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YOUTH MUST LEAD

- YOUTH WEEK — JULY 12 - 19
- YOUTH REVIVAL — JULY 16 - 19
- YOUTH CAMP — JULY 20 - 28
(West Florida)
- YOUTH CAMP — JULY 13 - 18
(Junior G. A. and R. A.)
- Youth and Servicemen's Luncheon
(Sunday Noon)
- YOUTH FELLOWSHIP
(Sunday Evening 9 o'Clock)

In Our Pulpit

P A S T O R

Morning
"Supreme Declaration of
Independence"

Evening
"So Great Salvation"

FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN . . .

The unexpected death of Dr. Theron Rankin has come as a great shock to the Christian forces of the world, and especially to Southern Baptists. A great missionary statesman, a Christian world leader, and an inspiration to all who constitute our denomination—Dr. Rankin rendered superb service to the Cause of Christ through the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention as a missionary to China, Secretary of Missions in the Orient, and, for the past eight years as Executive Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board. It was his vision of world need and Baptist resources which gave birth to the Advance Program of Southern Baptists. While we shall miss his winsome presence, his earnest voice and his potent pen, he shall continue to inspire us as his influence lives on in the council chambers of Baptist life and on every mission field of our denomination.

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EDUCATIONAL DIRECTOR . . .

Be much in prayer for our Youth Week and Youth Revival which gets under way Sunday, July 12. Adequate plans have been made to make this activity successful. These plans include the consistent prayers and assistance of the entire church membership. Do everything you can to make Youth Week a success. Remember—the revival is for adults as well as young people.

We are now at work on the 1953-54 Sunday School organization. Completing the staff of Sunday School workers for next year will be a tremendous undertaking. Your prayerful help is desired. Any prospective Sunday School workers should be reported to the Educational Office.

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A WORTHY STANDARD

A group of laymen, recently challenged to define what constitutes an effective church member, set the following standard:

1. He attends church every Sunday, permitting only that to keep him from church which would keep him from business.
2. He practices daily devotions—studies the Scriptures and prays.
3. He assumes responsibility—accepts some definite task in the life of the church.
4. He tithes his income.
5. He is one whose life and words witness for Christ in every area of experience.

—Herald.

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It is not the function of religion to solve perplexities. Its function is rather to give a man courage to face perplexities.

Camp Reservations and Information

G. A. and R. A. CAMP, MOUNT CALVARY—Dates, July 13-18. Total cost, \$7.50. There are still reservations available for this camp for any Junior or Intermediate boy or girl, whether they are members of G. A. and R. A. or not. However, they are required to attend all classes at camp and to take part in the entire program.

The first session of the camp program will be Monday night after supper, which will be at 6:00. Those in charge request that those attending wait until late afternoon to arrive. Each day there will be classes in the mornings: Intermediates, "Facts About Alcohol"; Juniors, "Everywhere Preaching the Word". The afternoons are given to recreation, and the evening session is an inspirational one. Two of the speakers will be Miss Aiko Dechi, from Hawaii; Miss Irene Landry, missionary among the French in South Louisiana; Rev. and Mrs. Angus Neal, music and recreation leaders, and Rev. McCoy Bynum, camp pastor.

If you are interested in attending, call Mrs. Tom Wash or the church office as soon as possible, and arrangements will be made.

WEST FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSEMBLY, PANAMA CITY—Dates, July 20-28. Total cost, \$18.00. We have some 10 reservations for this camp still open. Intermediates, Seniors, and Young People are eligible to attend. If you are interested, call Miss Betty Hubbard at once. These reservations should be in immediately.

Dates To Remember

July 12-19—YOUTH WEEK.

July 16-19—YOUTH REVIVAL.

July 13-18—JUNIOR R. A. and G. A. CAMP AT MT. CALVARY.

July 20-28—WEST FLORIDA ASSEMBLY.

August 16-28—COUNTY-WIDE REVIVAL.

August 30-Sept. 4—B. T. U. ENLARGEMENT CAMPAIGN.

Sept. 20-27—PREPARATION WEEK FOR "A MILLION MORE IN '54."

Sept. 27—"PROMOTION DAY."

SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFICERS AND TEACHERS

This past Wednesday evening there were 55 in attendance in the Sunday School Officers and Teachers meeting. We began the study of "Building A Standard Sunday School" and initiated a campaign in which the school, every department, and every class will attempt to reach the Standard. The growth of our Sunday School depends largely on our Wednesday evening meetings. If you are a Sunday School worker, or if you are interested in helping us promote the work of the Sunday School, you should be in this meeting each Wednesday evening, beginning with supper at 6:00.

Hear Our
College Students
Opening Assembly
of
Training Union
Sunday 6:40 P.M.
Auditorium

W. M. S. CIRCLE MEETINGS

Monday, July 6—

3:00 p.m.—Circle 8, Mrs. Fred Baird,

Tuesday, July 7—

10:00 a.m.—Circle 1, Mrs. H. D. Haisfield,
1821 E. Maxwell

—Circle 2, Mrs. W. A. Hibbert,
1120 N. Spring

—Circle 3, Mrs. R. Meeker,
501 N. 16th

—Circle 4, Mrs. B. M. Mullins
620 W. Hernandez

—Circle 5, Mrs. D. W. Speed,
2023 Escambia

—Circle 6, Mrs. L. C. Biddie,
1808 E. Jordan

—Circle 7, Mrs. Otto Whitington
1900 E. Brainerd

3:00 p.m.—Circle 9, Mrs. J. E. Bratcher,
1625 N. 17; Mrs. L. D. Allen,
co-hostess.

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BAKER JAMES CAUTHEN ON BAPTIST HOUR BROADCASTS

Dr. Baker James Cauthen, Secretary for the Orient of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, will be the featured speaker on the nationwide Baptist Hour radio broadcasts during July, August and September. His theme for the thirteen weeks will be "Light for a Dark World." The subjects for the quarter include:

JULY

5—"Walking in Darkness".....Isaiah 50:10
12—"A Great Light".....Isaiah 9:2
19—"How the Light Came"

Philippians 2:5-11

26—"Gifts of the Light".....John 1:17

AUGUST

2—"Longing for the Light"....Luke 18:41
9—"Thy Sins Are Forgiven Thee"

Luke 5:20

16—"He Is Able".....Hebrews 7:25

23—"Light for Dark Days"....Psalm 94:17-19

30—"Christ in the Heart"

II Corinthians 13:3

SEPTEMBER

6—"Unfailing Light".....Acts 27:23

13—"Rejected Light".....John 3:19

20—"Send the Light".....Psalm 126:5-6

27—"Then Shall Thy Light Rise

in Darkness".....Isaiah 58:10

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SIX GREATEST

A few of Frank Crane's Greatest Things:

The greatest mistake—giving up.

The most expensive indulgence—hate.

The worst bankrupt—the soul that has lost its enthusiasm.

The cleverest man—one who always does what he thinks is right.

The greatest need—common sense.

The best gift—forgiveness.

LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance.....	837
Members in Attendance.....	744
New Members	10
Visitors	83
Attendance a year ago.....	919
Training Union Attendance.....	281
Members in Attendance.....	236
New Members	3
Visitors	42
Attendance a year ago.....	251
Additions to the church.....	7
By Letter	6
By Baptism	1
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$2,308.12
Specials	1,146.61
Building Designated	53.57
	\$3,508.30



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

By Letter:

214 Sgt. J. L. Pennington, 213 N. Barcelona
 215 Mrs. J. L. Pennington, 213 N. Barcelona
 216 J. Guy Daniels, Seminole Hotel
 217 Bobby Russell, 206 Donald Drive
 218 James Bryant, 815 North Spring St.
 219 James R. Evans, 2157 W. DeSoto
 By Baptism:
 73 Mrs. Robert H. Brewer, P. O. Box 3001, Myrtle Grove

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OUR CHURCH FAMILY

CONGRATULATIONS TO: Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Wyatt, 1002 E. Strong St., upon the birth of a son, June 20; Mr. and Mrs. Ellis G. Work, 3220 Bayou Drive, upon the birth of a son, June 21.

OUR SYMPATHY TO: Mr. Kenneth Fulghum, Sr., upon the loss of his sister; Mr. E. W. Sudduth, Jr., and Dr. W. L. Williams upon the loss of their mother; Mrs. L. M. Bradley in the loss of her son.

OUR KNOWN SICK: Sacred Heart: Mrs. Claude Donaldson. Baptist Hospital: Mr. Charles Deese, Sr. Convalescing at home: Mrs. M. S. Penton, 1216 E. Lee; Mrs. W. T. Osborn, 304 W. Moreno; Mrs. F. G. Almon, 1905 Whaley; Mrs. J. H. Holley, 512 10th, EPH; Mrs. A. S. Edwards, 1517 N. 9th Ave.

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THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

If you can't be the highway, then just be a trail.

If you can't be the sun, be a star;
 For it isn't by size that you win or you fail—

Be the best of whatever you are!

—D. Malloch

THE KING'S BUSINESS

SUNDAY, JULY 5—

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
 6:40 p.m.—Training Union for all ages. Haywood Arnold, Director
 8:00 p.m.—Evening Worship. Pastor
 9:15 p.m.—Youth Fellowship

MONDAY, JULY 6—

7:30 p.m.—Sunday School Superintendents

TUESDAY, JULY 7—

7:00 p.m.—Youth Council
 7:30 p.m.—Deacons' meeting
 7:30 p.m.—Business and Social meeting of T. E. L. Class at the church

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8—

4:30 p.m.—Junior R. A., Junior and Intermediate G. A.'s and Sunbeams meet at the church
 6:00 p.m.—Sunday School Workers' Supper
 6:30 p.m.—Concord Choir Rehearsal.—Liz Davis, Director
 7:45 p.m.—Praise and Prayer Service

TIMELY ADVICE

If you are impatient sit down quietly and talk with Job.

If you are just a little strong-headed, go and see Moses.

If you are getting weak-kneed, take a good look at Elijah.

If you are a policy man, read Daniel.

If you are getting sordid, spend a while with Isaiah.

If you feel chilly, get the beloved disciple to put his arms around you.

If you are getting lazy, watch James.

If your faith is below par, read Paul.

If you are losing sight of the future, climb up the stairs of Revelation, and get a glimpse of the promised land.

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