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## SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

The Forty-Ninth Session, fifty-ninth year, of the Southern Baptist Convention will be held in "The Gospel Tabernacle," Nashville, Tenn., beginning Friday, May 13th, 1904, at 10 a. m.

The Annual sermon will be preached by Rev. W. W. Landrum, D. D., of Georgia, or his alternate, Rev. W. H. Felix, D. D. of Kentucky.

The office of the Secretaries will be in room 5, parlor floor, Maxwell House. Delegates and Associational Representatives are earnestly requested to register there as soon as possible after arrival in Nashville. Do not wait for the opening of the Convention; come in Thursday, or between 8:30 and 9:30 a. m. Friday. This will greatly assist us and the State Secretaries in presenting at the opening of the session a correct Roll of those actually present.

LANSING BURROWS,

OLIVER FULLER GREGORY,

J. P. EAGLE, Pres. Sec.'s.

NOTE. The Baptist Young Peoples Union and the American Baptist Education Society will meet on Thursday, May 12th, in the First Baptist Church, Broad and Vine streets.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

Auxiliary to S. B. C.

The Annual Meeting of this Society will be held in the McKendree M. E. Church, Nashville, Tenn., beginning Friday, May 13th, 1904.

MRS. ANNIE W. ARMSTRONG,  
Cor. Sec.

MRS. J. A. BARKER, Pres.

RAILROAD RATES.

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## MESSENGRS TO S. B. C.

Inasmuch, as each State Secretary is to make out the list from his own State the messengers from Kentucky are requested to register not later than 9:30 Friday morning. I will be at head

quarters, at the Maxwell House. Then we can furnish a complete roll of the messengers at the opening of the session.

If you have even applied for appointment as a messenger and find you cannot attend, please notify me at once, so that some other brother can have the place. There will be more applicants than places. If you write too late for the communication to reach me, at Louisville, by Monday night, the 9th, then address me at Nashville, Tenn., care Maxwell House.

## MESSENGRS TO SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

We do not expect to be able to appoint all who apply. The names will be put before the committee about May 3rd and the full quota will be appointed. The committee will be impartial and do the best they can. The representation will have to be distributed as far as possible over the State and yet the committee will be compelled to have some regard to the source whence the money came. Some of us devoutly wish the money basis was only a thing of the past.

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## SOUTHERN Baptist Convention

Nashville, Tenn., May 12-18, 1904

On account of the above meeting the Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company have authorized a rate of one fare plus twenty-five cents for the round trip. Tickets on sale May 10-11-12; good ten days from date of sale. By payment of a fee of fifty-cents to Special Agent at Nashville the limit of tickets will be extended to June 6th.

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## SOME STATISTICS.

Last week we mentioned the appearance of the new Baptist Year Book, and gave some of the figures. We now come to note the denominational status revealed by these figures.

We have in the United States 4,506,747 regular Baptists, truly a mighty host. We have 45,727 churches and 31,895 ordained ministers. This is an increase for the year of 176,285 members, 898 churches and 986 ministers. There is certainly no falling off in the Baptist ministry, however it may be with others. Our aggregate contributions were \$15,994,341.51, an increase of about \$930,000 over the year previous.

We have 9 institutions devoted to theological training, with 1,158 students; while in our universities and colleges there are 1,739 students for the ministry. And it is to be remembered that a good proportion of our preachers do not come from these sources.

We have in all 212 chartered institutions of learning, with 3,049 teachers, 49,370 pupils and \$51,153,268 in property and endowment. We also have over \$3,500,000 in benevolent institutions. All this is in addition to our \$95,100,026 in houses of worship. Add to this that we have 129 periodicals of unknown value and of unknown power. Such is our Baptist "plant" in the United States. With such a force and with such a plant, we ought, under God, to do great things for the kingdom.

There were reported 234,321 baptisms, with 46,266 deaths and the loss of 83,019 by "exclusion and erasure." It is significant that our loss by exclusion and erasure should be more than one-third of our additions. This indicates something wrong that ought to be remedied. It seems to us to mean that we are too careless in approving candidates for baptism and that we take in a good deal of unconverted material. Surely there is need for reform here. Surely there is no need for our thus losing more than one-third of our additions. Additions to churches by letter are not denominational additions, and so are not considered here.

Last year we granted 116,218 letters and received 115,188; a net loss of 1,030. But on the other hand we received by "experience and restoration" 54,825. This is an interesting item. They are from the ranks of those who have been lost in previous years by exclusion and erasure. If this rate continues we will exclude 83,000 a year and take back 54,800, so there will be a net loss from this source of 28,200, which is about one-ninth of our additions. We note that the loss by exclusion

and erasure last year was 1,435 less than the year previous, while our gain by "experience and restoration" was 2,429 greater. This shows we are improving.

The Southern States are greatly in the lead. There are more white Baptists in the South than in the North, leaving the colored Baptists out of view. Putting the two together, the Baptists of the South are three times as numerous as those of the North, although the North has by far the larger population. We think this is because in the South the Baptists are more denominational; more intensely Baptist. In the North the Baptists are, as a rule, laxer than in the South, and are fewer in numbers. In England the Baptists are laxer, as a rule, than in the North, and they are still fewer in numbers, both actually and in proportion to population. It is thus manifest that if Baptists would increase they must be strict in their views. Laxity is death to Baptists. And yet, *mirabile dictu*, the advocates of laxity always have an eye to winning the favor of non-Baptists, and they dread strictness because they think it will offend non-Baptists. People who believe something and stick to it, through thick and thin, are the ones who win favor and who make converts.

An interesting feature of the Year Book is the lists of our missionaries in foreign lands, of those ordained and of those who died during the last year. The last list contains a number of honored names, e. g., J. L. M. Curry, Alvah Hovey, A. J. Huntington, J. S. Felix, J. A. Kirtley, J. H. Hall, R. N. Barrett, Geo. Dana Boardman, J. H. Luther, D. N. Porter and others.

—Western Recorder.

We want to add to the above that the year book puts the number of white Baptists in Kentucky at 203,875; with, 1,730 churches, 1,190 ordained ministers, 10,419 baptized during the year.

## JACKSON.

Pastor R. L. Baker of Jackson has been aided by G. W. Argabrite in a gracious meeting. The latest news there had been twenty-one additions to the membership, mostly by baptism. Several prominent citizens had joined, among them our special friend William Combs, who has put more money into the church building than all others together. Also an Elder of the Presbyterian church and his wife were baptized. The influence of the meeting under the preaching and singing of Bro. Argabrite and the personal labors of such men as Argabrite and Baker, was marvellous for Jackson.

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The blue mark by your name on  
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to renew. Help carry the work.

Some of our brethren, and some  
churches are exceedingly anxious  
to have appropriations made to  
certain points and certain phases  
of State Mission work but they  
utterly fail to help provide the  
means necessary for the work.

**COLPORTAGE WORK.**

Many seminary students are  
applying for work. We have in  
the past been able to employ some  
of them in colportage work but  
we have now reached the limit.  
The fund is in debt and we can-  
not employ other men. This is  
an exceedingly important work  
and should be diligently prosecuted  
by Baptists.

*Brodhead.*

This is one of our prosperous  
missions. Bro. R. R. Noel is the  
efficient pastor. They have a fine  
Sunday-school and good congrega-  
tion. The Secretary preached  
for them April 9th and 10th and  
aided in the ordination of two  
deacons, cousins, both named Al-  
bright.

*Livingston.*

No mission field in the State  
has shown greater progress dur-  
ing the past year than this. They  
have increased about five hundred  
per cent during the year. Have a  
splendid house nearly ready to  
dedicate, have a fine Sunday-  
school and a live prayer-meeting.  
Bro. F. P. Gates is the efficient  
pastor. The Secretary spent three  
days on the field during the past  
month and preached five sermons  
for them.

*Mt. Vernon.*

Bro. W. L. Brock has been pas-  
tor here the last year. Has re-  
signed to give all his time to Lon-  
don. He did good work at Mt.  
Vernon. They are now pastorless.  
The Secretary preached for them  
on night of April 13th and tried  
to get them to arrange for the  
settling of a pastor at once.

Mt. Vernon is the county seat  
of Rockcastle county, an important  
point. The Baptists have strength  
and means sufficient to do a good  
work here if they were united and  
consecrated.

**MISSION TRACTS.**

The influence of these little mis-  
sives are beyond computation.  
People will read short tracts who  
will not read books. We need so  
much to have a number of short,

pointed, clear tracts on our State  
mission work, setting forth its  
needs and possibilities. Through  
our colporters and Women's Mis-  
sion Societies we are distributing  
tens of thousands of tracts on  
Foreign and Home Mission work,  
until many never think of any  
other phase of mission work.  
They forget the work at home.  
Will not some of our able writers  
give us a few tracts on State Mis-  
sions. Will not our churches and  
pastors awake to the needs and  
possibilities of this work. Mis-  
sions are missions. It is just bear-  
ing the blessed gospel of Christ  
to lost souls are there any here?  
I would not take one cent from  
the treasuries of the Foreign and  
Home Boards nor detract any-  
thing from the interest felt in  
these great mission fields, but  
State Missions is the real base of  
supplies. If this is not cultivated  
we shall soon decrease instead of  
increasing. Let us cultivate the  
field here and we shall have more  
gifts and greater gifts for the  
more distant work.

God is pouring the inhabitants  
of heathen lands upon us and if  
we do not Christianize them they  
will, in a frightful measure, hea-  
thenize us.

Christ said to the apostles in  
Jerusalem, "Ye shall be witnesses  
unto me both in Jerusalem, and  
in Samaria, and unto the utter-  
most part of the earth."

**CHURCH BUILDING FUND.**

This fund is exhausted. Yet  
we are building at Livingston,  
Hindman, Russell Springs, Hope-  
well, etc., and are under promise  
to give funds for these places.  
Many other applications are be-  
fore us and it is distressing to  
have to reply to all, "No money."

Olive Hill, one of our new mis-  
sions must build and must be  
helped in the work. No phase of  
mission work seems to be of great-  
er importance. I wish some good  
brother or sister would raise for  
themselves a lasting monument  
(to be called by their name) by  
giving \$10,000.00 or even \$5,000.  
00 as a memorial fund to be kept  
sacred, interest only to be used,  
or the money to be loaned for this  
work. Give this upon conditions  
the denomination give a like  
amount for immediate use in this  
work.

One thing which has greatly  
hindered us in our mission col-  
lections in Kentucky is the fact  
that the farmers have not yet re-  
ceived returns for their tobacco.  
Until recently there has been but  
little weather in which tobacco  
could be handled, and the market  
was so low all winter there were  
few sales. Just now there is a  
boom in Burley and some other  
grades, but it comes too late for  
us to get returns for mission  
work.

**A MINISTER'S MEDITATION**

When I was in school I worked  
mathematical problems until my  
head ached and night turned to-  
ward morning. But I wouldn't  
do it again. It did not pay, not  
for me. Individuals spend too

much time on problems. It is a  
device of the devil to switch min-  
isters off from their parish work  
to big problems. I don't intend  
to be switched.

In the next place, I am not go-  
ing to hold myself responsible for  
everything that goes wrong. A  
great many people in this world,  
in fact, most of them, do pretty  
much as they please. I shall try  
to persuade some of them to do  
right, but if they do wrong, I  
cannot help it. I never knew  
anybody, or heard, or read of any-  
body, who could persuade every-  
body to do right. And I am per-  
suaded that many good and hon-  
est souls worry too much, and  
blame themselves too much, for  
what they could not prevent. If  
some glib speaker asserts, that if  
the ministers would do so and so  
the world would immediately be  
converted, I am not going to be-  
lieve it, for it is not true, and  
never was true. The only thing  
that is true, is that the minister  
should do his best, and then  
leave the consequences with those  
to whom they belong.

On the more positive side, there  
are some things which I am going  
to do. I am going to read my  
Bible. It helps me to understand  
the commentaries, and human na-  
ture, and myself. And it helps  
me to preach. Without the Bible  
I should consider myself an im-  
pertinence in the pulpit. It also  
helps me to keep up with the  
times, for the Bible is about the  
only book which is ahead of the  
times. The sermon on the Mount  
is ten thousand years ahead of  
today. I should rather try to  
catch up with it than catch up  
with the progressive procession.  
That is one of the things which  
I am not going to run my legs  
off after. The Bible has the morn-  
ing star and the evening star in  
its hands. It holds up a torch  
over the untrudged ages, a light  
against eternity.

Then I am going to pray, not  
as a quiet meditation, or healthy  
spiritual exercise, or a mental  
gymnastic, or to keep myself in  
practice, but for the same reason  
that I used to ask my father and  
mother for what I needed. \* \* \*

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- Baker, Geo. E., Burnside.
- Baker, R. L., Morehead and  
Jackson.
- Bell, W. H., Audubon.
- Bolton, C. J., Knob Creek.
- Brock, W. L., Mt. Vernon.
- Brumfield, S. W., Preston st.
- Burns, J. A., Oneida.

- Christian, S. O., Ashland.
- Dobbins, J. G., Eight Mile.
- Dorris, A. C., Jackson.
- Dugger, C. A., Beattyville.
- Earl, C. A., Latonia.
- Edwards, J. W., Parksville.
- Edwards, L. P., Green River.
- Edwards, R. P., Glenview.
- Elsley, C. W., Lexington, Fifth  
street.
- Estridge, E. C., Caloway.
- Ferrell, J. B., Liberty.
- Fitzgerald, W. H., Hardinsburg
- Foster, A. J., 36th and Grand  
avenue.
- Foster, W. E., Clifton.
- Fox, U. J., Blackford.
- Gates, F. P., Livingston.
- George, E. E., Glenview.
- Gibbs, W. R., Carrsville.
- Henderson, W. O., Hawesville.
- Hunt, J. R., Plum Spring.
- Janzen, Abraham, Louisville  
German church.
- Johnston, T. H., Bellevue.
- Jones, F. G., Drakesboro.
- Jones, J. M., Jackson.
- Kazee, J. C., Enterprize Ass'n.
- Kimble, R. C., Corbin.
- Kuykendall, W. M., Burkesville.
- Leonard, C. S., East Mead.
- Lytle, Lewis, Hindman.
- Mahan, J. W., Harlan.
- McLendon, H. R., Burning  
Springs.
- Mohler, S. N., Oakdale.
- Morehead, R. W., Eddyville.
- Noel, R. R., Brodhead and Sil-  
ver Creek.
- Parsons, J. G., Whitesburg.
- Perryman, J. L., East Paducah.
- Petrey, A. S., Hazard.
- Pierce, W. C., Cattlettsburg.
- Reid, C. M., Middlesboro.
- Reynolds, J. R., Olive Hill.
- Robinson, W. H., Second church,  
Paducah.
- Ross, A. M., 36th and Grand  
avenue.
- Rouse, T. B., Norton.
- Sandlin, L. D., Onieda.
- Shouse, H. M., Berea.
- Staley, M. E., Uniontown.
- Stewart, J. R., Hazelwood.
- Tralle, H. E., Logan street.
- Turpin, J. T., Bowen.
- Vick, Eben G., Bowling Green  
Second church.
- Vickers, A. Logan, Ludlow.
- Warder, J. W., Institute work.
- Watts, T. J., Logan street.
- Williams, L. P. V., Farmers  
and Olive Hill.
- Williams, W. W., Rochester.
- Walford, J. E., Lancaster.
- Wood, D., Glenwood.

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ley Association.
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**SPIRITUAL SIGHT.**

"The truth shall make you free." Jno. 8:32. The only reason why men live in sin is because they are blind to the truth. They have no knowledge of the blessed fact that God is Love. The natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God; for they are foolishness unto him; neither can he know them (before he became a spiritual being) for they are spiritually discerned." Unconverted men do not know God, because they have not found him in Christ. To know God in Christ is to have a spiritual life; to be born of the Spirit! to have eternal life, unplanted in the soul. Men are slaves to sin because they may be free, by being born in Christ. It is the knowledge of God's love as Christ reveals it, shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost that makes us free from the law of sin and death. There can be no real abiding and ever expanding life without such spiritual birth, but when we come to know God by knowing Christ in us, we enter upon a course of glorious possibilities as great that only God can know what we may become. "It doth not yet appear what we shall be, but we know that when He shall appear we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is," this thought was in the mind of Jesus when he said, "and this is life eternal, that they may know thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent."

MRS. ELLA GATES.

**BALANCE OF MARCH RECEIPTS.**

Long Run Association, Logan street church, per Dr. R. P. Fallis, \$17.71; Bracken Association, per W. H. Fritts, \$358.44; South Cumberland River Association, from Steubenville church, per Geo. E. Baker, \$5.00; Three Forks Association, Hazard church, per A. S. Petrey, \$20.00; Long Run Association, Eight Mile church, per J. G. Dobbins, 59 cts.; Campbell County Association, Newport church, per Leslie E. Clark, \$28.00; Book Fund per J. W. Bodine, \$13.15.

**RECEIPTS FOR APRIL.**

Freedom Association, per J. L. Adkins, Salem church, \$20.00; Hopewell church, 50 cents; Russell Springs church, \$2.00; Total,

\$22.50; Elkhorn Association, per Malcom Thompson, South Elkhorn church, \$21.15; Great Crossings, \$15.00; First church, Lexington, \$17.00; Total, \$53.15; Long Run Association, Eight Mile church, per J. G. Dobbins, 66 cents.

Three Forks Association, Dwarf church, per T. B. Owens, \$5.00; Jackson church, per R. L. Baker, \$3.00; Long Run Association, McFerran church, per Jas. K. Jarvis, \$66.73; Elkhorn Association, per Malcom Thompson, \$90.25; Providence church, \$27.75; \$2.50 Mt. Freedom church; \$25.00 from Ladies of Cane Run church for a native helper in Japan; \$10.00 from Millville church; Freedom Association, Burkesville church, per W. M. Kuykendall, \$25.00; Greenup Association, \$13.75; of this amount Pollard, \$10.14, and Summit church \$3.61; Book Fund, per E. L. Craig, \$10.75; Tates Creek Association, Republican church, \$5.50; Long Run Association, per S. N. Mohler, \$1.00; Ten Mile Association, Concord church, per J. L. Presser, \$7.00; Crittenden Association, Gardnersville church, per J. L. Presser, \$6.00; White's Run Association, Worthville church, per J. L. Presser, \$2.00; Long Run Association, per Miss Lulie Miles, church building fund, \$1.00; Long Run Association, Thirty-sixth and Grand Avenue church, per A. J. Foster, \$3.50; Long Run Association, Walnut-street church, per J. G. Bow, church building fund, \$7.00; Greenup Association, Ashland church, per F. Eugene May, \$55.00; Greenup Association, Russell church, per F. Eugene May, \$35.34; Central Association, per J. A. Boulware, \$90.00; Long Run Association, Portland Avenue church, Sunbeam Band, per Mrs. J. H. Longcrier, \$5.00; Russells Creek Association, Greensburg church, per J. W. Sandlin, \$34.00; Tate's Creek Association, Maple Grove church, per L. S. Ewton, \$8.00; Logan County Association, Mt. Pleasant church, per D. P. Browning, \$34.52; West Union Association, Harmony church, per J. R. Stewart, \$12.00; Boones creek Association, Mt. Olive church per W. P. Heatt, \$28.00; Daviess County Association, 3d church, Owensboro, per D. S. Nall, \$6.00; Booneville Association, Oneida church, per James Roberts, Sr., \$3.75; Tate's Creek Association, Hays Fork church, per Fount Rice, \$6.22; Blackford Association, Lewisport church, C. W. Hudson, \$13.08; Gasper River Association, per G. W. Milam, \$181.88; Daviess County Association, Ladies Society of Sugar Grove church, per Norris Lashbrook, \$3.00; Warren Association, 1st church, Bowling Green, per G. F. Clark, \$79.79, of this amount \$6.50 from Woman's Missionary, \$3.25 to Orphan's Home and \$3.25 Minister's Aid Society; Elkhorn Association, per Malcom Thompson, \$482.97, this amount contributed by 1st church, Lexington, \$279.97; Cane Run church, \$15.25; Midway church, \$38.45; Bryan Station, \$7.10;

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