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Ed Carter Moves From Home Board to Counseling Post

ATLANTA (BP)--Thomas Edwin Carter, secretary of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board's personnel development service since 1971 and a board staff member since 1965, has resigned to become a counseling psychologist for the U.S. Public Health Service.

Beginning June 15, Carter will be assigned to the Federal Correctional Institution, a minimum security prison for men and women, in Fort Worth.

Carter's resignation was accepted here by the Board of Directors for the Home Mission Board. In other action, the board also named two new career missionaries and four missionary associates.

Anthony and Victoria Ahaev were appointed missionaries to work with Russian-speaking people in the San Francisco Bay area. Ahaev, who already serves as a missionary associate, is a native of Germany.

He is a graduate of Louisiana College, Pineville, La., and Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, Mill Valley, Calif. Mrs. Ahaev, a native of New York, is a graduate of University of Southern California, Los Angeles.

Appointed as missionary associates were Mrs. Antoinette Anderson, who serves with her husband Anthony at Tidewater Baptist Center in Newport News, Va.; Harriett and Dewey Hickey, pastor-missionary in Valentine, Neb.; and Hiroshi Suzuki, who will work in the San Francisco Bay area with Japanese-speaking people.

In accepting Carter's resignation, Warren Woolf, director of personnel for the board, said that Carter "has done a very effective job," and that "response from our missionaries shows the esteem in which he is held on the field."

In his position at the board, Carter has been responsible for counseling, testing and in-service development for all board personnel, including new appointees to the more than 2,200 home missionary force serving throughout the nation.

Before accepting that position, Carter was for two years secretary of the department of Christian social ministries for the board. From 1965-68, he was in charge of institutional chaplaincy for the board's Chaplaincy Division.

Previously, Carter was a staff counselor at Buckner Baptist Family Service Center in Dallas. He also had been a maternity home chaplain, an Army chaplain, and a pastor and youth director for Baptist churches in Georgia and Florida.

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Three Baptist Schools Selected By Foundation

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DALLAS (BP)--Four colleges selected for the gifted students foundation's national annual six-weeks summer program for academically gifted high school students includes three Southern Baptist Schools.

The University of Richmond (Va.), Baylor University, Waco, Tex., and Dallas Baptist College are among the four selected by the Dallas-based foundation from a number of competing colleges and universities across the country.

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Different age groups, ninth through twelfth grades will live in groups of 100 in dorms on each campus and participate in classroom study and educational travel.

The Gifted Students Foundation relies on religious and secular organizations across the country to submit names of potential candidates for the \$1,095 curriculum and help fund scholarships for students who cannot afford to attend.

The foundation soon hopes to reach the point at which all scholarships will be underwritten by organizations and individuals interested in educational enrichment of students.

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"Aquarian Christianity" Vesper
Service Featured at Resort Meeting

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CALLAWAY GARDENS, Ga. (BP)--The chorus from "Deep and Wide" rose up from the waters of the lake. Were it not for the deep, mature sound of the voices singing the simple chorus, you would have thought it was a children's group.

The singers were experiencing "Aquarian Christianity," an evening vesper service held on a floating barge, during a national resort ministries consultation held here recently.

More than 160 Southern Baptists from 32 states met in training sessions devoted to resort ministries such as hotel, beach and campground ministries; racetrack and amusement center work; and coffeehouse activities.

The consultation, preceded by a "Campers on Mission" rally, was sponsored by the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board's special mission ministries department.

Participants included pastors from resort areas, superintendents of missions, state convention leaders, and others involved in resort missions.

Wendell Belew, the Home Mission Board's director of the Division of Missions, said that the business of missions in leisure areas and on leisure time is hard for most Christians to accept.

"We feel guilty about going and enjoying ourselves, especially on Sunday," said Belew. "Churches have a problem when people are on leisure; it throws the whole institutionalized structure out of focus."

"We are uncomfortable with the fact that people are dressed in Bermuda shorts at 11:00 o'clock on Sunday morning," he continued. "Because we have so institutionalized the time that we 'see Jesus,' we are unable to adapt ourselves, and see God's work at all times."

Belew spoke on the topic, "Being As How You're Going," a phrase, he said, that indicates that as Christians are going about their business of doing whatever they are doing, that "we have a responsibility of preaching with all we are."

During the consultation, youth from Union Avenue Baptist Church in Memphis demonstrated skit and puppet shows, used frequently in resort missions work.

Bob Curlee, pastor of Centercrest Baptist Church in Birmingham, directed the production of an original musical comedy, "Jonah and the Whale," performed by college students from his area. Curlee wrote the play, and several others which have been presented in beach and resort areas, Ken Flowers, a member of the Birmingham church, wrote the music.

"Any time you can see the entertainment form (of worship) in resort areas, people hear it more readily," said Joel Lands, assistant secretary in the board's special mission ministries department.

Land, who directs resort missions for the department, was encouraged by the consultation. "After such a meeting, a lot of new ministries usually take place. We expect a lot of new productions because of this."

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