

November 11, 1962

**Michigan Reaffirms  
Belief In Scripture**

LANSING, Mich. (BP)--The 1962 Baptist State Convention of Michigan adopted resolutions here reaffirming its belief in the validity of the Bible and asking divine guidance for leaders in government.

The convention also set a 1963 Cooperative Program goal of \$168,369, of which one-fourth will be forwarded to the Southern Baptist Convention. The total budget for next year, including supplements from SBC agencies for joint field work, is \$247,798.

Messengers reelected Ray Babb, pastor, First Baptist Church, Clio, their president. They set place for the 1963 convention as Flint and fixed the dates Nov. 5-6 for the sessions.

They approved plans to employ a secretary of evangelism and a field worker to promote Training Union and church music. Both will be employed effective Jan. 1.

Executive Secretary Fred D. Hubbs of Detroit reported income from churches on the 1962 Cooperative Program goal will probably reach \$125,000. The goal is \$136,000.

He said receipts have risen during the latter part of 1962 after a slow start. He said the 1963 Cooperative Program goal was expected to be reached.

Creation of two new district associations of Baptist churches was announced. They are the Bay Area Baptist Association, serving the Bay City area, and the Upper Peninsula Baptist Association serving the state north and west of Mackinac Straits. The upper peninsula is 350 miles wide.

Hubbs said 114 churches and 39 missions presently are affiliated with the Michigan convention.

Text of the two resolutions adopted is:

"We pledge ourselves to pray often for our governmental leaders in our state, our nation and all the world that they may submit themselves to God's direction and so conduct themselves in the offices as to contribute to the bringing in of the kingdom here on earth.

"We reaffirm our belief without mental reservation or other subterfuge in the validity of the Bible as God's inspired word."

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**Alabama Gifts Go Over  
\$5 Million First Time**

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MONTGOMERY (BP)--For the first time in the history of Alabama Baptists, total receipts for one year have passed the \$5 million mark.

According to A. Hamilton Reid, executive secretary-treasurer of the Alabama Baptist State Executive Board here, the total of gifts received for the fiscal year ending Oct. 31 was \$5,124,348. This includes \$3,398,552 for the Cooperative Program.

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Beaumont, First: \$915,000; \$2,025,500; 6704, and \$136.

Mid-City, New Orleans: \$907,000; \$1,601,853; 3076, and \$294.

Second, Houston: \$800,000; \$2,801,798; 5080, and \$157.

First, Alexandria, Va.: \$780,000; \$1.5 million; 2664, and \$292.

First, Houston: \$750,000; \$3 million; 3498, and \$214.

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Arkansas Resolution  
Concerns Nuclear War

(11-11-62)

LITTLE ROCK (BP)--The Arkansas Baptist State Convention here adopted a record budget and urged "repentance and prayer" during a time of "great danger of nuclear war."

It also passed a resolution on human rights.

The 1963 budget is \$2,106,600. Of the Cooperative Program goal, the Southern Baptist Convention will receive 36.5 per cent, or \$667,621.

C. Z. Holland, pastor, First Baptist Church, Jonesboro, was reelected convention president. Changes affecting the membership and work of the convention's executive board were also approved.

The Arkansas messengers resolved "in the great danger of nuclear war that our people be called to repentance and prayer for the leaders of our nation and of other nations of the world that the will of God shall be done upon the earth."

S. A. (Jack) Whitlow, convention executive secretary here, praised Ouachita College President Ralph A. Phelps Jr. of Arkadelphia for the state Baptist college's admitting a Rhodesian man and his wife as students.

Walter L. Moore, pastor, Vineville Baptist Church, Macon, Ga., in a sermon on missions, mentioned the effect of headlines about America's racial tensions on mission work overseas.

It was perhaps on account of such statements as these that the 1962 convention adopted this resolution on human rights:

"We reaffirm our belief in the Christian doctrine of the dignity of man, the flower of God's creation, and believe that human personality everywhere is worthy of respect and love. We further rejoice in every victory toward this end."

The convention seldom meets outside the capital city of Little Rock. It picked the capital city again for 1963, with the dates being Nov. 5-7.

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Baptists Call Workers  
For Military Academies

(11-11-62)

ATLANTA (BP)--Southern Baptists entered a new phase of ministering to the nation's five military academies with the appointment of workers for two and the announcement they possibly will appoint others early next year.

Appointed as director of military personnel and Baptist student ministries at the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md., was Sidney J. Hall of Lexington, Va. Appointed to the same position at the Air Force Academy near Colorado Springs, Colo., was Keith Harris of Covington, Tex.

The ministry is a joint effort of the division of chaplaincy of the Convention's Home Mission Board, the student department of the SBC Sunday School Board in Nashville, and the Baptist state conventions of Maryland and Colorado.

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"It is possible that early next year men will be employed on this basis for the Military Academy at West Point, N. Y.; the Coast Guard Academy at Newport, R. I., and the Maritime Academy at Great Neck, N. Y.," said George W. Cummins of Atlanta, director of the division of chaplaincy.

Cummins explained in each case the director will minister to the cadets or midshipmen and to other military personnel and their families within the academy area and the adjoining community. Their work will be supervised through the state offices of the Baptist student secretaries and the state superintendent of missions.

Hall, who has started his work at the Naval Academy, is a native of Hartsville, S. C. He spent four years in the Navy, and then received degrees from Baylor University (Baptist) at Waco, Tex., and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth. He was Baptist student director at Washington and Lee University and the Virginia Military Institute, both at Lexington.

Harris, who will start his work at the Air Force Academy in February, is a native of Texas. He graduated from the University of Colorado, Boulder, then spent two years with the Army corps of engineers. He will complete studies at Southwestern Seminary early in 1963. He is presently pastor of the Covington Baptist Church, Covington, Tex.