

Today's woman wants full participation in every area of life. She wants to be included in the decision making process in the family, the church and the world. She wants her role to be determined by her interest and abilities, and her call from God.

On behalf of the Woman's Committee and The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, I extend to you a warm welcome to our campus to explore the challenging issues that surround "The Changing Roles of Women in Church and Society" and to join us in presenting the first Distinguished Christian Woman Award to Rosalynn Carter.

Betty McGary Pearce

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Woman's Committee Conference
and Award Coordinator

CONFERENCE PURPOSE

The purpose of the conference is to bring together men and women to focus on the vital and changing role of women in the church and society and to recognize a distinguished Christian woman for outstanding achievement.

PURPOSE OF THE AWARD/CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

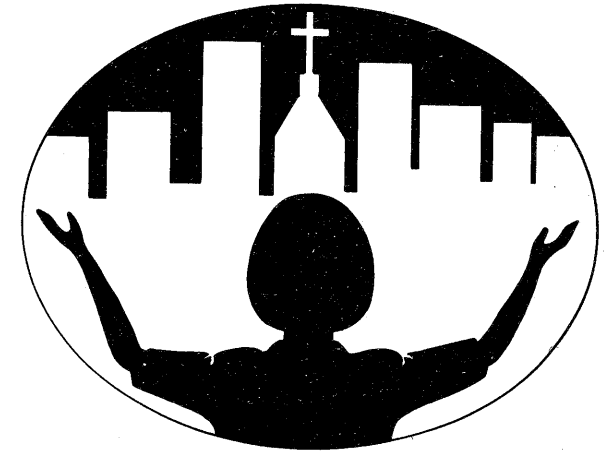
The purpose of the Distinguished Christian Woman Award is recognition by the Woman's Committee of The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary of a distinguished Christian woman for her outstanding achievements which have benefited humanity and reflected the teachings of Jesus Christ.

Following are the criteria for selection:

1. The recipient of the award must be an active Christian church woman.
2. She must be a woman whose achievements benefit humanity.
3. She must be a woman whose life reflects the teachings of Jesus Christ.



The Woman's Committee
Southern Baptist Theological Seminary
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The Changing Roles of Women in Church and Society

This conference is designed to provide lay persons with valuable knowledge and insight which will enable them to meet the new challenges presented by the changing roles of women in church and society.

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The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary
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MONDAY, OCTOBER 15

Registration

Plenary Session I: Biblical Perspectives on Women
Frank Stagg - Professor
Emeritus New Testament
Southern Seminary
Evelyn Stagg - Writer —
Frequent Speaker

Workshops

Lunch

Plenary Session II: Contributions of Women in History
Catherine Allen —
Associate Executive Director,
Woman's Missionary Union
Bill Leonard — Associate
Professor of Church History
Southern Seminary

Workshops

Award Banquet: Presentation of Distinguished Christian Woman Award and address by recipient
Rosalynn Carter — Recipient,
Distinguished Christian Woman Award
Roy Lee Honeycutt —
President, Southern Seminary

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16

Plenary Session III: Social and Psychological Perspectives on Women
Sarah F. Anders — Professor,
Walker Chair of Sociology
Louisiana College
Andy Lester — Professor,
Psychology of Religion,
Southern Seminary

Autograph Reception



ROSALYNN CARTER

Recipient of the first
Distinguished Christian Woman Award

Born and raised in Plains, Georgia, Rosalynn Smith Carter was part of a family that emphasized a strong commitment to church and community.

One of four children, Rosalynn was 13 when her father died and her mother became a dressmaker to support the family. Rosalynn helped with the sewing and worked part-time in a beauty shop. She attended Plains High School and Georgia Southwestern College, a junior college from which she was graduated.

During her first year at Georgia Southwestern, Rosalynn began dating Jimmy Carter, an appointee at the U.S. Naval Academy. The couple was married the following summer.

During their first seven years of marriage, Navy responsibilities brought about long periods of separation for the Carters and their three sons. During Jimmy's absence, Rosalynn managed all family affairs, an experience she says helped her develop a measure of resourcefulness and independence.

In 1953 following the death of his father, Jimmy resigned from the Navy to return to Plains. He and Rosalynn continued his father's small farm supply business. As the business grew, Rosalynn's work became full-time.

At the center of Jimmy's campaigns for the Georgia Senate, U.S. Senate and presidency, Rosalynn has been described as his "closest political partner and advisor, a strong woman who is knowledgeable about the issues and willing to speak up."

Following Jimmy's election to the presidency in 1976, Rosalynn continued to receive numerous awards and recognitions. She served as honorary chair of the President's Commission on Mental Health, the work of which resulted in the passage of the Mental Health Systems Act. She was named Volunteer of the Decade by the National Mental Health Association. Rosalynn has received honorary degrees from Tift College and Morehouse College.

Since returning to Plains, Rosalynn has received the Presidential Citation from the American Psychological Association and the Distinguished Service Award for Leadership in Christian Social Ethics from the Christian Life Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention. She currently serves as a member of the board of directors of the Gannett Company, Inc.

The Woman's Committee is honored to present its first Distinguished Christian Woman Award to Rosalynn Carter.

WORKSHOPS



1. **Dimensions of Spiritual Growth**
Ed Thornton — Professor, Psychology of Religion, Southern Seminary
 Learn to recognize predictable stages of spiritual growth which are commonly experienced by adults as they develop spiritual maturity. Focus on spiritual growth through prayer and meditation.
2. **Multiple Roles: Career Woman, Homemaker, Church Woman**
Catherine Allen — Associate Executive Director, Woman's Missionary Union
 Identify obstacles and opportunities women experience as they combine multiple roles. Develop awareness of creative ways to achieve a balanced life by learning to assess resources, set goals and establish priorities.
3. **Parenting and Generational Issues**
Willis Bennett — Dean, School of Theology, Southern Seminary
Susanne Bennett — Clinical Social Worker, Children's Hospital, Washington, D.C.
 Focus on the effects of changing society on parent-child and grandparent-parent-child relationships. Learn communication skills which can enable families to bridge the generation gap.
4. **Changing Roles of Men and Women in Society**
Helen Barnette — Ed.D. Candidate, Southern Seminary
Henlee Barnette — Visiting Professor of Christian Ethics, Southern Seminary
 Discover the ways in which the flexible roles of men and women in modern society create opportunities for personal and spiritual development.
5. **Partnership in Marriage**
Wayne Dehoney — Pastor, Walnut Street Baptist Church
Lealice Dehoney — Pastor's Wife
 Study the biblical basis and social conditioning of marriage partnership. Examine the issue of marital equality, including such factors as vocational choice, household responsibilities and religious/social involvement.
6. **Church Women of the '80's and '90's — the Woman in the Pew**
Ruth Rogers - Media Consultant, Active Churchwoman/St. Matthews Baptist Church
Betty Cook — Co-author Active Churchwoman/Crescent Hill Baptist Church
Jaunita Downing — Former School Administrator, Active Churchwoman/Ninth & O Baptist Church
Ida Lee Waddle — President — Woman's Committee — Southern Seminary, Active Churchwoman/Broadway Baptist Church
 Explore the changing responsibilities of lay women as they participate in church life. Consider how women can respond to opportunities for maximum benefit to church and to self.
7. **Christian Women — Recognizing and Developing Gifts**
Zelma Pattillo — Campus Supervisor for Student's Experience in Ministry and Formation's Group Leader and Former Campus Minister, Church Staff Person
 Discover the unique contributions which women can make in churches. Focus on provisions which denominations and local churches can make to help women recognize and develop their gifts most effectively.
8. **Women and Stages of Adult Life — Young Adults**
Linda Bridges — Former missionary, Ph.D. candidate in New Testament, Southern Seminary
 Consider the issues facing young women of today: dependence versus independence, singleness or family lifestyle, and the development of values, dreams, goals and priorities.
9. **Women and Stages of Adult Life — Mid-Life Adults**
Anne Crosby — Clinical Social Worker, Pastoral Counseling and Consultation Center
 Learn to identify, anticipate and manage the changes which accompany middle age. Prepare to shape physical, spiritual, personal, professional and familial changes so that they offer maximum growth and reward.
10. **Women and Stages of Adult Life — Senior Adults**
Robin Rogers — Assistant Professor of Church Social Work, Southern Seminary
Clara Mc Cartt — Woman's Committee Vice President, Membership and Secretary to the Chancellor, Southern Seminary
 Receive aid and encouragement for learning to define "senior" as mature, experienced and fulfilled. Address the special concerns of senior women and explore new avenues of personal growth.
11. **Determining Priorities — Time Management for Women**
Ralph Hardee — Associate Professor of Church Administration, Southern Seminary
Beth Lambert — Dean of Students, Southern Seminary
 Focus on developing techniques for setting realistic goals and for enjoying a goal-directed life. Gain confidence in personal priorities and honesty in self-assessment in the face of the increasing complexity of modern lifestyles.
12. **Biblical Models for Women Today**
Doris Borchert — Assistant Professor of Field Supervision, Southern Seminary
Gerald Borchert — Professor of New Testament Interpretation, Southern Seminary
 Look at the lives of several biblical women whose lives have provided models for successful living. Learn to apply the truths of these models to the problems and concerns of today.
13. **Parenting and Identity Issues**
Ann Smith — Minister of Children, Shively Baptist Church
Dan Aleshire — Associate Professor of Psychology and Denominational Ministry, Southern Seminary
 Consider new choices now available to children. Explore parental opportunities for helping children form strong personal identities which will enable them to respond to the challenges of modern society with conviction and integrity.
14. **Parenting and Identity Issues**
James Hawkins — Associate Director of Downtown Campus — Jefferson Community College
Mike Spencer — Minister of Youth, Highland Baptist Church
 Consider new choices now available to teen-agers. Explore parental opportunities for helping teen-agers form strong personal identities which will enable them to respond to the challenges of modern society with conviction and integrity.

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CONFERENCE STEERING COMMITTEE

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Southern Seminary was founded in 1859 as the first institution of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Its early classes were held in Greenville, South Carolina, with 26 students and four professors. The Civil War forced the seminary to move to Louisville, Kentucky, in 1877, where a "permanent" campus was built downtown.

But enrollment quickly outgrew the crowded site. In 1926, the seminary occupied its present campus, a magnificent rolling tract of 100 acres.

The Southern Seminary campus consists of 46 buildings, many in classical Georgian architecture. Among the facilities: one of the nation's largest Aeolian-Skinner pipe organs, an archaeological museum and a fully-equipped television studio.

The 500,000-volume Boyce Centennial Library is one of America's premier collections of theological materials.

Because Southern is known worldwide as an exceptional center for graduate study in theology, students come to the campus from as many as 20 nations.

In 1984 the seminary observes its 125th anniversary.

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