

The Baptist Builder

A Publication of First Baptist Church
NATHAN C. BROOKS, JR., Th.M., Pastor
Palafox and LaRue — Pensacola, Fla.

Volume VIII

NOVEMBER 15, 1957

Number 46

Why Pledge Day?

That's a good question!

Why Sunday? Why Christmas?

Why birthdays, or the Fourth of July?

Man, being what he is, needs to remember.

Washington's Birthday reminds us of the Father of our country.

July 4th helps us not to forget our forefathers.

Sunday warns us that we are not merely physical beings, but must be nourished spiritually.

Pledge Day? Why that simply affords an opportunity for the Christian:

- To remember the love of Christ,
- To rejoice in our great Salvation,
- To recall the vows of allegiance made to Jesus, and the obligations of church membership.

I am glad that I can say, "My Jesus, I Love Thee" next Sunday, Pledge Day, and that I can say it with my stewardship pledge.



Viewpoint

By NATHAN C. BROOKS, JR.

The Time Is Short—The Florida Baptist Convention is in session and there is going to be no opportunity for me to have another personal word with you about the Loyalty Dinner, Friday, November 16, 6:30 p.m. Some have not yet understood what this is all about. I believe your questions will be answered at the dinner itself. That's why it is so important that you be present. If at all possible, let me insist that you attend. Please make a reservation, however. Do that right now!

About Sunday—Through our Sunday School organization an effort will be made to enlist every member of our Sunday School and Church in a pledge to the cause of Christ represented through the budget of the church. Each of us receives blessings from God. Each of us wants to bring gifts to God.

Children may have little financial income. However, as they share in the blessings of the family income, they want to share in the family giving. It is not sufficient for a father to give for each member of the family, just as it is not sufficient for him to eat for each member. Each child will want to pledge.

In Addition—The child who is taught to give now is not usually a problem in the stewardship program of his church as an adult. To learn the lessons of Christian giving in the early years is to be fortunate.

Some Of Us who agree with the finance company to pay for a car, or with the telephone people to pay for use of a 'phone, or with the city to meet our obligations for water and gas, still find it easy to argue that one ought not to make a pledge to the church for the Lord's work. Seems peculiar, doesn't it.

After All, your church does not consider such a pledge as a legal obligation. If conditions change for the individual, the pledge can be changed. Surely we want to be as fair with God as we are in assuming other obligations in life.

There Will Be Two Thanksgiving Services in our church building. The Training Union sponsored service will be at 7:00 a.m., followed by the delivery of baskets and breakfast. At 10:00 a.m., there will be the Annual Thanksgiving Service sponsored by the Downtown Churches. Plan now to "Give Thanks Unto The Lord."

I Can Not Say Enough "Thank You's" to people who so graciously assisted in entertaining the Florida Baptist State Convention. You did your job well. I am grateful! You know how to be good hosts.

NO PARKING
AT
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
HALL
SUNDAY,
NOVEMBER 17



Training Union

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17

- 5:00 p.m.—General Executive Committee Meeting in the Chapel.
- 5:30 p.m.—Departments meet for Executive Committee.



Sunday School

ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18
7:30 p.m.

First Baptist Church, CANTONMENT

Pledge Cards to Be Turned In

This year we are asking that Pledge Cards be turned in by Sunday School members during the Sunday School hour in each department. The Superintendents are planning for this to be done during the early part of the Assembly Period, so that they may be brought to the Tally Committee in the Church Office.



SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"Living In The Suburbs"
Revelations 3:15-16

7:30 P.M.

"Motives That Move Men"
II Corinthians 5:14a

CLASS GOALS FOR 1958 CHURCH BUDGET

Classes—	Enrolled	Pledges	Tithers	Amount Weekly Pledge
General Officers	17	17	17	\$170.00
Teacher Training	23	23	18	75.00

ADULT E				
Dept. Officers	6	6	6	50.00
Mr. Beggs' class.....	88	88	30	300.00
Mr. Johns' class.....	12	9	5	30.00
Mrs. Kennedy's class ..	47	47	17	110.00
Mrs. Wilson's class..	27	27	15	35.00
Mrs. Keith's class.....	34	34	17	55.00
Mrs. Farmer's class..	33	33	13	35.00
TOTALS.....	247	244	103	\$615.00

ADULT D				
Dept. Officers	5	5	5	25.00
Mr. Dannelly's class ..	21	15	8	100.00
Mr. Eubanks' class....	16	12	6	75.00
Mrs. Busey's class....	15	15	15	40.00
Mrs. Deese's class.....	23	20	10	75.00
Mrs. Adams' class.....	12	8	7	25.00
TOTALS.....	92	75	51	\$340.00

ADULT C				
Dept. Officers	6	6	6	25.00
Mr. Knight's class....	17	17	6	60.00
Mr. Pyle's class.....	15	15	3	30.00
Mr. Ansley's class....	20	20	7	50.00
Mrs. Dawson's class..	13	13	7	45.00
Mrs. Leaman's class..	11	11	1	5.00
Mrs. Reeves' class....	16	16	2	15.00
TOTALS.....	98	98	32	\$230.00

ADULT B				
Dept. Officers	3	3	3	15.00
Mr. Farmer's class....	21	15	7	60.00
Mr. Owen's class.....	17	15	7	60.00
Mr. Dean's class.....	13	12	6	48.00
Mrs. Bousman's class ..	31	20	10	80.00
Mrs. Daniel's class....	23	18	9	72.00
Mrs. Williams' class..	23	16	8	64.00
Mrs. Caro's class....	23	16	8	64.00
TOTALS.....	154	115	58	\$463.00

ADULT A				
Dept. Officers	3	3	2	15.00
Mr. Warfield's class ..	24	18	6	25.00
Mr. Richardson's cl..	18	9	2	15.00
Mrs. Steven's class....	6	3	2	13.50
Mrs. Lenz' class.....	14	12	2	15.00
Mrs. Mooty's class....	18	8	4	18.00
Mrs. Rogers' class....	19	10	3	18.00
Mrs. Penton's class....	22	11	3	18.00
TOTALS.....	124	69	24	\$132.50

Classes—	Enrolled	Pledges	Tithers	Amount Weekly Pledge
MARRIED YOUNG PEOPLE				
Dept. Officers	4	4	3	7.50
Mr. Berry's class....	13	4	2	10.00

TOTALS.....	42	24	11	\$ 42.50
--------------------	-----------	-----------	-----------	-----------------

YOUNG PEOPLE B	Enrolled	Pledges	Tithers	Amount Weekly Pledge
Dept. Officers	6	6	5	50.00
Dr. Ashmore's class..	7	7	4	33.50
Comdr. Miller's class	10	10	8	24.40
Mr. Gaston's class....	13	12	6	46.50
Mrs. Allen's class.....	14	14	8	38.60
Mrs. Minieris' class..	17	14	7	6.95
Mrs. Dobelstein's cl.	9	9	6	10.95
TOTALS.....	76	72	44	\$210.90

YOUNG PEOPLE A	Enrolled	Pledges	Tithers	Amount Weekly Pledge
Dept. Officers	3	3	3	30.00
Mr. Daniel's class....	16	11	10	30.00
Mr. McCaskill's class	18	12	11	25.00
Mrs. Daniel's class....	13	10	8	30.00
Mrs. Drexler's class..	22	20	14	20.00
TOTALS.....	72	56	46	\$135.00

SENIOR 16	Enrolled	Pledges	Tithers	Amount Weekly Pledge
SENIOR 15	48	48	48	81.15
INTERM'DIATE 14	39	39	30	45.00*
INTERM'DIATE 13	40	40	30	35.00*
JUNIOR 12	54	54	24	51.50
JUNIOR 11	71	71	71	139.60
JUNIOR 10	72	61	17	64.70
JUNIOR 9	67	67	42	68.00
PRIMARY 8B	30	25	6	19.05*
PRIMARY 8A	26	18	6	50.00*
PRIMARY 7B	29	12	5	24.00
PRIMARY 7A	24	20	3	18.00
PRIMARY 6B	28	28	3	83.05
PRIMARY 6A	27	18	7	28.65
BEGINNER 5	52	35	7	24.65
BEGINNER 4	52	30	18	23.32
NURSERY 3	53	20	5	27.50
NURSERY 2	35	18	2	15.00
NURSERY 1B	9	2	2	6.50
NURSERY 1A	13	8	5	5.00*
NURSERY A	13	6	4	10.00*

*Suggested

Loyalty Dinner--Friday Night

6:30 P.M.--At the Church

THE BAPTIST BUILDER

Published Weekly by the
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Entered as second class matter April 21, 1950,
at the postoffice at Pensacola, Florida, under
the act of March 3, 1879.

CHURCH OFFICE.....HE 3-5451



LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance.....	999
Members Present	963
New Members	4
Visitors	32
(Attendance one year ago..1071)	
Training Union Attendance.....	291
Members Present	278
New Members	1
Visitors	12
(Attendance one year ago.. 318)	
Additions to church membership.....	3
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$3,094.23
Specials	1,051.47
Building Fund, First Baptist.....	307.81
TOTAL OFFERING	\$4,453.51

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

OUR KNOWN SICK: Ill at Home—Mrs. Corinne Turnage. Eglin Air Force Base Hospital—Maurice Frye. Mobile Infirmary—Mrs. T. A. Pitman. Sacred Heart Hospital—Mrs. R. M. Merritt.

WEDDING BELLS TO: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Charles Eddy, Jr. (former Glynda Fant), on their recent marriage.

CONGRATULATIONS TO: Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt Shows on the birth of their son, Henry Wyatt, Jr., November 9.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

16. Mr. Ralph J. Morris, 1808 E. Lakeview.
17. Miss Barbara Hatten, 404 Bryant Road.
18. Miss Antoinette Edwards, 412 Polk Ave.

LOYALTY DINNER

FRIDAY NIGHT

6:30 P.M.

AT THE CHURCH

DR. HAROLD SEEVER

Speaker

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17—

PLEDGE DAY

- 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.
5:05 p.m.—Baptist Hour on WCOA. Speaker: Dr. Roy McClain. Subject: "The Unholy Trio".
5:30 p.m.—Department Executive Committees of Training Union.
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, NOVEMBER 18—

- 6:30 p.m.—Assignment Supper for Canvassers. Dining Room.
7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts in Lower Auditorium.
7:30 p.m.—Associational Sunday School Meeting. First Baptist, Cantonment.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19—

- 10:00 a.m.—W.M.S. Executive Committee Meeting in Adult "A".
10:45 a.m.—W.M.S. Missionary Program in Adult "C" (Stage end of Dining Room).
11:45 a.m.—W.M.S. Business.
12:15 p.m.—W.M.S. Luncheon.
4:00 p.m.—Beginner Sunbeams—Choir.
4:00 p.m.—Junior G. A.
5:30 p.m.—B.W.C. Mission Study in Chapel. "Continent in Commotion."
6:30 p.m.—B.W.C. Nigerian Dinner.
7:00 p.m.—B.W.C. Mission Study in Chapel.
9:00 p.m.—Report Snack Supper.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20—

- 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. Intermediate 14 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.
7:00 p.m.—Teaching Improvement Period.
7:45 p.m.—Prayer Service and Business Conference.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21—

- 9:30 a.m.—CHURCH- WIDE VISITATION
12:00 Noon—Faithful Workers Class covered-dish luncheon at home of Mrs. H. W. Richburg, 1815 E. Strong St. Hostesses: Mrs. J. S. Balsden, and Mrs. H. W. Richburg.
7:15 p.m.—Church Choir Rehearsal.
9:00 p.m.—Report Snack Supper. Dining Room.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22—

- 9:30 a.m.—Associational W.M.S. Executive Committee.
9:00 p.m.—Report Snack Supper. Dining Room.