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Volunteers in missions:  
curing dental problems in Brazil



photo by J. D. Patterson

Arkansas volunteers worked alongside Southern Baptist career missionaries at Uricurizinho as part of their work extracting teeth in remote villages in Brazil in September. The trip was a direct expression of Christian love and a way to help the missionaries meet Southern Baptist's Bold Mission Thrust goals.

## Volunteers in Missions Sunday Arkansas dentists meet needs along the Amazon

by J. Everett Sneed

Drs. J.D. and Beth Patterson, along with Mrs. Sue Ann Williams, spent 15 days aboard a boat named the "Eurico Nelson III" extracting teeth in remote Brazilian villages. The party left Arkansas Sept. 11 and returned Sept. 29, 1985. Dr. Patterson urges other physicians, dentists and nurses to help fulfill the health needs of individuals around the world.

Volunteers in Missions Sunday Feb. 23 is a good time to recognize the thousands of volunteers that have gone and encourage others to volunteer. The day is set aside to recognize the vast movement of laypersons in volunteer services supporting missionaries in the United States and overseas. Patterson encourages churches all across Arkansas to promote volunteerism and recognize the contributions volunteers make throughout the year.

Career personnel alone cannot make the goals of the Bold Mission Thrust become reality. The efforts of volunteers are required if we are to confront the world with the gospel.

Patterson said, "Our work in these remote villages gave a lot of credibility to the missionaries. Health teams are the most important physical assistance that can be given to remote villages along the Amazon in Brazil. The individuals literally need every type of medical assistance possible. There would be a place for dentists, physicians and nurses or any combination of this type of medical assistance."

The Pattersons and Mrs. Williams lived on a 37-foot boat for the full 15 days. Two missionaries, Luther Williams and Lynn Olmstead, accompanied them, along with the boat pilot, a Brazilian Baptist whose father is a lay preacher.

Patterson, a member of Temple Church, Searcy, said he had desired for at least 10 years to make a missionary trip. One of the problems that held him back was the difficulty in closing his practice for several weeks. Two of his dentist friends, Dr. Perry Short and Dr. James F. Sawyer had both served as volunteer dentists abroad several times.

"After my daughter, Beth, completed dental school, I wanted the two of us to go together as a dental team," Patterson said. "Ed Block of the Foreign Mission Board contacted Beth and talked with her about the possibility. After visiting with Beth in Missouri, on the way home I made a firm

decision that I was going. I believe it was one of the best experiences Beth and I have ever had in our lives. We both hope to go again."

During the 15 days, the two doctors saw 509 patients and extracted 1,423 teeth. The boat traveled a distance as far as from Searcy to St. Louis, or about 300 miles. The boat actually logged 96 hours of travel in 15 days.

On a typical day, the crew would arise at 5:15. By 5:45, as daylight was coming, the boat was running. Missionary Lynn Olmstead would prepare breakfast as the boat moved along to the village where they were to work on that particular day.

Usually the boat would arrive about 11 a.m. They would go ashore and let everyone know that they had arrived. After unloading dental equipment, they would return to the boat and eat their mid-day meal.

Around 12 to 1 p.m. they would begin extracting teeth. Mrs. Williams would keep their dental instruments clean for them, and the two missionaries would serve as interpreters.

By 5 to 5:30, it was time to begin collecting their dental instruments and placing them on the ship. "On the first evening, we worked until dark, and the mosquitoes almost ate us alive before we were able to get our equipment together and back on the boat," Patterson recalled. "After that, we were sure to stop before dark, so we could get our equipment back on the boat before the sun went down."

After the evening meal, a worship service would be held by the missionaries. During the 15 days, the Pattersons and Mrs. Williams heard 12 sermons in Portuguese. But the medical team was able to minister in 10 different places. Stops were made at six mission sites, one school and three unscheduled villages, where they discovered a tremendous need.

Both of the Pattersons are anxious to go back again. Patterson said, "A trip like this is not for everyone. But it gives real meaning to your Christian experience. The people to whom you minister have to know you are a Christian, because it is obvious you are not used to working in those kinds of conditions and in a hot, humid climate such as you find in Brazil. I am pleased that we had opportunity to go."

J. Everett Sneed is editor of the Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine.

## In this issue

### 5 better taught than lived

88-year-old T.B. Maston, emeritus professor of Christian ethics at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas, believes Christians teach and preach a better gospel than they live. His 21st book on living the gospel is entitled "To Walk as He Walked."

### 9 Haitian violence

Armed looters broke into a Baptist warehouse three times Jan. 31 during a wave of nationwide violence and unrest in Haiti.

# VOLUNTEERS IN MISSIONS DAY

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Many single young people simply do not anticipate the possibility that marriage to a non-Christian or a person of another faith will affect their future happiness. Religious convictions, however, are one of, if not the most important circumstance affecting marital happiness. It is vitally important for a couple contemplating marriage to have as many similar interests as possible. Religious convictions control almost every area of life.

Consider the couple in which one is a Christian and the other is not. The dedicated Christian will center his or her activities in the church. He or she will want to give a tithe or more to the church. Both the time and the money given will annoy and, in time, anger the non-Christian partner. One can not expect a non-believer to understand or accept these spiritual values.

Mixed marriages present as much or more of a problem than marriage of a Christian and a non-Christian. They wonder, whose church will we attend? How will we divide our contributions to our churches? Then the final and most important issue arises when children are born into the home. All too often, the family agrees out of desperation and frustration not to attend any church. They simply try to eliminate God, church and religion from their lives. The inevitable result is an unhappy marriage or divorce.

There is an abundance of statistics to validate the difficulty of marriage outside of one's faith. Every experienced pastor knows the problem well. Obviously, the solution for the single person is quite different from that of the married. The individual who is not engaged or already emotionally committed to another should recognize that religion does make a great difference and proceed by dating individuals of his or her own faith.

Dr. Joe W. Burton in, *Religion and Marriage* says, "Religion affects marriage more than does any other circumstance or factor." He indicates that there are two unfortunate myths: (1) it doesn't matter what one believes just so long as he is sincere; and (2) love is a magic which automatically solves every problem, even of those geared to a different faith.

The engaged or emotionally committed couple should solve their religious differences before marriage. If they can't be solved at this point, it will become much worse after marriage. Counseling by a skilled pastor or Christian guidance counselor may prove invaluable. In determining which church they should join, the doctrines of both denominations should be evaluated by the Bible.

Every couple should have guidance counseling prior to marriage. There are a number of purposes for such discussion. One purpose is to guide the couple in general preparation for marriage

through reading, homework assignments and input from the person or persons involved in the guidance. This should include such goals as insights into their personal maturity for marriage, exploring the couple's role understandings and developing communication skills.

A second purpose for guidance counseling is to deal with planning the wedding itself. This should include such things as the kind of wedding ceremony desired and other such practical matters.

A third purpose for pre-marriage guidance is to deal with specific problems of which the couple may be aware in preparing for their lives together. These problems may be spiritual, physical, economic, psychological or relate to the family's attitude toward the wedding.

Finally, pre-marital guidance should prepare the way for future counseling if needed. By establishing a good rapport with the couple, a pastor or Christian guidance counselor can encourage the couple to seek counsel, if future problems should develop which might threaten the marriage.

If a Christian is married to a non-Christian, the solution lies in prayer and example. Sometimes a Christian makes the mistake of continually nagging his or her mate concerning the acceptance of Christ. It is important that the Christian follow these suggestions: (1) live Christ every day; (2) pray and have others to pray for your mate; and (3) let him or her know that you long to see him know Christ as Savior, but do not nag.

The mixed marriage couple must arrive at a solution with which they can live. If at all possible, each should evaluate the teachings of their denomination by the Scriptures. Such an approach, if done with an open mind, may result in both members joining one church. It is imperative that such a search be done honestly and with no intent of debate or putting down the other mate.

The home is always a first school of relationships. Husband and wife must learn how to accept their differences and reinforce their similarities in order to create a complementary relationship. Where fundamental differences exist, it is imperative that a practical solution be found so that the conflict will not occur.

When it is not possible for a couple to arrive at mutual convictions on one denomination, as nearly an equitable arrangement as possible should be made and kept. Above all, couples should hear two basic pleas: (1) avoid dropping out of church life; and (2) make Bible teaching and prayer part of the family's daily activities. These are two basic essentials for every happy marriage.

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## The Southern accent

H.E. Williams

### Keep a screen on the window

"Boys, it is always advisable to keep the window open, but keep a screen on it to keep the bugs out." That was the philosophic advice to my seminary church history class by the sage professor of church history, Dr. W.W. Barnes, back in 1938. Through the years, that bit of philosophy has been helpful to me, particularly in recent years as the theological controversies have raged through the land.

The Baptist tradition requires we keep the window open. We were born in an era when established churches closed the window, thinking that theological thought, like the canon of scriptures, had closed. They were wrong, for the provincialisms of man cannot long thwart the movements of the Spirit of God in the hearts of men. The winds of change swept through the lands, and the Reformation was ushered in. Reformers forced open the windows, so that fresh thought and experiences could come in.

The nature of revelation also suggests the window be kept open. There is evidence of progressive revelation in Hebrews 1:1: "God, after he spoke long ago to the fathers in the prophets in many portions and many ways, in these last days has spoken to us in his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom also he made the world" (NAS).

Progressive revelation implies progressive understanding. Such a principle was indicated by Jesus when he promised the coming of the Holy Spirit who is to "guide you into all truth" (John 16:13 KJV). He is still guiding us into understanding the full meaning of the Kingdom of God and the person of Jesus, as well as the Word. No generation of men will ever finalize the understanding of truth. To claim such is dangerous theology and is not supported by the history of revelation.

Installation of the screen over the window is strongly urged when we are told to, "test the spirits to see whether they are of God; because many false prophets have gone out

into the world" (1 John 4:1). We are to "screen" every new philosophy or interpretation. That is the way to keep the bugs of heresy out.

We must use good consecrated judgement as to the mesh of the screen we place in our window. Some use such coarse mesh that even large bugs and bats can fly through with ease, and they consequently end up with a menagerie of doubts, error and theories incompatible with the Christian revelation. They have little Christian testimony and are

ineffectual in Christian work. Others use such close mesh they practically keep all fresh theological thought out, so that even the Holy Spirit cannot reveal to them the truth which Jesus said he would come to reveal to the Christian community.

Everyone should examine the mesh of his screen to see that it keeps out error but does not stifle enlightenment by the Holy Spirit.

H.E. Williams is president emeritus of Southern Baptist College.



## Food and fellowship

Virginia Kirk and Jane Purtle

### Februarys remembered

In a little survey made about February memories, most everyone mentioned valentines, snow, spring and our first President's birthday.

Thinking about valentines-made me wonder if young children still make them from red construction paper and lace paper doilies. We cut red hearts with care from a pattern that our mother made, and laboriously printed messages: "I love you" and "Will you be mine?" It was most important to give one to our mother, father, grandparents and special neighbors. We bought valentines for school friends and teachers for a penny, complete with envelope. We learned a lesson in remembering others through these simple efforts.

February often brings surprise weather. It can vary from heavy snow to spring-like temperatures. The shy violets that bloom early and the few timid jonquils reassure us that God's earth will soon be warming, and the Arkansas land will be shining with more violets and jonquils, forsythia and japonica. The good earth is ready to be tilled; onions, lettuce and radishes will soon be peeping through.

George Washington and cherries became involved in February when grade school children were told the story of young George and his father's hatched cherry tree. George is supposed to have said, "I cannot tell a lie," when asked if he were the culprit. The story may or may not be true, but the teacher's emphasis on the importance of honesty has stayed with many of us. And now cherries belong to February.

They remind us of a simple cobbler that was popular a few years ago. This would be an appropriate time to prepare this quick dessert and invite someone to come home with you after church on Sunday evening for food and fellowship.

#### Quick cherry cobbler

1 pound can sour cherries	½ cup sugar
1 cup sugar	1 teaspoon baking powder
½ stick margarine (or butter)	½ cup milk
½ cup flour	½ teaspoon salt

Heat the cherries and juice with 1 cup sugar until boiling. Melt margarine in a baking dish. Add flour, ½ cup sugar, baking powder, mild and salt. Mix well. Pour hot cherries and juice over mixture in baking dish. Bake at 350° degrees for about 30 minutes or until brown. A cake-like crust rises to the top as the cobbler bakes. Serve warm or cold, with or without ice cream.

Virginia Kirk, professor emeritus at Arkansas College, is a member of Batesville First Church. Jane Purtle teaches at Lon Morris College in Jacksonville, Texas. They have enjoyed cooking together for several years.

## Seminary enrollment increases in Portugal

LISBON, Portugal—A record 30 students have registered for classes at the Portuguese Baptist Seminary. Included are students from three former territories governed by Portugal: Mozambique, Angola and Guinea-Bissau. This year, the seminary has opened an extension in the city of Oporto in northern Portugal and 10 people are enrolled in the initial class there.

Don Moore

## You'll be glad to know...

"Bro. Moore, it breaks my heart to read that 216 of our churches did not baptize anyone in 1985. It seems each year the number of churches not baptizing anyone goes up.

I wish to express to you that I am willing to help in any way possible. If these churches need someone for an evangelist, I will come if possible. I will help in survey work or whatever. Please put me on your list to help, just let me know."

He is correct, the number of churches baptizing no one goes up each year. This has been happening while Arkansas population has been growing. The situation must be looked upon as desperate. "Is God's hand shortened that he cannot save or his ear heavy so that He cannot hear?" (Isa. 59:1). Surely not!

Isaiah says that sin is what hinders the redemptive work of God. If that is the case and human destiny is impacted by our sin, we need to consider that their blood shall be on our hands. We all need to become desperate. Leaders, both pastors and lay people, need to swallow their pride and cry out for help.

We have pastors, evangelists, retired pastors, senior adults, directors of missions, a host of BSU students, and Ouachita and Southern Baptist college students who can and will come and help. Oh God, would you please make this the year every church in Arkansas reaches and baptizes one person?

I am very glad to know of those who really care about the situation and want to help.

Again this year, if a church has had no baptisms during the church year 1984-85, the convention will provide a trained student group to do surveys, Backyard Bible Clubs, Vacation Bible School or revivals. Their youth will be given a scholarship so that their cost of attending Siloam Springs Assembly will be only \$15. Also, we can provide assistance so that the church can have a full-time evangelist who is gifted and experienced in leading effective revivals.

**Don Moore is executive director of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention.**



Moore

## Walking as he walked Maston calls for godly living

by Mark Wingfield

FORT WORTH, Texas—About noon most Sundays, Dr. and Mrs. T.B. Maston can be found walking along James Avenue in Fort Worth, making their way home from church.

They step slowly, strolling behind a deacon who pushes their 60-year-old son's wheelchair. At 88, Maston and his wife, "Mommie," 87, now require a little help to care for their elder son, who was born with cerebral palsy.

But the path from Gambrell Street Church to their aging brick home about a block away is a familiar one. They've walked it for most of the past 65 years.

Maston, professor of Christian ethics emeritus at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas, first stepped on Seminary Hill in 1920 as a religious

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*Casting a long shadow on the pavement, Dr. and Mrs. T.B. Maston make their way home from Sunday services at Gambrell Street Church in Fort Worth, Texas. Maston, professor of Christian ethics emeritus at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, has written his 21st book on walking as Christ walked.*

education student. He and Mommie soon found their calling to be in educating others to tell the story of Jesus' walk among men.

Maston's name is synonymous with Christian ethics in the Southern Baptist Convention. His lifelong emphasis has been applying the gospel to life.

Out of his own desire to walk with Christ comes his 21st book, "To Walk as He Walked." Recently he sat down to discuss the book and their lives.

"We teach and preach a much better gospel than we live," Maston believes. So the thrust of his new book is "to measure our lives by the life he lived."

Maston bases the book on I John 2:5-6: "By this we may be sure that we are in him: he who says he abides in him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked."

He recalls the day that familiar Scripture caught his attention. "Have you ever heard a familiar passage and had it suddenly come alive to you?" he asked. This passage "gripped me a number of years ago," he said. "I've never been able to get away from it."

The Greek verb John used for walk, Maston points out, "is a metaphor for live." Thus Maston emphasizes not only believing the Word of God, but also living it.

"We can be orthodox in theology and real heretics in the way we live," he said. "What we believe is very important, but we don't do as good a job of living it."

For example, contemporary Christians still encounter Samaritans, he said. "All of us have some Samaritan folks we treat as second-class citizens.

"We need to get a deep-down concern for people, people of all kinds," Maston said. "They're all created in the image of God."

Maston believes the need today is for "men and women who are basically conservative in their theology and are willing to be labeled 'liberal' in their application of theology to life."

He knows the criticism such a lifestyle will encounter, because he's walked it himself. When he began to speak out on race relations before most Baptists became enlightened, he was labeled everything from a liberal to a Communist. Even teaching in the area of Christian ethics raised some eyebrows.

But Maston continues to practice the practical application of Scripture he preaches, even in the 22nd year of his retirement. "Practically all these black students on campus know me," he says, even though his best-known book on race relations appeared 40 years ago.

His wrinkled face smiles when he considers how God has blessed him. "Sometimes when I go home, kickin' up the leaves, I wonder what I'm doing still here," he said. "The good Lord and a good wife have helped me to live."

And two sons have contributed to his life. Gene, the younger son, followed his father's footsteps and teaches at New York City College. Tom Mc ("Mack"), the elder son, still requires his parents' care.

Even caring for an invalid, what many would consider a hard life, has been a "labor of love," the Mastons agree. "I really think Tom Mc has contributed to my life," Maston said.

In turn, Maston and his family have contributed to Southern Baptists an example for walking as Jesus walked.

**Mark Wingfield is a writer for Southwestern Seminary.**



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by Millie Gill / ABN staff writer

## people

**Ralph Waldo Davis** died Feb. 3 at his Little Rock home at age 76. His funeral services were held Feb. 6 at Pulaski Heights Church in Little Rock where he was a member. Davis was the first director of the Church Training Department of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, retiring from that position in May 1974, following 30 years of service. His years of leadership with ABSC were marked by several outstanding accomplishments, including the training of college students to serve in a summer field program, the beginning of the annual state Training Union Convention and the annual youth convention. He taught the basic training book on adult work over 125 times in 21 states and also directed the state assembly at Siloam Springs for three years with over 1,300 in attendance. He served four years as director of the Little Rock Center of Boyce Bible School following retirement, leading in the enrollment of more than 340 people. A graduate of Hardin-Simmons University and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Davis had served as pastor of churches in both Texas and Arkansas. He was preceded in death by his wife, Lois Ivey Davis, on July 10, 1983. He is survived by a daughter, Joy Vee Davis of Atlanta, Ga. Memorials may be made to the Ralph Davis Scholarship for Religious Education at Ouachita Baptist University.

**Vaughn Blue** is serving as pastor of Arbanna Church at Mountain View.

**Leslie Riherd** of Newport is serving as interim pastor of Batesville Calvary Church.

**Bill Stinson** will begin serving March 2 as minister of education at Watson Chapel Church, Pine Bluff. He will come there from Sheridan Road Church in Tulsa, Okla., where he has been serving as minister of education and outreach. A Kansas native, he attended Oklahoma Baptist University and Southwestern Baptist University. Stinson and his wife, Mary, have two children, Micah and Rebekah.

**Delton Cooper** has been called to serve as pastor of Wilson First Church. He has served for 17 years as pastor of Almyra Church. A native Arkansan, he is a graduate of East Texas Baptist College in Marshall. He has served churches in both Texas and Arkansas, as well as serving as a member of Arkansas Baptist State Convention Executive Board and as a trustee of Southern Baptist College. He has held numerous associational leadership positions. Cooper and his wife, Marcelee, have two children, Raymond and Marsh.

**Thomas Foy** has resigned as minister of music at Manila First Church to join the staff of a church in Louisa, Ky.

**Elmer Cox** observed his 60th anniversary to the ordination of the preaching ministry Feb. 16 when Lakeland Church at Omaha honored him with a reception.

## briefly

**Magnolia Central Church** parents and youth participated in the annual Parent and Youth Conference Jan. 19 led by Phil Briggs, professor of youth education at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, and Rosemary Hoover, Christian entertainer from Independence, Mo.

**Hot Springs Second Church** honored Gladys Phillips Feb. 2, recognizing her retirement following 21 years of service as church secretary.

**El Dorado First Church Baptist Women** recently organized an intercessory prayer group focusing on prayer for missionaries and their work and for the church and its outreach.

**Monticello Calvary Church** ordained Billy Collins to the deacon ministry Feb. 2. Raymond Reed, director of missions for Bartholomew Association, delivered the ordination message. Charles Carter is pastor.

**El Dorado East Main Church** recently organized the Nita Murray and Ruth Vanderburg Baptist Women groups. Murray grew up at East Main and will leave soon for Israel with her husband, Dennis, and son, Michael. Vanderburg is an Arkansan, serving as a missionary nurse in Indonesia.

ABN photo / Millie Gill



Lola Mae Whelchel, retiring librarian at Little Rock Immanuel Church, will be honored with a reception Feb. 16, 2-4 p.m. Whelchel began the library ministry 50 years ago with a \$65 budget. More than 26,700 volumes have been added to the collection.



Lowell Church recently celebrated payment of their indebtedness with a noteburning service. Participating were (left to right) Angie Bishop, Howard Bishop, pastor Jim Wallis, Elza Tucker, Clyde Kendrick and Rex Looney.

## Conway pastor begins lesson series commentary

Steve Kelley, pastor of Brumley Church, Conway, begins this week writing commentaries on the Bible Book series Sunday School lessons in "Lessons for living."

Kelley is a graduate of the University of Central Arkansas and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas. He also has done graduate study at Baylor University, Waco, Texas.

Kelley has served as a staff member for the Quitman Church and Nalls Memorial Church, Little Rock, before coming to Conway as pastor in 1984. He also has served in chaplaincy roles at Baptist Medical Center, Little Rock, and with the Arkansas Army National Guard.



Kelley

## missionary notes

**Mr. and Mrs. Harrison H. Pike**, recently reappointed missionaries to Brazil, have arrived on the field (address: Caixa Postal 1043, 66000 Belem, PA, Brazil). He was born in Texarkana, Texas, and she is the former June Summers of Fort Smith. They were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1956, resigned in 1984 and reappointed in 1985.

**Mr. and Mrs. Ronald E. West**, missionaries to Taiwan, have returned to the field (address: P.O. Box 27-24, Taichung 40098, Taiwan ROC). They are natives of Booneville. She is the former Elinda Tidwell. They were appointed to the Foreign Mission Board in 1978.

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## Governor signs prison chapel proclamation

Arkansas Governor Bill Clinton signed a proclamation Thursday, Feb. 6, declaring Sunday, Feb. 16, "Diagnostic Unit and Women's Unit Chapel Fund Day," according to Dewie Williams, administrator of chaplain services, Arkansas Department of Correction.

The proclamation recognizes a private fund-raising drive spearheaded by Arkansas business and church leaders on behalf of chapel construction projects at the Department of Correction's Women's Unit and Diagnostic Unit at Pine Bluff, Williams said.

A goal of \$300,000 has been set for the two projects, Williams noted, adding no state tax monies will be spent on the

construction.

Serving on the board of directors for the fund-raising effort are James Sawyer, chairman; Williams, vice-chairman; Peyton Kolb, treasurer; Ann McClaran, secretary; Ferd Bellingrath, special gifts chairman; and Frank King, construction chairman.

Williams said tax-deductible contributions may be sent to: Chapel Facility Fund, Bud Hervey, P.O. Box 8707, Pine Bluff, AR 71611.

Although the fund-raising effort is not a project of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, messengers to the 1985 ABCS annual meeting voted to observe Day of Prayer for Prison Chapels Sunday, Feb. 16.

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**Singles rally held**—Brian Harbour (foreground), pastor of Immanuel Church, Little Rock, conferred with single adults at the close of a Feb. 1 singles rally sponsored by Immanuel. Harbour, himself an author for single adults, was rally speaker. He challenged those attending to discover themselves as children of God; to dedicate themselves to God and to develop a relationship with him through prayer, study of his Word, memorization of Scripture and a weekly time of worship. Candy Smith of Houston, Texas, and David Delaney of Pasadena, Texas, (background) were guest musicians.

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## Baptists accept secular models, Hendricks says

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (BP)—Southern Baptists have often rejected the model Jesus Christ demonstrated for ministry, and instead have patterned their ministry after secular models, a Southern Baptist seminary professor said.

William Hendricks, professor of theology at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., contrasted eight secular models for ministry to seven characteristics of the ministry of Jesus during four presentations to state and national Christian social ministries directors at a conference sponsored by the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board.

"Secular models are not all bad, and it is okay to accept them," observed Hendricks. "But it is not okay to accept them without critically evaluating those models in contrast to the biblical norms and the example of Jesus," Hendricks said.

Hendrick's list of secular models included (1) the corporate executive, (2) the entrepreneur, (3) the professional, (4) the general practitioner, (5) the guru, (6) the salesman, (7) the entertainer and (8) the accommodator (politician). He described each in detail.

The ministry of Jesus, however, was characterized by (1) poverty, (2) obedience, (3) chastity and celibacy, (4) boldness, (5) compassion, (6) surprise and (7) self-awareness of single-minded purpose. "We're not doing so well on those," Hendricks said.

In accepting the secular models with a strong emphasis on success, Baptists also have had trouble with accepting the pover-

ty aspect of Jesus' ministry, Hendricks added.

Jesus wasn't against the rich, he observed, but he was a poor itinerant teacher who lived off his pupils and didn't worry about the financial aspects of life.

Hendricks, who has taught for 30 years at three Baptist seminaries, said he has real problems with ministers who piously say they want to be just like Jesus, but who don't take seriously the example Jesus set.

"Jesus really needs to be our model for ministry, but it's not easy," Hendricks said. He suggested that today's minister must vector back and forth between the reality of the world and the reality of Jesus' model.

"We must permit Jesus to come into our lives in such a way that he is not a creation of our own making, but is a participant in our world," Hendricks said.

Hendricks said that although there were many other aspects to the ministry of Jesus, two of the predominant models he set for Christians were the roles of shepherd and counselor.

Pointing out the word "pastor" is Latin for the word "shepherd," Hendricks said Jesus demonstrated seven characteristics Christians should follow in today's ministry.

First, he said, today's pastor must know the members of his congregation as well as the shepherd knew his sheep.

Other characteristics, he said, include persistence, patience, courage, resourcefulness, and caring concern. Finally, the shepherd must have an "intermittent" ministry, knowing when to leave the flock for periods of personal rest and renewal, Hendricks said.

Describing Jesus' ministry as a "wonderful counselor," Hendricks said professional counselors today are trained not to get personally involved in the lives of the persons they counsel. "That may be damaging both to the counselor and the counselee," he said.

The counselor who follows Jesus' example needs to know when to be alarmed and involved with people, when to laugh, when to become friends, when to develop close relationships, Hendricks added. Hardest of all, ministers following Jesus' example as counselor must know how to listen, how to be alert for non-verbal signals, and be willing to take risks, Hendricks said.

He observed the Jesus models of shepherd and counselor are "alive and well" within the Southern Baptist Convention, but they are not on the increase.

"I'm alarmed about some of the models we are putting before our students," said Hendricks, who has taught at both Southwestern (Fort Worth, Texas) and Golden Gate (Mill Valley, Calif.) Baptist Theological Seminaries in addition to Southern seminary.

Hendricks said he also is alarmed that the secular models predominate among Baptists, without critical contrast to the models of Jesus.

"It is painful to admit this, but most of us know it is true," he said. "Knowing it and not doing anything about it is to be just like the enlightened Pharisee who knew Jesus was different, but refused to do anything," he said.

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## Baptist food, tools stolen during Haitian violence

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (BP)—Armed looters broke into a Baptist warehouse near Port-Au-Prince three times Jan. 31 during a wave of national violence and unrest in Haiti.

Stolen were food intended for Baptist children's camps, various small tools for well-drilling projects and 25 to 30 cages with rabbits for an agricultural project.

At least 55 Haitians have been killed nationwide, according to press reports.

In a separate incident Jan. 31, a worker in a Baptist-sponsored tree-planting project was robbed of a \$600 payroll for 15 to 20 employees. The worker was not injured.

A Baptist farm storehouse near Cap-Haitien was looted Jan. 30. The stolen food had been intended for schoolchildren involved in Baptists' extensive school nutrition program in Haiti, but schools have been closed since unrest began in late November.

A number of Baptist churches in Port-Au-Prince held morning worship services Feb. 2 but canceled evening services. Churches in Cap-Haitien were closed.

Earlier in the week, large supplies of food had been transported from the warehouse to Baptist school nutrition programs throughout Haiti.

## SBC hunger gifts set record in 1985

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BP)—After witnessing with other Americans the vivid television images of starving Africans, Southern Baptists in 1985 responded with a record \$11.8 million in contributions to their denomination's program of hunger relief.

The 1985 total shattered the 1984 record by more than \$4.6 million as gifts to the hunger funds administered by the Southern Baptist Foreign and Home Mission Boards surpassed the previous year's total for the eighth consecutive time.

The total 1985 overseas and domestic hunger receipts of \$11,830,146 reflect a dramatic 65 percent increase over the 1984 figure of \$7,166,772.

John Cheyne, Foreign Mission Board senior consultant for human needs ministries, said the record total reflects Southern Baptists' "growing confidence" in the convention's hunger relief program. On the other hand, he noted that giving to overseas hunger relief tailed off in the last quarter of 1985 in stark contrast to the pattern of previous years. For example, receipts for hunger and general relief for December 1985 totalled \$1.83 million compared to more than \$2.4 million in December 1984.

"My personal evaluation is that the American public is beginning to experience some burnout after last year's overwhelming media exposure to world hunger," Cheyne said. "The news media probably will turn their attention to other issues in 1986, even though the needs are still acute in many countries in Africa."

## Mission plane forced down in Kenyan bush

NAIROBI, Kenya (BP)—A severe oil leak forced a Southern Baptist mission airplane to land among wild animals and Masai tribesmen in the remote bush country of Namanga, Kenya.

The Cessna 210, flown by Tanzania missionary pilot Cordell Akin, was enroute from Nairobi, Kenya, to Mbeya, Tanzania, Feb. 1 with three passengers: Tanzania missionary Evelyn Knapp and two Tanzanian nationals, Jason Binala and Austin Mwakijungu.

Akin, an experienced pilot from Nashville, Tenn., flew low over the landing site to drive off impala and wildebeest which covered the

area. He made two more passes to try to examine the field, despite extremely poor visibility through an oil-streaked windshield, and landed successfully on his fourth approach.

The Masai came running from nearby huts, intensely interested in the plane and its passengers, touching their skin and hair.

After examining the engine and wiping off excess oil, Akin decided to try to make it about 100 miles back to Nairobi. He took off, flying just above tree level over a road so he could land safely in an emergency. He landed successfully an hour later in Nairobi.

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- Friday, February 21**  
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Van Buren Second Baptist Church	21.75
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Bethel Baptist Church	94.16
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Delaware Baptist Church	147.87
Delta Baptist Church	400.00
Escalator Baptist Church	69.78
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North Side, Charleston	89.51
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Phoenix Village Baptist Church	158.50
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Spaulding Baptist Church	198.85
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Bisbee Baptist Church	120.00
Casa First Baptist Church	218.85
Narmany Baptist Church	71.55
Houston Baptist Church	84.50
Horlinton First Baptist Church	151.60
Niered Baptist Church	152.00
Oppele Baptist Church	15.00
Perry Baptist Church	202.00
Perryville First Baptist Church	651.11
Pleasant Grove Baptist Church	78.00
Pleasville First Baptist Church	151.60
Stony Point Baptist Church	58.83
Thornburg Baptist Church	255.01
Union Valley Baptist Church	182.23
	<b>3,155.46</b>

## CURRENT-GAINS BAPTIST ASSN

Biggers Baptist Church	85.28
Calvary Baptist Church	189.43
Columbia First Baptist Church	15.00
Corning First Baptist Church	1,065.50
Earning Baptist Church	76.86
Greensway First Baptist Church	358.00
Holly Island Baptist Church	202.00
Hopewell Baptist Church	115.72
Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church	225.41
New Hope Baptist Church	235.00
Niessons First Baptist Church	84.00
Oak Grove Baptist Church	105.00
Peach Orchard Baptist Church	114.25
Piggott First Baptist Church	135.00
Pine Grove Baptist Church	131.91
Pocahontas First Baptist Church	160.83
Raventon Spruce First Baptist Church	101.45
Rector First Baptist Church	1,233.37
Reyno First Baptist Church	36.00
Shannon Baptist Church	1,087.43
St. Francis Baptist Church	181.78
Mitt's Chapel Baptist Church	80.00
	<b>6,576.25</b>

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Atkins First Baptist Church	390.00
Bluffton Baptist Church	77.00
Calvary Baptist Church	70.00
Denovo Baptist Church	383.05
Dardanelle First Baptist Church	131.00
Dover Baptist Church	871.29
East Grove Baptist Church	165.28
Fair Park Baptist Church	100.08
Havana Baptist Church	1,053.12
Hector First Baptist Church	201.04
Hopewell Baptist Church	100.00
Immanuel, Russellville	151.00
Kelley Heights Baptist Church	146.00
Kelley Heights Baptist Church	78.00
London First Baptist Church	40.00
Moreland Baptist Church	135.00
New Hope Baptist Church	161.80
Ola First Baptist Church	166.05
Pittsburg Baptist Church	155.40
Plains First Baptist Church	120.00
Pleasant View Baptist Church	120.00
Pottsville Baptist Church	188.37
Pover Baptist Church	375.00
Russellville First Baptist Church	4,118.50
Russellville Second Baptist Church	442.88
	<b>9,862.50</b>

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Auld Baptist Church	59.50
Banola Baptist Church	394.00
Bellaire Baptist Church	660.00
Boydell Baptist Church	30.00
Chicklaw Baptist Church	106.43
Collins Baptist Church	84.25
Derwent Baptist Church	1,145.00
Eudora Baptist Church	375.00
Galnes Baptist Church	80.00
Halley Baptist Church	110.00
Jarmon Baptist Church	120.00
Kelso Baptist Church	624.25
Lake Village Baptist Church	427.00
Holbrook Baptist Church	118.87
Montross Baptist Church	89.78
New Hope Baptist Church	370.23
North Side Baptist Church	200.38
Parkdale Baptist Church	45.00
Parway Baptist Church	420.00
Portland Baptist Church	320.00
Richland Baptist Church	209.58
Shiloh Baptist Church	14.00
South Meadows Baptist Church	53.74
Tillar First Baptist Church	

Matson Baptist Church	57.86
Wilnot Baptist Church	281.80
	<b>9,794.20</b>

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Beryl Baptist Church	636.21
Blaney Hill Baptist Mission	65.70
Bon Baptist Church	26.00
Brumley Baptist Church	108.00
Cadron Ridge Baptist Church	385.00
Conway First Baptist Church	1,705.80
Conway Second Baptist Church	1,665.50
Emmanuel Baptist Church	150.00
Friendship Baptist Church	231.78
Greenbrier First Baptist Church	154.50
Harlan Park Baptist Church	400.00
Holland Baptist Church	100.25
Mayflower First Baptist Church	444.66
Mt. Vernon Baptist Church	174.33
North Side Baptist Church	100.00
Naylor Baptist Church	20.00
New Bethel Baptist Church	60.50
New Hope Baptist Church	204.00
Oak Bowery Baptist Church	1,250.59
Pickles Gap Baptist Church	564.91
Pleasant Grove Baptist Church	2,014.00
Saltito Heights Baptist Church	283.04
South Side Baptist Church	200.00
Wooler First Baptist Church	100.00
	<b>11,381.85</b>

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Cedar Glades Baptist Church	510.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church	104.00
Grand Avenue Baptist Church	200.00
Greaves Chapel Baptist Church	188.76
Leansville Baptist Church	168.50
Lorance Street Baptist Church	26.30
Hill Creek Baptist Church	26.30
Pleasant Grove Baptist Church	75.00
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Vista Heights Baptist Church	2,545.04

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Beach Grove Baptist Church	146.00
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Calvary Baptist Church	142.60
Central Hill Baptist Church	2,742.58
Clarks Chapel Baptist Church	344.07
Delaplaine Baptist Church	24.75
East Side Baptist Church	30.00
Fairview Baptist Church	100.00
Life Baptist Church	195.86
Light Baptist Church	249.18
Maramoduke First Baptist Church	308.75
New Friendship Baptist Church	336.00
New Life Baptist Church	33.78
Nuts Chapel Baptist Church	277.00
Oak Grove Baptist Church	23.49
Paragould First Baptist Church	2,867.65
Robbs Chapel Baptist Church	170.00
Rosewood Baptist Church	30.06
Stamford Baptist Church	110.23
Third Avenue Baptist Church	120.00
Unity Baptist Church	315.00
Vine Chapel Baptist Church	110.23
West View Baptist Church	820.63
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Cantennal Baptist Church	52.02
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Dumas First Baptist Church	555.18
East Side Baptist Church	143.00
White Hill First Baptist Church	402.00
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Grady First Baptist Church	110.23
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 Midway Baptist Church 335.56  
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 Parkview Baptist Church 34.62  
 Philadelphia Baptist Church 347.25  
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 Dell Baptist Church 224.61  
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 Emanuel Baptist Church 151.00  
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 Keiser First Baptist Church 28.50  
 Leachville First Baptist Church 276.00  
 Leachville Second Baptist Church 989.44  
 Luora First Baptist Church 60.29  
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 Ridgecrest Baptist Church 191.00  
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 Hetside Baptist Church 289.50  
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 Caraway Baptist Church 209.05  
 Central Baptist Church 468.67  
 Childress Baptist Church 200.00  
 Egypt Baptist Church 82.00  
 Fishhook Baptist Church 61.85  
 Friendly Hope Baptist Church 31.88  
 Jonesboro First Baptist Church 1,794.30  
 Lake City First Baptist Church 12.00  
 Monette First Baptist Church 150.00  
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 New Antioch Baptist Church 313.70  
 New Hope Baptist Church 12.46  
 Nettleton Baptist Church 381.00  
 New Antioch Baptist Church 215.53  
 New Hope, Canaway 138.00  
 New Hope, Jonesboro 25.00  
 North Hill Baptist Church 325.00  
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 Rudd Baptist Church 31.42  
 Snowball Baptist Church 47.88  
 South Side Baptist Church 89.00  
 St. Joe First Baptist Church 60.00  
 Union Baptist Church 478.49  
 Valley Springs First Baptist Church 848.28  
 Westside Baptist Church 103.30  
 Woodland Heights Baptist Church 108.38  
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 Leslie First Baptist Church 470.43  
 Lexington Baptist Church 280.00  
 New Hopeall Baptist Church 20.00  
 Pea Dee Baptist Church 80.37  
 Plant Baptist Church 105.00  
 Pleasant Valley Baptist Church 234.78  
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 Jacksonville Second Baptist Church 100.00  
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Franklin Baptist Church	216.00
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Orford Baptist Church	77.90
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Beech Street First Baptist Church	1,769.50
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Bronson Baptist Church	181.20
Calvary Baptist Church, Hope	483.20
Calvary Baptist Church, Tesarkana	527.10
Canfield Baptist Church	254.16
Central Baptist Church	100.00
Fulton Baptist Church	200.00
Garland Baptist Church	180.00
Gurneys Baptist Church	80.00
Haley Lake Baptist Church	50.00
Harmony Grove Baptist Church	100.00
Highland Hills Baptist Church	15.00
Hope First Baptist Church	35,009.50
Immanuel Baptist Church, Tesarkana	298.62
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Macedonia #2 Baptist Church	200.00
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Memorial Baptist Church	500.00
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Piney Grove Baptist Church	19.28
Shiloh Memorial Baptist Church	30.33
South Tearkana Baptist Church	101.50
Springhill Baptist Church	78.00
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Forrest City First Baptist Church	416.92
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Goodwin Baptist Chaeel	105.00
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Immanuel Baptist Church	112.00
Madison First Baptist Church	126.10
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Marked Tree First Baptist Church	286.00
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Pleasant Grove Baptist Church	184.00
Pleasant Hill Baptist Church	100.00
Pleasant Valley Baptist Church	539.80
Providence Baptist Church	114.04
Red Oak Baptist Church	210.84
Riverview Baptist Church	151.00
Shiloh Baptist Church	40.00
Trinity Baptist Church	83.31
Tyronea First Baptist Church	91.00
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Elkins First Baptist Church	100.00
Eldade Baptist Church	841.00
Farrington First Baptist Church	385.02
Fayetteville First Baptist Church	505.69
Greenland First Baptist Church	10.00
Hindsville Baptist Church	88.45
Huntwell First Baptist Church	228.20
Immanuel Baptist Church	177.00
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Kingston First Baptist Church	268.48
Liberty Baptist Church	259.85
Lincoln First Baptist Church	400.00
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Pleasant Baptist Church	220.00
Rolling Hills Baptist Church	458.62
Sang Avenue Baptist Church	184.00
Silent Grove Baptist Church	282.00
Somers Baptist Church	282.00
Southside Baptist Church	45.59
Springs Valley Baptist Church	267.56
Springsdale First Baptist Church	1,875.55
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Wadeville First Baptist Church	1,175.55
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Bruno Baptist Church	54.14
Butt Shoals First Baptist Church	371.58
Cotton First Baptist Church	458.62
Eastside Baptist Church	291.00
Fiddling First Baptist Church	429.00
Gassville Baptist Church	1,875.55
Henderson First Baptist Church	65.47
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Hopewell Baptist Church	172.00
Long Rock Baptist Church	117.33
Midway Baptist Church	544.63
Morning Star Baptist Church	1,000.00
Mountain Home First Baptist Church	1,855.50
Peel First Baptist Church	92.31
Plarinet First Baptist Church	136.00
Pyatt Baptist Church	453.28
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Summit Baptist Church	136.00
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## International

### Be a peacemaker

by Nan Ashcraft, Hurricane Lake Church, Benton

Basic passage: Matthew 5:9,21-26,38-48; Luke 6:27-36

Focal passage: Matthew 5:9,21-25,38-48

Central truth: God's people work for peace between individuals, groups and nations.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God" (Matt. 5:9). This beatitude is lifted from the Sermon on the Mount and is the key verse in this session. It is seventh of nine principles of true happiness for living under the rule of God.

Followers of Jesus are called to be peacemakers in relation to all. They are called to be giving and loving in relation to all. They are to work for peace between individuals, groups and nations. This seventh beatitude declares the blessedness of one who is actively engaged in peacemaking. He will be called the true child of God.

Jesus' encounters with the Pharisees were because he challenged the perverse traditions they substituted for the commandments of God. Moses gave "lex talionis" to restrict the people from going beyond an eye for an eye, but this law of retaliation had served its usefulness. It was not in keeping with Jesus' radical teachings. The kingdom of God was among them; therefore his followers should no longer resist evil with evil.

Jesus said: "Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you" (v. 44). Difficult though it may be, we have his assurance that the rewards are great.

In all of Jesus' teachings, love was central, love for God and love for others. His principles contribute to peacemaking. As application is made, his followers will be free of wrong attitudes, of thoughts and words of contempt and pride of intellect.

The Jews concerned themselves with the end result of the law; Jesus warned about the front end, where sin begins. He commanded those under the rule of God to love, because love fulfills the law. Without love, one cannot live under his rule. Indiscriminate giving and loving enable us to identify positive actions we can take in peacemaking.

The Golden Rule is understood and accepted, but most have difficulty living by it. Jesus gave the all-time challenge when he said: "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect" (v. 48).

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## Life and Work

### Love for people

by C. Michael Anders, First Church, Sherwood

Basic passage: Matthew 12:1-21

Focal passage: Matthew 12:10-21

Central truth: Demonstrating genuine concern for people and their needs is more important than any custom or institution.

God is love. Christ demonstrated God's love. If Christians are to be like God, they too must be guided by divine love.

The faith of the Pharisees had become so entangled in the details of the law that they failed to see its real purpose. Their religion bogged down in its customs and traditions. The Pharisees could not see through the web of the law to see people with compassion. They had stooped so low they could not even accept Jesus for what he was. Instead, they were "looking for a reason to accuse Jesus" (v. 10).

In contrast, Jesus consistently demonstrated a life committed to the love of people. He was concerned about the physical hunger of his disciples and defended them when they pulled grain on the Sabbath. When confronted by a man with a withered hand, his compassion led to healing, even on the Sabbath. Jesus acted redemptively, while the Pharisees blindly debated the letter of the law.

In verses 11 and 12, Jesus argued for the priority of people over the priestly codes. God did not make people just to keep religious rules and regulations. "The sabbath was made for man, not man for the sabbath" (Mark 2:27).

By using the example of David from the Old Testament and an argument from the Pharisees own tradition, Jesus proves that doing good is always lawful on the sabbath. Jesus then boldly speaks with authority declaring himself Lord of the sabbath. In so doing, Jesus demonstrates people and their needs have ultimate authority over religious customs and institutions.

Jesus demonstrated God's constant love for people by coming to earth as a lowly servant, just as Isaiah had predicted. He came to minister, not to be ministered to. He came teaching love and living love, showing compassion even to a "bruised reed."

"The disturbing truth is this loving Jesus met with deadly opposition. If we have the nerve to follow in his steps, we too must be prepared to love in spite of the world's opposition. Are you ready to follow Christ's way of love no matter what the cost?"

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## Bible Book

### Gratitude, encouragement

by Steve Kelley, Brumley Church, Conway

Basic passage: 2 Timothy 1:1-18

Focal passage: 2 Timothy 1:3-16

Central truth: Rather than being ashamed, Christians are to testify boldly of their faith in Christ both in their words and in their actions.

Paul was thankful for Timothy's dedication to the ministry. Inspired by Timothy's dynamic faith, Paul prayed unceasingly for his fellow servant. The Apostle was aware of the tears shed by Timothy as the young pastor faithfully preached the gospel. Paul's example calls us to prayerfully support and encourage those who labor in the work of the ministry (vv. 3-5).

The apostle challenges Timothy to be bold in preaching and practicing God's Word. Paul encourages his co-laborer in Christ to courageously share the gospel message and to persevere in godliness during times of persecution. Paul's words remind us actions must be consistent with words if we are to be an effective witness for Christ (v. 8).

Paul calls to Timothy's attention the resources God has made available for dynamic witnessing. He says God did not grant Timothy a timid or cowardly spirit. The young prophet has at his disposal power, love and a sound mind that make effective witnessing possible. Power overcomes fear. Love seeks the best for others. A sound mind speaks of self-control or self-mastery needed for discipline in sharing God's Word. Thus, Timothy is well equipped to boldly proclaim God's redemptive love (v. 7).

The same resources for faithful witnessing are available to us today. By virtue of the new birth, we have access to the dynamic power of Christ's resurrection. We share a compassion and concern for those who do not know Christ. We possess self-control granted to us by the Holy Spirit. Thus, may we be bold, and not timid.

The Apostle invited Timothy to share in the hardship that was a part of faithful ministry. Paul's steadfastness in preaching the gospel caused him to suffer. Nevertheless, he kept on telling the story of Jesus. Paul's determination to spread the gospel was strengthened by his confidence in the power of Christ. He confessed, "I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day." It is this same confession that inspires us to share those around us (vv. 8b, 12).

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## Seminary student killed by unknown gunman

FORT WORTH, Texas (BP)—A Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary student was killed in an apparently random shooting at his home Jan. 29.

Police do not yet have a motive in the shooting death of Douglas Clifton Seale, a master of music student from Meridian, Miss. Seale was pronounced dead on arrival at John Peter Smith hospital after being shot twice at his home.

Lawrence Klempnauer, vice-president for student affairs, said an unknown person fired five shots through the living room window of the Seales' home about 11:45 Wednesday night. The home is a private residence, but is located across the street from a seminary-owned apartment complex.

"It looks like somebody walked up to the screen and fired five shots through it," Klempnauer said. "Somebody just got up there and unloaded a pistol."

Seale's wife, Teresa, was in the bathroom when the shooting occurred, Klempnauer said. Seale apparently was seated on a couch in the front room. Two of the five shots fired through the draped window hit Seale, Klempnauer said.

Several neighbors reported hearing shots but saw nothing when they looked outside.

The day of his death, Seale had begun duties as a youth choir director at Sagamore Hill Church. Michael Catt, associate pastor and student minister at the church, said Seale had performed two songs at the regular youth service that night, "Be Still and Know that I Am God" and "Open My Eyes Lord, I Want to See Jesus."

"Cliff was one of the most genuine people I ever met," Catt said. "He was full of joy. I spent the day with him yesterday and he was talking about his plans for the choir. I had never seen anyone so excited."

## National WMU adds five to staff

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (BP)—Woman's Missionary Union, SBC, has added five new employees to its professional staff, all in the Missions Education System, led by Associate Executive Director Bobbie Sorrell.

Marsha Spradlin will be Baptist Young Women consultant; Pat Ritchie, training design group manager; Carol Causey, training designer; Cindy McClain, Girls in Action/Accepts products editor, and Edna Ellison, Royal Service editor.

In her new position, Spradlin will lead in designing activities for BYW and Campus BYW. She also will participate in designing curriculum and products for the age-level organization. Spradlin and other age-level consultants will implement approved plans outlined in WMU's dated plans.

Ritchie and Causey will work in the training design group to develop "how to" kits needed by state WMU leadership to train workers. They will evaluate and approve plans for training design projects, including the production of training modules.

Arkansas native McClain will implement and interpret products in the dated plan, WMU's calendared outline of activities. McClain also will direct the work of an editorial assistant and artist. McClain was a missionary journeyman to Liberia, West Africa, from 1983-85.

Ellison will be involved in enlisting and training writers; editing magazine copy, and directing, coordinating and implementing magazine curriculum plans for Baptist Women.

## Marv Knox elected BP feature editor

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BP)—Marv Knox, 29, has been elected feature editor for Baptist Press, the news service of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Knox, who will assume the post Feb. 1, succeeds Craig A. Bird, who resigned after he was appointed a missionary associate with the SBC Foreign Mission Board.

In his new job, Knox will work with BP Director Wilmer C. Fields and News Editor Dan Martin in writing, editing and preparing the daily news service which is circulated to some 400 outlets per day, including the 37 state Baptist newspapers.

Knox, a native of Fort Worth, Texas, has been employed in Southern Baptist journalism for seven years, following his 1979 graduation from Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Texas.

He comes to the BP position after two years as associate editor of the Baptist Message, newsjournal of the Louisiana Baptist Convention, in Alexandria. Previously, he

was director of news and information at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., 1981-84, and assistant news editor of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, Atlanta, 1979-81.

Other experience includes being general assignment reporter at the Abilene (Texas) Reporter News; internships on the Rocky Mountain Baptist, newsjournal of the Colorado Baptist General Convention, and Texas Baptist Children's Home, Round Rock; and editorship of *The Brand*, student publication at Hardin-Simmons University, 1976-79.

While at H-SU, Knox received the Kincaid Award as top journalism student 1976, 1978 and 1979; and in 1979 was named the top academic graduate, the top graduate in leadership and top Bible department graduate. He also received a master of divinity degree from Southern Seminary in 1984.

Knox is married to the former Joanna Jarchow of Fort Worth, Texas. They have one child, Lindsay Michelle, 2.

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