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# ARKANSAS BAPTIST



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**THE FLOOD OF '93**  
Baptist volunteers respond

# Arkansas ACTS affiliates earn programming awards

ACTS of Fort Smith (TV-21) and ACTS of Little Rock (TV-27) were among stations which earned recent honors as the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission presented its annual awards. The presentations were made during the annual International Conference on Communications Ministries in Arlington, Texas.

"Fort Smith Alive," produced by ACTS of Fort Smith received the ACTS Human Interest Series award. The Fort Smith affiliate also received the Promotional Announcement Award for its "ACTS Air 21" announcement.

Cindy Grege, producer for ACTS of Fort Smith, noted that interviews of community residents, local historical happenings, interviews of visitors to the area, concerts and other news of human interest are highlighted in the "Fort Smith Alive" production. Phil Riggins and Sheri Edwards serve as co-hosts for the weekly program.

Carl Riggins, executive director of the Fort Smith network and media director for First Church of Fort Smith, starred in the award-winning promotional announcement created to let viewers know where to write for ACTS programs guides.

ACTS of Little Rock earned awards in the Christian Message and Short Feature categories.

Linda Bennett, executive director, said the short feature award was for "One Church—Two Locations," a video based on the satellite facility of Geyer Springs First Church in Little Rock.

"The video, set to lively music, begins with the first day of construction of the

second location building, continuing throughout the building process," Bennett explained. "Its highlight comes as a child tours the building's interior and those watching see this facility through the eyes of a child."

"Who Is Jesus?," a 30-second commercial spot, won the Christian Message award. "Children from Geyer Springs First Church and Markham Street Church were used for this production which featured contemporary Christian music," Bennett noted, affirming technical director Joel Strickland for his contribution to these winning productions.

The theme of the communications conference was "Through Closed Doors." Cade Garrison, director of consulting services for the RTVC, said the purpose of the conference was "to help churches become aware of the opportunity and potential of reaching people through the media...and to provide practical assistance for the media user."

A host of conference speakers told participants the way the church can circumvent closed doors is through the use of electronic media.

Ronnie Floyd, pastor of First Church, Springdale, and featured speaker on Invitation to Life on ACTS and FamilyNet, said the gospel can shatter walls through television.

"What some see as closed doors, God sees as opportunity," he emphasized. "Our focus should be on the good news of Jesus Christ...and we should be faithful to share the gospel. The only thing worse than an out-of-focus picture is an out-of-focus church."

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### The flood of '93 3

Hartsburg (Mo.) Baptist Church is among dozens of churches hit by floodwaters across the Midwest. A team of Arkansas Baptists in Iowa are among disaster relief volunteers seeking to help flood victims with "mud out" cleanup efforts.

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# Flood devastation continues

## Baptist volunteers mobilize to assist Midwest flood victims

Southern Baptist agencies and volunteers have responded quickly to the flood emergency in the American Midwest in recent days, but the full extent of needs in the area is likely to grow and won't be known until the waters begin to recede.

A team of nine Arkansas Baptist disaster relief volunteers traveled to Des Moines, Iowa, last week to assist in "mud out" cleanup efforts. A second team is expected to travel to Iowa this week.

The Southern Baptist Brotherhood Commission and the Home Mission Board have each purchased water purification units to assist residents of Des Moines, whose water system has been contaminated by floodwaters since July 11. The units were trucked to Des Moines by Texas Baptist Men volunteers and arrived July 15. Each unit, manufactured by Global Waters Technology in Dallas, can purify up to 50,000 gallons of water every 24 hours.

Disaster relief feeding units in Missouri and Illinois have been active since the July 4 weekend in flood-stricken areas of their respective states.

According to Jim Ferguson, disaster relief coordinator at the Brotherhood Commission, the response to the flooding in the Midwest is just beginning. He said Red Cross reports indicated 250,000 meals were served from all sources during the first two weeks of flooding. In Missouri, at least 14 Baptist church buildings have been directly hit by some of the worst flooding ever in the state, some seriously damaged. But overall, the damage to church buildings is perhaps less than

expected, considering the path of devastation that now lies along the Mississippi and Missouri rivers.

A number of churches in otherwise flooded areas escaped damage by virtue of being built on hills.

Reported damage to churches ranged from a few inches of water in basements to several feet of water drenching sanctuaries and other facilities. Some churches which were not directly affected still have had worship and other activities disrupted because flooded roads cut them off from their members.

### Water reaches church roof

Among the hardest hit was Alexandria (Mo.) Baptist Church. "All you can see is the roof above water," reported Jim Wainwright, director of missions for Mt. Salem-Wyaconda Association.

The extent of damage is not known at this point. Members were able to get the furniture out of the building before the flood hit, said pastor Don Waterman, but he speculated the building itself is "pretty much ruined." Even if the building is not damaged beyond repair, he said, "we'll probably have to go back to the studs and start over."

No decision will be made about what to do until the water goes down and damage can be fully evaluated, and that may be fall or even winter, he said. "All we can do is wait, and it's going to be a long wait."

In Illinois, a giant, gleaming ribbon of plastic stretches from north to south to mark the top of a recently heightened levee. Men and women, like ants on an ant

hill, scurry here and there on one side of the earthen works. On the other, the brown waters of the Mississippi River speed southward.

Down river several miles, about 50 people in the town of Mozier are cut off by the rising river waters. They have no levee to protect their homes.

The workers along the levee, stranded residents in Mozier and hundreds of others in western Illinois have been eating meals cooked with Southern Baptist hands for several weeks.

Illinois Baptists' Brotherhood has set up its mobile disaster unit in Pleasant Hill, which is at the edge of "the bottoms" several miles east of the river. Illinois Baptists cook hot meals that are loaded into Red Cross vehicles and taken to various sites along the Mississippi and Illinois rivers. There, volunteers in boats, trucks and all-terrain vehicles deliver the food.

Preparation of the meals is Baptists' most visible response as a group, but there are individual Baptists up and down the river who also have pitched in to help the volunteer efforts.

John Dowdy, director of the Missouri Baptist missions/evangelism division, said people must realize the magnitude of the cleanup effort.

"People have been very good to help," Dowdy noted, "but after the news flashes are over in three to four weeks, it is going to be tough, tough, tough to get helpers."

Prospective volunteers for relief efforts should call the ABSC Brotherhood department at 376-4791, ext. 5158, or the Home Mission Board at 1-800-HMB-VOLS.

## Iowa missionary uses pickup for mini relief unit

By Sarah Zimmerman

IBC Home Mission Board

DES MOINES, IOWA (BP)—With a 200-gallon water tank, the state missions director in Iowa turned his pickup truck into a mini disaster relief unit.

Richard Lamborn lives about 35 miles from the Iowa Southern Baptist Fellowship office. When floodwaters closed the Des Moines water treatment plant, Lamborn's community allowed people to fill water tanks from fire hydrants.

Lamborn, a home missionary, bought a 200-gallon tank and loaded it into his pickup. Every day on his way to the office, he fills the tank at a fire hydrant. Throughout the day, people from the community fill water jugs from the tank as it sits in the parking lot at the state fellowship office.

Lamborn's reaction to the lack of drinking water in Des Moines addressed the most dangerous flood-related situation in the area.

In Iowa, most people had housing and food during the flood because they had enough warning to evacuate, Lamborn said.

But the lack of clean water is inconvenient as well as dangerous.

Restaurants in the Des Moines area closed because workers could not wash their hands as they prepared food, said Wanda Spencer, wife of Bill Spencer, director of missions for Des Moines' Metro Baptist Association.

Authorities predict Des Moines residents will have to wait at least 30 days for safe drinking water in their homes, she said. Although water should be running to households before then, it will be at least a month before officials can guarantee its safety.

Two water purification units, and people to train volunteers to run the units, arrived in Des Moines July 15, Lamborn said. The units were donated by the Southern Baptist Brotherhood Commission and the Home Mission Board.

Lamborn said providing fresh water will be good public relations for Iowa Southern Baptists. "It will let people know we're here and that we care."

Iowa residents are tired from fighting the flood but their spirits are beginning to perk up as they believe the major crisis is over, Lamborn said.

## YOU'LL BE GLAD TO KNOW



By DON MOORE  
ABCS Executive Director

The August issue of *Field and Stream* has a major article on "How Our Experts Get Ready to Hunt." It is the most thorough article I've seen on the subject. Everything related to hunting skills and shooting skills are included. Physical fitness, woodsmanhood and equipment are all covered. With all of the equipment some of these experts carry, I am amazed that they can get off of the shoulder of the road. However, they are prepared for all circumstances. And, I can imagine how amused some of their wives are as they go through "dress rehearsal" as they carefully put on everything they will take in the field while standing in the middle of their bedroom. I'm not sure but what there is about as much excitement in the preparation and anticipation as there is in the actual hunt itself. It must be so, for some men prepare most of the year for a hunt.

That is the way we need to go about a new "season" at church. As fall approaches with a new church year to begin Oct. 1, everything needs to be laid out, teachers enlisted and trained, space assigned, all literature, supplies and equipment in place, and a keen excitement about "opening day." New teachers, new pupils and new prospects are going to be matched up. The mix is right for a productive harvest. The Spirit of God begins stirring in the hearts of everyone at church. They are so excited that they come early and stay late, just like at deer camp when all of that adrenaline gets to flowing. We begin to think that something great could happen to me and my class - perhaps the first Sunday or two.

If we are not planning and preparing with excitement, why not? God is more faithful to find His target than you are to find game, and certainly more effective in wielding the sword than you are your weapon. What He does is forever. What we do is temporal. I really believe if we put as much into preparing for God to do great things as we do into our preparing for a hunting season, we would see a lot more excitement and anticipation around the church, and a lot more results.

WILLIAM H. SUTTON

## The President's Corner



### Self-inflicted suffering

After describing Peter's denial of Christ, Matthew 26:75 states that Peter "went outside and wept bitterly." The suffering that Peter experienced at this time in his life was not the kind of suffering that he would later describe as he wrote:

"Dear Friend, do not be surprised at the painful trial you are suffering, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice that you participate in the suffering of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed" (1 Peter 4:12-13).

To the contrary, suffering for Christ (and the joy and rejoicing from it) was precisely what Peter had avoided by denying Christ. In its place he bargained for that awful suffering that is bitter, unrewarding, unrelenting and self-inflicted.

What a tragedy it is that we have to endure such needless grief. How often in our torment have we longed for the miracle of going back in time to change a word we have spoken (or not spoken),

a wrong we have done, an opportunity that we have deliberately rejected. And it is better that we cannot.

It behooves us to fervently pray that God deliver us from self-inflicted grief. But when it inevitably comes, may we have the wisdom to know, as Peter learned, that Christ can heal that too.

As an interested, immature young man, Peter claimed that he would stand with Christ, even unto death. When he failed in that he could only say that he loved Christ. That was enough for forgiveness, redemption, restoration and use in the kingdom of God.

As a great authority on the subject, the mature Peter advised: "Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins" (1 Peter 4:8).

And so it does. Thanks be to God.

**Buddy Sutton**, a Little Rock attorney and active member of Immanuel Church in Little Rock, is president of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention.

## Personal perspectives

"Our focus should be on the good news of Jesus Christ....The only thing worse than an out-of-focus picture is an out-of-focus church."

—Ronnie Floyd, pastor, First Baptist Church, Springdale

"Find out what the Holy Spirit is doing in our world and join Him."

—Glendon Grober, director, Arkansas Baptist Brotherhood department

"Our forefathers paid a great price for religious liberty. We should guard it as one of our most prized treasures."

—Herschel Hobbs, pastor emeritus, First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City

"When the presence of God fills the people of God, you have spiritual awakening....Anything less than that will not spare America."

—Henry Blackaby, HMB director of prayer and spiritual awakening

# Baptist colleges and BSUs

Being a teenager can be tough.

Of course, being an adult has its rough moments too. But particularly for young people with only 13 to 19 years of life experience behind them, day-to-day decisions and concerns can sometimes be overwhelming.

Arkansas Baptists seek to respond to those needs in a variety of ways on the local, associational and statewide levels. Teenagers in Arkansas Baptist churches have the opportunity to receive guidance, encouragement and understanding ranging from such basic sources as Sunday School and Discipleship Training to specifically youth-centered emphases such as Super Summer and Christian sexuality workshops.

Among the most significant resources that Arkansas Baptists provide our young people are Baptist colleges and Baptist Student Union programs. As young people move from their teen years toward adulthood during their college years, the influence of Baptist schools and BSU programs can have a profound, lifelong impact on their goals, values and Christian faith.

Arkansas Baptists are blessed with two outstanding Baptist college programs in the state. Ouachita Baptist University, located in Arkadelphia, has a rich heritage which dates back to 1886. Williams Baptist College in Walnut Ridge, founded as a junior college in 1941, moved to senior college status in 1983.

Why should high school students planning their college careers consider Baptist schools as an option? There are a number of reasons, including the competitive academic quality of both OBU and WBC. But the single most significant feature of an education at a Baptist institution is the unwavering Christian

## STRAIGHT FROM THE EDITOR



By TRENNIS HENDERSON

commitment which permeates the faculty, administration, classes and extracurricular activities.

According to OBU's student catalog, "As a Christian institution, Ouachita...takes seriously the person and teachings of Jesus Christ and seeks to relate these to the many disciplines and activities on the university campus." The catalog also tells students that "a strong commitment to basic Christian morals, values and beliefs is the single most important thing you'll ever do."

The Williams Baptist College catalog describes WBC as "the campus of Christian purpose," noting that the college's primary purpose is "the search for truth, of which God is the source." Among the school's overall goals is to "encourage students to apply Christian principles and responsible citizenship in daily living."

In addition to the official Christian emphasis on both campuses, students will discover that personal relationships with Christian professors, roommates and classmates will provide an ongoing source of challenge and encouragement which can last a lifetime.

Even with all the attraction of college

life in a Christian environment, many Baptist youth choose to attend a state school or other institution for a variety of reasons. The good news from a Baptist perspective is that the ministry of Arkansas Baptists is available on those campuses as well. Arkansas Baptists provide Baptist Student Union ministries on 25 college campuses across the state.

According to state BSU director David James, "BSU involves each student in a threefold process to evangelize the lost, develop believers and minister to the world. When completed," he added, "this purpose produces a student leader who is an intentional evangelist, an effective disciple and a world citizen, committed to the local church."

As a BSU member during my college days in Missouri, I vividly recall the opportunities for Christian fellowship, in-depth Bible study and practical ministry through youth revival teams and spring break mission trips. It was during my college years that I responded to God's call to ministry—a call which was made more clear due in part to my personal involvement in BSU.

This issue of the Newsmagazine highlights the ministries of Ouachita, Williams and BSU chapters throughout the state. Take a few moments to become reacquainted with the vital ministries that Arkansas Baptists help provide in each of these settings. Then take a few more moments to recommit yourself to supporting the work of our Baptist colleges and BSUs.

Consider how you can become involved in encouraging our young people to take advantage of the spiritual and educational opportunities which are available to them during the challenging, life-changing days of college life.

## Beware of gambling

We were happy to learn recently that the revenue of the Louisiana lottery has declined to about one-third what it was in January. People will finally learn that gambling schemes are not set up and operated to give out free money.

At the same time, Christians need to be aware that certain Hot Springs interests are preparing a petition to legalize casino gambling in Arkansas. Signs are being displayed in this area advertising Mississippi casinos, no doubt with the intention of representing this predatory activity as normal and unobjectionable.

Gambling entirely destroys any community that allows it, as seen from the



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

case of New Jersey, where Atlantic City has huge casinos, surrounded by boarded-up and vandalized buildings. Let us not be ignorant of Satan's devices, but nip this thing in the bud by working now to awaken and inform people about it. Above all, let us pray that God will deal with it. He is able to do so.

Clay Hale  
El Dorado, AR

## Convention coverage

Our editor, Trennis Henderson, is to be commended for his first, thorough and unbiased report on the recent meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in the July 1 issue.

In the absence of very much coverage by the secular media in the state, I am sure these detailed reports were very helpful to Baptists of Arkansas unable to attend.

I am especially thankful for his allowing the positive tone of this convention to be sensed through this report.

Thanks.  
Don Moseley  
North Little Rock, AR

## Assembly theme stresses urgency of discipleship

By Trennis Henderson

Editor, Arkansas Baptist

From the opening hymn to the closing celebration service, the international flavor of the European Baptist Convention summer assembly was unmistakable. The 33rd annual assembly, held July 3-8 in Interlaken, Switzerland, attracted 785 participants from throughout Europe and other parts of the world.

Focusing on the theme, "Make Disciples of All Nations," participants began the week by singing "We've a story to tell to the nations." Both the theme and the hymn are descriptive of the ministry and vision of the European Baptist Convention, a fellowship of 60 English-language churches in both Western and Eastern Europe.

One clear example of the EBC's international emphasis came during a report from EBC church planting consultants Ray and Helen Reynolds. They said a recent study of 15 EBC international churches revealed that 94 nations are represented in the churches' worship services.

Reynolds added that one of the EBC's goals is to plant 20 churches in four years, with new congregations already established in Bulgaria, the Czech republic, Hungary, Romania and other nations.

"That's the vision; God is developing the strategy," Reynolds emphasized. "These churches have been planted because volunteers have heard the call and have come over to get in on what God is doing here in Europe."

Among those who have heard the call are Arkansas Baptist leaders who are working with EBC officials to finalize plans for a three-year partnership scheduled to begin in 1994. A team of 16 Arkansas Baptists attended the recent summer assembly in conjunction with a partnership planning meeting held in Interlaken.

Arkansas partnership coordinator Glendon Grober, director of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention Brotherhood department, told EBC leaders, "We in Arkansas are grateful for the invitation to come and work with you in the European Baptist Convention.

"We see our role as a helping role," Grober continued. "We are extremely excited about where you are today in terms of reaching the world with the gospel of Jesus Christ."

Grober served as the Bible study leader during the weeklong summer assembly. Affirming the conference's discipleship



Texas pastor Phil Lineberger interprets the theme, "Make Disciples of All Nations."

theme, Grober emphasized that "God is glorified as His people increase greatly and are multiplied."

Tracing God's call to evangelism and discipleship from Genesis through Acts, Grober said, "Multiply means missions and increase greatly means to make disciples of all people.

"Find out what the Holy Spirit is doing in our world today and join Him," Grober urged. "I believe God can use you to bring some cities in Eastern Europe and Western Europe to Christ."

### 'The power of the gospel'

Preaching from Ephesians during the assembly's final Bible study, Grober said Ephesians describes the eternal purposes of God's grace, the power of grace unto salvation and the importance of a walk that is worthy of God's grace.

"What God has done by His grace through Jesus Christ is to break down walls around the world," Grober pointed out. "The power of the gospel reaches through all kinds of closed doors."

Phil Lineberger, pastor of First Baptist Church, Tyler, Texas, was the keynote preacher during the assembly's evening worship services. Lineberger, immediate past president of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, discussed such topics as: What must I do to become a disciple? What must I do to make a disciple? and Where must I go to make a disciple?

"When Jesus addressed evangelism, He did so as discipleship," Lineberger said. "Jesus considered evangelism and discipleship as a lifestyle... When we talk about making disciples of all nations, we are talking about sharing a life-transforming message which touches and covers every aspect of one's life."

Noting that the world is comprised of

risk-takers, caretakers and undertakers, Lineberger said, "You can't steal second base if you keep one foot on first base.

"It's risky to take the old story to new places but that's what it takes to be a disciple," he declared. "If God is going to have an impact on your part of the world, it will be because you have chosen to be a risk-taker.

"Our message is not one of condemnation. Our message is one of salvation," he pointed out. "Our job is to find people in the normal traffic patterns of life and share the saving message of Jesus Christ."

In addition to the Bible studies and worship services, the assembly featured more than 20 small-group conferences ranging from confronting the New Age to stress management to English as a second language.

Arkansas Woman's Missionary Union president Marjorie Grober and state WMU executive director Julie Ketter led sessions addressing WMU leadership. Among other conference leaders from the United States were Richard Land, executive director of the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission, and Bill Marshall, executive director of the Kentucky Baptist Convention.

EBC president Bill Clark Thomas, chairman of the 1993 Interlaken planning committee, noted that "one of the miracles of Interlaken are those who volunteer or accept an invitation to come at their own expense and make a contribution."

According to Ketter, "The whole experience has been a spiritual experience for me. In seeing what God is doing, I sensed an excitement that is an encouragement to me."

NEXT ISSUE: What does the future hold for the European Baptist Convention?

# Ministries affirm language of the heart

By Colleen Backus

Arkansas Baptist

Today, as it has been since America was first settled, people of all nations come to the United States seeking a better life. Southern Baptists, following the mandate of the Great Commission, are reaching out to these ethnic groups with the message of the gospel. Southern Baptist churches currently represent more than 100 of America's 500 ethnic groups. They worship and study the Bible in 98 languages and dialects.

In Arkansas, language missions is conducted among nine ethnic groups, including Hispanics, Asians and the deaf. There are 88 ethnic works in the state, according to Jimmy Barrentine, director of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention Missions department. Barrentine added that only 14 of those works relate to the convention for funding since language groups tend to be very self-sufficient. He said their need for assistance centers on prayer and a caring attitude.

"One Korean man called the office and said that there were 12 people wanting to meet for Bible study," Barrentine said. "All they needed was a place to meet and some help with publicity. But he was concerned whether or not 12 Koreans would matter."

"We have a biblical mandate to spread the understanding of God's Word," noted Barrentine. "From the Old Testament, we have the command to be a blessing to all nations, and in the New Testament, the Great Commission indicates that we are to go to all people."

On a state level, he emphasized, "our intent is that the gospel be available to every cultural, geographic and language group in the state."

The strategy to achieve this goal is to start Bible studies, sometimes using the "field of churches" approach. Barrentine explained that means that a pastor serves different locations, beginning with small groups. These works usually are done in cooperation with local churches and associations, as well as the ABSC.

There are two modes for language group contact, Barrentine commented. "The aggressive mode is to search out language groups," he said. "The response mode is where they make themselves known to us and we are called on to act as facilitators." Most groups are started when one layperson calls with a need, he noted.

In the past year, nine new language works have been started, and the second annual Hispanic Evangelism Conference was very successful. Regional Sunday School clinics are being coordinated with

the state Sunday School department to bring education in the language of the people. More material is being printed for ethnic groups than ever before. "In order to really reach ethnic people, the message must be brought in the language of their heart," Barrentine explained.

Robert Rodriguez, Hispanic minister for Geyer Springs First Church in Little Rock, does just that. He fights an uphill battle on two fronts: the Hispanic population of the Little Rock metro area is not centralized and many Hispanics who do attend are from Catholic backgrounds.

Rodriguez said his goal is to have Bible studies in North Little Rock as well as Little

Rock, and to train more leaders. "Much of our leadership has gone back to Texas, and it has left a gap," he explained.



Rock, Woman's Missionary Union and Brotherhood, the focus on the worship service is absolutely essential in a Korean church, he emphasized.

"Saving the soul is our first goal, but that is matter of fact and should not have to be said," Lee explained. "We also are equipping our people to go out and disciple others."

Running about 50 in worship service, the Korean Church depends on word of mouth to spread interest in the church. Marketplace contacts are heavily used. "Anytime we see someone at the store who looks Korean, we ask about their background," Lee said. That provides an opening to invite them to church.

Another goal of the church is to have language classes – not English as a second language, but Korean classes for the children. "They are losing their mother tongue," Lee explained. "We want to start classes to teach them their language and culture. Without being deeply rooted in their culture, these children will become floating people."

Another vital language mission is ministry to the deaf – the language is American Sign, and the deaf culture is as distinctly different as any language group, according to Barrentine. North Little Rock's Park Hill Church is among the churches in the state that minister to the deaf. The first Sunday of every month the deaf have their own worship service, and services on the other Sundays are interpreted for them. They also have their own Sunday School department and visiting teams.

"As good as interpretive services are, we need to encourage ministries where the pastor is also deaf – so that the language is not just an interpretation, but the language of the heart," Barrentine said.

Southern Baptist churches throughout the nation will observe Language Missions Day on Sunday, Aug. 8, focusing on the theme "The Dream Is the Same." Churches can celebrate Language Missions Day in many ways depending on their size. Barrentine offered a few simple suggestions to aid churches in the annual emphasis:

- Consider inviting a language mission pastor to speak at a language missions banquet or to share his testimony.
- Make a simple display of Bibles in other languages.
- Have someone in the church who has lived in another country share what it is like to reside where one doesn't speak the language.
- Display clothing or objects from other lands.
- Teach a children's choir a simple Christian song in Spanish.

# Baptists urged to guard religious liberty

By Herschel H. Hobbs

Special to the Arkansas Baptist



Baptists have always been in the forefront of the struggle for religious liberty, the mother of all true freedom. They demand freedom for all religions, yes, and for no religion. Man is free not to worship

God if he so chooses, but he is responsible for his choices.

Religious liberty is not based upon any legal document of a political state. It is grounded in the Bible itself. God created man a person in His own likeness. In spiritual matters man is competent to stand before God for himself. No government, church or other institution has the right to stand between him and God. He alone is the Lord of man's conscience. And he has ordained that man's conscience shall be "free from the doctrines and commandments of men which are contrary to His Word or not contained in it," according to the Baptist Faith and Message. Thus religious liberty is rooted in the Lordship of Christ. If man's law tells the Christian to say, "Caesar is Lord"; he is to say, "Jesus is Lord" (Rom. 10:9, RSV). Christians should be good citizens of the state, but when its laws conflict with God's laws, they should say, "We ought to obey God rather than men" (Acts 5:29). But they must be prepared to suffer whatever penalty may be placed upon them for such disobedience.

Religious liberty entails the separation of church and state, a principle declared by Jesus Himself (Matt. 22:21). This refers to the loyalty due to each. However this does not mean that church and state have no dealings with each other. The state is to provide a favorable social climate in which the church can do its work. The church is to build Christian character which is conducive to good citizenship. In certain crises situations such as a natural disaster, the state can provide for physical needs but not spiritual ones. The latter is the function of the churches. Here is church and state cooperation of equal partners in meeting a pressing need.

But there are certain things which are strictly forbidden by the principle of a "free church in a free state." There must be no established church in our nation. The state shall not try to tell the church how to conduct its business. By the same token

the church should not try to tell the government how to conduct its business.

Many years ago I was asked to speak to a group of pastors along this line. The former statement was greeted with hearty amens. The silence following the latter was eloquent testimony to the need for that statement to be made. Christian citizens as such should make their influence felt in the political process. But no coalition of such should try to influence governmental functions.

One of the most sensitive areas relates to the monetary element. To paraphrase Kipling: Tithes are tithes and taxes are taxes, and never the twain shall meet.

The state should not commandeer church funds for governmental purposes. Likewise, the church should not use tax funds to further spiritual purposes. Edmund Burke once said that a free people never gave up their liberty except under some delusion. Here the delusion is that Christians think they are getting something for nothing. But what government finances it ultimately will control. The public school system is a commentary on this.

Years ago in Oklahoma City the school board announced that it was seeking funds from the federal government to finance a proposed project. The following Sunday I dealt with the matter in my sermon. I pointed out that such a procedure was not only bad government, it was also bad economics. To acquire this money the federal government would increase taxes. For the school project, we would send one dollar to Washington and receive in return probably 35 cents. If we would have the fortitude to vote a local tax for it, we would get to spend the entire dollar—and not endanger our freedom from government control. Baptists will do well to learn a lesson from this.

## The forefront of the battle

In the long, hard struggle for religious liberty, Baptists have always been in the forefront of the battle. Our forefathers fled Europe to escape religious persecution. Ironically as soon as they were settled in America they began to persecute all who disagreed with them in religion. And Baptists were the greatest sufferers in it. Obadiah Holmes was publicly whipped in Boston Commons for the crime of holding an unauthorized worship service one Sunday afternoon in the home of a blind man. The Baptist president of Harvard University was forced to resign because he refused to have his little girl sprinkled.

Roger Williams was driven from the Colony of Massachusetts in the dead of winter. Except for friendly Indians he

would have frozen to death. Later he founded the colony of Rhode Island which guaranteed absolute religious liberty. It is said to have been the first government on earth to do this since Constantine in the fourth century A.D. In Providence, Williams organized the first Baptist church in America. A Baptist preacher, John Leland, led the fight for religious liberty in Massachusetts. Later he did the same in Virginia.

Strangely, our nation's Declaration of Independence did not list religious persecution among its grievances. Following the Revolutionary War a proposed Constitution was drawn up. But it contained no guarantee of religious liberty. It had to be ratified by the various states.

In Virginia, John Leland and James Madison were candidates in their area for election to this ratifying body. Eventually Leland withdrew in favor of Madison with the understanding that he would endeavor to get the provision for religious liberty into the Constitution. It was ratified without this guarantee. Since the Baptists did not criticize Madison, evidently he tried but failed.

The Baptists of Virginia authorized Leland to write a letter to George Washington, asking him to see that religious liberty was written into the Constitution. He replied that he would do so. The Constitutional Convention met in Philadelphia to adopt the Constitution. The first amendment to it guarantees religious liberty.

Some years ago Frank Mead, a Methodist layman, wrote a book entitled *See These Banners Go* and published by a Methodist publishing press. The chapter on The Baptists was so excellent that Broadman Press requested permission to publish it in a small volume. It is the best succinct work I have ever read on the history of Baptists.

In this work Mead asks and answers two questions. If American historians were asked to name the father of religious liberty in the United States, they would reply, "James Madison." But if James Madison were asked the same question, he would reply, "John Leland and the Baptists!"

Our forefathers paid a great price for religious liberty. We should guard it as one of our most prized treasures.

In closing this series of articles on The Baptist Faith and Message, I want to thank editor Trennis Henderson for his invitation to write them. Since its adoption 30 years ago, a new generation of Southern Baptists has come on the scene. I trust that these discussions have helped to focus upon this Statement. May God use it and Southern Baptists to His glory. Amen!

## Arkansas All Over

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## Staff changes

**Kevin H. Lee** has accepted the call to serve as pastor of First Church in Arkadelphia. He currently is pastor of Lebanon Church in Lebanon, Ky., and prior to that was at New Hope Church, Springfield, Ky. Lee is a graduate of Delta College, Saginaw, Mich.; Campbellsville College, Campbellsville, Ky.; and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He is married to the former Dianna Lynn Tarter. They have two daughters, Amber and Allison.

**Verne Wickliffe** will begin serving Aug. 1 as pastor of First Church in Malvern, moving there from First Church in Des Arc. He previously was at Pine Grove Church, Sweet Home. In addition, he has been a chaplain intern at Baptist Medical Center, Little Rock, and a pastor of churches in Indiana. Wickliffe is a graduate of Ouachita Baptist University, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He and his wife, Vicki, have two children, Kara and Troy.

**Jim Pinson** resigned June 27 as minister of youth and children at Calvary Church of Benton, following four years of service. He is now pastor of Olive Branch Church in Chillicothe, Mo.

**Robert Richards** has joined the staff of Congo Road Church in Benton as minister to youth. Richards is a student at Ouachita

Baptist University. He and his wife, Donna, live in Arkadelphia.

**Terrell Wallace** is serving as interim pastor of Temple Church, Benton. A retired Southern Baptist minister, he was pastor of Trinity Church, Malvern.

**Ray Carneal** has joined the staff of First Church, Calico Rock, as youth and children's minister. A graduate of Ouachita Baptist University, he currently is enrolled in the seminary classes taught in Little Rock. Carneal and his wife, Sandy, moved to Calico Rock from El Dorado where he served on the staff of Trinity Church.

**Bill Lynch** has resigned as pastor of Rock Creek Church for health considerations.

**Don Strait** began serving July 11 as pastor of First Church in Pocahontas. He moved there from Tuckerman where he was at First Church.

**Tim Smith** is serving as bivocational pastor of Bethel Church, Gould. He and his wife, Kathy, and their daughter, Meagan, are residing in Hermitage.

**Michael Peeler** has joined the staff of First Church in Crossett as assistant to the minister of music. He is a recent graduate of Mississippi State University, Starkville.

**Carol Lopez** has been called as minister of music for Lakeshore Drive Church in Little Rock. She is a graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University in Shawnee, Okla., and has been a student at Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

## People

**Clay Doss**, minister of music and youth at First Church of Horseshoe Bend, was ordained to the gospel ministry by the church June 27.

**Barry Grantham**, minister of youth at First Church of Hot Springs, was ordained to the gospel ministry July 11. The ordination service was held in his home church, Broadmoor Church of Jackson, Miss.

**Steve Daily** graduated May 22 from Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary with a master of divinity degree. While a student there, Daily was awarded the Mae Hammer Home Missions Scholarship and served as associate pastor at Riverside Church, Kansas City. He and his wife, Lynda, and their two sons, Nicholas and David Austin, currently are residing in Arkadelphia. Daily is the son of Herb and Betty Daily, also of Arkadelphia.

## Church news

**Pulaski Heights Church** in Little Rock celebrated completion of a \$1.2 million renovation program July 21-25 that was directed by Haddon Brown, renovation chairman, and Scott Davies, construction committee chairman.

"Reaching New Heights" was the theme for events that were launched with a grand opening and talent show at the church. Other activities included a July 23 "Under Construction" dinner with Dixieland entertainment; a July 24 5K steeple chase fun run and a July 24 "Church Raisin" barbecue dinner that included family folk music by "The Petersens."

An Arkansas Symphony performance and message by pastor Ken Dalton launched Sunday events that concluded with a noon luncheon and tours of the renovated facility.

**Mountain Home First Church** observed 125 years of ministry June 27 with traditional morning services, a potluck dinner and an afternoon music extravaganza that featured musical groups, soloists and instrumentalists. Speakers were former pastors Harold Elmore and Rodney Reeves. Anniversary committee members were Clema Alley, chairman; Garvin Carroll co-chairman; Doedy Trammell; Frank Huckaba; and Donna Kinkade. David L. Johnson is pastor.



*The Fellowship of Retired Baptist Workers in Arkansas held its annual meeting July 15 at Park Hill Church, North Little Rock. 1993-94 officers elected were (seated left to right) Martha Hairston of Little Rock, president; Erlne Bauer of Little Rock, secretary; and (standing left to right) Lehman Webb of Little Rock, second vice president; and John Maddox of Maumelle, first vice president. Program highlights included historical reflections by Daniel Grant of Arkadelphia; "Since We Retired" information shared by Melvin and Carrie Wells of Miami, Okla., who had served as missionary associates to Zambia; and inspirational thoughts by ABS executive director Don Moore.*

# Ouachita Baptist University: 'On the move'

By Jeff Root

Ouachita Baptist University, Arkadelphia

With applications for admission to Ouachita Baptist University dramatically increasing for the 1993-94 academic year, the university's success stories in religious life, academics, student life and institutional advancement remain on target.

Ouachita officials are pleased that applications for fall admission are the highest in the history of the university. In fact, Randy Garner, director of admissions counseling, reported that his office's goal of 725 applications had been met by May 31.

"Our numbers have been up all year," said Garner. "The young people of Arkansas and surrounding states have responded to a variety of aspects that make Ouachita attractive, from our well-recognized academic program and religious activities to our spirited social life."

While the reasons for the increase are many, one theme seems to be common. Ouachita is being seen as a university on the move.

"We have seen the Ouachita undergraduate experience enhanced greatly in recent years," said Ouachita president Ben M. Elrod. "Part of this success is attributable to a growing financial base for Ouachita and to new commitments to building leadership and international awareness, but much of Ouachita's recent success has come because we have never forgotten our traditional commitment to bringing students and faculty together in a campus under the lordship of Jesus Christ."

## Religious life

Under the leadership of Ian Cosh, director of religious activities, Ouachita students are challenged to grow as disciples of Christ through Bible study, prayer and evangelism.

The Baptist Student Union sponsors dozens of ministry activities each year. One of the biggest annual events is Venture, this year scheduled for Sept. 25. In 1992, Venture attracted more than 1,400 junior and senior high students. Another large turnout is expected this fall, when students will be led by featured speaker Louie Giglio of Waco, Texas. Say So, a contemporary Christian group comprised of four Ouachita graduates, will be in concert, along with Ouachita's Praise Singers.

Ouachita's weekly chapel service took on new form and meaning last year with its transition to the Harvey and Bernice Jones Performing Arts Center. The move allowed the entire student body to attend

the same service for the first time in decades. Chapel speakers and performers ranged from students and faculty to nationally-known personalities such as Sandi Patti.

Evangelism is the focus of a number of events each year, including mission trips during spring and summer breaks. More than 100 students were involved in missions last year, including trips to Florida, Ecuador and Kazakhstan.

## Academic life

Among the most important additions to life at Ouachita this fall will be the debut of the Frank D. Hickingbotham School of Business. Funded by the founder and CEO of TCBY Enterprises, Inc., the transition to a "school of business" will feature expanded course offerings, additional faculty and updated equipment and facilities.

The Hickingbotham School of Business includes the departments of management and marketing, economics and finance, and accounting. Improvements include a new 22-unit computer lab and a video-projection system for classroom use.

The curriculum at Ouachita also has changed to include an international studies minor. This new option reflects the rapid growth of the Daniel R. Grant International Studies Program, under the direction of Trey Berry.

More than 12 percent of the student body participated in international travel and study last year. One- or two-semester programs for Ouachita students are available in Japan, Great Britain, Austria, Russia, Kazakhstan and China. Shorter study tours make it possible for students to travel to several other nations in Western and Eastern Europe.

Ouachita continues to serve as the flagship university of the Cooperative Series International Educational Consortium, a union of 40 Southern Baptist colleges and universities for the purpose of fostering international awareness.

Cooperative efforts between the Daniel R. Grant International Studies Program and Carl Goodson Honors Program have created new opportunities for travel. Each year honors students compete for designation as a Ben Elrod Scholar, and the opportunity to go anywhere in the world to conduct research for a senior thesis. A new agreement with the University of Bonn, Germany, will provide a research base at Bonn for Ouachita honor students traveling in Europe.

The Pew Younger Scholars Program will be a companion program to the Carl

Goodson Honors Program, both under the direction of Scott Duvall. Awarded by the Pew Charitable Trust, Ouachita was one of 10 colleges and universities in the nation to receive an \$8,000 grant for the purpose of creating a program which will provide expanded learning experiences for undergraduates interested in teaching careers at the higher education level. The program



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In tune with the university's emphasis on leadership education, Ouachita students have many opportunities to develop their leadership skills. More than 50 student clubs and organizations will sponsor a variety of campus activities in 1993-94.

Ouachita's eight social clubs keep the campus entertained with a variety of special events throughout the year. Their service projects such as work with nursing homes and the Human Development Center provide assistance to worthy causes in the Arkadelphia area.

The Student Entertainment and Leisure Fund (SELF) will be busy again in 1993-94, sponsoring more than a dozen movies, the annual campus Christmas party and window decorating contest and a campus wide spring fling among other activities. SELF director Paul Bass and his staff added a popular new event last year, Fun Flick, which gave students a chance to star in their own music videos.

The Ouachita Student Foundation sponsors two of the year's biggest events: Tiger Tunes and Tiger Traks. The former will be held in conjunction with Homecoming Nov. 13. The all-campus sing record crowds last year. Tiger Traks is a team sports competition held each spring.

The Ouachita football schedule for the fall includes four games at A.U. Williams



Field, and a fifth home game set for War Memorial Stadium in Little Rock. Homecoming will feature a 2 p.m. kickoff against the University of Arkansas at Monticello on Nov. 13. Parents' Day/Preview Day, in

which both prospective students and parents of current students are guests on campus, is scheduled for Oct. 2.

Along with success stories in so many different areas of life at Ouachita, institutional advancement also is thriving through alumni affairs, admissions counseling, public relations and development.

Entering the final year of Ouachita's Decade of Progress Campaign, total gifts and pledges are expected to surpass the challenge goal of \$26.7 million for the three-year campaign. The base goal of \$22.6 million was surpassed earlier this year.

The next major physical plant project will be the renovation of Cone-Bottoms Hall. The former women's dormitory will become the administration building. Last spring, Ouachita was awarded a challenge grant of \$500,000 by the Mabce Foundation of Tulsa, Okla., for the purpose of renovating Cone-Bottoms. The renovation, which has been estimated at more than \$2 million, will save Ouachita's oldest building and allow almost all administration offices to be located in one building.

The renovated Cone-Bottoms, standing directly across Ouachita Street from Jones Performing Arts Center, represents the successful marriage of Ouachita's traditional commitment to academic and Christian excellence and its present era of unprecedented growth.

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# Williams Baptist College continues growth

By Ron Sanders

Williams Baptist College, Walnut Ridge

Williams Baptist College continues to excel as a four-year, co-educational, liberal arts college. The college begins its 53rd year of service on Aug. 25. Although Williams has basically served as a regional college for the majority of its existence, it is now expanding on a wide-scale basis, drawing students from 13 states and nine foreign countries during the past year.

Williams Baptist College stands as a symbol of educational achievement and integrity, setting standards for academic excellence in a warm, Christian environment with an attitude of love, respect and genuine concern for its student body, alumni and friends.

## Academic life

Williams Baptist College emphasizes the exploration of knowledge from a biblical perspective. WBC's liberal arts curriculum includes such disciplines as art, history, literature, religion, mathematics, music and science. This well-rounded education enables the student to grow toward wholeness and fulfillment as a total person.

WBC's faculty makes its academic difference a reality. Distinguished in their disciplines, they create an atmosphere which combines scholarly examination and concern for the individual. Not only do they know their subjects, they know their students.

Over 50 percent of the faculty hold earned doctorate degrees in the field of their academic discipline. All other faculty hold at least a masters degree in their

respective field of study, with many having done advanced work toward the doctorate.

The 18:1 student to teacher ratio provides an excellent opportunity and atmosphere for learning. Students find opportunities to continue class discussion in the professor's office or just have a friendly chat.

WBC implemented two new degree programs this past year - a bachelor's degree in art education K-12 and a bachelor's degree in vocal music education K-12. Williams will expand its total baccalaureate program offerings to 14 this fall with the addition of a bachelor of science in physical education K-12.

The curriculum at Williams also has expanded to include international studies. Williams offers to select students an opportunity for advanced study under Michael Hurst of Oxford University.

The Honors Program includes two courses, "European History and Culture in the Nineteenth Century" and "Issues of War and Peace in the Modern World." These courses will involve students in an eclectic review of history, political science, economics, literature, philosophy and art.

Select students may apply for private studies in Oxford, England. These students will be instructed privately or in a small seminar setting in history, diplomacy, literature and political science. Courses of study in Oxford are designed to complement a student's major field of study at WBC.

## Religious life

The Baptist Student Union at WBC continues to be a pacesetter through BSU

summer missions. The college takes great pride in the fact that nine out of the past 10 years its BSU has led or tied in leading the state in sending out summer missionaries. The BSU has ranked in the top 10 in the nation in sending out summer missionaries for several years. Nineteen students from the college served as summer missionaries this summer.

In addition to summer missions, students are involved in numerous mission efforts throughout the year, such as 18 students spending their spring break in New Orleans working in the Rachel Sims Baptist Mission. The BSU ministers in nursing homes, jails and numerous churches. WBC's BSU students don't just talk about missions; they do it!

"Each year I am amazed at the number of students who volunteer their summer vacation to work in the mission field," said Jackie Burton, BSU director at WBC. "It definitely speaks highly of the caliber and quality of our students, as well as their commitment to Christ."

The college offers the best in religious speakers and performers for its students. Contemporary artists and groups such as Truth, Dallas Holm, Brian Duncan, Ray Boltz and NewSong have performed on campus. This year's guest concert artist will be Lamelle Harris.

## Student life

Williams is committed to developing highly qualified and skilled leaders for tomorrow. Membership in one or more of the campus' 26 clubs or organizations encourages students to make responsible decisions and develop leadership skills.

For those students who would like to start college life in a meaningful way, the office of student development provides an orientation retreat on Aug. 21-22 at Cedar Glade Encampment. The retreat includes both spiritual and social activities.

WBC also provides an orientation to the parents of students. Parents may choose to participate in a parents' welcome and orientation on either Aug. 21 at 2 p.m. or Aug. 22 at 2:30 p.m.

The annual back-to-school barbecue will be held Aug. 23 at 5:30 p.m. WBC family and guests are invited. Picnic entertainment will be the WBC Showcase, presented by various returning students. At 7 p.m. the WBC family and guests will be entertained in the college chapel by Michael Sitz, a professional ventriloquist from Ft. Worth, Texas. Sitz is a head writer for the ACTS television network and has performed extensively throughout the U.S. and other countries.



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**By David James**

Director, Arkansas Baptist Student Union

Sixty percent say "Friends and Family." This is what Arkansas BSU student leaders think of when they hear the words "Baptist Student Union" or "BSU." When asked what is the objective of BSU, 48 percent of our student leaders say evangelism. How do family and friends relate to evangelism? Let me explain by welcoming to our family Steve, James and Kathy.

Steve was a transplanted student on one of our campuses whose belief system was foreign to the traditional Arkansas Baptist student. In fact, as a Jew he was an outsider looking in, even when he was in the building. Our BSU director began building a friendship with this "welcome guest" and found a cautious and confused young man who had recently lost his father to cancer. BSU students began to share food, time, friendship, laughter and Jesus. It did not seem like it, but it was working! Steve, the welcome guest, became a trusted friend, but not a believer. After hours of learning about Judaism, conversing about faith and being frustrated at rejection, the students and the director began to see the birth of a new family member. Steve, having spent hours reading the Bible, one night after a volleyball game decided to place his trust in Jesus. It was the BSU president who prayed with him. This welcome guest is now a family member.

James, a welcome black student, was invited to live in our BSU apartment by Will, our BSU president. On Halloween night a group of BSUers put on a program for some children in a local housing project. Tarcus, a BSUer, shared the gospel and some of the children were saved. That night back at the BSU, James, this welcome guest, became a family member as he prayed to receive Christ. Will immediately started discipling James and it was not long until James made a decision to be a summer missionary. He also was baptized and joined a National Baptist church. This welcome guest is now a family member and a part of the greatest family of all, the local church.

Kathy, a graduate student at one of our large universities, had worked hard to maintain her honors status. In Kathy's dorm during her freshman year were two students who had been to the BSU and were involved in freshman ministry. These

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\* 1993 Arkansas BSU Student Leaders Opinion Poll

two students were challenged by their BSU director to start a Bible study in their dorm. Within three weeks 20 students were attending and the holdout was - you guessed it - Kathy. One night, after many prayers and many visits by students and directors, Kathy came to one of the BSU programs. The local pastor who spoke that night was God's voice to Kathy's heart. Following the service, in the BSU director's office, Kathy found forgiveness of sin and release from her oppression. This welcome guest was now a family member. That year seven students made professions of faith through the influence of the Bible study. To this day the Bible study group is still inviting guests to become members. Kathy's name is fictitious, but the story is true.

Welcome to the family...Steve, James and Kathy! I wish I had time to tell you about Matt, Nathan, Mary and a multitude of other new members. But it is time to welcome our new guests this fall! Pray for us as BSU, the "Family and Friends" place, welcomes our new "guests." Especially pray for us as we encourage these guests to get involved and join local churches...the greatest family place of all.



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### Welcoming Activities:

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### Ongoing Activities

Noonday, 12 noon, Tuesdays  
Bible Study, 9 p.m., Wednesdays  
Visit Nursing Homes, Tuesdays and Wednesdays  
Tutoring in local schools

## Arkansas State University

Arliss Dickerson, Director  
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### Welcoming Activities:

Survival '93 (Freshmen & Transfers), Aug. 22, 4:30 p.m.  
Monday Lunch (free home-cooked meal), Aug. 23, 12 noon  
Chuck Bentley in concert, Aug. 26, 6:30 p.m.

### Ongoing Activities:

Monday Lunch Program, 12 noon, Mondays  
Bible Study, 6 p.m., Mondays  
Thursday Night Together (TNT), Thursdays, 6:30 p.m.  
Freshman Family Groups  
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### Ongoing Activities:

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Bible Study

## Arkansas Tech University

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### Welcoming Activities:

Freshman Fellowship, Aug. 20, 8 p.m.  
Howdy Week Begins Aug. 24, 7 p.m.  
Thursday Noonday, Aug. 26, 12 noon  
Beach Volleyball, Aug. 27, 8 p.m.  
David Mullins in concert, Sept. 10, 8 p.m.

### Ongoing Activities:

Tech Bible Study, 7 p.m., Tuesdays  
Noonday Luncheon, 12 noon, Thursdays  
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Phone: 223-7488

### Welcoming Activities:

Schoolwide Welcome Party, Aug. 10, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.  
BSU-sponsored Free Lunch, Mid-August, Noon

### Ongoing Activities:

Weekly Luncheon-Freshman, noon, Tuesdays  
Weekly Luncheon-Upperclassmen, 11 a.m., Mondays  
Discipleship/Bible Study

## East Arkansas Community College

Barry Morgan, Director  
Rt. 1, Box 82-B, Coit, AR 72328  
Phone: 633-6258

### Welcoming Activities:

BSU Roundup, Aug. 30

### Ongoing Activities:

Luncheon, 12 noon, Mondays  
Bible Study  
BSU Retreat, Sept. 17-18

## Garland County Community College

Beverly Cooke, Director  
100 College Drive, GCCC Box 73  
Hot Springs, AR 71913  
Phone: 787-9389

### Welcoming Activities:

Open House, Aug. 19  
Continental Breakfast, Aug. 23-27, 7:30-9:30 a.m.

### Ongoing Activities:

Small Group Bible Study  
Friday Luncheon, 11:30 a.m., Fridays

**Henderson State University**

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

**Welcoming Activities:**

Watermelon Bash & Sand Volleyball, Aug. 24, noon to 7 p.m.  
Power Lunch, Sept. 1, 12 noon  
David Mullins in concert, Sept. 7, 7 p.m.  
"The Great Adventure" (Back to School Retreat), Sept. 10-11

**Ongoing Activities:**

Worship, 7 p.m., Tuesdays  
Power Lunch, (free lunch), 12 noon, Wednesdays  
R.A.P. Mission (working with underprivileged children),  
1-4 p.m., Wednesdays  
"Chasing Rabbits" (Sack lunch & Bible study), 12 noon,  
Thursdays  
Nursing Home Missions, 2 p.m., Thursdays  
Bible Studies

**Mississippi County Community College**

Jeff Paul, Director  
4311 N. County Rd. 535, Blytheville, AR 72315

**Welcoming Activities:**

Registration/Welcoming, Aug. 16-17, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Fun in the Sun, Aug. 28, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Concert, to be announced

**Ongoing Activities:**

Noon Lunch Forum, 12 noon, Mondays  
Joy Night, to be announced

**North Arkansas Community College**

Les Hadley, Director  
P.O. Box 1213, Harrison, AR 72801  
Phone: 743-5901

**Welcoming Activities:**

To Be Announced

**Ongoing Activities:**

Luncheon  
Bible Study

**Ouachita Baptist University**

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

**Welcoming Activities:**

BSU Mixer, Aug. 23, 7 p.m.  
New Student Talent Show, Aug. 26, 7 p.m.  
Fall Retreat, Aug. 27-28

**Ongoing Activities:**

Noonday, daily



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 Discipleship Groups, weekly

## Phillips County Community College

Terry Garrison, Director  
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 Phone: 572-3593

### Welcoming Activities:

Fall Registration, Aug. 23, 8 a.m.

### Ongoing Activities:

Bible Study, 12 noon, Tuesdays  
 Lunch Encounter, 12 noon, Wednesdays

## Rich Mountain Community College

Shery Baker, Director  
 601 Bush St., Mena, AR 71953  
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### Welcoming Activities:

BSU Roundup, Aug. 25, 12 noon

### Ongoing Activities:

Bible Study  
 Lunch Encounter, 12 noon, Fridays

## Southern Arkansas University

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

### Welcoming Activities:

Aloha Party, Aug. 24, 8 p.m.  
 "Survival Weekend '93," Aug. 27-28  
 "Jam 'n '93" (Fall Revival), Aug. 30-Sept. 1, 8 p.m.

### Ongoing Activities:

Wednesday Lunch (free), 12 noon, Wednesdays  
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 Brown Bag Bible Study, Fridays, 12 noon

## Southern Arkansas Tech University

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

### Welcoming Activities:

Welcome Back Concert and Party, First Friday of the semester, 7 p.m.

The First Lunch Bunch, First Wednesday of the semester, 12 noon

### Ongoing Activities:

Lunch Bunch, 12 noon, Wednesdays  
 KISS (Keep In Step with the Spirit), 3 p.m., Tuesday or Thursday  
 Bible Study Groups  
 Discipleship Groups  
 Leadership Meeting, 9 p.m., Wednesdays

## University of Arkansas

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

### Welcoming Activities:

College Quest, Aug. 19-21  
 Hamburgers & Volleyball, Aug. 22, 6 p.m.  
 "That Freshman Thang" Welcome Party, Aug. 24, 7 p.m.  
 BASIC Howdy Party, Aug. 26, 8 p.m.

### Ongoing Activities:

BASIC (Brothers & Sisters in Christ), 8 p.m., Thursdays  
 "That Freshman Thang," 7 p.m., Tuesdays  
 Lunch Encounter, 11:30 a.m., Mondays

## University of Arkansas, Little Rock

Dan McCauley, Director  
 Anna Anthony, Assistant  
 5515 West 32nd Street, Little Rock, AR 72204  
 Phone: 562-4383

### Welcoming Activities:

"Lunch Bunch" Cookout, Aug. 25, 12 noon  
 "Howdy Party," Aug. 27, 6 p.m.

### Ongoing Activities:

Lunch Bunch, 12 noon, Wednesdays  
 ROC (Reach Our Campus), 7 p.m., Thursdays  
 Bible Studies, 7 p.m., Tuesdays

## University of Arkansas Medical Sciences

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

### Welcoming Activities:

Water Volleyball/Cookout, Aug. 13, 5 p.m.  
 Married Student Social, Aug. 16, 6 p.m.  
 Cookout/Sand Volleyball/Swim/Tennis, Aug. 28, 4 p.m.

### Ongoing Activities:

"Experiencing God," 9 p.m., Mondays  
 BSU "Celebration," 5:30 p.m., Tuesdays  
 Lunch Bunch, 12 noon, Wednesdays  
 "Encountering God" Prayer Breakfast, 7 a.m., Mondays  
 "Word Search" (Bible Study), 7 p.m., Thursdays  
 Ecuador Mission Trip, December

## University of Arkansas, Monticello

Darrell Cook, Director  
 Box 3073, UAM, Monticello, AR 71656  
 Phone: 367-5381

### Welcoming Activities:

Hot Dog Supper, Aug. 22, 7 p.m.  
 "Into the Future" Welcome Party, Aug. 24, 7 p.m.  
 "Pop" into the BSU—all day long (free popcorn) Aug. 24

Bible Study, Aug. 26  
 BSU Fall Retreat, Aug. 27-28

### Ongoing Activities:

TNT, 6:30 p.m., Tuesdays  
 Lunch Encounter, 12 noon, Wednesdays  
 Bible Study, 6:30 p.m., Thursdays

## University of Central Arkansas

Richard Boyles, Director  
 Box 5164, UCA, Conway, AR 72035  
 Phone: 329-5783

### Welcoming Activities:

Worship Celebration (Ice breakers & concert by Todd Morris)  
 Aug. 26, 6 p.m.

Lunch Bunch (free food), Sept. 1, 12 noon

Bible Study Groups, Sept. 13, 3-10:30 p.m.

**Ongoing Activities:**

Worship, 6 p.m., Thursdays

Lunch Bunch (free food), 12 noon, Wednesdays

Bible Study Groups, 3-10:30 p.m., Mondays

**University of the Ozarks**

Mike Kinsay, Director  
BSU C-Box 377, Clarksville, AR 72830  
Phone: 754-7754

**Welcoming Activities:**

Howdy Party, Aug. 27, 6 p.m.

**Ongoing Activities:**

Noonday, 12 noon, Thursdays

Spanish Bible Study, 6:30 p.m., Fridays

Priority (Singing Group), 8 p.m., Tuesdays

Weekly Bible Study

**Westark Community College**

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

**Welcoming Activities:**

Volleyball/Homemade Ice Cream, Aug. 24, 7:30 p.m.

Howdy Party, Aug. 27, 7:30 p.m.

**Ongoing Activities:**

Noondays, 12 noon, Wednesdays

TNT (Thursday Night Together), 7:30 p.m., Thursdays

Discussion Group, 1 p.m., Fridays

Ensemble Practice, 1 p.m., Tuesdays

Bible Studies

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Jackie Burton, Director  
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Phone: 886-6741

**Welcoming Activities:**

Welcome in the Dorms, Aug. 29, 1-5 p.m.

Howdy Party, Aug. 29, 8:30 p.m.

Welcome in Freshmen Orientation, Aug. 30, 8 a.m.

BSU Booth at Registration, Aug. 30-31

Fall Retreat, Sept. 10-11

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**Ongoing Activities:**

Noonday, 12:30, Monday through Thursday

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# Rankin, Lewis, Draper emphasize evangelization

By Linda Lawson  
Baptist Sunday School Board

RIDGECREST, NC (BP)—To effectively take the gospel to the ends of the earth will require Southern Baptists to set aside self-centered individual, church and institutional concerns and surrender fully to God's leadership, according to the presidents of three SBC agencies.

James T. Draper Jr. of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Larry Lewis of the Home Mission Board and Jerry Rankin, recently elected to head the Foreign Mission Board, spoke during Jericho: A Southern Baptist Missions Festival, July 3-9 at Ridgecrest.

"In a sense, to be a Christian is to be a world citizen," Draper said in the Sunday morning worship service. "Have you ever considered that God gave you your financial security — not for retirement — but to serve in this world as a steward of God's grace?"

He said he dreams of a time when 100,000 Southern Baptists will be "part of the worldwide expression of the stewardship of God's grace" and young people giving two years of their lives in volunteer service will "blitz the world for Christ."

In a conference on what foreign missions is like, Rankin said world missions must be indigenous, focusing on evangelism that results in churches.

"The objective of all you do has to be evangelism, and evangelism has to have the result of churches," he said. "Where a

church results, you have a witnessing group of believers that goes beyond the presence of the missionary. It continues to expand and multiply the witness."

Overviewing Southern Baptist home missions, Lewis said: "We are not the agency Southern Baptists employ to do missions or church starting or evangelism for them. We do our most fruitful work

when we do it in and through churches."

Noting about 600 counties in the United States presently have no Southern Baptist witness, Lewis said achievement of the goal of 50,000 churches and church-type missions by the year 2000 is imperative.

"Even then we will have more places that need a church than have a church," he said.

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## HMB action affirms chaplain's stand on homosexuality

By Martin King  
SBC Home Mission Board

ATLANTA (BP)—Directors of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board endorsed a resolution during their July board meeting commending the U.S. Marine Corps' head chaplain for his stand on biblical teachings on homosexuality.

The resolution was a response to criticism directed at Capt. Larry Ellis, a Southern Baptist chaplain, said Huey Perry, director of the HMB's chaplaincy division.

The resolution commends Ellis for his strong stand which "has encouraged and enabled chaplains of various faith groups and in all military services to stand tall in these days of challenge," and for his "spiritual integrity, courage and boldness."

Ellis' office produced a position paper supporting the military's ban on homosexuals. The report received coverage by the *New York Times*, drawing criticism

from at least two members of Congress as well as the homosexual community and some chaplains in other military branches.

The resolution also expressed support and encouragement for all Southern Baptist chaplains "as they stand and speak the truth in all matters of faith."

In other business, the HMB appointed 42 new home missionaries, approved \$2.8 million in church loans for 22 Southern Baptist congregations and elected Jamie W. Cook and Carl D. Barrington to serve on the HMB staff in Atlanta.

Cook, a Georgia native and graduate of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, will be director of information services.

Barrington, elected as associate director of the mission service corps department, is a native of Oklahoma. He has served on staff of churches in Texas as well as Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas.

HMB president Larry Lewis expressed

concern over the potential impact of efforts to "personalize gifts to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. If a large number of churches choose to specify their offering, it could be an administrative nightmare."

SBC messengers in Houston passed a recommendation from the SBC Executive Committee which calls for the Home and Foreign Mission boards to develop a plan through which churches may support special offerings by funding specific projects identified by the two boards.

According to Lewis, "It is my hope, my prayer, Southern Baptists will see the wisdom of undesignated gifts so that they might rejoice at being a part of all the missions work we do and not just a small segment."

Lewis also announced groundbreaking ceremonies for the mission agency's new building will be Oct. 11. The HMB has sold its present facilities in midtown Atlanta and purchased 34 acres north of the city.

## Blackaby: 'God is not done with Southern Baptists'

By Sarah Zimmerman  
SBC Home Mission Board

ATLANTA (BP)—God is not through with Southern Baptists, but He expects them to repent and return to God, said Henry Blackaby.

Blackaby, Home Mission Board director of prayer and spiritual awakening, came to

that conclusion during this year's Southern Baptist Convention annual meeting in Houston.

Four issues could have destroyed the SBC meeting, Blackaby said: the HMB's report on Freemasonry, the election of a Foreign Mission Board president, the role of Woman's Missionary Union and the motion to unseat messengers from

Immanuel Church in Little Rock where President Bill Clinton is a member. Those items were handled smoothly, convincing Blackaby that God has a future for Southern Baptists, he said.

Yet Southern Baptists must choose to follow God's leadership, Blackaby told HMB directors during a dinner prior to their July meeting.

"God's putting a spiritual plumb line down the middle of Southern Baptists," Blackaby said. "The plumb line is not whether we meet our goals, but whether we obey." Response to God's call for obedience will determine whether God blesses or judges Southern Baptists, he emphasized.

Blackaby challenged HMB directors, as leaders of the SBC agency charged with a national plan for evangelism, to consider themselves responsible for this nation's spiritual awakening.

"Is America returning to the Lord? Are you holding yourselves accountable?" Blackaby asked. "The salvation of our country depends on the repentance of God's people."

In addition to repentance, Blackaby urged directors to "stand in the presence of God long enough to know what God wants you to do." Too often people are led to complete programs rather than follow God, he said.

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# Arkansas youth help change lives in Tennessee

By Melissa Myers

SBC Brotherhood Commission

MILLINGTON, TN—More than 200 Southern Baptist youth participating in World Changers brought a brighter day to Millington, Tenn., by renovating and repairing 20 area homes.

World Changers is a missions project sponsored by the Southern Baptist Brotherhood Commission. Youth from Park Hill Church in North Little Rock joined youth from 16 churches in eight other states to re-roof, paint, repair porches and doors and put up siding on houses in low-income areas of Millington.

Many said the response of residents to a new roof or a fresh coat of paint was a highlight of the week.

"You don't think you're getting anywhere until you see the look on (the resident's) face," said Amy Giles, 22, of First Baptist Church, Pigeon Forge, Tenn.

Youth benefit from the experience as much as residents. They learn the value of working together to respond to needs.

Meeting youth from other churches and finishing the job was the best part of the week for many involved. Others said they enjoyed meeting the people they were working for and learning about construction work.

Clark Ferguson, 16, of Park Hill Church, said the resident his crew assisted "knows we can do the job and she can trust us."

World Changers is about more than just renovating houses. "It sends a signal to the community that we do care for people," said John Draper, program director for Shelby Baptist Association.

The residents of the houses were excited to watch the day-to-day progress of the crews and even more excited to see the finished work.

"I won't have to put pots and pan down

anymore," said Georgia Stapleton about her once-leaking roof. "It's a wonderful thing."

The Millington community cooperated by providing everything from funds to popsoles for the project, said Bill Kisner, project coordinator and minister of youth at First Baptist Church, Millington. Mayor George Harvell even declared it "World Changers Week" in the city.

More than 4,000 youth and leaders will participate in 33 World Changers work projects throughout the United States and Puerto Rico this summer.

Youth from First Church, Searcy, participated in a World Changers work project in Brockton, Mont., June 26-July 3. Junior high youth from Calvary Church, Little Rock, took part in World Changer Jr. High in Shreveport, La., July 19-24.



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## Bivocational ministers slated to meet Oct. 8-9

Approximately 50 percent of Arkansas Baptist churches are served by bivocational pastors, according to L.B. Jordan, director of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention church leadership support department. He said the pastors of these churches either have full-time jobs, are student pastors or are retired, but still pastors.

"While we have many large, strong churches, we are basically a convention of smaller membership churches," Jordan pointed out. "Approximately 70 percent of ABSC churches are single staff churches." He said the state Bivocational/Small Membership Church Pastors and Wives Conference "is designed to provide opportunities for fellowship and growth for these valued church leaders."

This year's conference, focusing on the theme "Equipping to Lead," will be held Oct. 8-9 at the Baptist Building in Little Rock. Registration and fellowship will begin at 6 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 8, with the evening session ending at 9:15 p.m. Saturday morning activities begin with coffee, juice and donuts at 8 a.m. and end

with the close of the worship period at 11:45 a.m.

Featured speakers include Dale Holloway, bivocational consultant for the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board; A.J. Cole, president of the Arkansas Bivocational Ministers' Fellowship; and Sandy Hinkson, educational director at Markham Street Church, Little Rock.

The pastors wives' conference, "Are We Leaders, Too?" will be led by Sandy Hinkson and Nancy Jordan.

The Arkansas Bivocational Ministers' Fellowship will have a brief meeting following the conference.

For further information contact the ABSC Church Leadership Support Department, P.O. Box 552, Little Rock, AR 72203; phone 376-4791, ext. 5148.

## Baptist Women help meet needs in Iowa

Five Arkansas Baptist Women volunteers recently put missions into action as part of the Iowa-Arkansas partnership. The volunteers served in three churches in the Iowa Southern Baptist Fellowship's Northwest Association.

Monica Keathley, Baptist Women/Baptist Young Women associate for Arkansas Baptist WMU, helped with Vacation Bible School at Quimby Baptist Church and led a Backyard Bible Club in Correctionville, where five children were enrolled. Keathley said she heard one of the best definitions of "missions" from 8-year-old Derek Leonard of Quimby Church, who said missions is "getting out of the church and telling people about Jesus." Pastor Tom Carpenter reported an average VBS attendance of 50.

Sisters Loma and Wilma Plumlee served in LeMars with pastor James Marshall and his wife, Connie. The Plumlees, who are from Ash Flat, led two Backyard Bible Clubs with an average of 16 children attending in Floyd Valley Park, and eight children attending the first BBC to be held in O'Toole Park.

Serving at Temple Baptist Church in Sioux City were Louise Wheeler of Clarendon and Reva Jean Ferguson of Eudora.

Wheeler said she enjoyed "the excitement about what was going on in Sioux City." The women taught in VBS and led BBC with summer missionary George Gay. Pastor Leo Endel reported that the church planned and promoted the BBC at a park in Sergeant Bluff without knowing whether any children would come. When 20 children from the community came on the first day, it was evident God had been at work. Average attendance was 15.

Ferguson, a Mission Service Corps volunteer, said she enjoyed the hospitality and friendliness of Iowa Baptists. "I was very impressed with the dedication of the people in the churches," she added. "They are such hard workers."



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El Paso First-El Paso,	152.00	321.91	Faith-DeWitt,	585.62	1,547.66	Woodland-Clarksville,	890.00	1,052.77
Good Hope-McCrory,	85.00	522.52	Gillett First-Gillett,	393.86	592.40	Clear Creek	54,902.24	163,852.48
Grace-Argenta,	1,162.16	1.00	Hogles-Shelton,	0.00	0.00	<b>Concord</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>
Grace-Hubert,	0.00	123.98	Reydel-Reydel,	895.00	2,906.68	*Distended Church	37.00	1,015.94
Gregory-Gregory,	25.00	1,089.28	Saint Charles-Saint Charles,	230.75	2,306.50	Barling First-Barling,	706.50	2,174.67
Griffithville First-Griffithville	0.00	3,443.14	South Side-Stuttgart,	260.00	2,479.09	Bethel-Barling,	235.00	254.43
Higginson First-Higginson,	1,466.77	1,754.45	Stuttgart First-Stuttgart,	40,079.87	47,674.79	Bloomer-Charleston,	0.00	60.00
Hunter First-Hunter,	20.00	3,913.00	Tichnor-Tichnor,	120.00	60.00	Bluff Avenue-Fort Smith,	1,554.51	3,351.75
Judsonia First-Judsonia,	6,073.74	1,984.89	<b>Centennial</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>	Booneville First-Booneville,	3,702.79	23,023.63
Kensett First-Kensett,	879.00	2,668.90	Calbra-Calbra	50,224.90	85,224.90	Branch-Branch,	1,057.39	4,635.60
Liberty-Searcy,	136.00	595.69	Central First-Uniontown	5,934.00	5,934.00	Burke-Burke,	0.00	25.00
McCrory First-McCrory,	4,338.51	2,913.17	Barcelona Road-Hot Sp VII	10,119.98	35,101.14	Burnville-Greenwood,	0.00	379.90
McRae First-McRae,	1,369.53	92.65	Benton First-Benton,	13,704.71	79,898.73	Burnville-Greenwood,	0.00	379.90
Midway-Judsonia,	0.00	1,935.75	Buie-Prattville,	0.00	16.20	Calvary-Fort Smith,	1,893.15	7,432.68
Mount Hebron-Searcy,	1,324.17	0.00	Calvary-Benton,	2,074.91	10,057.07	Charleston First-Southern-Lavaca,	1,214.34	6,000.00
New Morning-Searcy,	0.00	755.56	Calvary-Hawthorn,	125.00	1,373.43	Charleston First-Charleston,	5,380.25	17,153.07
Pangburn First-Pangburn,	72.09	0.00	Central-Hot Springs,	2,059.00	7,315.55	Crestview-New Blaine,	195.00	509.93
Patterson First-Patterson,	0.00	0.00	Congo Road-Benton,	1,445.84	65.70	East Side-Fort Smith,	24,276.81	102,356.94
Pleasant Grove-McCrory,	375.15	782.03	Glead-Malvern,	142.00	318.30	Enterprise First-Lavaca,	0.00	244.52
Prater First-Judsonia,	0.00	1,948.45	Gravel Hill-Benton,	0.00	1,007.88	Excelsior-Greenwood,	0.00	750.41
Rose Bud-Rose Bud,	1,747.40	72,043.68	Hilldale-Heights-Benton,	4,298.75	15,014.10	Faith-Fort Smith,	282.00	1,463.92
Royal Hill-El Paso,	0.00	40.00	Hilldale-Alexander,	921.00	16,741.05	Fianna Hills-Fort Smith,	2,951.44	19,065.14
Searcy First-Searcy,	32,601.43	2,087.55	Hot Springs First-HS	16,741.05	39,273.90	Fort Smith First-Fort Smith,	14,711.60	89,463.22
Sidon-Rosebud,	0.00	3,224.68	Hot Springs Second-HS	65,542.39	63,666.54	Glendale-Booneville,	2,042.02	3,919.07
Temple-Searcy,	1,684.72	8,447.05	Hurricane Lake-Benton,	55.00	751.43	Grand Avenue-Fort Smith,	21,068.73	86,526.28
Trinity-Searcy,	2,167.60	2,262.58	Lake Hamilton-Lake Hamilton,	2,250.00	3,626.06	Grayson-Booneville,	0.00	0.00
Union Valley-Tupleo,	542.60	7,891.00	Lakeshore Heights-HS	6,756.26	6,238.16	Greenwood First-Greenwood,	8,554.28	34,728.00
Union Valley-Beale,	1,046.56	861.42	Le Chapel-Pearcy,	0.00	3,989.83	Hackett First-Hackett,	279.75	1,362.37
Valley-Searcy,	234.57	186,441.29	Lighthouse-Hot Springs,	10.00	40.00	Haven Heights-Fort Smith,	4,462.89	19,048.75
West Point-West Point,	74,484.31	3,702.16	Macedonia-Mountain Pine,	38.16	173.78	Highway 96 First-Lavaca,	5,000.90	20,000.00
Calvary			Magnet Cove First-Magnet	3,018.00	3,322.23	Immanuel-Fort Smith,	2,666.40	12,301.00
<b>Carry</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>	Malvern Third-Malvern,	1,566.00	1,000.00	Jenny Lind-Greenwood,	1,475.39	2,852.29
Bearden First-Bearden,	2,195.10	18,800.00	Meadowview-Sheridan,	185.00	1,012.29	Laotian (at Grand Avenue)-Fort Sm	0.00	0.00
Beardenville-Bearden,	193.00	2,321.00	Memorial-Hot Springs,	470.00	3,972.19	Lavaca First-Lavaca,	4,554.40	17,940.03
Calvary-Camden,	3,776.92	28,434.72	Mount Vernon-Benton,	1,330.00	1,061.52	Magazine First-Magazine,	2,717.17	4,269.82
Eagle Mills-Camden,	325.00	22,434.72	New Life-Alexander	400.00	983.36	Memorial-Hackett,	375.00	1,042.21
Faith-Camden,	28.00	669.46	North Main-Sheridan,	35.00	201.25	Midland First-Midland,	1,694.00	12,000.00
Fordyce First-Fordyce,	17,777.34	6,642.53	Old Spring-Camden,	499.00	0.00	Moxx-Booneville,	0.00	123.85
Grace-Hampton,	375.00	3,360.00	Oswenville-Lonsdale,	525.00	3,285.00	Moffett - Grand Ave-Fort Smith	0.00	0.00
Grace-Hampton,	2,118.75	1,027.38	Piney-Hot Springs,	787.00	6,119.59	Mount Harmony-Greenwood,	149.68	116.68
Hampton-Thorton,	172.45	1,294.40	Pleasant Hill-Bauzite,	1,429.64	4,928.02	Mount Zion-Greenwood,	1,563.00	1,420.06
Holly Spring-Sparkman,	389.22	726.00	Ridgecrest-Benton,	1,177.50	1,400.81	New Hope-Greenwood,	1,542.32	3,078.81
Manning-Sparkman,	0.00	302.00	Riverside-Donaldson,	397.00	1,650.17	North Side-Charleston,	200.00	0.00
New Hope-Sparkman,	428.00	150.00	Royal-Royal,	65.00	0.00	North Side-Fort Smith,	200.00	0.00
Ouachita-Sparkman,	832.00	1,088.27	Salem-Benton,	7,538.41	14,189.08	Oak Cliff-Fort Smith,	11,993.74	23,641.32
Prosperity-Bearden,	0.00	1,236.19	Shorewood Hill-Jones Mill,	0.00	0.00	Palentine-Greenwood,	1,116.63	588.27
Shady Grove-Sparkman,	300.00	1,458.56	South Hill First-Spring,	46.00	101.00	Paris First-Paris,	6,850.80	13,182.91
South Side-Fordyce,	707.00	1,020.00	Temple-Benton,	782.50	2,293.10	Parview-Booneville,	747.00	1,542.93
Sparkman First-Sparkman,	8,554.00	219.04	Trinity-Benton,	3,214.20	15,663.79	Phoenix Village-Fort Smith,	1,291.55	1,614.27
Thorton First-Thorton,	143.58	0.00	Trinity-Malvern,	3,799.14	4,398.93	Pine Log-Booneville,	67.26	134.76
Tinsman First-Hampton,	0.00	0.00	Walnut Valley-Hot Springs,	321.01	768.09	Ratzoff First-Ratzoff,	97.75	891.30
Tulip Memorial-Carriage,	0.00	0.00	<b>Central</b>	<b>155,405.11</b>	<b>356,906.97</b>	Roseville-Ratzoff,	16.00	300.00
Carry	<b>38,261.88</b>		<b>Clear Creek</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>	Rye Hill-Fort Smith,	3,493.92	7,263.52
<b>Caroline</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>	Alma First-Alma,	6,784.20	30,436.59	South Side-Booneville,	163.00	2,510.45
Anson Station-Austin,	1,664.86	3,225.36	Alta First-Alta,	185.00	565.45	South Side-Fort Smith,	1,568.90	7,068.59
Braugh Chapel-Austin,	1,261.06	4,665.18	Babson-Ozark,	0.00	0.00	Southern-Paris,	168.85	70.86
Bisbee First-Bisbee,	252.00	1,898.91	Calvin Creek-Lamar,	261.83	1,600.02	Spring-Fort Smith,	4,429.36	6,201.00
Brownsville-Lonoke,	147.00	1,414.17	Casa-Ozark,	0.00	0.00	Temple-Fort Smith,	1,826.10	5,533.25
Cabot First-Cabot,	15,211.85	45,135.57	Cedarville-Cedarville,	630.00	1,280.25	Trinity-Fort Smith,	1,772.05	3,306.18
Cabot Second-Cabot,	183.45	479.00	Clarksville Second-Clarksville,	1,950.00	2,438.53	Union Hill-Booneville,	0.00	0.00
Calvary-Ward,	79.90	562.75	Concord South-Central Hill,	1,287.00	1,864.14	Vesta-Charleston,	233.15	167.22
Carley Creek-England,	241.00	15,122.66	Concord Van Buren,	822.01	1,506.19	Victory-Booneville,	89.52	409.30
Carlelie First-Carlelie,	3,290.00	2,460.26	Concord Van Buren,	2,974.42	13,374.13	Vietnamese-Fort Smith,	0.00	150.00
Cockeley-Ward,	865.00	1,100.78	Covey First-Dyer,	27.00	1,190.70	Vietnamese-Fort Smith,	200.00	321.90
Coy-Coy,	359.87	0.00	East Mount Zion-Clarksville,	100.00	3,636.47	Weside-Fort Smith,	129.46	557.43
Cross Roads-Carliele,	0.00	1,650.22	Eastmont Heights-Van Buren,	0.00	874.59	Westport Park-Fort Smith,	938.00	0.00
Des Arc First-Des Arc,	1,699.76	16,520.22	Graphic Southern-Alma,	0.00	331.67	<b>Concord</b>	<b>150,823.98</b>	<b>538,707.51</b>
DeValis Bluff First-DeValis Bluff	140.27	1,295.04	Haganville-Haganville,	0.00	0.00	<b>Conway-Parry</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>
England First-England,	17,603.84	7,340.38	Hartsville First-Hartman,	2,225.00	1,178.00	Bigiole-Bigiole,	78.85	973.69
Hazen First-Hazen,	1,850.00	2,297.36	Kilmer-Alma,	4,811.20	3,848.03	Casa First-Casa,	341.42	522.51
Inmanuel-Carliele,	865.00	2,138.31	Lamar-Lamar,	1,419.05	1,869.00	Central Ridge-Central Ridge,	315.00	308.91
Kee-Kee,	5,103.52	21,995.28	Mountainburg First	184.78	622.88	Conway-Parry-Perryville,	250.00	0.00
Mount Carmel-Cabot,	17,473.10	1,237.51	Mulberry First-Mulberry,	851.00	5,956.69	Cove Chapel Spring-Springfield,	0.00	0.00
Mountain Springs-Cabot,	463.00	348.59	New Park-Van Buren,	4,497.84	11,545.31	Hamony-Perryville,	113.10	231.00
New Hope-Lonoke,	793.40	727.18	Oak Grove-Van Buren,	3,710.76	7,846.12	Houston-Houston,	622.78	688.82
Oak Grove-Austin,	200.00	236.00	Ozark-Dark,	8,517.58	30,487.38	Morrison First-Morrison,	593.64	1,240.11
Oakridge-Austin,	150.50	3,053.70	Ozark First-Ozark,	32.82	1,270.28	Morrison-Perryville,	9,395.01	16,874.58
Old Austin-Austin,	30.00	1,108.04	Rudy-Rudy,	245.00	120.00	Nimrod-Perryville,	3,051.00	1,355.00
Pleasant Hill-Cabot,	633.58	377.51	Shibley-Van Buren,	191.20	1,129.22	Oppelo-Parry,	403.00	300.00
Roberson-Lonoke,	73.00	128.00	Southside-Alma,	212.00	4,514.82	Perry-Parry,	0.00	570.00
South Bend-Jacksonville,	377.51	792.85	Spadra-Clarkville,	100.00	279.64	Perryville First-Perryville,	7,153.21	7,449.31
Steel Bridge-Lonoke,	128.00	874.45				Parryville First-Parryville,	0.00	215.96
Toltec-Scott,	874.45	4,018.01				Pine Bluff First-Pine Bluff,	100.00	22.14
Ward First-Ward,	503.18					Plumerville First-Plumerville,	135.00	1,153.05
						Solgochachie-Solgochachie,	538.29	967.85
						Stony Point-Houston,	259.52	259.54
						Sweet Home-Perryville,	100.00	50.00
						Thornburg-Perryville,	328.50	1,404.20

Union Valley-Perryville,	2,320.12	436.51	Smyrna-Mount Vernon,	0.00	47.20	Oak Grove-Pine Bluff,	225.00	1,391.79
Wye Mountain Southern-Bigelow,	135.00	366.43	South Side-Dumas,	2,368.50	3,096.83	Pine Bluff First-Pine Bluff,	17,695.26	34,800.72
Coaway-Parry	29,234.47	35,489.83	Sunny Gap-#2 Pickles Gap Rd	200.00	814.92	Pine Bluff Second-Pine Bluff,	957.00	2,716.97
			Victory Southern-Conway,	1,130.97	580.23	Plum Bayou-Wright,	0.00	1,546.46
<b>Current-Gains</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>	Woodland Heights-Conway,	15,163.53	15,163.53	Redfield First-Redfield,	50.00	1,686.38
Biggins-Biggins,	374.02	0.00	Wooster First-Wooster,	2,446.65	6,621.32	Rison-Rison,	50.00	1,686.38
Calhoun-Conway,	147.00	1,045.55	Zion-Conway,	195.00	610.52	Stannon Road-Pine Bluff,	4,746.00	5,626.85
Columbia Jarret-Maynard,	81.00	0.00	<b>Faulkner County</b>	<b>43,690.04</b>	<b>164,430.83</b>	Shepherd Hill-Pine Bluff,	400.00	2,910.14
Coming First-Coming,	1,753.75	4,948.21	<b>Garland County</b>	<b>2,943.56</b>	<b>Coop</b>	South Side-Pine Bluff,	610.94	5,154.48
East Side Holly Island-Rector,	10,075.00	390.96	Amity First-Amity,	2,343.56	1,791.32	Star City-Star City,	24,046.72	24,046.72
Emmett-Poppe,	175.00	1,277.46	Antioch-Antioch,	965.85	4,879.12	Sulphur Springs-Pine Bluff,	4,679.00	15,482.00
Greenway First-Greenway,	530.00	537.50	Cedar Glades-Mountain Pine,	125.00	880.57	Victory-Dumas,	931.00	3,285.00
Harmony-Rector,	0.00	25.00	Emmanuel-Hot Springs,	165.81	173.03	Wagon Chapel-Pine Bluff,	0.00	0.00
Hopewell-Coming,	265.00	671.89	Fairdale-Hot Springs,	412.00	1,396.15	White Hall First-White Hall,	3,538.10	41,722.29
Knobel First-Knobel,	0.00	0.00	Grand Avenue-Hot Springs,	4,053.25	9,451.25	Yardnum First-Star City,	7,606.57	30,439.37
Moark-Coming,	0.00	65.00	Harvey Chapel-Hot Springs,	863.88	6,696.84	<b>Harway</b>	<b>300.00</b>	<b>1,856.00</b>
Moore-Pleasant-Moynard,	384.88	0.00	Jessieville-Jessieville,	969.49	5,561.05		<b>89,830.72</b>	<b>297,712.89</b>
New Hope-Poland,	482.00	2,405.71	Lakeside-Hot Springs,	5,268.61	6,614.24	<b>Independence</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>
Nimmons First-Greenway,	36.75	230.70	Leonard Street-Hot Springs,	895.50	3,074.41	Arbansia-Mountain View,	1,274.33	854.42
Oak Grove-Pocahontas,	332.00	326.00	Lonsdale-Lonsdale,	0.00	312.99	Batesville First-Batesville,	20,290.54	47,484.96
Peach Orchard First	0.00	0.00	Mill Creek-Hot Springs,	22,512.86	912.19	Calhoun-Batesville,	3,107.16	12,884.70
Peight First-Peight,	4,048.21	928.92	Mount Taber-Batesville,	545.51	194.89	Calhoun-Timbo,	1,717.14	1,310.85
Pine Grove-Pocahontas,	175.00	545.51	Mountain Pine First	351.89	1,337.54	Cord-Cord,	1,167.00	4,777.41
Pocahontas First	5,291.30	7,755.62	Mountain Valley-Hot Springs,	13.45	210.44	Cushman-Batesville,	0.00	0.00
Ravensden Springs First	188.00	509.29	Park Place-Hot Springs,	3,003.65	13,367.72	DeSha First-DeSha,	360.00	1,833.31
Rector First-Rector,	3,863.30	5,039.37	Parary-Parary,	399.65	2,219.58	Eastside-Cave City,	7,830.06	5,255.36
Reyno First-Reyno,	109.00	553.09	Parry-Parry,	508.29	6,621.32	Eastside-Cave City,	895.85	1,149.00
Saint Francis-Saint Francis,	1,800.00	1,800.00	Patton-Hot Springs,	210.25	1,127.58	Faith-Batesville,	0.00	522.38
Shannon-Pocahontas,	225.00	895.53	Patton-Hot Springs,	210.25	1,127.58	Fellowship-Batesville,	343.00	432.00
Shiloh-Coming,	115.00	240.00	Two Lakes-Hot Springs,	101.50	451.26	Flora-Flora,	1,176.00	3,732.50
Success First-Success,	1,100.25	1,970.87	Vale Heights-Hot Springs,	22,635.24	61,208.90	Foothills-Mountain View,	1,517.50	3,006.67
Watts Chapel-Maynard,	650.00	2,487.87	<b>Garland County</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>	Independence-Batesville,	8,348.41	42.16
<b>Current-Gains</b>	<b>21,968.50</b>	<b>57,825.18</b>	Grace County	1,733.50	505.87	Manella-Manella,	100.00	42.16
			Alexander-Paragould,	134.94	2,817.08	Mount Zion-Batesville,	250.00	2,250.00
<b>Date</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>	Beech Grove-Paragould,	883.50	453.00	Mountain View First	2,547.98	7,902.00
Anderson Chapel-Dumas,	227.00	1,309.04	Bethel Station-Paragould,	0.00	407.31	Newark Southern-Newark,	918.20	2,904.20
Aransas City-Aransas City,	821.04	4,362.89	Big Creek-Paragould,	120.00	60.00	Northside-Batesville,	130.79	1,124.94
Bayou Mason-Lake Village,	1,150.79	3,673.47	Browns Chapel-Paragould,	11,780.65	9,638.55	Pilgrims Rest-Batesville,	400.75	517.85
Belain-Dermott,	1,666.15	6,501.29	Calhoun-Paragould,	2,262.62	1,807.40	Pleasant Plains-Pleasant Plains,	331.78	1,147.78
Boydell-Montross,	0.00	0.00	Center Hill-Paragould,	560.32	1,207.40	Rehobeth-Batesville,	419.00	1,673.23
Brookside-Conway,	65.00	343.71	Clarks Chapel-Paragould,	583.15	750.00	Rosie-Rosie,	927.25	2,208.30
Collins-Dermott,	100.00	652.24	Delaplane-Delaplane,	193.38	344.00	Ruddell Hill-Batesville,	557.49	4,738.87
Daniel Chapel-Dumas,	0.00	575.28	East Side-Paragould,	12,887.32	20,269.80	Salado-Salado,	1.00	1,102.00
Dermott-Dermott,	1,658.14	6,065.59	Fairview-Paragould,	60.00	250.00	Strawberry Southern-Strawberry,	0.00	0.00
Eudora-Eudora,	6,503.08	1,630.50	Franklin-Paragould,	1,200.33	146.33	Sulphur Spring-Sulphur Rock,	1.00	1,588.33
Galena-Wilcox,	2,852.00	99.58	Fontaine-Paragould,	0.00	60.00	West Batesville,	5,490.89	27,312.12
Haley-Dermott,	0.00	358.38	Immanuel-Paragould,	698.00	1,696.58	White River-Oil Trough,	154.35	1,340.43
Jermie-Lake Village,	0.00	944.83	Lafe-Lafe,	150.00	32.00	<b>Independence</b>	<b>60,788.82</b>	<b>140,018.58</b>
Jerome-Jerome,	70.00	300.00	Lake Street-Paragould,	9.52	1,033.09	<b>Liberty</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>
Kelso-Rohwer,	828.94	8,265.04	Light-Light,	521.05	932.59	Calisopolis-El Dorado,	1,433.52	1,500.00
Lake Village-Lake Village,	9,842.30	69.35	Marmalee First	4,032.22	4,032.22	Calion-Calion,	725.00	1,028.99
McGhee First-McGhee,	2,852.00	3,162.51	New Friendship-Marmaduke,	550.00	485.00	Camden First-Camden,	5,586.25	28,114.76
Moosa-Montross,	295.00	650.51	New Liberty-Marmaduke,	557.85	1,676.66	Camden Second-Camden,	0.00	233.53
New Hope-Eudora,	101.88	1,420.00	Paragould First-Paragould,	5,108.25	14,637.04	Chidester-Chidester,	1,040.00	1,543.24
North Side-Eudora,	140.00	500.00	Paragould Second-Paragould,	100.00	25.00	Chizez-Road-Louann,	0.00	0.00
Omega-Eudora,	130.00	300.00	Pleasant Valley-Bono,	2,011.48	3,053.94	Offendale-Camden,	7,283.00	26,045.42
Parkeville-Parkeville,	550.00	2,016.68	Robbe Chapel-Paragould,	120.00	120.00	East Main-El Dorado,	4,149.65	12,693.87
Parsons-Lake Village,	500.00	594.78	Rosewood-Paragould,	600.00	1,365.00	Ebenezer-El Dorado,	7,128.14	8,622.81
Portland-Portland,	1,220.00	3,539.39	Southside-Paragould,	0.00	1,742.13	El Dorado First-El Dorado,	90,038.12	59,915.46
Shiloh-Lake Village,	132.00	1,500.00	Starford-Beech Grove,	400.90	894.15	El Dorado Second-El Dorado,	15,868.18	22,783.58
South McGhee-McGhee,	509.50	1,340.78	Thim View-Paragould,	195.00	444.14	Elliott-Camden,	0.00	5,699.19
Temple-Dermott,	445.00	1,500.00	Union-Paragould,	3,474.60	1,503.00	Fairview Rural-Camden,	69.00	658.00
Tilar First-Tilar,	1,113.20	1,940.78	Walcott-Walcott,	767.00	1,500.00	Felicia-Hot Springs,	1,481.00	1,481.00
Watson-Watson,	338.00	1,073.32	West View-Paragould,	1,482.96	13,401.66	Galilee-El Dorado,	530.44	381.52
Wright-Wright,	4,318.00	6,861.72	<b>Greene County</b>	<b>46,788.51</b>	<b>80,588.82</b>	Grace-Camden,	1,434.29	2,672.23
<b>Della</b>	<b>26,338.11</b>	<b>68,572.18</b>	Albany	461.00	2,336.52	Hamony-El Dorado,	2,041.50	2,437.99
			Holmes	0.00	0.00	Hills-Camden,	2,069.70	8,443.00
<b>Faulkner County</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Coop</b>	Altzheimer First-Altzheimer,	0.00	0.00	Hitting First-Hitting,	1,676.40	4,201.55
Berry-Venola,	712.48	3,709.57	Bethel-Gould,	0.00	0.00	Immanuel-Camden,	27,808.92	59,078.02
Blaney Hill-Conway,	0.00	0.00	Centennial-Pine Bluff,	0.00	0.00	Joyce City-Smackover,	1,702.06	5,978.54
Brookside-Conway,	205.00	584.93	Central-Pine Bluff,	3,107.31	7,709.27	Junction City-First-Junction City	2,812.22	9,667.85
Brookside-Conway,	0.00	0.00	Gaud Road-Pine Bluff,	3,073.21	3,003.43	Knolwe-Strong,	638.00	1,238.31
Cadon Ridge-Conway,	584.72	2,657.20	Dollarway-Pine Bluff,	141.00	1,909.58	Laple-Strong,	0.00	453.00
Conway First-Conway,	14,628.75	35,535.32	Green Meadows-Pine Bluff,	181.00	1,909.58	Lawson-Lawson,	129.00	1,510.74
Conway Second-Conway,	1,341.73	33,722.00	Greenview-Pine Bluff,	1,544.45	3,737.59	Liberty-Strong,	300.00	1,758.52
Cozzetta-Mayflower,	0.00	48.15	Hardin-Pine Bluff,	1,205.74	6,908.45	Louann-Louann,	200.00	2,000.00
Emmanuel-Conway,	919.79	926.23	Hickory Grove-Star City,	600.90	691.17	Maple Avenue-Smackover,	2,225.58	5,890.95
Enola-Enola,	286.00	354.22	Humphrey-Humphrey,	1,521.00	6,339.66	Marrable Hill-El Dorado,	0.00	4,115.56
Friendship-Conway,	189.01	6,930.39	Gold First-Gold,	1,357.50	2,378.28	Midway-El Dorado,	0.00	997.00
Good Creek-Conway,	0.00	4,130.24	Grand First-Grand,	1,955.00	1,955.00	New London-Strong,	0.00	1,519.35
Greentree First-Greentree,	1,435.29	87.00	Green Meadows-Pine Bluff,	1,817.88	5,737.25	Northside-El Dorado,	5,507.00	10,933.00
Happy Hollow-Venola,	2,188.00	5,949.78	Greenview-Pine Bluff,	1,544.45	3,737.59	Northwest-El Dorado,	133.55	1,364.65
Hedley Park-Conway,	1,060.22	1,633.86	Hardin-Pine Bluff,	1,205.74	6,908.45	Parsons Chapel First-El Dorado,	200.00	2,000.00
Hedley Park-Conway,	2,188.00	2,489.91	Hickory Grove-Star City,	600.90	691.17	Parkeville-El Dorado,	1,391.91	5,243.28
Highway North Little Rock,	1,210.52	2,489.91	Hickory Grove-Star City,	600.90	691.17	Phidelpheis-El Dorado,	454.15	1,011.90
Holland-Venola,	1,083.09	3,233.18	Humphrey-Humphrey,	270.85	2,216.53	Reader-Chidester,	524.00	433.00
Mayflower First-Mayflower,	456.42	1,471.15	Immanuel-Conway,	60.00	28,124.84	Salado-Salado,	300.00	2,577.00
Mount Vernon-Mount Vernon,	952.00	0.00	Keamy-Redfield,	688.27	688.27	Smackover First-Smackover,	5,527.30	24,534.47
Naylor-Venola,	0.00	282.24	Kingland First-Kingland,	689.00	2,331.09	South Side-El Dorado,	236.00	1,483.89
New Hope-Conway,	374.00	2,757.20	Lighthouse-Pine Bluff,	692.06	2,626.48	Stephens First-Stephens,	4,465.00	7,447.00
Oak Bowery-Conway,	0.00	20,414.88	Limoreed-Limoreed,	978.94	1,429.85	Strong First-Strong,	4,055.78	7,914.01
Pickles Gap-Conway,	2,344.27	6,585.83	Matthews Memorial-Pri Bluff	5,639.56	13,120.18	Syhan Hills-Camden,	236.00	800.00
Pleasant Grove-Conway,	1,180.00	1,152.63	Northside-Star City,	0.00	0.00	Temple-Camden,	22.45	0.00
Saltillo Heights-Conway,	292.85	0.00						

Temple-E Dorado,	246.88
Three Creeks-Junction City,	475.00
Trinity-B Dorado,	374.50
Union-E Dorado,	1,194.50
Utahs Hill Dorado,	1,200.00
Victory-E Dorado,	140.00
Victory-Magnolia,	417.00
Wesson-Junction City,	1.00
West Side-E Dorado,	11,011.32
White City-Carmen,	55.00
Liberty	224,878.30

955.62	Nodena-Wilson,
5,501.90	North Tenth-Bienville,
1,599.14	Number Nine-Bienville,
5,436.70	Ocoosa First-Ocoosa,
427.00	Pleasant View-Ocoosa,
2,271.01	Ridgecrest-Bienville,
3,032.41	Ross-Luzora,
821.02	Trinity-Bienville,
9,594.41	Wanderl-Jiner,
514.30	Westside-Nashville,
	Whitton-Tyrone,
	Wilson First-Wilson,
	Woodland Corner-Bienville,
	Yarbo-Bienville,
	Mississippi

451.00	924.83	Harrison First-Harrison,
7,922.22	4,846.27	Hopewell-Harrison,
421.83	304.41	Jasper First-Jasper,
2,314.50	8,074.50	Lafayette-Omaha,
	290.00	Lead Hill First-Lead Hill,
100.00	1,212.00	Marble Falls-Doochopch,
100.00	100.00	Marshall First-Marshall,
9,656.48	8,056.48	Morning Star-Omaha,
150.00	425.00	New Hope-Dorado,
365.25	365.25	Northville-Harrison,
141.48	447.81	Omaha First-Omaha,
644.00	7,852.97	Oregon First-Bertram,
	411.24	Osage-Alpena,
0.00	1,300.23	Parthenon-Parthenon,
36,983.86	294,897.29	Pindal-Marshall,

10,468.15	53,853.44	Rock Spring-Eureka Springs,
100.00	585.00	Rudd-Georg Forest,
2,288.00	5,198.74	Saint Joe First-Saint Joe,
2,930.00	3,000.00	Searcy County-Marshall,
2,940.00	1,817.98	Snowball-Marshall,
81.90	253.83	South Side-Lead Hill,
854.55	4,132.64	Trinity-Harrison,
100.00	356.62	Union-Harrison,
322.17	927.25	Valley Springs First
3,546.25	9,253.87	Valley View-Western Grove,
0.00	520.01	Woodland Heights-Harrison,
0.00	682.04	Zion Light-Harrison,
0.00	1,823.73	North Arkansas
300.00	1,287.30	
300.00	1,277.44	
63.00	1,255.22	
395.18	1,524.42	
50.00	0.00	
200.00	797.51	
30.00	1,767.07	
764.88	1,172.07	
58.42	170.96	
1,901.17	4,648.71	
5,045.10	1,138.81	
409.00	172.00	
332.05	0.00	
2,775.91	9,941.37	
81,741.80	182,711.28	

**Little Red River**

Diabland Church	100.00
Brownville-Geers Ferry,	81.25
Concord First-Concord,	17.54
Harris Chapel-Geers Ferry,	0.00
Heber Springs First	29,324.12
Life Line-Pleasant Plains,	0.00
Lone Star-Geers Ferry,	0.00
Mount Zion-Concord,	28.05
New Bethel-Floral,	9.00
Palatine-Quitman,	233.00
Plines-Quitman,	25.00
Pleasant Ridge-Geers Ferry,	0.00
Pleasant Valley-Heber Springs,	2,063.21
Post Oak-Quitman,	110.00
Quitman-Quitman,	1,100.00
South Side-Heber Springs,	294.00
Sugar Loaf-Heber Springs,	1,982.00
Tumbling Shoals	1,052.15
West Side-Geers Ferry,	2,333.77
Woodrow-Prim,	0.00
Little Red River	37,863.34

**Designated Coop**

298.00	479.91
1,256.38	225.37
34,027.06	0.00
0.00	963.12
100.89	91.87
1,269.64	910.17
60.00	1,507.93
63.26	83.26
148.88	863.99
2,817.00	1,581.80
5,142.98	1,144.32
54,835.78	

**Mount Zion**

Alsup-Bay,	2,388.94
Bay First-Bay,	130.80
Bethabara-Lake City,	1,757.60
Black Oak-Black Oak,	326.87
Boon First-Boon,	510.52
Scowden-Lake City,	50.00
Scrootland-Brookland,	1,102.57
Buffalo Chapel-Caraway,	0.00
Caraway First-Caraway,	2,863.53
Cash First-Cash,	866.89
Chickenside-Boon,	24,450.64
Chickonia-Monette,	200.87
Community Church-Jonesboro,	0.00
Dixie-Lake City,	43.00
Egypt-Walnut Ridge,	50.00
Friendly Hope-Jonesboro,	1,215.44
Highland Drive-Jonesboro,	4,723.06
Jonesboro First-Jonesboro,	1,131.65
Jonesboro First-Jonesboro,	24,753.71
Lake City First-Lake City,	1,163.13
Lunenburg-Lake City,	80.00
Monette First-Monette,	350.00
Mountain First-Mountain,	1,211.11
Mount Zion-Paragould,	3,473.54
Needham-Jonesboro,	426.34
Netleton-Jonesboro,	258.96
New Antioch-Brookland,	323.00
New Hope-Black Oak,	113.26
North Jonesboro,	561.43
North Main-Jonesboro,	1,740.20
Philadelphia-Jonesboro,	7,262.35
Providence-Jonesboro,	100.00
Rows Chapel-Caraway,	70.00
Strawton-Jonesboro,	625.81
Walnut Street-Jonesboro,	4,541.77
Westvale-Jonesboro,	50.00
Woodsprings-Jonesboro,	615.00
Mount Zion	82,511.78

**Designated Coop**

294.00	2,388.94
1,757.60	1,167.89
326.87	2,163.01
510.52	799.37
0.00	3,793.13
2,863.53	2,035.09
866.89	24,450.64
200.87	0.00
0.00	6,000.00
43.00	228.00
50.00	100.00
1,215.44	1,139.44
4,723.06	10,560.50
1,131.65	1,879.10
24,753.71	38,676.25
1,163.13	3,499.98
80.00	116.00
350.00	8,897.61
1,211.11	0.00
3,473.54	3,473.54
426.34	823.71
258.96	28,750.00
323.00	2,913.18
113.26	675.69
561.43	1,050.00
1,740.20	4,285.84
7,262.35	7,773.37
100.00	668.60
70.00	494.94
625.81	2,737.13
4,541.77	4,229.00
50.00	20,379.91
615.00	1,055.00
82,511.78	293,759.34

**North Central**

Angora-Leslie,	0.00
Bear Branch-Bee Branch,	404.14
Botkinsburg-Clinton,	0.00
Bunt Ridge-Clinton,	88.00
Clinton First-Clinton,	11,795.08
Conith-Clinton,	245.00
Fairfield Bay-Fairfield Bay,	1,708.50
Fernsboro-Clinton,	1,703.00
Friendship-Clinton,	598.77
Hallmark-Clinton,	21.81
Immanuel-Clinton,	1,344.77
Leslie First-Leslie,	2,090.01
Lexington-Clinton,	125.00
New Hopewell-Leslie,	30.00
North Jonesboro,	325.00
Plant-Clinton,	126.15
Pleasant Valley-Shirley,	2,962.65
Rupert-Clinton,	0.00
Scotland-Scotland,	139.02
Shady Grove-Shirley,	580.68
Shirley-Clinton,	2,879.50
Skyland Southern-Fox,	325.00
Sugar Loaf-Clinton,	100.00
North Central	25,157.84

**Designated Coop**

0.00	0.00
404.14	806.01
0.00	0.00
88.00	0.00
11,795.08	21,062.56
245.00	164.77
1,708.50	7,639.00
1,703.00	2,041.69
598.77	598.77
21.81	60.00
1,344.77	1,594.65
2,090.01	4,614.00
125.00	637.00
30.00	89.92
325.00	2,964.17
126.15	385.30
2,962.65	1,866.60
0.00	0.00
139.02	994.61
580.68	499.81
2,879.50	3,263.20
325.00	390.00
100.00	769.65
25,157.84	60,901.61

**Little River**

Ashdown First-Ashdown,	4,281.82
Ben Lomond First-Ben Lomond,	0.00
Brownstown-Lockesburg,	105.00
Central-Mineral Springs,	2,284.29
Columbia-Columbia,	545.57
Cross Roads First-Whitport,	483.00
Dierks First-Dierks,	498.83
Foreman First-Foreman,	1,898.54
Hickie First-Ashdown,	203.62
Horatio First-Horatio,	1,100.00
Kem Heights-DeQueen,	3,625.00
Lakeside-Kirby,	1,259.99
Liberty-Mineral Springs,	0.00
Lockesburg First-Lockesburg,	2,507.23
Lone Oak-Horatio,	185.00
Milwood-Ashdown,	1,007.00
North Main-Horatio,	0.00
Murfreesboro First	2,510.00
Nashville First-Nashville,	11,983.20
Oak Grove-Ashdown,	470.34
Ogden First-Ogden,	268.58
Ridgeway-Nashville,	638.00
Rock Hill-Lockesburg,	100.00
State Line-Whitport,	300.23
Washington-Washington,	459.00
Wilson First-Wilson,	527.74
Little River	34,338.12

**Designated Coop**

8,500.64	104.00
104.00	147.34
2,284.29	2,411.29
545.57	545.57
1,570.59	483.00
1,178.73	3,622.98
2,507.23	295.84
1,100.00	2,859.81
3,625.00	1,528.00
571.53	571.53
0.00	739.00
2,507.23	4,215.10
185.00	260.00
1,007.00	677.00
0.00	0.00
2,510.00	5,966.17
11,983.20	29,471.55
470.34	1,341.62
1,156.00	1,156.00
638.00	6,304.24
100.00	300.23
300.23	100.00
459.00	200.00
527.74	863.00
34,338.12	75,828.42

**No Membership**

Clarksville First-Clarksville,	7,202.92
Family Life-Pine Bluff,	2,231.62
Kolonia-Imboden,	1,405.51
New Life-Pine Bluff,	0.00
Providence-Life Rock,	20.00
Rock Hill-Hill-Caraway,	2,126.82
Southeast-Newport,	0.00
Trinity Baptist Fellowship-Potter,	1,010.00
Unity-Crossett,	0.00
North Arkansas	12,358.28

**Designated Coop**

12,429.26	0.00
2,231.62	0.00
1,405.51	786.51
0.00	0.00
20.00	0.00
2,126.82	733.16
0.00	100.00
1,010.00	1,630.00
0.00	0.00
12,358.28	17,872.78

**North Florida**

Amboy-NLR,	13,802.44
Baying Cross-NLR,	36,887.07
Baylor Mato-Jacksonville,	1,077.10
Bears-Jacksonville,	310.27
Betha-NLR,	2,391.71
Bethel-NLR,	6,190.15
Calvary Hill-NLR,	14,271.68
Central Heights-NLR,	3,059.86
Central-NLR,	11,998.16
Chapel Hill-Jacksonville,	429.70
Crystal Valley-NLR,	943.25
Fifty-Seventh Street-NLR,	925.00
Friendship-Newwood,	1,479.68
Gethsemane-NLR,	274.59
Good Stewardship-NLR,	1,007.00
Grace-NLR,	0.00
Gravel Ridge-Jacksonville,	3,336.37
Graves Memorial-NLR,	4,321.70
Highway 20-NLR,	13,711.70
Indian Hills-NLR,	0.00
Indianhead Lake-Sherwood,	2,538.00
Jacksonville First	4,607.30
Jacksonville Second	1,683.25
Korean (of Arkansas)-NLR	0.00
Korean-Jacksonville,	540.00
Lepre-NLR,	7,489.55
Maddox Road-Jacksonville,	187.00
Marshall Road-Jacksonville,	10,914.07
Maunelle-Neumale,	1,252.70
Military Road-Jacksonville,	801.68
Montenon Chapel-North Lake,	0.00
North Little Rock First-North LR	7,271.33
Oakwood-NLR,	0.00
Park Hill-NLR,	87,507.94
Park Avenue-NLR,	1,951.51
Remount-NLR,	1,427.00
Riverside-Neumale,	80.00
Royal Oaks-Sherwood,	0.00

**Designated Coop**

7,943.69	35,925.87
5,689.78	729.00
3,599.61	8,242.11
1,077.10	12,920.20
3,059.86	3,234.00
24,844.09	1,365.42
1,365.42	1,845.93
2,825.00	2,825.00
1,479.68	2,749.68
3,034.40	3,034.40
3,000.00	1,326.99
0.00	11,789.42
4,705.00	4,705.00
13,711.70	11,789.42
0.00	11,252.74
3,131.92	3,131.92
35,369.00	14,635.21
0.00	0.00
540.00	0.00
24,965.61	349.98
9,162.23	5, 058
1,252.70	1,482.68
0.00	628.37
7,271.33	7,794.37
0.00	250.00
164,169.81	1,253.04
1,427.00	1,427.00
80.00	0.00
0.00	0.00

**Mississippi County**

Armour-Armour,	658.07
Bethany-Gosnell,	40.53
Bethany-Mania,	265.00
Bickavater-Mania,	131.50
Bienville First-Bienville,	18,894.00
Bright Chapel-Ocoosa,	1,800.00
Brown Chapel-Mania,	100.00
Calvary-Bienville,	346.88
Calvary-Ocoosa,	1,152.31
Clear Lake-Bienville,	1,723.80
Cole Ridge-Bienville,	167.77
Concords-Bienville,	157.84
Dal-Dal,	325.25
Dyess Central-Dyess,	204.00
East Side-Ocoosa,	212.00
Emmanuel-Bienville,	189.03
Elbow-Etowah,	0.00
Gosnell-Bienville,	1,205.98
Joiner-Joiner,	290.00
Keiser First-Keiser,	704.00
Leachville First-Leachville,	11,440.00
Leachville Second-Leachville,	178.92
Luzora First-Luzora,	193.00
Manila First-Manila,	2,263.35
Manly Chapel-Bienville,	0.00
Memorial-Bienville,	0.00
New Harmony-Mania,	134.50
New Liberty-Bienville,	231.14
New Life Roman-Bienville,	115.00
New Providence-Leachville,	0.00

**Designated Coop**



Pine Tree-Colt,	0.00	174.85	Western Hills Southern-Fayetteville	71.00	408.00	Mountain Home	1,182.30	3,623.58
Pleasant Hill-Wynne,	327.00	1,170.32	Winlow First-Winlow,	638.30	2,412.58	New Hope-Yellville,	75.00	1,008.87
Richard-West Memphis,	331.39	1,000.00	Washington-Madison	136,709.23	288,889.84	Norfolk First-Norfolk,	179.75	653.00
Shell Lake-Heth,	120.00	1,278.72	<b>White River</b>			Peel-Peel,	231.86	475.47
Tiffin-Hickory Ridge,	218.00	740.00	Ardoch-Flippin,	248.52	364.28	Pilgrims Rest-Gassville,	232.99	345.00
Turnell First-Turnell,	255.32	747.26	Akron-Mountain Home,	0.00	0.00	Pyatt-Pyatt,	748.02	1,545.98
Union Avenue-Wynne,	232.53	7,071.12	Big Flat-Big Flat,	0.00	0.00	Res Valley-Flippin,	15.33	682.38
Vanderbilt Avenue-W Memphis,	1,302.26	1,045.78	Bruno-Everton,	0.00	386.08	Summit-Summit,	0.00	0.00
Vandale-Vandale,	0.00	124.79	Bull Shoals-Bull Shoals,	1,036.81	3,073.73	Tombahawk-Saint Joe,	308.53	1,901.03
West Memphis First-W Memphis,	5,850.00	65,232.80	Cotter First-Cotter,	1,279.29	2,988.79	White River-Flippin,	2,233.00	0.00
West Memphis Second-W Memphis,	2,500.00	7,938.34	East Oakland-Mountain Home,	21.00	2,968.79	Whiteville-Gassville,	242.00	321.85
Whispering-Weasly,	2,660.00	2,038.00	Eastside-Mountain Home,	2,465.74	7,084.70	Yellville First-Yellville,	2,965.88	7,691.78
Widener-Widener,	302.00	705.50	Flippin First-Flippin,	1,855.41	13,499.58	<b>White River</b>	54,568.17	118,433.83
Wynne-Wynne,	7,700.20	24,002.00	Garnett-Garnett,	113.37	419.27			
Tri-County	78,846.88	281,284.58	Gassville-Gassville,	1,279.49	3,537.32	<b>Macellaneous Organizations</b>	<b>Disagnated</b>	<b>Coop</b>

<b>Triunity</b>	<b>Disagnated</b>	<b>Coop</b>	Henderson First-Henderson,	808.31	1,942.00	<b>Individual Contributions</b>	<b>Disagnated</b>	<b>Coop</b>
Anderson Tully-Harrisburg,	151.58	418.08	Hill Top-Oakland,	141.27	113.94		42,686.10	500.00
Ashe-Tyronea,	468.18	0.00	Hopeck-Mountain Home,	25.00	470.59			
Calvary-Harrisburg,	1,210.05	4,918.20	Lone Rock-Norfolk,	1,203.81	1,203.81			
Calvary-Lepanto,	357.00	600.00	Midway-Midway,	1,691.95	3,853.36	<b>Totals</b>	<b>Disagnated</b>	<b>Coop</b>
Central-Marked Tree,	2,301.64	328.81	Mountain Home First	35,084.15	61,133.50		3,073,847.18	7,501,891.98
Corner Chapel-Trumann,	103.74	658.99						
Eastside-Trumann,	110.00	210.95						
Falh-Trumann,	0.00	155.76						
Fellowship-Tyronea,	85.84	133.19						
Fisher First-Fisher,	1,007.51	1,282.27						
Freer-Trumann,	0.00	391.34						
Greenfield-Harrisburg,	90.00	941.61						
Harrisburg First-Harrisburg,	128.25	4,443.43						
Lebanon-Harrisburg,	25.00	1,208.37						
Lepanto First-Lepanto,	2,098.38	5,373.83						
Maple Grove-Trumann,	0.00	3,981.00						
Marked Tree First-Marked Tree,	1,110.00	6,084.00						
McCormick-Trumann,	433.00	325.00						
Neals Chapel-Lepanto,	180.00	290.22						
Nelswander-Marked Tree,	250.00	0.00						
Pleasant Grove-Harrisburg,	699.00	5,558.06						
Pleasant Hill-Harrisburg,	334.18	1,051.46						
Pleasant Valley-Trumann,	509.02	522.05						
Providence-Trumann,	82.00	1,277.25						
Red Oak-Lepanto,	464.00	364.00						
Rivendale-Rivendale,	362.96	1,023.91						
Shiloh-Harrisburg,	225.00	547.84						
Tidley-Marked Tree,	100.00	430.34						
Trumann First-Trumann,	1,158.00	11,244.47						
Tyronea First-Tyronea,	485.00	1,514.76						
Valley View-Harrisburg,	0.00	400.88						
Waldenburg-Waldenburg,	0.00	0.00						
Weiner First-Weiner,	230.00	985.57						
West Ridge-West Ridge,	30.71	0.00						
Triunity	14,818.88	68,787.86						

<b>Washington-Madison</b>	<b>Disagnated</b>	<b>Coop</b>	Berry Street-Springdale,	1,846.00	4,382.70	Ark. River Valley	Oct. 12	Second, Russelville
Black Oak-Fayetteville,	3,558.50	1,600.00	Brush Creek-Springdale,	482.11	3,430.53	Arkansas Valley	Oct. 18	Second, West Helena
Calvary-Huntsville,	1,055.36	2,433.76	Caulle Avenue-Springdale,	51.00	2,257.86	Ashley	Oct. 18-19	First, Crossett; Pleasant Lane, Crossett
College Avenue-Fayetteville,	75.00	310.00	Combs-Combs,	200.00	100.00	Bartholomew	Oct. 18-19	Enon, Monticello; First, Warren
Combs-Combs,	200.00	0.00	Elkins First-Elkins,	0.00	120.00	Big Creek	Oct. 21-22	Mammoth Springs; Flora
Elkins-Elkins,	5,254.87	35,945.51	Emdale-Springdale,	4,390.50	4,390.50	Black River	Oct. 18-19	First, Black Rock; First, Newport
Emdale-Springdale,	41,143.83	51,117.59	Famination First-Famination,	78.27	0.00	Buckner	Oct. 12, 14	First, Mensfield; Parks
Fayetteville First-Fayetteville,	918.06	1,786.09	Fayetteville First-Fayetteville,	520.00	2,802.01	Buckville	Sept. 25	Rock Springs
First Southern-Kingston,	1,856.01	2,100.00	Friendship-Springdale,	1,075.00	979.15	Caddo River	Oct. 18-19	Norman; Mt. Gilead, Norman
Friendship-Springdale,	255.31	979.15	Goshen First-Southern-Goshen,	1,076.00	6,305.18	Calvary	Oct. 19	First, Augusta
Goshen First-Southern-Goshen,	375.89	941.44	Greenland First-Greeland,	567.58	879.00	Carey	Oct. 18	First, Southern, Bearden
Greenland First-Greeland,	731.66	4,794.75	Hindsville-Hindsville,	1,707.00	6,305.18	Caroline	Oct. 12	First, England
Hindsville-Hindsville,	1,707.00	6,305.18	Huntsville First-Huntsville,	375.89	941.44	Centennial	Oct. 18-19	Reydel; Falh, DeWitt
Huntsville First-Huntsville,	505.00	879.00	Immanuel-Fayetteville,	567.58	2,021.62	Central	Oct. 14	First, Benton
Immanuel-Fayetteville,	567.58	2,021.62	Johnson-Johnson,	731.66	4,794.75	Clear Creek	Oct. 12	Cedarville
Johnson-Johnson,	731.66	4,794.75	Liberty-Lincoln,	0.00	445.24	Concord	Oct. 18-19	Grand Avenue, Fort Smith
Liberty-Lincoln,	0.00	445.24	Lincoln First-Lincoln,	0.00	0.00	Conway-Perry	Oct. 19-21	First, Stony Point; First, Plumerville
Lincoln First-Lincoln,	0.00	445.24	Northeast Southern-Fayetteville,	252.66	1,044.15	Current-Gaines	Oct. 18-19	First, Pocahontas; First, Corning
Northeast Southern-Fayetteville,	252.66	1,044.15	Northern Hills-Springdale,	418.00	436.00	Delta	Oct. 18-19	Anderson Chapel, Dumas; Jennie
Northern Hills-Springdale,	252.66	1,044.15	Oak Grove-Springdale,	2,069.63	5,005.87	Faulkner	Oct. 18	First, Conway
Oak Grove-Springdale,	2,069.63	5,005.87	Old Missouri Road-Springdale,	174.00	831.00	Garland	Oct. 4-5	Harveys Chapel; Lakeside
Old Missouri Road-Springdale,	174.00	831.00	Prairie Grove First-Prairie Grove,	1,451.00	5,281.90	Greene County	Oct. 18-19	East Side, Paragould
Prairie Grove First-Prairie Grove,	1,451.00	5,281.90	Providence-Fayetteville,	3,804.36	1,164.12	Harmony	Oct. 18	Rison; East Side, Pine Bluff
Providence-Fayetteville,	3,804.36	1,164.12	Ridgeview-Fayetteville,	310.00	30.00	Independence	Oct. 18-19	Mt. Zion; Pilgrims Rest, Batesville
Ridgeview-Fayetteville,	310.00	30.00	Sang Avenue-Fayetteville,	220.00	1,825.54	Liberty	Oct. 18	First, Smackover
Sang Avenue-Fayetteville,	220.00	1,825.54	Silent Grove-Springdale,	2,300.35	1,838.41	Little Red River	Oct. 18, 20	Quitman; South Side, Heber Springs
Silent Grove-Springdale,	2,300.35	1,838.41	Sonora-Springdale,	9.57	445.00	Little River	Oct. 11-12	Ridgeway, Nashville; First, Horatio
Sonora-Springdale,	9.57	445.00	Southside-Westfork, AR	100.00	310.34	Mississippi	Oct. 18	Luxora
Southside-Westfork, AR	100.00	310.34	Spring Valley-Springdale,	49,583.51	116,866.89	Mt. Zion	Oct. 18	Walnut Street; First, Conway
Spring Valley-Springdale,	49,583.51	116,866.89	Springdale First-Springdale,	3,200.00	662.86	North Arkansas	Oct. 12	First, Berryville
Springdale First-Springdale,	3,200.00	662.86	Sulphur City-Fayetteville,	12,866.89	3,800.00	North Central	Oct. 11-12	Pee Dee; Plesant Valley
Sulphur City-Fayetteville,	12,866.89	3,800.00	University-Fayetteville,	1,800.00	0.00	North Pulaski	Oct. 18	Zion Hill
University-Fayetteville,	1,800.00	0.00	Washington-Madison-Fayetteville	1,800.00	0.00	Northwest	Oct. 18	Immanuel, Rogers
Washington-Madison-Fayetteville	1,800.00	0.00	Wedington Woods-Fayetteville,	1,990.50	5,738.75	Ouachita	Oct. 11-12	Grannis; Board Camp, Mena
Wedington Woods-Fayetteville,	1,990.50	5,738.75	West Fork First-West Fork,	0.00	0.00	Pulaski	Oct. 18-19	Indian Springs; Tyler Street
West Fork First-West Fork,	0.00	0.00				Red River	Oct. 18-19	Horseshoe, Prescott; Caddo Valley, Arkadelphia

## 1993 Annual Associational Meetings

Association	Date	Place
Ark. River Valley	Oct. 12	Second, Russelville
Arkansas Valley	Oct. 18	Second, West Helena
Ashley	Oct. 18-19	First, Crossett; Pleasant Lane, Crossett
Bartholomew	Oct. 18-19	Enon, Monticello; First, Warren
Big Creek	Oct. 21-22	Mammoth Springs; Flora
Black River	Oct. 18-19	First, Black Rock; First, Newport
Buckner	Oct. 12, 14	First, Mensfield; Parks
Buckville	Sept. 25	Rock Springs
Caddo River	Oct. 18-19	Norman; Mt. Gilead, Norman
Calvary	Oct. 19	First, Augusta
Carey	Oct. 18	First, Southern, Bearden
Caroline	Oct. 12	First, England
Centennial	Oct. 18-19	Reydel; Falh, DeWitt
Central	Oct. 14	First, Benton
Clear Creek	Oct. 12	Cedarville
Concord	Oct. 18-19	Grand Avenue, Fort Smith
Conway-Perry	Oct. 19-21	First, Stony Point; First, Plumerville
Current-Gaines	Oct. 18-19	First, Pocahontas; First, Corning
Delta	Oct. 18-19	Anderson Chapel, Dumas; Jennie
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Garland	Oct. 4-5	Harveys Chapel; Lakeside
Greene County	Oct. 18-19	East Side, Paragould
Harmony	Oct. 18	Rison; East Side, Pine Bluff
Independence	Oct. 18-19	Mt. Zion; Pilgrims Rest, Batesville
Liberty	Oct. 18	First, Smackover
Little Red River	Oct. 18, 20	Quitman; South Side, Heber Springs
Little River	Oct. 11-12	Ridgeway, Nashville; First, Horatio
Mississippi	Oct. 18	Luxora
Mt. Zion	Oct. 18	Walnut Street; First, Conway
North Arkansas	Oct. 12	First, Berryville
North Central	Oct. 11-12	Pee Dee; Plesant Valley
North Pulaski	Oct. 18	Zion Hill
Northwest	Oct. 18	Immanuel, Rogers
Ouachita	Oct. 11-12	Grannis; Board Camp, Mena
Pulaski	Oct. 18-19	Indian Springs; Tyler Street
Red River	Oct. 18-19	Horseshoe, Prescott; Caddo Valley, Arkadelphia
Rocky Bayou	Oct. 14-15	Horseshoe Bend, First; Salem, First
Southwest	Oct. 21	First, Hope
Tri-County	Oct. 18	Widener
Trinity	Oct. 18-19	Nelswander, Marked Tree; East Side, Trumann
Washington-Madison	Oct. 18-19	Sang Avenue, Fayetteville
White River	Oct. 18-19	Gassville; Pyatt

## Convention Uniform

### *In Christ Jesus*

By Kenneth W. Moore, pastor, First Church, Walnut Ridge

Basic Passage: Ephesians 2:11-3:6

Focal Passage: Ephesians 2:11-14

Central truth: To be in Christ has many blessings.

Paul frequently used the phrase "in Christ Jesus." Have you ever pondered the question, "What does it mean to be in Christ Jesus?" Paul tells us several things in this passage of scripture.

First, to be in Christ means that you are united with Him (2:12). Paul further amplifies this truth (Rom. 6:1-14). We see that we are united in His death, resurrection and life. In Christ we are dead to the power of sin because we died with Him and we are alive unto the power of God because we have been raised with Him. We must realize that we have been united with Him and His power is available to us as we yield to Him.

Second, to be in Christ means that we have the covenant of promise (v. 12). In Hebrews 8:6 we learn that we have a better covenant based on better promises. Under the old covenant sins were covered and not removed (Heb. 10:1-4). When Jesus came, His blood did not act as a cover but it removed all sin (Heb. 9:23-26). Another part of this better covenant is that we have direct access to God (Heb. 10:19-20; Heb. 4:15-16). Under the old covenant only the priest had direct access to God. Because of the shed blood of Jesus, each Christian has direct access to God. Also, through this better covenant we have the Holy Spirit to live inside us and give us power (John 14:16-17; Rom. 8:9-11; 1 Cor. 6:19-20). Under the old covenant the Holy Spirit would come upon someone to anoint them for a task and then after the task was complete He would leave them. Under the new covenant the Holy Spirit comes inside and dwells permanently.

Third, to be in Christ means that one has hope (v. 12). Hope carries the idea of assurance. We have assurance that He loves us (John 3:16). We have the assurance that He has forgiven us (1 John 1:9). We have assurance that He is at work in our lives (Rom. 8:28-29). We have the assurance that He hears and answers our prayers (1 John 5:14-15). We have the assurance we will be raised from the dead (1 Thes. 4:13-18; 1 Cor. 15:51-58). Also, we have the assurance that we will go to heaven to be with the Lord (John 14:1-6).

## Life and Work

### *Can people get along?*

By Ron Ford, pastor, Central Church, North Little Rock

Basic passage: James 4:1-12

Focal passage: James 4:1-12

Central truth: Christian people need to learn to get along with one another.

People today are not able to get along. Some churches are best described by a little poem that I ran across: "To dwell above with saints we love, O that will sure be glory. But to dwell with saints we know, Well, that's another story!" James deals with the issue of why people can't get along and then proposes a solution of what people must do to get along.

James says that people can't get along for three reasons—selfish desires, sinful actions and sick spirituality. James says that fights and quarrels "come from your desires that battle within you." James says that we want what we can get for our own "pleasures."

Sinful actions also keep us from getting along with others. James speaks of people who want something and can't get it, so they run over someone else to get what they want. If I want something badly enough, I might decide that I am going to destroy you to get what I want. Selfishness leads to sinful actions. Selfishness can lead to killing, coveting, fighting and quarreling.

Sick spirituality in the form of wrong praying also is a cause of our not being able to get along with others. James says, "You ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures." For many people, prayer is an attempt to get my will done in heaven. When our praying is wrong, our whole Christian life and attitude are wrong.

Selfish living and selfish praying always lead to conflict. Selfish people do not get along with God and do not get along with others. Until the battle inside is won, we will always be looking for that "magic something" that will make us happy. The real problem is in our heart.

What must we do to get along? Seek the Spirit. Only when we yield to the Spirit do we begin to have any hope of getting along with others. Surrender to God. "Submit yourselves, then, to God." Stand up to the devil. He likes nothing better than to see people fighting and quarreling in church. Stay near to God. Show other people the respect they deserve. We are not to slander one another or speak against one another or judge one another harshly.

## Bible Book

### *Recognize false prophets*

By R. Dale Wicker Jr., pastor, First Church, Conway

Basic passage: II Peter 2:1-22

Focal passage: II Peter 2:1-3, 17-19

Central truth: False prophets dispense their errors in subtle ways; Christians must beware.

Peter is confident of the presence of false prophets and teachers. Then, and now, Christians must know what to look for and how to defend themselves from the destruction of error. Peter uses two similar Greek words to describe them. Both words have the prefix "pseudo," meaning false. Here's how to recognize a pseudo-prophet or pseudo-teacher:

First, look for heresy (v. 1). Heresy is doctrinal error. Every person is entitled to their own opinion, but no person has a right to a private doctrine (see II Peter 1:20-21). There is only one right interpretation of Scripture; there may be several accurate applications for Scripture. The biblical science of hermeneutics is about the business of finding the meaning that God, and His writer, first intended.

Heresy comes in secret. Peter uses a word which means something slipped in alongside of something legitimate. Error is like contraband smuggled into a forbidden place. And it has destructive power. Here's a key: Watch for what is said or taught about Jesus. He is the central issue of truth.

Secondly, look for insensitivity. Here Peter means anything which appeals to the flesh, but especially sexual impurity. Sometimes sensuality masquerades as "feel-good religion." This kind of false spirituality harms the Christian testimony.

Finally, Peter says to watch for the preacher or teacher who is mercenary. These wolves which sometimes put on the clothing of sheep are greedy for money and power. They exploit people and use a verbosity devoid of sincerity and godly purpose.

A defense against the false prophet or false teacher has at least four dimensions: First, require biblical interpretation rather than personal opinion. Second, require biblical application rather than personal suggestion. Third, require a biblical conformation rather than a personal option (the truth of the Scripture must be applied to the Bible student's life—starting with the teacher). Fourth, require the biblical mission rather than a personal obsession.

## Convention Uniform

### God's will for your life

By Kenneth W. Moore, pastor, First Church, Walnut Ridge

Basic passage: Ephesians 5:1-20

Focal Passage: Ephesians 5:17

Central truth: God has a plan for each of our lives.

God has a plan for each of our lives. Each of us makes plans for our lives. Make plans but in the making of our plans we need to seek the Lord's will (James 4:13-15). There are some basic things that are a part of God's will no matter who we are or what occupation we choose in life.

First, it is God's will that you be saved (II Pet. 3:9). Man needs to be saved because he is a sinner and sin separates us from God. Man needs to be saved because death is sure. We all die and must be ready for death. Man needs to be saved because after death comes the judgment. Each of us will face God and will hear Him say "depart from me" or "enter into my kingdom." Each of us must have a personal relationship with God.

Second, it is God's will that each of us be involved in the church. Many people are saying: Why the church? We should be involved in the church because the Lord Jesus established the church and wants us to work through the church. The Bible pictures the church as a body with Christ as the head and every member as necessary (I Cor. 12). The church has a ministry. The church exists because there is a ministry to perform. We are instructed not to forsake the assembling of ourselves together (Heb. 10:25).

Third, it is God's will that we grow (II Pet. 3:18). We grow by studying the Word of God (I Pet. 2:2). Pick a time to be alone with God. Ask God to guide you and teach you through the Holy Spirit. Pick a book of the Bible to study. Focus on a part of that book, it does not have to be a whole chapter, and meditate on the key phrases and words. Keep a journal of the things God is teaching you!

Fourth, it is God's will that you present your body to Him (Rom. 12:1-2). This is our real worship. We can talk all day about God and the Bible but until we have presented ourselves to Him then we have not worshipped. We need to present our hands, our feet, our eyes, our mouths—every part of us—to God. We are to present ourselves to Him in order that He can be in control of us and use us as He sees fit. God has a plan for you!

## Life and Work

### Is being rich wrong?

By Ron Ford, pastor, Central Church, North Little Rock

Basic passage: James 4:13-5:11

Focal passage: James 5:1-6

Central truth: There is nothing wrong with being rich if certain conditions are met.

The Texas millionaire stipulated that when he died he wanted to be buried in his \$90,000 Rolls Royce. When the time for him to be buried finally came, his wish was carried out. Two laborers were putting the last shovels full of dirt on the Rolls when one looked at the other and said, "Man, that's living!" Is it? Of course not. All the wealth in the world does not really equate to living.

What is the point then? Are we to be opposed to all wealth? Is it okay to accumulate vast sums of money? What's wrong with being wealthy? In our passage today, James answers that question.

First, James says, "listen, rich folks, misery is approaching." Why? "You have hoarded wealth in the last days." The wealth had rotted, the clothes had moths and the gold and silver had actually corroded. It is not wrong to be wealthy until folks start trying to hoard it up.

Second, James says, "Look! The wages you failed to pay the workmen who mowed your fields are crying out against you." The wealthy of James' day were wealthy because they had not paid their hired hands. Laborers in James' day were hired and paid by the day and did not have any kind of legal contracts. This may be the reason why there were so many regulations in the law for protecting the hired man. God was concerned about those who labored on a day to day basis. If they did not get paid when the day was over, their family likely went hungry. It was not wrong to be wealthy so long as that wealth was not crooked.

Finally, there is nothing wrong with wealth if that wealth does not become a means of self-indulgence. James speaks to the wealthy of the day and says, "You have lived on earth in luxury and self-indulgence. You have fattened yourselves in the day of slaughter." Luxury is a wasteful lifestyle, and luxury is condemned in the Bible.

What's wrong with being wealthy? Nothing—if wealth is used and not hoarded. Nothing—if wealth is not crooked. Nothing—if wealth is not used for pure self-indulgence.

## Bible Book

### Why we're still here

By R. Dale Wicker Jr., pastor, First Church, Conway

Basic passage: II Peter 3:1-18

Focal passage: II Peter 3:3-9, 14-18

Central truth: The Christian church has contended for centuries that Jesus is coming again. He is, and Peter explains the purported delay.

No shortage of second coming critics exists today. Some explain the biblical event into oblivion. Others discount the return of Jesus Christ until it becomes little more than a fable or myth. And then there are the mockers. Peter faced the mockers of the second coming with these responses:

First, Peter says that we should understand a mocker's nature (v. 3a). The word itself indicates a person who detests something. So these folks, in Peter's mind, were suspect spiritually. Paul might say that they could not understand the things of God because they were "natural men."

In the second place, the writer reminds Christians to understand the mocker's agenda (v. 3b). Mockers are interested in self-pleasure. Such a selfish lifestyle is uncomfortable with the notion of an ultimate judgment.

Finally, responding to second coming critics means an understanding of their ignorance (vv. 4-7). Mockers are ignorant of God when they suggest He will not be true to a promise. They are ignorant of history if they ignore the threefold intervention of God in creation; in the destruction (judgment) with the flood; and in the reservation of the day which is to come. Note that all of God's intervening action is accomplished by the power of His Word.

So why are we all still here? There are three reasons.

(1) God's perspective (v. 8). Purpose is more important to God than time. He is not limited by time. For God and to God, there is no delay!

(2) God's promise (v. 9a). God will fulfill His plan. Man's problem is in understanding God's plan. He leaves nothing undone!

(3) God's patience (v. 9b). God waits for the subjects of His love to come to Him. One more day may mean one more soul!

The end is coming. Jesus will appear. And His coming will be personal. Believers are required to live in the meantime as they watch (v. 14a), walk (v. 14b), witness (v. 15) and withstand (vv. 17-18).

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## NEWS DIGEST

### Catholics express interest in 'True Love Waits' campaign

NASHVILLE, TN (BP)—Leaders at the National Conference of Catholic Bishops in Washington have expressed interest in possible involvement in the Baptist Sunday School Board-sponsored "True Love Waits" campaign.

Richard Ross, youth ministry consultant at the BSSB and one of the coordinators of the sexual abstinence campaign aimed at teenagers, met July 13 with leaders from the bishops' Secretariat for Family Laity, Women and Youth.

"True Love Waits," first introduced in April, already has been endorsed by several other denominations and para-church groups, including: Youth for Christ, Youth With a Mission, National Network of Youth Ministries, Church of God, Reachout Ministries, Student Discipleship Ministries and Son Life Ministries. Christian authors and speakers James Dobson and Josh McDowell also have expressed support for the campaign.

### Somalia relief work goes on in and out of violent capital

NAIROBI, KENYA (BP)—Southern Baptist volunteers continue to minister to the people of Somalia, both inside and outside of the bloody Somali capital of Mogadishu. Southern Baptists are working with other agencies aiding Somalis in three countries in the Horn of Africa. Two volunteers continue aid programs in Mogadishu itself.

The pair in Mogadishu keep in hourly radio contact with personnel in Nairobi, Kenya, and they report feeling reasonably safe. But they asked for the prayers of Southern Baptists and other Christians.

Feeding and medical clinic programs staffed and funded by Southern Baptists in Mogadishu now operate at about 10 percent of the level they reached before the June 5 attack on United Nations soldiers.

### CLC, BJC oppose effort to claim bankrupt couple's tithes

WASHINGTON (ABP)—Baptist and other religious groups have joined a Minnesota church's fight to keep more than \$13,000 in tithes that a couple contributed during the year before they filed for bankruptcy.

The church is being forced by court order to turn over the money to a bankruptcy trustee to help pay debts owed to the couple's creditors.

But the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission, the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs and six other religious and civil-liberties groups are asking the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals to reverse the lower court's ruling.

In a friend-of-the court brief written by the Christian Legal Society, the religious groups said the court's sanctioning of "the government sticking its hand into the offering plate is a breathtaking interference with the First Amendment freedoms of churches and synagogues."

### Charles Stanley's wife files for legal separation

ATLANTA (BP)—Asking for prayer at the end a recent worship service, Charles Stanley, pastor of First Baptist Church of Atlanta, told the congregation his wife, Anna, had filed for a legal separation.

Stanley, one of Southern Baptists' most widely-known radio and television preachers, said to the congregation, "Last week Anna filed an action against me and it appears that a separation is now unavoidable, which I deeply regret. I am committed to reconciliation. I am asking you to pray that God would heal our marriage."

Stanley, 60, is the speaker on the "In Touch" radio and television program broadcast throughout the U.S. and in every country of the world. He was elected president of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1984 and 1985. Church officials said Stanley plans to continue his pastoral and broadcasting responsibilities.

### Dockery named vice president at Southern Seminary

LOUISVILLE, KY (BP)—A dean at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary will be elevated to the school's top-ranking position in academic administration Aug. 1, according to seminary president-elect R. Albert Mohler Jr.

David S. Dockery, dean of the school of theology at the Louisville, Ky., seminary since 1992, will become vice president for academic administration, said Mohler, who will succeed Roy L. Honeycutt as president Aug. 1. Dockery also will maintain his responsibilities as dean of the seminary's oldest school.

In addition to serving as dean, Dockery also has taught New Testament at Southern. From 1990-92, he was general editor of the Baptist Sunday School Board's Broadman Press. Prior to that, he was a professor at Southern Seminary for two years and Criswell College in Dallas for four years.