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Ecumenical concerns, pages 8 and 9

Where the rub is

PRESENT-day Rome is "not a truly Christian city," Pope Paul VI said the other day in a meeting of Roman Catholic laymen at the Vatican. Such a statement would have wide acceptance, whether from the Pope or from just about any man in the street. Certainly any tourist who has learned first-hand how essential it is to "keep your hand on your pocketbook" while going through St. Peter's would readily admit the Pope is right. And other cities, predominately Protestant, do not seem to have any surplus of righteousness.

But how many will accept the rest of the Pope's statement, as he urged laymen of Rome to "help strengthen its [Rome's] religious life?" Ah, Pope Paul, there's where the rub comes!

Leaning at 90

DR. Albert Schweitzer, the renowned medical missionary and humanitarian, observed his 90th birthday at his jungle hospital near Lambarene, Gabon, in the heart of Africa, Jan. 14. The papers say he had to lean against a wall while receiving the hundreds of friends from all over the world who went to Lambarene to wish him well. Well, being able to lean is a pretty good achievement for one who has passed three score years and thirty on this troubled mound. But the good doctor's longevity, even if he lives to be a hundred, will always be eclipsed by what counts far more than mere years lived—the way he lived for others while he did live.

Pot-shots:

A NEWS item the other day that indicated a well known television entertainer had suffered injuries to both knees when he fell while skiing sounded a little boastful—as if framed, perhaps, by his press agents! A lot of us would have to have some special lessons before we could fall on our knees!

REPRESENTATIVE William E. Minshall (Rep., O.) expressed grave concern in Washington recently over the fact that a known "crackpot" was discovered in the House chamber only a few moments before President Johnson arrived for his State of the Union message. But why should Congress be so startled? Occasionally a "crackpot" has been known to bob up even in church. In Congress, indeed!

A HIGHER per cent of us Americans belong to church now than at any other time in our history—64 per cent—according to latest figures compiled by the *Year-book of American Churches*. And for the first time in three years, the church membership gain was greater

than the rate of population growth—2.6 per cent for the past year as compared to a population growth rate of 1.5 per cent. But we are still way behind the rate of crime increase. Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could just find some way to make our church membership more meaningful—for us as well as for lost people!

Erwin L. McDonald

IN THIS ISSUE:

"THERE is a mandate higher than the ballot box," declared Evangelist Billy Graham, in a sermon to President Johnson and his administration, on Inauguration Day, in Washington. You will find his sermon in full on pages 5 and 6.

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"THE darkest hour is just before dawn," says Rosalind Street to an expectant mother who is worried about a family that is outgrowing its house and its budget. The Courtship, Marriage and the Home feature is on page 7.

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"SKITSOFRENIA" is a new designation for the editor's "Personally Speaking," on this page. This week the editor comments on a release from the Vatican, the 90th birthday of Dr. Albert Schweitzer, and other current news items.

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DR. C. W. Caldwell reports on State Missions and Evangelism, in a full-page display on page 20.

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'Sex revolution'

PUBLISHERS of *Playboy*, self-styled voice of the so-called "sex revolution," have mailed to editors of religious publications a press release on "*Playboy's* Guiding Principles and Editorial Credo," and, along with it, a copy of the February issue of the publication.

Patting themselves on the back for their broadmindedness, the publishers of *Playboy* advocate pre-marital sex relations as a part of the answer to too-early marriages. Declaring that a young man in his early 20s "may still have a significant part of his maturing immediately ahead of him" and that "he may actually become a very different person by the time he reaches his early 30s—with different tastes, interests, likes and dislikes," they recommend that the young men put off marriage and use at least the most of their 20s for "work and play." According to the press release, *Playboy* "is editorially aimed at this premarital period, and by making these years of bachelorhood attractive. . . the magazine contributes a considerable service to our society."

The magazine deplors "the extensive puritanism that still exists in American society, with its moral prohibitions against sex outside of wedlock." It feels that a few years of "judicious sampling of the opposite sex" will lead to a maturity that will result in stability of marriages eventually.

In other words, *Playboy* regards the Bible as being decidedly out of date in this area and feels that young men and young women, in their pre-marital sex relations, can sow wild oats and reap wheat.

Dr. Wayne Dehoney, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, has some cool-headed counsel for those who want to rationalize pre-marital sex relations, even for engaged couples, in his book, *Homemade Happiness*:

" . . . God restricted the full expression of sex to the husband and wife relationship only. Pre-marital sex is not permissible for an engaged couple; it is a violation of the purpose of God, and, therefore, is sin (Gen. 39:9; Psalm 51:4). This is because sexual relations call for a *lasting* covenant of fidelity and that covenant is still *tentative* in engagement. Furthermore, sexual relations imply the procreation of life. Simply because the engaged couple may possess certain knowledge as to how to forestall conception does not change the fact that God has ordered the sex act to be performed only within the marriage relationship to provide a family setting for any children that *might* be conceived.

"Pre-marital sex does not prepare for happiness in marriage. Dr. Lofton Hudson reports that the American Institute of Family Relations studied responses of 2,000 women across the country. They found that if the women had been virgins at the time of their wedding, they had a more satisfying sex experience than non-virgins! Furthermore, the social and psychological hazards of pre-marital sex are still present during an engagement: preg-

nancy, discovery, social disapproval, personal feelings of guilt and unworthiness, tendency toward exploitation, the possibility of disrespect and growing disinterest. When caught, each blames the other and bitterness results. The counselor continually hears such tragic statements as, 'We had to get married. . . I don't think I will ever forgive him for getting me pregnant. . . We were cheated out of our honeymoon.' I cannot say this too strongly! The sin of pre-marital sex, even if you are engaged, can jeopardize your relationship with each other, mar your own self-esteem, sow the prospect for future unhappiness, and blight your fellowship with God."

Our 1964 giving

SOUTHERN Baptist giving reached new heights in 1964, both for Cooperative Program and designated giving. Gifts through the Cooperative Program totaled \$20,891,636, providing an end-of-the-year bonus to missions of \$1,704,281 above the operating-and-capital needs budget of \$19,187,355. Seventy-five percent of the bonus went to the Foreign Mission Board and the remaining 25 per cent to the Home Mission Board. For the first time in Southern Baptist history, the Foreign Mission Board received more than half of the total Cooperative Program moneys—51 per cent—or a total of \$10,921,081.

For the first time in years, the per cent of increase in giving through the Cooperative Program was greater than the per cent of increase in designated gifts. Cooperative Program receipts were 7.42 per cent larger than Cooperative Program receipts for 1963. Designations in 1964 totaled \$15,959,824, for a 6.25 per cent increase over 1963 designations.

At this vantage point in our history, though, there is little to indicate we are getting any closer to having one Cooperative Program that will serve as a channel for our full support for all our mission causes. We are just too partial to ourselves at the local church level. We can never see the Cooperative Program come into the place we had envisioned for it until local churches can tighten their belts and allow far more than a dime out of each church offering dollar to get beyond the local field. (This is the average for the Southern Baptist Convention.)

Reading and knowing

TELEVISION and radio notwithstanding, well planned programs of reading are still essential for those who aspire to live on the alert in this rapidly changing world. So, the slogan already announced for National Library Week (to be observed April 25-May 1), packs a good wallop: "Know What You're Talking About—Read." Every Baptist, in addition to a good daily, and, perhaps, a good weekly newspaper, should purpose to read his Bible and his denominational state paper on a regular basis. Other good materials can be added, but this should be the foundation.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

the people SPEAK

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.

Prayers at all ages

WHEN I was a boy on the farm in Prentiss County, Miss., about five years old, one of our neighbor women was killed in a storm. The next day I was playing on a dirt pile by the new well on the lawn of Dad's home. I was thinking of the death of the woman. I asked God to never let me be blown away in a storm and God has answered that prayer so far. Even though I was just a little boy, God heard me.

As time went on, I grew to be in my teenage years. I went to town with Dad at Cornith, Miss., and my first night in town we stayed all night in a home and I slept on a bed of the old Canopy type, about nine feet tall full canopy. Looking at the bed I came to God in another prayer and said to him, "God, if you will give me a bed like this sometime, I will be a good man," but I have not lived up to the promise I made God. I am yet an imperfect man.

Several years later I came to Jonesboro and married at the age of 31½ years old. God made it possible for me to get my bed that I had asked him for. I still have it in my home.

Some months ago a new desire come into my heart and I went to God again and I have been making that request for several months now telling him I wanted to see a woman in my church come to her feet clapping hands and

shouting. On the night of Dec. 27, 1964, God answered this prayer. One of our best members of the First Baptist Church of Jonesboro, came down the aisle to the altar with a loud voice shouting the praises of God Almighty. At my age of 93 years old.

I still have a desire in my heart and have asked God a time or two to make it possible for our church to establish a monthly "pot luck" spiritual supper, making it possible for any member that wanted to take food to lay on the table at the altar so we could all partake in a unified body of this spiritual food brought by the different members, and at the age of 93 years old, I'm still asking God to make this possible. —W. B. Langford, Jonesboro

'At the cross roads'

"BAPTISTS at the Cross Roads" by James Leo Garrett and Wayne E. Ward of Southern Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky, which appeared in the January 7, 1965 issue of the Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine, is among the best articles on the great issue of our day. You are to be commended for publishing this article which supports the principle of separation of church and state.

In the issue of the Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine of Dec. 10, 1964, an article entitled, "The Choice Before Our Schools," presented some excerpts from an address by Dr. Ralph A. Phelps, Jr., President of Ouachita Baptist College. I hope Dr. Phelps was presenting the urgent need of our Baptist colleges for financial support, without Federal funds. A recent study discloses that in 1963, Southern Baptists contributed the least on a per capita basis of 40 denominations. Therefore, if Baptists are interested enough in supporting their colleges and other institutions, adequate financing can be obtained through increased giving by Baptists.

A great principle should not be violated just because an institution is doing a good work. All should have the protection of the Constitution of the United States against the support of religious institutions through taxation.

We are hoping the Supreme Court of the United States will decide this issue so decisively that Baptists will unite in supporting Baptist institutions.

Baptists in the states of Texas, Oklahoma, North Carolina and Kentucky have supported the principle of separation of church and state on this matter. I do not believe the Baptist in the State of Arkansas want to weaken the work of Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church

and State, or repudiate the position of our Baptist forefathers on this, the greatest issue of the twentieth century.

Thank you again for permitting Baptists of Arkansas, to read "Baptists at the Cross Roads."—Raymond B. Higgins, El Dorado

NEWS BULLETIN

PINE BLUFF—Donald E. Barks, 36, music director for the First Baptist Church here, was found dead late Thursday (Jan. 21) in his parked car.

Jefferson County Coroner Dr. E. Frank Reed said Barks died of carbon monoxide poisoning. The coroner ruled apparent suicide.

Deputies who investigated said a hose had been attached to the exhaust pipe of the car and extended into the left front window. The window was sealed with a masking tape, they said.

The Cover



"... they that are sick"

WHETHER one is an up-and-outer like Levi the despised tax collector, or a down-and-outer like blind Bartimaeus, Jesus longs to make that one a new creature in Him.

"But their scribes and Pharisees murmured against his disciples, saying, 'Why do ye eat and drink with publicans and sinners?'"

"And Jesus answering said unto them, They that are whole need not a physician; but they that are sick;

"I came not to call the righteous but sinners to repentance" (Luke 5:30-32).



W. B. Langford at 93

The Spiritual Dimension of Leadership

By Billy Graham

(A sermon preached by Dr. Graham to President Lyndon B. Johnson and invited guests, on Inauguration Day, January 20, 1965, at National City Christian Church, Washington, D. C.)

ON that day, more than a year ago, when the torch of leadership was transferred, I happened to be with a long-time friend of President Johnson's, and we went immediately to a quiet place to ask God to sustain him for the immense responsibilities which were thrust so suddenly upon him. That afternoon, when he was placing his hand on the Bible and being sworn in to the high office of President of the United States, we read together a passage of Holy Scripture. It was the prayer of King Solomon upon his ascension to the throne of Israel after the death of his father, King David.

Today, at high noon, as he takes that oath again and becomes President in his own right, I can still think of no finer prayer to begin with than that one. (2 Chronicles 1:7-12)

"In that night did God appear to Solomon, and said unto him, ask what I shall give thee."

And King Solomon prayed, "Give me now wisdom and knowledge, that I may come in and go out before this people."

"And God said to Solomon, Because this was in thine heart, and thou hast not asked riches, wealth, or honor, nor the life of thine enemies. . . but hast asked wisdom and knowledge for thyself, that thou mayest judge my people, over whom I have made thee king:

"Wisdom and knowledge is granted unto thee; and I will give thee riches, and wealth, and honor, such as none of the kings have had that have been before thee."

Need for prayer

LAST February President Johnson said, "No man can live where I live now, nor work at the desk where I work now, without needing and without seeking the strength and support of earnest and frequent prayer." Humbled by the magnitude of the responsibilities of a high office, a man begins to probe the erratic swirl of events for a prophetic understanding of history; and when he is a spiritually sensitive man he will feel as Lincoln did, that he is a "humble instrument in the hands of Almighty God."

During the next four years, many of you here today will have to make decisions of State, perhaps greater than those of any of your predecessors. You will hold in your hands the destiny not only of America, but of the world. You will lead the richest and the most powerful nation the world has ever known. It is a nation which has been abundantly endowed with material blessings, but it is also a nation in danger of losing its moral moorings and its

spiritual perspective. Christ, in whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom, once said, "What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world, and lose his own soul" (Mark 8:36). This applies to nations as well as to individuals, for a nation that loses its spiritual courage will grow old before its time. Even if we gain all our material and social objectives, and lose our souls, it would be disastrous. Winston Churchill once said, "Man's destiny is not measured in material computations."

'A bully pulpit'

THERE is a spiritual dimension to leadership which this administration has already recognized. Theodore Roosevelt once said, "The White House is a bully pulpit." So it is! From this city you are already leading the nation to its greatest moral and spiritual heights. Jesus Christ said, "Unto whom much is given, of him shall much be required." Those who have the greatest power always need the greatest guidance.

No government rules except by the will of God. You are leaders, not only as a result of the greatest mandate the American people have ever given, but there is a mandate higher than the ballot box. You have responsibilities not only to all the people of America and to the peoples of the world, but you have also a great responsibility to the God of our fathers.

Even to the most casual observer, it is apparent that there is a growing spiritual vacuum in our nation. Our wealth and our prosperity are in danger of making us complacent and careless in the matters of the spirit. Jesus said, "Man shall not live by bread alone." Many nations have tried it, and failed. Germany declared a neutrality in matters of religion during the thirties. That neutrality created a spiritual vacuum, and the first robust philosophy to come along filled that vacuum with a vengeance. And that, in my judgment, is how we got Naziism, and the hell of World War II. The Bible says, "Where there is no vision, the people perish."

In foreign affairs, we are faced with overwhelming problems, from Southeast Asia to the Congo. In domestic affairs, we are faced with an alarming crime rate, a moral crisis, and many individual psychological problems which fill our hospitals. These problems will become more intense and more demanding during the next four years.

There seems to be no permanent solution to our problems. We try this scheme and that, but we find that each one is only a stop-gap measure. Could it be that we have failed to diagnose properly the ills

of the world? Could General MacArthur have been right when he said, 20 years ago, "The problem, basically, is theological. . .there must be a revival of the spirit, if we are to save the flesh."

I know the leaders of this administration, especially the President and Vice President, well enough to know that they believe he was right—that our problems are basically spiritual and that they require a spiritual solution. That spiritual solution was outlined by God to King Solomon long ago, when he said,

"If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land" (2 Chronicles 7:14).

To approach the problems of the next four years in a spirit of prayer and humble dependence upon God would bring a freshness of vision and purpose that could capture the imagination of the world.

Facing discouragement

DURING the next four years, there will be moments of discouragement, despondency, and even disillusionment. There may come times when some of you will feel like Woodrow Wilson did, when the Senate voted against the ratification of Wilson's proposal for the League of Nations. The news was telephoned to the White House. "I feel like going to bed and staying there," Wilson said. He could not sleep that night, and he turned to Dr. Grayson about three o'clock in the morning, and said, "Doctor, the devil is a busy man."

Later in the morning, he had Grayson read St. Paul's consoling words from Second Corinthians, "We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed." Turning to Grayson, President Wilson said, "Doctor, if I were not a Christian, I think I should go mad, but my faith in God holds me to the belief that He is, in some way, working out His own plans, in spite of human mistakes."

Centuries ago Moses stood before the people of Israel and said, "When thou art in tribulation, and all these things are come upon thee. . . if thou turn to the Lord, thy God, and shall be obedient unto his voice. . . He will not forsake thee. . . nor forget the covenants of thy father, which He sware unto them."

Bible in crisis

IN the midst of the bloody Civil War, Abraham Lincoln read his Bible regularly. He memorized passages from its pages. He used the Word of God to help him make decisions and solve problems. In matters of right and wrong, the God of the Bible was Lincoln's final court of appeals. The overwhelming problems of his day drove him to the Scriptures

and to his knees in prayer. Out of this humble dependence on God came the preservation of the Union.

History throbs with crisis, but the Gospel is that God is *for* man, and that, in the greatest crisis this world has ever known—when Jesus Christ went to the cross—God transformed that tragedy into triumph and wrought redemption for those who trust in Him.

Mr. President, on the wall of your office at the White House, I have seen a framed yellowed letter. It was written to your Great-grandfather Baines more than 100 years ago, and it bears the bold—almost defiant—signature of Sam Houston.

Your great-grandfather led General Sam Houston to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. This conversion transformed that troubled, rough hero of San Jacinto into a man of peace, happiness, and purpose. As Marquis James put it in his book, *The Raven*:

"The long quest for spiritual repose ended when Houston knelt before the altar and asked to be received into the Church, and on the 19th of November, 1858, the convert waded into the chilly waters of Rocky Creek, and was baptized. A church publication at that time said, 'The announcement of General Houston's conversion has excited wonder and surprise of many who have supposed that he was past praying for.'"

At the time, somebody said to Sam Houston, "Well, General, I hear all your sins were washed away." "I hope so," Sam Houston replied, "but if they were all washed away, the Lord help the fish down below."

On the day Sam Houston was baptized, he offered to pay half the minister's salary in the church. When someone asked him about it, he said, "My pocket book was baptized, too."

This newness of spiritual life that the President's Great-grandfather Baines helped introduce to General Sam Houston is the same transforming faith we need in our nation today if we are to meet successfully our rendezvous with destiny. That letter, written by a heroic Texan, of the great-grandfather of our President, is heartening evidence of a sense of moral direction. The letter itself is important, but the fact that the President chose to hang it in his office, is also important. It is a shining symbol that from the very apex of government there is a spiritual emphasis in our national affairs.

Symbolically, it says that Lyndon Baines Johnson has respect for the old faith that has guided his family, his state, and his nation, through generations.

On this solemn occasion, as a great nation goes forward under its newly chosen leaders, I find great comfort for the future, symbolized by a yellowed scrap of paper on a White House wall.

The darkest hour

right before dawn

QUESTION: "My oldest child is fifteen. I am in my late thirties. Now I find I am expecting another child.

"It is terrible to feel the way I do. . .

"Our house is so small. . .

"How will we be able to send our oldest child to college, with all this extra expense. . .

"I am so sick. . .

"This morning I screamed at my oldest. . . Now I am so ashamed.

"Have you any word of encouragement for me?"

ANSWER: Yes.

It may mean something to you to know that your letter tugged at my heart in a very special way. It sparked a strong urge to go, sit down with you in your little house, lay my hand upon yours, and assure you that things are going to be better.

There was a momentary impulse to send you a telegram with only the words of an old proverb, "The darkest hour is just before the dawn."

Your problems are real, but it is the sickness, which only another woman who has walked the same road can understand, that made them loom so dark and hopeless as you wrote.

Today, you are feeling better and we will be able together to look objectively and hopefully at the matters troubling you.

Right in the beginning, let me encourage you to get out from under the feeling of guilt that has been "bugging" you.

Your reaction to the knowledge that you are going to have another baby is perfectly normal. Many a mother—maybe one who is reading this column—who

adores and depends upon her post-script child now, was rebellious when she learned she was pregnant again. Today, the fact that her cherished, needed youngest was ever an unwanted baby seems fantastic.

Too, our physical and spiritual selves are very closely related. Low moments physically pull down the temperature of our spiritual moods.

Now, about your screaming and sending your teenager off to school with hurt feelings: He will forgive you. Tell him you are sorry.

The capacity to say, "I was wrong, I am sorry," is a basic character quality of great people: parents, and all.

It could well be that this incident will open a door for you to talk honestly with him about the symptoms of pregnancy and give him an understanding that will translate into tenderness when, in a few short years he goes about building his own home. His mate will bless you for laying a good foundation for their happiness together.

Certainly, you won't keep screaming at him.

When you have some moments of relief from this terrible sickness, pray about the whole situation and ask God for the strength to be poised, kind, and patient with your family.

Taking on extra responsibilities around the house can be a very constructive experience for your children. Family specialists tell us that some of the trouble with delinquents stems from the fact that they have nothing to do at home.

The spirit in which parents require things of their children has

a great deal to do with their reactions and manner of response.

Concerning your oldest's college education: any young person who seriously wants a college education can get it. There are scholarships available: some awarded for academic excellence; others, outright work scholarships; some, loans on which payment begins only after the borrower has graduated from college and is out, earning a salary.

Seldom a day passes but that as I watch a Seminary student buffing our dormitory floors, keeping the grounds, working on the maintenance crew, I think *Someday this guy will be an honored pastor, a respected minister of music or education, a speaker on a Southern Baptist Convention program, a missionary stirring audiences with his eloquence.*

Start right now writing for college catalogues, information about scholarships, working opportunities, etc. Let the whole family get interested in ways and means to this college education for your oldest.

Do you suppose that in a family counseling session your husband, your children, and you might come up with some practical plan for adding a bit of room to your small house, or re-arranging to better advantage the space you have?

Take all the family in on this coming event. Face the difficult, perhaps embarrassing, angles, but challenge your loved ones to make the best of circumstances as they are.

Your teenager may find a job or a paper route to help out.

If he wants to, let him. Be proud of him and let him know it. Do refrain from being overprotective.

Even with all its trying angles, this experience may turn out to be the best thing that has happened to your family.

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SOUTHERN BAPTISTS AND ECUMENICAL CONCERNS

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PRESIDENT, SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION
in Jan. 22 issue of *Christianity Today*
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SOUTHERN Baptists have generally believed that the ultimate objective of the current ecumenical thrust is organic union. We have assumed that denominational distinctives would be dissolved and the autonomy of local churches would be swallowed up in the evolving monolithic hierarchical structure.

We have quite frankly declared little interest in such a movement.

Deep convictions rooted in our heritage have led us to this position. We believe that there are values in these loyalties that are relevant to issues facing Christianity in this decisive day.

Why have Southern Baptists not been identified with the contemporary ecumenical movements?

Ecclesiology

A MAJOR reason is our *ecclesiology*. The Southern Baptist Convention is a federation of independent democracies, local churches that recognize no ecclesiastical authority superior to themselves.

This denominational structure creates a *mechanical* problem with regard to the NCC and the WCC. These ecumenical councils are composed of denominations. They do not accept affiliation by local churches, and no centralized body or convention can deliver the 33,000 local Southern Baptist churches as a unit into any such ecumenical affiliation or corporate unity.

However, in my opinion, not many individual churches would join the NCC if this mechanical barrier were removed. For this ecclesiology is a basic tenet of our Baptist heritage. We believe that the local church is the highest tribunal of Christendom. It is its own and final authority, subject only to the will of Christ, its head, as expressed by the democratic action of its members.

Baptists have an innate fear of the centralization of ecclesiastical power even within our own ranks. We draw back from any entanglement that threatens to compromise the authority and autonomy of the local congregation. Baptists cannot conceive of a great "superchurch" or a hierarchical structure above the local church, whether it be a Baptist hierarchy or an ecumenical hierarchy. We have no such organic union among ourselves and hardly would we seek such an organic union with others of a different doctrinal persuasion!

Denominationalism

A SECOND reason is that Southern Baptists generally are strong *denominationalists*. We do not accept the ecumenical premise that denominationalism is the scandal of Christianity, wasteful, selfish or sinful. The variety of churches produced by the Protestant Reformation has brought great vitality, strength and advance to Christianity. Division has multiplied the Christian witness. Struggle, tension and doctrinal debate have purified truth and been beneficial instead of harmful. To abolish denominationalism would be to reverse the Reformation and turn the clock back to a medieval Catholicism.

Neither do we accept the ecumenical premise that the "consolidation" of all Christians into "one church" would solve all the problems of Christendom, bringing vitality, spiritual renewal and victory. Historically, two plus two have more often equaled three instead of five when applied to church unification.

Theological

THE third barrier is *theological*. The present ecumenical movement tends to dismiss theological problems as "insignificant" or readily reconciled by "honest dialogue." Yet the basic gap remains between the evangelicals and the extreme sacerdotalists. Is the Bible or the church the seat of authority for faith and practice? Is salvation through personal faith in Christ or through the church? Is the divine authority on earth the voice of the church or the Holy Spirit speaking to the individual believer? With the Anglican and Eastern Churches dominating the World Council, and with the Vatican now reaching out a hand to lead back the "separated brethren," doctrinal differences are even more pronounced.

Doctrinal indifference is not the solution to doctrinal differences! Our Baptist dilemma is that to have unity we must scrap our doctrinal convictions; and that by standing by our convictions we cannot have unity. In every consideration of the ecumenical movement we inevitably come back to this hopeless impasse. We have remained a separate section of the Christian movement because we feel that others have departed from the truth of the New Testament. We believe that only by coming closer to the New Testament as the basis for faith and practice shall we all come closer to each other.

Methodology

SOUTHERN Baptists are also concerned about the ecumenical methodology.

There is the comity agreement of the NCC carving up geography and restricting denominations to assigned areas. Do such "man-made" limitations thwart the leading of the Holy Spirit or frustrate the evangelistic and missionary zeal of individuals and churches?

Is evangelism the changing of the social structure by a powerful ecumenical church bringing pressure upon the state and upon legislation; or is evangelism personal as Christ redeems the individual and redeemed men redeem society?

Would a "united front" really strengthen Christianity? Does Christianity advance by a great organization filtering down power from the top or by the spiritual vitality and faith at the believer level?

Then there are the "official pronouncements" of the intelligentsia at the center of the ecumenical movement which appear to some as sheer clericalism in modern dress. From the security of the ecumenical establishment the clergy tells the people at the grassroots what to think, what to do, and what position to take on various political and social issues. Baptists believe that men must be brought to Christian conviction by means of persuasion and by an appeal to the spirit-led conscience rather than by means of official authoritative clerical pronouncements.

Self-criticism

ON the other hand, in my opinion, Southern Baptists are not above criticism in our attitude toward the ecumenical movement.

Our genuine and knowledgeable doctrinal stance has sometimes degenerated into one of spiritual pride and provincialism.

We have been too negative in our aloofness.

Too often we have been more concerned about gains for ourselves rather than the contributions we can make to the total Christian witness.

Unquestionably our size and success have influenced us to say "We do not need ecumenical ties. We will go it alone."

We have often been unduly alarmed and driven by our fears.

We have allowed ecumenicity to become a "bad" word and failed to recognize that there are other alternatives to organic union.

Finally, economic, political and social factors have influenced our considerations far more than we would like to admit.

A changing posture?

IS our posture changing?

With regard to organic union, or joining the NCC? No, as far as I can discern!

In our attitude and spirit toward Christians in other denominations? Yes!

In the past, because of our organic isolationism from the NCC, I believe that Southern Baptists

have been grossly and unfairly judged as "non-cooperative isolationists." It should be remembered that Southern Baptists have been on the forefront in cooperative Christian enterprises that did not compromise our convictions. We have long walked and worked in fellowship with other Christians in such national organizations as POAU, the International Lesson Committee, the Foreign Missions Conference, the American Bible Society, World Relief, Bible revisions, etc., and in local evangelistic crusades, campaigns against liquor, vice, etc.

I look for this same spirit of cooperation to continue. I believe that denominational isolationism is fast disappearing not only from among Southern Baptists but everywhere. There is an ever growing desire for more communication and understanding between all Christians, for more creative cooperation rather than hostile competition. There is scarcely a denominational theology any more. Seminary students are reading the same books and struggling with the same theological problems. Young ministers are more orientated to world problems and issues and less concerned about divisive doctrines.

Concluding observations

I FEEL that Southern Baptists cannot ignore a fast-running ecumenical tide. The glamorous appeal of "one church" is making an impact upon the world. This movement must be reckoned with. On the other hand, neither can the ecumenicists ignore as provincial or irrelevant the position of Southern Baptists. As the nation's largest evangelical denomination with 10.3 million members and 33,000 churches, Southern Baptists stand as a formidable obstacle to any successful expression of ecumenicity.

In my opinion, the ecumenical movement should abandon its drive for organic union, forsake its policy of erasing denominational differences, and develop more areas of cooperation at the local level. Otherwise, I predict that Southern Baptists will remain on the sideline in a tragic isolationism. But the alternative of a shallow impotent ecumenical inclusiveness would be an even greater tragedy, perpetrating a colossal deceit upon the world in the name of "The Christian Church."

In my opinion, we must seek *alternatives to organic union*—a new brand and a new expression of ecumenicity—where there is denominational cooperation without the loss of autonomy and distinctiveness, and without the surrender of convictions and loyalties.

Southern Baptists have much to contribute to world Christianity from our distinctive doctrines, our leadership, our numbers, our wealth. Southern Baptists face a moral and spiritual responsibility to continually rethink our attitude and re-examine our relations with other Christians so as to find acceptable channels through which to work on national and international levels to emphasize the basic spiritual unity of all believers and to give a united expression to the mind and message of Christ in a world where Christian ideals are being challenged as never before!

The Bookshelf

Crisis and Response, by Roy L. Honeycutt, Abingdon Press, 1965, \$3.50

Dr. Honeycutt is professor of Old Testament and head of that department at Midwestern Seminary, Kansas City, Mo. He formerly taught at Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky. In this study that centers attention on Genesis, Exodus, Joshua, Deuteronomy, Jeremiah, and Ezekiel, Dr. Honeycutt shows that "the response of man to God is precipitated through crisis more than through any other single factor." He devotes a chapter to each of seven universal crises: creation, common existence, personal communion, certainty, future concern, chaos, and compromised leadership. Wherever man encounters God, he points out, these crises will be found.

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Counseling With College Students, by Charles F. Kemp, Prentice-Hall, 1964, \$2.95

The problems of interpersonal relations, masculine and feminine roles and understanding the place of sex in life predominate on any campus, declares Dr. Kemp. He has found that students, with all of their seeming self-confidence and sophistication, often are quite confused about such matters, and their lives are a mixture of curiosity, anxiety, mis-information and anticipation.

This volume is designed to help the pastoral counselor serve the students at his assigned college or in his congregation. It involves understanding the tensions and pressures of students and being fully acquainted with the world in which they live and the people with whom they work. Included are special techniques on counseling, the gifted students, failing students, graduate students and pre-theological students.

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The Disciplined Heart, by Ruth C. Ikerman, Abingdon, 1964, \$2.25

As the whole loaf can be raised by one measure of leaven, so great good can come from the influences of one disciplined heart, reasons Mrs. Ikerman. Here are 24 devotions for the volunteer church worker who wishes to make the most of crowded time. Twelve chapters relate to the months of the year and 12 deal with life problems encountered daily, such as money squabbles, gossip, giving and accepting sympathy, and meeting deadlines. For most readers this would be a most helpful book.

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Bible Paradoxes, by R. Earl Allen, Revell, 1963, \$2.50

Christ's paradoxes, assertions or sentiments seemingly contradictory, or opposed to common sense, but which may be true in fact, are used in Dr. Allen's first book with contemporary application. Featured are many apt illustrations.

Beacon Lights of Baptist History

By **BERNES K. SELPH, Th.D.**
Pastor, 1st Baptist Church, Benton

Influence in Arkansas of J. R. Graves

DR. J. R. Graves, publisher of *The Baptist* of Tennessee was a popular speaker at the Baptist Convention 100 years ago. He attended the Convention which met with First Church, Little Rock, in 1868, and accepted a seat with the body. He was asked to preach the introductory sermon at the next meeting.

For the 1869 Convention he chose as his text I Tim. 3:15. He preached again that night on "Lord Help Me." He joined in the discussion at this Convention on "What is the Mission of Baptists in Arkansas?"

His books, periodicals, and paper, *The Baptist*, were highly recommended to the brethren. As a matter of fact, this paper became the state paper during the period when Arkansas Baptists had no publication. At the state meeting, in 1868, it was recommended that *The Baptist* be adopted as "our state paper." Dr. Graves asked Dr. J. B. Searcy to edit the Arkansas department of the paper, which arrangement existed until the Convention of 1880.

Dr. Graves preached for three hours at the 1872 session held at Austin church near the present site of Cabot. His subject was "The Rending of the Veil," Matt. 27:51. Dr. Searcy, who reported this, said Dr. Graves held the audience spellbound and the sermon was the greatest he ever heard.

In 1869 the Convention voted to have a ministers' institute at the annual meeting. The next year Dr. Graves gave a lecture on the work of the Gospel minister on the evening of the first day. The brethren felt he greatly elevated this office and gave impetus to ministerial education.

The 1875 session of the Convention at Arkadelphia was given almost wholly to the ministers institute. The large attendance thoroughly enjoyed Dr. Graves' lecture in this field and described

him as "at his best."

He was also known for his revival efforts. He held special services in Helena in 1851 and organized the first Baptist church there. Several Baptists had previously moved to this town and stimulated this interest. Ministers who assisted him in this effort were King, Elledge and Cox.

He was a man of strong convictions. His views of the church and dispensationalism proved to be quite controversial at a later date.

Evangelism

Soulwinning

JAN. 3 was Soul-Winning Commitment Day. Many of our pastors preached on some phase of witnessing and challenged their people to be better witnesses.

Rev. Walter L. Yeldell, pastor, Second Church, Hot Springs, and president of our State Convention presented the matter and over 350 people signed commitment cards. With these people assisting the pastor and staff they should go beyond their goal of 100 baptisms for this year.

It was my privilege to preach at Hardin, near Pine Bluff, Sunday, Jan. 3. They were pastorless. There were 146 in Sunday School and 60 people signed cards to be soul-winners. Many listed names of people for whom they are burdened.

This effort toward getting the members of our churches to witness daily is a step back to New Testament evangelism. We do not have enough ordained preachers to win the lost multitudes to Christ. Each Christian is "born to reproduce."

Brother pastor, please follow through on teaching "Pastor's Guide for Training Christian Witnesses." If you did not receive your copy from the Sunday School Board, let me know.

"By all means win some." How long has it been since you have led a soul to Christ?—Jesse S. Reed, Director of Evangelism

PATIENT: "Will my false teeth look natural?"

Dentist: "Madam, I make them so natural they ache."

Conway youth program

LAST June, First Church, Conway, elected their first youth director to work with junior and senior high school students—in a community which has three colleges and where high school students must at times “feel very low, man, on that totem pole.”

Rev. Kendall S. Reinhardt, formerly of Little Rock, directs youth devotional and social activities. He serves fulltime in the summer and part-time in the school year.

Ken, as he prefers to be called, has packed a lot of living in his 24 years. He began his college career at Ouachita College, and his first pastorate was at Thornburg, where he served the church for ten months and also worked in the post office.

When he moved to the Mt. Vernon Church in Faulkner County he resumed his studies, enrolling in Arkansas State Teachers College.

After 22 months at Mt. Vernon he resigned and moved his family (wife Judy and daughters Merrigay, 4, and Cathy, 2) to Conway, where he expects to stay for two years while completing work for a bachelor-of-arts degree.

An outstanding feature of the summer program was Junior Day, observed on Tuesdays. All juniors were invited to come to the church at 10, bring a sack lunch (the church furnished cold drinks), and stay until 2. Five senior high school girls assisted Ken in directing games and keeping records of the winners. At the last Junior Day before the opening of school, trophies were awarded to first-place winners and certificates to second-place winners of each game.

To meet another need of the young people, Ken planned and led a youth worship service, which met at the prayer meeting hour. No adults, except Ken himself, were permitted to attend. The program included a song by



KENDALL S. REINHARDT

the group, a prayer by a young person, and an open discussion on topics such as “Traitors,” “How to Go to Hell,” “Fowl-Mouthed Christians” (comparing Christians to birds), “The Church Covenant,” and “Dating and Sex.” The young people asked that the meeting continue overtime, if necessary, to complete the discussions.

Dr. Cecil Garrison, chairman of the youth committee, states the committee members are highly pleased with the program. The number of young people in this age group attending on Wednesday night has more than tripled since they were given their own worship service. In talking with a number of them, Dr. Garrison said, he found them without exception to be enthusiastic.

Although First Church is the largest in the Association, their representatives had not won the attendance banner at an Associational Youth Rally until the church sponsored this program under their own youth director. Since Ken began working with them they have won the banner at almost every rally.

Mrs. Frank Brannan Sr., who has been a member of the Youth Committee for several years, says their first concern is that the

young people have a program of spiritual enrichment. “We are fortunate,” she stated, “in having a pastor, a minister of education, and deacons who are vitally interested in our young people.”

People of other churches have begun to ask the committee members how they got the youth program started and what it is leading to in the future.

To the Youth Committee the growth of this program is a dream come true. To many parents it is an answer to prayer. To the church, the employment of a youth director represents, under God, a giant step forward. Judging by their response, the young people themselves feel, to quote the words of a popular song, “they’re glowing, they’re growing, and they’re going strong.”—Corinne H. Robinson

‘Baptist Hour’

DURING February, sermons preached on “The Baptist Hour” by Dr. Herschel H. Hobbs will continue to enlarge the theme, “Life’s Common Denominators.” Dr. Hobbs is pastor of First Church, Oklahoma City, Okla.

On Feb. 7, “Thorns Among Roses” will take up the fact of tribulation, the fortitude of the Christian and fellowship in Christ.

“The Blossom of Blessedness,” on Feb. 14, will survey the proof, failure, and reason behind the love of Christians.

Feb. 21 brings an intriguing title — “Turning Question Marks Into Exclamation Points.” It will treat the fact and function of doubt and faith grounded in truth.

The last Sunday, February 28, will bring the first of seven sermons on the last words of Christ on the cross. Its title, “A Word of Forgiveness.”

Garner to Paragould

JIMMY Garner, pastor of Fisher Church, has resigned to accept the pastorate of Calvary Church, Paragould.

Mr. Garner served two years as moderator of Trinity Association. He is a member of the State Executive Board.

Bible school, visitation clinics



JERRY Don Abernathy, right, confers with James Chatham, associational consultant of the Sunday School Department, Sunday School Board, Nashville, concerning plans for the Arkansas state training workshop for associational visitation clinic leaders.

A STATE Vacation Bible School Clinic and a State Visitation Clinic will be held at Immanuel Church, Little Rock, simultaneously, Feb. 9, Rev. Lawson Hatfield, state Sunday School secretary, has announced. The meetings will be in session from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



DR. BARRY

Dr. James C. Barry, consultant, Weekday and Vacation Bible School Work, Sunday School Department of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, will be the featured leader for the Vacation Bible School clinic.

The Visitation Clinic will be

under the direction of Rev. Jerry Don Abernathy, associate in the Sunday School Department of the Arkansas State Convention.

The Vacation Bible School Clinic is designed to train team leaders from 43 associations. Approximately 250 are expected to attend, and from these team leaders will be designated to conduct associational clinics in March and April, Mr. Hatfield said.

For the Visitation Clinic, each association has been asked to name a person to assume the responsibility for conducting associational visitation clinics and to send this leader to the state meeting. The associational clinics are part of the Adult Thrust emphasis on outreach and are to be held in the spring.

Other program personalities for the State Visitation Clinic include J. T. Elliff, Religious Education director; Jesse Reed, secretary of Evangelism; W. O. Vaught Jr., Little Rock pastor; Charles Gwaltney, Pilot Project director; Secretary Hatfield; Clifford Palmer, Fort Smith pastor; R. H. Dorris, North Little Rock pastor; and Hoyt Mulkey, Music secretary.

Dr. Barry is a native Kentuckian. He is a graduate of Western Kentucky State College, Bowling Green, and has the B.D., Th.M., and Th.D. degrees from Southern Seminary, Louisville, where he was a teaching fellow in the Church History department.

He held pastorates for ten years in Kentucky and Virginia before assuming, in 1954, the responsibility for developing the Sunday School Board's new program for weekday religious education.

Runyan groundbreaking

A GROUNDBREAKING service was held at Runyan Mission, Jan. 3, with about 200 people present. Pastor Elmer Madison presided. Taking part were Rev. W. B. O'Neal, Rev. Jack Livingston, Cecil Bailey and Clarence Phillips. The people joined hands and circled the building site for the closing prayer by the mission pastor.

New minister supplies

REV. R. L. Campbell, pastor of the Cocklebur Church, Caroline Association, who is with the Little Rock Air Force, has been called away for a short course of study.

Young Doyne Bailey, who was licensed by the Gravel Ridge Church in December, has been asked to supply the Cocklebur Church during the pastor's absence. Doyne is a senior in Sylvan Hills High School and has already made plans to attend Ouachita University this fall. He is the son of Deacon and Mrs. Cecil Bailey.

COLLEGE Chorale of First Church, Arkadelphia, presented a concert of sacred music at St. Matthews Church, Louisville, Ky. Jan. 24.

Paragould First to build



THE building at the left is the architect's drawing of the new elementary educational building.



PASTOR Ed Claybrook breaks ground flanked by A. L. Jeter; chairman of deacons (left), and N. W. Kelley, chairman of the building committee.

CONSTRUCTION of a new two-story, \$100,000 elementary educational building will begin in Paragould this month. This building will climax nearly two years of planning by members of First Church.

The building, planned by the Architecture Department of the Sunday School Board and by the Frank Reput Jr. Architectural Firm of Memphis will house five modern Nursery Departments, two Beginner Departments, three Primary Departments and one Young Adult Department. It will have an educational schedule of approximately 270.

Jan. 3 the congregation gathered at the close of the morning service for groundbreaking ceremonies. Ed Claybrook is pastor.

Dr. Latourette to visit Ouachita

DR. K. S. Latourette, Sterling professor emeritus of missions and Oriental history at Yale University, and noted author, will visit Ouachita University Wednesday, Feb. 10.

Dr. Latourette will consult with individual faculty members during the day and with a faculty discussion group that night.

"Our concern is that the main emphasis, and perhaps the main use of his time, be with faculty members," said W. Howard Bramlett, director of student work for Baptist colleges. "We are trying this as a pilot project to see whether the use of such outstand-

ing scholars as Dr. Latourette would be of some inspirational and fellowship value to faculty members in the interpretation and deepening of their faith in the future.

In addition to receiving a Ph. D. from Yale in 1906, Dr. Latourette has been awarded 15 honorary doctorates, many of them from foreign universities. He was professor of missions and Oriental history at Yale 1927-1953, before becoming professor emeritus. He was chairman of the department of religion 1938-46, and director of graduate studies in religion at Yale 1946-53.

Parker to Las Vegas

A FORMER Arkansan who grew up in Second Church, Little Rock, recently became minister of music of Sunrise Southern Church, Las Vegas, Nev. He is Ray Parker, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Parker, live at 8701 West Markham, Little Rock, and are still active in Second Church.

Musician Parker is a graduate of Central High School, Little Rock, where he was outstanding in the school band. He attended the University of Illinois where he majored in music. He served in the Air Force overseas. He formerly directed a high school band in Arizona.

Mr. Parker, with his family, including three children, Greg, 16, Sheila, 14, and Debbie, 11, lives at 1817 Griffith Ave., Las Vegas.

To Russellville

R. L. POWELL, a recent graduate of New Orleans Seminary, began his work as minister of music and education at First Church, Russellville, Jan. 1



MR. POWELL

A native of Nashville, Tenn., he attended Belmont College there. From seminary he received master degrees

in both church music and religious education.

Mr. and Mrs. Powell, the former Dorothy Elder of Estiel Springs, Tenn., have two daughters, Nena, 2½, and Penney, 1.

Smith to attend SS Board meeting

THE Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, of which Dr. Robert L. Smith, pastor of First Church, Pine Bluff, is a member, will hold its semi-annual session in Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 26.



MILTON EUGENE DUPRIEST

Beech Street pastor

MILTON Eugene DuPriest has accepted the pastorate of Beech Street Church, Texarkana.

Licensed and ordained by First Church, Temple, Tex., 20 years ago, Mr. DuPriest is a graduate of Baylor University and Southwestern Seminary. He has had graduate study at the University of Edinburg, Edinburg, Scotland.

Mr. and Mrs. DuPriest have three children: Jan Lanette, 7, Rhonda Linn, 6, and Allen Ray, 5.

After 13 years as pastor of Texas churches and evangelistic work in the Southwest and in Europe, Mr. DuPriest and his wife were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board as special appointees to Japan, where he served five years as pastor of Tokyo Church. Concurrently, he served three years in the Tokyo Diplomatic Corps as consul general of the Republic of Haiti to Japan.

He has held revivals in a number of Arkansas churches, including First Churches at Little Rock, El Dorado, Fayetteville, Ft. Smith, Searcy, Springdale and Rogers.

TOM Eliff, junior history major at Ouachita College, served as camp pastor when the Intermediates and Young People of First Church, Pine Bluff, attended an annual youth retreat Jan. 22-24. Ruffin Snow, Ouachita sophomore pre-med major, was music leader. The retreat was held at Ferncliff Encampment.

Mulkey gets award

NASHVILLE — HOYT A. MULKEY, music secretary for Arkansas Baptist State Convention, is shown receiving the first special recognition certificate for completion of I-MAP—Individual Music Advancement Program — from Dr. W. Hines Sims, secretary of the Sunday School Board's church music department.

Mulkey submitted his application Nov. 30, 1964, becoming the first person to complete the program which began in January 1964.

I-MAP, a plan for personnel development in music study each month, will continue through

1965. Each month a book in the church study course, usually from the category of music principles and methods, is recommended for home study. Alternate books are suggested which correlate with Southern Baptists' monthly emphases.

Book awards are granted according to the regular home study plan of the church study course. Although I-MAP is designed to help individuals grow musically through home study each month, group study awards also apply if they are part of an individual's 12-month I-MAP sequence.—

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Mr. Mulkey and Dr. Sims

Christian Education Day, Feb. 21

ARKANSAS Baptist churches are invited to participate in the twelfth annual emphasis on Christian education and Baptist colleges, which begins with Baptist College and Seminary Day on Feb. 21. It is suggested that pastors preach on the subject of Christian education that Sunday and it is further suggested that personnel from Ouachita University be invited to represent the

university in church services.

The 1965 theme is "Set Your Course." Early in January pastors and ministers of education were sent sample kits of materials prepared by Southern Baptist Education Commission with the cooperation of Ouachita. Churches planning to have an emphasis for their intermediates and young people may order appropriate materials for a special program.



CENTENNIAL Church, Malcomb & Haley, Pine Bluff, recently broke ground for construction of a new church auditorium and educational unit. Members of the building committee are (left to right): Al Gober, J. W. Rodgers (chairman), J. W. Whitley (pastor), H. B. Hall, Archie Yarbrough, Mrs. John Moody. Mrs. Bill Pounders, another member, is not pictured.

The auditorium will seat approximately 400 and the educational unit will provide an additional department and six class rooms. The old auditorium, seating 300 will be converted to educational space. The church was organized in 1956 with 186 members and now has a membership of 400 and a Sunday School enrollment of 425.

Observe wedding anniversary



Rev. and Mrs. H. A. Nettles

THE children of Rev. and Mrs. H. A. Nettles honored their parents with a dinner on their fiftieth wedding anniversary, Sunday, Jan. 17.

Mr. and Mrs. Nettles were married on Sunday, Jan. 17, 1915, at Pollard, Clay County. Mrs. Nettles is the former Lillie Robbins of Pollard. They have two children: Nova (Mrs. James A. Jones), Little Rock; and Denver E. Nettles, Searcy.

Mr. Nettles has served as Baptist minister in Arkansas for the past 40 years and still does supply work. He pastored churches in Clay, Green, Pulaski, Faulkner, and White counties. He served for some time as associational missionary of Gainsville Association and also did ministerial work in Texas and Missouri.

The Nettleses have lived in Searcy since 1959. They are members of Temple Church, Searcy.

Alcohol education

THE Christian Civic Foundation has an educational assistant, Willard S. Campbell, who visits the junior and senior high schools of the state presenting films and lectures on the problems of alcohol. The Foundation has visited a total of 500 junior and senior high schools in the past three years. We also provide the high school libraries and the teachers with supplemental materials for use of students in writing themes and of teachers in discussing this problem in their classes.

The Foundation expresses its appreciation to the Woman's Societies of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guilds of the Methodist Church, and the members of the Woman's Missionary Unions of the Baptist churches for their ten-cents-per-member contributions for the alcohol education program in the public schools. These funds are used for materials and for travel.

The Foundation is planning to add another educational assistant sometime during 1965. With two men in the field, we will be able to contact all the high schools within a three-year period.—Wm. E. Brown, Executive Director

By the BAPTIST PRESS



SUNDAY, Feb. 14, has been designated by the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention for special emphasis on Southern Baptists and National Baptists working together.

Southern Baptist churches

through the Home Mission Board in 1965 will provide \$332,000 for work with National Baptists. State mission boards join in supporting state directors' work and the total program with National Baptists.—Home Board Photo

Search for unenlisted Baptists

NASHVILLE.—A report from the Sunday School Board's Sunday School department reveals that 3,621 nonresident Southern Baptist church members were located through the new Nonresident Church Member Enlistment Plan from Aug. 1-Dec. 31.

The names of these members were received from 249 churches by the department's Nonresident Exchange Desk and forwarded to the Nonresident Assignment Desks in state convention offices for distribution in communities where the members are now living.

Thirty-two states, the District of Columbia, and eight foreign

countries have received names from the Exchange Desk.

States receiving the largest numbers of names were Florida, 424; Texas, 423; North Carolina, 358; and Georgia, 307. Foreign countries were Bahamas, Canal Zone, Germany, Iceland, Mexico, Okinawa, Philippines and Guam.

The nonresident Church Member Enlistment Plan, sponsored jointly by the Home Mission Board's division of evangelism and the Sunday School department, is an effort to reach 3 million Southern Baptists who have moved leaving their church letters behind.

Texas plane crash

WOODVILLE, Tex. — A light plane carrying a former Southern Baptist missionary and a Baptist layman crashed here, badly injuring T. V. (Corky) Farris and killing the pilot, Len Rogers. For more than 40 hours, Farris lay near the plane, cold and partially paralyzed, waiting for help to come.

Three days after the crash, Farris was in a Woodville hospital in good condition. He suffered bad bruises, but no broken bones.

Farris is associate in the Evangelism Division for the Baptist General Convention of Texas, and for six years was a Southern Baptist missionary to Japan.

Rogers was a builder who gained nation-wide fame when he constructed an underground home in Duncanville, Tex., (a Dallas suburb) which was copied for a World's Fair exhibit in New York.

LA mission thrust

LOS ANGELES — Southern Baptists in this metropolitan area of seven million people will intensify their efforts in church extension with \$75,000 expected to come from the annual Annie Armstrong Offering for Home Missions and the Cooperative Program.

The advance section of the 1964 Cooperative Program provided \$50,000 for Los Angeles, and this spring's Annie Armstrong Offering allocates \$25,000 for the area.

The annual home mission emphasis in Southern Baptist churches includes a study of mission books, the Week of Prayer for Home Missions, and the special offering for home missions. This year the offering goal is \$3,690,000. March 7-14 are the dates for the week of prayer.

'Upward' circulation

NASHVILLE — *Upward*, the Sunday School Board magazine for high school youth, keeps going upward in circulation. Before the new monthly format was introduced, in October 1963, the circulation was 190,000. Circulation now stands at 223,000.

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Down in the mouth

BY J. I. COSSEY

SOME people get down in the dumps of failure. It is cold and damp in the cellar. No one goes to the cellar unless they are going after something. When one is facing failure we say he is "down in the mouth." When one is "down in the mouth" he has the choice of going on down and being digested or of coming back up for victory and success. We have never heard any one say that success is found "down in the mouth."

One does not look down to find success, but up. We think of sin, slander, gambling, stealing, lying, and uncleanness as being found by going down. We find righteousness, honesty, truth, cleanliness, and other virtues by going up. The success trail leads up and the pleasures of life are found on the upward trail.

The lazy, draggy person is ready for a "down in the mouth" attitude. On the way down he is accompanied by failure thoughts and physical dissipation and spiritual coldness. His personal pride is gone. His body is soil for disease and his spiritual life is dwarfed.

How is this discouraged, failure-stricken person going to get out of that "down in the mouth" feeling? He must be electrified with spiritual enthusiasm. He must start a success program at this very moment. He must quit looking down at his work and start looking up.

If you need an increase in salary, deserve it and begin to act qualified. When you are qualified and deserve more money, you will get it. The big boss will always know when you are doing more than you are getting paid for. Outstanding qualifications will not be hidden for long. Any man will finally settle down to his level. If your level is high you will be raised to it. If your level is low, you will settle down to it. "You cannot keep a good man down—nor a sorry one up." Each man has the privilege of classify-

JESUS said: "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free" (John 8:31, 32). From this Scripture comes the program theme, ". . .and the truth shall make you free," for the 11th Baptist World Congress at Miami Beach next June 25-30.

Christian truth is not a proposition to be proved by argument, but a way of life which demands our obedience (John 14:6). Often we seem content with a statement of faith rather than actual obedience (Romans 16:25-27). But Christ called us to continue in his word, not just to admire him (Matthew 16:24).

This does not mean that statements of faith should be neglected (I Peter 3:15). As Baptists we believe in the sovereignty of God, the Lordship of Christ, the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the authority of the Scriptures, the personal nature of faith, believers' baptism, regenerate church membership, the memorial nature of the Lord's supper, the priesthood of all believers, and the obligation to witness.

Our world is not congenial to the practice of these tenets. The world never has been (John 16:33). But under every political, racial, and economic condition, the follower of Jesus Christ must reflect the truth in Christ. We must seek religious freedom for all people. We must oppose the Coercive power of the state in matters of faith and conscience (Acts 4:19-20). We must seek to safeguard the God-given dignity of every man in the midst of problems caused by increasing world population, unemployment, the threat of war, and moral decay (Genesis 1:27; Acts 17:24-28). We must surmount every barrier of class and race (Galatians 3:26-29) and be actively concerned with one another's welfare (Galatians 6:2).

Peace with justice cannot be maintained on fear. Only if we abide in the word of him who bade us love our neighbor as ourselves can we have an enduring foundation for racial understanding and international goodwill (Luke 1:74-79, I John 4:18-20).

None of us can claim to have all God's truth in Christ wrapped up in our tenets and practices. All of us need to heed the call to humble ourselves and pray (II Chronicles 7:14). Christ is full of grace as well as truth. By his grace we can find forgiveness for our sins through faith, and by his grace we are given every new incentive to abide in his word. And if we abide in his word we shall know the truth, and the truth shall make us free.

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ing himself. If you are beaten down with fear, enthusiasm will bring you out on top. Your enthusiasm will electrify others and they will help you to succeed far beyond your ability.

I challenge our pastors to become electrified with enthusiasm. You must have enthusiasm or your whole program will "freeze"

and you will not know why. Frank Bettger said, "Enthusiasm is by far the highest paid quality on earth, probably because it is one of the rarest; yet it is one of the most contagious." Without enthusiasm, your visitation program, your sermons and all your efforts will be about as dead as last year's bird's nest.

Executive Board

Essay contest

TITHERS will be urged to write an essay (not more than 2,000 words) on the subject, "Why I Tithe."

There will be a contest for each age level including adults, Young People, Intermediates, and Juniors. First and second prizes will be awarded for the best associational essay, the best district essay, and the best state essay.

This is in connection with the "Tithe..Now" emphasis among Southern Baptists. This emphasis will begin Apr. 1, this year, and continue for twelve months.

Tithe Planning Kits are being mailed to each pastor, with suggestions about the emphasis.

The "Tithe..Now" plan of enlistment includes: Setting a church goal, electing a general chairman, involving church members in tithe study, setting a date for essay contest, and conducting a stewardship revival.

"Tithe..Now" is being emphasized because only 14 people out of every 100 Baptists even claim to be tithers. In Arkansas we are a little above average; about 16 out of every 100 church members claim to be tithers. This means that many Baptists are missing the joy of adequately supporting the causes of Christ.

This pattern of stewardship has spilled over into every phase of Baptist life and now we hear on almost every occasion, "What's wrong?" We are not enlisting, we are not evangelizing, and we are not growing as we once did. Jesus said, "Where thy treasure is, there will thy heart be also." Too many have been too busy laying up earthly treasures to lay up treasures in heaven. Therefore, they do not care much about Kingdom affairs.

The essay contest can make all of us more conscious of our stewardship to God.—Ralph Douglas, Associate Executive Secretary



J. T. MIDKIFF directs the work of the Baptist Student Union at Southern Baptist College. Mrs. Dan Seibert directs Arkansas



College's Baptist Student work. Both serve as volunteer directors.—Tom J. Logue, Director.

Youth choir festivals

THE TIME is drawing near for our State Festivals for Youth Choirs. The date is February 20. Again this year, we are conducting these festivals in three different areas of the state in order to make it more convenient for more of our churches to participate.

The Festivals will be held at First Church, Blytheville; First Church, Fayetteville; and Park Hill Church, North Little Rock. In the *Arkansas Baptist News-magazine* next week, we will publish pictures and information concerning the directors of each of these festivals.

Several weeks ago a pamphlet was mailed from our office to every church in the state, whether or not they have an organized music ministry and graded choir program. This booklet contained information on all the festivals and our other state music ministry. Included in this information is a list of the different numbers to be used at the festivals and the schedule for the day, and festival rules for those who are participating.

It is important that directors planning to bring their choirs to

the festivals read these rules because they have changed from years past. One special change that needs to be noted is that the choirs must pre-register ten days in advance of each festival. Also, there is a registration fee for each choir and for the solos and ensembles. If you have lost your booklet or misplaced it, or perhaps did not receive one, there are additional copies available.

Please note that for the Youth Festival, the registrations must be in not later than Feb. 10. Registrations received after this time will very likely not be accepted.

Special note: Every year we have some new choirs to participate in the festivals and it is, of course, our desire to involve as many of our churches as possible in all of our activities. With this in mind, we are trying to encourage choirs who have not been organized very long and who might feel a little reluctant to come and sing for adjudication before many more experienced choirs, to come and sit in on the festival the first time and see what is being done.— Hoyt A. Mulkey, Secretary

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT

DR. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary, reported in the January meeting of the Foreign Mission Board that the Board received \$1,278,211.07 of Advance Program funds from the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention at the close of 1964.

This was the first Advance Program funds received since 1960, and it exceeded the amount the Board had anticipated from this source by about a quarter of a million dollars.

During 1964, Dr. Cauthen continued, the Foreign Mission Board received 52.27 percent of the \$20,891,636 received through the Cooperative Program of the Southern Baptist Convention. This was the first time the Board had received more than half the total. He pointed out, however, that this percentage applies only to funds received by the Convention. Approximately two-thirds of funds contributed through the Cooperative Program is retained in the several states.

He noted that while it is still too early to give any general report on the 1964 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for foreign missions, reports have been received from individual churches "of great victories which have been experienced and remarkable blessings which have come about."

Dr. Cauthen cautioned lest anyone think the Board's financial resources have caught up with its needs. "The operating budget for 1965 had to be increased \$1,548,016 over the 1964 budget, and it was impossible to include in this budget many items which had been recommended by the Missions overseas, he said.

"In addition, the amount needed for capital funds is far in excess of the amount of funds which can be made available. For many years our resources have annually fallen at least \$3,000,000 short of the recommendations set before us.

"Sustained advance depends upon continued growth both in personnel and in finances. We are

grateful that God continues to raise up people who volunteer their lives for missionary service, and we believe that God will continue to lead Southern Baptists to provide the necessary resources."

Associates employed

The Board voted to employ Dr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Mikolaski and Rev. and Mrs. Beryle C. Lovelace as missionary associates. Dr. Mikolaski, now a professor in New Orleans Seminary, will teach in the international Baptist Theological Seminary, Ruschlikon, Switzerland, and Mr. Lovelace, now minister of music and education at First Church, Littlefield, Tex., will direct music at the English-language Kanto Plains Church, near Tokyo, Japan.

With these additions, the Board's overseas staff numbers 1,903 (including 43 missionary associates).

Secretaries' summaries

Dr. H. Cornell Goerner, secretary for Africa, while mentioning "new tensions and threats" of 1964, asked that recognition be given to the "remarkable progress" being made by newly independent African nations. He called for "a new resolution to step up the processes whereby peace, goodwill, brotherhood, and human redemption are spread throughout Arrica through the teaching, preaching, and practical application of the gospel of Jesus Christ."

Dr. Winston Crawley characterized 1964 as a year of "escalated tensions" in the Orient, the area for which he is secretary. The major Southern Baptist missionary development, he said, was the expansion of work to Sabah (formerly North Borneo), a part of Malaysia. Also, for the first time in seven years there are permanent resident missionaries in Macao (Portuguese colony near Hong Kong). In April a long-standing goal of 600 missionaries for the Orient was attained, and as of the end of the year 625 missionaries and associates were as-

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Missions: At Work



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Calmness in the midst of bombings, healing, changed lives—this book tells of the miracles wrought by answered prayer during Miss Smith's 42 years as a missionary in China and Formosa. Includes the Shantung revival and related events. (26b) \$2.75

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Missions-Evangelism in 1965



MISSION-EVANGELISM DEPARTMENT employees in Conference. Left to right: R. A. Hill, Church Survey and Development Ministry; Jesse Reed, director of Evangelism; Joe Johnson, minis-

ter to deaf; C. W. Caldwell, Department superintendent; Boyd Baker, State Sanatorium; Richard McNeill, Arkansas Girl's Training School; E. A. Richmond, Arkansas Boy's Training School.

THE employees of the Department of Missions-Evangelism, in their most recent conference, expressed great enthusiasm about their work as they faced the tasks of 1965.

ing Testaments, Bibles, and needed articles for patients. He tries to use such funds wisely.

Church development

R. A. HILL'S major work is in surveying areas—a community, a town, an association—to determine needs and possibilities, and in giving to the churches a Church Development Program. Three churches enrolled in the Development Ministry in January—Freeman Heights, Berryville, Ed F. McDonald III, pastor; Antioch, Hot Springs, Gaines Armstrong, pastor; and Gum Springs, Siloam Springs, Ray Barnett, pastor.

Service for Girls' Training School

THE newest employee is Richard McNeill who is chaplain of the Girl's Training School. He is paid out of "pastoral aid" fund. He is pastor at Alexander and gives part-time in conducting special services for the 60 or more girls.

Evangelism

JESSE Reed's enthusiasm is running high as he anticipates the state-wide Evangelism Conference which will be held with First Church, Little Rock, Jan. 25-27. He is also projecting programs and conferences for a large number of associational Evangelism clinics.

Boys' Training School

CHAPLAIN Richmond seems to have no doubt about his work in the Boy's Training School being the greatest of all. He stated his objectives for 1965 as follows:

Ministry to deaf

JOE Johnson is now giving full time with deaf people. He reports about 140 people enrolled in the "Silent Department" of The First Church, Little Rock. Regular services for deaf people have been established at Lake City, Ft. Smith, Mena, Corning, Fayetteville and El Dorado.

Try to win every lost boy that comes to our school—strengthen those who are Christians.

Try to be a dad to them while they are away from home. . . (every boy needs someone that he can confide in.)

Meet the parents of our boys and help them with their problems, if I can.

Promote daily Bible reading and prayer in their cottage life. . . promote a VBS each summer.

Provide each boy with a New Testament and give complete Bibles to those who ask for them as long as the supply lasts.

Keep our work and objectives before the people of our state. . . continue to work for Sunday School rooms for our new chapel.

Do follow-up work with boys that are released through reports to the local pastors. We all anticipate 1965 being our greatest year in Missions and Evangelism.

Baker's work at Booneville

CHAPLAIN Boyd Baker states that his work at the Booneville Sanatorium is becoming more and more a bedside ministry. Several churches send the chaplain a check each month to be used in purchas-

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signed to the Orient. One thousand is the new goal, Dr. Crawley said.

Dr. John D. Hughey, reporting on developments during his first year as secretary for Europe and the Middle East, said that December 31 found 144 missionaries and associates assigned to 13 countries in that area. These include two countries entered during 1964, Luxembourg and Yemen.

Dr. Frank K. Means, secretary for Latin America, said that at the end of the year 685 missionaries and associates were assigned to 19 Latin-American countries or to the Baptist Spanish Publishing House, El Paso, Tex. (where literature is prepared for Spanish-speaking Baptists around the world). Listing 10 cities or towns where Southern Baptist missionaries were stationed for the first time during 1964, he said that reaching into new areas and strengthening existing work are equally important.

Crusade in Brazil

Dr. Homer G. Lindsay, Jacksonville, Fla., president of the Foreign Mission Board, Mrs. Lindsay, Dr. Cauthen, and Dr. Means expect to leave the States January 24 to attend the annual meeting of the Brazilian Baptist Convention in Rio de Janeiro and the mass meeting which will officially open a massive nationwide Baptist evangelistic campaign. Another member of the Board staff, Miss Ione Gray, director of press relations, is already in Brazil, helping plan news coverage for the campaign.

ITEM from an Oklahoma industrial journal: "The bathtub was invented in 1850 and the telephone in 1875. Had you been living in 1850, you could have sat in the bathtub for twenty-five years without the phone ringing."

TEN WAYS WOMEN KILL REVIVALS

—by Hal D. Bennett—

Baptist Bible Institute
Graceville, Florida

THERE are at least ten ways that you, a woman, can help kill a revival in your church, according to Ben Borders, for eight years a full-time evangelist. He is now on the administrative staff of Baptist Bible Institute, Graceville, Florida. Here follows some points he has made:

1. When your son or daughter asks questions about salvation, either hedge or don't answer. (The pastor is seldom the first to learn of a child's seekings after God; the mother is.)

2. Get used to sin, and have no concern when you have lost relatives living under the same roof with you. (A woman should weep over her household even as Jesus wept over Jerusalem.)

3. Manage to lose yourself in the congregation, and don't acknowledge your responsibility to your home, to your church, or to your God. (The Bible meant women, too, when it said that every man shall give account of himself to God.)

4. Let every little community organization, bake sale, or cat fight, take priority over the Kingdom of God. (The Bible says: "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness.")

5. Don't bother to pray. Lack of fervent prayer dries up the springs of righteousness in women. (Scores of Bible women prayed fervently, and with great effect.)

6. Be sure to keep your school-age children home at night during the revival services. This will really strike a death blow; most children this age make public professions of faith after three successive nights of revival preaching.

7. Insist on holding to that old, worn-out tradition that a child should neither be saved nor join the church until he is 12 years old. This doctrine is blasphemous; it quenches the Holy Spirit.

8. Artfully change the subject when the pastor or evangelist vis-

its you and gives the plan of salvation in your home. A woman will do this because she is ashamed.

9. Plant the idea around your house that we "can't go to the services tonight; by the time we get through supper we will all be too tired." Don't admit that you are merely too lazy. (The sin of slothfulness goes unnoticed among many women today.)

10. Stuff the pastor and visiting evangelist until they can hardly stay awake, much less visit and preach. Show just a little offense when they turn down second helpings. (Hospitality is Christian, but the breaking of bread during revivals should be carefully controlled.)

Mrs. Kyser dies

MRS. Bertha R. Kyser, 83, mother of Mrs. Jim Humphrey, associate in the Sunday School Department of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, died Jan. 17, following a long illness. Funeral services were held Jan. 19, at Drummond Funeral Home, Little Rock, by Rev. Dale Cowling, pastor of Second Church, Little Rock, and Rev. Lawson Hatfield, secretary of the Sunday School Department of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention. Mrs. Kyser had long been a faithful member of Second Church.

Southern homecoming

ANNUAL homecoming at Southern College, Walnut Ridge, will be Saturday, Jan. 30. The event is sponsored this year by the Student Government, Athletic Department, and Public Relations Department.

As a feature of the day's program, the Southern Eagles will be playing the Memphis State Freshmen.

An informal program will be held in the chapel at 4:45 p.m. with the Alumni President, W. C. Ward, pastor of Ridgecrest Church, Blytheville, presiding. Visitors will be the guests of the college in the dining hall for the evening meal.

INSTITUTIONS

ABH Joins Ouachita For Degree School

The state's first private collegiate nursing school will be accepting students in September 1965 as a cooperative venture of Ouachita Baptist College and Arkansas Baptist Hospital.

Dr. Ralph Phelps, president of Ouachita College at Arkadelphia, said that Mrs. Mildred Armour, formerly nurse administrator at ABH, would be dean of the new school which will offer a four-year degree program in nursing. Mrs. Armour is president of the Ar-

kansas League for Nursing. She is a graduate of the Norwegian Lutheran Hospital at Brooklyn, N.Y., holds a B.S. in nursing education from New York University and a master of science degree from the University of Arkansas.

The Arkansas Baptist Hospital School of Nursing will continue to accept students for its three-year diploma program in September 1965 but will discontinue the program in 1968, when those students graduate. None will be

Arkansas Baptist Hospital

accepted after next fall. Under the collegiate degree program, nursing students will take their basic college work for two years at Ouachita College, then come to Arkansas Baptist Hospital for their last two years.

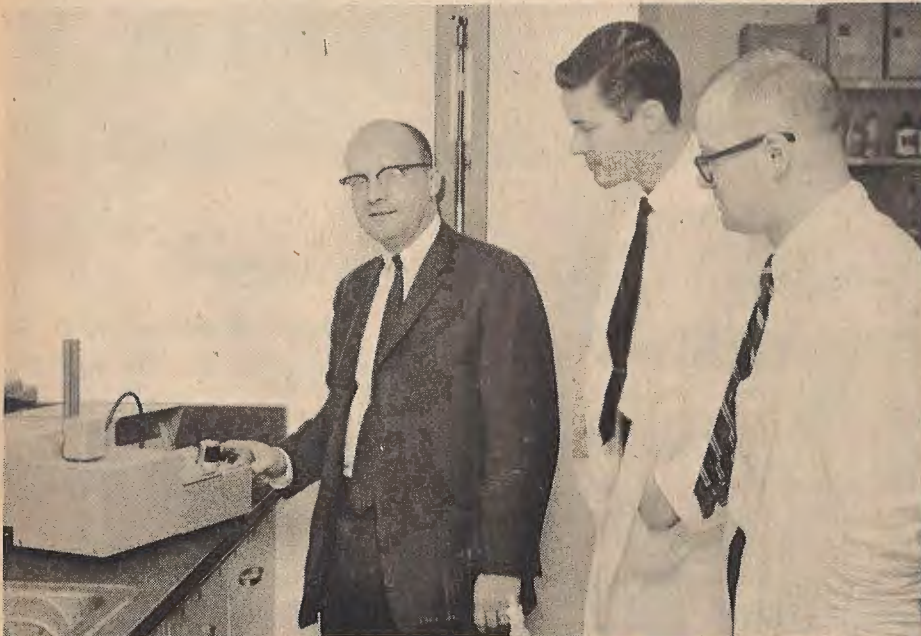
Dean Armour said that the trend in nursing nationally is toward degree programs because nurses need degrees if they are to advance in their profession. She also pointed out that the health sciences are changing so rapidly that learning only technique and procedures is no longer an adequate background for a nurse who may find these outdated before she has begun to use them. A broader education is needed to help nurses adjust to changing situations, she said.

Dean Armour has consulted with the National League for Nursing Accrediting Service in planning the new school's curriculum and expects to meet its standards for accreditation.

Under the degree program students will be responsible for the cost of their education except for board and room during the last two years which will be furnished by Baptist Hospital in scholarships. Loans, however, are available under the Nurse Training Act of 1964 from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. These amount to as much as \$1,000 a year and may be cancelled up to 50 per cent of the amount borrowed at the rate of 10 per cent of the amount borrowed for each year completed in full-time employment as a professional nurse.

The ABH School of Nursing has been the source of supply for more than half the state's nurses and Dean Armour said that the degree program would continue to meet this need. The reason for continuing the diploma program at ABH one more year is to keep a shortage of nurses from developing by graduating students from the diploma program every year until the students under the four-year program finish, Dean Armour added.

Lab Holds Professional Workshop



A company representative from Advanced Instruments, at left, Bob Goldson, explains the equipment for use in osmometry and cryoscopy to Don Crowder and Dr. William Medart of the ABH laboratory at the regional workshop of osmometry and cryoscopy held here December 2.

A workshop on osmometry and cryoscopy which gave information relating to freezing point and concentrative properties in general was presented by Advanced Instruments on December 2 in the laboratory at Arkansas Baptist Hospital. Attending were Dr. E. J. Spiotta of St. Joseph Hospital at Memphis; Dr. Margaret Scheer and B. L. Monroe of the North Little Rock VA Hospital; J. R. Tyson, Donald R. Miller and Addie Mae Moody of the City Health Department; Jim Morehead of the State Health Department; Fay Breeding and Duane Osam of Coleman Dairy; Maxine Polk, Joyce Ann Meador, Gene F. Perkins, Brenda Ryker, P. W. Reagan, Dr. Leo Davenport and Dr. Tom D. Norman of the University Medical Center; D. G. Crowder, Betty Knudsen, Martha Ann Curtis, Isabell Dorrell, Dr. G. Garay and Betty Robinson all of ABH; Johnny P. Martin of Foremost Dairies at Paragould; and Robert DeArmond of the VA Hospital.

Present Recording Of Bible To School



Student Avanelle Jones accepts the two large albums of eight records each of the Bible given by Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Randolph at right. The presentation was made at the students' annual Christmas party December 17.

Remodeling to Bring ABH to 500 Beds

The \$200,000 remodeling project for the east wing was in full swing last month after formal approval by the ABH Board of Trustees in November. When the work is completed, the Hospital will have a capacity of 500 beds.

The sixth floor intern quarters, already underway, were scheduled for completion in March and the entire project should be ready by late summer or early fall, according to administrative officials. The new quarters will include 13 rooms, some of them double, with space for 19 house staff members.

Some delay on the work will be encountered because interns, now quartered on fourth floor, cannot move to the sixth floor until the work there is completed. In order to tear out floors two up through five and install new plumbing, wiring and air conditioning, all must be vacated and done at the same time. Some of the room partitions, however, are already being removed on third and fifth.

The new revamped pediatrics section will have two small nurseries to ac-

commodate six babies each, a large playroom which will be an innovation, an examining room, a kitchen, two isolation rooms and all rooms with space for either two patients or a mother and child. The new section will have no wards except the five beds tonsil intensive unit on 5-H.

Fourth floor will include modern private and semi-private rooms with baths for maternity patients. The third floor will have space for 28 private and semi-private arthritic patients. The bathrooms will have raised tubs which are easier for arthritic patients to use.

The second floor will supply 26 beds, all private and semi-private with baths, for Eye Center use and will give the Hospital a complete eye service in one section of the Hospital. This means that eye patients will have no contact with other Hospital patients which lessens the chance for infection for them. All eye work will be done in the Eye Center, which is separate from the rest of surgery and patients will then stay in rooms on the second floor in the east wing where the Center is located.

New Faculty Member



Mrs. Linda Lambert, above, is a new instructor in maternity nursing in the School of Nursing. She is a graduate of Northwestern State College at Natchitoches, La., and is originally from DeQueen. She and her husband and four-year-old daughter reside in North Little Rock.

Two Department Heads Retire



Miss Lucy McLean, administrative dietitian, and Mrs. Isabelle Dorrell, laboratory supervisor, are shown with Administrator J. A. Gilbreath at a dinner held in their honor at the Albert Pike Hotel December 29. Both retired on December 31.

Rev. Campbell To Get APHA Accreditation

Rev. Jeff Campbell will receive a certificate of accreditation as a professional hospital chaplain from the American Protestant Hospital Association on January 18 at Chicago, Ill.

Mr. Campbell is the third chaplain in Arkansas to be certified by the APHA and the other two, Dr. Don Corley and Rev. Jerre Hassell, are at Arkansas Baptist Hospital also.

Mr. Campbell took his clinical training in pastoral care at ABH in 1960-61, then was pastor of the First Baptist Church at Lepanto until May of 1964 when he returned as associate chaplain here.

The APHA is the only accrediting agency for hospital chaplains.

Party For Jr. Auxiliary

The Junior Auxiliary held on December 16 included music by the Student Nurses' Choral Club and refreshments afterward served by the ABH Auxiliary. Mrs. James Lindner, Mrs. Don Corley, Mrs. Ted Rogers and Mrs. S. A. Whitlow, served for the Auxiliary.

Dies In Plane Crash

Capt. Bennie Forrester husband of Mrs. Bethel Kirk Forrester, former hostess at ABH, was killed in a plane crash on December 10 in Portsmouth, N.H. where he was stationed. The Forresters were married on June 20.

Captain Forrester was formerly from Memphis and Mrs. Forrester is a native Arkansan.

Census Hits New High Of 20,993 In '64

The Hospital had an 8½ per cent increase in the number of admissions over last year, hitting 20,993, only seven away from the 21,000 mark for the first time in its history.

Last year's total was 19,400. The increase was attributed to the opening of the new wing over the surgical building which provides additional private and semi-private rooms, Terry

Lynn, assistant administrator, said. He pointed out that when the new wing was opened, which has 134 beds, the Hospital only netted 30 beds, or 8½ per cent of its total, because other Hospital areas were closed down for remodeling. He projected an 8½ per cent increase on the basis of this which proved to be the actual rise which occurred.

Employee of the Month: Mrs. Iva Jackson

Technology School Opens at ABH



Mrs. Iva Jackson,
the busy supervisor
in the patient ac-
counts section.

A pretty, soft-spoken mother of five children has one of the Hospital's toughest jobs. She is Mrs. Iva Jackson who as patients accounts supervisor is responsible for seeing that patient's bills are properly processed and paid.

Mrs. Jackson's efficiency in keeping the work flowing smoothly in patient accounts is well-known to those who work with her—but her own modest appraisal of what she does is likely to be an understatement.

She finds a definite challenge in the work of closing out patient accounts and tries to pass this interest along to those who work with her.

"The more you learn about handling people, the better job you do," she pointed out. There are five unit clerks in the business office at the front of the Hospital and three more now in the admissions office for discharging patients in the surgical wing. She believes that the way in which the people in her section relate to the persons paying their bills often determines whether or not the Hospital receives what it is due.

Mrs. Jackson waited until all her children were well up in school before she returned to work three years ago. Now she feels that their willingness to help with home tasks is an important part of their growing up.

"When we have extra time, we do too much for our children instead of letting them do for themselves," she said, as an experienced hand in rearing children. "My 17-year-old daughter prepares dinner each evening and I think this is good training for her future homemaking. If I were at home all the time, I would do it for her and she wouldn't have the chance to learn how."

Her children are Gene, 18; Darla, 17; Peggy, 15; Michael, 13; and Tommy, 11. Gene is now working prior to going into the service but is still living at

home. The other children are in three schools, Mabelvale High School, and Cloverdale Junior High and Elementary Schools.

Mrs. Jackson and her husband, Dema, are originally from Clarendon and while he was in the service she spent three years in a civil service job in Washington, D.C. They returned to Clarendon and moved to Little Rock 14 years ago. They are active members

Arkansas Baptist Hospital has received approval to establish a School of Medical Technology from the American Medical Association and the American Society of Clinical Pathologists, Dr. Robert A. Burger, chief ABH pathologist, announced yesterday.

The first class of students will be accepted on July 1 but students on an individual basis may enter before that time. The new School will have a one-year program with a prerequisite of three years of college. Ouachita Baptist College will cooperate in granting degrees to those who finish in the Medical Technology School here if the first three years are taken at Ouachita. Similar plans will be worked out with other nearby colleges, Dr. Burger said.

Dr. William S. Medart, ABH associate pathologist, will be director of the School and Miss Betty Robinson, a certified medical technologist, will be assistant director. The School is approved for up to 12 students at a time and students who finish the course will be eligible to take the ASCP examination for certification.

Dr. Burger said that the shortage of technologists for laboratory work prompted the Hospital to establish the School.

of Lifeline Baptist Church and Mrs. Jackson teaches the Primary I's in the Sunday night Training Union Department. She works on Sunday morning and is unable to attend then. Jackson is with Welder's Supply Company and the family lives at 10111 Chicot Road.

Christmas TV Helps Pass Long Hours



Ernest Treat watches his new television which two Little Rock businessmen gave him at Christmastime after hearing about his long hospital stay. Treat, the son of Jim Treat of Leslie, has been a patient at ABH since July 22 when he was severely injured in a diving accident. With him is his sister who was visiting during the holidays. The set was given by Bill Putnam of Putnam Realty Company and Jimmy Moses of Moses Melody Shop.

Children's Nook

"THIS is a fine farm," said Perry to Smoky. "We belong here. You're a sheep dog, and Dad wants me to like farming, but we've always lived in the city. I'd like it better if I weren't afraid of Uncle Ned's old black-faced sheep."

Around the corner of the barn came a gander. He looked as though he owned the place.

"We haven't seen him before. That must be Old Oscar that Uncle Ned talks about."

Smoky, with an air of curiosity, headed straight for the gander. Perry smiled as Smoky gave a friendly bark.

Then it happened. The gander reached forward. His big yellow bill opened wide. He grabbed for Smoky and almost nipped him. Smoky retreated and stood trembling.

"Why, Smoky, are you afraid of that old gander?" asked Perry.

Smoky continued to be afraid of Old Oscar. The gander knew it, and he made it his business to chase Smoky out of the barnyard at every opportunity.

Perry was having his trouble with Black Tom. Whenever Perry tried to lead the sheep along a different path to avoid puddles or stones, Black Tom would give Perry a funny look and go right on his own way. Smoky managed to keep the rest of the sheep moving while Perry would hang back, afraid of Black Tom.

Near the end of the week on an especially warm day, Perry sat under a tree watching soft white clouds float about in the blue sky. He left the full responsibility of the sheep to Smoky. Soon he was fast asleep. Smoky's frantic barking and rolling thunder waked him.

"The sheep, Smoky! A storm is coming," Perry cried.

Then a big drop of rain splashed right on the boy's nose.

"We must get the sheep back to the fold. I won't have you blamed. It was my fault. I fell asleep."

Black Tom refused to move. The thunder bothered him. He planted his front hoofs firmly. Then Smoky began barking at Perry.

"I know, Smoky. I know what you are trying to tell me. You want me to stand up to him."

Perry couldn't bear the thought that Uncle Ned would say Smoky had failed as a sheep dog. The boy suddenly gritted his teeth, ran full force toward Black Tom, and gave him a slap on the nose. The



old sheep looked surprised. Then he turned and started for home.

"Why, Smoky, I only had to show him I wasn't afraid."

Smoky kept the sheep trotting at a lively pace led by Black Tom. Perry, striving to keep up, failed to see a tree root sticking out of the wet ground. Down he went. On went Black Tom, Smoky, and the sheep.

"I don't see Perry," cried Aunt Ellen in an excited voice. "Look at Smoky. He has missed Perry, too."

"Something has happened," said Uncle Ned as Smoky came dashing toward them, barking furiously. "You lead the way, Smoky. We'll find Perry."

As they followed the dog, they soon spied Perry sitting on the wet ground. Rain was still coming down.

"Did Smoky get the sheep home?" asked Perry anxiously.

"Like the real sheep dog he is," replied Uncle Ned.

"That's all I care about. I'm wet and I've hurt my ankle. I can't walk, but Smoky took the sheep home."

Aunt Ellen and Uncle Ned crossed their arms to make a chair seat so that they could carry Perry. Soon they were heading for home with Smoky leading the way.

As the group entered the barnyard, the rain had almost stopped. Right in their path stood Old Oscar.

Smoky pulled up short making Uncle Ned and Aunt Ellen stumble. They almost dropped Perry.

"Stand up to him, Smoky," cried Perry. "Face him. That's what you made me do to Black Tom."

To everybody's joy, Smoky headed straight for Old Oscar. The gander had to move or get knocked down. He moved.

SMOKY AND THE GANDER

BY CROPLEY ANDREW PHILLIPS

ANNUAL REPORT

**Total Cash Contributions Received in Office of Executive Secretary of
Executive Board of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention During the Months of
January 1—December 31, 1964**

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| Churches | Cooperative Program | Designated | Churches | Cooperative Program | Designated | Churches | Cooperative Program | Designated | Churches | Cooperative Program | Designated |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|------------|----------------------------|---------------------|------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------|
| ARKANSAS VALLEY | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Barton | \$2,167.29 | \$ 323.46 | Gravette | 2,329.18 | 123.25 | Cassville | 106.61 | ----- | CALVARY | | |
| Beck Memorial | 144.71 | ----- | Gum Springs | 521.98 | 286.60 | Deer | 165.76 | 40.92 | Antioch | 75.00 | ----- |
| Brickkeys | ----- | ----- | Harvard Avenue, Siloam Springs | 2,513.42 | 434.87 | Eagle Heights, Harrison | 2,904.00 | 728.27 | Augusta 1st | 4,050.71 | 3,414.31 |
| Brinkley 1st | 5,526.25 | 1,431.95 | Highfill | 726.48 | 1,171.70 | Elmwood | 65.68 | 5.00 | Beebe 1st | 1,090.00 | 747.00 |
| Clarendon | 2,097.34 | 537.14 | Immanuel, Rogers | 2,329.51 | 1,747.27 | Emmanuel, Harrison | ----- | ----- | Bethany, Georgetown | 72.00 | ----- |
| Corders Chapel | ----- | ----- | Lakeview | 590.08 | 174.52 | Everton | 115.41 | 74.85 | Central, Bald Knob | ----- | ----- |
| Elaine | 9,380.24 | 764.86 | Lowell | 916.14 | ----- | Gaither | 123.74 | 23.20 | ----- | 1,835.26 | 149.90 |
| First Friendship | 120.40 | 50.00 | Mason Valley | 234.47 | 177.48 | Grubb Springs | 60.00 | ----- | Cotton Plant 1st | 1,532.18 | 508.96 |
| Friendship | 339.41 | 25.00 | Monte Ne | 695.07 | ----- | Harrison 1st | 11,171.31 | 119.50 | Crosby | 260.00 | ----- |
| Helena 1st | 8,986.22 | 1,025.38 | Pea Ridge 1st | 2,441.10 | 751.00 | Hopewell | 116.25 | 5.00 | El Paso | 180.00 | 40.00 |
| Hughes | 3,600.00 | 2,461.20 | Pleasant Hill | 286.11 | 66.45 | Jasper | 1,153.71 | 273.17 | Good Hope | 57.28 | ----- |
| Jeffersonville | 18.00 | ----- | Rogers 1st | 9,111.29 | 1,232.35 | Lead Hill | 188.10 | 82.75 | Griffithville | 150.00 | 38.95 |
| Lambrook | 328.05 | 134.21 | Siloam Springs 1st | 9,329.11 | 2,737.31 | New Hope | 294.00 | ----- | Higginson | 77.73 | 74.95 |
| Lexa | 725.62 | 305.25 | Sulphur Springs 1st | 155.63 | 104.20 | Northvale | 1,096.82 | 251.78 | Hunter | 664.78 | 203.18 |
| Marianna 1st | 6,035.87 | 1,957.11 | Sunny Side, Rogers | 149.79 | 156.73 | Oregon Flat | 229.58 | 28.00 | Judsonia | 1,800.00 | 599.95 |
| Marvell | 1,860.45 | 724.68 | Trinity, Rogers | 14.29 | ----- | Parthenon | 202.48 | ----- | Kensett | 405.70 | 163.10 |
| Monroe | 376.41 | 44.59 | Twelve Corners | 85.90 | ----- | Prairie View | 74.00 | ----- | Liberty | 81.42 | ----- |
| Moro | 328.75 | 791.78 | Park Street Mission | 80.00 | 10.00 | South Side, Lead Hill | 30.00 | ----- | McCrae | 530.95 | 721.43 |
| North Side, Helena | 5.00 | ----- | Sugar Creek Mission | 191.59 | ----- | Union | 95.95 | ----- | Midway | 60.00 | ----- |
| Pettys Chapel | 48.00 | 32.04 | Total | 50,574.05 | 14,411.18 | Valley Springs | 66.20 | 20.50 | Morrow | 101.83 | ----- |
| Rehobeth | ----- | ----- | BIG CREEK | | | Western Grove | 51.83 | ----- | Morton | 48.34 | 5.50 |
| Snow Lake | ----- | ----- | County Line | ----- | ----- | Woodland Heights, Harrison | 683.56 | 181.23 | Mt. Hebron | 162.29 | ----- |
| Turner | 562.36 | 12.00 | Elizabeth | 26.00 | ----- | Total | 20,399.59 | 5,417.64 | Pangburn | 17.04 | 6.00 |
| West Helena | 12,186.87 | 1,510.36 | Enterprise | 55.00 | 45.49 | BUCKNER ASSOCIATION | | | | | |
| West Helena 2nd | 450.80 | 177.55 | Flora | ----- | ----- | Abbott | 121.67 | ----- | Patterson | 62.06 | ----- |
| West Acres Mission | 12.76 | ----- | Gum Springs | 39.00 | ----- | Bates | 41.05 | ----- | Pleasant Grove | 371.66 | 65.32 |
| Total | 55,300.50 | 12,308.56 | Hardy | 816.04 | 56.37 | Calvary, Mansfield | ----- | ----- | Pleasant Valley | 60.00 | ----- |
| ASHLEY | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Calvary, Crossett | 110.00 | ----- | Mammoth Spring | 336.83 | 58.73 | Cauthron | 5.83 | ----- | Raynor Grove | 52.66 | ----- |
| Corinth A | 648.98 | 107.00 | Mt. Calm | ----- | ----- | Cedar Creek | ----- | ----- | Rocky Point | 73.85 | ----- |
| Crossett 1st | 23,955.75 | 3,604.06 | Mt. Zion | 72.20 | ----- | Clarks Chapel | 55.00 | ----- | Rose Bud | 149.10 | 72.90 |
| Crossett 2nd | 69.63 | ----- | Ozark | 19.59 | ----- | Dayton | 79.47 | ----- | Royal Hill | 28.50 | ----- |
| Eden | 27.00 | ----- | Saddle | ----- | ----- | Denton | ----- | ----- | Searcy 1st | 15,954.16 | 1,464.59 |
| Fellowship | 248.00 | 192.97 | Salem | 224.00 | 137.04 | Evening Shade | 386.65 | ----- | Searcy 2nd | 270.00 | 83.00 |
| Fountain Hill | 1,506.21 | 1,149.15 | Spring River | 220.00 | 10.78 | Fellowship | 682.55 | 324.05 | Smyrna | 30.00 | ----- |
| Gardner | 794.52 | 63.24 | Viola | 140.73 | 102.73 | Hartford 1st | 373.63 | 225.81 | Temple, Searcy | 640.16 | 25.11 |
| Hamburg 1st | 6,625.37 | 664.51 | Miscellaneous | ----- | 30.00 | Haw Creek | 267.12 | ----- | Trinity | 656.23 | 139.80 |
| Jarvis Chapel | 222.53 | ----- | Total | 1,949.39 | 441.14 | Hon | 119.42 | ----- | Tupelo | 211.27 | 146.48 |
| Magnolia | 160.45 | 74.85 | BLACK RIVER | | | Huntington | 373.27 | 176.17 | Union Valley | 125.20 | ----- |
| Martinville | 6.79 | ----- | Alicia | 279.76 | ----- | Ione | 110.20 | ----- | West Point | 164.45 | ----- |
| Meridian | 56.50 | ----- | Amagon | 75.05 | ----- | James Fork | 292.41 | 172.87 | White Lake | 104.00 | ----- |
| Mt. Olive | 2,335.82 | 316.32 | Banks | ----- | ----- | Long Ridge | ----- | ----- | Augusta Mission | 50.00 | 103.62 |
| Mt. Pleasant | 108.33 | 47.20 | Black Rock | 1,140.76 | 171.40 | Mansfield | 3,083.66 | 442.19 | Total | 32,287.20 | 9,103.67 |
| North Crossett | 1,031.15 | 293.10 | Campbell Station | ----- | ----- | Midland | 523.11 | 13.37 | CAREY | | |
| Shiloh | 265.65 | 13.00 | Clear Springs | ----- | ----- | New Home | 30.00 | ----- | Bearden 1st | 1,105.79 | 352.90 |
| Temple, Crossett | 2,974.82 | 312.14 | College City, Walnut Ridge | 819.43 | 350.06 | Parks | 124.72 | 26.50 | Bethesda | ----- | 32.50 |
| Unity | 108.62 | 6.05 | Diaz | ----- | ----- | Pilot View | ----- | ----- | Calvary, Camden | 652.50 | 252.50 |
| Total | 41,806.62 | 6,843.59 | Grubbs | ----- | 19.72 | Pleasant Grove No 2 | 34.00 | ----- | Dalark | 74.30 | ----- |
| BARTHOLOMEW | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Antioch | 75.00 | ----- | Horseshoe | 16.27 | ----- | Pleasant Grove No 3 | 84.00 | ----- | Eagle Mills | 172.62 | ----- |
| Cominto | 24.00 | 5.00 | Hoxie | 390.00 | 123.23 | Providence | 40.33 | ----- | Fordyce 1st | 14,961.97 | 5,044.34 |
| Corinth B | 68.49 | ----- | Immanuel, Newport | 948.36 | 467.90 | Rock Creek | 107.89 | ----- | Hampton | 1,967.84 | 242.11 |
| Eagle Lake | 74.31 | 8.29 | Jacksonport | 688.05 | 700.20 | Shiloh | ----- | ----- | Harmony | 43.52 | ----- |
| Ebenezer | 499.25 | 89.05 | Murphys Corner | 168.08 | 12.00 | Temple, Waldron | 92.94 | ----- | Holly Springs | 30.00 | ----- |
| Enon | 196.98 | ----- | New Hope No. 1, Black Rock | 278.21 | 56.55 | Union Hope | 14.00 | 100.00 | Manning | 139.88 | 30.00 |
| Florence | 72.00 | ----- | New Hope No. 2, Hardy | 131.22 | ----- | Unity | ----- | ----- | New Hope | 276.25 | 165.12 |
| Hermitage | 908.54 | 86.00 | Newport 1st | 3,866.95 | 4,980.05 | West Hartford | 317.73 | 491.85 | Ouachita | 88.00 | 21.13 |
| Immanuel, Warren | 3,730.20 | 267.30 | Old Walnut Ridge | 113.61 | 24.25 | Winfield | 57.44 | ----- | Prosperity | 281.59 | 51.35 |
| Ladell | 67.61 | ----- | Pitts | 29.08 | 2.75 | Total | 19,041.79 | 4,492.19 | Shady Grove | 90.00 | ----- |
| Macedonia | 120.00 | ----- | Pleasant Ridge | ----- | ----- | BUCKVILLE | | | | | |
| Marsden | 16.00 | ----- | Pleasant Valley | 10.00 | 10.00 | Cedar Glades | 202.76 | ----- | Southside, Fordyce | 138.34 | 80.00 |
| Monticello 1st | 5,586.40 | 1,450.03 | Ravenden | ----- | 15.00 | Mt. Tabor | 31.50 | ----- | Sparkman | 3,175.00 | 459.68 |
| Monticello 2nd | 1,056.24 | 227.41 | Sedgwick | 138.00 | ----- | Mountain Valley | 95.00 | ----- | Thornton | 398.44 | 124.93 |
| North Side, Monticello | 557.65 | 180.64 | Smithville | 522.73 | 171.80 | Rock Springs | 229.18 | ----- | Tinsman | 120.00 | ----- |
| Old Union | ----- | ----- | Swifton | 214.86 | 146.50 | Total | 558.44 | ----- | Tulip Memorial | 107.94 | 11.62 |
| Pleasant Grove | 60.00 | ----- | Tuckerman | 630.00 | 315.76 | Caddo River | ----- | ----- | Willow | 43.07 | ----- |
| Prairie Grove | 60.00 | ----- | Walnut Ridge 1st | 5,000.00 | 2,001.91 | Amity | 223.67 | 180.03 | Miscellaneous | ----- | 15.00 |
| Saline | 47.52 | ----- | White Oak | ----- | ----- | Black Springs | 65.40 | ----- | Total | 23,867.05 | 6,883.18 |
| Selma | 120.97 | ----- | Williford 1st | 24.00 | ----- | Caddo Gap | 63.66 | ----- | CAROLINE | | |
| Union Hill | 145.00 | ----- | Total | 15,589.60 | 9,574.08 | Glenwood | 1,736.86 | 296.65 | Austin Station | 377.46 | 192.45 |
| Warren 1st | 11,842.14 | 1,987.76 | BOONE-NEWTON | | | Liberty | 25.00 | ----- | Baugh's Chapel | 456.81 | ----- |
| Wilmar | 273.17 | 78.50 | Alpena | 428.40 | 188.85 | Little Hope | ----- | ----- | Blasco | 45.00 | 259.50 |
| South Side Mission | 380.22 | 117.64 | Batavia | 377.99 | 52.40 | Mt. Gilead | 28.00 | ----- | Brownsville | 133.10 | 60.28 |
| West Side Chapel | 568.09 | 17.68 | Bear Creek Springs | ----- | ----- | Mt. Ida | 1,881.92 | 1,206.00 | Cabot 1st | 7,252.80 | 910.92 |
| Total | 26,549.78 | 4,395.30 | Bellefonte | 106.96 | 41.61 | Norman | 676.11 | 247.52 | Camp Ground | ----- | ----- |
| BENTON | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bentonville 1st | 7,370.56 | 2,225.60 | Boxley | 60.00 | 7.39 | Oden | 371.50 | 177.00 | Caney Creek | 728.97 | 16.00 |
| Centerton 1st | 760.38 | 326.80 | Burlington | 129.72 | ----- | Penel Bluff | 275.14 | 50.10 | Carlisle | 6,001.78 | 1,722.57 |
| Central Avenue, Bentonville | ----- | ----- | BUCKNER ASSOCIATION | | | Pine Ridge | 43.00 | ----- | Chambers | 24.00 | ----- |
| ----- | 188.42 | 247.70 | Abbott | 121.67 | ----- | Refuge | 91.00 | ----- | Cockiebur | 145.06 | 24.75 |
| Decatur | 3,820.60 | 535.46 | Bates | 41.05 | ----- | Sulphur Springs | 173.25 | 293.55 | Coy | 1,161.34 | 624.54 |
| Garfield | 196.08 | 204.53 | Calvary, Mansfield | ----- | ----- | Big Fork Mission | 43.52 | 51.89 | Des Arc | 3,231.65 | 77.75 |
| Gentry | 5,651.87 | 1,692.36 | Cauthron | 5.83 | ----- | Miscellaneous | ----- | 200.00 | De Valls Bluff | 15.00 | 27.00 |
| BUCKNER ASSOCIATION | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | Total | 5,698.08 | 2,702.54 | England 1st | 4,945.85 | 1,458.15 |
| ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | Hazen | 2,522.15 | 382.74 |
| ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | Humnoke | 198.17 | ----- |
| ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | Keo | 371.82 | 295.49 |
| ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | Lonoke | 3,395.26 | ----- |
| ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | Mt. Carmel | 959.47 | 260.36 |
| ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | New Hope | 26.00 | ----- |

| Churches | Cooperative Program | Designated | Churches | Cooperative Program | Designated | Churches | Cooperative Program | Designated | Churches | Cooperative Program | Designated |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|------------|---------------------------|---------------------|------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------|
| HOPE | | | Knowles | 256.97 | ----- | Etowah | 184.08 | ----- | Pike Avenue, No. Little Rock | 3,600.00 | 881.32 |
| Anderson | 395.14 | 28.10 | Lapile | 421.44 | ----- | Fairview | ----- | ----- | Shemur | 444.46 | 21.76 |
| Antioch | ----- | ----- | Lawson | 120.00 | 106.49 | Gosnell | 1,188.03 | 406.34 | Rerwood | 3,846.75 | 473.04 |
| Arabella Heights, Texarkana | 568.01 | 294.73 | Liberty | 802.62 | 95.00 | Joiner | 585.86 | 95.25 | Sixteenth Street, No. Little Rock | 184.36 | ----- |
| Beech Street, Texarkana | 18,224.66 | 3,606.62 | Louann | 189.43 | ----- | Keiser | 709.15 | 108.69 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| Bradley | 1,449.20 | 377.33 | Maple Avenue, Smackover | 3,016.00 | 605.62 | Leachville | 4,845.00 | 666.28 | Stanfill | 47.25 | 22.57 |
| Bronway Heights, Texarkana | 271.61 | 22.99 | Marrable Hill, El Dorado | 1,066.00 | 445.10 | Leachville 2nd | 154.06 | 40.08 | Sylvan Hills | 6,381.51 | 581.35 |
| Calvary, Hope | 3,083.57 | 285.62 | Midway | 438.57 | ----- | Luxora | 375.00 | 352.83 | Zion Hill | 237.32 | 10.59 |
| Calvary, Texarkana | 6,034.05 | 796.17 | New London | 723.87 | ----- | Manila 1st | 3,677.02 | 333.36 | Ryunyan Chapel | 205.18 | ----- |
| Canfield | 180.00 | 45.26 | Norphlet | 7,702.95 | 690.38 | Marys Chapel | 76.40 | ----- | Salem Chapel | 26.72 | 15.00 |
| Central, Magnolia | 26,136.69 | 5,858.91 | Park View, El Dorado | 2,305.59 | 508.41 | New Bethel | 156.97 | ----- | Total | 132,478.75 | 24,642.04 |
| Doddridge | 25.00 | ----- | Philadelphia | 88.00 | ----- | New Harmony | 4.00 | ----- | OUACHITA | | |
| Eastview | 189.71 | 279.50 | Salem | 218.84 | 72.50 | New Liberty | 741.74 | 269.42 | Acorn | 492.37 | 37.57 |
| Fouke 1st | 493.59 | 63.78 | Smackover | 9,191.77 | 2,295.54 | New Providence | 1,235.19 | 386.03 | Bethel | 15.60 | 15.40 |
| Fulton | 500.00 | 148.90 | Snow Hill | 160.03 | ----- | Osceola 1st | 11,242.57 | 1,656.41 | Board Camp | 593.02 | ----- |
| Garland | ----- | ----- | South Side, El Dorado | 1,197.41 | 472.63 | Ridgecrest, Blytheville | 300.00 | 87.15 | Cherry Hill | 284.04 | ----- |
| Genoa | 47.10 | 11.00 | Stephens | 5,878.68 | 1,404.09 | Rosa | 61.12 | ----- | Concord | 40.00 | ----- |
| Guernsey | 89.00 | ----- | Strong | 3,187.04 | 914.31 | Trinity, Blytheville | 119.57 | ----- | Cove | 138.46 | 10.00 |
| Haley Lake | 39.89 | ----- | Sylvan Hills | 195.00 | 118.10 | Wardell | 2,162.01 | 320.35 | Dallas Avenue, Mena | 265.95 | 88.15 |
| Harmony Grove | 80.00 | 28.85 | Temple, Camden | 1,594.51 | 331.50 | Wells Chapel | 157.77 | 57.01 | Gillham | 221.31 | 125.25 |
| Hickory Street, Texarkana | 1,350.00 | 209.28 | Temple, El Dorado | 541.44 | 73.88 | West Side, Manila | 898.28 | 287.33 | Grannis | 307.94 | 198.13 |
| Hope 1st | 16,660.35 | 3,320.14 | Three Creeks | 255.43 | 116.18 | Whitton | 560.17 | 76.90 | Hatfield | 417.05 | 190.51 |
| Immanuel, Hope | ----- | ----- | Trinity | 3,005.20 | 587.28 | Wilson | 5,114.25 | 723.83 | Hatton | 120.00 | ----- |
| Immanuel, Magnolia | 97.19 | 285.63 | Union | 3,065.33 | 320.88 | Woodland Corner | 197.23 | 111.00 | Lower Big Fork | 6.00 | ----- |
| Immanuel, Texarkana | 3,586.64 | 534.25 | Urbana | 323.83 | 341.75 | Yarbrow | 714.61 | 111.00 | Mena 1st | 6,330.21 | 1,358.84 |
| Lewisville 1st | 3,705.46 | 450.50 | Victory | 25.38 | 33.07 | Memorial Chapel | 155.76 | 5.50 | New Hope | 158.63 | 15.00 |
| Macedonia No. 1 | 92.83 | ----- | Village | 912.91 | 204.00 | Total | 78,788.21 | 10,480.22 | Salem | 63.19 | 10.80 |
| Macedonia No. 2 | 110.00 | ----- | West Side, El Dorado | 548.80 | 87.00 | MT. ZION | | | Two Mile | 5.56 | ----- |
| Mandeville | 682.86 | 110.30 | White City | 162.38 | 1,211.91 | Alsop | 93.88 | 12.00 | Vandervoort | 184.30 | 35.22 |
| Memorial | 1,091.16 | 290.02 | Memorial Mission | 4.20 | ----- | Bay | 1,201.70 | 222.54 | Westmoreland Heights, Mena | 9.35 | ----- |
| Mt. Zion | 153.41 | 225.00 | North Side Chapel | 406.59 | ----- | Bethabara | 360.06 | 44.69 | Wickes | 223.18 | 209.45 |
| Piney Grove | 163.70 | ----- | Total | 190,792.87 | 66,247.84 | Black Oak | 852.65 | 799.61 | Yocana | 55.31 | ----- |
| Pisgah | 45.00 | 55.00 | LITTLE RED RIVER | | | Bono | 343.95 | 125.00 | Calvary Mission | 6.25 | ----- |
| Red River | 571.54 | ----- | Brownsville | 70.38 | ----- | Bowman | 109.11 | ----- | Midway Mission | 13.59 | 2.00 |
| Rocky Mound | 36.00 | 6.50 | Center Ridge | 74.20 | ----- | Brookland | 314.00 | 103.45 | Total | 9,954.31 | 2,296.32 |
| Sanderson Lane | ----- | 36.75 | Concord | 374.00 | 32.03 | Buffalo Chapel | ----- | ----- | PULASKI | | |
| Shiloh Memorial | 700.00 | 30.00 | Heber Springs 1st | 3,492.62 | 873.26 | Caraway | 90.27 | 81.11 | Alexander | 436.23 | 90.12 |
| South Texarkana | 5.00 | 124.59 | Lone Star | 45.00 | ----- | Cash | 339.12 | 56.75 | Arch View | 1,131.48 | 439.10 |
| Spring Hill | 290.17 | 10.00 | Mt. Zion | 49.00 | ----- | Central, Jonesboro | 13,972.54 | 1,874.42 | Baptist Tabernacle | 12,221.03 | 1,554.76 |
| Stamps 1st | 5,018.57 | 1,024.53 | New Bethel | 57.00 | ----- | Childress | 967.08 | 408.66 | Barnett Memorial | 81.35 | 102.69 |
| Sylverino | 240.00 | 113.60 | Palestine | 58.02 | 25.85 | Dixie | 293.75 | 37.72 | Bethel | 421.62 | 139.58 |
| Tennessee | 181.68 | 268.53 | Pleasant Ridge | 15.00 | ----- | Egypt | 214.23 | 8.35 | Calvary, Little Rock | 14,047.09 | 4,457.74 |
| Trinity, Magnolia | 57.38 | ----- | Pleasant Valley | ----- | ----- | Fisher Street, Jonesboro | 3,880.80 | 387.53 | Capitol Hill | 770.27 | 178.64 |
| Trinity, Texarkana | 1,466.09 | 504.36 | Post Oak | 55.00 | ----- | Friendly Hope | 369.75 | 110.27 | Crystal Hill | 1,335.90 | 140.64 |
| Troy Bethel | 141.16 | ----- | Quitman 1st | 10.00 | ----- | Jonesboro 1st | 22,075.88 | 7,870.21 | Dennison Street, Little Rock | 619.05 | 99.06 |
| West Side, Magnolia | 22.96 | 111.40 | South Side, Heber Springs | 55.04 | 20.00 | Lake City | 5,050.29 | 775.64 | Douglasville | 223.98 | 148.35 |
| Miscellaneous | 82.00 | ----- | West Side, Heber Springs | ----- | ----- | Lunsford | 497.56 | 85.53 | East End, Hensley | 1,116.43 | 40.00 |
| Total | 94,276.47 | 19,695.44 | Woodrow Mission | 9.91 | 951.14 | Monette | 3,133.56 | 105.51 | Faith | 55.68 | ----- |
| INDEPENDENCE | | | Total | 4,356.17 | ----- | Mt. Pisgah | 231.85 | 30.45 | Forest Highlands | 3,446.30 | 558.28 |
| Batesville 1st | 13,541.99 | 6,267.32 | LITTLE RIVER | | | Mt. Zion | 733.73 | 191.59 | Gaines Street, Little Rock | 8,698.38 | 2,040.59 |
| Calvary, Batesville | 3,678.66 | 2,003.09 | Ashdown | 3,867.52 | 2,493.99 | Needham | 2,262.61 | 914.45 | Garden Homes | 483.90 | 50.72 |
| Cord | 120.68 | 15.00 | Ben Lomond | 89.34 | 6.25 | Nettleton | 2,262.61 | 914.45 | Geyer Springs | 4,384.17 | 332.32 |
| Cushman | 10.25 | ----- | Bingen | 300.00 | ----- | New Antioch | 61.80 | 72.00 | Green Memorial | 459.86 | 42.63 |
| Desha | 430.65 | 38.60 | Brownstown | 50.00 | ----- | New Hope, Black Oak | 56.84 | 71.40 | Hebron | 2,182.35 | 761.28 |
| Eastside, Cave City | 158.60 | 5.00 | Central, Mineral Springs | 658.93 | 619.53 | New Hope, Jonesboro | 99.09 | ----- | Holly Springs | 227.54 | 7.25 |
| Floral | 788.29 | 309.95 | Chapel Hill | 7.00 | ----- | North Main | 640.71 | 40.60 | Immanuel, Little Rock | 61,616.93 | 28,359.91 |
| Marcella | 85.95 | 74.35 | Columbus | 131.34 | ----- | Philadelpia | 2,720.41 | 403.64 | Ironton | 615.42 | 107.77 |
| Mt. Zion | 131.00 | 12.65 | De Queen 1st | 7,580.00 | 2,510.89 | Red | 12.00 | ----- | Life Line | 6,236.35 | 1,737.76 |
| Pilgrims Rest | 35.89 | 43.50 | Dierks | 420.69 | 136.00 | Rowes Chapel | 149.57 | 60.40 | Little Rock 1st | 30,452.36 | 10,656.28 |
| Pleasant Plains | 48.00 | 15.35 | Foreman | 589.12 | 368.14 | Strawfloor | 232.75 | 74.36 | Little Rock 2nd | 20,397.86 | 14,324.83 |
| Rehobeth | 130.00 | 54.41 | Hicks | 57.78 | 176.80 | Walnut Street, Jonesboro | 9,080.63 | 1,774.00 | Longview | 3,220.36 | 390.85 |
| Rosie | 648.70 | 57.60 | Horatio | 300.00 | 176.80 | Westvale | 11.04 | 27.78 | Markham Street, Little Rock | 4,516.11 | 3,129.69 |
| Ruddell Hill | 633.98 | 90.63 | Kern Heights | 299.25 | 75.35 | Wood Spring | 10.00 | ----- | Martindale | 1,275.89 | 256.01 |
| Salado | 57.00 | ----- | Liberty | ----- | 10.00 | University Mission | ----- | 5.60 | McKay | 9.09 | ----- |
| Sulphur Rock | 84.00 | 97.40 | Little River | 416.34 | 120.53 | Total | 69,959.58 | 16,716.26 | Nalls Memorial | 1,493.20 | 227.71 |
| West Batesville | 4,449.28 | 825.45 | Lockesburg | 7.50 | ----- | NORTH PULASKI | | | Natural Steps | 1,009.30 | 90.92 |
| White River | 75.00 | 16.00 | Lone Oak | ----- | ----- | Amboy | 7,470.65 | 1,639.50 | North Point | 122.65 | ----- |
| Total | 25,107.92 | 9,928.80 | Mt. Moriah | ----- | ----- | Baring Cross | 29,150.34 | 6,422.91 | Pine Grove | 2,909.46 | 755.53 |
| LIBERTY | | | Murfreesboro | 971.36 | 779.19 | Berea | 1,171.39 | 552.85 | Plain View | 1,347.55 | 27.50 |
| Buena Vista | 524.46 | 16.83 | Nashville | 8,186.95 | 1,760.29 | Bethany | 1,622.52 | 148.73 | Pleasant Grove | 47.19 | 24.90 |
| Caledonia | 72.00 | 31.35 | New Home | 10.00 | ----- | Calvary, Rose City | 5,170.05 | 792.91 | Pulaski Heights, Little Rock | 52,884.45 | 8,612.36 |
| Calion | 739.47 | 30.29 | Oak Grove | 200.59 | 121.00 | Cedar Heights | 1,227.00 | 152.00 | Reynolds Memorial | 735.00 | 24.14 |
| Calvary, El Dorado | 516.89 | 186.50 | Ogden | 164.62 | 187.50 | Central, North Little Rock | 6,044.75 | 1,402.46 | Riverside | 865.36 | 137.50 |
| Camden 1st | 37,343.08 | 5,687.70 | Ozan | 50.00 | ----- | Chapel Hill | 159.38 | 25.86 | Roland | 295.68 | ----- |
| Camden 2nd | 1,577.16 | 299.25 | Rock Hill | 61.93 | ----- | Crystal Valley | 958.68 | 51.00 | Rosedale | 1,092.26 | 427.26 |
| Chidester | 333.86 | 26.50 | State Line | 32.65 | ----- | Estes Chapel | ----- | ----- | Shady Grove | 275.60 | 21.50 |
| Cross Roads | 1,208.26 | 31.00 | Washington | 173.34 | 190.70 | Forty Seventh Street, No. Little Rock | 2,356.05 | 59.97 | Sheridan 1st | 632.69 | 207.37 |
| Cullendale 1st | 14,789.64 | 1,662.13 | Wilton | 20.00 | 10.10 | Grace | 721.74 | 504.29 | South Highland | 8,830.90 | 3,793.89 |
| Dunn Street | 120.65 | 29.82 | Winthrop | 102.68 | ----- | Gravel Ridge | 1,655.00 | 93.51 | Sunset Lane | 716.50 | 212.07 |
| East Main, El Dorado | 4,764.36 | 1,185.56 | Miscellaneous | ----- | 5.00 | Graves Memorial | 985.37 | 118.76 | Trinity | 150.00 | 37.37 |
| Ebenezer | 2,066.64 | 281.37 | Total | 24,728.83 | 9,651.26 | Harmony | 24.00 | ----- | Tyler Street, Little Rock | 700.66 | 837.01 |
| El Dorado 1st | 41,473.22 | 35,715.15 | MISSISSIPPI | | | Highway | 1,650.00 | 423.16 | University, Little Rock | 1,468.95 | 1,077.22 |
| El Dorado 2nd | 12,125.64 | 2,800.83 | Armored | 554.28 | 171.86 | Hilltop, Cabot | 122.81 | 23.60 | Vimy Ridge | 364.40 | 136.76 |
| Elliott | 3,079.77 | 393.47 | Bark Water | 189.49 | 2.87 | Jacksonville 1st | 7,096.45 | 1,847.86 | Welch Street, Little Rock | 1,375.71 | 506.72 |
| Felsenthal | 262.00 | 375.25 | Blytheville 1st | 34,474.69 | 2,673.86 | Jacksonville 2nd | 1,692.46 | 1,311.10 | West Side, Little Rock | 909.75 | 118.31 |
| Galilee | 446.55 | 65.53 | Brinkleys Chapel | 93.12 | 77.17 | Levy | 10,634.50 | 217.09 | Woodlawn, Little Rock | 3,006.17 | 226.49 |
| Grace, Camden | 407.92 | 40.32 | Browns Chapel | 325.96 | ----- | Marshall Road, Jacksonville | ----- | ----- | Woodson | 755.31 | 59.00 |
| Harmony | 197.67 | 52.27 | Calvary, Blytheville | ----- | ----- | North Little Rock 1st | 5,776.72 | 1,448.17 | Total | 262,677.22 | 87,693.38 |
| Hillside, Camden | 877.00 | 121.00 | Calvary, Osceola | 2,565.91 | 212.36 | Oakwood | 98.41 | ----- | | | |
| Huttig | 1,591.63 | 491.03 | Carson Lake | 2,036.44 | 157.93 | Park Hill | 30,932.43 | 4,990.35 | | | |
| Immanuel, El Dorado | 9,149.18 | 4,824.61 | Central, Dyess | 361.90 | 87.97 | | | | | | |
| Joyce City | 3,120.46 | 255.87 | Clear Lake | 647.80 | 536.75 | | | | | | |
| Junction City | 2,770.77 | 608.79 | Cole Ridge | 517.68 | 180.86 | | | | | | |

| Churches | Cooperative Program | Designated | Churches | Cooperative Program | Designated | Churches | Cooperative Program | Designated | Churches | Cooperative Program | Designated |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|------------|------------------------------|---------------------|------------|------------------------------|---------------------|------------|---|---------------------|--------------|
| RED RIVER | | | Evening Shade | | | West Memphis 2nd | | | Liberty | 141.49 | 71.62 |
| Anchor | 143.02 | | Halfmoon | 19.79 | | | 282.88 | | Lincoln | 1,851.60 | 521.49 |
| Antoine | 232.41 | 46.12 | Leslie | 687.14 | 259.65 | Wheatley | 284.71 | 143.55 | New Hope | 65.00 | |
| Arkadelphia 1st | 12,447.28 | 2,907.89 | Lexington | 121.41 | | Widener | 30.73 | | Ogden | 2.00 | |
| Arkadelphia 2nd | 5,741.20 | 753.85 | Marshall | 913.67 | 214.50 | Wynne 1st | 8,665.64 | 1,492.72 | Prairie Grove | 231.25 | 96.83 |
| Beech Street, Gurdon | | | Mountain View | 1,069.66 | 237.00 | Midway Mission | 235.40 | 5.00 | Providence | 441.75 | 87.23 |
| | 5,094.44 | 1,117.99 | New Hopewell | 89.60 | | Total | 72,275.67 | 15,528.15 | Ridgeview | 652.38 | |
| Beirne | 675.48 | 549.67 | Pee Dee | 65.00 | 15.00 | TRINITY | | | | | |
| Bethel | 95.09 | 216.24 | Plant | 30.00 | | Anderson-Tulley | 110.89 | | Silent Grove | 290.97 | |
| Bethlehem | 97.50 | | Pleasant Valley | | | Bethel, Harrisburg | 36.00 | | Sonora | | |
| Boighton | 60.80 | 50.00 | Red Hill | | | Black Oak | 94.37 | | South Side, Fayetteville | | |
| Caddo Valley | 80.00 | 15.50 | Rupert | 209.45 | | Calvary, Harrisburg | | | | 113.17 | |
| Cedar Grove | 75.94 | | St. Joe | 109.23 | | | 551.89 | 143.40 | Springdale 1st | 18,367.89 | 3,682.58 |
| Center Point | 69.00 | 41.65 | Scotland | 181.68 | 45.10 | Corners Chapel | 150.00 | 61.17 | Spring Valley | 360.25 | 114.68 |
| Curts | 688.43 | 187.05 | Shady Grove | 62.91 | | East Side, Trumann | | | Sulphur City | 216.00 | 97.52 |
| De Gray | 187.00 | | Shirley | 163.30 | 45.77 | | 101.90 | | University, Fayetteville | 3,656.21 | 558.80 |
| East Wheelen | 21.60 | | Snowball | 46.35 | | Faith | 78.96 | 47.17 | West Fork | 33.46 | |
| Emmett | 90.00 | 27.98 | Zion | 32.79 | | Fisher | 266.67 | 161.86 | Winslow | 771.65 | 398.96 |
| Fairview | 35.00 | | Total | 7,344.29 | 1,498.94 | Freer | 136.05 | | Low Gap Mission | 189.14 | 15.30 |
| Harmony Hill | 313.29 | 178.23 | TRI COUNTY | | | Greenfield | 579.00 | | Kingston Mission | 77.52 | |
| Hollywood | 104.86 | 20.00 | Antioch | 51.30 | | Harrisburg 1st | 5,547.91 | 964.94 | Miscellaneous | 27.47 | 12.98 |
| Lakeview | 33.80 | | Barton Chapel | 87.75 | 14.80 | Lebanon | 346.33 | | Total | 53,408.64 | 12,547.21 |
| Marlbrook | 23.76 | | Beckspur | 102.00 | 80.00 | Lepanto | 3,160.44 | 909.41 | WHITE RIVER | | |
| Mt. Bethel | 180.00 | | Burnt Cane | | | Maple Grove | 144.95 | | Antioch | 44.45 | |
| Mt. Olive | | | Calvary, West Memphis | 2,110.90 | 1,193.86 | Marked Tree | 3,299.74 | 487.16 | Bruno | 176.75 | 20.69 |
| Mt. Zion | 104.00 | 25.00 | Cherry Valley | 302.53 | 136.00 | Mc Cormick | 43.00 | 10.00 | Cotter 1st | 1,318.90 | 599.95 |
| Okolona | | | Colt | 173.66 | 41.23 | Neals Chapel | 64.66 | | East Oakland | 12.00 | |
| Park Hill | 324.25 | 264.25 | Crawfordsville | 616.15 | 240.07 | Neiswander | 58.80 | 20.00 | East Side, Mountain Home | | |
| Prescott 1st | 2,300.00 | 295.23 | Earle | 7,634.66 | 1,198.25 | Pleasant Grove | 335.02 | 1.00 | | 1,002.62 | 113.24 |
| Reader | 152.16 | 25.00 | Ellis Chapel | 100.00 | | Pleasant Hill | 169.00 | | Flippin | 647.90 | 106.65 |
| Richwoods | 958.96 | 121.76 | Emmanuel, Forrest City | 290.23 | 91.05 | Pleasant Valley | 51.21 | 167.18 | Gassville | 145.24 | 136.59 |
| Shady Grove | 6.00 | | Fair Oaks | 1,034.33 | | Providence | 68.57 | | Hopewell | 399.78 | 33.80 |
| Shiloh | 301.92 | 128.66 | Fitzgerald Crossing | 550.11 | 90.62 | Red Oak | 82.71 | | Lone Rock | 56.70 | 33.25 |
| South Fork | 36.00 | | Forrest City 1st | 20,914.79 | 4,228.54 | Rivervale | 24.00 | | Mountain Home | 3,332.29 | 1,668.47 |
| Sycamore Grove | 70.66 | | Forrest City 2nd | 142.40 | 85.79 | Spear Lake | 6.85 | | New Hope | 66.98 | 10.00 |
| Third Street, Arkadelphia | 85.60 | 57.25 | Fortune | 29.08 | | Trumann 1st | 3,633.98 | 341.52 | Norfolk 1st | 15.33 | 38.50 |
| Unity | 370.42 | 50.00 | Gladden | 60.00 | 20.50 | Tyronza 1st | 5,733.73 | 781.08 | Oak Grove | | |
| Whelen Springs | 64.56 | | Goodwin | 196.40 | 44.07 | Valley View | 417.63 | 33.50 | Peel | 17.85 | 9.40 |
| Total | 31,208.93 | 7,079.42 | Harris Chapel | 240.00 | 12.17 | Waldenburg | 197.60 | | Pilgrims Rest | 108.00 | |
| ROCKY BAYOU | | | Hulbert | 321.23 | 81.00 | Weiner | 312.95 | 147.38 | Pyatt | 136.75 | |
| Ash Flat 1st | 5.00 | | Hydrick | 24.00 | | West Ridge | 82.06 | | Summit | 163.43 | 41.37 |
| Belview | 75.00 | 21.25 | Ingram Boulevard, W. Memphis | 158.88 | 194.40 | Total | 26,386.92 | 4,426.97 | Tomahawk | 105.28 | 39.62 |
| Boswell | 39.00 | | Jericho | | | WASHINGTON-MADISON | | | | | |
| Calico Rock | 419.40 | 98.25 | Madison | 185.00 | | Berry Street, Springdale | | 123.23 | Whiteville | 203.38 | 89.55 |
| Dolph | | | Marion | 2,037.68 | 537.91 | | 334.81 | | Yellville | 1,140.72 | 339.62 |
| Evening Shade | 174.98 | 4.75 | Mays Chapel | | | Bethel Heights, Fayetteville | 190.76 | 451.41 | Arkana Mission | 10.54 | |
| Finley Creek | 72.00 | | Mt. Pisgah | 10.00 | | Black Oak | 167.44 | 62.00 | Big Flat Mission | 10.00 | 24.00 |
| Franklin | 45.40 | | Palestine | 104.00 | 158.20 | Brush Creek | 642.52 | 112.06 | Bull Shoals Mission | 43.45 | 20.23 |
| Galion | 54.00 | | Parkin | 3,675.00 | 1,073.77 | Calvary, Huntsville | | | Hill Top Mission | 76.43 | 10.00 |
| Melbourne | 900.00 | 273.00 | Pine Tree | 26.00 | | | 409.12 | 53.01 | Midway | 328.34 | 98.84 |
| Mt. Pleasant | 13.75 | | Posey Liberty | 9.36 | | Caudle Avenue, Springdale | 1,805.66 | 37.84 | Promise Land Mission | | 18.20 |
| Myron | 17.00 | | Riverside | 11.63 | 12.00 | Elkins | 60.00 | 10.00 | Table Rock Mission | 33.17 | 2.50 |
| Oxford | 65.00 | | Shell Lake | 113.06 | 30.95 | Elmdale | 2,764.47 | 582.20 | Welcome Ridge Mission | 15.00 | |
| Sage | 189.22 | 73.23 | Tilton | | 4.06 | Farmington | 659.32 | 105.36 | Total | 9,835.31 | 3,409.27 |
| Sidney | 256.22 | 151.47 | Togo | 281.13 | 168.70 | Fayetteville 1st | 13,348.32 | 4,353.18 | Miscellaneous— | | |
| Wiseman | 10.00 | | Turrell | 501.57 | 197.34 | Fayetteville 2nd | 461.00 | 129.25 | CHURCHES NOT BELONGING TO LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS | | |
| Zion Hill | 68.00 | | Union Avenue | 1,402.14 | 60.94 | Friendship | 32.34 | 7.70 | Broadmoor, Little Rock | | |
| Total | 2,408.97 | 622.00 | Vannale | 144.83 | 29.10 | Huntsville | 161.62 | 34.10 | Total | | |
| STONE-VAN BUREN-SEARCY | | | West Memphis 1st | 18,624.51 | 3,911.51 | Immanuel, Fayetteville | 3,769.91 | 512.51 | Miscellaneous Contributions | 1,110.56 | 25,122.35 |
| Alco | 18.00 | | | | | Johnson | 544.30 | 93.00 | Total | 1,110.56 | 25,122.35 |
| Bethinburg | 45.44 | 3.96 | | | | | | | Grand Total | \$1,972,515.81 | \$533,024.07 |
| Clinton | 3,450.73 | 677.96 | | | | | | | | | |
| Corinth | 28.14 | | | | | | | | | | |

Home missions emphasis

JANUARY and February are excellent months in which to discover "New Dimensions in Home Missions" through study of the following:

- Adults—"Winds of Change"
- Young People—"This—My City"
- Intermediates—"Southern Yankee"
- Juniors—"The Dark's A-Creep in"
- Primary—"A Kite for Billy Ching"

The above texts and teaching helps are available at the Baptist Book Store.

JANUARY 28, 1965

Week of Prayer March 7-14

"On the wings of prayer comes an enlarged awareness of needs. As we pray for ourselves and for those in spiritual need, we hear the call to serve and give." So said Dr. Arthur B. Rutledge, recently elected executive secretary of the Home Mission Board.

The theme for the week is "Our Land Shall Own Thee Lord," and each day's observance will include a study of scripture passages relating to the theme. . . a time of challenge including information and intercession. . . a time of personal commitment. . . an opportunity to share in the Annie Armstrong Offering.

Armstrong Offering

Of this offering, Dr. Rutledge said, "Funds are needed urgently for the extension of the gospel into areas of spiritual need and neglect in our beloved United States. The Annie Armstrong Offering for Home Missions. . . provides extremely significant support for home mission work. It is combined with Cooperative Program funds to provide continuing advance in the effort to claim 'our land for Christ.'"

Full observance of the Week of Prayer can bring revival to the local church even as it will reach out into our nation. — Nancy Cooper, Executive Secretary and Treasurer

Judgment and invitation

BY FINLEY M. CHU

MATTHEW 11:20-30

JANUARY 31, 1965

AS we have mentioned previously, according to the Gospel of Matthew, the first word uttered by Jesus was "Repent," and repentance is the prerequisite for anyone, including the "righteous," to enter the kingdom of heaven.

I. The destiny of the nonrepentant

THE first section of our lesson today (Matthew 11:20-24) tells us how Jesus warned the people of the consequences if they failed to repent. He showed them through their own history books how and why the people of Tyre, Sidon, and Sodom were destroyed because of their refusal to repent.

God is no respecter of persons. All men are treated equally. The non-repentants shall be punished. But God expects more from those who are given more, and he applies severer punishment to those who have more opportunities to know God but refuse to do so. Had the people in the ancient cities of Tyre and Sidon had opportunities as the people of Chorazin, Bethsaida, and Capernaum did, they would have repented. The people of Chorazin, Bethsaida, and Capernaum should have more reasons to say, "How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation" (Hebrews 2:3)? Why "so great?" Because Jesus himself was among them!

II. Problems facing Christians

NOTE that Jesus was singling out the Galilean cities to be warned. Any special reasons? Of course, city people are certainly not more sinful than country people. But they are more pressed by time, and by crisscross of end-

less engagements. So they are in greater dangers. Surely, people do not have to live in cities in order to have the city-type of life. Most people are occupied too much with "getting and spending" and too little for their churches and their God.

With most of us Christians, the basic problem is not that we may forget God or disbelieve in Him; our problem is indifference, which is even worse than unbelieving. Rev. 3:16 says, "So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth." We often-times, consciously or unconsciously, speak within ourselves, "What is the difference whether I go to Sunday School or not?" The feeling of "no difference" is indifference. Indifference serves as the gate open to all kinds of temptation.

III. The source of real joy

VERSES 25-27 are commonly known as the "ecstasy of Jesus." Jesus was experiencing a great joy, and he showed us how to get it. The source of joy is his perfect knowledge of and his harmonious relationship with God. We all know something about God; only Jesus knows him perfectly.

Many lessons can be learned from this portion of scriptures. In the first place, knowing God in Christianity does not depend upon the Stoic philosophy, Scribal wisdom, or Pharisaic prudence; it depends upon one's self-commitment and personal trust. This even a child can do. Sole reliance upon intellectual speculation and imperical observation may even mislead a person, instead of bringing him closer to God. This has

been witnessed many times when Christianity was introduced into a new country where the leaders and scholars failed to understand the gospel truth while the uneducated and lowly people took it in readily and received great blessings.

We want to point out quickly that Jesus was not against intellectuals; rather, he told us that the truth of God is different from the truth of man. The truths we reach through our study of natural, social, and mental phenomena are often limited to our fragmental observations which, in turn, are conditioned by our own ignorance and the moods of our time. The eternal truth of God as it is revealed by Jesus can only be seen and experienced by personal trust in Him.

IV. The greatest invitation on earth

VERSES 28-30 tell about the "Greatest invitation on earth" including the outcome and the method of accepting the invitation. This invitation is simple and direct. It is "Come."

There is a Chinese character standing for "come." It is composed of four parts: a cross, a big man on the cross, and two little men, one on each side. It is the very picture of the crucifixion. There are many Chinese characters of interesting compositions which lead some Christians to think that Christian truth, the truth incarnated in the person of Jesus, is deeply rooted in the very nature of the human creation. Otherwise, they wonder, how could the ideas manifested in the structure of such characters happen by accidents in so many ways?

Once we come to him to accept his invitation, we are removed from the burden of weariness, the burdens of life imposed on us internally by ourselves and externally by others. "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

How to accept the invitation? "Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me." However, you cannot take the yoke of Jesus upon