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Chowan Appoints Young
Chaplain, Counsellor

MURFREESBORO, N. C.--(BP)--Chowan College here has announced the appointment of William C. Young, an instructor in youth religious education at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, as college chaplain and counselor.

A former Army chaplain who has been pastor of several churches in Florida and Louisiana, Young will assume leadership responsibilities in the Baptist Student Union program at Chowan, in other campus religious activities, and in student guidance and counseling.

Young is a graduate of Stetson University, DeLand, Fla., and also holds the B. D., M. R. E., and D. R. E. degrees from the New Orleans Seminary. His major doctoral study was in psychology and counseling, with a minor in youth work. He has had extensive clinical training at Mississippi State Hospital and Southern Baptist Hospital, New Orleans.

Chowan, a junior college, is operated by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

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L. L. Daye Accepts
Indiana Mission Call

PLAINFIELD, Ind.--(BP)--L. L. Daye has accepted a call extended by the executive board of the State Convention of Baptists in Indiana to serve as area missionary for southeastern Indiana.

Daye has served as pastor of the Plainfield Baptist Church here for the past 2½ years. His new home is in Rushville, Ind.

Area Missionary Daye is an employee of the State executive board and jointly is assisted in the mission program by the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board and local associations of churches.

"Daye is well qualified to serve in this capacity," according to E. H. Moore, Convention executive secretary. He is a 1954 graduate of Louisiana College, Pineville, La., and has attended Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

He has had experience as pastor in new work in Illinois and Ohio. Daye led Plainfield Church from its existence as a mission to the present 148 members.

Already, 25 have come for baptism this associational year, with 48 more coming by letter, for a total of 73 additions.

The southeastern Indiana area, which Daye will serve, is composed of 26 counties. This is 25 per cent of the geographical area of the state and it contains 20 per cent of the population of Indiana.

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Carver Elects High
Missions Professor

LOUISVILLE--(BP)--Thomas O. High, Southern Baptist missionary to Nigeria, has been appointed visiting missions professor at Carver School of Missions and Social Work here.

Carver President Nathan C. Brooks, Jr., announced that High will serve during the 1959-60 academic year. High, presently on furlough following his first term of missionary service, hopes to complete his work for a doctorate while in Louisville.

His thesis is being prepared to submit to the faculty at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

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On the mission field, High has been teaching in Nigerian Baptist Theological Seminary at Ogbomosho. In addition to classroom duties, he has supervised the cataloguing of the seminary's library of over 8400 books and periodicals.

His Sundays in Nigeria are spent visiting nearby churches, witnessing to Moslems and pagans in their homes, and baptizing newly-won converts.

Prior to his appointment by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board in 1955, High was pastor of several churches in the United States, taught high school English, and served in the U. S. Army for three years.

A native of Spartanburg County, S. C., he received the bachelor of arts degree from Wofford College, Spartanburg; the master of arts degree from Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn., and the bachelor of divinity degree from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

THE NEED FOR CARVER SCHOOL OF MISSIONS AND SOCIAL WORK

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Much of the conversation concerning the importance of and need for the Carver School in the life of Southern Baptists has missed the mark widely. The intention of the Woman's Missionary Union in turning this wonderful school over to the Convention was not that some static contract be kept. Rather, the intention was that the school might serve its larger purposes in the Convention as a whole. Furthermore, the larger purposes of the school call for highly intensive education on a personalized and individualized basis as over against mass education. There is a definite need for Carver School and we must ask: "What then is the need for Carver School?"

I. The Need for Highly Specialized Training

The training of missionaries and social workers in their advanced stages of education calls for highly individualized and specialized attention. The missionary today is expected to work in a much more complex situation than ever before. He needs individual attention beyond that which he receives in general college and seminary education. Carver School can serve a major function in teaching specialized courses in language, literacy, anthropology, etc., on an individualized and small class basis to missionaries.

Furthermore, the social worker is not trained by one or two lecture courses but by careful discipline under supervision of experienced teachers.

This calls for much private conference and individual guidance. Social work education cannot be done by mass procedures. To measure the effectiveness of the school in terms of mass education criteria is a false set of values. Such education must be done on a "custom built" rather than a mass production basis. This in and of itself is an imperatively needed emphasis among Southern Baptists. Size is not the primary recommendation of any school.

II. The Need for a More Intensive Missionary Strategy

Southern Baptists are going into a new era of missionary strategy. We have been working on an extensive basis and now we are going into an era of intensive missions. This means that the university and professional people on foreign fields must be reached as well as the teeming masses of the underprivileged. Just as in the days of the Apostle Paul, the great cities were taken for Christ, even so today the missionary has to move with a more intensive strategy toward getting at the leadership of the peoples of the world.

Furthermore, in this country the institutional life of our own denomination as well as that of city, state, and federal government agencies is in the control of highly-disciplined professional people. The social worker is a central personality in this organization. As it stands now, however, a dedicated young Christian can find social case work and group work training only in secular or Catholic schools of social work.

It is high time that we begin training our own social workers. Just as we have made great commitments in medical education at the state level and in nursing education at both the state and the southwide levels, we also need to train social workers. Why should we turn the training of social workers over to secular and Catholic schools of social work? In this country there is not an acceptable and accredited school of social work among Baptists and only poorly equipped ones among Protestants. We as Southern Baptists should quit quibbling over this matter and commit ourselves wholeheartedly to the program set forth by the Survey Committee, which would move Carver School toward accreditation as a school of social work.

III. The Challenge of Our Own Denomination

Our own institutions for children, for the sick, and for the aged are desperately in need of additional professionally-trained social workers to deal with the specialized problems of the people to whom they minister. It is only a matter of a short time before such institutions will undergo the same kind of governmental inspections as do hospitals for medical care.

No one would think of turning their loved one over to a medical doctor who was not approved scientifically. However, we as Baptists sometimes turn little children who are emotionally disturbed and deprived over to untrained people to care for them. Good intentions undisciplined often work wrong results. We need trained, dedicated, and universally approved social workers to look after little children, and older people. They can do it according to the best standards that scientific endeavor and Christian commitment require.

However, there is no place that this can be done among Southern Baptists unless we do this through our chosen path of strengthening Carver School as an accredited school of social work.

When we do this, we will capture the leadership among all Protestant denominations in the education of a committed and skilled leadership for our institutions. The need for this is long past due and I thank God that the Convention has wholeheartedly supported the recommendations of the Survey Committee to continue Carver School as a separate institution and to work assiduously toward accreditation for this school.