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How to Behave in Church

When once thy foot enters the church, be bare.
God is more there than thou; for thou art there
Only by His permission. Then beware,
And make thyself all reverence and fear.

Kneeling ne'er spoiled silk stockings; quit thy state.
All equal are within the church's gate. . . .

Let vain or busy thoughts have there no part,
Bring not thy plough, thy plots, thy pleasures thither.
Christ purged His temple; so must thou thy heart.
All worldly thoughts are but thieves met together
To cozen thee. Look to thy actions well;
For churches are either our heaven or hell.

Judge not the preacher, for he is thy judge;
If thou mislike him, thou conceiv'st him not.
God calleth preaching folly. Do not grudge
To pick out treasures from an earthen pot.
The worst speaks something good: if all want sense,
God takes a text, and preacheth patience.

—George Herbert

THE PASTOR PREACHES SUNDAY

A.M.—“STANDING TOO CLOSE”, Matthew 17:19

P.M.—“THE MOVING FINGER”, John 8:8

Viewpoint

By NATHAN C. BROOKS, JR.

Imagine My Surprise as I went to the Billy Graham meeting, July 14, when I found Norvell Jones waiting for me at the top of the escalator. He had seen me getting in line to get in. Many of you will know that he has been the very fine Superintendent of the East Hill Sunday School. Chemstrand has transferred him to the business office on the 17th floor of the Empire State Building. East Hill and Pensacola will miss Norvell and his family. He and I sat on the top row of the top balcony behind the choir. But we were there, incidentally, Chemstrand has taken over the entire seventeenth floor of Empire State.

Last Saturday Night I was one of an audience of 100,000 (according to *The New York Times*) at Yankee Stadium for the Graham service there. Many of you saw the television presentation of the service, I am sure. The Times reports that 10,000 could not get in. I know one thing, it was the largest crowd at a Christian meeting I ever saw. Imagine everybody in Pensacola, Warrington, and Brownsville in one service and you'd still be thousands short of the Stadium crowd.

I Was Pleased to discover from a copy of *The Party Line* that through the first Sunday in July our average attendance for the Sunday School year is 1037. That was just two above the 1953 average, but it is still a record. Let's work just a little harder, even in summer.

I Am Anxious to have as many of our members as possible in attendance upon our next Sunday morning worship service. I will be back in the pulpit, and we will certainly be happy to welcome all of the visitors, but the message Sunday morning will be directed particularly to the membership of our church.

At The Prayer Service hour next Wednesday night I will speak on *Impressions From The Garden*. This will be my effort to report to you and evaluate for you the Billy Graham Crusade in New York City.

Roland H. Bainton is a professor of church history at Yale University. He knows how to tell history's story in a popular vein. Perhaps some of you have read his *Here I Stand*, the biography of Martin Luther. Among other books that I have read this summer has been his *The Reformation of The Sixteenth Century*. While his text has not been particularly prepared for use by a church group, I have been wondering if many of our people would like to have such a study arranged. It is possible that we might avoid some of the mistakes of others in the past if we only knew their story better. They might help us to serve the Lord more effectively. Would you be interested? Let me know!

THANK YOU

We want to say, "Thank You" to Mr. A. L. Harrell, 2600 N. Yates Avenue, for the gift to the church of a piano which is being used in the Senior 15 Department.

DON'T FORGET

Every member of the church is urged to turn in your Nomination for Deacons. If you have misplaced the Builder of July 12 which contained the form to be used, you may secure one from the church office.

The nominations must be in by noon on Monday, July 29.

OUR CHURCH CAMPS

In looking over the list of those who have registered for our camps this year, we are happy to note that many of last year's campers are returning this year.

We're looking forward to good camps.

We are asking that all registrations be in by Wednesday, July 31.

OUR CHURCH KINDERGARTEN

We have registered 20 children for our Kindergarten. The Kindergarten Committee and Mrs. Stoesen have set a limit of 22, so there are two more places.

MISSIONARY ORGANIZATIONS ATTENDANCE

Junior R. A.'s.....	11
Intermediate R. A.'s.....	17
Total.....	28

ASSOCIATIONAL HYMN SING

SUNDAY, JULY 28
2:30 P.M.

MYRTLE GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

STATE BROTHERHOOD ENCAMPMENT

FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSEMBLY GROUNDS AT PANAMA CITY

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2

2:00 p.m.—Registration Begins.
3:30 p.m.—First Session Begins.

Encampment ends Saturday, Aug. 3,
1:00 p.m.

MEALS AND LODGING—\$2.50

SOUTHWIDE

NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF SOUTHERN BAPTIST MEN

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
SEPTEMBER 18-20, 1957

We would like to have our church represented. If you can go, talk to Mr. Bizzell or Mr. Overman right away.

SUNDAY SERVICES: Sunday School, 9:30
Morning Worship, 11:00
Training Union, 6:40; Evening Worship, 8:00

AUGUST, 1957

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES: 6:00—Supper; 6:25—Sunday School Officers' and Teachers' Meeting and Directed Activities for Children; 7:45—Prayer Service.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		EACH TUESDAY MORNING AT 9:30 Sunbeams, Junior G. A., Junior High G. A., and Junior R. A. meetings at the church. 4:45 Wednesday—Junior-Senior High School Choir. 7:30 Thursday—Church Choir Rehearsal. 6:40 Wednesday—Intermediate R. A., Senior G. A., YWA.		1 3:30 p.m.—Junior Reading Club Party. 7:30 p.m.—Int.-Sr. Reading Club Party. 7:30 p.m.—Church Choir Rehearsal	2 3:30 p.m.—Primary Library Reading Club Party	3
4	5	6 Intermediate- Senior Camp	7	8 Camp	9 Glory	10
		7:00—Boy Scouts	10:00 WMS Circles 7:30—Bro. Exec.	9:30-7:00 VISITATION 7:30—Church Choir	9-10—Young People's	Retreat—Camp Glory
11	12	13 JUNIOR	14 CAMP	15 AUGUST 12-16	16 CAMP	17 GLORY
		7:30—Assoc. T. U. Meeting 7:00—Boy Scouts 7:30—Deacons Mtg.	10:00—WMS Meeting 7:30—BWC Meeting in Homes	7:45—Prayer Service and Bus. Conf.	9:30-7:00 VISITATION 7:30—Church Choir	PRIMARY CAMP
18	19	20	21	22 9:30-7:00 VISITATION 6:15—Choir Supper 7:30—Church Choir 7:00—BWC Federation	23	24
5:30—T. U. Exec. Com.	7:00—Boy Scouts 7:30—Assoc. S. S. Meeting First Baptist	7:00—Brotherhood Supper				
25	26	27 10:00—W.M.S. Exec. Com. 6:00 p.m.—BWC's Picnic, Quiet Water Beach 7:30—S. S. Supts. in the Chapel	28	29 9:30-7:00 VISITATION 7:30—Church Choir Off-to-College Banq.	30	31

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LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance.....	829
Members Present	748
New Members	8
Visitors	73
(Attendance one year ago)..	930
North Hill Baptist Chapel.....	103
Escambia County Jail.....	28
Total Sunday School Attendance.....	960
Training Union Attendance.....	223
Members Present	199
New Members	6
Visitors	18
(Attendance one year ago)..	189
North Hill Baptist Chapel.....	84
Total Training Union Attendance.....	307
Additions to church membership.....	3
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$3,427.20
(North Hill	\$193.66)
Specials	196.02
Building Fund, First Baptist.....	379.50
TOTAL OFFERING	\$4,002.72

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WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

FIRST BAPTIST—Letter

158. Mr. Richard E. Holladay, 411 Hallmark.
159. Mr. John Louis Cumbie, 31 W. Wright.
160. Mr. Paul Von Ward, 720 N. Palafox.

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OUR CHURCH FAMILY

OUR KNOWN SICK: Sacred Heart Hospital—Mr. Roy Philpot, Mrs. Douglas Busey. Baptist Hospital—Mr. G. T. Sutton. Home from Hospital—Mrs. E. Warren, Mrs. W. H. Coker, Jr., Mrs. John Feldman, Mrs. L. L. Hanks, Mrs. Mack Tripp, Mrs. T. A. Bowman, Miss Gwen Dannelly, Mr. G. T. Sutton.

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CLASS MEETINGS

TUESDAY, JULY 30—

7:30 p.m.—Fidelis Class meets with Mrs. Claude Adkison, 710 North 7th Avenue.
7:30 p.m.—Lydia Bible Class meets with Mrs. Bessie Fillingim, 1900 N. 10th Avenue.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2—

2:30 p.m.—Willing Workers Class meets with Mrs. H. D. Lamkin, 1420 East Bobe Street, for business and social meeting.



The Training Union Monthly Officers Council Meeting will be held next Monday.

Supper will be served at 6:30 p.m. with Adult D. Department assisting. Those not coming for supper should plan to be present in the Dining Room by 6:55.



Our Sunday School Superintendents' Meeting will be held Tuesday, 7:30 p.m., in the chapel.

All General Officers and Department Superintendents are urged to be present.

PRAYER SERVICE

NEXT WEDNESDAY
IN THE SANCTUARY—7:45

The Pastor Speaks on his
"Impressions From The Garden"
A Report from the Billy Graham
Crusade

SUMMER READING CLUB PARTIES

Our 1957 Summer Reading Clubs will be completed next Sunday.

At the Supper Hour next Wednesday there will be a brief emphasis on this part of our library ministry.

Then, there are to be parties next week for each of the groups that participated:

Thursday, August 1, 3:30 p.m.—Juniors.
Thursday, August 1, 7:30 p.m.—Intermediates-Seniors.

Friday, August 2, 2:30 p.m.—Primaries.

IN APPRECIATION

We are grateful to the members of the First Baptist Church and to the members of North Hill Baptist Chapel for the beautiful flowers that were sent and for the many kind expressions of sympathy to our family upon the death of my father.

It is a blessing and a privilege to be associated with so wonderful a group of God's children. May God richly bless you each and everyone.

W. J. RUNNELS