

REV. ALAN W. COMPTON
Vice President, Office of Communications

- Born:** May 22, 1929, in Raleigh, N.C., and lived in nearby Garner, N.C.
- Education:** Received the bachelor of arts degree in radio and television from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, and the master of divinity degree from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, N.C.
- Married:** Jane Luther of Raleigh, N.C.
- Children:** Two grown sons.
- Prior experience:** Pastor of Bethany Baptist Church, Baskerville, Va. Earlier he was a radio and TV announcer and producer in Dunn, Wilmington and Raleigh, N.C.
- Previous Foreign Mission Board assignments:** Appointed missionary in October 1960. Spanish language study for one year in San Jose, Costa Rica. Directed the radio-TV ministry of Chilean Baptists and was pastor of Renca Baptist Church, Santiago, Chile, for three years. Media consultant for Latin America, 1966-83, he was stationed in Mexico City, Mexico. His primary objective was to advance the use of radio and television by Spanish-speaking Baptists in Middle and South America and the Caribbean, and Portuguese-speaking Baptists in Brazil. He also acted as a consultant and a liaison among the Southern Baptist representatives in Latin America, the Foreign Mission Board, and the Southern Baptist Radio and TV Commission. Resigned May 31, 1983, to join FMB home office staff. Senior media consultant, Foreign Mission Board, 1983-April, 88.
- Current assignment:** Vice President, Office of Communications, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va. He provides leadership for the board's Communications Office, offers a communications perspective as a member of its 11-member Global Strategy Group, that deals with strategic planning for global evangelization and represents the board in communications matters to other boards, agencies, associations and groups.