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God Will Have Last Word

The writer is pastor of Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church.

I was appalled at the blatant disrespect for the local church and clergy as I read "Prominent Fundamentalist Asked To Quit As Pastor" (Sept. 26).

But I did learn something from the article. I learned that there are only three ingredients necessary to try to destroy a church or a pastor by means of the press:

1. The first ingredient is a few disgruntled church members. Just a few who are willing for their church to be put up for public ridicule. Just a few who are willing to do anything to destroy the ministry of a God-called servant.

2. The second ingredient is a story-hungry reporter. Disgruntled members need someone who will report such nonsense. In this day and time it is not hard to find such a reporter because most of them have little concern for the outcome of their writing anyway.

3. The third ingredient is the ultimate — a liberal press. I think the secular, liberal press has little or no regard for the church or clergy. It probably would just as soon that neither existed in our society.

I am grateful for one thing. The God that the Rev. Robert Tenery and every evangelical Christian pastor serves is bigger than a few "disgruntled members." He is bigger than a "story-hungry journalist." He is even bigger than the "liberal, secular press."

God will have the last word in this matter!

The Rev. STEVE SELLS
Morganton



ORDAINED — Steve Sells was ordained into the ministry at Calvary Baptist Church last Sunday by the Rev. J. A. Richardson. Sells will receive a bachelor of arts degree in religion from Gardner-Webb College next Saturday and will attend Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He is married to the former Shirley Beattie and they have a daughter, Kelly. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Sells Jr. of Ellis Crossroads.

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GUEST MINISTER — The Rev. Steve Sells of Zebulon will be guest minister for revival services next week at Calvary Baptist Church, Ellis Cross Roads,, beginning Sunday at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Sells is pastor of Union Chapel Baptist Church, Zebulon. He is a graduate of Gardner-Webb College and is presently attending Southeastern Baptist Seminary. Special music will be featured during the revival, directed by Mrs. Dorothy Dameron, minister of music. Mrs. Nina Koontz will be pianist, and Miss Nelda Chunn organist. The Rev. J.A. Richardson Jr. is church pastor.

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