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LETTER TO GOD

God
Heaven

Dear God:

I've been meaning to write to you for some time now, but you know how busy I am these days; seems as if everything just piled up on me.

I'm sorry I didn't get to see you at church last Sunday, but we had to make a trip up to Uncle Ned's for the day. Uncle Ned's been down in the back you know.

Ann came in wanting to go to Training Union Sunday night, but I didn't feel like cooking supper and besides she always comes in so late from these meetings and she had been up pretty late the night before.

I meant to go with you over to see old Mrs. Donaldson. She can't get out these days with that catch in her back. But you know, God, she's such a talker, I can never get away from her.

I just plain forgot the services they had at the church last Sunday. I heard you attended regularly though. Someone told me you were really in every service. I was glad to hear about the McKinney boy getting to meet you, he's really a little devil. He needs someone like you to calm him down.

By the way God, I'll try to send you that money I owe you next month. This month I had to pay down on a deep-freeze and there were several other things to buy, you know.

Guess I had better close now, God! Take care of yourself because one of these days I expect to have time for you. 'Til then . . .

Just A "Christian"

—Selected

P. S.—If I call you, in case of sickness or some other problem, be sure to come in a hurry!

As I See It!

By CLYDE K. BIZZELL

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

I found the following item in the bulletin from First Baptist Church, Nashville, Tennessee:

"Vacation Bible School time is near at hand. An excellent faculty has been enlisted and is hard at work completing plans for opening day. Parents who are concerned with the spiritual development of their children dare not overlook this summertime opportunity for character training . . . In years past, some of our parents have taken their children to neighborhood Bible Schools. We believe they should be loyal to their own church and not put an extra burden on the smaller neighborhood churches. Teach your children loyalty. Bring them to their own church."

This is good advice for the parents of our children.

SUNDAY

The rain came down and the attendance went down. Our attendance Sunday as we began our summer program was far below what we had hoped it would be. Rather than letting this discourage us, let's make up for it in other Sundays, beginning Sunday.



RECENT GRADUATES

Roy Alton Porter, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy A. Porter, from the University of Florida.

Donald Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey H. Johnson, from Florida State University.

Mrs. Duane Hansen (Martha Jewell "Judy" Smith), daughter of Rev. and Mrs. A. M. Smith, from Baylor University.

Mrs. Luther Osment (nee Barbara Arnold), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Arnold, from Texas Wesleyan College.

Charles E. Rosenberg from Florida State University.

Judy Barrineau, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Barrineau, from Florida State University.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

June 17—Intermediate 14

June 24—Senior 15



"Operation Home Study" is a summer time training program that will bring many blessings. This year the book for study is "The Baptist March in History." This book will help to indoctrinate our Baptist church members about Baptist life at home and abroad.

The central idea behind this program is for each Sunday School general and departmental officer, teacher, class officer and pupil to complete a book in the Sunday School training course by the home study method.

This can be done in one of two ways:

(1) Write out the answers to the questions printed in the book.

(2) Write out a development of each chapter, or a summary of each chapter.

The due date will be known as "D" Day for each special group of Sunday School workers. Thus each group will note the due date for completion of the book by your group.

Group	"D" Day
General Officers.....	June 14
Departmental Supts. and department officers.....	June 28
Teachers	July 12
Class Officers	July 26
Class Members	Aug. 9



JOINED WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3

BY LETTER:

115. Mrs. C. J. Driver, 313 W. Gadsden St.

JOINED SUNDAY, JUNE 7

BY LETTER:

116. Mr. Ramon Rogers, 1301 Dexter Ave.
From: First Baptist Church, Tallahassee.

117. Miss Connie Conlon, Route 3, Box 284.
From: Berea Baptist Church, Berea, Kentucky.

118. Mr. Ralph W. Henson, 1414 Barrancas
From: Millington Baptist Church, Millington, Tennessee.

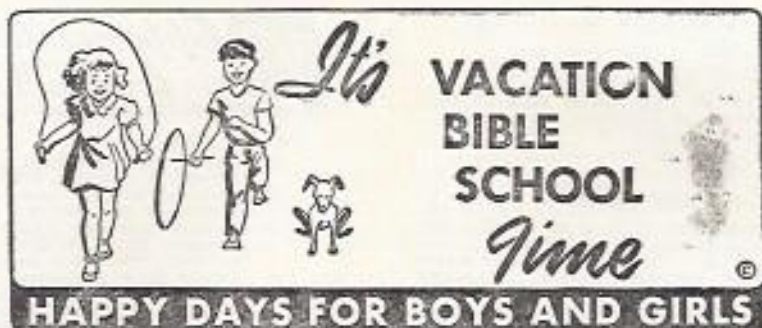
119. Mrs. Ann Henson, 1414 Barrancas.
From: Millington Baptist Church, Millington, Tennessee.

120. Miss Mary Lou Pitts, 1735 E. Hernandez.
From: First Baptist Church, Tallahassee.

BAPTIZED:

Miss Carolyn Sue Williams, 920 North Baylen Street.

Attend Church Twice Sunday!



Our Vacation Bible School begins Monday Morning at 8:30 a.m.

It will continue each day (8:30-11:30, Monday through Friday) for two weeks. A splendid faculty has been enlisted, plans have been made. Now it's up to parents to be sure that your children are here.



Library Notes

Gibbons the historian once said: "My early and invincible love of reading, I would not exchange for the treasures of India." Next Sunday we start our Summer Reading Clubs. We have a number of new books to put in circulation, though any book you have not read is a new book. The Primaries will have the new 50 star flag as their guide; the Juniors will build Alaskan Totem Poles and will strive to finish the top man on the pole; the Teenagers will take a 50 state tour covering the states as they entered the Union, their goal being to reach Hawaii the 50th state. We are looking forward to a great six weeks of reading pleasure. This is also a good time for all adults to enjoy a good book.

MRS. L. T. STOESEN

LIBRARY HOURS

Sunday:	Wednesday:
9:00 - 9:25 a.m.	5:00 - 7:40 p.m.
10:45 - 10:55 a.m.	
12:00 - 12:20 p.m.	
5:30 - 7:55 p.m.	

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FACTS OF INTEREST

According to a new medical study recently made by doctors associated with Harvard University, Tufts College, and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, heavy drinking, outdoor work, and frequent respiratory troubles may have a part in lung cancer—but compared to cigarette smoking—a minor part. The most important factor is the total number of cigarettes smoked in a lifetime, and it makes no difference whether the amount was smoked over a short or long period of years.



Training Union

TRAINING UNION MASS MEETING

**Monday, June 15th
7:30 P.M.**

Warrington Baptist Church

Theme: "Training Union's Responsibility for Every Church Member."

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Music Notes

THE MUSIC RECITAL

I want to express my thanks to all those who participated in the music recital last Friday. I feel it was a milestone in the music of this church. Also I am grateful to the students for the nice gift. Those participating were: Ann Fields, Mary Roth, Priscilla Maddox, Karen Drew, Elwyn Garrett, Harold Garrett, Mrs. Gerald Garrett, Pat Jernigan, Gail Sasnett, Syble Andrews, Marilou Gentry, Ellen Gayle Edwards, Kahl Edwards, Mrs. J. K. Edwards, Mrs. Clifford Lenz, Mrs. W. L. Warren, Mrs. Carl Daniel, Mrs. D. L. Raley, Mrs. H. T. Lenz, Miss Evelyn Heintz, Mrs. Bob Drew and Mrs. J. B. Ladner.

Several new classes will be started along with the continuation of the old ones—in early July. Watch for the announcement.

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MUSIC WEEK AT RIDGECREST

Mr. Carpenter has room for two persons to go to Ridgcrest for Music Week (June 25-July 1). He will leave on June 24. Transportation will cost you nothing. Contact him if interested.



Opportunities For the Week

SUNDAY, JUNE 14—

- 9 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages.
Theron A. Guthrie, Supt.
- 9 a.m.—Morning Worship Service. Pastor.
Broadcast over WCOA.
- 9 p.m.—Baptist Hour over WCOA.
Speaker: Dr. H. H. Hobbs.
Subject: "Salvation by Grace."
- 9 p.m.—Chapel Choir Rehearsal.
- 9 p.m.—Training Union for all ages.
Clarence L. Taylor, Director.
- 9 p.m.—Evening Worship Service. Pastor.
- 9 p.m.—Intermediate Fellowship in Married Young People's Department.
- 9 p.m.—Chapel Choir Fellowship.

MONDAY, JUNE 15—

- 9 a.m.—Vacation Bible School.
- 9 p.m.—Asm. Training Union Meeting.
Warrington Baptist Church.

TUESDAY, JUNE 16—

- 9 a.m.—Vacation Bible School.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17—

- 9 a.m.—Vacation Bible School.
- 5 p.m.—Concord Choir (12, 13, 14) Rehearsal.
- 9 p.m.—Sunday School Officers' and Teachers' Meeting begins with Supper. Int. 14 Dept. serving.
- 9 p.m.—Beginner Sunbeams meet.
- 9 p.m.—Primary 6-7 Sunbeams meet.
- 9 p.m.—Primary 8 Sunbeams meet.
- 9 p.m.—Junior 9 G.A. meets in Room 23.
- 9 p.m.—Junior 10-11 G.A. meets in Rm. 25.
- 9 p.m.—Intermediate G.A. meets in Rm. 24.
- 9 p.m.—Senior G.A. meets in Senior 16.
- 9 p.m.—Junior R.A.'s meet in Married Young People's Department.
- 9 p.m.—Girls' Ensemble Practice.
- 5 p.m.—Prayer Service.

THURSDAY, JUNE 18—

- 9 a.m.—Vacation Bible School.
- 9 a.m.—Mary Martha Class will meet at the church for Visitation. Covered-dish luncheon at noon at home of Mrs. John M. Capodonio, 1206 W. Gregory Street.
- 9 p.m.—Church Choir Rehearsal.

FRIDAY, JUNE 19—

- 9 a.m.—Vacation Bible School.

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Weddings

Red Kelly was married on June 7 to Miss a Joy Horne in Boyle, Mississippi.

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Our Children

By EVELYN E. HEINTZ

YOUR CHILD AND VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Have you wondered, "Is it really important that my child attend Vacation Bible School, and should I make the added effort to see that he attends every day?" These are questions every parent in our church will have to answer June 15-26. Perhaps if we take a look into some of the activities of the elementary departments you can best answer these questions.

The three-year-olds will be "Learning of God's Love and Care." This may be the best opportunity your child will ever have to begin building his concepts of God's love and care for him. During the days of Bible School some of the stories he will hear are, "How God Made the World," "Baby Moses", "Little Samuel", and many more. The activities of the morning will be interspersed with quiet and active play. There will be a rest time, as well as outside play. A mid-morning snack will be served.

The Beginner Departments (for children four and five years old) will be talking about "Helping in God's World." Through the week they will be hearing Bible stories of how others helped and their workers will help them see how they can have a part in helping in God's world. There will be many opportunities for the Beginner boys and girls to learn to share, take turns, and finish what they begin as they paint at the easel, play with blocks, work with puzzles, and play in the home. Once a large part of Bible School was taken up with handiwork. We have now come to believe it is more important that the children take something home in their hearts than in their hands.

The boys and girls in the three Primary Departments will be learning about "Wonders in God's World." An appreciation and wonder of the world God made for us is something that any parent could desire that their child take through life with him.

For these ten days to mean the most to your child he should attend every day. You as a parent can be the encouragement your child needs to look forward to 8:30 each morning as he arrives for Vacation Bible School at the First Baptist Church.

—Adapted

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SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.—"Heavenly Visions"

8:00 P.M.—"The Blessed Man"

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SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

Thursday, June 18—7:00 p.m.

First Baptist vs. Richards Memorial at
Exchange Park.

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ting, not later than 9:00 A.M. Tuesdays.



LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance.....	305
Members Present	830
New Members	8
Visitors	58
(Attendance one year ago, 330)	
Training Union Attendance.....	251
Members Present	229
New Members	4
Visitors	13
(Attendance one year ago, 247)	
Additions to church membership.....	6
Baptized	1
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$3,577.11
Specials	217.89
Building Fund	134.75
TOTAL OFFERING	\$3,929.66

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

OUR KNOWN SICK: Baptist Hospital—H.
H. Hobbs, Miss Annie Averitt. Atmore
Hospital—Mrs. Charles E. Rosenberg.
Home from Hospital—Mrs. Ruth H.
Adams.

CONGRATULATIONS TO: Mr. and Mrs.
John Earl Pearson upon the birth of a son,
John David, on May 29th.

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Pope John XXIII has announced that he
will call an Ecumenical Council to explore
the question of unity between the Roman
Catholic Church and other churches. The
last such council was held eighty-nine years
ago and proclaimed the infallibility of the
Pope when speaking in his official role. The
announcement has been received with mingled
praise and caution by religious leaders.



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