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## How to Have a Recession

By W. E. GRINDSTAFF

A pastor stood in his pulpit and preached the gospel.

He attended many committee meetings so he neglected his television.

He spent hours in sermon preparation so he read few newspapers.

But he preached good sermons.

He called on the sick and prayed with the troubled.

He moved among the people and said, "Come to church, friend!"

And people came.

Church offerings increased and more went to missions.

He built a bigger building to take care of the people.

Then Smith joined his church and offered to help him.

Smith knew all about churches . . .

He had belonged to several.

Smith said, "Pastor, don't you listen to the newscasts?"

"We're having a recession.

"People are going to quit giving.

"They're tired of hearing you talk about money.

"They don't like some things in the Co-operative Program.

"The denomination is too expensive.

"Things are pretty bad.

"They may get worse.

"We'd better cut down on our gifts to outside causes."

Whereupon the pastor thought, "Smith's a smart man.

"He keeps up on things, and he ought to know."

So the good pastor cut down on committee meetings and expenses, took missions out of the budget.

He fired the janitor and the educational director.

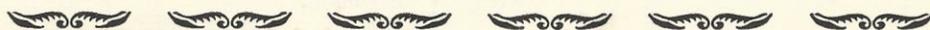
He no longer talked about giving.

And his congregation fell off right away.

"You are so right, Brother Smith," said the pastor.

"We're having an awful recession!"

—The Evangel  
First Baptist, New Orleans



# CHRISTIAN HOME WEEK

MAY 4-11, 1958

SUNDAY, MAY 4—CRADLE ROLL-NURSERY DAY  
11:00 A.M.—Dedication of Parents

MONDAY, MAY 5—FAMILY-AT-HOME NIGHT  
Home Dedication, using Home Dedication Service in  
May Home Life Magazine, page 21.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 7—  
6:30 P.M.—Emphasis at supper meeting  
7:45 P.M.—Prayer Service

FRIDAY, MAY 9—FAMILY HOSPITALITY NIGHT, 6:30 P.M.  
Each department of our Sunday School responsible  
for having one family who are prospects for our  
church present.

SUNDAY, MAY 11—FAMILY DAY  
Family Hospitality Night

Our church has had several Prospect Suppers or Hospitality Nights.  
These have proven inspirational and profitable.

On Friday, May 9, a little different plan is being used. Each of the  
29 Sunday School departments has been asked to bring a family as their  
guests. 29 guest families will mean more than 100 people.

All of the teachers and officers of the Sunday School are invited to  
be present to sit with their guest family.

This plan will not prevent individual families or members from bring-  
ing guests but will serve to enlarge the number of people working in be-  
half of the dinner.

Every member of the church can participate in this plan through  
prayer and concern for these people who need the Lord.

Each person will make reservations. Reservations may be made Sun-  
day or by telephone.

## BROTHERHOOD PLANS TO HONOR GRADUATES

The Brotherhood is planning to honor our  
high school graduates at their meeting on  
Tuesday, May 20.

We are happy to announce that Mr. Joe  
Webb, the State Student Secretary, will be  
the speaker for this occasion.

### BROTHERHOOD EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, May 6  
7:30 P.M.  
in the Chapel

**ANNIE ARMSTRONG  
OFFERING**  
Goal \$1500.00  
Total to Date \$1500.00

## MISSIONARY TO SPEAK AT ROYAL AMBASSADOR CONCLAVE

Chester S. Cadwallader, Missionary to  
Guatemala, will be the principal speaker at  
the Royal Ambassador Conclave Meeting  
Saturday, May 3, at the Whitfield Memo-  
rial Baptist Church.

The schedule for the meeting will be as  
follows:

2:00 p.m.—Leave the church.  
2:30 p.m.—Recreation Period at Exchange  
Park.  
5:00 p.m.—Supper.  
5:30 p.m.—Conclave Meeting.

Each person attending will take his own  
sandwiches. Drinks will be provided by the  
host church.

## MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers are being placed in  
the sanctuary Sunday by the Barri-  
neau Family in memory of Mrs. T. L.  
Barrineau.

SUNDAY SERVICES: Sunday School, 9:30  
 Morning Worship, 11:00  
 Training Union, 6:10; Evening Worship, 7:30

**MAY, 1958**

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES: 6:00 Supper;  
 6:25—Sunday School Officers' and Teachers' Meeting.  
 6:30—Sunbeams, R. A.'s and G. A.'s.  
 7:45—Prayer Service.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>AUXILIARIES AND CHOIRS</b> 4:00 p.m.—Tuesdays: Sunbeams (Beginner). 6:30 p.m.—Wednesdays: Jr. G. A., Int. and Sr. G. A., Sunbeams. 6:30 p.m.—Wednesdays: Junior and Int. R. A. 6:40 p.m.—2nd and 4th Wednesdays: Y. W. A. 4:45 p.m.—Wednesdays: Cherub, Carol and Concord Choirs Rehearse 4:30 p.m.—Sundays: Youth Choir Rehearses.				<b>1</b> 9:30-2:30-7:00 VISITATION 7:00—Sunday School Study 7:30—Choir	<b>2</b> 7:00—G. A. Mother-Daughter Banquet	<b>3</b> R. A. Conclave Whitfield
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>MAY</b>	<b>4 - 11</b>	<b>IS</b>		<b>"CHRISTIAN</b>	<b>HOME</b>	<b>WEEK"</b>
Cradle Roll- Nursery Day 4:30—Youth Choir	7:00—Boy Scouts	10:00—Circles 7:30—Bro. Exec.		9:30-2:30-7:00 VISITATION 7:30—Church Choir	7:00 p.m.— Family Hospitality Night	
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
4:30—Youth Choir	7:30—Deacons 7:30—Ernelle Brooks BWC Meeting 7:30—Assoc. T. U. Meeting—Highland	10:00—WMS Exec. 10:30—Program 11:15—Business 11:45 Bible Study 12:30—Lunch 7:30—BWC's	7:45— Bus. Conf.	9:30-2:30-7:00 VISITATION 7:30—Church Choir		
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
4:30—Youth Choir 5:00—T. U. Exec. Com.	7:00—Boy Scouts 7:30—Assoc. S. S. Meeting, Southside	7:00—Brotherhood Banquet for High School Graduates		9:30-2:30-7:00 VISITATION 7:30—Church Choir		
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>
4:30—Youth Choir	6:00—T. U. Monthly Officers' Council 7:00—Boy Scouts 7:30—Assoc. Brotherhood at Bellview	7:30—S. S. Supts.		9:30-2:30-7:00 VISITATION 7:30—Church Choir	10:00—Kindergarten Closing Exercises Adult "C" Dept.	

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## LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance.....1000  
Members Present ..... 957  
New Members ..... 8  
Visitors ..... 35  
(Attendance one year ago..1065)  
Escambia County Jail..... 21  
Total Sunday School Attendance.....1021  
Training Union Attendance..... 288  
Members Present ..... 263  
New Members ..... 2  
Visitors ..... 23  
(Attendance one year ago.. 231)

Additions to church membership..... 2  
Tithes and Offerings:  
Budget .....\$3,595.33  
Specials ..... 313.71  
Revival ..... 1.00  
Kindergarten ..... 15.00  
Building Fund, First Baptist..... 174.30  
TOTAL OFFERING .....\$4,099.34

## WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

### BAPTISM—

38. Mr. James Biestek, Corry Field.  
39. Mr. W. A. Music, 3408 W. Cervantes.

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

OUR KNOWN SICK: Ill at Home—Mrs. J.  
M. Ward, Bill Kreitlein. Baptist Hospital  
—Sue Nabors, Bill O'Shields, Steve Ward.



### SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

“What Manner Of Child”

Luke 1:66

7:30 P.M.

“The Smoke Of A Furnace”

Genesis 19:28



TUESDAY, MAY 6—10:00 A.M.

R. C. Moores, with Mrs. John Busey, 1001 East Strong;  
T. N. Calloway, with Mrs. Troy Futch, 610 Tanglewood Drive;  
Virginia Cobb, with Mrs. Lewis Steele, 1417 Wilson Avenue;  
Stanley Davis, with Mrs. S. L. Davis, 1503 East Jackson;  
Mary S. Gullatt, with Mrs. R. D. Comstock, 1601 East Gonzalez;  
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Dotson Mills, with Mrs. O. M. Vineyard, 2900 West Jackson;  
Bernice Neel, with Mrs. W. H. Coker, 1723 East Gadsden;  
Laura Frances Snow, with Mrs. J. Nixon Daniel, Jr., 3641 Menendez.

TUESDAY, MAY 6—3:00 P.M.

Harvey Headrick, with Mrs. W. T. Osborn, 304 W. Moreno Street.

## CLASS MEETINGS

MONDAY, MAY 5—

2:30 p.m.—Mary Martha Class Business and Social Meeting at home of Mrs. F. B. Peake, 2119 Barrancas Ave. Group 4 in charge.

TUESDAY, MAY 6—

8:00 p.m.—Deborah Class meets with Mrs. R. E. Hooper, 2251 Bayou Blvd., EPH.

THURSDAY, MAY 8—

9:30 a.m.—Mary Martha Class meets at the church for Visitation. Luncheon at 12:00 Noon at 704 N. Palafox Street.



## IN MEMORIAM

E. B. CREIGHTON

Joined this Church June 27, 1915

Died April 23, 1958