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**SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION
LOS ANGELES CONVENTION CENTER**

June 9-11, 1981

Los Angeles, CA

THEME: "OUR BOLD RESPONSE...NOW!"

Tuesday Morning, June 9, 1981

- 9:00 Music for Inspiration--First Southern Baptist Church Choirs, Del City, OK,
Aubie McSwain, director
- 9:30 Call to Order
Congregational Singing--Aubie McSwain, Del City, OK, director
Scripture--Sandy Smith, Del City, OK
Prayer--Billy Weber, Dallas, TX
- 9:45 Registration and Constitution of Convention
Committee on Order of Business--A. Douglas Watterson, Knoxville, TN
- 9:55 Welcome--W.A. Burkey, President of California Baptist Convention, Fairfield
- 10:00 Response--Alton Butler, Pensacola, FL
- 10:10 Introduction of Fraternal Messengers
- 10:20 Convention Photograph
- 10:25 Announcement of Committee on Committees, Committee on Resolutions, Committee
on Tellers--Bailey E. Smith, SBC president, Del City, OK
- 10:30 Executive Committee Report (Part I)--Harold C. Bennett, Nashville, TN
- 11:10 Introduction of Business and Resolutions
- 11:25 Congregational Singing--Aubie McSwain, Del City, OK
- 11:30 Music--First Southern Baptist Church Choirs, Del City, OK, Aubie McSwain, director
- 11:35 President's Address--Bailey E. Smith, Del City, OK
- 12:00 Benediction--Mrs. A.D. Forman III, Monroe, LA
Adjourn

Tuesday Afternoon, June 9, 1981

- 1:30 Music for Inspiration--Evangelistic Singers
- 2:30 Congregational Singing--John McGuckin, Fresno, CA, director
Scripture--Bill Bruster, Knoxville, TN
Prayer--John H. McClanahan, Pine Bluff, AR
- 2:45 Messenger Information Survey
- 2:50 Election of Officers
- 3:05 Introduction of Business and Resolutions
- 3:20 Executive Committee Report (Part II)--Harold C. Bennett, Nashville, TN

Tuesday Afternoon, June 9, 1981 (continued)

- 4:00 Radio and Television Commission Report--Jimmy R. Allen, Fort Worth, TX
 4:15 Woman's Missionary Union Report--Carolyn Weatherford, Birmingham, AL
 4:25 Congregational Singing--Harry L. Cowan, New Orleans, LA, director
 4:30 Business and Election of Officers
 5:00 Benediction--Lambert Mims, Mobile, AL
 Adjourn

Tuesday Evening, June 9, 1981

- 7:00 Music for Inspiration--Singing Churchmen of California, John McGuckin, Fresno, CA, director
 7:25 Congregational Singing--William J. Reynolds, Fort Worth, TX, director
 Scripture--Leanne Lewis, Midwest City, OK
 Prayer--Herbert H. Reynolds, Waco, TX
 7:40 Business and Election of Officers
 7:50 Bold Mission Thrust Report--Harold C. Bennett, Nashville, TN
 8:00 Annuity Board Report--Darold H. Morgan, Dallas, TX
 8:10 Sunday School Board Report--Grady C. Cothen, Nashville, TN
 8:30 Congregational Singing--William J. Reynolds, Fort Worth, TX, director
 8:35 Music--Singing Churchmen of California, John McGuckin, Fresno, CA, director
 8:40 Foreign Mission Board Report--R. Keith Parks, Richmond, VA
 9:30 Benediction--John T. Dunaway, Corbin, KY
 Adjourn

Wednesday Morning, June 10, 1981

- 9:00 Music for Inspiration--Marlachi Group, Templo Bautista, Fresno, CA
 --Combined Korean Choirs, Los Angeles, CA
 9:30 Congregational Singing--Bill Sky-Eagle, Dallas, TX, director
 Scripture--Dewey Presley, Dallas, TX
 Prayer--Claude Kirkpatrick, Baton Rouge, LA
 9:45 Committee on Committees Report
 9:50 Committee on Boards Report
 9:55 Miscellaneous Business
 10:15 Brotherhood Commission Report--James H. Smith, Memphis, TN
 10:25 Baptist World Alliance Report--Gerhard Claas, Washington, DC
 10:35 Education Commission Report--Arthur L. Walker Jr., Nashville, TN
 10:45 Southern Baptist Commission on the American Baptist Seminary Report,
 Arthur L. Walker Jr., Nashville, TN
 10:50 Congregational Singing--Bill Sky-Eagle, Dallas, TX, director
 10:55 Music--Derryl Homberg, Fort Walton Beach, FL
 11:00 Convention Sermon--James L. Monroe, Fort Walton Beach, FL
 11:30 Business
 Committee on Resolutions (First Report)
 Miscellaneous Business
 12:30 Benediction--Mrs. Glen (Mary) McClain, Midwest City, OK

NO SESSION WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Wednesday Evening, June 10, 1981

- 7:00 Music for Inspiration--Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary Choir and
Max Lyall, Pianist
- 7:25 Congregational Singing--William J. Reynolds, Fort Worth, TX, director
Scripture--Mrs. Augustin (Grace) Salazar, Fresno, CA
Prayer--Mrs. R.F. (Barbara) Nesmith, Rhinebeck, NY
- 7:40 Presentation of Past SBC Presidents
- 8:00 SBC Seminaries Report--Randall Lolley, Wake Forest, NC
- 8:40 Congregational Singing--William J. Reynolds, Fort Worth, TX, director
- 8:45 Music--Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary Choirs
- 8:50 Home Mission Board Report--William G. Tanner, Atlanta, GA
- 9:40 Benediction--Thomas W. Watson, Perrine, FL
Adjourn

Thursday Morning, June 11, 1981

- 9:00 Music for Inspiration--Combined Chinese Choirs, Los Angeles, CA
- 9:30 Congregational Singing--Mrs. Jean Ferrell, San Diego, CA
Scripture--Mrs. Eugene (Reba) Hall, Shawnee, OK
Prayer--Lonnie E. Quillen Jr., Roanoke, VA
- 9:45 Southern Baptist Foundation Report--Hollis E. Johnson III, Nashville, TN
- 9:55 Historical Commission Report--Lynn E. May Jr., Nashville, TN
- 10:05 Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs Report--James M. Dunn, Washington, DC
- 10:15 Join the Bold Mission Thrust--Jess Moody, Van Nuys, CA
- 10:30 Christian Life Commission Report--Foy D. Valentine, Nashville, TN
- 10:40 Stewardship Commission Report--A.R. Fagan, Nashville, TN
- 10:50 Congregational Singing--Sheldon Russell, San Jose, CA
- 10:55 Business
Committee on Resolutions (Final Report)
Miscellaneous Business
- 12:30 Benediction--Stanley D. Unruh, Las Vegas, NV
Adjourn

Thursday Afternoon, June 11, 1981

- 2:00 Music for Inspiration--California Baptist College Choir, Curtis Cheek, Riverside, CA,
director
- 2:30 Congregational Singing--David W. Music, Riverside, CA, director
Scripture--Mrs. Gilmer (Bernice) Cross, Lexington, NC
Prayer--G. Nelson Duke, Jefferson City, MO
- 2:45 Music--Henrietta Davis, San Francisco, CA
- 2:50 Speaker--Ronald Reagan, President of the United States (Invited but not confirmed)
- 3:20 Congregational Singing--David W. Music, Riverside, CA, director
- 3:25 Business
Committee on Baptist State Newspapers
Denominational Calendar Committee
Miscellaneous Business
- 4:30 Benediction--Allen Bailey, Charlotte, NC
Adjourn

Thursday Evening, June 11, 1981

- 7:00 Music for Inspiration--Youth Choir, St. Stephen's Baptist Church, La Puente, CA
 7:25 Congregational Singing--William J. Reynolds, Fort Worth, TX
 Scripture--Earl Davis, Memphis, TN
 Prayer--Bill Elliff, Norman, OK
 7:45 Music--The Gaithers
 8:00 Sermon--Perry Sanders, Lafayette, LA
 8:30 Music--The Gaithers
 9:15 Benediction--Don Harms, Rapid City, SD
 Adjourn

Convention Officers

- Bailey E. Smith, SBC president; pastor, First Southern Baptist Church, Del City, OK
 Jack R. Taylor, SBC first vice president; evangelist, Fort Worth, TX
 C. Wade Freeman, SBC second vice president; retired, Dallas, TX
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 Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, TX

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Bold Responding Is Theme
 Of 1981 SBC Meeting

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LOS ANGELES (BP)--"Our Bold Response...Now!" will be the theme for the 1981 meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention June 9-11 in the Los Angeles Convention Center.

Bailey E. Smith, pastor of First Southern Baptist Church of Del City, Okla., and president of the 13.6 million-member denomination, will preside over the 124th annual session of the 136-year-old denomination.

President Ronald Reagan has been invited to address the convention, but has not responded to the invitation.

Others expected to address the gathering of messengers include Smith, who will deliver the annual president's address; James Monroe, pastor of First Baptist Church of Fort Walton Beach, Fla., who will preach the convention sermon, and Perry Sanders, pastor of First Baptist Church of Lafayette, La., who will deliver the closing message.

In between will be reports from the SBC Executive Committee and other national agencies and institutions, business, resolutions and election of officers. Smith, who was elected to head the nation's largest non-Catholic denomination in the 1980 annual meeting in St. Louis, Mo., is eligible to be returned to a traditional second one-year-term.

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A. Douglas Watterson, pastor of First Baptist Church of Knoxville, Tenn., and chairman of the convention order on business committee, said: "The main thrust of the program is our concern that we will have a great conciliatory convention."

Watterson noted the committee "attempted to select persons from every quarter of the convention and those we felt would minister to us all. We consciously avoided any theological slant and put the program together with the hope and the prayer we would have a great healing convention."

He added the committee acceded to a request by Kenneth Chafin, pastor of South Main Baptist Church of Houston, Texas, and chairman of trustees at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, that chairmen of trustees of the six seminaries be given time to report to messengers on the "stewardship of trustees."

The request grew out of questions about doctrinal integrity and attacks on the trustees, administration and faculty of the six institutions.

"We expanded the seminary report time from 15 minutes to 40 minutes and scheduled them during an evening session," Watterson said.

He also added that contingency plans have been made in case President Reagan is unable to address the convention. "We hope he will be able to come, however," Watterson said.

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Mike Livingston Rejoins
Brotherhood Commission

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MEMPHIS, Tenn. (BP)--Mike Livingston, news writer for the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, will become editor for the Brotherhood Commission's Baptist Men's division Feb. 15.

The division publishes World Mission Journal, a monthly tabloid; a Baptist men's handbook; annual curriculum guide; and books, brochures and promotion pieces.

William Bangham, printing account executive and author from Annapolis, Md., will become associate division editor at the same time. Bangham replaces David Wilkinson who left to become student and news director at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Livingston, 41, who was at the Foreign Mission Board eight months, was associate editor for four years of Probe, a youth monthly, and Pioneer Plans, a quarterly for youth leaders, published by the Brotherhood Commission. He replaces Jim Newton who joined the Home Mission Board as news editor.

Livingston graduated from Memphis State University in 1973 and has directed public relations for Northwest Junior College in Senatobia, Miss.

Bangham, 37, is author of "The Journey into Small Groups," a book used in lay renewal, and co-author of a college textbook on biology. He is a former director of biological laboratories for George Washington University in Washington, D.C. He is a graduate of Parsons College. He most recently was production manager of Eastport Lithograph Inc. in Annapolis.

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