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**42 Foreign Missionaries Named;  
Cauthen Expects 210 For Year**

**RICHMOND (BP)**--The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board here named 42 new missionaries, the third largest number in a single meeting in its history, and heard its top administrator predict the possibility of closing 1971 with as many as 225 appointments.

The board also authorized \$10,000 for relief of Pakistani refugees in India.

"The appointment of 42 missionaries at this meeting is an outstanding event in the life of the board," said Baker J. Cauthen, Foreign Mission Board executive secretary. The outlook for missionary appointments throughout the year is encouraging."

"We believe we will come to the close of 1971 with more than 210 appointments for the year, with a possibility of there being as many as 225," Cauthen told the board

Appointment of 42 missionaries bring the total Southern Baptist foreign missionary force to a total of 2,515 persons serving in 76 countries.

H. Cornell Goerner, the board's secretary for Africa, told the board that the first missionaries to Mozambique will probably leave in August for a temporary assignment in Johannesburg, South Africa, pending approval of their visas to Mozambique.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Ernest Harvey had earlier been appointed for service in Mozambique as the board's first missionaries to that country.

"Their immediate responsibility will be to strengthen the Baptist witness within the sizable Portuguese community of South Africa," Goerner said, "but they will consider Johannesburg a temporary residence, pending permission to move to the capital to Mozambique."

Of the 42 missionaries assigned, 30 were appointed as career missionaries and 12 were assigned as missionary associates.

The new missionaries are: Mr. and Mrs. Joe W. Bruce of Fort Worth, appointed to Honduras; Mr. and Mrs. Trent C. Butler of Lilburn, Ga., to Switzerland; Mr. and Mrs. Roger L. Capps of Louisville, to Malaysia; Mr. and Mrs. Marvin R. Cooper of San Jose, Calif., to Zambia; Mr. and Mrs. George W. Hardeman III of Baldwin, Ga., to Guatemala.

Also appointed were Mr. and Mrs. Norman L. Harrell of Terrell, Tex., Portugal; Mr. and Mrs. John M. Landers of Hoisington, Kan., Brazil; Miss June Mason of Portland, Ore., East Africa; Mrs. Pamela Kelly Parker of Clover, S.C., Rhodesia, where her husband, Robert R. Parker Jr. is already assigned; Dr. and Mrs. Maurice L. Randall of Chickamuga, Ga., Rhodesia; Mr. and Mrs. Don W. Reed of Alva, Okla., Peru.

Also Dr. and Mrs. W. Eugene Ruble of Winston-Salem, N.C., Indonesia; Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Savage Jr of Lytle, Tex., Ivory Coast; Mr. and Mrs. C. Edward Spann of Rome, Ga., Brazil; Mr. and Mrs. Gene V. Tunnell of Fort Worth, Vietnam; Mr. and Mrs. Vernal R. West of Prague, Okla., Africa.

Employed as missionary associates were Mr. and Mrs. J. Kenneth Casey of New Orleans, for Bermuda; Mr. and Mrs. John W. Cherry of Arlington, Tex., Zambia; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond D. Humphrey of Houston, Zambia; Mr. and Mrs. Elmo R. Marble of Arvin, Calif., Ecuador; Mr. and Mrs. H. David Pinkston of Rancho Cordova, Calif., Thailand; and Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Ray of Greenwood, Miss., Malaysia-Singapore.

Sixteen of the 19 new board members elected by the Southern Baptist Convention in St. Louis participated in an orientation program which the agency initiated this year for new members. The 12 pastors and seven laymen represent Southern Baptists in 14 states.

**Welsh Baptists Told Church  
Responsible For Drug Plague**

**LLANGEFNI, Wales (BP)**--The Welsh Baptist Union meeting here was told by a probation officer that the church is partly responsible for the modern drug plague.

"Youth requires a spiritual experience and if the church does not offer it, he will turn to drugs to get it," said Gwyn Tudno Jones, a Welsh probation officer for more than 20 years.

Jones was one of two professionals on Welsh social problems addressing the annual meeting of the Welsh Baptist Union.

A practicing psychiatrist, Dafydd Alun Jones, told the Baptists that most of the patients he treats come from homes where the old pattern of life in language and religious practice has broken down.

The psychiatrist said it is very important for the church to give children a guide and strength to help fortify them in the face of moral or physical temptation and danger.

"Being able to remember some verse taught in childhood is often sufficient to avert a serious moral collapse in some cases," the psychiatrist said.

Delegates to the convention adopted resolutions objecting to liberalized liquor licensing laws, expressing appreciation for government help for alcoholics, and urging restraint in advertising strong drinks.

Other resolutions approved a report on smoking by the Royal College of Physicians, expressed regret at increased unemployment in Wales, and urged the government to do everything possible to alleviate the resultant distress and tackle the root causes of unemployment.

Turning their attention to their own fellowship, the Welsh Baptists discussed ways to increase their ministers' retirement pensions, and the possibility of buying advertising on commercial television and radio. The denomination's council is continuing the study on mass media advertising.

The new president of the Union, W. M. Rees of Aberdare, Wales, issued a plea in his inaugural address for a deep concern for society in all its aspects, from preaching peace to supporting the movement for self-government in Wales and equal status for the Welsh language with English.

The meeting was held in a large Presbyterian chapel in Llangefni on the island of Anglesey, North Wales.

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**North Pole Church Hopes  
For "Christmas Spirit"**

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**NORTH POLE, Alaska (BP)**--At Christmas time, millions of children write to the North Pole asking for gifts. Members of the First Baptist Church here, which burned to the ground recently, are hoping that the spirit of Christmas will work in reverse.

They aren't conducting an all-out letter writing campaign, but they do express hope that Christians will respond to their needs with the spirit of giving.

They want an early arrival of Christmas spirit, but not an early winter. When the icy cold snow sets in sometime during September, it will be too late to rebuild their church until the thaw next spring.

Fire gutted their church building during the early morning hours just one week after Baptists in the area had conducted groundbreaking ceremonies for a new church building on a different site near a new highway.

Bill Duncan, pastor of the church and president of the Alaska Baptist Convention, outlined needs of the church in a telephone conversation with representatives of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board in Atlanta.

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Duncan said the Columbia Valley Lumber Co., in Washington, has sold the church a prefabricated building, but the church is in need of financial assistance, supplies and volunteer workers for building construction during the month of August.

Carpenters, electricians, and plumbers are especially needed, Duncan said. The first shipment of the new building is expected the first of August.

The destroyed building was insured for \$100,000 plus \$8,000 for the contents. Duncan said the loss of the building's contents amounted to more than \$20,000 plus his personal library valued at \$4,000.

To help finance the new building, the church had obtained a loan from the Home Mission Board's Church Loans Division.

Emery Smith, associate secretary of the Board's department of special mission ministries, said his office will contact Christian Service Corps workers and other volunteers who might be willing to work in rebuilding the church.

E. W. Hunke, former executive secretary of the Alaska Baptist Convention who now heads the board's regional planning and coordination for the area, said most of the 462 resident members of the church live more than 15 miles from the church.

The church ministers to the North Pole community and Elson Air Force Base nearby.

Church services are being conducted in a school building until the new building can be erected.

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Danish Baptists Plan Dialogue  
With Others on Ethics, Beliefs

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FREDERIKSHAVN, Denmark (BP)--During their annual conference meeting here, the Danish Baptist Union voted to hold a synod in 1974 to provide an opportunity for dialogue between Danish Baptists and observers from other denominations on belief, and on ethics related to current issues.

The Union also voted to establish a combined headquarters office in Copenhagen for their varied ministries. According to a report in European Baptist Press Service, the office will probably begin with one or more employees handling routine duties for the general secretary, the youth secretary and the Sunday School secretary.

In other major actions, the Baptists of Denmark voted to change the Baptist orphanage they operate in Hjørring into a day care center for babies, especially of working mothers, and to send three missionaries to Burundi, Africa to establish a school and youth center.

It was reported that the Baptist Scout movement in Denmark has collected about 10,000 Danish crowns (\$1,400 U.S.) for the project in Burundi.

The delegates urged women to get more involved in the work of the churches and to take more responsibility in the democratic process. Two women were elected to the union's 17-member Executive Board.

Mrs. Hanna Kristensen, wife of the youth secretary for the union, said there is an activist group among Danish Baptists whose purpose is to analyze Baptists and to make proposals for fulfilling their call as Christians. Their proposals met a positive reaction from the 175 delegates, she said.

The delegates also appealed to Baptist families to take drug addicts into their homes as an act of Christian love in helping them return to normal life.

A youth conference held in connection with the annual meeting of the Danish Baptist Union Voted to provide more help to clubs for young people, ages 11-16 by employing a professional club worker on a part-time basis for two years. The entertainment-type clubs for youth offer music, ping-pong and other games, and are related to Baptist churches.

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Oklahoma Board Names  
Three New Staff Members

OKLAHOMA CITY(BP)--In a called meeting here, the Board of Directors for the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma elected three Oklahomans to staff positions for the state convention.

The board named a new secretary for the department of religious education, a new associate secretary for that department, and a new director of student work.

Bill C. Haggard, 42, associate secretary of the department of religious education, was promoted to head the department, succeeding Lyle Garlow who earlier had been elected assistant executive secretary by the board.

Glenn A. Brown, 38, minister of education at First Baptist Church, Ada, Okla., was named associate secretary of the religious education department, succeeding Haggard.

Robert E. Lee, 33, was elected director of student work, succeeding Clyde Clayton who was recently named business manager. Lee has been director of Baptist student work at Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, for the past three years.

All three have served Oklahoma Baptist churches. Haggard and Brown attended Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, and Haggard and Lee are both graduates of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth. A native of Louisiana, Lee is a graduate of Louisiana College, Pineville. Brown is also a graduate of University of Oklahoma and Tulsa University.