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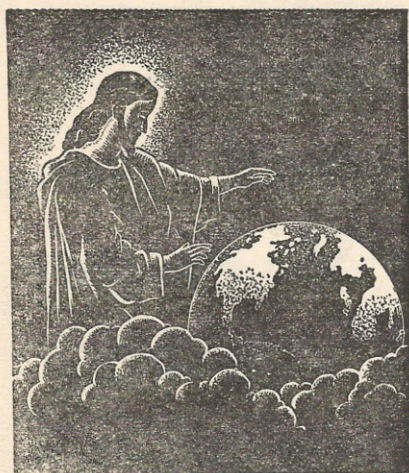
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WEEK OF PRAYER FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS



December 2 - 7

During the coming week the W. M. S. and its organizations will be observing the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions. The theme throughout the convention will be "Unto You A Savior Is Born" and the goal for Foreign Missions through the Lottie Moon Christmas offering is \$1,800,000.00. The program of activities for the week in this church is as follows:

Monday, 10 a.m.—Meeting at the church.

Tuesday—Circle meetings in homes.

Wednesday—The Mission theme will be presented in the Prayer Service by the Pastor.

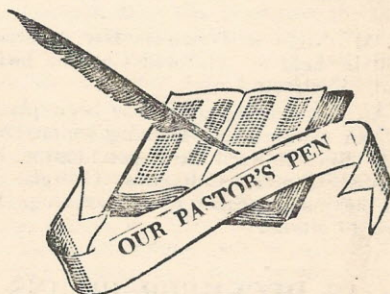
Thursday, 10 a.m.—Meeting at church.

Thursday, 7:30 p.m.—Combined meeting of the Business Women's Circles in the W. M. U. Room of the church.

Friday, 10 a.m.—Final meeting here at the church with Mrs. Charles W. Knight, Foreign Missionary to Africa, as guest speaker.

Sunday — Guest preacher at the 11:00 o'clock worship service will be Dr. Charles W. Knight, Missionary to Africa.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles Knight, two of our finest foreign missionaries, will be heard in our church during the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions. Dr. and Mrs. Knight have served six years in Nigeria, West Africa. Mrs. Knight will be remembered as the former Miss Elsie Renfro who served Florida Baptists as Young People's Secretary.



In the next few days we will be given an opportunity to have a part in the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions. Every dollar given will undergird and extend the cause of World Missions. I am praying that we may respond more liberally than ever before in support of this worthy cause.

Our third year in the happy relationship of pastor and people begins this week. We thank God upon every remembrance of you. The past has been wonderful.

SUNDAY NIGHT IS YOUTH NIGHT

6:10—General Assembly of Training
Unions in Auditorium.

7:30—Youth Emphasis Service with
Pastor preaching on "My All For
Christ."

VISIBLE RESULTS BY DEPARTMENTS

TRAINING UNION

Enrol.	Pres.	
11	9	...General Officers.....
49	39	...Adult 1.....
30	18	...Adult 2.....
29	19	...Adult 3.....
61	42	...Young People 1
		...Young People 2
39	28	...Senior
44	27	...Intermediate
37	27	...Junior 1
51	28	...Junior 2
19	18	...Primary 1
11	8	...Primary 2
		...Primary 3
23	15	...Beginner 1
4	0	...Beginner 2
		...Nursery 1
3	5	...Nursery 2
9	5	...Nursery 3
		...Nursery 4
Totals	420	279
Attendance one year ago.....	254	

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Enrol.	Pres.	Cont.
10	9	0
181	74	79
126	76	45
281	177	237
74	61	14
53	21	16
69	43	49
79	60	85
126	83	59
126	81	39
50	37	13
49	27	6
55	37	6
60	26	2
80	38	7
9	5	2
20	10	7
27	16	18
32	18	12
Totals	1509	899
Attendance one year ago.....	968	

"M" NIGHT

Throughout the bounds of our Southern Baptist Convention Training Unions will meet on Monday, December 10, to observe "M" night. The attendance goal is 200,000.

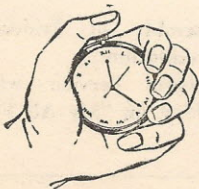
"M" Night in Pensacola Bay Association will be held at Whitfield Church, Jackson and "J" streets.

An excellent program has been planned by our associational Training Union Director. Rev. Howard Ethington, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Columbus, Georgia, will be the main speaker of the evening. Plan now to attend.

AS DECEMBER BEGINS

Let us remember that this is the last month in our budget year. Those who are behind in making contributions to the church will want to catch up. Others may be in position to make special gifts to the Lord's work in this season of the year.

Mrs. Sutton, our Financial Secretary, will be glad to inform any member concerning his personal or family record of giving during the present year. Her phone number is 5640. All envelope contributors are reminded again to include name and amount on the envelopes. Thanks.



NOW

*is the time to
win the world
for Christ.*



Excellent plans have been made for the Every Member Canvass which is to begin Sunday afternoon, December 2. Deacons Guthrie, Davis and Arnold are directing this fine program of visitation and every member enlistment.

Lunch will be provided at the church Sunday for those workers who make reservations by Saturday noon. These will receive their assignments and leave immediately after the lunch period. All others will meet in the lower auditorium at 1:30 for assignments.

The captains listed below have enlisted other workers:

Jim Drexler
J. L. Hurt
Clarence Dannelly
E. L. Barrineau
H. O. Williams
Alton Donahoo
Ben Godfrey
J. F. Boykin
Woodrow Creel
R. C. Eickler
W. B. Townley
Paul Caro
T. H. Miller
F. G. Keene
F. G. Almon

Mrs. John Busey
Myrlin Brooks
W. T. Osborn
Lettie Baxter
E. E. Lawrence
M. B. Dawson
Ernest Gentry
Dr. W. H. Coker
Joe Ladner
J. R. Hackett
W. D. Cranford
E. H. Peterson
Tate Bousman
R. N. Pyle
Kitty Sue Wiggins

"COMPEL THEM TO COME IN"

"Go ye into the highways
And to the hedges go!"
So said the Master to His Church
Two thousand years ago.
Go, seek the lowly and the poor,
The outcast slaves of sin;
So far from closing mercy's door,
"Compel them to come in!"
Why then? The Masters' feast is spread,
So wide His love and care;
His heavenly bounty, rich and free,
He would have all to share.
The door of God is never closed
To any needy soul.
Men may be down, but never out
With Him who loveth all.
"Compel them to come in!" His voice
Peals through the centuries old.
Let Love Divine through human hearts
Compel them to the fold.

—Leonard Dodd.

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Remember Our Service Personnel



Robert C. Hauffe, Mus
USN Band
Washington, D. C.

Luther W. Ingram
Great Lakes Tr. Center
Great Lakes, Ill.

R. C. Keith, Jr.
AD-3 VA-45, Cecil Field
Jacksonville, Florida

Lt. Elbert Hopkins, Jr.
1145696 Plt. 6 Co. B
1st Bn. (OC) STR MCTD
Parris Island, S. C.

Veto Isidori
Saufley Field
Pensacola, Florida

DR. ROLAND LEAVELL RE- PORTS ON TRIP TO JAPAN

Dear Friends:

THRILLING ADVENTURE IN EVANGELISM. My airplane ride — New Orleans to Tokyo via Alaska—Tokyo to New Orleans via Honolulu—was interesting. Five weeks in Japan was an adventure in evangelism which was thrilling, unbelievable, soul-stirring and victorious. Seven Southern Baptist preachers and many missionaries participated.

THE SILK CURTAIN IS WITHDRAWN. I was in Japan in 1920. They were 100 percent hostile toward Americans and Christianity. Today it is exactly the reverse. Defeat in war, disillusionment about the Emperor and the nation's divine destiny, failure of Buddhism and Shintoism to satisfy, all are leading the Japanese to seek a new philosophy of life. We cannot send 1,000 missionaries too soon!

Five forces, namely, resurgent Shintoism, awakened Buddhism, virulent secularism, godless but relentless Communism and Christianity, are clamoring for the hearts of 82,000,000 Japanese. From humble peasant to the Emperor, they are interested in Christianity as never before. General Douglas McArthur's kind occupation policy and insistence on the Bible have helped wonderfully to give us a "now or never" opportunity.

UNBELIEVABLE EVANGELISTIC OPPORTUNITIES. I preached from one to five nights each in Hiroshima (the A-bombed city), Kure, Kabe, Otake, Okayama, Osaka, Kyoto and Kobe. During the days I preached daily on the streets, in a town hall, to Rotary Clubs, to high schools, at a boy's reformatory and a state penitentiary, at railroad stations, at police stations, to seminary students, in parks, in army camps, etc.

At the thirty night services we gave invitations (1) to accept Christ as personal Saviour and follow him immediately in baptism after instruction, and (2) to study Christ in view to becoming a Christian and to attend church services. Cards were signed and brought to me at the invitation period. There were exactly 400 who signed cards making profession of faith, and 549 who made the No. 2 decision. For the entire preaching mission there were nearly 10,000 decisions of the two types.

From my meetings alone, four new churches will be organized and four church memberships will be more than doubled. Sing the Doxology.

REVIVAL IN THE SEMINARY. A veritable missionary revival broke out among the unprecedentedly large student body, as I spoke to three all-standing-room-taken audiences at chapel last week. Nineteen of our finest students publicly volunteered for foreign mission service, and many others are thinking deeply of it.

Abidingly your friend,

ROLAND Q. LEAVELL, President.

"AND HIS PEOPLE BROUGHT INTO THE STOREHOUSE . . ."

Envelopes used 521
 Specials (Hospital \$2070.00).....\$2,105.84
 Budget 1,679.95

Total\$3,785.79

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

CONGRATULATIONS TO: Mr. and Mrs. James Fillingim upon the birth of a daughter, November 23; TO Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Boutwell upon the birth of a son; TO Mr. and Mrs. Duane Myers upon the birth of a baby girl (Norfolk, Va.) TO Capt. and Mrs. Carl F. Severin upon the birth of a son, Carl F. Severin III, November 7 (Anchorage, Alaska).

SYMPATHY TO: Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lang upon the death of her mother; TO Mr. Randal Cawthon upon the death of his sister.

IN BAPTIST HOSPITAL: Mr. Irvin Roberts; Mrs. J. T. McNair.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TRAINING BANQUET DECEMBER 4

On the above mentioned date at 7:30 p.m. in the dining room of this church, the annual Sunday School Training Banquet will be held. Dr. Harold Seever, Pastor, Dauphin Way Baptist Church, Mobile, will be the keynote speaker of the evening. Make your reservation now for this evening of inspiration toward greater achievements. Price \$1.00 per plate.

BAPTIST HOUR SUBJECT SUNDAY
 WILL BE "RESPECTABLE THIEVES."
 WCOA AT 2:00 P.M.

**Wednesday Night Following
 Prayer Meeting the Regular
 Deacon's Meeting Will Be
 Held.**

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Pastor.....Dr. E. L. Skiles
 Pastor Emeritus.....Dr. G. J. Rousseau
 Minister of Education.....Thomas J. Draper
 Church Secretary.....Miss Sarah Dean
 Enlistm't Secretary.....Mrs. George McNeely
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OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

SUNDAY IS THE LORD'S DAY

8:30 and 11:00.....Worship Services
 Sermon Pastor
 9:40.....Sunday School
 6:10.....Training Union
 7:30.....Evening Worship
 Sermon: "MY ALL FOR CHRIST" Pastor

SUNDAY—

9:00—Church Library Open
 2:00—Baptist Hour
 5:30—Church Library Open

MONDAY—

3:00—Circle No. 8 meeting with Mrs. J. Nixon Daniels, 2012 N. 19th Ave.
 6:30—Combined YWA supper meeting in lower auditorium.
 7:30—Deborah Class meeting with Mrs. W. L. Warren, 1818 E. Gadsden.

TUESDAY—

10 a.m.—Circle No. 1 meeting with Mrs. Judson Gillespie, 1815 Escambia.
 10 a.m.—Circle No. 2 meeting with Mrs. S. G. Kennedy, Jr., 2100 E. Mallory.
 10 a.m.—Circle No. 3 meeting with Mrs. L. C. Goodwin, 2520 N. Magnolia Ave.
 10 a.m.—Circle No. 4 meeting with Mrs. Curtis Morris 1005 N. 20th.
 10 a.m.—Circle No. 5 meeting with Mrs. M. A. Farmer, 730 W. Jordan.
 10 a.m.—Circle No. 6 meeting with Mrs. W. A. Slaughter, 226 Corry Dr.
 2:30—Circle No. 7 meeting with Mrs. A. R. Ingram, 1616 W. Gregory.
 3:00—Circle No. 9 meeting with Mrs. E. A. Allen, 100 W. Brainerd.

WEDNESDAY—

7:30 A.M.—Morning Watch
 6:10—S. S. Supper Meeting
 6:45—Young People's Choir Practice
 7:00—S. S. Departmental Meetings
 7:45—Midweek Prayer Service

THURSDAY—

7:30—T. E. L. Class meeting with Mrs. Bowman, 53 Gonzalez Court. Members are urged to bring toys for children.
 7:30—Winsome Class meeting with Mrs. Ames Carrett, 620 N. Barcelona.

Brotherhood Meeting 7:00 p.m.

GUEST SPEAKER
 DR. CHARLES KNIGHT

Tickets \$1.00

Purchase your ticket or make reservation before Thursday noon.

FRIDAY—

3:15—Beginner and Primary Sunbeams
 3:15—Junior G. A. and R. A. Meeting
 4:15—Youth Choir Practice