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Thou hast given a banner to them that fear thee, that it may be displayed because of the truth. Ps 60:4

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MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATIONS TO CONVENE

SILOAM ASSOCIATION

Siloam Missionary Baptist Association is to convene in its twenty-eighth annual session with Old Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church, Allen County, Kentucky on Friday, October 3, at 10:00 A.M. There will also be services on Friday night, and then on Saturday, October 4.

Officers elected last year were, Elder W. T. Russell, moderator; Elder Don Curtis, clerk, and Bro. G. W. Hauskins, treasurer.

Elder L. W. Smith is to preach the Introductory Sermon on Friday; Elder Paul W. Bryson is to preach the Memorial Sermon on Friday night, and on Saturday the Doctrinal Sermon is to be preached by Elder W. T. Russell.

ENON ASSOCIATION

On Friday, October 10, at 10:00 A.M., the Enon Missionary Baptist Association is to meet with Bethany Missionary Baptist Church, Macon County, Tennessee, in its 131st annual session. The session will continue through Saturday and Sunday.

Elder Gordon Wheeler will preach the Introductory sermon the first day. On the second day, Elder James Oliver is to preach the Memorial Sermon. Elder William Johnson is to deliver the Doctrinal Sermon on Sunday.

Officers elected in the last session were, Elder William Johnson, moderator; Elder J. E. Shoulders, clerk, and Elder James Oliver, treasurer.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

The Southwestern District Missionary Baptist Association is to meet in its 132nd annual session on Friday, October 10, with Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, located on Highway 22, two miles north of Huntingdon, Tennessee in Carroll County. It will continue through Sunday.

Officers elected in 1979 were Elder Harold Carver, moderator; Bro. Ray Smith, clerk.

The Introductory Sermon is to be preached on Friday by Elder Kenneth Massey; Elder Harold Carver is to deliver the Doctrinal Sermon on Saturday, and on Sunday the Missionary Sermon is to be preached by Elder E. F. Prince.

WISEMAN ASSOCIATION

The Wiseman Missionary Baptist Association is to convene in its 89th annual session on Friday, October 24, at 10:00 A.M., with New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, 1088 Old Dickerson Pike, Goodlettsville, Tennessee. Services will be held Friday night and Saturday.

Officers elected at the last session were, Elder Howard G. Taylor, moderator; Elder H. C. Vanderpool, clerk, and Elder A. G. Gregory, treasurer.

The Introductory Sermon on Friday is to be delivered by Elder Everett Scruggs; Elder Bobby Gann is to preach the Memorial Sermon on Friday night, and on Saturday Elder James (Pete) Porter is to deliver the Doctrinal Sermon.

Missionary Report From Japan

Koji Tajima
Hiroshima Nishi P. O. Box 62
Hiroshima 733, Japan
July 31, 1980

Dear Elder H. C. Vanderpool, and readers of the Baptist Banner,

We are sending you our christian greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ from Japan.

I haven't made reports to the Banner since October 1978, and many of the readers, churches and individuals, have wondered what happened to me. I really appreciate those who wrote me good letters, or called me by long distance call from States. I appreciate Bro. Vanderpool encouraged me to make our missionary reports to his paper again.

I am still preaching words of God here in Japan as before. I have preached the gospel of Christ in seasons and out of seasons by grace of the Lord to the day, yet there was some hard time



Eld. & Mrs. Koji Tajima

and difficulties in the past. I thought if I made reports while the difficulties was going on, I might have made some appeal to raise the fund, and people might be perplexed. In order to keep on the work, I worked all night at the trucking company of the city till the time I almost ruined my body and health. Right now I am all right and in good health condition, for which I am thankful. Lord answered our prayer and helped us greatly by His almighty hands. By the grace of the Lord we are what we are now. We also thank God for your great concern in foreign mission and in supporting us in many ways.

Let me share the good news that Lord gave us

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THE WESTERN WALL

(Wailing Wall) is the holiest shrine of the Jewish world. It is revered as the last relic of the last Temple. The Western Wall is a portion of the retaining wall that Herod built around the second Temple in 20 B.C. Titus, in the year 70 A.D., spared this part of the wall with its huge blocks to show future generations the greatness of the Roman soldiers who had been able to destroy the rest of the building. During the Roman period, Jews were not allowed to come to Jerusalem. However, during the Byzantine period, they were allowed to come once a year on the anniversary of the destruction of the Temple to lament the dispersion of their people and weep over the ruins of the Holy Temple, which is why this section of the wall became known as the Wailing Wall. The custom of praying at the wall continued for centuries. From 1948-1967 Jews were not allowed to visit the wall as it was in the Jordanian section of the city. After the Six Day War, the Wailing Wall became a place for national rejoicing as well as a place of worship. A large esplanade was cleared to accommodate thousands of worshippers.

A BALANCED MINISTRY

By J. H. Smith

Introduction:

Our ministry should be patterned after the order given in the great commission, as recorded in Matthew 28:19, 20; and this can cover a very wide range of subjects. We might be tempted to just preach on the subjects that we like the best, or the ones that are the easiest for us; but God didn't call us just to preach what is most favorable to us, or to the people we preach to, He wants us to declare all the counsel of God, just like Paul admonished Timothy to do: "Preach the Word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long suffering and doctrine." II Timothy 4:2. All this requires study, yes, and the Bible is a great big book.

I could cite to both of the Epistles of Peter and Paul, especially, as good examples of balanced ministries, but I have chosen the First Epistle of Peter for most of my study here, not because Peter's writing is above and better than the rest of the New Testament for a balanced ministry, but I



Elder Henry Smith

can say that it is a very rich one; and it is such a good one for a wide range of subjects for preaching.

Before exploring somewhat of the Epistle of Peter, I should like first of all to notice something of the man, Peter. He seemed to be very close to the Lord Jesus from the time the Lord called him from his fishing occupation; because his communication with the Lord was very intimate; as we find, from the record, that he did more talking than the other disciples; whether this was

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I'M BEING FOLLOWED

Every step would leave a print
 As I walked through the snow;
 And for my son who followed me
 They showed him where to go.
 His little legs would often stretch,
 To reach the prints I made;
 He'd struggle, sometimes he would fall
 He never was afraid!
 I stopped, I almost shuddered
 My thoughts went years ahead;
 My steps would all be followed
 No matter where they led!
 My eyes began to blur a bit
 My heart was beating fast;
 I breathed a silent prayer to God
 My steps, O God, please cast.

GOOD WILL

The most precious thing in the world is good will. It is something as fragile as an orchid and as beautiful. It is more precious than a gold nugget and as hard to find. It is as powerful as a great turbine, and as hard to build. It is as wonderful as youth and as hard to keep. It is an intangible something, this good will of others, yet more to be desired than much gold. It is a measure of a man's success and determines his usefulness in life.

The best way to forget your own problem is to help someone solve his.

WORTH REMEMBERING

Men are great or small in stature as it pleases God. But their nature is great or small as it pleases themselves. Men are not born, some with great souls and some with little souls. One by taking thought cannot add to his stature, but he can enlarge his soul. By an act of the will he can make himself a moral giant, or dwarf himself to a pigmy.

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LET EVERY AMERICAN, every lover of liberty, every well-wisher to his posterity swear by the blood of the Revolution never to violate in the least particular the laws of the country and never to tolerate their violation by others. As the patriots of Seventy-six did to the support of the Declaration of Independence, so to the support of the Constitution and laws let every American pledge his life, his property and sacred honor. Let every man remember that to violate the laws is to trample on the blood of his father, and to tear the charter of his own and his children's liberty. Let reverence for the laws be breathed by every American mother to the lisping babe that rattles on her lap; let it be taught in schools, in seminaries and in colleges, let it be written in primers, spelling books and almanacs; let it be preached from the pulpit, proclaimed in the legislative halls and enforced in courts of justice. And, in short, let it become the political religion of the nation. . . .

—Abraham Lincoln

**Polk County Missionary
 Baptist Association
 Convened In 113th Annual
 Session**

The Polk County Missionary Baptist Association convened in its 113th annual session with Walnut Ridge Missionary Baptist Church, Halfway, Missouri on August 12-13, 1980. Elder Austin McGinnis served as moderator and Elder Stephen Skinner as clerk.

The annual sermon on Tuesday, August 12, was preached by Elder Junior Ingram. The afternoon sermon was delivered by Elder Alpha Redford, and then Tuesday night, Elder Marshall Henderson preached. Other ministers conducting devotionals, etc. on the first day were Elder Austin McGinnis, Elder Wilburn Foster, Elder Vernon Ragsdale and Elder Donald Fulbright.

On the second day, Elder Hobart Mustain preached in the morning, Elder C. J. Bybee delivered the message in the afternoon, and those conducting devotionals were Garland Pool and Elder Richard Crain. Several reports on Missionary Baptist work was given during the two-day session with a good Spiritual association throughout. The 1981 session is to be held on August 11-12, 1981 with Mt. View Missionary Baptist Church, Polk, Missouri.

**OLD FASHIONED
 BIBLE SCHOOL IN
 INDIANA**

The Old Fashioned Bible School will convene at Southside Missionary Baptist Church, 1850 E. Summer Ave., Indianapolis, Ind. on Friday night, November 7, 1980 at 7:00 P.M., and on Saturday, November 8 at 10:00 A.M. Lunch will be served by the church at noon with services in the afternoon.

The subjects and teachers are as follows:

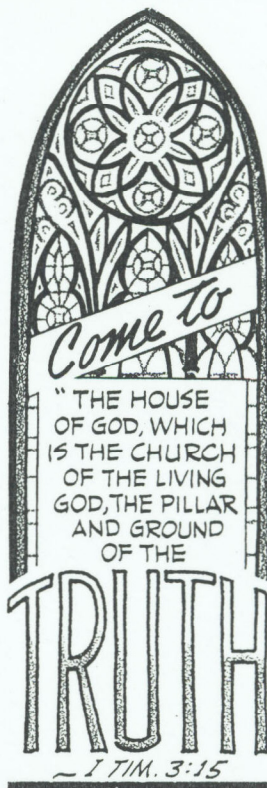
1. Man: Original State, Fallen State, Redeemed State - Teacher, Elder Billy Moran.
2. What A Child of God Has to Gain or Lose - Teacher, Elder William House.
3. Pastor and Deacon Relationship - Teacher, Elder Calvin Perrigo.

Everyone is invited to attend. Anyone needing lodging may contact Bro. Larry Patterson, 350 Maxwell Rd., Indianapolis, IN 46217. Phone: (317) 783-2443.

Tact
 A minister was at work on his Sunday sermon when a member, Mrs. Blipp, called on him. Rather irritated by this morning caller, he quickly asked his wife to go downstairs and talk to the woman.

After a time, he had heard nothing, so he shouted downstairs, "Has the old hag gone yet?"

With great presence of mind, the wife replied, "Yes, dear, Mrs. Blipp is here now."
The Oklahoma Mason



The Minister's Ulcers

Nearly every business man complains of at least one ulcer. We could not help thinking how many ulcers the poor business man would have if he worked under the same circumstances as the average minister.

Just suppose, Mr. Business Man, that you were overseer of 100 workers. Suppose only 50 percent of them ever showed up at work at a given time, and only 25 percent could be really relied on.

Suppose every time one of your workers had a slight headache, or company dropped in, or a flash of lightning appeared in the sky, large numbers of your workers pulled the covers over their heads and failed to appear for duty.

Suppose your workers only worked when they felt like it, and yet you must be very sweet and never fire one of them. To get them back to work you must beg them, plead with them, pat them on the back, and use every means under the sun to persuade them without offending them.

And suppose you were in competition with a notorious rascal, the devil, who has no scruples and is far more clever than you are and uses such attractive things as fishing rods, guns, soft pillows, television, and a thousand other things to attract your customers.
HOW MANY ULCERS WOULD YOU HAVE?

Most people can keep a secret, but the folks they tell it to, can't.

**SCRIPTURAL
 BAPTISM**

By H.C. Vanderpool

SUBJECT OF BAPTISM

In order to have scriptural baptism, the first qualification is a proper subject. That qualification is a saved person, or a "born-again" child of God.

"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, (make disciples of all nations, - Org. Gr.) baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost." Matthew 28:19.

Please notice that the first responsibility of the church was to make disciples through the preaching of the gospel. After making "disciples," Jesus said, baptizing "them." That is, "baptize the ones who were made disciples." There isn't one scripture in all the Bible that commands an unsaved person to be baptized.

Those baptized by John the Baptist were "fruit-bearers" or ones who had an experience. He preached repentance unto the lost, and Luke wrote that repentance was unto life. Acts 11:18.

When the eunuch asked Philip, "See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized?" Philip answered, "If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest." Philip would not baptize an "unbeliever." So, again we can see that to have scriptural baptism, one must first be saved. Why? Believers have passed from death unto life, John 5:24. They have overcome the world, I John 5:4. Believers are delivered from darkness, John 12:46. They are justified and have peace with God, Romans 5:1. Believers will never perish, John 3:16. Believers have remission of sins, Acts 10:43, and they are sealed with the Holy Spirit, Ephesians 1:13.

Believers are born of God, I John 5:1; have everlasting life, John 6:47; are not condemned, John 3:18; Have peace with God, Romans 5:1; shall never die, John 11:26; have pure hearts, Acts 15:9; are sons of God, John 1:12, and are saved, Acts 16:31. All these scriptures teach that baptism is to be administered to saved people only!

MODE OF BAPTISM

In the Introduction you find where we believe baptism to be "immersion," or a complete burial of the candidate in water. The word "baptize" is, properly speaking, a Greek word "baptizo."

What does the word "baptizo" mean? Let us ask Greek scholars, men familiar with and skilled in the usage of Greek. What do lexicographers and scholars say? Here are a few answers: SCAPULA says: "To dip, to immerse, as we do anything for the purpose of dyeing it." SCHLEUSNER says: "Properly, it signifies to dip, to immerse, to immerse in water." PARKHURST says: "To dip, immerse, or plunge in water." GREENFIELD says: "To immerse, immerge, submerge, sink." STEVENS says: "To merge or immerse, to submerge, or bury in the water." STOCKIUS says: "Properly, it means to dip, or immerse in water." ROBINSON says: "To immerse, to sink." SOPHOCLES says: "Baptizo, to dip, to immerse, to sink."

ROSENMULLER says: "To baptize is to immerse, or dip." STUART says: "Baptizo means to dip, plunge, or immerse into any liquid." WETSTEIN says: "To baptize is to plunge, to dip." LEIGH says: "To dip

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through our labour with you together. In March two women got saved here in Hiroshima. They are Mrs. Masae Tanaka, age 44, and Mrs. Atsuko Nagaishi, age 47, both of them are doing fine. June 15, Miss Hiroko Masui, junior high school girl, got saved beautifully. She is growing fast into Lord's grace, which is our thanks. She does an organist at a time in our services. Two Sundays ago, July 20th, three people got saved. They are as follows: Masatoshi Morihito, Dokkyo College boy, Miss Noriko Funamoto, Yasuda College girl, and Kiyoshi Tanaka, junior high school boy. I would like for you to know you have a part in their conversion, co-workers. On the same day two persons were accepted into the fellowship of ours. They are Miss Seiko Miyamoto, who is from our Oshima mission, and Mrs. Emiko Tanaka. In near future we will have Baptist baptismal service in nearby primary school swimming pool, or out in the ocean.

I would like for you to remember new comers to our services in your prayer. We really need your prayer. Kurata and Matsushita, both of them are college boys; Megumi Kisaka, college girl; Mrs. Emiko Nagatomo with her two children; Mrs. Shintani with her two children; Yamamoto, 29 years old grocery man; a young couple, Koji Tabata & Yukiko Tabata, who are from Yoshida, a country town in the valley.

We had Summer Vacation Bible School here in Hiroshima last week. It was a blessed schooling taught only from the Scriptures. Lord's willing we like to hold second one some time late in August for a week. Please pray for this matter.

And I ask you pray for brother Hiroshi Nagaishi, Sister Nagaishi's son, as the Lord is calling him to preach. He has a great burden. We need inspired men to carry out the words of God here in Japan by faith in the Lord Jesus.

Finally, my family and I are fine and keep busy in the services of the Lord, for which we are thankful. Our daughter Kyoko is doing fine. Our son Luke is doing all right in Minnesota. My wife Michiko is a great helper of the work. She will have great rewards in Heaven.

Let me tell you of other things I like to do in my next letter. Following is the donation report that I received second quarter of the year with thanks. I really appreciate those who support me and Koi that I may concentrate all my efforts into the Lord's work.

April - North Carthage Baptist, Carthage, Tenn. 154.08; Plunketts Creek Baptist, Carthage, Tenn. 318.63; Beckwith Baptist, Mt. Juliet, Tenn. 75.00; Faith Baptist, Nashville, Tenn. 41.83. Total \$589.54.

May - Calvary Baptist, Carthage, Tenn. 50.00 and 50.00; South Carthage Baptist, Carthage, Tenn. 148.75 and 188.08; Plunketts Creek Baptist, Carthage, Tenn. 290.60; North Carthage Baptist, Carthage, Tenn. 147.68; Beckwith Baptist, Mt. Juliet, Tenn. 75.00; Mt. Tabor Baptist, Pleasant Shade, Tenn. 130.52; Faith Baptist, Nashville, Tenn. 53.32; Pleasant Hill Baptist, Portland, Tenn. 200.00. Total \$1,333.96.

June - Bro. Larry Hagen, New Ulm, Minn. 50.00; East Carthage Baptist, Carthage, Tenn. 95.45; Plunketts Creek Baptist, Carthage, Tenn. 303.61; North Carthage Baptist, Carthage, Tenn. 167.74; South Carthage Baptist, Carthage, Tenn. 156.51; Faith Baptist, Nashville, Tenn. 86.00; Young Adult Class of South Carthage Baptist, Carthage, Tenn. 100.00; Beckwith Baptist, Mt. Juliet, Tenn. 75.00. Total \$1,034.31.

To Koi Baptist Church, April - Lyons Baptist, Louisville, Ky., 150.00; Mt. Calvary Baptist, Nashville, Tenn., 20.00; McFerrin Baptist, Nashville, Tenn. 78.70. Total \$248.70. May - Mt. Calvary Baptist, Nashville, Tenn. 20.00; McFerrin Baptist, Nashville, Tenn., 77.43. Total \$97.43. June - Mt. Calvary Baptist, Nashville, Tenn. 20.00; New Friendship Baptist, Russell Springs, Ky., 350.00; McFerrin Baptist, Nashville, Tenn. 78.96. Total \$448.96.

May God richly bless you all.

Koji Tajima

Balanced Ministry

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his own idea, or that he was speaking for the group, I don't know. If the latter be true, he must have been a good representative, because he surely could talk.

PETER, THE MAN

1. A-forward, outspoken man. When Jesus told the disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer (Matthew 16:21) Peter hastily spoke out, "Be it far from thee, Lord; this shall not be unto thee." But Jesus rebuked him by saying, "Get thee behind me satan; thou art an offence unto me; for thou savourest not the things that be of God, but those things that be of men." 2. Somewhat a boastful man, as we note: Just following the Lord's supper, Jesus said to the disciples, "All of you shall be offended because of me this night." Matthew 26:31. This man, Peter, said, "Though all men shall be offended because of thee, yet I will never be offended." 3. Peter seemed to be too hasty to act sometimes, and here is an example of that: When the mob came out to take Jesus, after Judas betrayed Him, Peter drew his sword and cut off the ear of a servant of the high priest, "Then Simon Peter having a sword drew it, and smote the high priest's servant, and cut off his ear." Jesus had to rebuke Peter for that, "Then said Jesus unto Peter, Put up thy sword into the sheath; the cup which my Father hath given me, shall I not drink it." John 18:10, 11. These are just a few instances where the Scriptures reveal something of the nature and character of the apostle Peter. Peter had his weaknesses, yes, as all of us do, but he loved the Lord; and the Lord knew what was in him; though he had his weaknesses and short comings, Jesus had a method of riding him of some of these faults. Our Lord always knows how to purge out of us and get rid of some faults that would hinder our ministry. We are no exception to Peter.

PETER BEFORE AND AFTER THE CRUCIFIXION AND RESURRECTION OF JESUS

The apostle seems to be a different man after he had denied the Lord and had gone out and wept bitterly (Matthew 26:69-75). Jesus told Peter that he would deny Him, when the apostle was saying that he never would. Jesus said to Peter, Verily I say unto thee, That this night, before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice." Peter kind of argued with the Lord, as he said, "Though I should die with Thee, yet will I not deny Thee." Matthew 26:34, 35. As I have already pointed out, Peter loved his Master, but he was having a battle with the devil, and according to what Jesus had told him before, all of this was happening to test and try him, to humble him, and make him stronger for the ministry. "And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: But I have prayed for thee that thy faith fail not; and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren." Luke 22:31, 32. The devil was making hay with Peter, working through the weakness of the flesh, he caused him to deny Him three times, and before this he had Peter following the Lord afar off (Matthew 26:58). But remember that Jesus had said, "But I have prayed for you, that thy faith fail not" Luke 22:32. His faith became weak, but it didn't fail, all that happened to Peter just served to make him stronger in the end. When he remembered what he had done, having denied his Lord, his conscience smote him, and went out and wept bitterly.

Peter was a different man after all this remorse and bitterness of soul, it made a change in the man. This is exactly what Jesus had in mind when He said to Peter, "And when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren." Convert means to change; and Peter was a changed man after these terrible experiences. He wasn't re-saved, because he didn't become lost again. Jesus told him, "I have prayed for you that your faith fail not."

After the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus, He approached this man Peter with some questions, as He had done before, but He finds a different Peter. The question asked by the Lord

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BAPTISM

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into water, or plunge under water." CALVIN says: "The word baptize signifies to immerse." TURRETIN says: "The word 'baptism' is of GREEK origin, which signifies to baptize, to dip into, to immerse." I could go on and list another full page or more with the same kind of statement from Greek scholars, but I feel these should suffice. So, wherever there is enough water to bury a person who has been saved, that is the proper and scriptural mode of baptism.

PROPER AUTHORITY

While the proper subject of baptism is a saved person, and the proper mode of baptism is immersion, these would be null and void without the proper authority.

There are many good organizations in the world which fill their proper places in society, but Christ never authorized any organization to administer baptism but his church.

Jesus said, (the Greek text) "all authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me." He then gave that authority to his church and commanded it to baptize the disciples that were made.

All true Missionary Baptist Churches linking back through history with the Jerusalem church has scriptural authority to baptize the proper subjects, by proper mode and with a proper administrator.

PROPER ADMINISTRATOR

The first Baptist preacher was John the Baptist. Sometimes the question is asked, "Who baptized John the Baptist?" That is like asking, "Who was Adam's father?" When God wanted a man, he created one, when he wanted a Baptist he made him. John received his authority from God in heaven, John 1:6; Matthew 3:1; Luke 1:17, 76, 77. This Baptist preacher baptized the material that went into the church Jesus organized, Acts 1:22, and also Christ, the Head and Founder, Matthew 3:13-17. With this, God was pleased! Others within the church who were proper administrators baptized during the Lord's ministry, John 4:1-3.

Proper administrators then are men who have been saved, scripturally baptized themselves and have been scripturally ordained by the authority of a true Baptist church.

On this subject we notice an old record, "The first church in New York queried: Whether a person applying to one of our churches (Baptist) for admission as a member, and satisfies the church that he has been previously baptized by immersion, on a profession of his faith in Christ; but at the same time confesses, the person who administered the ordinance was, at the time, neither ordained to the work of the ministry, nor baptized himself by immersion, but only chosen and called by a religious society to officiate as the teacher or minister, should be received." Philadelphia Baptist Association, New York, October 2, 3, 4, 5, 1787.

It was resolved that the above question be held over until the next annual session of the association. Philadelphia Baptist Association, Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 7, 8, 9, 1788.

"In answer to a query from the first church in New York, of last year, held over to this time, respecting the validity of baptism, administered by a person who had

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Revival Reports

New Harmony Missionary Baptist Church, Auburn, Ky. There were two additions to the church. Preaching was by the pastor, Elder William House.

Maple Grove Missionary Baptist Church, Lafayette, Tenn. Seven professions of faith with five additions to the church by baptism. Pastor J. B. Shoulders was assisted by Elder H. C. Vanderpool.

Drakes Creek Missionary Baptist Church, Franklin, Ky. Two additions to the church. Pastor D. W. Story was assisted by Elder Guthrie Thompson.

Clarksburg Missionary Baptist Church, Carroll County, Tenn. There were 18 professions of faith and 13 additions to the church. The preaching was by the pastor, Elder Harold Carver.

Old Union Missionary Baptist Church, Bowling Green, Ky. Two professions of faith with two additions by baptism. Pastor Paul W. Bryson was assisted by Elder Bernard Skaggs.

Old Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church, Sumner County, Tenn. There were two professions of faith with three additions to the church. Pastor Johnnie W. Meador was assisted by Elder Haywood Tuttle.

Cedar Grove Missionary Baptist Church, Gallatin, Tenn. There were 12 professions of faith with 12 additions to the church. Pastor James E. Suttle was assisted by Elder Everett Scruggs.

Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church, 5208 Nolensville Rd., Nashville, Tenn. Three professions of faith with three additions to the church. Pastor J. H. Smith was assisted by Elder Paul W. Bryson.

East Main Street Missionary Baptist Church, Hartsville, Tenn. Three professions of faith and 12 additions to the church.

Lafayette Missionary Baptist Church, College St., Lafayette, Tenn. Nine professions of faith with 10 additions to the church. Pastor D. C. Barton was assisted by Elder Thomas Armstrong.

Beckwith Missionary Baptist Church, Mt. Juliet, Tenn. There were two professions of faith with three additions to the church. Pastor Thomas Armstrong was assisted by Elder B. D. Carter.

New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, 1088 Old Dickerson Pike, Goodlettsville, Tenn. There were two professions of faith with two additions to the church by baptism. Five had been baptized previous to the revival. Pastor H. C. Vanderpool was assisted in the meeting by Elder J. H. Smith.

HELP WANTED IN FLORIDA

Dear Bro. Vanderpool,

We have been recently transferred from Louisville, Ky. to Jacksonville with the L & N Railroad/Seaboard Coastline coordination move.

We would appreciate your inserting a note in the next issue of Baptist Banner asking anyone who knows of an old-fashioned Missionary Baptist Church in this area or if they have Christian friends or relatives in this area to please get in touch with us. We're seeking a church we can attend.

Address: 11504 Woodsong Loop So., Jacksonville, Fla. 32225 - Phone 904-641-6487.

Thanks, Sincerely, Mrs. Richard Dawsey

ATTENTION MINISTERS

A minister parked his car in a no-parking zone in a large city and attached the following message to his windshield: "I have circled this block 10 times. I have an appointment to keep. Forgive us our trespasses."

When he returned to his car he found this reply attached to his own note along with a ticket: "I've circled this block for 10 years. If I don't give you a ticket, I lose my job. Lead us not into temptation."

Memoirs Of Elder F. W. Lambert Published



ELDER F. W. LAMBERT

As was announced in our July issue, the Memoirs of Elder F. W. Lambert have been published in a very nice volume. The book is hard-bound with best of binding, 142 pp. and also containing 43 photographs, covering the life of Bro. Lambert and his 53 years as a Baptist minister. EVERY BAPTIST HOME SHOULD HAVE A COPY! Any home would appreciate this volume. Due to the many churches he has pastored and the members of same buying copies, it is not for sure there will be enough copies to go around. However, anyone wishing to have a copy may order one. The price for the book, handling and postage, is \$10.00 per copy. Send order to: Mr. Jake Lambert, 118 Chaparral Drive, Hendersonville, TN 37075.

BAPTIST MISSION

Another Missionary Baptist Mission has been established. It is the Murfreesboro Missionary Baptist Mission located at the corner of Lokey and Memorial Sts. in Murfreesboro, Tennessee. Services are conducted each Sunday at 11:00 A.M. Ministers in charge of the mission and services are, Bro. Bill Green of Lafayette, Tenn. and Bro. Ray Sutton of Hendersonville, Tenn. Contact your friends or relatives living in that area and invite them to attend. Let us pray for this work.

Ten Commandments for Living with People

1. *Speak to people.* Nothing is so nice as a cheerful greeting.
2. *Smile at people.* Takes 72 muscles to frown, 14 to smile.
3. *Call people by name.* Sweetest sound is one's own name.
4. *Be cordial.* Speak and act to prove everything you do is a genuine pleasure.
6. *Be genuinely interested in people.* Just try and you can like almost everyone.
7. *Be generous with praise*—and courteous with criticism.
8. *Be considerate* with others. There are often three sides to a controversy; yours, his and the right side.
9. *Be alert* to give help . . . what we do for others lives and is immortal.
10. *Add to all this* a good sense of humor, loads of patience, a dash of humility and you will be rewarded many fold.

STARTS

The children were in the midst of a free-for-all when the teacher unexpectedly entered the room. "Tommy, who started this?" she demanded sharply. "Well," replied Tommy, "it all started when Albert hit me back!"

Edgar Guest Philosophy

I have to live with myself, and so I want to be fit for myself; I want to be able as days go by always to look myself straight in the eye; I don't want to stand with the setting sun and hate myself for the things I've done. I never can hide myself from me, I see what others may never see, I know what others may never know, I can never fool myself, and so, whatever happens, I want to be self-respecting and conscience free.

—Edgar A. Guest

THE TONGUE

"The boneless tongue, so small and weak, Can crush and kill," declares the Greek.

"The tongue destroys a greater hoard," The Turk asserts, "than does the sword."

A Persian proverb wisely saith, "A lengthy tongue—an early death," Or sometimes takes this form instead, "Don't let your tongue cut off your head."

"The tongue can speak a word whose speed,"

The Chinese say, "outstrips the steed;" While Arab sages this impart,

"The tongue's great storehouse is the heart."

From Hebrew wit this maxim sprung, "Though feet should slip, ne'er let the tongue."

The sacred writer crowns the whole, "Who keeps his tongue doth keep his soul."

Nothing impedes work more quickly than people who have nothing to do and spend their time with people who do.

BAPTISM

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never been baptized himself, nor yet ordained; we reply, that we deem such baptism null and void:

"First, because a person that has not been baptized must be disqualified to administer baptism to others, and especially if he be also unordained.

"Second, because to admit such baptism as valid, would make void the ordinances of Christ, throw contempt on his authority, and tend to confusion: for if baptism be not necessary for an administrator of it, neither can it be for church communion, which is an inferior act: and if such baptism be valid then ordination is unnecessary, contrary to Acts 14:23; 1 Tim. 4:14; Titus 1:5."

"Third, of this opinion we find were our Associations in times past; who put a negative on such baptisms in 1729, 1732, 1744, 1749 and 1768.

"Fourth, because such administrator has no commission to baptize, for the words of the commission were addressed to the apostles and their successors in the ministry, to the end of the world, and these are such, whom the church of Christ appoint to the whole work of the ministry." Phil. Baptist Assoc. pp. 229, 238.

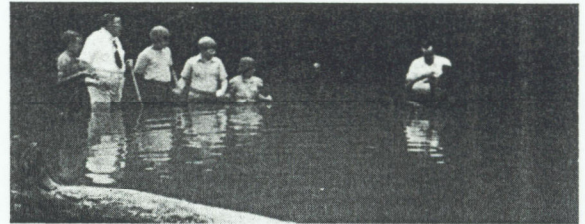
A Balanced Ministry

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was a real test. "Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these?" John 21:15. I want you to notice that Peter answered the first part of the question, but he left off the last part. "Yea, Lord, Thou knowest that I love thee." But he left off the "more than these", meaning of course, more than the other disciples. He had said before the trial and crucifixion of the Lord, "Though all men shall be offended because of Thee, yet will I never be offended." So he must have thought that he loved more than anybody else; but he found out that he didn't. I believe we can see a more humbled Peter, he didn't boast when he said, "Yea, Lord, Thou knowest that I love Thee" The Lord asked Peter the same question three times. "Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me?" He answered the same way two of the times, but the last time he was grieved, because He asked him the third time. "Lovest thou me?" So the last time Peter added

something when he answered, as we note: "Lord Thou knowest all things; Thou knowest that I love Thee." He must have remembered that it was three times that he had denied the Lord, and this grieved him.

Each time that Peter answered the Lord's questions, as mentioned above, the Lord came back telling Peter what to do, to show and to prove that he loved Him. The first time Jesus said, "Feed my lambs" John 21:15. The lambs would need to be fed on the milk of the Word. The other two times Jesus said, "Feed my sheep". The sheep would not just need milk, but they would need stronger food for spiritual growth. I believe that Peter obeyed the Lord's command in this regard; judging from his ministry he was strengthening his brethren and feeding the sheep. A good example of this we would just observe Peter's ministry in the book of Acts, and in his Epistles. He gave out a well balanced diet, just what we should try to do in our ministry. And this is why I have chosen to speak on a BALANCED MINISTRY, from the 1 Epistle of Peter. (To be continued)



Pictured above is a baptizing in Long Creek near the Tennessee-Kentucky state line. Five were baptized into the fellowship of Maple Grove Missionary Baptist Church, Lafayette, Tenn. following their revival in July. At right is Elder J. B. Shoulders, pastor of the church, baptizing one of the candidates. Second from left is Elder E. G. Williams, who was authorized by the church to baptize his grandson. The editor was privileged to assist in this revival.



Cedar Grove Missionary Baptist Church, south of Gallatin, Tenn. held their baptismal service after the close of their summer revival. Pictured above is the baptizing. Elder James E. Suttle, pastor of the church, is shown, second from the right, administering the ordinance. Elder Everett Scruggs assisted in the meeting.

Baptist History



By H.C. Vanderpool

BAPTISMAL RECORD

If you have been baptized by the author of this history, you can run your baptismal record back to 1743.

_____ was baptized in _____ by H. C. Vanderpool.
 H. C. Vanderpool was baptized in 1935 by Paul Wilburn.
 Paul Wilburn was baptized in 1920 by Calvin Gregory.
 Calvin Gregory was baptized in 1909 by R. B. Davis.
 R. B. Davis was baptized in 1859 by E. B. Haynie.
 E. B. Haynie was baptized in 1819 by John Wiseman.
 John Wiseman was baptized in 1799 by Thomas Durham.
 Thomas Durham was baptized in 1770 by John Waller.
 John Waller was baptized in 1767 by James Read.
 James Read was baptized in 1756 by Shubal Stearns.
 Shubal Stearns was baptized in 1751 by Wait Palmer.
 Wait Palmer was baptized in 1743 into North Stonington Baptist Church, North Stonington, Conn., which was organized at the same time. He was the first pastor of this church and served for twenty-two years.