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SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHURCH MUSIC CONFERENCE May 29-30, 1967

Central Baptist Church
Miami, Florida

MONDAY AFTERNOON, May 29

- 1:30 Organ prelude
- 1:45 Call to order and welcome
- 1:55 Worship through hymn singing
- 2:05 Concert - The Sons of Jubal (Georgia Ministers of Music)
- 2:15 Address - "Staff Relations - Harmony or Discord" - James Pleitz, pastor,
First Baptist Church, Pensacola, Florida
- 2:40 Concert - Jim Davis, minister of music, First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma
- 3:00 Worship through hymn singing
- 3:10 Address - "The Radio and Television Commission," - Joe Ann Shelton, director
of program music, SBC Radio and Television
Commission, Fort Worth, Texas
- 3:35 Worship through hymn singing
- 3:45 Concert - Combined Junior Choirs, First Baptist Church, Orlando, Florida,
Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Ireby, directors
- 4:00 Any questions or comments?
- 4:15 Ministers of Music sing

MONDAY EVENING, May 29

- 6:30 Banquet, Roof of Everglades Hotel, Master of Ceremonies - Grady Nutt, director
of alumni affairs, Southern Baptist Theological
Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky
- 8:30 Concert - The Tune Clippers, Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, James
Woodward, conductor

TUESDAY MORNING, May 30

- 8:45 Organ prelude
- 9:00 Worship through hymn singing
- 9:10 Address - "Music Missions in Japan" - Miss Rennie Sanderson, music missionary to
Japan, visiting instructor, Southwestern Baptist
Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas
- 9:30 Concert - Hand Bell Choir, River Oaks Baptist Church, Houston, Texas, Gerald
Armstrong, director
- 9:45 President's Address - "In Defense of Sacred Music" - by James D. Woodward,
chairman, church music department, Oklahoma Baptist
University, Shawnee
- 10:10 Worship through hymn singing
- 10:15 Concert - (tentatively) - First Baptist Church Choir, Tampa, Florida
- 10:30 World premier - "Fanfare With 4 Alleluias", a new anthem commissioned by the
Executive Committee of the Music Conference, written
by Philip Young, minister of music, First Baptist
Church, Henderson, North Carolina
- 10:40 Worship through hymn singing
- 10:50 Reports
- 11:00 Concert - The Tune Clippers, Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee
- 11:15 Any questions or comments?
- 11:30 Dismiss for lunch

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, May 30

- 1:30 Organ prelude
- 1:40 Worship through hymn singing
- 1:50 Concert - Church orchestra, West End Baptist Church, Atlanta, Georgia, James
Hayes, conductor
- 2:05 Election of officers and department conferences
- 2:45 Worship through hymn singing
- 3:10 Message - "Tradition or Worship" - James Flaming, First Baptist Church, Abilene,
Texas
- 3:30 Worship through hymn singing
- 3:40 Concert - Chinese Youth Choir, Flagler Street Baptist Church, Miami, Florida
- 3:55 Introduction of new officers
- 4:05 Worship through hymn singing
- 4:15 Ministers of Music sing
- 4:30 Adjourn



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SBC Music Conference
To Feature 10 Concerts

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MIAMI, Fla. (BP)--Ten concerts, five major addresses, and a banquet will highlight the 1967 meeting of the Southern Baptist Church Music Conference at the Central Baptist Church here, May 29-30.

More than 350 ministers of music for Baptist churches throughout the nation are expected to attend the conference, held just prior to the Southern Baptist Convention in nearby Miami Beach, May 30-June 2.

The two-day conference will begin Monday afternoon, May 29 and continue through Tuesday afternoon, May 30, with sessions at the at the Central Baptist Church in Miami.

For the first time, the conference will feature a banquet as the only night session. The banquet, slated at the Everglades Hotel, will include a concert by The Tune Clippers of Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, with Grady Nutt, alumni director for Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, as master of ceremonies.

Major addresses will be brought by James Fleitz, pastor, First Baptist Church, Pensacola, Fla.; Joe Ann Shelton, program music director for the SBC Radio and Television Commission, Fort Worth; Miss Rennie Sanderson, music missionary to Japan teaching on furlough at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth; and James Flaming, pastor of First Baptist Church, Abilene, Tex.

The annual president's address will be delivered by James Woodward, chairman of the music department for Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, who is serving his second term as president of the conference.

The world premier of a new anthem commissioned by the conference's Executive Committee especially for the meeting will be held during the Tuesday morning session. The anthem, entitled "Fanfare With Alleluias," was written by Philip Young, minister of music for the First Baptist Church, Henderson, N.C.

It is the first time that an anthem has been commissioned especially for the SBC Church Music Conference and dedicated to the organization. Conference President Woodward said that the group hopes to commission such an anthem annually beginning this year.

Other concerts will be presented by the Georgia Baptist ministers of music--"The Sons of Jubal;" by Jim Davis, minister of music for First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Okla.; the Combined Junior Choirs of First Baptist Church, Orlando, Fla.; the Hand Bell Choir of River Oaks Baptist Church, Houston; the First Baptist Church Choir, Tampa, Fla.; the Tune Clippers of Oklahoma Baptist University; the church orchestra of West End Baptist Church, Atlanta; and the Chinese Youth Choir, Flagler Street Baptist Church, Miami.

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Tax Exemption Bill
Proposed for Agency

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AUSTIN, Tex. (BP)--A bill has been introduced in the Texas legislature which would exempt the Southern Baptist Convention's Radio and Television Commission from property taxes presently amounting to \$14,000 annually.

A commission spokesman said the tax was imposed by the city of Fort Worth and Tarrant County. The commission occupied a new building in July of 1965, listing its cost at \$700,000. The new headquarters is located at 6350 West Freeway in Fort Worth.

The Commission official said the tax policy for similar denominational facilities varies from state to state, adding that the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board in Richmond and the SBC Brotherhood Commission in Memphis were among those tax exempt.

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In contrast, the Baptist General Convention of Texas and the Baptist Standard, both with office buildings in Dallas, pay the property taxes.

The legislation sponsored by the SBC Radio-TV Commission is general in scope, redefining a section of the tax-exempt bill for "places of religious worship" to include property owned by a church and "strictly religious institution or organization."

Such property must be "used exclusively to support and serve the spread of a religious faith, and to effect accompanying religious, charitable, benevolent and educational purposes by the dissemination of information on a religious faith through radio, television, and similar media of communication," the bill states.

The legislation is in the state Senate Committee on Jurisprudence and the House Revenue and Tax Committee.

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Oklahoma Baptist Coach
Named NAIA Coach of Year

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SHAWNEE, Okla. (BP)--Bob Bass, Oklahoma Baptist University's basketball coach and athletic director, has been named National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) Basketball Coach of the Year.

The 38-year-old Bass has served as the Baptist school's head cage coach for 15 years, and has been athletic director since 1955.

His career record at Oklahoma Baptist University is 274 victories and 145 defeats.

Bass guided the Bisons to the NAIA national basketball title last year in the team's fifth trip to the nationals, and this season the team took a 21-6 regular season record into the tournament, winning second place after three straight victories.

The Oklahoma Baptist University NAIA basketball title last year was the first in history for an Oklahoma team.

A graduate of the school he now coaches, Bass was captain of the Bison basketball team for three years, and won the school's "Most Valuable Athlete" award in 1948 and 1950.

In 1964, Bass served as manager of a State Department-sponsored team which toured the Caribbean and parts of South America. Last summer Bass and five of his players along with five NAIA All-Americans toured the Far East on another State Department-sponsored trip.

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Closed TV Network
Proposed For Schools

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ABILENE, Tex. (BP)--Establishment of a closed circuit television network for Texas Baptist colleges has been recommended by participants in a Baptist Education Study Task (BEST) seminar at Hardin-Simmons University here.

"Why not try the daring?" Jerry Dawson, chairman of the seminar, suggested in the discussion.

It was also proposed that a study be given to the possible establishment of a coordinating board of Baptist higher education, similar to the state Coordinating Board of Higher Education initiated by Gov. John Connally of Texas.

The seminar findings are to be sent to the BEST second national conference in Nashville for consideration for schools throughout the nationwide Southern Baptist Convention.

The Texas regional seminar group plans to recommend establishment of a state-wide television hookup for Texas Baptist schools to the Christian Education Commission of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, in addition to their report to the BEST study sponsored by the Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention.

They further recommended that private foundations should be approached to assist in the financing of such a program.

The 10 participants at the regional seminar also recommended the possible relocation of some Baptist colleges, consolidation of others and more inter-institutional cooperation and in the exchange of professors.

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Midwestern Seminary Board
Names Prof, Raises Salaries

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. (BP)--Election of a new professor and substantial accross-the-board salary increases for the faculty were approved by the board of trustees for Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary here.

Elected to the faculty was Doran McCarty, pastor of Susquehanna Baptist Church, Independence, Mo., and an instructor in religion at William Jewell College (Baptist), Liberty, Mo.

McCarty, a native of Missouri, will become associate professor of theology and Christian philosophy. He is a graduate of Southwest Baptist College, Bolivar, Mo.; William Jewell College; and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky. -

Substantial salary increases were given the members of the faculty, although the amount of the increases was not announced. Faculty salaries at Southern Baptist Convention-owned seminaries has been a recent topic of much discussion in the denomination following a strong plea for increased SBC support of the six seminaries to prevent the loss of faculty members to higher-paying state universities.

In other action, the Midwestern board elected Earl Harding of Jefferson City, Mo., as the new trustee president. Harding is executive secretary of the Missouri Baptist Convention.

Charles Myers, pastor of First Baptist Church, Mc Alester, Okla., was elected the new first vice-president of the board.

Other new officers include James Morgan, pastor of North Fort Worth Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Tex., second vice-president; Frank Myers, pastor, First Baptist Church, Warrensburg, Mo., treasurer; and Luther Dyer, Missouri Baptist Convention evangelism secretary, as secretary of the board.

The board approved a special emphasis on the 10th anniversary of the founding of Midwestern Seminary for Sept. 26-Oct. 1, 1967. The seminary was founded in 1957.

The anniversary week will be climaxed with a Kansas City area rally on Sunday afternoon, Oct. 1.

Next meeting of the Midwestern board of trustees will be held March 12, 1968, at the seminary.

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Golden Gate Trustees Elect
Professors, Raise Salaries

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MILL VALLEY, Calif. (BP)--Trustees of Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary meeting here elected a new professor, named a dean of students, adopted a 1967-68 budget, and voted to raise staff and faculty salaries.

New budget for the seminary was set at \$661,925, according to Trustee Chairman Ernest P. Guy of Tiburon, Calif. Dr. Guy, a medical doctor, was re-elected president of the board.

A Baptist missionary to Nigeria, J. E. Humphrey, was elected research librarian and associate professor of historical theology.

During the past year, Humphrey has been visiting professor of theology and philosophy. For 18 years he taught at the Nigerian Baptist Seminary, Ogbomosho, Nigeria.

The board also elected J. B. Nichols of the seminary faculty as dean of students. Nichols has been associate professor of educational administration and arts at the seminary.

Amount or percentage of the faculty salary increases was not announced. The need for salary increases at the six Southern Baptist Convention-owned seminaries has been a much-discussed topic recently, with a special appeal made for seminary salary increases made to the convention's Executive Committee in February.

The board presented an engraved desk set to Golden Gate Seminary President Harold K. Graves on his 15th anniversary as president.

Memorial services were held for Isam B. Hodges, the founder and first president of the seminary who died a few days before the annual board meeting.

Other officers for 1967-68 are J. C. Segler of Oklahoma City, vice president; Robert N. Stapp of Seattle, Wash., secretary; and John B. Hines, of Garden Grove, Calif., assistant secretary.

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