

Editorial Notes

Returning home following the Southern Baptist Convention in New Orleans, many of us were left with questions and confusion, particularly in terms of relating to students who may bear the future brunt of controversy. How can we be honest and up front with students about our perspective on the SBC? Can we encourage them toward seminaries that once nurtured us? Can we reassure our female students who plan to enter ministry within our convention? How do we motivate a student generation to "hang in there" with a convention that has modeled only warfare throughout their entire church life?

This issue of *The Campus Minister* seeks to provide some guidance and comfort for those who struggle to maintain integrity among students. Obviously, there are no pat answers or swift resolutions. But at least we are not alone in striving for a healthy approach to the dilemma. And perhaps within our struggle together some keys will be discovered.

One of the highlights of the convention this summer centered on the national meeting of the Association of Southern Baptist Campus Ministers. By popular demand I have edited versions of several keynote speeches.

I hope you find this issue profitable. And may the new year be one of peace and fruitfulness within your ministry and within our convention,

Shalom.

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