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Dear Friends,

As you plan to attend Youth Conference 1960, we extend a cordial welcome from the administration, faculty, staff, and student body of Taylor University. We are anxiously awaiting your arrival upon our campus, as this will give us an opportunity to meet you personally.

One of the most important and most unavoidable questions that must be faced by each of us is presented to you through our theme, "What is Your Life?" In James 4:14, we are told that "..life is but a vapor that appeareth for a little time and then vanisheth away." In the short time that we have, what are we doing to make our lives count for eternity? It is only as we establish a right relationship with God through Jesus Christ that we can find the true meaning in life.

As we approach the Conference, may we evaluate our present outlook on life and seek the real answer to the question ... "What is Your Life?"

For His Glory,

Rosalee Closson G. DeWayne Bontrager Co-Chairmen

## 1960 Youth Conference

# Speakers



#### WARREN WIERSBE

Warren Wiersbe, Director of the Literature Division of Youth for Christ International and Editor of Youth for Christ Magazine, will be speaking at Taylor University Youth Conference, 1960.

Wiersbe comes with a rich background as a pastor, youth leader, author, and evangelist. He has worked with teen-agers, not only in the United States, but also in Canada, Mexico, and Europe. Widely recognized as a specialist in youth literature, he is the author of several books and numerous magazine articles.

He joined the Youth for Christ International staff in 1957 after serving as a successful pastor for seven years. He is a graduate of Northern Baptist Seminary in Chicago, with additional studies at Indiana University and Roosevelt University in Chicago.

Besides his editorial responsibilities, Mr. Wiersbe is active as a Bible teacher, and has spoken at several Bible Conferences, including Winona Lake, Indiana.

### **KENNETH D. ENRIGHT**

The Rev. Kenneth D. Enright, a Methodist missionary to the Belgian Congo, will be speaking at Taylor University Youth Conference, 1960. He has served since 1950 as a district superintendent and as a teacher at Springer Institute, Methodist normal and theological school.

Mr. Enright speaks French and Kiswahilie and is doing special research on the Luba-Sanga tribe. He is stationed at Mulungwishi, 110 miles north of Elisabethville. Springer Institute located here is the conference center for the training of preachers and teachers. The teacher training course in which Mr. Enright has been an instructor is the only recognized course for Protestants in the province—an area of 300,000 square miles.

In addition to Springer Institute with its primary school, teacher training school, woman's school, and theological school, there is a dispensary which serves a large village population as well as students of the institute.

A graduate of Taylor University, Mr. Enright received his Bachelor of Divinity degree from Asbury Seminary, Wilmore, Kentucky, and his Master of Arts from Hartford Seminary Foundation, Hartford, Connecticut. The missionary was born in Chicago, Illinois.



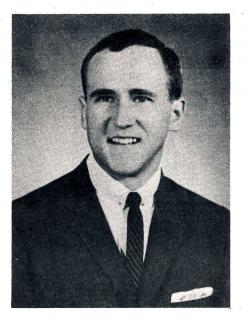
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#### ROSALIE CLOSSON

The Lord has done so much for me that I can never praise Him enough. It is only through the death of Jesus Christ that I can claim to know the real meaning of life. Throughout my life the Lord has met and surpassed my needs for material blessings. However, none of these compared with my soul's need for fellowship with Christ. This need was fulfilled when I willingly accepted Him as my personal Saviour.

Since I have been at Taylor University, I have experienced a desire for a deeper friendship with my Saviour. My prayer has been and shall continue to be that of Paul: That I may "be found in Him, not having mine own righteousness, . . . but that which is through the faith of Christ, that I may know Him, and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being made conformable unto His death."





### **DEWAYNE BONTRAGER**

On the evening of January 13, 1954, in Yokosuka, Japan, the greatest decision of my life was made. It was there that I decided once and for all that the only sure thing in life is Jesus Christ.

Young people today need to find the reality of a statement made by the psalmist David: "Thou wilt show me the path of life: in thy presence is fulness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore." Too many young people today do not know the meaning of this and are trying to find life, joy, and pleasure outside of Jesus Christ, but truly these things are found only in Him.

Before I came to college, the Lord gave me an assurance that has been my dearest treasure and I trust it can become yours also. It is paraphrased in this way: "according to the power that worketh in you, He is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that you ask or think." I have seen God work out this truth in my life many times. If this power is not in you, I trust you will allow this to become yours. It is our prayer, as we come to share together in Youth Conference, 1960, that many will find "the path of life" with "fullness of joy" plus "pleasures for evermore."

## THE 1960 THEME

Youth Conference is geared to young persons between the ages of 14 and 23. During this period, the years of the lifetime ahead seem vast indeed. However, in comparison to the eons of eternity, this span of life is but a passing moment. Based upon this thought, the theme for the 1960 Conference is in the form of a challenging question, "What is Your Life?" The scriptural basis for the theme is found in James 4:14: "For what is your life? It is even a vapor, that appeareth for a little time and then vanisheth away."

To illustrate this theme, the backdrop and brochure cover present an inspirational picture of life and its relationship to eternity.

The city represents material possessions, while the calendar pages and hour glass speak of the rapidly passing moments, months, and years. The vapor imparts to us the realization of the shortness of life itself.

In the light of the sun all of these things cast shadows. Yet only as they are brought into contact with the Sun of Righteousness, Jesus Christ, can they become worth-while. All that we possess, even our lives, can be transformed from darkness to light as we meet the Saviour and gain eternal life and a purpose in this life on earth.

## **HISTORY:**

## A TAYLOR TRADITION

The focal point of student activity at Taylor each year is our annual Youth Conference. Today Youth Conference is a complex, finely organized, evangelistic and instructional week-end for the young people of high school age. It stands now as a composite of multiplied hours of prayer and careful planning by students spanning the years back to 1934, when the idea of such a conference was planted in seed form in the hearts of five Taylor students. It happened when Park Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Allee, Marvin Schilling and Peter Pascoe discussed the need which they noticed among youth groups which they visited while on gospel team assignments. "The picture of these youth groups, some of them evidencing very great need, made such an impact upon the members of the team that almost as from one person the ideas for the first Youth Conference took form." Such was the beginning.

From this first conference in Shreiner Auditorium, Youth Conference has grown until today on the final Sunday afternoon every available seat is taken in Maytag Gymnasium. So great is the need and so fruitful has the program proven to be, that now many other Christian colleges have duplicated this effort.

With the passing of each year, the evident blessing of God upon Youth Conference has been a wonder to behold. Today as a result of this blessing, churches, pastors, parents and youth leaders from many miles distant have by their confidence and prayers for this program become part of a Taylor Tradition.

CONFERENCE CO-CHAIRMAN ROSALIE CLOSSON



CONFERENCE CO-CHAIRMAN DEWAYNE BONTRAGER





TREASURER DAVID BRUCE

## "LET YOUR LIGHT SO SHINE B



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## EFORE MEN, THAT THEY MIGHT ... GLORIFY GOD."



MUSIC CO-CHAIRMAN BETTY AUGUSTINE



MUSIC CO-CHAIRMAN ROBERT JACKSON



HOSTESS SOPHIA MARSHALL



HOST SAM DELCAMP

## 1960 Youth Conference

# Schedule

#### FRIDAY-

- 9:30 Chapel Rev. Enright
- 1:00 Registration
- 6:00 Dinner
- 7:15 Singspiration
- 8:00 Rev. Wiersbe
- 10:30 Prayer Time
- 11:00 Registration Closes
- 11:30 Lights Out

#### SATURDAY-

- 6:00 Registration Resumes 6:15 "Hour of Power"
- 6:30 Breakfast, First Setting
- 0.50 Breaklast, Flist Setting
- 7:20 Breakfast, Second Setting
- 8:00 Rev. Wiersbe
- 9:00 Teen Talk Time
- 10:00 Rev. Enright
- 11:15 Lunch, First Setting
- 12:10 Lunch, Second Setting
  - 1:00 Concert
  - 1:45 Teen Talk Time
- 2:45 Free Time
- 3:45 Rev. Wiersbe
- 4:45 Dinner, First Setting
- 5:40 Dinner, Second Setting
- 7:00 Singspiration
- 7:30 Rev. Enright
- 10:30 Praver Time
- 11:30 Lights Out

#### SUNDAY-

- 6:15 "Hour of Power"
  - 6:30 Breakfast, First Setting
  - 7:25 Breakfast, Second Setting
  - 8:15 Rev. Enright
  - 9:15 Teen Talk Time
  - 10:30 Worship-Dr. Martin
  - 12:00 Lunch, First Setting
  - 12:55 Lunch, Second Setting
    - 1:45 Rev. Wiersbe

**REGISTRATION:** We have facilities for 1,000 guests, including teen-agers who range from high school freshmen through young people 23 years old and sponsors who are exempt from the age limitation. When our quota of 1,000 is reached, we will be compelled to refuse further applications. ALL REGISTRATIONS SHOULD BE POSTMARKED BY MARCH 30. There will be NO refunds on accepted registrations. If your registration blank is NOT returned to you, you have been accepted.

**IMPORTANI:** You must register BEFORE 11:00 p.m. Friday evening. The registration line will close at this hour and will re-open at 6:00 Saturday morning. Also there will be NO accommodation facilities available if you are NOT registered before coming.

**TEEN TALENT TIME:** The music co-chairmen, Betty Augustine and Bob Jackson, have announced a special youth talent audition to be held Saturday, April 23. Two youths will be chosen and will participate in one of the Youth Conference services. If you have special talent, be prepared for the tryouts.

WHAT TO BRING: Since this is your Youth Conference, we want you to be comfortable. Bring clothes you'll feel comfortable in—both in the services and in informal social situations. Remember, you are here only two days.

**BEDDING:** Mattresses will be furnished. The rest of the bedding is your responsibility.

**MEAL POLICY:** The Friday evening meal is NOT included on the meal ticket. The ticket provides five consecutive meals beginning with Saturday morning and concluding with Sunday noon. Meals will be served on schedule.

**INSURANCE:** All registrants are covered by a thorough insurance policy included in the registration fee.

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YOUTH CONFERENCE DATES FRIDAY, APRIL 22ND THRU SUNDAY, APRIL 24TH

# What is your life?



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