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Indiana Calls 3 Area Missionaries To Serve

PLAINFIELD, Ind.--(BP)--The State Convention of Baptists in Indiana, through its executive board, has extended calls to three ministers to serve as area missionaries in the state of Indiana, to begin service Apr. 1.

Executive Secretary E. Harmon Moore, Plainfield, said the three men are Leonard Whitlock of Plainfield; C. E. Wiley of Sellersburg, Ind.; and H. J. Conger of Speedway, Ind.

Whitlock has been serving as area missionary in central Indiana employed by the Illinois Baptist State Association. He has served in this capacity since October, 1956. His new area of service will be a 20-county area in northwest section of the state.

Wiley has been serving as area missionary in southern Indiana employed by the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky. He has served this field since February, 1958. The 25-county southwest area will be served by Wiley.

Conger comes from the pastorate of the Speedway Baptist Church, where he has served since May, 1956. The northeast section will be served by Conger. There are 20 counties in this area.

The mission program of the State Convention of Baptists in Indiana is a joint program known as the "State Convention Associational Mission Program." It includes the co-operative efforts of the convention, six associations of churches in the state, and Southern Baptist Convention through its Home Mission Board.

Each of these three Baptist bodies is having a part financially in this mission program. The state is divided into four sectors and a missionary is to be placed in each area.

The Indiana convention was organized in October, 1958, and became operative last Jan. 1. There are six associations in the state of Indiana, with 113 churches with a membership of 20,418.

Churches were formerly affiliated with Kentucky or Illinois general associations.

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Russian Baptists Send Their Easter Greeting

NASHVILLE--(BP)--Russian Baptists sent Easter greetings to their Southern Baptist Convention brethren.

Text of a telegram from two Russian Baptist leaders to Brooks Hays, Convention president, read:

"We send the warmest Easter greeting to you, to your home, and to all Baptists of the Southern Baptist Convention and wish you all fullness of peace, joy, and power from risen Christ."

Filed at Moscow, it was signed by Jakov Zhidkov and Alexander Karev. Zhidkov, president of the All-Union Council of Evangelical Christian Baptists, and Karev, its general secretary, were guests at the 1956 Convention session in Kansas City, Mo.

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Louie Newton Marks
30th Pastoral Year

ATLANTA--(BP)--Louie Devotie Newton began his 30th year as pastor of the Druid Hills Baptist Church here Apr. 5.

Newton was editor of The Christian Index, Georgia Baptist weekly newspaper, for 10 years before going to Druid Hills Church. It has been his only pastorate.

He is a former president of both the Georgia and Southern Baptist Conventions. Newton has served as chairman of the special committee investigating the faculty-administration difficulties at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

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Louisville Area Folk
Urged To Commute

LOUISVILLE--(BP)--Because of the great demand for accommodations here, beyond the capacity of motel and hotel space, Baptists living in a reasonable driving distance of the city have been urged to commute to and from sessions of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Southern Baptist Convention May 18-19.

Mrs. Carl W. Liebert of Louisville is local general chairman of arrangements for the WMU session, being assisted by Mrs. Fred N. Hardy.

Other chairmen of WMU arrangements (all of Louisville) are:

Registration, Mrs. W. W. Sanders; hospitality, Mrs. John T. Steverson; finance, Mrs. W. H. Jaegle; publicity, Mrs. Carroll Hubbard; information, Mrs. John Cain; pages, Mrs. Paul Linde; exhibits, Mrs. Charles P. Gunther; courtesy cars, Mrs. Edwin Perry; ushers, Mrs. Rollin S. Burhans; decorations for auditorium, Mrs. V. V. Cooke.

Personnel (local talent), Mrs. J. Chester Durham; first aid, Mrs. M. D. Morton; pageantry, Mrs. Charles McGlon; lost and found checkroom, Mrs. Harold E. Jenkins; nursery, Mrs. A. B. Colvin; lounge, Mrs. Lyle Pearce, and executive committee luncheon, Mrs. Mildred Haswell.

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