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## THIRTEEN S.B.C. MEETINGS TO BE HELD IN DECEMBER; 400 LEADERS WILL ATTEND

NASHVILLE, Tenn.--(BP)--Four hundred Southern Baptist board and committee members from 22 states will meet here the second week of December in 13 separate meetings.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, December 13-14, Sunday School Board Chapel, Duke K. McCall, executive secretary; George B. Fraser, Washington, D. C., president. 31 members, 10 Southwide executives, 20 editors, 20 state secretaries expected to attend.

BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD, December 13, 9:30 a.m., Hermitage Hotel, T. L. Holcomb, executive secretary, W. F. Powell, president. 46 expected.

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION SECRETARIES, December 11-15, First Baptist Church, Kearnie Keegan, secretary. 150 expected.

INTER-AGENCY COUNCIL, December 11, 9:00 a.m., Executive Building, Courts Redford, chairman. About 10 expected.

STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION EXECUTIVES, December 7-9, J. N. Barnette and J. E. Lambdin, secretaries. About 50 expected.

RIDGECREST COMMITTEE, December 12, 4:00 p.m., Executive Building, Zeno Wall, chairman. A subcommittee.

GLORIETA COMMITTEE, December 12, 6:00 p.m., Sam Davis Hotel. A subcommittee.

COMMITTEE ON DENOMINATIONAL CALENDAR, December 14, 7:00 p.m., Administration Building, W. L. Howse, chairman. Ten expected to attend.

EASTERN SIMULTANEOUS CRUSADE CONFERENCE, December 11-12, Charles E. Matthews, secretary. 125 expected to attend.

COMMITTEE ON ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION, December 14-15, Administration Building, J. D. Grey, chairman, Eight expected to attend.

OREGON-WASHINGTON BAPTISTS  
REPORT NINE NEW CHURCHES

SPRINGFIELD, Ore.--(BP)--The Baptist General Convention of Oregon-Washington voted to divide Cooperative Program funds 75 per cent to state work and 25 per cent to Southern Baptist Convention work. A budget of \$55,270 was adopted for 1951. Messengers also voted to adopt the Relief and Annuity Board's Widows Supplementary Annuity Plan and to add two new field workers to their state staff.

Primary emphasis in 1951 will include simultaneous revivals scheduled for September. Bob Hite was elected superintendent of evangelism and an evangelistic conference was planned for Portland, Ore., January 11-12. Missionary C. E. Boyle was elected assistant executive-secretary and editor of the Pacific Coast Baptist. Mr. Hite has been editor.

The convention will endeavor to raise a building loan fund of \$4,100 dollars in a drive to be handled through the WMJ and Brotherhood organizations. The money will be used to help small churches needing assistance for building purposes. Nine new churches were organized during the past year, bringing the total to 30. With a total membership of 4,141, the churches baptized 489.

H. C. Price, Portland, was re-elected president. The 1951 meeting will be held at the Trinity Baptist Church, Vancouver, Wash. The date has not been set.

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ARKANSAS BAPTISTS REPORT  
RECORD NUMBER BAPTISMS

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.--(BP)--A Cooperative Program budget of \$743,441.67 for 1951 was adopted by the Arkansas Baptist State Convention at its annual meeting held at the Immanuel Baptist Church here, November 8-10. After preferred items amounting to \$94,500 are deducted from Cooperative Program receipts, the remainder will be divided 60 per cent for state causes and 40 per cent for Southwide causes.

Reports from the churches revealed a total of 16,000 baptisms for the associational year, an all-time record.

The convention asked its institutions and agencies to hold expenditures within income. A proposed constitutional amendment which would have instructed the executive secretary to withhold Cooperative Program funds from any institutions running deficits was deferred until the 1951 convention.

T. H. Jordan, pastor, First Church, Van Buren, was re-elected president.

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TEXAS BAPTISTS PLEDGE THEMSELVES  
TO WIN 250,000 CONVERTS IN 1951

FORT WORTH, Tex.--(BP)--Texas Baptists have pledged themselves to win 250,000 to Christ in 1951. This action was taken at the 65th annual session of the Baptist General Convention of Texas meeting here November 7-9. Messengers had just heard a report that more than 57,000 were baptized by the Baptist churches of the state during the past year.

Plans to achieve this goal include special organization for evangelism, continuation of simultaneous revivals in associations, revival aid to needy churches, establishment of new missions and churches, and encouragement to non-resident members to transfer membership.

Treasurer R. A. Springer reported total gifts of \$11,977,000. A goal of \$10,000,000 was adopted for next year. Half of this is expected in gifts for enlargement and endowment of institutions. The remaining \$5,000,000 is to be divided 50-50 with Southwide causes. A five-year goal of \$50,000,000 adopted in 1948 was reported to be 40 per cent complete.

At the foreign mission hour 26 overseas missionaries, with a total of 412 years of service abroad, were presented. In a brief, unscheduled address, General Dwight Eisenhower declared: "There must be moral regeneration. In a democracy, everyone must assume moral responsibility. We must be in the forefront of the givers and stand back from those who receive."

William Fleming, Fort Worth businessman and philanthropist, was re-elected president.

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CALIFORNIA BAPTISTS  
CALL DR. S. G. POSEY

FRESNO, Calif.--(BP)--Dr. S. G. Posey, professor in Golden Gate Seminary, and president of the California Southern Baptist Convention, has been extended a unanimous call by the Board of Directors of California Baptists to become their executive secretary. The invitation was offered when it became known that C. E. Wilbanks, Vivian, La., had declined an invitation offered the week before. If Dr. Posey accepts, he will succeed Dr. A. F. Crittendon, who has been executive secretary for the past five years.

Also elected by the board were A. C. Turner as superintendent of evangelism and Fred Porter to become either secretary for Sunday school work or secretary for Training Union work.

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