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Theme: "Tune Your Hearts ..... That All May Hear!"

Saturday Afternoon, June 11, 1988 -- Pre-Session Activities

- 1:00 Registration
- 2:00 Choral Readings -- Mike Wilkins, coordinator of music sales, Baptist Book Store Music Service, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville
- 5:00 Exhibits Open -- Hope Building Gymnasium -- Rondalla Cristiana Getsemani (Mariachi Band)  
Mexican Food Fiesta -- Hope Fellowship Hall

Saturday Evening, June 11, 1988 -- Session One

Presiding: Hugh T. McElrath, SBCMC president and professor of church music, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

Coordinator: Susan Baker, associate professor of music, Southwest Baptist University, Bolivar, Mo.

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- 6:46 Call to Order -- Hugh McElrath  
 Welcome to Castle Hills First Baptist -- George H. Harris, pastor  
 Welcome to Texas -- Sam Prestidge, director, church music department, Baptist General Convention of Texas, Dallas
- 7:07 Conference Hymn: "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"
- 7:10 Rondalla Cristiana Getsemani -- Beaumont Baptist Church, McAllen, Texas
- 7:13 Commissioned Anthem: "The Light of Men," -- Anna Laura Page, composer/clinician/performer, Clarksville, Tenn.
- 7:16 Hardin-Simmons Concert Choir
- 7:51 Worship in Beauty and Holiness: "Tune Your Hearts..."  
 Worship Coordinator -- Loyd Landrum, minister of music, Vineville Baptist Church, Macon, Ga.
- 8:39 Baylor A Cappella Choir
- 9:14 Benediction -- Ervin Keathley, retired church music secretary, Arkansas Baptist Convention, Little Rock
- 9:21 After-Conference Fellowship -- Hope Fellowship Hall  
 "Showtime!" -- Baylor University Group  
 Exhibits Open

Sunday Afternoon, June 12, 1988 -- Session Two

- 1:01 Exhibits Open -- Registration Open  
 Presiding: Hugh McElrath  
 Coordinator: Mark Lawson, minister of music, Kirkwood Baptist Church, St. Louis
- 1:29 Baylor Handbell Choir
- 1:49 Hymn on our Mission: "We Have a Gospel to Proclaim"
- 1:52 Music and Missions -- T.W. Hunt, Life consultant on prayer, church training department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville
- 2:29 Exhibit Break
- 3:09 Panel Discussion -- "Contrasting Perspectives on Music Ministry"
- 4:14 Simultaneous Interest Sessions
1. 20/20: A choral reading of 20 anthems published in the last 20 years that have proven to be functional for worship
  2. Tintinabulations: Handbell materials and techniques department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville
  4. The Annuity Board and the Church Musician
- 5:24 Adjournment  
 Exhibit Open

Sunday Evening, June 12, 1988 -- Session Three

- Presiding: Don McCall, consultant, church music department, Baptist General Convention of Texas, Dallas
- Coordinator: Jack Gantt, minister of music, Tabernacle Baptist Church, Carrollton, Ga.
- 7:00 Evening Worship
- 8:30 Southwestern (Baptist Theological) Singers
- 9:15 Benediction -- Dean Gray, minister of music, Hartford Baptist Church, Hartford, Ky.
- 9:20 Reception -- hosted by church music department, Baptist General Convention of Texas

Monday Morning, June 13, 1988 -- Session Four

- Presiding: Joe King, associate professor of church music, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas
- Coordinator: Paul Hammond, dean, college of fine arts, Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, Okla.
- 8:31 Exhibits and Registration Desk Open
- 9:01 Mini-Concert -- Christine Anderson, solo bell ringer, First Baptist Church, Houston; Don Looser, pianist, vice president for academic affairs, Houston Baptist University
- 9:11 Hymn on our Mission: "Tell It Out with Gladness"
- 9:14 Music and Missions -- T.W. Hunt
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- 9:49 Annual Business Session
1. Secretary-Treasurer's Report
  2. Constitution Changes
  3. Rippon Tomb Restoration Report

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- 4. Resolutions Committee Report
- 5. Presentation of Honorary Memberships
- 6. Presentation of Hines Sims Award
- 7. In Memoriam
- 10:29 Exhibit Break
- 11:09 Divisional Meetings: Local Church, Denomination, Education
- 12:14 Adjournment

Monday Afternoon, June 13, 1988 -- Session Five

Presiding: Nancy Jane Blair, organist and assistant minister of music, Briarlake Baptist Church, Decatur, Ga.

Coordinator: Ken Ragsdale, minister of music, Ellisville Baptist Church, Ellisville, Mo.

- 1:01 Exhibits and Registration Desk Open
- 1:24 Mini-Concert -- Stacy Blair, trumpet player, concert artist, Garland, Texas; Owen Griffin, accompanist, organist, Hyde Park Baptist Church, Austin, Texas
- 1:47 President's Address: "With One Voice" -- Hugh McElrath
- 2:14 Boys and Girls Chorus -- First Baptist Church, Richardson, Texas
- 2:39 Worship in Beauty and Holiness: "That All May Hear" -- Loyd Landrum; Charles Page, preacher, pastor, First Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn.; Anna Laura Page
- 3:24 Exhibit Break
- 4:04 Glory Choir -- First Baptist Church, San Angelo, Texas
- 4:29 Simultaneous Interest Sessions
  - 1. Rehearsal Techniques for Adult Choirs
  - 2. The Child Voice: Its Care and Potential
  - 3. The Aging Voice: What Makes Us Wobble and Squeak?
  - 4. Panel Discussion: Sunday Night Styles
- 5:31 Adjournment

Monday, June 13, 1988 -- Session Six

Presiding: Hugh McElrath

Coordinator: Clark Measels, assistant professor of music, Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tenn.

- 6:31 Registration Desk Opens
- 6:41 Southwestern (Baptist Theological) Seminary Wind Ensemble
- 7:06 Sociedad Coral Bautista Hispana -- Broadway Baptist Church, Houston
- 7:29 Worship in Beauty and Holiness -- Loyd Landrum, worship leader
- 7:30 Baptist Hymnal Update -- Wes Forbis, director, church music department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.
- 8:31 Singing Men of Texas
- 9:26 Benediction -- Mary June Tabor

HMB President Lewis Featured  
At New Work Fellowship Meeting

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DALLAS (BP)--Southern Baptist Home Mission Board President Larry Lewis will be the featured banquet speaker at the third annual meeting of the Southern Baptist New Work Fellowship June 13 in San Antonio, Texas.

"Church Starting Through Telemarketing" and "Models and Testimonies for Church Starting" will be the dual themes of the conference at the Hyatt Regency Riverwalk prior to the annual session of the Southern Baptist Convention, June 14-16. The conference will begin at 2 p.m. and conclude at 5:30 p.m., with the banquet following at 6 p.m.

Keynote speakers at the meeting include Norman Whan of the California-based "Technigrowth" organization; Richard Lopez, bivocational pastor from San Antonio, and Omar Pachecano, associate director of missions of El Paso (Texas) Baptist Association.

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- 2:00 Choral Readings -- Mike Wilkins, coordinator of music sales, Baptist Book Store Music Service, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville
- 5:00 Exhibits Open -- Hope Building Gymnasium -- Rondalla Cristiana Getsemani (Mariachi Band)  
Mexican Food Fiesta -- Hope Fellowship Hall

Saturday Evening, June 11, 1988 -- Session One

Presiding: Hugh T. McElrath, SBCMC president and professor of church music, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

Coordinator: Susan Baker, associate professor of music, Southwest Baptist University, Bolivar, Mo.

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- 6:46 Call to Order -- Hugh McElrath  
 Welcome to Castle Hills First Baptist -- George H. Harris, pastor  
 Welcome to Texas -- Sam Prestidge, director, church music department, Baptist General Convention of Texas, Dallas
- 7:07 Conference Hymn: "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"
- 7:10 Rondalla Cristiana Getsemani -- Beaumont Baptist Church, McAllen, Texas
- 7:13 Commissioned Anthem: "The Light of Men," -- Anna Laura Page, composer/clinician/performer, Clarksville, Tenn.
- 7:16 Hardin-Simmons Concert Choir
- 7:51 Worship in Beauty and Holiness: "Tune Your Hearts..."  
 Worship Coordinator -- Loyd Landrum, minister of music, Vineville Baptist Church, Macon, Ga.
- 8:39 Baylor A Cappella Choir
- 9:14 Benediction -- Ervin Keathley, retired church music secretary, Arkansas Baptist Convention, Little Rock
- 9:21 After-Conference Fellowship -- Hope Fellowship Hall  
 "Showtime!" -- Baylor University Group  
 Exhibits Open

Sunday Afternoon, June 12, 1988 -- Session Two

- 1:01 Exhibits Open -- Registration Open  
 Presiding: Hugh McElrath  
 Coordinator: Mark Lawson, minister of music, Kirkwood Baptist Church, St. Louis
- 1:29 Baylor Handbell Choir
- 1:49 Hymn on our Mission: "We Have a Gospel to Proclaim"
- 1:52 Music and Missions -- T.W. Hunt, Life consultant on prayer, church training department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville
- 2:29 Exhibit Break
- 3:09 Panel Discussion -- "Contrasting Perspectives on Music Ministry"
- 4:14 Simultaneous Interest Sessions
1. 20/20: A choral reading of 20 anthems published in the last 20 years that have proven to be functional for worship
  2. Tintinabulations: Handbell materials and techniques department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville
  4. The Annuity Board and the Church Musician
- 5:24 Adjournment  
 Exhibit Open

Sunday Evening, June 12, 1988 -- Session Three

- Presiding: Don McCall, consultant, church music department, Baptist General Convention of Texas, Dallas
- Coordinator: Jack Gantt, minister of music, Tabernacle Baptist Church, Carrollton, Ga.

- 7:00 Evening Worship
- 8:30 Southwestern (Baptist Theological) Singers
- 9:15 Benediction -- Dean Gray, minister of music, Hartford Baptist Church, Hartford, Ky.
- 9:20 Reception -- hosted by church music department, Baptist General Convention of Texas

Monday Morning, June 13, 1988 -- Session Four

- Presiding: Joe King, associate professor of church music, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas
- Coordinator: Paul Hammond, dean, college of fine arts, Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, Okla.

- 8:31 Exhibits and Registration Desk Open
- 9:01 Mini-Concert -- Christine Anderson, solo bell ringer, First Baptist Church, Houston; Don Looser, pianist, vice president for academic affairs, Houston Baptist University
- 9:11 Hymn on our Mission: "Tell It Out with Gladness"
- 9:14 Music and Missions -- T.W. Hunt
- 9:44 Mini-Concert -- Christine Anderson and Don Looser
- 9:49 Annual Business Session
1. Secretary-Treasurer's Report
  2. Constitution Changes
  3. Rippon Tomb Restoration Report

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4. Resolutions Committee Report
  5. Presentation of Honorary Memberships
  6. Presentation of Hines Sims Award
  7. In Memoriam
- 10:29 Exhibit Break  
 11:09 Divisional Meetings: Local Church, Denomination, Education  
 12:14 Adjournment

Monday Afternoon, June 13, 1988 -- Session Five

Presiding: Nancy Jane Blair, organist and assistant minister of music, Briarlake Baptist Church, Decatur, Ga.

Coordinator: Ken Ragsdale, minister of music, Ellisville Baptist Church, Ellisville, Mo.

- 1:01 Exhibits and Registration Desk Open  
 1:24 Mini-Concert -- Stacy Blair, trumpet player, concert artist, Garland, Texas; Owen Griffin, accompanist, organist, Hyde Park Baptist Church, Austin, Texas  
 1:47 President's Address: "With One Voice" -- Hugh McElrath  
 2:14 Boys and Girls Chorus -- First Baptist Church, Richardson, Texas  
 2:39 Worship in Beauty and Holiness: "That All May Hear" -- Loyd Landrum; Charles Page, preacher, pastor, First Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn.; Anna Laura Page  
 3:24 Exhibit Break  
 4:04 Glory Choir -- First Baptist Church, San Angelo, Texas  
 4:29 Simultaneous Interest Sessions  
     1. Rehearsal Techniques for Adult Choirs  
     2. The Child Voice: Its Care and Potential  
     3. The Aging Voice: What Makes Us Wobble and Squeak?  
     4. Panel Discussion: Sunday Night Styles  
 5:31 Adjournment

Monday, June 13, 1988 -- Session Six

Presiding: Hugh McElrath

Coordinator: Clark Measels, assistant professor of music, Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tenn.

- 6:31 Registration Desk Opens  
 6:41 Southwestern (Baptist Theological) Seminary Wind Ensemble  
 7:06 Sociedad Coral Bautista Hispana -- Broadway Baptist Church, Houston  
 7:29 Worship in Beauty and Holiness -- Loyd Landrum, worship leader  
 7:30 Baptist Hymnal Update -- Wes Forbis, director, church music department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.  
 8:31 Singing Men of Texas  
 9:26 Benediction -- Mary June Tabor

HMB President Lewis Featured  
 At New Work Fellowship Meeting

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DALLAS (BP)--Southern Baptist Home Mission Board President Larry Lewis will be the featured banquet speaker at the third annual meeting of the Southern Baptist New Work Fellowship June 13 in San Antonio, Texas.

"Church Starting Through Telemarketing" and "Models and Testimonies for Church Starting" will be the dual themes of the conference at the Hyatt Regency Riverwalk prior to the annual session of the Southern Baptist Convention, June 14-16. The conference will begin at 2 p.m. and conclude at 5:30 p.m., with the banquet following at 6 p.m.

Keynote speakers at the meeting include Norman Whan of the California-based "Technigrowth" organization; Richard Lopez, bivocational pastor from San Antonio, and Omar Pachecano, associate director of missions of El Paso (Texas) Baptist Association.

Membership in the New Work Fellowship is open to any Southern Baptist agency or associational employee, mission or church worker or volunteer engaged in starting a new church and to any student whose vocational plans involve starting new churches.

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