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LAST CALL

Evangelism Conference

EXECUTIVE BOARD
ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION
401 West Capitol Avenue
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

January 24, 1963



S. A. WHITLOW
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

My Dear Fellow Workers:

This is a personal appeal for you to attend the Evangelism Conference, January 28-29, at the First Baptist Church, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Remember there will be five sessions filled with information and inspiration. There will be two "special sessions" for laymen and women.

Out of state speakers are: Dr. Grady Cothen, Secretary, California Baptist Convention, Fresno, California; Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, Secretary, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Virginia; Dr. Eual Lawson, Associate, Division of Evangelism, Home Mission Board, Dallas, Texas; Rev. Richard Perkins, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Galveston, Texas; Rev. Harry Hunt, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Jackson, Missouri; and a number of outstanding personalities within our state.

Time: 1:45 p.m. See Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine, January 3, 1963, for detailed program.

Sincerely,

S. A. Whitlow
S. A. Whitlow

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Jan. 28

1:45 P.M.

Dr. R. Q. Leavell, 71, dies of heart attack

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. (BP) —In his last two years, Dr. Roland Quinche Leavell reached a lifetime goal. He wrote a book on the gospel of Matthew.

It was published by the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Baptist churches from coast to coast were using it in their January, 1963, Bible study weeks.

Dr. Leavell was himself teaching the book titled *Studies in Matthew, the King and the Kingdom*. He was doing it for a pastor friend, Luther Joe Thompson, at First Baptist Church, Chattanooga.

But early the morning of Jan. 15, the 71-year-old Baptist leader suffered a fatal heart attack here.

Services in New Orleans

Funeral services were held in New Orleans in the chapel of New Orleans Seminary, named in Dr. Leavell's honor.

Dr. Leavell served as president of the seminary from 1946 to 1958. When he retired he became president emeritus.

Officiating at his funeral were Dick H. Hall, pastor, First Church, Decatur, Ga.; W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor, First Church, Jackson, Miss., and H. Leo Eddleman, New Orleans Seminary president.

Burial was in Oxford, Miss., where Dr. Leavell was born. The Leavell family, well-known because so many of them held positions in Southern Baptist life, had lived there.

Before becoming president of the seminary, Dr. Leavell was director of the evangelism division of the SBC Home Mission Board.

He also held the pastorates of First Church, Gainesville, Ga., and First Church, Tampa, Fla.

He has served as overseas Young Men's Christian Association secretary during World War I and was pastor of First Church,

Oxford, and First Church, Pica-yune, Miss.

The 1961 Southern Baptist Convention meeting in St. Louis elected Dr. Leavell first vice-president. He presided at several sessions of the San Francisco Convention.

Authored several books

Dr. Leavell wrote several books during his ministry, many on evangelism.

Shortly after Dr. Leavell became president of New Orleans Seminary, he negotiated with real estate dealers for 75 acres for a new seminary campus.

On Sept. 3, 1953, the new seminary plant was dedicated. Dr. Leavell had witnessed the construction of 85 buildings, counting academic buildings, student housing, faculty residences and workshops.

Under Dr. Leavell's leadership the seminary grew in enrollment from 331 in 1946 to 1,200 in 1958. The faculty increased from 10 to 39. The school gained full accreditation with the American Association of Theological Schools.

'Heart buried on campus'

Dr. Leavell wrote in "The Sheer Joy of Living" that his family would eventually take his weary old bones to the family burying ground at Oxford, "but my heart is already buried under that chapel in the heart of the campus of the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary."

Dr. and Mrs. Leavell made their home in Jackson, Miss., after he retired. He suffered a stroke in January, 1958, and retired in May of that year.

Survivors include Mrs. Leavell, the former Lilian Forbes Yarborough of Hattiesburg, Miss., whom he married in 1923. They also include a brother, Clarence Stanley Leavell, of Memphis, and three daughters.

The Cover




'Basic evangelism'

GOD'S plan of salvation for a lost world, as revealed in his word, will be the center of focus at the annual evangelism conference Monday and Tuesday, at First Church, Little Rock.

The opening session is scheduled for Monday from 1:45 to 4:35 p.m. The Monday evening session will begin at 6:45 p.m., with adjournment set for 9:15.

Three sessions will be held Tuesday, at 8:45 a.m., 1:45 p.m., and 6:45 p.m.

The conference theme is: "Basic evangelism."



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'Preaching the gospel'

SAW wood" is an old imperative to stick to the main job. Among church people this is frequently translated: "Preach the gospel." This is used as an argument, sometimes, that preachers and church people should stick to their main business of preaching the gospel and keep out of involvement in such things as political action.

Any "gospel" that does not relate to every-day affairs and all areas of life is certainly not the New Testament gospel. Any "gospel" that makes gambling and other vices mere options to be "left to the individual" is as unacceptable to God as it is acceptable to the devil and his angels of the underworld of crime.

Certainly the church must not turn aside from preaching the gospel—the good news that the Son of God came into the world, gave himself in sacrifice on the cross for the atonement of our sins, was buried in Joseph's new tomb, arose on the third day to be alive forever more, and is coming again some day as the righteous Judge before whom everyone from every nation must stand and give account. No better summary of the gospel can be found than John 3:16: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

Christ's marching orders to Christians of all nations and of all generations—which we call "The Great Commission"—calls for the preaching of the gospel to all people. But it does not stop there. Christians and the church are further charged: ". . . teaching them [those won to an acceptance of Christ as Lord and Saviour] to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded."

New Testament churches and church people are to live Christ-like lives and make their influence felt everywhere. Surely no Christians have any greater obligation to stand up and be counted on the great moral issues of the day than we Americans. Not only are we "citizens of two kingdoms"—the most of us are voters who have voices in political affairs, in the earthly kingdom. Nothing would be more pleasing to the devil than for us to leave political affairs to the manipulation of the ungodly.

On Russian persecution

THE Baptist World Alliance has asked the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to "invite an impartial international committee to investigate charges of religious persecution in the Soviet Union," reports the Baptist Press. At the same

time, a letter was sent by the BWA officials to Secretary of State Dean Rusk asking clarification of incidents in which 32 Siberian Christians were turned away from the United States Embassy in Moscow recently.

In a letter to the Russian ambassador in Washington, Josef Nordenhaug, who is general secretary of BWA, and C. Emanuel Carlson, chairman of BWA's Commission on Religious Liberty and Human Rights, referred to news reports about evangelical Christians appearing at the U. S. Embassy in Moscow, "voicing their sense of religious persecution."

The Baptist leaders suggested that the investigating committee be composed of representatives of the United Nations, the World Council of Churches and the Red Cross and that the committee "report back to world Christendom and the governments of the United Nations."

The officials also asked for a clarification of the "reasons why the United States Embassy in Moscow was not in a position to render these people more substantial aid than has been reported."

There is not the slightest likelihood that any such investigative committee as suggested here could ever be named or admitted to the USSR, but the call for it may be far from in vain as far as helping the persecuted Russian Christians is concerned. The chances that the protest group will not be shot or further abused are much better, with this turning of the spotlight of world public opinion upon Russia.

Not only should we Americans be concerned when Christians in any land are denied their God-given right of freedom of worship, but we should also be concerned that we use the freedom that is ours here in America in a way pleasing to our God.

Lord, warm our hearts

ONE burden Christ's followers are called to bear as daily crosses—the compassionate burden for lost souls. This is a load the Christian carries that the rest of the world knows nothing about. For we have this only to the extent Christ's love is in our hearts.

Even preachers and Sunday School teachers, along with Christians generally, are in constant danger of becoming cold and professional in their Christian witness. That's why the annual evangelism conferences, such as the one scheduled for next Monday and Tuesday, here at Little Rock First Church, are so vital. Methods will be studied. Bible study and prayer will be emphasized. But no methods, however efficient, and no quoting of the Scriptures and saying of prayers can equip one with a cold and compassionless heart for winning lost souls. The greatest thing to be gained from attending the evangelistic conference is that our hearts may be warmed.

Monetary musings

YOU can't tell these days just by sizing a fellow up whether he's a borrower or a lender. So you just better



EDWIN L.

be respectful to everybody. A lot of times the fellow that's paying interest dresses as good or better than the one that collects it. (Not many are going without new shoes, new hats or new dresses to keep their church pledges paid.)

If the worth of a man could be determined by how much money or property he owns—which, of course, it can't—you'd still have to be courteous to everybody. For the fellow with the baggy pants might be able to buy you and your razor-sharp trouser-creases a thousand times over.

Poor Richard, with his "Ere fancy you consult, consult your purse," would be laughed out of court today. Back then a purse was to carry money in. But today, you carry your credit cards in it. And you run out of money a long time before your cards expire.

If you call your bank and ask what your balance is, they think you are asking about the balance on your note.

When the world measures a man and says, "One thing thou lackest," it is dealing in dollars and cents. But when Christ said to the rich young ruler, "One thing thou lackest," he was concerned about dollars and sense.

When the rich man died, some of the neighbors asked: "How much did he leave?" The reply was: "All he had."

Here's a page from an old etiquette book:

"My brethren, have not the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory, with respect of persons.

"For if there come unto your assembly a man with a gold ring, in goodly apparel, and there come in also a poor man in vile raiment;

"And ye have respect to him that weareth the gay clothing, and say unto him, Sit thou here in a good place; and say to the poor, Stand thou there, or sit here under my footstool:

"Are ye not then partial in yourselves, and are become judges of evil thoughts?

"Harken, my beloved brethren, Hath not God chosen the poor of this world rich in faith, and heirs of the kingdom which he hath promised to them that love him? . . .

"But if ye have respect to persons, ye commit sin, and are convinced of the law as transgressors." (James 2:1-5, 9)

Edwin L. McDonald

THE PEOPLE SPEAK

The Governor and gambling

GOVERNOR Faubus is certainly to be congratulated and highly praised for his refusal to go along with the organized gambling crowd to turn Arkansas into another Nevada.

However, he is dead wrong on the idea that gambling in Hot Springs and Garland County should be left up to the city and county officials. Are these two political divisions going to become a state or two states within a state? Are they going to tell the rest of the people in Arkansas, including Governor Faubus, to walk to the nearest river and jump in? This simply doesn't make sense, nor add up, nor square with thousands of us for the governor to talk out of both sides of his mouth at the same time when he says he will veto any bill to legalize gambling in Arkansas and then for him to say, "open gambling in Hot Springs is a matter for local law enforcement," and that he wouldn't interfere with this arrangement.

The governor was also dead wrong when he tried to pass the buck to other groups. He said, "If gambling is evil then we must be taught that it is evil." He continued, "This is the task for the homes, the schools, churches and youth groups."

What is the governor going to do in getting the idea, "we must be taught that it is evil" into millions of homes and schools where millions of parents and school teachers believe in and practice all kinds of gambling. Are these parents and teachers going to do anything about getting across to their children and pupils the governor's idea the "truth that it is evil"? They are not. How are the churches going to do anything about the matter of teaching about the evils of gambling when there are millions who never hear a Sunday School lesson taught nor a sermon preached in a whole year or years? How can religion, as the governor stated, be "the keeper of our collective conscience" with the above mentioned attitudes and conditions prevailing in millions of our homes and schools? It simply cannot and there isn't any need for anyone to prattle that it can.

Right after the Supreme Court's decision on prayer in our public schools President Kennedy said we should do more praying in our homes. He was right to a degree. All Christians should do more praying in our homes, but what about millions of homes where all anyone hears or sees in those homes are cursings, drunkenness, quarreling, fights and abuse? The governor and the president are taking entirely too much for granted. All of our homes aren't Christian. I doubt seriously if one-tenth of the homes in the United States are thoroughly and genuinely Christian.

The governor rather cleverly passed another buck when he said, "The State Police were set up to control traffic." Granted, but what would keep the state legislature from extending the service of the State Police to six months or a year in Garland County and Hot Springs. They could padlock every joint in the county in less than six months, and run every punk, rascal and scoundrel back to Nevada, New York City or any other place in less than six months.

The Governor's argument about the State Police doesn't hold water nor shucks. His promise to clean out gambling in Hot Springs should mean more to him than his eternal BUCK PASSING.—Jay W. C. Moore, Concord Baptist Association, Ft. Smith

A strong point

I WANT to say that we both (Mrs. Gladen and I) enjoy reading the paper each week. The news is more interesting to her since she knows more of the people mentioned. I particularly enjoy your editorials and your column of personal observations. As an ex-country boy, I get much pleasure from your unabashed references to rural realities. It is a shame that some of your readers do not have the background to appreciate fully those gems of wisdom. For instance, the inexperienced might hoot at your theory of curing juvenile delinquency with a Georgia-stock or a middle buster, but I am convinced that you have a strong point. — Missionary Van Gladen, Corregidora Ote. 1333, Torreon, Coah., Mexico.

'About your paper'

I'M from Arkansas now, and I get the Arkansas Baptist thru our church. How do other Letters-to-the editor writers from out of state get theirs? They seem to know what is found in ours. I enjoy their letters but wonder why there are so few letters from Arkansas Baptists. Are they too busy to write, agree entirely with everything in the paper, or figure what little they might say would fall on deaf ears?

We have Arkansas Baptists who'll write to their daily newspapers expressing religious opinions for all who read but seldom, if ever, write their own Baptist newspaper. Why?

We're very glad to have Missionary Gilbert Nichols and his family back with us. From hearing him here, we know he must be doing great work for our Lord in Paraguay.

There are articles in the paper each week I feel could be put to better use. As an example, in Jan. 10th issue, page 10, the death of Senator Kerr (didn't everyone hear it on TV-radio, or daily newspaper?) could be eliminated unless

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Schroeder tackles work with challenge to win

By ROY JENNINGS

Baptist Press Staff Writer

EDITOR'S NOTE: *Baptist Men's Day* is a newcomer to the January calendar of Southern Baptist Convention work. This first Baptist Press personality profile tells about George W. Schroeder, who helps make the men's day what it is. Other profiles will follow on executives of SBC agencies.

"COME on gang. Clobber those guys!" This positive challenge to win characterizes the way George W. Schroeder, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention's Brotherhood Commission, throws himself into his work.

Whatever the assignment—work or play—Schroeder has the reputation of tackling it as if his life depended upon it.

Schroeder learned the philosophy of giving his best while playing forward for a high school basketball powerhouse at Pinckneyville, Ill., in the 1930s.

The husky German has never let up. At 48, as the chief executive officer of the commission, he thinks nothing of grinding out a 14-hour day and topping it off with a speaking engagement.

This hungry desire for service has paid off during the last 12 years in new church Brotherhoods and Royal Ambassador chapters.

Under Schroeder's leadership the number of church Brotherhoods has grown from 5,076 to 14,480 and Royal Ambassador chapters from 8,500 to 14,616. Enrolled are more than 392,000 men and 235,000 boys.

Who is this man Schroeder?

Like most Southern Baptist leaders he grew up in a small town, Pinckneyville, a little hamlet of 3,300 people, on the main line of the Illinois Central Railroad between New Orleans and St. Louis.

Schroeder's father was a locomotive engineer. His grandparents had left Germany to settle in southern Illinois.

With three sisters and a brother in the family, Schroeder learned early in life he would have to work for what he got. A sympathetic service station operator gave him his first job.

At the age of 12, Schroeder was so short he couldn't reach the radiator cap on cars; so he filled them by sound from a bucket with a long spout.

After high school and college—bachelor of arts and master's degree from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale—Schroeder was working for an automobile agency when Southern Baptists called him into denominational service.

Schroeder's first denominational assignment was in 1940 as Brotherhood secretary for Illinois Baptists. Six years later, Lawson Cooke, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Brotherhood Commission, tapped Schroeder

as an associate. His work henceforth would not be for one state alone; it would be for Baptist men from coast to coast.

When Cooke retired in 1951, Schroeder was chosen as his successor.

"I didn't get into denominational work by accident," Schroeder says. "As far back as I can remember, I had a definite feeling that God wanted to use me in his work, not as a preacher but as a layman in some special way.

"When Brotherhood work was begun in Illinois in the 1930s, my interest quickened. I joined the Brotherhood of my church! The men elected me president. Later I served as president of the

association and of the state Brotherhood convention."

Schroeder has great hopes for Southern Baptist men, but he realizes that men alone can't achieve them. That's one of the reasons he starts off every work day in a spiritual way.

In the office by 7:30, he spends a half hour in prayer and quiet meditation before plunging into the assignments for the day.

"This is the only way I can prepare myself for the work ahead," he confesses.

Does he have any frustrations?

Yes. They are found in the red tape of denominational activities.

"Of course, I realize procedures are necessary for a denomination as large as ours," Schroeder said. "But it's still frustrating to see things men need to do which must go undone for now because of red tape."

Besides hunting, Schroeder likes to read. His library of 3,000 books attest this fact. His particular weakness is biographies, especially those of statesmen.



—(BP Photo)

George W. Schroeder
He plays and works hard

Church work or homework?

"A FATHER and mother living together with their children, tender in their love, pure in their lives, strong in their convictions, simple and orderly in their habits, do infinitely more than presidents and governors, legislators and clergymen can do in making a strong nation."

—S. D. Gordon (*Quiet Talks on Home Ideals*)

QUESTION: "I need help in trying to work out a schedule in proper balance between home responsibilities and church activities.

"I want to do my part in church. I also want to be a good wife, and a good mother to my three children.

"Any practical suggestions will be greatly appreciated."

ANSWER: Thank you for bringing into focus this question which every sincere Christian homemaker must face.

I am glad you used the word "balance." Only the Christian way brings one into true balance in living.

There is no custom-made pattern to fit all situations. I hope you will find consideration of these suggestions helpful.

A mother's first responsibility is to her family and home.

A vital part of that responsibility is to implant into the habit trends of those entrusted to her for their formative years everyday Christian living and church loyalty. She will keep her heart and her ear sensitive and attuned to the needs of her family and to the service challenges of her church. The provision of nourishing food and development of good health habits should be coupled with equal concern for the family's spiritual growth.

Participation in church activities should be a family affair. Preparation ahead and getting off to meetings together should be a habit-forming exercise in parent-children cooperation.

Always we are pleased when a woman approached about a church position says, "You will have to give me time to take this up in our family council before I can give

you a definite answer." Such procedure usually means that if she accepts, members of her family will help her in readiness to do her task well.

An incident from a recent workshop conference illustrates. Discussing the plans with her family, the leader casually expressed her desire for a poster to make visual a certain point. The elementary-school daughter responded right away to her mother's expressed desire with an excellent poster. The poster and the incident added much strength to the presentation of work plans for those attending the conference.

Guard against becoming a "do-gooder," so involved in outside activities that your family is neglected.

So arrange your schedule that you are at home when your children come in from school. Nothing more quickly generates a neglected feeling than coming home to an empty house.

If some pressing responsibility necessitates your absence, be sure that some dependable person is there to explain. Individual notes to your children and happy surprises help, when you must be away.

"Look in the top drawer of the cabinet, Bill." There Bill finds a polished red apple.

"Mary, there's something in the second cabinet drawer for you." Mary finds a banana, because that's her favorite fruit.

Sometime you will devise clever directions for a little treasure hunt. It will lead Mary to some new cutouts, and Bill to the model airplane he'd had to do without because he had spent all his allowance.

Let these occasions be rare, and rather special—not habitual.

See that there is adequate care for your nursery child while you are involved in meetings at the church.

Morning circles, night circles and class meetings (when dads may have a turn at baby-sitting), and family nights in church schedules all have grown out of the desire to meet the needs of families like you and yours.

Do accept some church responsibilities, within reasonable limits. Carefully plan ahead in provisions for your family, and in preparation for your church work. If tensions develop too frequently, if you detect indications that your husband and children feel that you belong more to outside interests than you do to them, these are danger signals. Either you have overloaded your capacity and your time, or you need to rethink your schedule.

Encourage your husband and children in their opportunities for service. Be available to help them with preparations, if they need you. Serve meals early enough for them to get to their meetings comfortably on time. Be proud of them, and let them know it.

Even in this our day, woman's most rewarding sphere of service is in encouraging, inspiring, and loving her husband and her children into realization of their maximum capacities for life.

Beware of becoming so involved in civic and social activities that you shirk opportunities to serve Christ.

Manage somehow to keep a few hours for yourself each week for your own fun and relaxation. Do not spurn the idea of an afternoon nap. Drop down for a few minutes' rest while the baby is sleeping. A happy, fun-loving mother is a more effective witness for Christ than a threadbare one, both at home and in her church.

Rosalind Street

Mrs. J. H. Street

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WHY I CAN'T QUIT THE MINISTRY

BY A BAPTIST PASTOR

A FEW weeks ago a young Presbyterian minister resigned a large church and went into another area of work. He wrote his story in the *Saturday Evening Post* (Nov. 17) entitled "Why I Quit the Ministry."

We are told that "ordained clergymen are resigning in unprecedented numbers and Protestant seminary enrollment dropped five percent last year to a five-year low."

This has really been bugging me! I want to quit too! I believe scores of other pastors really would like to quit. The pastorate has become a cross between a rat race and a popularity poll, a combination of infant rub-downs and divine demands, and I have wanted to give in many times.

It seems strange to say it, but a pastor's worst enemies in a community will be the members of his church. I will have to agree that many churches want preachers who support the status quo, and they want highly polished ministers to run errands for those who run the church. "Country club socials and weekly bridge parties do take precedence with many over prayer meetings and visitation." It seems the only important moment about the Sabbath is high noon—so anxious are they about these minutes.

However, it is not just the weakness of the churches, but, rather, the weakness of this preacher that leads him to despair. The task is so much greater than I. The height of expectations so far exceed the power of performance, and the level of my living so incongruous with the sacredness of my office that I feel most out of place in this work so very often.

I don't pray enough, visit enough, or work enough; my preaching is feeble and fruitless; my administration of church prop-

erties, organizations, programs, and plans often end with bungling, neglect, and deficiency.

The pastorate calls for the best of brains, spirit and skills—which I realistically must confess have escaped me.

I tell you the truth, these are the reasons for quitting. Yet I can't give up. Not because I could not make a living elsewhere, but because:

1. Quitting is not the answer. It won't help a thing. I can't quit out of ill-will, because this won't really hurt anybody but myself. I love God's people a little too much to leave the pastorate as a man might abandon his family. The Lord loved the church and gave himself for it, and I can hardly quit.

What good does it do? What difference will it make to the churches I serve? Somebody else will take my place and things will go right on.

I don't believe resigning from the pastorate is going to help the problem, and it certainly isn't going to hurt the churches as it will hurt the preacher. No, I can't quit the pastorate because:

2. God has called me to preach the gospel. This is the reason why I entered the ministry and this is the reason why I can't leave, for I know how miserable I would be if I quit preaching the gospel. "Woe is me if I preach not the gospel."

But God also has called the churches to preach the gospel too, and it is quite evident we are called together to preach the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord to a needy world. Even those who take up other areas of ministry do so in the service of the churches and the gospel or they are dependent upon the cooperation of churches and their programs.

Very few continue in the ministry and stay out of touch with the program and life of the churches. How then can I quit the pastorate and continue to preach the gospel effectively and systematically?

I can't quit the pastorate; I don't want to get that far from the church's program of preaching the gospel. I recognize the Lord leads others to special places of service, but the Lord has led this one to pastor His Gospel-preaching churches, and I can't leave. I can't quit because:

3. The attitudes, hardships, and weaknesses of others and myself do not release me from my obligation to be faithful to my church and my denomination. I don't believe the Lord has quit His churches; however, He may lead true believers and spiritual minds to organize new churches. But, He will always continue to stand outside that Laodicean church knocking for entrance.

Jesus did not quit, even though He had one who betrayed His cause. He did not leave the church when one denied Him. On the contrary He bought the churches with His own blood.

It is a time for preachers to trim their lamps and stand for the truth of God. The task is difficult and I am weak, but there is no excuse on those grounds for quitting.

I aim to preach the Bible as a gentleman to the best of my ability and pastor God's people in His service. I want to be sure I'm right, then go ahead with strong convictions about sin and the ministry, and let the playboys, backsliders and unbelievers do the quitting if that must be. If they ask me to quit, I am prepared to go, but I want to be in some church telling the story to those who will hear me. As long as God sustains me with His grace, I will continue to serve His churches. I can't quit.

Highlights of evangelism conference



GRADY C. COTHEN



MRS. HENRY B. SMITH



BAKER J. CAUTHEN

DR. GRADY Cothen, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist General Convention of California, will be the main speaker for the Evangelism Conference at the First Church of Little Rock, Jan. 28-29. During the first session Monday afternoon, Dr. Cothen will speak at 3:50 on "The Eternal Security of the Believer." Monday evening Dr. Cothen will close the second session with a message on "Crisis." Tuesday morning he will close the third session with a message on "Crisis." Tuesday morning he will close the third session with a message on "Southern Baptists, Wake Up."

For the ladies session, to be held at Second Church, Tuesday afternoon, Dr. Cothen will speak at 2 on "Woman's Greatest Contribution." He will speak again Tuesday afternoon at regular conference at 3:45, on "Preaching the Word." At the closing session, Tuesday evening, Dr. Cothen will speak at 7 on "We Can Still Depend Upon God."

Mrs. Henry B. Smith will speak Tuesday afternoon to the ladies' session, at Second Church.

Mrs. Smith was born in Germany and brought up to believe in the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. Her teen-age years were spent under the dictatorship of Adolph Hitler. After the war, in 1946, she met and married an American soldier. In October, 1948, they came together to the states and settled at Lavaca, where she was won to Christ, by a neighbor.

Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary of the Foreign Mis-

sion Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, Richmond, Va., will close the final session of the conference Tuesday evening. He will speak at 8:50 on the subject, "Evangelism and World Missions." After his message, Dr. Cauthen will give an invitation for people to surrender for special service for Christ.

Rev. Jesse Reed, of the Evangelism department, director of the conference, urges:

"Let's be much in prayer for this closing service. It could well be one of the most meaningful services in the history of Arkansas Baptists.

Tuesday evening will be Laymen's and Youth Night. Theme for the evening will be "Following Through." The nurseries in each church will be open.—Reporter

S. L. Whitlow dies

S. L. WHITLOW, 70, prominent Baptist layman, died Jan. 7 at his home at Tuckerman. Services were conducted from Tuckerman Church Jan. 10 by Rev. Curtis Pennington, pastor, assisted by Rev. Cecil Guthrie, Black River Association missionary.

Mr. Whitlow leaves his wife, three sons, three daughters, two sisters, 13 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

The Baptist Student Union at Southern College, Walnut Ridge, and the College City Church, located on the college campus, will lead in a revival at the college Feb. 3-10, according to B.S.U. sponsor, J. T. Midkiff.

Holcomb is ordained

REV. James Holcomb was ordained to the ministry recently. He is serving as pastor of Ladelle Church, Bartholomew Association.

Mr. Holcomb is the fourth son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Holcomb of Jonesboro to be ordained to the ministry. His father and his three preacher brothers took part in the ordination.

Rev. Jesse Holcomb, of Hornersville, Mo., served as moderator; Rev. Bill Holcomb, pastor of Crossroads Church, Mississippi Association, presented the Bible; and Rev. Charles Holcomb, of Hot Springs, preached the ordination sermon. The candidate's father prayed the ordination prayer.

Raymond McManus, of the Ladelle Church, presented the candidate and the associational missionary, Rev. Don Williams, did the questioning.

Mrs. Holcomb is the former Miss Leona Hooker. The Holcombs have four children, Karen, Ed, James, and John.

Rally set at England

AN afternoon evangelistic rally has been scheduled by the Caroline Association for Sunday, Jan. 27, 2:30 p.m., at England.

Jesse Reed, state associate secretary of evangelism, will speak, following the devotional message by Rev. L. D. Epinette, Trinity Association superintendent.

Rev. B. Franklin Bates, pastor of First Church, Jacksonville, will speak on the theme, "The Book of the Hour."

LeRoy McClard, state church music secretary, will direct the music.—J. M. James, Superintendent

Piggly Wiggly gift

C.S. WILLIAMS, owner of the Arkadelphia Piggly Wiggly grocery store, recently presented Dr. Ralph A. Phelps, Jr., Ouachita College president, a stock contribution of \$2,000 for the Ouachita endowment campaign. His is the largest local single contribution for an Arkadelphia total of \$11,156.77. Williams also owns stores in Mena and DeQueen.



Panel left, top: E. J. Parnell, deacon and Sunday School teacher from East Side Church, Mountain Home, "mother" of the mission, teaches the adult class. Jay Lucas, from First Church, Little Rock, (front pew, right) was among the four visitors.

Panel left, bottom: Teacher of the juniors, primaries and beginners is Martha (Mrs. Jerry) Hurst, who teaches music in the Mountain Home schools.

Panel right, top: Missionary Dale Barnett, himself a native of the hills of Arkansas, works over the enrollment sheet while Sunday School classes were

in session. The list included 14 adults, including four visitors; 6 in the young people-intermediate class; 6 in the junior class; and 5 in the primary and beginners class.

Panel right, bottom: Young Jerry Hurst, a bank employee in Mountain Home, squats against a wall to teach the class of young people and intermediates. Two years ago Jerry dedicated his life to Christian service while on the operating table for open-heart surgery to correct a serious congenital heart defect. Says Missionary Barnett: "He is certainly living up to his promises to the Lord."

Big Flat opens mission

By THE EDITOR

SUNDAY, Jan. 6, the first Lord's Day of a new year and Commitment Day for Southern Baptist soulwinners across the nation, was a big day for Big Flat. For that was the day Missionary Dale Barnett, of White River Association, saw a dream come true in his beloved Arkansas hill country—the organization of a mission for the Big Flat community.

On the invitation of the missionary, I was privileged to represent the Arkansas Baptist State Convention and to preach at the initial services of the

new mission.

Accompanied by Jay Lucas, of First Church, Little Rock, I drove the more than 100 miles from Little Rock to Big Flat and arrived just as the Sunday School was being organized.

Not knowing just where the services were being held, we stopped in Big Flat's business district and inquired of the only person in sight, a man. "Right across the road," he said, "over there where the lights are turned on."

Sure enough, the lights turned on along the front of what had been a store building. I have since reflected on this direction—"Over there where the lights are turned on."

What better description is there for the starting of a mission for the preaching and teaching of the Bible than "turning on the lights"? That is what Dale Barnett has been doing in the rural communities of White River association for the past months and years.

The new mission is sponsored by East Side

Church, Mountain Home, O. I. Ford, pastor. The East Side Church itself started as a mission just a few years ago.

What of the prospects at Big Flat? There are 133 families in the community, with 200 enrolled in the school and more than 600 persons receive their mail through the Big Flat post office.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hurst, a young couple from Mountain Home, are being "loaned" to the new mission as workers during the time the mission is establishing itself.

Mrs. Huddleston dies

MRS. Margaret Louise LaHive Huddleston, 79, of Little Rock, died Jan. 10 at Memphis while visiting her daughter, Mrs. James B. Dickinson, in Memphis. Funeral services were conducted Jan. 12 by Dr. W. O. Vaught and Rev. Dawson King.

Mrs. Huddleston also leaves her husband, J. E. Huddleston, and a son, Dave B. Huddleston, of North Little Rock, and three grandchildren.

She was a member of Immanuel Church.

Recreation clinic

THE Christian Commission Union of Ouachita College will sponsor a recreation clinic on the campus Feb. 4-7. Cecil McGee, a consultant with the Church Recreation department of the Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville, Tenn., will direct the clinic.

The clinic is designed to teach leadership; organizing and leading youth fellowship, family fellowship, retreats, parties, and banquets; and doing handcraft for vacation Bible schools.

Miss Helen May, youth director of South Main Church, Houston, Tex., will assist in the clinic. General chairman is Wayne Peterson, assistant professor of religion and German at Ouachita. Dennis Holt, associate professor of speech at Ouachita, is drama chairman.

Lodging will be provided free for workers from Arkansas churches, and meals can be obtained at regular prices in the student cafeteria. No registration fee will be charged.

Sawyer to Odessa

WILLIAM B. Sawyer, former pastor of Calvary Church, West Memphis, and pastor of First Church, Merkel, Tex., for a year and a half, has resigned to accept the pastorate of Belmont Church, Odessa, Tex.

This 1,844-member church has 1,607 enrolled in Sunday School, with an annual budget of \$117,000 and church plant valued at \$879,523.

While Mr. Sawyer was at Merkel the church constructed a parlor valued at \$25,000; received 111 new members, 43 by baptism; and gave more than \$18,000 missions. —Reporter

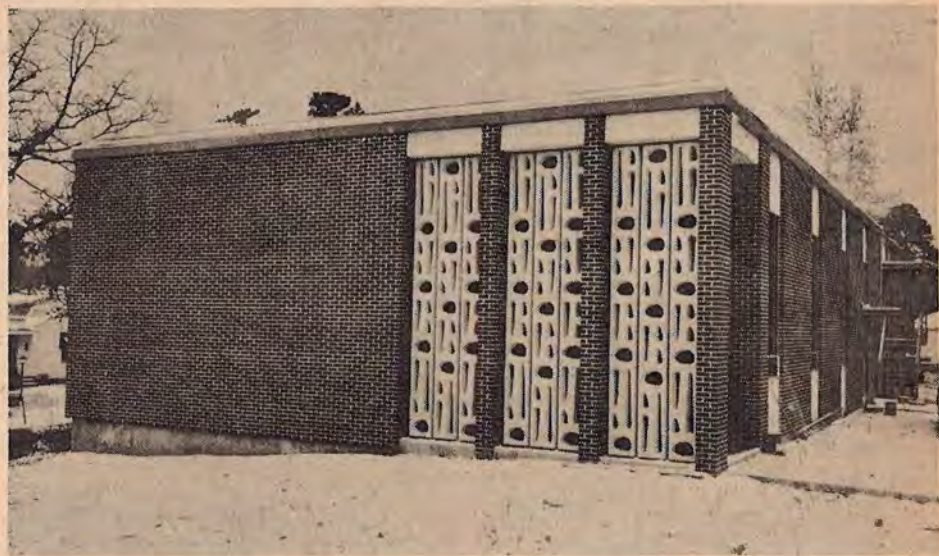
T.V. programs carried

THE Radio and Television Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention announces the following stations within reach of Arkansas residents are carrying the new Televangelism films this quarter:

Fort Smith, KFSA-TV, Sunday, 4:30 p.m.; Hot Springs, KFOY-TV, Sunday, 12:30 p.m.; Little Rock, KTHV, Sunday afternoon (exact time to be worked out, either for 1 or 3 p.m.)

In addition, the following stations will be received by some Arkansas residents:

Cape Girardeau, KFVS-TV, day, 1 p.m.; and Memphis, WMCT, Sunday, 7:30 a.m.

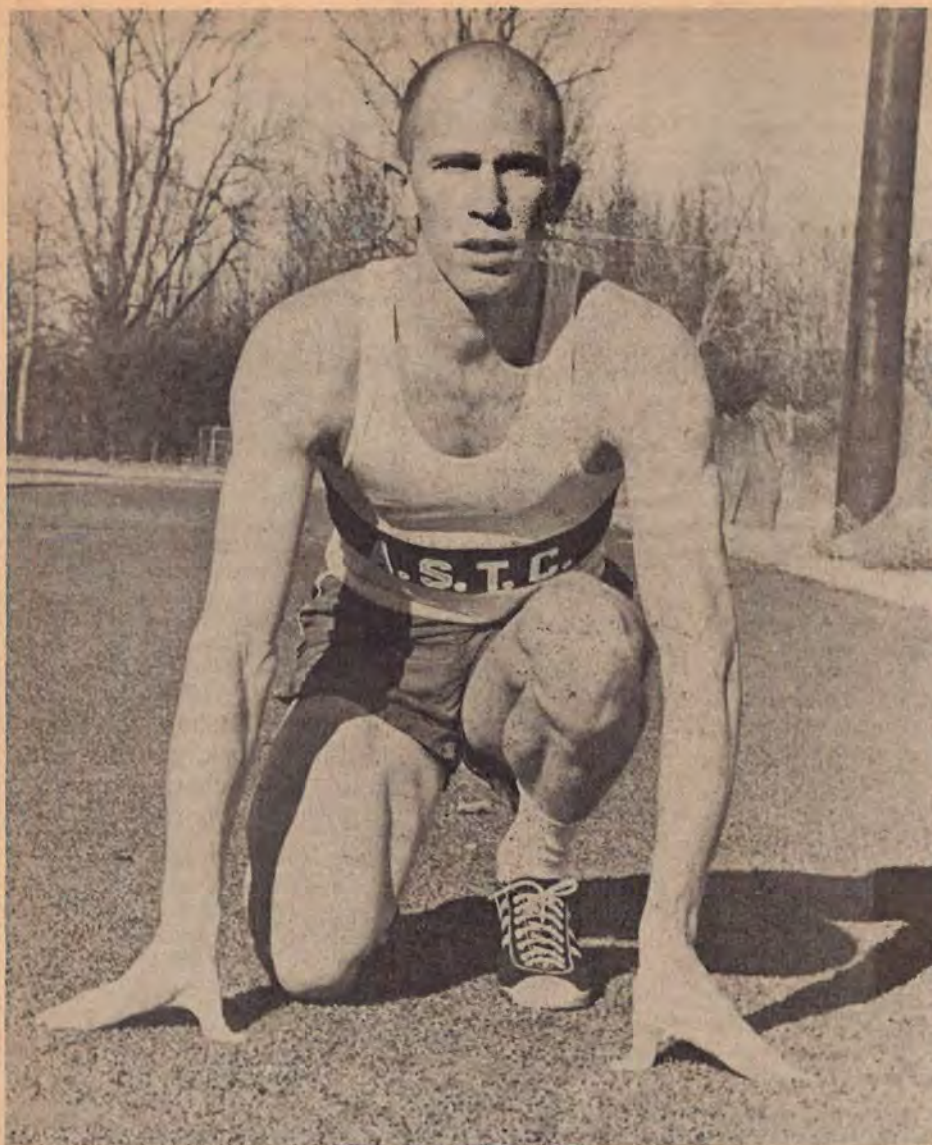


DEDICATION for Woodlawn Baptist Church, 600 North Polk, Little Rock, new educational building, was held Jan. 20 at 10:50 a.m. Rev. Horace Grigson is pastor.

Rev. T. J. Elliff, director of Religious Education for the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, preached the sermon of dedication.

George L. McBride served as chairman of the building committee. Jack Morgan Co. was the general contractor, and Norris J. Sparks, architect.

The new building consists of an auditorium, two nurseries, kitchen, five large departments, choir room, and a number of classrooms. It is air conditioned throughout.



Young Baptist state's top athlete

GERALD Cound, BSU president at Arkansas State Teachers College, has been awarded the coveted Neil Martin Trophy as the state's top athlete for 1962. The Arkansas Association of the Amateur Athletic Union named the young Baptist at its mid-winter session at the Little Rock Boys' Club recently.

The last three years' winners have been Razorback All-American football players—Jim Mooty, in 1959; Wayne Harris, in 1960; and Lance Alworth, in 1961.

Gerald is a native of Grannis and transferred to Arkansas State Teachers College from Eastern Oklahoma A&M. In 1961 he broke the AIC's 29-year record in the 880-yard dash, running it

in 1:57 seconds. In 1962 he broke his own record with 1:53.9. He failed to place in the fast AAU contest in California, but his 1:50.3 was the best of his career and the fastest half-mile ever recorded for one representing an Arkansas school.

Athletic Director Frank Koon—a Baptist also—said of Cound, "He is no doubt the greatest track athlete in Arkansas history."

Raymond Bright, track coach at ASTC, said: "He is the most outstanding young man I have ever been associated with in the 15 years I've coached. He's everything a man could want in a boy of his own."

Besides serving as Baptist Student president at ASTC, Gerald is

a faithful member of First Church, Conway, and is presently serving as president of the senior class.

"Often great athletes who happened to have a membership in a Baptist church somewhere are put in the spotlight because of their athletic prowess," said Tom Logue. "But here is a boy already honored by his fellow students as a fine Christian. He was honored as a great Christian years before he was honored as a great athlete. This is the way it should be."

Cound was nominated by Arkansas State Teacher College President Silas Snow. Other athletes seriously considered were Arkansas Tech's basketball player Kenny Saylor and Little Rock Boys' Club swimmer Frank Pernique.

Hope Association

By M. T. McGregor,
Superintendent

PLANS are underway for two Central Training Schools for the benefit of churches in the association. For churches east of the river the dates are Feb. 25-28. The other school will be held in cooperation with some of the Texarkana, Tex., churches Feb. 18-22, skipping Feb. 20, at First Church, Texarkana.

Trinity Church has been organized in Magnolia, and wishes to affiliate with the association. Charles Nash is pastor.

Genoa Church has called Royce Laseter as pastor. He is a graduate of East Texas Baptist College and a member of First Church, Lake Village.

We are looking ahead to the jubilee revivals in our association April 14-28.

Laman Library open

MAYOR William F. Laman of North Little Rock received the official key to the library named for him at dedication services recently. The new building has 45,000 books, shelf space for 90,000 and room for more shelves.

Mayor Laman is a member of Park Hill Church.

Alcohol expert sounds warning



JUDGE MADDOX

UNLESS Americans change their way of living, the nation is headed for a hopeless shortage of physicians and surgeons, Dr. Andrew C. Ivy, research professor of biochemistry at Roosevelt University, Chicago, and an authority on alcohol, said here last week at the annual meeting of the board of the Christian Civic Foundation of Arkansas.

In a lecture following a dinner at Little Rock's First Methodist Church Jan. 14, Dr. Ivy said that all of the nation's 100,000 physicians now in practice could, easily spend all of their time and energy ministering to the health needs of the 5,000,000 alcoholics of the nation.

In an aside on tobacco, Dr. Ivy referred to cigarettes as "cancerettes" and predicted if the present trend of the American public to smoke continues regardless of warnings from the medical profession as to the health hazard "in 25 years all of our surgeons will be needed to perform the operations on patients who have tobacco-caused lung cancer."

Disputing claims that there is less drinking when liquor is legalized than when it is prohibited, Dr. Ivy said 33,300,000 ounces of alcohol were consumed in the United States for the year 1961-62. This would be enough to keep

all of the voters of the nation in a state of drunkenness for a period of 40 days, he said.

Rev. Lee I. Dance, legislative secretary of the Foundation, said liquor interests would attempt to have the legislature amend the local-option law to permit wet-dry elections to be called in any political subdivision of a dry county.

Under present law, the wet forces can ask for an election to legalize the sale of alcoholic beverages only on a county-wide basis. The argument for the change will be that the dries have the law in their favor, Dance said.

The liquor privilege

"The law is not unfair and ought to be written more strongly," Mr. Dance said, "for the liquor business does not have a prime right to exist but exists only as a privilege."

Reports were heard from Jerry McBride, educational assistant to Dr. William E. Brown, executive director of the Foundation, and from Dr. Brown.

The board voted unanimously to continue to affiliate with the National Temperance League, Washington, D.C., and to send a resolution of commendation to Governor Orval E. Faubus for his stand against the legalization of casino-type gambling.

Maddox new head

Judge Edward Maddox, of Harrisburg, an attorney and Baptist

layman, was elected president of the Foundation to succeed Paul Meers, of Dardanelle, who was completing a second term and under the Foundation's constitution was not eligible for re-election.

Other officers elected were: Rev. J. Albert Gatlin, North Little Rock, first vice president; Tom F. Digby, North Little Rock, second vice president; Dr. Rheubin L. South, North Little Rock, third vice president; Dr. Kenneth L. Spore, Monticello, fourth vice president; Dr. Erwin L. McDonald, Little Rock, secretary; and Rev. Alfred A. Knox, Little Rock, treasurer.

Others elected to the executive committee were: Rev. Lee I. Dance, Little Rock, legislative secretary; Mrs. Edgar Dixon, Little Rock; Rev. Worth W. Gibson, Little Rock; Rev. G. W. Hardcastle, Little Rock; Bishop W. Kenneth Pope, Little Rock, and Mr. Meers. Rev. T. J. Gotcher, North Little Rock, was elected an emeritus member.

Chenault takes post

REV. Allen Chenault, North Little Rock, is the new pastor of Vandervoort First Church, the first to serve in the new church building. He moved with his family to the Vandervoort parsonage on Dec. 27.

Mr. Chenault is a graduate of Temple Schools, Chattanooga, Tenn. He received the Graduate of Theology Degree in 1958. Mrs. Chenault received the same degree.

Mr. and Mrs. Chenault have three children.



EDUCATIONAL Building of First Church, Booneville, was dedicated recently and the note burned. Principal speaker was Rev. D. B. Bledsoe, former pastor. The present pastor is Rev. Norman E. Lerch.



SEMINARY STATE GROUP OFFICERS—Newly-elected officers of the Arkansas state group at Southern Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky., are (left to right): Jerry Mize, Benton, president; Jennings Partin, Russellville, vice-president; Jim McDaniels, secretary-treasurer. Also pictured is Dr. Marvin Tate, Southern Seminary Old Testament professor who serves the group as advisor. (Photo by Edward Briggs)

Liberty Association

By Conway H. Sawyers,
Missionary

ELLIOTT Church has called Danny Griffin, who will be graduated from Southern Seminary this month.

Harold Carter has accepted a call to the Village Church.

Charles Baskin has returned to Temple Church, El Dorado.

The Norphlet Church has razed the educational building of wood and is now erecting a brick and masonry building. Robert Smith is pastor.

Smackover First Church will soon have the use of an addition to its education space, housing several departments and a large kitchen and dining area. The membership is currently renovating a portion of the existing building for four large nursery departments with new lighting and modern equipment.

Missionary notes

REV. and Mrs. Lowell E. Ledford, Southern Baptist missionaries to Peru, are opening new mission work in Piura (address: Apartado 330, Piura, Peru). Both are natives of Arkansas, he of Conway and she, the former Shirley Stephan, of Little Rock.

Johnson dies at 66

REV. Charles Dow Johnson, Route 1, Mabelvale, died at the age of 66 Jan. 12 at a Little Rock hospital.

Mr. Johnson was a Baptist minister and former evangelist. He was a graduate of the American Bible School and held B.D., Ph.D. and D.T. degrees. He began preaching in 1923 and held pastorates in Illinois and Arkansas. His first ministry was at South Highland Church.

Services were conducted Jan. 14 at South Highland Church by Rev. Garrett Graham.

Interim pastor called

REV. P. J. Crowder has been called by First Church, Sparkman, as interim pastor. Mr. Crowder, a member of the church and a resident of Sparkman, will devote full time to the church.

Mr. Crowder is beginning his fifth year of retirement and serves only as supply pastor and teacher in study courses. He also holds revivals.

ENTERPRISE Church, Big Creek Association, reports a good attendance at its Bible study program. The study in Matthew was taught by Rev. Dune Flood, pastor. Mrs. Clifton Talburt taught the young people.

Mt. Zion Ass'n

By Carl Bunch, Missionary

FIRST Church, Bay, conducted revival services Dec. 10-15. Guy Whitney, pastor, West View Church, Paragould, was the evangelist and Jackie Hancock, Minister of Music, First Church, Monette, directed the music. There were five additions by baptism and one rededication. Hal W. Gallop, Sr. is pastor.

Alsop Church had the services of Victor Faulkenberry, mission pastor, First Church, Harrisburg, in a revival Nov. 25-Dec. 3. There were three additions by letter, one by baptism and four rededications. Carl King, pastor, reports a good interest with 80 in Sunday School on the closing Sunday.

Bono Church, Vernon Bradley, pastor, has voted to participate in the Church Development Ministry.

Brookland Church has installed a hardwood floor in the auditorium and made other building improvements. Jimmy Davis is pastor.

New Hope Church, Jonesboro, had revival services Dec. 4-9. Bill Caldwell, pastor, Bigelow, was the evangelist and John Cook, of the church, directed the music.

Bowman Church has called Victor Faulkenberry as pastor. He will continue to live in Bay. He recently resigned as mission pastor, First Church, Harrisburg.

Central Church, Jonesboro, began dual Sunday morning worship services on Jan. 6. The first service is at 8:30 a.m. The pastor, Curtis Mathis, reports a good attendance in both services. The extra service became necessary because of overflow crowds.

Cash Church held a revival Dec. 4-9. Billy Walker, Walnut Ridge, was the evangelist, and K. G. Harlan, Cash, directed the music. There were 14 rededications and one addition by baptism. Marie Berry is pastor.

Lepanto Church takes stand on gambling

THE *Arkansas Baptist News-magazine* has received from Pastor Jeff Campbell of First Church, Lepanto, copy of a resolution passed by the church in its monthly business conference Jan. 8.

In the resolution the church declares, "Our continued opposition to legalizing illegal gambling in any and all forms as being a sin against God and resulting in the breakdown of morals and economic standards in our society."

The church pledged its action in the future to "Any actions by any group or groups to further legalize or participate in this [gambling] practice.

Copies of the resolution were sent to Governor Faubus and to the leaders in the Arkansas State Legislature, requesting them to use their influence against gambling in the state.

In a letter from Pastor Campbell to Governor Faubus, enclosing a copy of the resolution, Pastor Campbell assured the Governor that he and his church "pray for you as you perform the duties of the governor of the state of Arkansas."

January for Jesus

HIGHWAY Church, Highway 67 west, North Little Rock, is having a church loyalty crusade during January. Theme is "January for Jesus."

The crusade features special messages by the pastor, Rev. Kelsey Garman, a week of Bible study and observance of Baptist Men's Day, Jan. 27.

FIRST Church, Cherry Valley has installed a baptistry heater. The heater furnishes hot water for the rest rooms and kitchen. Rev. Homer Haltom is pastor.

REV. J. T. McGill, director of Baptist Rescue Mission, New Orleans, will be guest speaker at the weekly meeting of the ministerial alliance at Southern College, Walnut Ridge, Feb. 6. He is a former student of the college.

Baptist Flying Parsons to meet

THE Flying Parsons of the Southern Baptist Convention, an organization open to ordained or commissioned Southern Baptists who are licensed pilots or who hold current F.A.A. student pilot permits, will be perfected in Little Rock on Jan. 28.

Serving as temporary president of the new organization is Rev. Lewis E. Clarke, pastor of Maple Avenue Church, Smackover, who is one of the organizers.

Other officers, all of whom will serve until the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention next May in Kansas City, are: Rev. Ben F. Bates, pastor of First Church, Jacksonville, first vice president; Rev. George Y. Williams, pastor of First Church, Atalla, Ala., second vice president; and Rev. Bill McCrary, pastor of First Church, Smackover, secretary.

Purpose of the Jan. 28 meeting, which will be held in the Baptist Building, 401 West Capitol Ave., will be to adopt policies and make plans for setting up permanent organization in Kansas City during the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The aims of the Flying Parsons, to be acted on at the Little Rock

meeting, include:

To promote the use of general aviation in the spread of the gospel of Christ;

To render aid and assistance to individuals in time of emergency;

To help with transportation problems of returning missionaries in meeting speaking appointments;

To be of service to the Southern Baptist Convention;

To stand ready as an organization to be used by the Government in time of national or state need.

Membership applications may be addressed to President Clarke, at Smackover.

Charter members include: Dr. Felix Wagner, First Church, Muskogee, Okla.; Rev. Rhine McMurry, East Main Church, El Dorado; Rev. W. Clyde Martin, evangelist, Columbia, Tenn.; Rev. Glen Crofts, Arizona Baptist Convention, Phoenix, Ariz.; Rev. Cecil D. Etheredge, Decatur, Ga.; Dr. Paul Roberts, First Church, Little Rock; Dr. John R. Maddox, First Church, Camden; Dr. Robert Smith, First Church, Pine Bluff; Rev. Lionel P. Crowell, West Monroe, La.; and Rev. Charles Wagner, Butler, Ala.



LEADERS of the new Flying Parsons organization include, left to right, Rev. Lewis E. Clarke, Smackover; Dr. John R. Maddox, Camden; and Rev. Bill McCrary, Smackover. The plane belongs to Mr. Clarke.

'ALL THINGS FOR GOOD'

BY CAROL HARTSFIELD



RONALD BALLARD dictates Sunday School lessons for the blind.

[Miss Hartsfield, a student at Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, and a part-time worker at Christian Education for the Blind, Ft. Worth, is from Searcy. She is a former member of the staff of Second Church, Little Rock.—ELM]

IT IS my personal experience to witness the victories of a heroic Christian who is the living testimony of the truth, "my strength is made perfect in weakness."

Early in December I took a taxi to the home of Ronald Ballard in Fort Worth on an assignment for dictation. Shorthand and typing is a regular routine for many secretaries, but this particular assignment is a most unique one. You see, Ronald is a quadriplegic. He is paralyzed from his shoulders down, caused by a broken neck inflicted by an automobile accident ten years ago.

At the time of the accident Ronald was attending the University of Houston on a basketball scholarship, but had not accepted Christ as Saviour, even though he had felt the need many times. The

occasion for accepting Christ for his Saviour was at the scene of the accident while waiting for an ambulance.

He told me that even though he had not fully understood some years later why he had to spend the rest of his life with his body paralyzed, he has accepted it in the knowledge that "all things work together for good to them that love God, and are called according to his purpose."

In this radiant peace of mind and heart he claims the reward that "it is much better for me to spend the few years on earth as a quadriplegic and to have eternity in Heaven than to spend a few years in riotous living and eternity in hell. Ronald yields no exception when he says that everyone can have a vital place of service for the Lord. Being thankful that he has a sound mind and his speech, his total commitment is "such as I have, give I Thee." With this spirit of self-dedication Ronald has been busy in the service of God and in helping others.

Ronald knows the desire of handicapped people to worship in a

church where they may be free from self-consciousness. In the summer of 1955 he dreamed of a church conducted by the handicapped for the handicapped. He revealed this dream to Baptist leaders in Fort Worth and soon such a congregation was organized, as a mission, Crusaders Chapel, under the sponsorship of Sagamore Hill Baptist Church.

The Chapel has grown in number and in spirit, and they are looking forward to becoming an established church soon. April is the date for beginning the construction of a new church building especially designed to serve their particular needs. Their mission work is to reach every handicapped person of Fort Worth for Christ.

The progress of the endeavor presents an example of the influence of a vigorous worker who is sustained by his daily study and love for the Bible. At Crusaders Chapel he is superintendent of the Sunday School, teacher of a men's class, teacher of a Wednesday evening Bible Hour, chairman of the building committee, recreation and

transportation committees.

Ronald has shown a special joy in the privilege this quarter of writing and recording the Sunday School lessons for Christian Education for the Blind. (These are available on the tape to all blind persons having tape recorders.) Each time when I leave his home I have been moved to think of how much more could be accomplished for Christ, if all of us who claim to know Him could have the same sense of dedication and direction in life.

The preacher poet

Study your Bible

Your Bible's the key to a useful life,
It's the key to a realm of bliss,
It's the key of return to faithfulness
When "The Way of the Cross" you miss.

Read your Bible over and over,
Ponder it through and through
Write it on paper again and again
And it will belong to you.

Claim your Bible as you fall asleep,
Live it while you are awake,
Pass it along to your fellow man
For your Lord and Savior's sake.
—W. B. O'Neal

Beacon Lights
of Baptist History
By BERNES K. SELPH, Th.D.
Pastor, 1st Baptist Church, Benton

'Second' convention

THE "second" Arkansas Baptist State Convention was organized in August, 1950, at the close of Rocky Bayou Association meeting with the Antioch Baptist Church 25 miles northwest of Batesville.



DR. SELPH

This new organization was known as "The White River Baptist Convention." Dr. P. S. G. Watson was elected president and John C. Brickey elected secretary. It was not in opposition to the convention which had been organized two years earlier at Tulip. Long distances and difficulties in travel were given as reasons for its organization.

The first convention organized was pretty well confined to the central and southern part of the state. Very few people north of Little Rock attended its meeting or could without extreme hardships. There were no railroads and the wagon roads were few

and poor. The regular convention did not meet north of Little Rock until 1858 when it met at Charleston. It met in Helena in 1869 and in Searcy in 1876. The new convention sought to serve the churches north of the Arkansas River.

Evidently no ill feeling existed between the two groups. Dr. Watson, first president, became editor of the *Arkansas Baptist*, the regular convention newspaper in 1858. The southern convention, meeting at Camden, 1853, appointed M. W. McGraw and R. W. Rowland corresponding messengers to the northern convention in the state.

From statements in its records, apparently, White River Convention found more opposition to missions in north Arkansas than the convention organized in southern Arkansas.

But the convention elected two missionaries, Oct. 26, 1850; their salaries were \$200 a year. Each was provided a printed "commission" that the people and churches might know who he was.

Dr. Watson was elected by the board to serve as missionary to the First Baptist Church, Batesville, for one year, beginning Jan. 1, 1851. And an appeal was made to the Southern Baptist Mission Board, Marion, Ala., to aid the board in the sum of \$300 for the Batesville missionary.



BAPTIST OASIS: These pictures were made at the WMU Armstrong Memorial Training School in Rome in April 1961 as the Scotland Crusade group from Arkansas stopped for a rest at this little Baptist oasis in the great Catholic desert. Left, the Italian gardener, recently won to Christ, tends the flowers in the school yard. Center, Editor Erwin L. McDonald,

of the Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine, renews acquaintance with President Ronchi, of the Baptist Union of Italy. Right is Miss Virginia Wingo, head of the school. (The school will be visited again during the coming summer by a tour conducted by Dr. McDonald and Dr. Tom Logue, both of Baptist Building, Little Rock.)

Funerals

By J. I. COSSEY

I NEVER asked for a funeral, nor did I ever decline one. A funeral may offer an opportunity for service, but such should not be sought. Often a funeral talk should be a gospel sermon, but not always. A funeral talk cannot help the dead; but it should be an effort to comfort the living. Note the following suggestions to young preachers:

1. If possible, visit the family in advance of the funeral.
2. Use songs and Scripture selections requested by the family.
3. Try to bring Divine comfort to the family.
4. If you find yourself in an awkward situation, make the best of it, but don't act the fool.
5. Don't get upset if a mistake is made; work yourself out of it the best way possible. Mistakes are common and all of us make them.

6. If you are called upon to preach a funeral in a church of another denomination, don't discuss the fact. A plain middle-of-the-road funeral message will be acceptable.

7. Don't try to locate the eternal resting place of the dead. Usually the obituary will tell all that needs to be told.

8. Suitable Bible verses with brief interpretation will usually be sufficient for a funeral message.

9. Make your message brief. Don't discuss the flowers and other physical surroundings. Make your message short and let the funeral director do the rest.

10. Whatever closing service you may have at the cemetery, make it short. It is good to say words of comfort to the family after the benediction.

11. Where it is possible, visit or write the family words of sympathy within a few days after the funeral. Do much praying with the family during the days of mourning.

I Believe in Miracles, by Kathryn Kuhlman, Prentice-Hall, Inc., 1962, \$3.50

Miss Kuhlman claims no healing power as an individual, but she believes in bringing souls to God through faith and prayer and in helping those who are hungry for Christ to find Him.

Relating her reasons for believing in miracles, she gives as evidence 21 factual and dramatic stories of people who have been cured of diseases ranging from lung cancer to creeping paralysis. These she describes as "... the authentic experiences of people who have believed God for a miracle, and God has honored their faith on the authority of His Word."

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A Baptist couple, graduates of Baylor University and formerly members of the faculty of Georgetown College, Georgetown, Ky., are featured in an article ("A Pair of Modern Masquers") in the January issue of **Horizon**, the bi-monthly magazine-book. The Coreys, now located at Centenary College, Shreveport, have attracted international acclaim for their version of the Book of Job. They showed at the Brussels World's Fair and, later, toured England. They have played to packed pews in New York City's Christ Church Methodist, and in theatres from Williamstown, Mass., to Miami, Fla. Every summer since 1959 they have presented the play in the Pine Mountain State Park at Pineville, Ky.

Other articles in this issue of **Horizon** range from a look at Boston's new city hall to a visit to Oxford, England. There are 130 illustrations, 49 in color.

The International Lesson Annual, 1963, Abingdon Press, 1962, \$2.95

This commentary on the International Sunday School lessons uses both the King James and the Revised Standard versions of the Bible. The commentary is now in its eighth year. Lesson writers include, by quarters of the year: Floyd V. Filson, of McCormick Seminary, Chicago; Chester Warren Quimby, of Oxford, Ohio; Rhoda C. Edmeston, of Scarritt College for Christian Workers, Nashville; and J. Carter Swaim, of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A.

The New Testament in Modern English translated by J. B. Phillips, Macmillan Paperbacks, 1962, \$1.45

This issue of a popular translation in paperback puts the scriptures in modern English within the reach of almost anyone. Here is an excellent book to study along with the standard versions of the scriptures.



Grace to forgive

IT takes grace to forgive. This is true when both God and men forgive.

Grace is free. It is not required. Grace is unearned, undeserving. And that is the very reason why it takes grace to forgive. The point is that sin deserves not forgiveness but punishment. So, whenever anybody forgives, he forgives out of grace. There is no other way to forgive.

Which brings us to a point of translation. "Forgiving" in Ephesians 4:32 translates the verb from which the word "grace" is derived. English, as you know, has no verb form with which to express the

idea of grace. We hardly can say "to grace," except, of course, in an article like this in order to explain the point. So, suffice it to say that the phrase under discussion could be translated more literally "gracing to one another your sins."

But why all this talk about the matter? Simply to remind that the genius of the Christian Gospel is its preoccupation with grace. And to remark further that we probably are being most distinctively Christian when we exercise the grace to forgive.

Executive Board

The Bible way

THE Bible presents God's doctrine of baptism. As Baptists, we deplore the fact that some do not believe or practice the Bible way.



DR. DOUGLAS

The Bible also presents God's plan of financing His churches. Some do not believe or practice the Bible way. Baptists do not deplore this financial heresy, because too many churches practice it. In fact, Baptist churches have used and many are

now using man-made schemes to get money.

Consequently, many churches stand in the community as a begging institution. Think of it—in a day of "super-everything," too many churches are living on a hit-or-miss, hand-to-mouth basis: no planning of budgets, or very little effort put forth on a planned budget. So, instead of being the force in the community for God and righteousness, the churches stand bareheaded, in rags, knocking on the world's door of sin.

One way to start changing this situation is to get back to the Bible on finances. To do that, churches must recognize some basic principles.

If any Christian serves Christ in his church, he will be a giver. First, he must give his soul to be saved. Then, give his life to be used. This means a surrender of everything.

This kind of New Testament Christianity established churches and kept them in business for God when it seemed impossible to do it. They did not count the cost of giving and they did not count the cost in getting others to give.

If there is a real weakness in Baptists' effort to teach Bible stewardship, it is in the matter of communication. Many times the church people do not understand the what and why of church finance. We have been able to get the idea of giving before the people, but we have been woefully weak on specifics. We have not been able to implement our preaching and teaching on giving. This, we believe, is because of our apologetic attitude toward giving.

Some boast that, "Our church never finds it necessary to put on high-powered efforts to get money and we can always pay our bills." Everyone is in the "bill-paying" business, but the church is to carry the Gospel to the ends of the earth and a church that is true to its commission is interested in more than bill-paying.

The Forward Program of Stewardship Development was designed to help church members share their incomes

with the church. Where this has been done and a perennial effort has been made to inform the people on God's way of finance, the church has been able to increase its efforts in all directions.

We have seen a few churches wait until the people almost quit giving, then jump into the Forward Program, expecting a miracle to happen and the money to roll into the treasury. These churches found out the hard way that there is more to teaching stewardship than using a few gimmicks.—Ralph Douglas, Associate Executive Secretary

Sunday School

Two immediate events

ASSOCIATIONAL Sunday School workers have two excellent opportunities in February for mutual fellowship and training with other workers from over Arkansas.



MR. HATFIELD

The first meeting will be for the Associational Vacation Bible School teams. These teams will meet at the Immanuel Church on Feb. 14 for a one-day Vacation Bible School Clinic. Ed Seale of the Sunday School Department in Texas will assist in the administration and general sessions of the clinic. Special attention this year will be given in all departments in the area of creative activities. Team members are urged to bring samples of hand-crafted creative activities for display purposes to the clinic. Other conference leaders will include: Intermediate leader, Mrs. J. H. Street; Junior leader, Mrs. Lorene Bowen; Primary leader, Mrs. Mary Emma Humphrey; Beginner leader, Mrs. William Hunter; Nursery leader, Mrs. Robert Feazell.

The next meeting will be the annual Associational Leadership Conference on Feb. 19 at Immanuel Church in Little Rock. Along with other associational leaders all associational Sunday School officers including the general officers and all age-group superintendents should attend.

At each of these two meetings the noon meal will be provided and mileage expense according to the following formula:

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Have you written your will? January is Make Your Will month. Contact Ed McDonald. Write a will.—Lawson Hatfield, Secretary

Brotherhood

Associational guidelines

GUIDELINES for effective and productive Associational Brotherhood work are well established. An Associational Brotherhood which follows these guidelines will always do a better job of work, and thus make a distinct contribution to the building up of the work of the association in all of its phases.



MR. TULL

The first guideline is complete organization, with all suggested officers, leaders, and committees. To stop short of complete organization means stopping short of getting into position for effective work. Associational Brotherhood officers, leaders, and committees should be chosen because of their particular abilities and because of their willingness to serve.

Another guideline is setting up four quarterly Brotherhood meetings for the year, each meeting to emphasize one of the major areas of Brotherhood work: Christian witnessing, personal stewardship, world missions, and Royal Ambassadors.

Still another guideline is planning and holding quarterly planning committee meetings. These meetings should be held at least a month prior to the next associational Brotherhood rally; and at the meetings necessary planning, both long range and immediate, should be done. No program of Christian work can be set forward and maintained without careful and prayerful planning.

And there is yet another guideline: The mastery of the Associational Brotherhood Manual. Every associational Brotherhood officer, leader, and committeeman should study the manual, which is the road-map of successful associational Brotherhood work.

There is still another guideline: Planning and holding an associational Brotherhood clinic for church Brotherhood officers. Doing this will put the associational Brotherhood into the churches of the association in a manner that will help every church Brotherhood to operate efficiently.

Follow the guidelines!—Nelson Tull, Secretary

WANTED: Church secretary, in south Arkansas city; salary according to qualifications and experience. Write X, in care Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine, Little Rock, giving full particulars.—3-x

What's new?

THIS IS the third in a series of articles on "What's New in Training Union?" The Training Union TASK is new.



MR. DAVIS

1. The task of the Training Union is to interpret systematic theology, Christian ethics, Christian history, and church polity and organization. The first task of the Sunday School is to teach Biblical interpretation. Just as a young preacher in a seminary studies courses in the Bible such as the book of Hebrews, he also studies systematic theology which teaches what the entire Bible has to say about the great doctrines of Christianity. Thus the main difference between the Sunday School and Training Union is in content. The curriculum materials for Training Union will have as its content systematic theology, Christian ethics, Christian history, and church polity and organization. For example, during the first quarter of 1964 the adult Training Union quarterlies will have a thirteen Sunday unit on Baptist fundamentals. There will also be a nine Sunday unit on Christian history, and also units on ethics and church polity.

2. The second task is to give orientation to new church members. Mr. Earl Waldrup of the Training Department will lead churches to help their new church members understand and reaffirm their conversion experience. The program will consist of instruction, counseling, guided reading, guided participation and family involvement.

3. The third task is to train church members to perform the functions of the churches. The functions of a church are to worship, to proclaim, to educate and to minister.

4. The fourth task is to discover, recruit, and give general training to potential leaders for the church. The organizations will continue to give their own workers specialized training.

5. The fifth task is to provide organization and leadership for special projects of the church. The church will give to the Training Union definite tasks to perform. Just one illustration of this is a study course led by the Training Union on evangelism prior to revival meetig.

6. The sixth task is to provide and interpret information regarding the work of the church and the denomination. Whatever Southern Baptists want to say regularly to the second largest number of people can be said best through the Training Union.—Ralph W. Davis, Secretary



MR. BAKER

Baker invited again

A. RAY BAKER, music professor, New Orleans Seminary, will return for the annual Adult Music Festival which will be conducted in Second Church, Little Rock, Saturday, Feb. 23.

Mr. Baker proved to be a choral technician of the highest caliber when he was with us for the Adult Festival last year. Selections Mr. Baker will conduct include: "The Lord Is My Shepherd," Clokey; "Unto the Hills," Marshall; "God Is Here," Lorenz; "Oh, the Blessedness Is Great," Bechler; "If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee," Anderson; "None Other Lamb," Robert Graham, all excellent selections in the medium difficulty classification.

The Festival schedule is as follows: 8 a.m., adjudication of small groups: soloists, duets, trios, quartets, and sextets. 10, combined adult choirs rehearsal. 11, parade of choirs (each choir singing one selection). 12, lunch. 2, final combined adult choir rehearsal. 3, parade of choirs. 3:30, concert program.

All choirs are welcome to the festival. We have two rules: 1) Each choir must be familiar with combined choir selections, 2) Every choir shall sing one selection of their own choosing in the parade of choirs. This number may be any hymn or anthem within the range and capabilities of the particular choir.—LeRoy McClard, Secretary

Trinity Association

By L. D. Epinette, Missionary

REV. Marvin Wright has resigned as pastor at Weiner after four years service, because of his health. The family will move to Marshall, Tex., to make their home. He will preach as his health permits.

Rev. Victor Faulkenberry has resigned after a year's pastorate at Ridgeview Mission. The mission has called Rev. Mack Lynn, who was ordained by the Maple Grove Church.

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Jesus teaches in parables

By CHARLES A. THOMPSON
Pastor, First Church, Marvell

January 27, 1963

Mark 3:7-4:34

IN our lesson last week we saw the growing hostility of the scribes, Pharisees, and Herodians against Jesus. Paradoxical, and one of the reasons for the increased opposition, was the growing popularity of Jesus with the common people. His friends and family thought He was becoming mentally unbalanced; His enemies accused Him of being in league with Beelzebub and attributed His work to Satan. It is worthy to note that in spite of the world's selfish, careless, sinful state, Jesus Christ is still revered far above any individual that has ever lived.



MR. THOMPSON

to be a perplexity to the unbelieving and disobedient.

Remarkable also is the application of teaching by parable to those outside the pale of discipleship, "that seeing they may see, and not perceive; and hearing they may hear, and not understand." No suggestion is given which dooms a man to disbelief by divine decree. Suggested, rather, is man's complete liberty and choice in the matter. If he closes his mind to truth, if he chooses not to know the mysteries of the kingdom, God does not coerce. In mercy, God discloses truth, but He is under no obligation to give light to those who are unwilling to perceive, rather choose to walk in darkness.

Receivers of the parables 4:13-20

THE responsibility of rightly hearing is great. Matthew records Jesus as saying, "Whosoever hath. . ." (Mt. 13:12), meaning that man who improves the opportunities and light which he has shall have them increased. The parable of the sower is quite simple, yet presents perplexities. The Pharisees and scribes, and Jews generally, were quick to see the natural meaning of the story but were unable to perceive the spiritual significance. They who had stayed with Jesus and His apostles in turn asked His reasons for teaching in parables. He is surprised at their dullness (v. 13) though they have been initiated into the secret of God's kingdom. Not comprehending this parable casts doubts about their understanding others which He had taught that day and requires an explanation. He had truths to express which were of grave importance for His disciples to understand. He spoke them in the best possible way and slowly gained access to their minds. "The sower soweth the word." Dispensers of truth, Jesus first, preacher, teacher, and all whom the Spirit calls. The word is the truth of God as revealed in the scriptures and sown in human hearts. The hearers are represented as different kinds of soil, classed as productive and unproductive with three divisions in each. The sower goes across his field scattering the seed, some falling by the wayside, upon rocky places, in thorny soil, and in good soil. The first hear the word with outward ear only, are unresponsive and allow the message to be caught away by Satan.

The second hear the good news with gladness, receive with readiness, but not

deeply. Pleased, they start quickly but stumble easily.

The third is fertile soil and capable of producing abundant harvest. These receive the word deep into their hearts, inspire hope of great spiritual fruitage. Soon, however, the cares of the world blight and choke the promising plant. These cares indicate no special sin but diversions which occupy the life and render it unfit for the exercise needed in cultivating the spiritual life. These diversions, while wholesome in themselves, may include a business engagement, arranging a social function, or innumerable things which are allowed to overshadow interest in spiritual things.

All of the above are people who hear the gospel in vain. The three grades of the fourth soil, the good soil, represent three classes of those who with profit hear the good news of salvation. They receive and retain the word in their hearts, and in due time each bears fruits of grace, alike in quality, but varying in quantity.

Response of the receivers 4:33-34

WHILE Mark records only three parables in the series found in these two chapters, Jesus spoke many. Carefully He spoke, patiently He waited for their apprehension, and spoke again as they were able to respond. Generally He spoke to the crowds, then explained in private to those who desired and sought further instruction. Thus, He cultivated and weeded His garden.

It behooves each of us to seek instruction in His word by prayerfully reading the Bible, by attending upon the services in His house of worship, by rightfully hearing the gospel as it is preached, seeing to it that the seed falls upon good soil.

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—Adv.

Reason for teaching in parables 4:10-12

BECAUSE of enemy hostility, Jesus began to use the parabolic method of teaching. "And when He was alone," separated from the multitude, a few followed and "asked of him the parable." The question arises here as to His real purpose of teaching by parabolic means. Was it to conceal His true meaning from those "that were without?" The teaching by parables was not a new method, rather it was a familiar one. The parable is a short illustrative story used to enforce and to explain a specific point.

"And he said unto them, Unto you it is given to know the mystery of the Kingdom of God. . ." The word "mystery" used by Paul, and in Revelation, and here comes from the Greek *mysterion* and rightly means a thing that is concealed. It does not mean that the thing considered is incomprehensible or unknowable, or even difficult to understand. Jesus has simply spoken of doctrines concerning the preaching of the gospel and the establishment of the Messiah's Kingdom. Jewish polity was to cease, the Gentiles were to hear the good news of salvation, the Messiah was to die, be buried, and arise. The disciples were given the capacity to know these truths. To Belshazzar, the writing on the wall was a mystery unfathomable; to Daniel, a message. As mind and heart open in receptive attitudes, knowledge increases and mysteries fade. A possible illumination to the humble disciple, the parable is sure

(Continued from page 5)

it was shown he'd done a lot of the Lord's work. On page 17, Segregation to end—about a Presbyterian college. Certainly these are newsworthy, but put other religious news on the page designed for it "Religious News of the World." If you must put these in, add another page for their news and make the rest of the news pertaining to Baptists.

I enjoyed the article "Pastor Resigns . . . Protests Regimentation." Certainly with modern means of travel and communication more things can be attended to faster, but let the deacons attend many of these meetings for the pastor. Weren't they first intended to relieve the pastor so he could better attend his primary task?—Mrs. A. T. McConnell, Cabot

REPLY: 1. Most of the out-of-state letter writers get their papers the same way you do—by United States mail. Some of them may borrow it from a neighbor or read it in a library.

2. Your answer as to why more Baptists in Arkansas do not write is as good as ours. Of course, it is not possible for us to publish all the letters we receive. The editor decides which ones to publish.

3. Senator Kerr was not only prominent as a member of Congress, but also as a Baptist, as you will note from our longer story about him, on the back page of our issue of Jan. 17. And we do not restrict ourselves to only those items which have not previously been on radio, TV, or in the daily press.

4. You are right. The story about the Presbyterians you refer to could well have been on our "Religious News of the World" page. Except, of course, that this page was already full and we had no way of adding another page, which would have been page 25. (We have to add pages in 8-page units).

Glad you liked the article about the pastor resigning.

Thanks for reading us.—ELM

Mail efficiency up

PLEASE allow me to again express to all of you at the Arkansas Baptist Headquarters my appreciation for the help you gave us in promoting the "Shop and Mail Early with Christmas Stamps" theme for the 1962 Christmas season.

The success of this program reduced to a minimum the disappointments caused by late mailing, it permitted the maximum number of postal employees to spend Christmas with their families, and it enabled us to schedule our manpower more effectively and efficiently—C. E. McSwain, Acting Postmaster, Little Rock

THE spelling and sentence structure in this department are those of the writers. The only editing of letters to the editor is the writing of headlines and, occasionally, deletion of parts that are not regarded as essential.

'Especially the index'

I GET in my office every Baptist paper published in our Convention and I want to say to you through means of this letter that I certainly appreciate the one you edit. I find myself spending much time with your paper even though I have had little personal contact with

the work of Arkansas Baptists. Your fine paper is the reason. Especially do I appreciate the December 20 issue with the index. This makes the magazine even more serviceable.—Harold E. Lindsey, Director, Department of Evangelism, South Carolina Baptist Convention, Columbia, S.C.



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Conversion time

QUESTION: I cannot remember just when I was saved and first believed in Christ but I do know that I believe in him and that he has forgiven me of my sins.



DR. HUDSON

A lady in our church told me that if I had not had a big experience and could not remember when I was saved that I was not saved at all. Is this true?

ANSWER: No two people have the same type of conversion experiences. Besides there is no way to measure how "big" an experience one has. The Bible characterizes the Christian feelings as trust, peace, joy, love, and hope. But how does one look within himself and measure the degree of trust that is there.

Besides, the memory of man is very tricky. Things fade out and become dim, even important things. The question of whether a person can remember exactly where he was, precisely how he felt, and what he understood at the time of acceptance of Christ, is beside the point.

The significant question is the one Christ asked, "Where is your faith?" Or the writer of Hebrews spoke of "looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith" (Heb. 12:1). The Gospel of John states that "as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name" (Jno. 1:12).

If your faith is in the living Christ, and you are looking to him as your hope of eternal life, you need not worry about whether you had a big experience or not. It was a great experience when you became a Christian and you have every right to enjoy it daily in peace and in hope.

(Address all questions to Dr. Hudson, 116 West 47th Street, Kansas City 12, Missouri.)

CIVIL GOVERNMENT

By HERSCHEL H. HOBBS

President, Southern Baptist Convention

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THE New Testament teaches that the institution of government is ordained of God (Rom. 13:1b). The word "ordained" indicates a fixed purpose of God. This does not refer to any particular government or form of government. Nor does it teach the "divine right of kings." It simply means that God has ordained civil government as a means of peaceful and orderly living. Thus every man is to submit to constituted government (Rom. 13:1a). Lawlessness is rebellion against the will of God, for which wrong doers shall receive judgment ("damnation" is *krima*, judgment) at the hands of the state. Law abiding citizens should regard rulers as constituted for their good rather than harm (Rom. 13:3).

Paul calls the one in authority a "minister [*diakonos*, servant, word for "deacon"] of God . . . for the good" (Rom. 13:4). He also calls him a "minister [*leitourgos*] of God" or "God's ministers" (Rom. 13:6). *Leitourgos* means a public minister or servant of the state. It is also used of temple priests who render a religious service. Thus the ruler, like the priest, renders a divinely ordained service (Vincent). Government, therefore, is elevated to the religious sphere. This does not mean that God approves of a given ruler. Nero, a bestial pagan, was the Roman emperor when Paul wrote these words. He has in mind the office not the person. During the same period Peter wrote, "Honor the king" (I Pet. 2:17), the office, not necessarily the man.

The ruler "beareth not the sword in vain." He is "a revenger to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil" (Rom. 13:4). The "sword" referred to the ruler's power and right to inflict capital punishment.

The Christian citizen is to obey law not from fear but for conscience's sake (Rom. 13:5). He pays taxes as a part of his responsibility under a constituted government (Rom. 13:6-7). "Tribute" (*phoros*) is that which is paid by a subject people to a subjecting nation (Luke 20:22). "Custom" (*telos*) is the tax paid for the support of civil government (Matt. 17:25).

In this passage Paul takes no account of the right of revolt against tyranny. He assumes righteous government. The New Testament teaches that no government has the right to expect men to disobey God (Acts 4:19-20). But legitimate procedures of repeal of unjust laws, not disobedience of law, should be the route followed. Common sense teaches that revolt should come only after all reasonable means of redress have failed, or when a given government is so in revolt against God's purpose as to forfeit its right to exist. History records that the Christian faith has lived under all types of civil government both good and evil.



God's Wondrous World

The topsy-turvy bird

By THELMA C. CARTER

After the first snow has come and gone, you can probably see a queer little bird called the nuthatch. You may see him clambering down tree trunks headfirst. You will hear the "hank-ank" noise of this so-called songbird. Short and dumpy, yes, but he is also a pretty bluish-gray bird with white vest and black cap.

Nuthatches are perhaps the most expert climbers among birds. They are able to run nimbly up and down tree trunks as well as the outer surface of stone walls and cliffs. Usually they go head down. They also run along the underside of tree limbs like acrobats. It is little wonder that they are often called "upside birds" or "topsy-turvy birds."

Why don't they fall off the underside of branches? It is because of their sharp, curved claws, which cling to bark and other surfaces like sharp hooks.

The white-breasted nuthatch is perhaps the best known to most of us. Nuthatches are related to the creeper and titmouse family of birds. They are about six inches in length.

Most nuthatches, and there are many different kinds, have slender, straight bills, nearly as long as their heads. The long, pointed bills are used in storing nuts, seed, waste corn, and other tidbits in tree cracks and crevices.

After insects are no longer available, nuthatches seek the nuts and seed they stored for such a time. Strangely, they seem to remember the exact trees and

branches where they hid their winter food.

When you see these small, acrobatic birds in your yard, you can observe them hacking away at the thin-shelled beechnuts, hazelnuts, and chestnuts, the corn kernels and seed they had stored away. It is this hacking or "hatching of nuts" from which they get the name "nuthatch."

The housing habits of nuthatches are queer. They seem to prefer making their nests in deserted woodpeckers' holes. In these holes, they carefully place twigs, pieces of bark, and feathers for their baby birds.

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PAUL'S HELPER

By HELEN PETTIGREW

Can you find the names of five people who helped Paul at one time or another in his missionary journeys? Begin with any letter and move one square at a time to the right, left, up, down, or diagonally. Letters may be used more than once in the same name.

ANSWERS

Barnabas, Luke, Mark, Silas, Timothy

AFTERWHILE

By AMY PARKS

Bob was late. Mom and Dad were already in the car. Even Bob's sister Mary was ready for Sunday school, but Bob couldn't find his good shoes. His other sock was missing, too.

"Oh, me," groaned Bob, "why does this always happen to me?"

It was true. Such things were always happening to Bob. Friday he had been late for school because the reading book he had brought home couldn't be found. On Tuesday he had gone without lunch because somewhere he had misplaced his lunch money.

Sunday evening Mother said, "Bob, you'd better get your lunch money, new pencil, and schoolbooks together for tomorrow."

"All right," said Bob, "I'll do it afterward."

Dad asked, "Bob, did you put back my new tube of glue that you were using on your models?"

"No, Dad. I will afterward."

Then Mary said, "Bob, you said you'd help me pick up our games and books."

"All right," answered Bob, "I will afterward."

Bob saw that Mom and Dad and Mary were all looking at him. Then they looked at each other as if they had a secret. Bob wondered what it was.

Oh, well, I'll find out what it is afterward, he thought to himself.

Next morning Bob was in his usual difficulty. He had to rush to get his lunch money, new pencil, and books together. He stumbled over and broke a model airplane that he hadn't picked up. He found Dad's new tube of glue sticky and messy because he hadn't capped it and put it away.

"How soon do we eat?" he asked as he rushed into the kitchen.

Mom just smiled and said, "Oh, afterward."

Bob was surprised. That didn't sound like Mom at all.

"Dad, may I have twenty-five cents for my new notebook?" asked Bob.

Dad kept on looking over the paper and said, "Afterwhile."

Then Bob asked Mary, "Will you help me find my jacket?"

"I suppose so — afterward," said Mary.

Bob faced his family. "That's not fair!" he said. "I need my breakfast now, my twenty-five cents now, and my jacket now. You just keep saying, 'Afterwhile.'"

Bob stopped short. Those words had a familiar ring.

Mom and Dad and Mary were all looking at him. Bob managed a little smile.

"I get it," he said. "So no more afterward for me!"

"Wonderful!" the others agreed.

Then Mother said, "And now, Bob, please feed the cat before we eat."

"I will," said Bob, "afterwhi--I mean, yes, ma'am! Right away!"

Largest, hardest goals lie ahead in Ouachita's Endowment Campaign

ALTHOUGH the first stage in the Ouachita Endowment Campaign has been completed successfully, the largest and hardest goals lie ahead, Dr. Ralph A. Phelps, Jr., campaign director, told the college's trustees recently.

"The total of \$247,708.64 raised for endowment during 1962 is more than had been raised for this cause during the past 35 years combined, but we have a long way to go before reaching our total goal of \$1,300,000," Dr. Phelps pointed out. "Too, we do not have any more gifts of \$100,000 in sight."

His reference was to the gift of \$100,000 which was given by Birkett L. Williams of Cleveland, O., after the campaign had raised a similar amount. Williams' gift is included in the total raised.

Of the almost quarter of a million dollars contributed for endowment, some \$30,210 came through Division Five, "Christian Education," of the Arkansas State Convention's budget. An additional

\$20,105 was raised for operations under the 60-40 split of receipts for this division. While the total was short of the \$167,500 in the budget for Ouachita in this division, it was considered most encouraging, since many of the churches had already worked out their 1962 budgets before the campaign was officially approved by the state convention in November of 1961.

"We are deeply grateful for the assistance of Dr. S. A. Whitlow, Dr. C. Z. Holland, and Dr. Erwin McDonald on the convention front," Dr. Phelps stated. "We could never begin to thank adequately the large number of men and women over the state who have worked for and contributed to this effort to undergird Christian education in Arkansas."

In addition to those who gave through the Cooperative Program and therefore are not individually identified in the campaign's records, some 540 separate contribu-

tors had a part in producing the money raised.

The city whose residents contributed the largest amount was El Dorado, with \$47,540.00. Arkadelphia was second with \$10,306.77 plus pledges for \$4,370 more during 1963 and 1964. The Arkadelphia figure does not include gifts of Ouachita faculty members, who gave a total of \$1,965.00.

Ouachita trustees contributed a total of \$13,615.00.

Dr. Rheubin L. South of North Little Rock and W. S. Fox of Pine Bluff were co-chairmen for the campaign.

Dr. Phelps stressed to college trustees that as important as the money raised was, this was not the most significant part of the campaign. He pointed out that new friends made, old acquaintances renewed, education as to what endowment is and why it is needed, and the marvelous cooperation of all parties concerned presaged even greater things for Christian education in the future.

Donations by cities to Endowment Campaign

According to records in the campaign office at Ouachita College, donations to the Ouachita Endowment Campaign came from the cities and towns listed below with amounts given. The figures do not include pledges made but not yet paid or gifts through the Cooperative Program. In case there is an error in the record, it should be called to the attention of Dr. Ralph A. Phelps, Jr., Ouachita president.

Source	Amount
A	
Anonymous	\$ 9.00
Arkadelphia	10,306.77
Ashdown	200.00
Augusta	530.00
Arkansas City	100.00
B	
Batesville	5.00
Bearden	192.50
Beebe	15.70
Benton	4,825.00
Bluffton	200.00
Blytheville	186.00
Booneville	25.00
Bradley	25.00
C	
Cabot	840.00
Camden	260.00
Casa	72.50

Cherry Hill	50.00
Clarendon	160.00
Clarksville	10.00
Clinton	250.00
Colter	10.00
Conway	25.00
Corning	725.00
Curtis	33.00
D	
De Queen	590.00
Dermott	10.00
DeWitt	1,860.00
Dumas	2,337.45
E	
Earle	5.00
1.-El Dorado	47,740.00
England	500.00
Eudora	260.00
Eureka Springs	10.00
F	
Fayetteville	65.00
Fordyce	25.00
Fort Smith	225.00
Foreman	5.00
Forrest City	25.00
Fountain Hill	500.00
G	
Glenwood	50.00
Gould	10.00
Greenwood	5.00
H	
Harrisburg	500.00
Harrison	400.00
Helena	80.00
Hermitage	20.00
Hope	30.00
Hot Springs	235.00
Hughes	1,715.00
Huntington	25.00
Huntsville	10.00

Size	Number	Amount
\$100,000.00	1	\$100,000.00
18,175.00	1	18,175.00
10,000.00	1	10,000.00
4,800.00	1	4,800.00
3,671.62	1	3,671.62
2,300.00	1	2,300.00
2,000.00	2	4,000.00
1,900.00	1	1,900.00
1,817.45	1	1,817.45
1,500.00	2	3,000.00
1,411.00	1	1,411.00
1,250.00	1	1,250.00
1,200.00	1	1,200.00
1,145.00	1	1,145.00
1,000.00	15	15,000.00
500-1,000	19	9,633.33
400-500	3	1,232.15
300	6	1,800.00
200-250	19	4,175.00
100-200	17	2,485.62
100	99	9,900.00
50-100	20	1,588.50
30-50	74	3,393.00
20-25	81	1,935.25
10-15	110	1,155.70
5 and under	82	380.02

Tabulation by size of endowment gifts

The distribution of gifts according to size during the 1962 emphasis on endowment for Ouachita Baptist College is interesting. The figures given below are individual contributions and do not include money given through the Cooperative Program of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention.

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Graduate program adds strength to expanding music department

ADDITION of the Master of Music Education degree in the fall of 1961 is proof of the rapid growth and expansion of the Division of Fine Arts at Ouachita College. Eight students are presently enrolled in the graduate music program, which recently received accreditation from the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. Three of these are likely to receive degrees in May, 1963.

Thirteen students, compared to but two in 1956 and one each for the two previous years, received undergraduate degrees in music in May, 1962, while three more received degrees with a major in art. A total of 86 undergraduates majored in music last year, while 18 additional were art majors. There were three teaching fellows in music during 1961-62.

Serves dual role

Though the growth in those majoring in music and art has been increasing, the division does more than serve those students who are majoring in the field. Dr. James T. Luck, chairman of the division since 1956, estimates that the division comes into contact with more than 500 students annually through private lessons, membership in the choir or band, and by those majoring in music or art. The division, then, serves the dual purpose of training students for careers in one of the arts and of providing arts experiences for students seeking a liberal education.

"Our students go out constantly as individuals or as groups to perform for civic clubs and various functions, while many serve as part-time ministers of music," Dr. Luck said in pointing out the public relations role played by students in the division. "Our groups have made many appearances on television." Likewise, art students under the direction of

Professor Phares Raybon have performed civic and school services with their talents.

All graduates of the division are placed immediately in some field of service upon graduation from Ouachita. Art students are advised to do further graduate work, whether going into the teaching field or into commercial art, but none has had difficulty in obtaining a job with his undergraduate degree.

"I cannot remember anyone in our division who did not go immediately into teaching, some other position, or into further graduate study since I have been here," Dr. Luck declared.

Choir, band expand

One building, Mitchell Hall, is now devoted exclusively to the music departments, while art classes are held in Dailey Hall. The choir has grown to 150, with a group of some 50 singers selected from this group for special purposes and tours. The band has expanded from only eight some five years ago to a 67-piece band under the direction of Marvin Lawson.

Ouachita was promoted to full membership in the National Association of Schools of Music in November, 1959. At that time one of the members of the commission on curricula commented, "In my opinion, the music department at Ouachita has one of the most brilliant futures of any music school in the country." Subsequent events have borne out the prediction.

Performance is essential

Ability to perform is essential for those majoring in the Division of Fine Arts. In music, performance tests are met in four categories: before a teacher, in repertoire, in a junior recital, and in a senior recital.

Repertoire is held once a week and every student enrolled in an applied music course must attend.

Each student must also perform in repertoire at least once a semester.

The next step in performance is the junior recital. This differs from the senior recital only by being presented by a group of four students instead of a soloist. Each student presents one-fourth of the program.

The student is then ready for the final step of performance, which is the senior recital. From the time a teacher begins working with an individual student, he begins planning for the senior recital. Often the first composition the student plays in repertoire will be the composition he will play in his senior recital.

Art students, likewise, exhibit their talents each year in the annual art exhibit held in Riley Library the week preceding spring commencement. Prizes are awarded, with the library purchasing the top prize winner. Many of the others are sold locally as treasured pieces of art.

Strong Fine Arts faculty

The Division of Fine Arts has a strong faculty, one that has contributed to the musical and cultural life of the state by serving in workshops in their respective performing area and by judging in choral and band clinics and festivals.

Dr. Luck, chairman of the division, is president of the Arkansas State Music Teachers Association, past president of the Arkansas Intercollegiate Choral Association, chairman of the board of certification of Arkansas State Music Teachers Association, and has recently been appointed to a committee on teacher education of the National Association of Schools of Music. He holds an Ed. D. from Florida State University.

Phares Rybon, whose talents are in constant demand by the school and community, is chair-



BILL TRANTHAM and Miss Virginia Queen rehearse for a recent duo-piano faculty recital.

man of the art department. He holds an M.A. from the University of Texas.

W. Francis McBeth, chairman of the theory-composition department, recently has had published two compositions, "Chant and Jubilo" and "Suite for Band," with the latter winning the Southwestern Division of the College Band Directors National Association composition contest. Many of his compositions have been played by groups throughout the nation. He holds a Master of Music from the University of Texas and is on a year's leave of absence to work on a doctorate at the Eastman School of Music in New York.

Dr. Luck, chairman of the division, also serves as chairman of the department of music education.

David Scott is chairman of department of church music. He holds an M.S.M. from Southwestern Baptist Seminary and studied in Vienna in 1959. He annually directs the Opera Workshop.

Bill Trantham heads the department of applied music. He holds a Master of Music from Northwestern University and has been admitted to candidacy for a doctorate. He has contributed several articles to "Church Musician," official publication of the Southern Baptist Convention. He is chairman of the Performing Arts Committee of the Arkansas State Music Teachers Association.

Others of the music faculty have been active in statewide organizations. Miss Evelyn Bowden, associate professor of music, is

chairman of the college section of the Arkansas State Music Teachers Association. Charles Wesley, assistant professor of music and a woodwind specialist, is treasurer and chairman of the wind instrumental contest of ASMTA.

Virginia Queen, associate professor of music, is past president of the Arkansas Federation of Music Clubs and now chairman of the convention program committee of ASMTA, while Miss Helen Lyon, associate professor of music, is lieutenant governor of the Arkansas chapter of National Association of Teachers of Singing. Marvin Lawson, the newest member of the faculty, holds a Bachelor of Music from Hendrix College and a Master of Music from the University of Texas. He formerly directed the band at Hazen High School.

Donations

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J	
Jacksonville	5.00
Jonesboro	4,214.27
L	
Lake City	200.00
Lake Village	25.00
Lavaca	5.00
Leachville	5.00
Lepanto	15.00
Lewisville	500.00
Little Rock	9,122.00
Lonoke	100.00
M	
Magnolia	100.00
Malvern	125.00
Marked Tree	5.00
Marvell	100.00
Monette	50.00
Moro	150.00
Morrilton	75.00
Mount Ida	300.00
Murfreesboro	525.00
McGehee	885.00
McRae	100.00
N	
Nashville	760.00
Nettleton	150.00
Norman	100.00
O	
Oden	10.00
Osceola	1,180.00
Ozan	15.00
Ozark	5.00
P	
Paragould	210.00
Parkin	80.00
Perryville	60.00
Piggott	397.00
Pine Bluff	6,826.62
Plumerville	250.00
Pocahontas	115.00
Prescott	10.00
R	
Rector	100.00
Rison	1,411.00
Russellville	480.00
S	
St. Charles	10.00
Searcy	1,275.00
Siloam Springs	5.00
Sparkman	40.00
Springdale	200.00
Stephens	300.00
Stuttgart	940.00
T	
Texarkana	205.00
Tyroneza	100.00
W	
Waldron	40.00
Walnut Ridge	60.00
Warren	143.15
West Helena	10.00
Out-of-state donors	106,927.00

Goatchers to Go to Thailand in March



Rev. Earl Goatcher

Rev. Earl Goatcher, an administrative intern for the past year at Arkansas Baptist Hospital, received his mission assignment last month to a new hospital in Bangkok, Thailand. He and his family will sail March 19 for Thailand.

Mr. Goatcher will serve as administrator of the new hospital and will also do pastoral work. His wife, Dr. Joann Goatcher, is a pediatrician and will work part-time at the hospital. The Goatchers have two children, Lisa, 4, and Jimmy, 4 months.

They will join three doctors already in Thailand who will also be associated with the new hospital. The 30-bed hospital will serve an area of 70,000 people now without either a hospital or doctors.

For the first year and a half the Goatchers will attend language school in Bangkok, while Mr. Goatcher commutes 75 miles away to Bangkok to supervise the construction of the hospital. The doctors already in Thailand negotiated for the 12-acre site beside a river on the outskirts of Bangkok.

The hospital will serve as a nucleus for beginning church work in the Bangkok area, Mr. Goatcher said. In addition to the doctors, two nurses will be assigned to the new hospital. One of them, Miss Vera Gardner from Kansas, is also a medical technologist and was in seminary with the Goatchers. Mr. Goatcher said that all of the doctors and nurses assigned to Bangkok were in seminary together and were good friends.

Mr. Goatcher said that he and his wife felt that the Thailand assignment would allow them to utilize their prior experience well. Mr. Goatcher formerly had training in radio and electrical work and served a year with the engineers in the army in Korea. This experience will be of help during the construction of the new hospital, he said. He later graduated from the University of Arkansas in business administration and served for three

years as assistant manager of the industrial department of the Chamber of Commerce. His business background plus his training at ABH will be valuable in managing the hospital later, he added.

During the time that he was in Baptist Seminary at Fort Worth, Tex., he was pastor of the Jermyn, Tex., Baptist Church.

Mr. Goatcher said that Thailand has a very stable economy and that the literacy rate is approximately 60 per cent. Bangkok is a large city of more than a million people and has television stations, a university and medical school and good shopping areas. The country just outside the metropolitan area is far less progressive, he added. Ninety-seven per cent of the population are Buddhists.

The Goatchers will stay for four years before returning to the States for a year. During January they will attend an orientation for all new mission appointees at Gulf Shore, Miss.

Admissions Drop During Holidays

Baptist Hospital admissions took a customary drop during the holidays with an unusual low of 158 recorded on Christmas Eve.

Earlier in the month, on December 4, the census had been as high as 366 but all patients who could left before Christmas and none came in except emergencies until after the holidays. The low in 1961 for December 24 was 179.

Several times during the year the census climbed as high as 400 and most recently reached 399 in October.

New Nursing Station Built on 3-G



A new nursing station which covers the largest area in the hospital was built on 3-G recently. The station, which cares for 49 beds, has a large desk with a sunken chart holder in the center. A new executive intercom system allows the desk to talk back and forth with patients in their rooms.

Microtone Sharpener Purchased by Lab



Technician Joyce Moore shows how the microtone blade is put into the new automatic knife sharpener.

The ABH Pathology Laboratory has the only fully automatic Microtone knife sharpener in Little Rock.

Technician Joyce Moore explained that the machine sharpens and hones the blade in an abrasive simply by setting a timer. The blade is moved automatically back and forth in the abrasive. Formerly it was necessary to hold the blade against a glass plate which rotated. The plates, which cost \$50 each, were easily broken so the automatic sharpener was purchased, she said.

Cats and Pajamas Are All in a Hostess' Day's Work

When the Baptist Hospital hostess asks cheerily, "Is there anything I can do for you?" she sometimes is more than a little surprised at the response it brings.

One day recently a patient who had fallen down town and broken her hip replied:

"Yes. Please go let my cats out of my apartment. They have been shut up for two days and I have no one to see about them."

Hostesses Judy Growdon and Bethel Kirk, true to good hostess form, hustled down to the apartment. They opened the door and were nearly knocked down by three onrushing felines, anxious for freedom. They found some milk by the door, borrowed a pan and fed the hungry cats. (They were not allowed by hospital rules to enter the apartment.) They lined up a neighbor across the street to watch after the cats until their mistress was well enough to return home.

On another occasion, a hostess was asked to launder some pajamas for a patient. She obligingly took them home with her that night and washed them. When she took them back, another pair was waiting. These she took too and washed and when she returned them, the other patient in the semi-private room also had some ready for her. The washing was beginning to take on the size of a full-

Hostesses Bethel Kirk and Judy Growdon check pajamas to be taken to laundry for patients. This is one of a variety of services which hostesses are called on to perform.



scale operation, and when she went to her superior, she was assured that washing pajamas at night was not indeed part of her job. She located a laundry service nearby and ever since hostesses have carried patients' laundry over and picked it up for them.

On yet another occasion, when the

hostess asked what she could do, the patient asked her to kill a fly which was bothering him. Armed with a folded newspaper, she chased and swatted until she succeeded.

"We never know what we'll be asked to do," said Miss Growdon. "But we always try to help out if we can figure out a way to do it."

Pulaski County Medical Officers



The Pulaski County Medical Society elected these officers last month. From left: Dr. Robert Watson, president; Dr. Elvin Shuffield, president-elect; Dr. Payton Kolb, vice president; and Dr. Jim Walt, recording secretary. Not present when the picture was made were Dr. Joe Scruggs, treasurer, and Dr. William S. Orr, treasurer-elect. Dr. Watson and Dr. Shuffield are both past presidents of the ABH Medical Staff.

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Ward Clerk Tries New Desk Duties

A research project is underway to determine if ward clerks can take over additional desk duties from R.N.'s.

The present work on the project is being done on pediatrics where the ward clerk is taking over the transferring of doctors' orders from the order sheet to the cardex to the medicine card. This will release nursing personnel for more nursing duties if the new system is adopted generally.

CAROLS FOR PARTY

The ABH Choral Club sang a group of Christmas carols for the Junior Auxiliary meeting at 4 p.m., December 19. After the program the ABH Auxiliary served punch to the group in the canteen area.

NEW TECHNICIAN STUDENTS

A new class of technician nurses began their six-months course of training here January 7 under the supervision of Mrs. Thelma Hill, supervisor of the program. All of the group are licensed practical nurses.

ABH Improves Room-Cleaning System



Georgia Gibbons, maid in the housekeeping department and O. C. Pyle, department head, show one of the 14 new carts which are now in service throughout the hospital.

The Baptist Hospital housekeeping department has now taken over complete responsibility for the terminal cleaning of hospital rooms when patients check out, O. C. Pyle announced recently.

Pyle said that 10 janitor positions had been eliminated and 10 maids added to take care of the new work. Formerly, nursing service removed nursing equipment and cleaned the bed and bedside table while the housekeeping department did the rest. Because of the divided responsibility, some cleaning chores were occasionally missed.

Under the new plan, a housekeeping supervisor will pick up discharge slips on the floor every 30 minutes. Rooms will be cleaned thoroughly after the patient leaves them by the maids who have been especially trained for the job. Then a form will be sent to the admitting office that the room is ready for a new patient. Under this method, no patient can be assigned to an uncleaned room.

The 24 maids in the housekeeping department took a special course in bed-making under Mrs. Thelma Hill, nursing supervisor. The maids now strip the beds and make them up with fresh linens so that they are ready for new patients.

Pyle said that the housekeeping de-

partment always took advantage of the low census during Christmas week to give wards and semi-private rooms an extra cleaning.

Blankets for '62 Babies



The babies born during the last few days of 1962 were wrapped in red flannel holiday blankets for their trip home. The red blankets, which went into use on Christmas eve and were used until December 31, were made by the ABH Auxiliary as a holiday souvenir for newborns. Alde E. Pankey is holding two of the blanketed babies.

Prayer Chapel To Be Named For Mr. Queen

A prayer chapel with two small family rooms close by will be built at Baptist Hospital in memory of the late Rev. J. F. Queen, who for many years was Hospital chaplain, Administrator J. A. Gilbreath announced last month.

Gilbreath said more than \$2,000 in memorial gifts had been received in honor of Mr. Queen and the Board of Trustees had voted to name the prayer chapel in his honor.

Plans are not definite for the new chapel but it will be in the area near the surgical waiting room. It will have a capacity of only 10 or 12. Large services will be held in the Rudisill Memorial Chapel which will be moved to the Student Center across the street when remodeling is completed.

AUXILIARY PROGRAM

"A Day in the Emergency Room" is the title of the program which will be presented to the ABH Auxiliary at its regular meeting at 10 a.m. February 14. Mrs. Mildred Armour is in charge of planning the program.

FACULTY LUNCHEON

Mrs. J. C. Fuller entertained members of the Baptist Hospital School of Nursing faculty with a Christmas luncheon at her home on December 14.

Mrs. W. H. Patterson assisted in serving and decorations were in a holiday theme.

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The other way around

PETE: "My uncle disappeared while he was on a hunting trip."

PAUL: "What happened to him?"

PETE: "Something he disagreed with ate him."

That's a woman for you!

A FEMALE shopper is a woman who can hurry through a department store aisle 18 inches wide without brushing against the piled-up glassware, and then drive home and knock the doors off a 12-foot-wide garage.

A horse on him!

THE motorist was moving along a country road when his car came to a sudden, unexplained stop. He fooled around with the ignition, checked everything, but still it wouldn't start. Finally, he got out and looked under the hood.

"Why don't you check the carburetor?" a voice advised.

The man whirled around and noted that the only living thing near him was a horse, standing in a fenced pasture. To his amazement, the horse repeated the suggestion.

Flabbergasted, the man ran to the nearby farmhouse, rapped on the door and, when the farmer answered the knock, exclaimed: "My car won't start, see? And your horse, your horse, mind you, says to me, 'Check the carburetor!'"

"Mister," replied the farmer calmly, "don't take his advice. He don't know nothin' about autos."

Foiled again

A SMALL voice, telephoning school principal: "Tommy Jackson will not be at school today. He's sick."

PRINCIPAL: "Who's calling, please?"

VOICE: "My daddy."

Gushing note

LILLIAN: "My boy friend is drilling for oil, but he had to stop work for a few days because of a strep throat."

MILLIE: "Have you written to him?"

LILLIAN: "No, but I sent him a Get Well card."

No soap

DOCTOR: "You should take a hot bath before retiring."

PATIENT: "But, doc, I won't be retiring for another 10 or 15 years."

Show-stopper

THE gorgeous blonde walked into the dress shop and inquired: "May I try on that blue dress in the window?"

"Go ahead," the owner said, "it may help business!"

Church	Sunday School	Training Union	Additions
Alma, Kibler	112	71	
Berryville			
Freeman Heights	145	86	
Camden			
Buena Vista	35	39	
Cullendale	422	198	5
First	403	168	
Crossett, First	484	208	
El Dorado			
East Main	228	146	
First	687	210	1
Northside Ch.	36	23	
Fort Smith			
East Side	60	43	2
Grand Avenue	622	309	4
Mission	22		
Temple	223	132	
Harrison, Eagle Heights	199	83	
Hot Springs			
Park Place	300	139	
Huntsville	41	18	
Kingston	28	15	
Jacksonville			
First	470	195	1
Marshall Road	81	42	2
Second	131	59	
Jonesboro			
Central	459	210	1
Nettleton	191	88	2
Lavaca	180	140	
Little Rock			
First	777	358	5
Berea Chapel	98	76	
White Rock	16	14	
Immanuel	937	436	3
Forest Tower	20	23	
Kerr	22	24	
Rosedale	208	95	1
Marked Tree, First	148	75	1
McGehee, First	350	169	
Chapel	42	33	
North Little Rock			
Baring Cross	539	219	
Camp Robinson	39	29	
South Side	13		
Calvary	443	121	17
Gravel Ridge	114	86	
Highway	181	89	
Levy	414	251	
Springdale, First	393	142	7
Van Buren, First	337	186	
Tyrone	139	53	
Vandervoort	85	37	

Post-Christmas note

A LITTLE girl's thank-you to an elderly aunt: "Thank you for your nice present. I always wanted a pin cushion, although not very much."

Flesh and bones

DOCTOR: "What was the most you ever weighed?"

PATIENT: "154 pounds."

DOCTOR: "And what was the least you ever weighed?"

PATIENT: "8 1/4 pounds."

JOHN: "Does your wife tell you everything?"

JACK: "No. After all, there are only 24 hours in a day, you know."

MISTRESS—"Annie, what's all this mess in the oven?"

MAID—"I dropped the candles in the water, ma'am, so I put them into the oven to dry."

"I wasn't doing forty miles an hour," protested the motorist. "Nor thirty, nor even twenty."

"Here, steady now," interrupted the magistrate, "or you'll be backing into something!"

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Bethany Press coming out with Elliott book

ST. LOUIS (BP) — Bethany Press here announced it has bought paperback rights to *The Message of Genesis*, controversial book written by Ralph H. Elliott.

The book will come out in February, the first in a line of 26 paperbacks from Bethany Press, publishing arm of the Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ).

Both Elliott, still serving as interim pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Kansas City, Mo., and Bethany Director D. K. Wolfe said corrections of spelling and typographical errors will be the only changes from the first edition.

Wolfe added that Bethany Press is renting the type from Broadman Press of the Southern Baptist Convention, which first issued the book. Broadman, operated by the SBC Sunday School Board, sold out the first printing of about 5,000 copies and didn't reprint because of the controversy.

Doctrinal conservatives attacked the book for its alleged liberal viewpoint on the first book of the Bible. Elliott, at first defended by trustees of Midwestern Seminary, Kansas City, eventually lost his teaching position at the SBC school when he declined not to withhold it from a second publication.

Wolfe reports 2,000 back orders for *The Message of Genesis*. This included a group from Baptist booksellers and one from the *Saturday Evening Post*, he said. Bethany Press will print 5,000 copies, selling at \$1.75 each.

Under terms of the contract with Bethany, Elliott retains the copyright, but Bethany Press has paperback rights in the United States, Canada and Australia, according to Wolfe.

"We have been looking for a good title for our Abbott line of paperback books, a new line being introduced," Wolfe told Baptist

Press. "One of our ministers in Kansas City, a friend of Dr. Elliott's, called me to say that Elliott did not have a publisher and asked would I like to look at it.

"I sent copies of the book to our regular readers' committee of advisors and a publication committee of biblical scholars. Our directors notified me to go ahead if I thought the book was of sufficient quality and my publication committee told me to go ahead for this reason:

"They thought the book warranted being published because of the way it had been handled in the past. In other words, they felt no man ought to lose his job just because he had a book on the Bible published that did not happen to appeal to all of the constituents.

"In our opinion,' the advisors said, 'the book represents a moderately conservative and critical position. It is well written for the point of view and style. While it is not a major scholarly work we believe it will fit into the Bethany line without discredit.'

"Among the Disciples, Methodists or Presbyterians the book would not have met strong opposition."

The back of the paperback edition will comment:

"The original publication of Professor Elliott's *The Message Of Genesis* was accompanied by controversy and misunderstanding. In making the book available to the reading public, the publishers are concerned that the author's opinion may be judged on the basis of first-hand rather than second-hand report.

"This book has been called conservative by many of our reader-advisors, but all have pointed out it has liberal overtones and without exception each has recommended that in the name of religious and academic freedom it be kept in print."

FMB adds five countries in 1962

FIVE additional countries were entered by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board in 1962, giving it work in 52 of the world's geographical entities. Also during the year, the Board appointed 127 new missionaries, reappointed two and employed 11 missionary associates to bring its overseas staff at year's end to 1,639 (1,627 missionaries and 12 missionary associates).

Three of the new countries are in the Caribbean area: British Guiana, Trinidad, and the Dominican Republic. In each of these the work is being started by experienced evangelistic missionaries who transferred from other Latin-American countries. (In addition, a couple appointed in 1961 to open work in the neighboring French West Indies went to France early in 1962 for language study.)

The other two countries are India and the new African nation of Uganda, both of which have been entered through medical ministries. A couple, a doctor and nurse-anesthetist, are in India under a special arrangement with the Christian Medical College at Vellore. At the same time, they are exploring possibilities for a regular program of Southern Baptist mission work in the country. In Uganda, a couple have set up headquarters in Jinja, from which a mobile medical clinic will operate between various towns and villages of the Busoga district.

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