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1959 Budget Oversubscribed!

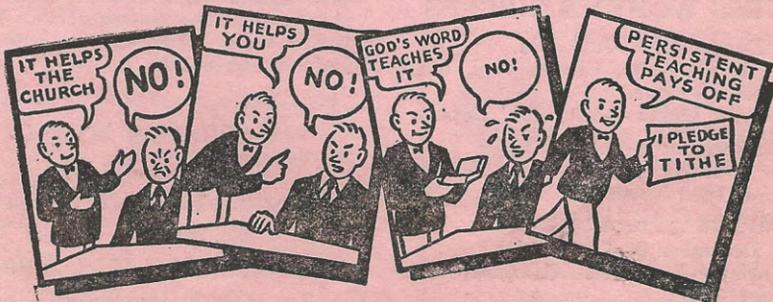
At the Morning Worship Service Sunday, the report of our 1959 Budget Promotion Committees showed that we had oversubscribed our 1959 budget. Believing that this is the Lord's Program and that victory had come through Him, we joined together in singing "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow."

Other pledges came in Sunday evening and continue to come in. The report as of Wednesday evening is as follows:

1556 Pledges 856 Tithers \$222,693.64 Pledged

The canvassers are trying this week to complete the contacting of all members who have not yet had a part in this victory.

The adopted budget of the church provides a plan for the distribution of any funds over and above the adopted budget. Every member ought to have a part. Have you?



As I See It!

By CLYDE K. BIZZELL

To God by the Glory . . .

As we sang the Doxology Sunday morning, these words of Fanny Crosby's hymn were also running through my mind, "To God by the glory, great things He hath done." I believe that the oversubscription of our 1959 budget (for the first time in the history of the church) came about because our people were sold on the program and because the committees worked hard to accomplish a task in which they believed. I also believe that the Lord blessed because we were seeking to honor Him. "Praise the Lord . . . give Him the glory, great things He hath done."

Things That Shouldn't Be

Just as we began the morning service Sunday, I noticed that the pulpit microphone that carries the service over radio station WCOA was not plugged in. The chairman of the Radio Committee had checked it about ten minutes before 11:00 o'clock. Sometime between 10:50 and 11 o'clock someone unplugged it. There is no reason for anyone ever to bother this equipment. I am mentioning this because there have been other instances lately of things that shouldn't happen. Switches have been turned off and fuses taken out while groups were meeting. People sometimes get a distorted idea of what is funny. Somehow I fail to see why anyone (except Satan) would like for the service not to be broadcast.

Sunday's Attendance

Last Sunday was a holiday week-end and many of our people were out of the city. We were down in Sunday School attendance, Training Union attendance, and in every way. Let's make up for that by making Sunday a good day.

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BUSINESS WOMEN'S CIRCLES

Monday, December 8—7:30 P.M.

Ernelle Brooks—Mrs. Charles Key, 814 North 13th Avenue.
The Charles Mullins—Adult "A" Dept.

Tuesday, December 9—6:30 P.M.

Eleanor O'Haver Howell—Mrs. W. H. Crawford, 1602 North 9th Avenue. Co-Hostess, Mrs. C. C. McCurley.

Tuesday, December 9—7:30 P.M.

Bill Cowleys—Miss Helen Caro, 1010 E. Cervantes Street.
Robert Goldie—Mrs. T. A. Wash, 1660 E. Hatton Street.

INTRODUCING NEW STAFF MEMBERS

Miss Eloise Hughes, who has been serving as the Pastor's secretary, has asked to be relieved of her full-time duties effective December 1. As you know she is to be married on December 27. Miss Hughes has graciously agreed to continue in a part time relationship as needed. She will be working two or three days a week and will handle the church membership records and other duties.

MRS. CARL BARKER

Mrs. Carl Barker, who united with our church last Sunday, has been employed as receptionist. She will be at the receptionist's desk and will usually answer the telephone. She will handle the Builder and Bulletin. Information for these publications should be channeled to her. She will also keep the official church calendar.

We are happy to welcome Mrs. Barker to our church staff.

MRS. W. H. ADAMS

Mrs. W. H. Adams has already begun her work as our church organist. Mrs. Adams is a native of Tulsa, Oklahoma. She has her Bachelor's degree from the University of Tulsa, with a major in piano and a minor in organ. She also has her Master's degree from the University of Michigan where she majored in piano and minored in organ. She has taught at the University of Tulsa and has served as organist for the First Baptist Church, Rocky Mount, North Carolina.

We are happy to have Mrs. Adams serving in this capacity.

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Sunday School

January Bible Study Week

The week of January 5-9 has been set for our annual Bible Study Week. This year we will be using as a guidebook, "A Study of the Gospel of Mark," by Dr. Hugh R. Peterson. Copies of the book are available now in the church office. The price is 60c each. There will be both morning and evening classes.

HANDEL'S MESSIAH

Presented By

Pensacola Oratorio Society

Under the Direction of John Boschen

December 15, 1958, 8:00 p.m.

St. Mark's Methodist Church



Library Notes

Her Own Way

Every boy and girl, and even the grown-ups will be thrilled with the new story of Lottie Moon. This story begins with her childhood and tells of her long life of usefulness in America and in China.

In her early childhood, Lottie Moon came to the conclusion that she was going to do things her own way; and she usually did. But we find that her own way was a wonderful way of service to the people of China. Because she loved them and longed for more missionaries to help her, she conceived the idea of a Christmas offering. She wrote back home, "Families and friends are giving Christmas gifts to each other, isn't it an especially good time to give gifts to Christ, too?" The idea was accepted by the Women's Missionary Union. From a small beginning, the Lottie Moon Christmas offering has grown into millions of dollars that are used solely for the promotion of mission causes.

Lottie Moon died in 1912, but she lives on in the hearts of millions today. Wherever we have mission work the influence of her life is felt. Because of the Lottie Moon Christmas offering the missionaries have been able to do much more for the cause of Christ. This money has built schools and churches and furnished much needed supplies.

Recreation Bibliography

Our librarian has prepared an excellent Bibliography on Church Recreation. This book list has helpful books for all ages and for all types of activities. Workers in all organizations ought to get and use a copy.



Music Notes

The Carol Choir enjoyed a weiner roast last Friday afternoon out at Wayside Park. About 35 choir members and friends attended the event. Mothers present were Mrs. Robert Jernigan, Mrs. C. M. O'Neill, and Mrs. A. H. Arnold.

A note of thanks to the members of the Chapel and Church Choirs who participated in our "M" Night choir. We appreciate the accompanying of Mrs. W. H. Adams on the organ and Mrs. Walter Barbee on the piano.

Beginning this Sunday the Church Choir will be singing choruses from the "Messiah." If you would like to participate, attend rehearsal on Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

"Music and Missions Around the World."
Sunday night, December 14, 7:30 p.m.



Brotherhood

December Meeting

The December Brotherhood meeting is set for December 16. The speaker for this meeting will be the Rev. Tom Collins, Pastor, First Baptist Church, DeFuniak Springs, Florida. Save this night and plan to attend.

CHRISTMAS GIVING

All groups that plan to assist a family at Christmas are asked to clear the name or names with the Benevolence file in Mr. Bizzell's office. We are trying to cooperate with the Christmas Clearance Bureau to plan our Christmas giving so as to avoid duplication of giving to some families and missing others.

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"Leaving The Boy Behind"

7:30 P.M.

"Handwriting On The Wall"

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

OUR KNOWN SICK: Baptist Hospital—Miss Edna Earle McKee, Mrs. John Myrick. Sacred Heart Hospital—Mr. W. A. Webb. Home from Hospital—Mrs. W. B. Townley, Mr. Ed Peake. Hospital, Hattiesburg, Mississippi — Miss Genevieve Averitt.

SYMPATHY TO Mrs. W. T. Creel in the loss of her mother; Mrs. Lucy Lane in the loss of her brother; Miss Gertrude Williams in the loss of her brother.

CONGRATULATIONS TO: Mr. and Mrs. Edward Allen, Jr. on the birth of their daughter, Lee Ann, born December 1; Mr. and Mrs. John N. Ackerman on the birth of their daughter, Tamara Ann, born November 30.



IN MEMORIAM

Mr. Hartwell L. Williams

Joined this Church Sept. 21, 1958
Died November 22, 1958

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LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance.....	857
Members Present	816
New Members	3
Visitors	38
(Attendance one year ago. 892)	
Escambia County Jail.....	16
Total Sunday School Attendance.....	873
Training Union Attendance.....	283
Members Present	269
New Members	4
Visitors	10
(Attendance one year ago 300)	
Additions to church membership.....	8
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$2,850.53
Specials	94.17
Kindergarten	15.00
Building Fund, First Baptist.....	123.20
TOTAL OFFERING	\$3,082.90

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

LETTER—

40. Mr. Luther H. Stacey, 2900 W. LaRua.
41. Mrs. Luther H. Stacey, 2900 W. LaRua.
42. Miss Carolyn Joseph, 321 3rd St., EPH.
43. Mr. Carl E. Barker, 502 N. Border St.
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45. Mr. Jack G. McGuffee, 112 3rd St., Warrington.
46. Mrs. Jack G. McGuffee, 112 3rd St., Warrington.
47. Mr. Mike McGuffee, 112 3rd St., Warrington.

DON'T FORGET

PRIMARY PARENT MEETING
DECEMBER 7 — 4:00 P.M.

OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7—

- 9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages.
Theron Guthrie, Supt.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship Service.
Broadcast over WCOA.
Dr. C. H. Bolton, Interim Pastor.
1:30 p.m.—Baptist Hour on WCOA.
Speaker: Dr. H. H. Hobbs.
Subject: "Your Opinion Versus
God's Certainty."
4:00 p.m.—Primary Parents Meeting.
5:00 p.m.—Meeting of Visual Aids Committee.
Lower Auditorium of Ed. Bldg.
5:00 p.m.—Chapel Choir Rehearsal. Chapel.
6:10 p.m.—Training Union for all ages.
Clarence L. Taylor, Director.
7:30 p.m.—Evening Worship Service.
Dr. C. H. Bolton, Interim Pastor.
8:30 p.m.—Intermediate Fellowship in Married Young People's Dept.
8:30 p.m.—Chapel Choir Fellowship.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 8—

- 3:30 p.m.—Cherub (6-7-8) Choir Rehearsal in Primary 6B Dept.
3:30 p.m.—Carol (9-10-11) Choir Rehearsal in Chapel.
7:15 p.m.—Deacons' Meeting. Chapel.
7:30 p.m.—Boy Scout Meeting. Lower Auditorium.
8:00 p.m.—Deborah Class Meeting at the home of Mrs. Allie Maddox, 200 Maura Road.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9—

- 10:30 a.m.—Celestial Choir (4-5) Rehearsal.
9:45 a.m.—Executive WMU Committee Meeting.
10:30 a.m.—WMU Missionary Program.
11:15 a.m.—WMU Business Session.
11:45 a.m.—WMU Bible Study.
12:30 p.m.—WMU Luncheon.
7:30 p.m.—Business Women's Circles Meet. (See article).
7:30 p.m.—Teacher Training Class Party. Dining Room.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10—

- 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. Winsome Class, Adult C Dept. serving.
Training Recognition Night.
6:40 p.m.—Beginner Sunbeams meet.
6:40 p.m.—Primary 6-7 Sunbeams.
6:40 p.m.—Primary 7 Sunbeams.
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 R.A. meets in Married Young People's Dept.
6:40 p.m.—Intermediate R.A. meets in Lower Auditorium.
6:40 p.m.—Girls' Ensemble Practice.
7:00 p.m.—Teacher Improvement Period.
7:45 p.m.—Prayer Service.
Business Conference.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11—

- 9:30 a.m.—CHURCH—
2:30 p.m.—WIDE VISITATION
7:00 p.m.—
7:00 p.m.—Adult C Dept. Party. Dining Room.
7:30 p.m.—Church Choir Rehearsal. Chapel.
9:30 a.m.—Mary Martha Class will meet at church for visitation followed by covered dish luncheon at noon at the Lee House.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12—

- 7:00 p.m.—Married Young People's Training Union Party, Married Young People's Department.
7:30 p.m.—Junior 9 Sunday School Party. Lower Auditorium.