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## OUR CHURCH MUSIC PROGRAM NEEDS YOU—YOU NEED MUSIC

### The Need

From the Sunday School, Training Union, W. M. U., and Brotherhood comes the constant appeal for music leadership and service. As all of these organizations increase so does the urgent call for Song Leaders, Pianists, and special music for both religious and social activities. The Choirs send forth a never ending call for those who seek musical and spiritual growth and real Christian service. A call is added for Choir Mothers to assist in the endless details in the activities of the Children's Choirs. There is always a need in our music program for those who are willing to give their time and talent in service for Christ.

### The Opportunity

Have you ever heard one say, "I can't sing. I don't know a thing about music?" And thus they felt they had no place in the music program of our church. Inherent within every human being is the ability to sing and to express his innermost feelings through music. God made you that way! The opportunity is NOW available to YOU and YOURS to develop and train the musical ability which God has so graciously given to you. Whether you feel your talent is great or small, contact the Minister of Music and let him help you use it to the glory of God.

### The Blessings

Whether you desire to serve the Lord as a song leader or pianist, a choir member or choir mother, the joys and blessings of training and service to others through sacred music are yours for the asking. Music classes and private instruction are available to those who seek to be better equipped for their music responsibilities. The Music Program offers to all who desire them: training and guidance in the fundamentals, understanding, and use of music as a means to a richer, happier life, and as a means of Christian service to others. Music can change your life and bring to you many lasting joys and blessings.



### OUR BUILDING FUND TO DATE

Given to date	\$374,597.57
Borrowed	100.00
Total	\$374,697.57
Less:	
Payments to Contractor	\$365,616.73
Balance	\$ 9,080.84

# Viewpoint

By NATHAN C. BROOKS, JR.

Our Library staff, committee, and volunteer helpers have done a good job of making us conscious of the valuable contribution that our library can make. The attractiveness of the library has been increased and the Dedication Service last Sunday night was meaningful. To Mrs. Stoesen, and all of those associated with her, a hearty "thank you". If you have not looked in on the library this week, do so as soon as possible.

Change of Address information is needed by the church office all along. Please help us by giving us your correct address whenever you move.

The Latest Report concerning our Every Member Canvass shows that we have pledged a total of \$236,392.77 to our combined Budget and Building Fund goals.

The Florida Baptist Convention, in Lakeland, named Dr. Henry Ashmore to serve on the Education Commission of Florida Baptists. Dr. Preston Sellers was named the Convention President, and the 1957 meeting was set for Pensacola. Next year the sessions will be held in Orlando. The spirit of the Lakeland gathering was one of progressiveness and harmony. While there were few mountain peaks in the program, the whole Convention moved at a "plateau level". I considered the messages of Dr. Leichleither, our Foundation Secretary, and Dr. Benjamin Mays, the President of Morehouse College, Atlanta, the most meaningful that I heard.

**The Thanksgiving Services**—Keep in mind the fact that our Training Union is sponsoring an early morning worship service at 7:00 a.m. on Thanksgiving Day. Your pastor is scheduled to preach at the 10 a.m. service at the First Methodist Church.

Notice that our latest payment to our building contractor almost consumed all of our Building Fund gifts. We will really be at the borrowing stage in our program when the next bill is received. Every dollar contributed now will save that much interest. Incidentally, you will be interested to know that the recent progress on the building has brought the construction back on schedule.

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## Sermon Topics

8:30 and 11:00 a.m.  
"Learning To Read the  
Past"  
Job 8:8, 10  
7:30 p.m.  
Choir Dedication



## Music Notes

The Choir Dedication Service Sunday evening is more than a service in song. It will be more than a dedication service. It will be more than a Thanksgiving service. It will be all three of these things combined into one. We believe that you will want to be present to participate in this dedication of musical talent, from leadership to the smallest choir. Your support in musical activities is as important as is the service of those who participate. I hope that ALL will come.

THANK YOU, MOTHERS! Many mothers have given freely of their time these past two weeks to help with the tremendous task of making 110 choir robes for the Celestial, Cherub and Carol choirs. To each of you I wish to express my gratitude and appreciation. It was a big job and extremely well done. The spirit and cooperation evidenced in this undertaking shows what this church can do when it pulls together. Thank you again.

We wish to express our appreciation to the following firms: The Singer Sewing Machine Company, for the loan of several new sewing machines; Moore's Trim Shop, for the loan of an electric cutting machine.

All choirs are asked to be robed and assembled by 7:15 Sunday evening. Choir Mothers and helpers are asked to be in their proper places by 7:00 p.m. We must be ready to march promptly at 7:25.

## GRADED CHOIR ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Church	21
Chapel	10
Concord	12
Carol	41
Cherub	31
Celestial	13
Total	128

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## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

**OUR KNOWN SICK:** Baptist Hospital: Mrs. W. B. Townley; Mr. Joe L. Ballenger.

**Ill At Home**—Mr. C. E. McNabb, 3421 N. 9th; Mrs. B. I. Rowell, 211 W. Romana; Mrs. Annette Scott, 1312 E. Hernandez; Mr. L. L. Hanks, 530 S. First St., Warriington; Miss Lola Helm, 20 W. Lee St.

## RECEPTION At East Hill

honoring Dr. Preston Sellers  
newly-elected president of the  
Florida Baptist Convention  
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, November 22  
Lower Auditorium  
East Hill Baptist Church

## NORTH HILL NARRATIONS

In our Sunday School assembly Sunday morning there were only three vacant seats and we had one of our best days with 105 people present. We are planning to enlarge our auditorium by removing the rear partitions as soon as we have the full use of our new educational unit. With the addition of pews in this enlarged auditorium we will be able to more than double the seating capacity of our church. When these changes have been made our auditorium will be painted and will provide a much more worshipful atmosphere. Our Training Union is continuing to gain in numbers and spiritual strength and we are thankful for this.

We invite all the members of our mother church to visit our new educational building. You will be thrilled at what has been done with the money that you have so sacrificially given.

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ."—Ephesians 1:3.

## CIRCLE CHAPEL CHIMES

The Lord blessed us with a beautiful day on Sunday, and our Chapel was blessed with a great day. Good attendances at all services and four additions made our hearts thrill.

We extend to all an invitation to come and look over our new building. No, it is not completed, but the outside is finished and work will move swiftly inside as soon as materials are available.

Next Sunday is Library Emphasis Sunday at the Chapel. As soon as the church office in the new building is ready, we will turn over the present office space to our library. Mrs. Jackie Payne is our Librarian, and has been working very hard to have plans ready for a helpful Church Library. According to our calendar, we hope to open the library for "customers" on December 18th.

Our Brotherhood is promoting the early morning Thanksgiving service at 7:00 a.m. Thursday. After the service, Thanksgiving baskets will be distributed, and the ladies of the W. M. S. will serve coffee and donuts to all present. By the way, don't forget your contribution to these baskets. Bring the gifts any time between now and Thursday morning. Help to make for some family a bright Thanksgiving Day.

## ATTENDANCE

## MISSIONARY ORGANIZATIONS

Sunbeams .....	43
Girls' Auxiliary .....	41
Junior R.A.'s .....	14
Intermediate R.A.'s .....	6
Y. W. A.....	3
Young Men's Brotherhood.....	5

Total ..... 112

## ASSOCIATIONAL SUNDAY

### SCHOOL MEETING

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21st

7:30 P.M.

### IN OUR CHURCH

Theme: "A Vision That Compels"

Departmental Conferences

Message by Rev. Fred Chance

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## BROTHERHOOD MEETING

Tuesday, November 22

6:30 P.M.

GOOD DINNER

GOOD MUSIC

THANKSGIVING MESSAGE

by Pastor

PLAYLET by Intermediate R. A.'s

PROGRAM by members of the  
Young Men's Brotherhood

Tickets available from : Clarence Taylor,  
J. H. Myrick, W. T. Osborn, W. E.  
Jackson, Jim Drexler, R. C. Merritt,  
or from church office.

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## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

### MEETING

Sunday afternoon is the time for our Training Union Executive Committee meeting.

All General Officers, Department Officers, Counselors, Leaders, Sponsors, and Presidents of Young People and Adult Unions are urged to be present at 5:00 in the W. M. U. Room.

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## GROUP SCHOOLS

A good group of our people attended the Group Training Schools this past week. Much good will come from these days of training.

Thank you for your faithfulness.

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## THE CHOIR DEDICATION

### SERVICE

A time for:

Dedication of Music Leadership

Dedication of each Graded Choir

Dedication of the Congregation

All these to the end that we may worship God more deeply, with a keener understanding of His word; that we may enrich the lives of those around us; that we may experience the joys of self-expression through the great hymns of our church; that we may GLORIFY GOD.

## LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance.....	1054
Members Present .....	953
New Members .....	12
Visitors .....	88
Circle Baptist Chapel.....	114
North Hill Baptist Chapel.....	105
Escambia County Jail.....	20
<b>Total Sunday School Attendance.....</b>	<b>1293</b>
Attendance one year ago.....	1043
Training Union Attendance.....	264
Members Present .....	240
New Members .....	6
Visitors .....	18
Circle Baptist Chapel.....	50
North Hill Baptist Chapel.....	50
<b>Total Training Union Attendance.....</b>	<b>364</b>
Attendance one year ago.....	274
Additions to church membership.....	6
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget .....	\$2,757.44
(Circle—\$164.92)	
(North Hill—\$117.44)	
Specials .....	94.85
Building Fund Designated.....	578.70
Circle Chapel Building Fund....	25.05
New Organ Fund.....	12.00
<b>TOTAL OFFERING .....</b>	<b>\$3,468.04</b>



### FIRST BAPTIST (Letter)

41 Miss Maxine E. Kent, 1600 W. Chase.  
CIRCLE CHAPEL (Letter)

42 Mr. R. L. Clark, 215 Frisco Road.

43 Mrs. R. L. Clark, 215 Frisco Road.

44 Mr. John Clark, 215 Frisco Road.

### FIRST BAPTIST (Baptism)

8 Mr. Boris Mitchell, 1322 N. 57th Ave.,  
Myrtle Grove.

### CIRCLE CHAPEL (Baptism)

9 Mr. Dennis Clark, 215 Frisco Road.

### DEDICATION TO FULL-TIME

### CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Miss Sue Jernigan, 18 N. Reus Street

## UNION THANKSGIVING

### SERVICE

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

10:00 A.M.

Sermon by Rev. Nathan C. Brooks, Jr.

## THANKSGIVING MORNING

### SERVICE AND BREAKFAST

On Thanksgiving Morning, our Training Union is sponsoring the Annual Thanksgiving Service and Breakfast.

The scheduled activities are:

7:00—Thanksgiving Service in Auditorium. Following this service, groups will deliver Thanksgiving Baskets.

8:30—Breakfast.

## THE KING'S BUSINESS

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20—

8:30 a.m.—Early Morning Worship. Pastor
9:40 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages.
Teron Guthrie, Supt.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship. Pastor.
3:30 p.m.—Baptist Hour on WEAR.
5:00 p.m.—Chapel Choir Rehearsal.
5:00 p.m.—Training Union Executive Committee.
5:30 p.m.—Departmental (T.U.) Executive Committee.
6:10 p.m.—Training Union for all ages.
Haywood Arnold, Director
7:30 p.m.—Evening Worship.
Choir Dedication Service.
8:30 p.m.—Young People's Fellowship.
Lower Auditorium.
8:30 p.m.—Intermediate-Senior Teentime.
W. M. U. Room.

### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21—

6:30 p.m.—Y.W.A.-Young Men's Brotherhood Supper Meeting.
7:30 p.m.—Associational Sunday School Mass Meeting, with Conferences. First Baptist Church.

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22—

10:00 a.m.—W. M. S. Executive Committee
3:15 p.m.—Cherub Choir Rehearsal.
4:00 p.m.—Celestial Choir Rehearsal.
4:00 p.m.—Sunbeams, Junior and Intermediate G.A.'s, Junior R.A.'s meet at church.
6:30 p.m.—Brotherhood Meeting.

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23—

6:00 p.m.—Sunday School Teachers and Officers' Meeting begins with supper.
6:30 p.m.—Intermediate R.A.'s
6:45 p.m.—Concord Choir Rehearsal.
7:45 p.m.—Prayer Service.
8:30 p.m.—Church Choir Rehearsal.

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24—

7:00 a.m.—Training Union sponsored Thanksgiving Service and Baskets to Needy Families.
10:00 a.m.—Union Thanksgiving Service.

First Methodist Church.
Nathan C. Brooks, Jr., speaker.
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26—

9:00 a.m.—Carol Choir Rehearsal.

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