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Souvenir Booklet

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FOR

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HELD AT

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November 14-16, 1916
Foreword

This booklet brings the greetings of Louisville Baptists to the General Association of Kentucky Baptists.

Our doors are flung wide to our guests and a royal welcome awaits you on every hand. Not only are Baptist Homes open to receive you gladly, but all the Baptist churches speak their heart’s love for you in offering this Souvenir Program.

The city itself is open to you and the Publicity League of Louisville will demonstrate the spirit of civic hospitality by serving lunch Wednesday noon to the General Association, at Third and St. Catherine.

No stone has been left unturned to make smooth the path of entrance, nor any convenience neglected to make easy the flow of fellowship amongst the hosts assembled, so that your best energy may be free to advance the work of our Lord.

If our efforts are not in vain, we hope to convince you that we are glad to have you in our midst, and that you may count upon us as doing whatever we may have done that we may rejoice with you in the love of God, and go forward together as fellow soldiers under the banner of the Cross.

And so through this Souvenir Booklet, we welcome you in the Name of Christ.

This little booklet will be a guide to you as you enjoy the automobile ride over the city and see the Baptist churches and Institutions, which God has permitted us to maintain for His glory.

You will be able to behold many new church buildings which the younger churches have been able to erect only through your gifts to the State Mission Budget and help of the Lord.

This Souvenir will be suitable to take back home with you as a memento of this Annual gathering, not simply to lay aside, but to use as a Baptist Directory of this city.

You will thus be able to direct any of the Baptists who will visit this city to find their brethren and sisters in Christ, or those who are moving here to live to find a church home of their choice and carry out the spirit of their Church Covenant.
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H. C. McGILL, Editor
Provisional Program of the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky, which meets at Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky., November 14-16, 1916

Tuesday, November 14th.

AFTERNOON.

4:00 Devotional.
4:15 Appointment of Committee on Credentials, Organization and Election of Officers.
4:45 Report of the Baptist State Board of Missions.

EVENING.

7:00 Devotional.
7:15 Report on Schools and Colleges.
8:30 Annual sermon, by Eld. W. M. Stallings.
Announcement of Committees, to report at this session, by Moderator.

Wednesday, November 15th.

MORNING.

8:30 Devotional.
8:45 Recognition of visitors and presentation of new Pastors.
9:00 Report of Committee on Sunday Schools.
9:45 Report on Church Building.
11:00 Report on Home Missions.
12:00 Buffet Luncheon, by Convention and Publicity League of the City of Louisville, in basement of Walnut Street Baptist Church.

AFTERNOON.

2:00 Devotional.
3:30 Report of Committee on Nominations.
4:00 Report of Kentucky Baptist Children's Home and Louisville Baptist Orphan's Home.
4:45 Miscellaneous.

EVENING.

7:15 Devotional.
7:30 Report of Budget Committee.
9:00 Report of Committee for putting on the Budget Plan.

Thursday, November 16th.

MORNING.

8:30 Devotional.
9:00 Report of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.
9:30 Report on Sanitorium.
10:20 Report on Ministers' Aid.
10:45 Report on foreign Missions—Dr. J. F. Love.
11:45 Report of Committee on Laymen's Work.
12:00 Men's banquet, addressed by Dr. Frederick A. Agar, Methods Secretary, Northern Baptist Convention.

AFTERNOON.

2:00 Devotional.
3:00 Automobile ride to points of interest in Louisville.

EVENING.

7:15 Devotional.
7:30 Report on Woman's Work (Addresses by Dr. J. W. Porter, Dr. Frederick A. Agar).
8:00 Report on State Missions. Short speeches by a number of State Workers. This, we expect to be the most interesting hour of the General Association.

W. D. POWELL,
M. B. ADAMS,
F. D. PERKINS,
Committee.
Kentucky Baptist Headquarters

This splendid property, located at 205 East Chestnut Street, came into the possession of the Baptists from the estate of Mr. Theodore Harris.

When Mr. Harris died, in August, 1907, it was found that he had made liberal provision, by will, for aiding our Church Edifice Work. Nothing was said in the will about the disposition of the homestead, but in the settlement that was made. Secretary Powell secured this as a gift to the General Association of Baptists, in Kentucky, to be used as the headquarters for our Church Edifice Fund, and also for all the work of the State Board of Missions.

It is a splendid three-story, stone front, brick building, with ten rooms and basement under the entire building. There is a new two-story brick building in the rear.

This property will furnish headquarters for our Baptist work for many years to come. One room is occupied by W. D. Powell, Corresponding Secretary; another by Mr. A. E. Wohlbold, Office Secretary; another by Rev. W. L. Brock, Sunday School Secretary; another by the W. M. U. workers, Mrs. Kate C. Hinkle, Corresponding Secretary and Mrs. Janie C. Bose, Office Secretary; and another by Mr. N. T. Barnes, B. Y. P. U. Secretary. This saves a great deal of expense in the way of rent, and it is an acquisition of which the Baptists of the state may well be proud.
The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary is having one of the greatest years in its history. Already there are present in the Seminary upward of 275 men. The Woman's Training School also has a large enrollment. Students continue to enter, and will no doubt do so until the last quarter. The enrollment, last year, was by far the largest in the history of the school. It is hoped that this session will break the record of last year, although we shall be satisfied if the enrollment equals that of a year ago.

The great and urgent need is more money for the Students' Fund. A great many splendid men are waiting for the Seminary training who cannot obtain it because of lack of funds. The churches need trained pastors; the mission fields need trained workers. Thorough training ought to be the watchword of our ministry. If the pastors and churches will lend a hand, the Students' Fund can be made adequate for its needs.

The collection of money subscribed to endowment goes on apace. It is not yet all collected. It is hoped that pastors and churches will give attention to this matter and urge subscribers to meet their obligations as they fall due.

In the not distant future, plans will probably be made to move the Seminary to its new location, a beautiful site in the Northeastern section of Louisville. Just how soon this will be, no one can now tell. But when it is done, the Seminary will not only be the greatest in attendance, but the greatest in material equipment in all the country.
Parr's Rest is a home for Christian women who have arrived at the age of sixty years or over who are unable to support themselves and have no relations that are able and will care for them. The home was erected and is entirely maintained by request of Daniel G. Parr, who died in 1904. For nearly half a century he was a member of Walnut Street Baptist Church. A membership in the home can not be bought for any amount, small or large, everything being free to members of the family. Few private homes have the conveniences of this home. All the bed rooms are furnished the same, the furnishings having been made specially for this institution. Every room has a large clothes closet and lavatory with hot and cold water. The large sun parlor, large halls and two big porches make space enough for the old ladies to take plenty of exercise even in the most inclement weather.

There is an infirmary where the sick are cared for, trained nurses being in attendance day and night. When a surgeon is required, they are taken to one of the public infirmaries of the city where they have the best attention until they are able to return to the home. In fact, everything possible is done for the care and pleasure of the family. Frequently, entertainments and amusements are given, that we in that way may give uplift to them. A prayer meeting, with a minister to talk to them, is held once a week. It is the aim of the trustees to have this in the fullest sense a Christian home, doing everything possible for the comfort of the old women that they may spend their last months and years in happiness.

Many people from the large northern and eastern cities who have visited the home and have been shown over the building have been extravagant in their praises, saying they have never seen an institution to equal it. Baptists and citizens generally of our city and State should be proud to have such a home in our midst.

Louisville Baptist Orphans' Home

for B. Y. P. U. work, chapel exercises, and Sunbeam Band services are emphasized by the Home.

Every Association and County has been represented by one or more of these children, about 85 per cent coming from the State and 15 per cent from Louisville; yet the support has come mainly from Louisville, the State furnishing about 15 per cent and Louisville 85 per cent; much of this is from the endowment which is largely from Louisville.

But the main portion of the endowment is by the will of the donor, Mr. W. F. Norton, Jr., kept separate, only the income being used by the Home for its support.

There are now 97 children in the Home; during the year 44 were received, 15 recommitted, 20 apprenticed, 5 adopted, 13 returned to relatives, 2 to another Home. The children are from counties as follows: Barren, 3; Bell, 15; Boyd, 2; Boyle, 1; Breathitt, 2; Caldwell, 1; Campbell, 1; Casey, 2; Christian, 3; Clarke, 3; Franklin, 1; Fulton, 5; Garrard, 1; Graves, 1; Grayson, 3; Green, 1; Hardin, 2; Hart, 2; Jefferson, 4; Jessamine, 3; Laurel, 2; Logan, 1; Madison, 3; Magoffin, 1; Muhlenberg, 2; Nelson, 2; Owen, 2; Perry, 3; Pulaski, 1; Rockcastle, 1; Whitley, 1; Woodford, 3; Louisville, 19; total, 97.

The annual cost is about $18,000, of which $12,000 comes from the endowments, and $6,000 is needed from the churches.

Donors of $1.00 or more are furnished free the Orphans' Friend, which publishes monthly all details.

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Wm. Moses .......................... Field Agent
Miss Mattie Priest ............... Superintendent

Since June 30, 1969, when the Louisville Baptist Orphans' Home was started in a rented house on Walnut Street, near Eighth, 2,021 committals of children have been made to the Home. Some have been committed more than once; and almost without exception, every one of these little ones coming to the years of accountability, was converted; several are now Baptist preachers, many others are filling useful stations in life—for this they were well fitted at the Home, by its educational, missionary, religious and temperance training—
The Kentucky Baptist Children's Home

The plan of this Home is industrial. A farm of 120 acres is used to educate the boys in agriculture, the products of which go to help support the children. Shops will be installed for the manual training of those mechanically inclined. The girls are trained in all kinds of house work.

A good school, taught by Baptist teachers, is maintained with good results.

The religious interests of the children are given the utmost care. Chapel services are held daily. A Sunday School and a B. Y. P. U. are kept up with good interest. A prayer meeting is conducted weekly. And evangelistic services are held as the religious needs may demand. Thirty-one of the children have professed conversion and been baptized.

Children are adopted from this Home only into Baptist families where they are assured of better care than is possible in an institution.

The Kentucky Baptist Children’s Home is a great power for good in the hands of Kentucky Baptists and should have the hearty support of every one of them.

We have no endowment. We are absolutely dependent upon Kentucky Baptists for every necessary provision for the Home. The State Board is in debt for running expenses, and the debt is increasing.

Thirty-one children have professed conversion and been baptized in one year.

Under existing circumstances, we do not think it wise to launch a campaign among the churches, now, for a new building, and yet if we are to do the needed work and meet the demands upon us, we must have the new buildings.

A. B. Gardner, Supt.

The Kentucky Baptist Children’s Home is located at Lynnland, near Glendale on the L. & N. Railroad, fifty-one miles south of Louisville. It was established by an act of the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky at the regular meeting of that body in Somerset in November, 1914, and is owned and controlled by it.

The purpose of this Home is to help destitute children of white parentage from birth to sixteen years old. It was opened, June 23, 1915, and since that time has cared for 112 children.
Hope Rescue Mission

Hope Rescue Mission was organized by the Baptist churches of Louisville in the year 1900. It was incorporated in 1902. It is entirely under Baptist control. In 1902, the premises at 806-810 West Jefferson Street were purchased and the old four-story building, which in its early history had been the home of wealth and refinement, and in its last occupancy the resort of vice and wickedness, was transformed into a shelter and refuge for men whose lives had been submerged in iniquity, and who, through the grace of God, were brought back to honor and sobriety and led to repent of their sins and accept Jesus Christ as their Saviour.

There are many sacred memories connected with the old Mission building. Dr. T. T. Eaton preached the first sermon, October 23, 1900—and that night, five depraved sinful men were converted, one of these men became a preacher of the Gospel and has now gone to his reward. The work thus begun has continued under God’s guidance until many hundreds of men have been redeemed from tramps and degraded beings to become truly the children of God. The struggles for existence during the early years, and in fact up to the very present, have often seemed insurmountable, but having faith in God, the work has gone on from year to year, increasing, we believe, in efficiency and honored by the Master.

During these years, sixteen men have gone forth as preachers of the Gospel. Some are pastors of prominent Baptist churches.

In August, 1914, our building was destroyed by fire. We are now occupying our new building, which is a substantial fireproof structure, far better adapted to our uses than the old. Here we welcome the man who has gone wrong and the boy who has run away from home. We give them a helping hand and lead them to Jesus. There is hardly a service that we do not have conversions. It is our aim that every man who comes to us shall be converted; if they are not, we fail in that case.

Everything in our work is subordinated to the winning of souls. We are definitely a Baptist institution, preaching Baptist doctrine, and rely upon the Baptist churches for support and control. Our Board of Trustees is composed of leading laymen, well known in the city and who are a guarantee of the economical and careful management of the affairs of the Mission. They are elected by the several churches of our city.

But the financial support from the Baptist churches has never been sufficient for our needs. The Mission has attained the confidence of the community at large, as a genuine work for reclaiming men, and a large part of our support is from contributions made by those who are outside the Baptist denomination.

Hope Rescue Mission has become, therefore, a permanent Baptist missionary institution of the city, one we believe, every Baptist in Kentucky can feel proud of.

We are now in great need of funds. We are coming to the hard winter season with a deficit of about $500. We ask your help, believing no greater work can be attempted than the winning of souls. Whatever you may be able to give in money, clothing or provisions, will be gratefully received and economically used in this great work.

WM. M. BRUCE, Supt.
W. M. U. Department
Programme

MONDAY, NOVEMBER, 13, 1916.
7:30 P. M.

"Pageant of Darkness and Light"........ by Y. W. A.'s of the State
"The Pictured Growth of the W. M. U. Training School" .................
Mrs. Maude R. McClure, Principal
"Lasting Foundations" . Training School Girls
"Building Materials" . . . Mrs. Janie Cree Bose

Mission Study Class
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday,
8:15 to 9:15 A. M.
At Fourth Avenue Church
Taught by Dr. W. O. Carver, Professor of
Comparative Religion and Missions in the
Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.
Text Book:
"Southern Baptists in Regions Beyond."

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1916.
9:30 A. M.
Superintendent's Conference, Miss E. S. Broadus presiding.
Noon.
Annual Business Meeting 1 P. M.
Doxology.
Devotional Exercises conducted by Mrs. T. P. Middleton, Eminence, Ky.
Welcome address, Miss Louie Davis, President W. M. S. of Fourth Ave. 1:15.
Response, Mrs. Otis Hughson, Lexington, Ky., 1:30.
Hymn of the Year, "Lord Speak to Me that I May Speak," 1:40.
Address by Mrs. W. C. James, President of the W. M. U. of S. B. C., 1:45.
Appointment of Committees.

Old Business.
New Business.
Welcome to Missionaries, 2:15.
Report of Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Kate C. Hinkle, Louisville, 2:30.
Report of Treasurer, Mrs. B. G. Rees, Louisville, 2:35 to 2:40.
Report of Auditor, Mr. E. A. Wohlbold, Louisville, 2:45.
Report of Vice-Presidents of Districts, 2:30.
Southeastern District, Mrs. W. E. Hunter, Somerset.
West Central District, Mrs. S. E. Jones, Glasgow, Ky.
Central District, Mrs. L. L. Roberts, Lexington, Ky.
Northeastern District, Mrs. F. P. Gates, Mt. Olivet, Ky.
Western District, Mrs. Clayton Dagg Richards, Hopkinsville, Ky.
Hymn—Benediction.

Wednesday, 9:30 A. M.
Election of Officers.
Devotional Exercises, conducted by Mrs. F. F. Gibson, Bowling Green, Ky.
Report on Eliza Broadus Church Building Fund, Mrs. Janie Cree Bose, Kentucky's member of Advisory Board, 10.

Miss Eliza S. Broadus.
Miss Eliza Broadus, Chairman of the Central Committee of Kentucky, and Vice-President of the Woman's Missionary Union of S. B. C. for Kentucky, since its organization, in 1888, in whose honor the Woman's Missionary Union, of Kentucky, in 1915 subscribed $3,000 to the Church Building and Loan Fund of the Home Mission Board.
Programme—Cont’d.

Report of Y. W. A. Work, Mrs. Thomas Rodman, State Y. W. A. Leader, 10:30.
Report of R. A. Work, Mrs. I. C. James, Harrodsburg, Leader, 10:45.
Report of College Correspondent, Mrs. Kate C. Hinkle, College Correspondent, 11:15.

The Woman’s Hymn.

Noon.

Afternoon Session, 1:30 P. M.

Devotional exercises, led by Mrs. Hugh Cox, Bardstown, Ky.
Report of Mission Study Commission, Mrs. Tom Underwood, Hopkinsville, Ky., 1:45.
Report of Personal Service Commission, Mrs. G. W. Perryman, Winchester, Chairman.
Demonstrations from Clubs from Good Will Center, James P. Boyce, Settlement and Sunshine Center.

Committees

Mrs. A. B. Weaver, Chairman.

Program.

Mrs. Kate Hinkle, Chairman, Miss Eliza Broadus, Mrs. S. E. Woody.

Entertainment.

Mrs. Geo. Neel, Chairman, Mrs. F. H. Goodridge, Mrs. H. P. Larrimore, Mrs. Geo. Hays, Mrs. John Reed, Mrs. R. L. Shirley, Mrs. R. E. Dupin, Mrs. J. A. Hodges, Mrs. Morris Wilson, Mrs. W. H. Hamilton, Mrs. E. P. Jenkins.

Literature.

Mrs. Frank Short, Chairman, Mrs. W. J. Druen, Mrs. Bush, Mrs. Fulton Middleton, Mrs. Chas. Gould, Mrs. Chapman, Mrs. E. B. Robertson, Mrs. Nunnelly, Miss Allie Nunnelly, Mrs. Walter Brashear, Mrs. S. B. Tinsley, Mrs. B. P. Bagley, Mrs. Brady.

Enrollment.

Mrs. Bert Wilson, Chairman, Mrs. R. E. Dupin, Mrs. Robert Geiger, Miss Carrie Rapp, Mrs. M. McKeil, Mrs. A. S. Alderman, Mrs. R. E. Priest, Mrs. Wm. H. Delph.

W. M. U. Department

Woman’s Missionary Union of Kentucky.

Beginning in the fall of 1878, the Central Committee, of Kentucky, has continued its labor of love until now, without cessation. Ten years later, the societies it had organized entered heartily into the W. M. U. of Southern Baptist women, becoming auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, and the impetus of united effort was felt. Making some progress from year to year, this progress has been far more rapid since we have had Secretaries, who could give their whole time and thought to the work as salaried workers. Another step forward was the employment of Field Workers by the State Board, who could reach more women with the personal touch, which is far more effective than correspondence. Our greatest need at present is to have a young woman for specific efforts to enlist our young people, boys and girls, as well as the younger women. We now have enrolled 1,167 Societies in the W. M. U. of Kentucky.
New Building Now Being Erected for
W. M. U. Training School
334 East Broadway.

This School was started in 1904 and adopted in 1907 by Woman's Missionary Union Auxiliary to Southern Baptist Convention. Its students are working on Home and Foreign Fields, thus helping in every avenue of denominational life. So rapid has been its growth that a new building is an imperative need. Work has begun. "$98,000 from 98,000 Baptists" will complete the house. Will you help?
Good Will Center
524 East Madison St.

A settlement house owned and controlled by W. M. U. Training School. Here the students lead clubs and classes of women and children, thus training them for home-making and Christian living. Many souls are being won at this lighthouse for God.
On the first day of January, 1891, a band of workers from the 22nd and Walnut Street Baptist Church organized a mission Sunday School at 26th and Market Streets. There were forty-one members enrolled at the outset. These grew into a large and thriving Sunday School. As the mission grew in attendance, there came an ever-increasing demand for a church organization at that place and, as a result of this demand on the 23rd day of March, 1893, a meeting was held and the church organization effected. One hundred and seven members of the Mother Church withdrawing their letters and depositing them in the newly organized 26th and Market Streets Baptist Church.

From this beginning, the church immediately began to thrive. The growth has ever been sure and steady. The little frame building soon became entirely inadequate and during the pastorate of the Rev. R. E. Reed, the church decided to erect a new building. This was done, the building being planned, equipped for a Sunday School building, leaving room on the front of the lot for a church building. The Sunday School building was dedicated in November, 1909. The complete cost of the building and equipment was $14,000. The name of the Church was changed to Baptist Tabernacle after the completion of the new building. Changes and improvements were made in this building during the pastorate of Rev. Wallace Wear at an approximate cost of $1,000.

The Church is now planning to erect a handsome new building in the very near future, which will accommodate their congregations and be a monument to the name of the Lord in the western part of the city.

During the pastorate of Rev. J. J. Cloar, the Sunday School made rapid strides and took its place among the leading schools of the State. Besides the large Sunday School, the young people are well organized, having a splendid Senior B. Y. P. U., which is rapidly advancing toward the A1 standard and two well organized Junior Unions.

The following men have served as pastors during the history of the church: Rev. Geo. Manly, January 1891 to July 1891; Rev. J. Howard Carpenter, August 1891 to November 1893; Rev. Walter Rhodes, December 1893 to February 1894; R. M. Inlow, March 1894 to June 1896; Rev. C. M. Thompson, June 1896 to December 1901; Rev. R. E. Reed, December 1901 to February 1912; Rev. Wallace Wear, May 1912 to September 1914; Rev. J. J. Cloar, January 1915 to August 1916; Rev. W. D. Wakefield, September 1916 to present.
Broadway Baptist Church

Organized May 17, 1870, its pastors have been:
Dr. T. W. Pratt, temporary supply, 1870; Dr. J. B. Hawthorne, 1871-1875; Dr. J. L. Burrows, 1875-1882; Dr. T. H. Prichard, 1882-1883; Dr. H. A. Tupper, Jr., 1884-1902; Dr. W. L. Pickard, 1892-1898; Dr. Carter Helm Jones, 1898-1908; Dr. W. W. Landrum, 1909 to date.

Church Clerks:—J. D. Allen; J. M. Gleason; Geo. W. Norton, Jr.; H. T. Warden; Clayton S. Blakey; Leslie W. Gray; B. Pressley Smith.

Church Treasurers:—A. S. Woodruff; Joe Werne; C. W. Gheens; W. O. Cross; Smith Crabbe; T. J. Humphrey; Fleet H. Goodridge; C. Lee Hawkins.

Sunday School Superintendents:—Dr. J. W. Rust; J. D. Allen; J. T. Thornhill; Frank Miller; E. N. Woodruff; Thos. D. Osborne; Dr. J. B. Man; Joe T. Watts; Boyce Watkins, Philo C. Dix.

Membership:—The church organized with 110 members, who had been given letters from Walnut St. Baptist Church, May, 1870. The membership each year thereafter has been: 1871, 151; 1872, 177; 1873, 230; 1874, 248; 1875, 289; 1876, 308; 1877, 324; 1878, 350; 1879, 387; 1880, 404; 1881, 465; 1882, 382; 1883, 436; 1884, 463; 1885, 501; 1886, 638; 1887, 786; 1888, 848; 1889, 646; 1890, 715; 1891, 704; 1892, 695; 1893, 725; 1894, 776; 1895, 859; 1896, 876; 1897, 904; 1898, 944; 1899, 992; 1900, 1,120; 1901, 1,168; 1902, 1,262; 1903, 1,348; 1904, 1,402; 1905, 1,231; 1906, 1,465; 1907, 1,311; 1908, 1,287; 1909, 1,304; 1910, 1,523; 1911, 1,441; 1912, 1,400; 1913, 1,508; 1914, 1,568; 1915, 1,674; 1916, 1,689.

This membership includes those belonging to the church branches, Highland Park and Van Buren Streets.

Revival Meetings.

During these years special evangelistic services have been held, conducted by the follow-

Lectures.

Instruction lectures were given by: Rev Drs. Geo. Dana Boardman, Robert J. Bundette, Will M. Carteron, P. S. Henson, S. J. Read, H. M. Wharton, and others.

Contributions, etc.

In addition to building the present house of worship, Broadway church built the original meeting houses of Cane and Logan, now Immanuel, Highland, Highland Park, Southgate, now Calvary, and Van Buren; also gave $2,500 to help build Judson Memorial Church, New York City, many other churches have been aided.

Additional gifts to the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Woman's Missionary Union, Training School Bethel, Georgetown, Oneida, Louisville Baptist Orphans' Home, Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., Hope Rescue Mission, Children's Free Hospital, Home of the Friendless, etc., make a total much more than one million dollars, and another third of a million dollars to benevolence and Missions, etc.

Literary Gifts.

History of Baptist Temple

From its incipiency to the present this little church has had many loyal and devoted workers whose names and labors space forbids mentioning here.

The work out of which this church grew was begun by some members of Parkland Baptist Church, co-operating with some local people to conduct a Sunday School in the parlor of the house at 3409 W. Kentucky Street. This work having died down, was begun again on the second floor of a barn near 36th and Virginia Ave., and conducted by the same, or some of the same, local people and some from Twenty-second and Walnut Street Church. It was here that the church was organized in 1896, and a little later moved to 36th and Grand, where a lot was purchased and a small house of worship was very near completed when a wind storm blew it down. This did not daunt this faithful band, but it was rebuilt then enlarged as necessary, until even the enlarged quarters were outgrown and it became necessary to find a more suitable location and build a more commodious work shop. The church is now permanently located, as we believe, on the corner of 34th and Kentucky St., though this building was designed as Sunday School quarters only, to be used for all purposes until the main auditorium can be erected.

The congregation has had as its pastors a number of men who have done valuable work for the cause. Under the leadership of pastor Jas. S. Ray, 1911-13, a building fund was created to which he gave the first dollar. This fund continued to grow until 1914, under G. S. Dobins, the congregation saw its way clear to invest in a new lot. This they did, under the advice and selection of a committee from the State Board of Missions, purchasing a lot 100x 200 feet, on 34th and Kentucky Streets.

Church Directory.

J. Fred Hawkins, Pastor; Robt. Weinhardt, Clerk; Chas. Lanbolt, Treas.
Sunday School Supt., W. H. Pace; President W. M. U., Mrs. J. Weinhardt; President B. Y. P. U., G. L. Cole.

J. F. Hawkins

BAPTIST TEMPLE,
The need of a central downtown Baptist Mission Church has long been recognized. To supply this great need, Bethel Baptist Church was organized, February 13, 1913, under the auspices of all the Baptist churches of the city, with eight charter members. Our present membership is 368. We have a good and growing Sunday School, an active B. Y. P. U., a Men's Brotherhood, Women's Society, Sewing School for Girls and other activities usually embraced in "Settlement Work." We have a City Missionary who visits the homes of poverty and squalor, carrying the comforting messages of the Gospel and leading many to know Christ as their Saviour.

Bethel Baptist Church is dependent for its financial support upon all the Baptist churches of the city and appropriations from the State Board of Missions and Long Run Association. The finances thus provided are administered by the Trustees of Hope Rescue Mission as directed by the churches. Bethel is therefore the downtown mission station of all the churches who contribute to its support.

Our work is to reach these folks who are spiritually neglected. All the churches and the better homes were formerly located here. As the city grew, the "Better Class" of the people removed from the congested neighborhoods to the better residential districts, and the churches removed also, or disbanded.

Our congregations are made up mostly of people who are very poor. We offer them a church home where they feel welcome, and set them at work for the Master. At Bethel, the effort is to reach the families—the mothers, the children, the fathers. Several times the entire family have been baptized. Within the last month, two married couples, a mother and daughter, besides several others, have been united by baptism.

A great many men who were converted at Hope Rescue Mission have also joined the Church at Bethel by baptism. Space will not permit to speak in detail of the great and glorious results already accomplished. We have faith to see "greater things" for the Master in the future as we are led by Him to bring the Gospel to the poor. Wm. M. Bruce is pastor.
Beechmont Baptist Church

The history of this church is unique. In 1908, when scarce a half dozen Baptist families lived in the then sparsely settled suburb, known as Beechmont, a few good women with a vision of its future, organized themselves into a Baptist society and held weekly prayer meetings in the homes of the community; they started a building fund, which, by their efforts and sacrifices, grew to such proportions that in 1910 they were able to buy and pay for a beautiful lot. With the aid of Dr. W. D. Powell, and his Board, and the assistance of numerous friends, the present modern and model little church building was made possible.

The Church was organized and started upon its useful career on the fourth day of May, 1911, with twenty-nine charter members. Dr. Powell conducting the services connected with the organization, the little band met in a small office building till the completion of their church home. On October 1, 1911, the new church was formally dedicated, Dr. Powell, Dr. J. W. Porter and Dr. J. M. Weaver being in charge of the services.

The membership of the church has grown from twenty-nine to one hundred and thirty-seven during its brief existence of five years, while the Sunday School has increased from thirty-five to an enrollment of one hundred and fifty, and an average attendance of nearly this number.

Four pastors have served the church, Rev. Harold Major, now of Atlanta, Ga., being its first shepherd; Rev. M. L. Austin, now of Tennessee, the second; Rev. W. P. Stuart, of Virginia, the third, and Rev. Norman W. Cox, who is its present pastor. No congregation was ever blessed with better preachers.

Calvary Baptist Church

S. Detweiler was the man sent for such a time, and under his guiding hand, much progress was made by the church and brighter days seemed just ahead. The next pastor was Dr. J. G. Bow, and it was due largely to his faithful leadership and ardent efforts that the church was freed from debt. Let it also be said that the raising of the church debt was made possible by timely assistance rendered by the Board of Church Extension and the cooperation of the State Mission Board.

The church now has a property value of $20,000, and is located at Eighteenth and Prentice Streets. This is an important and growing field, as it is located in a new and rapidly developing part of the city. The present pastor, Rev. T. J. Barksdale, came to the church four months ago, and since his coming, there have been tokens of divine favor upon him and the work. There is manifest a steady and healthful growth in every department of the church life and work, and being located in such a promising section of the city, the church is beginning to realize the day of her opportunity, and is looking to God to enable her to meet it to the praise and the glory of His Grace.


Sunday School—Superintendent, L. E. Aldridge; Secretary, Banks Kincaid.

B. Y. P. U.—President, Miss Minne Kincaid; Secretary, Miss Nellie Price.

Ladies’ Aid Society—President, Mrs. E. C. Priest; Secretary, Mrs. S. G. Washer.

Woman’s Missionary Society—President, Mrs. T. J. Barksdale; Secretary, Mrs. J. H. Manning.

Junior B. Y. P. U.—Leader, Miss Florence Washer.

The Calvary Baptist Church was organized in 1886. During the history of the Church, many hardships have been endured and many obstacles encountered, but God has graciously given victory. The church was organized on Southgate Street and worship was maintained there for several years, but during the pastorate of Rev. Geo. W. Clarke, a lot was purchased on Eighteenth Street, on which to build a new house of worship. In 1906, during the pastorate of Rev. R. L. Gillon, the present church building was erected. The church being small and weak at the time, became heavily involved in debt and passed into a period that was dark and gloomy. In the providence of God, Dr. J.
Clifton Baptist Church was begun as a mission of East Baptist Church, in October, 1893, under the wise leadership of Dr. J. T. Christian, Pastor of East Baptist Church. It was located in an empty store, at 2504 Frankfort Avenue. Here it remained and thrived for some months, under the painstaking leadership of the first pastor, Rev. J. M. Raddy. The next pastor was Bro. Masters, who had charge of the young struggling field for a few months. The next pastor was Rev. W. E. Foster, who labored with the church for eight years, during which time the work grew in a remarkable way. Under his enthusiastic leadership, the church moved to a larger store, on the northeast corner of Frankfort and Bellaire. Here the people worshipped until the new $10,000 brick church house was erected, on the Northwest corner of Frankfort and Bellaire Streets. The new building was entered in the summer of 1900. The building was dedicated in the spring of 1901. Dr. Christian preached the sermon. The successor of Bro. Foster was Rev. J. T. Betts, who acted as pastor for fifteen months. Rev. L. M. Theobold was the next pastor. He became pastor in January, 1910, and continued until 1912. On his resignation, Rev. J. A. Clark accepted a call to this pastorate, and began work in May, 1912. He resigned the care of this church in November, 1915, and returned to pastoral work in North Carolina. In April, 1916, E. C. Stevens became pastor of the church and continues to labor with a splendid people. The outlook for the future along all lines is very gratifying and encouraging. We are Baptists and proud of it.

This church is located on Frankfort and Bellaire Streets, in the eastern section of the city. It is reached from the heart of the city by taking an East Market Street car to the end of the line, or on an East Walnut Street car to Frankfort avenue. The present pastor is E. C. Stevens, who is also Associate Editor of the Western Recorder. The present membership is 365. The opportunity for service and growth in grace is large.
Some brethren had a vision, and in the fall of 1907, began to talk a church, and finally called a conference at the home of Brother N. C. Shouse's, and there laid the plan for organizing the Crescent Hill Baptist Church, which was carried out at a meeting called at the Crescent Hill M. E. Church, when forty-three names were enrolled as charter members. This was January 12, 1908. Brother J. T. Sampson preached the first sermon, and, after looking about for a pastor, the Rev. J. T. Griffith was called to be their under-shepherd, and they at once began work and worship in the store-room, known as the Crescent Hardware Place, and there worked and grew until they purchased the beautiful lot, at the corner of Frankfort and Birchwood Avenues, about February 20, 1909, and on Saturday afternoon, July 30th, laid the Corner Stone of the beautiful church building and dedicated January 15, 1911. Dr. W. D. Powell preached the sermon, and Dr. H. A. Porter, Dr. J. G. Bow and Dr. W. W. Landrum were on the program, and our beloved Brother W. E. Powers made the dedicatory prayer. Bro. Griffith resigned the care of the church, October 2, 1912, and January 22nd, O. M. Huey was called and accepted the work, beginning his work, practically, March 1, 1913. From the beginning, the liberal and giving spirit has characterized the church. Their splendid house and lot cost them $29,000. We still owe about $7,000, but we are paying it off and hope to have this paid off, as we must have more room for our growing work.

There were 181 members when the present pastor took charge, and now we have 380, and a fine growing Sunday School, with W. C. Davie as Superintendent; eight good deacons, Chairman W. H. Rowland, S. J. Dohrman, Cal F. Thomas, A. M. Baker, H. T. Larimore, Robt. Fallis, T. J. Johnson, and H. G. Lea. Dr. Ben L. Bruner is our Moderator, S. J. Dohrman, Financial Secretary, and Robert Fallis, Treasurer.

We have a live W. M. U. and Y. W. A., and a hustling Ladies' Aid. We have raised and paid out in the time of the present pastorate, about $32,000. A good people and we want your prayers that we may do the work of a good, “called out” people. Come and worship with us when in the city.

The State Board helped get our lot, for which we are very grateful.
Deer Park Baptist Church is the outgrowth of a Mission Sunday School, which was organized in the spring of 1907, by Dr. T. T. Eaton and deacon R. W. Taylor, of the Walnut Street Church. The school first met in a cottage on Bardstown Road near Duker Avenue. This was soon outgrown and a tent was secured for the summer. Cold weather drove the heroic little band from the tent and, having no other place to go, they worshiped in a coal shed facing an alley until the spring of 1908. At this time, they purchased a lot on Duker Avenue, and by a gift of $400 from Walnut Street Church, they were enabled to build a small chapel. So rapidly did they grow that three times it was necessary to enlarge the building to meet the needs of the growing congregation.

On February 9, 1908, the mission was formally organized as Deer Park Baptist Church with a membership of twenty-two. In March, 1911, a lot 100 by 140 feet at the corner of Bardstown Road and Maryland Avenue was purchased at a cost of $3,000. Subscriptions for a new house of worship were taken January 1, 1914, by Dr. E. Y. Mullins. Nearly $8,000 was subscribed at that time. These, together with the amounts subscribed by Walnut Street Church and the State Board, were subsequently raised to $17,500. The contract for the new building was let in the spring of 1915, and the house, costing $35,000 when completed, was formally dedicated on June 4, 1916, after Dr. W. D. Powell had secured subscriptions amounting to $8,150. The building is of classical design and is built of brick and trimmed with beautiful Bowling Green stone. It contains a large basement and social room, a splendid auditorium seating 300, twenty class rooms which can be thrown into the main auditorium, giving a seating capacity of 300 more, a Pastor's Study, robing rooms and every convenience necessary to a modern church. This church was jointly supported by the State Board and Walnut Street Church until January 1, 1915. It is therefore another splendid example of the value of State Mission work. The present pastor, Rev. R. L. Shirley, was called to the pastorate immediately upon his graduation from Georgetown College in June, 1912. Since that time, the membership has increased from 70 to 275, the Sunday School from 100 to 300, and the contributions from $1,800 to $7,500, or an average of $30 per capita from the resident membership.
June 19, 1898, the work began under a tent at the corner of Lynn and Flat Lick. Baptists desiring to organize a church in this part of the city were called to order by Rev. M. N. Whittinghill. After two months under a tent, they rented a store at corner of Preston and F Streets.

The first organization of the church lasted from June 19, 1898, to July 28, 1904. During that time, the church had five pastors. Rev. A. N. Whittinghill stayed sixteen months and baptized 10; Rev. S. A. Cooper in eighteen months baptized 18; Rev. J. E. Johnson in eighteen months baptized 25; Rev. C. S. Leonard in fifteen months baptized 32; and Rev. Scott in four months baptized 4; making 89 baptisms in six years under the first organization.

The second organization of the church took place in July 28, 1904, and is still at work today after twelve years.

The first pastor of the present organization was Rev. J. W. Greathouse; with the help of East Church, East Meade now took on new life, and passed out of her struggles for existence into the deep channel of efficiency. While Brother Greathouse stayed only twenty months, he baptized 20 souls and laid the foundations broad and deep. The second pastor was Rev. R. L. Brandenburg, who also stayed twenty months. While the records only show 5 baptisms, the church became stronger financially and the property was improved considerably. The third pastor, Rev. Walker L. Shearer, remained three years and nine months and did a mighty work for God. He baptized 62 souls, and the church grew so financially that they were able to become self-supporting. East Church gave them a deed to the property and they launched out on a career of independence and larger usefulness. The fourth pastor was Rev. C. C. Cunningham. While he only stayed six months, the baptismal waters were troubled fifteen times. The fifth pastor, Rev. D. L. Hill, remained sixteen months and baptized 24 into the fellowship of the church. The gifts to Missions and launching of a Building Fund Movement mark his ministry. The sixth pastor, Rev. J. H. Broom, began his work with a revival, and baptized 24 people, although he was only on the field eleven months.

The seventh pastor, Rev. B. T. Kimbrough, has been on the field sixteen months and has baptized 69 in that time. The church has bought a new lot 150x195½ feet, on the northeast corner of Flat Lick and Eastern Parkway. The church has voted to erect first a modern brick Sunday School building on this new lot as soon as finances permit.
The East Baptist Church, so-called because at the time of its organization it was on eastern limit of the city, is located at 414 East Chestnut Street, seven squares east of the Postoffice. It is the oldest continuous Baptist organization in the city.

In 1842, ten members, consisting of Rev. W. C. Buck, Miriam F. Buck, Jeremiah Buck, T. B. Osborne, Ann O. Osborne, Mary Holmes, Caroline Stout, Sarah A. Stout, Dicey Jones and Mary Homer, procured letters from the First Baptist Church and met in a new meeting house on Green Street between Floyd and Preston. Then they organized the East Baptist Church, electing Rev. W. C. Buck as pastor.

A council consisting of Rev. T. A. Willard, B. M. Patton, of the Second Baptist Church; Rev. Wm. Vaughn of Bloomfield Baptist Church; Rev. John T. Waller, C. VanBuskirk and John B. Whitman of the First Baptist Church, recognized them as a regularly constituted Baptist Church, gave them the hand of fellowship and praised for God's blessing up them.


This church was one of the most prosperous and useful churches in the city. It has had a part in the organizing and building up of almost all of the younger suburban churches. It is proud of its past and still hopes to have glorious future.

At present, it is trying to adjust itself to the changed environment of a downtown church and hopes to solve this difficult problem.

Its present officers are: Pastor, H. M. Bell; Deacons: C. F. Denson, J. C. Strouse, W. A. Doyle, S. F. Loughridge, R. E. Dupin; Clerk, Cecil Boles; Treasurer, J. M. Vollmer.
Beginning with September 1, 1915, which started our church year, and ending September 1, 1916, we have had 28 additions to our church: 13 by baptism, 9 of which were Sunday School scholars, and 15 by letter and relation. We have lost two members by death.

We have had total receipts for the church year amounting to $1,988.59 coming through our regular contributions and the various organizations of the church, together with our free will offerings, which amount to $945.43. There have been 116 sermons preached; 52 prayer meetings, and 52 Sunday School sessions. We had 137 members in our church on September 1, 1916, and 135 scholars enrolled in our school. We have had a total attendance of 4,351 in our Sunday School for the year, which is a gain of 783 over last year. The average attendance in our school this year was 84, as against 68 of the same period last year, and an average attendance of 100 at the church services.

Some time in January, 1916, we decided that our church building was too small to accommodate our congregation and Sunday School, and steps were taken for an enlargement of our building. A Building Committee was appointed, and the contract awarded for our new building early in March. This new building, which will seat 350 people, and will accommodate 375 Sunday School scholars was dedicated on July 16, 1916, at an approximate cost of $3,900.

We have a healthy Senior B. Y. P. U. and a very interesting and progressive Junior B. Y. P. U. During the year, a W. T. U. has been organized in connection with the Ladies' Aid, and both societies are doing excellent work.

Our church is in a splendid spiritual and financial condition, and under the leadership of our pastor, Rev. J. E. Myers, our prospects for the coming year are very bright.
Fourth Avenue Baptist Church

On the 10th of January, 1883, Mr. John B. McFerran and wife made a deed of gift to the Walnut Street Baptist Church of a lot 100x190 feet on the southeast corner of Fourth and Oak Streets. On the 25th of October, 1885, he proposed to the Walnut Street Church to contribute $25,000 toward the construction of a Sunday School and lecture room to be located on this lot, provided the church would contribute $10,000 additional. The proposition was accepted, but before the building was complete, it had cost more than $45,000. The lecture room was dedicated free of debt on the afternoon of Sunday, November 3, 1889.

McFerran Memorial Church was organized on January 23, 1890, and on the 6th of August, 1890, the Trustees of the Walnut Street Church conveyed title to the Trustees of McFerran Memorial Church.

On March 8, 1907, the name of the church was changed to Fourth Avenue Baptist Church, Mr. McFerran generously releasing the church from certain conditions originally imposed, relative to such change.

The erection of the main auditorium was commenced in March, 1909, and concluded in November, 1910, at a cost closely approximating $50,000; the complete plant representing an investment of $100,000.


German Baptist Church

The German Baptist Church was organized in 1853, and has now a membership of eighty. This church, though not large in its body of members, has been a great blessing to many dear souls who found peace and eternal life through its agency and others because of its strict religious training.

Trustee: F. Freimann, Ben. Baumgart, Max Neumann.

The Sunday School, with its live Superintendent, Mr. E. Horn, and its staff of able teachers is doing a good work for all the Kingdom. We have an enrollment of sixty at present. The B. Y. P. U., with twenty-one members, of which Adolph Freimaan is President, did splendid work the past year in keeping up the studies in B. Y. P. U. Quarterly. We also have a very busy W. M. S. of twenty members. Mrs. H. Kratzeise.

Our morning services are German throughout, but at the evening hour of worship we found it necessary to introduce the English language.

God has been with us the past year, not so much in winning souls for the Master, but in lifting our own lives on a higher plane. We learned to know Him better and trust Him more. The church has had hard struggles to confront in the past, partly because of a transient membership and greatly so because of the trend of members drifting in English-speaking churches.

Nevertheless, we know we have a mission to fulfill, and we'll patiently work till the Master comes.
Hazelwood Baptist Church

What is now the well known and thriving Hazelwood Baptist Church, located on Park via 7th St. Car line, Bluegrass Ave., had its beginning in a little Sunday School, organized in the home of Mr. D. C. Lowe in the summer of 1902. The central figure in the beginning of the work was the Rev. C. B. Althoff, then a student in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Under the boosting of this man of God, led by the Spirit of God, the work made rapid strides forward. The congregation soon rented a vacant store-house for their place of worship. It was long known as “The Jew House.” In the summer of 1903, a tent was secured from the City Y. M. C. A. for the accommodation of a series of evangelistic services. So manifest was the Spirit and so encouraged the people, that on July 26th, at the request of the saints of the community, Dr. T. T. Eaton, Dr. J. G. Bow, Dr. W. R. Taylor, Rev. H. D. Allen and others met with them and organized a working church. They immediately examined and ordained Brother C. B. Althoff for the full work of the ministry. He began his work with sixteen faithful members, some of whom are still our most faithful.

Late in the year 1904, Dr. Carter Helm Jones then pastor of the Broadway Baptist Church, met with the congregation and turned the first spade of dirt for the foundation of a new house of worship. He then preached an inspiring sermon that stirred the people to untiring effort. No zeal nor sacrifice was spared by pastor and people in securing the means for building a house. The enthusiasm of the little band won the aid of many of other denominations, and even non-churchmen were ready to lend their aid. On April 9th, they were proud to have Dr. E. Y. Mullins preach the dedication sermon in a beautiful building seating 200 people and it without a cent of debt. Dr. T. T. Eaton made the dedicatory prayer. The building stood complete at a cost of about $3,600. They have since added a commodious Sunday School annex.

Rev. C. B. Althoff served the people until 1914. He was succeeded by Rev. A. V. Willey, who served them for one year. The present pastor took charge in April of 1915. There are at present 95 members. The Sunday School exceeds the church membership in numbers. The work is manned by the following officers:

C. A. DeVane, Pastor; Wm. H. Kuchenbrod, Guy Webb, A. T. Rice, John Churchman, Deacons; W. A. McGee, Church Clerk; Wm. H. Kuchenbrod, Sunday School Superintendent.
Highland Baptist Church

In the year 1893, after a struggle on the part of a few loyal souls to secure the lot on the corner of Cherokee Road and Transit Avenue, Mrs. Juliette Norton Marvin and the Misses Norton gave the money for the erection of a house of worship for the Highland Baptist Church. If ever "wisdom was justified of her children," it was in this case. The church met the needs of an important, growing community. In these twenty-three years a mighty work has been done.

A Sunday School building was erected in the year 1905 at a cost of $17,000. The little stone church, loved by all but outgrown, was torn down in 1914, and the present main auditorium built. In May, 1915, the building was ready for use. The church now has a complete plant for carrying on the work of the Lord.

Rev. Geo. Simmons was the first pastor of the church, serving during the years 1893-1894. Dr. B. A. Dawes, now of Georgetown, Ky., succeeded him, and had a long and useful ministry from 1894 to 1907. Dr. L. W. Doolan, now of Columbus, O., was the next pastor, coming in the year 1907 and leaving in 1911. The present pastor, Dr. A. Paul Bagby, took the work in the Fall of 1911. Under his courageous leadership, the work has gone forward in a most gratifying way.

The church is facing a period of its greatest usefulness. Everything indicates a spirit of devotion to the Master's business. Our faces are to the future, and with love and courage we press forward.
Highland Park Baptist Church

The history of the Highland Park Baptist Church is, in a large measure, the history of Highland Park, the Mission having been founded and cared for by members of the Broadway Baptist Church when the Park was in its infancy. Perhaps the growth of the Highland Park Baptist Church, from the human standpoint, is due to the fact that it has had to direct the workmen who are now prominent in the Southern Baptist Convention, such men as Dr. Prince Burroughs, Dr. W. E. Mason, Dr. Straton, Rev. McDaniel, and others.

For a number of years, there was no other Church or Mission, owing to the fact that the population would not justify it. The Baptists, through their spirituality and good judgment, were able to get such a lead that they have never been overtaken by other denominations. We are today the strongest church in the Park.

For about twenty-five years, the work here has been carried on as a Mission of Broadway Baptist Church. Their support has been most dependable, always being ready for the pastor of the Mission. This dependability of Broadway has made the church possible.

There have been many struggles. The first house of worship was a little house which today is the Town Hall.

It was under the pastorate of Rev. L. B. Arvin that dreams of building a new and greater church began. Not a great many of the members believed in these dreams at first, but the need for more room became so imperative that during the pastorate of Rev. W. E. Mason, the dreams were realized. The house of worship, costing approximately $6,000, which stands on the corner of Mohawk and Park Boulevard, was erected and dedicated.

The next pastor who came was Rev. A. F. Cagle. The evangelistic spirit continued, and within two years over a hundred came into the church.

On September 14, 1916, at the request of the Mission, a council composed of brethren from the following churches: Broadway Baptist Church, East Meade Baptist Church, Ninth and O Baptist Church, Beechmont Baptist church, met with us, and the Mission became an independent church, free from indebtedness. The present membership of the church is 481. Our present pastor is Rev. A. M. Rodgers, of Arkansas, who is now taking Seminary work.

The history of the church would not be complete without the mention of Dr. Edwin Hawes, and his wife, who stood so loyally by the work in its beginning; and of the present organist, C. C. Bell, who came into the work with his father about 1898. For three years, Rev. J. Bell, who has long since departed this life, labored on this field, his son Cecil taking up the work as organist a little later, and continuing these years.
Immanuel Baptist Church

Immanuel Church had its beginning in the heart of Dr. Basil Manly. Aided by some students in the Seminary, W. Y. Quisenberry, Robert M. Rabb, J. H. Foster, and perhaps others, a Sunday School was organized in 1886 in a former beer garden. On January 1, 1887, the Mission was formally adopted by the Broadway Baptist Church which, in a financial way, gave much assistance. The Mission was also supported by the East Baptist Church. A new house of worship was built on Logan Street in 1890 under the leadership of Brother Quisenberry. On November 2, 1890, the Mission was organized into a church of thirty-three members, choosing the name of Logan Street Baptist Church, and calling Brother Lewis N. Thompson as pastor. Our field is by large majority Catholic. Some of the church's most substantial members are converts from Catholicism. Under the leadership of Brother Montgomery, a lot was bought at the corner of Clay and Oak Streets.

During the pastorate of Brother Watts, which began in March, 1904, the present building was erected. The name was changed to Immanuel Baptist Church, April 28, 1905.

The building of the new church, when completed, cost about eighteen thousand dollars, and left the church deep in debt. In time of distress, we have leaned hard on the State Board. During all the years of financial burdens, the church each month has made a contribution to the Boards fostered by the Southern Baptist Convention." On April 12th of this year, we paid the last dollar of indebtedness. A large lot facing Oak Street is owned by the church, looking to future growth. We also have a lot for the pastor's home. We now have a membership of nearly six hundred. Our Sunday School numbers between three and four hundred, and our regular congregation often crowds our building. We pledge our support to the evangelization of our State, the South the World.

Officers—Pastor, J. N. Binford; Superintendent Sunday School; W. J. Sprau; Church Clerk, F. E. Hand; Assistant Church Clerk, J. C. McMahan; Financial Secretary, E. A. Ford; Treasurer, Dr. R. G. Fallis; President B. Y. P. U., Walter Lukenbill; President W. M. U., Miss Carrie Rapp; President Ladies' Aid, Mrs. R. G. Fallis.
Ninth and O Streets Baptist Church

Ninth and O Streets Baptist Church is located at the intersection of O Street and Taylor Boulevard. Its history dates from a Sunday afternoon, January 5, 1905, when S. B. Caple and I. Fawkes, then members of Oakdale Church, together with a few other workers, gathered some children in two upstairs rooms of a private dwelling and began a mission Sunday School. The mission passed through the struggles common to such work until it was made a mission of Fourth Avenue church, this city. The work grew, and the present house of worship was built, the basement and Sunday School room having been provided later. The following pastors have labored successively on the field: C. C. Nicely, Benj. Sargee, R. E. McGraw and O. L. Smith, the present pastorate dating from March 1, 1916.

The present year has seen a marked growth in the church finances, the increase being 300 per cent. A campaign of tithing was introduced largely under the direction of H. J. Sullivan, then Treasurer of the Church, resulting in the removal of all indebtedness on the property, together with other outstanding indebtedness, and leaving a handsome balance in the treasury, with the further result that the church was declared independent by the Mother Church, August 1st, recognized as a regularly constituted Baptist church, and received into the Long Run Association, September 21-22, 1916.

The present membership numbers 127, and is composed mainly of the brawny men employed at the various public works, with their faithful wives and wide-awake children. There is a good Sunday School with Graded Literature in the Primary Department, a Home Department of 49 and a Cradle Roll of 98. There is also a B. Y. P. U. and Ladies' Aid. The church has one treasurer for all departments of the church, who writes all checks on an order from the Financial Secretary of each Department. The church is becoming more and more committed to tithing as both practical and scriptural.

We believe the future of the church is decidedly hopeful. It stands alone as a religious center in a large and growing constituency. New dwellings are constantly going up as people are more and more recognizing South Louisville as a desirable and healthy residence section. The church hopes to begin the erection of a new building within the next eight months.

Ormsby Avenue Baptist Church

The Ormsby Avenue Baptist Church is located at Sixteenth and Ormsby Avenue. It was a mission of the Fourth Avenue Baptist Church for several years. On Monday, April 26, 1903, the Mother Church granted permission to this Mission to organize as a mission church, whereupon the Rev. W. W. Hamilton, with a number of brethren from the Fourth Avenue Baptist Church, met at the Mission on the night of April 30, 1903. The Mission Church was organized that night with fourteen members, with the following officers: Rev. T. E. Cannedy as pastor; Walter Smith as clerk. Brother Cannedy served as pastor until November 10, 1904. Rev. H. H. Muirhead was called and served the church from November, 1904, to February, 1905. The church then called Brother R. L. Gillon, whose pastorate was a short one, resigning on October 26, 1905.

Rev. J. R. Williams was called and served as pastor from November 30, 1905, to June 1, 1908. It was during the pastorate of Brother Williams that the membership reached 118. The present house of worship was dedicated at the beginning of his pastorate.

On July 5, 1908, the present pastor, Rev. G. D. Billeisen, was called and began his work with the church. During this pastorate, all debts have been paid, the building improved inside and out, Baracca room enlarged, a vestibule built, a new organ procured, a Sunday School building erected in the rear of the Church building, three lots totaling eight feet front by one hundred and eighty-five deep have been purchased and paid for. We are about to break ground for the purpose of erecting a new house of worship and up-to-date Sunday School quarters, which are sorely needed on this field. There is a nest egg for this purpose in cash in the building fund of about $2,800, which is steadily increasing from week to week. We hope soon to be in our new building which will seat about 600 or 700 people in the main auditorium and take care of a Sunday School of about 600 scholars.

At the beginning of the present pastorate, there were about 118 members of the church. At present, we have 520. Under the present pastorate, there has been added to the membership over 560, 260 by baptism and 300 by letter.

Our Sunday School has grown to an average attendance of 225. We also have a wide-awake B. Y. P. U. There is also a Sunbeam circle that meets every Lord's day at 2:30 p.m. with an average attendance of 75. Our Ladies' Society is a noble band.
In November, 1889, Rev. W. A. Mansfield organized a Sunday School in a little school-house, which continued until a mission work was begun, through Fourth and Oak Street Church, formerly McFerran Memorial Church.

On April 28, 1890, a church organization was perfected.

The Lord from the very beginning has seen fit to bless the work until the present membership is about 350.


Oakdale church is wonderfully located, being only four blocks from the large Louisville and Nashville Railroad shops, where about thirty-five hundred men are employed. The church, being in the center of a large residential population of railroad men, enjoys the great opportunity of a great people's church.

The first house of worship was built some twenty years ago. Early spring of the present year, it was found that the building, even though the largest in this section of the city, could not accommodate the large numbers that were coming to hear the gospel. Something had to be done at once. It was decided to build a temporary building, so a large tabernacle was erected, 60x80 feet, with a seating capacity of about 800. The building was erected in five days, sixty-five men working on the structure, with but $20 cost for labor.

The tabernacle has proven a great success in every way, as will be seen, in the last ten months there have been added to the church, 115 persons.

While the church has been working and growing in the present building, the old building has been torn away and a beautiful and useful structure is being erected on the old site, which, when completed, will be one of the beautiful church buildings of Louisville.
Parkland Baptist Church was organized, June 8, 1886, with seven members, viz.: Mrs. Harriet Brown, Mrs. Mary Messmer, Mr. and Mrs. McCrady, Mrs. Fannie Brown, Mr. W. H. Montgomery and wife, the well-known writer, Addah Karrick Montgomery. A small car barn at 28th and Dumesnil was secured and after an expenditure of about $1,200 was made into a very neat little house of worship. Here the congregation worshiped till 1891.

The first pastor of this heroic band was Rev. John Adams, who remained only a few months and was succeeded by Rev. I. M. Wise, whose pastorate saw the membership move forward to 47. During the pastorate of the third pastor, Rev. J. G. Dickinson, many Baptists bought homes in Parkland, and there was a substantial increase in the membership of this struggling church to 117. During this time, they had to give up their place of worship.

While worshiping in a rented hall, the church called Rev. D. Y. Bagby, whose pastorate was for four years. During these years of his ministry, a beautiful lot was purchased on Catalpa Street, and a small brick building was erected on the rear of the lot. Mr. Bagby saw the membership rise to 220.

Rev. W. D. Nowlin succeeded Mr. Bagby, and his pastorate was to strengthen the church along doctrinal lines. He remained with the church two years. A number of the members moved away and left the membership reduced to 178. He was followed by Rev. A. F. Gordon, 1895-1899 and the membership increased to 200. Rev. J. A. Taylor succeeded Mr. Gordon and served the church six years. During these years, several Sunday School rooms were added to the auditorium and a subscription of about $4,500 was secured for the main church building. The membership grew to 361. Rev. E. G. Vick succeeded Mr. Taylor, and with his wise counsel and untiring energy pushed the erection of the present splendid auditorium. The church membership had now reached 396.

In July, 1915, Rev. Arthur Fox accepted the care of the church and during these months since he came, the membership has grown to 652. The Sunday School has outgrown its present quarters, and the ambitions of Mr. Fox is to tear away the old Sunday School auditorium and erect a two-story building with basement and a roof auditorium where the church services may be held during the nights of the summer months. This new department is planned to be modern in every respect. The church has an A1 Sunday School and two A1 B. Y. P. U.'s, excellent W. M. U. and Y. W. A. The last year's work of the church surpassed all records of the past. There were more additions by baptism than in any other church in the Association.
Portland Avenue Baptist Church

C. H. Turner

The Portland Avenue Baptist Church was organized in 1853 as a mission of the Walnut Street Church. Its location is 3213 Portland Avenue. It now has a membership of 306 and contributed last year for all purposes, $1,745.

The pastor is Rev. Charles H. Turner, who began his work there August 1, 1916.

Deacons are:
C. B. Duckwall, Chairman, 3908 Western Parkway.
T. A. Busey, 353 North Twenty-sixth Street.
J. V. Lips, Cleveland, O.
Chester Wilson, 3011 Bank Street.
James Egbert, 3319 Western Parkway.
Ross Reddish, 623 North Thirty-first Street.
J. W. Ludwick, 2930 Bank Street.

Trustees are:
James Egbert, Chairman, 3319 Western Parkway.
John Waggoner, 3135 Bank Street.
W. R. Mitchell, 2812 Montgomery Street.
W. W. Thomas, 615 North Thirty-second Street.

Clerk, Ambrose Sutherland, 3329 Bank Street.

Treasurer, C. R. Murphy, 333 East Oak St.

Superintendent of Sunday School, George R. Woods, Twenty-first and Walnut.
Organist, Miss Hazel Stratton.
The Third Avenue Baptist Church, although not regularly organized as a church until January 6th, 1895, had its beginning from a mission Sunday School, started by Lyman L. Parks and other members of the Walnut Street Baptist Church in a little building which stood at 4th and A Streets, formerly used as an ice skating rink.

An afternoon Sunday School with preaching at night was held in this crude little building, which was about 100 feet long and 20 feet wide, from 1882 until 1885.

At this time, Brother Parks bought a little frame church from a Negro congregation located at 2nd and Burnett Streets, there being quite a negro settlement in that neighborhood at that time known as "Browntown." This church was moved to the rear of Mr. Parks' residence on the corner of 3rd and Bloom Sts. and was known thereafter as the B Street Mission, by which name the present Bloom Street was then called. Afternoon Sunday School and night services were held in this building until September 1, 1891. The pulpit was supplied by students from the Seminary, among them being Rev. I. A. Hailey, Rev. Calvin M. Thompson, and others, whose names cannot now be recalled.

The Third Avenue Baptist Church was regularly constituted as an independent church on January 6, 1895, with Francis W. Taylor as its first pastor.

The longest pastorate was held by S. J. Cannon, and up to this time, the greatest advancement made by the church was during his leadership. When the Rev. Cannon took hold of the church, it was still setting on leased ground. He soon started a campaign for the purchase of the lot, and in 1910 the present splendid plant, costing about $40,000 was dedicated.

Membership of the church at its organization was 190. The present membership is 480.

Twenty-Second and Walnut Street Baptist Church

At 2:30 o'clock on the afternoon of Sunday, February 27, 1868, a mission Sunday School was organized on Jefferson Street, between Eighteenth and Nineteenth, by the Walnut Street Church, then under the pastoral care of Dr. A. T. Spaulding. In this Mission, Bro. Wood, the Superintendent preached his second sermon from the text II. Chron. 15:7. Brethren Lampton, Sholes and Theodore Speiden were the successive Superintendents until January, 1875, when Deacon John H. Weller was elected, in which position he continued until January 1, 1895, rounding out twenty years of faithful and richly rewarded service. In November, 1875, the school was moved into the chapel erected for it by the Walnut Street Church, on the corner of Twenty-second and Walnut. Brother H. Allen Tupper of the Broadway Baptist Church was the first pastor the Mission had. He was followed by other Seminary students, such as Brethren Rowan, Dereaux, Manly, McManaway and Wright, in turn served until January 1, 1883, when a semi-organization was effected as a branch of the Walnut Street Church.

Forty-eight members (a number of whom had come into Walnut Street Church, at the dissolution of the Hope Baptist Church), entered into the organization and called Rev. Green Clay Smith as pastor. He served for two and a half years, resigning the pastorate in May, 1885. The membership now numbered 174, and the Sunday School about 250. On June 10, 1885, Rev. Fred D. Hale was elected to the pastorate, and on Sunday, July 19th, his first sermon was delivered.

July 24, 1887, the congregation worshipped for the first time in their new and commodious house, built largely by the generous donations of the mother church, now under the leadership of Dr. T. T. Eaton. On Sunday, October 16, 1887, the organization of the Twenty-second and Walnut Street Baptist Church was effected, 711 of those who had been working in the semi-organization coming by letter from the Walnut Street Church into its membership. Rev. Fred D. Hale was elected pastor. His labors were wonderfully blessed of God. His term of service extended over five years, during which time there was a rapid and unprecedented growth in the church. He resigned September 25, 1890.

After an interval of only a few weeks, the church extended a unanimous call to Rev. J. G. Bow, then of Russellville, Ky. He accepted and preached his first sermon October 19th. He remained two years, and during his pastorate, there was a substantial growth and development of the church.

In November, 1892, Rev. W. H. Hubbard was chosen as temporary pastor of the church, and January 1, 1893, he became the regular pastor. Owing to ill-health, he remained only nine months. The pulpit was then supplied by the professors of the Theological Seminary until January 1, 1894, when Rev. M. P. Hunt, of Missouri, then at the Seminary, was called as temporary supply, and as he fully met the expectations of the church, he was the April following unanimously elected pastor.

Dr. B. H. DeMent became pastor of the Church, April 1, 1900, for some three and a half years, resigned in the fall of 1903, he was on January 1, 1904, succeeded by Rev. Arch C. Cree, who served the church for eighteen months. Rev. M. P. Hunt for the second time became pastor October 15, 1905, and served until May, 1910.

Rev. M. E. Dodd was pastor from July, 1910, to August, 1911, and in September, 1911, Rev. M. A. Jenkins was called to this church as pastor, accepted and only stayed three months and was compelled to leave on account of ill health.

For the third time, M. P. Hunt was called to become pastor on January 1, 1912, remaining until June, 1914. Having resigned, Rev. W. W. Horner was called as pastor and took up the work in August, 1914, resigning October 1, 1916. The present membership is 1211. Average Sunday School attendance is about 410. Have modern Sunday School Plant, 32 Separate Class Rooms.
The first sermon, by a preacher of any denomination, ever delivered in Louisville, was, according to the best evidence within reach, by Squire Boone, a brother of the great pioneer, Daniel Boone. It was in the year 1815, in the house of Mark Lampton, near where the U. S. Marine Hospital now stands, that the First Baptist Church of Louisville was organized by the Rev. Hinson Hobbs, with fourteen members."—Dr. Eaton.

The Second Church went out from the First in 1838. Her first pastor was the Rev. Reuben Morey. The two re-united in 1849, and purchased the lot at the corner of Fourth and Walnut, where the united life flowed on splendidly for fifty-two years. The first pastor of the re-united church was the Rev. Thomas Smith, Jr. The re-united church has had nine pastors in sixty-six years, averaging seven and one-third years. The meeting at which the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary was projected was in the Old First Church. The removal of the Seminary to Louisville was decided upon in the Old Walnut Street Church. Deacon Peter giving the first $25,000 of the funds. The negro membership in part was dismissed to form a separate church in 1842. There were 558 of them. The remainder went in 1844. The China Mission Enterprise was organized in this church about 1840. The American Indian Mission Association held every annual meeting in the building of this church, antedating the Home Mission Board several years. The Female Missionary Society—forerunner of the Southern W. M. U.—was organized in this church. The following appears in the Church Manual, printed in 1846: "Resolved, That each male member be required to pay two dollars, and each female, one dollar, toward the general expenses of the church, unless excused by church authority." The Louisville Baptist Orphans' Home was projected by our church—that is, by members of our church. The American Bible Revision Committee was organized out of members of this church in 1854-5, and maintained offices in our building until merged into the American Bible Union. The longest, and in many ways most momentous, pastorate was that of Dr. T. T. Eaton, from May 1, 1881, to July, 1908. In 1846 this resolution was passed: "Semi-annual sermons are required in behalf of the Sabbath School." Minutes of Long Run Association, 1841: "This church has been among the foremost advocates and promoters of Mission, Bible and Temperance Societies, Sabbath Schools, etc." The Baptist General Association of Kentucky was organized in this church in 1837, on the 10th of October. George Waller, a member of this church, was the first Moderator. The first Mother's Meeting in a Baptist church—known to us—was organized in the Old Second Church in 1843, and was called the "Maternal Society."
Only a few years ago, the part of the city known as Shawneeland, in the midst of which is located West Broadway Baptist Church, was a field. The transformation has been wonderful. It is today one of the very choicest resident sections of the city, and is enjoying a healthy development. The church had its origin in the mutual interest of certain members of the State Mission Board and a few Baptist families who had moved into this section. A committee from the State Mission Board, consisting of Secretary W. D. Powell, Dr. W. W. Landrum, Dr. R. W. Taylor and M. P. Hunt (then pastor of 22nd and Walnut), in the summer of 1907, selected a site for the new interest, adjoining that whereon the church now stands. On the recommendation of the committee, a hundred feet front was purchased, and a chapel costing some $1,600 was erected by the Board. In the meantime, the church was organized on September 20th in a tent on the newly purchased lot. The little band worshipped in the tent while the house was going up. Dr. Landrum dedicated the new building. Broadway Baptist Church was asked to exercise over the new interest a fatherly concern. Of course, with the organization of the church came the Sunday School. Rev. Jas. A. White, now the General Secretary for the B. Y. P. U. A., was the first pastor. He was succeeded in 1910 by Rev. S. P. Martin, now pastor of Third Church, Owensboro. In 1911, he was succeeded by Rev. W. W. William. Under these men, the work grew, and it was during Bro. William's ministry that it was definitely determined to erect the present building. In 1913, he was succeeded in the pastorate by Rev. J. D. Freeman, a Seminary student who for a year did a fine work. Rev. A. W. Hill was his successor, and he in May, 1916, was succeeded by the present pastor, M. P. Hunt.

In 1914, because of the manifest mistake in buying an inside lot, a movement was set on foot for the acquiring of the corner lot adjacent to the ground on which the chapel stood. This, after a more thorough discussion, the State Board authorized and the splendid Sunday School building, now serving all purposes of the church, was erected thereon, facing 40th Street, at a cost of some $10,000 in 1916. The old chapel has been moved to the rear of the Sunday School building and also faces 40th Street, and adds much to the equipment. In the front, ground 75x75 is reserved for the auditorium, fronting Broadway. Money sufficient to pay for the present equipment was pledged on the opening Sunday of the new building, June 11, 1916. The church now has a membership of some 280, and the Sunday School an average attendance of 250. Under God, the future is promising for a great, strong, aggressive church.
The church, under the name of Jefferson Street Church, was organized March 12, 1854. The Council was composed of the Revs. W. W. Evarts, S. L. Helm, S. Remington, S. A. Beaufort, and S. H. Ford. The church was an outgrowth of a Mission Sunday School, of Walnut Street Baptist Church. The first house of worship was on Jefferson Street, near Eighth, purchased by Deacon Charles Quirey. Isaac Russell was the first Sunday School Superintendent. Rev. S. Remington was the first Pastor. He continued until 1855, when Rev. J. V. Schofield took charge. He was followed by Rev. A. C. Osborn, on September 29, 1858. He resigned December 10, 1862, and was succeeded by Rev. A. C. Graves, on March 3, 1863. He resigned on February 21, 1864, and on January 29, 1865, Rev. J. M. Weaver took charge, who died in the spring of 1912.

During its history the church has passed through many struggles. The house of worship on Jefferson street was lost to them, and the congregation, for several years, met in the Universalist house of worship, on Market Street, near Eighth. Then the church met for a short time in the Law School building, on Chestnut and Ninth Streets. In 1866, a little building on Chestnut Street, between Ninth and Tenth, was purchased from the St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church, for $10,250. In 1887 this building was enlarged, and in 1886 it was dedicated. In 1911, because of the increasing negro population surrounding the house of worship, the building was sold to a negro congregation. For two years the congregation worshiped in Norton Hall, and changed the name of the Chestnut St. Baptist Church to the J. M. Weaver Memorial Baptist Church. In the spring of 1913, a church building, located at Seventh and Chestnut, was purchased from a Presbyterian congregation, and it continues to be the place of worship and the lighthouse of the J. M. Weaver Memorial Baptist Church.

In the fall of 1911, Dr. J. M. Weaver resigned, but was elected Pastor Emeritus. He had served the congregation nearly a half-century. “He being dead, yet speaketh.” In the spring of 1912, the death angel took the great soul of Dr. Weaver to his heavenly home.

When Dr. Weaver resigned, in 1911, the church called the present pastor, Dr. J. C. Greenoe, who was then a student at the seminary. The church is growing steadily, striving to be a lighthouse where there is a great need.