

Ouachita Baptist University

Scholarly Commons @ Ouachita

Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine, 1970-1974

Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine

10-26-1972

October 26, 1972

Arkansas Baptist State Convention

Follow this and additional works at: https://scholarlycommons.obu.edu/arbn_70-74



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

Recommended Citation

Arkansas Baptist State Convention, "October 26, 1972" (1972). *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine, 1970-1974*. 93.

https://scholarlycommons.obu.edu/arbn_70-74/93

This Book is brought to you for free and open access by the Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine at Scholarly Commons @ Ouachita. It has been accepted for inclusion in Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine, 1970-1974 by an authorized administrator of Scholarly Commons @ Ouachita. For more information, please contact mortensona@obu.edu.

Siloam Springs First
begins second century
page 8



Arkansas Baptist
NEWSMAGAZINE

October 26, 1972

One layman's opinion Of mice and men and women's lib



Dr. Grant

For any men who are worried about how far women's lib will go, I think I have found the limit.

Recently I tried to reason with my wife about certain equal rights and responsibilities of the woman in the home, and I discovered there is one firm line that women's lib will not cross. Indeed it approaches this particular battle line and then retreats in total disarray.

I made this discovery late one night after I had retired and Betty Jo was still up working in the den. As I was drifting off to sleep she came in great distress to inform me that a mouse had forced its way into our house and was on the loose somewhere in the vicinity of the den and kitchen. I thanked her for the report and prepared to drift off to sleep again, but I discovered she was giving me more than just an informational report. She seemed to desire some specific action on my part to engage in mortal combat with the mouse.

It was at this point that we had a rather brief discussion of the possibility that women's lib and equal rights for women means that the woman also is capable of engaging a mouse in mortal combat. I must say that it was not a very free and open discussion. We compromised and I got out of bed to engage the mouse in mortal combat. Actually, I baited three mouse traps and placed them where I thought I might go on a late fall evening if I were a mouse. As I drifted off to sleep once more, Betty Jo came again in great distress to inform me that the mouse had been caught in the trap. On inquiring why this required my attention at this particular time of the night, she told me there was no way she could cook breakfast in the morning with the mouse lying there in the trap in the kitchen. She thought I would rather get up and remove the mouse now than to get up before she did in the morning and remove it.

I considered briefly the possibility of another discussion of the full meaning and philosophy of women's lib as applied to this particular situation, but thought better of it and got up and removed the mouse.

I am not exactly sure how much I can prove about women's lib from this incident, but it does seem to me that there is a masculine role and a feminine role that will remain in the home for some time to come.

On the other hand, I am intensely afraid of wasps and yellow jackets, and for some reason Betty Jo is not.

Daniel R. Grant

In this issue

- On the cover this week is the building of Si-loam Springs First. This church has just celebrated their centennial. More photos and a story are found on page 8.
- On the editorial page this week is a guest editorial on the spirit-filled life. The writer is John Wright, pastor of First Church, Little Rock. See page 3.
- Two annual events are scheduled at Ouachita University in the next two weeks. See page 7 for the facts about homecoming and Tiger Day for high school students.
- Featured this week under the series "Your superintendent of missions at work" is Harmony Association. See page 6.
- Daniel Grant thinks he has found an area in which women may never be liberated. See "One layman's opinion" on this page.

Arkansas Baptist NEWSMAGAZINE

VOL. 71

OCTOBER 26, 1972

NO. 42

J. EVERETT SNEED, Ph.D. Editor
MRS. WILLIAM L. KENNEDY Managing Editor
MRS. HARRY GIBERSON Secretary to Editor
MRS. WELDON TAYLOR Bookkeeper

525 West Capitol Avenue, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201. Published weekly except on July 4 and December 25. Second-class postage paid at Little Rock, Arkansas.

Individual subscription, \$3 per year. Church budget, 18 cents per month or \$2.16 per year per church family. Club plan (10 or more paid annually in advance), \$2.52 per year. Subscriptions to foreign address, \$5 per year. Advertising rates on request.

Opinions expressed in editorials and signed articles are those of the writer. Member of Southern Baptist Press Association, Associated Church Press, Evangelical Press Association.

Abbreviations used in crediting news items: BP Baptist Press; CB Church Bulletin; DP Daily Press; EP Evangelical Press; LC Local Correspondent; AB Associational Bulletin; EBPS European Baptist Press Service.

The perils of the spirit filled life

By John B. Wright, pastor
First Church, Little Rock

(Written at the request of the editor from a message given at Siloam Springs Assembly.)

Recently a sales representative came into my office. Gripping my hand firmly and looking inquisitively into my eyes he inquired, "What do you know that is exciting?" My first thought was to respond with the traditional remark, "Oh, nothing much." However, I resisted that temptation and accepted the question as an open door to share with my new friend what I knew that was exciting. When I shared with him how exciting a life in Christ can be he responded by asking, "Now, are you talking about Pentecostalism?" I knew what he meant. In his past he had suffered painful experiences with people who through excesses abused the doctrine of the Spirit filled life.

The Spirit filled life is a perilous life. Failure on our part to recognize these perils will result in our repelling people whom we are attempting to attract.

1. One of the perils to which we are most vulnerable is spiritual pride. The believer reveals his spiritual pride by his attempt to impress people that he has something that they do not have. Few people are more repulsive than those who are impressed with their "spirituality." A genuine spiritual person is unaware of his spirituality. Charles Spurgeon said of a young minister, "I always thought he was humble until he said he was." It is said of Moses following his 40 days with the Lord that "He wist not that the skin of his face shone." True Christian excellence is as unconscious of its beauty as was Moses. Whenever spiritual excellence becomes self-conscious it loses its charm. The man who boasts of a shining face is a counterfeit. The handsomeness of the man is lost the moment he becomes aware of his winsomeness. The beauty of a woman is lost the moment she becomes aware of her grace.

This pride frequently takes the form of caustic criticism. In such a case the church and denomination become the prime target. If their attempt to convert the church overnight is aborted they seek out a group outside the established church that is more "spiritual." I have said to such individuals who were very sincere in their quest that they should stay with the church. All they need is available in the church. Of course, all they need is Jesus, and if they receive anything that does not come from Him it is counterfeit.

2. Another peril of the Spirit filled life is the inclination to be more enamoured of the blessing than the Blessor. As one progresses in his Christian pilgrimage he will discover that who Jesus is is infinitely more important than anything He has to give. To possess the Giver is to be more desired than the gifts. The proof of the filling is not the possession of any gift, but rather the producing of the fruit, Galatians 5:22. The purpose of the filling is not to give joy or thrill but to empower for service. I would rather have the power without the ecstasy than to have the ecstasy without the power. If I'm going to read I would prefer a slow burning candlewick to a streak of lightning. It is the quiet, unpretentious, constant presence of Jesus that manifests the genuineness of the filling.

3. A third peril is the proneness to talk about an "experience" instead of the Lord Jesus. There is too much of

"self" in the average sharing of an experience. The Holy Spirit never magnifies himself, ". . . for He shall not speak of Himself . . . He shall glorify me," John 16:13-14. The one great danger of emphasizing an experience is that honest and sincere seekers for a deeper walk with Christ will be tempted to imitate that experience. Water that is poured into a vessel takes the form of the vessel. The Holy Spirit manifests Himself according to the character of the "earthen vessel" into which He is poured. We are never to force any experience on another person. Our responsibility is not to drive people. Watchman Nee says, "The first thing for which the Lord sets us here is to create hunger in others. No true work will ever begin without a sense of need being created. We cannot inject that into others. We cannot drive people to be hungry. That hunger is to be created, and that hunger can be created only through those who carry the impression of God."

Jesus said, "Ye are the salt of the earth." Therefore, we are to create a thirst in the lives of others for the life of the Lord Jesus Christ. Unless what they see in us creates a thirst we are wasting our time and theirs by talking about an experience.

4. Another peril is that of being unteachable. A victorious Christian can learn from anybody. Unfortunately, many Christians who know the secret of victory will not listen to the criticism of a fellow Christian who may not know Christ as victory at all. The victorious Christian will not say to himself about the other, "He cannot teach me anything about this. He does not know the secret of victory. The Bible has not been opened to him by the Holy Spirit as it has to me. He has not the light that I have." In so doing the heart is closed to criticism and the man has fallen into the peril of being unteachable.

Charles Trumbull in his book "Victory In Christ" says "The victorious Christian life is no guarantee of omniscience of infallibility in knowledge. Humility of mind, eagerness to know any and every criticism that anyone may have concerning us, and their grateful acceptance of whatever truths there may be in that criticism is our safeguard against this peril of unconscious unwillingness to learn. The Christ life is a life of constant learning."

The Japanese artist, Hokusai, said "From the age of six I had a mania for drawing the forms of things. By the time I was 50 I had published an infinity of designs, but nothing I produced before 70 is worth considering." He died at 89, declaring that if he could have only another five years he would have become a great artist. The Christian never outgrows his need of learning.

These are days of excitement and expectancy. The Lord is doing a deep work in the lives of many people who are seeking new life in Him. When Christians begin to discover the "much more" of the Christian life Satan who is the ape of God manufactures counterfeit experiences which the Christian must be on guard against. The above perils are only a small representation of those one will encounter as he begins the walk in the Spirit. We must pray for divine discernment to detect what is genuine and what is counterfeit. "Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God. . ." I John 4:1.

I must say it!

Renewal and other denominations



Dr. Ashcraft

God has many sheep in many pastures. He does not love some more than others. There is striking evidence that God is graciously blessing some of his people. This does not substantiate that he is not blessing others. While renewal is occurring in some denominations real renewal is not here until it spills over upon all of God's people in all pastures.

No one group of God's people have a monopoly on his grace nor is any group favored above another. The records indicate, however, that some are exceedingly fruitful, while others noticeably barren.

Efforts toward organic union of all Christian fellowship show little evidence of success but there is a cohesiveness which gravitates like kind to itself. Groups dynamically engaged in reaching people attract to themselves others of like energy and spirit. Likewise those engaged in everything except disciple making repel and are repelled by those of the higher trade.

Rigid adherence to the tenets of the Great Commission will bring many people of many pastures nearer by the sheer commonality of a worthy "dedication demanding" task. Careful examination of the growing fruitful groups reveals the rate of fruitfulness and growth is related to doctrinal considerations.

Fruitfulness relates unmistakably to organizational

structures and methods. Fruitfulness relates directly to the strength of leadership. The rate of fruitfulness relates to hard work, countless hours of agonizing prayer, and sacrificial giving. Fruitfulness relates to attitude, Godly living and the Lordship of Christ. Fruitfulness is not divorced from gospel preaching. Fruitfulness has no communion with minimums.

A fatal weakness of the ecumenical movement in America was the faint notion that the herd could be up-bred on the principle of minimums. All the individual weaknesses of the groups appeared in the genes so the individual factors of strength in the groups did not appear in the offspring. A marriage of minimums produces no champions.

Real renewal will bring all of God's people nearer because fruitfulness bears witness with fruitfulness that the same God is the God of us all.

In the light of divine revelation and intensely dedicated human experience barrenness must be acknowledged as the most conclusive detection of heresy, and fruitfulness acknowledged as the highest validation of orthodoxy.

God doesn't favor any of his children above the other but, a glance at the scoreboard indicates he doesn't penalize those who live closest to the flame.

My prayer is for renewal for all of God's people to the extent that all who may be entirely happy in their own pasture may not be denied heaven's highest blessing of fruitfulness.

I must say it! — Charles H. Ashcraft, Executive Secretary.

Foreign Board adopts 1973 budget, names officers, missionaries

RICHMOND (BP) — The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, in its major meeting of the year, approved the largest budget in its history — \$38,891,996 — elected a new slate of officers and appointed 11 new missionaries.

The 1973 budget exceeds that of 1973 by \$3,594,198.73. Foreign Mission Board Executive Secretary Baker J. Cauthen explained that the current increase was necessitated by the increased funding for missionary support approved by the board this year.

The increases reflected inflation and dollar devaluation in many countries around the world, which had in effect reduced the missionaries' financial resources.

During the year a special committee on missionary support brought recommendations, which the board adopted, on cost-of-living supplements, allowances for missionary children, support for children attending college, length-of-service allowances for active missionaries and supplements for

emeritus missionaries.

These steps are possible, Cauthen said, because of the increased giving by Southern Baptists through two main channels: (1) the Cooperative Program, the unified system of support for all denominational causes within the Southern Baptist Convention; and (2) the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions.

In 1973, the board anticipates an increase of nearly \$1.5 million in Cooperative Program receipts, with \$16.3 million expected. This year, the board reached a record \$17.8 million through the Lottie Moon Christmas offering.

"We recommend the budget for 1973, therefore, with gratitude to God for laying upon the hearts of Southern Baptists the stewardship of resources enabling this budget to be considered," said Cauthen.

W. Douglas Hudgins of Jackson, Miss., was elected president of the board. He succeeds Drew J. Gunnells Jr. of Montgomery, Ala., who completed two

STATEMENT OF CHURCHMANAGEMENT AND CIRCULATION		SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 2 (REVISED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDING		REPORT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT
APRIL 30, 1973		Page 16, 1973
1. CHURCHMANAGEMENT AND CIRCULATION a. TOTAL NO. COPIES PRINTED (SEE PAGE 2) b. TOTAL NO. COPIES DISTRIBUTED (SEE PAGE 2) c. TOTAL NO. COPIES IN STOCK (SEE PAGE 2) d. TOTAL NO. COPIES ON ORDER (SEE PAGE 2)		
2. FINANCIAL STATEMENT a. TOTAL ASSETS (SEE PAGE 2) b. TOTAL LIABILITIES (SEE PAGE 2) c. TOTAL EQUITY (SEE PAGE 2)		
3. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION a. TOTAL NO. COPIES OF THIS PUBLICATION... b. TOTAL NO. COPIES OF THIS PUBLICATION... c. TOTAL NO. COPIES OF THIS PUBLICATION...		

one-year terms. Hudgins is executive secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

Eleven new missionaries were appointed by the board to serve in six countries.

Smith ordained

Edward L. Smith, son of Ed T. Smith of Crossett and Mrs. Ethel Powell of Texas, was ordained to the ministry recently at Mount Olive Church, Crossett, by request of the Boydell Church where he is pastor.

L. H. McCollough, former pastor of Mount Olive, preached the ordination service. Smith is a sophomore at Ouachita University.

Annuity Board aid at state convention

DALLAS — When the Arkansas Baptist State Convention meets in Hot Springs, Nov. 14-16, an Annuity Board representative will be on hand to confer with both members and non-members of the Southern Baptist Protection Program.

B. J. Chenault, vice-president and treasurer will attend the three day meeting.

The Annuity Board this year has a new chief executive officer for the first time in 17 years, with the retirement of R. Alton Reed as president and the election of Darold H. Morgan to succeed him.

The Annuity Board officer at the state convention session will be available to discuss retirement and insurance matters with individuals, and to answer questions about the board's programs and work.

Smackover church pays off note

First Church, Smackover, held a special service to commemorate the final payment of a \$100,000 note on Oct. 8. The loan was obtained in May, 1962, which included the refinancing of \$20,000 on the old building and the obtaining of an additional \$80,000 for educational space, a kitchen and a fellowship hall.

The guest speaker for the occasion was Executive Secretary Charles H. Ashcraft. The pastor of the church is Ray Wells.

During the ten years in which the indebtedness was liquidated the church gave \$91,206 to Cooperative Program causes.

Pastor's anniversary

Pastor and Mrs. Ramon Johnson were honored by Memorial Church, Blytheville, with a tea on their first anniversary. Prior to the organization of the church Aug. 6, 1971, Johnson served the church four years as a mission pastor.



Calvary, Paragould holds dedication

Calvary Church, Paragould, held a dedication of its new facilities Oct. 8, 1972. The new development included the remodeling of the sanctuary, with a seating capacity of 400, new educational facilities and a fellowship hall. Under the leadership of Pastor Junior Vester the church has purchased and improved two parking lots, installed a central heating and cooling system in the church and the pastorium, licensed six men to the ministry, called a youth director, began a Children's Church and a bus ministry.

Woman's viewpoint Toiling on!

By Iris O'Neal Bowen



Mrs. Bowen

By the time I got to Prayer Meeting, Wednesday night, I was hardly responsible for my conduct. After laboring at the store all morning, I made a flying visit to the hospital, reversed toward home, put on some pintos, rested for half an hour, put on the rest of supper, raced a few over-due books back to the library, finished supper, ate and made it to church by 7:30.

Arthur(itis) went with me and my wrists were complaining. As I sat down I saw on the platform and 'round about, stacks of bricks. When Daughter No. One sat by me, I observed that I was in no physical shape to, nor had I come to church to, lay brick.

This was the night, I recalled for the installation of new officers and teachers and I was sure there was a brick there for me.

Before I go further, I should explain that when my young family, church work, meals and housework all vied for my attention, I often came to services completely exhausted. Then about the

time I settled down, the music director would jump up, all fresh and enthusiastic, demand that we all get a song book and sing that great old Baptist peppery, "To The Work."

I guess I developed an aversion to the song, and the children soon learned about it, so every time we sang it in church, they all turned around and leered at me. And when we started home one of them was bound to remind me, "We sang YOUR song, again, Mother!"

So what happened next at prayer meeting was that our pastor talked about our building with those bricks, and, yes, there was one for me. He told each of us to come down as our names were called and lay our bricks. Then loud and clear he encouraged us to rise and apply ourselves "To The Work!"

We each placed our brick, the line grew as we arrayed ourselves around the wall. In fact, it grew so long, by the time I placed my brick, I had to trail back up the long, gold carpet nearly to the back door, and for a giddy moment, there, I was Miss America, out on the runway, waving and bowing tearfully to an admiring audience!

I wonder if the Lord will forgive me if I plead temporary insanity!

Your superintendent of missions at work

Harmony Association work is directed from Pine Bluff office



White

White

The Harmony Baptist Association was organized 54 years ago and held its first annual meeting at First Baptist Church, Star City. Today the association is comprised of 37 churches and two missions. The churches have a total of 12,322 resident members and an aggregate grand total membership in excess of 17,000.

All the churches provide full-time preaching and teaching services, and most of them have pastors living on the field. However, eight churches are served by pastors who are employed in secular work or by student pastors.

Every church in the association has an organized Sunday School. Enrollments range from 25 to 1,800, with a total ongoing enrollment of 10,850. James B. Johnson is associational Sunday School Director.

Harold White, the present superintendent of missions, is the tenth man to serve in this capacity during the association's existence. He has served since 1968.

Most of the associational work is planned and promoted through standing committees elected by the association. The Camp Board of Control Committee is composed of six members elected to serve on the Camp Board of Control of Spring Lake Assembly in Central Association. Harmony Association contributes to the maintenance and operation of Spring Lake in order to give the churches access to camping facilities.

A committee of five is elected to work with National Baptists in the area. This committee and the superintendent of missions meet regularly with representatives of the six different National Baptist associations in the area in an effort to find areas where the two ethnic groups can work together.

A Special Ministries Committee was set up last year after the association voted to enter into a program of Special Ministries.

In February, 1972, Harmony Association, in cooperation with the Department of Special Ministries in the State Missions Department and the Home Mission Board, conducted an Awareness Conference dealing with six problem areas in the community. Conferences were held on aging, alcohol and

drug abuse, human relations, adult and juvenile delinquency, parent and child relations, and poverty. Conference leaders with experience and special training were enlisted to lead. Others employed by existing agencies in the community assisted in the discussion groups.

A Youth Advisory Committee works with the youth in planning and promoting a program that involves the young people. Four Associational Youth Rallies are held during the year. Youth representatives from each church in the association are invited to help plan the programs for the quarterly rally. The association mails promotional materials on the Youth Rally to more than a thousand young people each quarter.

The association is actively engaged in support of BSU work on two college campuses, University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff and University of Arkansas at Monticello. Contributions in excess of \$7,500 were made toward the recent remodeling and expanding of the BSU Center on the campus at Monticello. The association is represented on the area-wide committee that works with the BSU Director, George Sims. BSU work on both college campuses is included in the associational budget. Financial support was given to the Religious Emphasis Week on the Pine Bluff campus in March, 1972.

For many years the associational offices were located at 1124 West 29th in Pine Bluff. This property was sold in 1969 and temporary office space was obtained at Matthews Memorial church. In 1970 the association obtained a valu-

able piece of property at 2600 Cherry and relocated the offices in a former dwelling.

The associational office maintains a film-strip library and projector which are used extensively by the churches. Mimeograph paper, stencils, and ink are purchased in large quantities and resold to the churches at the cost to the association. VBS materials are available to the churches on consignment from the Baptist Book Store, and all possible assistance is given in the promotion and carrying out of good Bible School programs.

The Harmony News, an eight-page bulletin in offset print, is mailed to nearly 1,000 people every month of the year except August. Through this news bulletin the leadership in the churches is kept informed and special events are promoted.

Mrs. White, wife of the superintendent of Missions is the office secretary. She is receptionist, bookkeeper, and typist, and prepares all copy for the Harmony News.

The superintendent of missions is available to assist in Church Training courses, Bible Study, revivals, and pulpit supply, to counsel with committees or individuals who need help, and to assist pulpit committees if they need or desire his help. Files are kept on materials, periodicals, and information that might be helpful to individuals and groups.

The superintendent acted as coordinator in the association for the Ouachita-Southern Advancement Campaign. The campaign was presented in all the churches, and 25 of the 37 churches are participating.

A World Missions Conference is in the calendar for 1973. Every church is being encouraged to participate in the conference.



Associational offices are located in a former residence at Pine Bluff.

Between parson and pew All work and no play

By Velma Merritt



Mrs. Merritt

The church activities are the highlight of the week for many religious families. After being out in the world the calmness and spiritual refueling of church enables them to carry on until they are again able to go to God's house. Many people fellowship with God daily at home to give them strength to carry on their secular activities.

With ministerial families the situation is often different. Although church activities can also be the highlight of their week, they return to those same activities for their daily work. The minister, following God's leadership, works at his task of leading the Lord's people. His family is subjected to more religious activity than any other. While basically this is tremendous, it sometimes leads me to think of the familiar saying learned while a child, "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy."

Ministers are warned in seminary, through religious periodicals and at conventions to become interested in another activity to give themselves a

break in their religious routine for their good and the good of their congregation. Some, however, do not heed the advice and soon their lives turn from what should be an exciting adventure with God to a boring one-sided existence. All they think about is church. All they talk about is church. They simply live church.

Their wives may be in the same rut. They live church and home activities. They go to all the church meetings and then come back to their home to do the same activities of homemaking over and over again.

At home he talks mostly about church. She talks about church and her home activities. What should be exciting becomes monotonous.

The ministerial family desperately needs an outside interest away from their church field and church families.

Some find it helpful to simply leave the community for one day in order to refresh themselves.

Others find a hobby which gets them interested in another line of thinking for a short time.

Hobbies, sports, visiting with friends — anything which gives some variety for a while is a blessing to keep the pastor a well-rounded individual who can be used by God.

Ouachita's Tiger Day set for high schoolers

ARKADELPHIA — Ouachita Baptist University's annual Tiger Day will be Saturday, Nov. 11, in Arkadelphia.

Tiger Day offers high school students a chance to become acquainted with the OBU campus, its students and instructors.

Activities begin with registration at 8:30 a.m. Refreshments will be served from 9:30-10:30. At 9 Tiger Day Queen judging will begin in the Drawing Room of the Student Union Building.

OBU students will present outdoor entertainment from 9-10. Beginning at 10 OBU instructors will lead 30 minute student-oriented sessions with the visiting high school students choosing the section most appealing to their interests.

B. Aldon Dixon, dean of students at OBU, will speak on "Christians and Sex;" Dr. Bill Elder, instructor in religion, "Being Real," Dr. Lera Kelly, professor of Business, "Women's Lib" and Jim Ranchino, associate professor of political science and history, "The Youth Vote in Arkansas, What It Did and What It Will Do."

Dr. Jim Berryman, professor of religion and philosophy; Lavell Cole, instructor in history; Dr. Ed Coulter, assistant to the president and director of institutional research; Dr. Francis McBeth, professor of music and resident composer, and Dr. Everett Slavens, professor of history, will also lead discussions.

A drama production by the OBU players will be presented at 11:30 in Verser Drama Center. Lunch will be served in Birkett Williams Cafeteria from 12-1 p.m.

The Tiger Day Queen will be crowned at 1:30 p.m. at A. U. Williams Field before the OBU-Mississippi State game at 2 p.m.

OBU homecoming set

ARKADELPHIA — Ouachita University will highlight its Oct. 28 Homecoming celebration with a 2 p.m. football game against Southern State College at A. U. Williams Field in Arkadelphia.

Other activities have been planned throughout the day by the OBU Student Senate and the Former Students Association (FSA).

Registration for all guests on campus will be held in front of Grant Hall from 9-12 a.m. There will be coffee in the drawing room for early arrivals.

Pre-game activities, including the crowning of the 1972 Homecoming Queen, will be at 1:30 p.m. at A. U. Williams Field.

SEMINAR ON WITNESSING TO OTHER FAITHS

Immanuel Baptist Church

Little Rock

October 31 — November 1

Sponsored by:

Arkansas Baptist State Convention
Home Mission Board, SBC



The present building is the fourth occupied by the church.

Siloam Springs church climaxes first century, plans for second

First Church of Siloam Springs observed its centennial Oct. 15. That day served as a climax to a year-long centennial celebration. The church started the celebration in January and invited each former pastor to return for a service during the year. Each former pastor was honored with a month designated as his month and testimonies were given by church members who were saved or baptized during his ministry. That pastor would then come back and preach an evangelistic sermon on Sunday morning and indulged in reminiscence on Sunday night. Those pastors returning included Rhine McMurry, Clifford Palmer, B. N. Simmons, Bill Eustis, C. C. Roberts and Barney Freasier Jr.

An artist of the church, Kenneth Lynch, sketched a drawing of the four buildings in which the church has met. These sketches were used on the cover of the Centennial Bulletin during the year. The drawings also served as the cover of the Centennial Church Directory and the book *One Hundred Years of Preaching Christ: A history of the First Baptist Church of Siloam Springs*, written by Bill Bruster, the

church's pastor. The book was placed on sale on Oct. 15.

On the day of the Centennial Celebration, Dr. Charles Ashcraft, spoke on "The Contribution of the First Baptist Church to World Needs" and Dr. Bruster spoke on "The History of the First Baptist Church." The Adult Choir presented the musical "The Good Life" before dinner was served at the church.

After dinner a former member and now a Seminary student preparing for foreign missions service, John Mark Terry, spoke on "The Contribution of First Baptist Church to My Life." Harry Wigger, Associational Missionary, spoke on "The Contribution of First Baptist Church to Benton County Baptist Association." Dr. Rheubin South, President of the State Convention, climaxed the day with a challenge to the church for the next 100 years.

During the course of the year a deep appreciation for the past was developed. The celebration should have taken place in 1968, but the birthday of the church was not discovered until 1970 as the first record book of the church was destroyed by fire. The 1972 date was



Pastor Bill Bruster

chosen because that was the date the Hico School house was built which also served as the first meeting place of the church. It is also significant that the church discovered this year that the lot on which their first permanent building was constructed still belongs to the church. The lot has been vacant since 1902 and the fact that the church owned the lot had been forgotten.

During her first 100 years First Church, Siloam Springs has licensed and ordained 35 men to preach the gospel. There are presently three missionaries in foreign service — Barbara Epperson in Nigeria, and the Mike Wolfe's in Taiwan. Two preachers in Seminary whom the First Baptist Church has licensed are John Mark Terry and Ken Easley. Danny Fowler, a freshmen at Ouachita is also a ministerial student. The Ware triplets, Seniors at Oklahoma Baptist University, are the first from the church who plan to spend their lives in the church music profession.

The church received money from the State Convention to help with her pastor's salary during the late 1800's. This is a part of the reason she has maintained a strong interest in missions. Presently 23 percent of her budget goes to mission causes and additional support is given to missions in North Dakota and Arizona. The Church also started a mission in 1953 which became Harvard Avenue Church of Siloam Springs.

The Church has been housed in four buildings. The first meeting place was the Hico School house. The first church house was built in 1883 while A. J. Estes was pastor. The third meeting place was constructed in 1902 during the pastorate



The adult choir of the church presented the musical, "The Good Life" as part of the centennial services.

of C. L. Owens and the present edifice was raised in 1948 under the pastoral leadership of B. N. Simmons. A pre-school building was added in 1970. This building houses both a kindergarten and pre-kindergarten program for 3-5 year olds during the week.

In 1969 the church began a program of televising their morning and evening worship services. In 1972 a bus ministry was added to further outreach. The first century of existence was climaxed by a WIN school and the second century is being inaugurated with a revival meeting Oct. 22-29th with Charles Wade preaching and Ric McClure leading the singing. They are from the First Baptist Church of Enid, Oklahoma.



Dr. Rheubin South



Dr. Charles Ashcraft

Little Rock church honors centenarian

Plainview Church, Little Rock, acknowledged the long life of Mrs. Lillian Neal Blanton in the morning service Sept. 17. The pastor acknowledged her long life in service for the Lord and the community she had been a part of for so long.

Mrs. Lillian Blanton was 100 years old Sept. 22, 1972. She was born Sept. 22, 1872, at Chambersville, Ark. The daughter of Nancy Hogue Neal and Samuel C. Neal. She had one brother, Ralph Neal and two sisters, Mrs. Betty Neal Smith and Miss Mary Ethel Neal. Miss Ethel, as she was known by her host of friends, was for many years the teacher of the Ethel Neal Ladies' Bible

Class of the Plainview Church, of which Mrs. Blanton is still a member.

Mrs. Blanton was always very active in the many activities of her church until a short time ago when her health would not permit her to take part in the many services.

Her family moved to Little Rock while she was a small child. They lived on Gaines Street for several years, then moved into what is now known as Stagecoach House on the old Little Rock-Benton Highway, now known as Stagecoach Road.

She was married Dec. 24, 1917, to J. Waverly Blanton. The wedding took place at the Stagecoach House conducted by a Rev. Vaughn. Mrs. Blanton and her husband had one child,

a son, Samuel Blanton, who died at age nine. They lived for many years in the Stagecoach House. Then because of Mr. Blanton's health, they moved to the home of Miss Ethel Neal at 1010 Stagecoach Road, directly across from their old home. After his death, Mrs. Blanton continued to live there and cared for her sister, Miss Ethel, until her death.

Mrs. Blanton remained at the home until it became necessary for her to move into a nursing home. She doesn't remember everything or everybody, but she does remember her church and speaks of it as her love. She has been a member of the church for most of the 100 years she has lived.

The church sent her a beautiful arrangement for this occasion.

So you are facing . . . College

By L. H. Coleman
(Fourth in a series)

You are facing one of the most exciting periods of your life. At times frustration will reign but the end result of attending college makes the work worthwhile.

Are you sure you want to attend college? Do you get a thrill when you learn a new fact? Do you have a love for knowledge?

Why do you want to attend college? Please state clearly your motive. Are you wanting to escape the draft now? Do you only want to please your parents? Are you interested simply in finding a mate? Are you attending for the prestige that comes from college environment? Are you interested only in the extra-curricular activities? Are you attending because it's the fad? Or because all your friends are?

Or is your motive a sincere desire to obtain an education? Do you want better to prepare yourself for life?

First, choose the right college for you. Many factors are involved in your decision. The economic factor is to be considered. Do you prefer a church-related, private, or tax-supported school? If you know your major subject this should have a bearing on your decision. Distance from home is a consideration. How fortunate when the parents and the student are in general agreement on the choice of the school.

Second, give yourself untingingly to the primary reason for your being in college — your academic studies.

Surprising it is the number of students who discover in their senior year the art of study. Learn how to study. Apply yourself to concentration and comprehension. Above all improve your speed of reading.

You will enjoy your years in college more if you take courses for which you have interest and aptitude. Discovering this should not be too difficult because so much guidance is available. Enjoy thoroughly your pursuit of learning.

Third, take time for activities that are available not related to study. These would include social clubs, intra-mural athletics, and various school functions such as dramas, forums, student government, lectures, and concerts. Make lasting friendships. Love people. Be a friend. Dormitory "bull sessions" are educational at times; but know when to socialize and when to study.

Fourth, have proper relationships. Your relationship with your professors is never to be overlooked nor minimized. You not only sign up for a subject, you sign up with a professor. Study him well. Know what he expects for tests. Avoid the extremes of snubbing your professors or being unusually friendly. Be fair with yourself on every examination and be honest.

Keep the right relationship with your fellow students. Never feel that you are more important than others on the

campus but believe enough in yourself by being convinced that no one else there is better than you. Dating is a complex subject to discuss but most students need no advice whatsoever in the matter. Who would heed it anyway?

Make sure your relationship with your parents is everything it ought to be. Be appreciative of the things your parents have done for you — especially if it has been to the point of sacrifice. Write them often. See them as reason dictates and money permits. When you've completed your college education refrain from making your parents feel intellectually inferior to you.

Finally, determine that your spiritual will match your intellectual growth while in college. Practically every denomination has a religious fellowship on campus. These organizations are connecting links between you and your particular faith. Never equate religion and anti-intellectualism. There is nothing incompatible between true science and true religion. Have faith in your faith; by all means keep faith active and alive.

Surely you have already decided to complete what you will begin. Complete the task; earn your degree if at all possible. Facing college is a rare delight. Learning is like finding rare golden nuggets. Face college therefore with zest and enthusiasm. This is your great opportunity of a lifetime; therefore take advantage of the opportunity of a lifetime within the lifetime of the opportunity.

Copyright by L. H. Coleman, pastor, Immanuel Church, Pine Bluff. Used by permission.



Making plans for the Day of Prayer are (l-r) Mrs. Robert Ferguson, Mrs. Charles Ashcraft, Mrs. Margurite Haymon, and Mrs. L. K. Kinchin.

Day of Prayer set by area Baptist women

Each November there is a world-wide Baptist Women's Day of Prayer. In the Little Rock-North Little Rock area a joint planning committee of National and Southern Baptist women are projecting their plans for a joint observance at the First Baptist Church of Little Rock, 12th and Louisiana, Tuesday, Nov. 9, 10-11 a.m., with a fellowship period immediately following. A nursery is being provided for the small children, and Baptist women are being encouraged to attend.

The planning committee consists of Mrs. Mary Blair, Mrs. Louise Melton, Mrs. George Polos, Mrs. Charles Ashcraft, Mrs. Norman Roberts, Sr., Mrs. Robert Ferguson, Mrs. Vernis L. Thompson, Mrs. Anita Tapson, Mrs. Margurite Haymon, Mrs. L. K. Kinchin, Mrs. Minnie Thomas, Mrs. H. E. Scribner, and Mrs. Nellie E. Doyle.

Struggling mission gives through CP

The Cooperative Program is not a financial obligation that Southern Baptists are trying to retire. It is a channel through which we combine our financial resources in the support of world missions and Southern Baptist ministries.

Supporters of the Cooperative Program has sometimes been used to illustrate denominational loyalty, but more importantly, support of the Cooperative Program is evidence of a missionary vision and a concern for world missions. It is therefore highly significant and indicative of a spiritual quality when a new mission, still struggling with its own needs and receiving financial support itself, demonstrates its concern for a lost world by contributing to world missions through the Cooperative Program.

The Fairfield Bay Baptist Mission, located on Greers Ferry Lake, began services in June of 1972. It represents a cooperative mission effort of the Calvary, Little Red River, and Van Buren associations, as well as the Arkansas State Convention and the Home Mission Board.

During the very first month of its existence the mission began contributing 10 percent of its undesignated, local receipts to world missions through the Cooperative Program. Pastor Hilton Lane explained the action in this way: "Most of the mission's new members had supported the cause of missions through the Cooperative Program before moving to Fairfield Bay. It was only normal for the members to continue their extended ministry through their mission."

When questioned about his philosophy of missions and the attitude of his congregation, Pastor Lane explained: "Fairfield Bay Baptist Mission is the recipient of Cooperative Program monies. It could not afford the luxury of waiting until it was financially strong to become a part of the world wide missions outreach. While the mission's gifts are not large, the members have the satisfaction of knowing that they have a part in every Southern Baptist witness around the world by contributing their mission gifts through the Cooperative Program."

Parents are admonished in the Scriptures to "train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." Perhaps the same reasoning would apply to church leaders in the rearing of young missions into strong, stable churches. —Roy. F. Lewis, Secretary of Stewardship-Cooperative Program Department

Thanksgiving offering is near

For over seventy-eight years Arkansas Baptists have responded to the special needs of children through participation in the annual Thanksgiving offering. It is nearing that time of the year again when we reflect on the past year's activities and offer a special thanks to God for his blessings to us. It is a time when out of hearts of love and thankfulness we want to share with others and remember those less fortunate than we.

We invite you to join with us again this year in the promotion of the Thanksgiving offering. (Thanksgiving offering is all about caring). It seems like everyone has their hand out these days! They are asking that you give to this fund, that drive, or their favorite charity . . . and now for the next several weeks you will be reading our

articles concerning this annual offering. But we are not asking for a hand-out . . . we are asking that you share an investment in the future of the boys and girls in our care. We believe the dividends will be great!

Arkansas Baptists' Thanksgiving offering is all about caring. The purpose of our child care ministry is redemptive in that we attempt to restore the child's faith in himself, in others, and in God. We work toward providing appropriate care for children and rehabilitation of the family unit when possible.

A series of articles beginning next week will depict our ministry to families and children. —Johnny Biggs, Executive Director, Family and Child Care Services.

Baptist men Concern is shown by mission activities

"Do you really care?" is the theme words from one of the modern folk musicals. It is a timely question, being asked not only by youth but by many in Baptist Men's Organizations in churches across the convention.

The question is not only being asked by men but is being answered in the affirmative. In more and more churches the men are demonstrating that they care by positive action. More and more Baptist Men's Organizations in churches are becoming involved in mission activities meeting human needs in the church community.

Some are providing ministries to the sick in nursing homes, hospitals and rest homes. Others are providing services in jails and other correctional institutions. This is a really great opportunity for witnessing and sharing the message of Christ.

Working with youth through Royal Ambassador is always a challenging opportunity for men to show that they really care.

Juvenile Rehabilitation is an area of challenge for "men who care." This is not an easy task but a rewarding one. A few men are accepting this challenge, but not enough to meet the need.

One or two groups in the state are providing weekly Bible study for minority groups in their town. This is of course a very worth while cause and will have a reaching results in the years ahead.

These are just a few of the areas where Baptist Men's groups who care can and are becoming involved in mission

activities. The opportunities of service are many. Mission action guides have been produced by the Brotherhood Commission. They are available from the Baptist Book Store. A free list of the books are available from the Brotherhood Department, 525 West Capitol Avenue, Little Rock, Ark. 72203.

Mission activities for men are what Jesus expects from members of His church. They are scriptural, relevant and needed.

Jesus gave the directions in Matthew 25: 34-40. "Do you really care?" about people? Some do and are doing something about it. Why not you? —C. H. Seaton, Brotherhood Department.

Sunday School lesson writers

Dr. Everett Sneed asked the state Sunday School department to be responsible for the two Sunday School lessons appearing in the *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine*.

Our plan is to have different lesson writers for each month starting in 1973.

Interim writers are Lawson Hatfield, Uniform lessons and Don Cooper, Life and Work lessons.

A writer's briefing conference was conducted recently in which dead-lines, printing style and other mechanical matters were discussed with the selected writers.

Assisting in the conference were Editor J. E. Sneed, L. H. Coleman and Vester Wolber. Readers will enjoy lessons from a variety of writers and their points of view in the lessons. —Lawson Hatfield

Northwest Arkansas Adult Workshop



Sisemore

John Sisemore will be one of the program personalities for the Adult Workshop at Calvary Baptist Church, Ft. Smith, Oct. 30, 31. Sisemore was recently elected as the Secretary of the Sunday School Division of the Baptist General Convention of Texas. He has served as a Consultant, Adult Section Sunday School Department, Baptist Sunday School Board for 15 years.

Other program personalities include Miss Hazel Rodgers and Mancel Ezell of the Baptist Sunday School Board, and Ray McClung, Director of Associational Activities, Pulaski Association.

There will be special conferences for all adult workers, class members, general Sunday School officers and church staff members. This includes department directors, department outreach leaders, department teaching leaders, teachers, class outreach leaders, class group leaders, and class members.

The schedule is for afternoon and evening sessions on both days. Afternoon sessions begin at 1:30 and conclude at 4:00. Evening sessions begin at 7:00 and conclude at 9:00.

The workshop is sponsored jointly by Concord Association, Arkansas Baptist Convention, and Baptist Sunday School Board. Concord Superintendent of Missions, James Griffin, and Sunday School Directors Elton Pennington and Harold Vernon have planned the workshop. Concord Association is happy to host the meetings and extends an invitation to everyone. — Don Cooper, associate, Sunday School Dept.

Church Training Senior Adult workshop cruise is scheduled

Here is good news for senior adults. There will be a Senior Adult Workshop Cruise to Nassau in the Bahamas on April 9-13, 1973. The workshop will take place in two separate conferences. Senior adult workers will have fourteen hours of discussing creative approaches to training and programing for a church ministry with senior adults. Senior adults will have Bible Study and discussion for "Growing in Spiritual Maturity." All of this will take place on a luxury cruise to Nassau. The liner will serve as conference facility, hotel, and restaurant

Pastors, church staffers lose income, SBC publication reveals

DALLAS (BP) — Some Southern Baptist pastors and church staff employes suffered what amounted to cuts in income during the past two years.

A denominational publication reached this conclusion after comparing salary statistics and Consumer Price Index figures for the summers of 1969 and 1971.

Deacons and church committees did not plot to pare dollars from the incomes of pastors, ministers of music, and ministers of education, said *The Years Ahead*, quarterly publication of the SBC Annuity Board.

Rather, churches failed to increase compensation at all, or did not hike it sufficiently to match the rising cost of living, the publication pointed out.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics, a government agency, shows the Consumer Price Index stood at 109.7 in June 1969, and rose to 121.5 by June, 1971. This is a gain of 10.7 percent.

In every category of church size, the average income gain for pastors was well under 10 percent during the two-year

span, according to *The Years Ahead*.

during the week. The group will go aboard the S. S. EMERALD SEAS in Miami, Florida on Monday afternoon, April 9, and leave for Nassau that afternoon. They will return to Miami Friday morning, April 13.

The total cost is \$195 for each participant. This fee includes passage to Nassau and Freeport from Miami, workshop fee and materials, lodging, meals, tips, snacks, port tax, and limited transportation in Nassau.

If you are interested in making this trip, send a \$50 check, payable to Baptist Sunday School Board, to Adelle Carlson, Church Training Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee. Write to the Arkansas Church Training Department for a folder giving further information.

Is your church seeking a pastor?

The pamphlet, "When the Church is Seeking a Pastor," has been updated and reprinted in a new format and is available for 10¢ a copy from the Materials Services Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee. Practical suggestions are provided in this pamphlet on the work of the Pastor Selection Committee (Pulpit). Enough copies of these pamphlets should be ordered for every member of the Pastor Selection Committee to have one copy. This can be a great help for this committee. —Ralph W. Davis

The research services department of the Baptist Sunday School Board supplied income figures based on surveys of church staff compensation.

The survey covered only churches with 500 or more members, since few churches smaller than 500 members have staff members other than pastor. The survey sought to reflect ministers of education and ministers of music as well.

Eighty percent of the nearly 35,000 churches affiliated with the SBC have less than 500 members each, the publication explained. A salary survey in 1968 indicated the majority of churches with under 500 members paid salaries far below the national average, perhaps barely above poverty level.

"There has been no indication of dramatic change," said *The Years Ahead* regarding income for pastors of small churches.

The Years Ahead also reported that few, if any, churches are covered by the wage freeze, since it applies only to organizations with 60 or more employees.

"But for many Southern Baptist pastors, ministers of Education, and ministers of music, income has been frozen just as certainly," it added.

"On the other hand, some (pastors and staff) are making incomes equal to or greater than the average high budget (income) reported for a family of four by the Bureau of Labor Statistics," the article reported.

The Years Ahead referred to a recent study in Louisiana which showed pastors near the bottom of a list of trades and professions in income, at around \$6,000 or \$7,000 per year. Other state Baptist groups also are conducting surveys.

Average total compensation for surveyed pastors ranged from \$11,722 in a church with 500 to 749 members, to \$22,670 in a church with 3,000 or more members, using Baptist survey figures in 1971.

The Years Ahead said ways to improve or supplement income open to church members are often closed to pastors. It cited trade union membership and working wives as examples. "Strong sentiment often prevails against the minister's wife working," the publication noted.

"All this is to say churches must keep closer watch on compensation (of staff) to be sure it's adequate," the publication commented editorially.

Deaths

Executive Secretary's father dies

Henry H. Ashcraft, 83, Malvern, died Oct. 19. He was a member of Third Church. His survivors include his wife, Mrs. Mary Ashcraft, Malvern; four sons, Dr. Charles H. Ashcraft, Little Rock; Dr. Morris Ashcraft, Kansas City, Mo.; Herman Ashcraft, Malvern; Thomas L. Ashcraft, Pine Bluff; three daughters, Mrs. Eunice Balfour, Little Rock; Mrs. Sammy Pickard, Albuquerque, N. M.; Mrs. Shirley Pike, Little Rock; 13 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services were Oct. 21, at Third Church.

Please let us know . . .

Churches are requested to send to the *Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine* notice of the death of an active member of the church. Notices should contain the name, age, town, date of death, and church. These should be received in our office not later than 15 days after the death.

Mrs. Nellie Mae Clary, 58, Star City, died Sept. 29. She was a member of First Church.

J. Lewis Haskins, 70, Star City, died Sept. 24. He was a member of First Church.

Lewis C. Gartell, 51, Little Rock, died Oct. 6. He was a deacon and church treasurer for Tyler Street Church.

Gerald Wayne Hurst, 35, Mountain Home, died Oct. 15. He was a deacon in the East Side Church.

Cummins Chapel Sunday October 29, 1972

Many churches will observe October 29 as "Cummins Chapel Sunday" with an offering to provide a chapel for Cummins Prison.

Revivals

Calvary Church, North Little Rock, Sept. 25-Oct. 1; Rick Ingle, evangelist, Larry Williams, singer; 72 professions of faith, six by letter, one by statement, 50 rededications. Bill Kreis is pastor.

Mt. Vernon Church, Oct. 2-8; J. Philip Allison, evangelist, Bob Pittman, song leader; 15 professions of faith. Bill Griffin is pastor.

Felsenthal Church, Huttig, Oct. 9-15; Paul Carter, evangelist; two for baptism, several rededications. Michael Howard is pastor.

SBC ends 1972 fiscal year almost reaching total budget

NASHVILLE (BP) — The Southern Baptist Convention ended a nine-month fiscal year with Cooperative Program unified budget receipts almost reaching the denomination's \$23.7 million budget goal.

When the books closed on the nine month fiscal year on September 30, Cooperative Program receipts totalled \$23,556,326.

It was an increase of \$1,216,882 or 5.45 percent over giving for the same period during the previous year, but was \$211,696 short of the total budget goal.

Porter W. Routh, executive secretary-treasurer of the SBC Executive Committee which receives and distributes the funds, said the 5.45 percent increase "brings real encouragement" to the entire denomination.

"We were able to forward a small balance due on the 1970 capital funds, the full \$1,050,000 in 1971 capital funds, and all but \$211,696 due on the 1972 short fiscal year capital funds," Routh said.

The 1972 budget goal for the nine month period included \$21.8 million in operating funds for 18 SBC agencies, plus an additional \$1,934,860 in capital needs to support building programs at several SBC agencies.

Most of the \$1.9 million in capital needs, about \$1.1 million of the total, had been held over from 1970 and 1971 when the denomination was unable to meet the total capital needs requirements. The budget included \$787,500 in 1972 capital needs.

With only \$211,696 needed to pay all 1972 capital needs, that amount will be added automatically by convention action to the \$32.8 million 1973 Cooperative Program budget goal, bringing the total 1973 (12-month) budget to \$33 million.

John H. Williams, assistant to the treasurer and director of financial planning for the SBC Executive Committee, said that in order to meet the total 1973 budget of \$33 million, Cooperative Program gifts during 1973 must average 6.1 percent more than contributions for the same period in 1972.

Williams attributed the 5.45 percent increase for 1972 partly to an excellent month of missions giving in September, when contributions through the Cooperative Program increased 7.7 percent over gifts for September of 1971.

During September, 1972, Southern Baptists gave \$2,449,860 through the Cooperative Program, an increase of \$175,121 (7.7 percent) over September of 1972.

In addition to the \$23.5 million in Cooperative Program contributions, Southern Baptists gave more than \$25 million during the nine-month fiscal year to specific, designated SBC mission causes.

Designated gifts for the nine-month period increased more than \$2 million, or 8.89 percent over designations for the same period in 1971.

Routh cautioned, however, against making comparisons of the designated funds for the nine-month period with 1971 receipts. "We will have to wait until the close of the 1972 calendar year to make any valid comparison with designated funds, since the bulk of the Lottie Moon and the Annie Armstrong offerings come in during the first nine months," he said.

Most of the \$25 million in designated receipts came through the annual Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions, and the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for Home Missions.

The combined, grand total mission gifts (Cooperative Program plus designated contributions) reached \$48.6 million for the nine-month period, an increase of \$3.2 million or 7.2 percent over grand total mission gifts for the same period in 1971.

The amounts included in the financial report from the SBC Executive Committee reflect only contributions to national and world-wide Southern Baptist mission causes, and do not include gifts to support local and state mission efforts.

Vista Heights has recorded attendance

Vista Heights Church, Hot Springs, set a record attendance with 131 in Sunday School on Oct. 1, 1972. The auditorium has a seating capacity of 100.

Under the leadership of Pastor Bill Fleming the church has made significant progress. Plans are currently underway for the erection of a new auditorium with three classrooms and a pastor's study.

The growth of the congregation has been evident in almost every area. Sunday School attendance has increased substantially, Church Training has doubled, the Wednesday evening service has tripled, offering has doubled, and the Cooperative Program giving has doubled in percentage. There have been 78 additions to the church since the pastor came in August, 1970.

Special Offer for Readers of the Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine

A

Paycheck Protection Plan FOR YOU

\$200 PER WEEK —UP TO \$10,400

\$100 PER WEEK —UP TO \$5,200

FOR A COVERED ACCIDENT OR SICKNESS

WHEN YOU ARE HOSPITAL CONFINED — DUE TO ACCIDENT OR SICKNESS

FOR AS LOW AS \$2.78 PER MONTH

► **Read Every Word of This Important Announcement** ◀

—NOW—

The Standard Life and Accident Insurance Company's Paycheck Protection Division offers to you as a subscriber one of the finest Hospital Income Plans that is available.

What happens if you are hospital confined? Your paycheck usually stops but bills continue to pile up. Therefore, an income is needed to help pay bills, buy groceries, etc. for the family.

Our new Hospital Income Plan will help offset these extra expenses at a small cost that every subscriber can well afford. \$1.00 pays the first month's premium regardless of age or the number of members in the family to be protected. Then you, in accordance with your age, will pay the low rates in the following schedule.

MEN OR WOMEN	
\$200.00 WEEKLY BENEFIT	MONTHLY PREMIUM
Ages 18 thru 49.....	\$ 5.56
Ages 50 thru 65.....	\$ 7.78
Ages 66 thru 74.....	\$10.00
Ages 75 thru 90.....	\$15.00
Each child (0-17).....	\$ 1.68

MEN OR WOMEN	
\$100.00 WEEKLY BENEFIT	MONTHLY PREMIUM
Ages 18 thru 49.....	\$ 2.78
Ages 50 thru 65.....	\$ 3.89
Ages 66 thru 74.....	\$ 5.00
Ages 75 thru 90.....	\$ 7.50
Each child (0-17).....	\$.84

(Children receive one-half Hospital Benefits)

ACT NOW — First month's protection for only \$1.00. Money back guarantee if you are not 100% satisfied — your good will is highly valued by us, so if you are not satisfied, return your policy within ten days for a refund in full.

11 IMPORTANT QUESTIONS ANSWERED THAT TELL YOU HOW STANDARD'S \$100.00 A WEEK EXTRA CASH INCOME GIVES YOU PROTECTION YOU NEED TAX FREE.

1. WHY ARE THE PREMIUMS SO LOW?

This is a mass enrollment. No agent will call, therefore, you avoid paying agent's commissions, but you must mail the enrollment form along with \$1.00 within 30 days from the edition date of this publication.

2. WHAT IF I AM OVER 65?

Even if you are over 65, this plan pays you extra cash in addition to Medicare, cash to spend as you choose — enjoy peace of mind. Cash paid directly to you.

3. HOW LONG WILL I BE PROTECTED?

You will be paid \$200 (or \$100.00) per week when you are hospitalized for as long as 52 weeks, up to \$10,400.00 (or \$5,200.00) for either sickness or accident.

4. MUST I BE CONFINED FOR A FULL WEEK TO RECEIVE BENEFITS?

NO, you will be paid at the rate of \$28.56 (or \$14.28) per day. Benefits begin the first day for accident and after the third day of confinement for sickness.

5. ARE BENEFITS TAX FREE?

YES, all benefits are tax free and paid directly to you, unless you wish to assign the benefits to your hospital or doctor.

6. HOW DOES THE MONEY BACK GUARANTEE WORK?

Examine the policy in the privacy of your home, show it to your doctor, friends or attorney. They will tell you this is the best offer for the premium charged. If not completely satisfied, return in 10 days for a full refund.

7. WHEN DOES THE COVERAGE BECOME EFFECTIVE?

The same day that we receive your completed form along with \$1.00 and issue your policy.

8. IS THIS COMPANY LICENSED IN YOUR STATE?

YES, Standard Life and Accident is Licensed, and conforms to all state laws, with many years of faithful service to policy holders.

9. WHAT IS NOT COVERED BY THIS POLICY?

The only conditions not covered are hospital confinement due to military service, suicide, venereal disease, mental derangement, rest cure, dental work, childbirth or complications of pregnancy, and confinement in a government hospital.

10. HOW WILL I PAY THE PREMIUMS AFTER THE FIRST MONTH?

Within 30 days after you receive your policy, we will send you a premium notice by mail, then you may pay one, three, six or twelve months premiums as you wish. A discount will be allowed if you pay other than monthly.

11. HOW DO I OBTAIN THIS EXTREMELY LOW-COST PROGRAM?

Just complete the enrollment form at the left of this page, and mail it with \$1.00 to

the company address below. Remember, no salesman will call, and as this is a limited enrollment, mail the form today.

This policy is renewable at the option of the company only, and premiums may be subject to change.

REMEMBER, NO SALESMAN OR AGENT WILL CALL. SPECIAL LIMITED ENROLLMENT ENDS 30 DAYS FROM THE EDITION DATE OF THIS PUBLICATION. DO NOT DELAY—FILL OUT AND MAIL THE FORM TOGETHER WITH \$1.00, NO MATTER HOW MANY OF YOUR FAMILY WISH TO ENROLL.

Make all checks or money orders payable to:
Standard Life & Accident Insurance Company

MAIL TO STANDARD LIFE AND ACCIDENT INSURANCE COMPANY,
P.O. BOX 25097, OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA 73193

APPLICATION FOR PAYCHECK PROTECTION PLAN

To: Standard Life and Accident Insurance Company
P.O. Box 25097, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 73193

Gentlemen: I am enclosing \$1.00 in payment for one month's insurance for Standard Life's Paycheck Protection Plan.

My name is _____

Street or RFD No. _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Date of Birth, Mo. _____ Day _____ Year _____ Age _____

My Occupation is _____

My Beneficiary is _____ Relationship _____

I desire the following WEEKLY BENEFIT \$200.00 \$100.00
I also hereby apply for coverage for the members of my family listed below:

FIRST NAMES — MIDDLE NAMES — LAST NAMES

DATE OF BIRTH

	MO.	DAY	YEAR	AGE
(APPLICANT)				
1. _____				
2. _____				
3. _____				
4. _____				
5. _____				

List additional names on separate sheet and enclose with this application blank.

To the best of your knowledge and belief, have you or any person listed above ever had high or low blood pressure, heart trouble, diabetes, cancer, arthritis or tuberculosis or have you or they, within the last five years, been disabled by either accident or illness, had medical advice or treatment, taken medication for any condition, or been advised to have a surgical operation?

Yes No

If so, give details stating persons affected, cause, date, name and address of attending physician and whether fully recovered.

The undersigned hereby authorized Standard Life and Accident Insurance Company to contact their family physician for any necessary information.

Date _____ Signature _____

Form 52 MG Rev. B 2317

(715)

ARB10

Book reviews

By E. A. Pipkins

Why Conservative Churches Are Growing

Author: Kelley, Dean M.
 Publisher: Harper and Row, 1972
 Price \$6.95 (179 pages)

There is a great deal of confusion about what to expect of religion. Those things usually expected to indicate the success of religious undertakings are the very things that cause them to fail.

All higher forms of life, from the moment of birth, are dying. "Life itself is an incurably fatal disease". Some religious bodies have been dying for centuries, yet a tiny remnant persists. Even dying churches can be virtually indestructible.

This book is an attempt to explain the function performed by religion and to show how the conservative churches seem to be fulfilling that function to the satisfaction of more and more adherents. The thesis of the author summed up in the words of a young mother, is "People come to church for religion, and if they don't get it, why should they come for anything else?"

The indispensable function of religion is to make life meaningful in ultimate terms for its members. A strong religion is recognized by wholehearted commitment on the parts of its members who willingly submit themselves to the discipline of the group, and manifest an irrepressible missionary zeal to tell the Good News to others.

This is a good book for Baptists to read. In a sense they have written it.

Galatians

Author: Perowne
 Publisher: Eugene Press
 Price: \$2.00 (91 pages) Paper

This is a reproduction (exact paper-by-page photo) rather than a reprint, of the first published in 1890 Galatians volume of the Cambridge Bible. Speaking as one who has spent years trying to fill out a set of CB, it would be a worth while volume to have, if you do not have one of the original. However, it is not well reproduced, is much overpriced, and does have a good deal of material you will not be able to use, i.e. references to out of print works. If you are not a CB devotee, invest in something of more recent vintage.

* * *

Expository Sermons on Revelation

Author: Criswell, W. A.
 Publisher: Zondervan, 1969
 Price: \$9.95 (954 pages)

Five volumes in one, of typical Criswell expository preaching, now in its fourth printing. These sermons were first preached "live", without notes, at home. They were taken down, edited and published. Covering all the themes of the Apocalypse under the well known interpretive motif of one of Southern Baptist's best known heros, the expositions are offered for whatever use a preacher might want to make of them. They are warm, direct, and very thought provoking.

* * *

The Mystery of Godliness

Author: Thomas, W. Ian
 Publisher: Zondervan, 1969
 Price: \$2.95 (155 pages)

Godliness (God-likeness) is a direct and exclusive consequence of God's activity in man, reproducing Himself. Only God can make a man godly. True commitment on the part of the Christian is "godliness in action." Few people ever achieve this impossible task that becomes possible only when one

exposes the situation to the Father and in humble dependance upon His adequacy says quite simply, "Thank you."

Any activity that does not stem from this humble attitude violates the basic principle of true humanity and the role for which man was created.

Thomas is a trichotomist, believing that the human spirit is what makes man different from animal. It is in the area of the human spirit where Satan works to reproduce himself in man, and this is ungodliness.

The Second Man Jesus Christ redeems man in that He is perfect in the human spirit. The life that Christ lived qualified Him for the death that He died and the death that He died qualifies man for the life that He (Jesus) lived. Man is worth nothing and Christ is worth everything. Jesus is the I AM, sufficient for every need and when man affirms THOU ART, then man's needs are met.

Many people enjoy the unique writing style and interpretation of the author. This book is in its fourth printing. With Thomas to be in our state (Ft. Smith), it should enjoy a season of popularity.

Testimonies of 8 football greats...

SUPER GOAL

with Billy Zeoli

Each of these 8 pro football heroes tells how he surrendered his life to Christ, and found inner peace and contentment:

- Tom Landry
- Roger Staubach
- Norm Evans
- Bob Vogel
- Charley Hurray
- Jim Houston
- Lem Barney
- Carroll Dale

Following the testimonies, editor Billy Zeoli explains God's Game Plan, through which every Christian can be a winner in God's eyes. \$1.95 paper



SAMMY HALL'S HOOKED ON A GOOD THING

Why the South's top rock star became a leading gospel singer and a dedicated witness to God's healing love. \$1.95 paper

ORDER FROM YOUR BAPTIST BOOK STORE

Fleming H. Revell Company, Old Tappan, N.J. 07675



BAPTIST BOOK STORE

PARTNERS IN GROWTH

408 Spring St. • Little Rock, AR 72201 • (501) 375-6493

Arkansas Baptist State Convention

CONTRIBUTIONS

Total Cash Contributions Received in Office of Executive Secretary of
Executive Board During the Months of January Through September, 1972.

Notify Charles H. Ashcraft, 525 West Capitol, Little Rock, Arkansas, if any errors are found in this report.

Churches	Cooperative Program	Designated	Churches	Cooperative Program	Designated	Churches	Cooperative Program	Designated	Churches	Cooperative Program	Designated
ARKANSAS VALLEY											
Barton	1,771.60	840.85	County Line	24.00	00	Pleasant Grove No. 3	84.32	00	Austin Station	1,412.24	680.31
Brickley	78.16	00	Elizabeth	20.00	00	Rock Creek	146.20	00	Baugh's Chapel	787.20	00
Brinkley 1st	6,193.54	5,684.50	Enterprise	50.00	00	Shiloh	00	00	Biscoe	460.96	31.10
Chatfield	00	00	Flora	17.37	00	Temple, Waldron	352.86	50.07	Brownsville	586.89	449.19
Clarendon	2,031.90	1,019.58	Gum Springs	27.00	00	Union Hope	20.00	00	Cabot 1st	8,730.05	3,373.57
Elaine	10,370.86	1,103.25	Hardy	130.88	150.87	Unity	102.02	00	Cabot 2nd	637.45	35.00
Friendship	264.80	48.00	Mammoth Spring	401.55	158.67	West Hartford	7,105.26	2,790.22	Caney Creek	816.10	00
Helena 1st	13,398.40	3,382.78	Mt. Calm	00	00	Winfield	148.03	257.41	Carlisle	7,734.60	2,392.54
Hughes	4,050.00	2,046.27	Mt. Zion	44.40	32.37	Crumpton Mssn.	151.65	15.45	Chambers	18.00	104.00
Lambrook	785.04	100.00	Saddle	00	00	Misc.	129.70	00	Cocklebur	148.32	8.60
Lesz	1,812.60	589.86	Salem	444.18	19.00	Total	17,125.29	7,053.57	Coy	1,156.71	868.00
Marianna 1st	10,041.53	2,176.85	Spring River	338.12	87.83	BUCKVILLE					
Marvell	2,079.63	703.37	Viola	182.88	473.74	Cedar Glades	227.57	00	Cross Roads	100.00	00
Monroe	277.34	107.00	Total	1,680.38	00	Concord, Aly	00	00	Des Arc	6,592.19	1,405.55
Moro	696.67	846.50	BLACK RIVER						DeValls Bluff	608.86	136.30
North Side, Helena	196.86	8.76	Alicia	493.30	80.00	Mountain Valley	163.00	120.00	England 1st	4,089.45	1,005.29
Pettys Chapel	318.37	00	Amagon	60.00	00	Rock Springs	450.29	72.00	Hazen	3,825.63	997.87
Rehoboth	72.00	00	Banks	60.00	00	Total	2,907.07	100.00	Humnoke	297.09	178.11
Snow Lake	00	00	Black Rock	1,401.42	799.85	CADDO RIVER					
Turner	865.25	331.25	Campbell Station	00	00	Amity	330.77	128.55	Keo	951.16	1,810.00
West Helena	12,137.57	5,592.87	Clear Springs	15.00	115.00	Black Springs	57.76	00	Lonoke	8,561.31	4,270.57
West Helena 2nd	3,636.01	2,534.23	College City	610.61	662.05	Caddo Gap	40.00	00	Mt. Carmel	1,872.90	985.77
Broadmoor Mssn.	430.90	36.65	Diaz	90.00	00	Chenwood	2,923.65	614.16	New Hope	257.60	00
Total	71,508.83	27,352.57	Grubbs	458.64	74.00	Glen Side	00	00	Oak Grove	00	00
ASHLEY											
Calvary, Crossett	45.00	15.00	Horseshoe	00	00	Hill Side	00	00	Pleasant Hill	233.19	35.65
Corinth A	367.81	346.00	Hoxie	946.07	00	Little Hope	50.00	00	Steel Bridge	185.31	62.62
Crossett 1st	27,646.46	9,563.48	Imboden	439.11	1,950.71	Mt. Gilead	255.22	00	Toltec	4,582.48	1,938.12
Crossett 2nd	460.76	310.32	Immanuel, Newport	1,162.00	606.15	Mt. Ida	2,585.37	1,650.38	Ward	1,460.50	651.31
Eden	185.58	155.00	Jacksonport	275.00	00	Murphy	20.00	00	Wattensaw	1,064.82	600.00
Fellowship	374.00	46.25	New Hope No. 1	236.51	350.00	Norman	624.25	445.56	Mt. Springs Mssn.	376.00	48.00
Fountain Hill	1,022.22	1,032.51	New Hope No. 2	117.28	73.75	Oak Grove	00	00	Total	58,048.82	22,601.52
Gardner	897.85	57.00	Newport 1st	9,226.65	2,726.17	Oden	630.00	222.00	CARROLL		
Hamburg 1st	10,886.92	1,594.47	Old Walnut Ridge	212.77	12.68	Pencil Bluff	443.12	139.20	Berryville	3,976.38	1,740.41
Jarvis Chapel	96.68	180.68	Pitts	40.89	78.52	Pine Ridge	40.50	00	Blue Eye	520.93	00
Magnolia	2,245.34	502.79	Ravenden	167.00	71.45	Reluge	63.00	8.34	Eureka Springs	1,985.84	346.05
Martinsville	104.94	70.00	Sedwick	772.00	358.11	Sulphur Springs	143.36	67.53	Freeman Heights	2,146.98	520.94
Meridian	197.98	86.40	Smithville	822.62	358.11	Total	8,207.00	3,428.10	Grandview	1,025.41	151.77
Mt. Olive	6,313.01	1,759.47	Spring Lake	392.69	462.37	Antioch	250.00	67.70	Green Forest	3,835.55	427.40
Mt. Pleasant	499.96	317.50	Swiftion	822.62	358.11	Augusta 1st	6,653.63	5,807.00	Rock Springs	1,009.14	259.64
North Crossett	1,683.10	1,227.67	Tuckerman	630.00	106.00	Beebe 1st	3,890.00	2,300.00	Rudd	307.53	58.19
Sardis	33.23	50.00	Walnut Ridge	9,069.74	4,929.92	Central, Bald Knob	90.00	00	Total	14,807.76	3,504.40
Shiloh	232.82	401.84	White Oak	161.00	00	Cotton Plant 1st	883.00	100.00	Aberdeen	340.52	125.74
Temple	4,717.30	3,149.43	Baptist Chapel	308.07	00	Crosby	180.00	60.00	Almyra	11,936.90	1,929.00
Unity	00	00	Total	28,326.89	13,526.73	El Paso	217.25	144.00	DeWitt	4,000.00	5,860.46
Misc.	00	50.00	BOONE-NEWTON						East Side, DeWitt	566.50	93.00
Total	58,010.96	20,915.81	Alpena	233.24	156.73	Good Hope	175.12	161.00	Gillett	106.36	38.87
BARTHOLOMEW											
Antioch	93.16	00	Batavia	387.23	70.75	Grace	452.50	570.00	Gillett 1st	237.20	32.01
Cominto	24.00	00	Bear Creek Springs	672.75	00	Gregory	238.25	25.00	Hagler	50.00	00
Corinth B	346.69	24.70	Bellevonte	75.00	00	Griffithville	112.50	00	North Maple	1,358.66	506.48
Eagle Lake	29.40	00	Boxley	453.63	483.12	Hinginson	596.46	719.38	Reydl	178.36	715.00
Ebenezer	595.62	485.50	Burlington	193.84	00	Hunter	608.62	155.00	South Side, Stuttgart	2,309.26	676.52
Enon	465.53	300.00	Cassville	61.87	00	Judsonia	1,575.00	1,885.24	St. Charles	1,368.45	223.75
Florence	67.00	66.01	Deer	264.60	151.72	Kensett	1,026.54	765.57	Stuttgart 1st	15,491.52	10,381.33
Hermitage	00	555.72	Eagle Heights	4,501.00	1,439.10	Liberty	72.00	00	Tichmor	40.00	120.00
Immanuel, Warren	5,656.52	2,080.90	Elmwood	33.00	11.77	McCroy	1,074.64	1,178.34	Misc.	00	820.00
Ladelle	161.42	00	Emmanuel, Harrison	66.00	269.55	McEary	100.00	146.50	Total	37,983.33	21,522.16
Macedonia	124.20	00	Everton	203.00	00	Midway	45.00	00	CENTRAL		
Marsden	00	142.27	Gaither	45.00	16.18	Morrow	90.00	132.27	Antioch	528.11	486.64
Monticello 1st	7,420.57	3,631.21	Grubb Springs	317.37	179.53	Morton	161.07	113.33	Benton 1st	17,610.28	11,474.42
Monticello 2nd	2,766.56	433.13	Harrison 1st	17,464.48	9,581.82	Mt. Hebron	189.80	100.00	Bryant 1st Southern	993.60	96.50
North Side, Monticello	884.07	372.58	Hopewell	214.19	82.75	Pangburn	723.62	00	Buie	173.10	00
Old Union	26.80	00	Jasper	1,010.92	252.42	Patterson	123.88	57.76	Calvary, Benton	4,024.72	2,880.42
Pleasant Grove	35.00	00	Lead Hill	778.78	423.27	Pleasant Grove	240.80	126.00	Central, Hot Springs	6,337.41	2,925.83
Prairie Grove	45.00	44.72	Manhall	790.55	289.95	Pleasant Valley	130.66	00	Cross Roads	00	70.09
Saline	18.89	00	New Hope	225.00	00	Raynor Grove	00	44.10	Emmanuel, Hot Springs	384.64	405.27
Selma	58.46	00	Northvale	3,035.70	972.38	Rocky Point	354.49	133.50	Fairdale	417.41	164.58
Union Hill	60.00	00	Omaha	429.46	274.35	Royal Hill	00	00	Fairh	201.24	00
Warren 1st	15,938.07	6,733.60	Oregon Flat	483.10	150.00	Searcy 1st	16,267.57	5,480.05	Gilead	236.87	75.80
West Side, Warren	541.13	30.65	Parthenon	198.60	25.00	Searcy 2nd	322.92	348.67	Grand Ave., Hot Springs	3,247.75	1,216.00
Wilmar	594.12	397.00	South Side, Harrison	253.81	34.00	Temple, Searcy	1,611.45	443.75	Gravel Hill	384.55	00
Misc.	00	1,200.00	St. Joe	141.50	151.24	Trinity, Searcy	1,725.36	568.65	Harveys Chapel	1,806.24	725.86
Total	35,952.21	16,497.99	Union	172.18	179.05	Tupelo	226.55	00	Highland Heights	4,226.41	3,583.97
BENTON											
Bentonville 1st	5,400.00	2,720.55	Valley Springs	75.00	70.58	Union Valley	107.30	00	Hot Springs 1st	3,600.00	5,676.42
Centerton 1st	601.69	477.00	Western Grove	3.86	00	West Point	171.36	94.35	Hot Springs 2nd	14,363.25	9,714.19
Central Ave., Bentonville	465.12	336.44	Woodland Heights	657.00	50.00	White Lake	00	200.00	Jessieville	526.35	25.43
Decatur	1,070.15	511.88	Total	33,706.38	15,644.07	Misc.	00	240.00	Lake Hamilton	741.45	1,146.25
Garfield	217.41	264.08	BUCKNER						Lakeshore Heights	1,266.88	442.25
Gentry	7,250.49	2,889.73	Abbott	104.79	00	Bearden 1st	1,776.45	192.28	Lake Side	1,374.37	473.98
Gravette	2,336.56	658.55	Bates	104.22	00	Bethesda	00	22.50	Lee Chapel	1,064.26	68.78
Gum Springs	444.77	160.16	Calvary, Booneville	40.00	00	Calvary, Camden	613.52	250.05	Lonsdale	243.71	00
Harvard Avenue	650.00	1,995.84	Caithron	40.00	00	Dalark	117.16	25.00	Malvern 3rd	8,111.43	1,002.89
Highfill	1,078.07	1,398.31	Cedar Creek	5.00	17.30	Eagle Mills	00	00	Memorial	1,570.92	173.40
Immanuel, Rogers	5,102.87	2,454.25	Clarks Chapel	62.00	00	Faith	00	65.00	Mill Creek	24.99	00
Lowell	1,115.08	349.45	Dayton	265.18	160.00	Fordyce 1st	10,775.23	6,437.62	Mountain Pine	1,938.01	515.31
Mason Valley	493.76	259.94	Denton	00	00	Hampton	3,227.39	242.58	Mt. Vernon	556.15	119.60
Monte Ne	2,036.18	405.00	Evening Shade	447.27	271.19	Harmony	27.00	00	Old Union	632.17	686.40
Park Street	100.75	105.00	Fellowship	464.99	00	Holly Springs	45.00	00	Owensville	722.00	73.61
Pea Ridge 1st	3,496.69	636.42	Friendship	8.94	13.46	Manning	348.38	192.49	Park Place	11,524.44	4,584.84
Pleasant Hill	306.90	00	Hartford 1st	1,792.25	1,556.00	New Hope	229.95	60.11	Pearcy	225.00	334.00
Rogers 1st	14,701.50	6,410.41	Haw Creek	713.94	00	Ouchatia	78.02	00	Piney	2,533.72	671.71
Siloam Springs 1st	11,638.40	5,233									

Churches	Cooperative Program	Designated	Churches	Cooperative Program	Designated	Churches	Cooperative Program	Designated	Churches	Cooperative Program	Designated
Hurricane Lake Msn.	716.12	111.94	Ravenden Springs	119.50		Brighton	108.00		Silvercreek	180.00	36.00
Indian Springs Msn.	496.55	10.50	Reyno	718.55	213.00	Browns Chapel	988.47	665.18	Tennessee	376.65	251.35
Total	104,420.91	53,437.19	Shannon	669.83	206.65	Calvary, Paragould	1,639.60	237.62	Trinity	4,179.34	1,660.76
CLEAR CREEK			Shiloh, Corning	165.00	173.40	Center Hill	755.00	270.25	Troy Bethel	0.00	0.00
Alma 1st	5,722.33	4,255.45	Shiloh, Pochontas	0.00	0.00	Clarks Chapel	505.86	225.00	W. Side, Magnolia	1,530.20	219.73
Altus 1st	0.00	0.00	Success	532.31	179.97	Delaplane	75.06	67.77	North East Chapel	462.51	274.73
Batson	347.56	113.05	Witts Chapel	583.19	381.64	East End, Paragould	2,645.60	1,962.26	Misc.	0.00	500.00
Cass	18.00	0.00	Total	10,305.63	7,454.61	Fairview	113.50	381.22	Total	100,446.18	48,943.10
Cedarville	465.65	122.97	DARDANELLE-RUSSELLVILLE			Finch	356.95	0.00	INDEPENDENCE		
Clarksville 1st	4,715.98	1,306.79	Atkins	1,237.95	1,167.72	Fontaine	23.00	0.00	Batesville 1st	4,237.75	4,599.40
Clarksville 2nd	363.44	253.00	Bakers Creek	267.18	261.34	Immanuel, Paragould	12.00	0.00	Calvary, Batesville	8,521.27	3,564.59
Coal Hill	281.63	53.66	Bullton	102.27	0.00	Lake Street	90.00	0.00	Calvary, Timbo	225.28	31.35
Concord	1,084.99	521.44	Centerville	1,175.00	1,499.00	Light	228.00	69.83	Cord	481.44	352.62
Dyer	374.26	145.60	Danville	2,794.96	2,318.03	Marmaduke	440.57	205.00	Cushman	53.00	15.00
Hagarville	134.79	34.12	Dardanelle	351.56	149.35	Mounds	265.10	0.00	Desha	565.24	320.00
Harman	371.16	18.00	Dover	483.14	106.05	Mt. Hebron	80.00	0.00	E. Side, Cave City	230.66	0.00
Kibler	2,627.53	1,338.74	East Point	547.30	160.50	New Friendship	274.86	160.26	Emmanuel, Batesville	814.97	407.62
Lamar	708.00	115.36	Fair Park	547.30	160.50	Nutts Chapel	72.00	39.14	Floral	730.68	793.62
Mountainburg	257.80	140.00	Grace Memorial	150.83	11.00	New Liberty	268.15	100.00	Marcella	147.00	109.00
Mulberry	3,214.12	982.00	Havana	154.80	167.88	Oak Grove	377.08	266.51	Mountain View	2,758.88	1,553.60
Oak Grove	2,284.40	135.00	Hector	169.18	211.73	Paragould 1st	22,636.54	8,909.24	Mt. Zion	119.50	0.00
Ozark	5,947.07	1,051.71	Hopewell	40.00	0.00	Pleasant Valley	24.00	3.00	Pilgrim Rest	233.18	345.50
Ozone	40.00	83.00	Kelley Heights	320.88	235.26	Robbs Chapel	275.00	0.00	Pleasant Plains	260.31	128.78
Rudy	91.45	0.00	Knoxville	869.27	115.42	Rock Hill	0.00	0.00	Rehobeth	428.49	178.12
Shady Grove	191.86	107.92	London	441.25	149.63	Stonford	225.00	0.00	Rosie	1,401.34	61.61
Shibley	0.00	561.36	Moreland	5.12	22.59	Stonewall	0.00	25.00	Ruddell Hill	1,499.84	238.71
Spadra	0.00	0.00	New Hope	426.20	27.95	Third Avenue	45.00	0.00	Salado	246.12	190.00
Trinity, Alma	0.00	200.00	Ola	1,488.91	579.50	Unity	120.00	152.32	Sulphur Rock	133.57	23.18
Trinity, Clarksville	320.27	32.00	Pittsburg	45.00	0.00	Vines Chapel	0.00	0.00	West Batesville	6,395.20	4,496.76
Union Grove	279.91	363.79	Plainview	124.64	178.00	Walcott	1,347.78	70.52	White River	157.04	42.00
Uniontown	302.09	0.00	Pleasant View	184.70	125.75	Walls Chapel	39.60	33.20	North Side Msn.	250.40	0.00
Van Buren 1st	15,003.00	3,130.53	Pottsville 1st	298.87	183.63	West View	1,272.48	243.60	Total	29,891.16	17,471.46
Van Buren 2nd	0.00	89.54	Russellville 2nd	375.64	0.00	Total	37,808.66	15,743.08	LIBERTY		
Webb City	726.54	247.53	Total	6,108.00	2,209.88	HARMONY			Buena Vista	433.72	82.57
Woodland	75.00	105.00	Total	18,197.21	10,100.21	Altheimer	1,162.21	108.00	Caladonia	200.00	452.75
Total	45,949.03	15,749.56	DELTA			Anderson Chapel	108.00	0.00	Camden 1st	1,048.72	591.31
Barling	703.35	107.85	Arkansas City	1,496.61	1,161.63	Bethel	10.59	0.00	Camden 2nd	25,573.65	11,152.35
Bethel	573.96	217.63	Aulds	0.00	0.00	Centennial	5,006.37	1,311.46	Chidester	1,914.55	673.77
Bloomer	0.00	0.00	Bayou Mason	479.80	394.00	Central	2,971.14	36.00	Cross Roads	389.14	43.00
Bluff Avenue	3,373.34	1,010.24	Bellaire	1,906.37	749.32	Dollarway	935.28	761.38	Cullendale 1st	1,271.00	33.00
Booneville 1st	5,750.00	2,350.06	Boydell	16.00	2.00	Douglas	479.98	277.65	East Main	10,262.72	3,303.03
Branch	823.94	595.63	Chickasaw	528.91	103.50	Dumas 1st	6,994.17	4,976.85	Ebenezer	6,863.74	1,633.35
Burnsville	75.00	50.00	Collins	652.81	205.00	East End	3,455.11	1,022.08	El Dorado 1st	2,934.77	1,523.23
Calvary, Ft. Smith	5,578.75	3,817.07	Daniel Chapel	0.00	0.00	Forrest Park	3,814.41	2,624.56	El Dorado 2nd	14,634.22	22,699.74
Charleston 1st	4,871.48	2,746.53	Dermott	4,791.13	5,775.05	Gould	1,037.10	1,011.94	Elliott	12,057.32	7,155.60
E. Side, Ft. Smith	273.00	301.20	Eudora	3,600.00	2,140.22	Grady	70.00	100.00	Felenthal	2,281.58	531.71
Enterprise	331.69	66.00	Gaines	741.50	250.00	Greenlee Memorial	2,523.04	849.18	Galliee	259.36	0.00
Excelsior	386.92	139.33	Jerome	225.00	50.00	Hardin	1,866.23	579.62	Grace	315.00	167.05
Ft. Smith 1st	47,974.07	19,742.51	Kelso	1,570.00	311.58	Hickory Grove	72.00	137.20	Harmony	1,892.34	992.04
Glendale	739.63	331.41	Lake Village 1st	2,271.62	1,887.43	Immanuel, Pine Bluff	850.57	900.10	Hillside	985.37	51.25
Grand Ave., Ft. Smith	35,089.93	24,936.38	McArthur	0.00	0.00	Kingsland	7,074.39	6,625.25	Hittig	867.00	241.00
Grayson	0.00	50.00	McCabe 1st	11,026.10	4,829.53	Lee Memorial	563.46	574.61	Immanuel, El Dorado	2,037.39	668.50
Greenwood 1st	3,961.00	2,795.00	Montrose	559.95	415.00	Linwood	4,791.18	1,624.00	Joyce City	8,928.41	7,882.51
Hackett	329.69	37.00	New Hope	973.32	575.00	Matthews Memorial	581.90	648.84	Junction City	1,572.81	357.76
Haven Heights	4,579.00	2,089.06	Omega	216.03	0.00	No. Side, Star City	1,509.00	1,195.13	Knowles	2,534.82	945.05
Highway 96	13.91	0.00	Parkdale	225.00	75.00	Oak Grove	82.22	0.00	Laple	314.52	100.00
Immanuel, Ft. Smith	11,454.96	3,116.06	Parlaw	762.00	101.28	Oakland	523.85	149.50	Lawson	0.00	404.19
Jenny Lind	1,342.00	489.86	Portland	2,020.51	848.21	Pine Bluff 1st	25,406.59	11,078.93	Liberty	162.82	102.00
Lavaca 1st	6,692.30	1,643.82	Richland	119.29	0.00	Pine Bluff 2nd	4,827.24	3,689.30	Louann	439.39	159.00
Magazine	1,273.86	381.37	Shiloh	100.00	0.00	Plainview	214.70	217.00	Maple Avenue	4,575.42	1,589.23
Memorial	90.00	48.00	South McGehee	1,131.40	161.51	Runk Chapel	147.39	135.00	Marrable Hill	798.72	292.25
Mixon	166.15	273.20	Temple	1,212.05	38.00	Rum Bayou	96.90	96.90	Midway	313.95	6.98
Mt. Harmony	75.00	135.00	Tillar	980.60	1,099.29	Shannon Road	3,811.41	1,533.61	New London	434.73	0.00
Mt. Zion	25.00	0.00	Watson	307.15	17.62	So. Side, Pine Bluff	45.25	87.52	Norphlet	3,424.40	1,183.19
No. Side, Charleston	608.00	346.50	Wilnot	1,028.81	1,449.69	Star City	21,043.03	2,465.41	Park View	3,624.76	996.38
Oak Cliff	305.34	222.67	North Side Msn.	315.00	312.00	Wababaska	9,434.87	2,068.42	Philadelphia	362.50	0.00
Oak Cliff	2,654.44	1,250.00	Misc.	71.82	0.00	Watson Chapel	6,644.12	3,606.49	Salem	793.00	356.98
Palestine	223.82	208.60	Total	37,608.78	22,851.86	White Sulphur Springs	1,172.00	711.07	Smackover	17,183.34	1,473.66
Paris 1st	6,147.00	1,368.50	FAULKNER			Yorktown	125.00	89.25	So. Side, El Dorado	264.21	407.62
Phoenix Village	1,863.48	2,442.40	Beryl	1,309.15	443.14	Green Meadows Msn.	300.01	0.00	St. Joseph	7,001.22	2,982.65
Pine Log	0.00	0.00	Bono	65.86	0.00	Tucker Chapel	100.00	0.00	Strong	3,988.90	1,786.00
Ratcliff	356.03	76.91	Brumley Chapel	1,114.75	225.47	Misc.	0.00	1,000.00	Sylvan Hills	80.00	25.00
Roseville	115.00	112.29	Cadron Ridge	299.97	114.75	Total	120,714.29	54,897.74	Temple, Camden	697.12	51.40
Rye Hill	320.06	307.40	Conway 1st	7,499.97	5,294.69	HOPE			Temple, El Dorado	347.88	120.00
Scranton	320.17	29.40	Conway 2nd	14,175.87	516.62	Anderson	458.84	215.87	Three Creeks	833.91	333.57
So. Side, Booneville	690.46	254.25	Emmanuel, Conway	103.12	0.00	Arabella	1,498.17	165.28	Trinity	3,501.64	1,154.67
So. Side, Ft. Smith	4,366.07	1,518.06	Enola	9.00	29.00	Beech Street	12,000.00	4,501.35	Union	3,171.56	146.00
Spradling	2,198.12	658.36	Formosa	0.00	150.00	Bradley	1,140.00	545.00	Urbana	629.00	629.00
Temple	1,804.87	1,915.38	Friendship	358.79	30.00	Bronway Heights	0.00	0.00	Victory	359.85	221.94
Trinity	1,956.79	1,108.82	Happy Hollow	77.40	25.00	Calvary, Hope	5,268.24	1,883.46	Village	816.32	165.41
Union Hall	0.00	0.00	Harlan Park	2,400.32	1,246.24	Calvary, Texarkana	3,525.71	1,041.93	Weston	506.06	0.00
Vesta	0.00	0.00	Harmony	103.53	210.00	Canfield	400.00	599.04	West Side	9,939.55	3,384.55
Windsor Park	0.00	1,910.00	Holland	250.34	44.58	Central, Magnolia	24,063.19	17,146.14	White City	15.00	0.00
Total	160,477.58	81,179.75	Mayflower	648.63	269.25	Doddridge	40.00	0.00	Wildwood	223.35	27.00
CONWAY-PERRY			Mt. Vernon	255.58	72.60	Evergreen	30.00	0.00	Cook Street Msn.	180.52	0.00
Adona	40.00	0.00	Naylor	66.14	201.77	Fouke 1st	1,302.01	438.55	Misc.	19.15	0.00
Bigelow	80.00	0.00	New Bethel	557.50	0.00	Fulton	615.00	10.00	Total	154,318.88	79,505.24
Casa	225.00	62.00	Oak Bowery	3,990.26	173.99	Garland	0.00	0.00	LITTLE RED RIVER		
Harmony	115.91	435.14	Pickles Gap	1,202.86	345.15	Genoa	39.00	0.			

Baylor and Baptists



Dr. Rufus C. Bursleson, president of Baylor and pastor of the Independence church (one of the oldest Baptist churches to be founded in Texas), baptized Sam Houston on November 19, 1854.

We know that there are many in the world who do not believe in our God, in His special concern for man, in man's unique nature, or in God's purpose and will for man. We know that many in our time have doubts as to these principles; and while all these matters may properly be discussed at this University, this University was established and still operates on the basis that these are not open questions but are eternal and unchanging truths, and the policies of the University shall not vary therefrom nor the University cease proclaiming them.

From an address by Baylor University President Abner V. McCall at the Convocation of the 125th annual session of the University, September, 1969.

Baylor
university
WACO, TEXAS 76703

Freedom under authority

By Lawson Hatfield
Director, Sunday School Department



Hatfield

This is the first of six lessons in a unit titled "The Changing World of National and International Relations."

What does the Bible teach about the responsibilities of the individual to government? What is the place of government in the divine order?

Our lesson today will deal with some of the basic concepts of the relationship of a Christian citizen toward good government.

Should a Christian "fear God and serve the King?"

Yes.

God and government

The Bible was written under many kinds of totalitarian forms of government. Patriarchs, priests, kings, governors, Caesars, dictators and others appear in both the Old and New Testaments. Some of these were godly rulers, some were not.

In Paul's discussion of government in Romans 13:1-7, he does not indorse all government, both good and bad. Roman rule at this time was not a persecutor of religious faith. Paul does recognize that strong government gives stability to society. This stability gave him freedom to propagate the gospel.

A Christian reaction to corrupt authority will be seen in a later lesson.

Paul's lesson here is to see govern-

ment as a divine institution. Like the home, government is a divine institution and both should be godly. Neither should oppose justice for groups, or for an individual.

Government authority restrains wrongdoers. Law abiding citizens need not fear such authority.

The opposite of government authority is anarchy. Criminals, dictator-type leaders and their kind propose and create rebellion against government. Rebellion leads to anarchy, the absence of authority.

Anarchy is the ultimate condition in which unchecked crime ravages the people. Such rebellion and anarchy is the condition created by strong-armed leaders who then step into the vacuum of authority and rule with a heavy hand. This catalyst which trades freedom for some form of dictatorship proves without a doubt that freedom exists under authority, not apart from authority.

Some right reasons why Christians respect good government and support freedom under authority are important to understand.

1. An enlightened and free Christian conscience leads to obedience of authority in civil matters.

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

International

Oct. 29, 1972

Romans 13:1-7; I Peter 2:11-17

2. Freedom under authority avoids harsh rulership.

3. Punishment for wrongdoing is maintained.

4. Protection for good citizens is provided.

The Christian and government

The lesson in I Peter 2:1-7 gives guidance for the individual toward authority in government.

First, unjust criticism of the believer by the world is silenced by the quality of honesty in the manner of the believer's life.

Secondly, the motivation to obey constituted authority "for the Lord's sake" is a testimony of one's allegiance to God.

Thirdly, the important choice for the Christian is not his personal taste, but as servants of God to do what is right.

Freedom is always under authority, not from authority.

Absolute freedom to do as one pleases any time, any place does not exist. For example, I may be free to swing my fist through the air. However, this freedom ends where your nose begins. In other words, freedom carries responsibility.

Freedom is "from" something, but it is also "for" something. Freedom is from ignorance, but it is also for responsible use of knowledge.

Freedom is from slavery, but it is also for responsible use of one's ability to work.

Freedom is from prison, but is also for one's responsible use of that freedom in society.

Freedom is from disease, but it is also for good health for others.

Freedom is from fear, but it is also for courage in others.

Freedom from hunger means freedom for others to procure good food.

Freedom is always under authority and implies outgoing responsibility for the welfare of others.

In conclusion

Honor all men.

Love the brotherhood.

Fear God.

Honor governing authority.

Go to the polls.

Talk honestly.

Live honestly.

Openly advocate honesty in government.

Share freedom responsibly.

Freedom is "from" negative factors.

Freedom is "for" positive factors.

Join Us on Our All New Tour of

THE BIBLE LANDS & EUROPE

DEPARTING NEW YORK

FEBRUARY 5th, 1973.

15 DAYS JET ROUND-TRIP

ALL INCLUSIVE & ESCORTED

\$899.

(\$100 down payment)

Price includes air transportation, all first-class hotels, three meals daily, deluxe local bus transportation, English speaking guides, entrance fees.

CHRISTIAN SOJOURN visits Athens, Corinth, Cairo, Beirut, Baalbek, Nicosia, Tel Aviv, Jaffa, Jerusalem, Garden of Gethsemane, Mt. of Olives, Bethlehem, Jericho, Jordan River, Dead Sea, Samaria, Galilee, Capernaum, Nazareth, Haifa, Holy City.

ACT NOW! Prompt registration is required to secure reservations.

For information call or write

REV. JOHN A. ABERNATHY, D.D., 1928 HOBSON AVENUE
HOT SPRINGS, ARK. PHONE: 623-1798

WHOLESALE TOURS INTERNATIONAL, INC.

The self-sufficient man

By Don Cooper
Associate, Sunday School Department



Cooper

The Bible is a very human book. It is divine revelation in that it reveals God. It is God revealing himself. This self-disclosure of God is understood by man because God reveals how he has dealt with man. That is what makes the Bible a human book. The Bible not only reveals God, it reveals man.

God did not seek to paint an unreal picture of man. The Word is honest about the sinfulness of man. Individuals, choice servants of God, are pictured as they really were. Even the weakness, failures, shortcomings and sins of God's people are revealed to the reader. This does not mean that God was pleased with them. It means that God took man where he found him and sought to guide him. Then and now, God can see the potential in every man. God is able to see what he can do with personality and will that is yielded to him.

The study this week introduces us to another servant of God, Jacob. Our unit theme is "Jacob-Transforming Faith." In these studies we want to see how God brought about a transformation in Jacob. The character of Jacob will serve as a mirror. We will see ourselves reflected in the experience of Jacob.

Jacob was one of three great patriarchs of the Old Testament. We all recall those three respected names, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. Isaac was Abraham's promised son and Jacob was the promised son of Isaac. The selection of Rebekah as Isaac's wife is a very beautiful story. God's covenant was renewed with Isaac; therefore, there must be a son. As we shall see for Isaac and Rebekah there were two sons, Jacob and Esau. Jacob bears the covenant relationship with God and his experiences provide us with a helpful study.

Prayers and answers (Genesis 25:21)

Isaac, like his father Abraham, prayed for a son. It was a sure mark of the blessing of God for a son to be born to a Hebrew family. For this special Hebrew family it was even more important. After almost 20 years of marriage there was still no child. Isaac prayed for his wife. Any childlessness was considered to be the fault of the wife. This is the reason for the structure of Isaac's prayer. God answered and Rebekah conceived.

Brothers and birthright (Genesis 25:29-33)

Rebekah gave birth to two sons. God had told her of the coming of the two sons as he described the "two nations in her womb."

Esau would be the firstborn, but Jacob, the younger of the twins, was to rule over Esau. Rebekah was never to forget this message about her sons. Many of her actions show her favoritism for Jacob.

The name Esau means "hairy." It is closely related to the Hebrew word "Edom," meaning "red." Esau sometimes bore the name Edom. He became known as the ancestor of the people called Edomites.

Jacob means "supplanter." The idea refers to a person who has no regard for the rights of others. His only consideration is for the satisfaction of his own desires. Jacob came into the world holding on to Esau's heel. From the beginning, there was to be rivalry between these two brothers.

Jacob, with his mother's help, began early to seek a way to get the birthright from Esau. The brief drama in verses 29-33 does not do either character any good. Jacob was wrong for taking advantage of Esau and Esau was wrong in giving in so easily. The curtain falls on this act and Jacob now has the birthright.

Deceit and blessing (Genesis 27:1-4; 19-22; 30-32)

Our entire study this week pictures Jacob as a self-sufficient man. Like all so-called self-sufficient men, Jacob takes advantage of anybody. He has already taken advantage of his brother's hunger. Now we see him take advantage of his father's age and failing eyesight.

The procedure was the same in all Jewish households. The blessing was preceded by a meal. The father would request his favorite dish. The son was to make the preparations. Rebekah overheard Isaac make his request of Esau. She then had Jacob to prepare the meal and go in to Isaac and request the blessing. The whole plot involved trickery and deceit.

Isaac did bless Jacob. Soon after, Esau came in as instructed to receive the blessing. In a moment they both knew that Jacob had been up to his old tricks.

This lesson treatment is based on the Life and Work Curriculum for Southern Baptist Churches, copyright by The Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. All rights reserved. Used by permission.

Life and Work

Oct. 29, 1972

Genesis, 25:21, 29:33;

27:1-4, 19-22, 30-32

The curtain falls on this act and Jacob now has the blessing.

Identification

The story does not end with Jacob stealing the birthright and the blessing. I am glad that God did not permit the story to end at this point. None of us would want God to leave us to our own selfish disaster.

Ending the story here would be to say that dishonesty pays. It would be saying that it is possible for man to be self-sufficient. Jacob had the birthright and the blessing. He had totally disregarded the rights of others. He had been deceitful and had used members of his own family for selfish gain.

What characteristics can we see in Jacob that characterize modern man? Do you think that Jacob would have "fared rather well" in our materialistic culture today? Do you know about Jacobs? How about yourself? Do you see anything in Jacob's action which might characterize any of your actions?

The mistake of any self-sufficient man is his failure to acknowledge God.

The self-sufficient man is selfish. He does not have the right feeling for God and others.

No man is really self-sufficient. He needs God. He needs other people.

God does not choose a man for what he is at the moment. God chooses a man for what he can become.

We will see in later studies the change that comes in the life of Jacob. The change is so drastic that a change in name is necessary.

Next week we study, "An Encounter with God."

CHURCH FURNITURE



At
A
Price

Any Church Can Afford
WAGONER BROTHERS
MANUFACTURING CO.

Write or Call
Phone OR 5-2468
BOONEVILLE, ARKANSAS

Index

B—"Between parson and pew," leisure time for the pastor p. 7.

H—Harmony Association, work of p. 6.

O—Ouachita University, sets homecoming p. 7, plans Tiger Day p. 7.

P—Paragould, Calvary, dedicates new facilities p. 5.

R—Renewal and other denominations (IMS) p. 4.

S—Smith, Edward L., ordained p. 5; Smackover, First, pays off note p. 5; Siloam Springs, First, celebrates centennial p. 8; Spirit-filled life, perils of (GE) p. 3.

W—"Woman's viewpoint," more than enough work p. 5; women's lib and catching mice (OLO) p. 2.

BAPTISTRIES — SPIRES



- Unit-Molded Fiberglass
- Accessories

Wiedemann Industries, Inc.
Box 672 Dept. J5, Muscatine, Iowa

North American Industries, Inc., Manufacturers of Colored No. 1 Portable Buildings — \$3 Sq. Ft. Sizes 8x8 thru 12x40 and multi-sectional units. Located on Highway 37 between Amagon and Grubbs. Call 252-3876 Collect.

BUSES FOR SALE
VERNON'S BODY SHOP
28th & Kibler Road
Van Buren, Ark. 72956
Phone 474-3755



Join DR. W. A. CRISWELL
and his School of the Prophets in a jet Pilgrimage and Bible study
TO THE HOLY LAND in FEBRUARY
Services and lectures personally led by Dr. Criswell.
Optional college credit available
FOR COMPLETE INFORMATION write
Dean Weldon Estes,
Dallas Baptist College, Dallas, Texas 75211

Christmas creations a la Black Forest, handmade in Hawaii from original, three-dimensional designs to delight the collector. For treasured gifts, choose from over 200 items, each hand-painted in gay Christmas colors.

Our catalog sent on request — \$1 deposit refundable.

ORDERS AIRMAILED WITHIN 48 HOURS OF RECEIPT

A. ALEXANDER CO.

98 Riverside Drive

New York, N. Y.

A smile or two

A mother carefully poured out six glasses of root beer from a large, 1-calorie bottle for her children. One of her sons watched each move and glass. As she finished the last glass, he looked up and with a puzzled expression asked, "I wonder who got the calorie?"

A story now current in Budapest tells of a Russian commissar who was being driven through the Georgian countryside when his car ran over a chicken.

His driver sought out the owner. "I am the Commissar's driver," he said; "I have killed the chicken. Here are five roubles." "Bless you, comrade," said the owner.

A little later the car ran over a pig. Once again the driver sought out the owner. "I am the Commissar's driver," he said; "I have killed the pig." "Bless you, comrade," said the owner — and handed him a thousand roubles.

A local undertaker's hearse developed a bad squeak and after several unsuccessful attempts to locate it, the mechanic volunteered to lie down in the bottom of the wagon to listen for the noise while the mortician took him for a ride. At the first stop light, the mechanic got up and looked around. The drivers of the two cars behind ran into each other.

The old doctor never had refused a call from anyone, whether rich or poor, but now he was tired.

"Have you any money?" he asked the midnight caller.

"Certainly!" was the reply.

"Then go to the new doctor, I'm too old to get out of bed for anyone who can pay for it."

Attendance report

October 15, 1972

Church	Sunday School	Training Union	Ch. Adms.
Alicia	49	43	
Alma, First	423	127	
Alpena, First	89	43	1
Banner, Mt. Zion	34	29	
Bentonville, First	267		
Berryville			
First	179	68	
Freeman Heights	146	40	
Rock Springs	119	69	
Blytheville, Gosnell	195	96	
Booneville			
First	229	185	
Glendale	79	48	
Camden			
First	476	82	5
Hillside	127	20	
Cherokee Village Mission	123	35	
Crossett			
First	532	147	
Magnolia	179	148	19
Mt. Olive	286	130	1
Dermott, Temple	114	53	
Des Arc, First	204	77	3
Dumas, First	234	61	
El Dorado, Caledonia	34	24	
Forrest City, First	801	202	27
Ft. Smith			
Grand Avenue	663	255	2
Mission	19		
Haven Heights	219	135	2
Oak Cliff	188	93	
Trinity	211	93	2
Gentry, First	160	63	2
Grandview	77	56	
Greenwood, First	273	111	
Hampton, First	157	46	
Harrison, Eagle Heights	268	129	
Helena, First	385	126	3
Hope			
Calvary	212	107	5
First	449	139	
Hot Springs			
Lakeside	195	95	
Park Place	456	137	
Hughes, First	237	52	
Jacksonville			
First	370	85	
Marshall Road	335	110	
Jonesboro, Central	486	144	4
Lake City, Bethabara	161	117	2
Lake Village, Parkway	78	47	1
Lepanto, First	247	133	
Lincoln, Liberty	61	42	
Little Rock			
Crystal Hill	146	67	
Geyer Springs	669	210	4
Life Line	608	173	2
Martindale	97	53	3
Nalls Memorial	91		
Wakelield First	52	45	
Magnolia, Central	570	231	1
Marked Tree, Trinity	66	40	
Melbourne			
Belview	156	109	
First	131	66	3
Horseshoe Bend Mission	26		
Murfreesboro, Mt. Moriah	47	26	
North Little Rock			
Baring Cross	528	120	5
Gravel Ridge	193	106	
Levy	439	123	
Park Hill	744	157	1
Sylvan Hills	298	96	
Paragould, East Side	195	103	
Paris, First	374	102	
Pea Ridge, First	151	33	
Pine Bluff			
Centennial	215	110	1
Dollarway	131	61	2
First	664	162	1
Green Meadows	69	32	
Second	155	68	1
Prairie Grove, First	161	61	
Rogers, First	676	112	3
Roland, Natural Steps	91	61	
Russellville, Second	227	82	2
Springdale			
Berry Street	103	53	
Elmdale	335	74	
First	777		8
Strong, First	144	68	3
Van Buren, First	517	224	
Mission	42		
Warren			
Immanuel	255	86	1
Southside Mission			
West Side	68	54	
West Helena, Second	217	98	
W. Memphis, Vanderbilt Ave.	120	56	
Wooster, First	136	90	13

Supreme Court upholds ban on aid to private schools

By W. Barry Garrett

WASHINGTON (BP) — The U. S. Supreme Court affirmed an Ohio district court ruling that a payment by a state to a parent for reimbursement for tuition paid for children in nonpublic schools is a violation of the Constitution.

The ruling of the Supreme Court came without the formality of oral arguments following an appeal for "probable jurisdiction" from officials of the state of Ohio. Apparently the issues were so clear-cut that the court by its 8-1 decision did not think it necessary to hear further arguments in the case.

James E. Wood Jr., executive director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs here said, "For advocates of public aid to nonpublic schools, the decision must be viewed as a bitter disappointment.

"By implication it would now appear," the Baptist leader continued, "that the court has also repudiated the suggestion, as made by both major presidential candidates, President Richard M. Nixon and Senator George S. McGovern, that some form of public aid, at least in the form of a modest tuition reimbursement, may be provided parents of nonpublic pupils without violating the First Amendment."

The Ohio law provided, among other things, for a \$90 reimbursement grant to parents paying tuition in accredited non-public schools in the state. Of Ohio's nonpublic schools, 95 per cent are Roman Catholic schools.

The Ohio appropriation for the 1971-72 school year for the reimbursement program was \$30.5 million. In subsequent years, this amount was to be reviewed by the state Board of Education.

The Ohio district court recognized that the effort to get more and more money for the private schools would become a major divisive, political issue in the state.

The brief filed by the Ohio officials in support of its parental tuition reimbursement law complained that the district court "repeatedly referred to the Ohio legislation as if it provided money directly to a religious organization and concluded that there was no constitutional difference between aid to a denominational school and aid to a parent."

The Ohio brief also pointed out that the court treated reimbursement of

tuition to parents "as if it were a tuition voucher providing tuition payments directly to the religious school."

The Ohio district court opinion that the state law violated the "establishment clause" of the First Amendment reviewed the makeup of the nonpublic schools of Ohio, discussed the constitutional principles of the "establishment clause," and applied these principles to the Ohio legislation.

The establishment clause of the First Amendment reads as follows: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion." The Bill of Rights is made applicable to the states by the Fourteenth Amendment.

The Ohio district court concluded its lengthy review of the church-state issues involved in tuition reimbursement to parents by stating the following:

"The basic purpose of denominational education is to foster and maintain the teachings of a denominational religion. The religious aspect of the curriculum must be the principal and dominant reason for the existence of such schools.

"We recognize and agree that the non-public schools are in the finest tradition of our respective heritages; that they are a strong moral force; that they provide firm cultural underpinnings to our community and supply outstanding leaders for the preservation of our institutions.

"However much we may approve, however much we may respect, however much we may admire the role of non-public education, we cannot substitute such approval, respect and admiration for the plain language of the First Amendment of the United States Constitution.

"Neither any of these reasons nor all of them together alters the plain fact that Section 3317.062 O. R. C., as it permits reimbursements for tuition, will transfer public funds to religiously oriented private schools. These provisions do, therefore, violate the establishment clause of the First Amendment to the United States Constitution and should be permanently enjoined."

The lone dissenter in the Supreme Court was Justice Byron R. White. His position was that he would "note probable jurisdiction and set the case for argument." This does not indicate that he agrees or disagrees with the opinion of the Ohio district court.

Three Baptists named to teach at Golden Gate

MILL VALLEY, Calif. (BP) — Two prominent Baptist pastors and a former Southern Baptist missionary to Nigeria have been named visiting professors of preaching at Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary here.

The three are Herschel H. Hobbs, former president of the Southern Baptist Convention and longtime pastor of First Church, Oklahoma City; E. Hermond Westmoreland, retired pastor of South Main Church in Houston; and Nobel Brown, former missionary to Nigeria.

Hobbs, principal speaker for the Baptist Hour radio broadcast since 1958, will teach two courses in the spring quarter, 1973, at Golden Gate Seminary. Hobbs plans to retire as pastor of the Oklahoma City church in January, 1973.

Westmoreland, now minister-at-large for the Houston church who preached the annual convention sermon at the Southern Baptist Convention session in Philadelphia last June, will teach during the fall and winter quarters, 1972, at the seminary here.

Brown, administrator and professor at the Nigerian Baptist Theological Seminary in Ogbomosho, Nigeria, will teach during the fall quarter.

All three will instruct courses in preaching, dealing with such subjects and construction as delivery of sermons, preaching skills, worship, Biblical preaching, and planning a preaching program.

Are You Moving?

Please give us your new address before you move! Attach the address label from your paper to a post-card, add your new address including the zip code, and mail the card to us.

ARKANSAS BAPTIST NEWSMAGAZINE

525 West Capitol Ave. Little Rock, Ark. 72203