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## Some Things to Bring to Church Each Sunday

1. Bring yourself—come!
2. Bring your spirit of worship.
3. Bring your reverence for God and His house.
4. Bring your offering (the tithe plus).
5. Bring a spirit of love and fellowship.
6. Bring a hearty handshake.
7. Bring a smile and a kind word.
8. Bring some helpful thought.
9. Bring your willingness to help sing, and sing out your heart.
10. Bring a relative or friend.
11. Be sure and bring your visiting guest.
12. Bring your best each Sunday to church.

### GET THE CHURCH-GOING HABIT

## PULPIT COMMITTEE TO REPORT SUNDAY

The Pulpit Committee will bring a report and recommendation to the Church at the close of the Sunday Morning Worship Service. This is a matter of great importance and each church member is urged to be present.



# Just Thinking...

## Extravagant Advice

Nothing brings the extravagant advice giver to earth more effectively than to let him do the job. When the other fellow keeps trying to tell you just how it ought to be done, turn the job over to him and watch him sweat over it. Soon he will decide that it is not as easy as he thought.

Anybody can give advice, but often the man who is being advised knows far more about the job than the fellow offering the advice. I've never quite understood just why old maids have such an abundant supply of advice for mothers on how to raise children. In comparison it makes me think of a poodle dog telling an old flop-eared hound how to catch a jack rabbit. Advice takes on a different value when a man can say, "This is the way I did it."

We have many people who know exactly how to operate a church — every part of it, from preaching a sermon to cleaning out the basement — but they have never tried out their ideas.

But let's not discourage too much the perpetual advice giver. He may come up some day with a real gem. Some day he may advise "well, since it is none of your business, why don't you leave it alone?" That is good advice; follow it.

The best advice comes from experience. Find something worth while, try it out, then pass it on. If it works, fine; if it won't work, forget it!

\* \* \* —C. H. BOLTON

## OUR FINANCIAL PICTURE

During January the budget receipts were approximately one thousand dollars short of covering one-twelfth of our annual budget, or one month's budget.

In February we were shy around two thousand dollars. These total three thousand dollars.

Every member who is behind is urged to try and catch up if possible so that the Lord's program can go unhindered.

Won't you do your part to give God your financial support?

Make March a catch up month so that we can end our first quarter of the year in good shape.

—Chairman, Finance Committee

## SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"Lions In The Way"

7:30 P.M.

"Breakfast With Jesus"



## Sunday School

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL CLINIC

**Monday, March 16**

**9:30 A.M. — 3:00 P.M.**

#### OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Each person attending will take a sandwich lunch. Drinks will be provided by the host church.

We trust that all potential workers for our Vacation Bible School, June 15-26, will avail themselves of this opportunity of training.

If you need transportation, please contact Mr. Bizzell. If you wish to take a textbook with you, you may check one out from the church office.

#### COULD THIS HAPPEN HERE?

I ran across this item written by a pastor in another state in his church bulletin:

"I was checking a Sunday School Class record book last night, and discovered a person's name who had been moved from our city for several months. I could not help wondering if the teacher or Department Superintendent knew that the person had moved. Surely, the name would have been taken from the roll. This speaks but one thing, the teacher had not visited that absentee for several months. This being the case, the teacher is not doing much teaching. You see, 'We teach people, not lessons.' We can't teach people without being in their homes and knowing something about the people we teach."

I couldn't help wondering whether or not this could happen in our Sunday School.

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### ROYAL AMBASSADORS REVIEWING COUNCIL

**Sunday, March 15**  
**4:00 P.M.**

All Royal Ambassadors who are almost ready to pass a rank are reminded to be ready for the Reviewing Council Sunday afternoon. A boy must pass the complete unit to his Counselor before coming to the Reviewing Council.

### MISSION MOTORCADE TO NEW ORLEANS

A tour of points of mission interest in New Orleans is being planned for Royal Ambassadors of the Association, March 27-28. The plan is to leave Pensacola about 4:00 A.M. Friday, March 27, and we will return on Saturday, March 28. The cost for each boy will be about \$10.00. Complete information may be secured from Mr. Bizzell, Mr. Boykin, or Mr. Watson.



## Library Notes

Last Sunday 50 reading questionnaires were returned in Adult B Department, Mr. W. E. Jackson, Superintendent. Their reading habits and interests were revealed as follows:

98% are regular readers of newspapers.

78% are regular readers of books.

46% are regular readers of books.

76% are regular readers of religious matter.

195 books had been read during the last 6 months or about 4 books for each.

312 hours were spent a week reading or about 6 hours each.

Fiction was preferred by 29, religious books by 22, Biography by 18, history by 18, missions by 12, philosophy by 8, travel by 8, literature by 7, science by 7. Other books suggested were books on humor, law, mystery, fiction, and technical books.

All 50 consider reading worthwhile. 42 feel reading is more beneficial than TV; 2 thought both were good.

10 said they did not think it necessary to keep the library open more hours. 3 suggested we should have it open Saturday morning and afternoon; 1 said we should keep it open 24 hours a day.

**SUGGESTIONS** for better use of the Library were as follows: (a) broader and better selection of books, (b) more attention to individual needs and desires, (c) emphasize reading to youth groups, (d) publish list of new additions in the Builder, (e) greater emphasis and publicity as to what is available, (f) take children to the Library during the Sunday School hour once every 6 weeks, (g) more books for the special requirements for R. A.'s and G. A.'s.

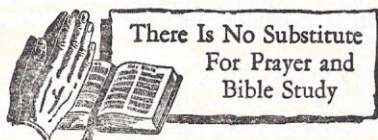
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## Training Union

One of the Mystery Personalities has been discovered! Mrs. W. E. Jackson, Director of the Junior 11-12 Department, invited Timmy Sutton. A book of interest to Juniors will be placed in the church library in honor of Mrs. Jackson.

Keep inviting people to Training Union. You may discover the M. P.'s.

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## As I See It!

By CLYDE K. BIZZELL

**RAMON ROGERS**, son of our Mr. and Mrs. Emory Rogers and student at Florida State University, has been selected as Youth Week Pastor at First Baptist Church, Tallahassee. Their youth week is March 8-15.

**OUR YOUTH WEEK** is being planned for April 5-12.

**DUICK WASH**, son of our Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Wash has been called as pastor of two missions in Russellville, Alabama.

**ENOUGH MONEY** has come in designated for the Ryoichi Kuzun Seminary Student Scholarship Fund to cover the first year's tuition of this young man. This money has been forwarded through the Foreign Mission Board.

**INVITE YOUR** unsaved friends to watch the Billy Graham telecast on Channel 3 at 4:00 P.M. on Sundays.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Paul Ward who placed first in the Speaker's Tournament of the Pensacola Bay Baptist Association Monday night. Paul will represent the Pensacola Bay Baptist Association in the District Speaker's Tournament to be held in DeFuniak Springs on May 1. You will remember that Paul won in the District Elimination last year and went on to the State Elimination.

**OUR THANKS** to Judy Bousman for representing our church in the Sword Drill Monday night.

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## BAPTIST HIGHLIGHTS

Southern Baptist church membership increased 240,503 (2.7 per cent) in 1958, and reached a total of 9,206,758, according to the Research and Statistics Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, which has released the official denominational statistics for 1958. The 31,498 churches, a gain of 201 over 1957, reported 407,892 baptisms, 18,176 more than in 1957.

Two additional significant milestones were reached. Sunday school enrollment passed the seven-million milestone, with a total enrollment of 7,096,175, a gain of 123,825 (1.8 per cent) over 1957. Total gifts reached a new high of \$419,619,438. This compared with \$397,550,347 in 1957. Gifts to mission causes increased \$4,735,300 (6.8 per cent) to reach a new high of \$74,750,699. Per capita gifts were \$45.58, compared with \$44.34 in 1957.



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## CHURCH OFFICERS

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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.....1060  
Members Present .....990  
New Members .....10  
Visitors .....60  
(Attendance one year ago.....1060)

Training Union Attendance.....317  
Members Present .....292  
New Members .....2  
Visitors .....23

Additions to church membership.....5

### Tithes and Offerings:

Budget .....\$3,814.92  
Specials .....165.55  
Kindergarten .....45.00  
Building Fund, First Baptist.....132.60

**TOTAL OFFERING.....\$4,159.07**

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

### BY LETTER:

75. Mr. Shelton Daly Bryant, 313 N. Bar-  
celona Street.

76. Mrs. Annice L. Smith, 305 Fairfax Dr.

### FOR BAPTISM:

13. Mrs. E. H. Hawsey  
14. Miss Barbara Hawsey  
15. Miss Judith Ann Hawsey  
16. Nathan Markham  
17. George W. Markham

## IN MEMORY

The flowers will be placed in the Sanc-  
tuary Sunday in memory of Mrs. Mary M.  
Townley by her husband, W. B. Townley,  
and her son, W. B. Townley, Jr.

## BROTHERHOOD SUPPER MEETING

**Tuesday, March 17  
6:30 P.M.**

Speaker: Chaplain J. T. Shipman  
U. S. Naval Hospital

Men: Make your reservations Sunday  
or by calling the church office.



## SUNDAY, MARCH 15—

9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages.  
Theron Guthrie, Superintendent  
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: "The Shadow of Calvary."  
4:00 p.m.—Royal Ambassador Reviewing  
Council  
5:00 p.m.—Chapel Choir Rehearsal  
6:10 p.m.—Training Union for all ages.  
Clarence L. Taylor, Director  
7:30 p.m.—Evening Worship Service  
Ordinance of Baptism  
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, MARCH 16—

9:30 a.m.—Vacation Bible School Clinic,  
Oliver 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  
7:15 p.m.—Deacons' Meeting, Chapel.  
7:30 p.m.—Ancil Scull Circle will meet at the  
home of Miss Ruth Busey, 1001 E.  
Strong St.

## TUESDAY, MARCH 17—

Missionary Round Table  
10:30 a.m.—Celestial (4-5) Choir Rehearsal  
6:30 p.m.—Brotherhood Supper Meeting

## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18—

4:45 p.m.—Concord (12-13-14) Choir Rehear-  
sal. Chapel  
6:00 p.m.—Sunday School Officers' and  
Teachers' Meeting begins with  
supper. Beginner 4 Department  
serving  
6:40 p.m.—Beginner Sunbeam 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-- 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.—Girl's Ensemble Practice  
7:45 p.m.—Prayer Service

## THURSDAY, MARCH 19—

7:30 p.m.—Church Choir Rehearsal  
MARCH 20-22—STATE B. S. U. SPRING  
RETREAT

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

CONGRATULATIONS TO: Mr. and Mrs.  
John R. Jones, Jr., upon the birth of  
their daughter, Johnnie Lisa, February  
28.

OUR KNOWN SICK: Baptist Hospital—Mr.  
Charles Overman. Home from Hospital—  
Mrs. Charles Mitchell, 800 N. Kirk Street.