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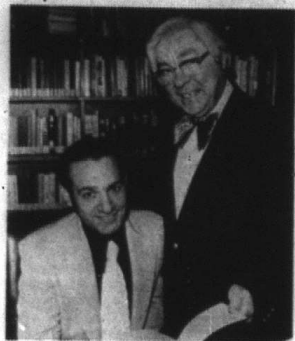
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Stites, Orrin W. (1910-1973) was born in Park City, Tennessee, the son of Orin Wellington and Lizetta Lawrence Stites. He died on September 25, 1973, while serving as pastor of Mayfair Baptist Church in Jacksonville. Stites graduated from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and was very active in Kentucky Baptist work before moving to Florida in 1961. Stites worked as field secretary of the Florida Baptist Convention, 1961-1970 before becoming pastor at Mayfair. He was married to Elsie M. Stites.



Language Coordinator



The Miami Baptist Association called **Ramon Martinez** as Language Missions coordinator, effective September 1. Director of missions, Richard G. Bryant (right) is giving him orientation.

A native of Colon, Cuba, Martinez is a graduate of California Baptist College and Golden Gate Seminary.

He was formerly pastor of Templo Bautista of Fresno, Cal. and served as a missionary of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board and the Southern Baptist General Convention of California. He also served as pastor of two other churches: Primera Iglesia Bautista, Riverside and First Spanish Church, Gilroy.

Orrin W. Stites Dies



Stites

Orrin W. Stites, 63, pastor of Mayfair Baptist Church, Jacksonville, Florida for the past three years, died on September 25 in a Jacksonville hospital.

Funeral services were held in Mayfair Baptist Church on September 27, with C. M. Coalsen, John Maguire and Larry E. Elliot officiating. Burial was in Louisville, Ky.

Stites was born in Knoxville, Tenn., grew up in Louisville, Ky., but lived in Jacksonville 13 years. He was a graduate of Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville.

Prior to becoming pastor of Mayfair Baptist Church, Stites served as field secretary of Florida Baptist Convention for nine years. He was moderator of the Long Run Baptist Association, president of the Louisville Baptist Pastor's Conference, member of the Kentucky State Board of Missions, on the Board of Directors of Kentucky Southern College and chairman of the Board of Directors for Cedar-more, the Kentucky Baptist Assembly. Stites was pastor of Beechland Church, Louisville for 11 years and served three other churches in Kentucky.

He is survived by his wife, Elsie May Stites.

Homecomings

Reddick Church, Reddick will observe its 11th anniversary with Homecoming on October 14. Guest speaker for the morning service will be Francis Hunter. Following dinner on the grounds, there will be an afternoon of gospel music. J. Riley Daniel is pastor.

Homecoming will be observed on October 7 by **Lake Ola Church, Zellwood**. Tommy Parker, a former pastor, will be guest speaker in the morning service. There will be a program of gospel music in the afternoon. Max Horton is pastor.

The second anniversary of **Antioch Church, Tallahassee** will be celebrated with a Homecoming on October 14. Following dinner on the grounds will be a program of special music and dedication of a new educational unit. T. B. Conrad is pastor.

Sunset Point Church, Clearwater will celebrate its 25th anniversary on October 14 with a Homecoming. Following dinner on the grounds there will be special music. Bill McCarty is pastor.

Homecoming Day will be celebrated by **Lemon Heights Church, Palatka** on October 7. After dinner on the grounds there will be a radio rally. Armando Silverip will be guest speaker. Swinton Futch is pastor.

Springfield Church, Jacksonville will celebrate Homecoming on October 7. There will be dinner on the grounds. J. O. McLeod is pastor.

Homecoming services will be held at **Ebenezer Church, Monticello** on October 7. There will be a basket lunch at noon.

First Church, Bonita Springs will observe Homecoming on October 14. Kingsley S. Roberts will bring the message. R. Marien Mullis is pastor.

Jacksonville Children's Home Breaks Ground

A groundbreaking was held on September 11 for the new 500 seat chapel to be added to the **Baptist Home for Children** in Jacksonville. Also included in the new building will be office facilities and a dining-room for 300.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Price of Ft. Myers made a construction gift of one-quarter of a million dollars to the home for the chapel which will be built in honor of Mrs. Jane Swindal Price, mother of John Price and Mrs. Isabelle Hancock Potter, mother of Mrs. John Price.

Participating in the groundbreaking service were, from left: George E. Norton, director of Baptist Home for Children; Mr. and Mrs. John E. Price; Foster Ellis, contractor; Robert E. Kelly, architect; and Ellis Hitzig, president of the board of trustees.



MK Drowns in Florida

William Alan Hickman, 21-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Hickman, Jr., Southern Baptist missionaries to Paraguay, drowned Sept. 23 while scuba diving near High Springs, Fla.

The funeral was scheduled for Sept. 27 in North Park Baptist Church with burial at Greenwood Cemetery, both in Orlando, Fla.

His parents, appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1950, are involved in general evangelism in Paraguay. Both are natives of Orlando; his mother is the former Jane Graham.

Hickman is survived by his parents; a brother, John Robert Hickman of Florence, S. C.; a sister, Mary Beth Hickman, a student at Samford University, Birmingham, Ala.; and a grandmother, Mrs. J. R. Graham of Orlando.

Revival Reports

A. V. Aldridge, pastor of First Church, Davenport, recently led eleven members on a mission tour to Pennsylvania where they assisted the Marianne Chapel of Shippensburg in pioneer mission work with a day camp program. This resulted in a new resort mission and 25 professions of faith.

First Church, Chattahoochee, Evangelists Bob Barker, Jr. and Lloyd Young, 13 professions of faith, eight by letter. John Coulter, pastor.

First Church, Kissimmee, Evangelist Ralph Stone, 38 professions of faith, two by statement, five by letter.

There will be a Homecoming at **First Church, Paisley** on October 14. After dinner on the grounds, there will be a program of group singing.

This, That and the Other

New Pastor and Additions At Merritt Island Church



First Church, Merritt Island has had 143 additions since Adrian P. Rogers became pastor in August.

Rogers went to Merritt Island from Parkview Church, Ft. Pierce. During six-year ministry there, the church had 1,338 additions (652 by baptism), increased its budget from \$15,000 to \$90,000 per year, and gifts to missions totaled \$54,000 with the church giving 22 percent of its budget to missions through the Cooperative Program.

A native of West Palm Beach, Rogers is a graduate of Sieton University and New Orleans Seminary. He and his wife, Joyce, have four children: Steve, Gayle, David and Janice.

Tampa Luncheon Scheduled For Southern Seminary



Alumnus of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary will have a luncheon during the Florida Baptist State Convention on November 11 at 12:00 noon in the

Floridan Hotel, Tampa.

Faculty representative meeting with the group will be Prof. Inman Johnson, alumni secretary-emeritus and professor of speech.

Ralph Keene, pastor of Idlewild Church, Tampa, is president of Southern Seminary Alumni in Florida.

Ministers Wives Luncheon

The annual Ministers Wives Luncheon will be held during the Florida Baptist State Convention at the Hyde Park Methodist Church, Tampa on Tuesday, November 10 at 12:30 p.m. W. Karl Steele, chalk artist, will be featured at the meeting, according to Mrs. Malcolm Knight, president.

All reservations must be received by 6:30 p.m. Monday, November 9. Send advance reservations to Mrs. J. Titus Aldridge, 3903 Granada, Tampa, Fla.

Revival Report

First Church, Edgewater, Evangelist Pastor Ronald Ryan, Singsler Curtis French, 18 professions of faith, 12 by letter.

November 8 will be Homecoming day at Elder Springs Church, Sanford, where B. Hamilton Griffin is pastor. Everyone is invited.

Bay Cella Church, Tampa Calls Causey as Pastor

Bay Cella Church, Tampa has called David E. Causey as pastor.

A graduate of Howard College and Southern Seminary, Causey comes to Florida from Broadmoor Church, Bessemer, Ala., where he led in completing new buildings, including a \$75,000 sanctuary, during his year there.

Mr. and Mrs. Causey have three boys, ages 9, 7 and 20 months.

Ollie G. Matthews has been interim pastor at Bay Cella Church.

The 94th annual meeting of Weeks Baptist Association met October 15 and 16 at College Park Church, Orlando. G. H. Cole, Jr., host pastor.

Four new churches were admitted to the Association, bringing the total number of churches to 56 with over 29,000 members. There were 1,422 baptisms reported by the churches for last year, and 2,383 other additions.

The Association now has a chaplain visiting the hospitals, work among the migrants and a Camp Joy program.

Moderator James S. Haskins was re-elected for another year, Alvin G. Hause was elected vice moderator, and Bob McAllister was re-elected clerk.

Park Lane Church, Jacksonville observed its ninth anniversary on October 18. R. Grady Snowden, Jr. is pastor.

Among the guests at the special services were: M. L. Chapman, first pastor when Park Lane was a mission; Carl Howell, pastor of the sponsoring church; C. M. Coulson, former field secretary who was instrumental in the church's beginning; and Orrin Stites, who is now field secretary in the Jacksonville area.

The church had 11 additions (six for baptism) on this day.

The ladies of Wilton Manors Church, Fort Lauderdale plan to "stamp the preacher right out of the country" by sending Pastor Calvin Booth to the Holy Land with trading stamps.

A committee, headed by Mrs. Gene Murphy, is in the process of collecting 750 stamp books for the four-week tour.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester R. DeBusk of Brooksville and Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Denham of Lockhart are among the students from 17 states who are attending Clear Creek Baptist School, a Kentucky Baptist Convention theological school in Pineville, Ky.

Dr. W. E. Denham, formerly pastor of First Church, Miami, is a Bible professor at the school.

New Orleans Seminary Alumni to Meet in Tampa

Florida alumni of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary will meet November 11, during the State Convention in Tampa, according to Florida Alumni President H. Fred Williams, Winter Garden.

The meeting is scheduled for 6:00 p.m. at the Morrison Cafeteria.

Representing the seminary will be Professor of Church History, William A. Mueller. Items of business will include the election of new officers and a report on progress of contributions for the proposed Leavell Chair of Evangelism.

Baptist Bible Institute Alumni Plan Breakfast

Alumni of Baptist Bible Institute, Graceville will meet at Morrison's (downtown) Cafeteria, Tampa on Wednesday, November 11, for a breakfast session beginning at 7:30 a.m. This will be during the Florida Baptist State Convention, where the Institute Choir will sing.

At the breakfast President James E. Southerland will discuss progress being made at the school, and Gus Johnson will show the plan for more student housing.

September marked the third anniversary of L. J. Coker as pastor of Dixieland Church, Lakeland.

During these three years, the

Dominy Becomes Pastor of Oakcrest Church, Pensacola



During the first month, Reneau B. Dominy has been pastor of Oakcrest Church, Pensacola, the church has had 22 additions and there has been an in-

crease of more than 50 in Sunday school attendance.

Dominy resigned from Greensboro Church, Greensboro, after a seven-year pastorate. Under his leadership the church had 54 additions for baptism, increased gifts to missions through the Cooperative Program from \$800 to \$2,700 annually, dedicated a new sanctuary in 1959, and purchased additional property.

A native of Clayton, Ala., Dominy is a graduate of Howard College and New Orleans Seminary. Mrs. Dominy is the former Jean Marie Patterson, daughter of President E. N. Patterson of Grand Canyon (Baptist) College, Phoenix, Arizona. The Dominyes have four boys: Gerald Reneau, Raymond Nelson, John Mark and David Patterson.

church has had about 100 additions, attained the Standard in Sunday school, and had a Standard Vacation Bible School the last two years. The church and pastorage have been painted, a heating system installed in the education building, and considerable indebtedness paid.

Lake Ola Chapel, Mt. Dora Becomes New Church



Lake Ola Baptist Chapel, a mission of First Church, Mt. Dora, was constituted into a church on October 4.

Officers elected by the newly-organized church are, from left: Vance Brock, assistant treasurer; Arch Hodges, deacon; Tommy Parker, pastor; and Mrs. Lottie Koecker, clerk. Charles Stout, not pictured, is treasurer.

The organizing council was composed of ministers and deacons from neighboring churches in Lake County Association.

Participating in the program were: David Coffield, pastor of the sponsoring church; Hugh Hawkins, pastor of Bay Street Church, Eustis; Robert Geer, pas-

tor of First Church, Eustis; K. Fay Denhay, pastor of First Church, Tavares; Alfred Miller, pastor of First Church, Umatilla; Tommy Parker, chapel pastor; J. O. Townsend, chairman of the Missions Committee; and Sue Bond, clerk of Mt. Dora Church.

The new church took an offering for world missions through the Cooperative Program.

Jax Pastor Will Preach

The **Rev. Orrin W. Stites**, pastor of Mayfair Baptist Church, Jacksonville, will preach in revival services at First Baptist Church of Longwood, today through Oct. 4.

Rev. Stites came to Florida in 1961 following an 11-year pastorate at Beechland Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky. In Kentucky, he served as associational moderator and president of Louisville Baptist Pastor's Conference. He served on the Kentucky State Board of Missions. He was field secretary for the Florida

Baptist Convention in the Jacksonville area for nine years prior to being called to his present pastorate.

Revival services will be held daily at 10 a.m., and 7:30 p.m. There will be special music each night.

The nursery will be open for each service.

GROUNDBREAKING for a new sanctuary was celebrated at the worship service by members of Altamonte Chapel.

Following the service the congregation had a potluck luncheon on the grounds.

The new church school

the Future.

The **Rev. Orrin W. Stites** of Jacksonville, field secretary for District 5 of the Florida Baptist Convention, will talk on the ministry of the churches through the association.

The Rev. Hugh Chamberlaine of

Rev Orrin W. Stites Jr.

Birth 20 Nov 1909

Death 25 Sep 1973 (aged 63)

Burial Evergreen Cemetery Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky, USA [Show Map](#)

Family Members

Parents

Orrin W. Stites

1855–1931

Lizetta Lorenz Stites

1872–1944

Spouse

Elsie M Stites

1906–2001

The Life Summary of Orrin Wellington

When Orrin Wellington Stites was born on 20 November 1909, in Park City, Lincoln, Tennessee, United States, his father, Orin Wellington Stites, was 55 and his mother, Lizetta Lawrence, was 37. He married Elsie May Windfield on 29 August 1939, in Louisville, Jefferson, Kentucky, United States. He lived in Knoxville, Knox, Tennessee, United States in 1935 and Louisville, Jefferson, Kentucky, United States in 1940. He died on 25 September 1973, in Jacksonville, Duval, Florida, United States, at the age of 63, and was buried in Louisville, Jefferson, Kentucky, United States.

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Rev. Orrin Stites, Field Secretary of the Northeast Florida Baptist Association