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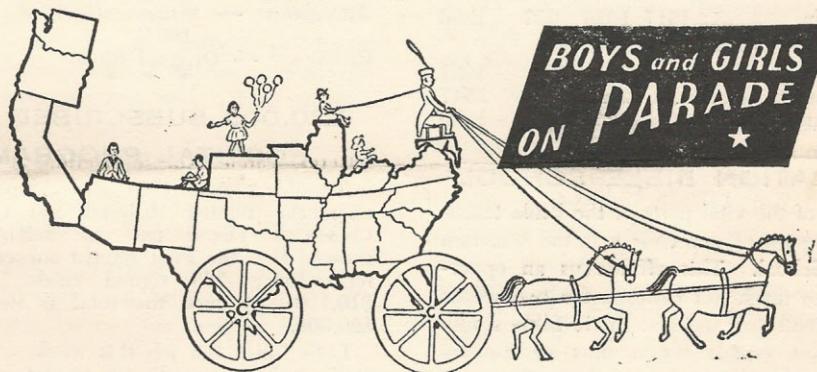
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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL STARTS MONDAY



IT'S VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL TIME ALL OVER THE CONVENTION!

There will be a Vacation Bible School Parade for the entire Pensacola Bay Association on the main street of Pensacola, tomorrow, Saturday, June 2 at 10:00 A.M. This will be a wonderful testimony for Christ and our Baptist work. Our goal is 2,000 boys and girls. Please help us by having your boy or girl at Palafox and Government Streets in the Plaza at 9:00 A. M.

All boys and girls with bicycles are invited to bring them decorated in red and white crepe paper. Cars will be provided for the younger children to ride in.

The opening session of Bible School will be at 8:30 on Monday morning. You can help by: (1) Praying for the Bible School. (2) Providing transportation for the children in your neighborhood. (3) By providing any of the following items: spools, shirt boards, oatmeal boxes and cookies. Please bring these to the Sunday School Records Office in the Lower Auditorium.

SUNDAY IS LEMON DAY...

EVERYONE IS ASKED TO BRING A LEMON TO SUNDAY SCHOOL SUNDAY TO BE USED FOR V. B. S. REFRESHMENTS

SUNDAY SCHOOL

	Goal for			
	Enrol.	Pres.	Cont.	Sunday
Gen. Officers	9	8*	0	8
Adult 1	161	107	134	145
Adult 2	117	82	117	105
Adult 3	279	198	367	251
Y. People 1	100	61	30	90
Y. People 2	50	25	7	45
Senior	82	47	25	74
Intermediate	83	58	68	75
Junior 1	130	92	62	117
Junior 2	95	61	46	86
Primary 1	52	37	15	47
Primary 2	50	32	10	45
Primary 3	63	44	12	57
Beginner 1	66	49	9	59
Beginner 2	56	41	0	50
Nursery 1	11	11*	2	10
Nursery 2	19	17*	17	17
Nursery 3	40	30	0	36
Nursery 4	54	36	2	49
 Totals	1517	1036	923	1366

*Represents those reaching Goals.

By way of comparison: 1950 1951
Enrollment 1490 1517
Attendance 937 1036

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

One of the vital parts of the Bible teaching program of our church is the Vacation Bible School. This affords us an opportunity to teach our children for two weeks of concentrated and systematic Bible study. It almost equals six months of Sunday School in effectiveness and in the time spent in Bible study. It provides recreation, handwork, music, and various projects that teach our boys and girls numerous lessons in character building and spiritual growth. It is also evangelistic and each year many are won to Christ through these ten important days. Send your child to Bible School during the next two weeks.

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IN CHRIST WE HAVE:

A love that can never be fathomed.
A life that can never die;
A righteousness that can never be tarnished;
A peace that can never be understood;
A rest that can never be disturbed;
A joy that can never be diminished;
A hope that can never be disappointed;
A glory that can never be clouded;
A light that can never be darkened;
A purity that can never be defiled;
A beauty that can never be marred.

—Copied.

TRAINING UNION

	Goal for		
	Enrol.	Pres.	Sunday
Gen. Officers	10	10	9
Adult 1	57	42	51
Adult 2	47	34	42
Young People	58	34	52
Senior	39	24	35
Intermediate	37	23	33
Junior 1	42	27	38
Junior 2	32	19	29
Primary	41	15	37
Beginner	21	19	19
Nursery	19	16	17
 Totals	403	263	363
New Member Class		5	
 Grand Total		268	

BANNERS

Attendance — Visitors, Co-Wed, AWOL
100%
Efficiency — Original 80%
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\$20,000 SUBSCRIBED TO

HOSPITAL PROGRAM

Tuesday's report on the campaign to open the Baptist Hospital and Crippled Children's Home free of indebtedness, showed that the First Baptist subscriptions, representing 243 signed cards, totalled \$19,100. By now the total is well over \$20,000.

Let's finish the job this week. We are at the half way mark. On to victory is our slogan!

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BAPTISMAL SERVICE

SUNDAY

The Ordinance of Baptism will be observed during the first part of the 11 o'clock service and again in the opening moments of the evening worship this coming Sunday. All candidates will please report to the Pastor in the room just back of the organ ten minutes before the service in which you wish to participate.

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GOD KNOWS

Are there any rivers that seem to be uncrossable?
Are there any mountains you cannot tunnel through?
God specializes in things that are impossible.
He knows a thousand ways to make a way with you. —Copied.

RECREATION NOTES

SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

Below is listed the schedule for our church softball team. We have a good team this year, so let's support them with our presence at the games each week.

Friday, June 1st—7:00—First Baptist vs. Bellview.

Monday, June 4th—8:20—Gadsden Street Methodist vs. First Baptist.

Tuesday, June 12th—8:20—First Baptist vs. Richards Memorial.

Thursday, June 21st—7:00—Warrington Presbyterian vs. First Baptist.

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A GOOD SUMMER PROGRAM FOR CHURCH MEMBERS

We believe in vacations. They are good for both body and soul. We believe in the rig' t kind of vacations. We believe in getting away from the "daily grind" for a week or so at least. It renews our strength and it increases our zeal. That is—the right kind of vacation:

1. Take a vacation—but not from God!
2. Visit other churches while you are on vacation. The sabbath is still holy.
3. Collect bulletins and other printed material and mail to your pastor each week. He can use them to good advantage.
4. Attend Sunday School and Training Union. Observe their activities and programs. Make notes of the best to be used when you return home.
5. If you are an officer—any officer—be sure to secure someone to take your place while you are away. This is extra important.
6. Don't rob God to take a vacation. On Monday morning, gather your family together at the breakfast table. Have a devotional period. Place your church envelope, with your tithes and offerings, in the envelope addressed to your church. Mail it immediately.
7. As soon as your vacation is over, return immediately to your church, and help someone else take a wonderful vacation.

Such a vacation, we believe, would have God's blessings. Don't you? Won't you try it and see?

—Copied.

FROM OUR PASTOR'S PEN . . .

How we were made to rejoice on last Lord's Day when so many responded to the invitations in all three services of worship! We have a great corps of workers in this church, and it is indeed encouraging to see evidence of God's favor upon our labors.

Aren't you thrilled by the steady growth of the Sunday School and Training Union? Enrollment and attendance in both of these organizations are considerably higher than a year ago. With such faithful cooperation from so many, we can continue to improve on the records of other years.

Parents, your children should be given every encouragement and opportunity to be in Vacation Bible School. Any inconvenience occasioned in getting them to and from the school will be amply compensated by the knowledge and inspiration gained in these two full weeks of Bible Study and Christian activity.

In the opening paragraph of today's column, I mentioned the invitations which are an integral part of worship in this church. With all the earnestness that I can muster, I urge you to participate in the extending of the invitation for decisions and in the singing of the hymns in both a prayerful and a concerned manner.

NEVER LEAVE the church during the singing of the hymn unless you have suddenly become ill. There are a few, and I'm glad to say a very few, who do slip out at this climax moment in the service. The ushers on duty in the vestibule are requested to approach those who leave during the invitation in order to assist them to their car or to a first aid station.

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Subject of Charles Wellborn's sermon on the Baptist Hour Sunday, 2:00 P.M. over WCOA will be "BLOOD AND BREAD."

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NOMINATING COMMITTEE IS AT WORK

Mr. Frank Almon is the chairman of the recently appointed nominating committee. He is well suited for this responsible position, having been in the active leadership of the church for many years. Other members of the committee are: Mr. Earnest Gentry, Mrs. G. T. Sutton, Mr. J. W. Nipper and Miss Lettie Baxter.

The committee will be presenting recommendations almost every week between now and September 15. Theirs is a big task. We should pray for them.

Welcome New Members

By letters:

140—Mr. James Cork, 1521 East Jordan
 141—Mrs. James Cork, 1521 East Jordan
 142—Betty Fowler, 212 Lakewood Road
 143—Mrs. Ina Mae Fowler, 212 Lakewood Road.
 144—Mr. M. J. Conlon, Route 5 Box 398
 145—Mrs. M. J. Conlon, Route 5 Box 398
 146—Connie Conlon, Route 5 Box 398
 147—Mrs. Lollie Gevaldo, 304 East Chase
 148—Chaplain R. M. Schwytz, Quarters 35 NAS
 149—Mrs. R. M. Schwytz, Quarters 35 NAS
 150—Bill Renfroe, 409 North Hayne
 151—Mrs. John Culbreth, 113-A Lorena Elinor Village
 By baptism:
 75—Thomas V. McVoy, Fort Jackson, South Carolina
 76—Mrs. Julia Wilson, 1414 E. Brainerd
 77—Mr. John Culbreth, 113-A Lorena Elinor Village
 By Rededication:
 Miss Barbara Stanley, 121 West Chase
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"AND HIS PEOPLE
 BROUGHT INTO THE STOREHOUSE"
 TOTAL OFFERINGS \$2,745.19
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OUR CHURCH FAMILY

SYMPATHY TO: Mrs. L. J. Champa upon the death of her husband; TO Mrs. Nell Hibbert upon the death of her father; TO Mr. J. T. Mackey upon the death of his brother.

WEDDING BELLS FOR: Miss Gertrude McGrew and Mr. Julian Wilson; Miss Martha Ann Eubanks and Pfc. Jack Cordle, USAF; Miss Barbara Ann Lenz and Cpl. John M. Ackerman, Jr.

IN MEMORIAM

MRS. HARRY ROBERTSON
 MAY 24, 1951

CORRECTION, PLEASE

We regret that in the list of graduates printed in last week's BUILDER the name of Olaf Stoesen Citadel College, Charleston, South Carolina, was unintentionally omitted.

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OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

SUNDAY SCHOOL.....	9:40
TRAINING UNION.....	6:45
MORNING WORSHIP.....	8:30 & 11:00
EVENING WORSHIP.....	8:00

SUNDAY—

9:00—Church Library Open
 11:00—Beginner Sunbeam
 2:00—Baptist Hour
 9:00—Teen Time in the Log Cabin
 9:00—Singspiration for Young People in the Lower Auditorium

MONDAY—

3:00—Circle No. 8 meeting with Mrs. Pat Groner, 838 West Mallory
 7:30—The Deborah Class will meet with Mrs. Lawrence Mills, 4 Flynn Drive, Warrington

6:30—Y. W. A. Supper meeting

TUESDAY—

10:00—Circle No. 1 meeting with Mrs. F. G. Almon, 1905 Whaley Avenue
 10:00—Circle No. 2 meeting with Mrs. George Yarbrough, 921 North Palafox
 10:00—Circle No. 3 meeting with Mrs. E. J. Buchanan, 1500 W. LaRuea.
 10:00—Circle No. 4 meeting with Mrs. H. W. Richburg, 815 East Strong
 10:00—Circle No. 5 meeting at 1610 E. LaRuea. Hostesses, Mrs. A. V. Freeman and Mrs. Sam Hall

10:00—Circle No. 6 will have a picnic at Wayside park
 3:00—Circle No. 7 will meet with Mrs. C. L. Taylor, 724 North 12th
 3:00—Circle No. 9 will meet with Mrs. H. O. Williams, 1607 "34th" Street
 6:30—Youth Choir
 7:30—T. E. L. Class will meet with Mrs. H. D. Lamkins, 1420 East Bobe for business and social meeting.

7:30—Adult Choir

WEDNESDAY—

7:00 A.M.—Morning Watch
 6:15—S. S. Supper Meeting. Friendly Class will assist the dietician
 7:00—Departmental Meetings
 7:45—Prayer Service

THURSDAY—

7:30—Associational Sunday School Conference at East Hill Church. All departmental superintendents, teachers and workers are urged to attend.

7:30—The Winsome Class meeting with Mrs. B. M. Mullins, 620 W. Hernandez

FRIDAY—

3:15—Junior G. A. and R. A.
 4:00—Junior Choir
 7:30—Original Training Union Party in the Lower Auditorium
 7:00—Adult No. 1 Training Union will have an Ice Cream Supper at Civitan Park.