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Saunders Biography

Wayne Gurley

Landon Saunders, speaker for the daily Herald of Truth program, "Heartbeat," scheduled for broadcast on NBC radio beginning May 5, has a wide range of evangelical experience that includes preaching, religious broadcasting and nation-wide speaking engagements.

From 1955-1958 he attended Freed Hardeman College, and in 1959 received his B.A. from Harding College in Searcy, Ark. He has done post-graduate work at Arkansas State University, and is presently near completion of a Master's degree from the Harding School of Religion.

He began his first full-time ministry with the church of Christ in McDougal, Ark., in 1959. From 1962-1971 he worked with the church of Christ in Corning, Ark., where, in addition to preaching, he had a local radio program.

Saunders has been included on lectureship programs at Freed Hardeman College, Harding College, Weyburn Christian College in Canada, Ft. Worth Christian College, Abilene Christian College and Pepperdine University. He is also a frequent speaker at church meetings and other evangelistic efforts across the country.

He is presently chairman of the board of trustees of Crowley's Ridge College in Paragould, Ark. Since its beginning he has spent one week each year with the students in a spiritual development program.

Saunders has traveled extensively. He toured the United States and Canada in the spring of 1969. He has also spent 15 months in Europe and other parts of the world, visiting some 60 different nations. The purpose of the global trip was to observe and encourage missionaries and churches.

Nominated to "Outstanding Young Men of America" in 1970, Saunders has worked extensively among young people, frequently speaking at seminars for college students, youth groups and city-wide campaigns.

Saunders, the son of Mr. and Mrs. R.T. Saunders of Columbia, Tenn., was born in Teays Valley, W. Va., and attended the Pine Grove Church of Christ. In addition to writing and producing the daily Herald of Truth program, "Heartbeat," he preaches for the Minter Lane Church of Christ in Abilene, Tex.