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THE ART OF WORSHIP

Worship begins as I close the door to my home. On my way, I pray for my church, for the minister, and for those who worship far and near.

Before I enter the House of God, I pause a moment that I may cast off and leave outside all things and thoughts unbecoming to a child of my Heavenly Father; hates, grudges, fretting, worldly cares and sinful thoughts.

The moment I enter the door of this sacred house I cease all conversation. I come in silence, for great things arise out of quietness and minister to me and to those about me.

I join in the singing of hymns. I think about the words of the songs and let their meaning and spirit go down to the very roots of my soul.

As I lay my offering on the plate, I say a prayer of thanks for my money, and I ask God's blessing on its use here and in the uttermost parts of the earth.

I listen as my minister preaches from God's Word, and I seek to apply his message to my life. I pray for him as he preaches.

As God's invitation is given, I pray that His Spirit's call might receive a ready response in the hearts of the unsaved and the weary in spirit. I rejoice and give thanks as they take their stand for Christ.

No wonder that, as I turn homeward after the service, I have that peculiar feeling of those who have worshiped deeply, helpfully.—Selected.

DR. WARD PREACHES AGAIN SUNDAY

11:00 A.M. — 8:00 P.M.



Viewpoint

NATHAN C. BROOKS, JR.

As An Ex-Pastor I am asking the privilege of a final column in the bulletin. I have a word or two that I would like to share with you now that we are about settled at 2739 Lexington Road, Louisville, Kentucky.

Let Me Thank You Again for just being you. No people were ever more gracious personally to a minister. Even with all of the "Thank You" notes that I have tried to write before and since leaving Pensacola, I am certain that I must have slipped and failed to write someone. Please forgive us if we somehow neglected a note to you. It has been impossible to express ourselves individually to every member of the church. We have tried to acknowledge our gratitude to so many of you who did special things for us in those last weeks that we were together. Many will just have to accept this as our word of appreciation.

Let Me Assure You, too, that now that the change in a field of service is made there is not the least doubt in my mind but what we have done the thing that the Lord would have us do. The days in Pensacola have been the richest and most satisfying in our experience. We would have been completely satisfied for them to have continued. Yet we are thoroughly happy here in the certainty that we are in the will of God.

Our Prayers Continue for the Lord to guide you to his undershepherd. As the entire congregation prayerfully seeks God's guidance you will come to the hour when you know that you have found God's man for the ministry there.

Let Me Urge You to be faithful in your attendance upon the worship services. Take your responsibilities as teachers, leaders, deacons, and committee members seriously. God wants to use you in greater achievements and service in the future. Be faithful, too, in your financial stewardship. The members have not yet reached their maximum in missionary living and giving.

God Has Been Good to the members of the First Baptist Church in so many ways. You have capable leadership. There is a good spirit in the church. Your sanctuary is one of the most conducive to worship to be found anywhere. To whom much is given, of him is much required.

As I Write This we are about to go to Western North Carolina for a brief vacation. After a visit at Tapoco, we will go to Ridgecrest and remain until July 16. In August I am going to spend a week at Glorieta.

Remember, Our Latchstring is on the outside.

Our Children

By EVELYN E. HEINTZ

There is a period of anticipation by parents preceding the moment when their baby takes his first steps alone. Many parents surround the baby with things which will encourage him to take these first steps. The moment the baby takes his first step is a momentous occasion for the parents. Yet these same parents often fail to surround this baby with the religious experiences which will help him to take his first steps toward God.

Many times these experiences come before we can recognize them. It is said that if a mother raises her hands in the position of prayer, that her child in his first waking moments of life will imbibe this spirit and later use this position himself. If her hands are raised in anger to strike, the child will surely imbibe that spirit.

Encourage your child to take his first steps toward God by surrounding him with a period of family worship, by taking him to Sunday School every Sunday that he might have a happy time in God's house, and let your life tell by your attitudes and actions that our spiritual life is a joyous, meaningful adventure.—Adapted.

KINDERGARTEN NEWS

OUR POLICEMAN

Here comes our nice Policeman
With uniform so neat,
He's waiting every morning
To help us cross the street.

—Unknown

This is one of the poems about a community helper which your child may enjoy when he comes to our church Kindergarten this fall. Enroll him now by calling the church office or contacting Evelyn Heintz. We will be glad to try to help work out car pools.

PRAY DAILY FOR THE PULPIT COMMITTEE

Earl Gaston, Chairman
Henry L. Ashmore
S. L. Davis
T. A. Guthrie
Mrs. F. B. Keene
Mrs. Mose Penton
J. Nixon Daniel, Jr.

ASSOCIATIONAL W. M. U. MEETING

WHITFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH

TUESDAY, JULY 15

9:30 A.M.

Mrs. R. C. Moore, Missionary to Chile,
Guest Speaker

NOMINATING COMMITTEE BEGINS ITS WORK

Under the leadership of Mr. A. H. Arnold our Nominating Committee has begun its work for the new year.

The first meeting of the committee to discuss our work for the new church year centered in the thinking about procedure and planning. The committee hopes to be ready at the regular business meeting of the church on Wednesday, July 16, to recommend the heads of organizations for the new church year. Then by August, the committee hopes to bring a report regarding the department superintendents of Sunday School and department directors of Training Union. Then at the September business meeting the complete report of the committee will be brought.

The committee would like to request your assistance in the following ways: (1) Pray for the Nominating Committee. These friends shall honestly seek God's will in every deliberation made. You will be helping as you remember them daily in your prayers. (2) Pray for your fellow church members. Ask God to lead each one in making the right decision concerning the call of his church to a leadership position. Approximately one out of every three persons within this church will be asked to accept some office within the organized life of the church. (3) Pray for yourself. Ask God to direct you in making your decision concerning leadership in the Lord's work. There is no little or insignificant office in the Lord's work. Every phase is important and significant in the total picture. The spirit, attitude, and performance which you give in places of leadership largely determines the degree of your own spiritual growth and development.

We trust that each member of the church will keep these requests of the Nominating Committee in your prayers during these important days.

*Where two or three
are gathered together
in my name, there I am
in the midst of them.
Matt. 18:20*

PRAYER SERVICE SPEAKER

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16
7:45 in the Sanctuary

REV. JAY RUNNELS
Pastor, North Hill Baptist Church

As I See It!

By CLYDE K. BIZZELL

I BELIEVE HE IS RIGHT

George Brooks writing back to the Genus Crenshaw Chapter of Royal Ambassadors of which he was a member said, "I wish that next time I see you that you will have seven Knights (the third rank in the Order of Royal Ambassadors). I really think that you can do it if you stop being plain, outright lazy." I believe that George has put his finger on the problem of many of us. We are just plain, outright lazy!

DID YOU SIGN A SOUL-WINNING COMMITMENT CARD?

Many of us began 1958 by signing a commitment card saying that we were going to do our best to win someone to Christ this year. Have you? Six months have gone in the year. We have only six months left to win someone in 1958. We must not let a year go by without bearing fruit for Christ. The fruit of a Christian is another Christian. Are you bearing any fruit?



Music Notes

WENDELL CARPENTER

As I drive down 12th Avenue I am always intrigued by the sign in front of Central Baptist Church. "Don't Watch Us Grow—Come Join and Help Us Grow." This slogan could easily apply to our music ministry. "Don't sit in the congregation and hear us sing and watch us grow—Come sing and help the choirs grow."

OUR CHOIRS NEED YOU—

Church Choir, Thursday, 7:30 - 9:00
(Nursery Open).

Chapel Choir, Sunday, 5:30 - 6:30.

Carol Choir, Saturday, 9:30 - 11:00.

Juniors, a morning full of music and fun is planned for you each Saturday morning.

PARENTS, are your Juniors taking advantage of music opportunities offered by your church?

MUSIC IN THE MOUNTAINS

Ridgecrest—a mecca for music loving Baptists of the Southland. What a blessing to be a part of 3,000 lifting their voices in song and praise every day. Marietta Philpot, Florence Watson, Nan Beggs, and Kay Jernigan represented our church at the conference.

The Tom Westmorelands send their greetings from South Carolina.

Why not plan now to be on the chartered bus next June 24 going to Music Week for an experience of a lifetime.—Wendell.

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LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance.....	795
Members Present	742
New Members	6
Visitors	47
(Attendance one year ago.. 872)	
Training Union Attendance.....	277
Members Present.....	251
New Members	2
Visitors	24
(Attendance one year ago.. 228)	
Additions to church membership.....	4
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$3,056.96
Specials	98.78
Missions	10.00
Building Fund, First Baptist.....	232.05
TOTAL OFFERING	\$3,397.79

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

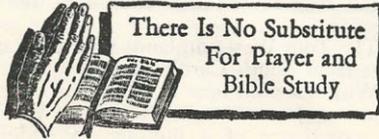
LETTER—

- 108. Miss Brona Faye Teague, 115 West LaRua Street.
- 109. Mr. O. F. Aultman, 102 Drew Circle.
- 110. Mrs. O. F. Aultman, 102 Drew Circle.
- 111. Miss Jackie Aultman, 102 Drew Circle.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

OUR KNOWN SICK: Baptist Hospital—
Mrs. Bessie Parks. Home from Hospital—
Mrs. Jessie Godwin, Mrs. Paul Caro. Ill
at Home—Bill Kreitlein, Joe Boykin, Jr.

SYMPATHY TO: Dr. Raymond A. Barrow in
the loss of his brother.



SUNDAY, JULY 13—

- 9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all Ages.
Theron Guthrie, Supt.
- 11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship.
Dr. Wayne Ward.
- 1:30 p.m.—Baptist Hour on WCOA.
Speaker: Dr. Roy O. McClain.
Subject: This Younger Generation
- 2:30 p.m.—G.A. Federation. Myrtle Grove.
- 5:30 p.m.—Chapel Choir Rehearsal in Chapel.
- 6:40 p.m.—Training Union for all Ages.
Clarence Taylor, Director.
- 8:00 p.m.—Evening Worship. Dr. Ward.
- 9:00 p.m.—Intermediate Fellowship in Married Young People's Dept.
- 9:00 p.m.—Chapel Choir Fellowship.

MONDAY, JULY 14—

- 7:00 p.m.—BWC Federation, East Hill Baptist
- 7:00 p.m.—Softball Game. Exchange Field.
Richards Memorial Methodist vs. First Baptist.
- 7:15 p.m.—Deacons' Meeting in Chapel.

TUESDAY, JULY 15—

- 9:30 a.m.—Associational W.M.U. Meeting.
Whitfield Baptist Church.
- 7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts Meeting in Lower Auditorium.
- 7:30 p.m.—Brotherhood Executive Committee.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16—

- 4:45 p.m.—Concord Choir meets in Chapel.
- 6:00 p.m.—Sunday School Officers' and Teachers' Meeting begins with supper. Primary 7B Department serving.
- 6:30 p.m.—Beginner Sunbeams meet in Beginner 4 Dept.
- 6:30 p.m.—Primary 6-7 Sunbeams. Room 27.
- 6:30 p.m.—Primary 8 Sunbeams. Room 26.
- 6:30 p.m.—Junior 9 G.A. meets in Room 23.
- 6:30 p.m.—Junior 10-11 G.A. meets in Rm. 25.
- 6:30 p.m.—Intermediate G.A. meets in Rm. 24
- 6:30 p.m.—Senior G.A. meets in Senior 16.
- 6:30 p.m.—Junior 9-10 R.A. meets in Intermediate 13 Dept.
- 6:30 p.m.—Junior 11-12 R.A. meets in Married Young People's Dept.
- 6:30 p.m.—Intermediate R.A. meets in Lower Auditorium.
- 7:00 p.m.—Teacher Improvement Period.
- 7:45 p.m.—Prayer Service.
Rev. Jay Runnels

THURSDAY, JULY 17—

- 9:30 a.m.—CHURCH—
- 2:30 p.m.— WIDE VISITATION
- 7:00 p.m. VISITATION
- 7:30 p.m.—Church Choir Rehearsal.
Nursery Open.

OUR CHURCH AT A GLANCE As of June 30, 1958

Resident Membership	1921
Non-Resident Membership	523
Total Membership	2444
Sunday School Enrolment.....	1854
Training Union Enrolment.....	510
Brotherhood Enrolment	98
Royal Ambassador Enrolment.....	35
WMS Enrolment	232
Sunbeams, G.A.'s and YWA's.....	92