

## Directors Of N.C. Council On Human Relations Supports N.C. Fund Purposes

"The Board of Directors of the North Carolina Council on Human Relations declares its full support of the goals and purposes of the North Carolina Fund and of its executive director, George Esser. The Board of the North Carolina Council on Human Relations endorses the creative attempts of the North Carolina Fund and of Community Actions Programs to organize the poor, in order that this disadvantaged group of citizens may make constructive contributions to the decision making process in the communities of this state. The work of Howard Fuller in organizing the poor of Durham is an example of this constructive approach."

"The Board of Directors of the North Carolina Council on Human Relations is fully aware that true social change produces tensions but is dedicated to the proposition that although changes produce tension, these changes need not produce violence. A fundamental goal of the North Carolina Council on Human Relations is to make these tensions creative, not destructive, and to insure that such changes, which must come, take place in an orderly manner among North Carolinians of good will."

"In view of the lateness of the hour and the urgency of the issues, the North Carolina Council on Human Relations urges all elected officials of this state to lend an ear to the new voices of orderly dissent—voices which ask for changes which this democracy can provide. The North Carolina Council Board notes with satisfaction the recent steps by several cities in the state to establish staffed human relations

offices. These human relations offices have proved to be effective channels of orderly dissent. Every effort should be made to assure that the employees of and commissioners appointed to supervise these offices, be selected by representatives of all groups to be served, including the poor of all races."

Officers of the North Carolina Council on Human Relations are: Chairman, John R. Taylor (Greensboro); First Vice Chairman, Moses Burt (Durham); Second Vice Chairman, Heslip H. Lee (Raleigh); Secretary, Mrs. Elizabeth D. Koontz (Salisbury); Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Chase H. Benson (Greensboro); and Treasurer, Dr. Emery L. Rann (Charlotte).

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Information about the North Carolina Council on Human Relations:

The North Carolina Council on Human Relations is a state-wide interracial council of eight hundred twenty-five (825) which maintains its principal office in Greensboro, North Carolina. Will C. Alfred, Jr., serves as executive director. The North Carolina Council is one of ten state human relations councils working cooperatively with the Southern Regional Council, Inc.

## TWO MINUTES

WITH THE BIBLE

BY CORNELIUS R. STAM, PRES.  
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### Title: THE RIGHTNESS OF GOD

There are many theological words which most people—even most Christian people—do not understand. Among these is the Bible word "righteousness." Actually, though, this word is very simple and we ought to understand about God's righteousness even before we learn of His love.

Righteousness is simply an old word for RIGHTNESS. When we say that God is righteous we simply mean that what He does is always RIGHT; that He will not and cannot do anything that is not RIGHT. This is why Paul declares in Rom. 1:16, 17:

"I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth. . . . FOR THEREIN IS THE RIGHTEOUSNESS (THE RIGHTNESS) OF GOD REVEALED. . . ."

We are proud to proclaim the gospel of the grace of God because it emphasizes God's RIGHTNESS. The gospel does not tell us that God will overlook our sins or wink at them and smuggle us into heaven. It doesn't tell us He will forgive us if we are sorry enough or do enough good deeds to counterbalance our sins. By no means.

The "gospel of the grace of God" is based on His RIGHTNESS. It is the wonderful message that "Christ died for our sins," that He paid for them Himself so that He might justly offer us forgiveness and declare us righteous.

Rom. 3:25 puts it beautifully. There the apostle declares that since our sins were paid for by

have said to each other: "We must be truly sorry for our sins and do all the good we can and surely God will forgive and accept us." But this is not the gospel. The gospel gives us more solid ground to plant our feet upon. It saves to every man, woman and child: "Your sins were PAID FOR by Christ at Calvary. Trust in Him and you will be saved." This is gospel (good news) indeed, for it is based on the first payment of the penalty for sin.

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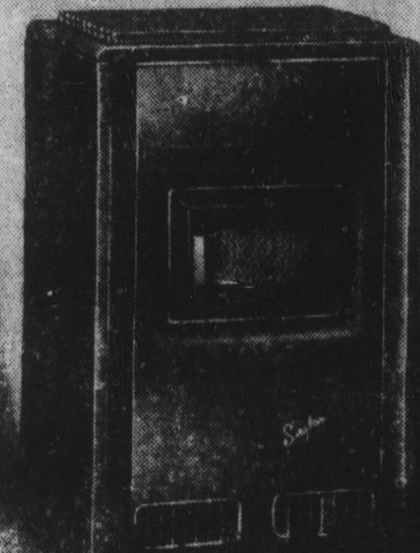
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