

# Baptist Banner

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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  
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## Baptist Missionaries Writes From Israel

P. O. Box 7305  
Jerusalem, Israel  
March 30, 1970

Dear Friends:

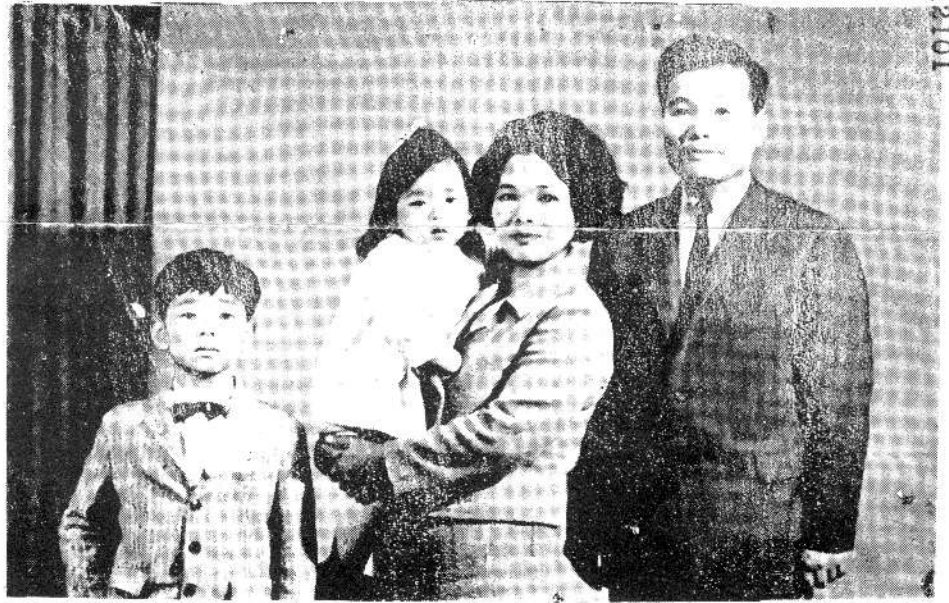
We send greetings to you from Jerusalem in the name of our blessed Lord, who loved us and washed us in His own blood. It is wonderful to have so many of God's people praying for us, and we want to make it clear that we surely need such prayers. We try to walk by faith and not by sight, but I am sure that all of us are aware of human weakness; like Peter when he started by faith to walk on the water, but when he saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid and began to sink. But the most wonderful thing about that was, as he began to sink he called out to the Lord, and the Master reached out His hand and rescued Him. He hears when we call as He did then, He is the same yesterday, today and forever.



Elder Smith

(Hebrews 13:8)  
Your prayers are needed and requested regarding a place for us in Jerusalem. The place where we are living isn't certain, it is up for sale, and we might have to get out at anytime. We have started having services on Thursday night, and  
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## Japanese Minister and Family



Elder Koji Tajima; wife, Michiko; son, Ruka, 9 years old; daughter, Kyoko, 3 years old.

### THANKS

In recent weeks, I have asked individuals and churches through the pages of this publication and also by letters to churches, to think of the opportunities afforded us through this Baptist publication and to help support it by contributions for bundle subscriptions.

I am thankful to the number of churches that have responded to this appeal. In addition to the individual subscriptions, many churches are now receiving bundles for distribution each month. If your church has subscribed or has renewed the bundle subscription and for some reason you don't receive them, please notify me at once.

If your church has not yet subscribed for a bundle of BANNERS, do so now. To all of you who are helping in this type missionary work, I say "Thanks and may God bless you." - Editor

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## Missionary Writes From Japan

(The following letter was written to Bro. Estel Carter, Toledo, Ohio, and was submitted to the BANNER for publication. - Editor).

323 Koi Naka Machi  
Hiroshima, Japan  
March 24, 1970

Dear Bro. Carter:

We are sending you our warmest Christian greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ from Hiroshima, Japan.

We were glad to hear from you there in Toledo, and to know your Bethel Missionary Baptist Church had voted to send the missionary offering to us in order for us to do the missionary work here in Japan. We truly thank God for each of your offerings. Your money, the check in the amount of \$48.20, will be used in the Lord's business, especially in spreading the gospel of Christ to those who have never heard and are lost in sin without hope . . . We were so happy to hear from you.

Last week I went to Murogumi, Hakari, about eighty miles south from Hiroshima  
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## Letter From Madison Missionary Baptist Church

Madison Missionary Baptist Church  
Madison, Tennessee  
April 15, 1970

Baptist Banner  
Eld. H. C. Vanderpool  
2303 Grandview Drive  
Bowling Green, Ky. 42101

Dear Bro. Vanderpool:

Our church would like to request that you publish the following article in the Baptist Banner if it meets with your approval.

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## Missionary Writes

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certainly we must keep this up. Surely the Lord gave us this place for temporary use to give us a start in Jerusalem. So we just must keep striving to get more firmly established.

The first service we had one man, his wife and three children came, and then the last service these same ones came and another young couple with them. The girl, whom we met on the ship that I wrote about before, promised to come, but she didn't show up. We still hope to get her coming, however; and we do earnestly request your prayers for her salvation. The others who attend are saved people.

Brother Billy Moran, pastor of Grace Baptist Church, Detroit was in Jerusalem on a tour a few days ago, and he visited us for a short time. This was truly a treat to us; we were so glad to see him, but the visit was so short. When any of you are coming here on tours be sure to visit us and stay as long as you can.

The situation in this country gets worse and worse. It seems very clear to me that conditions are shaping up for that great day of the Lord, spoken of in Zechariah 14:1-2, when all nations will come against Jerusalem to battle. What a dreadful time this is going to be! As Brother F. R. Bingham wrote to me, "That is a wonderful place to be in these last days, but also a dreadful place to be." Anyway, it is coming, and isn't it wonderful to be made ready through the shed blood of Jesus!

May the Lord's blessings rest upon all.  
In His grace,  
Henry and Annie Laura Smith



## EDITORIALS

By

H. C. VANDERPOOL

## The National Council of Churches

In the April, 1970 issue of the BAPTIST BANNER, the entire fourth page was used to republish an article by Mr. Tom Anderson, "Straight Talk," from the Kentucky Farmer. A free copy will be mailed to any person who will write to me and asking for one.

In the April issue of Christian Herald, an article appeared, "Good-Bye To The National Council." I quote here some statements from that article. "Founded in Cleveland, Ohio, on November 29, 1950, the NCC is now in its twentieth year. Its health is so feeble that many observers question whether it will live to celebrate its twenty-first birthday."

When one reads the record produced by Mr. Anderson, knowing the purpose of the NCC is ungodly instead of Godly true born-again children of God and true Baptists can be thankful for its failure. Recently I received a letter from Washington, D. C., signed by Sen. George McGovern asking for financial support of the NCC. Instead of sending an offering, I mailed him a copy of the BAPTIST BANNER carrying the article on the ungodly activities of the NCC and the liberal and unscriptural views of so-called ministers who were taking part in it.

Another statement from the Christian Herald, "Although the NCC has consistently sided with black people, young people, war resisters and social reformers, it has not achieved great popularity among them, either. It has been too radical to suit conservatives, and too conservative to suit the radicals." This goes to teach that you cannot win people by compromising with them. The only way people can be free, is to be free from sin; the only way they can be free from sin is to know the truth. Jesus said, "And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." (John 8:32).

So, when Conventions, Associations, Councils or any organization is working to get everything, everybody, any doctrine or idea to all come together, you have compromising and compromising until all you have left is a big mess of activities that are detrimental to the cause of a just and living God.

Let these who have the truth and believe in being born again by the Spirit and power of God, believe in a know-so salvation, who believe in contending for the faith once delivered to the saints - which millions of Baptists have died for - continue to believe the Word of God, preach it, teach it, practice it until our lives shall end and then go home to meet the Lord who died to save us and commanded us to preach the truth. The Bible teaches us that no price is too high to pay for the truth and that there should never be a price large enough to buy it, "Buy the truth, and sell it not." (Pro. 23:23a).

## THE CROSSROADS

I believe that sound, true Baptists people in America are standing at the crossroads. We can take the great and wonderful opportunities which God has given us for granted, sit down with a "it-doesn't-make-any-difference" attitude because the world is gone anyway; or, we can ask God for grace, grit and faith and then be willing to get out of our shell and state of complacency, take our stand for God and still see a great work done in the salvation of lost souls and strengthening of His cause.

I believe the Apostle Paul has said it well enough and we should heed it today. He told the church at Ephesus, "Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

"Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.

"And take the helmet of salvation, and

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**Gospelaire Quartet**

Pictured above is The Gospelaire Quartet. They live in east Tennessee around Athens. In addition to their regular work, they travel in various states on appointments. In the past few Sundays, they have sung in churches in the Siloam, Wiseman and Enon Baptist Associations in Middle Tennessee and Southern Kentucky.

These Christian people enjoy singing the gospel in song and would be happy to attend services in any church where you believe in good sound spiritual singing. If you would like to have them sing at your church you can write to: Mr. Ralph Davis, % Clerk's Box, Athens, Tenn. 37303, or you may call at (615) 745-2988. You may also write this same address for their albums.

**Singing At Bowling Green, Ky.**

There is to be a singing at Fairview Memorial Baptist Church, 1202 Fairview Ave., Bowling Green, Ky., on Saturday night, June 6. In addition to congregational singing, some of the featured groups will be the Cockriel Family, the Joyful Four and the Dixie Aires.

Elder W. T. Russell is the pastor and Bro. Lonnie Cockriel is to be in charge of the singing. Everyone is invited to attend. The singing is to begin at 7:15 p.m. The revival is to begin the following night.

**Writes From Japan**

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to preach the word of God at a small Mission house there. A few Christians there asked me (to) come to encourage them. They were discouraged because of hard work in stony ground and opposition by heathen people for years.

When they saw nine people - young and old, men and women - get saved and made a public profession of faith in Christ, they filled with joy and made themselves rededicated to the Saviour in order to be used as soul winners. That was wonderful for them and for me. They learned how to pray for power of God. Lord used me as His method to them and I obeyed Him humbly.

This week I am planning to go north to still another sea coast - Japan Sea Coast - with my family to visit villages and towns in the mountains and on the sea coast with Christian literature, tracts (that) tell them the way of salvation, or we can have street services by the way side or in the market places. That is another missionary work this week. If we can get people this time, we can have bases for the work to other places.

I would like to write you about our Baptist work from time to time. If you remember us in prayer, you are co-workers with us, and go with us wherever we go. We will remember you in prayer. I am sending you a picture which I am doing a baptism which was taken last summer, and a bookmarker. I hope you like the

bookmarker which tells you "Kami wa Ai nain" you see word order is different (God love is) with English. May God richly bless you.

Yours truly,

Koji Tajima and Family

(Note: I received also a picture of Bro. Tajima baptizing, but since it was a colored photo instead of black and white, I could not print it in the BANNER. - Editor)

**LITERATURE**

(I am printing here a letter that I received so anyone interested in ordering this literature may do so. - Editor).

May 13, 1970  
Gallatin, Tenn.

To Baptist Preachers and other active Baptists:

Enclosed you will find a small booklet entitled, "The Abundant Life." We wrote it with the prayer that it might help young Christians to grow stronger in the work of the Lord.

If you would like to make use of these in your ministry, you may order them from us for 10¢ a copy. We sincerely wish we could give them away, but our Church is in the process of building a new church building and we feel that our money is needed there.

We also print Sunday School literature from time to time, in workbook form. If you are interested in it, we now have a set of workbooks on Genesis, for \$1.20 a set; and a workbook on "The Life of Peter" for 60¢. They are appropriate for ages 8 through adults.

Margie Hall, a member of our church, has a workbook on the "Life of Moses" available for ages 6 through 8, for 60¢ a copy.

Long View Missionary Baptist Church, to which we belong, also has a set of workbooks on Baptist Doctrine which is suitable for ages 8 through adult, for \$1.25 a set. It was compiled by a committee from the church and it is our desire that Baptists might be strengthened in the faith by its use.

The church has a small pamphlet entitled "Peace in These Troubled Times," which instructs people how to be saved. The church makes these available to anyone who wants them free of charge, as long as the supply lasts.

You may obtain any of these by writing to: Dean Driver, 801 Peninsula Dr., Gallatin, Tenn. 37066.

Please join us in the prayer that God's cause may be built up in the world and that all His churches might prosper and grow in a manner which is pleasing to Him.

Sincerely,

Dean and Etheline Driver

## THE MAN IN THE MIRROR

When you get what you want  
in your struggle for self,  
And the world makes you king  
for a day,  
Just go to the mirror and look  
at yourself  
And see what the man has to say.  
You may be a Jack Horner and  
chisel a plum,  
And you think you're a wonder-  
ful guy;  
But the man in the glass says  
you're only a bum  
If you can't look him straight in  
the eye.  
You may fool the whole world  
down the pathway of years,  
And get pats on the back as  
you pass,  
But your final reward will be  
heartaches and tears  
If you've cheated the man in  
the glass.

—Author Unknown.

## Letter From Madison

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A few months ago, we at Madison Missionary Baptist Church, Madison, Tenn., called an advisory Council for the purpose of advising us concerning a problem that existed between Madison Church and Parkwood Missionary Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn.

We are now happy to report that all difficulties between Parkwood and Madison have been removed and we are now in full fellowship with each other.

We appreciate all the churches which sent brethren to advise us. God has certainly been with us in this matter and we thank him for his leadership.

Done by order of the church in regular conference April 12, 1970.

Eld. Landon C. Long, Moderator

Webb A. Russell, Clerk  
409 Freda Villa  
Madison, Tenn. 37115

## Revival Announcements

### FIRST SUNDAY — JUNE,

Fairview Memorial Baptist Church, Bowling Green, Ky. Pastor W. T. Russell is to be assisted by Elder Floyd Ferguson.

Hogan Creek Baptist Church, Smith County, Tenn. Pastor Thomas Shoemake is to be assisted by Elder W. V. Deweese.

### FRIDAY NIGHT — JUNE 12

Liberty Baptist Church, Barberton, Ohio. Pastor Calvin Perrigo is to be assisted by H. C. Vanderpool.

### SECOND SUNDAY — JUNE

Dayton City Baptist Church, Old Hickory, Tenn. Pastor O. E. Russell is to be assisted by Bro. Horace Head.

West End Baptist Church, Gallatin, Tenn. Pastor William House is to be assisted by Elder Robert Gregory.

### THIRD SUNDAY — JUNE

Union Baptist Church No. 2, Barren County, Tenn. Pastor Rex Hunt is to be assisted by Elder Gerald Cherry.

Fairview Valley Baptist Church, Washington, Ill. Pastor Raymond Hargis is to be assisted by Elder W. B. Elrod.

Faith Baptist Church, Rose and Burbank Streets, Nashville, Tenn. Pastor Howard G. Taylor is to be assisted by Elder James (Pete) Porter and Bro. J. W. Gregory is to be in charge of the singing.

### FIRDAY NIGHT — JUNE 26

Cornwell Chapel Baptist Church, Smith County, Tenn. Pastor F. W. Lambert is to be assisted by Elder Floyd Ferguson.

## THE CROSSROADS

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the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God: Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints; And for me, that utterance may be given unto me that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel, For which I am an ambassador in bonds: that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak." (Eph. 6:10-20).

## THE BAPTIST FAITH AND ROMAN CATHOLICISM

by Wendell Holmes Rone, Sr.  
287 Pages Seven Chapters  
\$1.50

This most important book—**THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN BAPTISTS AND CATHOLICS**—has been out of print for several years. We received many orders for it. Therefore, it is with joy I make the announcement that Bro. Rone has republished it. The price is most reasonable. Order from Ashland Avenue Baptist Publications, 163 North Ashland Avenue, Lexington, Kentucky 40502.

## Banner Readers

"We appreciate the Banner and certainly enjoy reading it."

Shirley Bacon  
Glasgow, Ky.

"We, as we always do, enjoyed your nice letter and your paper the 'Baptist Banner.'"

Elder Koji Tajima  
Hiroshima, Japan

"Please renew my subscription to the Baptist Banner and apply the remainder of the \$10.00 toward the expense of the paper or in any way it may be needed."

Elder Calvin Perrigo  
Wadsworth, Ohio

"May the Lord bless you and your work."

Louie Tucker  
Red Boiling Springs,  
Tenn.

"Enclosed find \$2.00 for the paper. May God bless you all in your good work."

Mrs. R. D. Gregory  
Russellville, Ky.

"I enjoy the Banner very much. You are doing a great work."

E. C. Sherron  
Bethpage, Tenn.

"Keep up the good work."

Ferrell Smith  
Lafayette, Tenn.

"We appreciate the means of hearing from Bro. and Sister Smith."

Carl Moody  
Franklin, Ky.

"We want to express our appreciation for the fine work you are doing with the paper."

Dean Driver  
Gallatin, Tenn.

"Just a few lines to say we sure do enjoy your paper."

Elder William Shoulders  
Indianapolis, Ind.

"I enjoy reading it so much I hate to miss a copy."

Mrs. Herbie Oldham  
Hartsville, Tenn.

"May the Lord continue to bless your work for Him."

J. E. Webb  
Goodlettsville, Tenn.

(The above excerpts were taken from letters that I've received the past month. I have not used the space in the first four years of publication to print letters from readers, but will do so when space permits. I have hundreds of letters that I've received since beginning as editor of the BAPTIST BANNER in June, 1966. In all of these I have received two letters of criticism. I appreciate the encouragement that I've received. Your letters are appreciated. — Editor).