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Church Music Conference
 To Open With Praise Service

MIAMI BEACH, FLA. (BP)--A "service of Praise" led by William J. Reynolds, head of the church music department for the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, will open the Southern Baptist Church Music Conference, June 8-9, 1975, preceding the Southern Baptist Convention annual meeting here.

Featured in the 6 p.m., Sunday, June 8, 1975, opening session of the music conference, at Central Baptist Church, Miami, will be blind vocalist-pianist Ken Medema of Upper Montclair, N.J., and the Florida Baptist Singing Men, conducted by Paul Bobbitt, director of the church music department, Florida Baptist Convention.

Following the Sunday night session, the music conference members will be hosted at an 8:30 p.m. reception by the church music department of Florida Baptists at the Miami Beach Hyatt House.

The conference will continue at 9 a.m. Monday morning, June 9, 1975, highlighted by an address, "Every Musician A Therapist," by Roy T. Scoggins Jr., music therapist and principal of education therapy for the Coastal Center, South Carolina department of mental retardation in Ladson.

Concerts will be given by the handbell choir of First Baptist Church, Merritt Island, Fla. conducted by Jim Whitmire, and by the Stetson University Choir, conducted by Robert Rich, director of choral activities for the Baptist school, located in De Land, Fla. Worship will be led by Reynolds.

The Monday morning session will also spotlight the awarding of lifetime honorary memberships to two Southern Baptist church musicians for "outstanding contributions to the cause of Southern Baptist church music," according to Don Brown, of William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo. president of the organization.

Honorees are Mrs. Martha Settle, retired associate secretary of the church music department for the Baptist Convention of the State of Georgia, and Lowell C. Alexander, retired secretary for the church music department for the Louisiana Baptist Convention. The conference's new president and executive council will also be presented Monday morning.

On Monday afternoon at 1:15, Kenneth Chafin, the pastor of South Main Baptist Church in Houston and a member of the continuation committee from the International Congress on World Evangelization, will speak on "New Winds Blowing."

A concert by the Missouri Music Men, conducted by Bob Woolley, secretary of the church music department, Missouri Baptist Convention, will follow.

Rounding out Monday afternoon will be six special interest sessions: The Music Ministry and the Retarded, led by Scoggins; Sound Reinforcement Equipment and Techniques, led by Howard Parker, president of Sound Investment Enterprises, Woodland Hills, Calif.; Handbell Materials and Techniques, led by Whitmire.

Evangelism and Music, a panel discussion will be led by Chafin, Buryl Red, of Buryl Red Productions, New York, N.Y., Doyal Spence, minister of music for First Baptist Roanoke, Va., and moderated by Carl Perry, Minister of Music, First Baptist Church in Knoxville, Tenn.

Additional interest special sessions will feature psalmody--Strassburg: The First Protestant Metrical Psalms (1524-1539), led by Cecil M. Roper, professor of ministry of music, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, and An Introduction to the Baptist Hymnal, 1975, led by Harry L. Eskew, associate professor of music history, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.

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Complementing the various interest emphases will be a section on church music materials and methods.

The Monday night session (7:30p.m.) will move back to Central Baptist Church for the premiere performance of the Southern Baptist Church Music Conference Commissioned Anthem for 1975, "Canticles for Modern Man-III," by composer Paul Langston, dean of the Stetson University School of Music, and sung by the Stetson choir.

An organ recital by Miss Jeanne Rizzo of First United Methodist Church, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., will be provided by the Schlicker Organ Company of Buffalo, N.Y., builders of a new 51-rank organ, which she will play, recently installed in Central Baptist Church.

The Stetson choir and the audience will sing "Christus" by Felix Mendelssohn, under the direction of Robert Burton, chairman of the department of conducting, School of Church Music of Southwestern Seminary, to conclude the conference.

1974-75 officers of the church music conference include Brown, as president; Joseph King, Fort Worth, vice-president, local church division; Sam Prestidge of Dallas, vice president, denominational division; Mrs. Evelyn M. Phillips of Fort Worth, vice president, educational division; and Miss Mary June Tabor of Oklahoma City, Okla., secretary-treasurer.



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Southern Baptist Church Music Conference
Central Baptist Church, Miami/and
The Miami Beach Hyatt House
June 8-9, 1975

Sunday Evening--Central Baptist Church, Miami

Don Brown, William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo., presiding
John Gardner, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., coordinator

- 6:00 "A Service of Praise"--led by William J. Reynolds, Secretary, Church Music Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.; Florida Baptist Singing Men, conducted by Paul Bobbitt, Director, Church Music Department, Florida Baptist Convention; Ken Medema, concert artist, Upper Montclair, N.J.
- 8:30 Reception for Church Music Conference members (hosted by the Church Music Department, Florida Baptist Convention), Palace Room, The Miami Beach Hyatt House; Registration Desk Open, American Ballroom Foyer; Exhibit Area open, Palladium

Monday Morning--The Miami Beach Hyatt House, American Ballroom

Don Brown, presiding
Beryl Vick Jr., Immanuel Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn., coordinator
Charles S. Gatwood, Church Music Department, Baptist Convention of North Carolina, associate coordinator and timekeeper

- 8:30 Registration, (American Ballroom Foyer); Exhibit Area open (Palladium) (complimentary coffee)
- 9:00 Call to Order; Welcome--Paul Bobbitt
- 9:05 Worship--William J. Reynolds
- 9:20 Concert--Handbell Choir, First Baptist Church, Merritt Island, Florida, Jim Whitmire, Director
- 9:45 "Every Musician A Therapist"--Roy T. Scoggins Jr., Music Therapist and Principal of Educational Theory, The Coastal Center of the South Carolina Department of Mental Retardation, Ladson, South Carolina
- 10:20 Exhibit Break
- 10:45 Call to Order

Sam Prestidge, Church Music Department, Baptist General Convention of Texas, Dallas, presiding
James D. Woodward, Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, coordinator
J. Kenneth Robinson, Meadows Baptist Church, Plano, Tex., associate coordinator and timekeeper.

Introduction of Executive Council
Awarding of Honorary Memberships
Introduction of New President

- 10:55 Conference Business Session--Registration and Membership Report; Report of Constitution Committee; Report of Resolution Committee
- 11:15 Concert--Stetson University Choir, De Land, Fla., conducted by Robert Rich, Director of Choral Activities
- 11:45 Adjourn for lunch

Monday Afternoon--The Miami Beach Hyatt House, American Ballroom

A. Joseph King, University Baptist Church, FortWorth, Tex., presiding
Paul Welleford, Second Baptist Church, Little Rock, Ark., coordinator
Donald Winters, William Carey College, Hattiesburg, Miss., associate coordinator and timekeeper

- 1:15 Call to Order
Worship--William J. Reynolds
- 1:25 "New Winds Blowing:--Kenneth Chafin, Pastor, South Main Baptist Church, Houston, T x.
- 1:50 Concert--The Missouri Music Men, conducted by Bob Woolley, Secretary, Church Music Department, Missouri Baptist Convention
- 2:15 Exhibit Break
- 2:40 Interest Sessions:
- "The Music Ministry and the Retarded," (American Ballroom West), concepts and materials presented by Roy T. Scoggins; J. Kenneth Robinson, convener
 - "Sound Reinforcement Equipment and Techniques: (American Ballroom), led by Howard Park r, President, Sound Investment Enterprises, Woodland Hills, Calif.: Charles S. Gatwood, convener
 - "Handbell Materials and Techniques" (American Ballroom North), led by Jim Whitmire; Roy Lee Williams Jr., Union Baptist Association, Houston, Tex., convener
 - "Evangelism and Music" (Palace Room), a panel/audience discussion led by Kenneth Chafin; Buryl Red, Buryl Red Productions, New York, N.Y.; and Doyal Spence, Minister of Music, First Baptist Church, Roanoke, Va., Carl Perry, First Baptist Church, Knoxville Tennessee, convener
 - Education Division (Forum Room): First Period: Psalmody, "Strassburg: The First Protestant Metrical Psalms (1524-1539)," Cecil M. Roper, Professor of Ministry of Music, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Tex.
Second Period: "An Introduction to Baptist Hymnal, 1975," Harry Eskew, Associate Professor of Music History, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, La.
 - New Materials and Methods (displays), Sam Prestidge, Palladium
- 4:20 Division meeting: Local Church Division, American Ballroom, A. Joseph King, presiding; Education Division, Forum, Evelyn Phillips, presiding; Denominational Division, Palace Room, Sam Prestidge, presiding
- 4:40 Suggested time to adjourn division meetings

Monday Evening--Central Baptist Church

7:30 Concluding Session

Don Brown, presiding

Loyd Landrum, Vineville Baptist Church, Macon, Ga., coordinator

Paul Welleford, associate coordinator

Hymn--"All Creatures of Our God and King," led by Hugh T. McElrath, Associate Professor of Church Music, The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

Organ Recital--Miss Jeanne Rizzo, First United Methodist Church, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., provided through courtesy of Schlicker Organ Company, Buffalo, N.Y. (builders of the 51-rank organ in Central Baptist Church)

"Canticles for Modern Man-III," premiere performance of the SBCMC Commissioned Anthem for 1975; composed by Paul Langston, Dean, School of Music, Stetson University; sung by the Stetson University Choir, conducted by Robert Rich

"Christus," by Felix Mendelssohn, rehearsal and concert; sung by the congregation and the Stetson University Choir under the direction of Robert Burton, Chairman, Department of Conducting, School of Church Music, Southwestern Seminary

Benediction--new elected SBCMC President

Officers:

President--Don Brown, Associate Professor of Music and Director, Church Music Program, William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo.

Vice-President (Local Church)--A. Joseph King, Minister of Music, University Baptist Church, Wabash at Cantey, Fort Worth, Tex.

Vice President (Denominational), Sam Prestidge, Secretary, Church Music Department, Baptist General Convention of Texas

Vice President (Educational), Mrs. Evelyn M. Phillips, Associate Professor of Church Music, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Tex.

Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Mary June Tabor, Associate, Church Music Department, Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma



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Foreign Board Hears Proposals
For Evangelizing Cities

RICHMOND (BP)--A "more comprehensive endeavor to evangelize the major cities of the world through total penetration and saturation" was proposed at the March meeting of the Foreign Mission Board here by the board's consultant in evangelism and church development.

Joseph B. Underwood, in a prepared address at board headquarters said, "Major leadership in the campaign should come from national pastors and laymen. The role of the Foreign Mission Board, as well as that of the many guests to be invited, must always be supportive, never supplanting."

Underwood stressed that the evangelistic campaigns must strengthen the total world mission program by contributing to the strengthening of the total life of the churches. "Any fractional approach should be avoided," he added.

Phase one of the proposed plan would take 12 to 18 months and would emphasize teaching and training national Christians for effective witnessing and church leadership. A key to the success of the crusade, according to Underwood, will be leadership and teacher training.

"A special aim will be the establishment, both before and after the campaigns, of hundreds of home Bible study fellowships," he said. "We expect to penetrate every geographic and economic area of the city, from the wealthiest apartment edifices to the humblest ghetto areas."

The objective of phase two is to infiltrate all the cultural and vocational segments of society with a Christian witness. Christian doctors, lawyers, professors, artists, musicians, bankers, industrialists, athletes, astronauts, scientists, economists and psychologists, will "zero in" on target groups of the same specialty or vocational interest as theirs, sharing a Christian message.

"The number of potential target groups is almost unlimited," Underwood said.

Additionally, a mass media campaign will operate simultaneously, utilizing available radio, television and print media.

After this work has been completed, Underwood's plan calls for a week-long campaign to be held in a central stadium, coliseum or assembly hall, involving all Baptist churches in the evangelistic area.

Special Bible study conferences, music clinics, personal evangelism conferences and continued training sessions, would be held in the mornings.

The afternoons would be devoted to personal witnessing, while the evening session would feature the main evangelists, along with a mass choir of local Baptists, which Underwood called "a must."

The second week of the campaign would be characterized by simultaneous campaigns in all city churches, to carry through with the results from the first week of evangelism.

"This should be a week of tremendous reaping," he said.

Followup is the fourth stage. Admitting that followup is "always the weakest point in any evangelistic crusade," Underwood implied this weakness could be overcome by having a seven-week period of supervised counseling and witnessing, "leading to commitment, discipleship and growth."

Citing the importance of cooperative efforts in overseas evangelism campaigns, Underwood concluded, "No one can imagine a victory by Gideon's 300 if each man had exclaimed, 'I am a Baptist. I am independent. I will do my thing in my own way.' It was when the 300 worked together as one man that God gave the victory."

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Overseas Lay Involvement
Outlined By Mission Leaders

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DALLAS (BP)--Bold expanded plans for lay people to be personally involved in world missions were outlined in Dallas by Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board leaders.

Eugene Grubbs, the board's disaster response coordinator, and Joseph B. Underwood, evangelism and church development consultant, told superintendents of missions and other Texas Baptist denominational leaders at a meeting here that manpower and money are urgent needs in foreign missions.

Grubbs, who returned recently from an extensive survey of needs in Bangladesh, said Southern Baptists have given \$310,000 this year in response to hunger in Bangladesh, but a total of \$750,000 is needed now for missionaries in Bangladesh to buy food for starving people.

It will not be a handout program, said Grubbs, because people will be urged to work for what they get. Southern Baptists are sending money rather than grain, because it is more economical to buy the food nearby.

Underwood said Southern Baptists are attempting to step up their program of evangelism and church development around the world through the involvement of more short term lay volunteers.

During the past 10 years, he said, the Foreign Mission Board has used the services of more than 1,300 Baptists--lay persons, preachers and musicians--in evangelistic campaigns in more than 70 countries.

The greatest emphasis will be on evangelizing major cities of the world, he said, noting that current trends would multiply the populations of cities, such as Mexico City and Sao Paulo to 30 million by the year 2000.

In conjunction with the campaigns, plans call for extensive use of mass media and evangelistic literature, concerts and drama and home Bible study units.

Underwood said volunteers will assist in training national leadership before and during the campaign and do followup to help conserve the results of the crusades..

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Virginia WMU Elects
Kathryn Bullard

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RICHMOND (BP)--The executive board of the Woman's Missionary Union (WMU) of Virginia has elected Miss Kathryn Bullard as the Virginia WMU's executive secretary effective July 1.

Miss Bullard, a native of Gibson, N. C., succeeds Miss Carrie Vaughan, who retires March 28 after 17 years service.

Since 1959, Miss Bullard has served as director of the Woman's Missionary Society and director of Baptist Women for the North Carolina statewide WMU. Before that she served on the staff of First Baptist Church, Kannapolis, N. C., for 10 years.

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**W. L. Howse III Named To
Head Virginia Aging Center**

CULPEPER, Va. (BP)--W. L. Howse III of Nashville will become director of the newly established Hurt Gerontological Center of the Virginia Baptist Homes here July 1.

The center, announced late last year, will become "a complete Southern Baptist resource center for gerontological materials," according to Charles E. Neal, executive director of the Baptist homes.

Howse, 38, will develop a program of research and innovative educational techniques and ministries relating to problems of the aging and serve as a consultant to interested denominational agencies and other organizations.

A former director of organization for the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission, Howse has directed the alcohol and drug abuse section of the Tennessee State Department of Mental Health since 1972.

A native Texan, he has also been a minister of education, youth director and social worker in Texas. He is a graduate of Union University, a Tennessee Baptist school in Jackson, and received master of religious education and doctor of education degrees from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth.

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**William Hull Accepts
Shreveport Pastorate**

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SHREVEPORT, La. (BP)--William Hull, dean of the school of theology and provost at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, will become pastor of First Baptist Church, Shreveport, effective Sept. 7.

Hull, 44, has served on the seminary faculty and staff since 1955, when he became an instructor. He rose through the ranks as assistant, associate, and then full professor, chairman of the New Testament department and director of graduate studies in the school of theology. He became dean in 1969 and provost in 1972.

"My decision was not prompted or influenced in the slightest by anything negative in my relationship with the seminary faculty, administration or trustees," Hull said. "I have never had a more meaningful personal relationship or more harmonious working relationship than now exists with President (Duke) McCall."

He said a strong pull toward the pastorate in Shreveport, after more than 20 years at Southern Seminary, is "to help bridge the chasm which still exists between seminary and church so that each may learn richly from the other."

McCall commended Hull for his service to Southern Seminary and "his great gifts in relating the scholarly excellence of Southern Seminary to the life of the churches in evangelism, Christian nurture and ministry to human need."

Hull, who has served as pastor of churches in Wetumtka, Ala., Owenton, Ky., and New Castle, Ky., is a graduate of Samford University, Birmingham, and holds master of divinity and doctor of philosophy degrees from Southern Seminary. He has done graduate study also at Gottingen, Germany, and Harvard University.

A native of Birmingham, he is widely known as a preacher, lecturer and author.

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