

Ouachita Baptist University

Scholarly Commons @ Ouachita

Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine, 1980-1984

Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine

11-5-1981

November 5, 1981

Arkansas Baptist State Convention

Follow this and additional works at: https://scholarlycommons.obu.edu/arbn_80-84



Part of the [Christian Denominations and Sects Commons](#), and the [Mass Communication Commons](#)

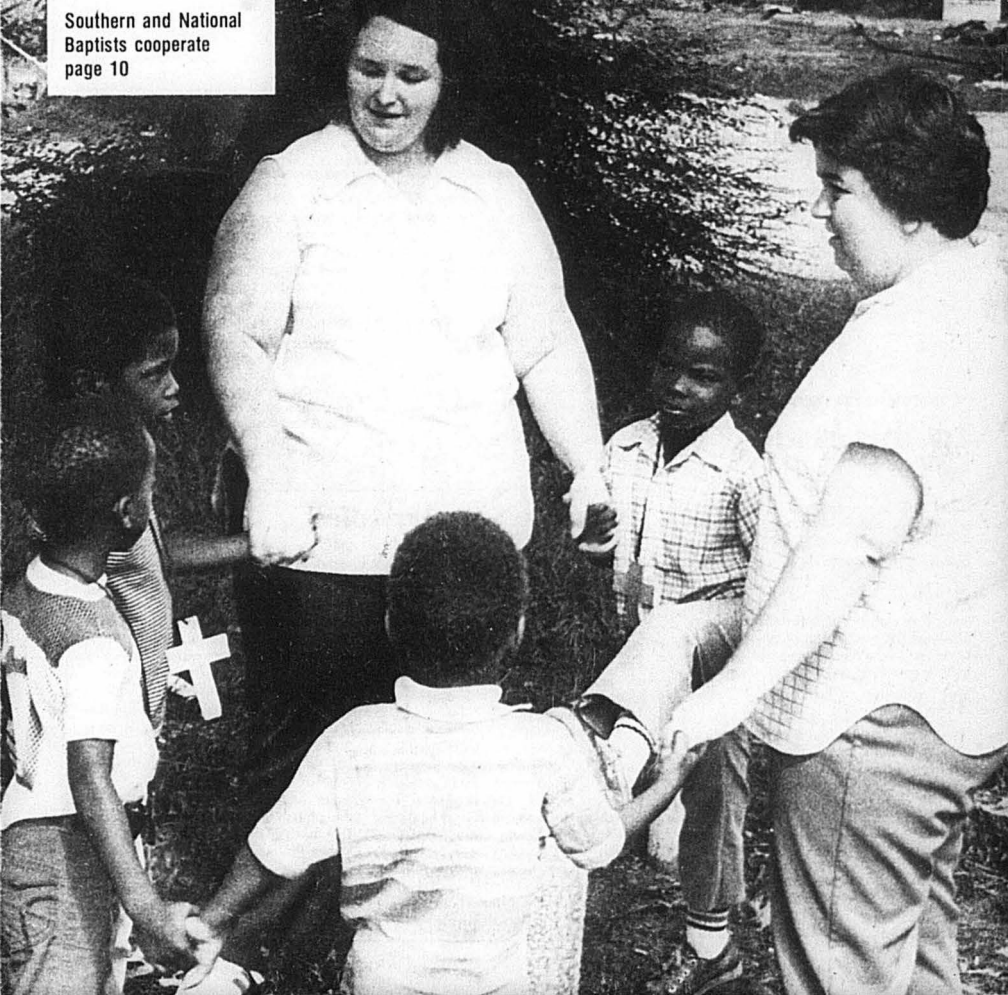
November 5, 1981

Arkansas Baptist

NEWSMAGAZINE

Executive Secretary dies
page 2

Southern and National
Baptists cooperate
page 10



Censorship of school books to be tested in high court

by Stan Hasty

WASHINGTON (BP) — The authority of local school boards to ban what they consider objectionable books from school libraries and classrooms will be tested in the U.S. Supreme Court.

The Court has been asked to decide if a Long Island school board violated the constitutional rights of students by banning books containing sexual terms, profanity and disparagement of religion.

Action removing the books came after some school board members attended a meeting sponsored by a conservative watchdog group. They convinced a board majority to thoroughly review books being used in their schools.

Among the works eventually banned were "The Naked Ape" by Desmond Morris, "Soul on Ice" by Eldridge Cleaver, "The Fixer" by Bernard Malamud and "Best Short Stories by Negro Writers" edited by Langston Hughes.

After the Island Trees Union Free School District took the censorship action five years ago, five students took the school board to court, arguing that their First Amendment rights had been violated.

Although a federal district court in New York upheld the school board, a federal court of appeals reversed and sent the case back to the lower court for further proceedings.

In this issue

7

Three Arkansas-related couples were among 33 persons named missionaries by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board Oct. 13 in Richmond, Va.

8

Several of the 24 Arkansans who serve on Southern Baptist Convention boards, institutions and commissions have assessed their various agencies' actions for the year.

10

Southwest Association, under the leadership of Director of Missions Leo Hughes, has been active in cooperation between the Southern and National Baptist Conventions.

16

The U.S. Supreme Court will soon rule whether or not church-related schools which practice race discrimination on religious grounds are entitled to tax-exempt status.

In appealing to the Supreme Court, attorneys for the school board argued that the board's action removing the books was in response to the "moral crisis confronting our nation today."

"The essence of a local school board's responsibility is to transmit community values to those in its charge," they argued.

The students, represented by the American Civil Liberties Union and its New York affiliate, asked the justices to refuse the appeal and permit a full trial on the merits of the case in the district court.

In their written brief to the high court, the ACLU attorneys said the case "presents fundamental questions regarding the capacity of a school board to impose ideological and cultural orthodoxy" on students.

The clash between school board and stu-

dents, they went on, is a "classic First Amendment confrontation between those who seek to deploy the force of majoritarian institutions to censor unpopular expression and those who seek to express — or to be exposed to — differing perspectives."

Briefs in support of the school board position have been filed in the case by the National Association of Secondary School Principals and Citizens for Decency Through Law Inc.

Although both sides in the controversy are expected to present oral arguments to the court on the merits and constitutional issues at stake, the justices may choose to decide the case on the narrower issue of the students' standing to bring such a suit.

No date has been announced for the hearing.

Letters to the editor

'Humanism' nebulous term

It is unfortunate that so many today are roundly condemning "secular humanism." Oh no, I am not in favor of "secular humanism", I simply feel that this nebulous term has come to be a scapegoat for what we find wrong in the world, or for whatever we disagree with. If it is unchristian we can label it "humanism" and be through with it, we somehow feel, when in reality, labeling something does nothing to decrease its injustice or change its evil nature. If something is sinful let us call it sin. If it is unjust let us call it that. In all cases we do better to worry about what action God would have us take than what name to call it.

In fact, if we take Webster's definition of humanism at face value, we find Jesus to be a humanist. He became a human being, lived and promised us an abundant life, and then died for our sins. This was truly "a mode or attitude of thought or action centering upon distinctively human interest or ideals." God had the very highest human interest when he gave his son for us.

We do need to oppose the non-Christian influences in our society. The question is, how is this struggle between the Spirit and the flesh benefited by use of the term "humanism"? — Jay Close, Magnolia

Executive Secretary dies

Huber L. Drumwright, executive Secretary of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention since May 30, 1980, died Nov. 2 at 1 a.m. in Little Rock of an apparent heart attack.

Dr. Drumwright, 57, and Mrs. Drumwright had returned home Sunday night after Dr. Drumwright had preached at First Church in El Dorado. Dr. Drumwright experienced severe chest pains at approximately 11 p.m. and Little Rock Fire Department paramedics were called. Efforts were made to resuscitate him for nearly an hour before he was taken to Baptist Medical Center where he was pronounced dead after further efforts



Drumwright

to revive him.

Drumwright had been Dean of the School of Theology at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary for seven years and taught at SWBTS for a total of 28 years before being named Arkansas Executive Secretary. A year-long search preceded Drumwright's election by the Arkansas Executive Board.

He has been a pastor, served in the Navy in World War II combat, written numerous books and articles and has been a popular speaker for camps and assemblies around the country.

Survivors are his wife, Minette; two daughters, Minette Evelyn and Debra Kay, both of Waco, Texas; and a sister, Rubye Pulley of Dallas.

Services were held Tuesday at Little Rock's Immanuel Church and Wednesday at Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth.

A church is not a building

The editor's page

J. Everett Sneed



A church building ought to be the neatest, best appearing and best kept property in the community. It should be more attractive than anything which surrounds it, regardless of its size or cost. The church plant should say to everyone who passes that this is a special place. But a church building is not a church. The building is only a shelter where the church gathers for worship and training.

A church is a group of baptized believers who come together to worship, minister to each other, testify of faith, witness to others, and carry out kingdom purposes. It is important to recognize what a church is in order to understand its purpose.

If a church were only a building, land and other facilities, the church property would become an end in itself. The main objective would be to have an attractive, well-kept facility. The purpose could not be spiritual. It would have only material goals as its purpose for its existence.

The teachings of Christ clearly emphasize the fact that a New Testament church is a spiritual organism. This concept is further enforced in that churches in the New Testament era did not even have buildings. The congregations met in homes. Some times, because of persecution, the members met in secret.

Since a church is not a building, but a spiritual organism composed of people, it evangelizes by supporting missions and ministries. The members find strength and purpose as they teach each other the Word of God. The older, seasoned Christians help to train the recently converted "babes in Christ." A church is strong when it is fully committed to help the members to become more and more Christ-like while reaching out to a lost world. A summary of this walk in faith is set forth in the Great Commission. As a congregation does this they truly become Christ's church.

It is possible to have beautiful buildings without having a church. Europe is filled with beautiful buildings. Tourists flock to observe the aesthetic beauty of the architecture. But hardly anyone comes to worship. Often, there is no evangelistic effort and little attempt to carry out kingdom purposes.

It is, also, possible to have a great church without having a building. Usually, in today's society, a building will be erected eventually. A building should reflect, to some extent, the com-

mitment and resources of the congregation. A church building in the jungle might be constructed of crude materials, but this type of facility would not be appropriate in a wealthy center of commerce.

Church buildings can be too lavish, too large or too extreme. In constructing new facilities several things should be kept in mind. First, how much can a congregation pay without reducing its commitment to local evangelism and world missions? If a new building is so elaborate that a church's commitment to world missions will suffer, new construction should be postponed or done in stages.

Second, a new building should not be so large that there is no reasonable possibility of it being filled to capacity. A building with a large percentage of empty seats every week will be a hindrance rather than a help to future growth. The Southern Baptist Sunday School Board's Church Architecture Department can assist the congregation in determining a realistic size for its new buildings.

Adequate space, reasonable comfort, and even some embellishment are in order. But churches must be aware of misplaced values. Three prevalent misconceptions are evidenced among churches today. The most frequent is too much importance to be attached to a building. Some congregations want their facilities to be too large or too ornate. Other churches may apologize or even become defensive if the building is not as impressive as they desire. Such feelings relate to the importance of the facilities and not to the spiritual quality of the congregation.

At the opposite end of the spectrum are a few who would invest little or nothing in a building. They maintain that since a congregation of believers can meet anywhere, the building isn't important. They forget that all that the bypassers see is the building and grounds.

A final misconception is a sentimental attachment to a church's building which prevents a congregation moving to a new location or erecting a new building. These people fail to see that the purpose of the building is to serve the congregation.

Perhaps many of our misconceptions could be corrected if every church sign read, "The (insert your church's name) Baptist Church meets here." This says it clearly that the people, not the building, are the church.

Arkansas Baptist

NEWSMAGAZINE

Arkansas' third largest publication,
meeting the information needs of Arkansas Baptists.

VOLUME 80

NUMBER 43

J. EVERETT SNEED, Ph.D. Editor
BETTY KENNEDY Managing Editor
ERWIN L. McDONALD, Litt. D. Editor Emeritus

Letters to the editor expressing opinions are invited. Letters should be typed double-space and must be signed. Letters must not contain more than 350 words and must not defame the character of persons.

Photos submitted for publication will be returned only when accompanied by a stamped, self-addressed envelope. Only black and white photos can be used.

Copies by mail 25 cents each.

Deaths of members of Arkansas churches will be reported in brief form when information is received not later than 14 days after the date of death.

Advertising rates on request.

Opinions expressed in signed articles are those of the writer.

Member of Southern Baptist Press Association.

The Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine (USPS 031-280) is published weekly, except the third week in April, at July 4 and Dec. 25, by the Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine Inc., 525 West Capitol Ave., Little Rock, AR 72201. Subscription rates are \$4.82 per year (individual), \$3.94 per year (Every Resident Family Plan), \$4.44 per year (Club Plan) and \$12 per year (to foreign address). Second class postage paid at Little Rock, AR. POSTMASTER: Send address change to Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine, P.O. Box 552, Little Rock, AR 72203



One layman's opinion

Daniel R. Grant

Social determinism vs. freedom of choice

An old controversy was given new life a few years ago with the publication of a book, "Beyond Freedom and Dignity", by Harvard behavioral scientist, B. F. Skinner. Skinner says freedom is a delusion and human behavior is entirely determined by heredity and the social setting. This flies in the face of the Christian view of ultimate freedom of choice for all men, and that "who-soever will" may come into a miraculous new birth experience with Christ.

Bill and Linda Cates once helped me to rethink this question of whether one is a total slave to environment and genes. These Christian musicians were visiting on the Ouachita campus and Mrs. Grant and I had them in our home one night for fellowship with a group of students.

With appropriate arm-twisting they agreed to play and sing just a little before leaving. Linda sang two numbers from the musical "Mountain Light," that were in sharp contrast with each other. Each song

had for its setting the pitiful, grinding poverty of a mountain community with much disease, illiteracy, and economic blight.

The first song voiced all of a woman's bitterness and pessimism that might be expected from such a hard life. The other was a beautiful song of another woman expressing gratitude to God for the love, beauty, and enjoyment she found in her relationship to her family, neighbors, and God, in spite of the poverty. Aside from the beauty of Linda Cate's singing, I was impressed with the reality of ultimate freedom of choice, even in the common setting of what we call "cultural and economic deprivation."

There is a spark planted deep inside each human, called the image of God, and even though B. F. Skinner doesn't find it in his test tube, it is nevertheless there. Skinner is probably correct in observing that an overwhelming statistical majority in this world have not made the free leap of faith and es-

caped enslavement to heredity and environment, but the law of averages should never be mistaken for absolutes.

One other illustration occurs to me. He is Ed Coulter, Ouachita's Vice President for Administration, who stands 6'7" tall and who is compelled, because of his height, to go through life looking at the dusty tops of cabinets, shelves, and door frames that most people never see or bother to clean. You might say that Ed lives in a different and dirty world because his level of vision is 12 inches higher than that of most people. Far from being victimized by it, his happiness level is well above average and he shows no sign of being tied to some different view of an unclean world.

As a social scientist and as a Christian, I continue to cast my vote for a significant amount of freedom of choice in the life of every human being.

Daniel R. Grant is president of Ouachita Baptist University at Arkadelphia.



Woman's viewpoint

Mary Baynard Sneed

Let there be light

The psalmist has declared: "By the word of the Lord were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth" (Psalm 33:6); "Thou sendest forth thy spirit, they are created; and thou renewest the face of the earth" (104:30); "The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple" (119:130); "Let them praise the name of the Lord: for he commanded, and they were created" (148:5).

When Moses began his account of the origin of life as it is known on this earth with the words, "In the beginning God . . ." (Gen. 1:1), he called no other witness, cited no other authority than the word of the One whose "life was the light of men" (John 1:4).

To the scientist who chooses to understand life within the self-imposed limits of touching and reasoning, Darwin's theory of evolution may well suffice to chart the phases through which certain forms of life on this planet have passed to their present

stage of development. Yet, it fails to satisfy the longing of the human soul for intimate knowledge of and communion with the One who is the source of all life.

Though Darwin's theory may well answer to what has been observed under a microscope, it fails to account for some 5,000 years of human enlightenment, in which man has turned his face to a light toward which no green plant has ever leaned.

"That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world," wrote John the beloved disciple. "He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he the power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name. Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God" (John 1:9-14).

How can we believe in a God we have not seen? John's own testimony was that

"No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him" (John 1:18). Jesus assured his disciples, "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him" (John 14:6-7).

As an explanation of the origin of mankind, Darwin's theory fails to bring man to that light which is the source of his own enlightenment. "But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they were wrought in God" (John 3:21).

Mrs. Sneed of North Little Rock is the wife of the editor, homemaker and mother of two daughters. She holds the BA and BSE degrees from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock and is a teacher of senior adults and choir member at Park Hill Church in North Little Rock.



The Southern accent

The fundamental flaw

by D. Jack Nicholas

In my last article I observed that contemporary social theory — psychology and sociology — is divided by many conflicting models. Virtually all theorists and theoretical models do agree upon one thing, however — the rejection of the Biblical doctrine of original sin.

The doctrine of human depravity is hardly appealing to anyone, but modern thinkers have taken special measures to repudiate it.

There appears to have been a concerted effort to eradicate the word "sin" from the human vocabulary and to empty the concept of its meaning.

The first assault was by the social ethicists. Armed by the "evidences" of biblical criticism which challenged the validity of the Holy Scriptures, they proffered a series of alternatives to Biblical morality — secular ethics, situation ethics, the new morality, etc.

The second assault against the concept of "sin" had the effect of eliminating sin by re-classifying those behaviors which the Bible calls sinful.

First, the medical profession lifted from among those acts which the Bible labels sinful certain ones which it re-labeled. The medical field announced that these acts were no longer spiritual or religious problems requiring the attention of the minister or the church but rather they were medical

problems requiring the attention of a physician or psychiatrist.

Later, psychology likewise plundered that category of behaviors which the Bible calls sinful and decreed that certain of these were not moral problems but rather psychological aberrations. They required psychological attention, not repentance and forgiveness.

Sociology has also participated in this process of reclassification and has claimed that certain acts which the Bible labels as sinful are instead merely social anomalies and require social modification, not spiritual contrition and turning from sin.

All of this prompted one of their own number, Dr. Menninger, to write a penetrating book, inquiring into this trend, which bore the title, "Whatever Became of Sin?" This distinguished psychiatrist contends that sin is a legitimate concept which we can hardly do without despite all efforts to destroy it.

T. S. Elliot stated, "The most sophisticated doctrine of Christianity is original sin". It may be a repugnant doctrine but it is a valid and sophisticated one.

Much of social theory fails at this point. It denies a fact which man himself validates daily. Until modern social theory corrects the defect in its foundation, its structure will never stand.

unusual church and denominational contributions.

The main message was brought by Brock Watson, pastor of Rolling Hills Church in Fayetteville, and pastor advisor of the BSU at the University.

Also participating in the service were Fred Nelson, president of the Fayetteville Ministerial Association; Charles Watt, pastor of Wiggins Memorial Methodist Church; Gladys Sonneman, organist; and Max Worthley, soloist.

panel of parents who have received help with a child abuse problem.

The training is Thursday and Friday, Nov. 12 and 13 at Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church, Woodlawn and Monroe Streets, Little Rock from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.

For more information, including registration, call the SCAN office at 371-2773.

Informed Baptists ...

Every person needs to keep in touch with his roots. In one sense it has been difficult for me to keep in touch with my Arkansas Baptist heritage because my wife and I have spent the last 25 years serving as Southern Baptist missionaries in Eastern Africa. The one magazine that has ministered to this need is the *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine*.



Hampton

For many years the WMU of Arkansas has sent us the paper. It always came by boat mail and sometimes it was three to six months old, but I read it with eager anticipation noticing the "moving about" of pastors; the constructions of new buildings; the attendance records in Sunday School; the issues facing the state or the Southern Baptist Convention; opinions and viewpoints; news of Ouachita, my alma mater; news about other missionaries, and in general just keeping in touch.

About three years ago, the Baptist Men of Woodland Heights Church in Harrison made it possible for the paper to be sent to us airmail. Now, we get the paper in two weeks while the news is still fresh. I publicly want to thank the Baptist Men of Woodland Heights Church for this beautiful and thoughtful gesture. I would also like to recommend this "airmail" plan to other churches that would like to help foreign missionaries from Arkansas keep in touch with their roots in this state.

James E. Hampton
Associate to the Director
Eastern Africa

... are concerned Baptists

Memorial held for Hays

A memorial service for Brooks Hays, sponsored by the Baptist Student Union of the University of Arkansas, was held at 12:15 p.m., at First Church of Fayetteville on the same day of the funeral for Hays in Little Rock.

James Chase, professor of history at the University and long-time friend of Congressman and Mrs. Hays, spoke of Hays' contribution to public and political life in our state and country. Jamie Jones, BSU director at the University, talked about Hays'

Child abuse seminar set

SCAN Volunteer Service Inc. (Suspected Child Abuse and Neglect) will sponsor a training for persons interested in volunteering their time to work with families who have a child abuse problem.

The training will provide information on the dynamics of child abuse, child management and development and observations on human behavior. There will also be a

Stewardship Commission names woman to staff

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BP) — Barbara Conner, a 15-year employee of the Southern Baptist Convention Stewardship Commission, has been elected to the commission's professional staff.

"This is a first for us," said A. R. Fagan, the commission's executive director-treasurer. "We have never had a woman in a professional staff position in this agency."

Conner was named publishing supervisor, replacing Paul M. Darden, who resigned.

The selection was one of three staff shifts in the agency. Harry C. Bonner, who recently joined the staff in the endowment capital giving division, was elected assistant executive director-treasurer, and Charles D. Vanderslice, a consultant in the Together We Build program for three years, was named special consultant for institutional fund raising.

by Millie Gill/ABN staff writer

Robert Edward (Eddie) Reed

has joined the staff of DeQueen First Church as minister of education and music. He has been serving on the staff of the Malvern Third Church. He is a graduate of Ouachita Baptist University. Reed is the son of the Rev. and Mrs. Raymond H. Reed of Warren, where his father serves as director of missions for Bartholomew Association. He is married to the former Carolyn Helms of Little Rock.

Frank Stewart

has accepted the call to serve as pastor of the Paragould Center Hill Church, coming there from Vernon, Ala.



Reed



Horne

Glenn T. Plum

has resigned as pastor of the DeWitt First Church to become pastor of the First

Church of Lancaster, Ohio.

Bruce Rodnick

has joined the staff of Pine Bluff Immanuel Church. He is serving as minister of music/youth, coming there from the Crossett Temple Church.

Larry Horne

began serving Oct. 25 as pastor of the Charleston First Church. He attended Ouachita Baptist University and is presently enrolled in Boyce Bible School. Horne has pastored other Arkansas churches. He is married to the former Peggy Hardgrave of Clarksville. They have two children, Aaron and Sarah.

briefly

Maynard Witts Chapel

has purchased two additional acres for future church growth. Purchase price for the property was \$6,000. Special giving amounted to \$4,000 according to Pastor Jerry Baker.

Booneville First Church

has voted to begin a radio ministry for shut-ins and other interested people in that area.

Little Rock Lakeshore Drive Church

held its annual stewardship banquet Oct. 28. The banquet launched a pledge cam-

paign for the 1982 budget of \$125,325. This represents a six percent increase over the 1981 budget. Carolyn Staley was featured musician.

Monticello Second Church

celebrated its 56th birthday with homecoming Nov. 1. Activities included Sunday School, morning worship, a noon meal and fellowship, Church Training and the evening worship service. Special music was featured in the evening service and was presented by the Ouachitones of Ouachita Baptist University.

Ward First Church

was in a revival Oct. 4-10 led by Evangelist Milburn Hill and Herbert "Red" Johnson, music director. There were nine professions of faith, and five additions by letter.

Jacksonville First Church

has voted to remodel its parsonage. Jerry Jones, chairman of the finance committee, has appointed Gene Bowman, Bob Stender, Mrs. Tom Bush, and Mrs. Mike Mitchell to assist with the project.

Camden First Church

has instituted a visitation program under leadership of its new pastor, Francis S. Chesson. The suggested program will include monthly visitation by each department.

Benton County Association

held ground breaking services Oct. 25 for an associational office. Bob Parker, director of the Christian Life Council for Arkansas Baptist State Convention, was speaker. Steve Tucker was in charge of special music. Bedford Jackson is director of missions.

Fort Smith West Side Church

held deacon ordination services Sept. 27 for Ellie Boydston, Jr., James Ortiz and Dale Montgomery. Leaders were Larry Montgomery, Robert Bell, and Pastor Harry Wilson.

Black Oak New Hope Church

will hold a Harvest Day Dinner, followed by a music program Nov. 8. Former pastors and members will be special guests.

Scholarship given at Ouachita

ARKADELPHIA — A new scholarship for students in the teacher education field has been established at Ouachita Baptist University and named for Mrs. Norma Stephens Williams of Arkadelphia.

The initial fund, given by Billy G. Williams of Arkadelphia in honor of his wife, will be invested in the Kemper Money Market Fund. After five years, the university may invest the principal and interest as it deems necessary.

Scholarship fund honors Whitlow

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — A scholarship fund has been started at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in honor of S. A. Whitlow, the late executive secretary of the Arkansas Baptist Convention.

The S. A. "Jack" Whitlow Scholarship Fund was initiated by his friends to perpetuate his memory and interest in theological education.

Whitlow died in 1980 while actively engaged in directing the seminary's \$10 million Campaign in Arkansas.

Look who's joined you

New subscribers to the *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine* are:

Church	Pastor	Association
New budget:		
Meadowview So., Sheridan	None	Central
Mount Pleasant Southern	Warren Banks	Rocky Bayou
Wheatley	W. Earl Ashley	Tri-County
First, Marshall	Sidney Byler	No. Arkansas
Beaver Lake, Eureka Spgs.	Elmer Griever	No. Arkansas
Brush Creek, Springdale	Wendell Lang	Wash-Mad.
Tipperary, Knobel	Charles Herrin	Current-Gains

For more information on how your church can join the family of subscribers to your state Baptist paper, write to Subscriptions, Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine, P.O. Box 552, Little Rock, Ark. 72203 or call Ann Taylor at (501) 376-4791, ext. 156.

Foreign Mission Board appoints three Arkansas-related couples

Three Arkansas-related couples were among 33 persons named missionaries by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board Oct. 13 at Second Church of Richmond, Va. Mr. and Mrs. Jim L. Barnes will serve in Taiwan, where he will be a religious education consultant and she will be a church and home worker. Since 1976 he has been program director for language missions for the Missouri Baptist Convention, Jefferson City.

Barnes is the son of Mrs. Ola Barnes of Hartford, Ark., and the late Hosea Barnes. He was born and reared in Hartford and attended First Church there.

Barnes earned the bachelor of music degree from Ouachita Baptist University and the master of religious education degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas.

Mrs. Barnes, the former Edna Harris, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Garland G. Harris of Alma, Ark., her hometown. She attended Arkansas Tech University and earned the bachelor of science degree from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville.

Rev. and Mrs. David J. Cartwright will serve in the Philippines, where he will be a general evangelist and she will be a church and home worker. He is pastor of Union Church, Chillicothe, Mo.

Cartwright is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe V. Cartwright of El Dorado Springs, Mo. He earned the bachelor of arts degree from Ottawa (Kan.) University and the master of



Barnes



Mrs. Barnes



Cartwright



Mrs. Cartwright

divinity degree from Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Kansas City.

Mrs. Cartwright, the former Wanda Bayse, is the daughter of Howard Bayse of Russellville, Ark., and the late Jean Bayse. She earned the associate in arts degree from Maple Woods Community College, Kansas City.

Rev. and Mrs. Monte G. Mills will work in Transkei, where he will be a general evangelist and she will be a church and home worker. Currently he is attending Southwestern Seminary and she is a secretary and bookkeeper in Fort Worth.

Mills, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Malcolm Mills of San Antonio, Texas. He received the bachelor of arts degree from Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Texas, and the master of divinity degree from Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary, Memphis, Tenn. He expects to receive the master of religious education degree in December from Southwestern



Mills



Mrs. Mills

Seminary to meet requirements for missionary appointment.

He has been pastor of the Earle (Ark.) Church, as well as churches in Texas.

The former Linda Rogers, Mrs. Mills is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Rogers of Odessa, Texas.

All three couples will go to Pine Mountain, Ga., in January for a 12-week orientation before going to the field.

News about missionaries

Amendment proposed

The following amendment to the State Convention Constitution and Bylaws will be proposed to the ABCS annual meeting by Carl M. Overton, director of missions for Central Association. It is a personal proposal and does not come from the Constitution and Bylaws Committee.

To Bylaw 4, paragraph 2, add the following words: Two-thirds or more of an unexpired term shall be considered a full term in determining eligibility for reelection.

Foreign Board has new box number

RICHMOND, Va. — The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board has a new mail box number — 6767. Post office officials say mail addressed to the old box number will continue to be delivered to the board, but the official mailing address changed when the branch post office which serves the board moved. The old address had been used since the board moved to its current building in 1959. The complete mailing address is Box 6767, Richmond, Va. 23230.

Mr. and Mrs. Max N. Alexander, missionaries to Thailand, have completed furlough and returned to the field (address: Box 832, Bangkok, Thailand). They are natives of Arkansas. He was born in Lake City and grew up in Jonesboro. The former Betty Nickell, she was born in Hazel Valley and also lived in Fayetteville. They were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1961.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold T. Cummins, missionaries to Kenya, have completed furlough and returned to the field (address: c/o Joyce Farm Ltd., P.O. Box, Konza, Kenya). A native of Arkansas, he was born in El Dorado and grew up in Calion. She is the former Betty Noe of Highlandville, Mo. They were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1959.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Hampton, missionary associates to South Africa, have ar-

rived in the States for furlough (address: c/o First Baptist Church, 4th and Pine, Texas, Texas 75501). They are natives of Arkansas. He was born in Fordyce, and she is the former Evelyn Harden of Helena. They were employed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1976.

Tina Murdock, missionary journeyman to Thailand, has arrived on the field to begin her two-year term of service as a youth worker at International Baptist Church (address: 3, Great Eastern Court, Taman Nakhoda, Singapore 1025). She was born in Livermore, Calif., and also lived in Little Rock and Sheridan, Ark., and considers Pine Bluff, Ark., her hometown. Before she was employed by the Foreign Mission Board in July 1981, she was an English teacher at Chapel Academy in Pine Bluff.

Arkansas native named US-2 missionary

ATLANTA — Tammie Britton Worsham, of Marion, Ark., and her husband, David, were among 27 young adults commissioned missionaries by the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board.

The Worshams were appointed US-2ers,

college graduates serving for two years in mission capacities in the U.S.

They are with church extension in Atlantic, Iowa, and are graduates of Blue Mountain College, Blue Mountain, Miss.

Arkansans on SBC boards

Twenty-four Arkansans serve as trustees on Southern Baptist Convention boards, institutions and commissions. In response to a request from the *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine*, several of these Arkansas Baptist leaders have assessed their agency's actions for the year. Here are excerpts from their letters.

Executive Committee

Rodney R. Landes, El Dorado

Churches acting alone cannot accomplish Christ's purpose around the world... The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention is the group designated to coordinate our Southern Baptist efforts in an orderly way... Being on the Executive Committee has also opened my eyes to some dangers... Our big numbers and big programs and big money tempt us to forget that the real work Christ wants done is with individuals through local congregations... A second threat to what Southern Baptists are trying to do is designated offerings. I'm not opposed to designated offerings... What does worry me is the percentage of these offerings in relationship to general offerings... this percentage has tilted in favor of designated gifts... our cooperative program ministries are suffering imbalance since they depend upon general offerings.

New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary

Richard T. Stiltner, Hope

The Development Office is continuing a most successful campaign to raise funds for unrestricted endowment. To date, \$2,694,000 has been raised... Without the good, solid educational work provided by our seminaries like New Orleans, Southern Baptists could not meet the challenge of ministry to our modern world... All board members are fully informed on the operation of the seminary in all its aspects... Final decisions on all matters of operation of the seminary rest with the trustees... Southern Baptists may well be proud of the system of governing this institution... The system was set up by the SBC and is totally responsive to the denomination in all aspects of operation.

Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary

Bill Flynt, Fayetteville

The fall semester marks the 12th consecutive year of continuous increase in enrollment... Morris Ashcraft, a former Arkansan, became dean of the faculty on Aug. 1, 1981... Faculty members come from rich and diverse backgrounds of culture, training and professional/vocational experience... The impact is perceived by this trustee to be more like "leaven in the loaf" — necessary, positive, gradual.

Foreign Mission Board

James F. Sawyer, Benton

The most significant action in the last year is the decision by the board to build and operate its own orientation center near the city of Richmond, Va... The actions taken recently should communicate better to every Southern Baptist that if we are to accomplish the Board's responsible part of Bold Mission Thrust, they must undergird it with greater financial support than they are now doing... We have reached a new milestone in the proposal of a 1982 budget of \$104,000,000. This budget is primarily funded by Cooperative Program dollars and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

Mrs. Jewel Moore, Hope

One of the most significant actions taken by the FMB (is) the major reorganization of the staff... The new organization places greater emphasis on strategy and planning (and) pulls together personnel-related functions previously handled by different divisions... Baptisms in overseas churches related to Southern Baptist mission work numbered 110,032 in 1980, setting a new record... In July a record number of 84 in missionaries was commissioned, which brings us to a half-year count of 229 appointed.

Home Mission Board

Mrs. John D. Blythe, Harrison

I have served two years on the Missionary Personnel Committee and appreciate the extent of study each candidate is given... It's exciting to see the enthusiasm of new church growth... Home Missions is a large enterprise. I appreciate how carefully they budget God's money.

Don Harbuck, El Dorado

More than 50 percent of the annual Home Mission budget is committed to ministries in newer areas of the convention, that is, states entered by Southern Baptists after 1940... The Home Mission Board and its ministries spend more than \$100,000 per day or \$4,000 per hour, or \$70 per minute to share Christ's love in our own land... They have a compassionate concern for human need, seeing all people as those for whom Christ died... A wise leader once said that life cannot be maintained at high levels without institutions... Southern Baptists understand that our zeal for Christ and our enthusiasm for missions will not last long or count for much without being institutionalized.



Landes



Stiltner



Flynt



Sawyer



Moore



Blythe



Harbuck

How they see agencies

Southern Baptist Theological Seminary Emil Williams, Jonesboro

A main reason for my enjoyment of the task is the extremely high calibre of persons involved in the administration and faculty of the seminary . . . Many of them serve in their positions at personal sacrifice, receiving much smaller compensation than would be available to them elsewhere . . . an important development has been the increased recognition of the student's voice in seminary life . . . All three schools have acquired new, relatively young deans. This year Dr. Duke McCall, president for over 30 years, has announced his retirement . . . The pervading spirit of Southern Seminary is a sense of responsibility . . . that responsibility is being fulfilled through faithfulness to historic Baptist belief and doctrinal emphases.

Woman's Missionary Union Mrs. Boyd Margason, Mountain Home

The largest WМУ budget of \$5,741,600 (was adopted). WМУ receives no Cooperative Program funding, but generates almost 95 percent of its own income through the sale of magazines and materials . . . Perhaps the most significant action was the funding of the National Enlargement Plan . . . WМУ is making an impact on Bold Mission Thrust through a three-year emphasis of "Life-Changing Commitments." Women have been challenged to make lifestyle changes so BMT may become a reality . . . Consistently effective promotion of the special offerings for Foreign and Home Missions resulted in gigantic increases in financial support of missions.

Christian Life Commission Jack Bettis, Fort Smith

As one of the six newly-elected trustees, I participated in a new members orientation meeting where we met Foy Valentine and the Christian Life Commission staff . . . The Valentines were good hosts as they opened their home to us and provided a setting for us to become better acquainted with them and with each other . . . The first meeting was a good experience. There were some things which were encouraging and some which were disappointing . . . There were occasions which were inspirational and others which were disheartening. There were things I felt were good and things which I felt were bad.

Historical Commission Carl M. Overton, Hot Springs

At the last meeting of the Commission long-range plans were adopted setting goals and emphases for the Commission through the year 2000 . . . The "Encyclopedia of Southern Baptists" is a useful reference work which was published by the Historical Commission. Volume IV will soon be off the press . . . A new and lasting appreciation for our heritage has been gained as well as a useful reference point for understanding much of the present and future movements of the denomination.

Education Commission D. Jack Nicholas, Walnut Ridge

A significant action was the preparation of a statement attempting to increase opportunities for spiritual growth by all students at Baptist colleges through the identification and implementation of the unique resources available for a religious activities program on Baptist campuses . . . These actions and the general tenor of the Association of Schools, Colleges, and Seminaries portend a closer relationship between the schools . . . and their denomination and increased appreciation and support of the goals and objectives of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary Ken Lilly, Fort Smith

Although I was not elected to Southwestern Seminary's board of trustees until June, 1981, I am serving as chairman of the seminary's Advisory Council during this year . . . More than one-half of the foreign missionaries now serving the convention are graduates of Southwestern . . . Exciting programs include a merger with the Mexican Baptist Bible Institute in order to expand accredited training of Hispanic leadership.

Shad Medlin, El Dorado

During the past year, Southwestern Seminary has instituted the Center for Christian Communication Studies in cooperation with the SBC Radio/TV Commission . . . It also initiated a joint Gerontology Program with Baylor University . . . It began construction of a new library to be completed in 1982 . . . There are 989 former students of Southwestern now living and serving in Arkansas. Arkansas ranks 8th among the state with an enrollment of 134 Arkansas students this fall.



Williams

Margason

Bettis

Overton

Nicholas

Lilly

Medlin

Southwest Association leads in Baptist Cooperative Ministries

Southwest Association has taken a lead in sponsoring Arkansas Southern Baptist and National Baptist Cooperative Ministries this year.

Director of Missions Leo Hughes and his association have undertaken three major projects for 1981: an adult education Bible study class for ministers and laymen at the Lewisville Extension Center, a Vacation Bible School at Shiloh Church in Bradley, and an area fellowship meeting with Southern and National Baptists in the association

planned for Nov. 5.

The purpose of National and Southern Baptists' cooperation is to strengthen the work of Baptist churches and associations and to win and develop the unsaved in the Christian faith. National and Southern Baptist churches, working together, are able to challenge the total community in most Arkansas towns and cities.

Southwest Association seems to know intuitively what Booker T. Washington learned from his experience:

"It was only gradually that I gained the notion that there had been two races in slavery. No race can wrong another race, simply because it has the power to do so, without being permanently injured in its morals. The Negro can endure the temporary inconvenience, but the injury to the white man is permanent."

Thus, in Washington's teaching, it is the oppressor rather than the oppressed who is most in need of liberation. — Robert U. Ferguson, director of Cooperative Ministries



Members from Shiloh Memorial Church of Texarkana, a Southern Baptist congregation and part of Southwest Association, led a Vacation Bible School at Shiloh Church of Bradley, a National Baptist affiliate.



Mike Shy (standing) was among those leading a Vacation Bible School at Shiloh Church in Bradley, which enrolled 90 persons and recorded professions of faith by 19 high school students. Over \$50 was raised through offerings during the week.

Right, center: Leo Hughes (right), director of missions for Southwest Association, participates in a planning session for an area fellowship with Southern and National Baptists, set for Nov. 4. This will be the sixth year the fellowship has been jointly planned and promoted.



Right, bottom: J. D. Webb (left) of Texarkana leads an adult education Bible study class for ministers and laymen at the Lewisville Extension Center. The 39 persons enrolled meet one night a week from October through June.



A pastor speaks about Child Care support



First Baptist Church

Don B. Harbuck, Tr. D., Pastor

El Dorado, Arkansas

August 19, 1981

Arkansas Baptist Family & Child Care Services
Baptist Building
P. O. Box 552
Little Rock, Arkansas 72203

Dear Christian Friends:

When I reflect upon the noblest contributions made by our congregation to God's Kingdom, what we have given to the Arkansas Baptist Family and Child Care Services program stands near the top of the list. I take no credit personally for the generosity of our people to this work. It has been a long tradition within our fellowship.

Knowing that we shall be judged by how we treat people in the dawn of life, in the twilight of life, and in the shadows of life, our church will continue to make a major push for contributions to the Thanksgiving offering for our family and child care ministry. My people join me in urging every congregation to do the same thing.

Sincerely yours,

Don B. Harbuck

kf

Remember the Thanksgiving Offering

Estate sale
Sellers Unlimited
W. D. and Glenn Kirkland estate
Plumerville, Ark.
1-40, Exit 112
Nov. 13-14
9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Complete household, including appliances, antiques, jewelry, collectables, silver, prints, oils — **Something for everyone.**



**BAPTISMAL
POOLS**

**FIBERGLASS
CHURCH PRODUCTS**

(615) 875-0679

3511 HIXSON PIKE, CHATTANOOGA, TN 37415



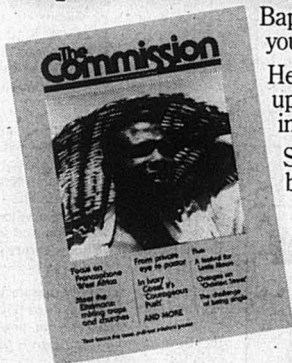
Specialists in church construction

6920 Dahlia Drive
Little Rock, Ark. 72209

Financing available

For information call:
H. W. Roper (501) 562-4582
Irby Watson (501) 847-8565

The most important thing we do is send missionaries. The second most important thing we do is report results.



Baptist work around the world is the direct result of your gifts. You need to know how that money is spent.

Here is an opportunity for you to receive the monthly update on what Baptist activities are accomplishing in 95 countries around the world.

Subscribe to The Commission magazine for one year by sending \$5.00 with this coupon to:

*The Commission, Dept. ARN1
Box 6597, Richmond, Virginia 23230.*

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip _____

Ask your pastor about special group rates through the church subscription plan.

Your state convention at work

Christian Life Council

Interfaith hunger group sets Ingathering

The annual Interfaith Hunger Task Force Harvest Ingathering will be held at the Arkansas State Fairgrounds, Little Rock, on Saturday, Nov. 21. It begins at 9 a.m. and closes at 1 p.m. following a noon hour worship service. H. E. Williams, chairman of the Arkansas Baptist World Hunger committee, urges more participation from our Arkansas Baptist churches for this annual event.

Tom Boyd, a Presbyterian minister and professor of philosophy at the University of Oklahoma, will be the featured speaker for Ingathering 1981. Boyd is well known and respected for his thoughtful and challenging presentations on responsible and ethical living in a world of injustice and need.

Each participating denominational group will have a booth in the Hall of Industry where the event takes place. The closing hour will feature an innovative worship service, also in the Hall of Industry. Leaders of the various denominations will participate in the worship. Plan now to bring a group from your church. There is no admission charge and there will be plenty of parking space.

A new aspect of Ingathering this year will be a special "youth of all ages" center located just outside the Hall of Industry. "Gather-in Games" will be the theme of the events held at this center, featuring games, juggling, and clowning. We want youth to feel they are a real part of Ingathering.

Four years ago Arkansas Methodists initiated the Ingathering concept at the Fairgrounds. Since then, they have invited other denominations to participate. There has been growing interest and attendance each year. You are urged to attend this year's event and be a part of the pioneer efforts for such an emphasis.

Most Arkansas Baptist churches have already contributed financially to world hunger by this date, but further gifts of livestock and food can still be brought to the Ingathering.

Mrs. Payton Kolb, member of the World Hunger Committee and Pulaski Heights Church in Little Rock, Williams and I are helping with the arrangements for this significant day. — **Bob Parker, director**

Cooperative Program

Part of the formation

A flock of geese, flying south in "V" formation, is sure to catch someone's attention. People know, when they see the white birds against the blue sky, that winter isn't far behind.

Why do geese fly in a "V" formation? Some specialists in aerodynamics have studied this question and provided answers.

The flapping wings of a flying goose creates an uplift for the goose that follows. One goose flying alone could not have a long range. When a flock flies together they have a greater flying range. The bird that flies out front has the hardest job. That's why geese change leadership positions.

What happens when a goose falls behind? It's harder to fly. He speeds up to get in formation where the uplift makes flying easier. Observers believe that all the honking is to encourage participation in the "V" formation.

Baptists look at their mission support during the fall months. Sometimes a church wants to drop out of the formation. They may want to "fly alone." That's the hard way to go. The Cooperative Program provides uplift. Every church, and every Baptist through local churches, can be a part of the formation that ministers in Jesus name.

— **James A. Walker, director**

BSU 111th Century Campaign

Investing talents in BSU

by William Brock Watson

Jesus' parable about the talents has inspired my personal support and our church's cooperation with the ministry of Baptist Student Union. In days of double-digit inflation, we must, as the parable suggests, be careful stewards and wise investors of God's gifts.

For several years, BSU has consistently paid the highest dividends for Baptist talents invested.

In the area of missions, for example, their opportunity and ministry is unequalled. On the Fayetteville campus alone, 600 plus International Students from 63 countries daily cross the paths of BSU Directors Jamie Jones and Raye Nell Dyer.

These 600 are the "shakers and movers" of their countries — economically, politically and religiously. Their impact on the immediate future is enormous. They will never be as receptive to the Christian message as during their student days in Arkansas. With an emphasis on God's gift-love and a message communicating understanding and acceptance, Christian students can effectively relate to Internationals in appropriate ways.

Without moving to another land or traveling more than 10 miles, BSU has the world's most important mission field in clear focus. What an opportunity! What a challenge! I am grateful for the Tom Logues and Jamie Joneses who see such possibilities and who plan and implement programs like the Third Century Campaign for the cause of Christ.

There are many other reasons why we at Rolling Hills invest heavily in BSU, but students and missions are our priorities and the Third Century Campaign is our best investment in that ministry.

William Brock Watson is pastor of Rolling Hills Church in Fayetteville.



Watson



How Shall
They Hear?

MK Prayer Calendar

Home and foreign Missionary Kids
who attend college on the Margaret Fund

November

- 11 Janet K. Crawford (Venezuela) OBU Box 1205, Arkadelphia 71923
15 James L. Crawford (Venezuela) OBU Box 465, Arkadelphia 71923
29 Gerald Harkins (Korea) OBU Box 600, Arkadelphia 71923

**This Christmas give
entertainment, give guidance,
give inspiration, give joy—
when you give**

**Reader's
Digest
BOOKS**



Reader's Digest books aim to improve the quality of life of those who use them, to foster craftsmanship and the pride and pleasure of doing things for yourself. Whether remodeling your kitchen, or entertaining your family with the songs that have delighted generations, or teaching yourself a new decorative stitch, you will find Reader's Digest books a valuable guide.

They're the result of painstaking research, written by experts, packed with magnificent full-color photographs, drawings and paintings. Filled with information, they are extraordinary values for the money—among the most thoughtful, caring gifts you can give.

**ORDER FROM YOUR
BAPTIST BOOK STORE**



**Reader's
Digest**

DISTRIBUTED BY
TYNDALE HOUSE
PUBLISHERS



Attendance report

	Oct. 25, 1981	Sunday School	Church Trng.	Church adms.
Church				
Alexander				
First	172	84	2	
Vimy Ridge Emmanuel	35	35		
Alpena, First	111	14		
Alma, First	125			
Batesville				
First	129	103	1	
West	273	89		
Nursing Home	77			
Benton, Salem	248	110	3	
Bentonville				
Central Avenue	109	32		
First	524	3		
Boonerville, First	324		2	
Berryville				
First	287	112		
Freeman Heights	265	69		
Blue Eye, Mt. Zion	130	13		
Bryant	381	106	2	
First Southern	135	80		
Indian Springs	135	80		
Calbot				
First	450	146		
Mt. Carmel	553	181		
Carawan, First	252	119	6	
Cherokee Village, First	129	32	4	
Conway				
Harian Park	109	57		
Oak Bowers	136	107		
Pickett Gap	194	63		
Sullivan Heights	76	33		
Second	576	222	3	
Concord				
First	469	135		
Memphis	112	77		
Mount Olive	414	150		
Temple	184	122		
Danville, First	186	36		
Nursing Home	27			
Dix Arc, First	183	89		
Et Dorado				
Parkview	152	63		
Nursing Home	14			
Second	240	2	4	
West Side	134			
Forest City, First	640	126		
Fort Smith				
First	3,084		13	
Grand Avenue	1,335	586	10	
Mission	35			
Westside	131	50		
Fiske, First	125	40		
Cassville	393	40		
Center, First	205	37		
Crawls, First	42	12		
Grandview	55	41		
Harrison, First	158	80		
Hardy, First	156	58		
Harrison				
Eagle Heights	340	113	1	
Northlake	148	48	1	
Woodland Heights	101	58	1	
Hot Springs	78	36		
Emmanuel	71	36		
Famdale	71	36		
Grand Avenue	474	87		
Harvey's Chapel	146	80		
Leonard Street	211	68	1	
Memorial	99	40		
Midkew	29	23		
Park Place	523	100	1	
Rocky Heights	105	43		
Vista Heights	38	20		
Hughes, First	152	76		
Jacksonville, First	406	80	9	
Jesseville	140	53	1	
Jonestown				
Friendly Hope	189	105		
Philadelphia	134	66		
Kingston, First Southern	84	28		
Little Rock				
Crystal Hill	703	145	53	1
Roundside	193	98		
Magnolia, Central	668	178	9	
Manfield, First	170	44		
Marmaduke, First	238	223		
Marmaduke, West Chapel	142	60		
Monticello, Second	275	117	3	
Mountain Pine				
Cedar Glades	35	35		
First	83	35		
Mountain Valley	88	36		
Mulberry, First	239	96		
Newark, Southern	45	41		
North Little Rock				
Cedar Heights	380	235		
Stanford	96	52		
Paragould	257	160		
Calvary	454	239	1	
East Side	466	96	2	
First	337	79		
Paw Ridge, First				
Pine Bluff				
Centennial	145	54		
Central	94	30		
First	585	85	2	
Lin Memorial	227	60		
South Side	618	140	2	
Sulphur Springs	183	50	1	
Watson Chapel	391	364	5	
Prairie Grove, First	139	50	7	
Rogers, Emmanuel	1,360			
Royal Antioch	61	28		
Rutledgeville, First	703	143	3	
Sandusky, Okla. Faith	49	31		
Springdale				
Berry Street	83	46		
First	1,994			
Tawakana				
Highland Hills	102	64		
Shoeb Memorial	136	66		
Valley Springs	114	66		
Van Buren, First	508	84		
Vandeventer, First	48	23		
Vilona, Beryl	136	73		
Went, First	174	100	6	
West Helena, Second	277	107		
Woodier, First	147	60		
Yellville, First	215	63		

Sunday School lessons



Parker

International

Nov. 8, 1981

Romans 8:12-17, 28, 35-39

by Robert A. Parker

Director, Christian Life Council

Arkansas Baptist State Convention

Life in the Spirit

The second great passage for consideration this month is the eighth chapter of Romans. The basic underlying theme throughout the chapter is "Life in the Spirit."

Such a life is totally different from one lived in the flesh. Life in the Spirit can be lived only if the Holy Spirit has wrought conversion, thereby dwelling within one's heart.

It's important to know the vital role the Spirit plays in our lives. It's utterly impossible for a lost person to live a life in the Spirit. Christ dwells and acts through us because of his indwelling Spirit.

Romans 8:28 is one of the most frequently quoted verses of the New Testament. If one truly loves the Lord and is living in the Spirit, according to his purpose, he knows that ultimately whatever happens in life God is working out for good.

There are other significant truths in this great chapter. One of the most important is that life in the Spirit makes it possible to have a wonderful, intimate relationship with God the Father. We can know and call upon him as a little child does his daddy (v. 15). Another family illustration used is that as his children we are heirs, joint heirs with Christ (v. 17).

Life in the Spirit with God as our wonderful father and as a joint heir makes it possible to sing with Paul the wonderful words that end with the fact that nothing "shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord" (35-39).

Pray that your life will so reflect Jesus Christ that others will be drawn to the place where they too will be privileged to live a life controlled by the Spirit of God.

The child of God in Christ doesn't depend on human resources. Righteous requirements of the law are fulfilled because he lives by the Holy Spirit. He is thereby "more than conqueror" (v. 37) even in the most adverse circumstances.

The Outlines of the International Bible Lesson for Christian Teaching, Uniform Series, are copyrighted by the International Council of Religious Education. Used by permission.

Power to overcome evil

We begin here a three-topic unit on "Jesus the Liberator." When Jehovah would redeem Israel from political bondage, he did so through a man, Moses. When he would redeem a lost world from spiritual bondage, he became a man, Jesus of Nazareth.

The passage before us deals with an extremely demon-possessed man. It teaches us that there is no case so desperate but that Jesus Christ is able to cope with it and give relief from it.

A wretched condition (Mark 5:2-5)

All three of the Synoptic Gospels relate this incident. But Mark's account is the most vivid.

Jesus and his disciples were met on the other side of the lake by a man with an unclean spirit. The area had many caves which evidently were used as burial places for the dead. Due to his condition the man was not allowed to dwell in the nearby village. So he made his home among the tombs. We see a man who had completely lost his self-control to evil powers.

Such people are all about us. This may characterize your own life. Jesus ever waits for the opportunity to speak to your surging soul, "Peace, be still."

A dramatic encounter (Mark 5:6-10)

The man ran toward Jesus and his disciples raging and screaming. But then a strange thing happened. Coming before Jesus he fell prostrate at his feet. Though the man himself did not know Jesus, the demons did. They did not worship Jesus but

Adapted from the October-December 1981 Life and Work Lessons by Herschel H. Hobbs, copyright 1981 by The Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. All rights reserved. Used by permission.

Passenger

Van

headquarters
Nice late models

5 passenger to 15 passenger
Special prices to churches

QUALITY
AUTO SALES

(501) 268-4490

1500 E. Race, Searcy, Ark. 72143

"ONCE SAVED, ALWAYS SAFE"

This book has four chapters: "A Child of God Can Never Be Lost," "A Child of God Should Live Holy," "Saved People Do Sin" and "What Happens When a Saved Person Sins?" Send a dollar bill and receive this book, PLUS four others: "When a New World Begins," "Heaven, Hell and Salvation," "The Blessed Hope of Christ's Return" and "Do We Live After Death?" Full-length Bible messages! ALL five books for only \$1.00! Send this ad and a dollar bill with your name and address to:

JOHN L. BRAY, Dept. AR
P.O. Box 1778
Lakeland, Florida 33802

Church Histories
and other books
published
Ted Parkhurst, Publisher
1010 W. Third Street
Little Rock, AR 72201

PEW CUSHIONS

Reversible or attached upholstered type
For free estimate contact
FLOWERS MANUFACTURING, INC.
P.O. Box 587, Keene, Tex. 76059
Phone: AC 817-645-9203

**BUILDING . . .
BUILDING . . .
BUILDING . . .**

**Church Pews & Pulpit
Furniture, Laminated
Arches, Decking
and**

Fiberglass Specialties

Stocking Distributor

BAPTISTRIES
& BAPTISTRY
HEATERS



CENTRAL
Manufacturing Co.
P.O. Box 695 - Fifth and Vine
North Little Rock, Arkansas 72115
(501) 374-6008



Sunday School lessons

Life and Work

Nov. 8, 1981

Mark 5:2-10, 16-20

were subject to him.

Jesus said for the demons to come out of the man. "Said" is an imperfect tense. Jesus began and continued to say this. Even though the demons did not worship the Lord, they were subject to his authority.

The larger Scripture relates how the demons asked to be permitted to enter a herd of about 2,000 swine feeding nearby. Jesus granted the demons' request.

A mixed response (Mark 5:16-20)

The difference in response to Jesus' healing of the demoniac is seen in those who were involved with the incident. The former demoniac wanted to be with Jesus. The herdsman, responding in fear, ran to report the event. The populace wanted Jesus to leave their area. While not stated, we may be certain that the 12 wondered even more about the power of Jesus.

The man went throughout the Decapolis "to what Jesus had done for him. The result was throughout the Decapolis every single one "did marvel." The people saw what a change had come into his life. They could not explain it, but they were well aware of the results. This should be true of our lives. No one can explain the new birth. But everyone can see the difference Jesus makes in our lives.



Darter

Bible Book

Nov. 8, 1981

Matthew 5:17-20, 28-44

by Thomas G. Darter
Delta Association

The King interprets the law

The new often attempts to totally discard the old. When one government takes over it often completely cleans house.

The Kingdom of Heaven will not treat the old law and prophets like this. The same Lord is over all. He is one. The Lord who gave the law and prophets also sent his son to be the final incarnate Word. The law and prophets were given to form the foundation for the Kingdom. The Kingdom of Heaven stands upon the law and prophets.

The new is superior to the old. Jesus is superior to Moses. This superiority is to be seen in surpassing righteousness. Our lesson points to four areas of surpassing righteousness: (1) adultery, (2) truth in speaking, (3) retaliation and resistance, (4) enemy love.

Lust is the seedbed of adultery. To stop adultery we must stop plowing and planting the seedbed. We use clothing, movements, attention-getting-looks to invite and encourage lustful looking. What the world labels "style" and "in" should be labeled "dangerous to the health of your marriage". As long as we worship our bodies, lust and adultery will be our companions.

Often divorce is the result of early seeding. The roots of some divorce go back before the wedding. A close look at the pears which fall early will show that a worm has eaten the heart out from the inside. The eggs were laid in the flower.

A Christian view of marriage will help prevent divorce. Generous applications of forgiving acceptance will also give divorced persons a fresh lease on life.

Using an oath to seal a truth had become a tricky legal maneuver. Oaths which did not use the Lord's name could be wiggle out of. Jesus was saying that truth is a matter of persons. A liar can swear by anything and still be a liar. For the Kingdom person a simple "yes" or "no" is a firm contract.

The "eye for an eye" law was kindergarten level. Jesus taught the adult level. You must not use evil to fight evil. The fact that this seems so distasteful to us shows us how much we are unlike him.

Love your neighbor as yourself even if he is an enemy. You do not have to be an enemy to him. Even while we were God's enemies, Jesus died so we could know the Father. Hating our enemies means we are not like him.

This lesson treatment is based on the Bible Book Study for Southern Baptist Churches, copyright by The Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. All rights reserved. Used by permission.

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
National Goal: \$50,000,000

Week of Prayer

for Foreign Missions

November 29 - December 6, 1981

Winebarger

CHURCH FURNITURE
& STAINED GLASS
LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA

America's
Foremost Name
In Church
Furniture

Area Representative
RON DODD
1745 East Lakewood
Springfield, Mo. 65807
417/883-7943
Call Toll Free 800-446-0945

Egypt, Israel, Jordan tour

12 days • Dec. 28-Jan. 8

Experienced escort • Special features.
Write: **Dr. Cecil Sutley**,
OBU, Arkadelphia, Ark. 71923.

	Baptistries	Signs
	Lights	
BOWLING UNITED INDUSTRIES, INC. Box 2250, Danville, VA 24541 In VA (804) 797-3277		

CHURCH STEEPLES

- BAPTISTRIES
- WALL CROSSES
- BAPTISTRY WATER HEATERS

COLONIAL, CONTEMPORARY AND MODERN DESIGNS.
ERECTION WITH COMPANY CRANES AND CREWS AVAILABLE.
WRITE OR CALL FOR COLOR LITERATURE AND PROPOSALS.

TOLL FREE: **800-241-3152**
IN GEORGIA CALL: **404-933-9800**

KLASSTECH PLASTICS, INC.
P.O. BOX 910
ROSWELL, GA 30077

*Manufactured
Five Cent Per Foot
for 20 Years*

Pastors' salaries range from \$5,200 to \$50,000

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BP) — Salaries for Southern Baptist pastors range from \$5,200 to \$50,000, according to a study comparing salaries and benefits of church staff members.

The survey, made by the church administration department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, details compensation for church staff members in churches with 300 or more members.

To make the survey, 1,030 churches were contacted, of which 635, or 61.7 percent, responded.

The survey contains data pertaining to

Court to weigh tax status of racially biased schools

WASHINGTON (BP) — The U.S. Supreme Court will decide if church-related schools which practice race discrimination on religious grounds are entitled to tax-exempt status.

Also at issue in a pair of cases accepted for review is whether donors may claim deductions for gifts to such institutions on their federal income tax forms.

The brief order agreeing to review the cases noted that Bob Jones University v. U.S. and Goldsboro Christian Schools v. U.S. will be consolidated. In something of an unusual twist, both the institutions and the federal government asked the justices to take on the difficult case.

Both schools have challenged the Internal Revenue Service's rule that because race discrimination violated accepted "public policy," tax exemption will be denied to private institutions, including those related to churches, which practice bias in their admissions policies.

Bob Jones University, the Greenville, S.C. fundamentalist institution which until 1971 excluded blacks altogether, has in recent years altered its policy to accommodate some black students. From 1971 to 1975, married black students were admitted, provided they were married to other blacks.

Beginning in 1975, unmarried blacks gained admission, but only if they agreed not to engage in interracial dating or to encourage others to violate the school's ban on interracial marriage or dating.

The school maintains that its racial policies are based on its understanding of scripture.

The school's long battle with IRS began in 1970 when the IRS notified the school it would not thereafter enjoy tax exemption or deductibility of contributions.

After Bob Jones refused to alter its policies, IRS took action to strip the school of its tax exemption, a decision reached in January 1976, but applied retroactively to Dec. 1, 1970.

The school took IRS to U.S. District Court, where the IRS order was overturned. The Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals reversed the district court, holding that "the unquestioned First Amendment right to free religious belief and exercise does not carry with it a guarantee of any person's or

corporation's entitlement to tax exempt status."

Bob Jones has argued that "all religious institutions in the United States are potentially threatened by a rule of law... which would cause the protective barrier of their tax exemption to be breached because of their failure to conform to 'public policy.'"

In the instance of Goldsboro Christian Schools, established in 1963 by Second Church, Goldsboro, N.C., the controversy involves the institution's strictly enforced ban against all black students, a policy it says is based on the Bible. IRS has denied tax exemption to the school since its founding.

Goldsboro Christian Schools lost in federal district court and the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals. The appeals court referred to the Goldsboro and Bob Jones cases as "identical twins."

While condemning both schools' racial policies, several religious groups have entered the case as "friends of the court" on behalf of Goldsboro and Bob Jones. Among them are the Christian Legal Society, the Mennonite Church, the National Association of Evangelicals, the Mormon Church and the Worldwide Church of God.

Asked if the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs will enter the case, Executive Director James M. Dunn said his agency is faced with the "painful dilemma" of appearing to sanction discrimination if it sides with the schools.

"We don't want to appear for a moment to be giving aid and comfort to the clearly unscriptural and unethical policies of these two schools," Dunn elaborated, "but at the same time, we must face with genuine ambivalence the possibility of speaking to a church-state question of far-reaching significance."

Baptist Joint Committee general counsel John W. Baker said: "I deplore Bob Jones University's statement on human relations which, I believe, is based on a racist interpretation of the scriptures. I would not knowingly contribute one cent to support any racist institution. But I support Bob Jones University in its contention that the IRS cannot constitutionally deprive it of its tax exempt status because of its theology."

WMU seeks different Birmingham location

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (BP) — Woman's Missionary Union wants to move.

Carolyn Weatherford, WMU executive director, announced Oct. 16 in a letter to Birmingham area pastors and WMU leaders, that WMU is looking both for a buyer for its downtown building and 10 to 20

acres of land on which to build a new facility.

The property, in the heart of Birmingham's financial and government district, was valued by a Birmingham appraiser at approximately \$1 million.

Address change ??????
Two weeks before change of address send name label below and new address to:
ARKANSAS BAPTIST NEWSMAGAZINE
P.O. Box 552
Little Rock, Ark. 72203

salary, housing, car, insurance, utilities, revivals, conferences, national conventions and other benefits.

In churches with membership of 300-399, the average salary for pastors, excluding benefits, is \$12,208. The top category in response to questionnaires received by the research services department at the Sunday School Board.

For comparison, salaries for pastors in churches with membership of 400-499 average \$12,659. The top category in the survey was for churches with membership of more than 3,000, where the average pastor's salary is \$30,674. There are eight categories in the survey.

A total compensation figure also is given for each staff person in each category, ranging from a \$21,170 average for pastors in churches with 300-399 members to an average of \$44,249 for pastors in the more than 3,000 members category.