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**ARKANSAS**  
*Baptist*

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JANUARY 8, 1959

## Baptisms and Offerings Ahead of Last Year

This is being written on the morning of December 31, 1958. The story of our year's work has not been fully written. In a later issue of the *Arkansas Baptist* I plan to give a more complete report of our work to the Baptists of our state. However, it is now evident we have had a good year. The Lord's blessings have been upon us.

Indications are that our baptisms in Arkansas will be several hundred above that of 1957. We have reports of more than 13,000 for this year as against something over 12,000 for the year 1957.

Our receipts for cooperative missions for 1958 will exceed that of the previous year. The first six months of this year we received approximately \$12,000 more for the Cooperative Program than 1957. At the close of this November we were out in front of the previous year by more than \$75,000. By the time you read this, the record for this year will have been written. I hope and pray we will have reached our total budget goal of \$1,500,000.

The prospects for the 1959 Cooperative Program contributions now look promising. In most instances when our churches have used the Forward Program of Church Finance, they have been doing a good part by missions. Some of our churches are including missions through the Cooperative Program in their 1959 budget to the tune of 35% of their total budget. Others have made substantial increases in mission giving. One discouraging note is the fact that so few of our churches have employed the Forward Program. We hope that more churches will plan now to use this wonderful stewardship plan in 1959.

Growing out of experience and observation, some of us are convinced the percentage plan is perhaps the wisest. That is to put missions through the Cooperative Program in the budget for a percentage of the total budget. Then we hope and pray our churches will give careful consideration to increasing their missions gifts by at least two percent each year. This method of promoting missions would likely be most effective with most churches. In turn, we in places of denominational responsibility need to exercise care in the matter of our stewardship that we might make it possible to increase the percentage to missions outside our own state year by year.

More than \$63,000 has come in to date (December 30) for the Bottoms Baptist Orphanage Thanksgiving offering. The full story on this offering will not be known until about January 15. We do want to express our thanks again to the churches for their response in this matter.

For all of these blessings we thank God.  
—S. A. Whitlow, Executive Secretary.

## Facing a New Year In Our Stewardship

This is a new year. Entering a new year means that we stand on the threshold of failure or success, defeat or victory, progress or retardment. This is true of churches.

This outcome will depend on many things, some of which are planning, preparing, promoting, and preserving. That can be applied to almost every phase of church life, but in a special way to evangelism and stewardship.

To enter the simultaneous crusade and win the victory that needs to be won, someone must take the lead in a good "get-ready." To put on a Bible-centered stewardship emphasis that will reach the last member takes time, prayer, preparation, and effort.

Evangelism and stewardship cannot be viewed as man's plan to get church members and raise money. Soul winning is more than recruiting for church membership; it is presenting the claims of the gospel to fallen humanity. It is getting individuals to realize that God has an eternal redemptive purpose, that from eternity God planned to shower his saving grace on a lost world through his Son, Jesus Christ. Evangelism means the proclamation of the good news of Christ by compassionate Christians under the leadership of the Holy Spirit through a planned program.

Stewardship likewise is a spiritual task. Therefore, in promoting stewardship, there must be more than mechanical organizations and psychological gimmicks. The Bible approach to the teaching of stewardship is more than raising dollars and cents. It is a plan of nurtur-

## Measure of Criticism

CHRIST LIVED above flaw, but he could not live above criticism. Even Jesus could not escape the inevitable attacks from unjust and censorious men who were questioning his motives, were jealous of his progress, and were instruments of Satan determined to impede all Kingdom work. It is impossible for any of us today to expect to escape the epithets of ruthless critics any more than he did.

It is a known fact in Christian circles that the effectiveness of one's Christian witness can be measured accurately oftentimes by the type and extent of the criticism leveled against him. That is what Jesus was talking about when he said, "Woe unto you, when all men speak well of you!" If all men are complimentary about you, it can imply that your life, when added up, totals exactly zero. An ineffective life does not achieve, and the very negative nature of it is its own greatest defect. Some lives are so ineffective that they are like marks made on water which cause few ripples but leave no impact. Such meaningless lives do not merit or deserve much attention.

—James L. Sullivan ■

ing Christians. The Forward Program of Church Finance Guidebook states it in a better way: "It is God's plan for raising his children."

Baptist churches quit using the bazaar to raise money many years ago, but it took us years and years to get beyond that stage.

The Cooperative Program has helped our church people to see the need of a week-by-week plan of giving "as God has prospered." So, our churches have used stewardship revivals, tithers' enlistment visitation, study courses, etc. These efforts have enlisted thousands who have become good stewards but there remain tens of thousands who are nominal givers or "once-in-a-while" givers. Then there are those hundreds of thousands who, week by week, year by year, never give anything to Kingdom causes.

The Forward Program of Church Finance is designed to aid the churches in ministering to the careless, indifferent, unenlisted church members. To use this program the churches must of necessity plan, prepare, present, promote, pledge, and preserve.

The best time is now! Start planning to use the Program in 1959. With a good, early start, the Forward Program of Church Finance can be used in the most effective way. In fact, it has performed miracles in many, many churches.

We have planned to conduct a Forward Program of Church Finance Conference in each of the Arkansas Baptist Convention districts, for January and February. Plan now to attend the one in your district!—Ralph Douglas

## ARKANSAS BAPTIST

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## Distribution SBC Funds Through '58 Budget

### 1958 COOPERATIVE PROGRAM RECEIPTS

(Operating and Capital Needs)

1958 Total Per Cent

Foreign Mission Board	\$5,685,250	43.62
Home Mission Board	1,961,750	15.05
Relief and Annuity Board	325,000	2.49
Southern Seminary	519,191	3.98
Southwestern Seminary	551,442	4.23
New Orleans Seminary	460,067	3.53
Golden Gate Seminary	1,537,333	11.79
Southeastern Seminary	746,967	5.73
Radio & Television Commission	400,000	3.07
American Seminary	100,000	.77
Carver School	128,000	.98
Southern Baptist Hospital	175,000	1.34
Brotherhood Commission	120,000	.92
Public Affairs Committee	24,500	.19
Southern Baptist Foundation	27,500	.21
Education Commission	35,000	.27
Historical Commission	32,000	.25
Christian Life Commission	21,000	.16
Convention Operating Budget	185,000	1.42

Totals \$13,035,000 100.00

All over \$13,035,000 to go 75 per cent to Foreign Mission Board and 25 per cent to Home Mission Board. Budget met in November, 1958, and 75-25 distribution began thereafter continued through Dec. 31. ■



SEVEN ARKANSAS students will be graduated from Southwestern Seminary in mid-winter commencement exercises Jan. 16. They include (top row) Roy Glen Adams, Arkadelphia, bachelor of divinity degree; John Earl Byrd, Bauxite, bachelor of divinity; Maurice Brown Hargis, Warren, bachelor of divinity; C. J. Holiman and (bottom) Robert Wilford Randall, Little Rock, diploma in church music and bachelor of divinity degrees, respectively; Gerald Wayne Jackson, Hope, bachelor of divinity; and Margie Omega Johnson, Hazen, associate of religious education. Ralph Phelps, president of Ouachita, will deliver the commencement address.

### Baptist Press Office Extends News Coverage

DALLAS —(BP)— A second step in a far-flung Southern Baptist news coverage program has been completed by establishing a regional Baptist Press office here.

Leonard Holloway, Baptist General Convention of Texas public relations director, was named editor of the regional press office, serving three SBC agencies, a division of the SBC Home Mission Board and the Texas convention.

Baptist Press releases for Southwestern Theological Seminary and the Radio and Television Commission, Fort Worth; the SBC Relief and Annuity Board and Division of Evangelism, Home Mission Board, and the BGCT will be made from Dallas. ■

### Retailers Urged To Close Sundays

NEW YORK — Retailers throughout the nation are being urged to remain closed on Sundays in statements issued by two major retailing trade organizations. Clergymen and civic organizations immediately issued favorable comments on the trade associations' aims.

George W. Dowdy, president, National Retail Merchants Association, which represents more than 10,400 department, specialty and chain stores, and J. S. Mack, president, the Variety Stores Association, which represents

### E. Harmon Moore Takes New Office in Indiana

CARBONDALE, Ill. — (BP) — E. Harmon Moore, associate executive secretary of Illinois Baptist State Association, has accepted the call of the State Convention of Baptists in Indiana to become its first executive secretary.

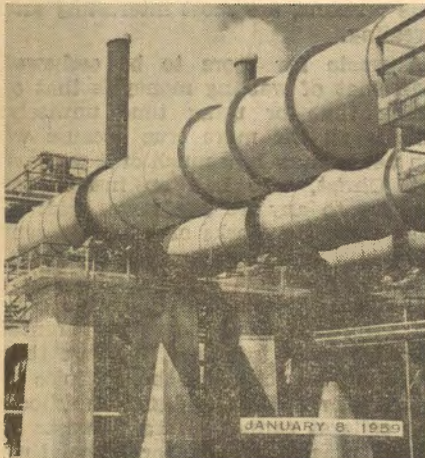


MR. MOORE

Moore's resignation from the Illinois State Association was effective Dec. 12. In presenting the resignation to the executive committee, Noel M. Taylor, executive secretary of the Illinois association, said, "I present this resignation with mixed emotions. The thought of Brother Moore's leaving Southern Baptist work in Illinois is distressing, but it is encouraging to know that he will be leading our newest state convention of Baptists in the great lakes states."

Indiana Southern Baptists organized their convention in October with 111 churches. There are now 121 churches affiliating in their work. The state offices for the new convention will be located at Plainfield, Indiana. Moore assumed his new responsibilities about Jan. 1. ■

9,000 variety stores located in all 48 states, issued the statements. ■



### Cover Story

PHOTOGRAPHER PHELPS of the Arkansas Publicity and Parks Commission gives us a view, in this week's cover photo, of the Alcoa kilns at Bauxite, used in the final stages of processing bauxite ore into alumina. ■

## *Lethal Weapon or Righteous Instrument*

ONE OF OUR most lethal weapons is the human tongue. Tongue lashings can strike deeper and leave more lasting scars than lances themselves. So, we ought to "bridle" the tongue:

"... I will take heed to my ways, that I sin not with my tongue: I will keep my mouth with a bridle, while the wicked is before me" (Psalm 39:1).

"... he that hath a perverse tongue falleth into mischief" (Prov. 17:20b).

"Whoso keepeth his mouth and his tongue keepeth his soul from troubles" (Prov. 21:23).

"Honor and shame is in talk: and the tongue of man is his fall" (Ecclesiasticus 5:13).

"To slip upon the pavement is better than to slip with the tongue" (Ecclesiasticus 20:18).

"A backbiting tongue hath disquieted many; ... strong cities hath it pulled down, and overthrown the houses of great men" (Ecclesiasticus 28:14).

"The stroke of the whip maketh marks in the flesh: but the stroke of the tongue breaketh the bones. Many have fallen by the edge of the sword: but not so many as have fallen by the tongue" (Ecclesiasticus 28:17-18).

"If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain" (Jas. 1:26).

But the tongue, properly used, is a great blessing to the one who speaks, and to others:

"... my tongue shall speak of thy righteousness and of thy praise all the day long" (Psalm 35:28).

"The tongue of the just is as choice silver..." (Prov. 10:20).

"The tongue of the wise useth knowledge aright..." (Prov. 15:2a).

"A wholesome tongue is a tree of life..." (Prov. 15:4a).

"By long forbearing is a prince persuaded, and a soft tongue breaketh the bone" (Prov. 25:15).

"She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue is the law of kindness" (Prov. 31:26).

"The Lord God hath given me the tongue of the learned, that I should know how to speak a word in season to him that is weary..." (Isa. 50:4a).

"Sweet language will multiply friends: and a fair-speaking tongue will increase kind greetings" (Ecclesiasticus 6:5).

"He that can rule his tongue shall live without strife" (Ecclesiasticus 19:6).

The world would be better with better use of our tongues. The atmosphere we breathe would be purer without dirty or suggestive stories, without unkind remarks about others, without the hurling of oaths in the face of God and in the ears of men.

It will be easier for all concerned to think purer thoughts and to keep ourselves from the contamination of the world if tongues are used to speak wisely, kindly, and considerately. And the fountain of the tongue is the heart:

"Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee" (Psalm 119:11).

"Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life" (Prov. 4:23).

"... if thou shalt confess with thy mouth (tongue) the Lord Jesus, and shall believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

"For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth (tongue) confession is made unto salvation" (Rom. 10:9-10).

## **Our Greatest Waste**

"BILLY will never have anything—he has never learned the value of money."

The young man's name we use here is fictitious, but the young man himself is as real as life. He is well known to me and to the one who made this statement about him. And, I fear, his name really is "legion" among the population of Arkansas and America, for his like among us are many.

Kin to him is the family the head of which said: "I cannot see that we get along any better with paying our bills now that the wife works than we did before." For if this family had learned much about the value of money, they certainly had not learned the wisdom of living within their income, which brings them to the same end.

But the failure to recognize the value of money is tied in with something of even greater significance — the failure to place the proper value upon one's time. The amount of money one has may vary from nothing to millions, but each one of us has the same amount of time — 24 hours every day we live, no more, no less. The fact that each one of us is free to use the most of his time as he wishes increases the weight of our responsibility.

Dr. Edgar Williamson's article in this issue of our paper is quite apropos. Dr. Williamson confesses that he was almost "sold" on the expression we frequently hear that the church requires too much time of its members, time they are too busy to give or which is too much of a strain on their physical energy and endurance. Then he began to do some calculating. His findings as to how much time it takes to be an active church member, and how much time remains, are most interesting and revealing.

A waste far more to be eschewed than that of wasting money is that of killing time or using time unwisely. This is all the more true because we can never know how much of it we have left. Christ, who had an insight far superior to any we can have, said: "I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh when no man can work" (John 9:4).

Dads and mothers in the home cannot afford to waste hours of parental fellowship and influence, for here they are giving direction to the destinies of their children. Boys and girls in school and colleges cannot afford to waste or misuse precious hours, for school time is the time of building lives and characters for all the future. Even less can we afford to waste the hours of opportunity for worship and walk with God afforded us by our churches.

Our greatest waste is not money or anything else material, but time, for time is life itself.—ELM

**Offering Short**

We want to thank all those who have had a part in the Thanksgiving offering, and to remind those who have not that the total so far is about \$63,-000, a long way from our goal of \$100,-000.—H. C. Seefeldt, Superintendent, Bottoms Baptist Orphanage.

**Church Fire Drill**

WE HAVE just completed a Wednesday night study the past 7 weeks on the book, "Homes That Last." About 375 of our people will qualify for credit.

Several Sunday mornings ago, when our attention was focused on the tragic fire in Chicago, we conducted a fire drill here in our Sunday School and found that some alterations and improvements were in order. Maybe more of our churches need to do the same. We emptied all of our buildings in less than four minutes.

Each quarter we will have such a drill and with continued practice we should improve the time. A committee has been appointed to set up an exit schedule for each class and department and we are considering the purchase of several additional fire escapes for our buildings.—David Meier, Educational Director, 1st Church, Ft. Smith.

**New Worlds to Conquer**

ADAM, the outcast, speaking for every self-indulgent, dissipating human, said "I did eat." Yet from his loins sprang that trio of sacrificial, self-denying patriarchs, Noah, Abraham and Moses.

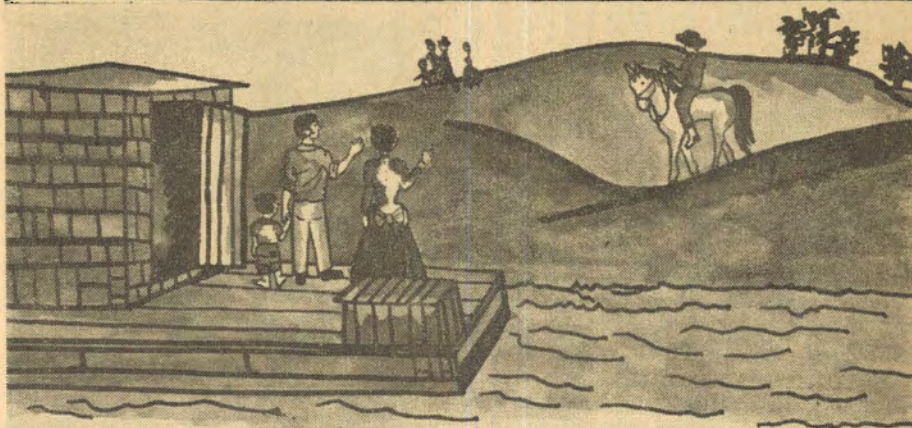
David, the adulterer, cried, "I was shapen in iniquity." Yet, within three centuries those great preaching prophets, Amos, Hosea, Isaiah, and Micah, were trumpeting the message of purity.

Isaiah, the wanderer, wrote of himself and his fellow Judeans, "All we like sheep have gone astray." Yet, from the House of Judah came the Divine Shepherd seeking the lost.

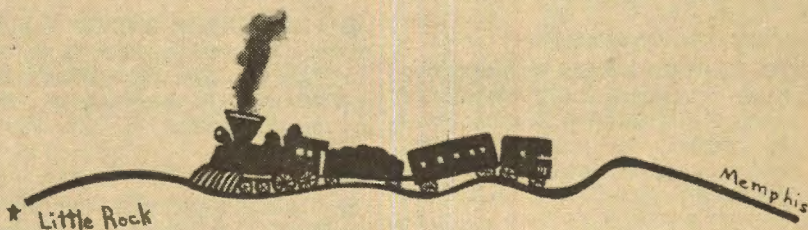
Paul, the bankrupt, agonized, "In me dwelleth no good thing." Yet within a generation the riches of Christ had been spread throughout the Roman Empire.

Matthew Arnold, thinking of man's bestial soul, referred to him as "red in tooth and claw." Yet, within the century generous hands had carried the gospel of a loving Savior throughout the world.

Scanning the centuries it would seem that man, under the guidance and impulsion of the Holy Spirit, has belied the darkest pessimist and has achieved miracles beyond the fondest expectations of the most devout optimist. And it would almost seem as if he had conquered his last world. Yet, space is



Baptist missions in early Arkansas territory were hindered by the lack of roads and communication. Not until 1803 or later was there any effort to make roads. Travel was over trails or over water. People walked, rode horseback, or went by boat from 6 to 20 miles a day.



Railroads were not begun in Arkansas until 1858. The first one ran from Memphis to Little Rock.

still unexplored; minds are still immature; and souls are still embryonic.

This being the case, the world has still to see what can be accomplished by men "wholly dedicated" to God. During this new year, therefore, let us as Spirit-indwelt believers in the Christ of Glory press forward eagerly and buoyantly toward these yet uncharted seas and unconquered worlds.—North E. West, Bentonville

**From the President**

My dear friend:

It was a real joy to have you on our campus and to have you present for the inaugural ceremonies. I want to thank you for your contributions to the day and for all that you mean to us at Southwestern.—Robert E. Naylor, president, Southwestern Seminary.

**Micah's Message Cited As Race Relation Guide**

NEW YORK — God requires Americans to "do justice and to love kindness" as a means of bringing about justice and equality under God for all people.

This is the heart of a message for Race Relations Sunday, Feb. 8, from Dr. Edwin T. Dahlberg, president of the National Council of Churches and pastor of the Delmar Baptist Church, St. Louis, Mo.

The message calls for Christians of America to consider the problem of race relations in terms of the question asked by the Old Testament prophet Micah: "What doth the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?" ■

## Arkansas All Over

### 45 New Churches Begun in State

ARKANSAS BAPTISTS have established 45 new churches and 60 new missions since the beginning of the 30,000 Movement in June, 1956.

The announcement came in the first overall progress report by C. C. Warren, director of the movement. The total for the Southern Baptist convention is 2,035 new churches and 4,125 new missions.

The figures are for a two-year period ending July 1, 1958.

New foreign mission stations are also counted in the total because the Foreign Mission Board wished to become a part of the movement. Foreign missions accounted for 688 new churches and 2,008 new missions.

Leaders among the states included: Texas, 165 new churches, 252 new missions; California, 120; 279; Florida, 96; 107; Illinois, 90; 281; Arizona, 83; 39; and Tennessee, 80; 58. ■

### Missionaries Report Progress in Venezuela

"OUR WORK of faith in Maracaibo (Venezuela) is continually blessed of the Lord. Faith Baptist Church now has 132 members, 100 more than when the Lord sent us this way," writes Homer B. and Martha H. Reynolds from that mission area.

"The Lord not only has given victories in Maracaibo but through faith our American people extended their English-language work to two other locations in Venezuela. Lakeside Church in Tia Juana and Bethel Church in Caracas, the capital, have called pastors from the States.

"The English-language Sunday School will start in Las Piedras soon after the new year.

"In this great foreign mission territory, there is a great home mission task of our own dear people from the States. There are over 50,000 of our own flesh and blood who need the strength of a New Testament church. This is the task the Lord hath placed on our hearts." ■

### Little Rock Significant Word in Nigeria

"LITTLE ROCK has become a significant word, even in Nigeria," writes Miss Marjorie Stephens, who serves Southern Baptists as missionary in that faraway land. Miss Stephens says "Our papers carry the stories and we try to pray harder for Christians in America to be true to Christ's teachings. Pray for us as we try to witness in spite of happenings at home."—The California Southern Baptist ■

### Pastoral Changes

ALFRED W. Psalmonds has accepted the pastorate of the College City Church, Walnut Ridge. Mr. and Mrs.



MR. PSALMONDS

Psalmonds are students at Southern Baptist College. Mr. Psalmonds was a pastor in Newton County, from 1952 until 1957, and from 1957 until coming to Southern Baptist College he was connected with Bottoms Baptist Orphanage.

PAUL G. Stender, senior student at Ouachita, has been called as pastor of Humnoke Church. Previously he served the Kern Heights Mission, DeQueen. Mr. Stender and his family are originally from the 1st Church, Stuttgart.

● MR. AND MRS. T. E. Carpenter, Hamburg, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary with open house in 1st Church, Dec. 21. Both are active members of the church.

● DR. BLAKE SMITH, pastor, University Church, Austin, Tex., is leading the January Bible Study Week in 1st Church, Fayetteville. Dr. Smith is a former pastor of the Fayetteville church.

● ROCK SPRINGS Church, Eureka Springs, E. B. Huffstutter, pastor, has added the Arkansas Baptist under the budget plan after a month's trial.



GUS POOLE, pastor, Green Forest's 1st church, presents 13 dressed turkeys to H. C. Seefeldt, superintendent of Bottoms Baptist Orphanage.



STANLEY Owen, an 11 year Junior, directed the Junior Choir during the Christmas cantata presented by the choirs of the Immanuel Church, Pine Bluff. Stanley, a 6th grade student, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Owen, Watson Chapel. His father is superintendent of the schools. The cantata was presented by 60 members of the combined choirs. Mrs. Andy Jenkins directed the church choir and also wrote the script. Mrs. Elfrieda Hayes, a native born Brazilian was the reader.

### Revival Reports

FIRST CHURCH, Gentry; Jack Porter, pastor; conducted by laymen of 1st Church, Ft. Smith; 44 by baptism; 27 rededications and 17 others accepted Christ. Thirty-nine young people of the church held prayer meetings during their school lunch hour.

HOLLYWOOD CHURCH, Nov. 30-Dec. 5; E. A. "Happy" Ingram, evangelist; Lawrence Harris, music, and James Rice, pastor. Practically the entire membership came for rededication.

● DR. HORACE E. Thompson has been re-elected president of the Baptist orphanage board. Others also re-elected were Jay D. Tolleson, vice president, and Exall Kimbron, secretary-treasurer.

STERLING L. Price, pastor, University Church, Abilene, Tex., has accepted a call to become pastor of 3rd Baptist Church, St. Louis, Mo. He succeeds Dr. C. Oscar Johnson, who retired and now lives in Berkeley, Calif. Price is a former president of the Pastors' Conference of the Southern Baptist Convention. ■

## Little Rock Family Off on Mission Tour

A LITTLE Rock Baptist leader will soon embark on a goodwill missionary tour of the world with his family.

He is Charles Mooshian, for three years Training Union director of Calvary Church.

Mooshian, his wife, Grace, and their five children, will visit Baptist and other missions all over the world. The tour, which is being coordinated by the United States Information Service, will begin in the spring. First destination point is England.

The Mooshians will make color motion pictures, write feature and column material and prepare a daily log. The daily log will be used as a basis for a book, tentatively entitled "Adventure In Faith."

Upon their return 18 months later, they plan to lecture and screen the motion pictures for church, civic and professional groups.

Particular attention will be given to filming the Holy Lands, and the lands of Paul's missionary journeys.

The Mooshians have been thinking of such a trip for many years. Both definitely felt a "call" three months ago. They have sold all their worldly possessions.

Calvary Baptist deacons honored the Mooshians with a special service recently.

One hundred eighty-five persons turned out Sunday, Dec. 14, when Calvary's Training Union observed "Charlie Mooshian Night."

The Mooshian's parting gift to the church was a 30-minute color motion picture depicting the demolition of the old wooden church structure and the step-by-step construction of the new sanctuary.

The Mooshian children are Marilyn Sue, 15; Carol Ann, 11; Chuck, 8; Marty, 4; and Donna Grace, 2. ■

● OPAL WYNN, Fayetteville, Arkansas, freshman at Southern Baptist College, is a recipient of a scholarship



offered by the college as a first place winner in the speakers' tournament sponsored by the Training Union of her association. Opal, a graduate of the Fayetteville High School, spent the summer as a staff member at Ridgecrest. She is planning to finish her college work in a senior Baptist college. Miss Wynn is secretary of the Life Service Band, president of the Y.W.A., secretary of the Cosmopolitan Club, a member of the college choir, and is active in the local church. Southern College offers scholarships to the first and second place winners in the 17-18 year tournament and also in the 19-24 year tournament from each association.



**SOUL-WINNING STUDY COURSE BOOKS**—These are the books to be used in the soul-winning study course week sponsored by the Training Union, Feb. 15-20; adults: "Personal Soul-Winning"; young people: "Winning Others to Christ," or "Personal Soul-Winning"; intermediates: "Intermediate Fishers"; juniors: "Jesus Saves."

If any of these books have been used, select another book from the soul-winning series. Write to your Training Union Department for a study course tract and for request for award blanks to report your study course.

## Arkansas Associations Help Set New Record

THREE ARKANSAS associations are included in the 34 over the Southern Convention qualifying as Standard in Sunday School for 1958. The SBC total is a new record.

The Arkansas associations listed as Standard are: Independence, Roscoe King, superintendent; Mississippi County, M. Loyd Owens; and White River, Garvin Carroll. ■

## Associates Named For Seminary Work

NASHVILLE — (BP) — The Seminary Extension Commission has approved the addition of two associates for the Seminary Extension Department, based in Jackson, Miss. The department is supported by the six Convention seminaries to carry on extension and correspondence courses in the religious field.

It was expected that the first new associate will be located in Texas.

Associates are responsible for certain geographical areas, assisting in the establishment of new seminary extension centers. ■

## Green Resigns Baptist Hour Choir Leadership

FORT WORTH — (BP) — R. Paul Green, director of the Baptist Hour Choir since 1955, has resigned that position to become professor of conducting and choral activities at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary here. ■

## Ordinations

CHICKASAW CHURCH, McGehee, ordained Jimmy Cobb to the ministry Dec. 21. A senior at McGehee High School and president of the student body, he has been called as pastor of Central Church, Delta Association. Participating were: Russell K. Hunt, moderator; Noel Barlow, clerk; Tom Davis, questioning; Cline D. Ellis, charge; E. H. Acuff, ordination sermon, and T. V. Eldridge, prayer.

GAINES N. Armstrong, recently called as pastor of the Millcreek Church, near Hot Springs, was ordained to the ministry by the 1st Church, Hot Springs, Dec. 14. James H. Fairchild, pastor, presented the Bible. Dr. W. J. Hinsley, retired pastor, brought the charge.

ON DEC. 7, C. L. Griffin and C. T. Rodgers were ordained as deacons by Calvary Church, W. Memphis. William B. Sawyer, pastor, preached the ordination sermon.

EARL P. HARGRAVE and Homer Horn were ordained as deacons by Hopewell Church, Rt. 2, Mountain Home, Dec. 6. Troy Melton served as moderator; Everett Wheeler, clerk. Questioning was by C. E. McDonald, associational missionary. The charge was by Shaw Griffin and the message by Pastor S. W. Wilkerson.

## Reed Elected

DR. R. ALTON Reed, of the Relief and Annuity Board of Southern Baptist Convention, was elected to a one-year term as president of the Church Pensions Conference at its 44th annual meeting in New York City.





Round-Up of

# World-Wide

RELIGIOUS NEWS REPORTS

## Scripture Distribution

IN THE past five years the American Bible Society has distributed approximately 67½ million copies of the Holy Scriptures, an average of 13½ million per year. These figures were disclosed at the annual meeting of the Society's Advisory Council, which reported that these millions of Gospels, Testaments, and whole Bibles were distributed in 270 languages in foreign lands as well as within the U. S.

## Curb on Religion Voided in Italy

ITALY'S HIGHEST tribunal on Nov. 24 upheld the right of all religious communities to open and operate houses of worship without police authorization. Protestant leaders hailed the ruling as an important victory in their fight for full freedom of religion in that predominantly Roman Catholic country. (With her population nearing the 50,000,000 mark, Italy is thought to have 150,000 Protestants, distributed among about 50 sects.) Some Protestant denominations have lately made noteworthy missionary advances in part with the help of evangelists from the United States. Conflicts with local authorities have ensued and several Protestant missionaries have been brought to trial, generally under laws passed under fascism but still in force.

## Tells of Deaths in Red China

AT LEAST 180 foreign clergymen have been killed or have died as prisoners in Red China. Authority for this statement is Archbishop Pretonius Lachio, Roman Catholic from Italy. A veteran of 30 years among the Chinese, and now en route to Formosa after visiting Europe, he also charges that at least 300 Chinese priests and clergymen have met the same fate.

## Methodism Grows in Germany

DESPITE COMMUNIST controls, Methodists forged ahead in East Germany. So says Dr. Frederick Wunderlich, head of the Methodist Church in Germany, which operates in both the East and West zones.

Dr. Wunderlich, whose church claims 100,000 members throughout Germany, declares that there is "an upsurge of interest among youth despite the fact that in East Germany churches are not allowed to organize work among youth."

## "Brother," Not "Father"

CANTERBURY, England—Dr. Geoffrey Francis Fisher, archbishop of Canterbury, said he hopes to introduce "a new fashion" of calling all clergymen "brother." Addressing a diocesan conference he said, "I have decided to call them brother, because I will not call . . . brothers of mine 'father.' Also, you can call a layman brother."

# Baptist Crosscurrents

## Love Made Effective

(A Modern Parable)

A CERTAIN Chronic Absentee, in the course of his drifting away from the Sunday school, fell among bad companions who robbed him of his interest in spiritual things, persuaded him that the Lord's Day should be devoted to pleasure, and left him wounded in spirit and heart.

And by chance there came to the Absentee's door a certain Perfunctory Visitor, caring only to boost the attendance of his class. So when the visitor heard the rude words, "Please let me alone," he passed by, declaring he would never visit that place again.

And likewise there came to the Absentee's door a Duty-driven Visitor, coming only to report an assignment carried out. But when he got no answer to the ringing of the doorbell, he wrote "not at home" across the report form and excused himself from further responsibility.

But a certain Concerned Christian with compassion awakening in his heart came to the door of the absentee. In spite of a cold reception he returned again and again. He kept on visiting, even when the Absentee said, "Please remove my name from your list and let me alone."

The Concerned Christian poured in love and graciousness and held his own warm heart of love against the cold indifferent heart of the one he was seeking. Aloud, he said, "I'll come by for you on Sunday morning and take you in my car." To himself he added, "And whatsoever more it shall take to win you; that will I do, for Jesus' sake."

And lo, the Chronic Absentee began to be interested and finally was won. Moreover, the love in the heart of the Concerned Christian kept growing until his compassion had expanded to take in the whole world.

His personality was enriched and his fellowship with the Heavenly Father made sweeter as his own love was being made perfect through finding an outlet in service.—Bulletin, The University Baptist Church, Ft. Worth, Tex.

## Cancer by the Carton

IN A study of almost 200,000 veterans the United States Public Health Service reports that the death rate among persons who smoke or have smoked is thirty-two percent greater than for persons who have never smoked at all. The report also says that persons who had regularly smoked only cigarettes had a death rate of fifty-eight percent higher than nonsmokers; also that the death rate was higher for heavy smokers than for light smokers. There are approximately 1,600,000 deaths in this country in a year. Lung cancer accounts for more than 25,000 which is ten percent of all cancer deaths. The report finds the ratio of deaths from lung cancer is approximately ten times that of nonsmokers. It states that regular cigarette smokers are subject to an increased rate of dying from cardiovascular diseases, from certain respiratory diseases, from ulcers of the stomach and duodenum and from cirrhosis of the liver. The American Cancer Society declares that there is an "extremely high" association between cigarette smoking and death from lung cancer. Now take a look at the face of a healthy and pure child and try to see what is in store for it unless carefully instructed and guarded against the commercialized and exploited vice of nicotine.—Watchman-Examiner.



**BOB AND MARY Cartwright** are seriously concerned when dropping an old family custom could cause deep-seated harm in the family yet continuing it might injure Bob's chances for a big new job. Scene is from the complete, new dramatic episode on love of money, titled "The Silent Guest," in the television series "This Is the Answer." Bob Cartwright is played by Francis DeSales, his wife by Frances Robinson. The half-hour TV drama will be presented Sunday, Jan. 11, on the following stations: Ft. Smith, 1 p. m., KNAC-TV; Little Rock, 2 p. m., KATV; Texarkana, KCMC-TV; Shreveport, La., 1:15 p. m., KSLA; Tulsa, Okla., 12:30 p. m., KVOO-TV; Joplin, Mo., 3:30 p. m., KODE-TV.

### *'The Silent Guest' Views Family Unity Problems*

**CONTROL OF** teen-age children, and the problem of keeping the family together in time of strain, will be subjects of the dramatic television series "This Is The Answer" on Sunday, Jan. 11. The drama, "The Silent Guest," will be seen on key stations throughout the country that day, and is a feature in the new series of half-hour TV films dealing with problems of serious national concern.

In the drama, a man out of work is faced with depriving his teen-age chil-

dren of further schooling and is further worried by their uncooperative behavior. Hopefully he invites a possible new boss and his family to dinner but finds a new problem when his own mother and father arrive unexpectedly. To carry out their old family dinner custom might prejudice the forceful business executive, yet to avoid the tradition could deeply hurt his own family. A quick decision has surprising results on both families. ■

### **Board Announces Unified Study Course**

**NASHVILLE, Tenn.** —(BSSB)— The Sunday School Board has recently approved a recommendation of its curriculum committee that its three existing textbook study courses be combined into a single Church Study Course for Teaching and Training. The new unified course, an important step in the Board's curriculum development program, is to be inaugurated in October, 1959.

A prominent feature of this single church study course is that all existing credits in the three current courses will be transferred to the new course. Thus all the accumulated credits of persons who have earned awards in the Sunday School, Training Union, and Church Music courses will be main-

tained and will apply toward the requirements for diplomas in the new course. Also, the books in the present courses will be transferred to the new course.

The decision to correlate the three present courses into one is the culmination of a two-year study by the Board's curriculum committee. A special study group of Board workers under the chairmanship of Dr. J. M. Crowe, made an extensive investigation of the Board's entire study course ministry and then worked out the general plan approved by the curriculum committee and, subsequently, by the executive committee of the Board.

The new course will provide opportunity for a comprehensive study of many books arranged in 18 separate fields.

### **Special Group to Study Seminary Difficulties**

**NASHVILLE** —(BP)— A committee consisting of the president of the Southern Baptist Convention and five former Convention presidents has been appointed to "make a study and investigation" of "current difficulties" facing Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville.

J. D. Grey, pastor, 1st Church, New Orleans, will serve as temporary chairman.

Other members of the committee are Brooks Hays, Little Rock, president of the Convention, and the following past presidents: Louie D. Newton, pastor, Druid Hills Church, Atlanta; R. G. Lee, pastor, Bellevue Church, Memphis; C. C. Warren, Charlotte, N. C., and J. W. Storer, Nashville, executive secretary of Southern Baptist Foundation.

The committee was appointed by the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, upon request of Wade H. Bryant, Roanoke, Va., president of the seminary's trustees.

Bryant brought the request on behalf of the executive committee of the seminary's board of trustees.

The special committee to study Southern Seminary problems will make a written report on or before Mar. 1. This report will be presented to members of the Executive Committee of the SBC and to each seminary trustee.

The problems facing the seminary include a recent report from the accrediting committee of the American Association of Theological Schools which criticized the seminary's administration for the way in which 13 professors were dismissed last June 12. One of the dismissed professors has since been reinstated.

The Southern Baptist Executive Committee will consider the report of the special committee at its meeting in Louisville immediately prior to the opening of the 1959 session of the Southern Baptist Convention next May. ■

### **Home Life Story Reprinted in Digest**

**NASHVILLE** —(BSSB)— The January Readers' Digest carries an article "Lend Me a Cup of Sugar," by Hubert Kelly of West Nyack, New York. The article is condensed from the June, 1958 issue of *Home Life*. ■

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# 137 Missionaries Named in '58

THE FOREIGN Mission Board commissioned 24 missionaries at its December meeting, pushing its total for the year to 137, an all-time high in annual appointments. The previous record was set in 1956 when 121 missionaries were appointed. This year's total exceeds the goal by seven. The 1959 appointment goal is 140.

The total number of active foreign missionaries is now 1,288.

The December appointees are Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Crabb, Jr., Louisville, Ky.; Dr. and Mrs. Alfred L. Davis, Jr., Birmingham, Ala.; Mr. and Mrs. Wayne E. Emanuel, Ft. Worth, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Evans, Dearing, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. C. Hudson Favell, Old Fort, N. C.; Dr. and Mrs. W. Eugene Grubbs, Charleston, Miss.

Also, Mr. and Mrs. Robert D. Hardy, Adairville, Ky.; Mr. and Mrs. Leslie G. Keyes, New Orleans; Mr. and Mrs. James T. Lochridge, Pikeville, Ky.; Mr. and Mrs. Virgil H. Moorefield, Jr., Wake Forest; Mr. and Mrs. Donald J. Richards, Mesilla Park, N. M.; and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth R. Thompson, Hammon, Okla.

Stanley Crabb, Jr., and Patricia Maddux Crabb, both of Kentucky, were appointed for Italy. Mr. Crabb is pastor of White Plains (Ky.) Church and a student in Southern Seminary.

## \$18.5 Million Budget Proposed for 1960

NASHVILLE —(BP)— The recommended Cooperative Program budget goal for the Southern Baptist Convention for 1960 is \$18½ million, an increase of \$1 million over the 1959 goal.

The budget goal was approved at the December meeting of the Executive Committee. It will be presented to the 1959 session of the Convention at Louisville.

The proposed 1960 budget goal includes \$16,386,900 to meet operating and capital needs budgets of more than 20 agencies. The remaining more than \$2 million is the advance goal, money which, if received, will be distributed only to home and foreign missions.

Largest single allocation was, as usual, to the Foreign Mission Board. Its recommended operating budget for 1960 is \$6,290,000 compared with the \$5,490,000 already approved for 1959. Its 1960 capital needs budget of \$800,000 would be double that of 1959 amount.

Only other agency above the million-dollar mark is the Home Mission Board, for which \$1¼ million in operating funds are recommended for 1960 compared with \$1½ million already approved for 1959. Its capital needs total for 1960 is \$1,230,000, about twice the 1959 total in capital allocations of \$630,000. ■

Dr. Alfred L. Davis, Jr., and his wife, Ellen Martin Davis, will go to Hong Kong. Dr. Davis is junior staff pediatrician at Lloyd Noland Hospital, near Birmingham.

Wayne E. Emanuel, of Oklahoma, brother of Southern Baptist Missionary B. P. (Bill) Emanuel, will serve with his wife in Japan. Mrs. Emanuel, the former Mary Lou Massengill, of Kentucky, was a missionary nurse in Japan from 1954 to 1957. During that time she met Mr. Emanuel, who was stationed in Japan with the U. S. Air Force. Soon after their marriage she resigned from missionary service, planning to seek reappointment with her husband. Mr. Emanuel, a student in Southwestern Seminary, is pastor of Harmony Church, Atoka, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Evans, Dearing Church, were appointed for East Africa.

C. Hudson Favell, North Carolina, and Jean Christy Favell, Arkansas, will serve in Ghana. Mr. Favell is pastor of Greenlee Church, Old Fort.

Indonesia will be the new home of Dr. W. Eugene Grubbs, and his wife, Phyllis Anne Coffman Grubbs. Dr. Grubbs pastors 1st Church, Charleston.

The story of Robert D. Hardy and Mavis Shiver Hardy is similar to that of the Emanuels. Mrs. Hardy, a missionary to Japan from 1953 to 1957, became acquainted with Mr. Hardy when he was in Japan with the Air Force; and after their marriage she resigned from missionary service while her husband completed his education. Mr. Hardy, a student in Southern Seminary, is pastor of Whippoorwill Church, Schochoh, Ky.

Leslie G. Keyes, Louisiana, was a farmer when he felt God's call to the ministry and the mission field. Now a student in New Orleans Seminary, he is pastor of Cash Bayou Church, Clayton, La. He and his wife, Naomi Lucas Keyes, will go to Honduras.

James T. Lochridge first visited the Philippines as a member of the U. S. Marine Corps, during World War II. Now he and his wife, Mary Frances Manuel Lochridge, North Carolina, will serve there as missionaries.

Virgil H. Moorefield, Jr., an instructor in biblical interpretation and homiletics at Southeastern Seminary, Wake Forest, was appointed with his wife for service in Italy. Mrs. Moorefield, the former Jane Richardson, is the daughter of President and Mrs. W. E. Richardson, Bethel College, Hopkinsville, Ky., one of the schools operated by Kentucky Baptists.

Donald J. and Shari Sherman Richards, were appointed for North Brazil.

Kenneth R. Thompson, Louisiana, and Mary Smith Thompson, Arkansas, will serve in Korea. Mr. Thompson is pastor of 1st Church, Hammon. ■

## THE BOOKSHELF

**Christ in the New Testament**, by Charles M. Laymon, Abingdon Press, 1958, \$3.50.

Dr. Laymon, well known Methodist minister, teacher, and author, supported by scripture, the latest sources of biblical scholarship, and his own comments and insight, presents a total picture of Jesus. Students and teachers will find this volume an excellent source for their classroom study or reference work on the subject.

**Shadow of The Almighty**, the life and testament of Jim Elliot, by Elizabeth Elliot, author of *Through Gates of Splendor*, Harper and Brothers, 1958, \$3.75.

"He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose." So wrote Jim Elliot at age 22, sweating over Greek roots and patristics at Wheaton College.

"Seven years later," writes his widow, "he and four other young men . . . sat together on a strip of white sand on the Curaray River, deep in Ecuador's rain forest, waiting for the arrival of a group of men whom they loved, but had never met — savage Stone Age killers, men known to all the world now as Aucas."

This is a most interesting insight to life of one of our fine modern Christian martyrs.

**Standard Lesson Commentary for 1959**, edited by Orrin Root and John M. Carter, 1958, The Standard Publishing Co., Cincinnati, \$2.95.

Profusely illustrated and printed on a high quality paper, three columns to a page, this is one of the most inviting Sunday School lesson commentaries to come to our attention.

**The Christian Teacher**, by Perry D. LeFevre, Abingdon Press, 1958, \$2.75.

The concerns of the Christian teacher in higher education and the results from the Christian teacher taking both his teaching and his faith seriously are the focal points of this analysis of the role of the Christian teacher.

The author is associate professor of theology and education in the Federated Theological Faculty of the University of Chicago. His material is taken largely from lectures he gave at the Danforth Teachers Conference at Camp Miniwanca.

New Zendervan books include:

**When God Invaded History**, by Guy D. Newman, \$2.

**Seven Swords . . . and Other Sermons**, by Robert G. Lee, \$2.

**Five Great Questions of the Bible**, by W. A. Criswell, \$1.25.

**Simple Sermons from the Gospel of John**, Vols. 1 and 2, by W. Hersch Ford, \$2.50 per volume; \$5 per set.

**Maclaren's Bible Class Expositions, Mark**, by Alexander Maclaren, \$2.50.

**Preaching on the Life of Christ**, by W. S. McBirnie, \$2.

# Pastoral Care of Aging

By James M. Conard

Chaplain, Arkansas State Hospital,

Benton

Perhaps when George A. Johnson wrote his song, "When You and I Were Young, Maggie," he was writing what the people of his culture expected him to write concerning the aging process. It is quite true that he was growing older, but he would probably have been the last to admit to himself that he was "an old man." A man is as old as we make him become.

Oldness is a relative term. To a person six years of age, sixteen is old. To a person sixteen, 26 is old. I resent being called an old man by the young lad next door. So do we all resent being called old.

In opposition to our resentment of being old, the possibility of an aging nation is a fact which we dare not overlook. According to some recent figures, in 1900 there were over three million people in the United States who were over 65 years of age. In 1950 more than 11½ million were over the age of 65. By 1980 one estimate points to the figure 22 million in this category.

Because of the great advances made in medical science since 1900, we hear of more and more people reaching the Biblical "three score and ten." Since 1950, life expectancy in the United States has risen from 48 years to 69.8.

In the Roman Empire about the time of Christ the newborn child could expect to live 22 years. In the Middle Ages this age arose to something around 35, and in the early 19th century, to 40. Some scientists go so far as to predict a doubling of this figure in future years. An important fact for us to accept, whether we like it or not, is that we are growing older.

This fact of the aging process is of vital concern to the medical profession. Physicians are very much concerned about the diseases that often befall those who are aging. Research is being carried on to find out the possible causes and cures of these diseases. Arteriosclerosis, depression or melancholia, malnutrition, rheumatism, arthritis and the diseases common to our aging people are in the process of being seriously studied, cured or prevented. The medical profession is not falling us as regards our future health.

Old age poses new problems for the medical profession. These problems are taken seriously by this disciplined group of people. Doctors are required to be interested in elderly people because of the nature of their role and because older people demand their help.

What says the man of God to these who walk toward the far end of life's pilgrimage? And what hope brings the

church of our Living Lord to these senior citizens? Dare we overlook them in our mad rush to win the youth of our nation and our world?

The Great Physician is not only concerned with giving to man longevity of life, but, in much more degree, giving meaning to our added years. Advances in modern medicine cannot be considered real advances if all that our world provides us is added years filled with meaninglessness. This is illustrated well in a story told long ago by the Greeks, who in their philosophy of the world thought sometimes that the gods and goddesses fell in love with the mortals.

Aurora was the goddess of the sun. Her lover was Tithonus, son of Laomedon, King of Troy. She stole him away from the earth, and was so eager to enjoy the delights of love that she prevailed upon Zeus to grant to Tithonus immortality. She forgot to ask that his everlastingness would be accompanied by youth. To her great sorrow, she soon began to discover that her lover was growing old. She was embarrassed when his hair began to gray, and refused to have anything further to do with her beloved. Yet he continued to live on in his castle, dressed in celestial raiment and feasting on ambrosial food. When he became so feeble that he could no longer use his limbs, she shut him in his chamber. Still on occasion his feeble voice was a reminder to her that he was still alive.

The Greek legend had it that Aurora, who could no longer endure seeing her lover grown so aged and infirm turned him into a grasshopper. This story illustrates well how shriveled and meaningless life can become if it holds nothing more than longevity.

Even as the elderly pose new problems for medical science, the aging, in like manner, are confronted with perplexities of life that are the concern of the minister. Loneliness, penury, unemployment, despair, feelings of uselessness, and boredom are some of the theological dimensions of aging. The wise minister will diligently study the personality dynamics of the aging process and will utilize this information for wise pastoral care of those who are aging.

The problem of pastoral care to this group is with us now, and promises to be confronting us in an even greater degree in the years immediately in the future. How well or how poorly our ministers can provide pastoral care will depend upon: (1) their knowledge of the problem; (2) their preparedness to handle the problems that arise; (3) how effectively they shall lead their churches to provide a place of acceptance and a spirit of belonging to those who are elderly. ■

## Training Union

### Liberty Association

#### Tops at M Night

ONCE AGAIN Liberty Association led the state with 2,309 in attendance at "M" Night. The following is the complete report:

Association	Attendance	Churches Represented	Pastors Present
Arkansas Valley	272	19	15
Ashley	159	11	11
Bartholomew	300	12	9
Benton County	447	16	11
Big Creek	62	7	4
Black River	268	15	11
Boone	206	17	11
Buckner	72	9	7
Buckville	—	—	—
Caddo River	99	9	4
Carey	335	11	9
Caroline	307	19	11
Carroll	221	7	6
Centennial	303	11	9
Central	810	34	25
Clear Creek	686	25	20
Concord	1,081	31	26
Conway-Perry	177	9	6
Current River	69	10	8
Dardanelle-Russellville	222	14	12
Delta	550	31	14
Faulkner	233	13	9
Gainesville	60	7	7
Greene County	325	24	23
Harmony	232	24	18
Hope	746	23	14
Independence	159	9	8
Liberty	2,309	51	44
Little Red River	153	12	7
Little River	111	8	4
Mississippi	1,005	40	34
Mt. Zion	1,059	32	28
Newton	42	4	5
Ouachita	176	9	6
Pulaski Co.	1,681	56	40
Red River	326	23	19
Rocky Bayou	117	10	2
Stone-Van B.-Searcy	287	14	11
Tri-County	247	18	11
Trinity	751	28	20
Washington-Madison	482	28	21
White County	81	11	8
White River	196	13	7
Woodruff	185	9	5
<b>Totals</b>	<b>17,609</b>	<b>783</b>	<b>580</b>

● THE BSU MUSIC Committee sponsored Ouachita's first campus Music Study Course December 1-4, with an enrollment of 41, an average attendance of 27 and with eight awards given.

# Suggestions for Inter-Racial Ethics

**THE FOLLOWING** ten suggestions are offered as an aid in developing the proper Christian spirit and mental attitude in the realm of inter-racial ethics.

1. Strive at all times and under all conditions to have the spirit of Christ (Romans 8 and 9).
2. Practice the Golden Rule. Inter-racial co-operation is a two-way street (Matt. 7:12).
3. Evaluate the other person as an individual and not as a member of another race (Luke 10: 25-37).
4. Cultivate the friendship of Christian leaders of other races. Especially should ministers and Christian leaders do this (Psalms 133:1).
5. Do not encourage or be identified with radicals, demagogues, or organizations which agitate racial strife (Romans 10:15).
6. Avoid the use of slang expressions offensive to members of other races, such as "Dago," "Chink," "Nigger," and "Jap" (Acts 10:28).
7. Remember the Great Commission includes all the world, all races, all nations (Matt. 28: 18-20).
8. Remember that Christ's death on the cross was as much for those of other races as it was for you (2 Cor. 5:14-15; Col. 3:11; Rev. 7:9-17).
9. Remember God has made of one blood all nations of men (Acts 17:26).
10. Realize that God created the first man, Adam, in his own image; that all humanity has descended from Adam, and the sobering fact that we do not know the color of Adam's skin (Genesis 1:26-27; 2:7).

—Clyde Hart, Director of Race Relations



LOREN DAVIDSON

## Guest Director Named for Meet

LOREN DAVIDSON, Baton Rouge, La., has been selected as the guest director of the 2nd Annual Adult Choir Festival. The festival will be held at Pulaski Heights Church, Little Rock, Feb. 6, beginning at 7 p. m.

Mr. Davidson will direct the combined adult choirs in rehearsal and presentation of five anthems: "The Three Kings," by Willan; "The Shepherd's Story," by Dickinson; "Salvation is Created," by Tschesnokokoff; "My Lord, What A Mornin'," arranged by Dean; and, "O God Our Help In Ages Past," arranged by Whitney.

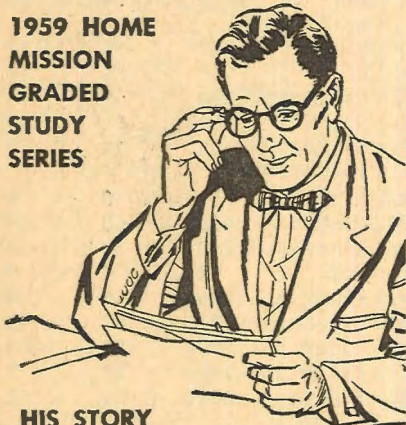
Mr. Davidson holds the public school music certificate and the bachelor-of-music degree from Simpson College, Ia., and took his master's-in-voice at LSU under the late Pasquale Amato, distinguished Metropolitan baritone. He has completed a year's doctoral study at Columbia University, New York, where he earned the professional degree (specialist in music education) in 1950.

Before coming to Louisiana State University in 1934, Davidson was most active in oratorio and recital-soloist in the Middle West and Pacific Northwest. He was minister of music and the organizer-conductor of large civic choruses on the West Coast, presenting major oratorio works. His leadership experience in church music embraces a span of 25 years. Widely known throughout the South as a voice builder and choral director, he has served consistently as adjudicator and vocal clinician for schools of music.

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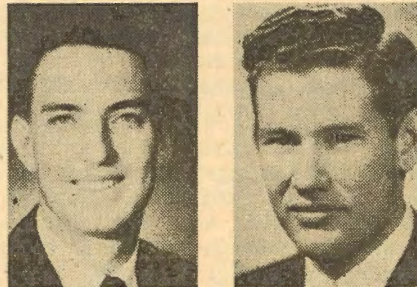
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SHOWN ABOVE are two Baptist Student directors: Maurice Fennell, director at Arkansas A & M, who has begun his third year in the position, and James Boyd, Baptist Student director for Little Rock, who has begun his second year. — Tom Logue, Secretary, Baptist Student Department

## Revival Teams Available From Southern Seminary

SOUTHERN SEMINARY'S student evangelistic group will be able to send revival teams to churches next summer.

Dr. Joseph Stiles, director of field work activities, said the group is composed of many "capable and dedicated men."

Each team member will have had at least one year's seminary work. Some of the men are pastors or have had pastoral experience. ■

## WMU Designates Jubilee As Era of Prayer

DURING THE years of Jubilee, 1959-1964, American Baptists are advancing together through stress upon evangelism in every phase of church and denominational life. Woman's Missionary Union has designated the period as an era of prayer with a special emphasis each year. This year that special emphasis is Christian witnessing, and promotional plans call for:

1. Release of a book entitled **Christian Witnessing** for study by every WMS, April, 1959.
2. Soul-winning visitation in cooperation with church-wide plans.
3. Cooperation in providing for pre-revival prayer meetings in homes.
4. Featuring Christian witnessing in state-promoted meetings.
5. Observance of Day of Prayer for Community Missions, May 4.
6. Community missions clinic for associational community missions directors, associational YWA, GA and Sunbeam Band directors, February 13.

This is the year when personal participation of every member of every Baptist church is sought in individual evangelistic efforts. Together Baptists can win the lost in Arkansas. Members of Woman's Missionary Union will pray; will go; will show; will bring.

### Study Now!

The new books on Home Missions suggested for study now preceding the Week of Prayer for Home Missions, March 2-6, are available at the Baptist Book Store, 303 West Capitol, Little Rock. The general theme is **World Evangelism: In the Homeland**, and there is a book for every age group:

**Adults** — *Ways of Witnessing*, \$.75; **Young People** — *Won by One*, \$.75; **Intermediates** — *The Charley Matthews Story*, \$.50; **Juniors** — *For You*, \$.50; **Primaries** — *Seven Little Karmuns Plus One*, \$.50; **Teacher's Guides** (separate one for each book), \$.25. ■

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## Too Many Meetings?

I WAS ALMOST sold on the idea. "I'm not sure I'm physically able to be a Baptist," said a man of average health whose membership was solicited. That set me to thinking more intensely.

Figures don't lie. Facts look so different in black and white, too. Also, I'm warned out of Scripture that I must give an account of my time. So, I'm just going to see how it looks on the record for the average or above, active Baptist.

Unlike the church budget or monthly finance record, the first figure never varies:

Hours to be accounted for weekly, 168.

### Disbursements:

- I. All church and relative activities.
  1. 7 family devotions at one-half hour daily, 3½ hours.
  2. 2 worship services at one hour weekly, 2 hours.
  3. One Sunday School and Training Union each at 1½ hour weekly, 2½ hours.
  4. Preparation of Sunday School and Training Union Lessons each at one hour weekly, 2 hours.
  5. Weekly Sunday School or Training Union Visitation, 1 hour.
  6. Weekly soul-winning effort, 1 hour.
  7. Weekly prayer meeting and officers and teachers meeting, 2 hours.

8. Miscellaneous meetings weekly, 3 hours.

**TOTAL** all religious purposes, 17 hours.

Balance, 151 hours.

### II. Personal needs.

1. Sleep at 8 hours daily, 56 hours.
2. Eating at 1 hour daily, 7 hours.
3. Work at 40 hours weekly, 40 hours.
4. Family life and recreation at 3 hours daily, 21 hours.
5. Business at 2 hours daily, 12 hours.

**TOTAL**, 136 hours.

Balance on hand, 15 hours.

I am amazed! Have I left out anything essential to a well-rounded Christian Life? What shall I do with this balance? Do I need to "balance" my whole life on another scale?—Dr. Edgar Williamson, Secretary, Sunday School Department ■

## Gideon Milestone

BRAVING SUB-zero temperatures, representatives of Gideon Camps in Newaygo County, Muskegon, Holland, Zeeland and Grand Rapids assembled at the Morton House Hotel, Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec. 13 to a breakfast meeting. The occasion was a ceremony marking the passing of another Gideon milestone — that of placing the 40,000,000 the Scripture. ■



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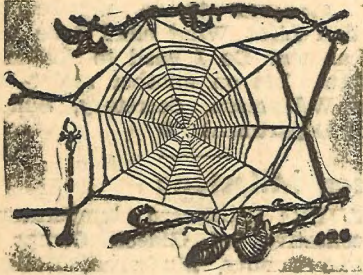
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# Echo, A Mountain Rescue Dog

By LEONA MEALS

WHEN ECHO, a Weimaraner pup, was three months old, her owner decided to try training her for mountain rescue work. He knew how to do it because he was a member of a team of men who risked their lives to find



*There's Always  
Work in God's World*

By THELMA C. CARTER

THERE IS always work to be done, isn't there? — lessons to study, yard work to complete, firewood to be brought in, dishes to be washed, and many other tasks. When we get these things done — the "must things" which are a part of all our lives — how good we feel!

God meant that work should be an important part of our whole wondrous world. Even nature is part of the work-a-day world.

Have you ever thought about the fact that the burning sun works to produce its rays and its great energy? The atmosphere, with its ever changing heat and cold, produces our moisture.

Our natural world is ever at work. Even wild creatures are forced to work to secure their food. They work at home-building and at protecting their families from enemies. The beaver is an example.

Birds work harder, perhaps, than any other of nature's creatures. Naturalists tell us that the tiny hearts of birds work harder and faster than the hearts of either men or animals.

You can see the insect world at work, hovering over ponds, marshes, and plants and constantly diving and grabbing for food. The spider is a well-known example of a hard worker as it spins its web wider and wider until its workdays are over.

Our Creator made our whole being attuned to work. Being a good Christian requires devotion and hard work. Idle people are unhappy people. Look about you. You'll see how true this is. ■

and rescue lost and injured people in the mountains.

The other members kept telling him that they had never had a female dog on the rescue team before, because females didn't make good rescue dogs. But there was something about Echo that made her owner keep right on training her. Maybe it was her sturdy body, the alert, intelligent eyes, or the ecstatic tongue-lapping she gave him when he praised her at the end of a lesson.

Because Echo had to learn many things, her training course was divided into three parts. She had to become physically fit for the job, learn how to stay clear of snakes, and avoid the temptation of chasing game during rescue work.

In order to get used to the hardships Echo would have to endure, she was trained in the mountainous area where she was to do her rescue work. Her trainers trudged through miles of ravines, canyons, dense underbrush, and steep inclines with Echo following. The purpose was to give her plenty of exercise and to develop her ability to pick up and follow a scent.

Many times she came back from these rugged trips with the pads on her feet sore and bleeding. But by next morning she would be ready and eager to go on the trail once more.

As part of her training, Echo was pulled up over steep cliffs with a rope fastened around her. She learned to trust her trainers completely in all phases of her training.

Teaching her to recognize and stay clear of snakes was slow work but very important. If a snake were to bite her while she was on a rescue mission, it could mean the death of a human being.

Maybe the hardest thing for Echo to learn was to give up the sport of chasing game. She didn't mind so much giving up big game such as deer and bobcat, but an occasional rabbit or squirrel would have been fun. Her trainers were relentless. A rescue team knows the loss of a few minutes can be the difference between life and death.

After a year of hard training, Echo had been declared by the team to be the finest rescue dog they have, in spite of being a female. Her sleek, powerful body, with muscles as hard as steel, is proof of her physical fitness. Her ability to concentrate on one scent and to exclude all outside interference is remarkable. She can pick up a scent that is eighteen hours old.

Echo will, no doubt, save the lives of numerous lost and injured people — if she doesn't suffocate them with joy and affection at the end of her job. ■

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## A Smile or Two



"Wonderful sermon, Reverend! Glad my wife nagged me into coming with her!"

A home split by religious difference — and particularly **INDIFFERENCE** — is truly a 'house divided.' And what of the children from such a home, where one parent fulfills the church membership responsibilities of both parents? Can they view Christian reverence alongside polite apathy and not be tugged two directions? The direction such children finally choose is always a gamble!

"ARE YOUR father and mother in?" asked the visitor of the small boy who opened the door.

"They was in," said the child, "but they is out."

"They was in. They is out.' Where's your grammar?"

"She's gone upstairs," said the boy, "to lay down."

TWO PREACHERS passed the Pyramids while touring the Middle East. "Wow!" said one, "Think of the pledges it took to build them!"

HARRY: "I wonder who invented that superstition about Friday being an unlucky Day?"

LARRY: "Oh, some poor fish."

"WHENEVER MY wife needs money she calls me handsome.

"Handsome?"

"Hand some over!"

OVERHEARD IN the waiting room of a doctor's office shortly before Christmas was this conversation between two very small boys:

"Whacha' doin'?"

"Why, I'm not doing nothin'. What can I do, with Mother, Jesus and Santa Claus all watching me?"

A FRIEND relates this story: He took his six-year-old son into a room to give him a whipping. He looked at the boy and said, "Son, I hate to do this." The boy replied, "Yes, I know, Dad, but it has to be done."

**First Months in '59  
Busy Ones for Churches**

● HOW WAS the response in your church on Soul Winning Commitment Day? Give us a report.

● Don't forget Televangelism's special "This is the Answer" series, each Sunday afternoon KATV-TV, Little Rock, 2 p.m. and KNAC-TV, Ft. Smith, 1 p.m. The series will run 13 weeks.

● Get ready for the Evangelistic Conference at Immanuel Church, Little Rock, Jan. 26-28. Secure your hotel reservations. Churches should provide for their pastors' expenses. But remember, laymen and women are also urged to attend.

● Take a complete census Feb. 1: Plan and attend an associational evangelistic clinic in February. Train your soul winners Feb. 10-20.

● Since the Eastern Crusade date in Arkansas is a week earlier than the south-wide date the suggested dates in the Revival Plan Book should be set up one week. Keep this in mind in making preparations. For instance, the associational evangelistic rally should be held March 2, instead of March 9.

● There are now 200 mission stations in Arkansas in operation and 200 more locations where missions should be started. We have certificates to issue to churches sponsoring a new work. If your church has sponsored another church or mission, let us know and a certificate will be sent.

● Ivan Marks has resigned as missionary in Caddo River to enter U. S. Service. Dale Barnett, Yellville, has accepted the call as missionary in White River Association. H. D. Palmer, Perry county, has announced plans to retire April 1.

● New Year's Resolution: To win more souls, to keep good records and make accurate reports, to be systematic in plan of work, to be fair with all requests, try to feel kindly toward the careless, critical, and non-cooperative, and, above all, to pray more. —C. W. Caldwell, Superintendent, Missions and Evangelism ■

**Unconquered Self**

INDIA'S PRIME Minister Nehru defines a paradox of our age:

Nothing is so remarkable as the progressive conquest or understanding of the physical world by the mind of man today, and this process is continuing at a terrific pace. Man need no longer be a victim of external circumstances, at any rate to a very large extent. While there has been this conquest of external conditions, there is at the same time the strange spectacle of a lack of moral fiber and of self control in man as a whole. Conquering the physical world, he fails to conquer himself. That is the tragic paradox of this atomic and sputnik age. ■

it is impossible, but not with God: for with God all things are possible." ■

**Sunday School Lesson**

**Jesus Demands Complete Commitment**

By J. Harold Smith  
Pastor, 1st Church, Ft. Smith

JANUARY 4  
Mark 10:17-27

**J**ESUS CAN never be satisfied with only a part of our heart. He wants all or none. He is worthy of the very best we have to offer in time, talent, testimony and treasure. He makes it very plain that no man can be His disciple, who lacks even one thing. We must commit all to our Lord. In this wonderful lesson, we see the terms of discipleship.



MR. SMITH

**The Ruler's Request**

One day on the road to Jerusalem, in Perea, a region east of the Jordan, Jesus was met by a rich young ruler. His title would indicate that he is either a leader in his community or an officer in the Synagogue. This young ruler ran excitedly up to Christ and reverently knelt at His feet saying, "Good Master, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life?"

This young man had the mistaken idea that salvation could be inherited. However, we must all respect him in the fact that he came to the right person, Jesus, and he came in the right manner, humbly seeking this salvation. What a tragedy that he went away not willing to pay the price for it. Millions in the world are making the same mistake today.

**The Redeemer's Reply**

The reply of our Lord to the ruler's request was one of rebuke. Perhaps the young man only used the words "good master" as flattery. Christ also reminded him that the term "good" must be identified with perfect good, that is, with God. "There is none good but one, that is, God."

Eternal life, the gift of God, God alone has power and the privilege of making possible. This young man was faced with the fact of acknowledging that Jesus was God and had the power to give "eternal life" or of "crawfishing" out of his statement "good master."

Jesus once and for all revealed that our salvation is not in the commandments but is Christ. We may keep all the commandments, but there is always "one thing" lacking, if the Saviour is not in the heart. Actually, Jesus was asking this young man, "Do you really think that I am God?"

Jesus answered the ruler's inquiry by quoting six of the Ten Commandments. To each of these, the young

man seemingly had a perfect record. He had habitually made it a practice to keep the Commandments, to do no evil but that was not enough. With all his riches, what good had he accomplished? His money was his major problem. He must conquer his gold or he could not follow God.

Then Jesus gave the command that sent the young ruler away into darkness, despair, and death. He was so close to light, love, and life. Jesus looked on him and loved him. Christ said, "Go thy way, sell whatsoever thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, take up the cross and follow me." He was "to go and sell" and then "come and take."

**The Ruler's Refusal**

The young ruler decided that the price was too great. Having come into the presence of Jesus, full of excitement, enthusiasm, and expectation, he went away full of selfishness, shame, and sadness. Jesus, too, was saddened, for he saw great possibilities in the young man.

If this young ruler had only said what a great soldier of the Cross years later said, "But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ" (Philippians 3:7), how different the cause of his life would have been. He would, today, be part of the "great cloud" of witnesses in glory.

His choice was the low road, the way of the carnal, the path of pleasure, and the way of hell. What will your choice be? This rich ruler could not make the real committal of "all things" in order to follow Christ, and be one of His disciples. Are we able to go, sell, give, come, and follow? It is not a matter of overcoming the law. The real secret is having the "Lawgiver" become our Master. This young man lost both his treasure on earth and in Heaven.

The saddest sight in all the world is to see a human soul decide against becoming a disciple of Christ. One may have great prestige, power, and possessions, but the only way you may go away from Christ is in sadness.

**The Reaction of the Redeemed**

The disciples were astonished at the decision of the young ruler. These disciples had forsaken all to follow Jesus. Christ here makes it very plain that only God saves and that entrance into this Heavenly Kingdom is by divine grace and power given through personal faith.

The astonished disciples cry out, if this rich, cultured, clean, wholesome young ruler can't be saved, then, "who can be saved?" Jesus said it doesn't matter as to the station, sex, situation, or stature of a man, "with men



## For Public Schools

MANY OF our people have been led to believe that through some fictitious legal device we could close our public schools and still provide for public education through tax funds. Recent developments in Arkansas and Virginia serve to make it abundantly clear that any such hope is based solely upon wishful thinking. The choice which confronts us now is either the end of an enforced segregation in public schools or no public schools whatever. We are alarmed to note that many political leaders are apparently willing to offer no better solution than the closing of public schools and the destruction of public education in order to maintain what has been inappropriately described as "our sacred way of life." It is inconceivable that the South should deliberately destroy its dearly bought system of public education. The results of such action in the impoverishment of countless lives, in the loss to our section, even from a purely economic viewpoint, would be a tragedy of the first magnitude. It is not likely that the South would ever recover fully

## Net Enrollment Total Shows Gain of 1,000

NASHVILLE —(BP)— Net enrollments at Southern Baptist Convention seminaries and at Baptist-related colleges and universities totalled over 37,000 as of Oct. 1, the office of the Convention's Education Commission here announced.

This was a gain of about 1,000 over the previous Oct. 1 report.

Net enrollment total for seminaries decreased slightly. The total a year ago was 5,118. It was 4,976 on last Oct. 1.

On the other hand, enrollment showed a slight increase at colleges and universities. Total net figures as of last Oct. 1 were 32,136 compared with 30,830 a year ago. ■

from the consequences of such action. Obviously, the closing of public schools means a small and favored portion of our youth would be educated in private institutions, while the great majority, white and Negro, would receive no school training worthy of the name. No democratic society can tolerate the situation, nor do we believe our citizens wish to sacrifice the welfare of our youth. — From the Atlanta Statement, signed by 312 ministers. ■

## COUNSELOR'S CORNER

By DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON  
(Author of the new book *For Our Age of Anxiety*, at your Baptist Book Store)

### Confessed but Worried

QUESTION: I joined the church at a young age but later I broke two of the commandments. I would take little things and not tell the truth about it. No one ever found out.



DR. HUDSON

Later I realized that this was keeping me from being saved. Then I prayed, confessed repeatedly my sins, and even restored what I could. But I still think of my sins and worry about them. What can I do to forget?

ANSWER: You may not be able to forget. I doubt that this is necessary to your happiness. Have you ever thought that your remembering might be the means by which you are keeping yourself straight? You will forget only when you do not have some inner reason to remember. Perhaps the best thing you can do is to affirm yourself as a sinner and quit being a hero to yourself. Why should you hate yourself for being human, especially since God has apparently forgiven you? One thing you say bothers me. You have "confessed repeatedly" your sins. Why repeatedly? The Bible says that if we confess our sins, we are forgiven, not if we confess repeatedly. "Every one who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name" (Acts 10: 43 RSV).

The Devil must be mighty happy over your doubt.

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

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