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

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Baptist Associations To Convene

SILOAM ASSOCIATION

The Siloam Missionary Baptist Association is to convene in its twenty-first annual session on Oct. 5, 6, 7, 1973, with Rocky Mound Missionary Baptist Church, Westmoreland, Tenn. The church is located about six miles northeast of Westmoreland in Macon County, Tenn.

Officers elected at the last session were Elder F.W. Lambert, Mod.; Elder H.C. Vanderpool, Clerk and Bro. G. W. Hauskins, Treas.

Elder Kenneth Davis, Barberton, Ohio is to preach the Introductory Sermon on Friday, the first day. On Saturday, the second day, Elder H.C. Vanderpool of Louisville, Ky. is to preach the Memorial Sermon. Elder F.W. Lambert, Westmoreland, Tenn. is to preach the Doctrinal Sermon the last day which is on Sunday. Services are to begin the first day at 10:00 a.m. (C.D.T.)

ENON ASSOCIATION

On October 12, 13, 14, 1973, the Enon Baptist Association will meet in their 124th annual session with Sunrise Missionary Baptist Church about thirteen miles northeast of Lafayette, Tenn. in Macon County. Services to begin the first day at 10:00 A.M. (C.D.T.)

Elder James Oliver is to preach the Introductory Sermon on Friday. On Saturday Elder Houston Newberry will preach the Memorial Sermon and Elder Floyd Ferguson will preach the Doctrinal Sermon on Sunday.

Officers elected last year were Elder J.C. Austin, Mod.; Elder J.E. Shoulders, Clerk and Elder Floyd Ferguson, Treas.

LOUNT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

The Blount County Missionary Baptist Association of Alabama will convene in their one hundred and fourteenth annual session on Tuesday and Wednesday, Oct. 16, 17, 1973 at their Associational building

near Oneonta, Alabama. Services to begin the first day at 9:30 A.M. (C.D.T.)

On Tuesday night there is to be a workshop service beginning at 7:00 P.M.

Officers elected last year were Elder Tunis Alldredge, Mod; Elder Glenn Bynum, Clerk and Elder Johnny Hudson, Treas.

On Tuesday, Elder Glenn Bynum will preach the Introductory Sermon and Elder Troy Halbrook will preach the Missionary Sermon on Wednesday.

WISEMAN ASSOCIATION

The Wiseman Baptist Association is to meet in its eighty-second annual session on Oct. 26, 27, 1973, with Cedar Bluff Missionary Baptist Church, located between Lafayette and Westmoreland, Tenn. just off Highway 52, near Westside Elementary School in Macon County. Services to begin each evening on Friday, the first day, at 10:00 A. M. (C.D.T.)

Officers elected at the last session were Elder F.L. Ray, Mod; Elder W.T. Russell, Clerk and Elder A.G. Gregory, Treas.

Elder H.D. Linville is to preach the Introductory Sermon on Friday and Elder W.T. Russell will preach the Doctrinal Sermon on Saturday.

OTHER ASSOCIATIONS

I am sorry I did not have the proper information to give concerning the Polk County Missionary Baptist Association in Missouri, the Bethel Missionary Baptist Association in Indiana and the South-western District Baptist Association in West Tennessee. --Editor

RADIO BROADCAST

Lyons Missionary Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky. sponsors a radio broadcast each Sunday at 4:00 P. M. These programs are heard on Radio Station WFIA which is 900 on the radio dial. Elder H. C. Vanderpool, pastor of Lyons Church, conducts these broadcasts. Those in Kentucky and Indiana who can pick up this station are invited to listen.

Pastoral Calls

GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH

Grace Baptist Church, 9835 Hayes St., Detroit, Mich. recently called Elder Eugene Brown as pastor. He succeeds Elder L.W. Smith, pastor and Elder Don McDonald, interim pastor. Bro. Brown had been pastor of Parkwood Baptist Church in Nashville, Tenn. He began his work on the Detroit field the first of September 1973.

McFERRIN BAPTIST CHURCH

McFerrin Avenue Baptist Church, 1208 McFerrin Ave., Nashville, Tenn., has called Elder Howard G. Taylor to her pastorate. He is to begin his work with this church the first of January 1974. He is now pastor of Faith Baptist Church in Nashville. He is to succeed Elder A.G. Gregory at McFerrin Avenue.

PARKWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

Elder L.W. Smith was recently called as pastor of Parkwood Baptist Church, 244 Ewing Lane, Nashville, Tenn. He began his work there the first of September 1973, succeeding Elder Eugene Brown. He has been pastor of Long Fork Baptist Church, Lafayette, Tenn. and Beckwith Baptist Church, Mt. Juliet, Tenn.

NEW BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

New Bethel Baptist Church, Old Dickerson Pike South, Goodlettsville, Tenn. has called Elder H.C. Vanderpool to her pastorate. He is to begin his work with this church the first of January 1974. He is to succeed Elder F.L. Ray. He is now pastor of Lyons Baptist Church in Louisville, Ky.

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I reserve the right to refuse publication of articles that are not written in the proper spirit, those that reflect upon another to the detriment of the Lord's cause or those judged to be unsound.

However, there is the possibility that in some articles or announcements there would be things said or stated that would be of general information, but would not have editorial endorsement. — Editor.

Something To Live For In This World

BY J.H. SMITH

"I am crucified with Christ; nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith of the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me." Galatians 2:20

As we look at the ugly and ungodly happenings in this world, all the dirty sins, vice, crime and corruption; with all the hatred, bitterness; nation against nation, kingdom against kingdom, and even brother against brother; yes, to say nothing of all the sorrow and heartaches that these have brought about, it becomes easy for people to say, well, what is there left to live for in this sinful world? I might say that there is nothing that the devil would like better than to have us think that there is nothing to live for, he wants us to throw up our hands and say what's the use?

Paul lived in troublesome times; though some of our troubles may not be of the same nature as his, because we are living nearer to the end than he was, but nevertheless he had it very hard living in the flesh. Certainly he had it even harder in some respects than we have ever had, for there were men who were constantly after him to destroy him, his life was always in jeopardy, even from the beginning of his ministry to the end. But he was living for something, and had something and somebody to live for. He tells that he is crucified with Christ, "nevertheless I live, yet not I but Christ liveth in me" And he goes on to say, "and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me." A life lived in the flesh by faith in the Son of God, who gave Himself for us, is certainly worth living. In fact, it is a great joy to live such a life in the flesh, even in this world of trouble and sorrow.

WE ARE SAVED TO LIVE AND SERVE

The Lord doesn't save us just to carry us away to heaven, even though He gives us that blessed hope, and we look forward to that day when we shall be with Him and praise Him forever. Paul himself thought of departing this life to be with Christ, when he said, "For I am in a strait betwixt two, having a desire to depart, and to be with Christ; which is far better." Philippians 1:23. But still he wanted to serve out his time in the flesh, "Nevertheless to abide in the flesh is more

needful for you." Philippians 1:24. So see that this man of God not only desired to live in the flesh by faith in the Son of God, but he wanted to help others by so living. "to abide in the flesh is more needful for you."

It is to some extent understandable that unbelievers, unsaved people, would come to the conclusion that there is nothing to live for, if they persist in the course of sin. Really, what is there to give any joy of living in the way of the ungodly? If the sinner can't be convinced that the way he is persuing means only death and hell, then there is no bright future for him. To be frank about it, he had better never been born. Certainly the way must look very dark, indeed, to the person who has no hope in Christ Jesus, when the storm clouds come, and all hopes and aspirations for pleasures in this life are blasted. Of course some would despair unto death in such situations, even to the extent of taking their own life. I know a Japanese lady who was once considering taking her own life in a time when troubles and sorrows were multiplying for her and her family, when life looked so bleak and without meaning for them. This family had a fair living, plenty to eat, nice clothes, wear and a nicely furnished home, but misfortune began to strike. The husband and father, the bread earner, became ill with T.B. and this illness lingered with him for quite some time, until they had spent all of their living, to the point of selling their household furnishings and the best of their personal clothing. After all, the man died and left his wife with three children to care for, and two of them being afflicted. So this man's wife and mother of his children was left in sorrow and great distress, weeping bitter tears and wondering what to do. One night she went out, according to her own story, walking around in the neighborhood meditating about what to do and considering taking her own life to end it all. But thank the Lord there was a little Baptist Church in the neighborhood, and on this night a group of us were gathered in the church for the mid-week prayer meeting, and a light was shining from the church where the woman could see it. She came and walked up and down in front of the church a few times and gathered courage to come inside. She was weeping, and we could hear the sobs as she sat and listened to the message of salvation in church that night. After the service some of the Japanese Christians talked to her and witnessed to her personally; and from that time she began to attend all of our services until she was convicted and gloriously saved. This lady is still living today, because she found the Saviour and has something and somebody to live for.

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Revival Reports

Bethel Baptist Church, 879 Orchard Dr., Toledo, Ohio. One profession of faith with one addition to the church. Preaching by Elder L.W. Smith.

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Concord Baptist Church, White House, Tenn. One profession of faith with two additions to the church. Pastor G.C. Smith was assisted by Elder L.W. Smith.

Long Fork Baptist Church, Macon County Tenn. Two additions to the church. Pastor L.W. Smith was assisted by Elder William Johnson.

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Beckwith Baptist Church, Mt. Juliet, Tenn. One profession of faith and one addition to the church. Pastor L.W. Smith was assisted by Elder G. C. Smith.

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White Hill Baptist Church, Goodlettsville, Tenn. Two professions of faith with two additions to the church. Pastor James Gardner was assisted by Elder Woodrow Story.

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Faith Baptist Church, 921 E. Tenth St., Bowling Green, Ky. Four professions of faith with eight additions to the church. Pastor James Suttle was assisted by Elder Hilman Duncan.

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New Bethel Baptist Church, Old Dickerson Pike South, Goodlettsville, Tenn. There were 14 professions of faith with 17 additions to the church. Pastor F.L. Ray was assisted by Elder H.C. Vanderpool.

Something To Live For

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NEVER IN VAIN

The life which we live in the flesh by faith in the Son of God, who loved us and gave Himself for us, is not in vain, because we have many glorious promises in the Scriptures assuring us that we shall be victorious, even though there are many set backs and times of discouragements. The tempter comes and tells us that we are the losers and might as well give up. But The Lord's promise is much better, so much better! Why listen to the devils lies? The inspired Word of God admonishes us to not surrender to the devil's inducements to give up to our own sorry feelings. One of the great promises in His Word is this, "And let us not be weary in well doing; for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not." Galatians 6:9. Reaping time will surely come, if we don't give up, don't faint. There may be long times of waiting, which will require much patience, agonizing prayer and humbling ourselves before the Lord, before we experience the victory. "weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning." Psalm 30:5.

WINNING THE PRIZE

Paul looked forward to final victory and the prize which was waiting for him, and his thoughts seemed to be more on that than the many sorrows and sufferings of the flesh. "But this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." Philippians 3:13, 14. The apostle is not talking of salvation here, when he speaks of pressing toward the mark for the prize, because that would be preaching salvation by his own efforts, or salvation by works. He never intended that; for he more than any of the writers wrote of salvation by grace, through faith in Christ. (Ephesians 2:8) He credited his salvation to the precious blood of Jesus Christ, "In whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace;" Ephesians 1:7; He wasn't serving to escape from the burning, but he had completely surrendered his life to serve, because he loved the Lord and wanted to glorify Him. And he believed that the Lord would give rewards to His servants in that great day

when He shall call them to account. This, of course, for a life lived in the flesh by faith in the Son of God, who loved us and gave Himself for us.

When Paul was nearing the end of his life and the struggle was just about over, and as he was giving to the young preacher Timothy some good instructions, "But watch thou in all things, and endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry," he then said, "for I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day; and not to me only, but unto all them that love His appearing." I am sure as Paul reflected on the past conflict and the terrible suffering resulting from that fight, that he considered it nothing when compared to the reward, the crown of righteousness, which the Lord had for him and would give him in that day. But he, as others who shall in that day receive a crown, will not feel worthy of it; because we read in Revelation of those who had crowns on their head, and they threw them down at the feet of Him that liveth for ever and ever, saying, "Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power; for Thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created." Revelation 4:11.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR FIRST QUARTER OF 1973

January - McFerrin Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn. \$336.41; Jordan Baptist, Oak Lawn, Illinois \$35.00; Old Union Baptist, Bowling Green, Kentucky \$87.14; Maple Grove Baptist, Lafayette, Tenn. \$91.50; Fairview Baptist, Woodburn, Kentucky \$40.00; Shiloh Baptist, Chicago, Illinois \$20.00; Russell Springs Baptist, Russell Springs, Kentucky \$50.00; Lyons Baptist, Louisville, Kentucky \$150.00; Hendersonville Baptist, Hendersonville, Tenn. \$138.81; Parkwood Baptist, Nashville, Tennessee \$155.71; Bro. B.D. Carter, Lafayette, Tenn. \$20.00.
TOTAL OF MONTH \$1,124.57

FEBRUARY -Mt. Tabor Baptist Church, Pleasant Shade, Tenn. \$14.43; Concord Baptist, White House, Tenn. \$219.38; Salem Baptist, Russell Springs, Kentucky \$173.00; Almstead Baptist, Almstead, Kentucky \$45.00; McFerrin Baptist, Nashville, Tenn. \$147.07; Shiloh Baptist, Chicago, Illinois \$20.00; Jordan Baptist, Oak Lawn, Illinois \$35.00; Ebenezer Baptist, Lafayette, Tennessee. \$159.00;

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The Family Altar

Revival



Announcements

SUNDAY-OCTOBER 7

McFerrin Avenue Baptist Church, 1208 McFerrin Ave., Nashville, Tenn. Pastor A.G. Gregory is to be assisted by Bro. Horace Head.

SUNDAY-OCTOBER 14

Union Hill Baptist Church, Gallatin, Tenn. Pastor D.C. Barton is to be assisted by Elder F.L. Ray.

West End Baptist Church, Gallatin, Tenn. Pastor W.E. Massey is to be assisted by Elder Kenneth Massey.

Pastoral Calls

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PENNSYLVANIA AVE. BAPTIST CHURCH

Pennsylvania Ave. Baptist Church, in Nashville, Tenn. has called Elder Tommy Ashford as pastor. He succeeds Elder Eugene Brooks.

BRATTONTOWN BAPTIST CHURCH

Brattontown Baptist Church, Lafayette, Tenn. has called Elder E.G. Williams to her pastorate. He succeeds Elder Melvin Stinson.

MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Holland, Ky. has called Elder Melvin Stinson as pastor. Bro. Stinson succeeds Elder Thomas Shoemake.

LETTER FROM ROCKY MOUND BAPTIST CHURCH

Sept. 8, 1973

From Rocky Mound Missionary Baptist Church to her sister churches:

It has been brought to our attention by some churches as to why we did not invite them to our ordination.

We, at Rocky Mound, would like to say we did not have any intention of slighting any church or churches of like faith and order, and if we have offended any church of like faith and order, we beg your humble forgiveness.

Done by order of church in conference Sept. 8, 1973.

Elder J.D. Sanders, Mod.
Dariel Meador, Clerk

Something To Live For

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Bro. B.D. Carter, Lafayette, Tenn. \$20.00; Mt. Tabor Baptist, Pleasant Shade, Tenn. \$14.31; Cedar Bluff Baptist, Lafayette, Tenn. \$37.07; McFerrin Baptist, Nashville, Tenn. \$253.98; Kimie and Carl Payne, Dayton, Ohio.

TOTAL FOR MONTH \$1,288.24

March - Parkwood Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn. \$203.08; Mt. Zion Baptist, Holland, Kentucky \$95.75; East Side Baptist, Franklin, Ky. \$90.00; Jordan Baptist, Oak Lawn, Illinois \$35.00; Almstead Baptist, Almstead, Kentucky \$45.00; Hendersonville Baptist, Hendersonville, Tenn. \$57.11; Mt. Tabor Baptist, Pleasant Shade, Tenn. \$10.87; Bro. B.D. Carter, Lafayette, Tennessee \$20.00; Gateway Baptist, Donelson, Tenn. \$50.00; Kokomo Baptist, Kokomo, Indiana \$33.00; McFerrin Baptist, Nashville, Tenn. \$205.51; Fairview Baptist, Woodburn, Kentucky \$40.00;

TOTAL FOR MONTH \$885.32.

The above listed offerings were recorded in the month in which they were received. I sent an individual letter of acknowledgment to each church and individual from whom these gifts came, if I didn't overlook any. If I did fail to do that, I would appreciate you telling me.

Thank you again, and again for your support through the years, and may the Lord richly bless and reward you.

In His Service,

Henry and Annie Laura Smith

(NOTE: Bro. and Sister Smith plan to be back home in Nashville, Tenn. the first week in October, the Lord willing. -- Editor)

Jesus Said

"I am the resurrection and the life; he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live; and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die." John 11:25, 26.

Ordination Service

BY CALVIN PERRIGO

The fellowship Missionary Baptist Church of 1032 South Holmes Ave., Indianapolis, Indiana ordained Bro. Jimmy W. Parker to the full work of the ministry, on August 25, 1973. Thirty-seven sister churches were invited, sixteen churches seated in the service with a total of twenty-two ordained brethren from five states taking part in the work of the presbytery.

Elder Calvin Perrigo, pastor of the host church, was chosen moderator. Elder Billy Moran, pastor of Bethel Church, was clerk. Elder W. T. Russell, pastor of Fairview Memorial, preached the sermon. Deacon Billy Ray Gregory, of Fellowship Church introduced the candidate. Elder F.W. Lambert, pastor of Dixon Creek, Meadorville, and Pleasant Hill churches was interrogator. Elder W. T. Taylor prayed the Ordaining Prayer. Elder Howard Taylor, pastor of Faith Church, Nashville, Tennessee charged the preacher. Elder Kenneth Massey, pastor of Old Union, charged the church. Elder Kenneth Davis, pastor of Liberty Church, Barberton, Ohio, presented the Bible.

A bountiful lunch was prepared and offered by the sisters of the church at the noon hour. Liberty Missionary Baptist Church, 230 West Morris St., Indianapolis, Indiana called for the ordination, having chosen Elder Parker as pastor.

The Fellowship church would like to thank everyone that assisted in any way in the service, especially those preachers and deacons that traveled so far to be with us, may God continue to bless.

LOUISVILLE CHURCH TO HAVE ORDINATION

Lyons Missionary Baptist Church, 904 Gagel Ave., Louisville, Ky., voted in her last business meeting to ordain Bro. Bernard Skaggs to the full work of the ministry on Saturday night, Nov. 10, 1973, with services beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Sister churches of "like faith and order" are invited to send their ordained brethren to assist in the ordination. However, the churches or individuals who are questionable due to their involvement with alien immersion or other situations unbecoming sound Baptists are hereby kindly asked to abstain themselves for the work's sake.

It was voted in regular business meeting Sept. 2, 1973 to use the BAPTIST BANNER as a means of invitation to sister churches of "like faith and order" to this ordination.

H.C. Vanderpool, Mod.
David M. Coleman, Clerk