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# God Answers \$5 Million Prayer

The greatest known offering in recent church history was received by Thomas Road Baptist Church on Sunday, Sept. 24, 1978, when over \$5 million was collected from church members and viewers of The Old-Time Gospel Hour.

Dr. Jerry Falwell announced the electrifying results to a packed church auditorium. Shouts of "Amen" and "Hallelujah" were drowned out by the applause.

Most of the money was not received on the Sunday Dr. Falwell called "Miracle Day." Actually, the goal of \$5 million was announced over a month ago. Viewers of the Old-Time Gospel Hour have been sending in their gifts for 30 days to have it ready to be counted for the gigantic offering.

On Sunday evening they were still counting the offering and, according to Dr. Falwell, "We won't know the total offering for a week. People are still mailing in money."

The need for \$5 million developed over the summer. Hundreds of additional students were coming to Liberty Baptist College. Therefore, the contractors were given the green light to build dormitories and classroom buildings. But a firm commitment for interim funding fell through and the financial crisis arose.

In addition, there were other problems. The threatened postal strike caused some potential donors to withhold their contributions due to apprehension that their gifts would get lost in the mail. Also, the Clean Up America campaign was costly. In addition to these pressures was the normal "summer slump" of contributions felt during July and August.

"My greatest fear is that people will think we are rich," Dr. Falwell testified. "But that will be far from true, for the money will be spent on Monday morning," he added. Falwell noted that the offering pays for buildings already completed, bills for television air time, and for completion of the gymnasium and Classroom Building D, construction of which was halted during the summer.

In the meantime, students have been meeting in a leased tent for chapel and large classes. The gym will be finished by December, and chapel will then be held there.

According to Falwell, "As far as we know, nothing of this magnitude has ever happened in the Christian ministry." Whereas some might have secretly prayed for \$5 million, Falwell announced the goal on nationwide television. There was the incredible risk of failure. If the goal was missed, his credibility would have suffered, plus the scoffers could have mocked the promises of God to meet the needs of His children (Phil. 4:19).

This is the most tremendous thing I have witnessed in the 57 years of my ministry," testified Dr. B.R. Lakin, evangelist, who preached on Miracle Day. He went on to observe, "This is the offering of all time."

When the *Journal-Champion* interviewed Macel Falwell, she said, "Jerry never had a doubt that the money would come in." The wife of Dr. Falwell testified, "He was absolutely positive it would come."

Gifts came in from members of the Thomas Road Baptist Church and viewers of The Old-Time Gospel Hour across the country. Thousands of small gifts were received each day. Hundreds brought their gift and personally handed it to Dr. Falwell. On Sunday, September 17, approximately \$117,000 was handed to him throughout the day. One lady in Philadelphia handed a visiting TRBC staff member a check for \$100 and said, "Can you get this to Dr. Falwell on time to be added to the goal?"

Some 250 members of the Founders Club (individuals who have given \$1,000 or more in single gifts to the ministry) accepted Dr. Falwell's invitation to come to Lynchburg last weekend. They were treated to a banquet, a tour of all facilities, including a trip around Liberty Mountain with Falwell, and a special time of prayer.

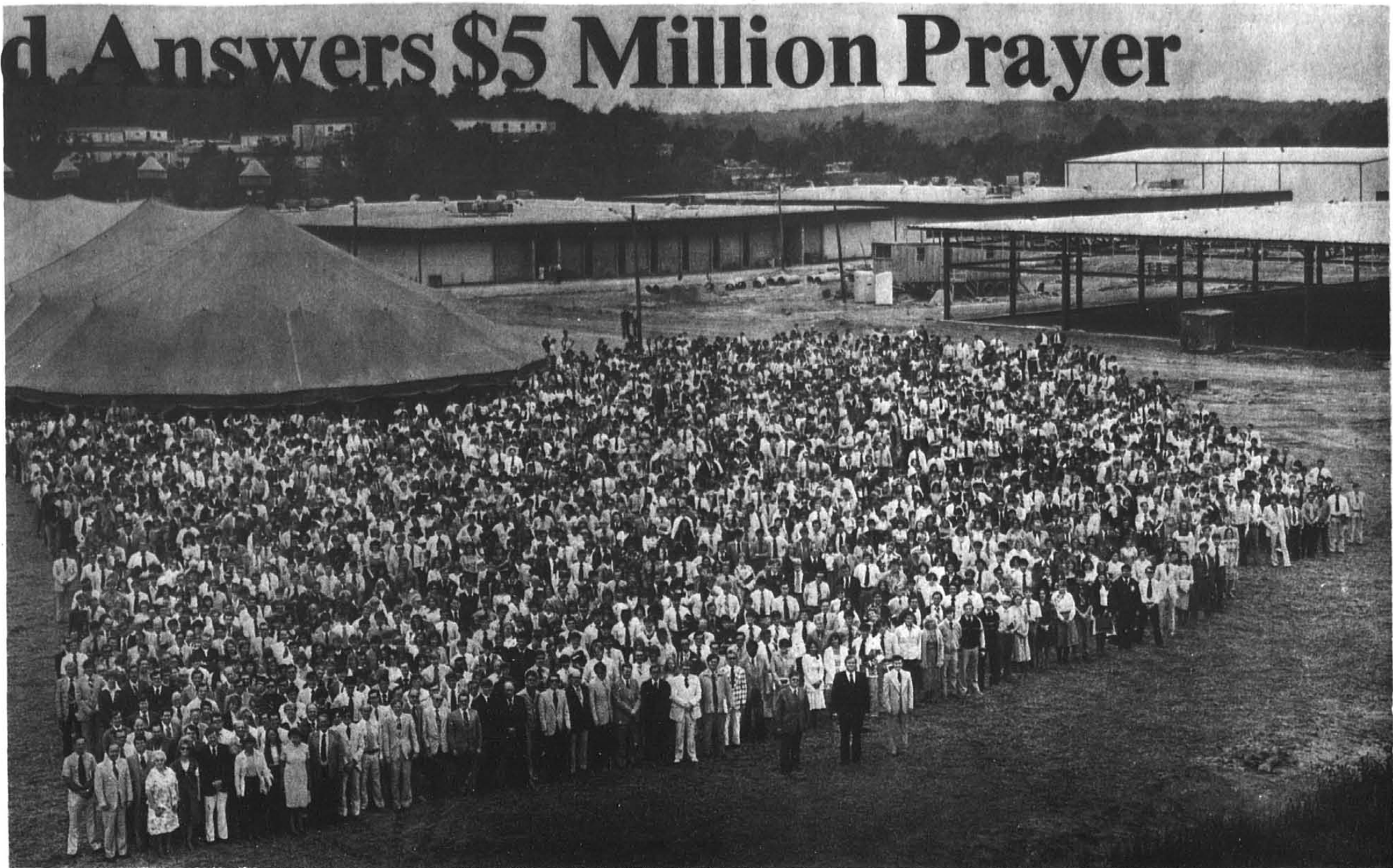
For Miracle Day, Founders Club members gave more than \$560,000. Another individual two weeks ago pledged \$300,000 for completion of the gymnasium. One man donated more than \$100,000 while another pledged enough to pay for the building of another dormitory. These people preferred to remain anonymous, Falwell said.

Scores of gifts of \$1,000 or more were received, and hundreds of \$100 or more came through to be counted in with all the rest of the donations for Miracle Day.

Don Norman, executive assistant to Dr. Falwell, was moved by the miracle. "This is a tremendous answer to prayer. I have never witnessed anything like it. It is great to know that God still meets the needs of His children and that He will give us the things we ask."

Norman went on to add, "It's the greatest answer to prayer in my life."

Just as Joshua and the priests of Israel had walked seven times around Jericho before the victory, Jerry Falwell had promised to drive around Liberty Mountain seven times on Miracle Day. At 6:00 a.m. he began his trip with several staff members joining him. Ed Donald, vice-president for administrative affairs at Liberty Baptist College, drove the first car followed by Falwell and other cars. Everything was done to insure a victory.



LBC faculty and students stand in front of temporary tent and unfinished classroom building on Liberty Mountain. Completed dormitories are in background. Photo by Tony Black.

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### Batema: NAY TO GAYS

By BOB HARRIS  
LOS ANGELES, CAL. - Dr. Ray Batema, pastor of the Central Baptist Church of Pomona, Calif., and State Senator John Briggs have gained some 300 supporters in their fight to keep openly avowed homosexuals from teaching in California public schools.

What's more, they are coming impressively close to reaching the goal of raising \$300,000 to get Proposition 6, the Anti-Homosexual Initiative, passed on Election Day, November 7.

"We met last week with about 300 California pastors," Dr. Batema told the *Journal-Champion*. "They were responding to our letter and the letter that Dr. Jerry Falwell sent out, asking these pastors to meet with us."

When pastors met with the Citizens for Decency and Morality group in San Diego, homosexuals picketed the outside of the building, and some even lay down in front of the doors to prevent the preachers from leaving. "We had to climb over their bodies to get out and get to our cars," Batema said. Five of the homosexuals were arrested for not obeying police orders.

At some Citizens for Decency and Morality meetings, members of the Metropolitan Community Church (the gay church) have tried to force their way in and disrupt, but were prevented from doing so by guards.

Dr. Batema and Sen. Briggs are co-directors of Citizens for Decency and Morality, whose

primary goal is getting Proposition 6 passed. The Anti-Homosexuality Initiative prohibits the hiring and calls for the firing of publicly avowed homosexuals. It deals with schoolteachers, teachers' aids, and volunteer teachers.

"We are trying to find 300 churches who will contribute \$1,000 or more toward our goal," Batema said. "We don't have 300 yet, but we have many who are giving at least that much, and others are holding special offerings."

Batema and Briggs plan to use the \$300,000 to buy television air time, which will consist of one-minute spots promoting the family and decency. Public relations consultants have told them that without TV, they'll lose.

On the other hand, supporters of homosexuality have announced that they plan to spend \$1.5 million on TV ads to defeat Proposition 6. Though it appears to be an uphill battle, consultants have assured Batema and Briggs that \$300,000 is all it will take to defeat the homosexuals.

Already, Citizens for Decency and Morality has received some free news coverage from the media. "All the news media came to our preachers' meeting, including ABC and NBC," Batema said, "and the *Los Angeles Times*."

Further, the *Wall Street Journal* interviewed pastor Batema after his Sunday morning worship service was concluded in Pomona last week, and the week before KQED, the

Public Broadcasting Service television station from San Francisco, sent a crew to film Batema and his church for a special documentary titled, "The Impact of Fundamentalism on America."

And another local San Francisco TV station has scheduled a debate on October 11 between Batema and San Francisco city councilman Harvey Melk, an avowed homosexual.

"This is the most explosive issue to ever hit our state or hit the country," Batema added. He believes Proposition 6 is even more notorious and controversial than Proposition 13, the Jarvis-Gann tax revolt initiative, was last June.

"Proposition 6 has more news coverage than any other proposition," he added, "but most of it is bad. Three weeks ago the *L.A. Times* ran a large headline and story, 'Fear Stalks "No on 6" Drive.' It was a twisted story, saying the 'No on 6' people are the ones that are afraid. Yes, they're afraid, but we're the ones getting the threats."

But the big pay-off for the Proposition 6 drive, Batema believes, will be a "God, Country and Decency Rally" October 30 in southern California. Dr. Jerry Falwell is one of the featured speakers, and Bill Faulkner of Thomas Road Baptist Church in Lynchburg, Va., is organizing it. Batema is negotiating to hold the rally at the huge Anaheim Convention Center, but that's not definite

yet. At any rate, Sen. Briggs' goal is to get between 5,000 and 8,000 people to come to the rally. "If that happens, that will give us the needed publicity to visually assure passage of Proposition 6," Batema said.

Of the 300 who met and pledged their support for Citizens for Decency and Morality, most are fundamental, independent Baptist preachers, but some are members of other denominations - Church of the Brethren, Presbyterians, even Mormons. "I think nearly every one of them promised that they would help us financially," Batema said.

Yet, not surprisingly most of the reaction to Proposition 6 has been negative. In fact, both Sen. Briggs, who sponsored the initiative, and Dr. Batema, have received threats on their lives. Both men are constantly protected by police officers now. Batema's family also received obscene telephone calls from homosexuals, so Batema had to get an unlisted phone number.

California is becoming a pressure cooker of increased tension concerning the homosexual issue. Governor Edmund G. Brown, Jr., has repeatedly supported legislation favoring homosexuality, even to the point of attending gay liberationist fund-raising events.

"We're also getting a lot of support from non-Christians, people who don't even know anything about the Bible, but hate homosexuality," Batema added. All in all, Briggs and Batema



Batema (left), Falwell, Sen. Briggs.

are optimistic that Proposition 6 will pass. "We know it's an uphill battle," Batema said. "We know we will not win by a landslide, especially when you organize in a state where there is so much public and newspaper favor for homosexuals. But there's a lot of God's people out here among the 21 million people

who live in this state."

Interested citizens are urged to contact Batema or Briggs with any questions or communications by writing to Citizens for Decency and Morality, P.O. Box 85, Pomona, Cal., 91767.

### FOR THE RECORD: \$\$\$\$

Churches used to talk about breaking their attendance records and having the largest Sunday School in the state. Now they talk about record offerings.

John Dart, religion writer for the *Los Angeles Times*, noted that the record for single Sunday offerings has been broken four times in the past few months. He reports that Church of Christ congregations in Texas began the race: Broadway Church in Lubbock (\$886,900), Bammel Road Church in Houston (\$1.1 million) and Westbury Church in Houston (\$1.2 million).

Next on the list was Robert H. Schuler, pastor of Garden Grove Community Church, Anaheim, Cal., who reported a record single-Sunday collection of \$1,251,356 which will be used to build a "crystal cathedral." After all of the money was in, a total of \$1,421,000 was reached.

When Jerry Falwell announced a

goal of \$5 million for Sept. 24, 1978, it marked the largest one-day financial goal known in the history of Christianity. At the end of the day, in excess of \$5 million had been received, and they were still counting.

The offering came from the viewers of The Old-Time Gospel Hour and the members of Thomas Road Baptist Church.

The Gateway Baptist Church, Ironton, Ohio, took a sacrificial offering toward the \$5 million goal for Liberty Baptist College. Pastor Cliff Hartley graduated from Liberty Baptist College and returned to his home town to found the church and three years later is averaging 250 in Sunday School.

Even though the church is struggling with its own financial projects, they received \$177.28 toward the goal. He told Dr. Falwell, "Phone me Sunday evening to let me know how much comes in."

### SAYS DR. GISH

### Evolutionists Are Wrong

By BRENDA EASTERLING

A study of the scientific evidence related to the question of creation versus evolution favors creation.

The associate director of the Institute for Creation Research, San Diego, Calif., is Dr. Duane Tolbert Gish. His studies of scientific evidence related to creation expose fallacies in the various theories of evolution involving the age of the earth and the history of man.

Dr. Gish told the Thomas Road congregation Wednesday, September 13, "Evidence shows contradictions among evolutionists' ideas of the nature of man. Contrary to their theories based upon speculation, the fossil record is in accord with the concept of special creation."

"Evolutionists contend that man 'evolved' from the same line as the monkey. In their research to prove this, they have simulated 'ancient' man from jawbones, teeth and skulls. One of these models was formed on the basis of a tooth excavated in Nebraska, and appropriately named Nebraska Man. Modern methods of dating proved the



DR. DUANE GISH

tooth was not that of a man, but a pig. "This is a case where the evolutionist made a man out of a pig, and a pig made a monkey out of an evolutionist," Dr. Gish said.

The facts of science

demonstrate that this universe had to be created, and did not evolve, Dr. Gish said. "I would date the earth at 10,000 years old, certainly no less than 6,000 and no more than 12,000." This is contrary to the evolutionary view that the earth is billions of years old.

The Institute for Creation Research is conducting studies in all fields of science related to the question of creation versus evolution.

"Our purpose is to demonstrate that the actual facts of science are in accord with the fact of special creation rather than of evolution," Dr. Gish said. A related project is a search to locate Noah's ark under the direction of Dr. John Morris, the son of Dr. Henry Morris, director of the Institute for Creation Research.

The first expedition to Mount Ararat was conducted in 1972. Because of a withdrawal of United States military support during Turkey's war over Cyprus in 1974, however, the Turkish government has granted no additional permits, Dr. Gish said.



# EDITORIAL

It is said that the front cover of the *Bulletin of the Atomic Scientist* for April, 1950, is the face of a clock with the hands pointing to three minutes to twelve. Today men speak virtually in terms of apocalyptic language. Leaders speak of teetering on the brink of global cosmocide.

It is written that the United States possesses a defense potential that is the equivalent of 369,769 Hiroshima-sized bombs. It is said that Russia has 718,538 Hiroshimas ready to spread their destruction. Estimates are that Russia and the United States now possess more than 7000 times the destructive power of all the bombs dropped on Germany and Japan in World War II.

At one time the United States, Russia, France, England and China were the only nations with nuclear weapons, but those days are history. Today India possesses nuclear devices and Israel is thought to possess a modest stockpile of atomic weapons. Spain, Japan, South Korea, Australia and Iran are rapidly nearing the technical capability of developing such power.

John F. Kennedy once said, "Together we shall save our planet - or together we shall perish in its flames." Dr. Albert Einstein said, "There is no defense in science against the weapons which can destroy civilization."

Anyone with a thimblefull of knowledge of the Middle East and its potential for war knows that a conflict between the Jews and Arabs has the possibility of developing into a worldwide holocaust. The superpowers, Russia and the United States, no longer disguise their interests in the Middle East. No physical peril greater than atomic warfare has confronted man since the Flood.

It is no small wonder that President Carter was determined to make every effort to bring President Anwar Sadat of Egypt and Prime Minister Menachem Begin of Israel together at Camp David for the purpose of searching out a solution to the age-long Arab-Israeli conflict.

The discussions were lengthy and difficult. At times they seemed destined to sterility, even hopelessness. There were crisis moments when all talks could have terminated in despair. However, the results of the summit have been hailed as enormous, unbelievable, and some have viewed them as the political victory of the age. Conservatively speaking, the results exceeded what many observers hoped for.

Sen. John G. Tower of Texas said, "I didn't think he could pull it off. It was a calculated risk and it worked." Party lines for the most part seemed to close as men from both sides of the congressional aisle hailed the achievements of Camp David.

Documents have been signed, and while the results were by no means complete and all has yet to be ratified by the votes of the governments concerned,

what has been accomplished should bring joy to all who understand anything of the enormity and complexity of the problems with which these leaders wrestled.

The problems are cultural, economic, sociological and religious. They are deeply rooted in the animosities and distrusts of the centuries. Sons of Egypt and Israel alike have died as these hatreds have been perpetuated on fields of battle. Knowing something of the abuses of that which is now history, reviewing for a moment the slanders, the vivid and reproachful language heard in both lands, even in the halls of government, any intelligent person will rejoice in that any progress toward peace and the resolution of disputes has taken place.

One could wish more had been accomplished, but realizing that what has taken place has to that degree spared further bloodshed and set all parties on a positive course of action, the whole of the summit is to be hailed for what it is - an enormous breakthrough in understanding, and hopefully the beginning of even greater political achievements.

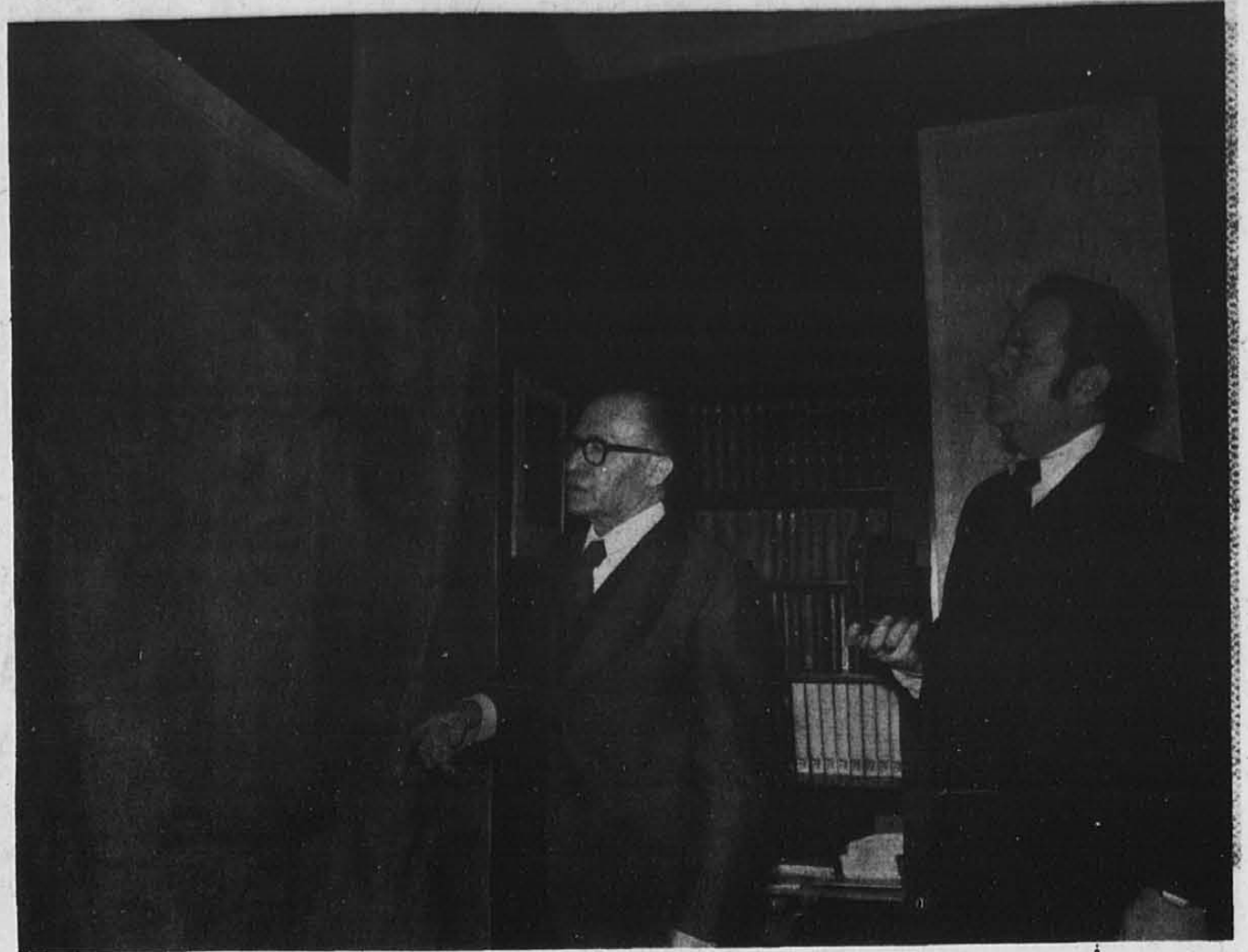
What lies in the immediate future for Israel and Egypt, for the Arab countries and their relationships with Israel, one cannot see clearly. However, for the Christian taught and skilled in the prophetic Scriptures, there are those factors that stand out as being part of the future of both countries. What lies between the present moment and the fulfillment of salient portions of the Word of God is not crystal clear. Nevertheless, that certain events will take place is the clear teaching of the Bible.

Jerusalem is the capital of the State of Israel. Will Israel give up old Jerusalem to the Arabs as so many demand? Will Israel agree to an international control of the old city, or would they accept a joint Israeli-Arab plan for the government of that city? Neither heat nor noise can settle these issues of state.

The Bible-taught Christian is not a seer, but he can look down through time with his Bible in hand and note that it is clearly indicated that the temple will be rebuilt in Jerusalem. This is highly significant to the prophetic student inasmuch as it is therewith evident that despite present clamor concerning the city, the temple will one day stand in its appointed place and be the center of Jewish religious life. That the temple will be built is assured by such passages as Matt. 24:15; 2 Thess. 2:4; and Rev. 11:1.

Jewish leaders would reject any plan for the immediate rebuilding of the temple. It would evoke the unmitigated wrath of the total Arab world. Furthermore, most Jewish religious leaders would reject the resumption of blood sacrifices as being utterly abhorrent. But that it will come to pass is the message of the Word of God. Does this mean that Jerusalem will remain Jewish until these events transpire? Does it mean that Jerusalem sovereignty will be surrendered to some plan for governing the city, only later to be

## From Camp David To Jerusalem



Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin discusses Middle East map with Dr. Jerry Falwell during Lynchburg pastor's spring visit. Photo by K. Weiss, Jerusalem.

regained by Israel and thus enable them to rebuild the temple?

There is another very important possibility on the horizon of the moment. Is it not so that Israel's major concerns in negotiations are security and complete sovereignty over her own affairs? Freedom from war, secure boundaries, the ability to develop within the framework of her national purposes - this is Israel's desire. Security is priceless. Could it be that the United States will guarantee the security of Israel, once boundaries are settled upon by negotiations? Or could it be that the United States acting in partnership with certain European powers would guarantee Israel's security? Their security being guaranteed might embolden Israel in time to permit the rebuilding of the temple for worship in Jerusalem.

The prophetic student must bear in mind that the great political leader of the future Western coalition of states, sometimes called the revived or re-cast Roman Empire, will "confirm the covenant with many for one week" (Daniel 9:27). It is not crystal clear from the

text whether the political head of the coalition yet future "makes" the covenant or "confirms" a covenant already made with Israel by certain powers guaranteeing her security. It could very well be that the great future leader of the West will agree to ratify or confirm the security already affirmed to Israel. With this done, the nation could proceed to rebuild its temple and to accomplish that which is assured by the prophetic Word.

We are not prophets, but it is thrilling for the Christian to consider the possibility that he is witnessing, as in other areas of international events, the shaping of that which can, when united with other facets of the future, lead to the fulfillment of Scripture as related to the Jew and Jerusalem. Camp David's summit exchanges hold out much hope for the future of these two nations, but the Bible-taught Christian looks beyond the events of the present and immediate future only to behold that which God has written in advance concerning the City of David.

- Gerald L. Stover

## We Have Not Changed

A few years ago people thought a fundamentalist was a person who did not sip cocktails, gamble or allow his boys to wear their hair long. These were not all the actual issues, but the public judged fundamentalists by their outward separation.

The issue of cleanliness is still important to us and we think fundamentalists want to live disciplined lives. But strange voices are raising strange issues to "test" one's loyalty to fundamentalism.

We have always believed a fundamentalist should not go on the platforms of liberals and preach, nor should he fellowship in churches connected with the National Council of Churches. No pastor or singer with the Thomas Road family can minister in a church connected with neo-evangelicals or liberals. When Thomas Road Baptist Church conducts a program in a city, such as "I Love America," no one is asked to sponsor the program. We pick up all the bills so that a person of questionable association cannot sponsor the meeting or sit on the platform.

Bigness, numbers and the super church strategy are sometimes criticized. We happen to think God is interested in numbers because He told us to go into all the world and reach all the people.

Our vision ought to be as big as the heart and vision of God. The Jerusalem Church had its great crowds. We are interested in numbers because every person counts and numbers are the measure of our outreach.

But of course, no one should stress numbers just for the sake of numbers. Those who build a great church for numbers only are just as wrong as those who are smugly satisfied with a small church. The attitude of the people and their commitment to preach the fundamentals will determine the spirituality of the church. A fundamentalist has a broken heart for lost people. He believes the commands of the Bible obligate him to win as many to Christ as possible.

The local church is important to God, whether large or small. The church is God's instrument for the evangelization of the world. Implied in the Great Commission is the local church, because Christ commanded his disciples to win all nations and then baptize them. People are placed in the church by baptism.

Every believer ought to be under the discipline of a local fundamental church. We believe fundamental colleges ought to receive their authority from a local church. All fundamental radio and TV ministries should also be under the same authority. This is why Liberty Baptist Schools (college, seminary, institute, and academy) are controlled spiritually by the Thomas Road Baptist Church. The Old-Time Gospel Hour, both radio and TV, is also under the authority of the Thomas Road Baptist Church.

Fundamentalists should be extremely careful of the music used in their churches. Rock-and-roll has done much to destroy the minds of our youth. We should use music that has Biblical words, that edifies and that exalts Christ.

Music should win people to Jesus. It should not call attention to itself or to the musician. Christians ought to feel the same way about church music that they feel about Biblical preaching. For that reason, we reject dead anthems that never reach the heart.

A word should also be said about promotions and gimmicks. Some churches have gone overboard, but we will not judge their motives or results. Who knows what "overboard" means? We like to see happy children riding our buses and we think it is all right to feed hungry children who come to Sunday School. But promotion should be kept out of the morning service. Let the preaching of the Word convict and convert.

A church can have buses, happy music, promotions and be super-aggressive -- and still be fundamental. A small church that has never bought a mimeograph machine and has dead singing can also be fundamental. Doctrine and commitment to the fundamentals of the faith make a church fundamental.

Thomas Road Baptist Church is an old-fashioned fundamental church that has planted its foundation squarely upon Scripture. We will not compromise our preaching for the liberal who disagrees with our doctrine, nor will we cut back our aggressive soul-winning because some critics dislike our techniques.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:  
Thank you very much for the *Journal-Champion*. As a graduate of Liberty Baptist College, just such a paper was needed to keep us informed as to needs and issues at home (Lynchburg).

Dear Editor:  
Enclosed is my check in the amount of \$24.95. Please enter my subscription to the *Journal-Champion* for five years.  
I have been a friend of TRBC since 1972 and this newspaper is the answer to a great need I have had for all that time: a need to know all I can about a church, a college and a community I hope someday to retire to.

Sincerely,  
Charles J. Mantel  
Watertown, Wis.

Dear Editor:  
Congratulations on this fine publication, the *Journal-Champion*. I just received a copy

and I am delighted to request a year's subscription. My check for \$9.95 is enclosed.  
This and the TV viewing will bring us closer to the dear folks at Thomas Road. Thank you so much.

Sincerely,  
Sue G. Sears  
Ocotillo, Cal.

Dear Editor:  
Thank you very much for the *Journal-Champion*. Having made many wonderful friends in my days at LBC, it is always a joy to know what God is about in the midst of the Thomas Road family. Until the beginning of the *Journal-Champion*, most of the news received about the work there was from sporadic times of fellowship with some of the singing groups as they came our way. The paper meets a real need in this regard, as well as being a rich source of information through the helpful articles and editorials.

Enclosed you will find my subscription, and my wishes for God's continued blessing upon your work.

Sincerely in Christ,  
T.P. Johnston, Jr., Pastor  
New River Valley Baptist Church  
Pulaski, Va.

Dear Editor:  
We eagerly await each issue of the *Journal-Champion*. When it arrives, I usually sit down and read it through completely. It is

just like receiving "a letter from home." It keeps our family "in touch" with what is happening at LBC and TRBC. Thanks again, it means much.

Jean Hartley  
Gateway Baptist Church  
Ironton, Ohio

Editor's Note: Mrs. Hartley is married to Cliff Hartley, a 1975 graduate of Liberty Baptist College and pastor of Gateway Baptist.

Dear Editor:  
My heartfelt congratulations upon your splendid paper, the *Journal-Champion*.

At your earliest convenience, would you please have your secretary mail to me at least six copies of the editorial entitled "An Open Letter From Jerry Falwell" that was featured in the *Journal-Champion* for Aug. 18, 1978. Enclosed are several dollars to help with the cost. I am sending these copies to preacher friends that have believed the lies that others are telling on Jerry and his ministry.

It is an excellent article, factual and well-documented, and it answers well the carping critics who seem to have nothing more important to do than attack this great man of God and his many-faceted ministry!

I thank God for Jerry and for his gracious spirit to preachers and churches across this country

who are trying to do something for God!

Ever your friend in Him,  
Robert C. Gray, Jr.  
Pastor  
Trinity Baptist Church  
Jacksonville, Fla.

Dear Editor:  
It is indeed a great pleasure to read the many important materials you have produced since you returned from your trip to Korea.

The North Korean Communists are very much encouraged to see President Carter proceeding with his unilateral decision to withdraw the U.S. ground forces from Korea without considering any durable peace arrangement to follow. Such encouragement firms the North Korean confidence that they can bring South Korea under their control. For our part, we would sooner develop our economy further and lead a happy, prosperous life than unify the country by means of war. If the U.S. ground forces withdraw from Korea over the next four or five years, there is a great danger that North Korea will provoke a war and the Soviet Union and Communist China will increase their aid to the North.

I will defend the Republic of Korea to the end of my life. I believe that the time will come when the United States will recognize the value of Korea and I am convinced that freedom-

loving people everywhere will recognize the true value of Korea, whose cultural heritage has successfully blended with modern economic progress, as a valuable spiritual and physical asset to the Free World. In anticipation of such a time, the 36 million Korean people will continue to work hard. Whatever Americans say about us, I still love and thank them.

With religious belief, I remain,  
Sincerely yours,  
Too Chin Paik  
Former Prime Minister of Korea

Dear Editor:  
I have had many people come to visit from the United States, but you are one of the few persons who have a clear understanding of Korea's situation today. It is my prayer that, through your articles and your writings, many people will have a clear understanding of the situation in this part of the world.

God bless you! Please give our best wishes to Dr. Falwell and Gordon Luff.

Yours in Christ,  
Billy Kim, Director  
Korea Inland Mission  
Suwon, Korea

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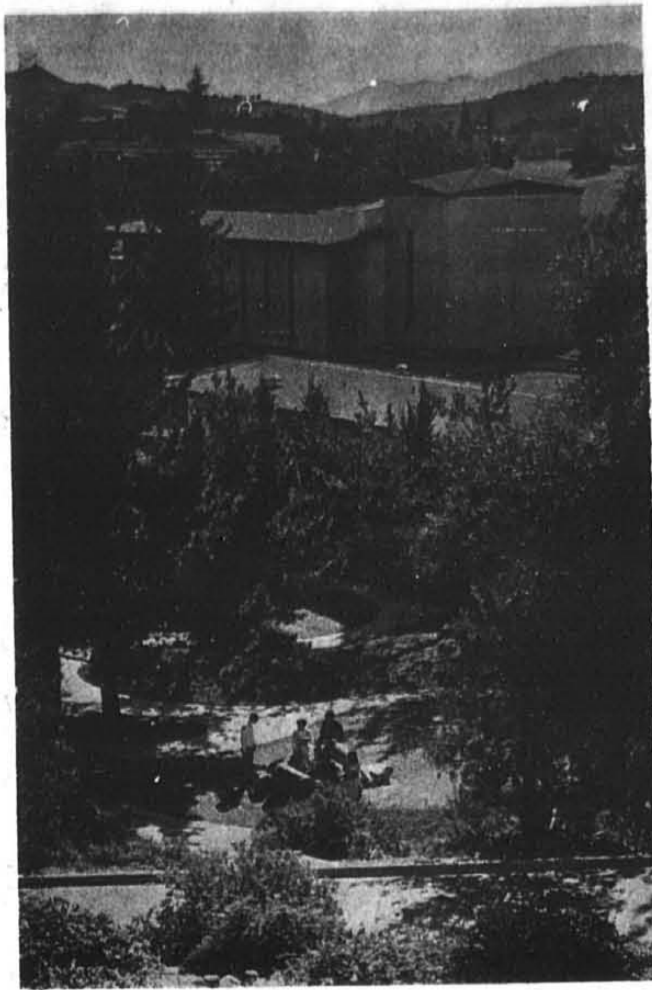
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## Congressman Fights IRS For Private Schools

**By BOB HARRIS**  
 WASHINGTON -- Rep. Larry F. McDonald (D-Ga.), who narrowly defeated two opponents in a run-off primary election in Georgia recently, says he is a born-again, fundamentalist Christian.

Though born and raised in what is now the United Methodist denomination, he has been a member of the Northside Independent Methodist Church in Marietta, Ga., since he was saved four years ago, he told the *Journal-Champion*. "I accepted Christ as my personal Saviour four years ago," he said, "before my election to the United States House of Representatives."

McDonald, a former physician and urologist, will face a Republican opponent in the November general election in his bid for a third term in the House. He first ran for nomination in an August 8 primary election, but a run-off two weeks later was necessary for a victor to emerge.

Since his election to the Congress, McDonald has earned a reputation as an ultra conservative. Among his affiliations, he belongs to the John Birch Society; he has been so active in the J.B.S. that he was named to its national council in 1967.

Rep. Philip Crane (R-Ill.), who has announced his candidacy for President, said, "I regard Larry as one of the most staunch Conservatives here in Congress. We have pooled our efforts on many occasions, often calling upon his expertise in the health area, but most recently Larry has been a great asset to the Panama Canal opponents as he again demonstrates real devotion to the cause of freedom. And of course, his stern presence on the Armed Services Committee is an important watchdog for us all."

Yet McDonald would rather consider himself a Constitutional conservative -- not a conservative. He condemns the excesses of big government, he told the *Journal-Champion*. "My stand is to actively work to strengthen and rebuild those values which made us great," he said.

"We've got to get rid of the idea that big government solves all our problems when indeed big government has caused most of our problems," he said.

And because of this, two Constitutional accuracy rating groups, Review of the News and the American Conservative Union, each gave him 100 per

**Editor's Note:** This is the fourth in a series on the great fundamental colleges of America.

The Christian Heritage College was conceived by Dr. Tim LaHaye, pastor of Scott Memorial Baptist Church, San Diego, Cal., and Dr. Henry M. Morris, known for his lectures on scientific creationism. As the two men were preaching in a Bible conference in 1970, they discussed the need for a Christian liberal arts college in California. With the help of Art Peters, an associate of LaHaye, the college was begun in the church facilities. LaHaye was appointed president, Peters was executive vice president, and Morris became academic vice president.

Today there are 450 full-time students from 30 states and 10 foreign countries, over 20 resident faculty and a beautiful multi-million dollar campus acquired in 1973 from the Roman Catholics. The college has 23 majors and is a candidate for accreditation with the Western Association of Schools and Colleges.

Actually, the college is part of a unified Christian school district in greater San Diego that includes two high schools, two junior high schools, and four elementary schools.

There are two drawing cards which give the college an international reputation. First, the writings of Dr. LaHaye, known for his work in Christian counseling, and second, the writings of Dr. Morris on scientific creationism.

Another strength of the college is the involvement of Scott Memorial Baptist Church and its 15,000 members. The church averages over 2,500 in worship each Sunday. The services are held in two places, the San Diego location where the college began and on the new El Cajon campus. Dr. LaHaye rotates preaching between the two locations.

The Institute for Creation Research is a division of the college, bringing outstanding teaching and research excellence to the school. The institute is organized for three purposes. The first is the promotion of scientific creationism, particularly in public and Christian schools. This is done by summer institutes, teacher workshops, radio broadcasts and seminars throughout the United States. Second, the institute does research that involves the writing and production of textbooks to uphold scientific creationism (over 35 books have been produced by the institute). The third purpose is to teach courses



DR. HENRY M. MORRIS, PRESIDENT.

in the college, making Christian Heritage College a unique center of fundamentalism because of its strong emphasis in this field. Every student is exposed to Christian evidences and apologetics.

Morris reports that they have a stronger statement on creationism than do most fundamental schools. He noted, "We feel most fundamental schools compromise on the area of creationism by accommodating the geological age through the gap theory. A person could not teach at Christian Heritage College if they accepted the Day-Age or Gap Theories. He must accept six literal days for the creation of the whole universe."

Morris also has a strong commitment to the world-wide flood because it is the basis for the correct understanding of the geological age system that is misunderstood by evolutionists. The college has a unique approach to teaching. A student takes a class for three weeks, going three hours a day, every day of the week, thereby getting a full 45 hours of instruction. The student only takes one course at a time. Then he registers for another course. Morris says the students get better grades, perform better in

the classroom and they prefer this highly concentrated approach to college work.

By organizing their classes into three week modules, they are able to bring in outstanding scholars for a complete course. For example, Dr. Henry Brandt, the nationally known counselor, teaches a course in Biblical psychology each year, although he is not a resident professor.

This past summer, Dr. Morris was elevated to the presidency and Dr. LaHaye became chancellor.

In looking to the future, Dr. Morris envisions a Bible-centered university with schools of medicine, law, physics, business administration and math. He feels especially inclined to begin a school of engineering, since he was trained in that field and previously taught engineering at Virginia Polytechnic Institute. But Morris confesses, "We cannot do everything on our present 30 acres, but God can provide for this need because it is in keeping with His plan."

## Christian Schools Merge

Beginning last July, the Western Association of Christian Schools, the Ohio Association of Christian Schools and the National Christian School Education Association merged to form a new organization called Association of Christian Schools International.

Those who have worked on the merger are conscious that this is indeed God's doing. Each year it became clear that several difficulties could be solved if a number of associations could merge and form one organization. The reasons for the merger are solving such problems as "double taxation" in membership fees among state, regional and national associations and some needless duplication of effort and services. The merger will provide Christian schools with a strong, united voice in Washington, D.C. and state capitals. The need for more political clout in Washington is of growing importance for Christian schools.

The decision to merge has been made over a period of two years by the boards of the three associations, and by the near-unanimous vote of administrators in meetings held in California, Arizona and Ohio. When the final OACS, WACS, NCSA merger takes place it will bring together the largest association of Bible-believing Christian schools in the world. It will begin with a staff of 33 full- and part-time employees in its regional and national offices. It will include some 1,200 member schools and colleges and a combined student enrollment of 150,000. The annual budget will be approximately \$750,000. The ACSI Credit Union will have assets of \$6,000,000. The international headquarters office building in La Habra, Cal., will be worth \$350,000.

The organization will operate under the auspices of a 26-member executive board. Paul Kiene will serve as executive director, Roy Lowrie will serve as president, and the current WAS/OACS directors will continue to serve in the new organization. Additional directors will be employed as membership density increases in the U.S. and around the world.

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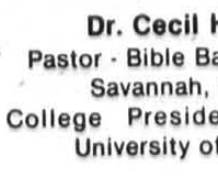
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# Food Assistance Plan Developed By Lynchburg Firm

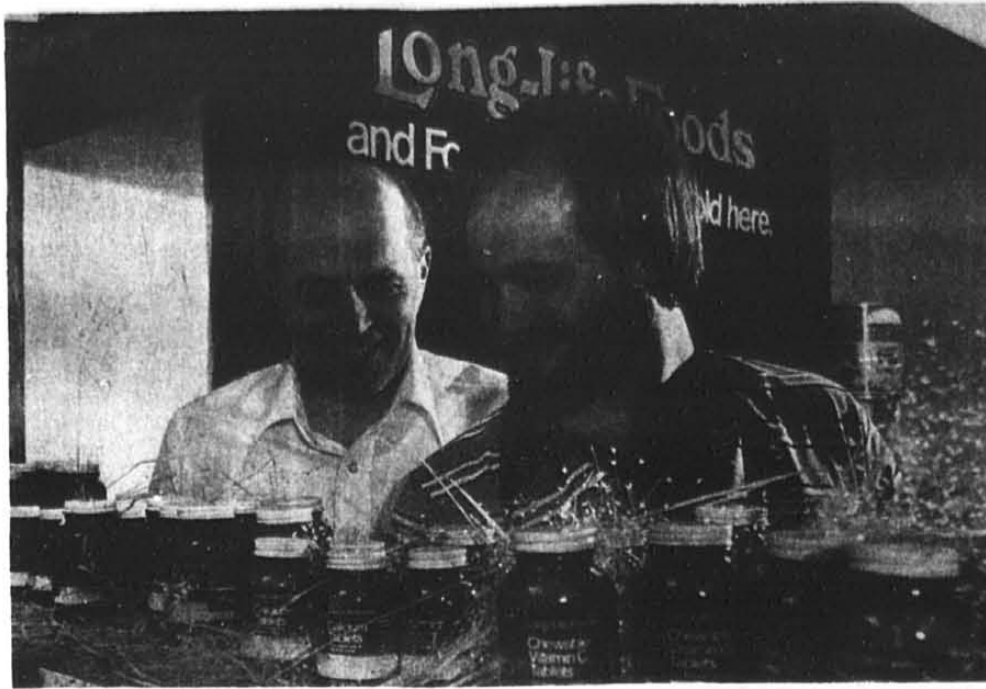
Ron Beach, a member of Thomas Road Baptist Church, is entering a new business that Jerry Falwell says "is the coming thing because it will meet a need."

Beach is offering a food assistance plan for the unique needs of modern families. He notes that fewer people live on the farm and most cannot be self-sufficient when it comes to food. They depend on food stores, but a strike or national disaster could cripple the nation's food supply. Also, Beach sees that a breadwinner could be injured or lose his job or food prices could skyrocket out of reach.

Beach has organized a company, Food Investment Association, to provide low moisture foods, food supplements and recreational foods. More than just a hedge against disaster, the food also provides current nutritionally well-balanced meals. The recreational foods are for back-packing, camping, boating or for families on vacation.

In the old days, a farm family canned or dried its food. Now a family may plan ahead by using low moisture foods; the package is light enough to be transported if a family moves, compact so that it can be stored in an apartment and permanently packaged so it can last up to 25 years.

But more than that, it is nutritionally planned in light of



Ron Beach (left), son Mark examine new products.

the additives and abuses of modern food packaging. Beach notes that canned food is heavy because it contains water and usually lasts up to two years. He also notes that freezers will fail when electricity is off, and his low moisture foods do not require refrigeration. The company offers nearly 100 various kinds of food products.

When asked why he went into

this business, Beach replied, "About two years ago the Lord impressed upon me my responsibility to provide an adequate food storage program for my family." He noted the signs of the times that could bring about war, financial collapse, or national disaster.

"I was also concerned about this same responsibility for others," He went on to note that

what he believes, he acts upon. Not only will Beach distribute food locally, he will organize distributorships across the state of Virginia.

Ron Beach is not a native Lynchburger. He grew up in the corn belt of Illinois. Several years after graduating from the University of Illinois with a

degree in structural engineering, he came to know Christ. Beach observed, "My life was built around priorities and logic. If, as I had heard, there was a heaven or a hell, and an eternity was to be spent there, logic dictated that this theory should be very carefully investigated. The most convincing aspects of Bible truth at that time to me were the predictions of Bible events to take place and the actual fulfillment of these predictions as history unfolded. Since those early years, Bible truths continue to be revealed and this plus many personal experiences have allowed me to have an ever deepening relationship with God, with the Holy Spirit and with my Saviour. In the 20 years since my conversion, this relationship has grown sweeter and sweeter."

Beach has been a competitor all of his life, and he has been a winner. He lettered in every sport offered in high school, and was also a member of the national honor society. During his college years he also participated in many sports, was a member of an engineering honor society and graduated in three and a half years. Beach stated that being married and having two children during his college years dictated an early graduation, so he could begin making money. Ron and his wife Pat have four children and three grandchildren.

He was the owner of both a metal building construction and a steel erection company and developed leasing projects to corporations and individuals as investments.

In 1968 Beach felt the need for a gospel preaching church in Pontiac, Ill. He went door-to-door until he found someone interested in starting a church. Then with five families they started the Pontiac Bible Church. Today it averages over 200 in attendance and is building a new \$380,000 building.

In 1972, Jerry Falwell contacted Ron regarding a possible metal building for the church. This was his first contact with Dr. Falwell and Thomas Road Baptist Church. Shortly thereafter, the Beach family was faced with a possible relocation. After much prayer and family discussion, they moved to the Hill City in 1973.

Dr. Falwell asked Beach to coordinate the gigantic bi-centennial celebration on Liberty Mountain, July 4, 1976. For an expected 100,000 people, they had to plan everything from food to loud speakers, from security to parking. He even arranged for

Piedmont Airlines to divert its air traffic pattern during the fireworks display.

Today Ron Beach owns "Gramp's and Granny's Dining and Ice Cream Parlour." He began the restaurant to provide a wholesome place for the young people of Lynchburg to come and fellowship.

His son, Mark, graduated from Liberty Baptist College and is the manager of Food Investment Association.

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## Private Christian Schools Threaten Public Schools, Says John Cooley

By ELMER TOWNS

One of the main reasons for the current rash of court suits against fundamental Christian schools is their explosive growth, reports Rev. John Cooley, Administrator, Berean Christian Academy, Salem, Va.

He sees the rapid expansion of private fundamental schools as a threat to the existence of public schools. Therefore, they retaliate with court actions. Cooley notes that the finances of public schools are determined by their enrollment, and when the number of students declines, their finances suffer.

Rev. Cooley reports that there are 40 court cases pending

against fundamental church schools in the U.S., most of which have different charges. The Christian Law Association of Cleveland, Ohio, reports that they receive at least one phone call a day from a Christian school that is either threatened with or is defending itself against a court suit. In every case, a government agency (local, state, or federal) has instigated the litigation. The law firm of Gibbs & Croze serves as legal counsel to CLA.

Cooley says that there are approximately 14,000 to 16,000 Christian schools within the fundamental camp. There are an additional 16,000 schools that belong to Roman Catholics,

Reformed, Quakers, Lutherans, and other denominations.

The average attendance among fundamentalists is 190 pupils per school, resulting in a total of 3,040,000 students in America today. Since there are 49 million students in public schools, this means that a total of six per cent of American school children are in fundamental schools. Cooley notes, "Even though this percentage is small, it is a threat to public schools because it is growing."

According to Cooley, the battle between fundamental Christian schools and the state will intensify because of the continual growth of the fundamentalists. At present, three new fundamentalist schools are started every day. If public school enrollment remains the same, by 1985 over nine per cent

of the school population will attend fundamentalist schools.

But, according to U.S. News and World Report, enrollment in public schools will drop to 41 million by 1985. This means that over 11 per cent of the school population will be enrolled in fundamental Christian schools.

In addition to the threatened finances of public schools, there are other reasons for court suits against fundamentalists: (1) the commitment to separation of church and state by fundamentalists, (2) higher academic achievement in Christian schools which embarrasses the public schools, (3) the righteous standards in Christian schools which irritate those who are prone to evil, and (4) the classic struggle between conservatives (fundamentalists) and liberals (public schools).

## Florida State Unit Hobbles Church Home

By BOB HARRIS

TAMPA, FLA. - Officials of the Good Shepherd Baptist Church and Tampa Bay Children's Home here are so far fighting a losing battle with the State of Florida Department of Health and Rehabilitation Services (HRS) which wants either to regulate the home's operation or close it down.

"We say it is against our Biblical convictions to be under the state laws," Richard Draper, director of the home, said.

But the Florida courts seem to disagree with him. A state court judge ruled in favor of the HRS September 8 and directed the children's home to (1) prepare paperwork for auditing by the HRS, (2) allow the HRS to come to the home this week and inspect it, and (3) report to the HRS on October 10 to determine whether a license can be granted to it to continue operation.

The Tampa Bay Children's Home, owned and operated by the Good Shepherd Baptist Church, opens its doors primarily to orphans and children from broken homes who would not be cared for by families otherwise, Draper said. The children are given a home to live in and a church to attend - the Good Shepherd Baptist Church. They also enroll in the Good Shepherd Christian School when they reach elementary school age.

The children's home allows couples who wish to show their love for the children to take them for visits on weekends or individual days.

But HRS also wants to require the children's home to inspect the couples' homes before it lets them take the children away for a day or a weekend. And the Tampa Bay Children's Home is not willing to do this.

Draper says the state has no right to regulate the operation of the children's home because it is not supported in any way by state subsidies, and therefore the state's meddling is a violation of separation of church and state. But HRS says requiring a license and regulating the home is not a violation of separation of church and state since the home is performing a secular function.

Handling the Tampa Bay Children's Home defense are Florida attorney Ted Williams and Ohio attorney David Gibbs. Gibbs feels that the church has a "constitutional" argument, and plans to use that in further court action against the HRS.

**Editor's Note:** The Good Shepherd Baptist Church approaches 2,000 in Sunday School attendance and has been recognized as the fastest growing Sunday School in Florida by *Christian Life* magazine. Pastor Scotty Drake is known as a fundamentalist and an aggressive soul-winner.

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### COLLEGE ROUNDUP

## Gridders Win, Soccer Takes Title

**BOWIE, MD.**— The Liberty Baptist College varsity football squad won its first game of the season against Bowie State University here Saturday, 14-13.

John Shepherd led the Flames with 154 total rushing yards. This is the second consecutive game in which he has rushed for more than 100 yards.

Steve Patterson was the first quarterback to last a full game for the Flames. Coach Tom Dowling said he was "very pleased" with Patterson's performance.

Defensively, the Flames stopped Bowie's running attack but could not prevent completed passes. Dowling noted that the defense was "very solid" at the goal line.

The Flames of Liberty Baptist were steamrolled by the Indians of Catawba College, 52-16, and dropped to 0-3 on the year. The game, played in Lynchburg, was decided early as the Indians jumped out to a 28-0 first quarter lead and moved that to 42-0 at the half. The Indians were aided in their offensive thrust by a total of eight turnovers, four fumbles and four interceptions, in the first half and nine turnovers overall.

The only bright spot for the Flames was the rushing of Johnny Shephard as he picked up two touchdowns, the first of his collegiate career, and 164 yards rushing in 23 attempts. One of his touchdowns was a 75-yard fourth quarter jaunt. Liberty managed 386 yards of total offense compared to 348 yards for Catawba, but turnovers spelled the downfall of the Flames.



King Tourney Trophy

The Flames of Liberty Baptist College burned brightly in Bristol, Tenn., as they opened their 1978 Soccer season with a tournament championship and two big wins. Liberty captured the title in the King Tournament with a 3-0 win over Winthrop College of Rock Hill, S.C., and a 3-1 win over the host team, King College.

"This tournament is somewhat of an indicator as to how far we have come since it all started in 1975," said head coach Ed Dobson. "Two years ago we came here and did not even score a goal. Now we have won the trophy."

"We have the strongest team ever here at LBC. We are much more consistent as a team and

have very impressive depth that we have not had before. We are very aggressive. I feel that we will be in every game that will be played this year, a feeling that I have not had before."

Liberty took 31 shots to Winthrop's 20 in their opening game. Daniel Devillbiss scored the first goal of 1978 for the Flames unassisted. He later added an assist as Ron Vining and John Moore joined him in the scoring column.

Against King College, Liberty again led in shots attempted, 42-11. The scoring for LBC was accomplished by Luther Barnhart with an assist from John Moore, Chuck Wemp with an assist from Robert Hammond and Daniel Devillbiss with an assist from Jim Bates.

"The King game was the best soccer game ever played by an LBC team," said Coach Dobson. "We totally dominated. Probably the most important aspect was that we played an extremely aggressive mid-field. I was kind of disappointed that we took so many shots (42) and only scored three goals. Many of our shots did hit the cross bar and the upright poles."

Liberty placed five players on the All-Tournament team. They were Daniel Devillbiss, Chuck Wemp, Ron Vining, Robert Hammond and Sam Ackah in the goal. Ackah was also selected as the MVP of the tournament because of his sparkling play in shutting out one opponent and allowing only one goal by the second.

The Flames will be led in 1978 by seniors Chuck Wemp, Jim Bates and Phil Kull. These will be joined by some excellent freshman prospects in Sam Ackah, Daniel Devillbiss, Scott Bonheim, Greg Bowman, Randy Zook and Steve Saunders.

Coach Dobson will be looking to improve on his 21-20-1 collegiate coaching record which he has already begun to do with the two season-opening victories in Bristol.

The Liberty Baptist College cross country team breezed by Virginia Wesleyan College last Saturday in the first home meet of the season by a score of 19-44.

Liberty's Marty Frisk had the fastest time for the five-mile run at 26:55. He was followed by Wesleyan Gary Cumisk at 27:01, and Bob Kelly, a Flame, at 27:31. Nine of the top 10 runners were from LBC.

Competing in the Virginia

Ten-Miler on Saturday, September 17, the Flames came in ninth out of the 36 teams entered. Out of the 2,300 individual participants who started the race, the LBC runners were among the first 200 finishers, with Mike Phillips coming in 69th.

Two other races have been run by the LBC cross country team this year. On Tuesday, September 19, the Flames beat Radford College, 16-47. The team also came in eighth out of nine teams in a cross country

carvinal held at Campbell College.

"Last year's team does not compare in quality with this year's team," says coach Jake Matthes. "We are a vastly improved team. I'm looking for big things from this group of runners."

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## LCA Athletes Aim For Youth Excellence

By JOSEPH GORDON

The future goal for sports at Lynchburg Christian Academy, according to high school principal Glen Schultz, is the same as the goal of nearly every other sports department — to be Number One. And the school has achieved that goal in at least two sports.

"LCA Sports is expanding its horizons to meet this challenge and to give incentive to LCA boys and girls to continue their sports career at Liberty Baptist College," Schultz said. "We are training today's champions for tomorrow."

Right now, most of the LCA activities are centering around football and wrestling. This is the second year for football at LCA and the first year for wrestling.

The boys' division is a member of the Virginia Independent Conference. The academy boys have led that conference four consecutive years in baseball.

The girls' division is a member of the Blue Ridge Conference, and the girls have led that conference three years running in softball.

LCA does play some public schools, but officially it is closed to state competition. Schultz definitely feels that LCA has the potential to play public schools, "and," he feels, "it's an excellent opportunity for the kids to witness to a lost world."

Last year the total involvement of LCA students in sports was

250 out of 325 high schoolers. All sports, Schultz says, are looked at as extracurricular activities.

Right now, the academy offers the following sports in the boys' division: football (junior varsity and varsity), soccer (junior varsity and varsity), basketball (junior high, junior varsity and varsity), wrestling, baseball, golf and tennis.

For the girls, these are the offerings: volleyball (junior varsity and varsity), basketball (junior varsity and varsity), softball, and tennis.

Girls can also choose to try out for cheerleading at the junior high, junior varsity or varsity level.

Because the academy's coaching staff is large (about 20 in number now), Schultz has future expectations of track and field and cross country teams. "But the big holdback on this is that we are short on field space and have limited facilities to handle cross country," he said.

Some players who have graduated from LCA to continue sports at LBC are Maxie Wilkerson, who is on the college basketball team, and Chuck Wemp and Jim Glass who play on the soccer team.



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# King's Players, LBC Drama: Cultural Witness

**By GINA BARRETT**  
Liberty Baptist College offers its students, in addition to a sound Bible education, a "very strong" drama department, which is in keeping with everything else at LBC. Through drama we reach out in several new directions, according to communications professor Mrs. Mark B. (Helen Ritchie) Lloyd.

When asked about the main goals of the drama department this year, Mrs. Lloyd smiled and replied, "Getting our building built." She was referring to Building D, the drama and music edifice on Liberty Mountain, for which a projected date of completion has not yet been set.

Mrs. Lloyd continued listing goals by stating, "I'm hoping to have a mini-theater once a week for the students. It will be entertaining and inspiring for the students in general, and good experience for the drama students in particular." These mini-theaters would consist of short plays with simple staging. She said some of these plays will be under the guidance of student directors.

The over-all goal of the drama department, according to Mrs. Lloyd, is to see "professions of faith and spiritual results."

One of the methods of achieving this is through the King's Players. This is an LBC organization composed of student actors who travel throughout the country giving Christian plays.

David Allison, a drama teacher at LBC, assists Dr. and Mrs. Lloyd, overseers of the King's Players. "The organization has doubled in size this year," Allison said. "This means we've had to form two teams. The teams meet together for devotions, but then separate for the remainder of the rehearsal time, because each group performs a different selection of plays." He said each of the two teams is composed of 12 students.

Touring with the King's Players has been a particular blessing to the young actors, because they get to witness for the Lord as well as perform. One King's Player spoke of her experience with the touring group:

"When we tour, we're constantly ministering. We witness to children in parks where we stop to eat. We often are called upon to counsel with people in the church members' homes where we stay."

Recently, one teenage girl wrote to a King's Player who had stayed in her home, telling of her salvation experience. She accepted Christ right after the team left her city, as a result of the group member sharing Christ with her in her home.

"And, of course, we minister mainly through our performances," another King's



Directors (left to right) Michael Ely, Dr. Mark B. Lloyd, Cheryl Ely, and Helen R. Lloyd.

Player said. "Perhaps one of the most touching sights I've seen since being with the group happened in Florida this summer. A deacon's teenage son, for whom the church had been fasting and praying, surrendered his life to Christ after a performance. He got up off his knees and began walking quickly to the back of the church where his father was standing. He never made it -- the deacon met him halfway, and father and son embraced in the center of the church."

"These students are not only actors, but also double as sound and light technicians, a prop crew, wardrobe mistresses, makeup artists, promotional representatives, and a loading crew," Allison said.

He added: "Light crews operate on a 30-minute deadline, in which they have to erect two 16-foot light towers, hang and focus lights, and hook up the control board. While they do this, the loading crew (after unloading the lights, costumes

and props) functions as a stage crew and arranges the sets. "After the stage crew is finished, the prop crew distributes the props to the actors in their offstage positions.

"Two of the girls share the responsibility for care of the costumes. Their duties are to see that they are cleaned, ironed, and ready for the production.

"Another committee is in charge of unpacking the makeup and setting up the makeup table." Allison emphasized, however, that "makeup application is done by the individual actors."

The promotional people assemble publicity packets, see that programs are distributed, and talk to any interested people about the college. They are also in charge of selling memberships to the 15,000 Club, as well as LBC record albums and books about the ministry.

Dr. and Mrs. Lloyd and Allison will be assisted this year by Michael Eli, a 1978 LBC graduate, and his wife, Cheri, an LBC student. The Elis are former King's Players themselves.

But LBC also has drama functions not affiliated with the King's Players tour group. For example, LBC's first Shakespearean play, the comedy *As You Like It*, will be sponsored by the department November 14, 16, and 18 in the dining room in Building C on Liberty Mountain.

Mrs. Lloyd defends the appearance of Shakespeare on

campus by saying "We need drama as well as religious drama. By cutting some things out of Shakespearean plays, we can have very clean drama." She went on to add, "It will help literature students understand good literature."

When the King's Players produce a new play to take with them on tour, they usually hold a premiere of the play at LBC. Such is the case with a new King's Players production entitled *Gilean*, planned for December 1 and 2. Mrs. Lloyd described this story as "a play without a villain -- yet everyone in it has a problem." Its theme, she added, is "victory over everyday problems."

Both *As You Like It* and *Gilean* will be set up as a dinner theater; students finishing their evening meal can just sit back, relax, and enjoy the performance, according to Allison.

Another innovation in the drama department this year is a promotional team composed of two students, Mark Fuss and John Garner. Their goals, according to Allison, will be "to try to make the Lynchburg community aware of and interested in the dramatic productions at LBC, and to increase audience attendance by 30 per cent."

Fuss cited projected methods for reaching these goals. "We plan to have better advertising, such as newspaper, TV and radio spots. We also will work on having a more careful selection of plays, and becoming more professional in every aspect."

"In order to pay for costumes, lighting, royalties, and other expenses, a small charge will be made for the plays this year," he added. The department plans to charge \$1 per student for showings of *As You Like It*, for instance.

Some drama students, led by Garner and John McCullough, have been holding regular prayer meetings concerning their future in this field. They say they are excited about the salvation experiences and changed lives they've seen as a result of the Lord using Christian drama.

Professionalism is of particular importance to Garner. For one thing, he says, the drama prayer warriors have set the immediate goal of "supporting the drama department of LBC so that it may become as well established as the drama department of any other college in America."

For another thing, Garner says



Robyn Buchanan applies makeup to Ronni Ball.

he wants to start a full-time Christian drama touring company after he graduates from college. "Such a group will spread the Gospel around the nation," he said. "It will perform in churches, high schools, civic centers -- anywhere there are people to be won to Christ." Dr. Lloyd is pleased with such ambitions. He says drama at

LBC could very well be the start of "a career possibility. There are a number of religious traveling groups which have sprung up in about the last five years," he added.

Mrs. Lloyd said, "We're training students to go out and do this. They can learn how here just as preachers learn to preach -- by doing."

## BOOK REVIEW

### Wemp's Spirit-Filled Book

**By ELMER TOWNS**  
Dr. C. Sumner Wemp, vice-president of Liberty Baptist College, introduced his new book, *How On Earth Can I Be Spiritual?*, published by Thomas Nelson, Inc., last month at Liberty Baptist College. For years, Dr. Wemp has preached the spirit-filled Christian life, and this book is a result of those messages.

Rev. Harold O'Chester, pastor of Allendale Baptist Church, Austin, Tx, states, "Wemp's preaching on the Holy Spirit changed my life." O'Chester has built the second largest Baptist church in Texas and now emphasizes, "I preach a deeper spiritual life because it is Biblical. If I have learned anything about the power of the Holy Spirit, it came from the example of Sumner Wemp."

Wemp has stated, "There is a power failure in the church today, an energy crisis and we are in trouble." He goes on to say, "We can't solve our problem with words, we must do it in the power of the Holy Spirit."

"Far too many live a yo-yo Christian life -- up one minute, down the next. Most Christians want to live a spirit-filled life, but don't know how to do it."

The readers will find excitement and enthusiasm in *How On Earth Can I Be Spiritual?* A feature of particular interest is the inclusion of study questions following each chapter, making the book ideal for a text or study guide in schools and churches.

Perhaps the best reason why a

person should read the book is the life behind the pages. The victorious life is not a theoretical topic to Sumner Wemp. He is a radiant Christian who always smiles. Someone once asked if he ever frowns.

"Not outwardly," he answered.

His answer contains the key to

the spiritual life taught in his book. It shows that although we can be happy if we work at it, there will be moments of disappointment.

But Wemp teaches that no one should let his defeats get him down, nor should they contaminate others. He says, "When you fail, it is because you

are human. The book teaches us how to find God's remedy, then go on our way rejoicing."

Around Liberty Mountain, Dr. Wemp is always shouting the phrase, "Bless the Lord." That is a good prayer for his book. As you read *How On Earth Can I Be Spiritual?*, you will grow and . . . bless the Lord.

### Balaam's Pinto: Buy That Paper!

**By BOB HARRIS**  
The wicked old king grumbled viciously. He hated newspapers. He took a copy of the *Journal-Champion* and ripped it in shreds and threw it in his fireplace. Then he got on the telephone and called his chief of staff, Dr. Balaam.

"Listen, Balaam, just get down here and curse this paper right away!"

"Y-y-y-yes s-s-s-sir, right away!" Mr. Balaam replied.

Balaam walked out the door and hopped into his Pinto waiting outside. He drove and drove, closer and closer to the king's palace. He was almost there.

Suddenly, a vision appeared on the highway ahead. The Pinto swerved in every direction to miss it; it was a giant copy of the *Journal-Champion*, and somebody threw it right in the path of the oncoming car!

As the car swerved, Mr. Balaam was thrown from it. He was not injured, so he got up, brushed himself off, and kicked

the Pinto. "You stupid car!" he shouted. "What's the matter with you!"

But the Pinto turned to him, and through the grill in its front, said, "What's the matter with you? Didn't you see that paper coming?"

"What? You're a car and you can talk to me?"

"Yes, you turkey! Get up and let's go to the king and bless the *Journal-Champion*, not curse it! You humans just don't know anything!"

So Dr. Balaam arrived at the king's palace. The wicked old king, pieces of newspaper hanging from his garments, led Balaam to a high point overlooking the *Journal-Champion* newspaper office. "Now, curse that rag!" he said.

But Dr. Balaam said, "Blessed be the Lord God, Jesus Christ, praise His Name forever. Thank God for a newspaper like the *Journal-Champion*. Thank God for a paper which will tell the truth, which will tell people all

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"Wait a minute, wait a minute!" the wicked old king shouted. "What's wrong with you, Balaam? You're supposed to curse it, not bless it! What happened to you -- did a donkey talk to you or something?"

"No, sir, not a donkey -- a Pinto."

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Rogers is serving as host of this year's Money Management Conference, to be held October 22-26 at Thomas Road Baptist Church as part of the second annual Super Conference.

Conference speakers include Dr. Truman Dollar, pastor of Kansas City Baptist Temple; Dewitt Braud, a member of the board of trustees of the Old-Time Gospel Hour; Rogers; Locklan Downs, executive vice president and operations officer of the Old-Time Gospel Hour; and Jimmy Thomas, director of stewardship development of Thomas Road Baptist Church.

During the workshops, Downs will speak on "Bonds and Commercial Financing." Rogers will lead workshops in "Use of Computers in Budget Control," "Management and Control," "Capital Gifts," and "Deferred Giving," and Dollar will discuss "How to Begin a Stewardship Program" and "The Annual Stewardship Campaign."

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# Northern Canada A Mission Field

## Cofield Family Ministers To 100 Various Tribes

### Editor's Note:

In August, Missions Director Roscoe Brewer, along with Gene Davis, Sam Conway, and Ron Dodd, visited the headquarters of Baptist Missions of Canada. The following story is a report of their brief stay.

360 miles from any city and 35 miles from a town in the wilderness woods of northern Canada would be exile for many people. However, for Garland Cofield and his family, it is almost heaven. Fourteen years ago Cofield, a BIMI Missionary, founded Camp of the Woods. It serves as the headquarters for Baptist Missions of Canada, Inc. It is 35 miles from Sioux Falls, the last town which is accessible by road.

The ministry has a multiplicity of efforts organized into six programs, church planting, Native Institute, Correspondence Education, Youth Camps, Missionary Training, and Aviation Outreach.

The thrust of this work is to the 750,000 Indians in Canada who are divided into 100 major tribes. The sparsely populated north of Canada is the home of many small villages of Indians. The goal of Baptist Missions of Canada is to establish a sound, fundamental work in every village.

Since coming to Canada, Cofield has been responsible for establishing eight churches and mission outposts in 14 villages. His earlier concentration was totally on church planting. He since has been convicted to give more emphasis to the training of Indian pastors.

Cofield and his family literally carved Camp of the Woods out of the Canadian forest. Surrounded by a huge lake, the camp has a chapel, staff quarters, dormitories, lodge, houses, shops, and various recreational facilities. It will accommodate up to 150 campers. All the buildings have been constructed with volunteer labor from native materials in a log cabin style. The Cofields lived in tents the first five years during clearing and early construction.

A 1956 Cessna 180 with either sea floats or ski rigging makes the missionary outposts accessible to Cofield. The lake serves as the "airport" for the plane in winter and summer. As pilot, he makes frequent trips through the villages servicing churches and Christians.

The newest effort for the growing ministry is a Bible institute for Indians. The institute is geared for the Indian lifestyle and will train pastors and Christian workers in Bible truths. An enrollment of 15 to 20 is anticipated this fall.

When asked what it would take to evangelize the Indians of Canada, Cofield replied, "More missionaries who will come and stay and build local churches; then train national workers to carry on the work." His goal is to see the churches be indigenous from the beginning.

Cofield is a graduate of Tennessee Temple Schools and claims as his home church Highland Park Baptist in Chattanooga, Tenn. He and his wife Reba have four children. Their oldest son Jim will be joining them this fall to coordinate the Bible institute ministry.



Garland Cofield and family in Canadian mission.



Indian Christians pose in northern village.



Cofield conducts Bible study with the Indians.



Cessna 180 airplane used for outreach program.

## Soviet Parents Penalized For Religion

LONDON (EP)—Soviet parents who teach religion to their children are still frequently threatened with deprivation of their parental rights and, in some cases, the children are actually taken away, according to an article quoting "recent evidence" in the latest issue of *Religion & Freedom*, a new ecumenical British monthly.

The article says the practice was fairly widespread during the years 1964-74. There seemed to be a lessening of pressure on religious parents after the signing of the Helsinki Declaration in 1975, but since then, new evidence has reached the West of a revival of discrimination and harassment.

The greatest pressure is placed on the more evangelical Baptists, the Pentecostals and the Seventh-day Adventists whose number the anonymous writer estimates at something over a million members. People belonging to these Churches find it harder than do Orthodox Christians to adapt to Soviet society and cannot let the state's efforts to capture the minds and hearts of the young go unopposed.

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## PRISON EVANGELIST ED MARTIN

### Feature Film Portrays Convict No. 46362

By BOB HARRIS

A crucial time in the life of prison evangelist Ed Martin is being featured in a full-length motion picture produced and distributed nationally by the Ormond Film Organization of Nashville, Tenn.

Titled *39 Stripes, From the Life of a Man Who Broke Rocks*, the picture deals with Martin's hard life as Virginia convict no. 46362 on a chain gang, how he escaped from prison and served six more years after his capture, how he was won to the Lord Jesus Christ by Alfreda Enders of Jersey Shore, Pa., (who later became Martin's wife), and how the Lord then led him into prison evangelism after his parole.

"The whole focus of the film is to be soul-winning," Martin said. "The whole idea is to see one million souls saved through this film."

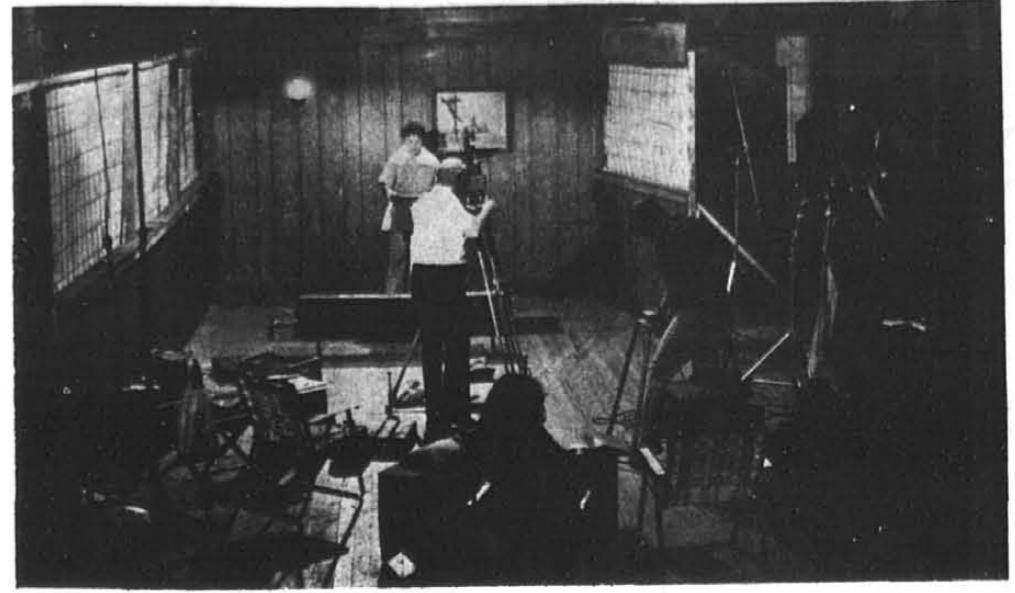
The Ormond Organization is run by Ron Ormond, a former Hollywood filmmaker who has since devoted his talents to reaching souls for the Lord. He is known particularly for his films *The Burning Hell*, *The Grim Reaper*, *The Land Where Jesus Walked*, and *The Believer's Heaven*. He is associated closely with Dr. John R. Rice and Rev. J.O. Grooms. His films are shown throughout the country in fundamentalist churches and in special revival meetings.

Ormond wrote the script for *39 Stripes* himself. His son Tim, 28, is playing the role of Ed Martin in the film. Both father and son have been in the moviemaking business for years. They are joined by other professional actors and technical crew members, as well as local volunteers.

Ormond has been shooting most of the scenes for *39 Stripes* during the past two weeks on location in a large warehouse near the town of Elon in Nelson County, Va. Crew members have constructed a set which is an authentic replica of the environment of the Virginia chain gangs of Martin's past.

Several more weeks of filming and editing remain in Nashville, but Ormond hopes to have the movie ready for release in January, 1979. Once released, it will be shown in churches, revival services and prisons nationwide, and then will be sent overseas and dubbed in Spanish and other languages.

While the Ormond crew was in Virginia, they received



Ed Martin's life portrayed in this film-setting.

cooperation and technical advice from the Sheriff's Departments of both Lynchburg and Nelson County. "Ex-cons also have worked with us to produce the film," Martin said.

Martin believes the film will be one of the best -- if not the best -- ever produced by Ormond. He says he was very pleased with the script and with his portrayal by Tim Ormond. "It's been long in coming, but not long overdue," he said.

The highest, most touching point in the film, Martin believes, will be the scene toward the end in which Martin (played by Tim) is shown preaching to prisoners in the state penitentiary. While preaching, one convict advances toward him and tries to kill him. But Martin calms him down, gently and lovingly shares the plan of salvation with him, and leads that convict -- Dan Savage, now a minister himself -- to Christ.

After he was released in the late 1940's, Martin went to Pennsylvania and was trained at the Bible Baptist Seminary. From there, he traveled to California to fill various preaching engagements. When the Korean War broke out, he and Alfreda felt called to travel to the Far East. They served three five-year terms as missionaries to Japan, beginning in 1950.

Hearing of the violent racial and prison riots breaking out in the United States in the mid-1960's, the Martins decided to return home. They felt particularly burdened about sharing Christ with the "convicts" in

prisons. With the assistance of Dr. Jerry Falwell and the Thomas Road Baptist Church, Martin organized Hope Aglow Prison Ministries. He filled speaking engagements in prisons all across the country, prepared Bible correspondence and follow-up materials to be distributed free to prisoners and began to hire staff members to

correspond regularly with prisoners.

In 1971, Hope Aglow was incorporated, with Dr. Falwell on the founding board of directors. Martin currently has more than 1,000 prisoners enrolled in his Bible correspondence course, and has begun a soul-winning course.

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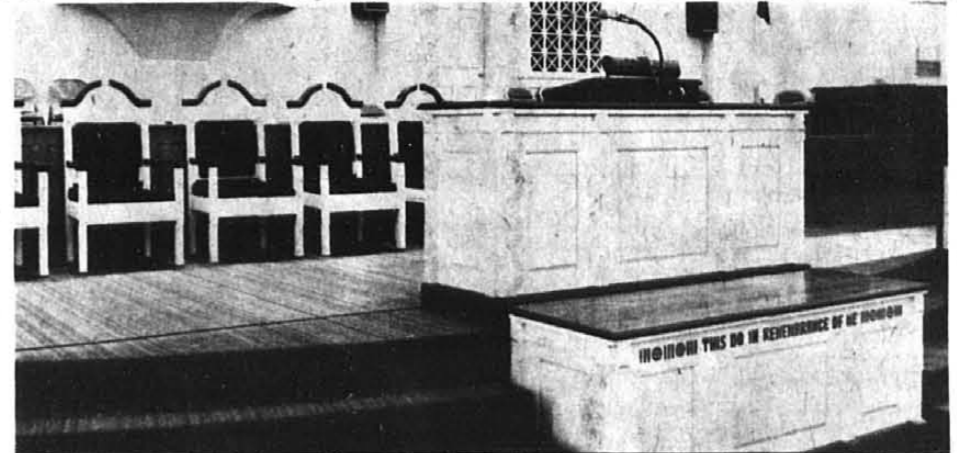


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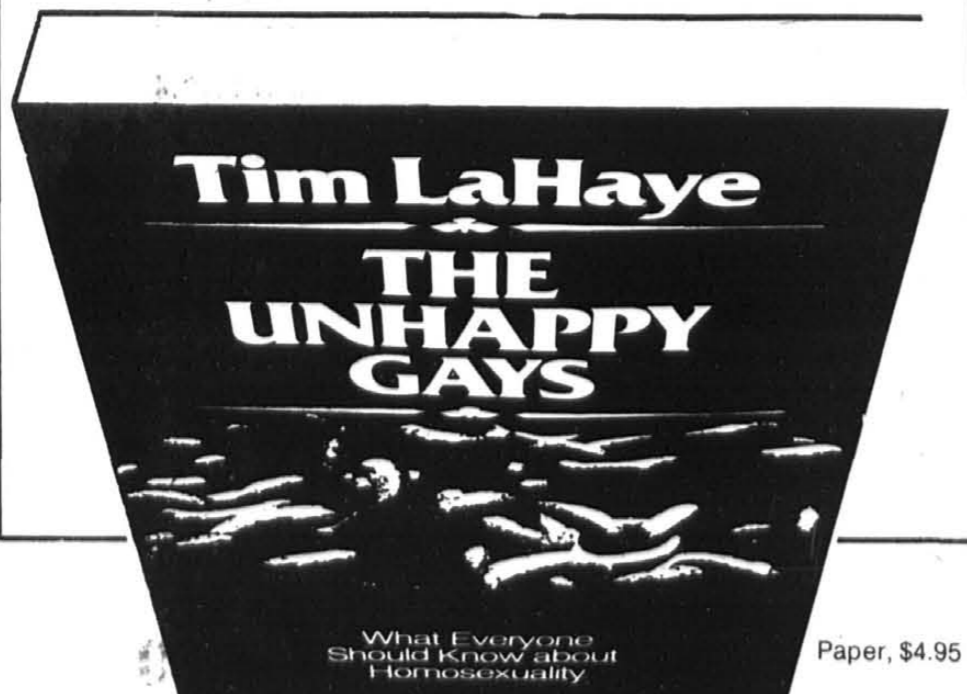
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### From the Counselling Center

By WALLY MAJOR, M. Ed.



**Q: I am a new Christian. Since I was saved, about one year ago, certain people (Christians) I work with have been telling our pastor lies about me. I won't go into detail; suffice it to say that these things are NOT TRUE but I don't know how to shut them up.**

**A:** Godly lives shut up foolish mouths (I Peter 3:15-20). Many situations in life call for us to demonstrate godly living. Not all of these events evoke from us a Christian response. I believe the Apostle Peter knew and understood this dilemma. In times past, Peter was quicker to fight (by word or deed) than he was to live a life before others that would prove what he said was true...practicing what was preached.

I Peter chapter three explains what a Christian is to do when others speak wrongly (or act wrongly) against him. Verse 15 expresses that it is God's Will that your actions be godly whether circumstances dictate this action or not. For example, when other people (both Christians and non-Christians) "do you wrong", it is the Will of God that your life be blameless so that no one can say that your walk (life) doesn't back up your talk.

The main consideration is that your conscience be pure before God (v.19). The very next verse shows that when you endure criticism that is falsely brought against you, you are to take it patiently (v.20). Don't get all excited, start blasting out at others, or go around with a "poor little old me" expression; rather, patiently trust God to prove them wrong by your godly life which is lived every day before them. This is "acceptable with God" (v.20).

### Christian Schools Ordered To File North Carolina Reports

RALEIGH, N.C. (EP)-- Superior Court Judge Donald L. Smith has ordered Christian schools in North Carolina to file reports for the 1978-79 academic year with the State Board of Education, as required by law. But the state court of appeals has stayed the order while it decides whether to review the case.

But he declared that the state has a "legitimate and compelling duty to ensure that all students in the state are provided a basic education and competent teachers," and rejected the argument of the schools that the requirement that they file reports violates their freedom of religion.

In a 24-page order which applies to 63 Christian schools in the state which have refused to comply with the law, Judge Smith struck down some of the regulations called for in reports by the State Board of Education, and exempted the schools from filing reports for the 1977-78 year, because, he said, they would no longer serve a useful purpose.

"Neither the state board of education nor the state superintendent (of public instruction) has attempted to interfere in either the content of religion courses or in the method by which the religious instruction is given," Judge Smith said. Officials of the Christian schools indicated they would defy the order and appeal it up to the U.S. Supreme Court if necessary.

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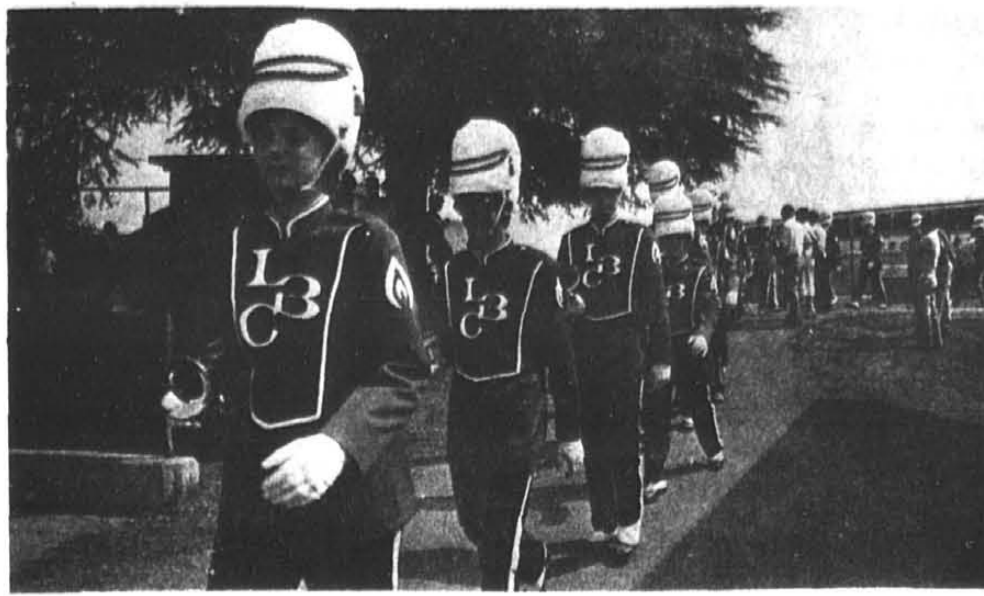
### LBC Band Colorful

The Liberty Baptist College Marching Band is off to a sensational start this year in new red, white and blue uniforms. LBC band director Ray Loey said at a recent football game that the band is better this year because it has more members, more sound and more interesting formations.

Formations during the half-time show of the Catawba game, for example, featured the rifle and flag corps as the band performed in concert style Rimsky-Korsakov's "Procession of Nobles." A pinwheel formation of "Enter the Champions" developed into a circle drill for "Joshua."

As usual, the pre-game show featured a marching drill and "The National Anthem."

The flag and rifle units are new additions to the band this year. LBC student Kathy Babrick worked extensively with girls trying out for the rifle team during band camp week, and



The 1978-79 LBC Marching Band displays uniforms.

trained the unit she is now captain of.

The flag unit has two captains, LBC students Glenda Trower and Cindy Whitaker. Their sponsor is LBC music instructor Joan Flewell and their routines are designed by student Patty Welsh.

As a working unit, the LBC

band is also a club with drum major Terry Hendricks as public relations officer and Stan Trost as band president. Tim Trotter is vice-president and Sheryl Kyper is secretary while Bonnie Brunner, and Randi and Sandy Chandler are band librarians.

Ray Loey is in his second year as band director of LBC. This

year the band will perform at all home games and September 30 will travel to the Gardner-Webb game, he said.

Mr. Loey is a 1973 graduate of Bryan College, Dayton, Tenn., and holds a master of music education degree from Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, Va.

### Day Care Centers Enter North Carolina License Fray

RALEIGH, N.C. (EP)-- Refusal of fundamentalist Christian academies in North Carolina to submit to state regulation in any form now has spread to ten church-operated day care centers. Like the schools, they are refusing to comply with state licensing requirements.

The day care licenses expired August 31. A spokesman for the protesting schools said "it is our conviction after careful examination of the Scriptures and the constitutions of the United States and of the State of North Carolina that for us to no longer accept a license from the state is wrong."

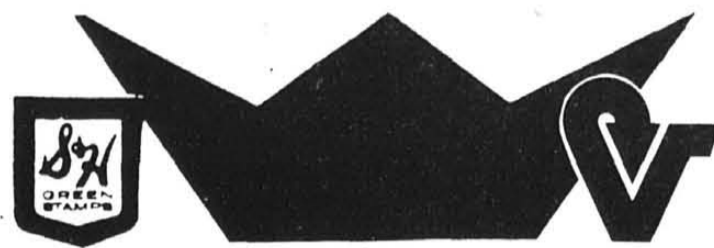
"What we are saying," said the Rev. Fred L. Carraway, school principal at the Grace Free Will Baptist Church in

Rocky Mount, "is that we don't want any licensing from the state of our church-affiliated ministries. Our day care centers, our kindergartens, our schools are all ministries of the church. We don't mind meeting the requirements. It's the principle of the thing. Does the state have a right to license a church ministry?"

Such centers are regulated by the state's Day Care Child Licensing Commission, which met in all-day session with representatives of the attorney general's office August 31 to consider the situation. The Commissioners voted to warn each center by letter that it is not in compliance with state laws and that if it continues to refuse, the commission will take court action.

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# Sue Willmington Teaches 'Hearing'

## America's Third Language Is Hand Talking

By BRENDA EASTERLING

The lady in the tiny inset in the lower left corner of your television screen while you are watching The Old-Time Gospel Hour may not seem important to you; that is, unless you're deaf.

Sue Willmington is the director of "The Hands of Liberty" Deaf Department of Thomas Road Baptist Church, and she has been interpreting OTGH services for five years.

"The deaf do not accidentally hear a song by Don Norman or Robbie Hiner, or a sermon by Dr. Falwell on how to get saved. They do not accidentally hear anything. They must be told in sign," said Mrs. Willmington who learned to sign 12 years ago in a three-month course taught by a deaf person.

Sign language is passed on from one deaf person to another, but hearing people must learn it to communicate with the deaf. It is the third most spoken "foreign" language in America, Mrs. Willmington said. Her husband, who is dean of Liberty Home and Thomas Road Bible Institutes, was pastoring a church in northern Indiana when she began learning sign "because I thought it might be fun," she said.

A married couple in Dr. Willmington's congregation took sign lessons with Mrs. Willmington because they wanted to communicate with a deaf relative. Their Catholic instructor refused to hold lessons at the church, but agreed to come to the "recital." As a result, he heard the Gospel and was saved during the sermon as his students interpreted for him. Three weeks later, he was killed in an accident and Mrs. Willmington took the deaf ministry more seriously.

"That year I discovered there were thousands of deaf people in our area who were not being reached with the Gospel. Then the Lord called me to work with the deaf, and I jumped into it with both feet."

In the meanwhile at TRBC, Don Cabbage of the Bill Rice Ranch in Murfreesboro, Tenn., came in 1968 and gave a two-week college crash course on sign language to 88 people.

One of those people was Sandra Witt who, before Mr. Cabbage came, had been praying for a place of service in the church. "I worked with a deaf



Eddie Schmeckenbecher "talks" to deaf over teletypewriter.



SUE WILLMINGTON

lady for six years, and nobody ever talked to her unless they wanted something. I took her with me to the deaf class and Don Cabbage led her to the Lord that first week," Mrs. Witt said.

After a year of practicing sign language, Sandra learned to interpret. Then, "One day I decided that there was no other

place for me, and that this was the place," said Mrs. Witt who has interpreted for the deaf to doctors in emergency rooms.

Barbara Irby is also signing and interpreting today because, like Sandra, she was introduced to sign language in 1968 and was called into the deaf ministry. "Before the class, I didn't

know anyone who was deaf. Then, I met a lady who was deaf and I wanted to communicate with her, and I started sitting with the deaf in church," said Mrs. Irby who teaches Sunday School to the mentally handicapped deaf.

Mrs. Willmington takes her job as director of "Hands of Liberty" seriously. "We have 13 million hearing impaired persons in the United States, and The Old-Time Gospel Hour has the potential to reach all of those plus Canadian deaf people. We are the only gospel program presenting the true Gospel to the deaf that is being aired nationwide," she said as she sat at the teletypewriter in her office at TRBC.

The teletypewriter, or TTY machine, is a device Mrs. Willmington uses to "talk" to the deaf by telephone. When the telephone rings, the receiver is placed on an acoustic coupler, a device the deaf may purchase for \$175 through the Pioneer Club, a group of telephone company employe volunteers. The TTY, however, is furnished free by the phone companies.

The phone rings. Mrs. Willmington picks up the receiver and no one speaks, so she places it on the coupler and begins typing on the TTY. "Hands of Liberty Deaf Department. Mrs. Willmington."

She waits for an answer. "I need help. I have no one to talk to. Will you help me?"

The process takes longer than a normal phone conversation and, when it is long distance, it can cost considerably more. Because of this, phone companies in some states are considering special reduced rates for persons who must use the TTY.

Communicating to the deaf by telephone, however, is only a small aspect of Mrs. Willmington's ministry. She also answers approximately 100 letters a week, "mostly from lonely people who say The Old-Time Gospel Hour is the only church they have because there are no interpreters in their area, and that lip reading in church is impossible because of the movements."

One letter Mrs. Willmington received came from a man in Alaska who is a tree cutter near the Yukon. "He couldn't wait from one Sunday to the next to see OTGH because I am the only person in the world he 'knows' who can communicate with him in his own language - sign language," said Mrs. Willmington.

The name "Hands of Liberty" Deaf Department was a combination of ideas with the purpose of combining the overall ministry of TRBC. "Hopefully, our hands will be hands of liberty for the deaf," said Mrs. Willmington who teaches a two-year sign language course at

Liberty Baptist College and Thomas Road Bible Institute.

"Hands of Liberty" also ministers to the deaf in the Lynchburg community and sponsors a full visitation program which includes visits to the Virginia State School for the Deaf in Staunton once a week. The Department also has six deaf classes in the TRBC Sunday School, determined by verbal and age levels.

While Mrs. Willmington is interpreting in the sound room for OTGH, someone else is interpreting for the deaf in the congregation of TRBC. Sign language, she said, takes about three months to learn, but interpreting takes much longer because it requires taking a language from a speaker, changing it to sign language mentally, and then giving it out quickly to the deaf.

Presently, Mrs. Willmington and others in the deaf ministry are dreaming of a home for the deaf on Liberty Mountain. "There is a desperate need for such a home. Right now there are

deaf children being born whose parents will give them over to the state or who will grow up with no place to go, and no job. The state has nowhere to put them except in a mental institution," said Mrs. Willmington who has also interpreted in court rooms as well as hospital delivery rooms. Mrs. Willmington's attitude

toward learning has always been, "If anybody else can do it, I can do it too." The handicap of deafness, she believes, can be overcome as barriers of communication between the hearing and the deaf are lifted, and as the hearing world is made more aware of the needs of the hearing impaired.

## James Robison Plans '79 TV

FORT WORTH (EP)--Southern Baptist evangelist James Robison is planning a major prime time television campaign for 1979 which will be tied in with local churches. Televised evangelistic campaigns have been criticized in some circles recently for allegedly de-emphasizing involvement in the local church. But Mr. Robison is specifically focusing on the role of the local church in follow-up and Christian nurture in his efforts.

"No real work for God is going to have a lasting impact apart from His church," the preacher said. "God hasn't promised to bless many things -- but He has clearly vowed to bless His Word and His Church."

## Editor Accuses Press

RALEIGH, N.C. (EP)--J. Marse Grant, editor of the *Biblical Recorder*, official publication of the Baptist State Convention, has accused the North Carolina news media of favoring the sale of mixed alcoholic beverages and of giving the public a distorted picture of the issue. Local option elections will be held soon in a number of communities as a result of legislation enacted by the 1978

Legislature. Although the prime-time campaign is expected to cost almost \$20 million, there will be no appeals for funds or even any mention of contributions during the television programs.

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"With a few exceptions," Mr. Grant charged, "the news media of this state favor liquor by the drink; some openly on editorial pages, others in subtle ways in news columns--or both. This results in glaring inaccuracies, some purposely slanted, and other items sloppily written without one minute's research or documentation."

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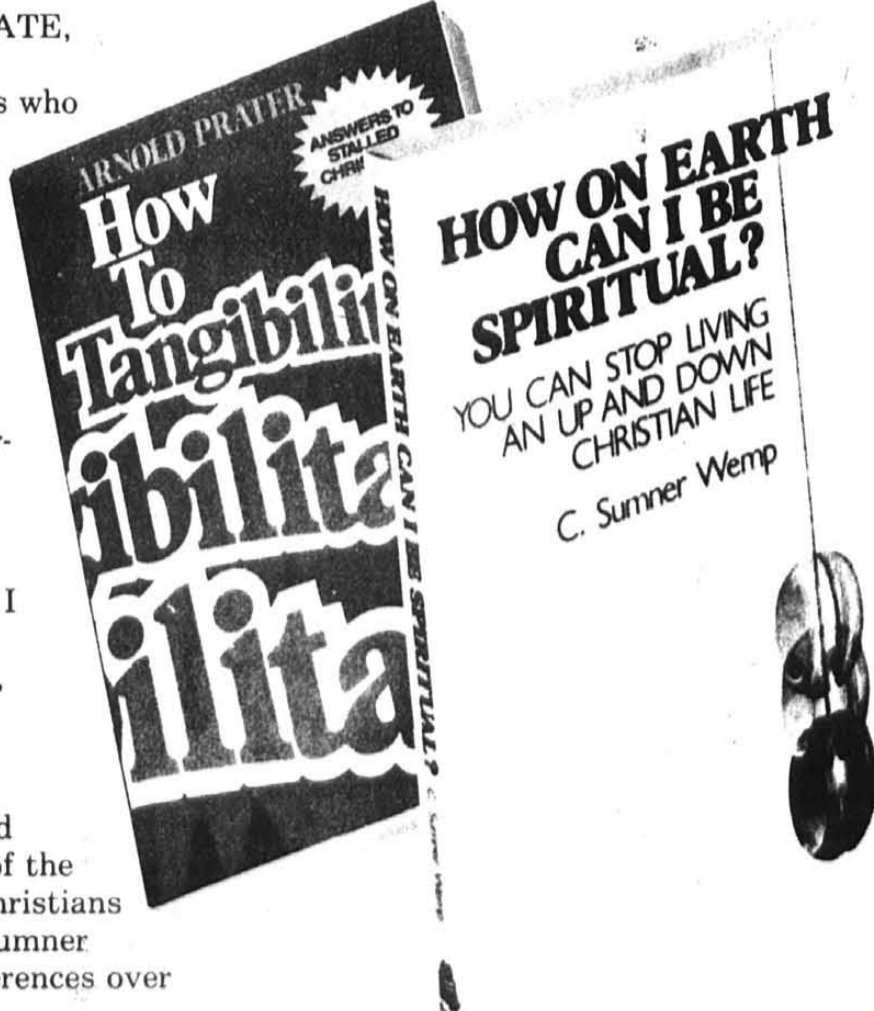
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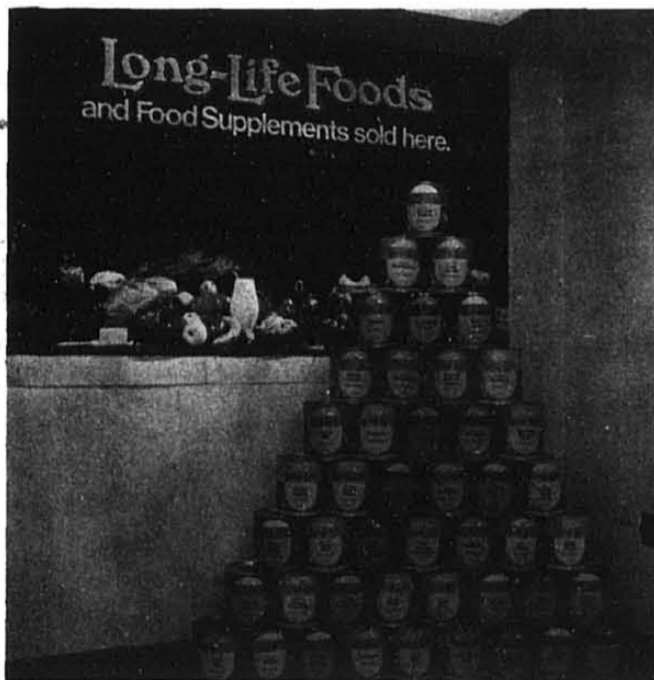
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# Beth Haven Baptist: Louisville's Gospel Light

Dr. Tom Wallace  
'Builds Great People,'  
Ministry Expanded

By BOB HARRIS

Many cities across America now have one gospel light that far outshines all the others in their town. In Louisville, Ky., that light is the Beth Haven Baptist Church.

Started nearly 20 years ago, Beth Haven has especially experienced the blessings of God since Dr. Tom Wallace was called there as pastor in 1971 and proceeded to build one of America's great soul-winning churches.

The word "soul-winning" is the key to Dr. Wallace's success; he believes soul-winning should be the primary emphasis of the church. "If Beth Haven has one success, it is the heart of a church giving itself to winning souls," Dr. Wallace has been quoted as saying.

The name "Beth Haven" (which means "house of security" in Hebrew) is unique, but it was chosen in a contest when the church began under the sponsorship of the Beechland Baptist Church in 1958.

By 1962, when Rev. John Turpin was called as pastor, the congregation was averaging about 200 in Sunday School. Turpin paved the way for Wallace's ministry by emphasizing strong administration, a dynamic pulpit ministry and personal evangelism. When Wallace came in May 1971, he found the church full of accomplished soul-winners with whom he could build a super-aggressive voice for the Lord Jesus throughout northern Kentucky and southern Indiana.

Wallace, 48, was born Aug. 22, 1930, in Odd, W. Va. He was one of six children of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Wallace of Pennsylvania. The Wallace family moved back to Pennsylvania, where Tom graduated from Kennett Square High School in 1948.

After high school, Tom began his adult life working the assembly line at General Motors in Wilmington, Del., but he soon met a fellow worker and faithful soul-winner named Ernie Havacker, who held devotions with Tom at lunch breaks and got the young man preaching. By 1951, Tom decided to leave General Motors and enter the ministry.

Tom entered Tennessee Temple College in Chattanooga, Tenn. While there, he came under the care of such great soul-winners as Lee Roberson, John R. Rice and Jack Hyles. His heart was set aflame for winning souls, especially through a method not considered too seriously before: buses. From 1952 to 1954, he was on the staff of Roberson's Highland Park Baptist Church in Chattanooga as bus pastor.

But in September 1954 Wallace accepted the pastorate of the Baptist Bible Church in Elkton, Md., and remained there until May 1971. During his Maryland pastorate, Wallace (1) conducted two daily radio broadcasts for more than 16 years, (2) published and edited "The Visitor," a monthly church newspaper sent to more than 8,000 readers, (3) founded and presided over the Elkton Christian School, which had grades kindergarten through 12, (4) established a bus ministry with 18 routes, and (5) led the church through eight major building projects.

Also during his pastorate, the property of the Baptist Bible Church increased in value from \$15,000 in 1954 to \$1,140,000 in 1971.

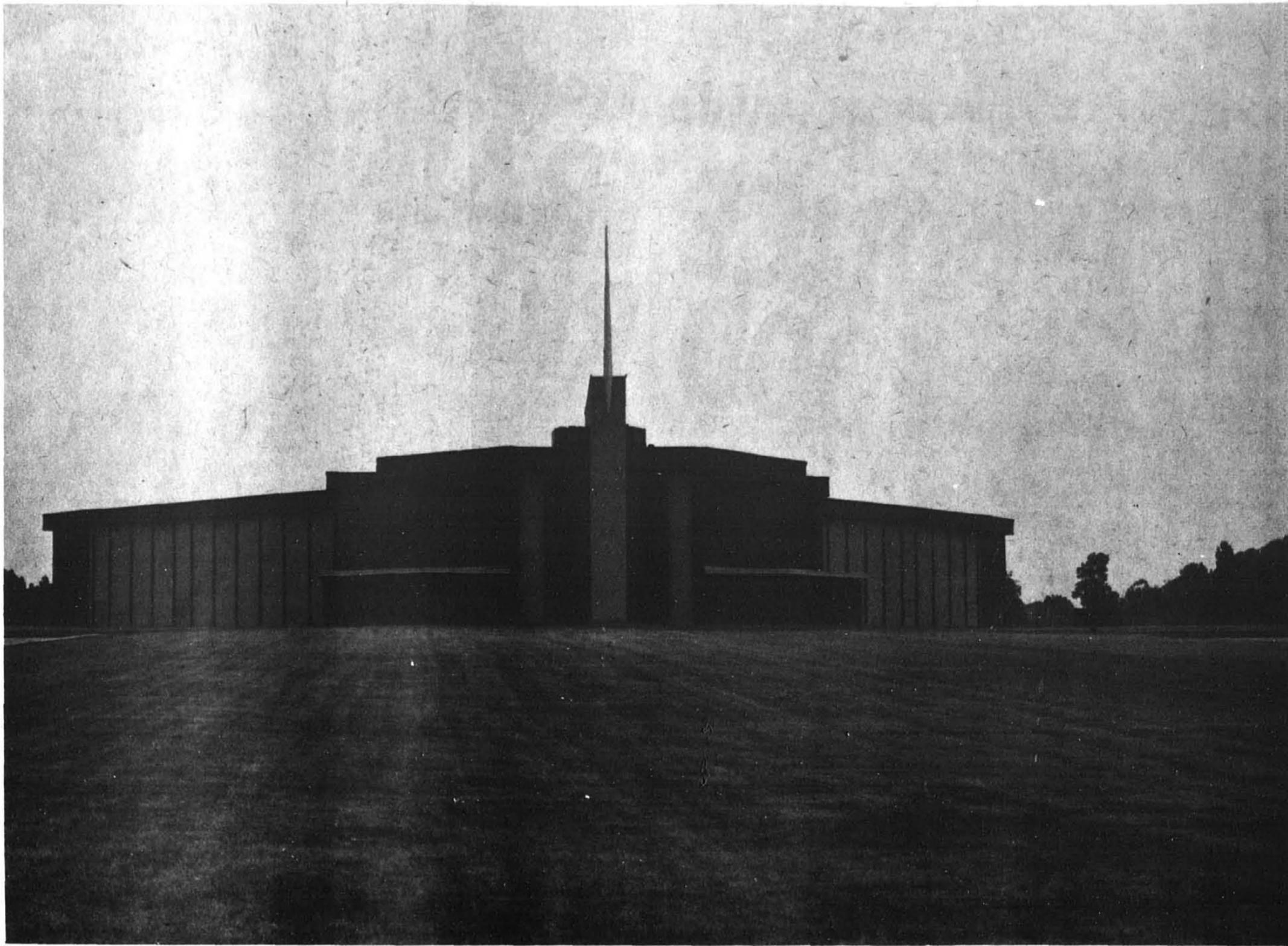
While at Baptist Bible Church, Wallace met a dynamic young man named John O. Russell, who is now associate pastor of Beth Haven Baptist and Wallace's right-hand assistant. Russell was born July 23, 1941, in Elkton. He also attended Tennessee Temple, where he gained a Graduate of Theology degree with a Bible major. In June 1963, Russell went to the Baptist Bible Church in Elkton as Wallace's assistant until August 1967.

From Elkton, Russell became pastor of the Central Baptist Church in Gaithersburg, Md., where he remained until 1977. During his ministry there, the church grew from 22 in attendance to more than 400. The Gaithersburg church enjoyed a varied ministry which included 19 missionaries supported by the church, a bus ministry, and an increase in property value from \$15,000 in 1967 to \$300,000 in 1977.

When Wallace first arrived at Beth Haven in 1971, he emphasized both soul-winning and baptism. One of his favorite mottos is, "Be positive -- Be persistent -- Be Punctual -- Be productive." And then he adds, "Follow through." And, indeed, Wallace has followed through by baptizing more than 2,000 in just one year.

The church has 70 to 80 soul-winners who go out in teams weekly. The same two men work together each week, attempting to win the lost to Christ. The number of teams is expanded when both members of one team become proficient soul-winners; they divide, each taking another person to train in evangelism. Sunday School visitation is organized so that every person on the role is visited every quarter.

Many of the Sunday School classes are built on the large classroom, master teacher concept. These classes can be interchanged with children's church when necessary. But other classes are held in small, self-contained rooms. For instance, there are 10 classes for the seventh graders at 11 a.m.,



Beth Haven Baptist Church on Dixie Highway, Louisville, Ky., A Gospel Light.

but at 9:45, younger children use the same rooms.

The power of Beth Haven is seen in the fact there is a prayer meeting every night at the church, and on Saturday night at 8:30 approximately 25 men gather to ask for God's power for the coming day.

Yet Beth Haven Baptist Church, like any other church, has seen its ups and downs. In recent years, increased expenses have led to the decision to discontinue many of the outlying bus routes and concentrate on the ones closest to the location of the church. This has been particularly heart-breaking to Pastor Wallace, who has lived for bus evangelism all his ministry.

Clearly the greatest year for the church was 1973-74, when more than 3,000 came to Sunday School on any given Sunday.

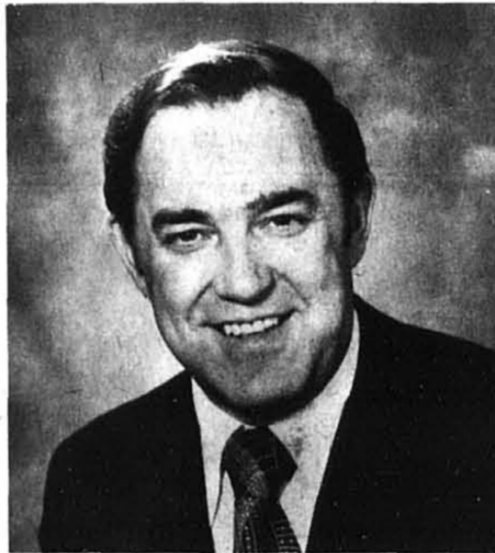
But now Wallace and Russell have concentrated on the individual ministries of the church, among the newest of which is the Jolly 60's senior citizens ministry. Robert L. Herring, director of the ministry, said the group holds its meetings and luncheons at various locations "to add variety to the club." Among its activities are crafts and projects. Already the club has more than 40 members, including several senior citizens living in nearby Elizabethtown.

And then there is the Beth Haven School, which offers Christian training based on the Bible for students from preschool age through high school. The Beth Haven Bible College is a four-year school offering majors in pastoral theology, designed for prospective pastors; Christian education, designed for prospective associate pastors; elementary education for teachers and leaders in Christian schools; secondary education, for those seeking a teaching career at the high school level; and a program in bus ministry for those desiring a way to prepare for a ministry in that field. Dr. Wallace is president of both schools.

The church also has continued its concentration on a building program. The property of Beth Haven currently is assessed at \$6.5 million. Dr. Wallace's main concern is to consolidate all the various mortgages on the property into one loan for permanent financing.

The church needed to expand but realized it was too expensive to buy individual lots and single family dwellings for growth in the immediate neighborhood, so they bought sixty-five acres and have an \$8 million expansion plan. The new location on U.S. 31 (Dixie Highway), the main artery through town, is an ideal center for a citywide evangelistic outreach. Fifteen acres is being given over to senior citizens apartments and 25 acres to a cemetery.

A church that is built on soul-winning has a bright future. Wallace has often said, "You don't build a great church, you build great people and a great church is the result." The people are convinced they will reach greater Louisville with the gospel.



Dr. Tom Wallace



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Beth Haven staff: Associate pastor John Russell (center) is surrounded by (clockwise from top left) Rev. Dean Watters, Denver Smith, Bob Hening, and Rev. Earle Lee.

## Southwide Fellowship Meeting Scheduled at Beth Haven

Dr. Tom Wallace and his Beth Haven Baptist Church in Louisville, Ky., are the hosts of this year's Southwide Baptist Fellowship Meeting, an annual event to be held October 2-4 at the church's 5515 Johnsontown Road location in Louisville.

Originally formed by Dr. Lee Roberson, pastor of Highland Park Baptist Church in Chattanooga, Tenn., the Southwide Baptist Fellowship is a loosely organized body of Bible-believing, fundamentalist independent Baptist churches in the southern part of the United States.

The churches which make up the fellowship are so closely tied with the goal of reaching our country with the Gospel that they get spiritually uplifted by meeting once a year and hearing what their fellow pastors are doing, Dr. Roberson said. Dr. Jerry Falwell and the Thomas Road Baptist Church maintain membership in the Southwide Baptist Fellowship.

Hundreds of people, both preachers and lay people, attend each year's conference, which is open to practically anyone.

Among the speakers for this year's event are Dr. Roberson; Dr. A.V. Henderson, pastor of Temple Baptist Church, Detroit, Mich.; Dr. Bob Gray, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church, Jacksonville, Fla.; Dr. Tom Malone, pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church, Pontiac, Mich.; Dr. Jack Hyles, pastor of First Baptist Church, Hammond, Ind.; Dr. John R. Rice, evangelist and

editor of *The Sword of the Lord*; Dr. Jack Hudson, pastor of Northside Baptist Church, Charlotte, N.C.; Dr. David Gibbs, a lawyer from Cleveland, Ohio; Dr. Curtis Hutson, associate editor of *The Sword of the Lord*; black evangelist Jim Earls; and Dr. Ken McComas, a pastor in Ohio who has written a biography of evangelist B.R. Lakin.

Those who attend the conference will also get a sampling of good Gospel singing led by Lindsay Terry, music director of Northside Baptist Church, Charlotte, N.C.; and Bradley Price, a pastor.

In addition, there will be display booths and seminars which further describe the work being done by fundamental churches throughout the South. Thomas Road Baptist Church plans to sponsor a display booth describing the miracle on Liberty Mountain as well as other ministries.

The emphasis of the fellowship this year is an all-out effort to magnify Christ through the preaching of His Word, Dr. Wallace said.

Dr. J.R. Faulkner, president of Tennessee Temple Schools, Chattanooga, will moderate the event. Among the activities he has organized is a 100-voice preachers' choir.

"Dr. Faulkner and I have worked very closely with several good men to put together a top-caliber program for the 1978 Southwide Baptist Fellowship," Dr. Wallace said.



# KYLENE BARKER: A CHRISTIAN MISS



Miss America's mother and cat, Foesac, sit on her bed while she is away. Kyleene Barker's bedroom is decorated in shades of lilac, her favorite color.

**By BRENDA EASTERLING**

When the average person sees Miss America, he gives her credit for good looks, personality and charm. But the girl who walks down the runway is more than her smile. She represents the investment that her parents have made in her. And in the case of this year's Miss America, her grandparents also.

Neither Kyleene Barker nor her family "really" thought she would win the Miss America Pageant. At the party following her crowning, she said to her mother who was seated beside her, "Mom, can you believe this! I think I'm dreaming!"

Kyle and Dolores Barker of Galax, Va., are the parents of this year's Miss America, and since they live only a few miles from Lynchburg, the *Journal-Champion* wanted to write their story, the making of a Miss America: Kyleene's grandparents, Horton and Ella Hall, live in Roanoke.

When Kyleene, who is now 22, was a tot learning to talk she called her grandparents "Pe Pa" and "Me Ma." The names stuck and Saturday, September 9, when Kyleene was crowned the 51st Miss America, she said, "I wonder what Pe Pa is thinking?"

Mrs. Barker never dreamed of her little girl becoming Miss America. "I had never thought any further than Miss Virginia. Once she became Miss Virginia, however, I hoped she would be in the top 10 at the national pageant, but I knew I wouldn't be disappointed if she didn't make it."

"When she made the top 10, I hoped she would be a runner-up. I thought that since she didn't win any of the preliminaries the

judges may have thought she was too short," said Mrs. Barker who is an inch taller than her 5-foot-4 daughter.

Kyleene's grandfather, had decided to stay home and watch the Miss America program on television. Her brother, Rennie, had also stayed behind while the rest of the family went to Atlantic City, N.J. Both men sat alone, one in Roanoke, the other in Galax, to watch granddaughter and sister as she appeared to millions of viewers.

"When it was announced she was in the top 10, my ears lived up, and I thought she had as good a chance as any of them," said Kyleene's "Pe Pa."

"Suddenly, she became Miss America and, before Bert Parks could sing five notes of Kyleene's song, the phone started ringing. I brushed away a tear from my eye and answered the calls until 1:30 that morning," he said.

As Rennie watched his sister in the pageant, he tried not to get excited. The Miss America Pageant, however, was more important than the other pageants. Rennie, who is 20 and single, seldom shows excitement over anything, his mother said. But Miss America was different, and, suddenly, his sister became queen. "I tried to stay calm," he said afterwards.

The Barkers and Kyleene's grandparents relish the years before she went off to Virginia Polytechnic Institute in Blacksburg, the days of childhood when Kyleene faithfully watched National Velvet on television and asked her father to please give her a "western, chestnut brown quarter horse."

## Galax' Proudest Moment Is Nation's Best, Family Cites Beauty's Youth and Determination

Then, when Kyleene was 12, Mr. Barker gave her a horse and she named it "Blaze". "It fit her to a 'T', and she and her best girlfriend pretended they were the girl on National Velvet and would jump imaginary fences in the field by our house," said Mr. Barker, the "Father America."

Mr. Barker's best memories of Kyleene, however, are when she was between the ages of 15 and 19 "before she started dating boys, because I saw her more then and we did more things together."

Mrs. Barker's fondest memories of Kyleene are the first four years. "I wanted my first child to be a girl, and I wanted to name her for her father. I enjoyed her more because I could fix her hair in ringlets and sew little dresses, and I enjoyed the funny things she did and said at that age. Now she tells me she hated her hair in ringlets, but it was the style back then."



Kyleene: 'Then and Now'



daughter to sing and encouraged her to take piano. She took piano for two years, and then got busy doing other things. "My mother always wanted me to play and sing, but I always had the baby sitter teach me cartwheels."

In all Kyleene's pageants combined, Mr. Barker said he has not spent more than \$700, and most of this was for transportation and for her Miss Virginia gown. He said his daughter is a naturally beautiful all-American young lady and is glad she wants to keep "the girl next door" image.

Kyleene has made money from her pageants. The Miss Virginia Pageant awarded her \$1,500 and an extra \$1,000 toward her three gowns for the Miss America Pageant. Although she sewed everything except her swimsuit and gown for Miss Virginia, she did not need to sew for Miss Roanoke because J.C. Penny's in Roanoke provided her wardrobe.

Now, as Miss America, she has received a \$29,000 scholarship which, as she told her grandmother, she would like to apply toward a master of business administration degree. In addition to this, Kyleene will earn \$50,000 this year through personal appearance bookings which began immediately with "The Today Show" and a taping for "The Donnie and Marie Show."

Kyleene's ambition throughout college has been to open a dress shop in Roanoke. Now, however, she said she "just might" start out on North Avenue in Palm Beach, Fla. "I taught her everything I knew about sewing while she was still in grade school. She took home economics in high school and, although she thought about becoming a teacher, she decided to major in apparel design and tailoring at Tech," Mrs. Barker said.

The cheerleading background coupled with swimming and lifeguarding experience helped Kyleene decide on an acrobatic routine for the talent competition in various pageants.

Because Mrs. Barker is from a family of singers who never sang professionally, she wanted her

became celebrities, too. I didn't know how to act when people started asking for my autograph," said Mrs. Barker, who since the pageant proudly wears a large button with a picture of Kyleene as she appeared in the Miss Virginia Pageant.

Kyleene's grandfather asked his wife, "Honey, how do we act stuck up?"

"I don't think it would work," was the reply of Kyleene's "Me Ma," who, for 11 years, has worked in the lunch rooms of the Roanoke County Schools. Her husband is an investigator for the Virginia State Corporation Commission.

In a recent interview, Miss America told reporters, "I'm a Christian and I've been baptized."

Mrs. Barker said, "We taught Kyleene to attend church on Sundays, to be honest and to have respect for her elders, her teachers and the law. She was taught not to be critical of people, and to keep God first in her life. As parents, we trusted our children."

Miss America's mother then reached for a Bible her daughter used in high school. "Ephesians is my favorite book, especially chapter six," she said as she turned to that book.

"Kyleene has more marks in chapter five," she observed as she pointed to verse 20. "Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Miss America has always been a winner, especially with her family. Soon a sign will landmark the Barker's front yard stating, "Home of Miss America Kyleene Barker. Visitors welcome."

In summing up what he believes to be the "key" to Kyleene's success, her grandfather said, "That young'un had more perseverance than a dozen young'un's ought to. Anything she saw she wanted to do, she set her head to do, and she got on with it."

Mr. Hall, who is also a "ham" for words, said, "When she was a baby, nobody had a mouth like her. She'd spread it open like a Dixie cavern." That smile, he added, and her ability to be natural could not have been manufactured for a pageant.

Mr. Barker is a meat cutter at A&P in Abingdon, a two-hour drive from Galax. He also sells Electrolux vacuum cleaners "on the side to help earn a living."

"When Kyleene was named Miss America, we suddenly



A potted plant now grows in the high chair that was passed down from Horton Hall to his granddaughter, Miss America.



**Miss America Day October 13**

If Kyleene Barker's parents were not "prepared" for her to become Miss America, neither was Galax, Va.

This town of 6,000 population will no longer be known primarily for furniture, at least not this year. Makeshift signs reading, "Galax - Hometown of Miss America Kyleene Barker" have quickly made their appearance.

The town is currently making preparations for a parade and festivities Sunday, October 15, to welcome and congratulate Miss America as she visits for a day.

Roanoke is also making big plans for a Miss America visit October 13. The Hotel Roanoke is renaming its "John Randolph Suite" the "Miss America Suite," and there are plans to hang a portrait of Kyleene in the hotel's lobby, said "Grandmother America" Mrs. Hall as she looked through Roanoke news clippings last week.

Miss America's grandparents watch The Old-Time Gospel Hour. Her parents plan a visit to Lynchburg soon.

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# TRBC UPDATE

By WANDA WATSON

On the eve of Super Conference, October 21, Liberty Baptist College's Saturday Film Festival is featuring the new Christian film classic, *Pilgrim's Progress*. The film, which is based on the classic by John Bunyan, will be shown at 7:30 p.m. in the main auditorium of TRBC. A 25 cent admission charge will be levied.

On Friday night, September 29 at 7:00 p.m., the Awana Sparks (grades K-2) will have an all night slumber party in the LCA gym.

Eldridge Cleaver saw Dr. Jerry Falwell on live television in Philadelphia, Penn. Falwell was debating an avowed homosexual professor. Cleaver came immediately to the TV station, walked in and sat in the front. The announcer asked why he came.

"I thought Brother Jerry needed some help, so I came to give him support."

LBC had a 22 per cent increase in enrollment this fall. Most public schools held their own or decreased in enrollment.

Tuesday, September 12, Mrs. Harold (Carmen) McNabb spoke to the Seminary Ladies' Fellowship about "Being a Seminary Student's Wife." An open discussion followed, and apparel designer Susan Brent showed the group how to dress stylishly this winter.

The TRBC Senior High "For Girls Only" had a meeting on Tuesday night, September 19. The highlight of the evening was a talk by Katherine Adkins, a beautician from Beauty Fair in Lynchburg.

The Awana Chums (grades 3-5) will have a mother-daughter get-together on Sunday, October 1, at 6:30 p.m. in the LCA gym.

The Ladies' Fellowship from Dr. Kroll's Couples Sunday School class held a meeting on September 18 to elect officers. The new officers are: Becky Kull, president; Judy Vanderham, vice-president; Nancy Hesse, secretary; Ruth Fitzwater, treasurer; Barb Jewell, publicity; and Patty Baker, refreshments. A salad bar and a time of testimonies were also a part of this month's meeting. Meetings will be held every month, a nursery is provided and all ladies are invited.

Two new bus routes began this month. Approximately 80 workers are now involved in the TRBC bus ministry. Every Saturday morning the bus workers gather in the LCA cafeteria for breakfast, a challenge and prayer before going out on visitation.

The Word of Life Clubs are growing! Nine clubs represent the Senior High department. The single adults have four Bible Clubs. This year they have begun one special group for singles 25 and over. All groups meet in homes on Monday evenings.

The TRBC Senior High Sunday School department is focusing on evangelism with a campaign entitled "The Hatfield-McCoy Feud." The department is divided into the two groups and the contest is to see which group can bring the most visitors. Saturday, October 14, will be "Hillbilly Night." The teens will dress as hillbillies and the games, food and skits will feature the theme.

The TRBC Single's department has started a new 50-voice choir. The choir called "Single Purpose" will travel to other college campuses and to other churches twice a month. A drama and puppet team will accompany them.

TRBC bus director Gerry Wade has a new manual out titled, *Backyard Junior Church*. You can purchase this helpful manual for \$3.50 (normally \$5.00) by coming to the bus office. Mr. Wade is in the process of preparing another manual on *Games For Bus Ministries*, which is targeted for release before the Super Conference.

The TRBC family wants to thank the senior high department for the great job they did cleaning around the church on Saturday, September 23. This group often works hard on Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. doing chores at TRBC.

Mr. Joel Pearson, director of Liberty Home Bible Institute, left on Friday, September 22 to go to Vero Beach, Fla., to become the administrator for Tabernacle Baptist Church, their Christian day school, their proposed retirement home. Mr. Pearson will be missed at TRBC but he goes with our blessings.

The 1978 TRBC National Bible Conference began on Sunday evening, September 10 with a "double-hitter" preaching service. Dr. Donald Campbell from Dallas Theological Seminary preached a message on Daniel 3 followed by Dr. Harold Willmington's sermon on "The Rapture." Dr. Willmington is dean of Thomas Road Bible Institute. The conference continued through Wednesday, September 13 with Dr. Duane T. Gish and Dr. Henry M. Morris, both from the Institute of Creation Research in San Diego, Cal. bringing great messages.

A Hawaiian luau was held on Saturday, September 16, by Dr. Kroll's Sunday School class. The American Legion pavillion was beautifully decorated and each family brought a Hawaiian dish. The Bonheim's showed slides of their summer missionary adventures in Hawaii. Approximately 100 people attended.

On Friday, September 15-Saturday, September 16, the TRBC Singles went "white water rafting" in Tennessee.

The TRBC Youth Aflame cheerleaders attended a clinic on Saturday, September 23, in the LCA gym. Approximately 30 girls attended the clinic hosted by the LCA cheerleaders. The Youth Aflame football season began the same day.

On Saturday, September 23, the primary Sunday School department (grades 1-3) had a big outing on Treasure Island from 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. The activity was called "Almost Anything Goes" and indeed, "almost anything went."

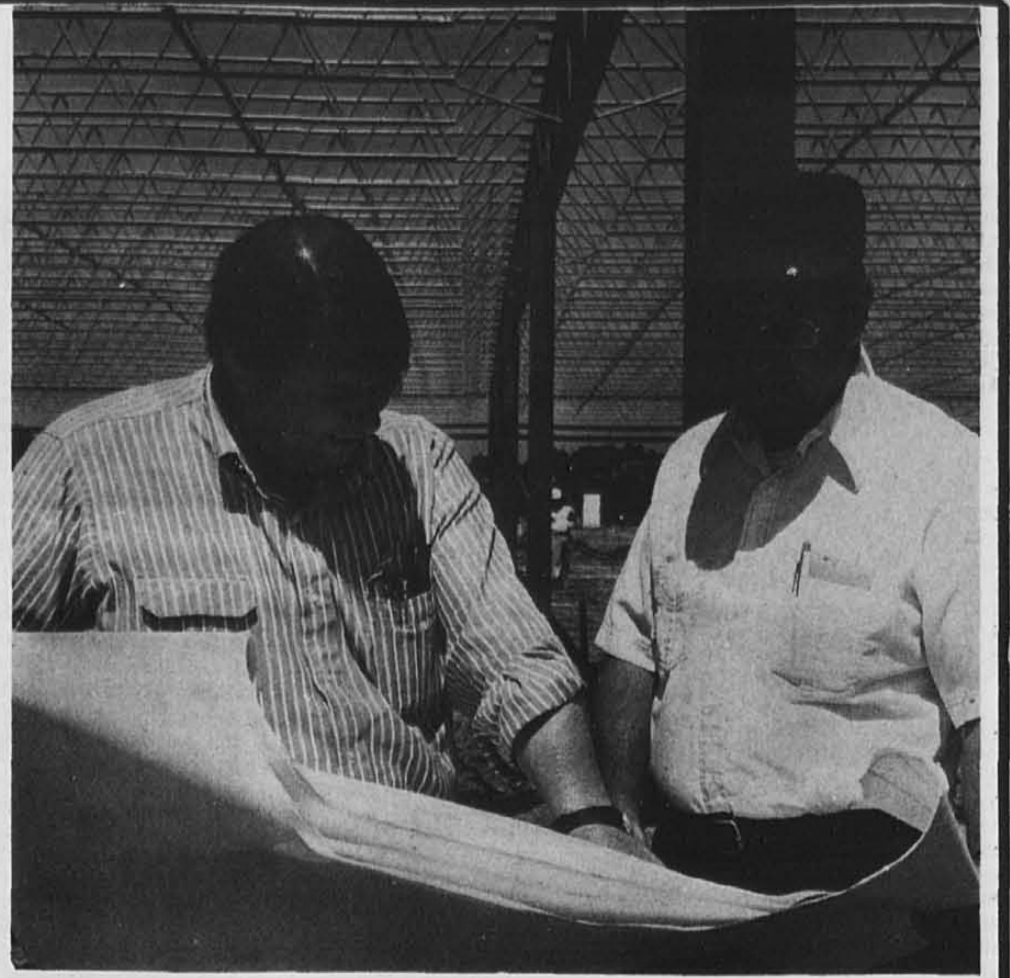
One hundred couples met Saturday, September 23, at Thomas Road Baptist Church for a couple's seminar sponsored by the TRBC counselling department.

Dr. Howard Eyrich of Atlanta, Ga., gave couples what he considers to be the rudiments of success for the Christian family and a better marriage relationship. After a collective seminar, his wife, Pam, met separately with the ladies.

Dr. Eyrich is vice president of the National Association of Nouthetic Counsellors, and is working with Dr. Jay Adams, author and visiting professor at Westminster Theological Seminary, on the construction of a counselling center in the Atlanta area.

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**'BURDEN FOR THE NICE GUYS'**

**Jack Read Pastors In 'Valpo'**

**Editor's Note:** In 1972 Dr. Harold Wilmington left the Emmanuel Baptist Church of Valparaiso, Ind., to become Dean of the Thomas Road Bible Institute. Three years later, Rev. Jack Read, who was trained by Wilmington at TRBI, went to take the church.

By MARIE CHAPMAN

"It's all right to have a burden for the down-and-out or the bum in the gutter, but God has given me a burden for the 'nice guys' who are going to hell," affirms John L. (Jack) Read, pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church, Valparaiso, Ind. He adds, "We are winning them. It's hard work, but we are here." When Jack Read and his wife, Betty, graduates of Thomas Road Bible Institute, went to "Valpo" in 1975, he preached to a congregation of less than 100. In the ensuing three years he has seen the number triple, with a high of over 400. Of the 500 professions of faith they have witnessed, many have been children from homes of another faith or none at all. While some were not permitted to become part of the church, some others have been the means of bringing whole families into the local fellowship.

A former Marine Corps career serviceman, Ex-Major Read leads his church with all the efficiency drilled into him through the years. Emmanuel, far from going overboard on the "no-no's," provides lively, happy Christian opportunities for every age group. As all good leaders do, Jack Read set the example by starting with his own Sunday School class, the Adult Auditorium Bible Class, running in 1975 a mere 43.

"I spent hours and hours on preparation every week for that class and it began to grow," the pastor testified.

So did the children's work, as Betty Read began with characteristic vigor and enthusiasm to put into practice the precepts of the Institute classes she had passed as an "A" student.

"Betty Read is one of those people with originality and initiative who can take a germ of an idea and develop it into excellence and success," commented one of her former teachers.

An efficient ministry to the deaf was already under way when the Reads arrived at Emmanuel. Under the guidance of the pastor's wife, the deaf have produced an inspirational and moving pageant for a church service. During a visit to Emmanuel for a meeting, Bill Rice III commented that their "deaf workers are as good as any I've seen anywhere." It was to them a seal of approval, coming from the son of the late Dr. Bill Rice and his wife, founders of the camp for the deaf at the Bill Rice Ranch in Murfreesboro, Tenn.

"Our music ministry is continually expanding, as God brings to us an increasing number of members with various musical gifts," Read said. "We have a quartet, a ladies' trio, instrumental ensembles, children's and youth choirs, besides the adult choir. All these make a real contribution to the services of the church."

Under Youth Pastor Greg Odell, who came to Emmanuel a year ago after graduation from Liberty Baptist College, the church's youth program has flourished.

"In Sunday School, the teen department has tripled, with a high attendance of 73," said Odell.

Besides their musical activities, the youth groups enjoy a bowling league involving 45 of their number; a junior high football league of 60 members; and a Tee-ball league for 50 younger boys.

Back in the early '70's after Jack retired from the Marines, they bought a comfortable home in their native Ohio, at Findlay. Always active in Christian work through his service years, Jack was frequently called on to speak in churches. Soon Riley Creek Baptist Church in nearby Bluffton asked him to fill in as pastor. Betty served in many ways in the church, as well as managing a successful florist



Rev. Jack Read

shop. Then Jack began to be restive. "God is calling me to be a full-time pastor," he confessed to his wife one day.

"Oh, no," she quickly assured him. "I'd never make a pastor's wife. Maybe God wants you to be an evangelist, and we can just keep on living here and you can hold meetings." After the service years of "every kind of housing, cooking and heating with a variety of fuel, constantly selling and rebuying furniture, and leaving old friends," she was ready to stay put.

However, a series of incidents convinced her that her rationalization was not God's idea. On one occasion, she and her college-aged son Brian were talking together in the kitchen of the house when the furnace blew up, with some damage but no personal injury. At another time, she returned home to discover a huge tree had fallen on top of the house. There had been no damage -- Betty got the message.

"All right, Lord," she said. And Jack Read happily said, "Yes, Sir" to his Commandant. After selling their home, they left Ohio for study at Thomas Road Bible Institute in distant Lynchburg, Va.

"We had no doubt that God would take care of us and provide every need," Jack said. "I have been sure of His care ever since Easter Sunday when I was 12 years old and my Sunday School teacher made real to us the story of the crucifixion. I went home that day and knelt alone by my bed and asked God to save me."

Throughout his flying career, he had often seen God's hand preserving him, though he is quick to add, "I never prayed much to be preserved. I never felt death was too bad a thing."

One incident stands out in his mind from his war days -- a time in Korea during a night in the middle of winter. "As I piloted my plane, I heard the clear instruction, 'Turn your plane around.'" As an obedient serviceman, he turned at once. As he did so, he saw four enemy MIG fighter planes behind him. As he faced them, they veered and sped for home. Jack feels sure Who gave the order to turn.

During the last hitch of his Marine career, Jack was part of the Helicopter Unit for the late President John F. Kennedy. "I was on call to fly him and his family and dignitaries from other countries," he explained.

Since retirement, Jack Read has occasionally used his flying skill, with the aid of a borrowed plane, to encourage children's interest in church by giving free plane rides as awards.

He is busy now making sure his neighbors in Valparaiso have a ticket for a one-way flight to Glory. When they do, more and more of them are finding their way to Emmanuel.

"We have outgrown our building," the pastor said. "We are in the process of putting up a 60,000-square-foot building to serve as a morning service meeting place and to double as a gym for youth activities." The eight acres of land they own will allow for further expansion.

Excited about the succession of miracles of soul-winning and financial provision, the Reads both feel, "We've never been happier. Nothing compares with being united in doing what God wants you to do."

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Wylie Richardson

department) spend in home and hospital visitation. Brother Richardson relates the Scriptures to everyday life and blesses each heart. He lives what he teaches and impresses upon each class member to be a testimony for Christ each day of the week.

The class has helped LBC students by providing scholarship funds. Also, love offerings are provided for missionaries above the tithes and offerings. Boxes are periodically sent to the Jenkins family with gifts, tapes, literature and items they are unable to get in New Guinea. The class corresponds with them regularly, prays for them, and praises God for their victories.

The latter part of last year Brother Richardson was hospitalized. While lying in the hospital, God revealed to him the need for cottage prayer meetings on a regular basis. This has been

done for several months and it has brought about a closeness among the members. Most of the meeting is spent in prayer after a brief devotion. Many members who never prayed publicly before become involved and feel the power of prayer as they see their prayers being answered.

Brother R.C. Worley closes the class with a word of in-

spirational testimony and prayer, always reminding the students that it is not them, but God working through them to accomplish His purposes.

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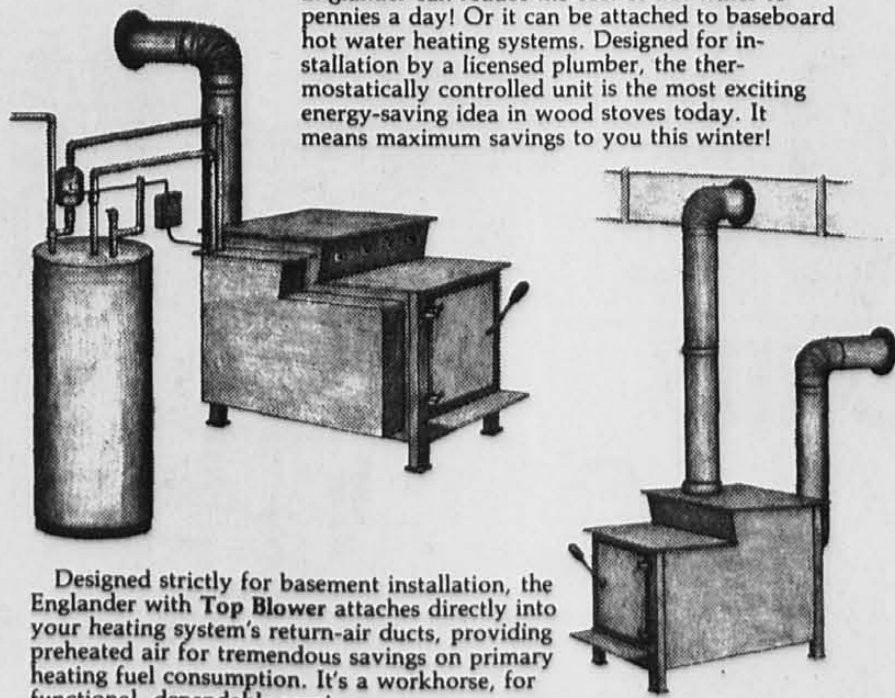
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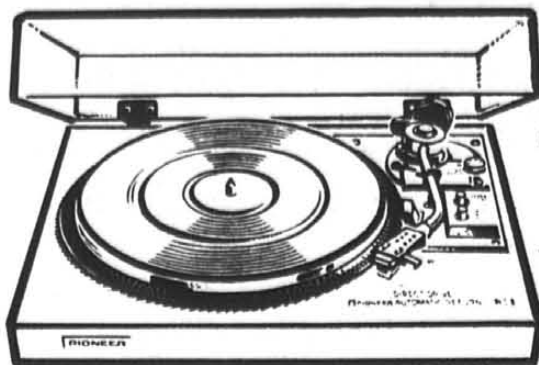
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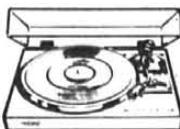
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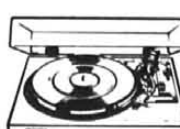
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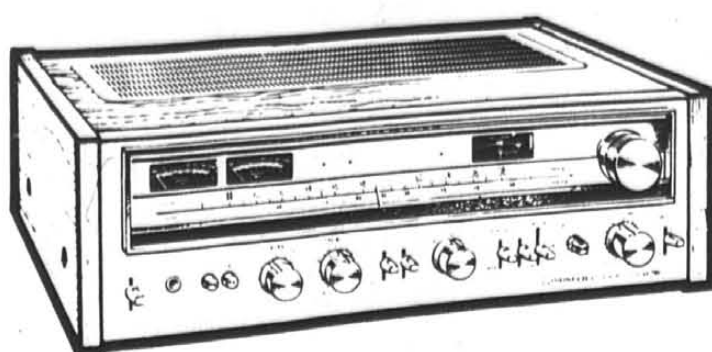


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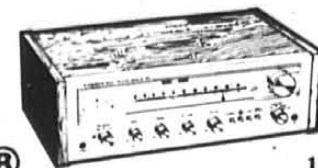
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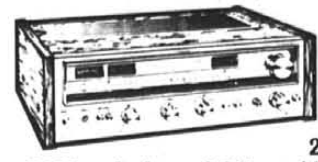
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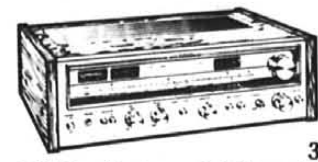
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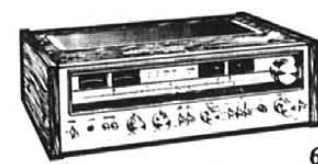
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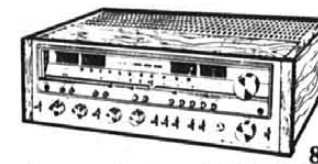
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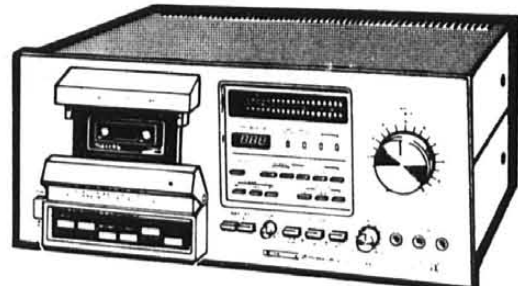
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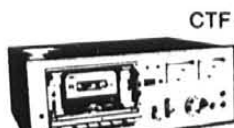
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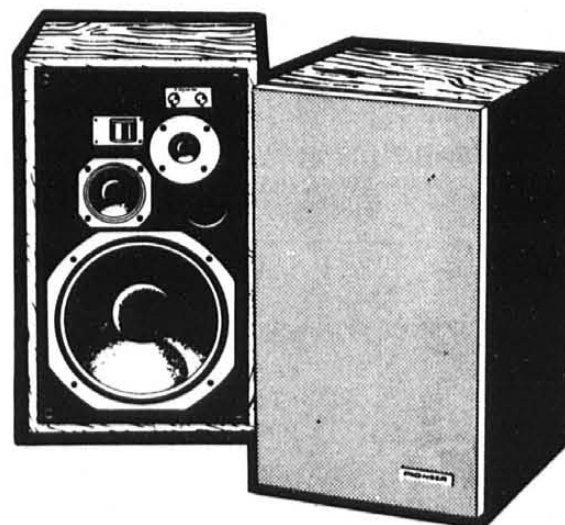
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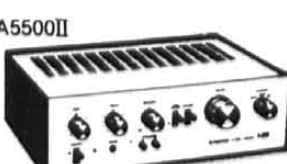
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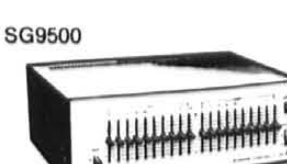
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