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## REVIVAL BEGINS SUNDAY

• MARCH 22 - APRIL 1 •

HEAR

THIS

MAN

Come

Praying



Our Evangelist  
Dr. Howard C. Bennett

10:00 A.M.

AND

7:30 P.M.

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No Services  
Monday A.M.  
and  
Saturday P.M.

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Pray  
Expecting

S-1 COAL—1100.....	WE HAD 1138
S-2 COAL—1150.....	WE HAD 1246
S-3 GOAL—1200.....	We Had 3 Inches of Rain and 1101 People
S-4 GOAL—1250.....	This Sunday

“MARCH With the MASTER in MARCH”

# OUR ATTENDANCE GOAL FOR THE FIRST THI 1150. We Have Had 1168 Average For These Sundays

## FROM OUR PASTOR . . . .

The following letter was received from Dr. Bennett:

My dear Friends:

One of God's imperative commands is, "Go Forward." Every report that reaches me from your great church is added evidence that you take His command seriously. For in every phase of kingdom activity, you are on the move—marching forward.

As we enter into the revival campaign, I call upon you to take with equal seriousness the command of Christ: "Go ye . . . make disciples . . . baptizing them . . . teaching them."

Three essentials to successful evangelism, yea four, I would impress upon your hearts: (1) Undergird all else with prayer; (2) Reach every prospect through personal

### The Absentee

"Someone is absent," the Shepherd said  
As over my class book he bent his head;

"For several Sundays absent, too,

"So, tell me, teacher, what did you do?"

"I didn't call as perhaps I should;

I wrote some cards, but they did no good.  
I've never heard and she never came,

So I decided to drop her name."

He answered gravely, "A flock was mine,  
A hundred—no, there were ninety and

nine,

For one was lost in the dark and cold  
So I sought that sheep which had left

the fold."

Thus spoke the Shepherd in tender tone,

I looked and lo—I was alone—

But God a vision had sent to me,

To show His will toward The Absentee.

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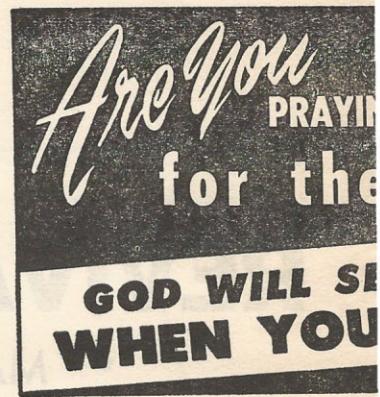


ARE YOU  
READY?

The Revival Hour Is Now,  
The Opportunities Are Ours,  
The Harvest Is Plentiful,  
The Lost Are All About You.

"Prepare to Meet Thy  
God" (AMOS 4:12)

PRAY FOR A REVIVAL  
LET IT BEGIN IN YOU



### MY HANDS

"I will therefore that men pray . . .  
lifting up holy hands."—I Timothy 2:8.

### MY FEET

"How beautiful upon the mountain are  
the feet of him that bringeth good tidings."  
—Isaiah 52:7.

### MY EYES

"Lift up your eyes, and look on the  
fields: for they are white unto harvest."—  
John 4:35.

### MY EARS

"And he taught them many things . . .  
and said . . . He that hath ears to hear,  
let him hear."—Mark 4:2-9.

### MY MOUTH

"O Lord, open thou my lips; and my  
mouth shall shew forth thy praise."—Psalm  
51:15.

### MY HEART

"Let your heart therefore be perfect with  
the Lord our God."—I Kings 8:61.

### MY MIND

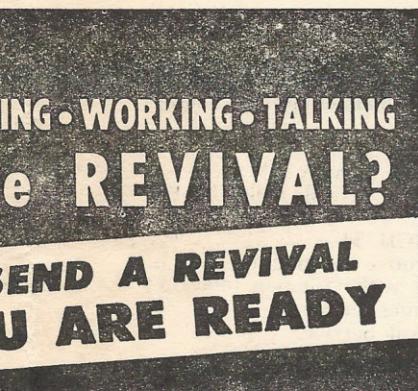
"Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with  
all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and  
with all thy strength, and with all thy  
mind."—Luke 10:27.

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SUNDAY WEEK (MARCH 29) IS

"BREAK THE  
OUR RECORD IS  
• 1246 •

# RECEIVE SUNDAYS OF S-6 WAS AN AVERAGE OF WE ARE RUNNING AHEAD OF OUR GOALS. KEEP IT UP! BE HERE SUNDAY!!



## What Kind Are You?

Some Christians are like wheelbarrows—not good unless pushed.  
Some are like canoes—they need to be paddled.  
Some are like kites—if you don't keep a string on them, they fly away.  
Some are like kittens—they are more contented when petted.  
Some are like footballs—you can't tell which way they are going to bounce next.  
Some are like balloons—full of wind and likely to blow up unless handled carefully.  
Some are like trailers—not good unless pulled.  
Some are like buzzards—they "get wind" of a stink and come quickly.  
Some are filled with the Spirit—thank God for these.

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## Master Or Mastered

Face your deficiencies and acknowledge them, but do not let them master you. Let them teach you patience, sweetness, insight. When we do the best we can, we never know what miracle is wrought in our own life, or in the life of another.—Helen Keller.

## RECORD DAY"

OUR GOAL MARCH 29 IS

• 1450 •

## FROM OUR PASTOR (Continued)

visitation; (3) Attend with regularity the public services held daily; (4) Appeal to the lost and unenlisted through Gospel singing and preaching.

As the Apostle wrote to the Christians at Rome, so I write to you: "I thank my God through Jesus Christ for you all . . . I make mention of you always in my prayers . . . For I long to see you . . . that I may be comforted together with you by the mutual faith . . . As much as in me is, I am ready to preach the Gospel to you that are at Pensacola also. For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth."

Sincerely yours,  
HOWARD C. BENNETT

## Possibilities

"Longfellow could take a worthless sheet of paper and write a poem on it, and make it worth \$6,000—that is genius.

"Rockefeller can sign his name to a piece of paper and make it worth millions—that is capital.

"Uncle Sam can take gold, stamp an eagle on it and make it worth \$20—that is money.

A mechanic can take material worth \$5 and make an article worth \$50—that is skill.

"An artist can take a 50-cent piece of canvas, paint a picture on it and make it worth \$1,000—that is art.

"God can take a worthless, sinful life, wash it in the Blood of Christ, put His Spirit in it, and make it a blessing to humanity—that is salvation."

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NO ONE ELSE  
CAN FILL YOUR SHOES

"I have chosen you and ordained you, that ye shall go and bring forth fruit."

JOHN 15:16

YOU ARE THE ONLY  
CHRISTIAN SOMEONE KNOWS

## Looking At Last Sunday

Sunday School Attendance.....	1001
New Members .....	11
Visitors .....	89
(Weather—Rain)	
Total Sunday School Attendance.....	1101
Last Year .....	943
Training Union Attendance.....	233
New Members .....	4
Visitors .....	31
Total Training Union Attendance.....	273
Last Year .....	253
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget .....	\$2,141.33
Specials .....	291.06
Total Offering .....	\$2,432.39
Total Gifts to Annie W. Armstrong	
Offering .....	\$ 909.65
Additions to the church:	
By Letter .....	6
By Statement .....	1
For Baptism .....	1
Total Additions .....	8
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### By Letter:

117 C. L. Thomas, 114 N. Spring St.  
 118 Gerald M. Ashmore, 413 Gibbs Rd.,  
 Navy Point.  
 119 Russel R. Lennard, Apt. 1-B, Holmes  
 Drive.  
 120 Mrs. Russel R. Lennard, Apt. 1-B,  
 Holmes Drive.  
 121 Bill Litton, 322 Second St., Edgewater.  
 122 Mrs. Bill Litton, 322 Second St.,  
 Edgewater.

### By Statement:

123 Mrs. Eva Reynolds, 201 Rue Max.  
 By Baptism:  
 17 Marilyn Browning, 121 S. E. Kalash  
 Rd., Navy Point.

### Our Church Family

**CONGRATULATIONS TO:** Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Weeks, 4903 W. Jackson, upon the birth of a daughter, March 11.

**OUR SYMPATHY TO:** Miss Joyce Gullatt upon the death of her father; Mrs. Arnold Ritchie upon the death of her father; Mrs. W. W. Miley upon the death of her mother; Dr. P. G. Batson, Jr., upon the death of his father.

**OUR KNOWN SICK:** At home: Mr. J. O. Green. Baptist Hospital: Mrs. John Yelverton.

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**ATTEND  
TRAINING UNION**

## The King's Business

### SUNDAY, MARCH 22—

8:30 a.m.—Early Morning Worship. Pastor  
 9:40 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages.  
 Theron Guthrie, Supt.

11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship. Pastor.

12:30 p.m.—Baptist Hour on WEAR.

5:00 p.m.—Youth in Religion on WCOA.

6:10 p.m.—Training Union for all ages.  
 Haywood Arnold, Director.

7:30 p.m.—Evening Worship. Pastor.

8:45 p.m.—Youth Fellowship for Young  
 People.

### MONDAY, MARCH 23—

10:00 a.m.—Revival Service.

7:30 p.m.—Sunday School night in Re-  
 vival.

### TUESDAY, MARCH 24—

9:30 a.m.—Executive meeting of T. E. L.  
 Class with visitation followin  
 morning service.

10:00 a.m.—Revival Service.

7:30 p.m.—Revival Service.

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25—

10:00 a.m.—Revival Service.

4:30 p.m.—Junior R. A., Junior and In-  
 termediate G. A.'s, Sunbeams  
 will meet.

6:00 p.m.—S. S. Workers' Supper.

7:30 p.m.—Revival Service.

### THURSDAY, MARCH 26—

10:00 a.m.—Revival Service.

1:00 p.m.—Convention Bible Class will  
 meet in home of Mrs. Agatha  
 Wolff, 823 North 17th Ave.

7:30 p.m.—Revival Service.

### FRIDAY, MARCH 27—

10:00 a.m.—Revival Service.

7:30 p.m.—Revival Service.

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## Stetson Glee Clubs East Hill Church Saturday Evening, 7:30

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