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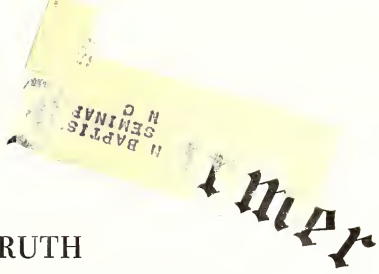


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OUTSTANDING LEADER PASSES

Dr. Theodore Hamlin Brooks departed this life, June 17, 1968 in Duke Memorial Hospital, Durham. He was the Executive Director of the Central Orphanage (an objective of the General Convention). Dr. Brooks served as the pastor of Coley Spring and Michael Creek Churches. Only a few days before his death, Shaw University conferred upon him the Doctor of Divinity degree.

A brief and meaningful funeral service was held on June 20 on the campus of Central Orphanage in the New Gymtorium. The Reverend Percy High, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Oxford, and Dr. Brooks' pastor, was in charge of the service. He delivered an impressive and timely eulogy on the life and work of Dr. Brooks. During this service, Dr. O. L. Sherrill, Executive Secretary of the General Baptist State Convention gave the prayer, and the Reverend W. R. Walls, pastor, Timothy Darling Presbyterian Church, Oxford, read the Scripture. A glowing tribute was given by T. H. Brooks, Jr. Members of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity and the Masonic Order participated in the service.

Theodore Hamlin Brooks carved his name in history through a dedicated life of work and service.

STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BAPTIST TRAINING UNION CONVENTION

E. M. Butler and J. T. Hawkins, Presidents

Meeting August 6-8, 1968 in the Cornerstone Baptist Church, Greenville

J. E. Tillette, Pastor

WOMAN'S BAPTIST HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY CONVENTION

Mrs. M. A. Horne, President

Meeting August 13-16, 1968 in the First Baptist Church, Winston-Salem

David R. Hedgley, Pastor

OTHER MEETINGS DURING THE YEAR

August 26-30

Lott Carey Foreign Mission Convention
Baltimore, Maryland

September 2-8

National Baptist Convention, U. S. A., Inc.
Atlanta, Georgia

September 2-8

National Baptist Convention of America,
San Antonio, Texas

September 2-8

Progressive National Baptist Convention,
Washington, D. C.

October 28-31

General Baptist State Convention and Laymen's League
meeting in the First Baptist Church, Statesville,
J. C. Harris, Pastor

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**SPECIAL NOTES FROM
 THE EDITOR**

The fiscal year of the General Baptist State Convention of North Carolina will end August 31. Dr. Sherrill is urging all churches, associations, conventions and Unions to send your gifts for the Unified Program before the last day of August.

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The Conference Room in Baptist Headquarters has been equipped with beautiful well appointed new furniture. You will like it when you see it.

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The *Informer* regrets to inform all who send pictures that, because of the high cost of engraving, it will be necessary to ask you to send \$7.50 to cover the cost. Your cooperation will help us produce a better paper.

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Much of the News for this month had to be left out due to the publishing of the quarterly report. Watch the August paper for your news.

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Mrs. Alois Chalmers has gone from the *Informer* Staff to work on the Secretarial Staff at North Carolina State University.

Mrs. B. W. Herndon has come to serve as Secretary of the *Informer*.

**HIGHLIGHTS OF THE
 84th ANNUAL SESSION
 WOMAN'S BAPTIST HOME AND FOREIGN
 MISSIONARY CONVENTION OF N. C.**

August 13-16, Winston-Salem, North Carolina

First Baptist Church

Dr. David R. Hedgley, Minister

Theme: "The Christian In A Troubled World"

Romans 8:35, 38, 39

Mr. J. Robert Bradley, Nashville, Tenn.

Convention Song Leader

Mrs. Adele Scott, Winston-Salem, Guest Pianist

Tuesday, August 13

Executive and General Board meet

Report of Administrative Officers
 Awarding of Banners and Ribbons

Tuesday Evening

Welcome Program
 Annual Sermon — The Reverend
 J. M. Kennedy, pastor First Calvary,
 Charlotte, Accompanied by Choir

Wednesday Morning, August 14

Special Music by J. Robert Bradley
 President Horne's Annual Message
 Report on Assembly Site, Dr. T. A. Watkins

Wednesday Afternoon

Junior-Young People's Session
 President Hortense Merritt Speaks
 Decision-Rededication-Life's Commitment
 Dr. Charles W. Ward

Wednesday Evening

Address, Dr. Mary C. Whitener, President
 South Carolina Woman's State Convention
 Music, Mount Zion Baptist Choir,
 Dr. K. O. P. Goodwin, pastor
 Sermon—Dr. Wendell C. Somerville, Executive
 Secretary Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Mis-
 sion Convention

Thursday Morning, August 15

"The County-Wide Grand March"
 (The Righteous Marching)

Sermon—The Reverend Nilous M. Avery,
 pastor Hill Street Baptist Church, Asheville

Thursday Afternoon

The Young Adult Department
 President Bronnie M. Harris speaks
 Music—Jr.-Young People's Department
 J. Robert Bradley, Director
 Year-Round Committee Reports

Thursday Evening

The NAACP Speaks—Mr. Kelly M. Alexander
 Music—Union Baptist Church Choir
 Dr. A. H. McDaniel, pastor
 Sermon—Dr. James E. Cheek

Friday Morning, August 16

Reports
 Installation of Officers, Dr. David R. Hedgley
 The closing of the 1968 Annual Session

Contributions Received Through The Executive Office — General Baptist State Convention of N. C., Inc., April, May and June, 1968

Adoram, Wallace, J. L. Ezzell	45.00	Deep River Association, A. T. Alston	150.00
Alexander Union Association, C. M. Moore	145.26	Deep River Union	50.00
Allen Chapel, J. A. Watson	95.85	Diekies Grove, A. B. Bass	9.67
Ally Grove, J. M. Kearns	13.00	District S. S. Convention-Union Association	15.00
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Antioch, Jackson, W. T. Edmonds	42.85	Dreamland Park, Winston-Salem	10.00
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Ashley Grove, Vaughan, W. L. Dilday	14.00	Eastern Star, Tarboro, L. D. Morris	27.00
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Beamon, W. E.	25.00	Edwards Chapel, Lawndale, H. L. Spears	25.00
Bear Creek S. S. Convention	30.00	Edwards Grove, Liberty, M. P. McCleave	50.00
Beautiful Zion, Lewiston, J. R. Wiggins	29.00	Elizabeth, Monroe, J. H. Ferguson	50.00
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Belton Creek, Oxford, P. G. Davis	21.38	Elm Grove, Aulander, R. L. Lassiter	10.00
Best Grove, Goldsboro, W. C. Horton	41.00	Enon, Littleton, J. W. Wiley	25.00
Bethel Brevard, C. E. Austin	41.00	Eskridge Grove, F. R. Giles	135.54
Bethel, Edward, W. K. Raynor	19.35	Evening View, W. H. Johnson	9.00
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Bethlehem, Laurinburg, E. L. Pettiford	10.00	Faithful Hannah, A. B. Fulford	9.00
Big Piney Grove	40.00	Falling Run, Fayetteville, O. L. Bennett	29.95
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Branch's Chapel, G. E. Brown	75.00	First, Armour, L. B. Boykin	5.00
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Brown's Chapel, H. G. McGhee	25.00	First, Charlotte, J. B. Humphrey	300.00
Brown Creek, R. E. Blount	25.00	First, Chinquappin	242.50
Bryant, Mrs. Annie R.	5.00	First, Colerain, J. A. Davis	29.00
Bryant Chapel, N. L. Barrow	5.00	First, Concord, H. H. Hawkins	20.36
Buffalo Springs, Raeford, N. Worley	75.00	First, Elizabethtown, N. B. Benjamin	15.00
Buncomb, Lexington, S. W. Mack	43.00	First, Enfield, K. P. Battle	46.45
Bunn Chapel, C. V. Harris	10.00	First, Fairmont, J. J. Johnson	50.00
Bunns Chapel, Nashville, Luther Coppedge	20.00	First, Fayetteville, C. R. Edwards	1,100.00
Butler's Chapel, A. T. Alston	32.00	First, Garland	15.00
Butler, E. M.	20.00	First, Hamlet, R. T. Gilchrist	300.00
Calvary, Ahsokie, H. H. Murrill	6.00	First, Jacksonville	20.00
Calvary, High Point, B. C. McCaskill	200.00	First, Kelford, J. W. Law	8.00
Cedar Grove, R. M. Flagger	40.00	First, Kellumtown, T. Chadwick	17.92
Cedar Grove, Davie County, R. M. Pitts	50.00	First, Laurel Hill, S. C. Fairley	75.00
Cedar Grove, Henrico, R. M. McNair	16.43	First, Lawndale, B. M. Hamright	50.00
Cedar Grove, Supply, W. H. D. Flowers	79.36	First, Magnolia, Willie Pugh	25.00
Center, Bladenboro, R. L. Blue	4.22	First, Maysville, W. H. McCarter	4.00
Center, Gastonia, H. B. Washington	25.00	First, Murfreesboro, A. M. Williams	4.00
Chapel Grove, Garysburg, G. E. Brown	20.00	First, New Hill, G. B. Watson	10.36
Chapel Hill, Rich Square, W. H. Davis	50.00	First, Norlina, S. G. Dunston	25.94
Chapel Hill, Williamston, T. R. Vines	5.00	First, N. Wilkesboro	100.00
Cherry's Chapel, T. H. Rand	66.15	First, Pittsboro, D. D. Siler	28.00
Christ Memorial, O'Neal Taylor	5.00	First, Reidsville, A. D. Logan	100.00
Christ's Temple, H. Hammond	10.00	First, Roanoke Rapids, R. H. Kidd	24.00
Clark's Memorial, Booneville, G. W. Crawford	9.00	First, Smithfield, C. L. Manning	50.00
Clay Bottom, E. L. Powell	5.15	First, Southmont, J. G. Gaston	25.00
Conetoe Chapel, Conetoe, T. R. Vines	10.00	First, Southport, L. B. Boykin	35.00
Conocanary, Aulander, J. P. Law	40.00	First, Statesville, J. C. Harris	100.00
Corinth, Jarvisburg, E. M. Brown	5.00	First, Thomasville, W. E. Banks	25.00
Corner Stone, Elizabeth City, J. R. R. McRay	200.00	First, Wadesboro, A. L. Bell	200.00
Corner Stone, Greenville, J. E. Tillette	193.19	First, Weldon	73.08
Costner, D. A.	25.00	First, Wilmington, J. P. Dickerson	215.00
Covington, Troy, M. R. Hedgpeth	24.75	First, Winston-Salem, D. R. Hedgley	1,500.00
Davis Chapel, Clarence Gray	10.00	First, Winton, Johnnie Woodhouse	38.47
Davis Chapel, C. E. Gray	5.00	First, Zebulon, John Mangum	36.05
Davis, W. H.	10.00	First, African, Goldsboro, I. B. Horton	150.00
Deacons Union-Middle Ground Association	6.00	First, Calvary, Durham, A. L. Thompson	100.00
Deacons Union-Middle Ground Association	5.00	First Calvary, Rocky Mount, S. J. Jones	26.00

First Calvary, Salisbury, T. D. Walker	150.00	Leviston Chapel, Ghio, J. J. Covington	11.00
First Emanuel, High Point, D. D. Mason	208.73	Lewis Chapel, Fayetteville	12.00
First Mt. Calvary, Charlotte, J. C. Brewer	25.00	Liberty, Sylva, J. H. Smith	80.00
First New Light, White Oak, A. G. Thompson	20.00	Liberty Hill, Claremont, A. G. Coley	61.00
Flag Branch, Monroe, E. H. Martin	20.00	Lilly of the Valley, Plymouth, Johnnie Bell	17.63
Flake's Chapel, L. W. Walker	11.50	Lisbon Street, Clinton, H. R. Cogdell	129.51
Flat Rock, Wadesboro, D. W. Morehead	22.00	Little Field, Newton Grove, J. D. Herring	12.00
Fletchers Grove, S. Gilchrist	53.00	Little Zion	22.22
Forsyth BTU Union	10.00	Long Ridge, Plymouth, M. C. Cotton	12.00
Forsyth Deacons Union	29.00	Lovely Hill	5.00
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Foster Grove, Jamestown, J. W. Flake	25.02	Macedonia, Hoffman, G. B. Gilchrist	37.50
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Friendship, Charlotte, C. W. Kerry	300.00	Mahalia Chapel, N. L. Barrow	2.00
Friendship, Ellenboro, D. L. McGuire	10.00	Maiden Chapel, R. N. Lockhart	97.00
Friendship, Gastonia, J. G. Whitfield	80.91	Manasseh, Franklin County, Leroy Fitts	15.00
Friendship, Hamlet, P. W. Huntley	2.50	Manholly, Hampstead, Willie Pugh	25.00
Friendship, Hickory, J. J. Alexander	150.00	Maple Grove, E. L. Powell	10.00
Friendship, Monroe, J. B. Crowder	125.00	Maple Springs, H. T. Dodds	25.25
Friendship, Whiteville, J. E. Barber, Jr.	50.00	Mark's Chapel, G. E. Brown	15.00
Galilee, C. M. Freeman	30.00	Marshall Chapel, M. C. Carter	5.00
Galilee, Pinehurst, W. F. Carlson	75.00	Martin, E. H.	1.00
Galilee, Winston-Salem, W. C. Hay	25.00	Martin Street, Raleigh, P. H. Johnson	1,000.00
Garris Grove, W. G. Hall	11.00	Mayo Chapel, W. C. Cotton	10.00
Gethsemane, Bunn, J. A. Watson	40.25	Mecklenburg General Association, J. M. Kennedy	250.00
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Gethsemane, Shelby, L. C. Camp	5.00	Middle Ground Association, G. E. Brown	63.11
Good Hope, Knightdale, C. R. Trotter	50.00	Middle Ground S. S. Convention	10.00
Good Samaritan, W. E. Edgerton	22.77	Middle Ground Union	10.00
Greater Mt. Sinai, Charlotte, N. E. Kerry	200.00	Mill Branch, Willie Pugh	25.00
Greater St. Paul, Durham, W. T. Bigelow	100.00	Mill Branch, Aulander, C. C. Lawrence	14.00
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Harrellsville Chapel, C. A. Hart	135.00	Ministers-Deacons Union, Middle Ground Assn.	5.00
Harris Grove, E. W. Johnson	50.00	Ministers-Deacons Union, Wake Assosiation	100.00
Harts Chapel, J. H. Staton	30.00	Ministers Wives Alliance, Middle Ground Assn.	6.00
Haw River, Chatham County, R. D. Jones	29.00	Mitchell, H. L.	10.00
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Hawkins Chapel, Franklin County, S. W. Williams	19.08	Moore's Chapel, Lincolnton, Harold Pully	25.00
Henderson Grove, J. R. Gullede	18.25	Morning Star, Hickory, C. R. Harper	90.00
Henry Grove	5.00	Mt. & Catawba Association	12.50
Hickory Grove, Chapel Hill, J. R. Manley	50.00	Mt. Ararat, Windsor, S. L. Lawrence	6.00
Hickory View, J. H. Dixon	100.00	Mt. Calvary, Leroy Stroman	7.00
Hill Chapel, W. A. Green	3.00	Mt. Calvary, Shelby, S. A. Raper	250.00
Hill Street, Asheville, N. M. Avery	250.00	Mt. Calvary, Vale, J. C. Cunningham	10.00
Holly Grove, Rockingham, M. A. Buie	10.00	Mt. Calvary, Wilmington, F. R. Devane	40.00
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Holy Trinity	5.50	Mt. Carmel, D. W. Rutherford	75.00
Holy Mt. Zion, Hickory, R. W. Ramsey	36.38	Mt. Gilead, Durham, A. D. Moseley	237.41
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Knox Grove, S. B. Brown	100.00	Mt. Pleasant, Wadesboro, E. H. Martin	44.75
Lambert Chapel, D. F. Brown	75.00	Mt. Pleasant, Winston-Salem, H. S. Lewis	60.00
Lane Creek Association, D. F. Moore	200.00	Mt. Shiloh, Aurora, W. V. Pritchett	7.00
Lee's Chapel, Rose Hill, G. P. House	2.00	Mt. Shiloh, Williamston, Leo Williams	126.07

Mt. Sinai, Como, J. W. Law	10.00	Phillipi, Simpson, J. L. Jones	48.50
Mt. Sinai, Orange County, A. T. Alston	137.90	Phillip Chapel, Charles Leak	5.00
Mt. Vernon, Durham, E. T. Browne	200.00	Pilgrim Chapel, James City, Raymond Lassiter	45.00
Mt. Vernon, Nashville, L. Edwards	39.45	Pilgrim Chapel, Oriental	25.00
Mt. Zion, Albemarle, J. C. Robinson	25.00	Pine Chapel, Hollister, C. H. Whitaker	66.22
Mt. Zion, Asheville, J. W. White	1,100.00	Pine Grove, Macon	24.07
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Mt. Zion, Riegelwood	5.00	Pleasant Grove, Belhaven	20.00
Mt. Zion, Salisbury, W. M. Wyatt	150.00	Pleasant Grove, Ridge, C. A. Anthony	11.50
Mt. Zion First, Rocky Mount, G. W. Dudley	423.00	Pleasant Hill, Ansonville, C. L. Chambers	63.44
Mud Creek Association, H. B. Ferguson	20.00	Pleasant Hill, Clarkton, W. K. Mitchell	25.00
Nazareth, Marston, S. C. Fairley	45.00	Pleasant Hill, Kelly	15.00
Nelson Chapel, Louisville, E. L. Brodie	43.61	Pleasant Hill, N. Wilkesboro, W. M. Turner	30.00
New Ahoskie, J. L. Scott	57.10	Pleasant Hill, Shallotte, George Buck	13.90
New Bensalem, Robbins, David Jones	35.00	Pleasant Zion, Littleton, Roger Brodie	2.18
New Bethel, Rolesville, W. A. Morgan	25.00	Pleasure Hill, Whitakers, C. V. Harris	5.00
New Bethel, West Durham	50.00	Poplar Hill, Polkton, B. R. Robinson	10.00
New Bethel, Winston-Salem, Jerry Drayton	500.00	Poplar Springs, Addor, R. J. Thompson	20.50
New Bern - Eastern Association, W. C. Horton	30.00	Poplar Springs, Polkton, C. L. Chambers	8.25
New Chapel, Plymouth, A. R. Williams	100.00	Poplar Springs, Roaring River, J. B. Hampton	44.18
New Damascus, Wilkesboro, W. N. Rowe	105.00	Poplar Spring, Rockingham, J. H. Ferguson	50.00
New Dixon, J. N. Kornegay	3.00	Price, Zachariah	3.00
New Haven, Murfreesboro, S. H. Edwards	37.00	Providence, Charlotte, R. H. Lewis	100.00
New Hill, Clayton, W. M. Giles	5.00	Providence, Robersonville, J. H. Milteer	25.00
New Hope, Apex, C. P. Briley	15.00	Providence, Rockingham, H. S. Diggs	15.00
New Hope, Fayetteville, H. W. Melvin	36.00	Read's Chapel, George Smith	5.00
New Hope, Gatesville, H. L. Mitchell	117.00	Red Hill, Lilesville	22.00
New Hope, Hamlet, W. H. Gatewood	57.22	Red Level, Monroe, L. W. Walker	10.00
New Hope, Spring Hope, A. M. Wiggins	8.15	Red Oak, Stanhope, Halvester Miles	17.73
New Hope Musical Convention	50.00	Reedy Creek, J. B. Everett, Jr.	75.00
New Light, Lenoir, R. L. Ferguson	6.00	Rising Star, Walnut Cove, D. R. Hedgley	150.00
New Prospect, Long Island, R. N. Lockhart	50.00	Roanoke Association, J. R. R. McKay	659.88
New Shiloh, Shiloh, W. J. Moore	47.20	Roanoke Chapel, Jackson, C. C. Lawrence	304.85
New Vester, Wilson County, A. A. Crum	19.00	Roanoke Zion, Palmyra, W. E. Battle	29.00
New Zion, Jonesboro, E. N. Hooker	45.25	Robeson Baptist Union	100.00
New Zion, Peachland, E. H. Martin	33.05	Rock Hill, H. H. Moore	10.00
New Zion, Spindale	10.89	Rock Hill, Asheville, H. B. Ferguson	180.00
New Christian Chapel, Rose Hill	15.00	Rocky Chapel, J. M. Boone	10.00
New Ellis Chapel, I. Milledge	45.00	Rocky Point, Spring Hope, W. T. Grimes	23.35
New High Springs, Gastonia, Samson Long, Jr.	50.00	Rocky River, Liberty, D. D. Siler	10.00
New Piney Grove, Gates, J. O. Rodgers	5.00	Roseville, Willard, A. H. Murphy	79.50
New Pleasant Hill, Charlotte, S. V. Wells	100.00	Rose Hill, J. W. Wallace	25.00
Newkirk Chapel, Willard, H. C. Dixon	3.00	Round Branch, Bladenboro, J. M. Durham	22.03
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CORRECTION!

The printers omitted the 1st line in the 2nd paragraph of the article "In Memoriam" in our recent newsletter. It should read:

In Memoriam

Dr. Theodore Hamlin Brooks

1904 - 1968

"Jesus said, I am the resurrection and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live"

Of the many business friends and associates who mourn the death of Dr. Brooks, I am sure that none feels a keener sense of grief than I. To me, Theodore Hamlin Brooks, exemplified the highest integrity and moral courage. I feel a deep sense of personal sorrow that the pleasant association of so many years with a man of his intelligence, rare judgment, and warm personality is ended.

He has achieved success who has lived well, laughed often and loved much; who has gained the respect of intelligent men and love of little children; who has filled his niche and accomplished his task; who has left the world better than he found it; who has never lacked appreciation of earth's beauty or failed to express it; who has always looked for the best in others and given the best he had; whose life has been in inspiration; whose memory is a benediction.

—O. L. Sherrill

AS A LAYMAN SEES IT

By O. A. DUPREE

Theme: "The Church and the Impending Crisis"

The Church Militant — III

In many of my lay sermons, I preach throughout the state, I have reiterated many times that the so-called Negro Church has a slave concept of Jesus. This concept has shaped the role he has established for his church, and hence the church has not helped him as much as it could have due to the fact that his teachings has made the church's role a future connotation. He was taught that Jesus was a "softie" a docile type personality. They use to sing in my church — "He never said a mumbling word." This puzzled me and really confused me until I read how much he did talk even during his passion.

The slave concept of Christianity was given to the Negro for a purpose — to keep him a slave. If he was taught the truth about Christianity, it would have made him militant — as militant as the Pilgrims and the early settlers who defied tyranny and slavery in England and fled to the New World. Militant slaves don't remain slaves. So the Christian

concept taught the slaves how to be meek, docile, listless, emotional. The slave concept of Christianity only took on life after death. His destiny was that of hard work, obedience, burdensome. He was taught that his role as an individual was that of a servant and to be a "good Christian" he must be a good servant. He must accept injustice — If he respects, he would cause trouble and a Christian must live in peace and be peace-loving.

A good church must be a singing church, a shouting church, Singing and shouting were good, but good in terms of release values. The kind of slavery they experienced required some type of release values or else they would have died, as many of them died, of oppression.

The slave concept presented suffering as an ideal. I heard them saying — "I want to suffer before I die so I can go to heaven." This idea permeated many eulogies and ministers placed many souls in heaven because "they suffered so much while living."

After the slaveholders indoctrinated the Negro with the slave concept of Christianity, then they laughed at him. He told jokes on him. Many after dinner speeches and sermons began with a joke on "an old colored preacher."

The picture was not as dark as I am putting it here. There were some threads of hope within the fabric of slave concept of Christianity. For example — "Spare the rod and spoil the child" as a child rearing concept was a thread that kept us from destruction and brought us to the realization of life riches. Even in the darkest hour of slavery, and since emancipation, the slave church has produced great leaders. Leaders among the Baptist Association built schools in many cities, towns, villages, and farms. I heard then in my country church, after the singing and shouting, tell each other — "pay your 'sotation' dues, we must keep our school going." This was not to many days after the turn of the century.

Many who know me realize that I have disdain for the so-called gospel music in the church. I will tolerate spirituals in church more than I will gospel music. Many spirituals should be outlawed as church music when the church is worshipping.

To appreciate spirituals, one must have a knowledge of the history of the American Negro. One should know the racial stock of the slave, how he was captured and secured and how he started life in America as a slave. He did not know the English language, he was not taught the correct usage and what he picked up was a distorted concept of the American English and this language is found in the spirituals. However, the melody and harmony make up for the distortion in the Christian concept.

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THEME:

**"CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
AND THE CHALLENGE OF CHANGE"**

BIBLICAL MOTTO:

"And ye shall know the truth
and the truth shall make you free."

DEVOTIONAL THEME:

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P R O G R A M

TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 1968

- 10:00 A.M. Enrollment of Messengers
2:30 P.M. The Opening Assembly
Bartell Lane, Presiding
The Devotion — Education for Worship
Devotional Leader — G. S. Stokes
3:00 P.M. Theme Address
3:30- 4:30 Class Period
1. CHURCH SCHOOL
"Challenge of Change in Sunday School Administration"
Instructor — E. B. Turner
"Challenge of Change in Vacation Bible School"
Instructor — Mrs. A. L. Bell
2. BAPTIST TRAINING UNION
"Challenge of Change in Vacation Bible School"
Instructor — James Raye, Sr.
3. VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
"Challenge of Change in Vacation Bible School"
Instructor — Miss Darline Esters
4:30 P.M. Greetings — A Representative from the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Convention—Lillian Pittman
Laymen's League — Frank Marshall
Ushers' Convention — Arthur Williams
Announcements
Adjournment

EVENING SESSION

E. M. Butler, Presiding

- 7:15 P.M. The Devotion — Education for Soul Winning
Devotional Leader — J. H. Everette
7:30 P.M. Program of Welcome — Host Church
Response — T. B. Giles
8:15 P.M. The Annual Sermon — W. T. Bigelow
Offering
Announcement of Committees
Adjournment

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7

C. C. Paschall, Presiding

- 6:30 A.M.
7:30 A.M. Class Period
Breakfast

- 9:00 A.M. The Devotion — Education for Mission
Devotional Leader — H. C. Dixon
9:15 A.M. Class Period
10:15 A.M. The Annual Address — E. M. Butler
11:00 A.M. The Business Session
11:30 A.M. Greetings — J. W. White and O. L. Sherrill,
General Baptist State Convention
12:00 Noon The Convention Sermon — Preston Pendergrass
Offering
Announcements
Adjournment

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

O. J. Rooks, Presiding

- 2:00 P.M. The Devotion — Education for Tithing
Devotional Leader — Rochell Vann
2:15 P.M. The Featured Address — James R. Barnes
3:00 P.M. District President Hour
3:45 P.M. Recognition of District and County Presidents
Report of Director of Christian Education
4:15 P.M. Class Period
5:30 P.M. Adjournment

EVENING SESSION

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

J. L. Lassiter, Presiding

- 6:45 P.M. The Devotion — Education for Church Membership
Devotional Leader — D. L. Morris
7:10 P.M. Song Period
Director — J. Young Mims
Pianist — Eddyeg Fogle
7:30 P.M. The Annual Address — J. T. Hawkins
8:00 P.M. Talent Hour — Young People
8:45 P.M. Educational Sermon — H. J. Cobb
Offering
Announcements
Adjournment

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8

- 6:30 A.M.
7:30 A.M. Class Period
Breakfast
9:00 A.M. The Devotion — Education for Church Leadership
Devotional Leader —
9:15 A.M. Memorial Service
9:30 A.M. The James F. Wertz Oratorical Contest
Director — Lillian Pittman
10:30 A.M. Reports
Classes
Committees
11:30 A.M. Closing Sermon
Adjournment

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