



I will always treasure the memories from the summers I served on the Staff of Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly. Dad served on the Assemblies Committee of the Baptist Sunday School Board for five years. During those years, Ridgecrest was expanded with the building of the Children’s Building and Crystal Springs Annex, which were state-of-the-art facilities with the latest in audio-visual and meeting room amenities. The name of the Assembly was later changed to “Ridgecrest Baptist Conference Center,” and still later to the generic “Lifeway Ridgecrest Conference Center.”

B.W. Spilman Auditorium as it looked in 1966.

**I spent several hours each week working in the audio booth,
second floor, rear of the auditorium.**



Crystal Springs Annex, another building planned through the Assemblies Committee of the Sunday School Board, of which Rev. Hughes was a member. I spent most of my working hours on both floors of this building; setting up, tearing down, and operating audio-visual equipment. We had two storage rooms on each level, and there is a walkway from both levels to the Spilman Auditorium.



Crystal Springs Annex had all of the latest in modern technology: pull-down screens in every room, power and audio plugs in the floor, etc.