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On Drying Up River Jordan

The story of the Israelites crossing the river Jordan dry-shod has often puzzled Christians as well as unbelievers. If we read the story as told in Joshua 3 carefully, we find, however, clearly stated what happened and how it came that the river Jordan fell dry over against Jericho.

In verse 16 we are told that there happened to arise a dam at Adamah, about 15 miles upstream. On the map, in Young's Concordance, e.g., you may find this place.

In his book The Bible as History, Werner Keller tells us that a similar thing happened in 1927 and also in 1924. In 1906, too, an earthquake caused the banks of the river to cave in, so that the stream was entirely blocked and the lower course at Jericho was dry for 24 hours. Arabian chronicles tell of the similar thing in A.D. 1267.

— G. Zijlstra, Rotterdam, Holland.

Note: This came as a result of reading an item of similar title in the March 30 issue (p. 14).

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Spend a Day at UN Church Center
New York Visitors Urged

The interdenominational Church Center for the United Nations will provide a summer-long series of special seminars on the United Nations for visitors to the New York World's Fair, Dr. Ernest L. Inwood, UN Program director for the Center, says.

The seminars — to be held on all weekdays during the summer (May 11-Sept. 11) — will offer "inside views" of the world organization's work through tours, briefings, attendance at UN sessions, and lectures by UN delegates and Secretariat officials, according to Dr. Inwood, who coordinates programs at the Church Center in behalf of the National Council of Churches Department of International Affairs.

Open to all individuals or groups, regardless of religious affiliation, the seminars will utilize unique facilities of the new Church Center, located directly opposite the UN General Assembly and Secretariat buildings at 777 UN Plaza. Its 12 floors contain the only simultaneous translation equipment in New York City outside the UN itself, and the only closed-circuit television lines to the UN apart from the national missions.

For those who can set aside an entire day, up-to-date briefings at 11 a.m. or 2:10 p.m. will be available daily free of charge.

New York Seamen's Center

The Seamen's Center, founded near the turn of the century by the former Augustana Lutheran Church and at present an agency of the Lutheran Church in America, has moved into new quarters in New York City. The eleven-story building, erected at a cost of $1,100,000, is at 123 East 15th street, corner of Irving Place and Lexington Avenue. It has overnight accommodations for 100 seamen, double the capacity of the old center at 6 Water street, on the tip of Manhattan Island, where, in 65 years, lodging was provided for an estimated 1,290,000 seamen. The new Center continues the services of the old — a mail station, message receiving and forwarding, giving Christian counsel on employment and personal problems, storing baggage, keeping legal and other documents for those at sea, and many others. Dr. J. Vincent Nordgren is executive director of the Center.

Note: Those who were familiar with the old center almost at the tip of Manhattan can testify that it has rendered a valuable service to seafaring men waiting for their ships to sail. Roy A. Garrison, Sabbathkeeping tract distributor, writer, world traveler and generous contributor to the Sabbath cause has long made this his East Coast headquarters.

Accessions

By Testimony:

Mrs. Emma Newsom

Mrs. Charles Stanley

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

LITTLE ROCK, ARK. — The following notice appeared in the May 16 church bulletin: "The clerk of the church wishes to announce that the ballots for call of the pastor for the year July 1, 1964 to June 30, 1965 were unanimous for Pastor Paul B. Osborn, per agreement with the Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Society. Pastor Osborn has stated his willingness to accept the call." He has been serving the church according to this joint agreement since July 1961.

Los Angeles Church Buildings

Located on busy North Figueroa Street in the Highland Park district, the Los Angeles Seventh Day Baptist Church has recently dedicated the third building of its structures, the two-story Christian Education Building on the right. With faith and faithfulness the members of the church which not many years ago was supported with missionary funds have moved forward in their spiritual and temporal building. (See story on page 8).
The Price of Revival

There is a gross misconception of revival abroad in the world today that has been inherited in part by our generation. It may be true that some revival efforts encouraged excessive emotionalism and failed to do the follow-up work that would guarantee the permanence of the results of change. Granting this much, every person who gives way to a blanket criticism of revival is making a far more serious moral error than those whom he is flailing out or casting aspersions.

What is revival, and what is its price? K. Everett White, in his Second Baptist Convention, stated recently to a large interdenominational conference that the greatest need among Protestants is for revival. He held that "real spiritual awakening of new life within our churches and institutions." Who can deny that such a revival is our greatest need? Let us not hesitate to use the term and put this proper meaning on it.

Revival comes at a high price. Are we willing to pay that price? Listen to Dr. White again:

"There are no shortcuts to revival. It's always a painful process that involves repentance, confession of sin, humbling of hearts, and a radical change in our way of life."

Could it be that one of the reasons that some of us fear the term is that we fear the revival itself? Have we so long talked of the ease, benefits, and comfort of the Christian life that we have become afraid to tell of the pain that comes in the healing process and the uncomfortableness of guilt that normally comes before forgiveness, and of the humbling of heart that must precede happiness? Yes, revival is costly, but it is priceless.

A House Divided

Abraham Lincoln applied the Scripture to his time, quoting the famous words of Christ, "And if a house be divided against itself, that house cannot stand" (Mark 3: 25). What would Lincoln say today, and what would the man of wisdom say about this nation being divided against itself in the very center of its home? The issue may be other instances, but take this one—tobacco.

Last January the Surgeon General, charged with the responsibility of removing health hazards, heralded to the nation the unanimous report of a diligent ten-man committee on the dire consequences of cigarette smoking. It was strongly hinted that something would be done at the top level of government, perhaps something similar to what was done about certain brands of salmon or cranberry sauce when there was suspicion of danger from contamination. Almost nothing has been done because our house is divided against itself. Who will the Surgeon General states with certainty that cigarettes cause cancer and other diseases that contribute to the death rate, another branch of our federal government contributes $40,000,000 per year in price support for tobacco.

Many companies were running scared for a while. Their stock took a sharp slump on the market. People wondered whether or not this great nation would be able to go on...
posed by Rev. James Middleton of Shreveport, La.

(1) That we commend those Southern Baptist institutions which have extended their Christian ministries to people of all races;

(2) That we approve the position taken by hundreds of Southern Baptist churches in affirming an open-door policy for all people regardless of racial origin;

(3) That we express gratitude for those individual Christians and churches who are involving themselves redemptively in community race relations;

(4) That we pledge to support the laws designed to guarantee the legal rights of Negroes in our democracy and to go beyond these laws by practicing Christian love and reconciliation in all human relationships; and

(5) That through legislation and through love, through work and through witness, through open doors and through open hearts, through open minds and through open hearts, Thunderous silence in the face of oppressive inroads.

We believe there is a need for more tracts in other languages.

The dormitories on Pennsylvania Avenue campus site

With new dormitories, new cafeteria, and other improved facilities at Salem College, attention will be focused at General Conference this year promises to be a delightful and memorable experience. Costs of attendance will be as follows:

(1) Housing. Rooms are available in the new Salem College dormitories. Linens furnished are: sheets, pillowcases, two towels per person, but no blankets and no pillows. Ordinarily, a minimum of 2 persons will be assigned to each room at a cost of $1.25 per person per day. Air-conditioned rooms are available at $1.50 per day per person. A limited number of private rooms can be arranged for a cost of $2.25 per day, air-conditioned rooms at $2.75 per day. The air-conditioned dormitories are some distance from the college campus.

Family rooms are available for 4, 5 or 6-member families at $5.00 per day. Families may also bring carts, with no additional charge for space. Linen for tents can be rented if desired.

Trailer space without sewage or water attachment, but adjacent to shower and toilet facilities will be available for $5.00 per person per day. This fee includes accident insurance. Without such a fee, it is estimated that regular meals in the college cafeteria will average: Breakfast - 75¢; Lunch - $1.00; Dinner - $1.00, or a total of $2.75 per day per person plus tax. Children's plates for children under 12 will be available at one half the regular price. Selections for very small children on a per dish basis.

(3) Registration. There will be a registration fee of $2.00 per person for all persons 12 years of age or more, and $1.00 per person for all persons under 12 years of age. This fee includes accident and sickness insurance from 12:01 a.m. August 16 to 12:01 a.m. August 23.

No single person under 21 will be registered or housed unless accompanied by a parent or guardian who agrees to assume responsibility for the minor. Mrs. Mildred Hansen, Chairman of Housing Committee.
The Ministry of The Holy Spirit
In the Believer
By Rev. Lester G. Osborn

The recent emphasis on "tongues-speaking" tends to draw our attention away from the total ministry of the Holy Spirit. This is a prominent, real, or imagined, may blind our eyes to the blessing to be had from His indwelling. Have we allowed this "sense-experience" claimed by some to frighten us away from the study of the Person and work of the "Other Comforter" whom our Lord sent into the earth? Are we missing something?

When a person puts his faith in Christ Jesus a number of things happen to him. (1) He is born of the Spirit into the family of God (John 3: 5, 6). That means a new nature, eternal life, and the right to be had from His indwelling. Have we seen this to be a practice to be pursued.

(2) He is baptized by the Spirit into the body of Christ, the church (1 Cor. 12: 12-14).

(3) He is anointed with the Spirit (2 Cor. 1: 21). This refers to God's act of sending the Holy Spirit into the believer the moment he becomes a Christian.

(4) He receives the seal and earnest of the Spirit (2 Cor. 1: 22; 5: 5; Eph. 1: 13, 14 (RSV); 4: 30).

(5) He is indwelt by the Spirit (John 14: 17; 1 Cor. 3: 16; 6: 19; 2 Tim. 1: 14). He comes into our hearts when we believe and dwell in us as His temple. He indwells as a matter of moment he believes on the Lord Jesus.

All these are past tense, having to do with our salvation. They are simultaneous and become fact for us at the time of conversion. They happened once and are never repeated.

We turn now to the present tense, the filling with the Holy Spirit. This is, of course, present tense, but, unlike those things, it is a recurrent experience. "Filling" has to do with our sanctification and our service. We tend to shun the word "sanctification" because of misunderstanding of and wrong teaching about it. Sometimes we want others to give up to us, and He is kept outside that door, and we are only partially filled. If there is any idol in any part of His temple "That idol must come down." We must make room for Him. The only way to be truly sanctified is to open every door and give Him access to every nook and corner. We do not even have to open the door ourselves. Just give Him the key and He will open it. He cannot fill us as long as there is some known or unconfessed sin, that keeps Him from having full possession.

The essential word is "filling" (Rom. 6: 13; 12: 1; 1 Cor. 5: 7; 7: 1). Only when we surrender all can we be what we should be. We want to be what we want to be. "Walk in the Spirit, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh" (Gal. 5: 16, RSV). "The Spirit is depending on His power to deliver us from the desires of the flesh." By faith in Him, and yielding to His control, we will be cleansed and filled.

Jesus showed the way at the feast of Tabernacles and in His conversation with the woman of Samaria: "If any man thirst, let him come unto me and drink ... Whosoever drinketh of the water that I give him will never thirst ... It shall be a well of water springing up" (John 7: 37; 4: 13, 14). The "Water" that Jesus gives is the Holy Spirit. John tells us so (John 7: 39): "Thirst" and "drink." No one can be filled until he "thirsts" — until he wants to be filled, and he never will be unless he "drinks." Just as one beside a clear, bubbling spring satisfies his physical thirst by drinking, so must we let the indwelling Holy Spirit quench our spiritual thirst by filling us. It is not by taking a bit of this or a bit of that that this is satisfied, but drinking deeply. Perhaps this sounds too simple. It is so hard to leave it to the Spirit to do the filling, and not to try to fill ourselves. One has aptly said, "It is ours to will and His to fill." The Holy Spirit indwells us for our sanctification.

We must humble ourselves and yield everything to the Holy Spirit. We must let Him control us entirely. We must resolve and pray that everything that would hinder this work of the Spirit may be brought to Him. Let Him put out of our lives everything that would prevent filling. Give everything over to His control, and then, in faith, experience the blessing He has for us.

Yes, we fear that by misunderstanding and neglect, we are missing something. That something is the real experience of the filling with the Holy Spirit, and the victorious life He can produce in us.

Baptist Pastors Ponder

At the two-day pastor's conference preceding the Southern Baptist Convention at Atlantic City a nuclear scientist, George K. Schweitzer of Knoxville, Tenn. summed up the concern of the pastors for delineating morals in these two statements: "As an empirical scientist, if I am to make a judgment as to why we have no spiritual power, I would say there is no love within." "The man can hear the gospel if Christians will return to it." In a similar vein, a former president of the Southern Baptist Convention warned that "the church is beginning to conduct with problems of the day until the "Lordship of Christ in all of life" becomes not merely a principle to be proclaimed, but a practice that betrays the spirit of the gospel.""Heschehl H. Hobbs, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, (Southern Baptists largest) told the pastors "If our hearts and lives are truly surrendered to the will of the Lord in all of life, then the world will see, hear, understand and heed." A television actor, Gregory Walcott, told the pastors of the Lord's Christ is only the solution for the torments and conflicts of this heterogeneous society.
Christian Education Center<br>Dedicated at Los Angeles Church

A beautiful service of dedication climaxed over two years of hard work and sacrificial giving at the Los Angeles Seventh Day Baptist Church, when the new Christian Education Center, an annex to the original building, was consecrated to the work of the Lord on Sabbath afternoon, May 9, at 4 p.m. The service was held in the social room of the annex with over 100 members and guests in attendance.

The soft white walls of the room, with the afternoon sun filtering through the windows, formed a beautiful background for the two choirs flanking the piano, and brought out the color of the red roses centered on the piano.

Following the singing of the beautiful hymn, "The Church's One Foundation" led by Miss Lois Wells, with Mrs. Stelle Carpenter at the piano, the service proceeded to its logical conclusion in the prayer of dedication.

The Men's Chorus, recently organized and led by Miss Wells, sang two numbers, "Help Me to Be Holy" and "Children of the Heavenly King," after which Albyn Mackintosh told a brief history of the church, showing the growth of the church over the years by the use of a broken line graph. On the graph also was plotted the budget of the church during its life, both the growth of the church and the budget of the church during its life. Both lines showed almost steady growth. In the years, and to the dedicated lay workers. He ended his talk with the challenge that "where these lines go from today is up to us, the people of the Seventh Day Baptist Church of Los Angeles."

It was a joy to the local people to receive greetings from our sister church in Riverside brought by Pastor Wheeler, and from Christ's Seventh Day Baptist Church in Los Angeles. To this correspondent, the brief but extremely heartfelt and sincere greeting from Mrs. Henry Lewis of Christ's Church was one of the high moments of the entire service.

The responsive reading prepared by Pastor Saunders was led by Benny Peil. As the four different groups responded to the words of the leader, the play of verbal light and shadow was very lovely in its praise to God.

Following the reading, the newly organized Children's Choir, consisting of 18 voices from 5 through 13 years of age, sang "My Savior." by Fillmore, directed by Mrs. Lila Saunders and accompanied by Mrs. Marian Hargis.

The sermon, delivered by Pastor Saunders, was a simple commitment of the facility to the teaching of the Word of God, strengthening of Christian ties of fellowship, and witness of the church to the community.

"This building is dedicated," he stated, "to the proposition that all men have need of redemption in Christ. It is committed to the purpose of extending this message to all the world. It will be used for the nourishment of Christ's Church, and as the facilities for our children, and as the training of our children, and as the teaching, in the nurture and admonition of the Lord."

Sabbath Rally Day Echoes

The church bulletins received at the Plainfield office from about one third of our churches indicate that pastors and others made an effort to make Sabbath Rally Day meaningful. Most churches observed the day on the third Sabbath of May, the traditional date. A few, for local reasons, shifted the date. All appear to have used the special bulletin covers provided by the Tract Board for the occasion.

A number of pastors found the theme "God's Abiding Sabbath for Our Changing World" suitable for the sermon topic. Nine out of ten good reasons entitled their talks differently, according to the bulletins at hand. Among the other sermon themes were: "Claim Your Blessing" (Ashaway), "Using the Sabbath" (Alfred Station), "The Family and the Sabbath" (Buffalo), "The Sabbath a Delight" (Alfred, Holmes), and "The Sabbath, Ceremonial or Moral" (Los Angeles).

Following the tour of inspection light refreshments were served by the Builders Club, using the new serving facilities for the first time.

It truly is the prayer of the Los Angeles church that this new facility will do its part in the deepening of the spiritual life of the people and the training of our children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

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The idea of encouraging all the churches to center their attention in all departments on the observance of the Sabbath one day a week has proven beneficial over a long period of time. Without such a scheduled program there might not be a whole sermon devoted to the Sabbath truth as often as once a year. We have a tendency to take this truth for granted, forgetting that faithful and joyful observance of a sacred day cannot be taken for granted. Constant reminders of sacred things are necessary in an age when the world about us is always exerting a downward pull.

May we plan early and well for another Sabbath Rally Day next May and keep emphasizing to our children and friends the need for a day set aside for holy things — according to the commandments. — Corresponding secretary.

Observing the Sabbath
"Remember the Sabbath Day," God said; "We honor His command."

We take it as a gift; for bread Because it is God's plan.

Now Jesus is the Sabbath's Lord; He said to keep it well.

We keep it not for Heaven's reward Nor for the fear of Hell.

He made the Sabbath a delight And pleasant to observe.

We find that it will lead us right To Jesus whom we serve.


Attend Conference
Plan to attend General Conference at Salem, West Virginia. The sessions will be held in the auditorium of Salem College. Many of the committee rooms will be in Huffman Hall. Remember the dates:

August 17-22, 1964
Nyasaland Missionaries  
Write about Their Work

In a letter addressed to friends of Makapawa Mission written by Bettye and David Pearson (received April 17) they review some of the activities of previous months. We quote from their letter:

Days and months speed swiftly by. There are trials of every sort in the work, yet the faithfulness of God keeps us pushing onward. Our men who have been tested the most in recent months have said that it has strengthened their faith, and we feel it has drawn us closer together in fellowship with them.

Our ministerial school has closed with a great thanksgiving service, and this will go into churches very soon. One is staying here at the mission to help in the office with Christian Education work and other things. In preparing the children's lessons, he will be helping Bettye (Pearson), and it is another step in indigenization.

Our trip with Pastor Harris (June and July) to Association meetings in the Northern and Central Regions. (Region is the new Malawi term rather than province.) We attended the one in the South for Sabbath only. This was the first effort at holding Association meetings. The leaders seemed pleased with the result and want to continue it. Meetings in each province will be held in June this year, and we will probably be mission representatives again.

In September we visited some of the churches in the Central Region. One was a branch of Manjanja — way back in Yao territory. The Yao are the tribe that took part in the Arab slave trade. Livingstone's day, and the feeling between them and the other tribes has lingered long. We saw no animosity at all in our visit, as was welcomed at the village, receiving a goat and many other items of food as gifts. That was the first time any of our missionaries had been there and they were glad to have us. They are in need of more spiritual guidance and growth, but our time was short. We are planning an anniversary tour there, camping in the little grass house about 6½ ft. square.

In August we were privileged to attend the Second Nyasaland Pastors' Conference held in Blantyre-Limbe. A really deepening spiritual experience it was, when one could see God's power and feel His Word speak to every heart. We met deeply consecrated Christian laymen there, and felt real fellowship among them. Most of them have left Nyasaland now, however, and we pray that many people will gain genuine freedom. Christ said, "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free."

Great plans are being made for the independence celebrations. Slated for July 6, it almost coincides with our Fourth. Freedom our forefathers fought for and, gained, we pray that they do gain, many people will wish to the witch doctor, but he claims to discern them by listening into a bottle. The so-called witches are asked to drink a potion (often forced if they refuse) which is supposed to clear them of their evil spirit."

Such a completed form will supply information needed by the Home Field Committee in order to make a fair judgment as to the growth potential of that church and area.

The purpose of the City Pastor-Evangelist plan is to offer the services of a full-time worker to a Seventh Day Baptist church in the three-easera time in order to help that church become self-sustaining. It has been fairly successful at Little Rock but that church has requested the extension of the plan for one more year and such extension has been approved both by Mr. Osborn and the Missionary Board.

Another need is for an updated illustrated, pocket-size translation of the Gospel of John, and a special edition of the Picture Scriptures, there will be a New Age," a special exhibition of the Library during the World's Fair period will have on display many rare Bibles including several of unusual historical interest to the United States. Among them will be the Eliot Bible, printed in 1663, the first Bible to be printed in America (in the language of Massachusetts Indians); the Saur Bible, 1745, the first European-language Bible printed on this continent, in German; the Aitken Bible, 1792, the first English-language Bible printed in America (in the language of the Indians), authorized by the Continental Congress; the first Bible printed by the American Bible Society, 1831, the first English-language Bible printed by the society for the Indians, 1818, in the language of the Delaware Indians.

The Bible Exhibit is open Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Special guided tours for small groups may be arranged in advance. Write Mrs. M. E. Elton, Guide Director, 450 Park Avenue, New York, N. Y. -10022, for advance arrangements.

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A Word of Appreciation for the Jamaica Representative
By Leon M. Malby

The program of the Baptist Jubilee to be complete needed to have a strong missionary emphasis that was worldwide in scope. It was determined that every continent should be represented, not by missionaries sent out, but by nationals now in positions in these churches of their countries which owed their existence to faithful Baptist missionary work.

Each of the six bodies co-operating in the Jubilee Advance was allowed to pick a country and a representative to tell what missions had done for his country or continent and what yet remained to be done. Seventh Day Baptists picked Jamaica and the Caribbean. The Jamaica Conference chose the Rev. Joe Samuels, our Representative to tell what the Adventist work in Jamaica has kept that island and the less favored islands. We needed the challenge of this message. Needing it, we appreciated it. We were made to feel glad for the efforts put forth by our Baptists and Christian educators who have contributed to the experience and training of promising young men as Joe Samuels. Humble and unassuming, a member of a small denomination, he had a message of importance drawn from the Word of God.

The message from Jamaica though basically the same message that raised up the island and the churches of our faith on the island came back to us with freshness and vigor. We can all pray that we may carryon the good work upon his return. His Baptist contacts at Atlantic City and his association with those of our faith in Jamaica and the less favored islands. We needed the challenge of this message. Needing it, we appreciated it. We were made to feel glad for the efforts put forth by our Baptists and Christian educators who have contributed to the experience and training of promising young men as Joe Samuels. Humble and unassuming, a member of a small denomination, he had a message of importance drawn from the Word of God.

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Atlantic City's boardwalk was the meeting place for church people and hundreds of missionaries immediately following the Sabbath afternoon program at which Mr. Samuels spoke.
The Value of Family Devotions

By Mrs. Kenneth B. Van Horn

I am a firm believer in family life — family ties, traditions and customs — doing little things together and then doing big things together.

When two people fall in love, marry, and establish a home of their own, it is the natural sequence that in time the two become three, then four, and often more. I like to see this couple establish a devotion period together — before there are little ones to guide and direct. If it is important to have individual devotions, it is equally important to have a shared family experience. We are aware that "a family that prays together, stays together." Prayer is direct communication with God.

To me, there are three essentials that make up good family devotions:

1. First there is the Bible, the Word of God — the very source of knowing about God and God's will for us. We must turn to this for our guidance and instruction. We must study the Bible; make it our first daily business of love them that love me; and those that hate me, whoever it may be, will be accursed. (Rev. 22:5). We must study the Bible and find a time when we can study and pray together.

2. Apply the Bible truth we have gleaned for that day to a practical, down-to-earth, everyday experience. If possible apply the Bible truth to something as we go about our work. And whenever you enter into prayer, you must enter in with the same heart in which you enter into the worship of heaven. (Heb. 10:19). If you enter into prayer, you must enter into the worship of God. God's family, His house, is the place where He expects us to be with Him. He wants us to be with Him in prayer. Let's think it over:

3. And third comes the shared prayer. Family sentence prayers can be unified by united, dedicated, prayer. Communion with God is the key to Christian living. Prayerless lives are powerless lives. We must put ourselves in tune with God and seek His face, and turn from their wicked ways, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land" (2 Chron. 7:14).

Worship Service

We are living in a world of tension, uneasiness, and fear. It seems difficult to find a time when we can study and pray without interruption. We try to carry on God's work without enough prayerful preparation. We cannot be close to God without a sense of knowing and receiving such information.

The recent decision of the New York State Board of Welfare to provide birth control information and services to welfare clients was welcomed by the New York State Council of Churches. In its 107th annual Assembly, the Council also urged that legislation be enacted to permit this same information to be made available to all families who desire it. In the resolution, the Council pointed out that "family planning contributes to the spiritual and emotional health of the family as well as to its economic stability." The statement also recognized "the right of those who are moved by moral convictions or religious belief to refuse such assistance", but did not recognize "any absolute right to prevent those with equal religious faith from providing such assistance to others."