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Thou hast given a banner to them that fear thee, that it may be displayed because of the truth. Psalms 60:4

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## Number 8 Who Are The Foolish?

## Dr. Pendleton Was Outstanding Leader

Elder James Madison Pendleton, D.D. was born November 20, 1811, in Spottssylvania Co., Va. His parents, John and Frances J. Pendleton, removed to Christian Co., Ky., when he was one year old, and settled upon a farm near the present villiage of Pembroke.

He lived on this farm until he was twenty years old. During the winter seasons he attended the best schools the community afforded, and with the judicious training of his excellent parents he was better educated than the average farmer boy.

At fifteen he became interested in religion, but his convictions did not result in conversion until he was seventeen. He then united with Bethel Baptist Church

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## A Baptist Soldier

By H. C. Vanderpool

Many times people are called foolish by others because of the actions, decisions and other characteristics they have. Often people are called foolish because they are not educated, irresponsible or fail to understand the current events. I want to discuss the thought "Who Are The Foolish?" from the standpoint of the scriptures. Here we will study the chacteristics of the foolish.

THEOLOGY: When we speak of theology we are speaking of the doctrine and study of God. For us to live for the honor and glory of God, we must first know Him in the free pardon of sin. We are in Christ and he is in us. Every saved person then is a new creature. II Cor. 5:17. The fool has a viewpoint concerning God; what is it? The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. Ps. 14:1a.

THE WALK OF A FOOL: We, the people of God, walk in the light. I John 1:7 When a church is composed of (Continued on page 3)

## SILOAM, ENON AND WISEMAN BAPTIST **ASSOCIATIONS HELD ANNUAL SESSIONS**

#### SILOAM ASSOCIATION

The Siloam Baptist Association was held with Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Allen County, Ky., on Oct. 4, 5, and 6, 1968.

Off.cers elected were: Elder F. W. Lambert, moderator; Elder H. C. Vanderpool, clerk; Bro. G. W. Hauskins, treasurer.

The Introductory Sermon was preached the first day by Elder Calvin Perrigo, Wadsworth, Ohio. Elder H. C. Vanderpool, Bowling Green, Ky., preached the Memorial Sermon on Saturday. On the last day, the Doctrinal Sermon was delivered by Elder F. W. Lambert, Westmoreland, Tenn.

The Association is to meet in its 1969 session with Grace Missionary Baptist Church, Detroit, Mich.

#### ENON ASSOCIATION

The 1968 session of the Enon Baptist Association was held on Oct. 11, 12, and 13, at Sycamore Valley Baptist Church, near Pleasant Shade, Tenn.

Officers elected were: Elder T. C. Jones, moderator; Elder Bill McDonald, clerk; Elder J. C. Austin, treasurer.

Elder Charles A. Gentry preached the Introductory Sermon on Friday, Elder E. C. Butler preached the Memorial Sermon on Saturday and on Sunday, the Doctrinal Sermon was delivered by Elder J. C. Austin.

The 1969 session of the body is to convene with Caney Fork Baptist Church, Smith County, Tenn.

#### WISEMAN ASSOCIATION

On October 25, 26 and 27, 1968, the Wiseman Baptist Association met with Good Will Baptist Church near Hartsville. Tenn.

The Introductory Sermon was delivered the first day by Elder Harold Dean Linville. Elder Howard G. Taylor preached the Memorial Sermon on Saturday. The last day, Sunday, the Doctrinal Sermon was preached by Elder W. T. Russell.

Officers elected were: Elder F. L. Ray, moderator; Elder W. T. Russell, clerk; Elder A. G. Gregory, treasurer.

The association is to meet in 1969 with Faith Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn.

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## What Profit Is There In Serving Sin?

By B. D. Carter, Lafayette, Tenn.

Satan was once an angel in heaven and because of his beauty and pride was cast out upon the earth to be looked upon by kings, Eze. 28:14-19. From the creation of man he has been after mankind, bruising our heels.

Man has tried in every age to overcome this evil one and his power — his angels were cast out with him. No doubt these were and are many. Can man overcome this evil one by his own power? No. Read Matt. 12:43-46, the evil spirit went out of the man desiring an embodyment. He sought rest as he went through dry places but found none. He returned to the house from whence he had left, taking seven other spirits and finding the house swept and garnished. The latter end of this man was worse than the beginning. He (the evil spirit) could not have entered if the spirit of God had been there.

If a man goes to church and tries to do other things to become a child of God instead of actually being saved, then he is in this condition.

The evil spirits desired an embodyment and asked the Lord to send them into the swine when they were cast out of the man in Mark 5:1-13. This is the man who dwelt among the tombs.

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Man has tried in every age to overcome his sins but there has only been one way in which he could do this and that is through the way prepared by God through His Son, see John 14:6; Rev. 13:8 and I John 5:1.

"Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit." I John 4:13.

There was warfare in heaven. . . . . Michael, the archangel, contended with the devil over the body of Moses. Michael being shy of satan left the rebuke to the Lord. Jude 9.

Why should you and I and the world try to overcome satan when this can only be done in Christ. See I John 5:4-5. ". . .But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound." Rom. 5:20b.

We read in John 8:44, that the devil was a murderer from the beginning. Also that he is a liar and the father of it. "He that committeth sin is of the devil;" I John 3:8a. Many scriptures teach the existance of satan. He appears or manifests himself in ways that are beautiful or attractive. This is the reason he can be so deceptive.

So my dear friends the only way that we may escape satan is through Christ, and that being saved from sin. In conclusion I say, there is no profit in serving sin. Hell was prepared for the devil and his angels and also it will be the eternal home of all those who know not God.

"For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Rom 6:23.

#### Watch For Expiration Date

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#### "HAPPY NEW YEAR"

Mrs. Vanderpool and I would like to say "Happy New Year" to all of you. We trust the Lord will richly bless each of you in such a way that the year 1969 will be the greatest one ever for you and your family. We wish also to thank everyone for the many nice Christmas cards that we received last month.

#### HOLY LAND TOUR

The Lord willing, I, and a number of other preacher brethren, will be leaving on March 3, for fifteen days on a tour to Athens, Greece, the Holy Land and Rome. We are to return on March 17. We are to travel from New York and back by TWA airlines and with the Gottaas World Travel. Dr. and Mrs. E. M. Harrison, Hemet, Calif., are to be our tour guides.

#### RECENT DEBATE

The religious debate that I had with Mr. Weldon E. Warnock here in Bowling Green was on November 18, 19, 21 and 22. He is minister of the West End Chruch of Christ in Bowling Green and we discussed two propositions on the plan of salvation. The four sessions were well attended and the interest was good. People attended from several states. I believe that God will take the truth that I presented and use it for the salvation of souls and for His glory. Isa. 55:11and Matt. 13:23.

#### Dr. J.M. Pendleton

(Continued from page 1) near Pembroke and was baptized by Elder John S. Wilson on April 14, 1829. In February, 1831, he was licensed to preach, and began his work in the ministry before he was twenty years of age.

In 1833 he entered the Christian County Seminary at Hopkinsville, and took a three years' course in instruction in Latin and Greek, meantime preaching for the Hopkinsville and Bethel churches alternate Sundays. He was ordained by the Bethel Baptist church on Nov. 1, 1833.

Dr. Pendleton pastored at Bowling Green, Ky., for twenty years and also preached at Glasgow, Ky., part of this time. He was married to Miss Catherine Stockton Garnett of Glasgow on March 13, 1838, and they took their honeymoon on horseback to Louisville, Ky. By her piety and abounding good works she proved herself to be a model preacher's wife.

In 1857, he left Bowling Green and moved to Murfreesboro, Tenn. He had been elected Professor of Theology at Union University and also pastor of the Baptist church there. Here he remained until the civil war laid its paralyzing hand upon church and college. The unquenchable loyalty of this man made it necessary for him to move to the Northern States. After a settlement of three years, 1862 to 1865, at Hamilton, Ohio, he removed to Upland, Pa., in November, 1865, where he lived for several years.

At an early day, Dr. Pendleton became an almost constant writer for the denominational press. He published many books, sermons, pamphlets and tracts. Some of these were: "Three Reasons Why I am a Baptist," "Church Manual," Treatise on the Atonement," "Sermons on important Subjects," and "Christian Doctrines, a compendium of Theology."

Dr. William Cathcart once wrote of him, "Dr. Pendleton is a hard student, devoting his morning hours to his study, which he keeps well stocked with only the best and most approved evangelical literature, hostory, biography and philosophy. His impatience with irreverence and looseness guards his library from the intrusion of liberalism and trash."

Dr. Pendleton died in Bowling Green, Ky., on March 4, 1891 in the 80th year of his age. His body was laid to rest in the Fairview Cemetery at Bowling Green.

## Six Reasons For Sunday School

1. THE BEST BOOK is studied and taught; and I want to know it and follow it in my every day life.

2. THE BEST DAY is utilized and observed; and I wish to keep holy the holy day.

3. THE BEST PEOPLE are assembled and enlisted; and I desire the blessing of their fellowship and friendship.

4. THE BEST INSTITUTION is awake and at work for the Master; and I ought to invest myself where I will do my utmost for Christ and the Church.

5. THE BEST DEVELOPMENT is assured and attained; and I yearn to grow mentally, morally, and spiritually.

6. THE BEST EQUIPMENT is supplied, adapted and inspired; and I want to be thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

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#### WHO ARE THE FOOLISH?

individuals that are in Christ and walking in the light, we can understand why Jesus said to the infant church, "Ye are the light of the world." Matt. 5: 14:a What does the Bible say concerning the walk of a fool? "The wise man's eyes are in his head; but the fool walketh in darkness:" Ecc. 2:14a.

PLEASURE: Christian people delight in the things of God. David had the following to say concerning the joy or pleasure of the saved: "Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night." Ps. 1:1-2. The fool does not delight in the things of God. The things that he looks to for laughter and pleasure pass away quickly as a piece of light, dry material vanishes in roaring flames. "For as the crackling of thorns under a pot, so is the laughter of the fool: This also is vanity." Ecc. 6:6.

HABITATION OF FOOL: The scriptures teach us there is quite a contrast between the habitation of the wise and the foolish. Jesus taught that the wise man was one that heard his words and did them. We must remember that he commanded repentance and faith. He likened the wise man unto one that built his house upon a rock. A spiritual house that would stand the storms of time. What about the fool? "And every one that heareth these sayings of mine and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand." Matt. 7:26. Jesus said such a foundation would fall.

THE END OF A FOOL: First, what is the end of a wise person? In the last thought presented in this article. I gave the scripture for proof of what a wise man was. One that built upon the rock of ages which is Christ. Elsewhere in the Bible the Lord says he is perfect and upright. Then we see that the end of a wise man is: "Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright: for the end of that man is peace." Ps. 37:37. A fool, the Lord says, is one that is interested in the world and the things thereof and puts off salvation until it is too late. A man that had done this very thing was spoken to of God and told the following: "But God said unto him, thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided?" Luke 12:20.

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## Letter Received From California

I received a wonderful letter from Mrs. Zelda Goldberg, 24463 Alves St., Hayward, Calif. 94544, recently and I sure did appreciate the things she had to say about true religion and a know-so salvation.

Space did not permit me to print the entire letter, I wish I could have. She told of the desire to worship in a church as many of us believe to be the true kind of worship (the Bible teaches that much of the worship is ungodly and unscriptural).

Sister Goldberg hopes some true servant of God would preach or give some assistance in the Lord's work in that area. Some of you brethren who claims God has called you to preach but don't have any place to go, why not pray over the matter and contact Sister Goldberg at the above address? —Editor

## I Know Something Good About You!

Wouldn't this old world be better, If the folks we meet would say; "I know something good about you,"

And then treat us just that way; Wouldn't it be fine and dandy, If each hand-clasp warm and true, Carried with it this assurance: "I know something good about

you!"

Wouldn't things here be more pleasant

If the good that's in us all Were the only thing about us That folks bothered to recall. Wouldn't life be lots more happy If we'd praise the good we see, For there's such a lot of goodness In the worse of you and me! Wouldn't it be nice to practice This fine way of thinking too— "You know something good about me,

I know something good about you!"

Author Unknown



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## Detroit Church Asks For Correspondence

The Grace Missionary Baptist Church in Detroit, Michigan, asks that you forward the names and addresses of your friends and relatives who live in the Detroit area to them. They in turn will visit them and invite them to the services of the church.

If you know someone in that area who would like to attend an Old Fashion Baptist Church, then let the church invite them. Send all correspondence to Grace Missionary Baptist Church, 9835 Hayes Ave., Detroit, Michigan 48213. Elder Billy Moran is pastor of Grace Church.

## Bro. Cook Writes On California Work

The editor has received a letter from Bro. Oakley Cook, Route 1, Lafayette, Tennessee 37083, concerning the Gloria Gardens Baptist Church, Downey, Calif.

The substance of the letter deals with the need there and the support that churches here in the eastern states could give to that work. Bro. Cook served as pastor of the church for some time before returning to Tennessee.

Elder Kenneth Davis from the Enon Missionary Baptist Church near Lafayette, Tennessee, is now the pastor of the church in Downey. Bro. Cook speaks well of him and asks that the churches wanting to support mission work send their money to: Eld. Kenneth Davis, 8115 Gardendale St., Downey, Calif. 90242.

## On The Lighter Side

An Indian petitioned a judge in Arizona court to give him a shorter name. "What is your name now?" asked the judge. "Chief Shrill Train Whistle," he said. "And how to do you propose to shorten it?" asked the judge. The Indian folded his arms and solemnly grunted, "Toots." January, 1969

## Do You Know The "Tate" Family?

In a certain church there is a family by the name of "Tate". There are quite a large number of members of that family who carry the name "Tate."

There is Mr. Dick Tate, who wants to run everything.

Uncle Ro Tate wants to change everything.

Aggie and Irrie Tate are twin sisters who stay in a stew.

Then there is Hezzy Tate who objects to doing anything right now.

Sister Emmy Tate wants to do everything like someone else does it.

Of course, Devis Tate is quite destructive, and his brother Poten Tate has delusions of grandeur.

But there are some better members of the Tate family.

There is Bro. Reha Billy Tate who is always trying to help others, and he has a daughter, Felissy Tate, who can always be depended on to work quietly and effeciently.

Quite a family, these TATES?

### General Association of Missionary Baptists To Be Held

There is to be a general association of Missionary Baptists on March 29, 1969 at Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church in Nashville, Tennessee. Services are to begin at 10:00 a.m. and continue all day.

Churches in Enon, Wiseman and Siloam Missionary Baptist Associations will receive letters in the near future on this meeting. Each church is requested to choose three messengers to represent it at the general association.

Another announcement on this will be made in the BANNER previous to the meeting date.

A GOOD RESOLUTION: During the coming year I will go nowhere I can't take Jesus Christ; I will say nothing I would not want him to hear; I will do nothing I would not want him to know about.