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**Vietnam se Learn English
 In Saigon Church Program**

SAIGON (BP)--Thirty-two Vietnamese received certificates when they completed the fall term of the "English Teaching Outreach Program" of Trinity Baptist Church here.

Requirements for the certificate included attending a specified number of classes and passing the required tests, according to Rondal D. Merrell Sr., Southern Baptist missionary.

A total of 119 Vietnamese were enrolled in the church's five classes, which met twice weekly during the fall term.

U. S. servicemen stationed in the area make up the faculty for the program. Five men teach the fundamentals of English conversation for the first hour of classes, and five others teach the Bible during the second hour.

First and second level classes study a book titled, The Story of Jesus, and upper level classes study from the Gospel of Mark. Last year the students completed a study of John.

Keeping teachers for the classes has posed no problems, Merrell said. Usually, when one man has to return to the states another is waiting to take his place. The only problem has been the lack of space for students, he added.

A Sunday morning Bible class was started for students who say they want to learn more about Christ. Four students recently made professions of faith in Christ and are now studying in a new members' class taught in their own language by a missionary.

Members of Trinity Baptist Church are hoping to expand their English-teaching ministry to a nearby Vietnamese-speaking Baptist church which has asked for help, Merrell said.

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**Fred Chapman Named SBC
 Stewardship Consultant**

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NASHVILLE (BP)--Fred M. Chapman, pastor of Glenwood Baptist Church here for the past five years, has been named consultant in endowment and capital giving for the Southern Baptist Stewardship Commission with offices here, effective Jan. 1.

Chapman, a Nashville native who was pastor of several Texas churches before coming to the Nashville church in 1965, succeeds Ben G. Gill in the consultant position. Gill has been promoted to director of endowment and capital giving service for the SBC Stewardship Commission.

The 39-year-old Chapman will consult with SBC churches in directing fund campaigns using the commission's "Together We Build" plan.

James V. Lackey, newly-elected executive director of the Stewardship Commission, said that the commission assisted 14 churches and one state convention with special fund campaigns last year at the request of the churches.

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The 14 church campaigns raised \$2.8 million, most of it in pledges for special building programs, and saved the churches involved an estimated \$1 1/2 million in interest charges they would have paid over a 15 year period, Lackey said.

Chapman was pastor of churches in Midlothian, Dawson, Roane, and New Braunfels, Tex., from 1952 to 1965.

A graduate of Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Tex., and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Chapman was pastor of the Faith Baptist Church in Anchorage, Alaska for a year (1950-51).

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