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BAPTIST-CATHOLIC CONFERENCE IS SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER

WASHINGTON--"Conversion to Christ and Life-Long Growth in the Spirit" will be the theme of the fourth in a series of regional Southern Baptist-Roman Catholic conferences to be held October 27-29 at the Vallombrosa Center, Menlo Park, Calif.

Jointly sponsored by the Interfaith Witness

Department, Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist

Convention and the Committee for Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs of the National Conference of Catholic

Bishops, the conference will bring together some 70

representatives of both churches from California,

Oregon, Washington and Nevada.

Dr. Thomas Francoeur, McGill University psychologist, and Dr. Richard Cunningham, Professor of Theology at Golden Gate Seminary, San Francisco will deliver the two main addresses. Six small groups will discuss topics related to the conference theme.

Those attending will be welcomed to the San

Francisco area by Archbishop Joseph T. McGucken of San

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Francisco and Dr. Robert D. Hughes, Executive Secretary, California Southern Baptist Convention. Among those at the conference will be Bishop Bernard F. Law of Springfield-Cape Girardeau, Mo., sub-chairman for Roman Catholic/Southern Baptist relations of the bishops' ecumenical committee, and Dr. Glenn Iglehart, Executive Director of the Department of Interfaith Witness, Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The Southern Baptist-Roman Catholic conferences bring together representatives of the two largest Christian churches in the United States in an effort to achieve greater understanding and cooperation.

Previous conferences have been held in Daytona Beach, Fla., Houston, and Marriottsville, Md.

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