

# CULTURAL RESOURCES SECRETARY HODGKINS SPEAKS

Sara W. Hodgkins, Secretary of Cultural Resources for the State of North Carolina, addressed the graduating seniors at Methodist College during the Sixteenth Annual Commencement Exercises held Sunday, May 6, in Reeves Auditorium on the Methodist Campus.

Hodgkins, a native of Southern Pines, is one of two women serving on the cabinet of Governor Jim Hunt and is the first woman to deliver the Commencement address at Methodist. Ms. Hodgkins was introduced by her brother, R. Parker Wilson, of the Methodist College faculty.

"The responsibility of citizenship is to do what you can to better this society through excellence and accessibility," stated Ms. Hodgkins.



Jakie William Snapp, Jr., Rick Spicer, Thomas Lee Strickland, Mary Regina Sunderlin, Mary Lynn Klein Sutton, Eugene Swanger, Lena Beth Tarkington, Jennifer Peoples Trotman, Robert Webster, Anne Fisk Wilce, Carolyn Ann Williams and Sheryl Jean Alexander.

Also Ernest Gary Botts, Rhonda Moon Dees, Ronald Allen Holman, Gregory Allen Howard, Michael H. Mauney, Debra McPhail Poulk, Peggy Mae Pittman, James Albert Smith, Jr., Charles Wayne Stewart, and M'Bumba M'Bingu Yivumba.

Others graduating were Vernon Weaver Brown III of Raeford, Robert Rook Cobb of Suffolk, Va., Cynthia Lou Edwards of Bladenboro, Leslie Gifton Edwards of Red Springs, Michael S. Ellis of Richmond, Va., Van Fletcher, Jr., of Yadkinville, Mark R. Garris of Durham, Ted Woodrow Hough of

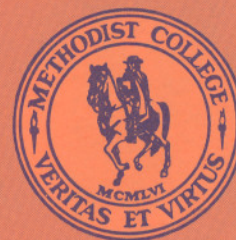
Lumber Bridge, Angela Louise Hursey of Dublin, Jo Anne Jones of Ellerbe, Jerry Dean Lewis of Morehead, Judy Vann Marlow of Little River, S. C., Jane Allan Miller of Jersey Shore, Pa., and Cynthia Louise Moore of New Bern.

Also Ann Victoria Morrow of New York City, Teresa Ann Poole of Knightdale, Lester Sessoms, Jr. of Raeford, Jakie William Snapp, Jr. of Baltimore, Md., David Carlton Wade of Burlington, Jeanne Caroline Edwards of Hamlet, Lois Melinda McPherson of Snow Camp, Mary Claire Moloff of Essex Junction, Vt., and Robert Thaniel Wilson, Jr. of Goldsboro.

The Bachelor of Applied Science degree was awarded to Ernest Wilbert Paker of Fayetteville and the Associate in Arts degree was awarded to Kermit Lyle Lindgren of Fayetteville.

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## JIM BAILEY RECEIVES HONORARY DOCTOR OF DIVINITY DEGREE

The Reverend James H. Bailey, minister of Jarvis Memorial United Methodist Church of Greenville, N.C., was presented an honorary Doctor of Divinity Degree from Methodist College during Commencement Exercises held here Sunday, May 6.

Citing "Outstanding service to his church, his community and his fellow man," Dr. Richard W. Pearce, president of Methodist College, bestowed upon Mr. Bailey the distinction of being a man who "sought real solutions to real problems with commitment to the Christian ethic."

Bailey distinguished himself in Methodist circles with his efforts in the establishment of the Methodist Retirement Home in Lumberton and his service as a trustee of Methodist College. He is a former Staley Lecturer and district director of youth work. An evangelist for the International Ashram Movement, Bailey also served as a member of the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Pastor's School at Duke University.

A graduate of Wofford College and Duke University, Mr. Bailey has done graduate work at Syracuse University, Southern Lutheran Seminary and Yale Divinity School. He has served pastorates in Fort Mill, S.C., Saluda, Elm City, Wilson, Weldon and Lumberton.

Bailey is married to the former Helen Hill of Charlotte and they have four children: Marian, Herb, Kitsey, and Scott.

Dr. Bailey is a native of Darlington, South Carolina, and the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Bailey. He graduated from St. John's High

School before attending Wofford College.

A recipient of the President's Medallion of Louisburg College, Dr. Bailey is the author of *Miracles of Jesus Today* published by Abingdon Press. Soon to be published is his companion book, *Parables of Jesus Today*.

## CLARK NAMED NEW DEAN

Dr. Fred Clark of Deland, Florida, has been named Academic Dean of Methodist College succeeding Dr. Samuel J. Womack, who is retiring.

By unanimous consent of the Methodist College Board of Trustees, Dr. Clark will assume his duties on September 1. He comes to Methodist from Stetson University where he serves as Director of Special Projects.

A graduate of the University of Miami in Coral Gables, Florida, Dr. Clark is a native of Atlanta, Ga. He served in the U. S. Army from 1951-54 prior to beginning his college career at Huntingdon College.

Dr. Clark has previously taught biology at Tulane University, Bowdoin College in Brunswick, Maine, Southern Union Junior College in Wadley, Ala., University of Miami and Stetson University.

National Institutes of Health Fellow, Dr. Clark is the author of numerous articles for professional publications. He is married to JoAnn D. Clark and they have three daughters.

"Maintain the spirit that has brought you so far," she urged.

Methodist College bestowed honors on its academic dean and a member of the Board of Trustees during the graduation exercises. Dr. Samuel J. Womack, who has resigned from his position as academic dean at Methodist to return to the classroom as a professor of religion, received the prestigious Methodist College Medallion for "distinguished contribution to Methodist College for 19 years."

The Reverend James H. Bailey, Pastor of Jarvis United Methodist Church in Greenville, was presented an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree in recognition of "outstanding service to his profession, his church and his community." Mr. Bailey has served appointments in Lumberton, Weldon, Wilson and Elm City before accepting his current post in Greenville. He is a graduate of Wofford College and Duke University and has lectured extensively in the South.

Fayetteville residents receiving baccalaureate degrees in arts and science include Carol Sutton Barber, Michael Barton Bennett, Melinda Ann Brown, Peggy Michelle Clarke, Kimberly Ann Earnhardt, George Henry Elliott, Dollie Ferrell, Valarie Denise Foster, Irene Parnell Graham, Jane Stuart Hale, Robert Lee Hale, Ruth Warner Huggins, Daphne Warren Humphries, Charles Edward Jackson, Mary Jane McClum Kirby and Opal Whichard Long.

Also Leon McClain, Hilda Miles, Ann Rebecca Ortiz, Alice Heald Pearce, Caryl Ann Kelley Polk, Samuel Anthony Stephen Porter, Mickie Haddock Rebello, Roy Michael Scarpa, Sharon Goodman Seaford,



# METHODIST COLLEGE TO HOST FOREIGN STUDENTS THIS SUMMER

Methodist College has again been selected to host the exchange students of foreign nations in a 7-week session this summer, under the auspices of the East-West Foundation of Atlanta and Tokyo.

Over 170 Japanese students attended the 1978 East-West Foundation summer orientation last year on the Methodist campus, according to Dr. Ken Nishimura, director of the East-West Foundation.



Methodist College admits student of any race, sex, color, national and ethnic origin or any religious denomination to all the privileges, programs and activities generally made available to students at the College. Methodist College does not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, color, national or ethnic origin or religious denomination in the administration of its educational policies, scholarship and loan programs, athletics and all other College administered programs.

"We are returning to Fayetteville and to Methodist College because of the hospitality and warmth of the people in your community," said Dr. Nishimura in an interview Thursday.

"You created an atmosphere of welcome for our Japanese students that helped them make the transition of being a foreign visitor in a strange country with greater ease."

This is the first time the foundation has elected to return to a previous site in its history. Dr. Nishimura stated that the success of last year's program was a strong factor in the decision of the East-West Foundation to return.

An expanded program will bring not only Japanese students to the Methodist campus for the summer but also Korean, Brazilian and Chinese students. Approximately 190 students are expected to arrive at Methodist on July 4 and stay through August 21. These are students who will be attending American colleges and universities in the fall. The summer session seeks to offer them a cultural and language bridge from their homeland to the college campus here. Courses will be given as well as other academic introductions to courses they will see in the fall.

In addition to the classroom instruction provided, the students will receive opportunities to assimilate American lifestyle through visits to museums, shopping malls, theatre, zoos and other points of interest. Host families are being

solicited for providing another opportunity for the Japanese students to see American family life first-hand.

All students will be housed in the Methodist College dormitories, according to Professor Bruce Pulliam, Methodist College coordinator for the East-West Foundation. Mr. Pulliam is a member of the college faculty and chairman of the Division of Social Science.

## JOANNE JONES WINS WEAVER AWARD

JoAnne Jones of Ellerbee received the coveted Lucius Stacy Weaver Award during Commencement Exercises at Methodist College recently.

Ms. Jones was presented the award by Dr. Samuel J. Womack, academic dean at Methodist, for outstanding academic achievement and capable leadership. The senior English major has been active in numerous campus theatre productions and has served as editor of *Tapestry*, Methodist literary magazine. A Dean's List student, Ms. Jones is the reigning Methodist College Homecoming Queen. She is a member of Alpha Chi honorary fraternity and Alpha Psi, national honorary dramatic fraternity.

The Lucius Stacy Weaver Award was established in 1964 by the family of Dr. L. Stacy Weaver as a means of honoring the first president of Methodist College. Judging criteria for the award are qualities of academic excellence, spiritual development, leadership and service.

Ms. Jones is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Jones of Ellerbee and a 1975 graduate of Richmond Academy.

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