

Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary
Wake Forest, North Carolina

FOUNDERS' DAY

March 10, 1981

President W. Randall Lolley, *Presiding*

Prelude — March ("Richard III") *William Walton*
Benedictus *Alex Routley*
Professor James W. Good, *Organist*

Invocation President Lolley

*Hymn No. 32 — "Immortal, Invisible,
God Only Wise" *St. Denio*

Recognitions President Lolley

Introduction of the Speaker President Lolley

Anthem — "Greater Love Hath No Man" *John Ireland*
Chapel Ensemble
Professor Ben S. Johnson, *Director*

Address—"Southeastern Seminary - Whence, What, Whither" . .
James E. Tull, *Professor Emeritus of Theology*

*Seminary Hymn *Edward A. McDowell, Jr.*
Professor of New Testament Interpretation 1952-1964

Ordained of God, His Prophets rise, They seek not gain nor earthly prize, They heed the challenge of Christ's call, They ask to give and spend their all.	The rights of man we shall defend, Our strength to justice ever lend, The sins of greed, of caste and war, Bring men and nations to abhor.
Anointed heralds bold to speak, But in our ways like Jesus meek, In lowly place or distant land, We go forth now to take our stand.	We thank our God for kindly years, For fellowship through joy and tears, For learning and for friendly toil, For faith to sow in every soil.
Our message be the gospel plain, Our joy its power o'er sin's dark stain; Born from above the sinner lives, New life in Christ the Spirit gives!	Bind us in brotherhood, we pray. As from this place we go today, And keep our feet in paths made light, By Jesus' truth and glory bright! Amen.

*Benediction President Lolley

Postlude — Fanfare *Guy H. Eldridge*

*Congregation standing

26. M. F. Ewton, Oklahoma, read Philippians 2:1-6 and led in the opening prayer.

27. J. W. Storer, Oklahoma, brought the report of the Committee on Theological Education, with the following recommendations which were adopted after discussion and amendment of Item No. 3 by John D. Freeman, Tennessee:

Recommendations

Bible Schools

1. We recommend to the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention that most favorable consideration be given to the requests of mountain students who may desire to study in such institutions as Clear Creek Bible Institute of Pineville, Kentucky, or the Baptist Bible Institute of Lakeland, Florida, provided such institutions are approved by their respective state conventions and that the income from the Opdyke scholarship fund be made available for said students; that the amount of aid annually to each student be increased from \$50 to \$150, if possible; that the ceiling of a total of \$500 per year of aid to students in these institutions be lifted and the number of students aided be increased to the largest possible number.

2. We further recommend that the Southern Baptist Foundation be instructed to create a Trust, the income of which will be used to aid worthy students who may desire to study in Bible schools of the type mentioned in Recommendation 1, and that the Foundation shall determine how such funds shall be administered.

3. We recommend that the Southern Baptist Convention do not undertake for the present to operate Bible institutes. ("for the present" added by Freeman amendment)

Western Seminary

4. We recommend that the location of the Western Seminary be the present site of the Golden Gate Seminary at Grove and Addison Streets, Berkeley, California.

5. That the articles of incorporation be as follows: (See report, page 410).

6. That the Convention proceed to elect trustees as prescribed in the articles of incorporation, and take such legal steps as are necessary to establish same, and to acquire the assets of the Golden Gate Seminary, with the understanding that no liabilities will be assumed except those existing as of May 8, 1950, unless approved by a majority of the trustees elected by the Southern Baptist Convention at the time the liability is incurred.

7. That the transfer of ownership and control of all properties of the Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary of the Southern Baptist Convention of California shall be made on or before January 1, 1951.

8. That we instruct the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention to advance funds to provide the expenses incident to the said transfer.

Seminary in the East

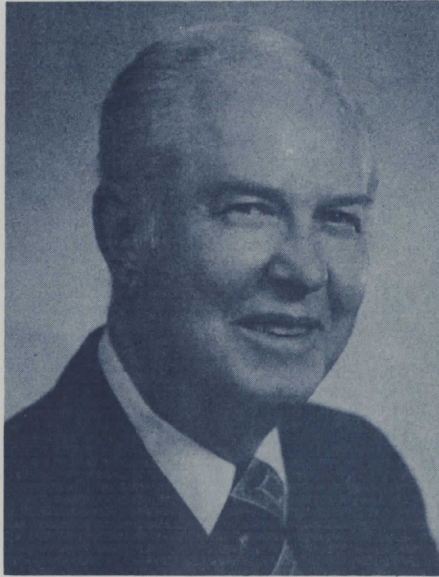
9. We recommend that the seminary in the East be located in Wake Forest, North Carolina, and that it be named "The Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Inc."

10. That we accept the offer of the Wake Forest College Trustees and as ratified by the North Carolina State Convention, and that the Southern Baptist Convention pay Wake Forest College the sum of \$1,600,000; \$300,000 on or before January 1, 1952, with the expressed hope of annual payments thereafter being not less than \$300,000, and with the provision that the Convention will pay the entire sum on or before January 1, 1961.

11. We recommend that articles of incorporation for The Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary be as follows (see report, page 414).

12. That this Convention proceed to elect the trustees of The Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Inc., as prescribed in the articles of incorporation and to instruct the said trustees to take such legal steps as are necessary to ratify the agreement between Wake Forest College and the Southern Baptist Convention.

13. We recommend that the Convention reconsider Item 60, paragraph 7, of the 1949 Convention proceedings in so far as it is related to a unified financial appeal for the seminaries for their action within the Convention Business and referred to the seminaries for their action within the Convention Business and Financial Plan, and to the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee recognizing the imperative need for same.



James E. Tull

A native of Monticello, Arkansas, James E. Tull came to Southeastern Seminary in 1955 as an instructor in theology. From 1960 to 1979, he was Professor of Theology, and upon his retirement in 1979, the Board of Trustees elected him Professor Emeritus of Theology.

Professor Tull is a graduate of Ouachita University, Baylor University, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and Columbia University, the latter granting him the Ph.D. degree in 1960.

Prior to coming to Southeastern, he was pastor from 1950 to 1955 of the Blacksburg Baptist Church, Blacksburg, Virginia. From 1941 to 1946 he served as chaplain in the U.S. Army, and twice served as pastor of the North Benson Baptist Church, Frankfort, Kentucky, 1939-41 and 1948-50.

He is the author of three books. "Shapers of Baptist Thought" was published by Judson Press in 1972; "Take A Stand: A Theology of Witnessing" was published by Convention Press in 1972; and in 1980, Arno Press published "A Study of Southern Baptist Landmarkism in the Light of Historical Baptist Ecclesiology". Jim and Virginia Tull live on Juniper Avenue in Wake Forest. Their two children are Virginia Anne Spector who lives in Richmond, Virginia and James Franklin Tull of Tuscaloosa, Alabama. They have two grandchildren, Wesley Tull and Elizabeth Farris Tull.