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Charles Colson to Speak To Pastors Conference

MIAMI BEACH (BP)--Nixon presidential aide Charles Colson, who testifies to a life-changing spiritual experience during the Watergate trials, will deliver an address to the Southern Baptist Pastors Conference here June 8 and 9.

Mrs. Norman Vincent Peale of New York and Steve Davis, quarterback for the University of Oklahoma's undefeated football team will be among the other speakers for the annual event.

After a joint session on Sunday night, June 8, with Woman's Missionary Union in the North Hall of the Miami Beach Convention Center, the Pastors Conference main program will be held on Monday, June 9.

The joint Sunday night session will include messages by Mrs. R.L. Mathis of Waco, Tex., national WMU president, James L. Pleitz of Pensacola, Fla., Pastors Conference president, and will include a foreign missionary commissioning service led by Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board.

Harold A. Coble of Midway City, Calif., secretary-treasurer of the 1974 Pastors Conference, states that \$1,480 left over from the group's Dallas meeting has been passed on to this year's officers for 1975 expenses.

That amount was left over after expenses for the 1974 meeting were paid from \$12,516 in offerings received at Dallas, Coble said. Jaroy Weber, pastor, First Baptist Church, Lubbock, Texas, and current president of the Southern Baptist Convention was president of the Pastors Conference in 1974.

The Monday sessions will center on the various roles of the pastor. In the morning, Mrs. Peale will speak on "The Pastor as a Father and Husband;" William L. Self of Atlanta, Ga., will discuss "The Pastor--Called of God;" Charles Fuller of Roanoke, Va., will deal with "The Pastor--Preparation for Service;" Russell Dilday of Atlanta will speak on "The pastor, a Teacher Rightly Dividing the Word of Truth."

In the afternoon session, Davis, an ordained minister, will give a personal testimony and Ralph Smith of Austin, Tex., will explore "The Pastor As An Evangelist." Then two former SBC presidents, Carl Bates of Charlotte, N.C., and W.A. Criswell of Dallas, will speak respectively on "The Pastor--a Man Under Command," and "The Pastor, a Proclaimer of God's Word."

The Monday night session will close with an address by another former SBC president, R.G. Lee, pastor emeritus of Bellevue Baptist Church, Memphis, on "The Pastor--the Rewards for Faithfulness."

Preceding Lee will be John Claypool of Fort Worth, Tex., speaking on "The Pastor--His Involvement in the Community;" Charles Colson of McLean, Va., speaking on "A New Man in Christ Jesus;" and James Monroe of Fort Walton Beach, Fla., speaking on "The Joys of Being a Pastor."



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40th Annual Pastors Conference
Southern Baptist Convention
Miami Beach Convention Center
June 8-9, 1975

Theme: "The High Calling of God"

Sunday Night Joint Session with Woman's Missionary Union

7:00 "One World, One Witness," Samford University A Cappella Choir
Welcome, Mrs. R. L. Mathis and James L. Pleitz
Solo, Aemiko Inuma, New York
Foreign Missionary Commissioning Service, Baker James Cauthen
and Foreign Mission Board staff.

Monday Morning Session

9:50 "The Pastor--Called of God," Bill Self, Atlanta, Ga.
10:15 "The Pastor--Preparation For Service," Charles Fuller, Roanoke, Va.
10:50 "The Pastor--A Teacher Rightly Dividing The Word of Truth," Russell
Dilday, Atlanta, Ga.
11:30 "The Pastor As A Father and Husband," Mrs. Norman Vincent Peale, New York

Monday Afternoon Session

2:15 Testimony--"In All Thy Ways Acknowledge Him," Steve Davis, University of
Oklahoma
2:30 "The Pastor As An Evangelist," Ralph Smith, Austin, Tex.
2:55 "The Pastor--A Man Under Command," Carl Bates, Charlotte, N. C.
3:10 "The Pastor--A Proclaimer of God's Word," W. A. Criswell, Dallas, Tex.

Monday Evening Session

7:10 "The Pastor--His Involvement In The Community," John Claypool, Fort Worth,
Tex.
7:35 "A New Man in Christ Jesus," Charles Colson, McLean, Va.
8:05 "The Joys of Being A Pastor," James Monroe, Fort Walton Beach, Florida
8:35 "The Pastor--The Rewards for Faithfulness," R. G. Lee, Memphis, Tennessee

President--James L. Pleitz, Pensacola, Fla.
Vice-President--Donald L. Dyer, Baton Rouge, La.
Secretary--Joe Bob Mizell, Tuscaloosa, Ala.
Music Director--Paul Royal, Pensacola, Fla.

WMU to Spotlight Baptist
World Mission Efforts

MIAMI BEACH (BP)--The Southern Baptist Woman's Missionary Union (WMU) will highlight the denomination's missions efforts as the women open their June 8-9, 1975, meeting here in a joint Sunday evening session with the Pastor's Conference. The joint session will begin at 7 p.m. in the Miami Beach Convention Center, North Hall, according to Mrs. R.L. Mathis, president of WMU, and James L. Pleitz, president of the Pastors Conference. It will precede the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) here.

The program will also be highlighted by a foreign missionary commissioning service led by Baker James Cauthen, Richmond, Va. executive secretary of the SBC Foreign Mission Board.

Special music for the joint session and for other WMU sessions will be brought by the Samford University, A Cappella Choir, under the direction of L. Gene Black, Birmingham, Ala., with Claude H. Rhea Jr., dean of the Samford school of music, leading congregational music.

Solos in the meeting will be by Aelmiko Iinuma, Japanese lyric-colouratura soprano of New York City.

Rhea and Betty Sue Shephard, pianist, of the Samford faculty, will bring meditation music. Organist will be Mrs. Charles Walker of Miami, Fla.

The WMU will move to South Hall in the Miami Beach Convention Center for their Monday sessions, set for 9 a.m., 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.

The morning session will feature an address, "One World, One Woman's Witness," by Kitty Blissett, US-2 missionary in Waterbury, Conn., a report by the new WMU Executive SecretaryCarolyn Weatherford, a message by Dr. and Mrs. August Lovegren, Southern Baptist missionaries to Jordan, and election of WMU officers.

Reubin Askew, governor of Florida, will welcome the WMU crowd and give an address.

On Monday afternoon, Mrs. Everett Deffine, Baptist Young Women director for WMU in Arizona will speak on "One World, One Woman's Witness."

And Paul Adkins, director of Christian social ministries for the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, will lead a presentation by his department based on the meeting theme, "One World, One Witness."

Theme interpretations titled, "My World Was," "My World Is," and "My World Will Be," will include various Baptists involved with Christian social ministries.

The Monday evening session will include a Cooperative Program Jubilee with dramatic monologues by R. Quinn Pugh, pastor, Calvary Baptist Church, Bel Air, Md., and by Sheryl Churchill of Dallas, Acteens director for Texas WMU.

Diana Moore, chaplain for the Hanover School for Boys in Richmond, Va., will speak on "One World, One Woman's Witness."

To close the annual WMU meeting, testimonies will be given by Porter Routh, executive secretary-treasurer of the Southern Baptist Executive Committee; Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, SBC; George Sadler of Richmond, Va., former area secretary for Africa, Europe and the Near East for the Foreign Mission Board, SBC.

Other testimonies will be given by Arthur B. Rutledge, executive director-treasurer of the Home Mission Board, SBC; Mrs. Genus Crenshaw, missionary, and Seminole Indians from Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; Jack E. Goldfarb, director of evangelism for First Baptist Church, Homestead, Fla.

Testimonies will also include A.D. Dawson, executive director of the Gulf Stream Baptist Association, Miss.; Kwong Wah Lan, Chinese Pastor from Miami, Fla.; Slavis and Haitian members of Central Baptist Church in Miami; and James H. Landes, executive secretary of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.



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WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION
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Theme: One World, One Witness

Sunday Evening Joint Session with Pastors Conference (North Hall), 7:00 p.m.

"One World, One Witness"--Samford University A Cappella Choir, L. Gene Black,
Birmingham, Ala., director
Welcome--Mrs. R. L. Mathis, WMU president, Waco, Texas; and James L. Pleitz,
Pastors Conference president, Pensacola, Fla.
Music--Congregation with Claude Rhea, Samford University, Birmingham, director.
Prayer
Solo--Aeimiko Iinuma, New York
Foreign Missionary Commissioning Service -- Missionary Appointees 
Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary, Foreign Mission Board
Winston Crawley, director of overseas division
Frank K. Means, secretary for Eastern South America
H. Cornell Goerner, secretary for Africa
Davis L. Saunders, secretary for Eastern and Southern Africa
J. D. Hughey, secretary for Europe and the Middle East
Charles W. Bryan, secretary for Middle American and the Caribbean
R. Keith Parks, secretary for Southeast Asia
Louis R. Cobbs, secretary for missionary personnel
Meditation Music
Claude H. Rhea Jr. and Betty Sue Shepherd (associate professor
of music, Samford), Birmingham, Ala.

Monday Morning Session (South Hall), 9:30 a.m.

"One World, One Witness."--Samford University A Cappella Choir
Hymns, Congregation with Claude Rhea
"One World, One Woman's Witness," Kitty Blissett, US-2 missionary, Waterbury,
Connecticut
Business
Report of the Executive Secretary, Carolyn Weatherford
Election of Officers
Special Music, Aemiko Iinuma
Missionary Message, Dr. and Mrs. August Lovegren, Jordan
Meditation Music, Claude Rhea Jr. and Betty Sue Shepherd, Samford University

Monday Afternoon Session 2:00p.m.

"One World, One Witness, Samford University A Cappella Choir
Hymns, Congregation with Claude Rhea Jr.
"One World, One Woman's Witness," Mrs. Everett Deffine, Baptist Young Women director,
Arizona WMU, Mesa, Arizona
Prayer
Special Music, Aemiko Iinuma
"My World, My Witness," (Presentation of Christian Social Ministries, Home Mission Board)
Paul Adkins, director, Christian Social Ministries Department, Home Mission Board
Theme Interpretation:
"My World Was," Ralph Fults, director, Vocational Services, Buckner Baptist
Benevolences, Dallas, Texas (on tape)

"My World Is,"

Ernest Ed Onley, Jr., director, Christian Social Ministries, Capital Association, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Mildred Blankenship, assistant director, Department of Christian Social Ministries, Home Mission Board and

Mrs. M. V. Leininger, Jr., literacy resource person, Orlando, Florida

Mr. and Mrs. James M. Palmer, US-2 missionaries, Phoenix, Arizona

Clovis A. Brantley, associate director, Department of Christian Social Ministries, Home Mission Board with

Mr. and Mrs. James M. Whitlow and Jeffery Paul, adoptive parents and child

"My World Will Be," Mary Edwards Renaker, Poet, Louisville, Kentucky, and John Claypool, pastor, Broadway Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Texas

Meditation Music, Claude Rhea Jr. and Betty Sue Shepherd

Monday Evening Session, 7:00 p.m.

"One World, One Witness," Samford University A Cappella Choir

Hymns

"One World, One Woman's Witness," Diana Moore, chaplain, Hanover School For Boys, Richmond, Virginia

Prayer

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Chorus, Samford University A Cappella Choir

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James H. Landes, executive secretary, Baptist General Convention of Texas, Dallas

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World Alliance To Promote
Evangelism and Education

COLUMBUS, Ohio (BP)--Baptist World Alliance (BWA) leaders from ten nations on five continents, laid groundwork here for a program to share information and techniques in evangelism and education to Baptists throughout the world.

The move, if approved at the Baptist World Congress in July at Stockholm, will establish a Division of Evangelism and Education as an integral part of the BWA program in 100 countries.

Robert S. Denny, BWA general secretary, said he sees the action as a follow through of a successful World Mission of Reconciliation Through Jesus Christ, a Baptist cooperative effort.

The meetings here began with two days of discussion by evangelism and Christian education leaders from Brazil, Canada, Mexico, England, Scotland, Germany, the USSR, Nigeria, Hong Kong, and the United States. BWA President V. Carney Hargroves presided.

An ad hoc committee adopted a statement "recognizing the importance of evangelism and Christian teaching in today's world, and recognizing that each Baptist group must develop its own program in the light of its own situation and in the light of God's revelation."

The ad hoc group asked that the new Division of Evangelism and Education "provide new opportunities of dialogue; facilitate maximum interaction, sharing of information, and development; and provide encouragement to various Baptist groups in the world."

The committee's report was accepted by the BWA Administrative Committee for recommendation to the congress at Stockholm. The new division, as proposed, was viewed as a service agency to small Baptist groups in developing countries, as well as a forum for international sharing by all member groups of the BWA.

The Division of Evangelism and Education would be the fourth division of BWA activity coordinating and encouraging the work of its member bodies. Others deal with Communications, Relief and Development, and Study and Research.

The administrative committee also looked to several other aspects of proposed constitutional revisions and structural changes that will be considered at Stockholm. It approved in general all except one of the proposals initially presented by a structural changes committee to the BWA Executive Committee at Louisville, Ky., last August. David Russell, general secretary of the Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland, headed that special committee.

The one change was to void the proposal that the office of associate secretary for youth be discontinued. The administrative committee, responding to a plea from youth committee co-chairman Charles Roselle, voted that "the professional staff at Washington be kept at the present level with one person who has competency in administration and youth ministry being designated as responsible for serving the youth department along with other responsibilities."

More than 2,000 Baptists from central Ohio joined the BWA leaders for a Sunday afternoon, inter-racial "Baptist World Congress in Miniature."

The meeting at Shiloh Baptist Church here featured 16 speakers from nine countries who presented brief reports on Baptist work in their homelands. Nelson Fanini, the pastor of First Baptist Church in Niteroi, Brazil and president of the Brazil Baptist Convention, was the principal speaker.

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C O R R E C T I O N

In today's mailing (3/7/75), page 1, BP Story headlined "Charles Colson to Speak To Pastors Conference," the last two lines should read -- Fla., speaking on "The Joys of Being a Pastor." -- Thanks--Baptist Press