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Parker To Deliver Missionary Day Address

Wake Forest, NC - Rev. F. Calvin Parker, emeritus Southern Baptist missionary to Japan, will be the speaker for Missionary Day on Tuesday, February 26, at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. Parker retired from the foreign mission field in 1989 after nearly forty years of service. He presently resides in Mars Hill, NC.

A graduate of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Parker has written numerous books and scholarly articles on Japanese missions. He became a missionary to Japan in 1951, where he served as an evangelist, research and design consultant, and seminary teacher.

Parker and his wife, Harriett, have four children and three grandchildren.

Parker will present the 1991 Missionary Day address at 10:00 a.m. in Binkley Chapel. The public is invited to attend.

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Southeastern Seminary Focuses On Gulf War

Wake Forest, NC - Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary gave special attention to the war in the Persian Gulf during chapel services on February 6 and 7.

On February 6, professors Dr. William Clemmons and Dr. Michael Hawn led students in a service for world peace and Christian unity in the manner of the Taize Community. The service, much of which was performed in Latin, consisted of readings, prayers, and congregational singing.

"The Baptist World Alliance issued a call for prayer for peace," said Clemmons. "We join our Moslem friends, our Jewish brothers and sisters, and our fellow Christians in praying for peace in the Middle East."

The chapel service on February 7 approached the Gulf War from a different angle. Seminary president Dr. Lewis Drummond called the seminary to "a war of intercession and prayer" for American governmental and military leaders and for over 30 specific U.S. military personnel in the Gulf, including seminary student Les Burleson.

"We don't want our service people to feel like no one over here gives them a prayer," Drummond said. "Even though they're surrounded by people, it's lonely over there. They need to feel the comfort and the presence of the Lord."

Drummond said that there are 150 Southern Baptist chaplains serving in the Persian Gulf. He said that revival is breaking out among U.S. soldiers.

"I have heard reports of many military people coming to know the Lord in the Persian Gulf," said Drummond, "largely as a result of small Bible study and prayer groups."

Finally, Drummond called students and faculty to pray for intervention in the life of Iraq's Saddam Hussein. "We're to love and pray for our enemies," he said.

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