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Biographical Data
of
Gene L. Watterson

Born: Decatur, Alabama - December 10, 1929

Education: B.A. Howard College (Now Samford University)
M.A. College of William and Mary
B.D. Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary
M. Div. Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary
Special Training in Clinical Counseling at Central
State Hospital, Petersburg, Virginia

Ministerial Experience:

Speaker of Youth Revival Team	1951
Associate Pastor and Minister of Youth, First Baptist Church, Warner Robins, Georgia	1952
Pastor, Woodlawn Baptist Church, Colonial Heights, Virginia	1953-1960
Pastor, First Baptist Church, Crestview, Florida	1960-1967
Pastor, Murray Hill Baptist Church, Jacksonville, Florida	1967-1969
Pastor, First Baptist Church, Shelby, N. C.	1969-

Southern Baptist Convention:

Member: Executive Committee, Mission Service Corps Committee, Program and Budget Committee, Business and Finance Committee, Audit Committee	1976-
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State Baptist Convention: *

Member, General Board of N. C. Baptists	1970-
Member, Executive Committee	
Member, Council of Christian Life, N. C. Baptists	
President, Council on Christian Higher Education	

Civic:

Chairman, Commission of Housing and Urban Redevelopment, Shelby, N. C.
Member, Human Relations Council, Shelby, N. C.
Board of Directors, Boys' Club of Cleveland County
Member, Shelby Rotary Club
Board of Trustees, Christian Action League

Special Honors:

Listed in American College Student Leaders	1951
Named Outstanding Man of the Year, Colonial Heights, Va.	1957
Listed in Who's Who in the American Protestant Clergy	1958
Listed in Who's Who in the South and Southwest	1958-1968
Nominated to Executive and Professional Hall of Fame	1967
Nominated to Dictionary of International Biography	1970
Nominated to Personalities of the South	1970
Citation from Gardner-Webb College for Outstanding Achievement in the Christian Ministry	1970
Honorary Doctor of Divinity Degree, Gardner-Webb College	12-14-74

Hobbies:

Golf, hunting, fishing, flying, and all contact sports

Family:

Married to the former Yvonne Caudle of Petersburg, Virginia.
They are the parents of three children.

*Presently serving as Vice President of the N. C. State Baptist Convention

(He has also spoken at Evangelistic Conferences in Florida, Alabama, Tennessee, North Carolina, and South Carolina; Pastors' Conferences in various states; and at various State Conventions.)