

# Baptist Briefs: Horne resigns at Ouachita Baptist University

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Rex Horne, President Bill Clinton's former pastor, is stepping down after nine years as president of [Ouachita Baptist University](#). Horne, who arrived at the Arkansas Baptist State Convention-affiliated school in Arkadelphia, Ark., in 2006 after 16 years as senior pastor of Immanuel Baptist Church in Little Rock, resigned effective this summer to become president of [Arkansas' Independent Colleges & Universities](#). In his new job, Horne will support scholarships, governmental affairs and public affairs on behalf of 11 independent institutions of higher education throughout the state. Horne became Ouachita's 15th president at age 52, succeeding Andy Westmoreland, who resigned to become president of Samford University in Birmingham, Ala.

## **Churches urged to support needy retired pastors and widows.**

[Mission: Dignity](#), a ministry of GuideStone Financial Resources of the Southern Baptist Convention, assists nearly 2,000 retired Southern Baptist pastors, their spouses or widows. The ministry, fully supported by gifts from individuals, Sunday school classes and churches, provides monthly grants to retired Southern Baptist workers in critical financial need. The neediest couples can receive up to \$600 each month in assistance.



Mission: Dignity Sunday, held the fourth Sunday in June, is set aside for churches to collect a special offering to support the ministry. Sixty percent of Mission: Dignity recipients are widows; one out of every four recipients is a pastor's widow age 85 or older. Mission: Dignity receives no Cooperative Program funding. To help churches mark Mission: Dignity Sunday, GuideStone has created videos, bulletin inserts, posters, a PowerPoint slide and sermons. Materials are

undated, so churches can use the materials at a time convenient to their schedule. Churches can order materials now through June 22 for delivery in time for Mission: Dignity by [clicking here](#). Churches also can request information by calling 888-98-GUIDE (888-984-8433). For more information on Mission: Dignity, [click here](#).