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**Romney, Lindsay to Speak  
At Christian Life Seminar**

NEW YORK (BP)--Several government officials, including Mayor John V. Lindsay of New York and Housing and Urban Development Department Secretary George Romney, have accepted invitations to speak at a seminar on "National Priorities and Christian Responsibility" sponsored here by the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission.

The seminar will be held at the Commodore Hotel here, March 1-3.

Other speakers will include a United Nations official, an assistant to consumer crusader Ralph Nader, a Peace Corps administrator, an evangelist, a nationally-known attorney, a former Long Island publisher and White House aide, a college student, and several college and seminary professors and administrators, and a Negro Baptist pastor.

Foy Valentine, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission, said in outlining the seminary's purpose: "We will earnestly seek God's guidance in understanding what America's national priorities ought to be."

Adding that this in itself is not enough, Valentine stated that the seminar participants "will be challenged to accept our Christian responsibility for helping bring these priorities to vital fulfillment."

Valentine said that almost all of the available 400 spaces are now reserved, but that there are still a limited number of openings available to "any Southern Baptist who would like to participate" and who sends an advance registration fee of \$20 to the commission's office, 460 James Robertson Parkway, Nashville.

Speakers on the final program outline, released just three weeks prior to the seminar, included:

Romney, Lindsay, George Bush, United States representative-designate for the United Nations; William M. Dyal, a regional director for the Peace Corps; Arthur Flemming, president of Macalester College in St. Paul, Minn.; Kate Blackwell, research assistant to Ralph Nader; James E. Allen, visiting lecturer in education and public affairs at Woodrow Wilson School, Princeton University, N.J.; James Ralph Scales, president of Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, N.C.; and Eric C. Rust, professor at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

In December, the commission released a preliminary program outline listing several other speakers. Those on the initial list of speakers include:

Leighton Ford, associate to Evangelist Billy Graham; Grady Cothen, president of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary; Bill Moyers, former publisher of Newsday and former White House press secretary; Leon Jaworski, president-elect of the American Bar Association; John Gaventa, student at Vanderbilt University and a staff assistant for the President's Commission on Campus Unrest; and Gardner Taylor, pastor of Concord Baptist Church, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Last year, the commission sponsored a seminar on "Authentic Morality" which drew fire from some Baptist circles because it featured a debate on the Playboy philosophy and situation ethics. While previous seminars had been on an "invitation" basis, the New York seminar will be open to any who make advance registrations.

Holloway Retires , Bible  
Society Names Cunningham

NEW YORK (BP)--Following the retirement of Thomas T. Holloway of Dallas, the American Bible Society here has named J. Edward Cunningham of Lexington, Ky., as secretary for program and promotion in the society's national distribution department.

Both Holloway, who has been the organization's field secretary in Dallas for 28 years, and Cunningham, formerly distribution secretary for the eastern region in the Bible Society's organization, are Southern Baptists.

With the retirement of Holloway, and the promotion of Cunningham, the Bible Society has reorganized its field service and regional office programs.

Cunningham will have national responsibilities, but will continue to maintain his offices in Lexington, Ky. In addition to his distribution department assignment, Cunningham will have "special responsibility for church relations," according to an announcement from the Bible Society headquarters here.

Before joining the staff of the American Bible Society three years ago, Cunningham, a Baptist minister, was for 11 years director of mountain missions under the joint supervision of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board's rural-urban missions department, and the Kentucky Baptist Convention. Previously, he was pastor in Kentucky.

A native of Detroit, Mich., Cunningham is a graduate of the University of Kentucky and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville. He also studied at Emory University, Atlanta, and Christian Theological Seminary, Indianapolis.

Last year, he spearheaded the first statewide scripture distribution campaign for the American Bible Society in South Carolina, where more than 700,000 copies of "Good News for Modern Man," the New Testament in Today's English Version, were distributed. His office accounted for distributing more than 7.8 million copies of scripture last year, the Bible Society reported.

Holloway, a native of Dallas, was a minister to college students in Dallas for nine years under the Baptist General Convention of Texas before joining the American Bible Society staff. He is a graduate of Princeton University and Princeton Theological Seminary.

The Southern Baptist Convention is the largest supporter of the Bible Society among the 70 denominations which contribute to its operations in translating, publishing and distributing the Bible. In 1969, the SBC contributed \$232,765 for the Society's work.

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Home Mission Board Names  
Sandlin to Personnel Work

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ATLANTA (BP)--The Southern Baptist Home Mission Board named Bryce N. Sandlin, student director for Baptists of New Mexico, as a staff member in the board's missionary personnel department.

Sandlin, a native of Pecan Gap, Tex., will work in the western section of the nation in recruiting, interviewing, and counseling of personnel for the agency which presently has more than 2,200 persons serving in national mission work.

April 1, he assumes the title of associate secretary in the board's department of missionary personnel. Warren Woolf heads the department.

Sandlin is a graduate of Howard Payne College in Brownwood, Tex., earned the doctor of theology degree at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth.

In addition, he is currently working on another doctorate in counselling and guidance at the University of New Mexico at Albuquerque.

He was pastor at the University Baptist Church in Portales, N.M., for three years, and director of the Baptist Student Union at New Mexico State University for 10 years. Since 1967

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he has headed state Baptist student work in New Mexico.

In his new position Sandlin will have special responsibilities with Southwestern, Golden Gate (San Francisco), and Midwestern (Kansas City) Baptist Theological Seminaries.

Personnel for the mission agency, with national offices in Atlanta, serve in all states of the United States and in Panama and Puerto Rico. Missionaries served in Cuba until recent years.

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