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FACULTY SELECTION PROCESS MAIN CONCERN

The Trustees of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary held their spring meeting March 12-13, 1990. This meeting was very important, especially because of the unveiling of the proposed Faculty Selection Process. The Faculty Selection Process is important as an individual issue, but is also plays a great role in defining what "shared governance" means at Southeastern.

For approximately the last six months the Faculty Selection Task Force has been developing a faculty selection process which would work for all constituents of the seminary community. The Task Force consists of three faculty members, three trustees and the president of the seminary.

The Faculty Selection Process which was adopted by the Trustees at this most recent meeting will now go to the faculty to be evaluated. Basically, the process entails the following: 1. Declaration of a vacancy on the faculty, 2. Formulation of a job description by the President and the affected Area Faculty, 3. Formation of a search committee (which is

chaired by the President), 4. The search committee gathers data on candidates, 5. A "Short list" of candidates is developed and presented to the President, 6. The President recommends the final candidates to the faculty members who then vote, and 7. The President recommends the final candidate to the Trustees who then vote.

This should give the faculty a legitimate voice in the process. According to Dr. Thomas Bland this arrangement formalizes what has been a traditional process. Typically the search committee was made up of faculty from that area which had the vacancy. Three to five names were presented to the President who then went to the Trustees.

The new process foresees a search committee which consists of three professors, one trustee, the Vice-President for Academic Affairs and the President. The three faculty members are selected by the faculty: two from the affected areas and one from the general faculty.

A two-thirds vote by the committee is required to place a candidate on the

"short list" from which the President's recommendation should come. Legally the President is not limited to the committee's list. However, if the President recommends someone who has not been approved by the faculty, he must advise the faculty in writing of his decision. In this event it would be obvious that the spirit of shared governance which is formalized in this document had been violated.

The Trustees affirmed shared governance in a resolution which includes the statement: "Our primary documents recognize the principle of 'shared governance' in expressly assigning various responsibilities to the principal component parts of the institution: the Board of Trustees, the President, and the faculty." The motion goes on to outline a division of labor which could be interpreted as hierarchical in tone.

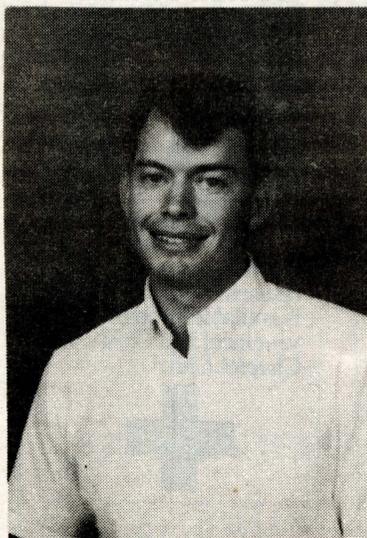
A good opportunity for positive development in this area would be in the rewriting of the Faculty, Trustee and Administration Handbooks which the Trustees instigated in the form of a motion.

Another motion passed

by the Trustees was that "the *Abstract of Principles* be continued as our sole doctrinal statement and that it not be supplemented, amended, or replaced and that Basil Manly's *The Bible Doctrine of Inspiration, Explained and Vindicated* (1888) interprets the article on Scripture in the *Abstract of Principles* be used in our implementation of the document." the observation has been made that it is contradictory to affirm one statement as the sole doctrinal statement and then adopt a statement which is meant to interpret the sole doctrinal statement. Dr. Halbrooks, a member of the Faculty Selection Task Force, pointed out that the faculty feels the Board of Trustees can make a legitimate argument to the SBC for keeping the *Abstract of Principles*. In the "Faculty Position Regarding Our Doctrinal Standard" the faculty expressed the belief that "supplementation, amendment, or replacement would raise threats to academic freedom." It would create unequal requirements

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STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS



David Mansberger of Hickory, NC was elected 1990-91 President of the Student Council. David is a M Div student with 57 hours. He has been a Chaplain Candidate with the US Air Force, Mission Team leader to Germany and Protestant Layleader in the USS Mullinnix prior to coming to Southeastern. On his resume David stated that his "reason for seeking this position is to continue to provide competent and caring leadership for the Southeastern Student Body. It is also a goal of mine to help maintain good relationships with the faculty and

administration and the students.

Other Student Council officers are Hale Henderson, Vice President; Harding Birkhead, Secretary; Craig Waddell, Secretary; Armetta Fields, Communications Committee; Phil Baucom, Ethics Committee; Billy Harrison, Off-Campus Committee; Thurman Hayes, Spiritual Life Committee; Lidice Lima, International Committee; Sharon Edwards, Student Welfare Committee, and Tom Gibbs and Steve Wingfield for the Seminary Council.

Some class representatives were also elected.

Dena Harrison and Marvin Yarborough will be representing the MA seniors. M Div seniors will have Sandra Cline, John Thompson and Kevin Zavar. M Div middlers elected Justin Scroggs, Jeff Maynard and Keith Menshouse to the Student Council. A Div seniors will be represented by Larry Reece. The Th M class and D Min class have no representatives at this time.

One note of interest is that there were only 253 votes cast in this election. Some positions have not been filled because no one ran for those positions.

The final edition of The Enquiry will be devoted to creative pieces. If you have an original poem, short story, essay, article, lyrics, or other creative endeavor that can be easily reproduced, please submit them to the Editor, The Enquiry by May 1. Please limit any writing to under 800 words.

CONGRATULATIONS

1990-91

STUDENT COUNCIL

FROM MY POINT OF VIEW
by Joyce Martin

By nature, I am uncomfortable with crusades--even Christian crusades. I find wars--even "holy" wars--more apt than not to reflect "un-holliness". Nevertheless, to quote one wise sage of the not too distant past, "If you steadfastly refuse to stand for some thing, you will ultimately fall for anything." Before leaving this place (in May, given the good graces of one Max Rogers), I with Luther must proclaim, "Here I stand." "There is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus."--Galatians 3:28.

The highlight of every seminarian's experience is the study of Martin Luther (at least for those who expect to successfully complete Church History II). Luther did not wish to leave the Catholic Church, as discerning students know, but wished fervently instead to affect change from within. Except for the matter of a few, but crucial indulgences, Luther might be known to us today as Saint Luther. A little compromise of beliefs--that's all that would have been necessary. Instead, Luther grabbed his little hammer and nails and wall-papered the castle door.

Since the time when Luther walked out the front doors of the Catholic church, some Baptists have been valiantly attempting to get in the back doors. Preposterous? Consider the following:

1) In conversation with two avowed inerrantists on this campus (one a professor and one a student), I was told, "We cannot have everyone interpreting Scripture as they please." Luther did--as a Catholic--when some kind soul gave him a Bible to read himself.

2) Baptists lay claim to the doctrine of priesthood of

the believer--if that belief coincidentally parallels that of the "powers that be". There is a slight difference here. The Catholics ex-communicate those of differing beliefs; Baptists don't have that kind of control--yet.

3) Consider lastly the matter of women pastors. Michael McManus (The States, April 7, 1990) in his "Ethics and Religion" column, quotes a portion of the Catholic bishops final draft of their "Pastoral Response to the Concerns of Women": "It quotes a Roman document that 'the church in fidelity to the example of our Lord does not consider herself authorized to admit women to priestly ordination.' It adds that Jesus broke with many cultural prohibitions of his time that oppressed women, yet he only called men to become part of the twelve." That is certainly reminiscent of the remarks of a certain judge who stated on the Bill Moyer broadcast, "God does not call women as pastors, and those who think he does are deceived."

Inconsistencies abound. To say that women cannot assume the pastorate or be ordained because Christ did not call a woman among the first twelve, is about as logical as saying that if God had wanted us to fly he'd have given us wings!

I don't know why Christ did not choose a woman officially among the first twelve. Perhaps it was because the role of women in that culture, at that time, was severely restricted in all areas of life. Women did not hold office, did not teach, did not become missionaries, and were encouraged not to speak at all. What would become of the church--Baptist, Catholic, or

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ONE WHO SEES

by

Douglas Buttram

There is much to see at Southeastern if you look for it. I have been here not yet two semesters but my eyes have witnessed much. I have painfully observed the not-so-gentle restructuring of Plant Services and watched the ease with which men are discarded. I have seen the abuse of our landfill and the extravagant waste of tithes, offerings and gifts. But these are not all the things to be seen. Have you ever seen Dr. Sandusky climb the hills in front of the Manor House with his granddaughters? It is delightful. Have you ever sat in a pew at Wake Forest Baptist Church with Mrs. Binkley, whose name our chapel bears? Have you ever looked into the eyes of those whose pictures hang in Stealey and wondered? Have you ever read the faces of the faculty, each is a novel? Have you ever gone out to the cemetery on Stadium Drive and read the stones? For there lies the colleagues, spouses and friends of those around us. Those of us who are students may pass through this place but this place is the life's work of some who

so cherish it. For those who without reverence at all would wipe away the life's work of others--it will not go well with you. Spirit begets spirit--even if one would turn this place into a corporate evangelical machine--if God's Spirit does not rest upon it, it will beget nothing. There is truly only one thing left for the community at Southeastern and all Southern Baptists and that is repentance. God has truly heard our groans and seen our iniquities. We must turn our faces to God so that He may reconcile us to himself and to one another. We must clothe ourselves in the nakedness of humility and cast off the filthy rags of pietistical pride. These are the commandments that I give you. That you mistrust and deceive one another and divide yourselves into factions. Let each rise up against the others in order to manipulate, oppress and annihilate them. So that you will be a mockery to the nations and be trodden under foot by men and they will all die in their sins. In this shall I be greatly glorified. Amen.

A MODERN PARABLE
by Terry Barlow

A man and his wife were sitting on their couch intently watching the television. Just then a commercial came on, so the man happened to turn toward his wife. "You are beautiful tonight," he said. "Are you only getting around to noticing that now? I've looked this way all day," she replied. The commercial ended and they fell silent again as they continued to watch the program. The man thought to himself that perhaps he had missed something. He wondered vaguely how it could be that he had not noticed how beautiful his wife was before. If that fact had eluded him so long, what else about her might have escaped his notice? But soon his thoughts faded into the content of the program and he didn't even remember that he had thought them. In fact, he didn't notice that his wife had gone quietly off to bed until fifteen minutes after she left the room. The

realization stirred his mind again ever so slightly. "She did look beautiful tonight---she really did," he thought.

Mike Douglas says: "If you know CPR, you never know when you'll save a life!"



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BYTES OF WISDOM



by Tim Stokes

A lot of people come to me with questions about computers. They are interested in buying one and would like some suggestions on what to buy. Before buying a computer you should ask yourself several questions.

1. Why do I want a computer? If all you will ever do is use a computer to type papers on, then a computer is not for you. What you need is a word processor. A word processor is a computer that is made for just that purpose. Then tend to be less expensive than computers and have most of the same features a word processing package that works on a computer would have.

2. What type of machine should I buy? A computer is similar to any other type of machine. They come with different features and different prices. Look around to see what other people have. This will give you an idea of what different types of machines will do. Just like when you are buying a car, go to different dealers and see what is on the market. New models of computers come out almost as fast as new cars do.

3. What type of extras do I need? There are a few givens when buying a computer. One is that you will need a printer. Sometimes dealers will include a printer in the price of the computer. Printers are like computers in that the more you want the printer to do, the more it will cost. Right now laser printers are the rage; everybody wants one. Most people do not need a laser printer. A dot matrix

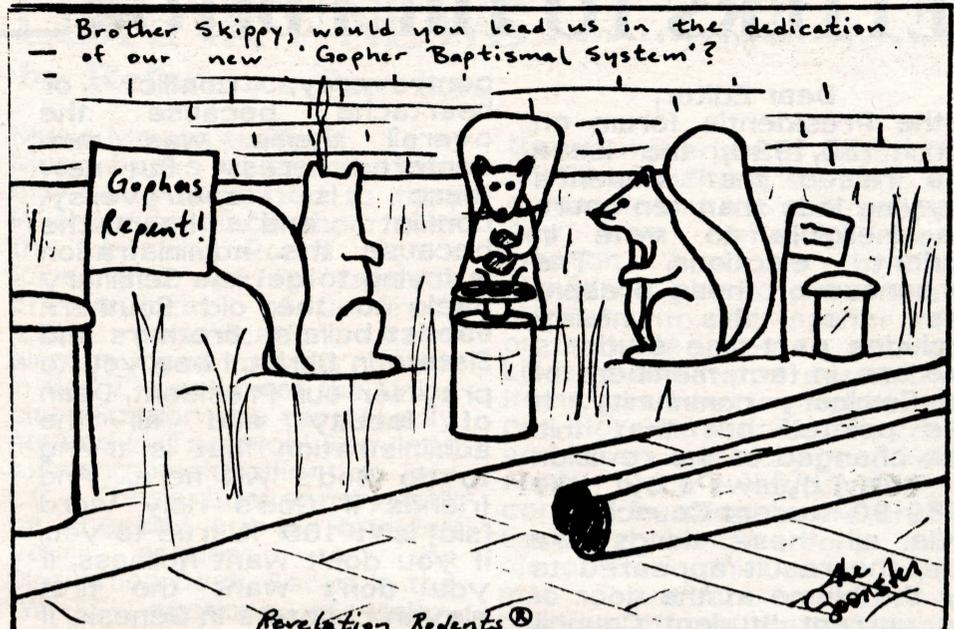
printer will do the job they need for much less price.

Another extra people ask me about is a hard drive. If you plan to acquire a lot of programs, then you will most likely need a hard drive. They are very useful in some ways, particularly on many of the newer word processing packages. A word of warning, almost every person who has a hard drive has experienced what is called a head crash. This is as bad as it sounds. All information in the hard drive at the time will be lost, unless you have extra copies available.

4. What should I pay for a computer or word processor? Like cars, different places charge different prices. Look around for the best deal on the model and extras you want. See if they will offer a maintenance package for the first couple of months. This will cost extra, but not as much as a new computer will cost. Some things that can go wrong with a computer will require a replacement of almost the entire computer. A little money now will save you a lot of money later.

5. What type of packages should I buy? What is easy for one person can be difficult for another. Some packages will be more forgiving if you make a mistake than others. I do not wish to endorse one package over another. The best advice I can give is to go to a store which sells software and try out the different types. Find the one which is best for you.

If you have any computer-related questions, write me at BYTES OF WISDOM, SEBTS Box 3764. Good luck and good hunting.



Community Concerns

by Harding Birkehead

Since arriving at Southeastern I have twice run into evidence of some negative attitudes in the community towards the seminary. One person spoke of "holier than thou" students seeking special ministerial discounts from local retailers. Another story was about students who skipped town without paying bills.

Just how widespread are those negative perceptions? For answers to this and for suggestions on improving town and seminary relations, I spoke to civic and seminary leaders over the last week.

Historically, there has been a slow but steady improvement of relations since the inception of the seminary. Things began on shaky footing. Peggy Allen, editor of the local paper *Wake Weekly*, says, "The town grew up around the college [Wake Forest College]. Then the seminary came in 1951. The townspeople were very bitter when Baptists chose to sell out to R.J. Reynolds, or that is how it was perceived. The loss was felt keenly." On the other side Kay Cook, wife of Dr. Donald Cook, professor of New Testament at SEBTS, says, "We sensed there was the feeling that townspeople

unconsciously blamed the seminary for the fact that their much beloved Wake Forest College had moved."

The move was devastating economically and socially to the town. But from the start the seminary was involved in the rebuilding of Wake Forest. Mrs. Cook adds, "People have different ways of showing neighborliness, and the seminary role in this has been affected by the personalities of those in governance," referring to the presidents of Southeastern. Dr. Sid Stealey was a "down to earth, good old boy" whereas the mild, scholarly Dr. Olin Binkley "loved people into loving him", says Mrs. Cook. And enthusiasm and folkiness characterized the relationship of Dr. Randall Lolley with the people of Wake Forest.

What is going on between the town and the administration of Dr. Drummond? Peg Allen says, "The people are waiting to see if things are going to work out," referring to concerns about the effects of the recent controversies on the viability of the school. While such questions are uppermost in the minds of some, others in town are more upbeat.

Jimmy Ray, mayor of Wake Forest and local businessman, affirms that "the

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Write a letter!
The Enquiry,
your chance to speak.

COMMENCEMENT SERMON--

MAY 11--8:00PM

COMMENCEMENT--

MAY 12--10:30AM

In establishing this newspaper the students of Southeastern Seminary are engaging in an old and honorable practice, that of inviting relevant and constructive discussion by concerned and responsible people on matters pertinent to their common life. They have chosen a name which is equally honorable, one which enjoys a place of special significance in our Baptist history.

In 1792 William Carey published a booklet entitled "An Enquiry into the Obligations of Christians to use Means for the Conversion of the Heathens". He intended not only to set forth his own observations, but also to call forth discussion from others who shared with him a commitment to Jesus Christ and a desire to fulfill their obligations which this discipleship implied. It is significant that he was concerned with Biblical foundation; that he gave attention to historical developments; that he appealed to reason; that he took into account the contemporary conditions; and that he did not ignore questions of practicality. It is hoped that this "Enquiry" will honor this spirit, the tradition, and the name.

John E. Stealy, Professor of Historical Theology,
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,
In the President's forum on March 30, 1990, the issue was raised that student's carrying less than ten hours are ineligible to vote in student elections. The consensus of those present was that this unfairly excludes part-time students who are, in fact, members of the Seminary community. It was pointed out that this was changed in the revision of the bylaws by the 1989-90 Student Council. While all these things are true, the result appeared to lay the blame at the door of the current Student Council. In so doing, we fail to acknowledge an important point: The revision of the bylaws was indeed prepared by the Student Council, but was then submitted for a vote by the student body. A share of the responsibility for this problem must be claimed by every student who had voter eligibility (8 credit hours) at that time. Those who voted for the changes are responsible, those who did not vote are responsible, and those who opposed the changes but did not publicize what is obviously a problem are also to blame. The buck stops with all of us.

Sincerely,
Clayton Ollis

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The last printing of this newspaper sounded out from the minority. Now it is time for the majority to speak! It seemed that if the paper wasn't misquoting our president, it was trying to cut down this administration and what it stands for. During Chapel [sic] of the Spring Conference, Dr. Sara Little gave percentages of how Southern Baptists stack up against six other major denominations. In almost every category we as Southern Baptists were better than, believe more, etc. than all other denominations. My Brothers and Sisters in Christ, we aren't perfect by a long shot, but from the beginning God has blessed Southern Baptists for many reasons.

We believe that God's Word is without error. We care about the lost and we live for God. You see, error can walk with error. But error will never walk with truth. At this school, there hardly ever used to be any

controversy, conflict or heartache because the overall theme was man centered heresy. But now there is controversy, conflict and heartache because this administration is trying to get the Seminary back to the old Southern Baptist beliefs. Brothers and Sisters in Christ, I beg you to pray for our President, Dean of faculty and all the administration that is trying to do God's will here. And friends if God's Holy word [sic] isn't 100 % true to you, if you don't want Holiness, if you don't want the first eleven chapters in Genesis, if you want to wear your yellow ribbon, then I really think you should repent to the Holy God who wants us to believe all of His Word, or you should join a denomination that feels as you do. The Southern Baptist denomination was founded on God's Holy Word and, praise God, that is how our God honoring administration is trying to bring this seminary around--down the straight and narrow, not the broad and wide!

By His Grace
and For His Glory[sic],
Leroy Netting

Dear Editor,

I am a 1985 graduate of SEBTS and currently serve as a Chaplain in the U.S. Navy with the special warfare unit known as SEALs.

Experience has shown that to ensure success, a unit must have a goal, clear cut responsibilities delegated appropriately, and competent tested leadership. Southeastern has exactly that in Dr. Lewis Drummond and the Trustee structure. You have made several embarrassing blunders in your March, 1990 editorial. SEBTS is not a church but an educational institution with the goal and responsibility of educating prospective and active ministers. That takes structure of a definite sort. The SBC has put that structure in place. Dr. Drummond has more time in effective ministry than most at SEBTS have on the planet earth. Some respect for his deep scholarship, Christian elder statesmanship, and proven abilities are in order. Another misconception you hold is some "divine right of students" to instruct duly elected trustees and administration. It seems to

me the reason one attends seminary is to be instructed by those in proper authority. I would commend to you Romans Chapter thirteen for study. If in your study God allows you to understand the proper concept of authority, you will have not studied in vain. Finally I do agree that God resists the proud. I submit that knife cuts both ways. Can we expect God to excuse arrogance and bitterness against those properly appointed over us? I suggest we do all we can to obey all the Spirit teaches.

Sincerely,
Greg DeMarco

(Editor's note: While it is true that Southeastern is not a church, neither is it a military unit. It is an extension of the church. Therefore, it must act within the principles of the church. It would be convenient to be able to compartmentalize our lives into Christian and non-Christian areas. This is not possible for those truly called by God.)

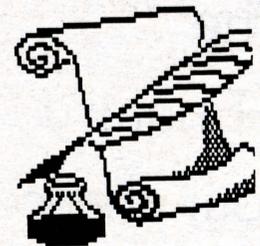
Furthermore, respect is not granted automatically due to longevity or "proper appointment" either by the SBC or an act of Congress. Respect must be earned through the development of a trust relationship.)

Dear Editor,
Recently I heard about a joke which was shared in a class this semester. The punchline of the joke eluded me, as usual, but the first line of the joke has stuck with me. I couldn't get it out of my mind, so I finally had to deal with it. It went something like this: "The reason God doesn't call women is...." I suppose the thing about this statement that reached out and slapped me on the back of my head is the matter-of-fact way it makes a claim, not about God, but for God. The implication of this statement and a similar statement made during a recent Bill Moyer documentary is that human beings can understand the reasoning of God's mind and make proxy statements accordingly. The absurdity of such a claim is verified daily, dating as far back as the history of humankind may go. Our knowledge of and about God comes to us through various processes of revelation which we

seldom recognize, and over which we have no control. Having said that, I shall now move on to the point of my letter, at least as I see it. During the last week of March two women stood behind the pulpit of Binkley Chapel and preached. (I haven't been zapped so far--I'll continue on.) There is no mistaking it. I was there. On Tuesday of that week, a woman professor from Duke stood behind that pulpit. And on the following day a woman minister from a Southern Baptist church in Winston-Salem stood behind the same pulpit. I believe with all my heart that they were women. (Still no zap.)

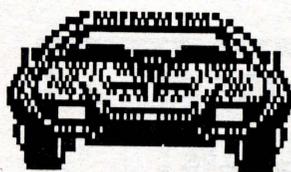
Both women spoke to the audience from that pulpit in Binkley Chapel. It was, by the way, the same pulpit from which many other chapel sermons have been delivered this semester. Both gave strong evidence of having done sound and thorough exegesis. It was clear they had spent much time with the scriptural texts. It appeared they knew at least something about sermon preparation and delivery. Yes, I'm convinced, they were both women and they both preached from the pulpit in Binkley Chapel. I truly feel these are accurate observations. Perhaps then, in view of these observations, the proper question isn't really, "Is it okay for God to call women to preach, teach, etc...." Maybe, a better question is, "Have we seen and heard any women who give evidence of being called of God to preach, teach, etc...." It may be wise for us to consider the final scene of the movie, *The Color Purple*. GOD MAY BE TRYING TO TELL US SOMETHING.

Thank you,
Dale J. Lee



LIBRARY NEWS *****

by Reference Services



CRANK SHAFT

by Bill Harrison

Crankshaft: WOW! Head-gasket, am I glad to see you!

Headgasket: Salutations, Crankshaft! What's going on, dude?

CS: Well, lately my LeSabre has been acting up on me. when I try and accelerate quickly, by car almost pukes out before the power kicks in. And I just dumped 200 big ones having it tuned up.

HG: Most non-triumphant, Crankshaft. You know, a few new spark plugs and a timing light can't solve everything. Your car has over 50,000 miles on it and the problem may be most complicated.

CS: What's the first thing I should check if the car falters when I first mash the gas?

HG: I would see if the accelerator pump in your carburetor is functioning properly. As you accelerate, the pump should force a most bodacious amount of fuel into the carburetor throat.

CS: Gosh, Headgasket! I thought the carburetor just keeps the air cleaner from lying on the engine.

HG:Woah. . . Most non-mechanical, dude. The carburetor has many functions. It regulates the fuel supply which the car needs for idling, low speed, acceleration, and high speed. When you jump on it, you're in a transition stage between running on low speed and high speed. If the accelerator pump doesn't supply the extra amount of fuel needed for acceleration, the car will sputter, backfire, hesitate, stall out or write bad checks.

CS: Yeah, but what if my accelerator pump is functioning properly?

HG: Don't spin a bearing, dude. It could also be your vacuum advance.

CS: Is that when an Electrolux salesperson makes a pass at you?

HG: That would be truly most heinous. However, I'm talking about a vacuum unit which is connected to the distributor. It controls the timing of the spark which is delivered to the spark plug, which then ignites the fuel in the cylinder.

CS: Woah. . .

HG: When you accelerate, the timing must advance itself to compensate for the larger amount of fuel which is sent into each cylinder.

CS: In other words, the sparks have to arrive sooner.

HG: Right. If the diaphragm in the vacuum advance ruptures, there is a vacuum leak and the sparks will no longer be advanced properly. This may also cause the sputtering and faltering upon acceleration.

CS: Headgasket, you most excellent mechanic-dudel! Could I look over your shoulder the next time you practice your most triumphant automotive artistry?

HG: Affirmative, Crankshaft. Come sit under the Tree of Eternal Combustion. We'll make yoghurt tacos and share some space.

CS: Woah. . .

EARTH DAY



A Christian Concern
By Phillip L. Baucom

April 22, 1990 marks the twentieth anniversary of an effort of awareness begun by environmentalists in 1970. This is a concern we should all share. In our zeal for presenting the primacy of Jesus Christ in our lives, oftentimes we miss important areas of witness to the community and to the rest of the world.

As a chosen people, our responsibility is to care for the whole of Creation, seeking reconciliation with all. In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. As the height of God's creation, humanity was given the mandate to care for this creation/ Just as we are to be stewards of all our gifts, so to are we to be stewards of God's good earth.

Music Moves to Third
Music books on second floor are being relocated to third in order to place them near the Listening Room. Books formerly in the "M" section of the library of Congress (L.C.) classification have already been moved. Books in the "V" section of the Union classification are temporarily housed in Technical Services awaiting reclassification into L.C. These books may still be checked out by bringing your request to the Circulation Desk. Books in the "W"- "Z" sections of Union, which were formerly on third floor, have been moved downstairs to the the upper lever of second. The sequence of Union books on that floor now runs: RF22-U,W-Z.

Inventory Tedious but Beneficial
Inventory at the Library, May 21-25, will be more than a mere counting of materials on hand for business purposes. This annual project always results in hundreds of misplaced items being reshelved in their designated locations and thereby becoming more accessible to library users once again. Staff members also not the condition of various materials and initiate steps to correct or repair them. The second week following May graduation has been chosen routinely as the week to close for inventory as it seems to cause the least disruption in service. Faculty with special needs may contact a staff member in advance. Since one week is not enough time to do a complete inventory with budget limitations on sufficient help, certain areas are not inventoried every year. Users can help keep

library materials in order by NEVER reshelving an item, as contradictory as this seems. Any item removed from location, however briefly, should be placed on a shelf marked with red tape or left on a table or in a carrel. Library assistants count the items used but not checked out (for statistical records) and then carefully replace each piece verifying its correct location on the shelf. Early shelving errors are discovered this way and may prevent massive build-up of mislocated items later. Even though a user may replace a book in the exact location from which it was taken, mistakes could still occur because the book may have been out of place initially.

New Series Begins
The Churches Speak, a new series with issues appearing quarterly, is being added to the Reference collection (Ref/HN/30/.C68). Official or major statements from Protestant, Roman Catholic, Jewish and other religious or ecumenical organizations have been published under single topics per issue and serve to provide an overview of the dominant concerns of our day. Issues thus far received are: AIDS, Abortion, Capital Punishment, and Pornography. Future issues will include: Drug and Alcohol Abuse, Euthanasia, Evangelism, Homosexuality, Racism, School Prayer, Women's Ordination, and others. Dr. J. Gordon Melton, Director of the Institute for the Study of American Religion, is the compiler for the project published by Gale Research, Inc.

Without stewardship of our land, air and water, humanity will not survive. Let us celebrate this wonderful gift we've been given and pledge to make it a better place, while serving notice to the rest of humanity our dedication to caring for and reconciling all of Creation.

RECYCLING EFFORTS GAIN MOMENTUM

In response to the issue of scant resources and the profitability of recycling, the recycling of aluminum cans has begun to have better participation. Instead of money waster, the aluminum

cans are being converted into cash for the Crisis Ministry of Wake Forest. The receptacles provided for this purpose are located at the end of each hall in Johnson dorm, in the kitchens in Lolley Hall, on second floor of Stealy, in the breakroom in Ledford, on first floor of Binkley, and in the stairwell of Appleby. Please participate in this effort.

Newspaper and glass may be taken to bins located behind the Revco-Family Dollar stores in town.

DR. ELDER VISITS SEBTS

Dr. Lloyd Elder, President of the Baptist Sunday School Board (BSSB), was on campus during the recent Spring Conference. He explained the changes in the BSSB literature which will first be seen in the fall of 1991. He also fielding many students' questions during an open dialog period after chapel. Approximately 30 months of research and development has lead to the upcoming changes in the Sunday School literature for the near future. This study was completed under the direction of Dr. Harry Piland. The study asked individuals and churches of various sizes to complete questionnaires concerning their needs in the Sunday School. The BSSB was seeking the answer to the question: "What do our people really need us to be doing?" The answers to this question came back in four basic areas. First, the people want more exposition, biblical background and key theological terms defined. Second, there was a desire for more contemporary application and warmth in the evangelistic appeal. Third, readability was important. The use of color has doubled. There is approximately 30% increase in the number of pages in each quarterly. Lastly, the people

using the material want it "user friendly". There will be a basic preparation plan, an enlarged preparation plan and a reduction of the number of leadership magazines. The BSSB is endeavoring to meet the needs of the broad spectrum of Southern Baptists. They do this by concentrating on biblical materials and principles. Furthermore, we currently have some materials in seven basic foreign languages: Spanish, Vietnamese, Korean, French, Laotian, Chinese, and Japanese. This allows ethnic groups within the U.S. to have materials in their native languages.

In the open dialogue with Elder, several students pointed out weaknesses of BSSB materials for Black congregations. No Black theologians are consulted or quoted. No specific theological or social concerns within Black congregations are addressed within current BSSB materials. Elder pointed out that the literature does currently reflect in art and illustrations the commitment of the BSSB to be inclusive. Also, issues of family life are addressed without regard to ethnicity. However, Elder admitted only "modest success" in meeting these specific needs of Black congregations.

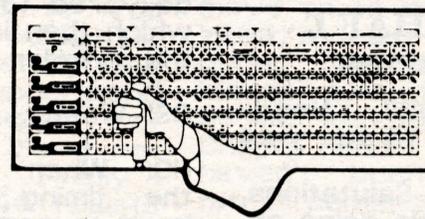
THIS WAS THE TRUTH by Terry Barlow

For those who viewed *Driving Miss Daisy* there came an ironic twist of events toward the conclusion of the movie. Miss Daisy and her chauffeur had maintained a master-slave relationship throughout the story (their association lasted a total of 25 years) although there was growing acceptance and appreciation of one another. It wasn't until Miss Daisy's mind snapped one morning and she became trapped in an ancient memory of herself as a young schoolteacher that the major revelation of the film and probably of her very life suddenly dawned in her awareness. At that point she told her black chauffeur that he was definitely her best friend, perhaps the best she had ever had. He seemed to begin to deny that fact, but then thought better of it as

his eyes moistened in the poignancy of that memorable moment of a lifetime. Years later as he visited her in a nursing home, we were presented with another touching image of their intimacy, as her spoon-fed her some homemade pie, just the two of them together alone, because Daisy had just requested that her son go off and "charm the nurses". Daisy's revelation of friendship came after her chauffeur had been quite direct with her by telling her if she didn't pull herself together she would surely end up in an insane asylum. A calmness came over her just then, and she responded with her declaration of intimacy, equally direct. This was the same person, now standing beside her holding her hand, whom years before she had tried to terminate for eating a can of

salmon without asking. The sound track adeptly exaggerated the drama of that moment exactly as it was being exaggerated in Daisy's mind. When Daisy's mind finally snapped, so did the last vestiges of her prejudice and denial, and her defense were then lowered to half-mast. Thus was set the stage for the most sane moment in this woman's life, as she stood on her staircase wild-eyed and disheveled and as unprepared as we would ever see her. This was the one occasion when her chauffeur and friend would see her without her made-up face. This she was certainly not making up, because this was the truth.

**IF YOU DON'T VOTE
DON'T COMPLAIN!**



THE ULTIMATE AFFIRMATION by Terry Barlow

When the movie viewer thinks of this film, *Field of Dreams*, it is doubtful that Burt Lancaster's role would come to mind, yet his portrayal of an aging physician who had narrowly missed his opportunity to be a pro ball player raised an important issue. When asked if it wasn't a tragedy that he should come so close to a dream without attaining it, he replied that the worse tragedy would have been that he had never become a doctor. Still he journeyed to the field of dreams and actually lived out the chapter of his life that had been missing: an at-bat in the big leagues. Who knows what might have followed had he not chosen to step past the point of no-return between dreams and reality, past and present, in order to come to

the aid of an ailing youngster. His medical calling was too strong for him to resist the obvious need. Then he had to pay the consequences of leaving the field of dreams forever. As he was leaving Shoeless Joe Jackson cried after him, "Rookie, you were good."

This was one of the most important lines in the film and in the doctor's life, seeing that it came from the player of players. How we have toiled, most of us, for want of hearing these words in various areas of our lives. Many of us would have much more rest if we would begin to hear and to speak these words. They are not words reserved only for the end of life. In fact, if we don't try them on for size now, they may not make a good fit in the end. But if we begin to try this ultimate affirmation on for size now, maybe it won't come as such a shock later.

ENERGY. We can't afford to waste it.

This Present God
by John F. Thompson, III
Here and now,
Where I live,
God is.
"I AM," He says.
"Who am I?" I reply,
"A man, waiting on you,
Seeking
Some Word, some path,
Some guiding down the
way?"
But you answer
Still,
"I AM."
Be still, and know that
"I AM."
Why can't I hear?
Is the future in my ear?
Has the past stopped my
heart?
Is this moment much too
hard?
"I AM."
You say, and for my need
I must hear
"YOU ARE,"
Today.

EDITORIAL:

As seminary students you may already identify with the children of Israel as they are portrayed in the Exodus adventure. You may feel that God has delivered you from the land of slavery and from the hands of Pharaoh. You may also feel that He has headed you in the direction of unknown, uncharted desert wilderness.

I would like to encourage your identification with the children of Israel with one more scene on that adventure. The Israelites have been through the narrow escape of the Red Sea. They have been walking for weeks or perhaps months. There is no promised land in sight.

The sound begins within small groups on the fringe. Then, it infiltrates larger groups. Finally, the entire parade is brought to a grinding halt.

What has caused this? It is not the impending chariot rumble from Egypt. It is not the war cry of surrounding peoples. It is not the crack of thunder as God splits the sky. It is this

small sound that grew. The progress of the entire nation has been halted by murmuring. In the past few weeks, it has become increasingly evident that Southeastern is suffering from the same illness as these Wilderness Warriors.

Just as the children of Israel had two kinds of murmuring, so do we at Southeastern.

The first murmuring is that of the past. One the lips of the Israelites it sounded like this: "Remember the cucumbers! At least we could sleep in our own bed at night!" Here, at Southeastern, the words have changed but the sentiment is the same. Life was better when. . . . The only given about life anywhere is that it will change; sometimes it gets better; sometimes it gets worse. The second kind of murmuring is against those persons who do get involved and do something. The Israelites murmured against Moses and Aaron. Southeasterners murmur against anyone who is

involved whether it is involvement in organizations, Student Council or The Enquiry.

Yes, life here has changed radically. Yes, you have been beaten down. Yes, the wilderness is huge and you're small. Yes, you will be ridiculed. Yes, you have other responsibilities.

Yes, you have options which you must be in control of exercising.

According to Dr. Powers, you have four options in any given situation. They apply here. First, you can grin-and-bear-it. We as a group have been doing this long enough. The murmuring is a symptom of this option. Second, you can leave. Many of our friends and colleagues have exercised this option. Our enrollment has dropped drastically and seems to be headed into further decline. Third, you can change yourself. This may involve getting rid of the attitude of apathy. This may involve dialogue with persons who hold a differing view from you. It certainly involves

being open to the possibility of your own responsibility to take some action. Lastly, you can change the situation. This is the most difficult and the most time consuming. It is also the one that creates a better seminary for current and future students. It is also the one that is the most profitable.

^Run for Student Council. Many candidates were assured positions in the recent elections because there was no one running against them. Some positions are still unfilled because no one ran.

^Vote in Student Council elections. It's painless. It takes very little time. It insures that at least of your opinions are heard.

^Apply for position on committees. You can make a difference here. You can find support here.

^Write for the Enquiry.

^Join organization. Collective bargaining does work.

^GET INVOLVED!!! STOP MURMURING!!!!

FROM MY POINT OF VIEW. . .

any other-- if women returned to that role?

I do know that many choose to ignore that Christ's first words as the resurrected Lord were to a woman--"Go,tell." He could have appeared first to Peter, the chosen "head" of the church, or to any other of the chosen twelve. Why did he not? Perhaps because they were behind locked doors, fearful that their hides would suffer the same cruel fate as that of Jesus! Where were the women? Attending to the task--the business--at hand--being faithful stewards.

How we progress! First, it was "God doesn't call women because a woman can't be the husband of one wife." That was soon exposed as the idiocy it was, Soon it was replaced with the "usurping the authority of men" argument which was ultimately defeated by Galatians 3:28. Now we have a new tactic--"Christ didn't call a woman among the first twelve."

Am I "deceived" as the Judge, et al, would have you believe? How about this line of thinking? God is God and he can do as he pleases,

with or without our permission. If he is calling women, perhaps he would say as he said to one of the chosen twelve, "What is that to you?" If he is not calling women, surely he has the power to dispel the rumor.

I do not know why Christ did not call a woman to be among the first disciples. I do not know why he is now calling women. I only know that he has called at least one. And "HERE I STAND."

Attention Graduates

Orders are now being taken for "Putting Hubby Through," and "Putting Wife Through" diplomas in the Business Office at a cost of \$1.75. You can place your orders through May 4th.

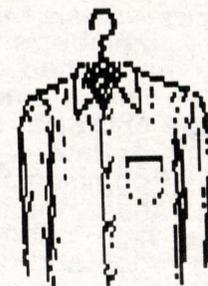


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preborn developing children who are killed each year by abortion in the U.S. For more information contact:
RALLY FOR LIFE '90
419 7th St. NW, Suite 590
Washington DC 20004

SHARING SHOP NEWS

Announcing the grand opening of the Sharing Shop, Thursday, April 19 and Friday, April 20 from 7:30 to 9:00pm. Families helping families is the theme of this new ministry sponsored by seminary wives. Clothing may be donated, exchanged or received. There is also a food bank for those in need of temporary assistance in this area. We're located across from Student Activities on the gym level of Ledford Center.



Need more room in your closet? The Sharing Shop is now accepting good quality used (or new) clothing that you may wish to donate or exchange. Clothing must be clean, mended, and in current style. Call Patty Leader at 556-6195 or Tracy Hartman at 556-7895 for more information. Men, women, and children's clothing accepted.

for admission to the faculty. By retaining it the trustees were trying to speak to faculty concerns. By adopting what they presumably hold to be an inerrantist interpretation of it, they are trying to speak to SBC concerns. The Faculty Selection Process does give the faculty influence in the selection of new faculty members. The Southeastern community and accrediting agencies have expressed interest in seeing if it works. The entire process is to be evaluated after one year. The idea of shared governance is the overarching issue in this time of tension at Southeastern. The manner in which it is defined in the governance of this institution will have much to do with the tone of the relationship between Southeastern's various constituencies.

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seminary is certainly part of the community. We would like to continue to encourage communication and involvement." Mayor Ray is quick to point out past and current cooperative efforts, such as, use of seminary property for the soccer and T-ball programs, as well as parking for these activities. He mentions recent financial contributions to the Fire Department and Rescue Squad. The seminary also provides space for the Wake Forest Crisis Ministry.

Faculty member's at the seminary have had a long history of involvement in civic clubs and affairs over the years. Paul Brock, director of communications, points out that the land on which the high school, the swimming pool and community center rests is land donated by the seminary to the community. Dr. Drummond talks of the seminary's participation in Meals on Wheels and other civic involvement: "The seminary is a major financial asset to the community. I personally have been involved. We have met with the mayor and council two or three times in the last year, and I've also spoken to civic organizations that have invited me."

Despite this positive record of involvement, there are some who see things

Final Exam Schedule
Spring 1990

8:00 a.m. Courses
Three & four-hour courses
8:00-9:50 a.m. May 8
Two-hour WF courses
8:00-9:50 a.m. May 8
Two-hour TTh courses
8:00-9:50 a.m. May 4

9:00 a.m. Courses
Three & four-hour courses
8:00-9:50 a.m. May 9
Two-hour WF courses
8:00-9:50 a.m. May 9
Two-hour TTh courses
8:00-9:50 a.m. May 10

11:00 a.m. Courses
Three & four-hour courses
10:00-11:50 a.m. May 4
Two-hour WF courses
10:00-11:50 a.m. May 4
Two-hour TTh courses
10:00-11:50 a.m. May 8

12:00 noon Courses
Three & four-hour courses
10:00-11:50 a.m. May 10
Two-hour WF courses
10:00-11:50 a.m. May 9
Two-hour TTh courses
10:00-11:50 a.m. May 10

1:00 p.m. Courses
Three & four-hour courses
1:00-2:50 p.m. May 8
Two-hour WF courses
1:00-2:50 p.m. May 8
Two-hour TTh courses
1:00-2:50 p.m. May 4

2:00 p.m. Courses
Three & four-hour courses
1:00-2:50 p.m. May 9
Two-hour WF courses
1:00-2:50 p.m. May 10
Two-hour TTh courses
8:00-9:50 p.m. May 9

3:00 p.m. Courses
Tuesday only courses
3:00-4:50 p.m. May 8
Wednesday only courses
3:00-4:50 p.m. May 9
Thursday only courses
3:00-4:50 p.m. May 10
Friday only courses
3:00-4:50 p.m. May 4

Monday Daytime Courses
Regularly schedule class time on May 7

Thursday Evening Courses
Last evening of class

differently. One long-term resident said, "I don't see this administration as active as previous administrations, and I'm not just referring to the Lolley reign." Perceptions will always vary widely, and the administration, though a major factor, is not the only one involved in improving community relations.

Students, as well as faculty and administration, must take seriously their role as citizens of Wake Forest and ambassador of the seminary to the townspeople. Mayor Ray suggests, "Volunteer. Be involved," whether it is in the PTA, city sports or whatever. Each member of the SEBTS family has a role to play in improving community relations.

Free Songwriters Magazine from Music City Song Festival

The Music City Song Festival announces the availability of the fifth edition of SoundMakers, a free educational magazine for songwriters and performers.

To request a free copy of SoundMakers magazine and be added to the Music City Song Festival mailing list, write to MCSF, P.O. Box 17999-s, Nashville, TN 37217 or call (615) 834-0027 between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Central Time.

Music organizations and educational programs may request bulk shipments.

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