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Dr. Batson Chosen to Lead Church in Budget Pledging

On Wednesday Night, the Church elected Dr. P. G. Batson to lead this church in cooperating with the Southern Baptist Forward Program of Church Finance.

For 29 days, from October 27 to November 24, Dr. Batson will lead us in a stewardship emphasis and the pledging of our 1958 Budget.

Commenting on the experience of the Parkway Church, Jackson, Mississippi, in using the Forward Program of Church Finance last year in a denomination-sponsored test of the procedures, Dr. G. Norman Price, Pastor, said, "Doubling our gifts through the Cooperative Program was our greatest thrill."

Comparing 1955 and 1956 in the First Baptist Church, Jackson, Mississippi, Dr. W. D. Hudgins, Pastor, stated, "Last year we got pledges from 1,420 of our members. This year 2,250 members made pledges. Last year's budget was \$271,500, and we set a rather challenging goal of \$401,000 for this campaign. We reached 93 per cent of our goal."



Viewpoint

By NATHAN C. BROOKS, JR.

We Are Grateful to God for our new building; for the rich fellowship that marks our walking together in the Lord; for the opportunities that are ours.

Our Gratitude Needs Practical Expression in a better stewardship of material things. At the end of September, our contributions lacked \$5,065.29 of taking care of all of the outstanding current obligations of our church.

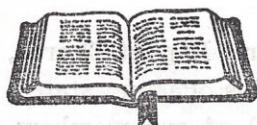
The Answer is not to be found in curtailing the program and work of the church in the name of Christ. The right answer is to be found in a better stewardship of our material things. So far as the financial records of our church are concerned there are 831 members who have not made a recorded gift this year. 322 of these live right here in Pensacola.

I Can't Believe that there are 322 of us who have had no blessings from God. I can't believe that there are 322 of us who are satisfied to do nothing for the work of the Lord.

Our Records show that 475 of us have committed ourselves to tithe. The pastor and the members of his family are in this group. You expect that of us. The really important thing is what the Lord is expecting of all of us. If you are not tithing your income, are you satisfied that you are doing all that the Lord expects? The answer is between each of us and God, himself.

This Is The Time to do our best, not the little thing, in the name of Christ.

The Forward Program of Church Finance will challenge us to undertake more during 1958. We need to move forward NOW in our Stewardship.



SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

Danger: Mixed Marriages!
I Corinthians 11:26

7:30 P.M.

Sex: Hollywood or Home?
I Corinthians 6:20



W.M.U.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

10:00 a.m.

W. M. S. Bible Study
in the Chapel

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B. W. C. FEDERATION

The Pensacola Bay Business Women's Federation will be held Thursday, October 24 at the Whitfield Baptist Church. It will begin with a supper at 7:00 p.m. Please make your reservations through your circle chairman or by calling the church office.

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MISSIONARY ORGANIZATIONS ATTENDANCE

Beginner Sunbeams	16
Primary Sunbeams	19
Junior G. A.'s.....	4
Junior 9-10 R. A.'s.....	9
Junior 11-12 R. A.'s.....	3
Total.....	51

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I WILL . . . FOR NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS

1. I will accept my office believing God needs me right there.
2. I will do my best—and not my "excuse best."
3. I will be loyal and faithful to the worship services.
4. I will learn the "how" of my office and not remain ignorant as to its functions.
5. I will spend some time each day in prayer.
6. I will not only pray for the lost—by name—I will "go" and try to win them.
7. I will visit because "when we go, they come."
8. I will be friendly and will make people love this church because of my love for my church and my Saviour.
9. I will work with the WHOLE church program and not develop a "class" loyalty—or an "organization" loyalty.
10. I will remember that my church will be judged by my actions and will seek to make my daily life count for much.
11. I will study God's Word—the Bible—daily.
12. I will strengthen the hand of my pastor and the leaders of my church and its organizations.
13. I will follow God's way in matters of stewardship.
14. Above all—I will try to know God's will and follow it.

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Sunday School

At the Officers' and Teachers' Meeting next Wednesday, all departments and classes that received Standard Recognition during the 1956-57 Sunday School Year will be recognized.

Congratulations to these workers of Standard units:

Adult Classes

Bykota Class in Adult D Department, Mrs. Ruth Adams, teacher.

Mary Martha Class in Adult D Department, Mrs. John F. Busey, teacher.

Willing Workers Class in Adult E Department, Mrs. R. C. Keith, teacher.

Convention Bible Class in Adult E Department, Mrs. Amzie Wilson, teacher.

Primary Classes

Mrs. L. M. Steele's class in Primary 7A.

Mrs. E. E. Olson's class in Primary 6A.

Mrs. Earl R. Gaston's class in Primary 8B.

Mrs. J. L. Hackett's class in Primary 6A.

Mrs. Emil Anderson's class in Primary 6A.

Mrs. A. L. Stanton's class in Primary 6A.

Mrs. Felix Woolf's class in Primary 6B.

Junior Classes

Mrs. J. R. Marble's class in Junior 10. Church Goers Class in Junior 10 (Mrs. L. D. Allen).

Departments:

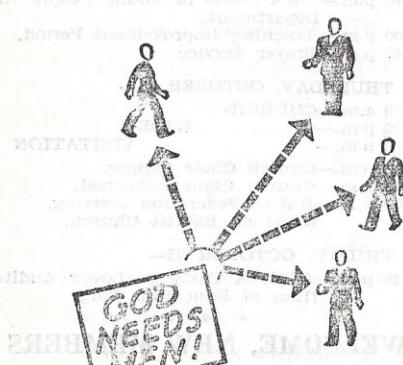
Primary 6A, Mrs. K. K. Knight, Superintendent.

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MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers Sunday are placed in memory of Miss Dora Lee Clark, by Mrs. T. C. Taylor.

Join the Brotherhood



HIGHLIGHTS OF ASSOCIATIONAL LETTER

Baptisms	128
Other Additions	229
Present Members	2,596
Loss by Death and Transfer.....	357
Sunday School Enrolment.....	2,141
Vacation Bible School Enrolment	372
Training Union Enrolment.....	655
W. M. U. Enrolment.....	298
Brotherhood Enrolment	145

Total Gifts for
All Purposes..... \$243,008.00

Total Mission
Expenditures..... \$ 33,511.00



Training Union

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

This coming Sunday is the time for the Executive Committee Meetings of our Training Union. All General Officers, Department Officers, Leaders, Sponsors, and Counselors, are urged to be present at 5 o'clock in the Chapel for the General Executive Committee Meeting.

We hope that this first meeting of the new year will be well attended.

MONTHLY OFFICERS' COUNCIL MEETING

The Monthly Officers Council Meeting is Monday, October 28. Keep this date open and plan to be present.

BROTHERHOOD MEETING

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

6:30 p.m.

This will be the first meeting presided over by Mr. R. L. Kendrick, the New President.

Mr. E. Dixie Beggs will tell of his trip to Europe last summer.

Tickets are available from the following: Lon Roberts, Jr., Adult A; W. L. Warren and Joe Ladner, Adult B; T. A. Wash, Adult C; Claude Vice, U. E. Jutila and W. P. Mooty, Adult D; R. C. Merritt and John Myrick, Adult E; Jim McCaskill, Young People A; Clyde Bizzell or the Church Office; Robert Jernigan in Teacher Training Class.

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CHURCH OFFICE.....HE 3-5451



LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance.....	1055
Members Present	994
New Members	8
Visitors	53
(Attendance one year ago. 1115)	
Escambia County Jail.....	10
Total Sunday School Attendance.....	1065
Training Union Attendance.....	277
Members Present	258
New Members	5
Visitors	14
(Attendance one year ago. 326)	
Additions to church membership.....	2
Baptized	2
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$2,499.28
Specials	222.72
Building Fund, First Baptist.....	873.95
TOTAL OFFERING	\$3,595.95

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

OUR KNOWN SICK: Veterans Hospital,
Biloxi—H. C. Stringfield, Jr. Ill at Home
Bill Ogle, 207 Donald Drive.

SYMPATHY TO: Mr. Ben McLeod in the
loss of his father; Mr. G. M. Doyal in the
loss of his mother; Mr. Jack Collins in
the loss of his father; Mr. O. M. Vineyard
in the loss of his mother.

CONGRATULATIONS TO: Comdr. and
Mrs. J. R. Thomson (Babette Page) on the
birth of a daughter, October 9, in Quon-
set Point, R. I.

USE OUR CHURCH LIBRARY

CHURCH DIRECTORY

CHURCH OFFICE HE 3-5451

CHURCH STAFF Residence Phones

Nathan C. Brooks, Jr., Pastor..... HE 3-1502
Clyde K. Bizzell, Assistant to Pastor HE 3-2580
Dr. G. J. Rousseau, Pastor Emeritus
Jesse Miller, Interim Minister of
 Music..... HE 3-7596
Mrs. Jesse Miller, Interim Organist. HE 3-7596
Eloise Hughes, Pastor's Secretary..... HE 3-6035
Mrs. James Rountree, Financial Sec. HE 2-1326
Lorraine Worley, Educational Sect'y HE 3-6465
Ernest Barrineau, Treasurer..... HE 2-5079
S. R. Rutherford, Custodian..... HE 3-3059
Mrs. Kitty Manning, Dietician..... GL 6-2124

CHURCH OFFICERS

J. Nixon Daniel, Chr. of Deacons..... HE 8-5973
T. A. Guthrie, Sunday School Supt..... HE 2-6683
Clarence L. Taylor, Tra. Union Dir..... HE 8-5967
R. L. Kendrick, Brotherhood Pres..... HE 2-5268
Mrs. Henry L. Ashmore, WMU Pres..... HE 3-4743



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20—

9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages.
 THERON GUTHRIE, Supt.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship. Pastor.
5:00 p.m.—Training Union Executive Committee.
5:30 p.m.—Training Union Department Executive Committees.
5:05 p.m.—Baptist Hour. WCOA.
 Speaker: Dr. Roy O. McClain.
 Subject: "When We Walk With the Lord"
6:10 p.m.—Training Union for all ages.
 CLARENCE TAYLOR, Director.
7:30 p.m.—Evening Worship. Pastor.
8:30 p.m.—Intermediate-Senior Fellowship.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21—

7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts.
 Lower Auditorium.
7:30 p.m.—Deacons' Meeting in Chapel.
7:30 p.m.—Primary 8B Party in Primary 8B Department.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22—

10:00 a.m.—W.M.S. Bible Study in the Chapel.
4:00 p.m.—Beginner Sunbeams, and Junior G.A. meet at church.
6:30 p.m.—Brotherhood Supper Meeting.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23—

4:45 p.m.—Cherub Choir (6-8) in Junior 10.
4:45 p.m.—Carol Choir (9-12) in Junior 9.
4:45 p.m.—Concord Choir in Junior 11.
4:45 p.m.—Chapel Choir in the Chapel.
6:00 p.m.—Sunday School Officers' and Teachers' Meeting begins with supper. Junior 11 serving.
6:30 p.m.—Sunbeams meet.
6:30 p.m.—Junior G.A. meets in Room 23.
6:30 p.m.—Junior 9-10 R.A. meets in Room 18
6:30 p.m.—Junior 11-12 R.A. meets in Married Young People's Dept.
6:30 p.m.—Intermediate G.A. meets in Room 24.
6:30 p.m.—Senior G.A. meets in Senior 15.
6:30 p.m.—Intermediate R.A. meets in Lower Auditorium.
6:40 p.m.—YWA meets in Young People "A" Department.
7:00 p.m.—Teaching Improvement Period.
7:45 p.m.—Prayer Service.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24—

9:30 a.m.—CHURCH- WIDE
2:30 p.m.— VISITATION
7:00 p.m.—
6:15 p.m.—Church Choir Supper.
7:15 p.m.—Church Choir Rehearsal.
7:00 p.m.—B.W.C. Federation Meeting.
 Whitfield Baptist Church.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25—

7:30 p.m.—Adult A Party in Lower Auditorium of Education Bldg.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS LETTER—

5. Dr. Bill Moore, 908½ E. Belmont Street.
6. Mrs. Bill Moore, 908½ E. Blount Street.

TWO BAPTIZED SUNDAY

Miss Elizabeth Barrineau and Ens. Tsuneyoshi Suzuki.