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JANUARY 11-16

WOMEN OF THE CHURCH
ARE BEING INVITED TO ATTEND THE
W. M. S. MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 13
10:30 A.M.

AND CONSIDER JOINING THIS ORGANIZATION
IN THE INTEREST OF MISSIONS



Just Thinking...

By DR. C. H. BOLTON

"HE CAN WHO THINKS HE CAN"

Nothing succeeds like success. Yet there are a lot of failures in the world. Some people are too lazy to try and others start out expecting to fail. The man who expects to fail is already nearly there. Let's start out this new year with faith enough to succeed.

After the night in which Jesus was transfigured, He came to a crowd gathered about the nine apostles at the foot of the mountain. The reason for the crowd was that a father had brought his sick boy to the apostles hoping they could heal him. The burdened father asked Jesus to help. Jesus told him that all things are possible if only we have enough faith.

Faith is necessary in all phases of life; but nowhere is it more necessary than in religion. We must believe in Jesus in order to be saved. We must have faith to live and work as a Christian.

The more faith we have the more will we undertake and the more will we trust to the Lord. We would do well to make the words of Jesus to Simon Peter our motto for this new year: "Have faith in God."—C. H. B.

1959 CHURCH OFFERING ENVELOPES

In each package of Church envelopes issued to our people the following suggestions were made:

Enclosed are 52 envelopes, one for each Sunday in the year.

Each envelope represents an OPPORTUNITY to share in the vital work of your church through your tithes and offerings.

Each envelope represents a RESPONSIBILITY to give every Sunday, whether present or absent. Make-up offerings when you are away because of illness or vacation reveal true loyalty.

Each envelope represents the WORLD, for part of your offering is given to world missions through the Co-operative Program.

Every envelope used makes it easier for your church to keep a RECORD of your offerings. And this record will be valuable if the government ever questions your contributions as income tax deductions.

Use every envelope by the end of the year! "The tithe . . . is the Lord's" (Lev. 27:30).

If you have not received your package of envelopes, please notify the church office.

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"Paul's Resolutions"

7:30 P.M.

"Where Judas Stood"

As I See It!

By CLYDE K. BIZZELL

"Builder" in Japan

The following word came recently from Jewel Garrett: "Have wanted to write and thank the church for the wonderful bulletin service. It always comes through and means so very much." Jewel also asked us to send copies of our camp program since she is to serve again as director of their church camp in June.

Magazines Wanted

If anyone has a copy of the U. S. News and World Report for July 4 and July 11, 1958, or National Geographic Magazines for July, 1952, January, 1954, and June, 1956, I would like to borrow them.

Watchnight Service

In spite of cold, damp weather on New Year's Eve, we had good attendance here at the Church for our Watchnight Service. All of us who were present were blessed by the message of Brooks Hays, President of our Southern Baptist Convention. It is good to know that we have men of his stature in places of leadership in our Convention.

Soul Winning Commitment Day Response

Our response last Sunday to the appeal to commit ourselves to soul-winning in 1959 was not as good as it should be. In a church the size of ours, we ought to have many more to respond to this appeal. As I was in the vestibule speaking to the people at the close of the service, I noticed one of our fine junior boys waiting. As soon as I was free, he came up holding in his hand one of the commitment cards, not only signed but with two names of persons he wanted to help win. He said, "I want in on this." A junior boy can lead many of us in concern and action.

In Appreciation

Miss Jane McLeod leaves after Sunday to resume her studies at Mississippi College, Clinton, Mississippi. Miss McLeod came to us for the summer months to fill in for Mrs. J. C. Rountree. With the leaving of Miss Worley in September she agreed to remain until January and has served very efficiently and effectively as Educational Secretary. We appreciate her fine work and hate to see her go, but she desires to complete her college work.

BASKETBALL GAMES

Monday, January 12, 6:00 P.M.

First Baptist versus Whitfield (Men's League).

Tuesday, January 13, 7:00 P.M.

First Baptist versus First Christian (Boys, 17 and under).



W. M. U.

ATTENTION W. M. S. MEMBERS

Our quarterly W. M. U. meeting is Monday, January 12, at 9:30 a.m. at Woodlawn. Conferences will be held for all officers. Miss Elizabeth Provence, Youth Secretary for Florida, will be our speaker. Let's have every Circle represented. Perhaps some of you do not realize how the other Societies in our Association look to us for leadership in attendance and other activities. Let's stop disappointing them and have a good attendance at Woodlawn. Bring sandwiches. The nursery will be open.

MRS. JOHN BUSEY

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF W. M. U.

I would like to take this opportunity during Focus Week to tell those of you who do not belong to W. M. U. about our organization and why we have a W. M. U. The first Tuesday of each month we meet in the homes as a circle. The second Tuesday, we meet at the Church for the monthly business and program meeting, followed with a luncheon where we enjoy Christian fellowship.

The object of this organization is to promote Christian Missions through a program of mission study, prayer, community missions and stewardship. These are the four fundamentals. Mission study brings a new concept of the people in the World. This concept causes Christian women to share Christ with others. The prayer plans are designed to deepen the prayer life of each member. Through planned community missions we have an opportunity to meet the spiritual needs in our community and to win the lost to Christ. Stewardship emphasis is nothing more than sharing our possessions with others and the Christian's responsibility to tithe. These four fundamentals are planned and carried out in the circle meetings. Reports and the missionary program are given in the meeting at the Church.

MRS. JOHN BUSEY, President

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPERS

- January 14—Mary Martha Class, Adult D Dept.
- January 21—Faithful Workers Class, Adult E Dept.
- January 28—Willing Workers Class, Adult E Dept.
- February 4—Convention Class, Adult E Dept.
- February 11—Lydia Class, Adult E Dept.
- February 18—Teacher Training Class.
- February 25—General Officers.

Our Children

By EVELYN E. HEINTZ

What is a Primary child like? He is active and growing rapidly. He is beginning to coordinate large and small muscles. He is impulsive and boisterous and feels the need for activity. It is impossible for him to sit still for long periods of time. He is easily fatigued and will withdraw from a group when he is tired. He likes to do things, which have a purpose and involve physical activity.

A Primary child learns by doing. He learns as he illustrates songs, picture poses or dramatizes a story, makes a frieze or a scrapbook, pastes and cuts, makes peep boxes, puzzles or television sets, plays Bible games, makes posters, maps, easel and finger paintings and participates in group projects such as making a Palestinian village.

To provide these learning activities for Primaries a large open room is needed with open shelves providing work materials easily accessible to all.

It is during the Primary years that memorization of Scripture verses begins. This is essential in Christian growth and is the first step in making the Scriptures meaningful, but only the first step. The child must understand the truth contained in it before the verse is really learned. The story is told of a Primary who was awarded a five-dollar prize for learning more verses on tithing than any other Primary. When she was asked what she was going to do with her five dollars she could account for every cent, but in her plans for spending it she failed to include any for the Lord's work. This child had learned the verses, but it had no meaning or application to her personal life.

It is through well planned activities that the Primary understands the meaning of the Scripture verses he learns.

Bible truths become more real to a Primary if both his parents are active Christians. Men make excellent workers in Primary departments and their influence can not be overlooked. If you are a parent of a Primary child, seek to understand the needs of your child and help him to meet those needs.

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WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

LETTER—

- 52. Mr. Edgel L. Willis, 131 E. Gregory St.
- 53. Mr. Kenneth W. Smith, 1927 W. Maxwell St.
- 54. Mrs. Kenneth W. Smith, 1927 W. Maxwell St.
- 55. Miss Barbara Ann Hair, 14 W. Belmont St.

STATEMENT—

- 56. Mr. W. E. Sanborn, 61-D Owens Court, Milton.
- 57. Mrs. W. E. Sanborn, 61-D Owens Court,

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All material to be included in The Builder
should be in the office, preferably in writ-
ing, not later than 9:00 A.M. Tuesdays.



LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance..... 977
Members Present 925
New Members 4
Visitors 43
(Attendance one year ago.. 902)

Training Union Attendance..... 233
Members Present 229
Visitors 4

Additions to church membership..... 6

Tithes and Offerings:

Budget	\$4,898.76
pecials	244.10
Missions	4.00
Building Fund, First Baptist.....	152.50
Property Fund	1,050.00

TOTAL OFFERING\$6,349.36

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

OUR KNOWN SICK: Waite Convalescent
Home—Mrs. J. F. Holder. Ill at Home—
Mrs. J. O. Rainer, Mrs. O. G. Matthews.
Sacred Heart Hospital—Mrs. R. M. Bow-
man.

CONGRATULATIONS TO: Mrs. Voncile
Powell Yonge who was married to Mr.
Alpheus Montague Geer on December 27,
1958, in Jacksonville, Florida.

SYMPATHY TO: Herbert L. Larson in the
loss of his mother. Ben Johns in the loss
of his sister. Jesse Henderson in the loss
of his mother. Mrs. J. M. Ward in the
loss of her brother. C. C. Duggan in the
loss of his father. Mrs. W. A. Webb in
the loss of her husband.

CONVENTION CLASS MEETING

The Convention Bible Class of the First
Baptist Church will meet Friday, January 9,
1959, at 2:00 p.m. at the home of Mrs. T. O.
Bales, 199 Mango, Pineglades. Group No. 2
will be co-hostess. Mrs. Bales is the daugh-
ter of Mrs. S. L. Fulghum.

JOY CLASS VISITATION

The JOY Class will have visitation Thurs-
day, January 15, at 9:45 a.m. Members and
honorary members will meet at 12:30 p.m.
for covered dish luncheon in the home of
Mrs. C. B. Clements, 101 High Pines Place.

OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

JANUARY 11 - 16, W. M. S. FOCUS WEEK

SUNDAY, JANUARY 11—

- 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.
Subject: "The Victory of Grace
Over Greed."
Speaker: Dr. H. H. Hobbs.
- 2:30 p.m.—G. A. Federation, Hillcrest.
- 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 Mar-
ried Young People's Dept.
- 8:30 p.m.—Chapel Choir Fellowship.

MONDAY, JANUARY 12—

- 9:30 a.m.—Associational W. M. U. Meeting,
Woodlawn Baptist Church.
- 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.
- 7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts. Lower Auditorium.
- 7:00 p.m.—BWC Federation, Warrington Bap-
tist Church.
- 7:15 p.m.—Deacons' Meeting. Chapel.
- 7:30 p.m.—Ernelle Brooks BWC Meeting at
the home of Mrs. Billy Renfro,
208 Greve Road.
- 7:30 p.m.—Bill Cowley Circle meets at home
of Mrs. W. A. Everitt, 1324 E. Bobe.
- 7:30 p.m.—Eleanor O'Haver Howell Circle
meets at home of Mrs. Ruth Vice,
112 North C' Street.
- January 13-15, State Evangelistic Conference,
Jacksonville.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 13—

- 10:30 a.m.—Celestial Choir (4-5) Rehearsal.
- 9:45 a.m.—W. M. U. Executive Committee
Meeting. Adult A Dept.
- 10:30 a.m.—W. M. U. Missionary Program.
- 11:15 a.m.—W. M. U. Business Session.
- 11:45 a.m.—W. M. U. Bible Study.
- 12:30 a.m.—W. M. U. Luncheon.
- 7:30 p.m.—Business Women's Circles Meet.
(See Article).

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14—

- 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. Mary Martha Class, Adult
D Dept. serving.
- 6:40 p.m.—Beginner Sunbeams meet.
- 6:40 p.m.—Primary 6-7 Sunbeams.
- 6:40 p.m.—Primary 8 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, JANUARY 15—

- 9:30 a.m.—CHURCH-
2:30 p.m.—WIDE
7:00 p.m.—VISITATION
- 7:30 p.m.—Church Choir Rehearsal. Chapel.
- 7:30 p.m.—Faithful Workers Class business
meeting and social. At the home
of Mrs. R. L. Kendrick, 727 West
Moreno Street.