

# RELIGION

## *How Controversial Is It?*

The Constitution guarantees all people freedom of religion; however, the question arose as to whether prayer should be allowed at school functions. Some students felt that it was their right to have a prayer group at school, so they organized one.

Seniors Pam Elliott and Tracy Crosby began devotions in Room 116, Mrs. Stroble's room, from 7:55 to 8:10. By meeting together the group expressed its freedom to have religious gatherings.

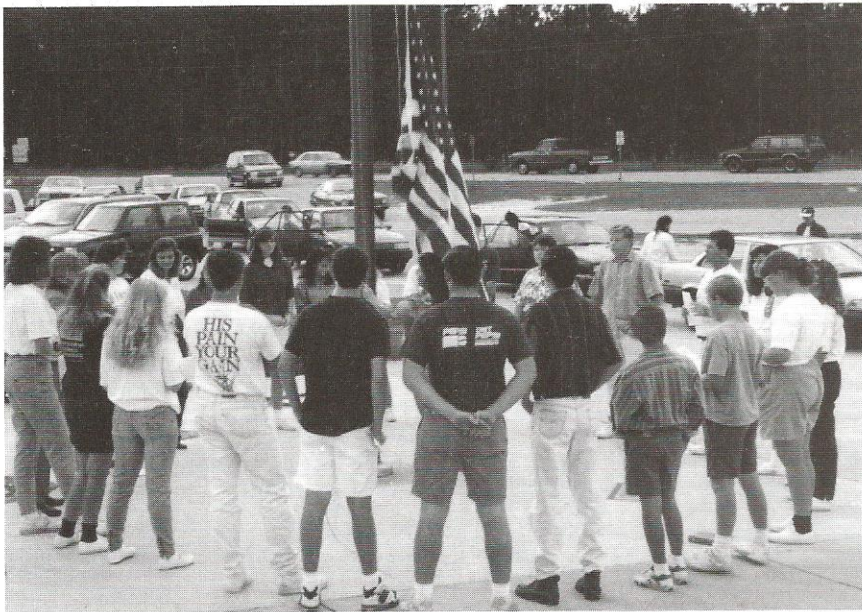
The devotion sessions brought a variety of students together to share their opinions concerning religion. Each morning a different scripture was read, the students shared their views on the Bible, and said prayers.

Many students who attended devotions participated in the nationwide event, "See You at the Flag Pole." Students from schools over the nation gathered around their school flag poles to pray for the school and the community on September 19 at 7:30 a.m.

Prayers were also said before every home game, but they did not create controversy at WHS, however they caused controversy in other schools.

"I do not feel that there is anything wrong with saying a prayer before the games," said varsity player James Bunton. "They are like a protective blanket paced over each player before the game to insure safety."

— Kim Sapough



Students gather around the flag pole to pray for the community and their peers. Many of these students also regularly attended devotions.



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