

Classes began for the fall semester on September 6. Students almost filled Binkley Chapel for Convocation which marked the beginning of Southeastern's 27th academic year.

FALL SEMESTER BEGINS

Enrollment for the new session is as follows:

	<u>Sept. 1976</u>	<u>Sept. 1977</u>
M.Div./M.R.E.	715	813
Assoc. of Div.	68	63
Th.M.	42	44
D.Min.	71	57
Evening Classes	<u>101</u>	<u>169</u>
Totals	996	1146

This is a 16% increase in actual student headcount, including night classes.

John McCulloch, campus planning consultant, accompanied President Lolley to meet with the Capital Needs Workgroup of the Program Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee September 2, 1977. The presentation of the Master Campus Plan was well received. Plans are underway for the Workgroup to visit Southeastern on October 28. Total requests for all agencies (excluding inflation) for the next five years were \$62,079,150.

CAPITAL NEEDS

During the faculty meeting, September 14, President Lolley announced the following faculty vacancies:

FACULTY VACANCIES

- Church History
- Religious Education (2 positions)
- Old Testament
- Supervised Ministry
- Evangelism
- Music
- Systematic Theology

The Old Testament and Supervised Ministry vacancies are to replace retiring teachers. One post is to replace a teacher who resigned. The remainder are faculty additions. Filling these teaching positions is one of the essential priorities facing the faculty and administration this academic year.

Dr. Robert Richardson, who has served as Director of Advanced Professional Studies for five years, has submitted his resignation from that post, effective July 31, 1978.

RESIGNATION

During Dr. Richardson's term the D.Min. degree program at Southeastern became fully accredited, without notation, by Association of Theological Schools.

He will remain on the faculty as a teacher in supervised ministry.

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The Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee met in Nashville September 20-21. Among their actions were these:

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1. Projected a tentative Bold Mission Cooperative Program Budget goal for fiscal 1978-79 totaling \$75,000,000 (Basic, Capital, and Challenge).
2. Designated the Hyatt-Regency Hotel as the headquarters hotel for the Southern Baptist Convention in Houston, Texas, June, 1979.
3. Employed Dr. Orin Cornett to continue his work with the six seminaries to refine the formula for the allocation/distribution of Cooperative Program funds, beginning with the budget year 1978-79.
4. Recommended a logo (the Cross, the Open Bible, and the World) to be used voluntarily by Southern Baptist churches and agencies.
5. Adopted the structure for a comprehensive program of Bold Mission Thrust:

To double Cooperative Program receipts by 1982.

To preach the Gospel to every person on Earth by 2000 A.D.

To develop a Mission Service Corps of 5000 persons.

To coordinate the Bold Mission Thrust through a leadership group of 55 persons.

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