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Church Covenant

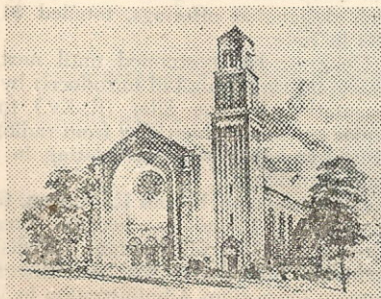
Having been led, as we believe by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour and, on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, we do now, in the presence of God, and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another as one body in Christ.

We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this church, in knowledge, holiness, and comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the gospel through all nations.

We also engage to maintain family and secret devotions; to religiously educate our children; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger; to abstain from the sale of, and use of, intoxicating drinks as a beverage; to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Saviour.

We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember one another in prayer; to aid one another in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and Christian courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation and mindful of the rules of our Saviour to secure it without delay.

We moreover engage that when we remove from this place we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word.



BUILDING FUND

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| Received to date | \$351,848.94 |
| Borrowed | 100.00 |
| TOTAL | \$351,948.94 |
| Less: | |
| Payments to Contractor | \$186,546.73 |
| Balance on Hand | \$165,402.21 |

Viewpoint

By NATHAN C. BROOKS, JR.

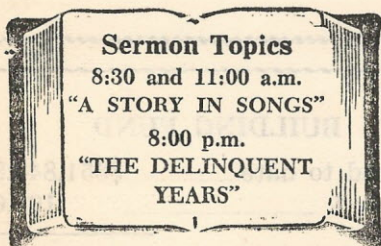
Congratulations—We have a number of members who have received Master's Degrees at various colleges during the past few days. Congratulations to Espin E. Bullock and Miss Vonceil McCreary, who received Master of Science degrees, and to the following who were granted Master of Arts degrees: Miss Joan Peterson, Mrs. Evelyn Tidwell, Mrs. Elizabeth Davis Caro, and Miss Pauline Watson.

The Pastor at Camps—While I will not spend the full time with our young folks at our church camps, I will have the privilege of being with them for a part of each day. I will speak three times to the Young People and four times to the Juniors. I rejoice in these contacts with our fine young people.

Welcome, Teachers—It is good to have our school teacher members back in the life of our church after a summer vacation. There were three more of these public servants who joined us last Sunday. Many others were visitors. We anticipate other teachers joining our church next Sunday.

Looking Ahead, I see several events of interest for us to anticipate. Clyde Bizzell will be teaching **A Church Using Its Sunday School** September 12-15. Dr. Wayne Dehoney, Central Park, Birmingham, is to speak to our officers and teachers at their annual banquet, and also at Prayer Service, September 28. Dr. G. S. Dobbins, Southern Seminary, is to assist us in evaluating our church program in November. Then, Dr. Chester Swor is to be with us in a Spiritual Emphasis Week in January. Some rich experiences are ahead.

Welcome Home, Mrs. Keene! Mrs. F. B. Keene is home from the Baptist World Alliance. We look forward to her sharing some of her experiences with us at Prayer Service next Wednesday night.



SERVICEMEN ADDRESSES

Please call the Church Office today—

HE 3-2712 or HE 8-0779

to give us the CORRECT ADDRESS of the SERVICEMAN in your family.

Please keep us posted on any changes in addresses that he may have.



Music Notes

September is Church Music Month!

Sunday, September 4th, is set aside for a church-wide music survey. In the Sunday School and Training Union we will canvass ALL people, young and old, who have musical talent of any sort—singing or instrumental. Not only will these be contacted, but those who may not be musically inclined but who would serve in some capacity in the music program will be given an opportunity to serve. There are many jobs to be done. There will be opportunities for service, as: choir members from the ages of 4 to 104, choral assistants, accompanists, choir mothers, choir sponsors, robe mistresses, and helpers in other ways. Channel your music interest into positive service in the work of the church. You will receive a blessing and will, in turn, make an effective contribution to the growth of our church. No experience is necessary—only a love for sacred music and a will to serve.

Choir Rehearsal Schedule

Celestial Choir (Beginners) ages 4-5—
4:00 p.m. Tuesday.

Cherub Choir (Primary) ages 6-8—3:15
p.m. Tuesday.

Carol Choir (Juniors) ages 9-12—9:00 a.m.
Saturday.

Concord Choir (Intermediates) ages 13-16
—6:45 p.m. Wednesday.

Chapel Choir (Young People) ages 17-24
(Single)—8:00 p.m. Monday.

Church Choir (Adults, Young Married and
Professional)—7:30 p.m. Thursday.

Your music director is conducting the music at the Gonzalez Baptist Church during its revival services this week. He will appreciate your prayers during this time. Mrs. Gloria Westmoreland assumed the responsibilities of the music director during the choir practice periods.

BAPTIST HIGHLIGHTS

So far in 1955, Cooperative Program receipts and funds from designated gifts have come to \$11,616,741, compared with \$10,915,251 through June, 1954. Funds, through the Cooperative Program and through special, designated offerings, totalled \$1,090,099 in June.

Congress has postponed until next year public hearings on a bill introduced by Representative Eugene Siler (R.-Ky.) to ban liquor and beer advertising from radio, television, and magazines circulating in interstate commerce.

Baptist layman Harold E. Stassen, former governor of Minnesota, became President Eisenhower's special assistant for disarmament, on July 1. He has been director of Foreign Operations Administration in Washington.

NORTH HILL NARRATIONS

Truly God's blessings were upon North Hill Chapel Sunday with 100 in Sunday School and with 62 in Training Union. We feel that this is but an indication of greater things to come in the future. Our first organized visitation was begun on Sunday afternoon and we were thrilled at the results of it. There are a multitude of people who do not attend any church and whose children do not regularly attend any Sunday School.

Additional facilities will increase our enrollment and attendance at both Sunday School and Training Union and we ask that everyone continue to pray for us as we draw up the plans for our new educational unit and that its construction will be made possible in the near future.

"... he that winneth souls is wise."—Proverbs 11:30.

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Sunday School

The Associational Sunday School Meeting is scheduled for August 22nd at Ensley, 7:30 p.m. Plan to be there and take someone with you.



Brotherhood

August Brotherhood Meeting

is to be a
FISH FRY

and
FELLOWSHIP

at
BAYVIEW PARK

You will want to be present. Tickets may be obtained from the following men: **Adult III Department**—Bill Osborn, John Myrick, R. C. Merritt. **Adult II**—Clarence Taylor and Bill Jackson. **Adult I**—Jim Drexler, or from Clyde Bizzell and the Church Office. Tickets are also available at North Hill.



Training Union

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

SUNDAY AFTERNOON

5:30

W.M.U. ROOM

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH JUNIOR CAMP

AUGUST 22-25, 1955

(Leave the church at 9:00 a.m. Monday, August 22.

Return to church after dinner Thursday. Will arrive at 2:30)

Tuesday night is Visitors Night. Parents and others are invited to come for the Evening Session beginning at 7:00. If you wish to come for supper, make reservation by calling the Church Office before 5:00 Monday.

ATTENTION!

INTERMEDIATES, SENIORS, YOUNG PEOPLE

We would like to have you come over to Camp Inky and spend Saturday afternoon with us.

Transportation will be provided from the church at 2:00.

Bring your swimsuit, a good appetite, and yourself. Y'all come!

But let us know you're coming by calling the Church Office.

LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

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| Sunday School Attendance..... | 914 |
| Members Present | 827 |
| New Members | 7 |
| Visitors | 80 |
| Circle Baptist Chapel..... | 139 |
| North Hill Baptist Chapel..... | 100 |
| Total Sunday School Attendance..... | 1152 |
| Attendance one year ago..... | 929 |
| Training Union Attendance..... | 215 |
| Members Present | 189 |
| New Members | 2 |
| Visitors | 24 |
| Circle Baptist Chapel..... | 39 |
| North Hill Baptist Chapel..... | 62 |
| Total Training Union Attendance..... | 316 |
| Attendance one year ago..... | 234 |
| Additions to church (Letter)..... | 5 |
| Tithes and Offerings: | |
| Budget | \$2,268.81 |
| (Circle—\$82.40) | |
| (North Hill—\$97.37) | |
| Specials | 269.37 |
| (Circle—\$.10) | |
| (North Hill—\$43.77—V.B.S.) | |
| Building Fund Designated..... | 232.95 |
| Total Offering | \$2,771.13 |



FIRST BAPTIST (Letter)

- 238 Miss Mary Kilgore, 1405 E. Jordan St.
 239 Miss Elaine Moore, 413 W. DeSoto St.
 240 Miss June Hoefer, 300 S. E. Kalash Rd.
 241 Miss Bette Carolyn Benton, 606 East Gadsden St.
 242 Miss Joyce Duncan, 413 W. DeSoto St.

"To Grow Tall Spiritually One Must Learn to Kneel."

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THE KING'S BUSINESS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21—

- 8:30 a.m.—Early Morning Worship. Pastor
 9:40 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages.
 Theron A. Guthrie, Supt.
 11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship. Pastor.
 (Broadcast over WPFA)
 3:30 p.m.—Baptist Hour on WEAR.
 5:30 p.m.—Training Union Executive
 Committee Meeting.
 6:40 p.m.—Training Union for all ages.
 A. Haywood Arnold, Director.
 8:00 p.m.—Evening Worship. Pastor.
 9:00 p.m.—Intermediate-Senior Teentime.
 W. M. U. Room.
 9:00 p.m.—Young People's Fellowship.
 Lower Auditorium.
 MONDAY, AUGUST 22—

- 6:00 p.m.—Y.W.A. Supper at church.
 7:30 p.m.—Associational Sunday School
 Executive Meeting.
 Ensley Baptist.
 8:00 p.m.—Young People's Choir rehearsal.
 TUESDAY, AUGUST 23—

- 10:00 a.m.—W.M.U. Executive Committee
 at church.
 4:00 p.m.—Sunbeams, Junior and Interme-
 diate G.A.'s, Junior R.A.'s meet
 at the church.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24—

- 6:00 p.m.—S. S. Teachers' and Officers'
 Meeting begins with supper.
 6:30 p.m.—Intermediate R.A.'s.
 6:45 p.m.—New Members' Class in South
 Wing of Auditorium. Mr. Mel
 Magidson leading.
 7:45 p.m.—Prayer Service. Mrs. F. B.
 Keene.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 25—

- 9:30 a.m.—CHURCH—
 2:30 p.m.—WIDE
 7:00 p.m.—VISITATION
 6:30 p.m.—Brotherhood Meeting.
 7:30 p.m.—Church Choir rehearsal.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 26—

STAFF RETREAT

- 7:30 p.m.—Staff Retreat continues with
 Personnel and Activities Com-
 mittee.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

OUR KNOWN SICK—Baptist Hospital:
 Esker Tyree; Dr. W. H. Coker, Sr.
 Hospital, Birmingham; Mrs. S. L. Ellis.
 Sacred Heart: Henry McLellan.

At Home: Mrs. Tate Bousman, L. C. Sasnett,
 Mrs. C. P. Creighton, Mrs. E. C. Austin,
 Mrs. A. V. Freeman, Mrs. A. J. Gahan.
 WEDDING BELLS: To Miss Ann Lynn Ra-
 born and William F. Stephens, in Sanford,
 Florida, on August 13, 1955.

SPECIAL
 YOUTH VISITATION
 THURSDAY,
 7:00 p.m.