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SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHURCH MUSIC CONFERENCE June 10-11, 1984 First Baptist Church of Raytown, Missouri

June 10, 1984

Sunday Afternoon, Session I

- Presiding: Fes Robertson, president; supervisor, church music department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.
- Coordinator: Bill Choate, local church representative, east, First Baptist Church, Kingston, Tenn.
- 2:30--Call to Order--Fes Robertson
 - Hymn--Gene Calhoun, First Baptist Church, Raytown, Mo.
 - Welcome--Bob Woolley, state music secretary, Missouri
 - Greetings and Invocation--Doyle Taylor, associate pastor, First Baptist Church, Raytown, Mo.
- 2:45--Concert--Youth Choir, First Baptist Church, Raytown, Mo., Clay Withers, director
- 3:10--Worship--Don Hustad, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.; Polly Riddle, William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo.; Jerry Aultman, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary; Calvin Miller, Westside Baptist Church, Omaha, Neb.
- 4:00--Address on Worship--Calvin Miller
- 4:30--Concert--Cornerstone, Immanuel Baptist Church, Wichita, Kan., Laura Berquist, director
- 5:00--Benediction--Leroy Summers, Park Cities Baptist Church, Dallas
 - Exhibit Break
 - Dinner

Sunday Evening, Session II

- Presiding: Fes Robertson
- Coordinator: W.A. Bradshaw, denominational representative, west, state music secretary, Baptist Convention of New Mexico, Albuquerque
- 7:00--Concert--Handbell Choir, Calvary Baptist Church, New Orleans, director, R.E. Thompson
- 7:30--Concert--Contrapunctus V--Phil Schaefer, director, William Jewell College
- 8:00--Concert--Adult Choir, First Baptist Church, Ferguson, Mo., Bob Woods, director
- 8:30--Commissioned Anthem--"Canticle of Blessing"--David Danner, composer, Baptist Sunday School Board
- 8:35--Offertory Prayer--Ron Boud, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary
 - Offertory--Ken and Lois Holland, music evangelists, Nashville, Tenn.
- 8:40--Concert--Illinois State Youth Choir, Carl Shepherd, state music secretary, Illinois
- 9:10--Benediction--Charles Storey, vice president, denominations division, Raleigh, N.C.
 - Reception--Missouri Baptists, host
 - Exhibits

June 11, 1984

Monday Morning, Session III

- Presiding: Charles Storey
- Coordinator: Ray Luper, educational division representative, west, Baylor University, Waco, Texas
- 8:30--Mini-concert--Jerry Aultman, piano
- 8:45--Worship--McEachern, Hustad, Riddle, Aultman
- 9:30--"The Long Term Ministry"--A.L. and JoAnn Butler, Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Mo.
- 10:00--Exhibit Break
- 10:30--Concert--Young Musicians Choir, North Richardson (Texas) Baptist Church, Gerald Brown, director

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11:00--Address on Worship--Calvin Miller,
 11:30--Annual Business Session
 11:45--Shared Ministry--Joe Stacker, Baptist Sunday School Board
 12:10--Benediction--W.A. Bradshaw, state music secretary, Albuquerque, N.M.
 --Lunch
 --Exhibits

Monday Afternoon, Session IV

Presiding: Harlan Hall, vice president, local church division, First Baptist Church, Longview, Texas
 Coordinator: Merrill Smoak, local church representative, west, Trinity Baptist Church, Livermore, Calif.
 1:30--Mini-concert--Polly Riddle
 1:45--Concert--Faculty, Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, Okla., James Woodward, director
 2:15--President's address--Fes Robertson
 2:30--Exhibit Break
 3:00--Divisional Meetings
 3:45--Concert--Alabama Singing Churchmen, Paul Hall, director
 4:15--Worship--McEachern, Hustad, Riddle, Aultman
 5:00--Benediction
 --Dinner
 --Exhibits

Monday Evening, Session V

Presiding: Fes Robertson
 Coordinator: James Allcock, denominational representative, east, state music secretary, Lutherville, Md.
 7:00--Mini-concert--Ken and Lois Holland
 7:10--Mini-concert--Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary Men's Chorus, Fort Worth, Texas, James McKinney, director
 7:40--Address--Lloyd Elder, president, Baptist Sunday School Board
 8:15--Presentation of New Officers
 --Offertory Prayer--Mary June Tabor, secretary-treasurer, Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma
 8:30--Concert--The Centurymen, Radio and Television Commission, Dallas, Buryl Red, director
 9:30--Benediction--Harry Cowan, president-elect, First Baptist Church, New Orleans

Music Conference Officers:

President: Fes Robertson, supervisor, church music department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.
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Music Conference
 Emphasizes Worship

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. (BP)--Worship will be emphasized at the annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Church Music Conference, June 10-11 in First Baptist Church of Raytown, a suburb of Kansas City.

The conference is one of the meetings which precede the annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention. The 1984 SBC will meet June 12-14 in Roe H. Bartle Hall of the Kansas City Convention Center.

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Fes Robertson, music conference president, said the "main thrust of the program is on worship," and said there will be two major addresses on worship as well as three worship services during the meeting.

Calvin Miller, pastor of Westside Baptist Church in Omaha, Neb., and a noted author, will lead one of the worship services and will address the music specialists on "The Lure of Worship," and "The Cross In Worship."

Alton McEachern, pastor of First Baptist Church of Greensboro, N.C., will lead two of the worship services.

"The first worship service will be not formally structured, the second will be very evangelical in nature and the third a more liturgically-oriented service," said Robertson, supervisor of the church music department at the Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville, Tenn. "The three worship services will be the most predominate patterns of worship in the Southern Baptist Convention and hopefully out of these models will come some new ideas."

Coordinating the music for the worship services will be Don Hustad, a former musician with the Billy Graham evangelistic team currently on the faculty of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky.

Other major addresses during the meeting will be by Lloyd Elder, new president of the Sunday School Board, who will discuss "What Happens When Baptists Gather to Worship," and Joe Stacker, supervisor of the church administration department at the BSSB, who will discuss shared ministries.

"Worship is something every minister of music is vitally concerned with," said Robertson. "The most visible part of his ministry is that corporate time when the church is gathered in worship. Most pastors and ministers of music have an interest in developing those corporate times so that they will have the most meaning for the worshipper."

Other features of the program include presentations from musical groups ranging from an older children's choir, handbell choir, young adult ensemble, all state youth choir, youth choir, adult choir and a professional brass group.

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Knife-Weilding Youth
Threatens Utah Missionary

By Anita Lemke

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ROOSEVELT, Utah (BP)--When Roland Loe, pastor of the Ute Indian Baptist Church, answered a knock at the parsonage door the evening of March 15, he had no idea he and his family would be facing death a short time later.

Loe, who has been at Roosevelt, Utah, for only two months, did not recognize the young man who had knocked but let him into the house after he said he was a member of the church who had been baptized five years earlier by the former missionary.

As they talked, the young man indicated an interest in a guitar Loe had, but when Loe reached for the instrument, the man drew out a knife and held it to Loe's throat. Just as that happened Mrs. Loe walked into the room after having put her two pre-school daughters to bed.

The assailant ushered the Loes into a back bedroom where he yanked a lamp off the wall, cut the cord and used it to tie up Loe. As he worked, Loe witnessed to him, telling him God loved him. This seemed to unnerve him and when he laid down the knife to bind Loe's hands, Mrs. Loe grabbed the knife, and as the two men scuffled got her two daughters out of the house and drove to a neighbor's house to call police.

During the entire experience Loe said he and his wife were calm--which is "unusual, especially for me." The Southern Baptist missionary said he could have killed the intruder as they scuffled but did not feel that was necessary since the safety of his wife and children was the prime concern.

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The young man escaped from Loe's house but was arrested by police about an hour later.

The episode has taught him to be grateful "in everything," but not grateful "for everything" Loe said, expressing his gratitude for the safety of his family and the loving concern expressed by fellow Christians of various denominations in the area.

He has a rope burn around his neck, two cuts on his wrists and a lump on his head. Mrs. Loe "banged-up" their new car in escaping with the two girls, ages two and three, but none of those things matter at all, Loe said.

The young man reportedly told police he didn't plan to steal anything from the Loes, but apparently he did intend to kill them. Loe is unable to give a reason for the attack but pointed out Satanism is "rampant" on the reservation.

"The Lord is dealing with a great number of people," through the Ute Baptist Church, Loe said. He specifically noted alcoholics who have "been off the bottle" for more than six weeks without any rehabilitation program, "just the Lord."

Family and friends are encouraging the Loes to return to their native Arkansas or to Texas (where they lived before moving to the Utah in January).

"I may file for combat pay," Loe jokingly told Utah-Idaho Southern Baptist Convention Missions Director Bruce Gardner, but added, "I may be ready for a day off but I don't think God would bring us out here for just two months."

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(Anita Lempke is assistant editor of the Utah-Idaho Southern Baptist Witness.)

Baptist Leaders Push Equal
Access After Prayer Defeat

By Larry Chesser and Stan Hastey

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WASHINGTON (BP)--On the heels of the Senate's rejection of President Reagan's proposed constitutional amendment on school prayer, Southern Baptist leaders urged Congress to pass legislation giving secondary school students the same access to voluntary, student-initiated religious gatherings provided for other student-initiated non-academic activities.

At a news conference following the vote in which Senate backers of the school prayer amendment fell 11 votes short of the two-thirds majority required for passage, Southern Baptist Convention President James T. Draper Jr. and Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs Executive Director James M. Dunn--who differed on the Reagan prayer amendment--voiced support for the equal access proposals sponsored by Sen. Mark O. Hatfield, R-Ore. (S. 815), and Rep. Don Bonker, D-Wash. (H.R. 4996).

Hatfield announced Senate majority leader Howard H. Baker Jr., R-Tenn., had assured him the Senate will be given opportunity to consider his proposal this year. In the House of Representatives, an Education and Labor panel is considering a hearing on the Bonker bill in the near future.

Draper, a strong supporter of the Reagan amendment, said he was "disappointed" with the Senate vote but that religious leaders should unite behind equal access legislation.

Draper, who witnessed the vote from a Senate gallery, said a positive result of the prayer debate is that "it should make this bill (equal access) easier to pass." He reiterated he has supported the bill since the Oregon senator introduced it last year.

The Euless, Texas, pastor also expressed optimism that as many as "80 to 90" percent of senators ought to be able to support the Hatfield bill. But, he warned, if equal access legislation fails to pass Congress, "you are going to see such a proliferation of private schools it will destroy the public school system."

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Draper said he looked forward to working with other religious leaders who fought the prayer amendment. "Most of us are tired of fighting each other," he declared, adding that "it greives me" Christian brothers were on opposite sides of the prayer amendment. He pointed to the disagreement between himself and Dunn on the measure.

Appearing with Dunn after the Senate vote, Draper said, "I think equal access does (give us the opportunity) to get together."

"I'm looking for some reason to stand with people, not against them," he declared.

Dunn sounded a similar theme, declaring, "It is now time for reconciliation and progress. What is needed now is legislation such as Senator Hatfield's and Congressman Bonker's bills to safeguard and clarify the rights of students to exercise freely their religion."

Dunn told reporters the Baptist Joint Committee "enthusiastically supports" the Hatfield and Bonker bills which he said would "provide for truly voluntary, student-initiated religious activities in public secondary schools on the same basis that other non-academic activities are permitted."

Commenting on the prayer amendment defeat, Dunn said, "The real winners are school children all across the nation who...will remain protected from government-imposed religious rituals."

In other Baptist reaction to the Senate's rejection of the Reagan proposal to permit organized, vocal prayer in public schools, SBC Christian Life Commission Executive Director Foy D. Valentine called the vote "a clear victory for religious liberty" and "an affirmation of our Constitution's guarantee of separation of church and state."

Valentine said further he saw the vote as "a rejection of the unconscionable demogoguery of those politicians who would have trivialized prayer to Almighty God for a mess of political pottage which they would have hoped to eat next November."

"Both the Constitution and the Bible show us a better way than to start trying to use the gears of government to engage the cogs of religion," Valentine added.

During the Senate school prayer debate, several senators pushed the Hatfield bill as an alternative to the proposed constitutional amendment.

"Instead of ill-conceived constitutional amendments, let us proceed with a simple statute that provides a judicial remedy to aggrieved high school students," Hatfield said.

Hatfield said the focus of his bill "is on student-initiated religious activities instead of government inculcation of religious belief."

Sen. Dale L. Bumpers, D-Ark., one of a bipartisan group of 27 co-sponsors of the Hatfield bill, told colleagues, "I am absolutely certain, and legal scholars agree, that the voluntary school prayer can best be guaranteed under an approach offered by Senator Hatfield without the necessity of doing damage to the First Amendment."

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In (BP) story, "Randolph Retirement Marks End Of An Era," mailed 3-20-84, please make the following correction in the 20th paragraph. Please change the person's name from Father Timothy S. Heal to Father Timothy S. Healy.

Thank you,
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