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## REASONS PEOPLE GIVE FOR NOT WORKING

In Sunday School and Training Union

- I am too busy with other things.
- There are other people better qualified that can do it.
- I don't know enough about the Bible.
- We just can't come to church twice on Sunday.
- My class just couldn't get along without me.
- Sunday is my day and I don't want to be tied down with responsibility.
- There are some things that I just can't give up.
- My health just won't permit it.
- The children know more than I do.
- I have to work for a living !!!
- We just never have attended Training Union and don't know anything about it.

. . . which of the above have you offered lately?

Are they acceptable to God?

# Just Thinking...

By DR. CHARLES H. BOLTON

## HOW DIFFERENT ARE WE?

One day Jesus told His hearers about the prayers of two men: one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The tax collector's prayer was very short, only words, "God, be merciful to me a sinner." The Pharisee's prayer was much longer and one of the things in it was that he thanked God that he was different from other men. Isn't that the feeling of nearly all of us? Did you ever know anybody who pleased you so well until you wanted to be just like him or her in everything? I guess most of us say at times, "I am glad I am not like other people."

But maybe we are more like others than we think. We have minds like other people. Sometimes they think bad thoughts, and sometimes good—and so do we. Sometimes other people wish the folk they dislike would leave town—and so do we. Sometimes others do not control their tempers very well—and so do we the same.

It's perfectly natural for us to think that we are not like others; that we are better in every way than others. Nobody wants to classify himself as an average person.

If we are going to make a comparison, let's not pick out the worst man as our example. Sure, you are better than the "dead beat" who lives on the handouts of others, but how do you stack up with the best person you know? It might help us to look for the good in others. We might find some one we'd love to be like. You know why the boy sang, "I Want To Marry A Girl Like Dear Old Dad Married." It could be that our prayer might be "Lord, make me like so and so, that I may be more like Thee."

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## CONGRATULATIONS

For several years we have had boys from our church to attend Camp Ridgecrest for Boys. This summer we had several there. Gary Cushing was named Honor Camper for the Apache Tribe (about 96 boys). Sonny Cushing was named Honor Camper for the Navaho Tribe (about 40 boys). Sonny Cushing was one of the four boys in the camp to be made Little Chief. Congratulations to these two brothers.

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## FOOTBALL TIME

The church will charter a Greyhound Bus to take the young people to Mobile on October 10th for the PHS-Vigor game. The cost of the bus trip is \$2.00. You may make reservations with Wendell now—and until October 5. Bus will leave church promptly at 5:45 and return to the church following the game.

Also make your plans to attend the "Football Frolics" after each home game of the Pensacola Tigers. "Frolics" will begin September 19th after the St. Stanislaus game. Food and fun for everyone.

# Our Children

By EVELYN HEINTZ

At times one of the hardest things for parents to realize is that their children are people, that they are distinct individuals with their own interests and personality traits. It is with pride that some parents will speak of their child as being a carbon copy of Dad. To a degree this may be good, but when appearances and mannerisms are the same many times parents feel the personalities should be the same and they just aren't. The child should be guided to develop his own personality and his best traits. It is a parent's job to help a child have many varied experiences and help him develop his own talents instead of deciding he is going to be a baseball player, doctor, etc. and seeking to fit him into this mold.

Children are people and they have their own opinions. We should help them to make their own decisions. A mother made all of her daughter's decisions. Even when she was in high school her mother decided what she would wear each day. When the girl married, her marriage did not last long because the burden of decisions was too great.

Guard against using your child for personal gratification and pleasure. You are proud if your three-year-old can sing "Jesus Loves Me", but will any wise parent insist that his child perform for visiting friends? Some say there is no harm, but is that really true? A young college student was asked to speak at a special church meeting. He said, "I would like to, but I cannot accept. When I was three years old my mother insisted that I recite before a group." As he told this his face turned pale. "I can still feel that sickness that I felt years ago."

A baby comes into the world unspoiled by the world. He is ready to be molded by those about him. The characteristics of self-control and discipline, responsibility, independence, creative ability and concern for others can be developed from the earliest years.

"Children are people. They come as a gift from God and should be considered a special trust from him. It is the parents' responsibility to develop the raw materials into the best individuals possible.—Adapted.

## KINDERGARTEN NEWS

Our first week of Kindergarten was a happy one for those enrolled in our Kindergarten. They enjoyed puzzles, playing in the homeliving area and playing with manipulative toys. They particularly enjoyed playing outside on the jungle gym, walking on boards and taking turns riding and pulling the wagon.

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## MUSIC NOTES ! !

Registrations for the choirs have been good this past week. The full choir program will begin this week. There is still time for YOU to enroll this coming week.

## CATCH UP ON YOUR PLEDGE

With four months remaining in our church year we are behind approximately \$16,000 in pledged amounts.

If you are behind and can catch up our church program will be helped.

Remember each of us must give an accounting to Him for our use of everything. "... give an account of thy stewardship." (Luke 16:2).

"... everyone of us shall give account of himself to God." (Romans 14:12).

"And all the tithe of the land is the Lord's ... The tenth shall be holy unto the Lord." (Leviticus 27:30, 32).

Should a Christian tithe if he is in debt? Yes, we should not pay our debts with the tithe which is "holy unto the Lord." You will probably get out of debt sooner and easier by dealing fairly with God.

J. Norwood Cobb, Chairman  
Finance Committee

## IN APPRECIATION

Miss Lorraine Worley left on Thursday to go to Dallas where she will begin her work on September 15 as Educational Secretary at the Park Cities Baptist Church.

For more than five years, since January, 1953, Miss Worley served as our Educational Secretary. During this period she has worked very closely with the total life of our church. In addition to her many duties in the office, she has served as a leader in the Training Union and has sung in the Church choir.

On Wednesday evening, Mr. Earl Gaston, Chairman of the Personnel Committee, expressed for the whole church our appreciation for the faithful service of Miss Worley.

We wish her much success in her new work and pray God's richest blessings upon her.

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## JOIN A CHOIR NOW

Classes in beginning organ, piano, and conducting will begin this week. All those interested in any of these fields are invited to the organizational meeting Sunday night, September 14, after the evening service—in the Music Office.



## SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"Cautions Against Sin"  
(Broadcast on Station WCOA)

7:30 P.M.

"Facing Life's Greatest Issue"

## MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers will be placed in the sanctuary on Sunday by Mrs. Dorothy Cooper in memory of her mother, Mrs. R. M. Merritt.



## TEACHER TRAINING CLASS

The Teacher Training Class will begin a new year of work on October 5. This is a class designed to train new Sunday School workers. New members are admitted only at the beginning and middle of the year's work. Interested persons are asked to contact the teacher, Mrs. F. B. Keene.

## IN APPRECIATION

We wish to express our appreciation to the members of this Church for their prayers and words of comfort in the loss of our son, Patrick Timothy. "Suffer little children to come unto me, . . . for of such is the kingdom of God." Luke 18:16.

Mr. and Mrs. David R. Warnock

## CLASS AND DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES

Teacher Training Class Banquet  
Thursday, September 18  
7:30 P.M.

For those now in the Teacher Training Class and those who completed the class previously. Wives and husbands also invited.

Tickets are available from Bob Wilson, Mrs. Glenn Brantley, Mrs. Clyde Hood, Mrs. Darrell Jones.

Nursery will be open.

## Adult E Department Men's Classes

The Master Workmen Class and St. Johns Class will entertain their wives at their annual Ladies Night Friday, September 26, 6:30 p.m. in the Church Dining Room.

Tickets are available from members of each class.



MRS. J. O. THOMAS

Joined this Church May 2, 1926

Died September 10, 1958

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## LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance.....	1088
Members Present .....	1006
New Members .....	19
Visitors .....	63
(Attendance one year ago. 847)	
Training Union Attendance.....	331
Members Present .....	299
New Members .....	5
Visitors .....	27
(Attendance one year ago. 254)	
Additions to church membership.....	10
Baptized .....	2
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget .....	\$4 555.15
Specials .....	224.93
Kindergarten .....	15.00
Building Fund, First Baptist.....	292.00
<b>TOTAL OFFERING</b> .....	<b>\$4,997.08</b>

## WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

### LETTER—

153. Miss Anna Rue Valentine, 210 West Highland Drive.
154. Miss Joan B. Givens, 704 N. Palafox.
155. Mr. Melvin A. Runzo, BOQ 663, Rm. 251.
156. Mrs. A. E. Johnson, 1507 E. Moreno.
157. Miss Barbara Johnson, 1507 E. Moreno.
158. Miss Betty Johnson, 1507 E. Moreno.
159. Mr. Charles L. Crook, BOQ 661, Rm. 225.
160. Miss Joan Cuninghame, 942 Fairway Drive.
161. Miss Etoile Meadows, 2 E. Sunset, Apt. 1.
162. Miss Becky Milling, 2 E. Sunset, Apt. 1.
163. Miss Mary Virginia Alred, 104 West Jackson St.

### BAPTISM—

61. Miss Robyn Gilmour, 2100 N. 15th Av.
- TWO BAPTIZED SUNDAY  
Miss Donna Green, Mr. John Wakefield.

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

OUR KNOWN SICK: Baptist Hospital—  
Mr. J. A. McCloskey, Miss Jo Ann Richburg. Home from Hospital—Mrs. H. W. Richburg.

SYMPATHY TO: Mrs. Betty Galloway in the loss of her brother.



## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14—

- 9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages.  
Theron Guthrie, Supt.
- 11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship Service.  
Broadcast on WCOA.  
Dr. Charles Bolton, Interim Pastor.
- 1:30 p.m.—Baptist Hour on WCOA.  
Speaker: Dr. Roy McClain.  
Subject: "The Word of God Is Not Bound."
- 5:00 p.m.—Chapel Choir Rehearsal in Chapel.
- 6:10 p.m.—Training Union for all ages.  
Clarence L. Taylor, Director.
- 7:30 p.m.—Evening Worship Service.  
Dr. Charles Bolton, Interim Pastor.
- 8:30 p.m.—Intermediate Fellowship in Married Young People's Dept.
- 8:30 p.m.—Chapel Choir Fellowship.

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15—

- 3:30 p.m.—Cherub (6-7-8) Choir Rehearsal in Chapel.
- 3:30 p.m.—Carol (9-10-11) Choir Rehearsal in Chapel.
- 7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts meet in Lower Auditorium.
- 7:30 p.m.—Associational Training Union Meeting. Pleasant Grove Baptist Church.

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16—

- 10:30 a.m.—Celestial Choir (4-5) Rehearsal in Chapel.
- 6:30 p.m.—Charles Mullins Circle will meet with Mrs. Genevieve Smith for outdoor supper.

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17—

- 4:45 p.m.—Concord Choir Rehearsal (12, 13, 14) in Chapel.
- 6:00 p.m.—Sunday School Officers' and Teachers' Meeting begins with supper. Senior 16 Dept. serving.
- 6:40 p.m.—Beginner Sunbeams meet in Beginner 4 Dept.
- 6:40 p.m.—Primary 6-7 Sunbeams. Room 27.
- 6:40 p.m.—Primary 8 Sunbeams. Room 26.
- 6:40 p.m.—Junior 9 G.A. meets in Room 23.
- 6:40 p.m.—Junior 10-11 G.A. meets in Rm. 25.
- 6:40 p.m.—Intermediate G.A. meets in Rm. 24.
- 6:40 p.m.—Senior G.A. meets in Senior 16.
- 6:40 p.m.—Junior 9-10 R.A. meets in Intermediate 13 Dept.
- 6:40 p.m.—Junior 11-12 R.A. meets in Married Young People's Dept.
- 6:40 p.m.—Intermediate R.A. meets in Lower Auditorium.
- 7:00 p.m.—Teacher Improvement Period.  
Mr. B. T. Dean.
- 7:45 p.m.—Prayer Service.  
Dr. Charles H. Bolton.

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18—

- 9:30 a.m.—CHURCH—  
2:30 p.m.— WIDE  
7:00 p.m.— VISITATION.
- 9:30 a.m.—Mary Martha Class will meet at the church for visitation followed by covered-dish luncheon at home of Mrs. C. E. McNabb, 3421 N. 9th Avenue, at 12 Noon.
- 7:30 p.m.—Church Choir Rehearsal in Chapel.
- 7:30 p.m.—Teacher Training Class Banquet.

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19—

"Football Frolic" after the Football Game. Lower Auditorium.

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20—

3:00 - 4:00 p.m.—Nursery 2 Party in Nursery 2 Dept.