

A Note From the Editor

The annual meeting of the Association of Southern Baptist Campus Ministers is a potpourri—a time for professional growth, inspiration, business, fellowship, and worship. It is exciting, stimulating, and sometimes frustrating.

The June 1983 meeting in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, prior to the annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention, was true to this description. It all started for the officers of the association on Saturday (and for one, on Friday) as they arrived for a pre-session meeting of the executive committee which consumed eight hours on Saturday night and Sunday morning.

The program committee, initially chaired by Yvonne Keefer and then by Skip Noble, planned and staffed an excellent program with the theme "The Campus Meeting the Needs of the World." Some of those presentations are included in this issue of the journal.

We cannot truly reproduce the experience of our annual meeting in these pages. Absent here are the presentations by Bill Pinson, Frank Cofer, and others who spoke to us as fellow pilgrims. Absent also is our intense dialogue with Charles Johnson, one who carries a tremendous responsibility as secretary of National Student Ministries.

Present here are three excellent papers presented by individuals who came to us as colleagues in the Christian ministry and equippers for our work on campus.

Charles J. Scalise, director of Christian Higher Education for the Baptist General Association of New England, called us to collegiality in his worship meditation, "Curious Colleagues."

Sarah Frances Anders, professor of sociology at Louisiana College, presented "The Role of Women in Transition: Building a Ministry for the Women on Campus," and challenged us to provide adequate role models for the young women with whom we work.

Ken Sehested, education director of SEEDS, urged us to put discipleship into action in his address entitled "Motivating for Ministry: World Hunger."

A number of items of business were considered at Pittsburgh, but two should be of special interest to our readers.

First, the constitution of the association was amended to add the office of President-elect. The person serving in that office for a year will then become President of the association the following year. This should provide continuity of leadership from year to year and adequate advance planning for the future of the organization. John Tadlock, campus minister at Clemson University, was elected to that position.

Second, the association voted to accept limited advertising for this journal consistent with guidelines adopted by the executive committee. Charles Nored will serve as our advertising manager; the first fruits of his labors appear in this issue. We hope this will be a service to our membership. If you have any questions about advertising, please contact our advertising manager or myself.

The next issue of **The Campus Minister** will deal with the relatedness of the local church and the campus program in a ministry to students with a special focus on the role of the campus minister as a resource person to the churches in their ministry. Suggestions for articles and contributors dealing with this theme are welcomed.

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