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Executive Committee, board
nominees are recommended

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NASHVILLE (BP)--Nominees to serve on the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee and the four denominational boards -- Foreign Mission Board, Home Mission Board, Sunday School Board and the Annuity Board -- have been selected by the 1993 Committee on Nominations.

They will serve if elected by the messengers to the annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Houston, June 15-17.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (79 members): 23 nominations considered; eight new members including a new representative from Arkansas; 15 renominations.

Nominees with terms to expire in 1997, replacing members ineligible for re-election, include:

John Robbins, pastor of Bookcliff Baptist Church, Grand Junction, Colo., replacing Kenneth R. Barnett, Lakewood; Patrick M. Pajak, pastor of Tabernacle Baptist Church, Decatur, Ill., replacing C. Ray Fuller, Joliet; Joe M. Cobb, BSU director and member of First Baptist Church, Booneville, Miss., replacing James F. Yates, Yazoo City.

Also nominated for terms expiring in 1997: John Click, pastor of Immanuel Baptist Church, Wichita, Kansas., replacing Mark Patton, Topeka, who resigned; Douglas Lester Dutton, insurance defense trial lawyer and member of Central Baptist Church, Knoxville, Tenn., replacing James H. Cooley, Chattanooga, following Cooley's death.

Walter E. Davidson, pastor of Faith Baptist Church, Anchorage, Alaska, will be nominated for a term expiring in 1994 as the result of the resignation of Patricia B. Davidson, Anchorage; William R. Elliff, pastor of First Baptist Church, Little Rock, Ark., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1994, as the new member representing Arkansas; Robert Louis Sorrell, associate pastor of Bellevue Baptist Church, Cordova, Tenn., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1994 as the result of Donald Glen Whitt, Milan, moving out of state.

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Nominated for second terms are Richard M. Cagle, Gadsden, Ala.; Miriam Kibelbek, Port Charlotte, Fla.; John N. Bowman, Macon, Ga.; Paul F. House, Upland, Ind.; Terry L. Norris, Owensboro, Ky.; Jim Wells, Lee's Summit, Mo.; Ronald R. Huffman, Middletown, R.I.; David T. Button, Canton, N.Y.; Michael K. Moore, Wilmington, N.C.; Bill B. Horton, Asheville, N.C.; Johnnie L. Curtsinger, Broken Arrow, Okla.; Doug Westmoreland, Brentwood, Tenn.; Stan Coffey, Amarillo, Texas; Robert C. Jackson, Galax, Va.; Ronald L. Larson, Shepherdstown, W.Va.

FOREIGN MISSION BOARD (91 members): 28 nominations considered; 12 new members including a new representative from Arkansas and a new representative from Utah-Idaho; 16 renominations.

Nominees with terms to expire in 1997, replacing members ineligible for re-election, include:

Nancy Callahan, substitute teacher and member of First Baptist, Warrensburg, Mo., replacing Elizabeth Swadley, Springfield; Winston Gattis Perry, pastor of First Baptist, Garner, N.C., replacing Horace A. Hamm, Fuquay-Varina; Sam Friend, pastor of First Baptist, Bothell, Wash., replacing Harry L. Hannah, Buckley; Katherine Fortner, homemaker and member of Wallace Memorial Baptist Church, Knoxville, Tenn., replacing Morris H. Mills, Memphis; Cal Guy, retired missions professor from Southwestern Seminary and member of Oak Grove Baptist Church, Burleson, Texas, replacing Bonnie B. Westbrook, Beaumont; David P. Alexander, program manager for U.S. Navy and member of Stafford Baptist Church, Stafford, Va., replacing John M. Simms, Roanoke.

Also nominated for terms expiring in 1997: W.L. "Buddy" Hulsey Jr., pharmacist and member of First Baptist Church, Woodstock, Ga., replacing Ted Moody, Warner Robins, who resigned; L. Grant Dimitt, retired electrician and member of Calvary Baptist Church, Idaho Falls, Idaho, new member representing Utah-Idaho.

Billy Joe Beckett, interim pastor of Hebron Baptist Church, Pheba, Miss., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1994 as the result of Randy C. Davis, Vancleave, moving out of state; Robert M. Williamson, pastor of Park Place Baptist Church, Brandon, Miss., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1996 as the result of Terry L. Williams, Batesville, moving out of state; Richard D. Sisk, pastor of Broadmoor Baptist Church, Memphis, Tenn., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1995 as the result of the resignation of David L. Stephens Jr., Powell; Stephen P. Davis, pastor of First Baptist Church, Russellville, Ark., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1995 as the new member representing Arkansas.

Nominated for second terms are Robert J. Oxford, Lakewood, Colo.; William H. Faulkner Jr., Winter Garden, Fla.; William D. Richardson, Troy, Ill.; Roger D. Roberts, Wichita, Kansas.; Charles T. Gresham, Central City, Ky.; L.H. McCollough, Bastrop, La.; Ann Rowland, Roseville, Mich.; Michael D. Smith, Asheville, N.C.; Robert Reed Lynn, Shawnee, Okla.; Michael McGee, Bethany, Okla.; Karol S. Wise, Harrisburg, Pa.; Bobbie Jackson, Millington, Tenn.; LeRoy S. Smith, Houston; Terry L. Harper, Colonial Heights, Va.; J. Larry Holland, Rocky Mount, Va.; Russell Snead, Columbia, Va.

HOME MISSION BOARD (91 members): 26 nominations considered; 12 new members including a new representative from Arkansas and a new representative from Utah-Idaho; 14 renominations.

Nominees, with terms to expire in 1997, replacing members ineligible for re-election, include:

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Joyce Boatwright, homemaker and member of Aloma Baptist Church, Winter Park, Fla., replacing William F. Tanner, Tallahassee; John B. Thompson, mechanical engineer and member of Southside Baptist Church, Savannah, Ga., replacing Nelson L. Price, Marietta; Carol Cearley, homemaker and member of Calvary Baptist Church, Winston Salem, N.C., replacing Billy C. Sellers, Matthews; M. Randall Jones, pastor of Langston Memorial Baptist Church, Conway, S.C., replacing Alice Wahl Sanders, Bamberg; Ronald Stewart, pastor of Grace Baptist Church, Knoxville, Tenn., replacing Ron Phillips, Hixon; Bill Streich, general manager/owner of retail discount stores and member of First Baptist Church, Wichita Falls, Texas, replacing George H. Harris, San Antonio; Danny Souder, pastor of Northlake Baptist Church, Dallas, replacing Rudy Hernandez, San Antonio; John Edgar Culwell, pastor of First Baptist Church, Giddings, Texas, replacing Ralph Smith, Austin.

Also nominated for a term expiring in 1997: David Carver, pastor of First Southern Baptist Church, Caldwell, Idaho, new member representing Utah-Idaho.

Lois Jean Brice, homemaker and member of New Hope Baptist Church, Camp Verde, Ariz., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1994 as the result of the resignation of James Dennis Wilkins, Tucson; Jaffus L. Haley Jr., pastor of Calvary Southern Baptist Church, North Las Vegas, Nev., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1996 as the result of the resignation of David Doyel, Las Vegas. Wyndham Cook, retired chemical engineer and member of Memorial Baptist Church, Waldo, Ark., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1995 as the new member representing Arkansas.

Nominated for second terms are Randy P. Evers, Piedmont, Ala.; Michael R. Grebenik, Colorado Springs, Colo.; Wayne B. Goff, Punta Gorda, Fla.; Dana Walter Collett, Columbia, Md.; J. Greg Martin, Long Beach, Miss.; Marti Hefley, Hannibal, Mo.; James Guenther, Schenectady, N.Y.; Alfred R. Wright, Goldsboro, N.C.; Tina Rene Brewer, Roseburg, Ore.; Keith Russell, Elk City, Okla.; David Stone, Enid, Okla.; Tom Madden, Murfreesboro, Tenn.; Betty Haynes, Pell City, Ala.; Floyd Lee Battles Sr., Silver Creek, Ga.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD (93 members) 29 nominations considered; 12 new members including a new representative from Arkansas and a new representative from Utah-Idaho; 17 renominations. If approved by messengers, two local trustees will not be replaced.

Nominees with terms to expire in 1997, replacing members ineligible for re-election, include:

Rafael de Armas, pastor of Primera Iglesia Baptista, Orlando, Fla., replacing William E. Anderson, Clearwater; John Rice, president of Manchester Grocery and member of Manchester Baptist Church, Manchester, Ky., replacing John C. Wilson, Georgetown; Burnie L. Brooks, heavy equipment supervisor and member of West Ellisville Baptist Church, Ellisville, Miss., replacing W. Eugene Henderson, Brandon; Roy Mason, evangelist and member of Oak View Baptist Church, High Point, N.C., replacing Bruce C. Little, Durham; Kenneth R. Speakman, field representative of Gideons International and member of First Baptist Church Donelson, Nashville, replacing Floyd E. Williams, Memphis.

Also nominated for terms expiring in 1997: Timothy Clark, pastor of First Baptist Church, Palmer, Alaska, replacing Edward E. Wolfe, Soldotna, who resigned; Ben McCann, pastor of Swords Creek Community Baptist Church, Swords Creek, Va., replacing Russell Naron, Bristol, who resigned.

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Timothy George, professor at Beeson Divinity School, Samford University, and member of Shades Mountain Baptist Church, Birmingham, Ala., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1994 as the result of Douglas Sager, Birmingham, moving out of state; Ben J. Rowell, pastor of First Baptist Church, Rogers, Ark., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1995 as the new member representing Arkansas; Randy Myers, pastor of Pleasant View Baptist Church, White Bird, Idaho, will be nominated for a term expiring in 1994 as the new member representing Utah-Idaho; Ben Smith, general accountant and member of New Bethel Baptist Church, Norwood, Ohio, will be nominated for a term expiring in 1994 as the result of the resignation of Glen R. Stern, Grove City; Danny E. Bell, pastor of First Baptist Church, Incline Village, Nev., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1995 as the result of J. Barry Campbell, Reno, moving out of state.

Nominated for second terms are Sidney W. Nichols, Elmore, Ala.; Mark W. Brooks, Springdale, Ark.; E. H. Peery Jr., LaHabra, Calif.; Dennis E. Perkins, Broomfield, Colo.; Sheldon W. Benz, Altemonte Springs, Fla.; Talmadge S. Chandler, Franklin, Ga.; Larry W. Wynn, Dacula, Ga.; Lynda Ruth Barfield, Hattiesburg, Miss.; John L. Gilbert, Poplar Bluff, Mo.; Joe B. Brown, Charlotte, N.C.; Gary A. MacManamy, Midwest City, Okla.; Thomas R. Gullledge, Fort Mill, S.C.; Leon L. Bolton, Memphis, Tenn.; William J. Morris Jr., Denton, Texas; Dennis P. Lunsford, Humboldt, Tenn.; Burgess F. Guinn, Cornersville, Tenn.; Roy E. Miller, Lexington, Tenn.

ANNUITY BOARD (53 members): 13 nominations considered; 12 new members including a new representative from Arkansas and a new representative from Nevada; two renominations.

Nominees with terms to expire in 1997, replacing members ineligible for re-election, include:

Gerald E. Bowman, layman and member of First Baptist Church, Stuart, Fla., replacing F. Ray Turner, Jacksonville; Pete Sharber, pastor of First Baptist Church, Hazlehurst, Ga., replacing Erik W. Daniels, Marietta; Clark Brown, pastor of Grapevine Baptist Church, Madisonville, Ky., replacing Harold A. Stephens, Fort Thomas; Jim Hixon, retired school superintendent and member of Bethany Baptist Church, Lansing, Mich., replacing Thomas L. Martin, Auburn; David Sheppard, pastor of First Baptist Church, St. Charles, Mo., replacing John E. Owen, Cape Girardeau; Ivey D. Massey, insurance underwriter and member of Taylor Memorial Baptist Church, Hobbs, N.M., replacing C. Neal Johnson, Artesia; Guy Morton, pastor of Lakeview Baptist Church, Vermilion, Ohio, replacing James L. Bunch, Newtown; Dick Shackman, city manager and member of Immanuel Baptist Church, Princeton, W.Va., replacing Alvie L. Edwards, Fairlea.

Also nominated for terms expiring in 1997: Ken Lilly, medical doctor and member of First Baptist Church, Fort Smith, Ark., as the new member representing Arkansas; Rick Welch, owner of Steel Systems and member of Wrightsdale Baptist Church, Peach Bottom, Pa., replacing Gordon Shaklee, Cherry Hill, N.J., following Shaklee's death.

Michael Rochelle, pastor of West Oakey Baptist Church, Las Vegas Nev., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1994 as the new member representing Nevada.

Nominated for second terms are Paul Carter, Kemp, Texas; Richard C. Scott, Crawford, Texas.

**Committee nominates
seminary trustees**

NASHVILLE (BP)--Trustees to serve on the boards of the six Southern Baptist seminaries have been nominated by the 1993 Committee on Nominations.

Under convention bylaws, seminary trustees serve five-year terms and are eligible to serve two consecutive terms.

In order to serve, the trustees must be elected by messengers to the 1993 annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Houston, June 15-17.

SOUTHERN SEMINARY (64 members): 17 nominations, 10 new members including a new representative from Arkansas; 7 renominations.

Nominees with terms to expire in 1998, replacing members ineligible for re-election include:

Rodney F. Autry, pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church, Jackson, Ga., replacing Charles Q. Carter, Jonesboro; Lindell Reed, pastor of Birchwood Baptist Church, Independence, Mo., replacing R. Gary Taylor, St. Louis; Joey L. French, CPA and member of Rockhill Baptist Church, St. Louis, replacing Milton F. Morales, Independence; Fred Allen Steelman, pastor of Red Bank Baptist Church, Chattanooga, Tenn., replacing W. Wayne Allen, Cordova; Howard Baldwin, president of Multi-Media Evangelism Inc. and member of Bethany Place Baptist Church, Richmond, Va., replacing Julian H. Pentecost, Richmond.

Also nominated for terms expiring in 1998: Steven W. Schenewerk, pastor of Community Baptist Church, Winston, Ore., replacing Marion Truett Vance, Redmond, who resigned.

Charles H. Gibson, pastor of Northern Hills Baptist Church, Phoenix, Ariz., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1997 as the result of the resignation of Jim D. Prock, Chandler, who resigned; Orman W. Simmons, medical doctor and member of First Baptist Church, Little Rock, Ark., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1997, as the new member representing Arkansas; David L. Wilson, pastor of Southcrest Baptist Church, Lubbock, Texas, will be nominated for a term expiring in 1997 as the result of the resignation of Gene Russell, San Antonio; Charles Barnes, executive vice president of First National Bank and member of East Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1995 as the result of the resignation of Joe D. Cross, Louisville.

Nominated for second terms are Michael A. Northcutt, Montgomery, Ala.; Don W. Graham, Birmingham, Ala.; Dennis P. Saller, Melbourne, Fla.; O. Carroll Karkalits, Lake Charles, La.; John S. Allen, Richton, Miss.; Paul B. Stam Jr., Apex, N.C.; John G. Hicks, Louisville, Ky.

SOUTHWESTERN SEMINARY (40 members): 14 nominations considered; 11 new members including a new representative from Nevada; 3 renominations.

Nominees with terms to expire in 1998, replacing members ineligible for re-election include:

Edward Litton, pastor of Mountain View Baptist Church, Tucson, Ariz., replacing William P. Crotts, Phoenix; Willie R. Brumfield, pastor of Rolling Creek Baptist Church, Quitman, Miss., replacing Bartis Harper, Tylertown; Richard N. McClure, director of missions for Frisco Baptist Association and member of First Baptist Church, Hugo, Okla., replacing Hugo T. Lindquist, Oklahoma City.

Also nominated for terms expiring in 1998: James L. Leftwich, pastor of Harbor City Baptist Church, Melbourne, Fla., replacing Robert E. Reccord, Brandon, who moved out of state; Miles Seaborn Jr., pastor of Birchman Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Texas, replacing Richard Barrett, Denton, who resigned.

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Michael D. Marshall, sergeant, U.S. Capitol Police and member of Temple Hills Baptist Church, Temple Hills, Md., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1994 as the result of Byron L. Ramsey, Temple Hills, moving out of state; Craig Atherton, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church, Wichita, Kansas, will be nominated for a term expiring in 1994 as the result of Charles Baggett, Haysville, moving out of state; Theodore E. Russell, owner of Russell Insurance Agency and member of First Baptist Church, Aztec, N.M., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1996 as the result of the resignation of K. R. "Bud" Funk, Bloomfield; John E. Babb, pastor of First Baptist Church, Ely, Nevada, will be nominated for a term expiring in 1996, as the new member representing Nevada; Robert C. Burch, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Knoxville, Tenn., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1995 as the result of Ron S. Lewis, Franklin, moving out of state; William W. Wyrick, pastor of Ceres Baptist Church, Bluefield, W.Va., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1996 as the result of Everett W. Powell Jr., Berkeley Springs, moving out of state.

Nominated for second terms are Danny Williams, Thornton, Colo.; Lula F. Walker, Beaverton, Ore.; George Lee Weaver, Fort Worth, Texas.

NEW ORLEANS SEMINARY (40 members): 11 nominations considered; 6 new members including a new representative from Nevada; 5 renominations.

Nominees with terms to expire in 1988, replacing members ineligible for re-election include:

Charles M. Holloway, pastor of Highland Park Baptist Church, Monroe, La., replacing Milton L. Williams, Shreveport; James Ellis Davison, layman and member of Temple Baptist Church, Ruston, La., replacing David R. Carley, Baton Rouge.

Also nominated for terms expiring in 1988: Davis L. Cooper, pastor of University Hills Baptist Church, Denver, replacing Mel McClellan, Rifle, Colo., who moved out of state; Elizabeth S. Peterson, medical director and member of Calvary Baptist Church, Greenwood, Ind., replacing Martin F. King, Anderson, who moved out of state.

Kyle Oliver, CPA for U.S. Postal Service and member of Temple Hills Baptist Church, Temple Hills, Md., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1997 as the result of the resignation of Donald A. Dunnavant, Gaithersburg; Patrick Charles Pfrimmer, pastor of Toomsaba Baptist Church, Toomsaba, Miss., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1994 as the result of J. Roy McComb, Columbia, moving out of state.

Nominated for second terms are Gary A. Enfinger, Thomasville, Ala.; Richard "Rick" Meigs, Portland, Ore.; Fred L. Lowery, Bossier City, La.; Cynthia S. Thompson, Monroe, La.; Dennis W. Swanberg, West Monroe, La.

SOUTHEASTERN SEMINARY (30 members): 7 nominations considered; 3 new members; 4 renominations.

Nominees with terms to expire in 1998, replacing members ineligible for re-election include:

Charles W. Waller, pastor of Fork Baptist Church, Bumpass, Va., replacing W. Jerry Holcomb, Virginia Beach; Elmer J. Dryden, layman and member of Hickory Grove Baptist Church, Charlotte, N.C., replacing William D. Delahoyde, Raleigh.

William Gregory Horton, licensed public accountant and member of Temple Baptist Church, Simpsonville, S.C., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1995 as the result of the resignation of James W. Herron, Greenville.

Nominated for second terms are Edwin L. Bailey, Placentia, Calif.; Jerre Brannen, Gainesville, Fla.; Clarence R. Brock, Yorktown, Ind.; Daniel E. Johnston Sr., Jonesville, S.C.

MIDWESTERN SEMINARY (35 members): 7 nominations considered; 2 new members; 5 renominations.

Nominees with terms to expire in 1998, replacing members ineligible for re-election include:

Ronald A. Fullerton Sr., pastor of First Baptist Church, El Sobrante, Calif., replacing Sid Peterson, Bakersfield; L. Joe McKinney, pastor of First Baptist Church, Albuquerque, N.M., replacing A.C. Woodburn, Las Cruces.

Nominated for second terms are Ronnie W. Rogers, Hot Springs, Ark.; Claude B. McHan, Stringer, Miss.; James B. Dobbs, Dublin, Ohio; Marvin T. Nobles, Mapaville, Mo.; Allen R. Bartlett, Gallatin, Mo.

GOLDEN GATE SEMINARY (39 members): 9 nominations considered; 5 new members including a new representative from Nevada; 4 renominations.

Nominees with terms to expire in 1997, replacing members ineligible for re-election include:

Mahlon Morley, layman and member of First Baptist Church, Belle Plaine, Kansas, replacing Randy C. Strassburg, Wichita; Jerry A. Coleman, pastor of First Baptist Church of Lake Hills, Bellevue, Wash., replacing Gordon D. Green, Eugene, Ore.

Also nominated for terms expiring in 1998: Richard Johnson, pastor of Parkview Baptist Church, Greenville, Miss., replacing Bobby R. Arnold, Jackson, who resigned; Donald H. Ledbetter, director of evangelism and member of South Reno Baptist Church, Reno, Nevada, new member representing Nevada.

Cactus J. Cagle, attorney and member of Grace North Baptist Church, Houston, will be nominated for a term expiring in 1996 as the result of the resignation of John D. Morgan, Houston.

Nominated for second terms are Billie L. Veatch, Tucson, Ariz.; Barrett Duke Jr., Littleton, Colo.; Darrell Gabbard, Dublin, Ohio; Edgar T. Anderson, Renton, Wash.

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Trustees nominated for
commissions, committees

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SOUTHERN BAPTIST FOUNDATION: (35 members): 10 nominations considered; five new members; five renominations.

Replacing members ineligible for re-election include:

Stephen Swofford, Rockwall, Texas, representing the Home Mission Board, term expiring in 1996, replacing Ralph M. Smith, Austin; William M. Hamm, Shreveport, La., representing New Orleans Seminary, term expiring in 1994, replacing Milton L. Williams, Shreveport; James W. Richard Jr., Baton Rouge, La., representing the Christian Life Commission, term expiring in 1996; replacing J.W. Atchison, Rogers, Ark.

At-large nominees with terms to expire in 1997, replacing members ineligible for re-election, include: Lee O. Crowder Jr., Franklin, Tenn., layman and member of First Baptist Church, Franklin, replacing Robert H. Wilhite, Hendersonville.

Robert L. Zinn, San Bernardino, Calif., representing Golden Gate Seminary, term expiring in 1997, replacing John D. Morgan, Houston, who has resigned.

Members being renominated for terms expiring in 1997 are Gary A. MacManamy, Midwest City, Okla., representing the Sunday School Board; Kenneth L. King, New Braunfels, Texas, representing the Brotherhood Commission.

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At-large members being renominated for terms expiring in 1997 are Leonard M. Brannan, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Ronald L. Bryant, Redmond, Ore.; Kelly Cox, Amarillo, Texas.

AMERICAN BAPTIST SEMINARY (16 members): three nominations considered; one new member; two renominations.

Nominee with term to expire in 1997, replacing member ineligible for re-election, is Max Brand III, member of Newport News Baptist Church, Newport News, Va., replacing George W. Lampkin, Norfolk.

Nominated for second terms are Robert F. Loggins Sr., St. Louis; W. Paul Hall, Brentwood, Tenn.

EDUCATION COMMISSION (21 members): six nominations considered; two new members, four renominations.

Nominee with term to expire in 1997, replacing member ineligible for re-election: C. Mack Roark, vice president for religious life at Oklahoma Baptist University and member of First Baptist Church, Shawnee, Okla., replacing Bob R. Agee, Shawnee.

Lawrence W. Byous, missions development coordinator and member of Sandia Baptist Church, Clovis, N.M., replacing Judy Brandon, Clovis, N.M., who resigned.

Nominated for second terms are Jerry M. Henry, Selma, Ala.; James E. McDaniel, Brinkley, Ark.; Max Kell, Sacramento, Calif.; Gregory W. Brockman, Morrison, Colo.

BROTHERHOOD COMMISSION (32 members): eight nominations considered; four new members including a new representative from Nevada; four renominations.

Nominees with terms to expire in 1997, replacing members ineligible for re-election, include:

John Charles Brown, government contract worker and member of Mississippi Avenue Baptist Church, Aurora, Colo., replacing Charles E. Englebrecht, Northglenn; James (Skip) Owens, pastor of Pinecrest Baptist Church, Charleston, S.C., replacing William T. Brown, Columbia; Mark A. Lassiter, managing partner of Price Waterhouse CPA firm and member of Germantown Baptist Church, Germantown, Tenn., replacing Thomas W. Daniels, Germantown.

Also nominated for a term expiring in 1997: Dan Banghart, mining engineer and member of Calvary Baptist Church, Elko, Nevada, new member representing Nevada.

Nominated for second terms are J.L. McCollough, Newport Beach, Calif.; David J. Partin, Clermont, Fla.; Joseph H. Arbuckle, Salem, Ore.; Kenneth L. King, New Braunfels, Texas.

CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMISSION (39 members): 13 nominations considered; seven new members including a new representative from Nevada; six renominations.

Nominees with terms to expire in 1997, replacing members ineligible for re-election, include:

Tony Preston, pastor of First Baptist Church, Bentonville, Ark., replacing J.W. Atchison, Rogers, Ark.; Al Phillips, associate pastor of First Baptist Church, North Spartanburg, S.C., replacing Harry A. Lane, Greenwood.

Also nominated for a term expiring in 1997 was Earl W. Morley, pastor of Temple Baptist Church, Sparks, Nevada, new member representing Nevada.

Duane J. Faulkenberry, pastor of First Baptist Church, Vienna, Ill., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1994 as the result of Thomas Rae Roberson, McHenry, moving out of state; Claude M. Witt, layman and member of Farmdale Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1994 as the result of the resignation of Jerry B. Hopkins, Paducah; Charles D. Page, pastor of First Baptist Church, Charlotte, N.C., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1995 as the result of William Todd Morris, Bessemer City, moving out of state; Orion Rhodes, pastor of Lancaster Baptist Church, Gettysburg, Pa., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1995 as the result of Jeffrey W. Rees, Moorestown, N.J., moving out of state.

Nominated for second terms are William E. Whitfield, Mobile, Ala.; Joy McClung, Bloomington, Calif.; Richard A. Long Jr., Grand Junction, Colo.; Arthur L. McGehee, Ocala, Fla.; Nancy Schaefer, Atlanta; John L. Yeats, Grand Prairie, Texas.

HISTORICAL COMMISSION (30 members): nine nominations considered; six new members including a new representative from Nevada; three renominations.

Nominees with terms to expire in 1997, replacing members ineligible for re-election, include:

Elizabeth Wells, special collection librarian at Samford University and member of Vestavia Hills Baptist Church, Birmingham, Ala., replacing Marlene H. Rikard, Birmingham; William Parr, associate pastor of First Southern Baptist Church, Tucson, Ariz., replacing Gaylon Cothorn, Phoenix.

Also nominated for terms expiring in 1997: Joyce A. Austin, layperson and member of Kendall Baptist Church, Temple Hills, Md., replacing Glenna Johnson, Washington, D.C., moving out of state; Charlie G. Cooper, pastor of Burkhalter Baptist Church, Savannah, Ga., replacing Furman B. Hendrix, Cartersville, who resigned; Debbie Simmons, layperson and member of Highland Hills Baptist Church, Henderson, Nevada, new member representing Nevada.

James A. Joyce, pilot in the U.S. Air Force and member of Blue Valley Baptist Church, Olathe, Kansas, will be nominated for a term expiring in 1994 as the result of the resignation of John C. Dyer; Wichita.

Nominated for second terms are Leon B. Hataway, Grand Junction, Colo.; Jerald Hicks, Orlando, Fla.; Slayden A. Yarbrough, Shawnee, Okla.

RADIO AND TELEVISION COMMISSION (30 members): 10 nominations considered; five new members including a new representative from Nevada; five renominations.

Nominees with terms to expire in 1997, replacing members ineligible for re-election include:

Mark S. Hickman, pastor of Coronado Baptist Church, Scottsdale, Ariz., replacing Leroy Stevens, Phoenix; Jerry Holbert, minister of music and youth at Orchard Crest Baptist Church, Springfield, Mo., replacing Richard L. Wakefield, Camdenton; George Edward Rhodes Jr., president and general manager of Fluid Machinery Corp. and member of Charleston Baptist Church, Charleston, S.C., replacing Michael S. Hamlet, Spartanburg.

Phillip W. Holt, president of Etex, Ltd. and member of West Oakey Baptist Church, Las Vegas, Nevada, will be nominated for a term expiring in 1994 as the new member representing Nevada; Helen B. George, layperson and member of Providence Baptist Church, Raleigh, N.C., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1996 as the result of Mary P. Brock, Greensboro, moving out of state.

Nominated for second terms are C. Wyman Copass, Louisville, Ky.; Billy R. Thomas, Lafayette, La.; Dallas W. Bumgarner, Pasadena, Md.; Neil G. Arveschous, Veradale, Wash.; Don Hulsey, Bradford, Pa.

STEWARDSHIP COMMISSION (30 members): 10 nominations considered; seven new members including a new representative from Nevada; three renominations.

Nominees with terms to expire in 1997, replacing members ineligible for re-election, include:

Claude W. Cone, state executive director and member of First Baptist Church, Albuquerque, N.M., replacing B. Lee Black, Albuquerque; Robert L. Mobley, pastor of Tsena Commocko Baptist Church, Providence Forge, Va., replacing Joe E. Burton, Radford.

Also nominated for a term expiring in 1997: M. Allen Hughes, pastor of Lizella Baptist Church, Lizella, Ga., replacing O. Eugene Tyre, Newnan, who resigned; George Brilllos, retired Social Security administration division chief and member of Colonial Baptist Church, Randallstown, Md., replacing Susie B. Bonander, Baltimore, who resigned.

Ronald M. Yarbrough, pastor of Warren Baptist Church, Indianapolis, will be nominated for a term expiring in 1995 as the result of Alvin L. Reid, Indianapolis, moving out of state; Benny J. King, pastor of First Baptist Church, Fenton, Mo., will be nominated for a term expiring in 1995 as the result of Gary D. Collins, Jefferson City, moving out of state; Larry Daley, pastor of First Baptist Church, Gardnerville, Nevada, will be nominated for a term expiring in 1994 as the new member representing Nevada.

Nominated for second terms are Rosemary Wilson, Glen Carbon, Ill.; J. Dore Langley, St. Martinville, La.; Richard G. Hicks, Fayetteville, N.C.

ORDER OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE (six members): two nominations considered; one new position; one nomination for chairman.

Nominee with term to expire in 1996, replacing member ineligible for re-election, is L. Bert Miller, pastor of First Baptist Church, Springdale, Ark., replacing Ronald K. Edwards, Greer, S.C.

Fred Powell, Moore, Okla., was renominated as chairman.

DENOMINATIONAL CALENDAR COMMITTEE (six members): three nominations considered; two new positions; one nomination for chairman.

Nominees with terms to expire in 1996, replacing members ineligible for re-election, include:

Russell H. Lewis, treasurer of Wiggy's, Inc., and member of Central Baptist Church, Clifton, Colo., replacing V.M. "Bob" Piland, Tulsa, Okla.; Wade Burleson, pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church, Enid, Okla., replacing Newman N. Antonson, Wichita, Kansas.

Doug Jackson, Fountain Hills, Ariz., was nominated as chairman.

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Christians must initiate
racial healing, speakers say

By Tom Strode

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WILLIAMSBURG, Va. (BP)--White Christians in America bear the responsibility of initiating racial reconciliation, Southern Baptist spokesman Richard Land said at a recent conference, while the director of a national campus ministry for blacks said no follower of Christ should wait for someone else to take the initiative.

Garland Hunt, national director of New Generation Campus Ministries, and Land, executive director of the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission, made their assertions during a conference on racial reconciliation at the College of William and Mary. The meeting was sponsored by the Baptist Student Union, New Generation and several other ministries on the Williamsburg, Va., campus.

It is "up to the perpetrators to take the initiative," Land said. "It is up to us, those of us who are caucasians, we've got the burden of (showing) that we really want change, that we really are sorry, that we really seek reconciliation, that we really seek harmony, friendship and relationship."

Servanthood among blacks and whites who share Jesus as their master is necessary to solve the nation's racial problem, Hunt said.

"I want to say to black America, but I want to say to anybody as a Christian, you shouldn't allow another group to beat you to initiate reconciliation," Hunt said.

"The solution must be serving, because if a person slaps you on one cheek, you know the only way that you're going to be free from ... wanting to slap him right back is to allow him to slap you on the other one."

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It "takes guts to do this, because you're going to be abused, misunderstood, rejected," Hunt said. "If you're black, you're going to be called 'Uncle Tom.'

"This is a problem of the church, not a problem of black people or a problem of white people We may have come over here in different boats, but we're in the same boat now.

"When God looks down on this nation, he wants to know first what are the people of God doing in regard to the problem," Hunt said.

White Christians need not only be sorry but confess their sorrow for the treatment of black people in this country, Land said.

"I can't repent for what (others) did, but I can say, 'I'm sorry,'" Land said. "We must live and practice what we preach."

Christians must "reach out beyond the barriers and begin to establish multiracial friendships . . . where we have each other's families in our homes, where we are in church together . . . in Sunday school class together . . . on picnics together . . . on vacations together," Land said.

"We will not solve our problem as long as the most segregated moment in American life is Sunday morning when we gather to worship our God."

Hunt and Land, as well as the other speaker, area pastor Gary Burden, agreed racial conflict was a problem of sin, not skin color.

The gospel of Jesus is the "only message that addresses the sin problem," said Burden, pastor of Deer Park Baptist Church in Newport News, Va., "and until you address the sin problem, you're never going to address the race problem.

"You see, reconciliation among men is based upon reconciliation with God through Jesus Christ."

Hunt said he pursued Islam, Marxism, socialism and pan-Africanism but was not healed of his bitterness toward whites until he "surrendered to (God) completely."

In the inner city, blacks kill each other "because we have not resolved the issue of hatred and unforgiveness," Hunt said.

About 75 people, mostly students, attended the early April meeting. Land said he was encouraged by the diversity of races in the audience but discouraged that there were not more whites, though they were at least a plurality.

It shows "people of color still have hope," Land said. "I'm not sure I would have been as patient as they are."

The failure of more whites to attend demonstrates "individual insensitivity" and a "lack of awareness of the depth of the problem," Land said.

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Strip's homosexual theme opens door
for parent-child talk, counselors say

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By William H. Perkins Jr.

JACKSON, Miss. (BP)--While the homosexual theme of a national comic strip has created an uproar in religious circles, Baptist counselors suggest that Christian parents use the opportunity to talk to their children about the issue in a spiritual context.

Lynn Johnston, author of the popular "For Better or For Worse" serial comic strip, has penned a story line that follows a teen-age boy as he struggles with reaction of friends and family to his announcement that he is homosexual. The latest installments show a growing acceptance of his lifestyle by his best friend and his family, all of whom had initially shunned him.

The theme of the strip has, understandably, generated intense reactions.

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"All Christians should now come together to not only fight this blight on our nation, but all the others that seem to be cropping up since we decided to knuckle under like a bunch of cowards to the powers that be," read a recent letter to the editor of The Baptist Record, Mississippi Baptists' newsjournal. "I refuse to believe ... that our Lord and Savior intended for us as Christians to set idly by and allow the enemy to run over us,"

Christian professionals who counsel people on sexuality say there is little chance the strip will alter someone's sexual identity, and they add there are positive ways to use the strip for discussion of a front-burner issue that has, or soon will, confront most Baptists, their children and their churches.

Buddy Wagner, director of counseling and career development at Mississippi College in Clinton, does not believe the strip will affect a person's sexual orientation.

"It would not cause someone to be homosexual; homosexuality is more complicated than that. It might convince some young people to see it as acceptable, however," he said.

Wagner recommended that Christians assure themselves they have considered the whole picture when reacting to the strip.

"Context is important. What image is being presented?" he asked.

Ron Mumbower, minister for counseling at First Baptist Church in Jackson, Miss., said, "I don't like it, but there is a greater issue: Parents ought to be aware of what is going on and be able to handle it in an appropriate manner."

Mumbower said the strip is an indication of the social pressure faced by American children.

"It affirms that children are being bombarded with this type of information. When that happens, children look for authority from home -- their parents. We don't have to be 'the answer man,' but if we abdicate our role, someone else can take our children and tell them that they have the truth," he pointed out.

"The only way to overcome homosexuality is to build stronger families by building closer relationships among family members," he said.

Mumbower added his young children read comics, and he intends to talk with them about the strip.

"This is a challenge to Christian parents. It is an opportunity to discuss family values with our children," he said.

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**Directors of missions
to look to future**

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HOUSTON (BP)--"Looking Toward Tomorrow" will be the theme of the June 13-14 meeting of the Southern Baptist Conference of Associational Directors of Missions at Houston's Stouffer Presidente Hotel.

Larry McSwain, newly-elected president of Shorter College in Georgia and provost at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky., and Stan Nelson, Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary professor, will be among the speakers presenting a future-oriented look at the work of Baptist associations.

A. Kenneth Chadwick, director of missions for Baptist work in the Salt Lake City area, is the association's current president.

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Southern Baptist Conference of Associational Directors of Missions
 Annual Meeting
 June 13-14, 1993
 Stouffer Presidente Hotel
 Houston
 Theme: "Looking Toward Tomorrow"

Sunday morning

10:30 Worship Service -- T.O. Spicer, director of missions, Joplin, Mo., worship leader; Marvin Nobles, director of missions, Mapaville, Mo., preacher

Sunday afternoon

1:00 Hymn -- "Churches in Association" -- Jim Freedman, director of missions, Nashville

Invocation -- David Dean, director of missions, New York City

Welcome -- Jim Harrington, director of missions, Houston

Special Music -- Jim Freedman

Bible Study -- Stan Nelson, professor, Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, Mill Valley, Calif.

Hymn -- Jim Freedman

"Looking Toward Tomorrow in the Local Association" -- Larry Rose, director of missions, Fort Worth, Texas

Recognition of New Directors of Missions -- Charles Nunn, director of missions, Richmond, Va.

Prayer

2:20 Break

2:40 Hymn Medley -- Jim Freedman

Prayer

President's Address -- A. Kenneth Chadwick, director of missions, Salt Lake City

Hymn -- Jim Freedman

"Looking Toward Tomorrow with World Changers" -- Tommy Karn, director of missions, Ridgeland, S.C.

Prayer

4:00 Break

4:20 Hymn -- Jim Freedman

Prayer

"Looking Toward Tomorrow from a Spouse's Point of View" -- Judy Edwards, wife of retired director of missions, and church products editor and wife of retired director of missions, Gallup, N.M.

Group Sharing

"The Role of the DOM in Looking Toward Tomorrow" -- Martin Rose, director of missions, Kansas City, Mo.

Special Music -- Lee Walker, director of missions, Baytown, Texas

Address: "The Association in Our Baptist Future as We are Looking Toward Tomorrow" -- Larry McSwain, provost, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

Prayer

5:40 Break

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Sunday evening

7:00 Banquet -- Sponsored by the Sunday School Board
Recognition of the State DOM Presidents -- Paul Stripling, director of
missions, Waco, Texas
Recognition of Former Presidents -- Tommy Knotts, director of missions,
Graniteville, S.C.
Sunday School Board Program

Monday morning

8:00 Hymn Medley -- Jim Freedman
Prayer
Bible Study -- Stan Nelson
Welcome to Orlando -- Ed Gilstrap, director of missions, Orlando, Fla.
Report: Open Circuit -- Grayson Glass, editor, director of missions, La
Marque, Texas
Report: Secretary -- Charles B. Nunn
Recognition of Retiring DOMs -- Glen Hickey, director of missions, Little
Rock, Ark.
"Looking toward Tomorrow in Meaningful Retirement" -- Carl Duck, retired
director of missions, Nashville
Prayer
9:15 Break
9:35 Hymn Medley -- Jim Freedman
Prayer
Report of Nominating Committee -- Floyd Collins, director of missions,
Coventry, R.I.
"Looking Toward Tomorrow in Student Work" -- Lewis Lee, director of
missions, San Antonio, Texas
Report: Treasurer -- John Dent, retired director of missions, Walhalla, S.C.
Special Music -- Doyle Neal, director of missions, Lexington, Tenn.
"Looking Toward Tomorrow from a Spiritual Perspective" -- Don Reed, director
of missions, Kansas City, Kansas
Miscellaneous Business -- A. Kenneth Chadwick
Prayer
10:30 Break
10:50 Hymn -- Jim Freedman
Prayer
Recognition of Anniversaries -- Charles B. Nunn
Installation of New Officers -- Russell Bennett, director of missions,
Louisville, Ky.
Hymn -- Jim Freedman
Entertainment -- Barry Landrum, staff member, Second Baptist Church, Houston
Prayer
12:30 Luncheon -- Sponsored by the Annuity Board SBC
Program -- Paul Powell, president, Annuity Board, Dallas

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