

## The President's Paragraphs

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After a recent rain I noticed in the debris that had lodged in the gutter in front of my home a piece of a jigsaw puzzle. It called to my mind the many times that I had tried to put a puzzle together, only to find in the end that my task had been complicated by the loss of one of its pieces. It may seem odd to you that an insignificant piece of colored cardboard would command my attention so strongly; but, as I thought of the missing piece of puzzle, I related it to spiritual things and wondered how many people are lost to God's perfect will for their lives.

Sunday, May 3, has been designated "College Day, '70" among the churches who support Oklahoma Bible College. An important part of that day should be a time set aside to honor the seniors who are graduating from high school. Graduation from high school brings our young people to an important crisis in their lives. At this point they are launched into adulthood to make more decisions on their own than they have ever made before. They must now find their places in the great puzzle of life. They must be careful to find God's

will for their lives or they will end up, like the lost puzzle piece, in the debris of the world. Almost every graduation class has among it those who do not fit into life, nor make a contribution to humanity.

To young people who read this, let me offer you a formula which will insure your finding your place, not only in society, but also in the center of God's will. Our Saviour in Matthew 6:33 said, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you." By this Jesus was saying that we needed to "put first things first" in our lives. By putting the major emphasis of our lives on the most valuable things in life, the minor things will take care of themselves.

The very fear of becoming a "castaway" drove Paul to great effort in life. Though none of us should be dominated by fear, concern for making the proper choices in life should ever be present in our minds. A wrong choice in life in the time of youth can affect the rest of your life. Choose God's direction at every turn lest you become like the lost puzzle piece.

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# Oklahoma Bible College

## NEWS-LETTER

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## Graduation-Week Events Told

The 1970 graduation-week activities of Oklahoma Bible College will begin with the traditional Baccalaureate service Sunday afternoon, May 10, at 2:30 p.m., and conclude with Commencement exercises on Friday evening, May 15, at 8:00 p.m. Both services will be held at the First Free Will Baptist Church, 625 East Frank Street, Norman, Oklahoma.

Selected as speakers for these occasions are the Reverend O. T. Dixon, who will bring the annual Baccalaureate sermon, and Dr. W. R. Corvin, president of Oklahoma City Southwestern College, who will deliver the Commencement address.

The Reverend Dixon, who serves as pastor of the host church, is a member of the Oklahoma Bible College Board of Trustees. He received his bachelor's degree from the College of the Ozarks, Clarksville, Arkansas, and has completed post-graduate work at the University of Missouri and Oklahoma City University.

Dr. Corvin, who earned bachelor degrees from the University of Oklahoma and the Garrett School of Theology at Evanston, Illinois, received a master's degree from Northwestern College and his doctorate from the University of Oklahoma. He has served as president of Southwestern College, a junior college of liberal arts sponsored by the Pentecostal Holiness Church, since 1961.

Nine students will complete the requirements for an Associate in Arts degree.



DIXON



MORGAN



CORBIN

They are: Roger DePriest, St. Johns, Missouri; Gloria Followwill, Arlington, Texas; William Haynes, Tulsa, Oklahoma; Barbara Martin, Oklahoma City; Paul Meyer, Corpus Christi, Texas; Sue Mullins, Alma, Oklahoma; Vickie Ross, Oklahoma City; Lorraine Schreiner, Wheatridge, Colorado; and Ken Sluder, Des Moines, Iowa.

### OTHER GRADUATION-WEEK EVENTS

The faculty will honor the class of 1970 with the annual Faculty Breakfast on Friday morning, May 15.

The final examination period of May 8-13 will be climaxed Thursday, May 14, with an All-School outing involving the entire college family. Special services are set for Thursday at 8:00 p.m. when the students and faculty will join in the observance of the ordinances of communion and feet washing. The Reverend J. C. Morgan, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Chickasha, Okla., will be bringing the message for this service.



# Music Curriculum To Be Expanded In Fall

Ten additional courses in the field of music have been added to the curriculum of Oklahoma Bible College according to Academic Dean Clarence Hearron. The new curriculum will become effective with the 1970 fall semester.

Mr. Ted Wilbanks, who has been affiliated with the OBC Music Department on a limited basis for the past two years, will

devote his full time to the implementation of this new music program. With these additional offerings, a student desiring to obtain an Associate in Arts degree with music as his major area of study will have a much wider selection of courses from which to choose in order to meet the degree requirements. The two-year program gives the student the basic training to continue in music at a senior college.

## First Oklahoma Group Makes \$2,250.00 Gift

The First Oklahoma Association of Free Will Baptists benefited Oklahoma Bible College with a direct gift of \$2,250.00 in action approved at their recent quarterly meeting and in the same session voted to set aside \$1,000.00 for the establishment of a scholarship program at OBC to aid young people from the Association.

The Association designated that \$2,000.00 be given to the General Fund with the remaining \$250.00 allotted for sports equipment.

Details for the administration of the scholarship fund were not set forth at the time of its establishment.

The money was received as a partial payment from the sale of the Association's campgrounds.

## News Of Alumni

Earl ('68) and Sandy Davenport ('67) Scroggins welcomed their first child, a son--Paul Dean, on April 5, 1970.

Patricia Beck ('69) became Mrs. Douglas Dale Lambert on April 24, 1970, at Chickasha, Oklahoma.

## State Reverses Decision

The Oklahoma State Health Department has reversed an earlier decision and given approval for the construction of another building on the Oklahoma Bible College campus without expanding the present sewerage facilities. This approval comes after several months of prayer and consultation, and paves the way for construction of the Activities Building as soon as the needed funds are available. The expansion of the existing lagoon would have resulted in considerable cost and also would have taken a way land needed for future expansion.

## It's Not Too Late...

for graduating seniors and other young people to submit an application for admission to Oklahoma Bible College this fall. The requirements are:

- \* Strong Christian convictions
- \* A desire to attend a Christian college
- \* A completed application and health form
- \* A high school diploma or GED test scores
- \* Participation in the American College Testing (ACT) program

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Please send me: ( ) OBC Catalog  
( ) Application Packet  
( ) Monthly NEWSLETTER

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

I am now: ( ) Pre high school  
( ) Freshman ( ) Sophomore ( ) Junior  
( ) Senior ( ) Graduate ( ) Not in school

Monthly Gifts	
Okla. Cooperative Giving.....	\$643.40
Designated Giving by Associations:	
Canadian.....	113.00
Center.....	493.50
Dibble.....	190.00
Eureka.....	5.00
First Mission.....	1,202.34
First Oklahoma.....	2,862.22
Gaines Creek.....	219.11
Hopewell #1.....	5.00
Hopewell #2.....	167.35
Northeast.....	135.43
Poteau River Valley.....	628.76
Progressive.....	25.17
Roberts-McGee.....	13.14
Southeast.....	21.00
South Grand River.....	396.11
Union.....	269.23
State Woman's Auxiliary.....	97.00
State Master's Men.....	20.00
Alumni Library Project.....	205.62
Athletic Fund.....	250.00
Misc. Oklahoma.....	20.00
Foreign Fields.....	10.00
Home Mission Fields.....	20.00
Other States.....	247.52
Total Giving for March, '70..	\$8,259.90
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Gifts needed each month to meet	
current budget.....	\$7,750.00
Total gifts rec'd. for March..	8,259.90
Giving above gift budget	509.90

## DON'T FORGET COLLEGE DAY '70

PUBLICIZE--the date--Sunday, May 3.

RECOGNIZE--the young people in your church who are enrolled in college and the high school seniors who are college prospects.

SUBSIDIZE--the educational program of OBC with a liberal gift May 3. Give prayerful consideration to supporting OBC with a gift each month for the next twelve months.

## Reactivated Alumni Set Annual Meeting May 8

The Alumni Association of Oklahoma Bible College was officially reactivated Saturday, March 21, 1970, when the group approved a constitution and by-laws at a noon luncheon. The group, which included a good representation of former students, their mates, and faculty members, selected Friday, May 8, as the date for their 1970 annual meeting.

The library project, which was scheduled to climax at the March meeting, was extended until the May meeting. Acting secretary-treasurer Carol Kircher reported that only \$339.42 of the \$1,000.00 goal had reached the OBC Business Office.

Nominations for officers to serve the organization for the ensuing year will be presented by a nominating committee at the May meeting. Temporary president David Sutton presided over the business activities.