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Recall your own Christian experience
Renew your promises to God
Resolve to do your best in His service.

Enter into the meeting wholeheartedly
Exert every effort to win someone to Christ.
Enlist Him in service after he's won.

Visualize the condition of the lost.
Vow that you will do something about it.
Voice your deep desire daily in prayer.

Invoke people to all of the services.
Impress upon them the importance of attendance.
Intensify your own efforts.

View the fields "white unto harvest."
Volunteer your services wherever needed.
Visit in homes as much as possible.

Aspire to all that is good and holy.
Attend every service, if such is possible.
Allow yourself to be used of the Lord.

Love people freely, for they need your love.
Let the Holy Spirit guide you.
Look on our city, needy and sinful.

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APRIL 11 - 18

OUR BUILDING FUND TO DATE

\$219,171.74

KNOW OUR WORKERS



MR. POPE SHANK

Mr. Pope Shank, 1120 N. Palafox, was born in Chambers County, Alabama, on November 2, 1881. He was converted about 1894 in Chambers County under the pastorate of J. P. Hunter. He later belonged to the following Baptist churches, all in Birmingham: Bethlehem, Fountain Heights, Seventh Street, and Calvary. Through the years in these churches he has served as Church Clerk, Sunday School Superintendent, Treasurer, President B. Y. P. U., Sunday School teacher and Deacon. He joined this church on January 25, 1926, under the pastorate of Dr. G. J. Rousseau. Here he has been Sunday School teacher, Deacon, Leader and Sponsor of B. T. U. unions. At the present time, he is the teacher of the Fishermen Class in Adult 2 Sunday School.

He was married on November 28, 1905, to the former Ila S. Stanford and they have four children.

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BIBLE SCHOOL

Have you been asked to work in Vacation Bible School? Have you volunteered your services for the Bible School? We need many more workers than we have and it is impossible for us to phone everyone who might be interested in working. Please let us know if you can work. The date for the School this year is June 7-18.

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ANNIE ARMSTRONG OFFERING

SO FAR

\$750.78

HAVE YOU GIVEN?

Viewpoint

By NATHAN C. BROOKS, JR.

Congratulations—to Ken Andrews and Kay Revis who were the Better Speaker and Sword Drill winners, respectively, in our church. They took part in the Associational Elimination last Monday night at the Woodlawn Church and did well. Ken won first place in the Speakers' Tournament.

Martin Luther—The motion picture bearing the name of the great Reformation leader is being shown in Pensacola this week. I am glad to recommend it to our members, just as I am always happy to call attention to a good book. The picture is historically accurate in its basic details, and, in my judgment, is fair to both those of Catholic and Lutheran faith. Tickets are available in the church office which permit the viewer to see the film at a reduction below the advertised rates.

Census—On March 28 our church is sponsoring a census of the area in the western part of the city that will be served by our New Warrington Road Mission. **Your help is needed.** The prayer service period Wednesday night will be devoted to a "Visitation" emphasis. Plan now to assist with the Census March 28.

Junior High Banquet—Our church will sponsor the attendance of our young people upon a Junior High Banquet at Laritz. The church will care for half of the expense of the tickets and the young folks will pay the other half. The date will be March 26th.

Who?



I am anxious to know if any of our people can identify the man pictured here. Word comes that he is to be in Pensacola shortly. Please be on the lookout for him.

FIVE SUCCESS

IN SUN

COME TO SUN

BE ONE OF

PASTOR'S SERMONS

8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

"THE ROAD OF
REPENTANCE"

7:30 p.m.

"CHURCHLESS RELIGION"

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We Cannot Spell

S-U-C-C-E-S-S

without

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IN

Training Union

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What Wilt Thou Have Me Do?
Acts 9:6



YOU CAN LOVE
for the Revival

"Love one another with a
pure heart" I PETER 1:22

"He that dwelleth in love
dwelleth in God" I JOHN 4:16

**SHOW YOUR LOVE
DURING THE REVIVAL**

WHY SHOULD WE SING?

There are a number of reasons why we should sing. First, it gives the individual an opportunity to tell of his love for Jesus. Singing is a very personal thing—no one can do it for us. In the songs we sing we are able, as individuals and as a congregation, to publicly and audibly reaffirm our belief in Christ. Moreover, it is satisfying, inspiring, and strengthening to know that others believe as we do.

Singing helps us to focus our attention on Christ; we stir up our minds to the remembrance of God's love for us and our devotion to Him. The Apostle Paul said: "Set your affection on things above . . ." and we can see that singing will channel our attention and thinking toward Christ. We are made to remember that Christ died for our sins and that we are redeemed people, bought with a price.

Singing will also help prepare our hearts to hear the Word of God as He speaks to us through the minister. It is not enough just to come to church. We must open our hearts and minds and be attentive. The individual who participates in the music and singing is less likely to have wandering thoughts and be irreverent in the House of God.

Singing helps us forget our troubles and grievances. We tend to be united in body and soul and spirit and are better able to face our daily tasks. The singing of spiritual songs and anthems gives us a lift and we are edified.—Central Park Baptist.

HYMN OF THE MONTH

"There Is a Green Hill"

2. We may not know, we cannot tell

What pains he had to bear;

But we believe it was for us

He hung and suffered there.

Biblical Text: "While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."—Romans 5:8.

WHEN YOU TAKE YOUR FAMILY TO SUNDAY SCHOOL

1. The home is made happier.
2. There will be a greater feeling of family unity.
3. Little children will say, "My Daddy and Mommy brought me to Sunday School."
4. Bible knowledge—needed in every life—will be yours.
5. Fellowship with the finest people will be yours.
6. Just one parent FAILING to attend Sunday School can bring sorrow to the rest of the family.
7. The most beautiful sight to behold on earth is to see the entire family entering church together.
8. Boys and girls will grow to be better men and women because their Mom and Dad brought them to Sunday School.
9. The man or woman too busy for God on God's Day is TOO BUSY.

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ESSIVE SUNDAYS
DAY SCHOOL

NDAY SCHOOL SUNDAY

F 1200 WHITE SHEEP

LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance.....	1011
Members in Attendance.....	943
New Members	7
Visitors	61
Attendance one year ago.....	1108
Training Union Attendance.....	291
Members in Attendance.....	265
New Members	1
Visitors	25
Attendance one year ago.....	273
Additions to the church.....	2
(Letter—1; Baptism—1)	
Baptized	3
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$2,406.59
Specials	76.88
Building	716.70
TOTAL OFFERING	\$3,200.17



New Members

By Letter:

66 Acy H. Patterson, Trans. Div., Ellyson Field.

For Baptism:

13 Larry L. Anderson, Route 2, Box 76.

BAPTIZED THREE

Larry L. Anderson, Bill Nipper and Sue Rodak

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WANTED



*More
footsteps
for visitation*

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

OUR KNOWN SICK:

Baptist Hospital—Paula Reichman, Mrs. Doris Riley, Jesse Henderson, Ralph Cooper, Mrs. S. L. Ellis.

Des Moines Hospital: Mrs. Floyd Leaders. Ill At Home: Mrs. A. F. Downey, 312 Pace Parkway; Mrs. Mattie Majors, 220 Bryant Road, N. P.

SYMPATHY TO: Mrs. E. W. Hopkins in the loss of her brother; Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Martin in the loss of her grandmother; Mr. J. E. Nelson, Jr., in the loss

THE KING'S BUSINESS

SUNDAY, MARCH 21—

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.

3:30 p.m.—Baptist Hour on WEAR.

5:00 p.m.—Training Union Executive Committee.

6:10 p.m.—Training Union for all ages.
Miss Lettie Baxter, Director.

7:30 p.m.—Evening Worship. Pastor.

8:45 p.m.—Youth Fellowship.

MONDAY, MARCH 22—

7:30 p.m.—Associational Sunday School Meeting. Ensley Baptist.

TUESDAY, MARCH 23—

9:30 a.m.—Faithful Workers Class will meet at church for visitation. A covered-dish luncheon will be served at Noon in the home of Mrs. Leo Cox, 1700 East Brainerd.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24—

5:00 p.m.—Intermediate G.A. in church.

6:00 p.m.—Sunday School Teachers' and Officers' Meeting begins with supper.

6:30 p.m.—Junior R.A., Junior G.A., and Sunbeams meet at the church.

7:45 p.m.—Prayer and Praise Service.

THURSDAY, MARCH 25—

7:30 p.m.—Chancel Choir Rehearsal.

SERVICEMAN OF THE WEEK

Pray for and write:

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Clyde Groves
ATC, Navy 214, Box M-1
c/o Fleet Post Office
New York, N. Y.

of his father.

CONGRATULATIONS TO: Mr. and Mrs. James S. Ward, 132 Corry Avenue, on the birth of their son March 5.

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