firing of president Russell H. Dilday Jr. in March.

The Association of Theological Schools recently sent a letter to Southwestern advising the school that a "follow-up" visit this fall is planned, according to Nancy Merrill, a spokesman for ATS.

However, William B. Tolar, acting seminary president, said the seminary will ask ATS to postpone the fall visit until next spring. Tolar said with the seminary trustees voting on a new president July 28 and the regular board of trustees meeting in October, the spring 1995 period would give the trustees and a new president time to get ready for the visit.

ATS issued a written rebuke in March calling trustee actions "a clear violation of accepted governance practices." At that time, James L. Waits, executive director of ATS, asked the trustees to rescind the action firing Dilday.

### Baptist camp may gain permanent ban on gambling site

BILOXI, MS (BP)—The Mississippi Gaming Commission has declared the neighborhood around Gulfshore Baptist Assembly a legal but inappropriate site for casino gambling and is considering a permanent ban on any gambling development in the area.

Paul Harvey, executive director of the commission, told the state's three gaming commissioners that the situation where Gulfshore is located "transcends" the legality of casino development there. Harvey identified a number of concerns including the proximity to religious activity, petitions from local resident opposing the site and public safety concerns.

Commissioner Robert Ingram said Baptists had done a "glorious job" of convincing him they didn't want a casino anywhere near Gulfshore. He was referring to the tidal wave of letters and telephone calls the commission received concerning a proposal—withdrawn just a few days before the hearing—by Spectrum, Inc., to build a 24-hour-a-day casino within sight of the state Baptist campground.

### Religious leaders found group to counter religious right

WASHINGTON (BP)—A coalition of religious leaders recently announced the formation of The Interfaith Alliance to counter what it calls the extremism of the "radical religious right."

The alliance believes the "groups which represent the radical religious right pose a serious threat to tolerance and liberty," said Presbyterian Church (USA) official and alliance board chairman Herbert Valentine at a July 14 news conference. "The radical right arrogantly asserts that its voice is the only true religious voice speaking in America today."

One of the 11 directors on the alliance's board is Foy Valentine, former executive director of the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission. The other directors are members of mainline Protestant denominations, as well as Catholics, Jews and a Universalist.