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ENZOR TO RECEIVE SOUTHEASTERN SEMINARY CITATION

WAKE FOREST, N.C.-Wesley M. Enzor, pastor, Pilot Baptist Church, Raleigh, N. C., has been selected as the 1980 recipient of the Citation for Excellence in Christian Ministry by Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary here. The award will be presented at the seminary's commencement on Friday night, May 9.

Enzor was selected because of his work over a 28-year period in a changing neighborhood on Raleigh's north side. The former mill village community began a racial integration in the early 1960's, incorporating the mill village with a public low rent housing project. During the transition, he was able to maintain a leadership role and provide stability for the changing community.

In the 70's the old separation between the housing project and the mill village was dissolved. Both are now inhabited by a multi-racial population, yet the church and pastor have made a commitment to reach the present community.

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The church has shown a steady growth over the period, with membership growing from 167 to 512. In his 28 years, Enzor has baptized 380 new Christians and the church has added another 291 by transfer of membership.

The Citation for Excellence is awarded by Southeastern Seminary to persons whose ministry has demonstrated values which the seminary seeks to uphold and teach its students. The school's faculty and Board of Trustees were unanimous in their naming of Enzor to receive the Citation.

A native of Hope Mills, Enzor is a graduate of Hope Mills High School, and attended Campbell University, Wake Forest University and Southeastern Seminary. He is married to the former Ruth Brisson of Fayetteville. They have 5 children and 4 grandchildren.

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