

March 10, 1956

127 Ninth Avenue, North — Nashville, Tennessee

CENTRAL SEMINARY PLANS  
OPEN HOUSE FOR VISITORS

KANSAS CITY, Kans.--(BP)--Central Baptist Seminary, on the Kansas side of Kansas City, plans to have an open house May 31 for those attending the Southern Baptist Convention.

The open house will follow a dinner for seminary alumni and friends. The dinner is scheduled for 1:30 p.m.

However, the seminary will be open each day from 8:30 a.m. through 5:30 p.m. to visitors. School will not be in session during the dates of the Convention.

The seminary may be reached by bus route No. 9, marked Minnesota Ave., boarding at 11th and Wyandotte in Kansas City, Mo., two blocks from the Municipal Auditorium.

By car, it can be reached by going west across Inter-City Viaduct, continuing on Minnesota Ave. in Kansas City, Kans., to 31st St. Turn south at 31st St., which leads to the seminary's main administration building.

Central Baptist Seminary is affiliated with the American Baptist Convention but about 55 per cent of its 400 students are Southern Baptists, the seminary reports.

"At least one-third of our members of the seminary board of directors are Southern Baptist pastors and leaders," Acting President Ernest L. Ackley says.

The seminary was founded in 1901 and has been located on its present campus for 35 years. Ackley became acting president in 1954 when William W. Adams resigned the presidency to accept a position at Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

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110,000 TRACTS BOUGHT  
BY NEW ZEALAND UNION

NELSON, New Zealand--(BP)--The Baptist Union of New Zealand recently bought 110,000 tracts and 1850 posters on stewardship and tithing through the Southern Baptist Executive Committee.

Albert McClellan, director of publications for the Executive Committee, Nashville, Tenn., reported the large sale.

The Union is using the material in its "Tithing Campaign Fund." It is employing two well-known slogans, "Every Baptist a Tither" and "Bring Ye All the Tithes."

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PASTOR STRICKEN WHILE  
LEADING SUNDAY PRAYER

CLANTON, Ala.--(BP)- Jadie Thomas, pastor of Milton Baptist Church, suffered a heart attack while conducting the Sunday morning worship service and died two days later in a Clanton hospital.

Pastor Thomas had knelt to lead the congregation in prayer when he suddenly fell over on his side, unconscious.

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GOVERNOR GRADUATION SPEAKER

MURFREESBORO, N. C.--(BP)--North Carolina Gov. Luther Hodges will be commencement speaker for Chowan College, Baptist-owned junior college here. Graduation exercises are scheduled June 1.

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EDITORS: Please insert the following, if possible, after the sixth paragraph of story on 3-8-56 headlined: "Going Fast!" Committee Says of Convention Rooms.

Bolick says those applying for accommodations in private residences should specify in their first letter the names of all individuals coming, including children, plus the hour they expect to arrive and depart.

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folks & facts.....

.....Marion C. Allen will leave pastorate of Clemson Baptist Church, Clemson, S. C., March 31 to accept a call to First Baptist Church, Lawrence, Kans.

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.....Malcolm Lester, dean of liberal arts at Mercer University, Macon, Ga., has been appointed to the executive committee of the Conference of Academic Deans of the Southern States.

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.....Richard Judd, pastor at Glenwood Baptist Church, Tulsa, Okla., has resigned to become pastor of First Southern Baptist Church, Glendive, Mont.

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.....John O. Scott, pastor, Central Baptist Church, Fresno, Calif., has accepted pastorate of First Southern Baptist Church, Mesa, Ariz.

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SAMPLE BUS SCHEDULES  
TO AND FROM KANSAS CITY, MO.

Grey

Mon. 9:50 PM  
7:45 AM  
Tue. 3:45 PM

Lv. Nashville, Tenn.  
Lv. St. Louis, Mo.  
Ar. Kansas City, Mo.

Grey

Ar. 11:45 AM Sun.  
Ar. 12:35 AM  
Lv. 5:30 PM Sat.

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Twy.

Tue. 12:15 AM  
1:45 PM

Lv. Memphis, Tenn.  
Ar. Kansas City, Mo.

Twy.

Ar. 11:05 PM  
Lv. 8:00 AM Sun.

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Grey

Mon. 7:30 AM  
Tue. 12:35 AM  
5:50 PM

Lv. Washington, D. C.  
Lv. Cincinnati, O.  
Ar. Kansas City, Mo.

Grey

Ar. 6:50 AM Mon.  
Ar. 1:45 PM Sun.  
Lv. 5:30 PM Sat.

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Twy.

Mon. 11:30 AM  
7:20 PM  
Tue. 1:45 PM

Lv. Montgomery, Ala.  
Lv. Jackson, Miss.  
Ar. Kansas City, Mo.

Twy.

Ar. 6:50 AM  
Ar. 12:30 AM Mon.  
Lv. 2:25 AM Sun.

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Grey.

Sun. 4:40 PM  
Mon. 3:15 AM  
2:40 PM  
6:40 PM  
Tue. 3:45 PM

Lv. Miami, Fla.  
Lv. Jacksonville, Fla.  
Lv. Atlanta, Ga.  
Lv. Chattanooga, Tenn.  
Ar. Kansas City, Mo.

Grey.

Ar. 6:10 PM  
Ar. 6:40 AM Mon.  
Ar. 9:45 PM  
Ar. 5:24 PM Sun.  
Lv. 5:30 PM Sat.

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Grey.

Mon. 8:30 AM  
1:05 PM  
5:00 PM  
Tue. 3:45 PM

Lv. Charlotte, N. C.  
Lv. Asheville, N. C.  
Lv. Knoxville, Tenn.  
Ar. Kansas City, Mo.

Grey.

Ar. 5:00 AM Mon.  
Ar. 11:59 PM  
Ar. 8:05 PM Sun.  
Lv. 5:30 PM Sat.

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Grey.

Tue. 10:10 AM  
12:30 PM  
8:35 PM

Lv. Oklahoma City, Okla.  
Lv. Tulsa, Okla.  
Ar. Kansas City, Mo.

Grey.

Ar. 4:35 AM  
Ar. 2:00 AM Sun.  
Lv. 6:00 PM Sat.

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Grey.

Twy.

1:00 PM Mon. 12:20 PM  
8:40 PM Tue. 1:45 PM

Lv. New Orleans, La.  
Ar. Kansas City, Mo.

Twy.

Ar. 1:45 PM Mon. 12:10 AM Mon.  
Lv. 8:00 AM Sun. 5:30 PM Sat.

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Twy.

Mon. 7:05 PM  
Tue. 1:45 AM  
4:45 PM

Lv. Houston, Tex.  
Lv. Dallas, Tex.  
Ar. Kansas City, Mo.

Twy.

Ar. 2:35 PM  
Ar. 6:10 AM Sun.  
Lv. 2:45 PM Sat.

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Grey.			Grey.
Tue. 7:45 AM	Lv. Texarkana, Tex.		Ar. 5:58 AM
1:15 PM	Lv. Ft. Smith, Ark.		Ar. 12:35 AM Sun.
11:25 PM	Ar. Kansas City, Mo.		Lv. 2:45 PM Sat.

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Twy.			Twy.
Sun. 10:50 AM	Lv. San Francisco, Cal.		Ar. 7:05 PM
Mon. 8:00 AM	Lv. Salt Lake City, U.		Ar. 12:45 AM Mon.
11:40 PM	Lv. Denver, Colo.		Ar. 7:55 AM Sun.
Tue. 5:00 PM	Ar. Kansas City, Mo.		Lv. 5:00 PM Sat.

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Grey.			Grey.
Tue. 8:30 AM	Lv. Little Rock, Ark.		Ar. 5:15 AM Sun.
11:25 PM	Ar. Kansas City, Mo.		Lv. 2:45 PM Sat.

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Twy.			Twy.
Sun. 7:30 AM	Lv. Portland, Ore.		Ar. 11:40 PM Mon.
Tue. 5:30 PM	Ar. Kansas City, Mo.		Lv. 5:00 PM Sat.

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Twy.			Twy.
Sun. 8:15 PM	Lv. Los Angeles, Cal.		Ar. 10:00 AM Mon.
Mon. 6:30 PM	Lv. Albuquerque, N. M.		Ar. 1:35 PM Sun.
Tue. 10:30 AM	Lv. Wichita, Kans.		Ar. 11:30 PM
4:45 PM	Ar. Kansas City, Mo.		Lv. 5:45 PM Sat.

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Grey.			Grey.
Mon. 7:30 PM	Lv. Louisville, Ky.		Ar. 10:25 AM Sun.
Tue. 12:45 PM	Ar. Kansas City, Mo.		Lv. 5:30 PM Sat.

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Grey. indicates Greyhound Bus. Twy. indicates Trailways Bus. These are only sample schedules chosen for the fastest times and most convenient arrivals and departures in Kansas City. Trailways and Greyhound operate competing service over most routes listed, even though only a single schedule may be given.

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#### BUS FARES TO KANSAS CITY

Please add 10 per cent transportation tax to each amount.

	One-Way	Round-Trip
Dallas, Tex.	\$ 9.75	\$17.55
New Orleans, La.	15.95	28.75
Miami, Fla.	28.70	51.70
Nashville, Tenn.	11.95	21.55
Washington, D. C.	22.50	40.50
Atlanta, Ga.	17.60	31.70
Charlotte, N. C.	19.30	34.75
St. Louis, Mo.	5.95	10.75
Oklahoma City, Okla.	7.10	12.80
Jackson, Miss.	13.95	25.15
Little Rock, Ark.	9.45	17.05
Portland, Ore.	35.40	63.75
Los Angeles, Calif.	33.60	60.50
Albuquerque, N. M.	16.70	30.10
Houston, Tex.	14.70	26.50
San Francisco, Calif.	33.60	60.50
Louisville, Ky.	10.60	19.10

Note: Family fares are available at some points, but not all. These usually are valid only on certain days of the week also. Only standard fares are listed above.

# BAPTIST FEATURES

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WHAT DO YOU CARE ABOUT IT?  
By C. C. Warren  
President, Southern Baptist Convention

In recent months, countless statements have been made that should be disturbing to right-thinking Americans.

Judge Julius H. Minor, of the circuit court of Cook County, Chicago, Illinois, says "Our national teen-age crime rate has risen 45 per cent in the last five years. There has never been a parallel to this depravity in the history of our nation."

J. Edgar Hoover, who heads the Federal Bureau of Investigation, says, "More serious crimes were committed in the United States in 1954 than in any previous year of the nation's history." Executive Secretary A. C. Miller, of the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission, writes in a current issue of the "Christian Life Bulletin" that 50 million grown-ups and a great host of minors gamble each year in the United States, a total of 30 billion dollars.

Clifton J. Allen, editorial secretary, Baptist Sunday School Board, reminds us that, according to statistics, the United States is becoming more religious but less moral. For every church organized in America last year, seven to 10 new liquor outlets were established. More divorces per capita were granted in America than in any other nation on earth.

Benson Y. Landis, editor of the Yearbook of American Churches says, "Twenty-seven million American youths receive little or no religious training."

'Are You Bothered?'

My question is: "Are these statements disturbing?" Countless thousands give no evidence of being disturbed or in the least concerned. In the long ago a faithful prophet called attention to distressing conditions brought about by sinful neglect and cried, "Is it nothing to you, all ye that pass by?"

Such statements as those quoted above should be disturbing. History is replete with illustrations that there can be no well-ordered society without a moral foundation.

Pericles built a civilization upon culture and it failed. Caesar built a civilization upon power and it failed. The Meado-Persians had a great nation, but they drank their way to doom. Egypt flourished until she forgot God, then went down. Greece, under Alexander, conquered the world, but Alexander could not conquer himself. He died in a drunken brawl in Babylon, and the Grecian civilization tumbled. There can be no real morality without religion, and the only religion which provides the dynamic for moral living is the Christian religion.

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The solution of national problems and the survival of America lie not in legislation, nor reformation, nor even religion of a sort. Many civilizations have bogged down in religion. It was said that the Bolshevik Revolution in Russia was caused by a religion which resulted in the outlawing of all religion.

What people need to learn about today is an old word called "regeneration" and the moral obligations and moral power growing out of this regeneration. Herein lies the answer to each person's problems; they can be solved in no other way.

#### The Responsibility

This is an area of responsibility which ought to challenge preachers and churches. If preachers are not disturbed by the demoralizing forces; if church leaders stand idly by while these forces of Satan savagely seek to destroy every ideal Christianity has proclaimed, the collapse of civilization is inevitable.

What can we do? There are many things we can do. First of all, we can determine to do something; then we can decide what is wise and best, what will be most effective.

We can read the tract published by the Baptist Sunday School Board entitled, "What Your Church Can Do." In it you will find many excellent and most helpful suggestions.

Pastors have the first duty in this tremendous challenge. They must lead churches to launch a well-planned and aggressive program to promote the "Crusade for Christian Morality." It is a must! Time is running out.