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Davenport Resigning Public Relations Post

OKLAHOMA CITY--(BP)--The director of public relations for the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma here has resigned effective Sept. 1.

Arthur S. Davenport announced he would resume active management of his Oklahoma City public relations agency.

He has been director of public relations for Oklahoma Baptists since 1953, and was one of the founders of the Southern Baptist Public Relations Association. The association includes Baptists serving in various denominational positions with public relations responsibilities.

During his five-year period with Oklahoma Baptists, Davenport has conducted public relations workshops, served as BPRA president, and handled publicity and promotional materials for the Oklahoma convention.

Davenport is a veteran of 25 years in editorial and public relations work, including positions with several Oklahoma daily newspapers.

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Baptist Colleges List Honorary Doctorates

NASHVILLE--(BP)--The following is a partial listing of honorary degrees being granted by colleges and universities related to Baptist state conventions.

Furman University, Greenville, S. C.--Roy O. McClain, pastor, First Baptist Church, Atlanta, and Dotson M. Nelson, Jr., pastor, First Baptist Church, Greenville, doctors of divinity; Sidney Walter Martin, president, Emory University, Emory University, Ga., doctor of laws, and William Marion Whiteside, Columbia, S. C., retired superintendent, South Carolina Baptist Hospital, doctor of humanities.

Mercer University, Macon Ga.--Josiah Crudup, president of Brenau College, Gainesville, Ga., and Bela A. Lancaster, superintendent of schools, LaGrange, Ga., doctors of laws. Harry V. Smith, Atlanta, executive secretary, Georgia Baptist Foundation, doctor of divinity.

Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tenn.--Thomas B. Maston, Fort Worth, professor of social ethics, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, doctor of literature; W. Ray Bryan, Bethesda, Md., director of cancer research, U. S. Department of Health, Education & Welfare, and J. M. Wolfe, professor of anatomy, Albany (N. Y.) Medical College, doctors of science.

Wayland Baptist College, Plainview, Tex.--J. C. Cantrell, Dallas, executive secretary, Texas Baptist Foundation, LL.D., and W. Neil Record, pastor, First Baptist Church, Tulia, Tex., doctor of divinity.

Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee--Richard Thomas Hopper, pastor, First Baptist Church, Ardmore, Okla., and John Allen Pennington, secretary of Brotherhood and evangelism, Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City, doctors of divinity; Col. Carey Law O'Bryan, Jr., Air Force, Washington, D. C., doctor of law.

Louisiana College, Pineville, La.--T. C. Pennell, pastor, Ingleside Baptist Church, Shreveport, La., doctor of divinity.

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