

# **Baptist Standard: Watchman on the wall**

December 6, 2013

Presnall H. Wood served as editor of the *Baptist Standard* from 1977 to 1995. As part of our 125th anniversary celebration, here are excerpts from his next-to-last editorial, published in the Dec. 6, 1995, edition of the *Baptist Standard*:

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## **The Baptist Standard and Kennedy's election**

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As part of the *Baptist Standard's* 125th anniversary celebration, Walker Knight, *Standard* associate editor under Editor E. S. James, recalls the interaction between James and then-candidate John F. Kennedy concerning the issue of separation of church and state.

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## **Letters: More on Race in**

# sentencing

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Many people grow up in a bad environment, in poverty, with drugs, etc. But many also escape from their situation. Why is it that we Christians keep on blaming the environment for people's sinful behavior.

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## **Editorial: Advent points to hope beyond the secular season**

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Christmas has been and will continue to be co-opted by secular society. And with good reason, if you think about it.

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## **Right or Wrong? Gay marriage rulings**

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Is it simplistic to say the recent Supreme Court decision recognizing gay marriage allows economics to overshadow family values?

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## **In Touch: Holidays are upon us**

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The holiday season is now upon us, and Kathleen and I hope and pray you enjoyed a wonderful Thanksgiving and are preparing for a Merry Christmas and a great New Year!

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## **Down Home: Don't criticize a woman until you've shaved a mile with her razor**

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An ankle injury forces Marv to apologize to women everywhere for his insensitivity. Shaving your legs actually is hard.

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## **Letters: Race in sentencing**

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Regarding "Evangelical leaders protest race in sentencing" : It is unfortunate when an "expert witness" chooses to ignore other factors in

dealing with “dangerousness.”

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## **Editorial: Happy birthday to us**

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On Dec. 6, 1888, the first newspaper that became known as the *Baptist Standard* rolled off a printing press in the North Texas hamlet of Honey Grove.

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## **Peru: Family that keeps on growing**

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It was a bit difficult, at first, to get adjusted to different people, a different climate and different food. I admit I got a bit homesick some days.

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## **Peru: A Day of Celebration**

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**Student Missions Blog:** When I got here in Peru, I promised the kids from the feeding

program that I would throw them a party, celebrating those who would memorize all their Bible verses.

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# **Editorial: Thanks will lift your soul**

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Here's a leadoff item for your gratitude list this Thanksgiving: Thank God you're not a turkey.