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The second term of summer school ends August 3. Enrollment has been 377. This compares with 401 last year and 424 the summer before. Several visiting teachers have supplemented regular Southeastern faculty to bring variety and enrichment to both summer school terms this year.

Dr. Donna Forrester has been named chaplain on campus, beginning

CHAPLAIN August 1, 1984. This climaxes a process which was begun over two years ago, when students, trustees, and others urged the seminary to revise our plan for contract counseling, and a part-time chaplain presence provided by Dr. Chevis Horne and Dr. Anne Neil.

Over sixty persons were considered for the post. Dr. Forrester was the unanimous choice of the special committee appointed to work with Dr. Jerry Niswonger: Assistant to the President, Student Development, on the project.

Dr. Forrester was born in Johnston, South Carolina in 1949. She is a registered nurse, licensed in South Carolina, Kentucky, and North Carolina. She has received a basic unit and four advanced units of clinical pastoral education, working in Baptist hospitals in South Carolina and North Carolina. She received the M.Div. degree from Southern Seminary in 1975 and the D.Min. degree from Southeastern Seminary in 1981.

Dr. Forrester was recommended to Southern Seminary by First Baptist Church, Columbia, South Carolina and to Southeastern Seminary by First Baptist Church, Greensboro, North Carolina.

Her father is an active Southern Baptist pastor in Lancaster, South Carolina. He will celebrate his 70th birthday this month and will retire after 40 years as pastor in three South Carolina Baptist churches.

Dr. Forrester was baptized by her pastor/father into membership of the Ridgecrest Baptist Church, Columbia, South Carolina, a church her father served as pastor for 20 years. She was ordained by the Knollwood Baptist Church in 1976. She is single.

During the month of July, administrative and faculty evaluations were completed throughout the seminary. Personal and institutional goals for 1983-84 were evaluated and new goals for 1984-85 were developed. More than sixty hours of administrative council level evaluations have been held during the month.

The seminary community was saddened and shocked July 18 when word reached campus that Dan Arnold, Jr. had been murdered in the church yard in Clinton, North Carolina, where he served the Immanuel Baptist Church as minister of music. He returned to the church building after the Wednesday evening choir rehearsal to get his wife's purse which had been left by accident. He never returned home. He was stabbed to death on his way to his car.

Dan was scheduled to graduate in December. He and Donna have two children, ages 7 and 3. He was buried in Clinton, North Carolina, July 22.

