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'Indomitable' Baptists

THOSE of you who wait expectantly for each and every issue of our paper so that you can sit down immediately and read it from cover to cover will recall that we have already carried—in "The bookshelf"—a review of a new Doubleday book, *The Indomitable Baptists*, by O. K. and Marjorie Moore Armstrong. This is undoubtedly the best one-volume reporting of "The Baptist Story" that we have seen.

There is something exciting about the word "indomitable" as used in the title of the book. Indomitable means, the dictionary says, "incapable of being subdued; unconquerable."

That's strong language. There are 29 different national conventions of Baptists in the United States alone, with memberships totaling more than 20,000,000. Of course our own convention—Southern Baptist—is the largest with more than 11,000,000 members. But there is no way of knowing how many *indomitable* Baptists there are.

Certainly the great Baptists featured in the Armstrong book were indomitable in the best sense of the word. I am thinking particularly of three of them, who, from the human standpoint, might be regarded as the founders of Baptist denominationalism—Adoniram and Ann Hasseltine Judson, the first Baptist foreign missionaries from the United States, and Luther Rice, who wanted so much to be a foreign missionary with the Judsons but who was destined to spend his life in the homeland organizing Baptists of America to support the Judsons and other missionaries, and to establish Baptist colleges, Baptist newspapers, and develop a program of home, as well as foreign, missions.

The spirit of Judson is reflected in his personal report of his call to the Orient. He said: "Everything looked dark. No one had gone out from our country as a foreign missionary. The way was not open. I didn't know what to do. Then, with a flash, Christ's command, 'Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature' seemed to come to my heart directly from heaven. I determined on the spot to obey Jesus at all costs" [emphasis ours].

And what a price the Judsons paid in heartbreak, in physical affliction, and violent opposition. Their first child was born dead, without the services of a physician, and each of two other children died in infancy. The valiant Ann was in her own grave in a scant 12 years. And there were six long and hard years in Burma before the first convert was won to Christ.

Whatever else being an indomitable Baptist means, it would seem to mean "obeying Jesus at all costs."

Seen any *indomitable* Baptists lately—say, when you were shaving, or, if you are of the fair sex, when you were making up your face?

Eswin L. M. Donald

IN THIS ISSUE:

THE greatest single public health problem in this nation? It is cigarette smoking, says Dr. Charles A. Ross, cancer specialist. The Editor gives you further statistics and comment on page 3.

MANY of you who were privileged to attend the Siloam Springs assemblies will echo the sentiments of our correspondent from Cherry Valley, in "The People Speak," page 4. On the same page and on the same subject is a nostalgic piece by our Feminine Intuitionist Harriet Hall.

'FUNDAMENTALISTS and hillbillies, too well dressed, holding to ideas and practices of day-before-yesterday.' Are these Southern Baptists? Read the thoughtprovoking article by an American Baptist on pages 5 and 6.

FOR a spine-tingling story that you'll mull over for weeks to come, turn to page 10 and read the story of Margaret Kelley and her airline ticket.

DR. WAYNE E. Ward, professor of theology of Southern Seminary and author of our series on "Current Issues in Baptist Life," is overwhelmed by the response received from his writings. Today on page 11, he answers the question: Who is practicing scriptural baptism?

COVER story, page 4.



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Shortening life

SOMEBODY ought to write or compile a book on How to Shorten Your Life Without Trying.

You don't have to try, to go on in your customary habits. And the most of us have a few habits that are threatening.

One habit that the medical profession itself keeps waving the red flag on is the habit of smoking, particularly the smoking of cigarettes. The noted physiciancolumnist Walter C. Alvarez is among the latest to sound off on this one.

cently focused on a statement from Dr. Charles A. Ross of Roswell Park Cancer Institute in Buffalo, N. Y. Said Dr. Ross:

"Cigarette smoking is, without question, the greatest single public health problem this nation has ever faced. Hundreds of millions of dollars are spent annually to promote this health hazard."

A further quotation by Dr. Alvarez, in the same column, is of great significance. It is from Dr. E. Cuyler Hammonds, noted medical statistician:

"On the basis of death rates from all causes per 100,-000 (for men aged 45 to 64), cigarette smokers accounted for a rate of 1,329 and nonsmokers, 708. For lung cancer the rate was 87 for cigarette smokers and 11 for nonsmokers. For emphysema, it was 24 as compared with 4; and for heart disease the figures were 611 and 304."

The greatest drop in cigarette smoking is reported among physicians themselves. One poll said one in four had quit. Another said six in ten. Physicians, heal thyselves!

Cigarette smoking is something this editor can hit and hit hard. He doesn't smoke cigarettes. So do not be sur- gest, "is that state exemplifted by the individual who

But, joking aside, why don't you quit that nasty, lifeshortening habit? As much as we hate the habit, we love you and we'd like to go on having you around.

Dealing with crime

LAW enforcement is not the only means of dealing of Our Lives, says: with crime, but it is necessary, as Chief Judge J. Edward Lumbard of the U. S. Court of Appeals for 2nd Circuit said recently in an address to a bar association in New York.

"Without law enforcement which is reasonably effec-

said. But he added: "All measures which are designed to build a happier society in which more of our people can play a full and equal part serve to eradicate or reduce the causes of crime."

Guest editorial

Those that differ

GAMALIEL, the Pharisee, on behalf of the early Dr. Alvarez, in his daily column "Your Health," re- disciples said to the Council: "Refrain from these men, and let them alone: for if this counsel or this work be of men, it will come to naught: But if it be of God, ye cannot overthrow it; lest haply ye be found even to fight against God" (Acts 5:38-39).

> Here is the recognition that others may be right though they differ from the majority or from the accepted position. Southern Baptists need to guard against berating or underrating those among them who disagree lest in the ensuing years they "be found even to fight against God" who was working in the dissenting minority.-Davis C. Woolley, in an editorial in the July 1967 issue of Baptist History and Heritage, Nashville, Tenn.

Short-shots

FOR those of us over 50, being told that within the next 11 or 20 years the majority of cars will be powered with electricity is not too much to get excited about. We'd be more interested in some prospect of running retirees by electricity.

"BIGOTRY," says Cecil A. Poole in Rosicrucian Diprised if we continue to hit this more or less frequently. obstinately or intolerantly is devoted to his own fundamental belief, opinion, or association (and) is the principal factor which in the course of all history has restricted the growth of a civilization and a type of society that would promote peace, culture, and the wellbeing of man."

> Yeh, and it is just about as devastating in Baptist circles as it is in the larger society.

> RITA SNOWDEN, in the Abingdon book The Time

"Christianity refuses to be proved first, and practiced afterward: its practice and its proof go hand in hand."

Rita, we Baptists don't believe in women preaching.

WHEREVER you are, you need orientation. When tive, the great majority of our citizens will be without the tourist in Idaho asked his Indian guide. "Are we suitable protection in the enjoyment of their rights," he lost?" the guide replied: "We not lost. We here. Trail lost."

The people speak Joy at Siloam Springs

If your policy will permit it, I would like very much to take this opportunity to express the joy that I received as I worked at Siloam Springs Baptist Assembly for two weeks.

The Lord was very close to us in the camp, and I am thrilled to have been a part of the Arkansas Baptist Assembly at Siloam Springs this summer.— Reta Vaughn, Cherry Valley, Arkansas

Graham and OEO

You received recently the news story of the Baptist Press Service, reporting the very strong endorsement given OEO by Dr. Billy Graham. While the vast majority of your readers recognize Dr. Graham's expression of concern as completely impartial and non-political, a few critics of the War on Poverty have claimed that President Johnson or Sargent Shriver must have "twisted the arm" of the famous evangelist. That is simply not the case. As Dr. Graham himself stated, he has been pressured many times to support or oppose other programs, but throughout his career has refused to do so. It was Dr. Graham's objective study of the Office of Economic Opportunity, his personal observation of programs being carried on by our agency, and his deep conviction that great good is being accomplished through these efforts-these facts com-

The Cover



YOU CAN HELP... Pray for the millions of "unreachables" behind the curtains of Iron, Bamboo, and Superstition, many of whom cannot read and write, to whom the Radio and Television Commission is broadcasting the Gospel of Christ. pelled him to say it is essential to continue and expand these programs, and would be disastrous to cut or curtail them.

Thank you for sharing this clarification with your readers—DuPree Jordan, Director of Public Affairs

Bible on record

BOSTON, Mass.—A seven-line item in a column by The Christian Science Monitor featuring "Arts and Entertainment" includes this notice:

"It now is possible to hear the entire Bible on LP records. Bible Voice Corporation, in North Hollywood, Calif., announces release of the Scriptures, unabridged, on 51 extra-long-playing, 12inch records. It comes to 81 hours of listening time." (EP)

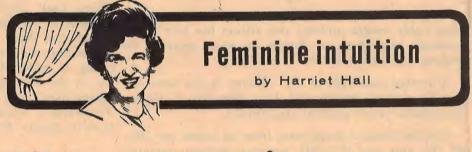
Psychiatrists' suicide

ALBANY, N. Y.—Psychiatrists commit suicide at the rate of 70 per 100,000 persons—four times that of the general white male population, according to the July 1967 newsletter of the Schizophrenia Foundation.

The report quoted a paper given at the American Psychiatric Association meeting in Detroit which was prepared by Dr. Daniel DeSole, a psychiatrist, and Samuel Aaronson.

Psychiatrist Walter Freeman blamed "this ominous state ... on the prevalent notion that only by undergoing personal psychoanalysis can a physician become a real success in psychiatry." He said some psychiatric students cannot bear "the intense emotional experience of undergoing psychoanalytic training."

He left unanswered the question of how schizophrenics and neurotics were expected to bear what many medical students could not. (EP)



Siloam memories

Recently my husband and I went over to the Siloam Assembly. After hearing a good message by Milton DuPriest some of us enjoyed fellowship and memories around the Snack Shack.

Remember the "good ole days" at Siloam when there were more paths than baths? Lawson Hatfield reminded us that some of the rules haven't changed much since the days when Dr. Williamson would remind us, "Full robes must be worn to the swimming pool; don't sit in parked cars at night;" and "lights out at 10:30 p.m." The authorities also took a dim view of barrel-rolling down the hill by the dining hall.

Remember those exciting ball games? Who could forget the political parties or the crowning of the King and Queen? But best of all was the devotional time at night when you learned that some of your good friends really did have some serious thoughts about God and life dedication.

Nancy Winburn, daughter of the beloved Dr. H. L. Winburn, taught me the words to the song "Siloam" and if my memory serves me correctly they go something like this:

"Next to my home, I love you Siloam In the land of a million smiles; We're glad to know you, And just to show you, We have come for miles and miles To see your moonlight softly falling, Your nightbirds calling, From the treetops over by the bubbling stream; Surely God in His great love Sent you down from Heav'n above; Oh, I hate to go home, Siloam, I love you."

Comments, suggestions, or questions, may be addressed to Mrs. Andrew Hall, Mt. Sequeyah Drive, Fayetteville, Ark. 72701

My Southern friend was upset. We sat in a restaurant in Detroit where the Southern Baptist Convention was meeting. He had read local newspaper reports of the doings of his fellow Southern Baptists. Some of the stories carried the image that many Northerners see: fundamentalists and hill billies, too well dressed, holding to ideas and practices of day-before-yesterday.

(Editor's note: This article first appeared in The Baptist Review, Houston, Tex., and is used by permission.—ELM)

"That is not us. Many of us are not like that at all," my friend protested. I told him that I had sat in a restaurant the previous day near three Southern Baptists. I was one of two strangers at the table. The other was a youth, perhaps twenty. They engaged him in conversation, but ignored me. Not to hear was impossible. They pressed the youth about his church affiliation, because he said he had quit going to a Southern Baptist church. He pressed them, too: "Why don't you get together with the American Baptists? What is the difference between your two (conventions, anyway? Their answer was: "American Baptists do not believe in the virgin birth, we do."

On the way out of the restaurant I introduced myself to the youth and revised the image of American Baptists: We do believe in the virgin birth. But what about you? I asked. He had just quit his work to go into the army and in his confusion he needed friends, not an argument.

My Southern Baptist friend deplored as much as I did the kind of "witness" the three Southern Baptists had given in their argument with the young man. Not all Southern Baptists are alike; nor are American Baptists cast in the same mold. Differences are great among us all. To say: "Southern Baptists practice closed communion and they reject alien immersion, while American Baptists have the opposite practices," is not true. Within both conventions there are differences in the practices of communion and baptism. There are some Southern Baptists who do not accept the historic teaching of the doctrine of the virgin birth, just as a few American Baptists do not. If we insist on finding differences between the conventions, we must look to denominational structures and to social factors.

First, the structures. In the South, either the national

BY R. DEAN GOODWIN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF COMMUNICATION AMERICAN BAPTIST CONVENTION

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convention or the state conventions "own" their colleges, theological schools, and hospitals. In the North, these Baptist institutions are related to state conventions and the national organizations, but they are not owned or controlled by them. Their boards of trustees are in part self-perpetuating, in part chosen by alumni or state conventions.

Southern Baptist publications are strong in the states, weak nationally; in the North there are two strong national publications, *Mission* and *Crusader*. Southern Baptists call those who attend the annual convention "Messengers," while in the North they are "Delegates." In each instance, the churches that send them are entitled to a certain number of delegates or messengers, depending upon the size of the church, and they vote and speak only for themselves while in annual session; they cannot bind the churches.

In the South, mission and Christian education are conducted by boards formed by the convention. In the North, the old pattern of societies is retained, because they already existed when the convention was organized in 1907. The board structure indicates a greater unity in the convention organizations than the societies do. In the South, the annual requests for funds for the boards are made to the executive committee; in the North, the appeals of the societies are in private hearings before the budget research committee. In each case, however, the annual convention votes on the budget.

Mr. Average Baptist in Atlanta and Boston, in Dallas and Denver, in Albuquerque and Seattle, knows little and cares not at all about these "differences." If he is stirred up it is because of human differences and social factors that grow out of the plantation and slavery history of the South and the industrial and "melting pot" history of the North. Therefore, we must look at the second area of differences.

Human differences take many forms. The clipped "yep" and "nope." of the old Vermonter are foreign talk to the sunwarmed, mellow-toned Georgian. There is a difference between Boston baked beans and Southern grits. Immature people can become irritated and even antagonistic simply because of such regional characteristics as these.

Then there are the diversities in the society that Northerners long ago had to learn to live with: Roman Catholic, Protestant, Jew; Negro, Oriental, white; Ukrainian, Russian, Pole, German, Puerto Rican, Italian, and others. Only a few years ago Baptist churches in Northern states worshipped in 23 languages on Sunday morning. This was an achievement of missionaries who preached the gospel to people who had no sentiment favoring the Baptist way when they came to America from Roman Catholic countries. At a typical American Baptist Convention annual meeting, the faces and the accents tell the story of faithful evangelism among Italians, Poles, Latvians, Negroes, Russians, Ukrainians, Puerto Ricans, Mexicans, Chinese, Japanese, and many others, who are completely within the American Baptist fellowship now.

How different in the South! There a white Anglo-Saxon population has been in a dominant position, with Negroes in "their place." These homogeneous white people, with a strong rural background and no mixed population in a metropolis like New York or Chicago to frustrate them, produced many large and wealthy Southern Baptist churches. With life relatively simple and with human relations well defined, a style of church life developed that was impossible to create in the great urban centers. In such a situation evangelism, for example, could take the form of the revival or "protracted" meeting, where people of like mind came together. In the rural North, this was also true. But the Southern Baptist has seldom had to face the complex life of the city, with its diverse population, its impersonal behavior, its heavy demands upon people to "get ahead." Here other forms of evangelism have had to be found by experiment. Some experiments have failed; some have succeeded; others are now being tried.

Evangelism among the diverse peoples of the North has focused on adults and the baptism of believers only. Northern Baptists are appalled at the baptism of many thousands of near-infants—six, seven, eight, and nine years of age—in Southern Baptist churches. At these ages one is not able to understand responsible relationships with God and his fellow man. When American Baptists witness to mature people, they must ask for responsible decisions that include a man's relations with his fellow man as well as with God. All in the same breath Jesus said: "If ye love me, keep my commandments" (John 14:15), and many American Baptists take that seriously in their evangelism among the adults of the North.

The president of the Southern Baptist Convention, Dr. H. Franklin Paschall, of Nashville, is among many Southern Baptists who understand the nature of evangelism in this sense. "It is time for us to break out from ourselves to live the gospel of Jesus Christ in the world," he told the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention in February. "If we are a new humanity we'll be interested in changing what is around us," he said. He called for using many forms of evangelism such as literature, radio, television, rallies, "anything, everything, that will bring a gospel impact on the people."

In programming, also, the metropolitan North requires measures different from those in the rural South. A uniform population can have a uniform program, projected from central office, such as the Baptist Jubilee Advance or the Crusade of the Americas. The diverse church groups of the North, with many national, racial, and even religious antecedents, and with a great variety of problems facing them, cannot all fit the same mold. Therefore, American Baptists are attempting to get away from the type of programming that projects from a central office a standard program for every church.

Instead, the effort is to help each church release the power of the Holy Spirit in its fellowship, and to build a program that meets the needs of its own community. Therefore it is not a rejection of evangelism to refuse to go into the Crusade of the Americas; rather, it is a recognition that the Holy Spirit in American Baptist churches must not be put into a form that is predetermined by a program-planning group at national offices in Valley Forge, Pa.

Southern Baptists, also, are beginning to have the problems of diversity that are known in the North, both because of industrialization of the South and because of the moving of Southern Baptist churches into the industrial North. During the generation that the rural memories, remain with them, in Detroit, for example, they can use the old methods of the South. But the generation that follows will of necessity face the problems American Baptists face, and will no doubt move toward similar solutions.

The nature of church life in the diversified North, with many denominations and wide-spread social ills to face together, has brought the churches together in the ecumenical movement. American Baptists know that they cannot and should not "go it alone." Therefore they have gone into the National Council of Churches and the World Council of Churches, as well as the Baptist World Alliance. They know that many Southern Baptists want also to be in the ecumenical movement, and that all Southern Baptists actually benefit from it.

There are differences among Baptists; differences ranging from dialect to doctrine. But when we are most "Baptist," we are most ready to have fellowship with people who are unlike us at least in some measure. Differences are not the end of fellowship; they are the beginning of it. In Christ each one of us must develop according to the leading of the Holy Spirit. The creative spirit of God does not turn out uniform, assembly-line products; it works, rather, on the principle of strength in diversity. And then God puts love into our hearts, so we can live in harmony.

Arkansas all over

Medley to be ordained

David Medley-will be ordained to the ministry by Pike Avenue Church, North Little Rock, Aug 13. Deacons will constitute the ordaining council.

Mr. Medley is pastor of New Home Church, Nashville, and will graduate from Ouachita University Aug. 13. His wife is the former Miss Virginia Dixon, a member of Pike Avenue Church. They leave Aug. 21 to enroll in Southwestern Seminary.

Miss Sharon Evans, Danny Duke cited

Sunday, July 21, Pastor Alvin Pitt, Baring Cross Church, North Little Rock. congratulated two young members from the pulpit. One was Miss Sharon Evans, who had just been crowned Miss Arkansas. The second was Danny Duke, North Little Rock High School, who has been chosen as one of the 100 best football backs in the nation. He is the son of Alderman Paul Duke.



OFF TO CAMP—A busload from the Arkansas Baptist Home for Children at Monticello arrives at Siloam Springs Assembly. Three counselors accompanied the 26 children. The annual trip is financed by individuals and groups through the camp fund. On the return trip each year, First Church, Waldron, Truman Spurgin, pastor, provides lunch and other refreshments. The outing was initiated by the late Miss Mollie E. Center, an ardent supporter of the Home.



ARKANSANS AT GLORIETA—Attending the third Sunday School week at Glorieta, N. M., Assembly July 6-12 were: (Row 1) Jimmie Williams, Robbye McKee, Katy McKee, David Humphrey, Richie Craft, Bruce Stuckey, Mrs. Georgia Lou Lowry; (Row 2) Mrs. Wayne Williams, Mike Stuckey, Jeff Williams; (Row 3) Mrs. Lela Jacobs, Mrs. Tom Craft, Mrs. Robert Stuckey, James E. Humphrey, Mrs. J. E. Humphrey;

(Row 4) Mrs. W. J. Waymack, Mrs. R. W. McGough, Mrs. C. T. Hinshaw, Robert Stuckey, Mrs. Bob McKee, Mrs. Gerald Reed; (Row 5) W. J. Waymack, Mrs. J. C. Myers, Linda Higginbotham, Tom Craft, Mrs. Evelyn Pace, Bob McKee; (Row 6) Rev. J. C. Myers, Judy Ann Myers, Wayne Williams, Harold Vernon.

About people-

Named department head

Walter Allen Powell, formerly chairman of the English department at Wingate College, N. C., has been named chairman of the department of English at Ouachita University.

Powell, who will join the Ouachita staff in September, has been a graduate teaching assistant at the University of South Carolina since 1965, and holds a master-of-arts degree from the University of Mississippi.

In addition to his duties as professor and department chairman at Wingate College, Powell served as a graduate teaching assistant at the University of Mississippi.

He is the author of A Case for the Open Book Test, and A Three-fold Approach to the Novel, and is a member of the North Carolina-Virginia English Association, the National Education Association and the English Conference of the NCEA.

Fortner accepts call

Tom Fortner has accepted the pastorate of Woodland Corner Church. He previously served two churches in Mississippi County, Rosa of Luxora and West Ridge. He is a student at Southern College, Walnut Ridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Fortner and their threeyear-old son are occupying the new pastorium.

On TU staff

NASHVILLE—Harold Bergen, former pastor of First English Church, Frostburg, Md., has joined the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention as family ministry consulant in the Training Union department. A native of Nebraska, Bergen received his bachelor and master-of-arts degrees from Bob Jones University in South Carolina and a master-of-religious-education degree from Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth. (BP)

Deaths-

RALPH G. VERSER, 75, McGehee, board chairman of the McGehee Bank, July 24. He formerly operated City Drug Store there and later became coowner and co-operator of Reliable Pharmacy.

Mr. Verser was a member of First Church and the Central Democratic Committee. He served on the McGehee School Board for several years.



BIRTHDAY SURPRISE-Fred W. Parris (right), Little Rock civic leader, was 79 years old July 20, and his friends gave a surprise party for him in the community room of the Pulaski Heights Bank. On behalf of the guests, F. U. Andres presented a color television to Mr. Parris. A retired insurance executive, Parris was an alderman on the old Little Rock City Council. He has served on the Little Rock Housing Authority Board of Commissioners since 1958, and has been its chairman since 1963. He is a member of Pulaski Heights Church, and was active in the gambling battle through Churches United Against Gambling. (Arkansas Gazette photo)

Stanfill pastor resigns

Rev. Glen Smith has resigned as pastor of Stanfill Church, North Little Rock, effective Aug. 13, and has announced that he is open for a pastorate or pulpit supply.

Mr. Smith, sales manager of Acme Laundry and Cleaners, has served in rural churches in the Little Rock area since his ordination in 1954 by Pike Avenue Church, North Little Rock. He has just completed a three-year pastorate at Stanfill Church.

The Smiths have a son, Dan, who is a senior at Ouachita University and pastor of South Side Mission, a mission of Baring Cross Church, North Little Rock.

The Smiths make their home at 524 West 4th Street, North Little Rock.

Fetters At Monte Ne

Bill Fetters, former Missouri pastor, has begun his ministry with Monte Ne Church.

Crosby to Texas

E. L. Crosby Jr., has resigned as assistant to the pastor of First Church, Warren, to accept a call as minister of music and education at Central Church, Carthage, Tex., Aug. 7.

Mr. Crosby has been in Warren since 1964, assisting the pastor in the ministry of music, education, youth and administration. He was also active in the YMCA and in private and public school music education, youth and administration. He was also active in the YMCA and in private and public school music programs. Mrs. Crosby taught elementary school classes.

Bailey E. Smith is pastor at Warren.

Blankenship is pastor

Jim Blankenship has accepted the pastorate of Crystal Hill Church, Route 1, Little Rock, and will be on the field late in August. Mr. and Mrs. Blankenship and two children are moving from Hot Springs.

On Ridgecrest faculty

James B. Johnson, minister of education, First Church, Pine Bluff, served on the Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly faculty during the first Training Union Week, July 5-12. Mr. Johnson taught a class of Young People using the guidebook, A Church Training Young People, by Carter. More than 3,500 intermediates and young people attended the week's activities.

Ordain Ballentine

Tom E. Ballentine, pastor, was ordained by Sulphur Springs Church, Caddo River Association, July 23.

Herman H. Ballentine, pastor, Bluffton, and father of the candidate, delivered the sermon. Others participating were Charley Hughes, Edsel Kiser and William E. Woodson, missionary.

Revivals

Hot Springs Antioch, July 9-16; Jesse S. Reed, director of Evangelism, Arkansas State Convention evangelist; Clarence Shackelford, song director; 13 for baptism; 1 by letter; 1 by statement; Johnny Irish, pastor.

El Dorado Caledonia, in progress through Aug. 6; Dale Bowen, BSU director, Eastern Oklahoma State College, evangelist; Sam Whitlow, music director, Westside Church, El Dorado, song leader; Hugh Nelson, pastor.

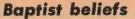


Mrs. Mowrey

Mrs. Mowrey named

Mrs. Frances T. Mowrey, daughter of the former Brotherhood secretary for Arkansas State Convention Nelson Tull, and Mrs. Tull, has recently been named vice president of Guaranty Bond and Securities Corporation, with home offices in Nashville, Tenn.

Mrs. Mowrey has been with the organization—an underwriting corporation specializing in religious institutional finance—for six years. Mrs. Mowrey is married to John E Mowrey, formerly of Ft Smith, marketing staff Supervisor, Southern Bell Telephone Company, Nashville.



Blessed the pure in heart

BY HERSCHEL H. HOBBS

Pastor, First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, past president, Southern Baptist Convention

SEVENTH IN SERIES ON BEATITUDES

"Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God" (Matt. 5:8).

This Beatitude expresses the relationship between the kingdom citizen and the King which gives to him unbroken access to the King. It is suggestive of prayer and communion.

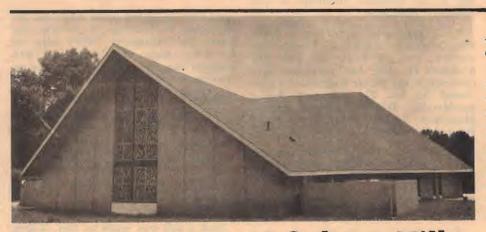
The word for "pure" means "unmixed, unadulterated, without alloy." It is pure gold without alloy. Applied to the heart it means a heart with unmixed motives, one that is loyal under all circumstances. Thus the Christian should serve God with a pure heart, one that can be trusted at all times. He is completely devoted to his King. He serves only God, not mammon (cf. Matt. 6:24). No evil comes between the soul and the Saviour. So such a person "shall see God."

This figure is drawn from the Oriental court where the king lived in seclusion. The only intercourse with him was through a trusted official, one who was pure in heart in his love and loyalty to his king. This official could approach the king at all times, not only for his own benefit but for the benefit of others.

So the Christian who is pure in heart has constant access to the presence of his King. Thus he can present his own petitions as well as those on behalf of others. He has this access because God knows that his will is God's will. His motives are unmixed or unadulterated with selfish purposes or self-will. He does only that which is pleasing to and for the benefit of his King.

Of course, such a condition and access are possible only through Christ (cf. Heb. 4:15f.). Through complete self-surrender he is not only cleansed from sin but he is molded into an instrument for God's service. He is trustworthy because he has trusted in Christ as his Lord and Saviour.

He is therefore "blessed." He contains within himself by God's grace that which gives him access to God in whom he finds all that is necessary for a rich, complete life.



New sanctuary at Sylvan Hills

Sylvan Hills First Church dedicated a new sanctuary July 30. Dr. Sam C. Reeves, pastor, First Church, Arkadelphia, preached the dedication service. Music was directed by the music director, Alden A. Peterson.

Furnishings for the new building include a new organ and grand piano which will be used in concert and with the church choir. A brass ensemble was heard on the program. The church instrumentalists are Mrs. Tom Browning and Miss Mary Jane Martin.

Former pastors of the church participated. Rev. Edwin Hinkson, who acknowledged his call to the ministry

From the churches

while a member at Sylvan Hills First Church read the scripture lesson.

The new building is the second sanctuary built by the congregation since the church moved to its present site in 1941. The original sanctuary was enlarged in 1946 and again in 1955. The planning for the new sanctuary began in 1960 when the church embarked on a ten-year program of modernization and expansion. Three units of expansion were planned. The first unit was an educational building completed in 1961. The new sanctuary is the second unit of this plan and additional educational and worship space is planned for a future date.

Members of the building and planning committee are: Earl Sorrels, chairman, H. B. Anderson, Mrs. Robert Baker, Joe Boerner, J. D. Crockett, Dwight Cummings, Mrs. James Flack, Paul Harrell, John Martin Jr. and Gorman Robinson.

George E. Pirtle Jr. is pastor.

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Southern Baptist datelines-



UNUSED PLANE TICKET THAT SAVED A LIFE: Margaret Kelley and her father, Dr. Page Kelley, look at a ticket for the ill-fated Piedmont Airlines Flight No. 22 which orashed near Hendersonville, N. C., recently. Margaret, who had attended Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, was planning to take the flight, but changed her mind and caught an earlier plane on a reduced-fare card instead.

Baptist girl passes fated flight

BY JIM FELLOWS STAFF WRITER, THE NEWS, FREDRICK, MD.

[EDITOR'S NOTE: The following story was adapted from The News (daily newspaper published in Frederick, Md.) and syndicated by the Baptist Press with permission.]

A \$3 youth fare card played a crucial role in the life of a 15-year-old Baptist girl from Louisville, Ky.

Margaret Kelley, the daughter of a professor at Southern Seminary, Louisville, still has her ticket for Piedmont Airlines Flight 22 from Asheville, N. C., to Washington, D. C., the illfated flight which ended in fiery collision over the Blue Ridge foothills of Western North Carolina near Hendersonville.

After attending Training Union youth week at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly in Ridgecrest, N. C., Margaret was scheduled to fly to National Airport in Washington where she was to meet her father and go on by car to Hood College, near Frederick, Md.

Her father and mother, Dr. and Mrs. Page H. Kelley, and the rest of the family was already at Hood College for the Maryland Baptist Assembly. Kelley is an associate professor at the Southern Seminary.

While waiting at the airport in Asheville, Margaret decided to forsake her reserved seat on Flight 22 and take a chance on using her new youth fare card which her father had recently purchased for her. The card gave her a considerable discount on the cost of plane fare, but she would have to wait for a seat until there was an opening.

Margaret was lucky that morning. She managed to get a seat on a United Airlines flight to Washington. She got a seat so quickly that she forgot to cancel her reservation on ill-fated Flight 22.

Kelley left Frederick that day after the noon proceedings of the assembly. He was driving along U. S. 70S, about halfway to Washington, when the 2 p.m. news announced the midair collision, and that there were no survivors among the 82 persons in the two planes.

"I was so shaken at first I sort of just wandered," he said. "I got so lost that I didn't even get to the airport until about 4:30." Mrs. Kelley added that later he told her that at the moment he prayed that he would give up "everything in the world, if only Margaret could somehow be saved."

"I knew there could be no mistake," he said. "I kept remembering that I had bought the ticket myself to assure her a quick trip here with no waiting."

One of Kelley's other two daughters, Judy, 11, was riding with her father. "She heard the news and she knew," he explained.

"I really didn't know what to do," he continued. "I went to the Piedmont ticket window, just to check." There he was politely told that his daughter's reservation had not been cancelled, and that it appeared that she had been on the jet.

The receptionist made several calls, just in case, and Kelley and his daughter were taken aside and offered refreshments.

Routine checks to several airlines brought no relief. Margaret had boarded under the "available space" plan and had not been registered in advance.

Another call from the receptionist paged Margaret over the airport's loudspeaker system, just in case.

Kelley said he remembers the next moment distinctly. "The Piedmont receptionist's phone rang. She answered it and dropped the phone."

"Dr. Kelley, your daughter wasn't on the plane," she exclaimed.

At first he didn't know what the receptionist was saying. "I thought she meant that Margaret hadn't been on any other plane except the jet." She repeated her message, this time saying "She wasn't on our plane."

Then Margaret, in another part of the terminal, answered the page and talked to her father over a phone.

"I didn't know what was wrong," explained Margaret. "I was worried because I hadn't cancelled my ticket. I felt sort of funny when Dad said that the plane I should have been on had crashed."

Soon a call was made to Mrs. Kelley at Hood College, explaining there "had been a plane crash, but that Margaret was all right."

"I wasn't sure until she walked in the door; I thought they had prepared me for the worst," said Mrs. Kelley.

Margaret's little sisters, Judy, 11, and Mary, 7, added, "Later Daddy remembered it was his birthday and he said 'What a birthday present'"

Current issues in Baptist life

Oldest active SS teacher sought

NASHVILLE—The name of the oldgest active Sunday School teacher in a Baptist church is being sought by the Sunday School Board.

Information is available on one teacher who is 90 years of age and has been teaching continuously for 62 years.

Anyone who knows of someone who is older and has a longer record of continuous teaching experience, may write the Office of Public Relations, Baptist Sunday School Board, 127 Ninth Ave., N., Nashville, Tenn. 37203.

Include the person's name and address, length of service and place of church membership.

Indiana adopts budget

INDIANAPOLIS, In d.—The Executive Board of the State Convention of Baptists in Indiana voted to recommend a half-million-dollar budget for 1968 and approved the charter for the Baptist Foundation of Indiana during its quarterly meeting here.

The board also approved the state convention's participation in the Crusade of the Americas and voted to purchase an additional 56 acres of land adjoining the present 280-acre convention encampment under development near Monrovia, Ind., 25 miles southwest of Indianapolis.

The 1968 budget, which will be considered by the state convention in New Albany, Ind., on Nov. 2-4, totals \$533,-053 including an anticipated \$329,000 from Indiana Baptist church Cooperative Program contributions. The remainder will come from Southern Baptist Convention agencies and miscellaneous items.

The budget committee had recommended a state Cooperative Program goal of \$309,000, but an additional \$20,-000 was added to support the 1969 Crusade of the Americas after discussion and prayer.

The percentage of the state funds going to the Southern Baptist Convention Cooperative Program was increased from 27 per cent to 27.4 per cent.

The board accepted the resignation of Miss Martha Fellows as state Woman's Missionary Union secretary. The resignation is effective Nov. 15. She plans to marry Nov. 30. (BP)

Texan on staff

ATLANTA—The Southern Baptist Home Mission Board here has elected a Dallas native as an associate secretary in the board's metropolitan missions department to assist in the continuation of mission emphases in U. S. cities. Frank Russell Bennett Jr., 37, pastor of Latonia Church, Covington, Ky., will assume the new position Aug. 1. (BP)

Practicing scriptural baptism?

BY WAYNE E. WARD, PROFESSOR OF THEOLOGY SOUTHERN SEMINARY, LOUISVILLE, KY.

The overwhelming response in mail, telephone calls and even editorial comments has made it impossible for me to answer everyone in a personal letter. Almost all the comments have been positive and encouraging. However, my remark that some people besides Baptists are practicing scriptural baptism has brought several letters of sharp disagreement. I welcome this because I am just one man trying to apply the New Testament to a confused world, and I know that I can often be wrong. In any case, some discussion of differing viewpoints can clarify the whole question and help people to make up their own minds about the truth.

A few people have said, "Don't you know that there is only one true church, the Baptist, with an unbroken institutional connection from the time of Jesus to the present day? And don't you know that Jesus gave the authority to this church to perform baptism?"

In response to this, I can only say that I believe with all my heart that there have always been genuine born-again Christians, baptized in Jesus' name, and gathered into the fellowship of New Testament churches. I believe that Jesus promised this, that the power of the Holy Spirit guarantees it, and that the evidence of nearly 2,000 years of history confirms it.

However, I know that these groups of Christians went by many different names and that there is no institutional or organic connection between most of them. They were simply called into being by the redeeming power of God and guided by the New Testament in their practices. None of them was perfect; in some ways all of them fell short of perfect obedience to the New Testament, just as we do today! Sometimes they were groups of believers that formed inside of the great "state church." Some of them came out and took new names—others stayed in the older, organized churches and tried to be the leaven which would permeate the whole lump.

The authority for all Christian acts resides in Jesus Christ, but it is true that he commanded his disciples to go forth and make other disciples, baptize them, and teach them (Matt. 28:19, 20). Wherever these genuine disciples of Jesus are gathered together in fellowship with him, carrying out his commands there is a New Testament church. And when they are practicing baptism according to the example and commandment of Jesus, we had better examine it carefully before we reject it. To repudiate as invalid what Jesus has made holy would be blasphemy.

New Testament baptism is the immersion in water of a regenerated Christian believer, upon the authority of Jesus Christ exercised through a genuine New Testament church, to show forth the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ, and the believer's own death to an old nature and resurrection to walk in a new life (Romans 6:1-4). Although some Baptists do not agree with this, I think it is absolutely important that the public interpretation of the meaning of baptism by the church which performs it must be consistent with the New Testament or it is not scriptural baptism. This is because baptism is a public declaration, as well as a personal experience. If the public interpretation contradicts the New Testament, we would be undermining the true meaning of baptism by receiving it.

'Two or three people have said to me, "I dare you! Just name one group besides Baptists which is practicing scriptural baptism!" In response, let me say that I have found hundreds of Baptist churches who receive sprinkling, different kinds of immersion, or no baptism at all. Many of them are Southern Baptist.

I have found many Independent, or Bible churches which are much more consistent in following the New Testament than many Baptist churches. The churches of the Brethren are often more faithful to New Testament baptism than some Baptists have been. They simply will not receive a person until there is clear evidence of conversion, a radiant testimony of salvation, and a disciplined life.

By comparison, many Baptist churches could not even be considered disciplined New Testament churches at all! And there are churches in many other denominations which are more faithful to scriptural baptism than many of our Baptist churches. Remember, the church is not the denomination, but the real New Testament congregation of believers.

The point is—you cannot go by the Baptist name or any other denominational name. We must examine carefully the experience and background of people who come to us and determine whether they are truly regenerated and scripturally baptized before we receive them.

Your state convention at work-



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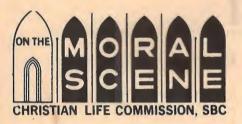
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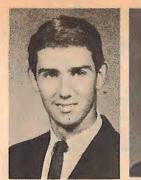
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. . It may come as a shock to learn that much of the modern world still lives with a controlled press and freedom of the press exists in fewer than half of the nations of the earth, but that is the fact. The University of Missouri has proved it in a survey of 450 news men, broadcasters, and journalism educators. The study con-cludes that there is an extremely close relationship between political democracy and press freedom. Where there are dictators, particularly where there is communism, there is more likely to be a completely controlled press with no independence or critical ability. The best region in the world is the Western Hemisphere, where 96 percent of the population enjoys varying degrees of a free press. The most oppressive is the Middle East, where 72 percent of the population suffers a controlled press.

... A lady shopper who dashes to the store to pick up an advertised special isn't likely to stop her spending with the special. The American Newspaper Publishers Association says for every dollar she spends on an advertised bargain, she will pay another 60c for something that hits her eye once the store has her inside.

...Only one execution was reported in the United States during 1966, according to a preliminary report from the Bureau of Prisons. Although 366 people were under death sentence last October, including one woman, only an Oklahoma prisoner was executed. While only thirteen states have abolished the death penalty, the other states have not executed a criminal in years. The federal government has not executed anyone since 1963.



BILLY CRUMPLER, OBU, DAN ROBINSON, TECH, AUSTRIA SEATTLE

From Austria, the West

Bill Crumpler of Camden and Ouachita University is a German and English major. He is putting his German to work as a summer missionary to Austria. Following is a letter concerning his work:

"'Gunsmoke' was on and two grimylooking prospectors rode up to Marshall Dillon, brushed the Kansas dust off their tattered western duds and called out in a gruff voice, 'Guten Morgen.' I saw this in Salzburg, Austria, where for the next few weeks I'll be working as a summer missionary.

"Our first three weeks were spent in Germany working in the English speaking churches. We helped with Bible schools, promoted better German-American relations with the young people, and led a revival in Munich. The people 'back in the states' don't really know the need here. In the Kaiserslautern area alone, there are around 40,000 Americans-most of whom do not attend church.

"The next week we attended the Ridgecrest-Glorieta of Baptist Europe, Interlaken, Switzerland. Rev. J. P. Allen of Ft. Worth was a very inspiring speaker.

"Our work in Salzburg is different from back home. The Baptists are scorned as a minority group. There is no such thing as Sunday School, Training Union, Wednesday night prayer meeting, etc. We have an English speaking mission sponsored in part by the Austrian Baptist Church which is sponsored in part by the Southern Baptist Convention. Our main work is with the German speaking Austrian young people. Help us here in Austria by praying for us.

Dan Robinson of Blytheville and Arkansas Tech is the state BSU president. He is serving as a youth director in Bothell, Wash., under the summer missions program of the Student Department. Here is a report of his work.

"We really had a great time on our retreat. We slept in tents and cooked outdoors, hiked, swam, and had good periods of devotion. In all it was so good that most of us didn't want to come back.

Beacon lights of Baptist history

To sing or not to sing

BY BERNES K. SELPH, TH.D. PASTOR, FIRST CHURCH, BENTON

Benjamin Keach, pastor of the church at Horsley Down, Southwark, England, is credited with introducing hymn-singing into Baptist churches. But not without controversy.

Keach, himself, was a song writer. He published hymns for children in 1664. In 1691 his book of 300 hymns, called Spiritual Melody, was published. Two years later, a group of 22 members pulled out of his church and sought membership in the Bagnio church under Robert Steed, where hymn singing was not conducted.

Modern critics would say many of his hymns were little more than doggerel. But the quality of the hymns was not the issue. The principle of hymnsinging as distinct from singing scriptural psalms was the real issue. First introduced at communion service the idea spread rapidly and became a part of the regular service, though vigorously attacked.

In the same year Keach's hymnal came he wrote an apologia for his practice, entitled The Breach Repaired in God's Worship. In this, he elevated the practice of hymn singing to the sacred truth of the gospel. He coupled the neglect of singing with that of the ministry as two chief causes of their spiritual poverty.

A favorite proof text of his was Exodus 33:18, "the noise of them that sing do I hear." He reasoned that one man's voice could not have made such a noise, therefore singing must have been congregational. It bothered him little when his enemies gleefully pointed out that the congregation he mentioned in Exodus was singing to the golden calf.

Pastor Steed answered Keach by publishing An Epistle . . . Concerning Singing in 1961. He denounced singing on the following grounds:

1. He reasoned that singing by a set form was an invention of man, and was of the same quality, if not worse, than common set forms of prayer, or even infant sprinkling.

2. It was artificial and alien to the free motions of the Holy Spirit. To have true and spontaneous songs one must have more of the Holy Spirit.

3. As to argument of music in the Old Testament, that was done away in Christ.

4. Some cannot sing, not having tunable voices. Besides, women ought to keep silence in churches.

One cannot help but admire the ingenuity of these men's arguments, but there is little sympathy for them today. Gospel singing is not an ordinance, which, if neglected, will damn one, nor is it a device of the devil. It is of practical use in worship and that settles the matter. Religious experience has proven its worth.

"We met some other teenage boys camping there. Three of them claimed either agnosticism or atheism. Two others didn't think about it much one way or the other. I was real proud of the way our young people witnessed to those boys. As a result, one of the boys was won to Christ. The three agnostics were definitely interested because they came to both services Sunday.

"We put on the 'Challenge of the cross' Sunday night. The young people did a good job. We may take it to Youth Week at Mt. Baker next month.

"Wednesday and Thursday of this week have been work days at the church. We have been doing a lot of painting and yard work. I wouldn't make so much mention of this, but there is one boy who is working who isn't a Christian. Up until our retreat he hadn't even been to church for quite awhile. I hope that he comes to know Christ through our witness."



Junior Music Camp leaders

About 400 Juniors and 75 adults are expected to converge on the campus at Ouachita University and First Church, Arkadelphia, next Monday for the annual State Junior Music Camp. Camp opens with the evening meal on Monday and closes following the concert at 1:30 p.m. Thursday. This year's

major cantata will be directed by Mrs. Berta Sue Wilhelm. Mrs. Wilhelm is the junior choir director at Eudora Church, Memphis, and has been a favorite festival director for Arkansas Baptists in recent years. In addition to directing the cantata choir,



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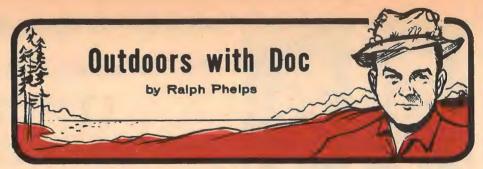
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Juniors will be available in the two leadership classes. Rev. Lawson Hatfield, secretary of the Sunday school Department for Arkansas Baptists, will serve as Junior Camp pastor. Mr. Hatfield is a favorite among young people in



Arkansas and music LAWSON HATFIELD campers will enjoy his wit, enthusiasm, and Christian leadership.

In addition to the choir periods, the Juniors will have classes in music theory, using the flutophone method, and classes in creative hymn studies. Faculty for these classes will be music leaders from around the state. Farland Bottoms will be in charge of recreation and Morris Ratley will direct the nightly fellowship periods. Parents of campers as well as visitors are invited to the camp concert in the sanctuary of First Church, Arkadelphia, at 1:30 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 10.—Eleanor A. Harwell, Associate



Wherein the Doc is took

As a group, fishermen are probably the easiest people in the world to con into something. They buy baits, make trips and follow new techniques in as gullible a manner as anyone has demonstrated since Chicken Little believed the sky had fallen on him.

Nobody, however, has been worse "took" than Wimpy Hendricks of Arkadelphia was recently by Doc. It was all unintentional, but this columnist will never hear the end of it this side of glory—and may find the angels guffawing at the Pearly Gates.

The "happening" had its beginning last fall during bird season when Paul Cox, a rancher living west of town, told Doc about a stock pond on his place, which hole was never fished and was filled with lunker bass. The information had been filed for reference along with other vital data such as the speed of light and the length of the Aswan Dam.

After work one evening Doc, in conspiratorial tones, shared this choice morsel with old Wimp. The two slipped quietly out of town, wondering if their catch might break a state record.

After an hour of hard fishing during which neither angler got so much as a nudge at a wide variety of lures, the two gave up in disgust. Obviously, it was one of those days when the fish had lockjaw.

Since there was still some daylight left and only 15 miles separated them from home, the fishermen decided to go by Paul's house and shoot the breeze a bit. This they did, mentioning that they had tried for his big bass but had found them uncooperative.

"You didn't fish the pond!" Paul exclaimed. "Man, I drained that place and seined the mud in the bottom a month or so ago. There isn't a fish of any kind there!"

As we drove back to Arkadelphia, Wimpy made some smart-aleck remark about how we could have fished in the bathtub at home and saved a lot of driving. For once, Doc couldn't think of a reply.

The daunted duo from Ouachita were not the only ones who got conned, though. Paul said that when he and his neighbors pumped the pond dry and then seined the foot-deep mud on the bottom, there were seven pirkups backed up to load up with lunkers. A community fish fry was planned afterward, but somehow it didn't materialize. The total bass crop in the pond was two fish—a five-pounder and one weighing just over a pound. To add insult to injury, it rained hard during the operation and made the job of pumping and seining doubly difficult.

Like we said, fishermen are easily conned.

Offer church to Catholics

HEBER SPRINGS, Ark.—Weekly Masses are being offered here in a Presbyterian church by a Roman Catholic priest whose congregation has no building.

Father Edward E. Simpson, pastor of the St. James church in Searcy, was invited by the Rev. Fleet G. Cook, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, to use his church for Sunday Mass. Both the Session and the Diaconate of the Presbyterian church endorsed the invitation as an act of kindness to Catholic neighbors who have no permanent place in which to worship. (EP)

Associate chosen

ATLANTA—Charles C. Duncan, pastor of First Church, McCaysville, Ga., for the past 10 years, has been named an associate executive secretary of the Georgia Baptist Foundation, Inc. (BP)

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Hughes Lambrook	2,400.00 826.68	1,749.77 61.94	Siloam Springs 1st 5,861.18	2,541.48	South Side, Lead	60.00		Midway Morrow	17.50 9.66	4.25 47.22
Lexa	605.08	440.29	Sugar Creek 128.03	20.91	Union	65.04	88.65	Morton	15.00	
Marianna 1st Marvell	4,800.00 1,178.19	1,205.16 728.68	Sulphur Springs 1st 107.72	44.50	Valley Springs Western Grove	27.00 34.48	******	Mt. Hebron Pangburn	70.67 157.06	25.00 68.92
Monroe	160.24	15.55	Sunny Side 491.89	218.96	Woodland Height	ts, Harrison	##******	Patterson	82.85	
Moro North Side, I	889.74 Jolenny 15.00	253.84	Trinity, Rogers 56.26 Twelve Corners 29.45	4.75 87.45	Total	228.20	89.70 4,689.88	Pleasant Grove Pleasant Valley	55.74 80.00	46.10
Pettys Chapel			Park Street Mission 30.00	56.99	BU	12,854.16 CKNER		Raynor Grove Rocky Point	67.00	
Rehobeth Snow Lake	16.00		Total 80,708.21 BIG CREEK	18,416.57	Abbott Bates	81.67 24.65	19.25	Rocky Point Rose Bud	24.00 140.00	8.00
Turner	640.84		County Line 24.00		Calvary, Waldron		**** ***	Royal Hill	**** * *	
West Helena West Helena	7,879.82	2,243,16 624,45	Elizabeth 12.00		Cauthron	*******		Searcy 1st Searcy 2nd	5,866.85 150.00	2,137.11 268.50
Total	34,308.80	11,956.13	Enterprise 50.73 Flora		Cedar Creek Clarks Chapel	80.00	*******	Temple, Searcy	377.23	100.00
	ASHLEY		Gum Springs 18.00	08.10	Dayton	58.60		Trinity, Searcy	432.17	190.00
Calvary, Crosse Corinth A	363.81	191.00	Hardy 235.02 Mammoth Spring 214.45	98.10 188.47	Denton Evening Shade	265.88	*******	Tupelo Union Valley	120.00 27.60	184.90 25.00
Crossett 1st	12,528.48	1,980.45	Mt. Calm		Fellowship	849.96	302.06	West Point	58.51	
Crossett 2nd Eden	108.85 15.00		Mt. Zion 27.75 Saddle		Hartford 1st Haw Creek	561.95 144.78	882.20	White Lake Total	42.81 15,720.89	10,286.58
Fellowship	275.00	63.04	Salem 170.00	78.25	Hon	58.50		(CAREY	
Fountain Hill Gardner	585.60 922.85	917.50 25.00	Spring River 125.00 Viola 60.00	6.00 185.85	Huntington	192.03 83.49	45.25	Bearden 1st Bethesda	719.58	207.31 15.00
Hamburg 1st	5,638.65	991.78	Total 936.95	506.67	James Fork	162.21	162.10	Calvary, Camde		307.00
Jarvis Chapel Magnolia	60.00 165.81	265.95	Alicia BLACK RIVER 134,50	75.00	Long Ridge Mansfield	16.70 1.556.18	16.70 260.91	Dalark Eagle Mills	65,69	
Martinville			Amagon 80.00		Midland	847.52		Faith	266.00	24.00
Meridian Mt. Olive	38.00 1,646.05	685.91	Banks Black Rock 458.10	189.35	New Home New Providence	. 48.80		Fordyce 1st Hampton	8,109.81 1,506.84	5,401.88 356.73
Mt. Pleasant	37.42	48.90	Campbell Station		Parks	120.89	*******	Harmony, Thor	nton 8.00	25.00
North Crosset	694.96 25.00	454.96	Clear Springs College City 726.80	661.17	Pleasant Grove	No. 2 42.00	7.25	Manning New Hope	80.84 198.47	21.00 21.78
Shiloh	178.70	336.13	Diaz 205.00	125.00	Pleasant Grove		1140	Ouachita	48.00	15.00
Temple, Cross Unity	ett 1,656.10	848.90	Grubbs 89.88 Horseshoe	142.85	Rock Creek	40.98	&d	Prosperity Shady Grove_	96.87 60.00	18.07
Total	24,880.28	6,804.52	Hoxie 390.00	150.00	Shiloh		*****	South Side, For	dyce 77.50	77.50
Antioch	THOLOMEW		Imboden 781.24 Immanuel, Newport	385.44	Temple, Waldron Union Hope	n 236.25 5.00	82.00	Sparkman Thornton	1,767.79 379.70	708.28 82.50
Cominto	12.00	(11) 0000	484.75	848.26	Waldron 1st	6,165.38	1,086.02	Tinsman	60.00	
Corinth B Eagle Lake	\$5.00		Jacksonport 65.49 Murphys Corner	29.05	West Hartford Winfield	185.35 95.04	288.60	Tulip Memoria Willow	46.83 18.00	6.99 53.09
Ebenezer	842.85	145.75	New Hope No. 1 164.71	74.81	Total	10,858.85	2,602.34	Total	13,834.42	7,386,08
Enon Florence	154.48 86.00	*******	New Hope No 2 58.00 Newport 1st 4,777.49	25.00 1,857.12	Cedar Glades	36.69		Austin Station	ROLINE 886.24	211.68
Hermitage	889.88	48.86	Old Walnut Ridge 87.01	62.00	Mt. Tabor	46.18	e seerer gradioten	Baughs Chapel	444.59	
Immanuel, We	1,775.08	1,570.02	Pitts 10.86 Pleasant Ridge		Mountain Valle Rock Springs	y 82.00 107.05	********	Biscoe Brownsville	287.35 25.00	168.41 91.21
Ladelle		1,010.02	Pleasant Valley 5.41		Total	271.87		Cabot 1st	8,457.91	884.19
Macedonia Marsden	60.00 4.00		Ravenden 74.78 Sedgwick 88.00	25.65	Amity	DO RIVER 130.14	119.00	Caney Creek Carlisle	481.80 3,669.78	909.71
Monticello 1st	3,496.34	1,958.84	Smithville 898.16	218.50	Big Fork	64.46	215.00	Chambers	12.00	
Monticello 2nd North Side, M	d 1,220.28	274.01	Spring Lake 60.00 Swifton 178.84	175.12	Black Springs Caddo Gap	30.00 30.00		Cocklebur Coy	53.15 538.53	10.00 349.65
	276.90	84.05	Tuckerman 850.00	189.17	Glenwood	1,205.17	185.49	Cross Roads		
Old Union Pleasant Groy			Walnut Ridge 1st 4,806.22	2,027.74	Little Hope Mt. Gilead	87.28		Des Arc DeValls Bluff	2,188.29	168.84 176.81
Prairie Grove	e 80.00	6.75	White Oak	5.00	Mt. Ida	1,361.42	1,180.02	England 1st	4,087.14	1,270.00
Saline Selma	7.14 59.49		South Side Mission 56.58 Total 14,466.17	5.00 6,211,28	Murphy Norman	10.00 469.78	848.72	Hazen Humnoke	1,805.89 93,89	422.80
Union Hill			BOONE-NEWTO	N	Oak Grove			Immanuel, Carl		260.99
Warren 1st West Side	8,630.33 864.98	1,865.00 14.50	Alpena 75.00 Batavia 191.06	130.46	Oden Pencil Bluff	194.00 164.59	192.50	Keo Lonoke	4.882.57	379.61 2,952.21
Wilmar	174.61	197.00	Bear Creek Springs		Pine Ridge	12.00	,	M't. Carmel	822.73	132.50
South Side Mis Total	sion 371.00 17,440.31	25.00 6,184.28	Bellefonte 218.82	27.05	Refuge Sulphur Springs	42.00 73.94	75.88	New Hope Oak Grove	110.36	
	BENTON		Boxley 80.00		Total	8.824.73	2,266.58	Old Austin	157.07	
Bentonville 1s Centerton 1st	t 4,438.60 255.00	2,264.90 228.90	Burlington 74.85	*******	Antioch	LVARY 150.00		Pleasant Hill Steel Bridge	49.23 138.31	56.80 83.17
Central Avenu	ue, Bentonville	e	Deer 181.24	42.61	Augusta 1st	2,481.34	3,094.69	Toltec ,	858.61	25.00
Decatur	284.71 1,657.13	212.17 600.57	Eagle Heights, Harrison	507.56	Beebe 1st Bethany	895.49 86.00	1,082.00	Ward Wattensaw	331.21 222.19	177.50 157.00
Garfield	123.75	257.00	Elmwood 1,545.00 80.00	007.00	Central, Bald K	Knob		Myrtle Street	Mission	
Gentry	3,343.79	1,585.57	Emmanuel, Harrison			1,061.84	179.6° 188.77	Total	485.00	49.54 • 8,987.62
Gravette Gum Springs	1,482.58 887.40	521,25 854.00	Everton 25.00 70.08	58.30	Cotton Plant 1st Crosby	120.00		C	ARROLL	
Harvard Aven	ue, Siloam Si	prings	Gaither 80.00		El Paso	108.00 31.97	180.00	Berryville Blue Eye	1,051.27 90.00	709.50
	1,788.28	368.87	Grubb Springs 108.00	91.50	Good Hope	01.01		Dide Die	50.00	******

Coopera Churches Progra		Cooperative Churches Program	Desig- nated	Churches Cooperative Program	Desig- nated	Cooperative Churches Program	Desig- nated
Eureka Springs 708.6 Freeman Heights 1,353.5	3 284.00	Booneville 1st 2,872.88 Branch 254.21 Burnsville 30.00	1,737.03 146.60	Centerville Mission 6.60 Total 5,185.15 DELTA	8,592.90	Paragould 1st 9,953,46 Pleasant Valley 18.00 Robbs Chapel 110.00	8,062.58 50.50
Grandview 463.1 Green Forest 1,099.3 Omaha 164.1 Rock Springs 74.2	3 389.43	Calvary, Ft. Smith 2,306.28	1,208.85	Arkansas City 660.00 Aulds	1,057.25	Rock Hill	
Rock Springs 74.2 Total 5,004.4 CENTENNIA) 1,869.61	Charleston 1st 2,984.75 East Side, Ft. Smith 167.00	848.43 228.36	Bayou Mason 117.50 Bellaire 484.11 Boydell 7.77	519.00	Stanford 135.00 Third Avenue, Paragould	+ † 1.240 Refer
Almyra 4,461.1 De Witt 2,178.9	7 17.00	Enterprise 279.41	66.00 103.32 3,215.61	Chickasaw 817.90 Collins 142.10	142.21	Unity 75.00 Village 20.71 Vines Chapel 15.75	13.00
East Side 364.0 Gillett 30.0	102.75 0 44.36	Glendale 303.86 Grand Avenue, Ft. Smith	41.00	Dermott 1,842.35 Eudora 2,231.89	1,738.91 1,544.79	Walcott 615.42 Walls Chapel 26.40	29.9.,
Gillett 1st 157.73 Hagler 60.9 North Maple 700.1	2 92.00 3 127.10	14,090.05 Greenwood 1st 1,830.00 Hackett	10,307.44 1,273.92	Gaines 15.00 Halley	72.64	West View 50.00 Total 15,997.52 HARMONY	468.0 5,008.49
Reydell 60.0 South Side 1,253.7 St. Charles 469.3	321.38	Haven Heights 904.42 Highway 96 Immanuel, Ft. Smith	541.05	Jennie 316.00 Jerome Kelso Lake Village 1st 2,247.53	79.51 216.77 840.40	Altheimer 1,554.30 Anderson Chapel 25.58 Centennial 1,688.42	227.79
Stuttgart 1st 9,000.0 Tichnor 44.7 Total 18,780.9	0 2,469.47 8 164.75	Jenny Lind 4,528.04 497.24	2,609.13 352.29	McArthur 28.63 McGeboo 1st 7 305 87	50.52 1,180.14	Central 2,138.41 Dollarway 408.00	222.31 834.58 5.00
CENTRAL Antioch 238.0		Lavaca 1st 2,841.80 Magazine 253.92 Memorial 50.00	1,657.99 84.80 25.00	Montrose 277.00 New Hope 42.00 Omega 88.70	$ \begin{array}{r} 315.00 \\ 15.08 \\ 82.70 \\ \end{array} $	Douglas 321.41 Dumas 1st 3,999.96 Forrest Park 1,995.00	63.15 2,701.77 1,128.86
Bauxite 144.5 Benton 1st 6,736.85	7 127.45 3.819.74	Mixon 130.00 Mt. Harmony Mt. Zion	185.00	Parkdale 148.05 Portland 613.68 Richland 90.75 Shilob 120.00	116.85 447.17	Gould 870.14 Grady 374.89 Greenlee Memorial 855.17	828.10 53.86
Bryant 2nd 84.0 Buie 24.0 Calvary, Benton 1,682.0		North Side, Charleston 296.93 North Side, Ft. Smith	110.55	South McGehee 950.48	346.97	Hardin 623.15 Hickory Grove 48.00	818.(2 275.48 52.00
Central, Hot Springs 2,952.1 Efurd Memorial 408.3		328.93 Oak Cliff 1 677 92	$102.50 \\ 767.01$	Temple Tillar 580.08 Watson 134.37	453.48 839.90 96.24	Humphrey 419.24 Immanuel, Pine Bluff 5,369.63	231.00 3,141,22
Emmanuel, Hot Springs Fairdale 179.4	46.03	Palestine 106.22 Paris 1st 3,027.18 Pine Log	111.42 759.70	Wilmot 654.40 North Side Mission 26.00 Total 19,442.16	944.80 11,223.88	Kingsland 288.45 Lee Memorial 1,693.07 Linwood 470.97	198.65 862.83
Faith Gilead 136.9	6 71.51	Ratcliff64.83Roseville33.39RyeHill143.74	130.72	FAULKNER Bee Branch	20.00	Matthews Memorial 2,775.19	469.88 1,077.02
Grand Avenue, Hot Spri 1,948.4 Gravel Hill 194.1	420.55	South Side, Booneville 80.00		Beryl 356.55 Bono 10.00 Brumley Chapel	139.65 68.34	Moore Chapel 42.86 North Side, Star City 70.50	87.50
Harveys Chapel 547.9 Highland Heights, Ben 800.0	on	Spradling 956.74	1,051.08 319.88	Cadron Ridge 199.98 Cold Springs Conway 1st 8,083.57	108.65	Oak Grove 165.93 Oakland 236.03 Pine Bluff 1st 13,150.93	128.25 6,935.66
Hot Springs 1st 1,800.0 Hot Springs 2nd 6,388.8) 1,533.61 4,090.54	Temple, Ft. Smith 1,402.07 Towson Avenue, Ft. Smith	827.3~	Conway 2nd 5,666.76 Emmanuel, Conway 24.00	1,425.87	Pine Bluff 2nd 2,484.01	1,675.84
Jessieville 166.2 Lake Hamilton 90.0 Lakeshore Heights 456.8	0 60.50 3 381.64	849.31 Frinity, Ft. Smith 3,427.96	534.65 1,070.25	Enola 17.27 Formosa	208.35	Plum Bayou 107.63 Rankin Chapel Rison 1,800.00	1.28 32.58 909.72
Lake Side 550.8 Lee Chapel 431.8 Lonsdale 102.2	3	Windsor Park 1,618.46	425.02	Happy Hollow 209.88 Harlan Park 354.53 Holland 30.36	30.11 46.95	Shannon Road 47.46 South Side, Pine Bluff 11 482 76	3,309.03
Malvern 1st 2,469.4 Malvern 3rd 2,426.1 Memorial 561.2	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	Total 72,700.99 CONWAY-PERRY Adona 24.00	30,855.71	Mayflower 440.08 Mt. Vernon 241.95	233.13 48.14	11,482.76 Star City 5,784.58 Sulphur Springs 643.00	1,805.90 286.36
Mill Creek Mountain Pine 686.44	5.00 121.60	Bigelow 50.00 Casa 198.00 Harmony	64.13 50.00 92.50	Oak Bowery 455.35	85.02 115.50	Wabbaseka Watson Chapel 2,170.30 Yorktown 250.00	40.00 548.28 110.00
Mt. Vernon Old Union 260.6 Owensville 394.0	7.50	Houston 15.00 Morrilton 1st 3,150.00	2,210.82 100.00	Pickles Gap 911.71 Pleasant Grove 231.00 South Side, Damascus	78.14 197.33	Green Meadows Mission 60.00 New Bethel	
Park Place 3,687.7 Pearcy 75.00 Piney 1,056.7	78.64	Nimrod15.00Perry8.37Perryville225.00PleasantGrove22.50	110.48	Union Hill Wooster 145.50	85.43 74.5°	Tucker Chapel Total 64,485.73 HOPE	8.00 27,510.02
Pleasant Hill 259.4 Rector Heights 60.1 Ridgecrest, Benton 90.0	4 42.00 6 17.02	Plumerville 385.00	785.00	Total 17,710.89 GAINESVILLE	5,386.49	Anderson 183.00 Arabella Heights, Texarkana	
Riverside 168.0 Sheridan 1st Southern	7 46.00	The makes 110.07	64.85 4.67 3,438.29	Austin 20.00 Browns Chapel	65.25	508.73 Beech Street, Texarkana 8,821.88	76.00 8.425 AT
Shorewood Hills 518.9 Trinity Benton 1,406.0	6 95.14	CURRENT RIVE Biggers 318.30	R 119.87	Greenway 90.00 Harmony Holly Island	392.55	Bradley 385.00 Bronway Heights, Texarkana 85.80	288.78
Walnut Valley 452.6 Lake Salem Mission 169.8		Calvary, Corning 298.23 Columbia Jarrett	250.38 6.77 1,237.46	Knobel Leonard 51.34	22.00 59.45 228,90	Calvary, Hope 2,031.05 Calvary, Texarkana	621.51
Total 41,026.6 CLEAR CRE	20,579.81		90.26 25.26 12.59	Nimmons 20.00 Peach Orchard	30.18	3,424.51 Canfield 125.00 Central, Magnolia	815.6° 147.43
Alma 1st 2,080.8 Cass 10.0 Cedarville 262.7	0	New Home Oak Grove 75.00	6.00 69.0°	Piggott 2,856.80 Rector 2,162.68 St. Francis 21.00	2,394.08 860.00 58.65	13,560.44 Dodridge 30.00 Eastview 384.02	4.880.76
Central, 'Altus Clarksville 1st 1,992.1	467.60	Pocahontas 1,500.00 Ravenden Springs 47,50	26.00 801.26 17.22	Tipperary 113.88 Total 5,721.46	8.60 4,119.56	Fouke 1st 217.82 Fulton 250.00	$109.50 \\ 67.00$
Clarksville 2nd 176.5 Coal Hill 124.4 Concord 466.	8 43.50 03 216.90	Revio 507.17	157.40 236.49	GREENE Alexander 137.79 Beech Grove 30.00	12.19 19.80	Garland Genoa 20.00 Guernsey 53.00	10.00
Dyer 103.9 Hagarville 27.1 Hartman 92.1	0 60.68 2	Shiloh, Corning 60.00 Shiloh, Pocahontas	41.50	Bethel Station 35.78 Big Creek 33.50 Brighton 36.00	20.00	Haley Lake • Harmony Grove, Texarkana 40.00	82.00
Kibler 1,098.0 Lamar 276.4 Mountainburg 217.2	9 920.55	Witts Chapel 274.37 Total 5,414.05	67.27 3,327.98	Browns Chapel 285.35 Calvary, Paragould	100.88	Hickory Street, Texarkana 925.00 Hope 1st 10,205.78	170.50 3,536.35
Mulberry 920.5 Oak Grove 889.3	289.58 258.31	Atkins 425.16 Bakam Creak 66 50	157.34	Clarks Chapel 120.00	151.88	Immanuel, Hope Immanuel, Magnolia	alespace
Ozark 2,698.4 Ozone 30.0 Shady Grove 48.0	0	Bluffton Danville 548.54	864.01	Delaplaine 41.70 East Side, Paragould 1,674.16	37.46 338.14	155.00 Immanuel, Texarkana 2,829.59	254.18 768.94
Shibley 122.7 Spadra Trinity, Alma 72.3	7 66.75		1,350.81 26.00 817.98	Eight Mile Fair View 31.34	10.00	Lewisville 1st 1,606.97 Macedonia No. 1 29.87 Macedonia No. 2 97.50	517.25 100.00
Trinity, East Mt. Zior 55.2	, Clarksville 5 33.00	Hayana 31.47	5.00 25.96 85.50	Fontaine 12.00 Immanuel, Paragould		Mandeville 40.00 Memorial 381.27	85.21 286.60 200.00
Uniontown Van Buren 1st 8,708.2	9 2,880.08	Hopewell 80.00 Kelly Heights 25.84 Knowville 198.99	10.00	Lafe 24.00 Lake Street, Paragould	63.74	Piney Grove 148.78 Pisgah 22.35	****
Van Buren 2nd 82.1 Webb City 351.2 Woodland 50.4	6 264.89	London 218.57 Moreland 17.17	40.21	Light 165.83 Marmaduke 265.03	8.00	Red River 207.93 Rocky Mound 18.00 Sanderson Lane, Texarkana	andraanne an andra
Batson Mission 36.0 Total 21,041.2	0 31.65 6 6,949 10	Pittsburg		Mounds 87.79 Mt. Hebron 56.30 New Friendship 101.61	20.80	171.48 Shiloh Memorial 226.59 South Texarkana 20.00	687.23 94.43
CONCORD Barling 499.1 Bethel	6 100.23	Plainview 65.18 Pleasant View 49.73	HO 00	New Liberty 30.00	*******	Spring Hill 164.50 Stamps 1st 2,672.58	778.27
Bloomer Bluff Avenue 1,649.		Rover 127.23 Russellville 2nd 968.26	00 00	Nutts Chapel 108.60 Oak Grove 165.18	100.00	Sylverino 120.00 Tennessee 98.85	50.50 131.00

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Trinity, Texarkana 1,293.40 462.85	Ben Lomond 23.18 Bingen 225.00		North Main, Jonesboro 499.10	335.00	Nalls Memorial 662.00 Natural Steps 684.11	342.95 358.50
Troy Bethel 82.09 West Side, Magnolia		********	Philadelphia 1,407.42 Providence 66.00	614.53	North Point 51.08 Pine Grove 1.545.71	416.24
Total 51,652.78 18,203.97 INDEPENDENCE	495.10 Chapel Hill 30.41 Columbus 83.07	472.25 10.00	Rowes Chapel 113.99	44.89	Plain View 297.19 Pleasant Grove	155.60 10.00
Batesville 1st 6,154.36 5,740.62 Calvary, Batesville 3,327.84 2,720.44	DeQueen 1st 4,266.79	2,863.68	Strawfloor 124.02 Walnut Street, Jonesboro	41.86	Pulaski Heights 27,853.89 Reynolds Memorial 750.00	5,727,20
Cora 155.29 15.00	Dierks 326.00 Foreman 504.74 Hicks 62.78	115.50 337.46 98.87	7,419.24 Wood Springs 24.00 University Mission 172.32	1,696.18 28.00 96.00	Riverside 200.88 Roland Rosedale 840.00	106.50 167.88
Cushman 50.00 4.00 Desha 195.32 13.37 East Side, Cave City	Hicks 62.78 Horatio 120.00 Kern Heights 229.07	226.11 140.25	Westvale Mission	92.73 17,761.41	Shady Grove 237.90	885.46 46.82
Emmanuel 254.85 340.51	Liberty Lockesburg 329.05	877.70	Amboy 5,280.17	1,777.95	Shannon Hills 240.00 Sheridan 1st 2,272.35 South Highland 4,226.88	1,378.85 3,759.08
Floral 660.34 614.61 Marcella 63.85 37.78	Mt Maulah		Baring Cross 14,352.58 Bayou Meto 622.06	3,949.88 263.45	Sunset Lane 1,167.48 Trinity 40.00	234.39 127.00
Mt. Zion 65.00 81.00 Pilgrims Rest 135.75 158.00	Murfreesboro 557.35 Nashville 4,305.78	430.33 2,032.91	Berea 676.69 Bethany 1,012.66	264.60 380.01	Tyler Street, LR 100.00 University 803.23	868.58 455.10
Pleasant Plains 30.00 77.97 Rehobeth 89.00 92.00 Rosie 358.52 25.17	Oak Grove 129.89	92.42 266.85	Calvary, Rose City 1,808.50 Cedar Heights 390.00	788.45 181.25	Vimy Ridge 155.92 Welch Street, LR 368.23 West Side 609.40	338.75 522.14 165.57
Ruddell Hill 592.85 99.22 Salado 27.20 42.74	Ozan 50.00		Central 3,600.00 Chapel Hill 628.88	1,393.79 273.22	Woodlawn 1,255.16 Woodson 250.22	
Sulphur Rock 40.00 147.00 West Batesville 3,253.94 816.78	State Line Washington 105.00	210.00	Crystal Valley Forty-Seventh Street, NLR	193.69	Hensley Chapel	3.00
White River 35.00 Total 15,670.39 11,063.27 LIBERTY 11,063.27	Winthrop 73.18	11.06	1,960.01 Grace 542.35 Gravel Ridge 496.35	332.29 490.00	Total 141,544.41 RED RIVER	81,701.83
Buena Vista 254.93 8.00 Caledonia 121.00 102.00	Nashville First Mission 184.88 Total 14 897.01	10,989.91	Graves Memorial 751.80	93.11 205.00 10.06	Anchor 156.68 Antoine 128.20 Arkadelphia 1st 6,546.01	57.00 8,899.33
Calion 511.63 63.14 Calvary, El Dorado 323.31 135.90	MISSISSIPPI	105.36	Harmony 52.97 Highway 450.00 Hilltop 58.47 Indian Hills 186.70	515.37	Arkadelphia 2nd 2,966.49 Beech Street, Gurdon	1,432.43
Camden 1st 14,270.77 5,948.50 Camden 2nd 923.14 355.98	Black Water 112.67	14.30	Jacksonville 1st	*******	2,729.93 Beirne 304.77	1,014.45 860.42
Chidester 158.80 34.00 Cross Roads 717.52	Brinkleys Chapel 10.00	2,575.91	3,779.61 Jacksonville 2nd 846.79	1,828.23 248.80	Bethel 78.24 Bethlehem 22.50 Boughton 66.00	321.65 17.17
Cullendale 1st 7,209.12 1,109.70 Dunn Street, Camden 36.09	Calvary, Blytheville	78.94	Levy 8,033.15 Marshall Road 1,667.18 Morrison Chapel 81.43	2,020.33	Caddo Valley 20.00	40.78
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Children's nook—

SUSAN'S SORRY TIME

-VERA SABAN

Susan and Nancy looked exactly alike except Nancy had a dimple in her chin. They were twins—six years old. They lived in the country.

One summer day, the twins ran to their mother. "Mamma, there just isn't anything to do!" said Nancy.

"Tell us something fun to do, please," said Susan.

Mamma put on her thinking look. At last she said, "Why don't you take these little jars that Baby's food comes in? You can find things to put in them for play vegetables and fruit."

Susan and Nancy laughed and jumped up and down.

"Oh, thank you, Mamma. That will be fun."

Outside, Susan found an old spoon and began to fill a jar with dirt. Nancy couldn't find a spoon. She ran to the house. Mamma gave her a good spoon and Nancy promised not to lose it.

When Susan saw the good spoon, she was sad. She wished she had a good spoon. She thought Nancy was lucky and always had the nice things.

Nancy filled a jar with dirt, too. But they didn't think it looked like something to eat. So they found other things to put in the jars.

It was a lot of fun. Susan almost forgot that she had been unhappy about the good spoon. They put exactly the same things in their jars.

They put green leaves in two jars. That was spinach.

They found enough round, green chinaberries to fill two jars. That made good peas.

They put yellow flowers in four jars and called them carrots and peaches.

They broke up green stems and filled two jars. That was green beans.

They found little red clover flowers for cherries.

Then Nancy found enough dry, brown seeds to fill one jar. She said it was coffee. Susan looked and looked but she couldn't find any more of the brown seeds. The sad feeling was coming back.

"We don't drink coffee anyway," she told Nancy. "So I'm glad I don't have any brown seeds."

"You're just mad because you don't have any coffee," said Nancy.

Nancy was a little cross now, too. They were both hot

and tired. Their red blouses and jeans were very dirty, and so were their hands and faces.

Nancy picked up the good spoon and began digging in the dirt. Susan watched her a minute. She felt sorry for herself.

"Nancy, it's my turn to have the good spoon for a while," she said.

"No!" answered Nancy. "Mamma gave it to me. I'm supposed to take good care of it."

Before they knew it, they were really quarreling. They said ugly things to each other. Then Susan did an awful thing. She was so angry she didn't think.

She grabbed a jar of dirt and threw the dirt right onto Nancy's head. The dirt ran down Nancy's neck and into her eyes and ears. She was a sight!

Nancy jumped up and ran crying to the house. She said she would tell Mamma what Susan had done.

Susan sat down in the dirt and felt angry and cross. Then she saw the good spoon Nancy had dropped.

"I'll take the good spoon to Mamma," she thought. "She'll scold Nancy for forgetting it. Then Nancy will be sorry she was so mean."

After a while Susan went to the back of the house. She was very quiet. Looking through the window, she saw Nancy and Mamma and the baby. Nancy had bathed and she was so clean her face was shiny. She had on her new blue blouse and jeans.

Susan was unhappy. It made her feel very much alone to see Nancy in the new clothes. It was as if Susan weren't a twin anymore. She went around the house and cried and cried.

Susan thought Nancy had the best of everything. Nancy had a dimple in her chin. Nancy got the good spoon to play with. Nancy found the nice brown seeds for coffee. Now Nancy had on her pretty blue outfit. It wasn't fair.

At last Susan decided it was more than she could take. She would tell that mean Nancy exactly what she thought of her.

Susan went stamping into the kitchen. Mamma just looked at Susan in a sad, tired way. Susan was a little bit ashamed. She put her hands behind her back, looked down at the floor, and kicked a couple of times at a chair leg. Her lower lip stuck out in a pout. There was a long silence.

Still looking at the floor, Susan mumbled, "Nancy, I'm sorry I threw dirt on you."

There was another silence. Then Nancy said, "That's all right."

"The old spoon is really just as good," said Susan, looking at Nancy.

Nancy looked at Susan. They both smiled just a little.

Mamma smiled and looked happy now,

Susan said, "I'll fold the baby's clothes."

"I'll help," said Nancy.

"That will be good girls," said Mamma. "First, Susan, you must have a bath and put on your new blue jeans and blouse."

Now Susan didn't feel a bit angry or sad or sorry for herself. She had just a warm, happy 'feeling inside.

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Watch your example!

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Consider all the rights we enjoy today. Some are:

Civil Rights States Rights Human Rights Legal Rights Constitutional Rights Equal Rights

and others similar in nature. Some people are always asserting these rights. Should the Christian do likewise? Is there anything which takes precedence over an individual Christian's right to do something? If you think so, write your answer here.

The Corinthian Christians didn't "fit in" to their environment so there were constant problems. Some of them wanted to live as before and yet maintain a Christlike standard in their lives. They did this behind the cloak of their new freedom in Christ. Paul made it clear that the Christian is not free to do as he pleases but as Christ pleases.

How to settle differences

In the background passage Paul showed great concern, not over petty differences among church members, but the way they settled them. He was horrified that they who would judge the world and angels (by sharing the reign of Christ) could not settle their own disputes without appealing to those outside the church. Isn't Christianity supposed to make a person fair and just with his fellowman? Why could not the Corinthians settle their differences?

The answer is found in 6:7-8. Each person was asserting his own rights, without considering the total damage being done to Christ's work. It is better, said Paul, to suffer wrong personally than to cause God's name and God's people to be slandered. They were not yet mature enough to do that. Are you? Can you absorb a personal hurt without striking back in revenge upon the whole congregation? How tragic it is when a church member slanders his own church to his weak Christian brothers or to those who are not Christians. Church member, watch your example!

How to tell right from wrong

From the standpoint of Christian

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In the beginning of our study we noted four factions within the church. The congregation could also be divided into two others—the strong and the weak. The "strong" had a liberal view of life, almost bordering on license. They prided themselves on their deep knowledge and understanding of God's purposes. They felt they could do most anything without sinning for their spirituality went beyond trivial acts called sin.

The "weak" were very conservative, almost afraid to live. They were constantly dissecting everything to see if it had the smallest taint of sin within it. They were easily offended. Therefore, when meat which was previously offered to idols was sold on the market, a sharp division arose. Should the scrupulous Christian investigate each piece of meat before it was purchased in order to make perfectly sure that it had not been so offered? The strong brother said it was nonsense to act that way, for there were no real demons or idols. On the other hand, the weak brother said that meat sacrificed to idols must be avoided at all costs, in order to avoid all appearance of evil.

What did Paul say?

(1) The main question for the Christian is not whether something is legal or can be done without personal harm, but whether it contributes to the service of Jesus Christ. Does it help or hinder my witness for him?

(2) The Christian life is never a private matter. It must be lived in association with other Christians. Williams has a very good translation of 10:24: "No one should always be looking after his own welfare, but also that of his neighbor."

(3) The Christian may use without fear what God has created. Don't inflame your conscience with unnecessary questions.

(4) The Christian is a guardian of

Life and Work

August 6

I Corinthians 6:1-8; 10:23-33

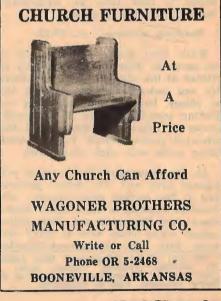
his brother's conscience as well as his own. You are to help Christians grow in their faith as well as win others to Christ. Use your spiritual maturity to strengthen someone else.

(5) The Christian should use his freedom to glorify God rather than to please self. Many cannot stand to refrain from certain practices simply because it offends someone. To these Paul is saying: "Remember where your freedom came from and what you are to do with it. The mature Christian is one who is ready to glorify God with everything he does. Assert your responsibilities and not your rights." This is not easy, but then, who said it would be?

(6) Follow the example of Christ. He never used all his powers and rights for himself but he concentrated them upon others. Focus your freedom and privileges upon those who have not yet tasted the freedom from guilt you now enjoy. As you help liberate others, you will realize more and more the deep satisfaction which comes from being like Christ.

(7) The right and wrong of anything can be decided, according to Paul, only on the basis of our understanding of God's purpose for us and God's desire to use our lives in his service. You can safely apply these principles to any practice.

Church member, watch your example!



The one true God

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The address which has been commonly known as Paul's sermon on Mars Hill has long been studied in speech classes and in courses on sermon preparation as a classic. It is this speech which we are studying this week.

To get the historical connection between last Sunday's lesson and this one, we need to fill in the sequence from texts not studied in his lesson series. After healing the fortune-teller at Philippi, being beaten and jailed, and leading the Philippian jailer to salvation, Paul was offered an apology by the magistrates who had learned that they had tenderized a Roman citizen. At the city fathers' invitation, Paul left town.

His next stop was at Thessalonica, where for three weeks he argued with the Jews from the Scriptures and was finally ushered out of town in the night after Jason's house had been attacked by a mob looking for Paul and his party.

At Beroea next, Paul won many converts until the Jews at Thessalonica heard where he was and sent a party to stir up the crowds against him. The Christian brethren, concerned for his safety quickly hustled Paul off by sea; but Silas and Timothy remained there. "Those who conducted Paul brought him as far as Athens" (17:15).

It is at Athens called by Rackham the "intellectual and artistic capital of the world," that this message is delivered. In 146 B.C., the Romans had made Greece a Roman territory and, in deference to Athens' golden past, had made her a free and federated city. Authority rested with a council known as the Aeropagus (17:19), which seems to have been an authoritative body rather than a place.

I. Reaction produced, vv. 16-22.

While Paul waited for the rest of his party at Athens, he was highly irritated at the idols he saw everywhere. He had undoubtedly seen idols in other places, but he was apparently expecting something better of the world's center of intellect. It was absurd that educated people should worship something made with their own hands.

In the synagogue Paul argued with learned Jews and "the devout persons" and in the market place (agora) with those he chanced to meet there. Among these were Epicurean and Stoic philosophers whose ideas were at sharp variance with this Jew-turned-Christian. The text of the International Bible Lessons for Christian Teaching Uniform Scries is ligious Education. Used by permission.

Some of these asked, "What would this babbler say"? The literal meaning of the word translated "babbler" is seedpicker," a disparaging slang expression depicting one who, like a sparrow in the market place, lived on whatever he could pick up. They seem to be implying that Paul had picked up odds and ends of knowledge and was babbling these.

Because Paul preached Jesus and the resurrection, others said, "He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities." Some scholars think that these Greek philosophers understood Jesus to be a male divinity and "resurrection" to be a female divinity—hence, the translation "divinities." The truth is that they probably didn't have the foggiest idea what he was talking about.

II. Rapport established, vv. 22-23.

When permited to speak, Paul immediately got on the same wave length with his inquisitors. He observed that they were "very religious," since there were objects of worship everywhere. Paul may have had his tongue in his cheek when he said this, but they undoubtedly smirked proudly at his compliment.

Then he added that in his walks about the city he had observed an altar with an inscription, "To an unknown god." To cover all eventualities, they had even erected an altar to an anonymous deity, just in case they had accidentally left one out. Whatever else they were, the Athenians were thorough.

Then quickly Paul added, "What you worship but do not know—this I now proclaim to you." He had their full attention and interest.

III. Reason employed, vv. 24-31.

The body of Paul's message is a masterpiece of reasoning, particularly in working from the known to the unknown. He alludes to matters familiar to both Stoics and Epicureans and skillfully negates their beliefs, doing so in such a way that both groups would be

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forced to agree, at least in part, with him.

Dr. Frank Stagg in his masterpiece, THE BOOK OF ACTS, sums up Paul's address succintly: "In Athens ... Paul met his audience on is own ground and then took a straight course to Jesus. He met the charges about 'Jesus and the resurrection'; he acknowledged the truth and exposed the error of Stoic and Epicurean tenets; he pointed out further deductions from the Athenians' own basic beliefs; he led up to and preached the gospel, presenting God as Spirit, Creator, Father and as present in human affairs; he pictured man as of common origin created for God, and responsible to God; he preached salvation in terms of conversion; he reached a climax in confronting them with the risen Man in whom they must reckon with God!"

IV. Results varied, vv. 32-33.

When Paul reached his point about the resurrection, he had a three-fold response: 1) some of his hearers laughed out loud at what they considered a big joke, 2) some said they would listen to him on the subject some other day, and 3) "some men joined him and believed." The response to the gospel message is frequently mixed.

Among the converts was Dionysius the Areopogite, i.e., one of the members of the city council. Confronted with a learned and hostile audience, Paul had spoken brilliantly, and his efforts for God were rewarded with a visible response to the good news he proclaimed.

Dr. S. A. Newman, my philosophy teacher of seminary days, used to say, "God can hit a good lick with a crooked stick but He can hit an even better lick with a straight stick." Keen of mind, shrewd in disposition, compelling in argument, and forceful in speech Paul was God's "straight stick" at Athens. Such witnesses are desperately needed today when the response to the gospel is about as sophisticated and hostile as that of the Athenian philosophers.



ARKANSAS BAPTIST

The cross

To everybody everywhere, God gives each a cross to bear.

He loves us so much he's the first to see

When the cross is too heavy for vou or me.

Take up your cross, let him lead the way,

And your cross will be light today.

-Mrs. Mable Bunch, Marianna

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Jonesboro	446	130	9
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A Smile or Two

REALLY confused

Stranger: When does the 5:15 leave?

Ticket Agent: At quarter past five.

Stranger: Thanks. I get all mixed up over this changing of time.

Thoroughly efficient

Newly hired secretary to boss: "Do you want double spacing on the carbon copies too. sir?"

Good summer joke

When a woman stopped at a gas station, the attendant advised her to get some antifreeze.

"I won't need it," said the woman. "My husband told me he's going to get a new muffler for the car."

Hardly noteworthy

A note left for a milkman: "Please leave an extra quart of milk today. If it rains and spoils this note, please don't wake me to sec what it said."

In the dog house?

Father (to waitress): Wrap up. the rest of the steak for the dog. Small Son: Oh, goody, we're going to get a dog.

His own worst enemy

Ben: "Did you hear about the karate expert that joined the Army?"

"Bob: "No what happened?" Ben: "The first time he saluted he nearly killed himself."

Drummer boy

Ma: Pa, I don't think the neighbors like the drum we got Jimmy for his birthday.

Pa: Why you think that, Ma? Ma: "Cause they gave him a knife and asked him if he knew what was in the drum!

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EVERYBODY READS THE ARKANSAS BAPTIST NEWSMAGAZINE

In the world of religion-

Encourages 'graffiti'

DENVER, Colo.—The Rev. John R. Graham, pastor of First Universalist Church here believes "the supreme issues of religion are found on lapel buttons and walls."

At a recent Sunday service here he taped brown wrapping paper to the church walls and invited his congregation to express themselves by means of the ancient art of graffiti.

And they did—after Mr. Graham explained the unorthodox service in a sermon entitled, "The Gospel According to Graffiti."

He told his congregation that members of today's complex society are faced with the great problem of not being able to communicate with one another.

Graffiti might "not be the best or even the most significant, but it is a healthy exercise in communication," he said.

Mr. Graham noted that in the past many thought of graffiti as "dirty words" written on lavatory walls, but that it is now coming more and more into the open.

"A beer company which advertises in New York City subways is now leaving half of its poster blank so that graffiti experts can write on them," he said. (EP)

Summer assignments

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—From all parts of the nation, 14 collegians and three graduate students have been named to the first Youth Assistance Missionary Corps sponsored by the Church of the Nazarene.

An announcement in the denomination's periodical Herald of Holiness said the 17 were chosen from some 70 young people who applied for the summer work assignments without pay in one of the five missionary fields.

The countries to receive YAMC workers this summer are Guyana, Trinidad, Babados, Puerto Rico and British Honduras. (EP)

Red China 'Bible'

TOKYO---Chinese communism is a religion and "Quotations from Chairman Mao Tse-tung" is its Bible, a Chineseborn Christian theologian observed here following a 20-day visit to the China mainland.

Dr. Masao Takenaka, of Doshisha University's theology department, said that "because there is in Mao's Quotations a great deal of humanitarianism and pseudo-religiousness, the future (of China) will not be easy."

At the same time he said that there is "a great need to help the Chinese overcome their misunderstanding of the West. I have come to the conviction that it is urgent to increase mutual communication and understanding." (EP)

Membership decline

MIDDLESBROUGH, Eng.—The British Methodist Church's largest membership decline in recent years—a loss of 11,581—was reported to the Conference, denominational governing body at its 1967 session.

Statistics released showed that total membership as of Dec. 31, 1966, was 678,766. During the year the Church, in fact, gained 17,890 new members, but these did not make up for 13,737 who died and 12,740 who ceased to be members. Transfers to other denominations, other circuits and other countries also added to the over-all loss. In 1965 the decline in membership was 10,959. (EP)

Red-countries Christians

BUDAPEST—Church members and leaders in the United States are now more open-minded and have fewer reservations about Christians in Communist countries than they were in the early 1960s, according to a bishop of the Evangelical-Lutheran Church of Hungary.

In a news conference here, Bishop Zoltan Kaldy, who is a vice president of the Ecumenical Council of Churches in Hungary, described his visit to the United States in connection with the recent spring meeting of the Stewardship and Evangelism Committee of the Lutheran World Federation in Madison, Wis. (EP)

Council observership

The Baptist Union of Sweden adopted the recommendation of its executive board, and approved the appointment of a delegate-observer to attend sessions of the World Council of Churches which meets next summer in Uppsala, Sweden.

Membership on the WCC's Faith and Order Commission was also approved, but not membership in the Council proper. The recommendation, which had generated widespread discussion pro and con before the annual meeting, was adopted unanimously after still further floor debate. (EBPS)

Bad weather the rule

WASHINGTON, D. C.—A gradual shift to lower temperatures is taking place over much of the earth, violent weather has become the rule rather than the exception in the U. S. this year and tornadoes and torrents of rain are increasing.

These are some of the results of a weather survey by U. S. News & World Report which states that the world has been growing cooler gradually since about 1940.

Weather satellities, hundreds of miles in space, routinely photograph the whole earth every day. Scientists are successfully seeding clouds for rain and continue to look for ways "to dissipate fog, suppress hail, stop lightening, stifle tornadoes and de-energize hurricanes." (EP)

'Eternal damnation'

LOS ANGELES—Nancy Louise Moore, who poured gasoline over her clothing at a service station here and set herself aflame, refused morphine to kill the pain for fear she would suffer eternal damnation if she died.

The 24-year-old woman, severely burned, said the mystic religion from India which she followed prevented, her taking the merciful relief.

Jim Smith, a monk of the society, said the young lady "must have confused another religion with ours because we don't teach against morphine, nor do we believe in eternal damnation." (EP)

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