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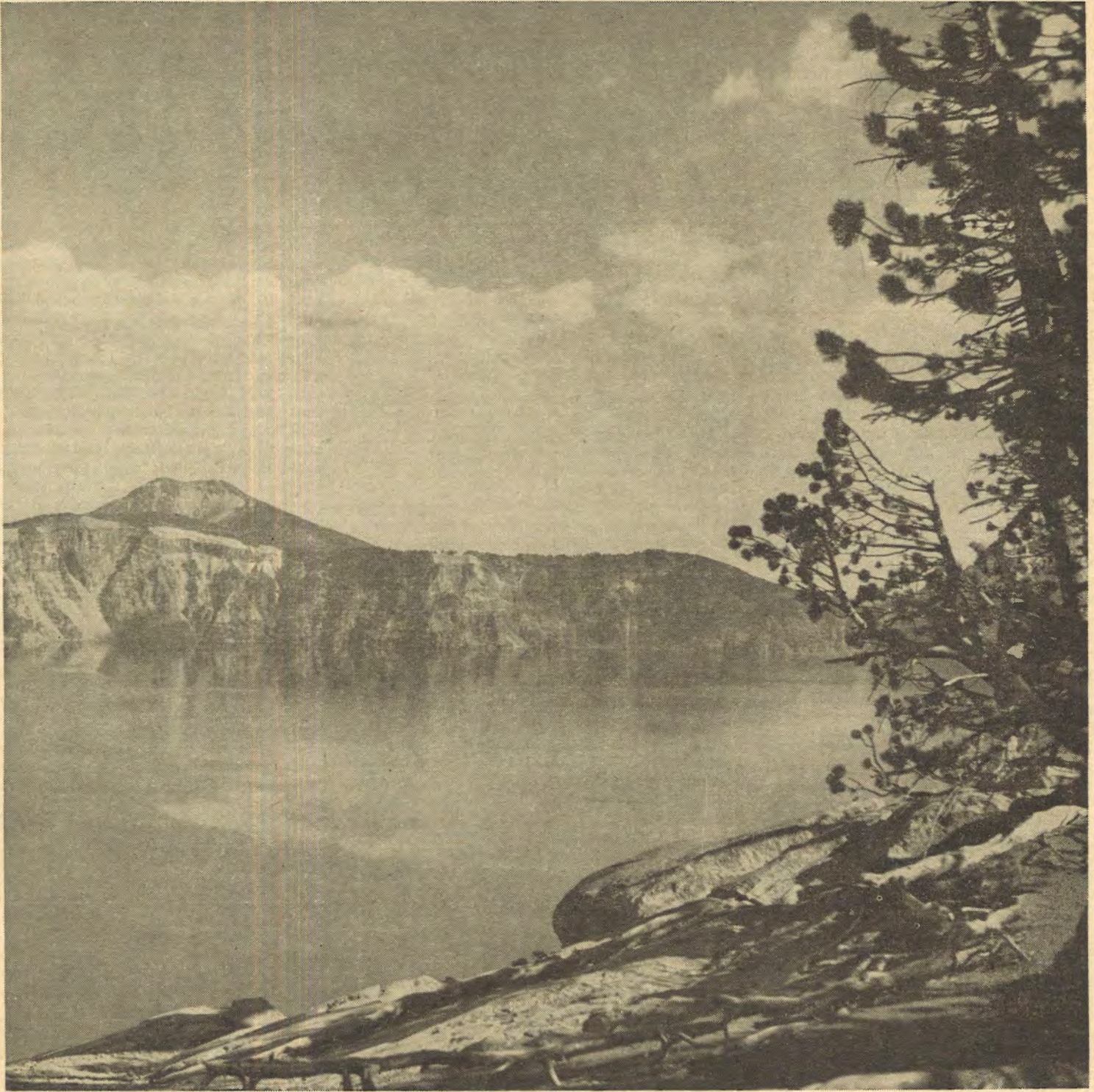
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**Scenes of Nature Inspire a
Deeper Faith in God**

Big Business By Baptists

J. D. GREY, *New Orleans, La.*

Baptists are in big business! It is big primarily because it is business for the Lord.

It isn't "Baptist brag" to state the facts about Southern Baptists. Here are the facts for 1955 30,377 churches, 8,474,741 members, \$334,836,283 total gifts, 8,000 baptisms per week, 478 new churches, church property valued at \$1,323,453,534.

The future is even bigger! U. S. population is already 170 million, with world population at two and one-half billion! What a challenge; what a call to reach people for Christ! The number of foreign missionaries is nearly 1,100. Hundreds of splendid young people answer the call and await our support. The same is true respecting home missions. New churches are being organized, mission stations opened and new areas are being entered. Our colleges, seminaries, hospitals, and other institutions are crowded and planning expansion. New churches are under construction, others are being planned.

Business is big in the U. S. today. Our national income is at an all-time high. The annual rate now approximates 400 billion dollars! Baptists have a "stake" in this. Now more than ever, our stewardship emphasis must be vigorous and vital. More Baptists are now "men of means" than ever before. These Baptists must be challenged with big programs. Their business acumen and "know how" must be harnessed for the Lord. We

must bring them to see that the business of Christ is big enough to demand their every capacity. Too often it is too sad but too true that we have not done this.

Recently 2,000 Sunday School leaders at Ridgecrest Assembly passed a resolution setting a terrific pace for us. They pledged their participation in the plan of Southern Baptists to start 30,000 new church units by 1964. To meet this challenge and provide facilities for this growth, new and gigantic resources must be marshaled. The limited financing agencies of the denomination are already committed. The Home Mission Board resolves to increase its total church loan funds to \$11,000,000. Texas Baptists have already made \$12,000,000 in loans to churches. Other states have their programs. But all of these agencies confess that they can only begin to meet the need.

Is there a solution? The denomination can ill-afford to increase its indebtedness much further. Special offerings for such funds would hinder our Cooperative Program and conceivably curtail other causes. God must have a plan through which our strongest men can be led to dedicate their business acumen and resources to assist our new and growing churches to secure the facilities they urgently need. This would then truly be "big business by Baptists."

"Half-Way Covenant" Denounced By Baptists

NORTHAMPTON, Mass., September 1, 1665 — Baptists and the established church of New England, long at odds over such matters as separation of church and state and individual freedom of worship, have a new bone of contention in the so-called "Half-Way Covenant" recently adopted by the orthodox church.

Always recognized as exponents of a regenerate church membership, Baptists roundly denounce the covenant adopted by the New England synods of 1657 and 1662 which has all but thrown open the doors of the established church to anyone who will give lip service to a watered-down agreement.

The Half-Way Covenant is a concession to the large and vocal group which has insisted that requirements for membership in the recognized church of New England have been too strict. Under the new covenant persons baptized in infancy who assent to the doctrines of the orthodox church, accept the covenant, and lead "decent and respectable lives," are entitled to all the privileges of church membership except communion.

Baptists renounce this new stand of the orthodox church because persons are accepted for membership who give no evidence of conversion and who may be unwilling or unable to make a profession of saving faith.

As opponents of the covenant suspected, the few restrictions left on orthodox church membership are being rapidly abandoned. Some ministers maintain that the Lord's Supper actually is a means to regeneration, and many who were baptized in infancy and are not guilty of scandalous conduct or heresy are being received into full communion without any requirement of personal regeneration.

Under the earlier covenant of the established religion of New England, citizenship was limited to those in full communion in a recognized church, and communion in

turn was limited to those who gave evidence of regeneration. Candidates for membership at that time were carefully examined on their conversion experience. Formerly only children with a parent in full communion were accepted for baptism.

As a result of these restrictions, many were not in full communion with the church and thus were denied both civil and church privileges. Because children of those not in full communion were not accepted for baptism unless the child made a profession of faith, many in the orthodox church began to wonder if the logical time for baptism was upon profession of faith — after the manner of Baptists.

The old covenant which limited citizenship to those in full communion with the established church caused some to adopt the Baptist view of separation of church and state. And Baptists are confident that the Half-Way Covenant will lead still others to see the wisdom of requiring a regenerate church membership.

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Seager Goes to Colorado

Mrs. Juanita M. Barnett of Arkadelphia has been elected head librarian at Ouachita College, it has been announced by Dr. Ralph Phelps, Jr., president.

Mrs. Barnett, who holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Ouachita and a Bachelor of Science degree from Peabody College, will succeed Mr. D. A. Seager, who has resigned to take the position of librarian at Colorado State College in Greeley.

The new librarian held the same post at Ouachita from 1937 through 1940, when she resigned to accompany her husband, the late Dr. J. R. Barnett, Jr., on his internship. She is a native of Arkadelphia and resides at 610 Pine St.

Jesus Incarnate

A Devotion By The Editor

"And the word was made flesh."

The word of God, the message of salvation, redeeming love, and pardoning grace are personified in Jesus. All that God has to say to sinful men is a living being, mingling and communing with men, subjecting Himself to their experiences and interpreting to them the mind and will and love of God.

"Just as words utter ideas, so Christ uttered God." As Christ uttered God in creation, He now utters God in humanity. He becomes to us the express image of God's character, the revelation of God's purposes, the proclamation of God's love, the appeal of God's grace.

Christ the Word is the medium of our relationship to God, the means of our communication with God, and the bond of our companionship with God. "The word in becoming flesh did not cease to be what He had eternally been, but assumed human nature, and thus harmonized in one personality the eternal God and immortal man."

But the incarnation of Christ, the word becoming flesh, God broke through all the barriers and impossibilities which stood between man and God, and demonstrated that man and God can live together in happy, congenial, peaceful, and helpful relationship with each other. The God whom man had shunned and feared, the God who had been considered a vengeful tyrant, comes into human life with a Father's love and a Savior's sympathy.

And the deepest longing of the human heart was for just such an approach to God and yet, from the first disobedience in the Garden of Eden, men had been hiding from God, fearing His presence, feeling that to look upon His face or to hear His voice more than human frailty and sinful nature could endure. They feared God's wrath but at the same time they felt the need of His presence; they could not escape God and yet they dared not approach Him directly.

Philip said to Jesus, "Lord, show us the Father and it sufficeth us." Job pleaded for a mediator between himself and God. John declares that we have one who is God among us. Paul declares that we have a mediator between man and God, "The man, Christ Jesus."

The God whose presence you thought would blight your life is the God of love whose presence will heal the wounds of your life; instead of striking you in vengeance, God is Himself willing to be smitten for you.

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From The Editor's Desk

The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention

(This is the seventh in a series of studies of Baptist church polity including denominational organizations.)

I feel that the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention deserves special study and presentation to our Baptist people.

Membership

The membership of the Executive Committee is made up of a cross-section of Southern Baptist ministers and laymen throughout the Southern Baptist Convention territory. The officers of the Convention and the president of the Southern W. M. U. are ex-officio members of the Executive Committee. In order that there may be an equitable distribution of membership on the Executive Committee, there is one or more members from each state within the Southern Baptist Convention territory. The bylaws of the Convention provide that "when the co-operating Baptist churches in a state or territory have twenty-five thousand members, they may file application for representation on the Executive Committee," and also the boards, commissions, and standing committees.

Provision is also made for a state to have an additional representative on the Executive Committee when the membership of its churches have reached 250,000 and an additional member for each additional 250,000 members, but no state may have more than five members on the Executive Committee of the Convention.

These members of the Executive Committee come from the grass roots of the Southern Baptist constituency. None of them is denominational employees. They are pastors of churches, they are laymen in the churches back home. They come from city churches, town churches, village churches and country churches. You may be sure that these men and women are not unmindful of the Baptist constituency back home while they are serving on the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Constitution

The Convention constitution provides that the membership of the Executive Committee shall be divided into four standing committees: Administration Committee, Finance Committee, Promotion Committee, Convention Arrangements Committee. There is no Executive Committee of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. Special committees may be appointed as the need arises.

I was interested in a conversation among certain new members of the Executive Committee two years ago. They had been appointed at the previous Convention meeting to membership on the Executive Committee. They were comparatively young men and attending their first meeting of the Executive Committee following their appointment.

These young men from different states were amazed that they were appointed on the Executive Committee. They stated frankly that they thought one had to have some political pull in order to get on the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, but to their amazement they had no idea that they were being considered for membership on the Executive Committee until their names were read out before the Convention audience. So their minds were completely disabused of any thought that there was political maneuvering or wire-pulling in order to get appointed on the Executive Committee of the Convention.

Democratic

I can say quite frankly that I have never attended a meeting of any denominational group which impressed me more with its democratic spirit than the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. The Committee works within the authority and instructions granted it by the Convention itself. Time and time again I have heard members of the Executive Committee caution that we must keep faith with the Baptist constituency of the Southern Baptist Convention and with the Baptist churches of the Convention territory. There is no disposition whatsoever on the part of the Executive Committee to become a hierarchy, directing the affairs of the Convention or handing down orders to the churches or any wise exercising authority over Southern Baptist life and activities. The Committee is constantly on the alert to stay within the pattern set for it by the Convention and to safeguard the autonomy of the local Baptist churches of the Convention territory.

The Committee is made up of men devoted to Christ as Lord and devoted to the Southern Baptist Convention program as a serious effort on the part of Southern Baptists to obey the commissions of Christ.

Others

It would do anyone good and be a thrilling experience, never to be forgotten, to attend a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. To witness the earnestness and the diligence with which the members of the Executive Committee address themselves to their responsibilities is one of the most inspiring experiences that has ever come to me in attending many denominational meetings.

The Executive Committee invites the editors of Southern Baptist state papers, the executive secretaries of the state conventions, the heads of institutions and agencies of the Convention to attend the meetings of the committee. These visitors are accorded every courtesy of the floor and may speak to any proposition that comes before the Committee

For Your Home—

FAMILY WORSHIP

Editor Home Life

By JOE W. BURTON

A mother's earnest and convincing appeal for daily family worship was published recently in one of the state Baptist papers. That appeal provokes me to say again — as I am eager always to testify — that family worship is one of the most blessed experiences a man can give his family. It is something no Christian family should be without.

I am moved also to add my word from personal experience about the need for a practical guide as a reminder and a help to family worship. Without hesitation (or false modesty, even though I am its editor) I believe that a daily guide such as "Altar Fires" in *Home Life* has untold value to stimulate and guide the family in daily worship.

Of course, a man could let the Bible fall open and read the first verse his eyes light upon, or he could follow some outline of his own making — and I would be the first to assert that any plan he may follow for reading the Bible to his family will have great worth. But I do not know of any other Southern Baptist materials than *Home Life* planned specifically for family worship.

Consider these "Altar Fires" for family worship. There is a Scripture passage for each day, related to the Sunday school lesson. A comment follows pointing up the key meaning of the passage and its relation to family living. An introductory paragraph offers special help for worship in homes where there are small children. Finally, there is a concluding prayer thought to direct the family into a season of prayer.

Simple? That's the way we aim to make it. Any one can follow "Altar Fires" for a meaningful family worship experience each day. I do not know how many of the 800,000 homes that receive *Home Life* practice family worship, but I do know that the potential is tremendous. Every family that reads the Bible and prays together daily — whatever guide for family worship they may follow — is thereby meeting one of the greatest needs of growing children in our day. Those of us who work on "Altar Fires" pledge to home-builders our utmost as we develop this distinctive Southern Baptist material for family worship.

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CHRISTIANITY

The lift of Christ is not an exhibition of over-ruling power. Its glory is for those who can discern it, and not for the world. Its power lies in the absence of force. It has the decisiveness of a supreme idea, and that is why the history of the world divides at this point of time.

—Alfred North Whitehead, Quote

the same as the members of the Executive Committee itself. In fact, the Executive Committee welcomes the comments, the reactions, the suggestions of others than its own members.

Arkansas has two members on the Executive Committee. They are: Pastor T. K. Rucker of First Church, Forrest City; and layman Kendall Berry of First Church, Blytheville.

Kingdom Progress

Second, Little Rock, Plans Building



First row, reading from left to right: Mrs. J. M. Flenniken, Dr. Dale Cowling, B. T. Jackson, and Mrs. Carroll Thomas.

Second row: Baxter Cheatham, Eugene White, O. H. Colvert, M. M. Thompkins, Sr., Mrs. Ladd Davies, Mrs. W. I. Stout, Mrs. Vernon Hall, and Paul Barnard.

On Sunday morning, July 15, immediately following the morning worship service, the members of Second Baptist Church, Little Rock, assembled on the site for a new Educational Building. The pastor spoke briefly of how the building is a means of fulfilling the Great Commission. B. T. Jackson, Secretary of the Building Committee, led in prayer that the Lord would bless the erection of the building and its use in days to come. Members of the Executive Committee of the Building Committee, Mrs. J. M. Flenniken, and the pastor turned the first shovels of dirt.

Bailey Hill Changed To Bluff Avenue

The name of Bailey Hill Church in Fort Smith was changed to Bluff Avenue Church effective July 11.

An educational building, now under construction, is expected to be ready for occupancy by the first of September. It will be a two story buff brick building, 45 x 48, costing approximately \$25,000. It will be air-conditioned. It will accommodate the intermediate department, beginners' class rooms, the church office and pastor's study.

An auditorium will be constructed within the next year. The present auditorium will be moved to the back of the property in the next two or three weeks to make room for the new building. When completed the new auditorium will be 48 x 96, with a seating capacity more than double that of the old auditorium.

Pastor Al G. Escott will celebrate his 17th anniversary as pastor of the Bluff Avenue Church in October.

Mr. Edwin Irely, Minister of Music, and the choir led in singing, "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost."

The educational unit will accommodate approximately six hundred people. The building will house two Junior, four Intermediate, four Young People, and two Adult Departments. It will adjoin the present educational building and will eventually adjoin a new auditorium, which is the next step in building plans.

July 15 marked the beginning of Dr. Dale Cowling's fifth year as Pastor.

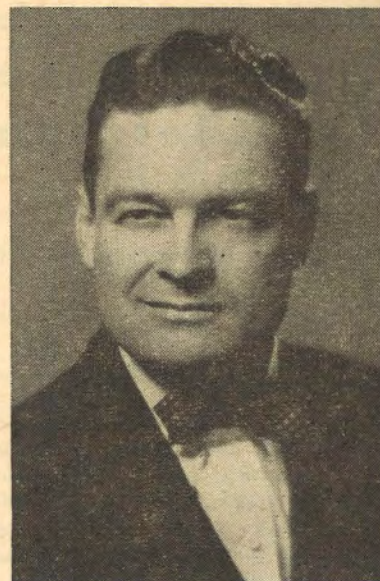
Trinity, Little Rock, Receives Eight

Pastor Floyd Simmons and the Trinity Church, Pulaski County Association, had the services of Pastor R. D. Harrington of First Church, Nettleton, in a ten day revival meeting, July 9-18. There were 6 additions to the church on profession of faith and baptism and two by letter. Pastor Simmons says, "Trinity Church realized a great spiritual awakening under the dynamic preaching of Pastor Harrington."

Dr. Kenneth D. Stuart has resigned as music director of the First Church, Hot Springs, after serving in that capacity for four years. The church expressed its appreciation to Dr. Stuart for his outstanding service in developing the music program of the church and commends him for his faith and loyal service.

The WMU of the Concord Association met at the First Church, Fort Smith, Thursday, July 19. Mrs. A. L. Leake, a worker under the Home Mission Board for the past ten years, was the featured speaker.

Joins Staff at South Highland, Little Rock



JACK RILEY

Jack Riley will assume the duties of music and education director for South Highland Church, Little Rock, on August 5. Mr. Riley is a native of Little Rock, the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Riley, of First Church. He has studied music under Mrs. B. W. Nininger, former director of the Baptist State Music department, and at Ouachita College. For several years Mr. Riley has been director of music and youth activities at Central Avenue Baptist Church, Memphis.

Mrs. Riley is the former Janette Vick, daughter of Mr. J. D. Vick, North Little Rock. The couple has a son and a daughter; Ray, 18; and Virginia, 3.

Ray Branscum is pastor of South Highland Church.

Minister Ordained

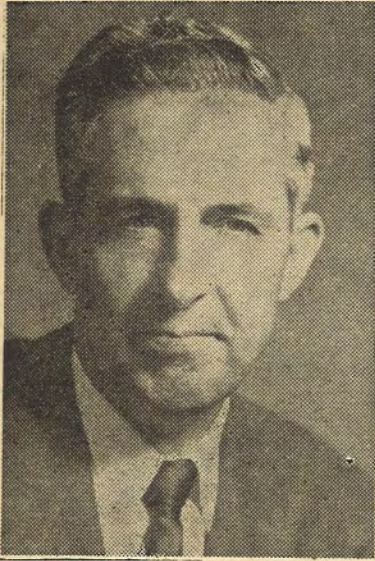
Wesley Womack was ordained to the full work of the gospel ministry by the First Church, Star City, in Harmony Association, Sunday afternoon, July 15.

Arthur H. Hottel, pastor of the ordaining church, served as moderator of the ordination council. M. E. Nobles, deacon of First Church, Star City, was the clerk. Amos Greer, missionary of Hamony Association, conducted the examination. Theo James, pastor of Immanuel Church, Pine Bluff, delivered the ordination sermon, including the charge to the church and the candidate. R. V. Haygood, pastor of the Plainview Church, Arsenal, presented the Bible. D. E. Castleberry, pastor at Anderson Chapel, offered the ordination prayer. Walter J. Atkins, pastor of the Yorktown Church, led in the opening prayer and Wesley Womack offered the benediction.

Other members of the ordination council included Fred McBryde, Veo Fish, Fred Grumbles, James Shepard, J. T. Frizzell, B. F. McGraw, W. B. Crow, M. E. Gibson and Rupert Halbert, deacons of First Church, Star City; also Bill H. Watts, Floyd Collins, Russell White and E. A. Gray, deacons at derson Chapel Church; Paul Moseley and Sam Spillyard, deacons of Immanuel Church, Pine Bluff; and J. C. Haddox, deacons at Hickory Grove Church.

Mr. Womack has been serving as pastor of the Northside Mission of the First Church, Star City, for a year, and is a ministerial student at Ouachita College, Arkadelphia.

Texas Pastor to Teach At Southern Seminary



J. P. STILES

Dr. Joseph P. Stiles, for 14 years pastor of the Park Place Baptist Church in Houston, Texas, will join the faculty of Southern Seminary in Louisville, Ky., this fall.

Dr. Stiles will be professor of church administration in the School of Religious Education, and will begin a directed field work program for the Seminary's entire student body.

Existing field work programs for the School of Church Music and Religious Education will be continued, and a directed program for Theology students organized for the first time under Dr. Stiles leadership. His work in area will include giving guidance to several hundred student pastors.

Dr. Stiles is a native of Little Rock, Ark., and a graduate of Ouachita College. He has been pastor of the Park Place Baptist Church in Houston, Texas, since receiving his Doctor of Theology degree from Southern Seminary in 1942.

Dr. J. M. Price Making World Tour

Dr. J. M. Price, director emeritus of the School of Religious Education, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, left July 27 on a world tour.

The occasion for Dr. Price's trip is his speaking at the Pan-Australian Baptist Youth Conference and Triennial Assembly, in Hobart, Tasmania, Australia, August 28 to September 10. The Conference is a national meeting for the youth of Australia, and the Assembly, which meets every three years, is equivalent to the Southern Baptist Convention.

In connection with the trip to Australia, Dr. Price will visit various mission fields in India, Burma, Thailand, China, Formosa, Japan, Philippine Islands, Malaya, and Indonesia.

Leaving from New York City, Dr. Price will visit parts of Europe before going to the Orient and Australia. He will leave Sydney, Australia, September 14, and will arrive Dallas September 22. Gifts from many friends and former Southwestern students helped to make this tour possible for Dr. Price.

Director of the Religious Education School at Southwestern for 41 years, Dr. Price retired August 1. He was succeeded by Dr. Joe Davis Heacock, professor of education principles and visual aids.

Arkansas Youth Visit New Orleans Seminary



Arkansas Baptist young people's group from Three Creeks church, near El Dorado, take time out from tour of New Orleans to visit New Orleans Seminary and hear brief address by Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, seminary president, shown here greeting Miss Jean Post as George Fletcher (center), pastor, looks on. In the background is a portrait of the late Dr. B. H. DeMent, first president of the seminary.

First Church Cullendale, Enters Building Campaign

First Church, Cullendale, held groundbreaking services on Sunday, June 24, for a new auditorium and educational building, with a seating capacity of 880 in the sanctuary and eight departments in Sunday school.

The Cullendale church was organized in 1929 with 13 charter members. The present membership is 865, with 430 in Sunday school and 206 in Training Union. The annual budget is \$45,000.

The four charter members, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Williford, Mrs. Gilbert Dunlap, and Mr. John Smart, along with Pastor Harold H. Coble, turned the first shovels of earth. Mr. Smart is chairman of the building committee. Others participating in the ceremony were Sunday School Superintendent Cecil Byars; Training Union director Harlon Busby; Bill Hubbard led the singing and Deacon J. B. Cole offered the prayer.

Pastor Enters Evangelism

Pastor Edward R. Black has resigned the Fair Oaks Church in the Tri-County Association to enter fulltime evangelistic work. The executive board of the Tri-County Association praised Mr. Black's work as a pastor and commends him to the churches for evangelistic services.

Report New Dead Sea Scroll Found

Discovery of a new Biblical scroll about a mile from the caves where the highly publicized Dead Sea scrolls were found in 1947 was reported in dispatches reaching Jerusalem from the Jordan-administered section of Palestine.

The scroll was turned up by an Arab and is said to contain the five books of the Pentateuch — Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy.

Arkansan Wins at Ridgecrest

Miss Carolyn Marsh of Norphlet won second place in Convention-wide Training Union Speakers' Tournament at Ridgecrest, July 21.

Southwestern Professor Named Contributing Editor

Dr. W. Boyd Hunt, head of the theology department, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, has been named one of the contributing editors of *Christianity Today*, a new evangelical periodical projected for the English-speaking world.

Scheduled to begin publication fortnightly in October, 1956, in Washington, D. C., this magazine will endeavor to present in a position and constructive way the basic truths of the Christian faith taught in the Scriptures. It is dedicated to the clear and scholarly presentation of Christian truth and action in the spirit of Christian love; with the aim of glorifying God, honoring His Word and strengthening faith.

Arrangements have been made for the printing of 200,000 copies of the first issues of the magazine. This would be a sufficient number for virtually every minister in the English-speaking world to have a copy.

Editor of the new American publication is Dr. Carl F. H. Henry, until recently professor in Fuller Theological Seminary. In addition to Dr. Hunt, other Baptists who are to serve as contributing editors include Dr. Billy Graham, Montreat, N. C.; Dr. C. Adrian Heaton, Philadelphia; Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, New Orleans; Dr. Stanley W. Olson, Houston; Dr. Bernard Ramm, Waco; Dr. F. D. Whitesell, Chicago; Dr. Kyle M. Yates, Waco; and Dr. Fred Young, Kansas City.

Free Will Baptists Adopt Cooperative Budget

Delegates to the 20th annual convention of the National Association of Free Will Baptists adopted a budget of \$371,845 for 1957 and directed that it be raised by a cooperative program and other means.

The 1,703 persons who attended the sessions were registered from 18 states and Cuba. They heard a report that the denomination now has more than 400,000 members over the country.

—Religious News Service

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By Religious News Service

'Rural Ministers of the Year' Cited

Eleven Southern clergymen were cited as "Rural Ministers of the Year" for their "outstanding work in support of rural church and community life."

The awards have been presented annually since 1949 under the joint sponsorship of the Candler School of Theology at Emory University, Atlanta, and *The Progressive Farmer*, an agricultural magazine published at Birmingham, Ala.

Alexander Nunn, the magazine's editor, presented the citations to the clergymen who came from 11 states.

Honored were Dr. James McLeod Carr of Atlanta, Presbyterian; George Y. William of Sardis, Ala., Baptist; John T. Barr of Norman, Ark., Presbyterian; Thomas M. Dews of McIntosh, Fla., Presbyterian; Norman Moore of Pineville, Ky., Baptist; and H. C. Ellis of West, Miss., Baptist.

Also T. F. Evatt of Williamson, S. C., Methodist; R. B. Pritchett of White Pine, Tenn., Church of the Brethren; James W. Newton of Burnet, Tex., Presbyterian; N. Lee Scott of Penhook, Va., Methodist; and Ward W. Hibbs of Alderson-Broadus College, Philippi, West Va.

Newspapers Urged to Play Up Religious News

Evangelist Billy Graham in an address in Asheville, N. C., urged newspapers to "give more space to spiritual matters and religious news."

He told publishers and editors attending the 84th annual convention of the North Carolina Press Association that readers "responded overwhelmingly" to good coverage of religious news and "there is indication that they want more."

Mr. Graham also suggested that newspapers "play up some of the good things people are doing instead of concentrating on crime."

"You are leaders with tremendous responsibility," he told the press executives. "The moral and spiritual tide of any community will not likely rise higher than its newspaper editors. You can continually warn people not to be complacent about the dangers of moral and spiritual lethargy. You can give more editorials on high, ethical and spiritual levels."

Indian Probe Group Urges Withdrawal Of Proselytizing Missionaries

A committee appointed by the Madhya Pradesh government to probe Christian missionary activities in the state has recommended that all foreign missionaries engaged primarily in proselytizing be withdrawn from the country.

It urged also that the Indian constitution be amended to give only citizens of India the right to engage in religious propagation, and to outlaw conversions brought about by "force, fraud or other illicit means."

The recommendations were made in a report released by the committee and broadcast in summary form by the all-India Radio. The report was heavily loaded with charges that the Christian missions are being used in some areas to revive "Western supremacy" in India and to disrupt the solidarity of India's non-Christian communities.

House, Senate Conferees Compromise On Clergy Plane Fares

House and Senate conferees agreed on a compromise bill authorizing domestic and overseas airlines to grant reduced fares to the clergy on a "space available" basis. They specified that clergymen could not make advance reservations for flights unless they paid full fare.

The conference committee accepted the Senate view that reduced fares should be permitted on all airlines. The House had voted to let only non-subsidized lines carry clergymen at reduced fares.

Amended Suit Filed Against 'Faith Healer'

Texas "faith healer" Jack Coe and several of his associates were named defendants in an amended suit for \$150,000 damages filed in Federal Court in Miami by Mr. and Mrs. George Willis Clark of Hialeah, Fla.

The suit charged that the Clarks' three-year-old son, Georgie, suffered "great pain, harm and injury" last winter when the evangelist declared him cured of polio, ordered the braces off his legs and told him to walk.

It added that Mr. Coe's statements about his ability to heal were made "willfully, recklessly, wantonly and with gross negligence."

The parents earlier had sued for \$225,000 actual and punitive damages charging the faith healer with "maliciousness." They amended the complaint, dropping the request for \$75,000 punitive damages and charging at the direction of Federal Judge Emmett C. Choate before whom the original suit was filed.

Clergymen Complete Drive For Referendum on Marriage Law

Protestant, Roman Catholic and Jewish clergymen of Arizona have completed a drive for a statewide referendum in the November election on the question of making mandatory a laboratory blood test and a 48-hour waiting period before issuance of a marriage license.

Initiative petitions carrying 35,000 signatures have been filed. The petitions were distributed in churches of all faiths throughout the state. The figure establishes a record for the highest number of names ever filed for a referendum in Arizona. A minimum of 24,397 is required to put a question on the ballot.

Gideons Report Over 32 Million Scriptures Distributed

Gideons International has distributed a grand total of 32,373,248 Bibles, Testaments and Gospels since its founding 58 years ago, President Raymond R. Lindsey reported to the organization's 57th annual convention in Atlanta, Ga.

More than 2,000,000 of these were placed last year alone, he said, with three-fourths of this total being distributed in the United States. The 1,594,742 circulated in this country consisted of 169,737 Bibles, 69,711 hospital Testaments, 883,086 youth Testaments, 376,173 servicemen's Testaments, and 96,035 nurses' Testaments.

A Smile or Two

Adlai Stevenson tells this story on himself. Out in California he was approached by a woman who asked him where he got his coat of tan.

"You been playing golf," she accused him. "No, I got this tan making outdoor speeches in Florida," Adlai replied.

"Well," the woman told him, "if you got that brown you talked too long."

—Andrew Tully

Popular expressions are sometimes misleading. They call it the rush hour around 5 o'clock when you sit in your car for 20 minutes waiting for the traffic to move 6 ft.

—Farm Journal

A mother's life is not a happy one. She is torn between the fear that some designing female will carry off her son and that no designing male will do the same for her daughter.

—Quote

On the bayonet course a rookie was particularly clumsy. He charged the dummy, stumbled, missed the bayonet jab, and flattened his nose against the sack.

"Nice work, soldier," said the sarcastic sergeant. "If you can't stick them, then bite 'em."

—Louisville Courier-Journal Magazine

A housewife, shopping in a supermarket, was complaining to the manager about the high food prices.

"Fifty-nine cents for this small jar of honey!" she exclaimed. "I never paid more than 39 cents for it in my life."

"I know," replied the weary grocer, "now the bees are demanding petal-to-petal pay."

—Anna Herbert

A teacher told her class of youngsters that Milton, the poet, was blind. The next day she asked if any of them remembered what Milton's great affliction was.

"Yes'm," replied one lad, seriously. "He was a poet."

—Good Business

Complaining about her husband's lack of attentiveness, an unhappy woman pouted, "I doubt if Harold has taken a good look at me in 5 years. If anything happened to me he couldn't identify the body."

—Point de Vue, Paris

"Can you imagine, just as the bride approached the altar the groom turned and ran out of the church."

"Lose his nerve"

"Nope, found it."

—Quote

On the golden wedding anniversary the old lady was asked: "In all these years have you ever thought of divorce?"

She replied: "No, only murder."

—Quote

Two Scotsmen were discussing the son of one of them. Said McPherson: "I thought your son was studying to be an ear specialist—now he's told me he's studying dentistry. What changed his mind?"

"I dunno, Mac," replied Sandy. "All I ever said was, 'People have 32 teeth and only two ears.'"

—Woodmen of the World Magazine

News From Baptist Press

Start Convention on Monday, McCall Urges

Start the annual session of the Southern Baptist Convention on Monday instead of Wednesday, and let it run through Friday, a well-known Southern Baptist educator urges.

Commenting in *The Tie*, publication of Southern Seminary, Seminary President Duke K. McCall says many of the messengers have already lost some of their "sitting-listening capacity" before the Convention starts.

They have come early for the two major pre-convention meetings — the Woman's Missionary Union annual convention and the Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference. The WMU opens its meeting Sunday and the pastors meet Monday. The Convention, says McCall, becomes "almost an anti-climax" for them.

These messengers start for home before the closing session of the Convention on Saturday morning or Saturday night.

Because of the pace of present Convention procedure, according to McCall, matters that might go directly to the floor of the Convention for discussion are going instead to the meeting of the Convention's Executive Committee the day before the Convention begins. "Thus the business comes to the floor predigested in a report for an indifferent vote," he says.

McCall suggests that a committee study the matter of the annual Convention, and lists what he considers advantages to his proposal:

1. With a few exceptions, messengers could attend the entire Convention without missing a Sunday service.
2. The Convention could have more practical inspirational services, and feature most of the program now offered by the Pastor's Conference.
3. Afternoons would be free of sessions. Committees could meet during afternoons, and if necessary a special business session of the Convention could be held.
4. The WMU convention could be held before, after, or during the Convention.

In recent years, the committee on order of business, which plans the Convention's programs, has varied the system of meetings so that some years call for afternoon sessions and some don't.

Without the afternoon sessions, the Convention extends through Saturday night; with them, the Convention closes about noon Saturday.

Following the recent 1956 session of the Convention in Kansas City, a number of Southern Baptist editors called attention to the limited time available for transaction of major Convention business from the floor.

They urged consideration of this matter by Southern Baptists.

McCall, who made the new suggestions, is a former executive secretary of the SBC Executive Committee, which acts for the Convention between its annual sessions in matters now previously provided for. The Executive Committee considers many of the major items of Convention business before they are presented during the Convention.

Convention Study Committee Selected

Douglas M. Branch, pastor of First Baptist Church, Rocky Mount, N. C., has been appointed chairman of a committee to study work of Southern Baptist Convention agencies.

The committee, with 23 members, was au-

thorized by the 1956 Southern Baptist Convention session at Kansas City to study the functions of these agencies and their relations with each other, with state Baptist conventions, and with the more than 30,000 Southern Baptist churches.

Its purpose is to find "the most effective way of promoting the Kingdom (of God) through the Southern Baptist Convention."

The committee includes representatives from 20 states within the Southern Baptist Convention which have large enough memberships to have board representation, plus three members at large.

Daughter of Maryland Pastor Wins Tourney

Patricia Pearce of Baltimore, Md., took first place in the Better Speakers' Tournament at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly.

Miss Pearce is the daughter of J. Winston Pearce, pastor of Seventh Baptist Church, Baltimore, and principal speaker at Ridgecrest during the week of the tournament. She spoke on "The Cost of Alcohol."

Another tournament was held at Glorieta, N. M., for Western area speakers.

South Carolina Girl Sword Drill Winner

Nancy Dew, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Dew of Lake City, S. C., won the Southern Baptist Intermediate Sword Drill, held at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly.

Seventeen-year-old Nancy, who was state winner from South Carolina, competed with winners from Illinois, Louisiana, Maryland, Ohio, and the District of Columbia. She won four contests before competing at Ridgecrest. For the past five years she has entered the Sword Drill and each year except one has entered the state contest.

Sword drill contestants from Western states compete at Glorieta Baptist Assembly, Glorieta, N. M.

Wilbur W. Swartz, associate professor in the School of Religious Education at New Orleans Seminary, has been awarded the Doctor of Religious Education degree from Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Texas.

Dr. Swartz teaches speech, audio-visual education, religious drama, and religious radio-television at the New Orleans Seminary.

"Let Go of the Handle"

One day as I was reading newspapers in the periodical room of the Louisville downtown library, a young man came in to read microfilm. The library attendant secured the film requested and the man installed it in the reading projector. But it was soon obvious that he was having difficulty with the machine.

"The page is blurred," he told the attendant.

Noticing that he continued to hold to the knob of the machine after he had turned to the page he wished to read, the attendant replied: "Let go of the handle."

The young man complied and a smile of satisfaction lighted his face. The page was now in full focus. The trouble had not been with the machine, but with the operator. He had tried to do more than his part.

Many of us find the pages of our lives blurred because we try to do more than our part in living happy, useful lives. We must learn when to turn loose of the controls and permit God to take over.

"Cast thy burden upon the Lord and he shall sustain thee" Psalm 55:22.

—Erwin L. McDonald

Counselor's Corner

By DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON

Baptist Loyalty

Question: I will soon be 60 years of age. I am a missionary Baptist and will always be. I have attended my church regularly and taken active part.

Now we have moved from town into the country very close to a Christian Church, which I am attending every Sunday. My husband won't go to church anywhere, and I do not drive. I am wondering which is best for me to do, attend the Christian Church or stay home and listen to a Baptist sermon on radio or T.V.

Answer: Do just what you are doing, and do it heartily. Give your witness by doing what you can to teach the truth and practice it.

I am a Baptist and love the Baptist message and methods. But I love Christ more.

Many of us Baptists need to remember that we are not the only ones whom the Lord is using today. Other churches do not teach the doctrine as we understand it. But we are imperfect, too. I am glad that my following Christ as best I know how, does not require that I repudiate or judge others who disagree with me.

Radio and T.V. programs are fine and I glory in their ministry, but the Bible tells us not to forsake the assembling of ourselves together.

(Address questions to Dr. Hudson, Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri.)

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Central Seminary Excluded

At the quarterly meeting of the Executive Board of Kansas City Baptist Association on July 19, 1956, the Board voted unanimously to have no institution represented at the annual meeting of Kansas City Baptists in September except those of the Southern Baptist Convention. The decision did not exclude the American Bible Society or the Civic Foundation or Western Seminary (Negro). It was clearly understood that the intent of the motion was to exclude Central Seminary which has been represented at each annual meeting since the School began over 50 years ago as an area institution serving both Southern and American Baptists.

The change in attitude towards Central Seminary was due to the decision of the Board of Directors of that institution on May 8 which declared Central to be 100 per cent aligned with the American Baptist Convention, and which excluded all Southern Baptists from the Board of Directors. Southern Baptists of Kansas City see no more reason why Central Seminary should be represented in their meetings than for other American Baptist institutions.

Last year more than two-thirds of the students at Central were Southern Baptists. The purpose of the Seminary now is to give "American Baptist ministerial students adequate training to serve American Baptist Churches." Central Seminary, as it now exists, can no more serve the purposes of Southern Baptists in the Kansas City area than can Berkeley or Northern or other American Baptist Seminaries serve Southern Baptists in the territories in which they are located.

There is, therefore, a great need in the Kansas City area for a Southern Baptist Seminary. The Executive Board of St. Louis Baptists joined the Executive Committee of Missouri Baptists in requesting Southern Baptists to establish the sixth Seminary in Kansas City, Missouri.

Ouachita's B. S. U. Council Plans Pre-School Retreat



The B. S. U. Council at Ouachita College has announced its plans for the 1956 pre-school retreat to be held at Lonsdale, August 31-September 2. President Jim Berryman urges all Ouachita students who want to attend to send \$2 pre-registration fee to Miss Faye Wellborn, Ouachita Baptist College, Arkadelphia, Arkansas.

Speakers and leaders at the retreat will be Jim Pleitz, pastor of Grand Avenue Church, Fort Smith; Mrs. J. H. Street, pastor's wife at First Church, Conway; Miss Sarah Ann Hobbs, State W. M. U. Youth Secretary, Little Rock; Dr. Joe McClain, Head of the Department of Religion, Ouachita College; and Dr. Ralph A. Phelps, Jr., President of Ouachita.

Pictured above are most of the 1956-1957 B. S. U. Council. Standing from left to right are: Jim Berryman, president; John Wikman, retiring president; Bill Lilly, devotional vice-president; John Bruce Keith, First Church, Arkadelphia, Sunday School representative; Bill Bullington, promotional chairman; Kenneth Wheeler, Park Hill representative; and Jerry Stewart, enlistment vice-president. Sitting from left to right are: Miss Faye Wellborn, faculty advisor; Judy Barnes, Secretary; Betty Holloway, music chairman; Lillian Blackmon, publicity chairman; Jo Ann Blancett, First Church, Arkadelphia; Training Union representative; and Bebe Booker, treasurer. Not pictured are Janis Shepherd, Third Street Church, Arkadelphia representative; Jayne Burroughs, social vice-president; and John Mason Clem, student body president.

WILL YOU HAVE A FRESHMAN IN COLLEGE THIS FALL

Parents who will have a freshman in college this fall are urged to write the Baptist Student Director at the college he will attend. If your student son or daughter could attend the B. S. U.

pre-school retreat in the early fall, it would make sure that he met fine, Christian College students. The directors will give details of their retreat upon request.

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OFF TO COLLEGE SUNDAY

The Student Department will be happy to lend to your church the filmstrip "Spirit of B. S. U." which will be helpful in your church's "Off to College" emphasis. We do not have the accompanying record, but do have a copy of the script which can be read as the filmstrip is shown.

Tom J. Logue
B. S. U. Director

Foreign Mission Board Reports to the People

FOREIGN MISSIONARIES REACH TOTAL OF 1,084

The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board appointed 18 young people for overseas service at its July meeting, bringing the total number of active Southern Baptist foreign missionaries to 1,084 and the number of appointments for 1956 to 83.

The new appointees are: Miss Mattie Lou Bible, of Kannapolis, N. C., appointed for Brazil; Dr. and Mrs. L. Glynn Breeden, Wink, Tex., for Colombia; Rev. and Mrs. G. Webster Carroll, Bluefield, W. Va., for Southern Rhodesia; Rev. and Mrs. Samuel A. DeBord, Alvarado, Tex., for Southern Rhodesia; Rev. and Mrs. W. Donaldson (Don) Frazier, Blaine, Tenn., for Nigeria.

Also Rev. and Mrs. James E. Hampton, of Carlsbad, N. Mex., for Nigeria; Miss Shirley Jackson, New Orleans, La., for Brazil; Rev. and Mrs. L. Gene Legg, Mount Pleasant, Tex., for Nigeria; Rev. and Mrs. L. G. McKinney, Jr., Houston, Tex., for Hong Kong; Miss Faye Tummire, New Orleans, for the Philippines; Miss Barbara Wensel, New Orleans, for Mexico.

CHANNEL OF MISSIONARY OUTREACH

"The appointment of missionaries keeps always in focus our primary responsibility as the agency created by Southern Baptists as a channel of our missionary outreach to a needy world," Dr. Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary, said in his report to the Board.

"A study of our expenditures also indicates that the support and maintenance of missionaries is our priority responsibility. In 1955 our largest expenditure for any purpose was for the support and maintenance of missionaries on fields of work. This represented a total of more than \$3,300,000.

"The second largest expenditure was for construction of churches, missionary residences, hospitals, schools, and other buildings on the mission fields. For this purpose we spent \$2,975,000.

"The third largest expenditure was for direct evangelism. By this term we mean the work devoted to winning people to Christ and organizing them into churches. We spent nearly \$1,200,000 for this purpose.

"On educational work, including all that was done from kindergarten through college and seminary training, we spent \$893,000. On literature we spent \$289,000 and on medical work, \$261,000.

"Prayers and emphases on world need have accumulative effect. Advance in world missions proceeds with increasing conviction of the worthwhileness and the urgency of the enterprise. What we are seeing now, encouraging as it is, ought to be but

the beginning of the advance for which we are so qualified by the Lord's blessings and to which he has called us."

63 LIFE DEDICATIONS

AT MISSIONS CONFERENCE

The combined registration of the Foreign Missions, the Brotherhood, and the Writers' Conferences, which met simultaneously, at Glorieta Baptist Assembly, July 5-11, was 674. Sixty-three young people publicly dedicated their lives during the sessions, with 32 of them specifying a definite leading toward foreign missions.

Thirty-nine furloughing missionaries, 31 newly appointed missionaries, and three emeritus missionaries attended and took part in the Foreign Missions Conference.

The largest church group attending the conference was that of First Baptist Church, Grand Prairie, Tex., with 41. A number of family groups attended.

MONEY FOR RELIEF

"One of the finest investments made by Southern Baptists is that related to relief needs," said Dr. George W. Sadler, secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East, upon returning to the States recently after a two weeks' visit to Europe. "We have contributed to the construction of about 60 chapels in Germany, many of which are used by refugees from the Eastern Zone of Germany." Dr. Sadler is also chairman of the Relief Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention.

"Southern Baptist gifts have constituted only a fraction of the total cost of these chapels," he said. "Because German Baptists themselves have contributed both time and money they have been able to achieve unbelievable results.

"Because of the present prosperity in Germany the time will come when our fellow Baptists there will no longer need our gifts. Until that time, continued contributions will be of inestimable value.

"Friends who are interested in relief work should give consideration to sending money for the construction of other chapels. These places of worship will serve men, women, and children who are victimized by war and its aftermath."

Money for relief should be sent to the Southern Baptist Relief Committee, care of the Foreign Mission Board, Box 5148, Richmond 20, Va.

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LIBERTY

Liberty is not handed down like the family silver, but must be fought for and won by each new generation.

—Lucille Milner, Lion

Missions Pay Big Dividends

From 1947 through 1955 the Department of Missions has supplemented pastors' salaries for periods of time in 168 churches and missions. None of them, however, have been helped for the entire period. In a few cases the aid was for three months; in others six months, but with most churches the supplementary help was for one or more years. The encouraging thing is that 148 of the 168 churches are now self-supporting.

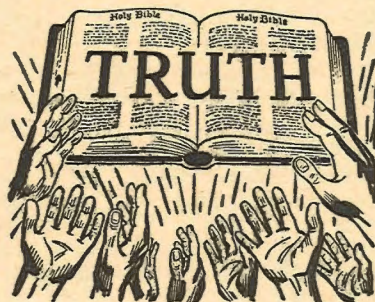
We have checked the baptisms for each church from the date that help was begun through '55 and find that these 168 churches have baptized 7,946 people. In 1955, they baptized 1,214.

During the past nine years the pastoral supplement has amounted to \$135,000 or an average of \$15,000 per year. These churches in turn have contributed to the Cooperative Program from the date aid was begun for each church \$123,000, and in 1955 they gave approximately \$22,000. Over the entire period the disbursements for pastoral supplement is only \$12,000 more than has been returned through the Cooperative Program, and the '55 contributions to the Cooperative Program were \$2,000 more than pastoral supplement. This means that the churches which have been helped in the past few years are now giving more through the Cooperative Program annually than they are now giving to help other struggling churches.

NEW CHURCHES

The Department of Missions tries to keep a record of the new churches constituted each year. We have found it almost impossible to secure an accurate record since we are unable to get reports from all the missionaries, and some associational clerks do not carry the date of constitution of the churches in the associational minutes. The record as we have it shows that from 1947, the year the Department of Missions was set up, through 1955, 228 new churches were constituted which became affiliated with our convention. Twenty-seven of these churches are in Michigan and affiliated with our convention through the Motor Cities Association. Approximately 75 of the total number were sponsored as missions until the growth justified an independent organization. Twelve of the new churches resulted from a "split." As a whole, these churches are doing excellent work. A few are very weak numerically and financially, and there is some question as to whether they should have been constituted into churches rather than sponsored as missions. It is interesting to note, however, that these new churches from the date each was organized through '55 have baptized 11,801 people and have contributed to the Coopera-

tive Program \$278,427.03. The total membership in these churches is 29,773. This is evident proof that new churches help to evangelize the unreached communities and become sources of financial support for the entire denominational program.



MISSIONS DISCOVER MISSIONARIES

A questionnaire was mailed to the churches which have been helped by mission funds, either on building or pastor's salary, and also to all new churches constituted since 1947. We have had a reply from 97. These churches report that from the date help was given them, or from the date the new churches were organized, that 114 young people have entered the ministry. The questionnaire also reveals that 40 young people have surrendered as missionaries and 96 have surrendered for other "special service." Thus it can be seen that in these churches where mission money has been expended that the Lord is calling preachers, missionaries, and other church workers.

The reply from these 97 churches also reveals that 121 young people in their churches have gone to Ouachita Baptist College, 47 to Southern Baptist College, 46 to other Baptist colleges, 32 to Seminaries, and 29 have entered Nurses Training. So from the standpoint of future pastors and missionaries, we see that missions is discovering them.

*Department of Missions
C. W. Caldwell, Supt.*

Seminary Professor To Teach in Europe

Dr. Jesse J. Northcutt, director (dean) of the School of Theology and professor of preaching, Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, will be visiting professor of practical theology in the Baptist Theological Seminary, Ruschlikon-Zurich, Switzerland during the academic year of 1956-57.

While on sabbatical leave from the Fort Worth seminary, Dr. Northcutt will teach courses in homiletics, New Testament exposition, pastoral work, and evangelism in the international Baptist institution.

Dr. Northcutt, a native of Haskell, Texas, is a graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University (A.B.)

Royal Ambassador Camp Results

One of the best seasons of Royal Ambassador Camps is over. The camps this year were the largest in the history of the camps.

The Intermediate Camp on June 18-22 had 94 in attendance. They came from churches representing almost every section of the state.

There was only one unsaved boy in camp and he found Christ as Savior. Nine surrendered to be missionaries and two to be ministers. Twenty-three felt the call to special service, and surrendered to do whatever God wanted them to do. The remainder made a rededication of their lives to the Lord.

The first Junior Camp, July 9-13 had 138 in attendance.

Included in this group were sixteen unsaved boys, eleven of whom found Christ as Savior. Seven surrendered to be missionaries, four surrendered to be preachers, and five surrendered to the Lord's call to do whatever he wanted them to do. Thirty-six made rededications to their lives to the Lord.

The Second Junior Camp, July 16-20, had 174 in attendance. There were fifteen unsaved boys in this group, ten of whom were saved during the week. The Lord called twenty to be missionaries, fourteen surrendered to the ministry, and sixteen surrendered to do whatever God wanted them to do. They felt God was calling them to special service, but were not sure what. There were twenty-nine who rededicated their lives to the Lord.

There was a total of 239 definite decisions as follows: 22 saved; 44 surrendered to special service, whatever God wanted them to do; 36 to be missionaries; 20 to be preachers; and 117 rededicated their lives to the Lord.

We are grateful to the Lord for all of these decisions, for it was the working of the Holy Spirit in the camps that made them possible.

There are many thousand of boys that need to be reached. We pray for the day when the program can be enlarged.

We offer our sincere thanks for all the workers who helped in the camps. Without them the camps would not have been possible. Pray for more and bigger camps next year.

and of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary (Th.M., Th.D) and has studied in Union Theological Seminary.

A member of the Southwestern Seminary faculty from 1939 to 1948 and since 1950, he has served as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Rio Vista, Texas, and the First Baptist Church, Abilene, Texas. He was named director of the School of Theology in 1953.

Regional Brotherhood-Royal Ambassador Clinics

The Regional Brotherhood-Royal Ambassador Clinics will begin the first of September. Announcements have been made and each region will receive more publicity in the near future. Make plans now to attend the meeting in your region.

These meetings are for boys and men. And certainly we would like to have Royal Ambassador counselors and prospective counselors attend.

Pray for these Clinics.

We hope to have a Conference for Advanced Ranks, Young Men, and Counselors later in the fall or early winter. This would be a week-end Conference at some camp or lodge. Many have indicated they would like such a Conference. Let us know what you think about it.

Although it is over a year away, now is the time to think and make plans to attend the First National Conference of Southern Baptist men at Oklahoma City, September 18-20, 1957.

This should be a great meeting, one you will not want to miss.

*Brotherhood Department
Nelson, Tull, Secretary
C. H. Seaton, Associate Secretary*

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Figures to Inspire

	July 22, 1956		
	*Indicates Missions Included		
	S.S.	T.U.	Addns.
Alma, First	163	73	
Benton, First	*667	*184	2
Camden, First	*674	*218	3
Cullendale, Temple	155	91	10
El Dorado, First	*860	*222	
El Dorado,			
Immanuel	689	293	1
El Dorado, Second	472	192	4
Fayetteville, First	*617	*163	7
Fordyce, First	449	140	2
Fort Smith, First	*1131	*593	10
Fort Smith,			
Grand Ave.	*541	*279	2
Fort Smith, Temple	193	108	
Fort Smith,			
Towson Ave.	144	77	
Fort Smith, Trinity	220	127	
Hot Springs,			
Park Place	421	134	
Jacksonville, First	489	205	6
Jonesboro, Central	359	150	
Little Rock,			
Immanuel	*1611	*577	14
Little Rock,			
Second	891	*304	6
Little Rock,			
South Highland	522	215	
Little Rock,			
Tabernacle	621	158	3
McGehee, First	536	231	1
Magnolia, Central	*637	*199	1
Malvern, First	475	136	4
Malvern, Third	292	135	6
Mena, First	*369	*154	2
Monticello, First	359	*162	5
Nashville, First	282	123	2
North Little Rock,			
Park Hill	477	143	2
Paragould, First	*557	*279	1
Pine Bluff,			
Immanuel	550	192	13
Pine Bluff, Matthews Memorial	217	93	
Pine Bluff,			
South Side	585	187	3
Rogers, First	312	98	
Searcy, First	390	110	
Smackover, First	282	120	
Springdale,			
Caude Ave.	149	69	
Springdale, First	440	177	
Warren, First	574	241	6

Children's Page

Surprise Party For Lita

By IRIS HALLMAN GIBSON

Diane put a flowered plate at each place around the table. Daddy sat at one end, Mother at the other and she sat next to the window. Diane smiled because she liked to help Mother get lunch; it made her feel very grown-up.

Mother lifted wonderful-smelling bread from the oven. "Did you invite Lita to come over today, Diane?" she asked, placing the browned biscuits carefully on a platter.

Diane laid the last fork on the table and turned to look out the window. She could see Lita's house next door. "No, Mother," Diane answered softly. "Lita doesn't play well. I thought Jane, Debbie and I would have more fun if she isn't here."

Her mother looked thoughtful for a moment. "Since her daddy died last year Lita has had to play with her old toys. Maybe she just admires different toys so much that she doesn't realize it's wrong to snatch things when others are playing with them."

Diane's face brightened. "If Lita had a lot of new things . . . she might learn to play better."

Her mother smiled. "Yes, I guess she would," she answered. "But her mother has no extra money for toys, Diane."

Carefully Diane folded each napkin and placed them under the fork. "I would like to have a surprise party for Lita," she said. "Have everybody come here . . . but bring the gifts to Lita."

Soon after lunch Diane hurried

up the street to tell Jane and Debbie about her plan. They agreed it would be fun to have a surprise party. After Diane invited Lita to come to her house at four o'clock, the girls could hardly wait.

Before four Debbie came in with a pretty wrapped package. Diane placed it on the table with several things she had wrapped. Then Jane came in with a large pink and white package. Soon they saw Lita leaving her house.

"Here she comes!" Debbie cried. "She has on a real pretty dress."

Jane and Diane ran to the window and peeked over Debbie's shoulder. "Do you think she knows we're having a party?" Diane asked.

"If she knows we're having a party it will spoil the surprise," Jane said sadly.

"Sh-sh," Debbie said, placing a finger over her lips. "Lita's at the front door now."

When Lita came into the room the girls all sang, "Happy, Surprise Party to you . . . happy Surprise Party to Lita."

For a few minutes Lita just stood in the doorway looking at the others. "Is - - is it my party?" she asked.

Diane nodded her head. "We wanted you to have some things to play with, Lita." She showed Lita to the chair of honor which had been decorated with pink and white ribbon.

Soon Diane's mother came in with lemonade. "When you're finished opening the gifts, I'll serve cookies and ice cream in the play house," she said.

Lita clapped her hands. "I love surprise parties!"

After they had finished their lemonade Diane pushed the gifts toward Lita so she could open them.

Debbie moved closer. Inside the box was a cooking set with things Lita could mix. "You liked my set, Lita . . . so I thought you might like one of your own," Debbie said.

Lita beamed. "I'll have a party for all of you tomorrow," she said. "And I'll serve you chocolate pudding."

Still bubbling with excitement, she opened the big package from Jane. It was a rubber doll, which she could bathe and dress with the clothes Diane gave her, and they would fit in the little, round suitcase.

Later as they sat in Diane's play house after they finished their ice cream and cookies, Lita happily played with her new toys. She held the doll out to the others.

"Would you like to play with Betsy Ann?" she asked. "We can dress her and take her for a walk."

The four girls played all afternoon, glad that Lita had toys to share with them.

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What, When Where, Who, Why?

WHAT? — Nursery-Beginner-Primary - Junior - Intermediate Leadership Workshops — better known as the "Five-in-One Workshops."

WHEN? — Tuesday, September 25, 1956, 10 a. m.-3:30 p. m.

WHERE? — Second Baptist Church, Little Rock.

WHO? — For all who work with Nursery, Beginner, Primary, Junior or Intermediate boys and girls. Many of our pastors and Training Union directors should attend and see that at least one worker from each of these departments attends. It would be better to have two or three car loads of workers from each church to attend.

WHY? — To learn Training Union work! The heads of these five departments from the Training Union Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board will direct these workshops, assisted by our state approved workers and other leaders from all sections of the state.

In each workshop, the programs for October, November, and December will be planned. There will be demonstrations, and evaluations.

Anticipation - Inspiration - Information - Demonstration-Evaluation

To help defray the expenses of the five workshops, there will be a small registration fee of 50 cents.

Five separate workshops will be conducted at the same time, same church, different rooms.

Training Union Dept.
 Ralph W. Davis, Secretary
 Robert A. Dowdy, Associate
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Philippine Seminary Enrols 18 Students

The Philippine Baptist Theological Seminary opened its fifth annual session July 3 with 18 students, five Chinese and 13 Filipinos. Seven former students are now taking further college work and will return to the seminary at a later date to complete their training.

Dr. Frank P. Lide, president of the seminary who had just returned from the States, presided at the opening session.

plunging deeper into pleasure and ungodliness with the Communist bear growing bolder by the hour

His message would be unpopular. Many sophisticated folk would laugh at the rugged old prophet from Tekoa. His message would be the same he gave six hundred years before Christ: "PREPARE TO MEET THY GOD." (Amos 4:12).

Unwelcome Prophet

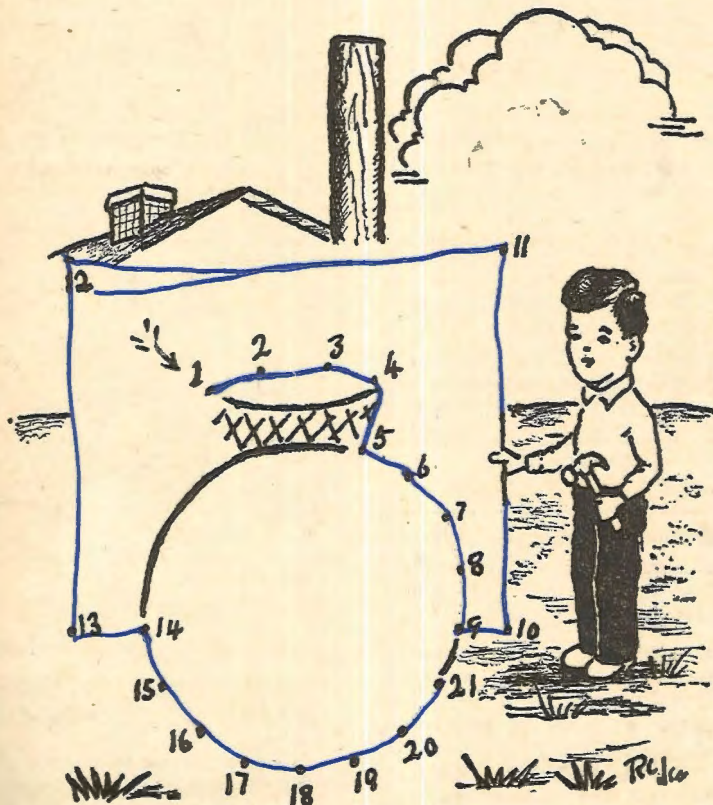
By JIM HEFLEY

"Woe to them that are at ease in Zion . . . that lie upon beds of ivory." So thundered Amos the unwelcome prophet from the hills of Tekoa. Unwelcome he was . . . because his message of judgment intruded upon the blighted conscience of a luxury loving people.

The Biblical excavator has discovered in North Syria a bed with solid legs of ivory and beautiful carving proving that Amos was speaking true to conditions of his time.

Suppose Amos should reappear in our land. He would find Americans spending more money for tobacco and liquor than for churches, schools, and charitable institutions. He would discover a land with the crime rate rising and five million delinquent youngsters. He would hear modern ministers speculating on philosophy, giving the latest from popular magazines, while neglecting the exposition of the Bible. He would scarcely hear mentioned such obsolete words as sin, judgment, and Hell.

He would find Americans



A Call To Christian Living

By BURTON A. MILEY

Blue prints are not the building, but they are necessary to its reaction. A building could be a waste, oddity and a danger if it were erected without blue prints. The Christian life must have a plan for living else it will break down at the point where the translation of the blue print over to the real edifice is made. This was not a problem peculiar to first century Christians alone. It is the perennial problem of all Christianity.

There are two factors which make it hard to live as one should. The first is atmosphere hostile to Christian practices. From such atmosphere arise temptations to the flesh, and indifference of the spirit. The second factor is persecution whereby personal hurt is threatened because one lives a Christian life. The folks of Peter's day faced both these factors. An individual Christian continues to face them with some modifications. It is necessary that a Christian have a water tight attitude against any seepage from pagan or hostile environment into his life. He must have his mind made to endure persecution in any form for the cause of Christ.

WHAT DO YOU EXPECT?

What may one expect as a Christian? May he expect all the world to come and mother him in his Christian profession and living? Can he expect the devil to recede because he became a Christian? Can he expect the forces of evil to quiet because his Christian profession has been made? The true Christian realizes that he will have no quarter from the world with its evil tendencies and many temptations. Therefore, a Christian is to expect help from God, instead of lack of approach from the world and evil.

The attitude one holds has much to do with his receiving help from God. Peter called for those first century Christians to arm themselves with the same mind that Christ had. This mind was that to suffer for the will of God. Whatever else might happen, one's personal life should square with the will of God. If one holds this attitude, environment around is never equal to the force within. Temptation ceases to hold attraction and power. Let one pick any half dozen people within his knowledge who have slipped their moorings and stepped backward into wrong practices after having tasted the joys of devoutness in Christian communion. Ask these people when the greater happiness prevailed in their lives. Was it when they walked closer to God, or now as they walk in the shadow of His communion? Without exception the testimony will be, "My greatest happiness and satisfac-

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1 Peter 4:1-11

tion was when I walked closer with God." It seems that any man out of that experience would no longer live to the lust of the flesh, but would seek the will of God. Who wants to live low when the high road is available? Many do that which they know is against them and their satisfaction.

The attitude of the Christian is important, but the attitude of the worldly crowd from which the Christian separates himself to live for Jesus must be considered. This group thinks it is strange that no longer one runs with them, and they start speaking evil of the one who has separated himself. There are numbers who would be glad to come to Jesus and find satisfaction, but they are afraid they will lose all their friends and social security. They realize that many practices among friends cannot be in accord with the will of God or the teachings of Jesus. A newborn Christian can expect no help from the group of sinners from which he has separated himself. His help must come from the Lord. The world aggressively regrets the loss of an adherent. It is only the pure in heart who know travail for the higher life.

WHAT FILLS THE CHRISTIAN?

Five things are mentioned with which any Christian should fill himself for maximum Christian living. The first is sobriety. This means to live a well-balanced life which considers the need of the flesh, spirit, soul, and mind. No tangent is pursued in any field. A drinking man is one off balance. The flesh is catered to ahead of other needs. A drunk man has lost his equilibrium. He is not able to walk a chalk line. The Christian should be able to walk the chalk line of God's will, despite any attraction or distraction.

The second thing with which a Christian is to fill himself is watchfulness unto prayer. Barren souls stand out today in ratio to the lack of this watchfulness. It is not unusual to hear the statement "I don't have time to pray." This is a confession that one did not watch to pray. Other things were permitted and no time was left for prayer. It is not unusual today to hear the statement, "Sunday is the only day that I have, therefore, I must satisfy my physical needs for recreation, sports, for kinfolk visitation." This merely means that one failed to watch for an opportunity to

pray, and to remain sober so that he should walk a chalk line with God. Every person who attends church on Sunday has a need in the physical, social, and mental realms, but he has not permitted these needs to deter him from the need of his spiritual life. He finds that by refreshing the spiritual that other basic needs are fulfilled. God's time will not be a waste to any man.

Three other fine qualities are mentioned for the Christian. He is to have fervent charity toward others in his fellowship. One that grows pessimistic toward life and cynical toward fellow man is like a dill pickle in a sugar bowl. He is just out of place. Fervent charity gives one the attitude to work for God with people. Hospitality is hard to appreciate in western civilization. When the day's travel is done there is the clean motel or hotel where he can secure a night's rest in peace and comfort. It was not so in Peter's time. Public accommodations failed to care so adequately for the traveler. Therefore he was thrust out on his kinfolk or sympathetic acquaintances. The traveling Christian would naturally expect consideration from other Christians. Hospitality was a need. It filled a demand in the day of first century Christians.

The other element with which a Christian is to fill his life is a sense of stewardship of all the manifold grace of God. The words "As every man has received the gift," literally means "as every man has received the grace of God." He is to further that grace as a steward. A steward does not own his possession, but he handles it for the profit of the owner. No converted man owns the grace of God. The grace of God is in his experience and custody. He can give it outward unto others. This is what God expected of the early day Christians. It is not easy to live a Christian life, but it is by Christian living that the kingdom of God shall be furthered.



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PRACTICAL LESSONS

A Christian does what he resolves. Peter said "make up your mind." Many have never made up their mind to be a living example of Christian grace and power. Consequently they are drifters within the Christian profession. Intentions are never substitutions for actions and realities. But right actions and reality in Christian life come forth from firm intentions. There is no better advice for any twentieth century Christian than that of the golden text "make up your mind."

The Christian life is to be filled with desirable qualities. No life is a vacuum. Leave any life alone, and that life will fill with something. If it is not a well disciplined life, the lust of the flesh will come and fill it like weeds will grow in the garden. If it is a well-disciplined, cultivated life, then the desired graces of God can abide within it. God's goodness in any life is never an accident.

The mind of man is his steering gear. One can will Christ in or will the devil in. One can will the best in or he can will the worst in. The Christian life is going to be filled; why not fill it with the desirable things from God? The mind strengthened by the grace of God steers man into proper Christian living.

Look back along the endless corridors of time and you will see that four things built civilization: the spirit of religion, the spirit of creative art, the spirit of research and the spirit of business enterprise.

—Dr. Neil Carrothers,
quoted in *Lion*

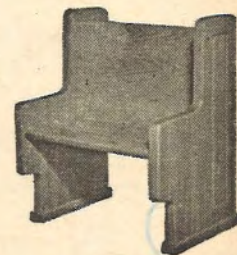
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Total Cash Contributions Received in Office of General Secretary of Executive Board,
Arkansas Baptist State Convention, Second Quarter, 1956

(This statement does not include receipts for Ministers Retirement Fund)

Notify B. L. Bridges, 401 W. Capitol, Little Rock, of any errors in this report.

Churches and Pastors	Cooperative Program	Designated	Churches and Pastors	Cooperative Program	Designated	Churches and Pastors	Cooperative Program	Designated
ARKANSAS VALLEY								
Barton — J. B. Kemper	79.58	—	Mason Valley — J. B. Stephens	84.66	9.81	Calvary —	—	—
Beck Memorial —	—	—	Monte Ne — W. E. Bland	87.34	11.00	Cauthron — C. K. Gotwalt	3.00	—
James Thompson	10.00	—	Pea Ridge — Ben Haney	524.81	48.85	Cedar Creek — W. J. Nance	—	—
Brickeys — B. F. McDonald	53.08	—	Pleasant Hill — Arnold Combs	12.00	—	Clark's Chapel —	—	—
Brinkley — H. L. Lipford	900.00	43.81	Rogers, First — E. M. Skinner	1,671.46	2.90	Warren Leonard	11.25	—
Clarendon — L. Y. Lewis	—	—	Rogers, Immanuel	688.69	9.00	Dayton — L. L. Gilliam	25.00	—
Corder's Chapel —	—	—	Rogers, Sunnyside —	—	—	Denton — Harmon Allen	—	—
Charles Ledbetter	12.50	—	Ray Galyean	216.46	—	Fellowship — Bob Richmond	149.51	—
Elaine — Nelson Greenleaf	685.54	—	Siloam Springs, First —	2,447.60	—	Friendship —	—	—
Friendship — Bob Eubanks	15.00	50.00	Siloam Springs, Harvard Ave. —	—	—	Walter Magouyrk	15.00	—
Helena, First — Rel Gray	3,107.00	—	— Jerry Hopkins	211.31	—	Hartford — Harold Plunkett	182.33	25.00
Hughes — W. D. Wallace	643.11	15.00	Sugar Creek — Ramon Bailey	47.75	—	Haw Creek — Robert Wood	39.64	—
Lambrook — Charley Davis	45.00	6.33	Sulphur Springs — Loyd Jeffers	—	—	Hon — Jess Cartwright	5.44	—
Lexa — J. D. Rains	125.00	—	Twelve Corners —	—	—	Huntington — Charles Whedbee	117.03	—
Marianna — D. Hoyle Haire	1,500.00	—	John Lawson	—	—	Ione — John E. Evans	28.76	—
Marvell —	203.53	—	Total	\$8,969.02	\$156.99	James Fork —	—	—
Monroe —	28.31	—	BIG CREEK			Lawrence Coughman	65.70	13.62
Moro — John Collier	113.75	—	County Line —	6.00	—	Long Ridge — Jim Noles	—	—
Northside, Helena — J. D. Baker	—	—	Elizabeth — S. T. Wells	6.75	—	Lucas —	—	—
Old Town —	60.00	—	Enterprise —	9.24	—	Mansfield — James Walker	806.48	22.37
Oneida — James B. Kemper	10.00	—	Flora —	—	—	Midland — Loren Aimes	41.63	—
Petty's Chapel — W. A. Ginn	—	—	Gum Springs —	4.88	—	Mt. Gilead — John Staggs	15.19	—
Rehobeth —	14.60	—	Hardy — Ivan Davis	103.71	—	New Home — W. J. Nance	—	—
Snow Lake — Eugene Surman	—	—	Mammoth Springs —	—	—	New Providence —	—	—
Turner — B. F. McDonald	86.56	—	W. A. Moody	28.03	—	Parks —	73.95	—
Twin Bridges —	—	—	Mt. Calm —	—	—	Pilot View —	—	—
West Helena, First —	—	—	Mt. Zion — Carl White	15.00	—	Piney — Dewey Fox	—	—
Wilson C. Deese	2,750.00	—	Saddle — W. A. Moody	—	—	Pleasant Grove No. 2 —	—	—
West Helena, Second —	—	—	Salem —	49.95	—	J. E. Evans	—	—
Paul Pearson	93.30	10.25	Spring River — Ben Meeks	—	—	Pleasant Grove No. 3 —	—	—
Total	\$10,535.26	\$125.39	Viola —	20.00	—	Poteau —	—	—
ASHLEY COUNTY			Total	\$243.56	—	Rock Creek — W. W. Kersh	11.19	—
Calvary — Cecil Avery	—	—	BLACK RIVER			Salem —	—	—
Corinth "A" —	—	—	Alicia — Charles Gray	4.00	—	Shiloh — Earl Hough	—	—
Raymond Carpenter	93.88	17.28	Banks —	—	—	Union Hope —	—	—
Crossett, First — R. L. Smith	2,832.00	—	Black Rock —	—	—	J. E. Pennington	—	—
Crossett, Second —	—	—	L. D. Eppinette, Jr.	75.00	—	Unity — John Staggs	6.16	—
Clyde Jones	15.00	—	Clear Springs — N. K. Davis	—	—	Waldron —	2,538.50	—
Eden —	—	—	Clover Bend — Lehman Smeiser	—	—	West Hartford —	—	—
Fellowship —	—	—	College City —	218.28	—	Warren Leonard	60.00	—
Fountain Hill —	—	—	Diaz — James Marlar	62.28	—	Total	\$4,223.84	73.44
Clarence Allison	184.24	—	Grubbs — T. H. Reeves	10.00	—	BUCKVILLE		
Hamburg, First —	—	—	Horseshoe —	—	—	Cedar Glades — Homer Speer	—	—
E. E. Griever	800.00	125.41	Hoxie — Dale Barnett	61.50	17.30	Concord — Henry Frazier	9.21	—
Jarvis Chapel — S. E. Powell	—	—	Imboden — Earl Selby	57.98	—	Little Country Church —	—	—
Magnolia — A. F. Muncy	205.76	—	Immanuel, Newport —	—	—	Roy Murders	—	—
Martinville — C. R. Johnson	5.40	—	James O. Melton	50.29	—	Mt. Tabor	8.00	—
Meridian —	8.63	—	Jacksonport — Carl Bryan, Jr.	—	—	Mt. Valley — Joe Anderson	25.22	—
Mt. Olive No. 1 — Roy Bunch	20.00	—	Murphy's Corner —	—	—	Prairie Grove —	7.00	—
Mt. Olive No. 2 —	312.31	—	Roger Criner	—	—	Rock Springs — Homer Speer	26.91	9.11
Mt. Pleasant —	15.00	—	New Hope No. 1 —	—	—	Sweet Home —	18.50	—
Mt. Zion — H. I. McLeod	—	—	Maurice Jones	22.70	—	Total	\$94.84	\$9.11
North Crossett —	—	—	New Hope No. 2 —	—	—	CADDO RIVER		
K. K. Corkern	244.17	11.42	Simon O. Norris	—	—	Amity — R. E. Walker	90.74	—
Sardis — Wayne Givens	—	—	Newport, First —	—	—	Black Springs — C. H. Moore	12.00	—
Shiloh — Earl Montgolf	18.00	—	Charles F. Wilkins	473.12	—	Caddo Gap — J. B. Ritchie	10.00	—
Temple — J. W. Buckner	385.98	—	Old Walnut Ridge —	—	—	Glenwood — J. V. Chandler	82.61	16.90
Unity —	—	—	R. O. Pittman	27.50	—	Liberty — Lewin Newcomb	—	—
Total	\$5,146.37	\$154.11	Ozark — John Hamilton	—	—	Little Hope — Lewin Newcomb	5.00	—
BARTHOLOMEW			Pitts — W. A. Mink	—	—	Mount Gilead — J. B. Ritchie	24.00	—
Antioch — Gilford Brassell	—	—	Pleasant Ridge —	—	—	Mountain Home —	—	—
Beulah —	—	—	Simon O. Norris	—	—	Mount Ida — Eddie McCord	90.42	—
Cominto — Wayne Givens	6.00	—	Pleasant Valley —	—	—	Norman — Paul Mitchell	161.68	122.96
Corinth "B" — Vesta White	6.00	—	Portia —	—	—	Oak Grove — Harold Algee	4.67	—
Eagle Lake — E. L. Johnson	27.00	—	Ravenden — Bill Johnsson	22.10	—	Oden —	144.01	100.00
Ebenezer — G. W. Hooten	82.80	43.64	Sedgwick — Howard Williams	39.92	—	Pine Ridge — M. L. Wallace	6.00	—
Enon — James Hayes	75.20	—	Smithville — Maurice Jones	40.95	—	Pleasant Grove — C. H. Moore	9.42	—
Florence — R. C. Creed	16.00	—	Swifton — R. O. Pittman	—	—	Pleasant Valley —	—	—
Holly Springs — Rolla Nixon	82.35	—	Tuckerman — Byron King	120.00	—	Refuge — Arthur Middleton	24.43	—
Immanuel, Warren	—	—	Walnut Ridge —	—	—	Sulphur Springs —	—	—
Quincy Mathis	600.00	—	D. B. Westmoreland	736.34	—	Sam Sherman	43.99	—
Ladell — Dewey Brockwell	16.16	—	White Oak — A. O. Collier	—	—	Total	\$708.97	\$239.86
Macedonia — R. C. Creed	10.45	—	Total	\$2,021.96	\$17.30	CAREY		
Marsden — D. A. Brian	—	—	BOONE			Bearden — Gus Poole	283.85	26.35
Monticello, First —	—	—	Alpena — Charles A. McNabb	85.00	—	Calvary — Garland Anderson	304.11	—
Thomas J. Welch	1,711.29	127.30	Batavia — S. W. Wilkerson	33.00	—	Dalark — Hugh Howard	5.00	—
Monticello, Second —	—	—	Bear Creek Springs —	—	—	Fordyce —	—	—
Ray Raddin	239.53	—	Perry Fitchue	24.00	—	Lawson Hatfield	3,026.66	40.25
New Liberty — Rolla Nixon	—	—	Bellefonte — Gene Smith	10.00	—	Hampton — D. W. Stark	236.20	19.68
Northside — Robert Howie	120.00	13.45	Burlington — Perry Fitchue	87.99	10.00	Harmony — Thomas C. Urry	8.00	—
Old Union — R. C. Creed	—	—	Eagle Heights —	—	—	Holly Springs —	—	—
Pattsville — Rolla Nixon	9.00	—	Homer Robertson	150.00	—	L. M. Rhodes	40.00	—
Pleasant Grove — D. A. Brian	12.00	—	Elmwood —	—	—	Manning — James Copeland	8.50	—
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Wilson — Joe Warbington	117.63	—	Hopewell —	9.00	—	Sparkman — Maxwell Baker	522.90	—
Total	\$4,588.72	184.39	Lead Hill, First — Elmo Frey	15.00	—	South Side — H. J. Adkins	135.59	—
BENTON			New Hope — Elmer Cox	58.50	—	Thornton — M. H. McManus	182.01	—
Bentonville, First —	—	—	Northvale — Jim Gerren	30.00	—	Tinsman — C. P. Boone	82.68	21.92
B. G. Hickem	1,249.00	—	Omaha — Quilten Middleton	44.70	—	Tulip — Sid Goza	8.71	—
Bentonville, Central Avenue	—	—	Oregon Flat — Truman Logan	20.00	—	Willow —	—	—
E. L. Fox	14.32	—	Prairie View —	—	—	Total	\$4,999.09	\$118.28
Centerton — Melvin Coffelt	—	—	Kenneth Edmonson	—	—	CAROLINE		
Decatur — Sardis Bever	493.22	9.00	Southside, Lead Hill —	—	—	Austin Station —	—	—
Garfield — James Conner	19.92	—	Harold Stephens	20.00	—	O. L. Justice	12.00	—
Gentry — Kenneth Kern	425.87	35.75	Union — Jesse Matlock	40.53	—	Baugh Chapel —	—	—
Gravette —	220.17	—	Valley Springs —	31.25	—	Frank Pickard	9.00	—
Gum Springs —	—	—	Total	\$2,084.13	\$62.00	Biscoe —	—	—
Bruce Holland	45.00	5.00	BUCKNER			Brownsville —	—	—
Harmony — Irvin Sitton	15.00	—	Abbott —	24.08	12.45	Troy Carroll, Jr.	5.00	—
Highfill — S. C. Simpson	181.90	25.68	Bates — Jim Noles	4.00	—	Cabot — Samuel Phillips	790.00	—
Lakeview — J. L. Bass	198.75	—	Blansett — Dewey Fox	—	—			
Lowell —	113.79	—						

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Table with columns: Churches and Pastors, Cooperative Program, Designated. Includes sections for CONCORD, CONWAY-PERRY, and CURRENT RIVER.

Table with columns: Churches and Pastors, Cooperative Program, Designated. Includes sections for DELTA and FAULKNER.

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Churches and Pastors	Cooperative Program	Designated	Churches and Pastors	Cooperative Program	Designated
Eight Mile — O. C. Wright	21.00		Bingen — Bob Nash	130.00	66.65
Fairview — J. D. Gilmore	14.07	2.80	Brownstown — Billy J. Campbell		50.00
Finch — Neal May	13.25		Central, Mineral Springs — John Kuespert	9.53	
Fontaine — Bill Barnes	8.12		Chapel Hill — Espha Donaldson		
Lafe — James Moore	8.00		Columbus — Richard McNeill	54.80	
Light — Jimmy Watkins	81.25	5.15	DeQueen — Earl Humble	1,115.29	34.00
Marmaduke — Marvin May	48.70		Dierks — Lloyd Cowling	43.28	9.41
Mounds — Jack Sharbutt	55.79		Foreman — Gordon G. Boone	90.19	11.18
Mt. Hebron — Jimmy Whitlock	70.44	5.70	Hicks — L. M. Hammond	10.00	
New Friendship — Marvin Hill	30.90	11.92	Horatio — Russell Armer	125.00	
New Hope — Forrest Jackson	9.00		Liberty — Charles Belnap		
New Liberty — H. O. Schultz	21.00	10.00	Little River — Freddie Mills	20.80	
Oak Grove — Jack Sharbutt	38.56		Lockesburg — Clyde E. White	60.00	13.50
Paragould, East Side — Russell Duffer	882.20		Lone Oak — Ross Williams		
Paragould, First — Jarry Autry	2,374.66	75.12	Mt. Moriah — E. S. Hall	6.00	
Paragould, Immanuel — Emmett Pipkins	276.77		Murfreesboro — E. S. Hall	148.82	
Paragould, Lake Street — Johnnie Lemmons	7.50	3.00	Nashville	1,215.28	
Paragould, Third Avenue — Pleasant Valley — M. E. Prince	30.78	7.00	New Home, Belton — Vernon Holiday	32.50	
Robbs Chapel — T. F. Stroud	33.81		Oak Grove — Ralph Smith	30.00	
Rock Hill — Guin Renshaw	12.00		Ogden — James A. Brookshier	60.00	
Spring Grove — Guin Renshaw	12.50		Ozan — Horace Duke	12.50	
Stanford — A. C. Rudloff	65.00		Rock Hill — Ross Williams		
Stonewall — Charles Abanathy			State Line		
Unity — D. Claude Applegate	45.00		Washington — Alvis J. Moore		
Village — Jack Mick	21.00		Wilton — Ollie Trout	29.09	
Vines Chapel — Fred Carr	6.00		Winthrop — A. J. Carver	30.00	
Wabsett — Clinton Moses	231.22		Total	\$3,688.47	\$134.74
Walls Chapel —	18.27				
Total	\$4,817.29	\$134.69			
HARMONY			MISSISSIPPI		
Altheimer —	290.60		Armorel — Henry Applegate	70.52	
Anderson Chapel — Desmond Castleberry		12.00	Black Water — R. V. Gean	14.36	16.87
Calvary — E. W. Johnson	19.50		Blytheville, First — Charles F. Pitts	6,249.99	
Central — Ben Wofford	150.00		Brown Chapel — Jesse Williams		
Dumas, First — Minor E. Cole	600.00	10.00	Brinkley Chapel — Oren Elms		
Forrest Park — Luther Dorsey	663.12		Boynton — Gene Ray	29.03	
Gideon —			Calvary, Blytheville — Carl H. Johnson	150.00	
Gould — S. W. Williamson	15.66		Calvary, Osceola — John Thomas Finn	261.23	
Grady — Ralph Glover	29.00		Carson Lake — C. S. Womack	24.38	
Greenlee Memorial — E. S. Ray	191.14	15.00	Clear Lake — Harold Ray	151.97	
Hardin — A. W. Upchurch, Jr.	24.00		Cole Ridge — Morris McGuire	75.00	
Hickory Grove — Theo T. James	2,072.92		Cross Roads — Charles Long	33.77	
Johnson — John Robertson, Sr.	34.43		Dell — Jesse Holcomb	212.01	45.77
Kingsland — J. H. O' Cain	30.72		Dyess, Central — J. C. Mitchell	66.20	
Lee Memorial — Hugh Owen	469.70		Emmanuel — Charles Watkins	58.04	
Linwood — Jim Tillman	87.09	9.30	Fairview — Guy Whitney	82.74	
Matthews Memorial — John Berrier	250.00	48.32	Gosnell — Gene Shultz	248.39	
New Bethel — Clay Hale			Joiner — Asa Hunt	131.00	
Oak Grove — Raymond A. Johnson	32.68		Keiser — Billy Joe Deaton	121.32	
Oakland — Houston E. Austin			Leachville — Harold Presley	510.28	81.00
Pine Bluff, First —	3,909.44	1,015.21	Luxora — James E. Riberd	303.97	
Pine Bluff, Second — Floyd B. Caldwell	1,256.18	23.00	Manila — Richard Vestal	287.07	
Plainview — R. V. Haygood	615.87		Mary's Chapel — Ray Crews	22.31	
Plum Bayou — Frank Carpenter	7.00		Neals Chapel — J. W. Gibbs	8.00	
Rankins Chapel — E. B. McKinnon			New Bethel — M. D. Davis	15.00	
Rison — W. Mack Stallings, Jr.	375.00		New Harmony — Tommy Langley		
Southside — Roy A. Lambert	3,780.52	220.00	New Hope —	7.31	
Star City — Arthur A. Hottel	1,066.85		New Liberty — A. F. Muncy	368.73	7.28
Wabbaseka — Fred H. M. Smith	15.70		New Providence — F. M. Robinson	152.41	29.92
White Sulphur Springs — J. D. Batson	52.13		Nodena — Roy C. Johnson	52.35	
Yorktown — W. J. Adkins	35.00		Number Nine — Clyde McCord	54.00	14.67
Miscellaneous —	8.65		Osceola, First — Percy F. Herring	1,283.69	
Total	\$16,013.70	\$1,352.83	Rosa — J. Bob Woodiel	6.85	
HOPE			Tomato — William E. Edmonson	57.00	
Anderson Union — Shirley Hatcher	41.54		Trinity, Blytheville — William H. Cook	774.60	
Antioch — J. W. Ingram			Wardell — William Kreis	64.74	
Arabella Heights — Lee Wells	20.81		Wells Chapel — Jesse Fleeman, Jr.	5.00	
Beech Street — Harold C. Bennett	6,365.42		Whitton — L. V. Boles	121.16	
Bradley — A. W. Wagon	190.00		Wilson — G. W. Smith	801.58	50.00
Bronway Heights — F. T. Deahl	53.75		Woodland Corner —	25.71	4.95
Calvary — W. P. Mears	738.33		Harbro — J. W. Vaughan	145.88	
Canfield — Major L. Lewis	60.00		Total	\$13,047.59	\$250.46
Central — Loyd L. Hunnicutt	3,225.75	100.00			
Central Mission — Doddridge — T. D. Lance	61.44		MOTOR CITIES		
Doddridge — T. D. Lance	20.00		Adrian, First Southern — Ralph Duncan	85.77	
Eastview — Curtis Puryear	327.77	21.85	Adrian — Spanish	27.84	
Fouke — J. C. Crabbe	190.03		Antioch — J. M. Byrn	342.90	
Fulton — S. A. Whitlow	100.00		Bearing Cross —	81.51	
Garland — James Henderson	20.00		Berrien Springs —	45.57	
Genoa — Wallace Ely	36.70		Bethany — Kenneth Day	195.09	
Guernsey — Hershel Williams	34.61		Bethel — Coy D. Sims	149.67	
Haley Lake — David Hillier	4.56	5.00	Bethel — Niles	63.12	
Harmony Grove — James Henderson	37.50		Bethlehem —	75.93	
Hickory Street — T. N. Morrison	404.89		Cass-Park — L. G. Hall	119.67	
Hope, First — S. A. Whitlow	3,750.00	5.00	Central — T. O. Sivil	71.82	
Immanuel, Magnolia — Dennis James	155.44	14.76	Columbia Avenue — A. Mullins	207.42	
Immanuel, Texarkana — W. T. Byrum	567.19		Eber Memorial — M. Boyd, Jr.	388.77	
Lewisville — Emil Williams	642.78	35.00	Emmanuel —	51.09	
Macedonia No. 1 — Virgil A. Bond			Fairview — E. J. Roberts	270.66	
Macedonia No. 2 — Frank Eaton			Francis Street — V. C. Booth	23.04	
Mandeville — Phillip May	26.66		Glenn-Eden — T. Smith	125.94	
Memorial — J. M. Harrison	207.93	50.00	Harmony — W. F. Nicholas	17.28	
Mt. Zion — James L. Wall	44.91		Hebron — V. M. Bellue	304.35	
Pinney Grove — Luther Buckner	36.00		Immanuel — B. J. Ferguson	178.20	
Pisgah — Jimmy Wilson	5.00		Liberty — James Johnson		
Red River — Glenn O. Hilburn	81.09		Livonia — Willard Martin	111.60	
Rocky Mound — Charles Taylor	22.52		Merriman Road — H. T. Starkey	299.70	
Shiloh — C. A. Maule, Jr.	20.00	11.00	Mt. Pleasant — C. A. Johnson	90.00	
			North End —	32.31	
			St. Clair Shores, First — Hubert Keefer	155.40	
			Providence — Bill Nail	59.22	
			Samaritan — Robert Kunnert	45.72	
			Sharon — J. M. Moore	126.24	
			South Lyons —	28.32	
			South Shores — V. L. Overturf	26.82	

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Churches and Pastors	Cooperative Program	Designated
Black Oak — O. E. Wright	27.00	—
Brush Creek — Elisha Holland	60.00	—
Caudle Avenue — James W. Benton	225.00	—
Elkins — A. L. Leake	16.00	—
Farmington — Ewell Logue	72.05	—
Fayetteville, First — Andrew Hall	1,681.66	—
Fayetteville, Second — Hubert Hodges	67.22	—
Friendship — Norman V. Drake	9.56	—
Hindsville — D. W. Alderson	32.36	—
Huntsville — R. W. Jones	20.00	—
Immanuel, Fayetteville — G. W. Morrison	131.32	—
Johnson — Oakley Long	102.21	—
Liberty — J. Albert Kahler	115.83	—
Lincoln —	197.78	13.92
Ogden —	15.05	12.00
Prairie Grove —	22.00	42.35
Providence — Walter Jessor	409.31	162.38
Senora — Winfred Bunyard	10.60	—
Springdale —	—	—
Burton A. Mile	3,360.61	29.65
Spring Valley —	57.90	—
Sulphur City — Jack Taylor	39.00	—
University, Fayetteville — Walter Johnson	773.86	—
West Fork — James B. Blair	45.00	—
Winslow — Robert Vaughan	25.53	—
Total	\$7,666.85	\$260.30

WHITE COUNTY

Antioch — J. R. Pruitt	6.00	—
Beebe — Reese Howard	250.00	31.57
Bethany, Georgetown — Dub Black	18.00	—
Central, Bald Knob — Bill Lewis	266.14	—
Crosby — H. M. Williams	24.00	—
El Paso —	41.57	35.00
Griffithville — Darrell Wakins	37.50	—
Harris Chapel —	—	—
Higginson — Paul Lewis	11.00	—
Holly Grove —	7.50	—
Judsonia — J. Wesley Hoover	225.00	—
Kensett — Tommie Hinson	207.01	10.91
Liberty, Walker — Dub Black	11.94	—
Liberty Hill —	—	—
McRae — Charles Trammell	—	—
Midway — A. L. Pate	7.00	—
Morrow — J. B. Howard	—	—
Mt. Hebron — Earl Altom	15.00	—
Mt. Sidon — Ernest Anderson	15.00	—
Pangburn — Jack Auton	30.00	1.00
Pleasant Valley — J. G. Holmes	15.00	—
Rescue —	—	—
Rocky Point — J. R. Pruitt	9.00	—
Rose Bud —	21.00	—
Royal Hill —	—	—
Searcy, First — W. R. Vestal	1,355.26	—
Searcy, Second — Allen McCurry	50.59	—
Smyrna — J. G. Holmes	—	—
Union Valley — E. F. Simmons	12.00	—
West Point — Joel Moody	9.00	—
Total	\$2,644.51	\$78.48

WHITE RIVER

Antioch — Glen Hicks	11.34	—
Cotter — M. E. Dark	255.00	12.75
East Cotter — R. V. Carroll	—	—
Flippin — P. O. Harrington	179.23	8.76
Gassville — T. G. Monroe	14.25	—
Hopewell — Troy Melton	34.08	—
Mountain Home — James E. Birkhead	403.50	—
New Hope —	—	—
Norfolk — O. I. Ford	22.50	—
Oakland — R. V. Carroll	—	—
Pilgrims' Rest — Otha McCracken	36.00	—
Pleasant Hill — Roy Dunn	34.00	—
Whiteville — Otha McCracken	60.00	—
Yellville — Curtis Bryant	113.95	14.05
Total	\$1,163.85	\$35.56

WOODRUFF

Augusta — Thomas E. Lindley	547.09	—
Cotton Plant — Curtis Downs	581.48	—
Good Hope —	8.65	6.18
Gregory — Gerald Perry	30.00	—
Hunter — Marion Parish	109.23	—
McCrary — Thomas E. Farrar, Jr.	96.11	39.07
Morton — John Noble	5.00	—
Patterson —	3.00	—
Pleasant Grove — J. N. Loftin	113.39	8.00
Raynor Grove — Floyd S. Sheeks	11.19	—
Riverside — Dewey Thompson	—	—
Tupelo — Fred Harris	17.26	—
White Lake —	—	—
Total	\$1,522.40	\$53.25
Miscellaneous	702.19	1,540.00
Grand Totals	\$332,737.79	\$18,092.73

Your Light and Your Shadow

By W. B. O'NEAL

Batesville, Arkansas

"Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven." Matthew 5:14-16.

One thing our Lord is stressing here is the importance of positioning a light. A light is to be set up. It is to be placed on. Lights are made not to be seen, but that seeing may be made possible. In order that a light may render its best service it needs to be placed so that its rays may be utilized to the best advantage.

For the traveler the light needs to cast its beams ahead and upon the roadway. For the student the light needs to shine upon the pages he ponders. A good light, well placed, may penetrate stygian darkness and lead some lost soul to find his way out.

The fact is, all would be darkness if it were not for the light. Since light is in the world, all darkness on earth is but shadow. But even every light bearer casts a shadow. As servants of our Lord we are light bearers, but we must not forget about our shadows.

Those who carry their lights low cause their own shadows to be long, ungainly and even spooky. A hunter cannot stalk his game nor a fisherman slip upon the fish if they allow their shadows to go out before them. If you go from your light your pathway will be terribly blurred by your own shadow.

A Christian just cannot win if he fails to hold his light right and does not watch out for his own shadow.

If one carries his light above and over himself he all but hides his shadow in his boots.

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Buddhist Becomes Baptist

By PERRY F. WEBB, Pastor

First Baptist Church
San Antonio, Texas

On a recent Sunday night the First Baptist Church of San Antonio, Texas, witnessed an unusual and glorious scene when Lt. Col. Jiro Ogawa of the Japanese Air Force publicly accepted Christ and was baptized. Col. Ogawa has been a Buddhist all his life. He was invited to the "International Day" luncheon in the church on a Sunday some three months ago. He was greatly impressed with all the services of the church and remarked: "I like the atmosphere of your church. It makes me feel good. I want what you have!" Up to that day he had not been interested in religion of any kind.

He, along with some 30 other Japanese officers, is stationed at the Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio in the Language School, studying English in order to more efficiently work with the American service personnel in Japan. Col. Ogawa's home is in a superb of Tokyo, where his wife and two sons now reside. He is a graduate of the Japanese Naval Academy and is now serving in the new Japanese Air Force as a Jet instructor.

Since his interest in Christianity and the Baptist faith began, he has written his wife suggesting she get a Bible and read it, which she has done. Also, he has gone to the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Nethery, members

New R. A. Program

A "Twelve Point, Five Year" Royal Ambassador program, beginning January 1, 1957, has been adopted by the State Brotherhood Secretaries' Association, according to George W. Schroeder, Executive Secretary, Brotherhood Commission, 1548 Poplar Avenue, Memphis 4, Tennessee. The first of the twelve points includes the following goals to be achieved during the five year period: 403,672 individual membership; 50,459 chapters; and 302,754 subscriptions to *Ambassador Life*, the organization's magazine. Other points of the program involve:

Informing every Brotherhood as to the purpose and program of the Order of Royal Ambassadors.

Securing a capable, efficient and trained Royal Ambassador leadership.

Intensifying the mission emphasis.

Recruiting missionaries through the Royal Ambassador program.

Developing deep convictions on the part of boys concerning personal loyalty to Christ.

Observing Royal Ambassador Focus Week effectively.

Building a greater missionary program through a continuous appraisal of the Royal Ambassador ranking system.

Recognizing the Order of Royal Ambassadors; its leadership; its membership; its achievements.

Camping — an integral phase of the Royal Ambassador program.

Promoting Christian education; encouraging Christian vocation.

Preparing our boys for military service (National Guards, Reserves, and the Armed Forces).

The "Twelve Point, Five Year" program was recommended to the State Brotherhood Secretaries' Association by the Royal Ambassador Planning Committee, consisting of Mr. Nelson F. Tull, state Brotherhood Secretary of Arkansas, Mr. Joel Ray, state Royal Ambassador Secretary of Mississippi, Mr. Guilemford Daugherty, state Royal Ambassador Secretary of South Carolina, and Mr. Edward Hurt, Jr., Associate Secretary, Brotherhood Commission.

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Brotherhood Commission, S. B. C.

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Pays to Stay Well

In 1946 it cost general hospitals \$9.39 a day for short-term care of an average patient. By 1954, the cost had risen to \$21.76, an increase of 132 per cent. In the same period the Consumer Price Index increased only 37.6 per cent. While the Consumer Index has been rising 0.5 per cent annually, the cost of caring for a patient in a hospital has been increasing by 7 per cent annually.

Does life insurance pay? Life insurance companies are paying out over \$5 billion a year in benefits to survivors — or about \$100 million a week.

of the First Baptist Church, twice a week to study hymns, and has learned about 20 hymns and choruses.

This group of officers leave San Antonio shortly for Craig Air Force Base in Montgomery, Alabama to learn to fly the latest Jet planes and then will return to Japan not only as Military leaders but as Ambassadors for Christ.

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