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## CHURCH REACHES TOWARD VICTORY

The spirit of the members of the First Baptist Church has been most encouraging during the past few days. Eighty-three men met Monday night for Canvass assignments in connection with the Forward Program. As of 7 p.m. Wednesday, 1154 pledges had been received, with 560 of these indicating that they would tithe. The pledges of this group, plus the estimated loose offerings during 1958, amount to \$176,278.28.

Approximately \$8,000.00 additional had been pledged by the same people as special gifts to Building Debt Retirement.

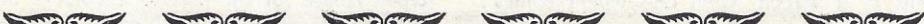
This represents (at present) a substantial advance in pledging over last year, and there are at least 300 more homes to be contacted. Surely every member and every family in the church will want to pray for and work toward reaching (as a minimum) our 1958 Budget goal of \$225,000.

The Lord has been good to us. Let us be good Stewards for Him.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

## VICTORY SUNDAY

Turn in Your 1958 Budget Pledge at Once



# Viewpoint

By NATHAN C. BROOKS, JR.

I Think that you will be interested in some typical comments that have come, along with others, since the Florida Baptist Convention last week.

**A Pastor Wrote**—"Just a few words to tell you how very much I appreciate all of the preparation, and may I say very splendid preparation, which you and your people made for the Florida Baptist Convention this week. Every detail seems to be carefully worked out and you did yourself proud in entertaining the Convention."

**An Educational Worker's Comment**—"Many of us did not realize the type of work being done in your great church and Association until this Convention. May I add my compliment to you and your church for the very beautiful and inspiring edifice you have built to God's great glory. May you continue to go forward to do greater things for Him."

**A Seminary Professor Stated**—"It was certainly a pleasant experience to be in the Florida Convention and to see you and many other friends. Your beautiful sanctuary inspired all of us, and we want to congratulate you for it."

**A Southern Convention Leader Wrote**—"Your building is so beautiful and so practical. It represents everything that a church ought to be and I know you must experience in your heart a marvelous feeling of satisfaction in being its pastor."

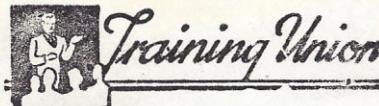
**Dr. James McChesney** will speak at the Thanksgiving Service at 10:00 a.m. next Thursday. We will be joined by other downtown churches for this observance. The 7:00 a.m. service will be sponsored by our Training Union.

**One Thing** that we have discovered again as our Canvassers have gone out this week is that we need to do a lot more visiting all of the time. Many of our number need the help and encouragement that a visit in the home will provide. We have a responsibility for maintaining contact with our members as well as with our prospects.

**Six Sundays** are left in 1957, with only five of them before Christmas. Let's make the most of the rest of the year for Christ.

**If You Missed** the Loyalty Dinner, you missed a good time. When Dr. Seever was called home by the death of his Mother, we arranged for Dr. J. Winston Pearce, First Baptist Church, DeLand, to be our speaker. Mr. Al Woerner catered the meal after another concern found that they could not handle it. Ladies from the Warrington Church led our Children's Parties. About 700 people had a wonderful time in fellowship and inspiration. Wish you could have made it.

**A Quote That I Like**—"If you don't believe in cooperation, just observe what happens to a wagon when one wheel comes off."



## OVER 300

We went above the 300 mark last Sunday with 314 in our Training Union.

Adult "E" Department and Senior 16 Department had as many present as they have enrolled. In these departments almost every person enrolled was present. And, they had enough visitors to make up for those who were absent.

Let's follow their example and go over 300 every Sunday.

## MONTHLY OFFICERS' COUNCIL MEETING

Monday night is the time for our Monthly Officers' Council Meeting. Occasionaly someone asks, "Who should attend this meeting?" Every General Officer, every Officer and Committee Member of unions. Which really means that every member of the Training Union should attend.

Be sure to make your Supper Reservation Sunday! You will find the Reservation Cards in your department box.

Those who don't come for supper are urged to be in the Dining Room by 6:55.



MONDAY, DECEMBER 2

7:30 p.m.

In our Sanctuary



## SUPERINTENDENTS' MEETING TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26

The Monthly Meeting of our Sunday School General Officers and Department Superintendents will be held Tuesday Night, 7:30 p.m., in the Chapel.

## PARENTS' NIGHT

Thursday, December 5, is an important date for our Sunday School and Training Union. This is to be Parents' Night when all departments through Senior 16 will hold Open House for the parents, members, and workers.

# THANKSGIVING DAY



7:00 a.m.—Annual Thanksgiving Service in the Sanctuary. Message by our Pastor. Groups carry Thanksgiving Baskets.

8:30 a.m.—Breakfast  
(Be sure to make your reservation Sunday).

10:00 a.m.—Union Thanksgiving Service for Downtown Churches.  
(In our Sanctuary).

Message by Dr. James M. McChesney,  
Pastor of First Presbyterian Church

## SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

**“And They Two Made a Covenant”**  
Genesis 21:27

7:30 P.M.

**“The Call To Holy Living”**  
II Corinthians 6:1b, 3  
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## WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

### BAPTISM

5. Bobby McLeod, 309 S. E. Kalash Rd.

### LETTER

19. Ens. Dave Warnock, Naval Air Station.  
20. Ronald F. Hanna, Saufley Field, BOQ.

## MISSIONARY ORGANIZATIONS ATTENDANCE

Sunbeams .....	20
Junior G. A.'s.....	20
Intermediate G. A.'s.....	17
Senior G. A.'s.....	13
Junior R. A.'s.....	3
Intermediate R. A.'s.....	16
Total.....	89
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**“Thanksgiving is first Thanks, then giving”**

## Brotherhood Supper Meeting

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26  
6:30 P.M.**

Film: “Giving Thanks Always”

The children from the Lurton Receiving Home will be our guests.

Tickets are available from the following persons:

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



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## LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance.....	1082
Members Present .....	1037
New Members .....	6
Visitors .....	39
(Attendance one year ago..1055)	
Escambia County Jail.....	8
Total Sunday School Attendance.....	1090
Training Union Attendance.....	314
Members Present .....	295
New Members .....	4
Visitors .....	15
(Attendance one year ago.. 299)	
Additions to church membership.....	3
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget .....	\$3,413.42
Specials .....	160.36
Building Fund, First Baptist.....	467.10
Organ Fund .....	10.00
<b>TOTAL OFFERING</b> * * *	<b>\$4,050.88</b>

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

SYMPATHY TO: Mrs. Elwood Burks in the loss of her father. Mr. Homer Jones in the loss of his father.

OUR KNOWN SICK: Baptist Hospital — Mrs. W. T. Osborn. Sacred Heart Hospital—Mr. A. L. Wallace. Ill at Home—Mrs. W. L. Parks.

## BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

Mrs. Bert Berrisford, who is a member of our church, and who serves as the faculty sponsor for the Baptist Student Union at the Pensacola Junior College, has given us the following information which we would like to share with you:

Of the 537 day students at the Junior College, 200 of them are Baptists. Fifteen of these are members of First Baptist Church.

Of the 14 who are interested in the ministry or religious education as a vocation, seven are Baptists.

At their first meeting of the new year, more than 35 people were present. At this meeting Pat Robertson, a member of our church, was elected First Vice President; Marilyn Barrineau was elected Secretary; Connie Conlon was elected Treasurer; Paul Von Ward was elected Third Vice President.

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Church Library Hours for Fall Months:

Sunday	Tuesday
9:00- 9:25	9:00-11:30
10:40-10:55	3:00- 5:00
12:00-12:20	
5:00- 6:10	Wednesday
7:20- 7:30	5:00- 7:40

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24—

## VICTORY DAY

9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages. Theron Guthrie, Supt.  
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship. Pastor.  
5:05 p.m.—Baptist Hour on WCOA.  
Speaker: Dr. Roy McClain.  
Subject: "A Word From Our Sponsor."  
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 25—

6:30 p.m.—Monthly Training Union Officers' Council Meeting. Adult "A" Dept. serving.  
7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts in Lower Auditorium.  
7:30 p.m.—Associational Brotherhood Meeting. Central Baptist Church.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26—

10:00 a.m.—W.M.S. Bible Study in Chapel.  
4:00 p.m.—Beginner Sunbeams—Choir.  
4:00 p.m.—Junior G.A.  
6:30 p.m.—Brotherhood Supper Meeting and Choir Supper.  
7:15 p.m.—Church Choir Rehearsal.  
7:30 p.m.—Sunday School Superintendents' Meeting. Married Young People's Department.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27—

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  
4:45 p.m.—Chapel Choir in the Chapel.  
6:00 p.m.—Sunday School Officers' and Teachers' Meeting begins with supper. Senior 15 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.—Y.W.A. meets in Young People "A" Dept.  
7:00 p.m.—Teaching Improvement Period.  
7:45 p.m.—Prayer Service.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28—

7:00 a.m.—Thanksgiving Day Service in the Sanctuary.  
10:00 a.m.—Union Thanksgiving Day Service in the Sanctuary of First Baptist Church.



### CLASS GOALS

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Pledges-----

Amount-----\$

I will help my class  
reach its goals