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Looking for a Thousand

Think a Moment..

It seems that more of our members want to tithe this coming year than ever before. Yet some are wondering how they can tithe when they have so many other obligations to which they are already committed.

Some time ago a mother wrote the editors of Home Life magazine. She explained that they had two daughters in addition to two small sons they were keeping for a sister-in-law who had cancer. This mother also was helping a brother in college, and she wondered if God expected her family to tithe. She said they were getting farther behind all the time.

A very fine answer was given by the magazine. The writer cited a friend who traveled widely and visited in many homes. This friend said he had never known a family without financial strain, regardless of its income. The point is that every family feels at first that it does not have enough to tithe. The very struggle to tithe, even when it is difficult to do so, can of itself become a test of faith.

For our own members who may be facing similar questions, a new sense of what is vital in life is necessary. Very few of us have "left-over" money to give as a tithe. It must be set aside first, and given preference in the family budget. Many families, adopting this practice and taking God as a partner, often find that they do as well or better on the nine-tenths that is left. Will you have faith in 1960 to set aside the tenth first?

The leaders of the church have not simply decided among themselves to ask each member to tithe. The Bible has already asked this. The church is simply reminding each member of what the Bible has already taught on this subject.

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

Dr. H. Cornell Goerner

7:30 P.M.

Sermon by Pastor

"His First Sermon"

Luke 4:14-30



DOYLE E. CARLTON, JR.

... Brings Message

ATTENTION LADIES!

Attend W.M.U. Tuesday

9:45—W.M.S. Executive Committee Meeting

10:00—W.M.S. General Meeting

10:30—Missionary Program

11:15—Business Meeting

11:45—Bible Study

12:30—Lunch

VOCATIONS CONFERENCE

Florida Baptists will be holding the second state-wide Church Related Vocations Conference at the First Baptist Church, Tampa, December 4 and 5. Last year we had several young people to attend this meeting. It was very helpful and worthwhile, especially for those young people who are planning to enter some phase of church related vocations. It is hoped that we can have a group to attend again this year. If you are interested, talk to Mr. Carpenter.

Thursday evening, November 5th at 7:00 p.m., some 1,000 Church and Sunday School members will attend the Loyalty Dinner at the National Guard Armory, 1300 West Gregory Street.

Doyle E. Carlton, Jr., an active Baptist layman much in demand as an inspirational speaker, will bring the message. He is a member of the Florida Legislature and the son of a former governor of Florida. Carlton's home is in Wauchula. He has spoken as a layman to the Florida Baptist Convention.

750 people attended last year's Loyalty Dinner and many, many came away saying "This is the finest thing I've ever attended."

A special Children's party will be held at the First Baptist Church the same night for all children 4 through 8 years of age, beginning at 8:30 p.m. Those below four will be cared for in the church nurseries.

The program arrangements for the dinner were handled by the Pastor, James L. Pleitz, and by the General Chairman of the Forward Program, Dr. Henry L. Ashmore. All other arrangements for the dinner have been prepared by Charles H. Overman Jr. and the members of the Loyalty Dinner Committee, David L. Raley, James L. Drexler, and A. G. Woerner. Mrs. W. C. Carr, Jr. is in charge of the Children's Party. Her committee members are Evelyn Heintz, Mrs. T. A. Guthrie, Mrs. Felix Woolf, Mrs. Joe B. Ladner and Mrs. Gerald Garrett. Ladies from the Boulevard Baptist Church will be in charge of the Children's Party, thus allowing all of our ladies to attend the Loyalty Dinner. Our committee did the same thing at the time of the Boulevard Church's Loyalty Dinner.



DEACONS OF THE MONTH

Our deacons of the month for November are Mr. Milton Richardson and Mr. Herman O. Williams.

MR. RICHARDSON joined our church by letter in 1939. He was ordained a deacon in October of this year. Mr. Richardson is presently serving as a teacher in Adult A Department. He is employed by Gulf Power Company and is the father of one daughter, Julia Ann.

MR. WILLIAMS joined our church by letter in 1935. He was ordained a deacon in 1941. He is now serving on the Finance Committee. Mr. Williams is employed by the Richardson Agency.

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should be in the office, preferably in writ-
ing, not later than 9:00 A.M. Mondays.



LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance.....1127
Members Present.....1088
New Members.....15
Visitors.....44
(Attendance one year ago, 1061)
Training Union Attendance.....304
Members Present.....289
New Members.....3
Visitors.....12
(Attendance one year ago, 319)
Additions to church membership.....4
Baptized.....3
Tithes and Offerings:
Budget.....\$4,116.49
Specials.....191.35
Building Fund.....112.35
TOTAL OFFERING.....\$4,428.19

Every Baptist a Father

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Congratulations to the Following
New Parents:

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph L. Godwin, baby girl,
born October 19.
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur C. Eddy, Jr., baby
girl, born October 22.
Lt. (jg) and Mrs. Sam L. Jennings, baby
girl, born October 23.

Baptist Hospital:

Mr. L. D. Rushing, Mr. Sim Davis, Mr.
Walter McNeil, Mrs. Robert Rider, Mrs.
Imogene Stewart.

Home From Hospital:

Mrs. Adolph Alf, Mr. William Henry Wil-
liams, Mr. Bill Osborn, Ernest O. Nolen,
Jr., Mrs. George P. Wood, Miss Pearl
Kennedy, Grady White.

We Extend Our Deepest Sympathy To:

The R. L. Reddick family in the loss of
Mr. Reddick.

Naval Hospital:

Mrs. Sam L. Jennings (baby girl).

In the Hospital Out of Town:

Mrs. P. O. Davis.

Our Children

NURSERY-PARENT MEETING
NOVEMBER 2—7:00 P.M.

Stage End of Dining Room

A party for two and three year old Nurs-
ery children and Beginner and Primary chil-
dren. Make plans now to come!

PRAYER SERVICE

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4

FILM:

"Where Your Heart Is"

This film emphasizes the words of Jesus
when he said "No man can serve two mas-
ters" and "Seek ye first the kingdom of
God, and his righteousness; and all these
things shall be added unto you." The setting
is in the home of Tom and Dorothy Nelson.
Active in their church, Tom is chairman of
the budget committee and Dorothy teaches
a Sunday School class. A problem arises
when they are confronted with the choice
between buying a new car and making a
more liberal contribution to their church.
The message of this film goes beyond the
stewardship of money and deals with the
stewardship of life.

You will want to see this film next
Wednesday night.

BE 1 OF 1,000
Attend the Loyalty Dinner

STEWARDSHIP TESTIMONIES
SUNDAY

11:00 A.M.—Mr. Len Roberts, III
7:30 P.M.—Mrs. E. A. Allen

According to reliable information, 233
magazines in the United States have refused
to accept alcoholic beverage advertising.

IN
MEMORIAM

MR. R. L. REDDICK

Baptized into this Church
October 11, 1942
Died October 23, 1959

Opportunities
for the Week

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1—

9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages.
Theron A. Guthrie, Supt.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship. Pastor.
Broadcast over WCOA.
1:30 p.m.—Baptist Hour on WCOA.
Speaker: Dr. H. H. Hobbs.
Subject: "Look in the Mirror."
5:00 p.m.—Chapel Choir Rehearsal.
6:10 p.m.—Training Union for all ages.
Cdr. R. E. Sparks, Director.
7:30 p.m.—Evening Worship. Pastor.
Ordinance of Baptism.
8:30 p.m.—Intermediate Fellowship in Mar-
ried Young People's Dept.
—Chapel Choir Fellowship.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2—

2:30 p.m.—Mary-Martha Class Business and
Social Meeting with Mrs. John
Busey, 1601 East Strong.
7:00 p.m.—Nursery-Parent Meeting in Junior
12 Department.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3—

9:45 a.m.—W.M.S. Executive Meeting.
10:00 a.m.—General W.M.S. Meeting.
7:00 p.m.—Bible Survey Plan.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4—

4:45 p.m.—Choir.
—G.A. Leadership Course in Room
127 (Ground Floor of New Bldg.)
5:30 p.m.—Superintendents' Cabinet Meeting.
Adult B Department.
—Training Union Directors' Meeting.
Room 131.
5:50 p.m.—Fellowship Dinner.
6:30 p.m.—Sunday School Officers and
Teachers Meet.
7:25 p.m.—Prayer Service.
Film "Where Your Heart Is."
8:00 p.m.—Visitation.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5—

9:30 a.m.—Bible Survey Plan.
6:30 p.m.—Children's Party at the Church.
7:00 p.m.—LOYALTY DINNER.
National Guard Armory.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6—

2:00 p.m.—The Convention Bible Class will
meet with Mrs. Libby Harvard,
911 North Spring. Group 1 will be
co-hosts.
2:30 p.m.—Willing Workers' Class will meet
with Mrs. Lucille Campbell, 694
W. Avery Street.
Fellowship for Young People and Interme-
diates after football game.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7—

2:30 p.m.—Royal Ambassadors Conclave.
Granada Baptist Church.

BE 1 OF 1,000
Attend the Loyalty Dinner



"We're under grace. I want to
give just as I feel like it."

LOYALTY DINNER

There is still time to make your reservation for the Loyalty Dinner. If you failed to return your reply card, or now find that circumstances allow you to attend, call the Church Office, HE 3-5451.

STEWARDSHIP LESSONS
SCHEDULED SUNDAY

Cmdr. R. E. Sparks, Chairman of the Lesson Committee, has completed plans for the Stewardship Lesson which will be presented to all Sunday School Departments from Juniors through Adults, Sunday morning, November 1.

Departments will have a brief opening assembly at the normal convening time, 9:30 a.m. Classes will meet at 9:35 a.m. and the regular lesson will be taught. At 10:15 a.m. all members will re-assemble in their respective departments and the Stewardship Lesson will be presented by a special speaker or teacher.

Bringing the special stewardship lesson in the various departments will be:

Junior 9—Mrs. W. H. Williams
Junior 10—Billy Renfro
Junior 11—W. T. Creel
Junior 12—Fermion Minshew
Intermediate 13—Charles H. Overman
Intermediate 14—Miss Nell Smith;
Miss Anne Kreitlein, alternate
Senior 15—Norwood Cobb
Senior 16—Jack Howes; Miss Florene Longier, alternate
Young People A—Frank B. Gibbs
Young People B—T. A. Shell
Married Young People—Dr. Don Fite
Adult A—J. Nixon Daniel
Adult B—Paul W. Curo
Adult C—Dr. P. Gayle Batson
Adult D—Miss Annie Averett
Adult E—Dr. Henry L. Ashmore

ATTENTION INTERMEDIATES
AND YOUNG PEOPLE

There will be a HALLOWEEN PARTY at the church immediately following the football game on Friday night, October 30.

Preaches Sunday



DR. H. C. GOERNER
... Guest Speaker

We are happy to announce that Dr. H. Cornell Goerner will be our pulpit guest for Sunday morning. Dr. Goerner is secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East for the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board.

Dr. Goerner is a graduate of Southern Methodist University and Southern Seminary. He has served as pastor of churches in Kentucky and as a professor at Southern Seminary before coming to the Foreign Mission Board in 1957.

Dr. Goerner is the author of four books and has also served as managing editor of a Baptist theological quarterly.

He has traveled widely, visiting all the major areas where Southern Baptists have mission work abroad.

Dr. Goerner has been invited by our pastor to bring a special missions emphasis in connection with our Forward Program of Church Finance. The pastor will be present and will introduce Dr. Goerner to our congregation.

We look forward to having him with us on Sunday. Invite others to be present with you!

J. C. PENNEY TO SPEAK

Mr. J. C. Penney, prominent businessman, is to speak in our sanctuary on Tuesday, November 10, 7:30 p.m. Plan now to hear him at this time.



Library Notes

November 1-7 is National Book Week. The slogan for this year is, "Go Exploring in Books". So, let's all, young and old, go exploring in our good library books.

Biographies of great men make good exploring expeditions for young people and adults:

"David Livingston" by Seaver.
"Albert Schweitzer" by Anderson.
"Life of Adoniram Judson" by Anderson.
"Life of Henry Stanley" by Anstruther, and many others.

Teenagers, here are some intriguing expeditions for you:

"David Livingston."
"Balboa—Conquistador."
"Ann of Ava—Missionary to Orient."
"Explorations of Pere Marquette."
"Leonardo de Vinci" (An amazing contemporary of Christopher Columbus).
"Arctic Trader—Madsen."
and many others.

Juniors will love to go exploring in the following:

"Her Own Way—Lottie Moon."
"The Trail Maker—David Livingston."
"Martin Luther."

Go exploring in nature in:

"Through the Magnifying Glass."
"Insects in Their World."
"All About Snakes."
"All About Monkeys" and many, many other good and wonderful books.

Happy and profitable exploring to all!

—MRS. STOESEN

LIBRARY HOURS

Sunday—9:00-9:25; 10:45-11:00 a.m.
12:00-12:20 a.m.; 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Tuesday—9:15-12:00 a.m.

Wednesday—4:30-7:25 p.m.



"You'll never convince me that tithing is in the New Testament."



"This matter of giving is a serious matter. Let me think it over."



"I didn't know we kept that much of God's money."



"Count me in! I will tithe!"

When Called to Serve As a Canvasser ... SAY YES!



**SERVING AS A CANVASSER HELPS
ME TO KNOW MORE OF OUR PEOPLE**

EVERY MEMBER IN SUNDAY SCHOOL

NOVEMBER 1
Special Stewardship Lessons

NOVEMBER 8
Pledge Sunday

Senator Thomas C. Hennings, Jr., (D-Mo.) chairman of the special Senate subcommittee investigating juvenile delinquency, has said that two million American youngsters who are in the ages between ten and seventeen will have court records before they are eighteen, if the present trend in juvenile delinquency continues. The number of children before juvenile courts for delinquency has increased two and one-half times since 1949, while child population was increasing only 25 per cent, Senator Hennings warned.

NEW MEMBERS

BY LETTER:

22. Dr. Berkley L. Rish, 216 N. Old Corry Rd. From: Wake Forest Baptist Church, Wake Forest, N. C.
23. Mrs. Berkley L. Rish, 216 N. Old Corry Rd. From: Ardmore Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, N. C.
24. Dr. C. Rolland Sargent, 52 E. Adkinson From: South Main Baptist Church, Houston, Texas.
25. Mrs. C. Rolland Sargent.

BAPTIZED:

- Neville E. Richardson
Donna Garrett
Mrs. Henry Chiles

Humility leads to strength. It is the highest form of self-respect to admit mistakes, and make amends for them.

The Bible is God's signpost on man's road of life.

TEACHERS WILL CALL ATTENTION TO GOAL POSTERS IN CLASSROOMS

Now that the budget goal of \$229,171 has been adopted by the church, the Sunday School leadership has accepted the responsibility of seeing that each class accepts its proportional share of the total goal. Norwood Cobb and the budget pledging committee have worked out suggested goals for each class, Junior age and above, and each department, Primary age and under.

By this Sunday, teachers will find "Our Class Goals" posters in each classroom. They will focus attention on these goal posters this Sunday. Each class will be encouraged to reach its 2-way goal of pledgers and titheers. Pledge cards will be mailed to each church and Sunday School member next week. These cards will be given to the church during a special Pledge Day March on November 8.

BIBLE SURVEY PLAN

We have received from our State Sunday School Secretary the following letter in which we believe you will be interested:

Mr. Clyde K. Bizzell
First Baptist Church
Pensacola, Florida

Dear Clyde:

Thank you for your letter of the 13th telling about your class in the Bible Survey Plan. This is a large group, in fact the largest I have heard about to date.

Let us commend you and your people there for their effort along this line. Will you tell them of our appreciation and hope that they will maintain it and continue through to the end.

Praying the Lord's blessings upon you and your work, I remain

Yours in His service,

C. F. BARRY

Enrolled to date 169. Our attendance last week: Tuesday night 75, Thursday morning 57. Total 132. Our classes will meet this coming week at the regular time—Tuesday night at 7 p.m., Thursday morning at 9:30.