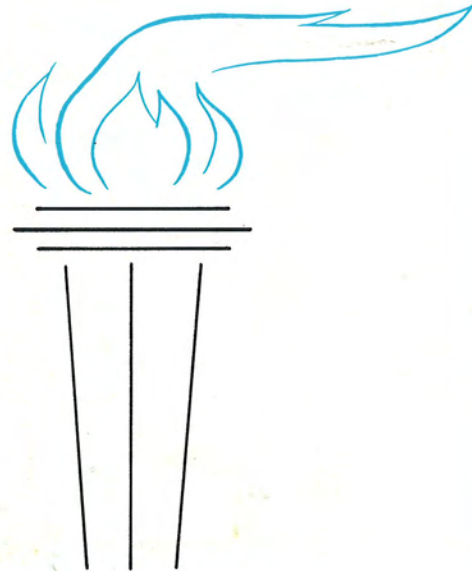


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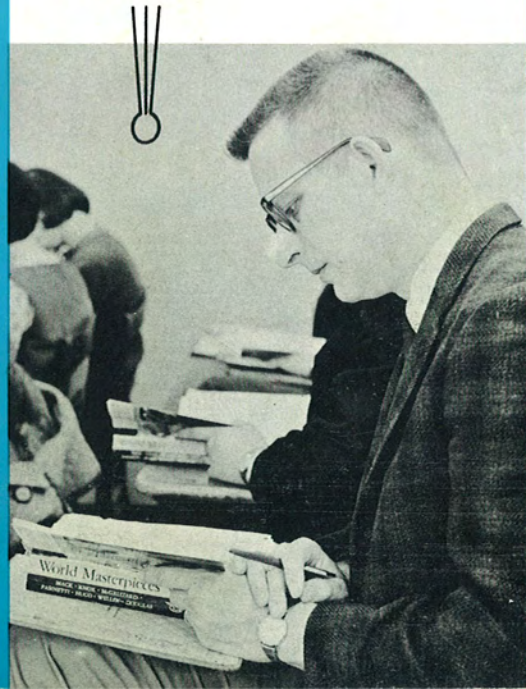
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## THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FRONTIER

AMERICA FROM ITS INCEPTION has been a land of frontiersmen. Our pioneering forefathers had to overcome many unexplored and unknown barriers. They courageously conquered geographic, industrial, technological, social and political frontiers.

Today another major frontier confronts us. It is Christian education. Since a frontier suggests advance of thought, we ought to give more attention to education as it relates to the Christian.

Education for the Christian is not merely intellectual gymnastics, the accumulating of information, nor the acquisition of facts. It is the organization and interpretation of knowledge in order to glorify God and better serve one's fellowman. Unless education enables one to understand his relationship to God as well as man it is inadequate and inferior. Actually, it is a life long process and it encompasses the whole being. It is essential to educate the whole man. Jesus grew mentally, socially, and spiritually. In this way, He set the example as a perennial pattern to follow.

The embryo of Christian education is best nurtured by parents in the home. The Sunday School and Church Training Service are necessary followups to supplement their efforts.

But the most overlooked and neglected means of instilling into young minds the verities of the Christian faith is the Christian day school. How urgently we need to catch the vision and recognize the value of building more day schools.

For most people, however, Christian education is associated with college training. Perhaps this is because the Church originally led in developing the educational institutions where the Bible was a basic course and moral values were paramount. After the State began to get involved in education, the Church began to retreat. Now the State controlled schools are almost totally secular.

As a result, there is chaos on the American campus. Foreign ideologies and a permissive philosophy of humanism coupled with free expression are leading many to the brink of moral bankruptcy. The faith of many is being shattered as godless professors subtly and insidiously plant doubts in their minds about the realities of Biblical truths and principles. It is no wonder that rebellion is rampant on the average campus.

Added to this growing educational deterioration, numerous denominational and church-related schools have conformed to the world's systems. The pressure to accept federal subsidies is mounting. The break-down of Church-state separation is more evident. Inevitably, this will mean more government control, and private institutions will have less freedom to determine their policies, curriculum and standards.

What is the answer to this dilemma? It is found in a renewed emphasis upon education that is thoroughly Christian.

Someone asks, "Is this possible?" It is possible when the Board of Trustees, Administrators, faculty and student body is Christian. It is possible when the institution of learning honors God and exalts Christ from whom all wisdom and knowledge emanates. It is possible when the Bible is kept central and all other knowledge is related to its absolutes. It is possible when students, growing in grace, are zealous, compassionate witnesses. It is possible when all the activities are bathed in prayer. It is possible when the Holy Spirit permeates the atmosphere.

It is not only in the realm of possibility, it is to a large extent a present reality. A visit to the campus of any Free Will Baptist Bible college will confirm this contention.

We are moving toward greater attainment in the field of Christian education. Any attempt to impede this progress would be disastrous.



*Rufus Coffey*

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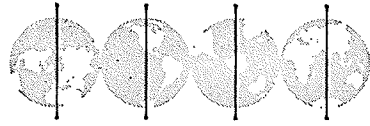
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# religious news

## Funeral Home Chaplain

TULSA, OKLAHOMA (EP)—The Tulsa branch of the Moore Funeral Home has added a chaplain to its mortuary staff. He is the Rev. Charlie Martin, an Assemblies of God minister, who will be available on call to clients of the funeral home as the establishment's chaplain. The Rev. Mr. Martin will serve in a pastoral role to bereaved families without a church affiliation and as counselor to any of Moore's clients who may need his services.

## Clock Calls to Prayer

NEW YORK (EP)—An electric alarm clock, run by a tiny battery, has been developed as a prayer aid. It's called the "prayer accutron" and programs its buzzer to sound an alarm system to coincide precisely with a regular daily schedule of prayer.

## Methodist Membership Down

EVANSTON, ILL. (EP)—For the second year in a row, The Methodist Church has experienced a decline in membership, according to data released by Dr. Don A. Cooke, general secretary of the denomination's Council on World Service and Finance. Representing the fiscal year which closed last May 31, the figures show 10,289,214 members, a decrease of 21,405 from the same date in 1966.

## Emphasis on Mariology

DAYTON, OHIO (EP)—Devotion to Mary and her place in the Redemption should not be minimized for the sake of ecumenical understanding, Father Joseph Manton, C.S.S.R., told the annual convention of the Mariological Society of America.

Speaking at the University of Dayton here, the Boston priest told the Marian Scholars:

"You don't horse trade in a realm as sacred as religion."

Urging that Marian dogma be patiently explained, not denied or changed, he advised:

"A convinced Catholic can say, 'Love me, love my dogma.'"

## Old Fashioned Revival Hour

LOS ANGELES, CALIF. (EP)—Completing what he believed was "something of a record in the history of radio evangelism," Dr. Charles E. Fuller celebrated on January 21, 1968 the 43rd year of continuous broadcast of the "Old Fashioned Revival Hour." Converted in 1917 under the ministry of Evangelist Paul Rader, young Fuller left lucrative employment to study at the Bible Institute of Los Angeles and thence in 1925 to enter pioneering ventures with radio.

Charles E. Fuller, 80, was unable to deliver the message on the anniversary Sunday because of weakness resulting from lingering illness. However, he did participate in the broadcast by introducing his son Daniel, dean of the Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, Calif. Dr. Dan Fuller spoke on his father's chosen text: John 6:68.

## Teens Rate Bible

NEW YORK (EP)—In attempting to evaluate the reading habits of youth today, one fact clearly emerges—the Bible overwhelmingly is the most important and most helpful book they have read. Nancy Gilbert, reporting for the Gilbert Youth Research in an article for the Herald-News here, said a survey showed the Bible received four times as many votes as the two closest runners-up; the dictionary and the novel. A thousand young people across the U.S. were asked to select the one book they would save if a disaster ever struck.

"Religious books in general far eclipsed any other category to walk off with honors as most helpful among those being read currently," Miss Gilbert said.

"Most of those questioned thought of the Bible only in terms of its religious and moral significance," she said. "Some teen-agers saw other values in the Bible: 'It incorporates the greatest quotes and events of all time . . . ' 'The Bible serves all other choices combined . . . ' 'The Bi-

ble is a problem-solver for every-day situations.'"

A slightly higher percentage of girls than boys (57 vs. 49) tended to favor the Bible. The survey seemed to indicate that the attention-getting tactics of a small minority of irreligious youth had tended to obscure the thoughts of the conservative majority.

## Modest Youth Noted

LOS ANGELES (EP)—Adults who don't smoke, according to the UC Berkeley Institute of Human Development, turn out to have been self-controlled, modest and even-tempered adolescents with an appreciation of the mature values of their elders. However, heavy smokers, now in middle age, were seen to have had little desire for achievement in their teens . . . tried to escape from unpleasant situations . . . were often out-and-out aggressors. These findings, published in Social Science and Medicine, international journal of Great Britain, were set forth in the form of personality profiles of adolescents who are now in their 40's. The profiles, which show individual exceptions to the main results, are based on information and studies begun in 1931 with a group of 200 boys and girls then enrolled in Oakland junior high schools. The Los Angeles Times quoted a professor of the Berkeley institute as saying that his findings indicate that the use of cigarettes will decline as evidence of their health toll mounts.

## Bob Jones Sr. Passes

GREENVILLE, S. C. (EP)—Dr. Bob Jones Sr., internationally known evangelist and founder of Bob Jones University here, died Jan. 16 after several years of declining health. He was 84. His son who succeeded him as president of the university which bears his name said his father considered the founding of the institution, now in its 41st year, his greatest contribution to the cause of Christianity. BJU has an annual enrollment of nearly 4,000. Dr. Bob Jones, Jr. call his father "the last of the 'old time' evangelists."

# Before A Church Can Have Qualified Teachers

**D**O YOU BELIEVE THAT? Does your church really want a Christian education director? Chances are your church does *not* want an educational director. Indeed, even if the members of your church and your pastor talk about wanting a Christian education director, they probably do not want one.

Occasionally people have a passing fancy that they need a Christian education director. They feel that the total ministry of the church is too much for one man, the pastor. He needs someone to help him with his correspondence, run off bulletins, order church literature, remind him of appointments, substitute for him while he is away in revival and denominational meetings, and assist with funerals and weddings.

Is this the way you feel? Then you may not need an educational director. A part-time secretary and a consecrated deacon could easily solve these problems!

A pastor, under the heavy burdens that have already been mentioned, may think that he needs assistance to lighten his load. In addition to the duties previously stated, at times the pastor needs a chauffeur for evangelists, missionaries on furlough, and denominational personnel. Badly needed fellowship and the opportunity to talk over church-centered problems also lead some preachers to think about finding a Christian education director. Not only does a pastor need an assistant for these reasons, but help is often needed to pick up and deliver taped sermons to the radio station, to have his automobile serviced, to arrange furniture after church socials, and to provide transportation to Sunday school picnics. "I've really been doing the work of two men," says the pastor as he ponders these things. So he concludes, "I need a Christian education director." Actually, a good handy man and a dedicated wife could well be the answers to this preacher's quandry.

While a Christian education director might have to occasionally fulfill some menial tasks, he is not an errand boy. He is not the person to "stick" with the jobs that the pastor dislikes. Nor should he be a person who is regarded as a second-class church worker. Conversely, he should be esteemed as a dedicated Christian who feels led to serve Christ in the educational ministries of the church.

**Need for Educational Director**

## Need for Educational Director

If one were to read just a few textbooks in the field of Christian education, he could compile a long list of reasons

that are supposed to indicate why many medium-sized and large churches need educational directors. Some of these so-called reasons are superficial and have been stated so that a particular chapter of a book could be extended to a respectable length. Since the purpose of this article is not to be verbose, we shall simply scrutinize present-day circumstances from a Christian point of view and then the Scriptures themselves for indications of real needs that indicate the usefulness of an educational director.

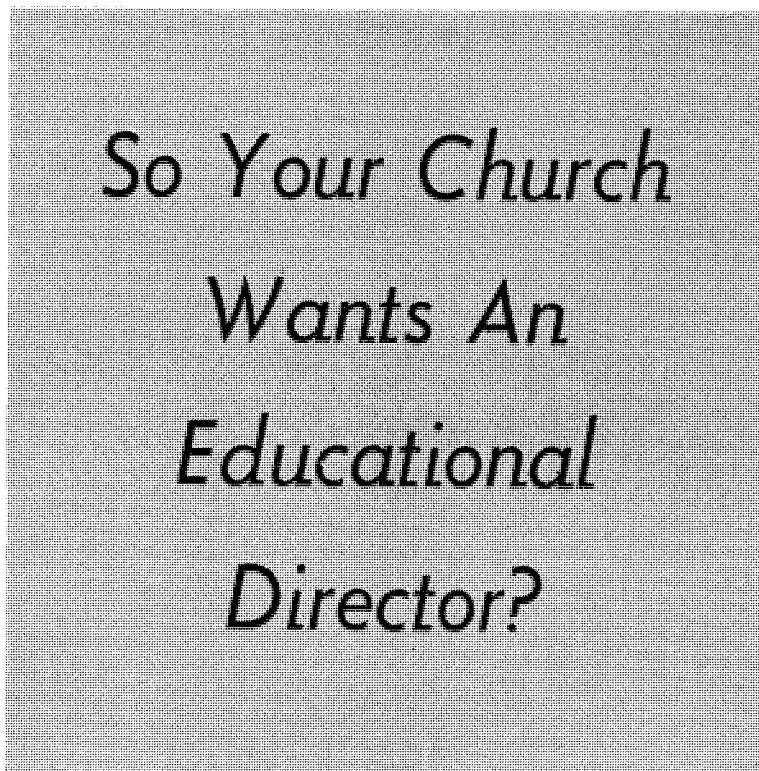
As we examine the contemporary scene in America, we find several reasons for believing that a Christian education director could be wisely used in many churches. First, we notice the strong emphasis on education. High schools, adult education centers, technological institutes, colleges and universities are providing churches with better educated people. These

people are not satisfied to sit in classes while Christian workers read quarterlies or stumble through the elementary facts and principles of the Word of God. They want qualified church workers. Since most local church workers will never have the opportunity to study in a Bible-believing educational institution the local church must become its own institution of higher education. The Christian education director, if theologically and educationally prepared, could serve as the director and main teacher in such an institution.

Second, the complexity and the deceptiveness of the world's appeal and influence are apparently increasing. If the local church intends to counteract the persuasive influence of the world, it must adopt policies, programs, and materials that are theologically correct, educa-

tionally sound, and spiritually vitalizing. The basic obligations of the pastor—studying, preaching, visiting, and counseling—and his lack of training in Christian education almost invariably eliminate him from being able to develop policies, to evaluate literature and audio-visual aids, and to organize and administer inspirational programs. The solution to this problem once again could well be a Christian dedicated to the educational task of the church.

As one considers the Scriptures, he notices that they teach that the twofold mission of the church is to evangelize sinners and to edify saints (Matthew 28:19-20). The fulfillment of these two phases of the same mission is dependent upon the setting apart of individuals to these tasks (Ephesians 4:11-12). The people who are called or led by God to serve in these



# It Must Have A Qualified Teacher Of Teachers

by Jack Simpson

capacities have distinct duties, but their basic purpose should be the same (I Corinthians 12-14).

James' warning about the church having too many unqualified teachers, which is probably still true concerning most churches, does not, however, mean teachers are not needed (James 3:1). In fact, the exact opposite is true. Qualified teachers are needed and must know God's Word, be wise as they apply Biblical concepts, and manifest by their lives that they are true believers (James 3:13).

Before a church can have these qualified teachers for its various classes and groups, it must have a qualified teacher of teachers. The church at Antioch had such teachers and, thereby, became a vital force in fulfilling the twofold mission of the church (Acts 13:1ff). Perhaps more believers today would be called Christians if contemporary church leaders would learn from the church in Antioch (Acts 11:26).

Even though pastors should have the ability to teach (I Timothy 3:2), they are not likely, as has already been explained, to have sufficient time to devote to the total educational responsibilities of the church. Yet, a Christian education director, who might also be a preacher, would be specifically employed by a church for the over-all education and training of its members.

## Duties of Educational Director

Several things seem to be obvious at this point. The preceding section suggests the broad scope of the educational director's duties. Furthermore, common sense leads one to realize that the duties of a Christian education director will vary from church to church. Regardless of the church situation, the duties of the Christian education director should be *clearly outlined* by a church and its pastor *before* employing someone for the position.

A general outline of the educational director's responsibilities should include information about evaluating the church's entire program, planning for changes and innovations in the church, organizing the personnel of the church for maximum benefits, administering the educational program, and training church leaders.

An evaluation of existing facilities, programs, and materials is perhaps the most important task of the Christian education director immediately after he accepts a position in a church. Evaluations should always point out strengths as well as weak-

nesses and should be conducted periodically after the first evaluation.

After an honest evaluation of the church's complete program, planning or designing should follow. Usually plans will be directed toward one or both of the following areas: strengthening existing practices and initiating new programs. In order for these alterations and innovations to be an integral part of the church program, the educational director must train church leaders in essential phases of organization and administration. He will also train workers in certain areas of Biblical knowledge, in principles and methods of teaching, and in the psychological development of children and adolescents.

In addition to the aforementioned tasks of the Christian education director, some churches have an agreement with him about directing youth activities, the children's church, or musical activities. Some educational directors also teach the Sunday school class that has the greatest potentiality in a particular situation.

## Conclusion

Other ideas could be presented, but it is time to view the basic question again: Do you *really* want or need an educational director? If so, get one. But, perhaps you would like to find a church secretary or handy man first. Remember, nevertheless, that regardless of your church situation that your church, if your church is financially able to support one and has developed to the extent that it can profitably use one, the ministry of a dedicated educational director complimenting the ministry of a devoted pastor will increase the ef-

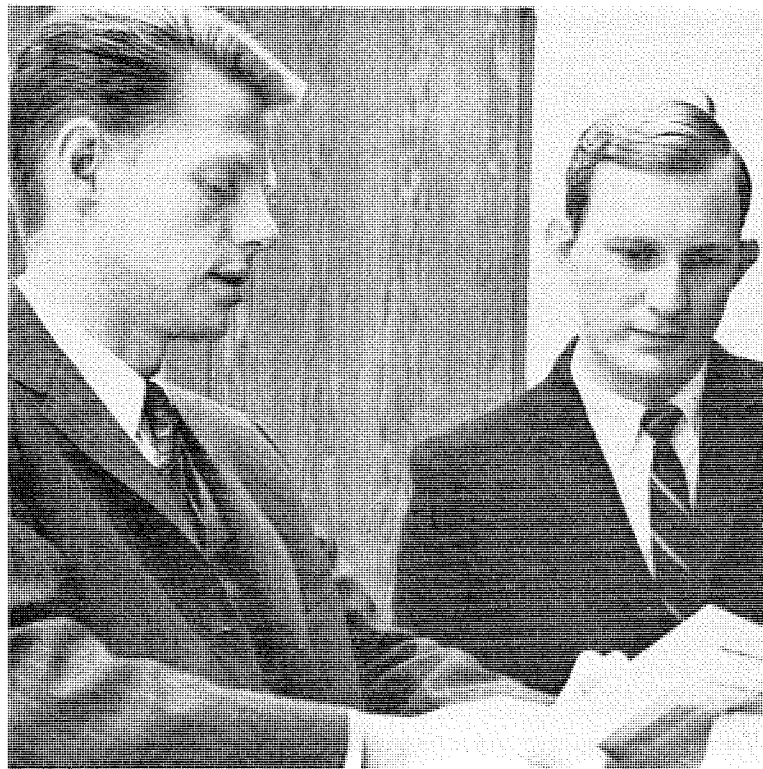
fectiveness and outreach of your church.

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*(Dr. Simpson is shown on the left in photo.)*





# PIEDMONT BIBLE INSTITUTE



*Rev. Roy Rikard, Founder and President of Piedmont Bible Institute*



*Twenty-three students comprise the school's 1967 graduating class.*

*Cramerton Free Will Baptist Church is recognized as a church with a tremendous outreach in the Piedmont area of North Carolina. Pastor Rikard maintains a heavy schedule as he serves his denomination in a dual role.*



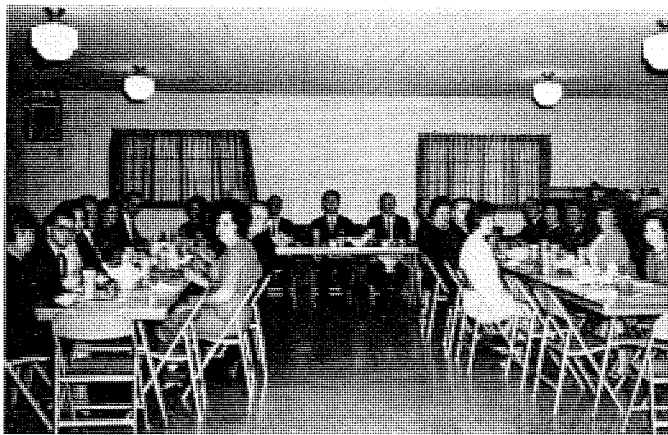




*Assembly room was built before classrooms were added.*



*In addition to serving the institute as Registrar, Rev. Johnny Floyd teaches second year students.*



*Dr. Stanley Mooneyham, 1967 commencement speaker, joined faculty members for their commencement dinner.*

## History Of PBI

**P**IEDMONT BIBLE INSTITUTE in Cramer-ton, North Carolina, had its beginning when Rev. Leroy Forlines, FWBBC professor, taught a two weeks course on *Great Doctrines of the Bible* in May, 1953. Eighteen students were enrolled in the institute. It was during this time that Pastor Roy Rikard saw the need to teach and train Christian workers. He began praying about a school and working in the direction of founding one.

In October, 1955, Rev. Ralph Staten, pastor of Goshen Free Will Baptist Church, taught *Personal Soul Winning* and a *Sunday School* course. Twenty students were enrolled. After this institute was completed, Mr. Rikard went to the Burlington Mill Company at Cramer-ton and discussed with the company officials the possibility of their giving land on which to build a Bible institute. The company officials agreed to donate the land.

The Cramer-ton Church voted in July, 1956 to build the assembly room of the institute with love offerings and money raised by the congregation. No money would be taken from the church treasury. Rev. Leroy Forlines from Nashville, Tennessee, joined Staten and Rikard on October 1, 1956 in organizing the Piedmont Bible Institute. Twenty-two students were enrolled the first year.

Dedicatory services for the first building were held September 1, 1957, and the institute had its first annual opening October 7, 1957. There were 32 students enrolled the first year of operation.

Four new class rooms were added in 1959. The institute has experienced a steady growth each year of its operation. The latest figures show the school's enrollment standing at 167 with two new class rooms and an assembly room that seats 200.

Rev. Roy Rikard is president of the institute; Rev. Sherman Branch, vice-president; Rev. Johnny Floyd, Jr., Registrar and Mrs. Robert Parris is Treasurer. Faculty members are Rev. Richard Adams, Rev. William Calvert, Rev. Sherman Branch, Rev. Johnny Floyd, Jr., Rev. Benny Turner, and Mrs. Dean Bryant.





# reach your child

*Now is the time  
for Christ.  
to live in a way that  
work of  
You must be  
own heart and mind  
for Christ*

MAGAZINES, NEWS reports, and other news media tell us that a big majority of our population is under the age of twenty-five. The population explosion gives evidence that more people are being born than are dying. Christianity informs us that we are not keeping up with the birth rate. More are born physically than are born from above. All of this being true, it becomes imperative for us to take a closer look at the plan of salvation. Does not the plan of salvation include all? Sure it does. Then why do many pastors and parents overlook the fact that children need salvation?

### Value of Children

There are forces in our world today that actually stake their success to children. One of these is the Catholic Church. For many years the Catholic Church has provided an educational system that has been the backdrop for this famous statement: "Give me a child until he is seven years of age, and we'll give you a Catholic the rest of his life." They have learned that what an adult will be is determined by the way he is taught as a child. This is further seen in the country of Cuba today. It has become a law in Cuba that no child can attend any other church except a Catholic Church until he is eighteen years of age. Castro has also learned the value of teaching the mind of a child. All educational systems know the value of a child. It is in the tender years of a child that he learns almost every-

thing he will learn in a life time. Jesus taught the value of a child. On at least two occasions Jesus took a child and used him as an object lesson to teach the way of salvation: "Except you be converted and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven" (Matt. 18:3). Jesus did not mean that we were to become childish but rather that we are to have faith in Him like a child possesses a natural faith. He could have also meant that as a child is innocent of the things he desires to be, we, too, should be free of our own desires and follow His. Whatever Jesus was teaching, He makes His point even stronger by stating ". . . Whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea" (Matt. 18:6).

### Reasons for Reaching Children

The greatest reason for reaching children is found in the very words of Jesus Himself as stated above as well as in Matthew 19:13-14. There are other practical reasons that need to be considered.

#### • The child's heart is soft.

Every preacher has had the experience of trying to win a person to Christ who has become hard hearted to the claims of the gospel. Such an experience leaves the preacher wondering if the individual will ever be saved. The time to plant a



*to reach your child  
See him begin  
reflects the  
Christ in his life.  
convinced in your  
that reaching your child  
is important.*

# for CHRIST

by Ken Riggs

gospel seed is when the soil is soft. Such is the case of a child. He possesses a natural faith. He enjoys hearing stories of the Bible. This is the time to channel his natural faith into a saving faith. This is not to say that when a child is saved he will be a perfect angel. He still has the characteristics of a child. A follow up and development period must accompany his salvation. However, for too long we have been concerned about teaching the child the way he should go without first of all leading him to Christ. The child should be taught the longer he puts it off, the harder it will be to be saved.

● *Sin doesn't have the grip it will have later.*

The Bible teaches that all of us are sinners by birth. This includes the child. The longer a person commits sin, the harder it is to reach him. The child needs to be saved before sin gets a strong hold on him and ruins his physical body as well as his soul. How many times have you seen saved people grieve because a life of sin destroyed their bodies or caused them to lose a limb? Sin is still destructive. It needs to be stopped before it destroys. The problem many of our children and young people face is having pastors who don't preach against sin, and consequently sin gets a grip on them and they fall by the wayside.

Children should be taught that the longer they commit sin, the deadlier it becomes, and secondly, there are some things they're better off not knowing about. It is our job as parents, pastors, teachers, etc. to inform them if they sow wild oats, they'll reap wild oats. Admittedly, we learn by experience, but sin is not a good teacher under any circumstance.

● *The child may never get old.*

Death is not a favorite subject of mine. I don't like to think about it. Yet it is a reality. It is also a reality that people of every age—even children—die. It is not cruel but a fact: that child who has reached an age of accountability who dies without Christ will go to hell. This fact alone should wake us up to our responsibility of reaching them for Christ. The wise man Solomon taught this in the Book of Ecclesiastes.

After Solomon had tried "everything under the sun," he discovered that all was vanity and vexation of spirit. He learned the true values of life, and he desired that young people know them before they reached an old age. Listen to his urgency as he cries, "Remember *now* thy Creator . . ." His heart cry was that young people should not make the mistakes he made. Solomon goes to great lengths to describe what happens when the young person, and even the child, forgets God. Ecclesiastes 12:1-6 gives this description. He talks about the arms and hands becoming shaky, the legs and knees becoming weak, the eyes becoming blind, the tears dry, the hair white and the entire circulatory blood system fails. It is the picture of what old age and sin do to a person. Solomon's plea is that young people will remember God and fear God because nothing else matters. (The reader is encouraged to read the Amplified Old Testament translation of Ecclesiastes 12.)

● *The child has a longer life to live for Jesus.*

If it be true that almost fifty percent of the population of our country are under twenty-five, it stands to reason that in a few years the age will be less than twenty-five. It is imperative then that children and young people be saved while they're young to live lives of decency and purity. Logic tells us that a person nine years of age will have more time, under normal conditions, than a person 59 to live for Jesus. The person 59 will have only half a life to give to Jesus whereas the person nine will have a whole life to give.

## Word of Caution

The purpose of this article is not to point out the problems involved in winning children to Christ, but rather to prove that they need to be saved. Yet, a word of caution must be mentioned. You have to be very careful. Don't push a child to make a decision. Let the Holy Spirit do it—not your personality. Be alert of the times your child asks you questions about God and the Bible. This may be the time to really talk about salvation. Don't minimize these questions or make fun of him. He understands more than what you think. Don't let the devil tell you your child is too young. If it is true that we change society by changing men, how important it is that we change the men by starting when the men are boys.

It is to be admitted that an age of accountability must be considered, but then we are faced with the problem of what is that age. The age will vary according to individuals, but the age is not as important as the fact and need of salvation. I am convinced that an age of accountability is much younger than what most parents and pastors care to admit. Jesus died for children just as much as for parents. Children are sinners and therefore in need of the Saviour.

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# ANNUAL BIBLE CONFERENCE

**F**REE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE will conduct its 25th consecutive Bible Conference in Nashville, April 7-11. Speakers for this year's meeting include the Reverends Randy Cox, J. E. Blanton, and Tom Hamilton.

The Reverend Cox, a prominent Free Will Baptist pastor, is a 1958 graduate of the Bible College. He received his Master's degree from Columbia Bible College in 1960. Totalling more than 10 years in the ministry, his pastorates include churches in North Carolina, Tennessee, South Carolina and his present work in Columbus, Mississippi.

The Reverend Blanton, who will this summer begin a Free Will Baptist work in Atlanta, Georgia, has been preaching for more than 12 years. He is a 1957 Bible College graduate and has pastored successfully in Tennessee and Georgia.

The Reverend Hamilton, a full-time evangelist, has been preaching for more than 20 years. He received the Bible College's Bible diploma in 1947, graduated from Columbia Bible College in 1950, and in 1952 received his Master's degree from Bob Jones University. He entered the ministry of evangelism in 1962 following several pastorates in the state of Georgia.

Other speakers will be selected from the Bible College faculty for the Conference. Special music will be provided by the school's music department.

A constant growth in attendance for the Bible Conference has given the college administration reason to expect well over 1,000 people for this 25th session.

## Summer School and Pastors' Conference

Free Will Baptist Bible College has announced intentions to lengthen its Summer Session program and to add a special conference for pastors as part of its 1968 summer activities.

The Summer Session, from June 11-28, is being provided for those wishing an opportunity for intensive Bible study as well as training in other church-related areas. The program, which has been enlarged from 10 days to three weeks, is designed to give college-level training to pastors, teachers, and other Christian workers in various subjects from the Bible College's regular curriculum. The following courses will be taught this summer:

- VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL  
2 semester hours  
teacher: Geraldine Hall
- HERMENEUTICS  
2 semester hours  
teacher: Leroy Forlines
- DOCTRINE OF THE SECOND COMING  
1 semester hour  
teacher: Leroy Forlines
- ANCIENT HISTORY  
3 semester hours  
teacher: Ralph Hampton
- SUNDAY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION  
1 semester hour  
teacher: Charles Thigpen
- HISTORY OF THE ENGLISH BIBLE  
1 semester hour  
teacher: Stanley Outlaw
- PARLIAMENTARY LAW  
1 semester hour  
teacher: Charles Thigpen

- FREE WILL BAPTIST DOCTRINE  
1 semester hour  
teacher: L. C. Johnson
- LUCAN WRITINGS  
3 semester hours  
teacher: Laura Barnard
- BIBLE SURVEY  
2 semester hours  
teacher: Stanley Outlaw

Up to four semester hours of college credit may be obtained in this Summer Session. A brochure giving full information may be obtained by writing the school.

The Pastors' Conference, scheduled for August 5-9, will strive to bring together pastors from across the denomination for four days of Bible study, preaching, fellowship, and special discussions related to the pastoral ministry. Information concerning the conference may be obtained by writing:

**Free Will Baptist Bible College**  
3606 West End Avenue  
Nashville, Tennessee 37205

## Checkbook System of Support

NASHVILLE, TENN.—Reverend L. R. Ennis, the first executive secretary of the Free Will Baptist National Association and an early pioneer in the Christian education movement, initiated the checkbook system for the support of Free Will Baptist Bible College. The arrangement was simply this: Individuals were asked to sign twelve checks provided by the school for any amount they wished. These checks were then cashed, one each

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# glancing around the states

month, until the year expired. If an individual, at any time, felt that he could no longer afford to continue his monthly gift, all remaining checks were returned to him at his request.

This same system has continued to find supporters throughout the denomination down to the present day. More than 300 Free Will Baptist currently have checkbooks being held in the Bible College business office which amount to nearly \$1,500 per month in regular gifts. The ease of this system should make it attractive to hundreds of other Free Will Baptists who feel a personal concern for the support of the school.

A recently purchased Burroughs Check Encoder will enable the College business office to imprint the bank routing code, as well as the personal checking account number, on all gift checks. This purchase was made in compliance with the recent Federal Reserve ruling requiring it. This machine will eliminate many of the problems that have confronted the school regarding the checkbook system of support. Reverend Paul Kettelman, the Bible College's field representative, feels that the convenience of this system will add many more to the current number of monthly checkbook givers.



## Home Missions Review

NASHVILLE, TENN.—Nine states exceeded their quotas for National Home Missions giving: Alabama, Arizona, Florida, Georgia, Maine, Missouri, New Hampshire, Oregon and Tennessee. Tennessee gave \$22,859.77 and runner-up Oklahoma gave \$19,367.17. North Carolina was third with \$13,213.39. Missouri was fourth with \$11,929.26.

Thirty-three missionaries and their families serve as home missionaries. New works were started in Nova Scotia and the Virgin Islands.

Total giving was short of the proposed budget since November *Thanksgiving Offerings* were not as good as in past years.

## Winner in Division E

PAINTSVILLE, KENTUCKY—Southside Free Will Baptist Church, Paintsville, Kentucky, was awarded the trophy in Division E of the National Sunday School Enlargement Campaign. The Southside Sunday School increased 79 percent according to the terms of the contest. Pastor Bob L. Jones is pictured presenting the trophy to General Superintendent Henry Evans.

## Foreign Missions Receipts Up

NASHVILLE, TENN.—Total receipts for 1967 foreign missions last year were \$518,960.38 compared to 1966 giving of \$435,984.44. Eighteen states exceeded their quotas. The total receipts represent a 19% increase over the previous year's income. States leading in the denomination's giving to foreign missions were North Carolina, Tennessee, Oklahoma, South Carolina and Virginia.

## Retires from Military Service

EL PASO, TEXAS—Richard R. Mead is

retiring from the military service in August, 1968 and will be available for pastoral service, home missions or evangelistic work. Mr. Mead has pastored for almost seven years in Georgia and Texas. He may be contacted by letter or phone: Richard R. Mead, 10364 Windsor Drive, El Paso, Texas 79924.

## Church Honors Organist

NASHVILLE, TENN.—Mrs. Alice White, who has spent more than 50 years in church music, was recently honored by East Nashville Free Will Baptist Church upon her retirement. Having begun her music ministry at the age of 10, Mrs. White was organist for both Cofer's Chapel and the East Nashville Church. Her pastor, Rev. Henry Melvin, stated she has played for many funerals and weddings and has freely given her services. Mrs. White played for Rev. and Mrs. John L. Welch's wedding when she was only 14 years old.

During the service honoring Mrs. White, Mr. W. H. Oliver sang her favorite songs. Following the service, a reception was given in her honor during which she was presented an engraved silver tray and a cash gift.



*Since Variety is  
the Spice of life  
try Adding . . .*

# A BIT OF SPARKLE TO FAMILY DEVOTIONS

by Wanda Rogers  
Fresno, California

**A**T THE TIME Israel was given the commandment in Deuteronomy 6: 6, 7 they did not have television when they riseth up, sittest down, walkest by the way, or liest down as we do today! Nor were there PTA meetings, or the many other school activities, ball games, social events, Boy Scouts, Brownies, Learners for Christ, Adventurers, Heralds, Crusaders, Woman's Auxiliary or Master's Men. However, this does not lessen our responsibility of teaching diligently these commandments in the home.

Family and private devotions are two things we need desperately in our homes today, and yet these are sadly neglected. If there had been more homes with family devotion a few years ago, we would not see newspaper headlines today featuring runaway teens, hippies, draft card burners, free-love, stand-ins, sit-ins, love-ins, and irresponsible adults. The Christian father needs to instruct his children in the ways of righteousness. He is responsible to God for teaching his family the Word of God.

In order to have a spiritually stabilized generation in the future we must be more faithful in the important matter of family devotions. Children who are taught Biblical truths and principles, precept upon precept, in a variety of ways by Dad and Mother are prepared to withstand the temptations of Satan later in life when they are on their own in society.

If your family devotions are dull, or a burden, it is perhaps due to lack of preparation and consistency. Johnny and Suzie are not going to be very cooperative in devotions and enjoy them if you announce "Time for devotions" in the middle of their favorite television program. Consider this the most important time in the day and plan accordingly.

Parents can add to a child's pleasure in devotions by recognizing different general levels of development and choosing appropriate scriptures.

Devotions teach children important lessons about our society and how to live in it. They give each member of the family a chance to develop spiritual skills, express their feelings, and gain self-confidence.

The variety of devotions consists in

large part in the way it meets your family's needs. Since each member of the family has different needs at different times he will prefer different methods according to his age, mood or personality, and it is up to the parent to supply the demand as it presents itself.

The soldier puts on his armour *before* he goes into battle; he does not go out and come back and put on his armour. "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" (Eph. 6:12).

Reading and discussing God's Word each morning, supplementing prayer, prepares us for the day's activities. Suzanne Wesley had 19 children, and each one was expected to be fully dressed and at the breakfast table for family devotions. Afterwards they could do whatever they wished, but this was required. Why should we settle for less?

This request, asking that each member be ready for school, work, etc., and that the beds be made and bedrooms straightened, is very good discipline. You will be surprised at the amount of bickering that ceases among the children when each is concentrating on completing his duties before breakfast. The devotional time also aids in family relations. When a family prays aloud together and for the difficult times of one another they will be more considerate of one another all through the day.

Family devotions teach dependence upon God and strengthens our faith in Him. Family devotions build discipline, to be sure. There is no place in society for the non-disciplined person. Family devotions build a respect for God and a respect for others. If we can teach our children these spiritual characteristics through family devotions they will be better Christians.

## —Sparklers—

Have devotions at the breakfast table. Read and discuss the scriptures. This teaches thinking through and application of the scriptures daily.

Ask Christian visitors in your home to lead in devotions, and specify it is to be a scripture to help each through the day.



Ask the visiting evangelist or missionary to your home for breakfast (perhaps Saturday) for the purpose of being guest speaker for family devotions. (Specify no sermon.)

Your pastor would probably enjoy this honor also. A family poll could be taken on the subject title you prefer.

Appoint children to plan and lead occasionally. They will come up with some ingenious ideas.

Request poem, picture, or reading relating to specific subject for certain date. Later post on your home bulletin board.

Youngsters enjoy presenting a musical devotional using the music they have learned on their instrument.

All youngsters love to sing and have special music.

Once a week have evaluation. Each is to tell of something he learned from God or something God did for him that has never happened before.

Keep an up-to-date written prayer request list. Nothing is greater than answered prayer.

Learn missionaries by name and associate them with their pictures. Ask

your children to be pen pals with children of missionaries of their age.

Take advantage of incidents in the home and read related scriptures, such as courtship, marriage, death, birth, quarrel between family members, victory in personal life, social activities, etc.

Have a spontaneous discussion on a current event, each using his Bible reference helps for the scripture.

Conduct a sword drill or use the Bible Tic-Tac-Toe game or other Bible games.

The family vacation and holiday outings are excellent settings for family devotions. Don't neglect this special opportunity.

Family devotions in the morning and private devotions in the evening is a perfect combination. The Church Training Service Department of our denomination has excellent material prepared for private devotions for all ages and I heartily recommend it. With young children, help is needed with the CTS material because they love to fill in the blanks in writing and look forward to this. As they progress through the different classes, the time of reading God's

Word comes naturally and is exciting.

Author Dorothy Grunbock Johnston has written the "Bob and Betty Wonder" series and also "Pete and Penny Know and Grow" series which are especially interesting and good for children. Kenneth N. Taylor (father of 10 children) has written several books in Christian doctrine arranged for family devotions with suggested hymn and a short story to illustrate the spiritual truth presented. These and other devotional helps are available at your Christian bookstore or the city library.

If you want to be more diligent in your family devotions or want to begin in this, make a new Bible a gift to each member of the family. This is very stimulating and makes a fine beginning.

Variety is the spice of life, and this can be said of our spiritual life as well. One of the greatest thrills and joys of the family life is the time of family devotions, as each enjoys himself. This is one of the most important gifts we can bequeath to our family.

*The author is wife to President of California Bible Institute, Gene Rogers, and the mother of two children.*

## SUMMER SCHOOL

by Charles Thigpen

THE FACULTY AND administration of Free Will Baptist Bible College believe that every Christian young person should have the privilege of attending a Christian college. Of course, we would like for each to attend for a full program of study and earn a degree or diploma in such a school. However, we know that a goodly number of Free Will Baptist young people feel this is impossible.

We, therefore, strongly urge you in this large group to consider attending summer school at a college where the Bible is believed and Christ is exalted. This is the reason Free Will Baptist Bible College has a session of school in the summer. In this way, students enrolled in secular colleges across the country may come for a course or two in Bible or a related area. There

is a good likelihood that the hours earned would be accepted by your present college.

Perhaps you have decided to attend a school near home—or enroll in a college that offers a program of study not offered at Free Will Baptist Bible College. A summer school opportunity at the Bible College could be a very meaningful spiritual and academic experience for you. Your Christian faith will be bolstered and your Christian convictions deepened as you study under spiritually dedicated professors. The joy of getting acquainted with other young people from across America who know Christ and seek to please Him in life awaits you in Nashville this summer.

There may be high school graduates or those who will graduate a year

from now who are uncertain about which college to attend, or are, perhaps, undecided as to whether to attend college. Then, surely a three-week summer school at the Bible College would be a worthwhile investment for you. Even though you have not yet graduated from high school, the college will admit you if you have completed your junior year. The credits you earn will not be transferable until you graduate from high school.

So, if you would like to study Bible Survey, or History of the English Bible, or perhaps Ancient History, or Parliamentary Law, please consider seriously the opportunities that are open to you June 11-28 at Free Will Baptist Bible College. Consider our message on the inside front cover and write today for further information.

# woman to woman



by CLEO PURSELL

"Now a layman has his business,  
And a layman has his joys,  
But he also has the training  
Of his little girls and boys . . ."

We in America are rightly concerned about juvenile delinquency in our nation. Many would prefer to call it parental delinquency. Children imitate their parents. Their teaching, or the lack of it, shapes their characters and their destiny.

The Sunday school is a fertile field for evangelism, and summer youth camps provide wonderful opportunities for challenging our youth with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. But evangelism must *begin* in our *homes* if we are to have a Christian nation. Lay women and laymen, as well as pastors, need to take the evangelization of youth and childhood more seriously.

One Free Will Baptist pastor's wife in Oklahoma found the real solution to the problem of juvenile delinquency and expressed it in the following poem.

I stood in my kitchen and wondered,  
Lord, what could I do?  
While within a voice was whispering,  
"I have a job for you."

Lord, I don't have much time or talent,  
And so little money to spend.  
The harvest truly is great,  
But where's a soul I could win?

My time seems so busy each hour,  
The children occupy my day,  
Still I find a few moments to study,  
And just a few moments to pray.

Lord, I'd like to win just one soul.  
I know I have won very few,  
But where is that one soul,  
Lord, that I could win for you?

The voice spoke ever so softly,  
And yet each word was clear.  
"You have four children, dear lady,  
That God has given you to rear."

Your harvest truly is great,  
For if just these four you'd win,  
God would multiply greatly your labors  
In numbers that never would end."

. . . Mrs. Homer Young

## World Day of Prayer

"Abide in My Love" is the WORLD DAY OF PRAYER theme for 1968. The day is March 1. Worship booklets and promotional posters may be obtained free of charge from the National Association of Evangelicals, Box 28, Wheaton, Illinois 60187. An offering for the work of NAE is encouraged.

## One Little Rose

A women's Bible class in Rahway, New Jersey, increased their usefulness by sending a red rosebud to any man, woman, or child on the sick list of the church. The person in charge of distributing the flowers gets the names of those who aren't well from the church office or minister. She then calls the florist whom she keeps supplied with cards that are personally written: "We the members of the church send you this rosebud as a token of our concern for your health and happiness. Our prayers for your recovery are offered in the name of the healing Savior."

## Girl Scouts

Public attention will be focused on a special group of young ladies March 12-18, when they observe the 55th birthday of Girl Scouting in the United States. It was on March 12, 1912, in Savannah, Georgia, that Juliette Gordon Low

formed the first troop with a handful of girls.

In the past 55 years, more than 22 million girls and adults have affirmed the same Girl Scout Promise at troop meetings knowing they were expected to carry out the Scouting code in their future roles as women and citizens. They have been motivated by the same concepts of duty to God and country and help to other people at all times.

## Teen-aged Boys Expensive

Teen-aged boys are the most expensive members of a family to feed, according to researchers at the U.S. Department of Agriculture. In a June, 1966 study of food costs for a family of four, the researchers estimated a cost of \$58 a month to provide a liberal diet for a boy in the 15-20 age bracket, \$11 more than a girl of the same age.

A government publication, "Food for Families with School Children," which includes a low-cost weekly food plan, a sample week's market list and menus, and suggestions for the family with more money to spend on food, is available for 15¢. Order from Superintendent of Documents, Washington, D.C. 20402. Catalog number A 1.77:13-7.

## Gem

Slight errors made by little boys and girls trying hard to recite the Lord's Prayer.

1. Harold be thy name.
2. Give us this day our gravy bread.
3. Lead us not into Penn Station.

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# FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE

## AS I SEE IT

by Faye Kennon

"Why? Why Free Will Baptist Bible College? A girl of your potential should refuse to settle for less than Michigan State or University of Michigan." This is typical of the many lectures I endured while in high school. My guidance counselor, friends, and teachers warned me that Bible College would in no way help to put me ahead in the world. I am, in their opinion, letting my ability go down the drain. "After all," they say, "anyone who wishes to be someone knows he must attend an outstanding college or university."

It is true that, in all probability, I will never achieve earthly fame. It is doubtful that I will ever know how it feels to see my name in lights or in the headlines on a society page. This, however, has never been my goal. "He must increase, but I must decrease" (John 3: 30).

Academically, our college is not inferior to any other. Scholastic achievement is stressed, and recognition is given to those who excel in this area. The major difference between FWBBC and secular institutions is that, in addition to striving for scholastic excellence, we are encouraged to strive for moral and spiritual excellence as well. The stated objective of the college is ". . . the promotion and impartation of higher Biblical education, instruction, and training as may be deemed essential to the equipment of Christian workers, teachers, ministers, and missionaries of both sexes for Christian service."

I have noticed a marked change in my life and in the lives of others since we have begun trying to uphold the College's

Christian principles. Before coming to school, my life lacked direction and purpose; I could have been compared to "the chaff which the wind driveth away" (Psalm 1:4). I found that without spiritual weight and stability it was impossible to stand firm when the worldly winds blew.

Free Will Baptist Bible College, however, is a real backbone-builder. The atmosphere on campus is conducive to living a meaningful Christian life. We are admonished to give Christ the pre-eminence in every phase of our lives and encouraged to establish worthwhile habits. Learning to apply Bible-based convictions has greatly enhanced my spiritual life.

As for our faculty, it would be most difficult to find another which could even begin to compare. Our professors and administrators are dedicated, God-honoring men and women whose desire is to promote the cause of Christ by preparing young people to serve Him more effectively. The interest that these Christian workers have in our well-being is evident. They show genuine concern over the problems that face us as students far away from "Mother, the girl (or boy) back home, and apple pie."

The fine reputation that FWBBC has maintained throughout the years is a source of constant gratification to me. By upholding our Christian standards of dress and conduct, we have gained the respect and admiration of all those with whom we have come in contact. Merchants in the local places of business have no trouble identifying a member of our student body. It is a good feeling to

hear someone say, after hearing mention of our college, "Oh yes. I've heard about that school!"

This institution is not, however, the utopia that it may seem at first to be. On the two occasions that I visited the college before enrolling, I could scarcely believe my eyes and ears. Never in my life had I ever witnessed such seemingly ideal perfection. Everything seemed to operate so smoothly! I must be a part of this, I declared.

The first few weeks were full of happy anticipation and discovery. These were days of revival and spiritual blessing for me. But, as the newness began to wear off and we got settled down, it became obvious that I was going to have to be on constant guard against Satan's tactics. I had always thought that the devil fled from Bible College students. It seems to me that he could put his talents to much better use elsewhere. Apparently he is not of the same opinion, because he is always there whenever we unsuspectingly let down our defense.

It is easy, for example, to let such things as chapel, devotions, prayer band, and practical work become so routine that we take them for granted and receive little or no benefit from them.

So, going to FWBBC does not automatically immunize one to the wiles of the devil; however, we are taught how to find "the way of escape" that God has promised in I Cor. 10:13.

Looking back over the past few months, I can truthfully say that I have never for a moment regretted my decision to enter Free Will Baptist Bible College.

# gems

FROM THE  
GREEK NEW TESTAMENT

by ROBERT PICIRILLI

There are two Greek adjectives sometimes translated "carnal." One of these is *sarkinos*, which means, literally, "made of flesh"; it is used *four* times in the New Testament, three of which translate "carnal" and one "fleshly." II Corinthians 3:3 gives the literal sense of this word, for there Paul contrasts the Old Testament stone tablets to a New Testament believer's heart, a tablet *made of flesh* where the Gospel is written. Hebrews 7:16 calls the Old Testament commandment a "carnal (made of flesh) commandment," which probably means its power went no farther than being able to bring external, fleshly conformity. In Romans 7:14, Paul says, "I am carnal," and in I Corinthians 3:1 he calls the Corinthian "babes in Christ" *carnal*; both passages may simply mean "made of flesh."

The second word is *sarkikos*, "of the nature of flesh." While the first word refers to the *material* of which something is made, the second refers to the *quality* or *characteristics* of something; obviously there are times when either word would be appropriate.

This second word is used *seven* times, five translated "carnal" and two "fleshly." Twice (Romans 15:27; I Corinthians 9:11) the word refers to (good) material things that are needed to keep the body alive (as opposed to a spiritual ministry). In II Corinthians 10:4, the word refers to physical weapons as opposed to a spiritual warfare. In II Corinthians 1:12, there is a contrast between "carnal" and spiritual wisdom, and here carnal simply means "human." In I Peter 2:11, the reference is to "fleshly lusts," which certainly involves the idea of the passions that stem from depraved flesh. Finally, in I Corinthians 3:3, 4, Paul accuses his Corinthian "brethren" of being "carnal," which suggests they were allowing ordinary flesh-like standards to rule where there should have been spiritual judgments.

It is interesting that the only *people* called "carnal" in all these places are Paul and the Corinthian "babes in Christ."

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|                            | JANUARY<br>1968                      | YEAR TO<br>DATE | TOTAL TO<br>JAN., 1967     | DESIGNATED<br>JAN., 1968 |                     |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| Alabama .....              | \$ 707.86                            | \$ 707.86       | \$ 604.08                  | \$                       |                     |
| Arizona .....              |                                      |                 |                            |                          |                     |
| Arkansas .....             | 336.92                               | 336.92          | 260.36                     |                          |                     |
| California .....           | 530.56                               | 530.56          | 570.89                     |                          |                     |
| Florida .....              | 358.59                               | 358.59          |                            |                          |                     |
| Georgia .....              |                                      |                 |                            |                          |                     |
| Idaho .....                | 49.15                                | 49.15           | 35.53                      |                          |                     |
| Illinois .....             |                                      |                 | 685.80                     |                          |                     |
| Indiana .....              | 151.45                               | 151.45          | 68.00                      |                          |                     |
| Kansas .....               | 77.00                                | 77.00           | 157.00                     |                          |                     |
| Kentucky .....             | 92.47                                | 92.47           |                            |                          |                     |
| Louisiana .....            | 51.43                                | 51.43           |                            |                          |                     |
| Michigan .....             | 230.36                               | 230.36          | 214.42                     |                          |                     |
| Missouri .....             | 1,870.00                             | 1,870.00        | 1,607.65                   |                          |                     |
| New Hampshire .....        |                                      |                 | 79.64                      |                          |                     |
| New Jersey .....           | 23.00                                | 23.00           |                            |                          |                     |
| New Mexico .....           | 129.28                               | 129.28          | 11.26                      |                          |                     |
| North Carolina .....       | 215.66                               | 215.66          | 98.90                      |                          |                     |
| Ohio .....                 | 385.18                               | 385.18          | 328.56                     |                          |                     |
| Oklahoma .....             | 1,271.11                             | 1,271.11        | 1,574.22                   |                          |                     |
| Tennessee .....            | 223.40                               | 223.40          | 594.93                     | 141.89                   |                     |
| Texas .....                |                                      |                 | 371.55                     |                          |                     |
| Virginia .....             | 899.36                               | 899.36          | 131.94                     |                          |                     |
| Washington and Oregon ..   |                                      |                 |                            |                          |                     |
| Wisconsin .....            | 20.00                                | 20.00           |                            |                          |                     |
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| Executive Dept. ....       | \$2,648.61                           | \$ 2,648.61     | \$ 29.79                   | \$ 29.79                 | \$ 2,678.40         |
| Foreign Missions .....     | 1,656.00                             | 1,656.00        | 41.15                      | 41.15                    | 1,697.15            |
| Bible College .....        | 1,439.82                             | 1,439.82        | 29.79                      | 29.79                    | 1,469.61            |
| Home Missions .....        | 983.00                               | 983.00          | 22.70                      | 22.70                    | 1,005.70            |
| Church Training .....      | 497.42                               | 497.42          | 14.19                      | 14.19                    | 511.61              |
| Superannuation Board ..... | 248.71                               | 248.71          | 4.27                       | 4.27                     | 252.98              |
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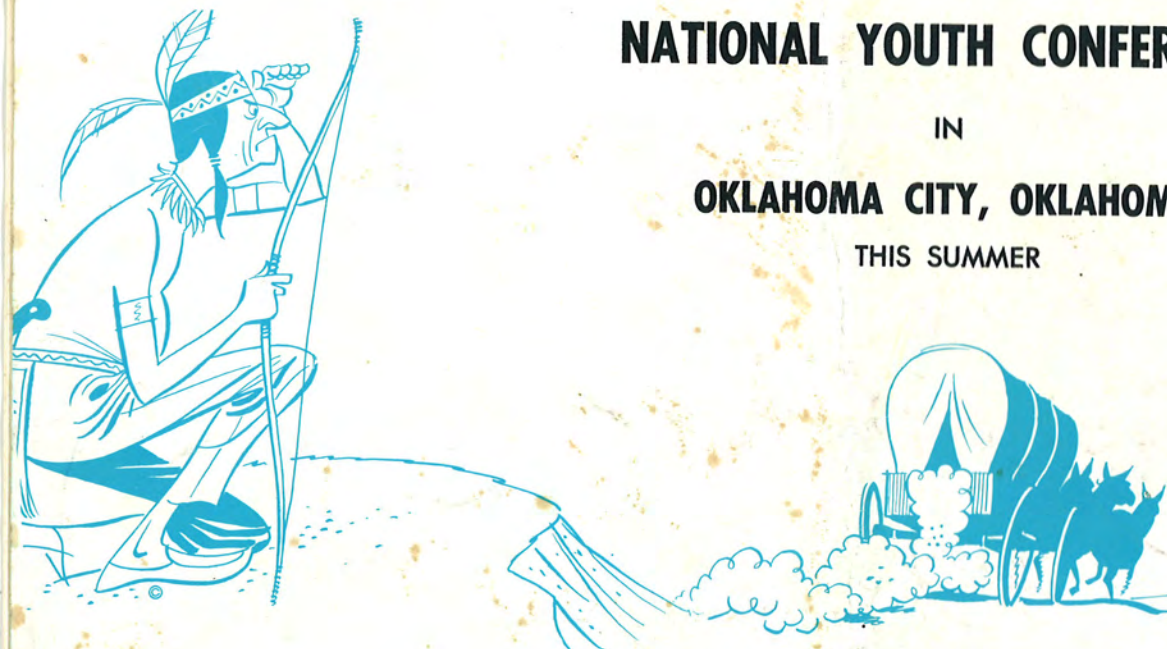
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