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SUNDAY IS PLEDGE DAY!

Those Who Must Be Absent Urged To Send Cards Early

Think a Moment...

Certainly every Baptist believes in missions. We know that the gospel is not something to be hoarded, but a blessing to be shared with others. Sharing the good news of Christ with others is missions. We believe in missions because we believe in and love Christ.

There are many worthy mission causes in the world. So many, in fact, that if our church tried to give even a small amount to each one, the help given would be too small to make any definite impression.

That is why the major part of our missionary giving is through the Cooperative Program of Southern Baptists. Occasionally someone mistakenly says that we give so much to the Cooperative Program. The Cooperative Program is a channel through which we give to missions. By giving thru the Cooperative Program, we have the satisfaction of knowing that we are supporting most of the causes dear to the hearts of Baptists.

Without the Cooperative Program, we would find ourselves burdened with continued special offerings. And even then, we could never take enough special offerings in any one year to cover all our missionary causes.

Hear

Mr. J. C. Penney

Mr. J. C. Penney has been asked to speak at a public meeting primarily for church people to be held in our sanctuary on Tuesday night, November 10. This meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. Members of our church will want to hear him at this time.

Assignment Supper Monday, November 9

The Assignment Supper for Canvassers will be held in the church dining room, Monday evening at 6:30 p.m. The Nursery will be open.

At that time, some 200 canvassers, who have agreed to visit homes where pledge cards are not turned in during the pledge march, will receive their assignments for visitation and instructions. There will be special report snacks for canvassers at 9:00 p.m. November 10 and November 12.

VICTORY DAY IS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15.

Every Baptist a Tither

Each church and Sunday School member of the First Baptist Church has received a 1960 commitment card. This is to be filled in at home, and brought to Sunday School for the Pledge Day march, Sunday morning, November 8. A unified service will be held in the sanctuary during the latter part of the Sunday School hour. This will be a service of dedication and consecration, as each member turns in his intent of giving for the coming year.

Those who must be absent are urged to mail or bring by the church office their cards before Sunday morning. Norwood Cobb, pledging chairman, said, "We have a large number of men trained to visit next week. However, if our people co-operate by returning most of the cards Sunday, this will greatly reduce the number of home calls." A facsimile of this year's pledge card is printed below. The facsimile printed here is not to be filled out. Everyone should have received one this week from the church.

First Baptist Church
PENSACOLA, FLORIDA



CH. M. _____ S. S. _____ CARD NO. _____

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

DEPT. _____ CLASS _____

Because God Loved...

I WILL GIVE AND ESTIMATE MY GIFTS FOR
THE COMING YEAR TO BE APPROXIMATELY

\$ _____ PER WEEK

I UNDERSTAND THAT MY COMMITMENT MAY BE
CHANGED AT ANY TIME BY NOTIFYING THE CHURCH

CHECK IF YOU ARE A TITHER ☐

SIGNED _____

BECAUSE GOD LOVED I WILL GIVE

THE BAPTIST BUILDER

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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. Mondays.



LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance.....	1099
Members Present	1036
New Members	10
Visitors	53
(Attendance one year ago, 1083)	
Training Union Attendance.....	319
Members Present	294
New Members	3
Visitors	22
(Attendance one year ago, 307)	
Additions to church membership.....	2
Baptized	3
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$5,395.75
Specials	193.98
Building Fund	118.90
TOTAL OFFERING	\$5,618.63

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Baptist Hospital:

Mr. L. D. Rushing, Mr. Sim Davis, Mr.
Walter McNeil, Mrs. Imogene Stewart,
Jimmy Driskell, Mrs. C. C. McCurley,
Mrs. Ella Carter (baby boy), Mrs. Carolyn
Jones, Mack Dennis, Julie Ann Mashburn,
Mr. Henry Chiles, Delrene Hopkins, H.
T. Lenz.

Sacred Heart Hospital:

Mrs. E. C. Walker, Grady White.

Maternity Hospital:

Mrs. John E. Gray.

Home from Hospital:

Mr. Clyde R. Hood, Mr. J. L. Hackett.
Mrs. Margaret Wilhite, Mrs. Clifford Al-
britton.

Congratulations To:

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Albritton upon the
birth of their baby daughter.

NEW MEMBERS

BY LETTER:

26. Mrs. H. J. Rosser, 81 South Madison Dr.,
Mayfair, Fla. From: First Baptist Church, El
Dorado, Ark.

BY BAPTISM:

S. H. J. Rosser

BAPTIZED:

Mr. E. A. Lawhon
Mrs. E. A. Lawhon
H. J. Rosser

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.
"Our Almighty Ally"
(Isaiah 52:12)

7:30 P.M.
"Helpers"
(I Corinthians 12:27 following)

WE WILL DO IT

BY THE PASTOR

Sunday promises to be one of the greatest
days in the history of the First Baptist
Church of Pensacola. I am looking forward,
with keenest anticipation, to the blessing
that will be ours as we gather in the sanc-
tuary during the Sunday School hour for the
commitment service. Surely, the Lord will
be looking down from heaven on this ser-
vice, and He will be pleased by the response,
not only on the part of the adults, but the
young people and children as well. Because
we love Him, we are happy for the oppor-
tunity to demonstrate that love by taking
part in the pledge service.

Many of you have been praying about
your pledge for the coming year. Let me
urge you to be MUCH in prayer about this
all-important matter. Many will begin tit-
ing for the first time in their lives. To this
group will come the happiness and joy that
can come only to those who are in partner-
ship with the Lord God. Others who have
been faithful tithers for years will want to
increase their giving and go beyond the
tithe. (We need to realize that we really
haven't given an offering until we go be-
yond the tenth). I sincerely pray that many
will be in the group who bring not only the
tithe but an offering to the House of God
on His day.

Regardless of what you have given in the
past, please make a covenant together with
your pastor to GIVE A LITTLE MORE to
the cause of Christ this coming year than
you gave last year. In some cases, the in-
crease should be considerable. In other
cases, it may be small, but INCREASE
YOUR GIFT some. If all of us who love
Christ will resolve to make some IN-
CREASE in our giving, we will have no
trouble reaching our budget goal this com-
ing year.

Pray, pray, pray with me, and together
with God's help—and for His glory—we
will do it.

Rain or shine, be in God's House Sunday
to share in this glorious victory.

Devotedly,

JAMES L. PLEITZ



GOD is depending on you
to keep your TITHE from
your own selfish interests

Opportunities
for the Week

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8—

- 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: "There's a Price On Your
Head."
4:00 p.m.—Royal Ambassador Committee
Meeting. Adult A Dept.
5:00 p.m.—Chapel Choir Rehearsal.
6:10 p.m.—Training Union for all ages.
Comdr. R. E. Sparks, Director.
7:30 p.m.—Evening Worship. Pastor.
8:30 p.m.—Intermediate Fellowship in Mar-
ried Young People's Department.
8:30 p.m.—Chapel Choir Fellowship.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9—

- 6:30 p.m.—Assignment Supper for Convoysers.
7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts meet in Lower Audi-
torium.
7:30 p.m.—Ernest Brooks and Charles Mul-
lins Circles meet with Miss Iva
Hart, 1504 N. Baylen.
8:00 p.m.—Deacons Meet.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10—

- 10:00 a.m.—T. N. Callaway Circle will meet
with Mrs. Jack Lurton, 2800 N.
Magnolia Ave.
—Mary S. Gullatt Circle will meet
with Mrs. R. D. Comstock, 1601 E.
Gonzalez St.
—Stanley Davis Circle will meet with
Mrs. Elwood Burks, 3811 Menendez
Drive.
—Dotson Mills Circle will meet with
Mrs. E. F. Warren, 1905 N. Baylen.
—Bernice Neel Circle will meet with
Mrs. C. J. Rice, 514 W. Moreno St.
—Laura Frances Snow Circle will
meet with Mrs. J. T. Murphy, 1711
N. Whaley Ave.
—R. C. Moore Circle will meet with
Mrs. Alfred Hartsfield, 7 Colby
Lane, Meadowbrook.
10:00 a.m.—Charles Shirley Circle will meet
with Mrs. R. C. Eickler, 2300-B W.
Jackson St.
—Virginia Cobb Circle will meet
with Mrs. John K. Edwards, Jr.,
2405 North 18th Avenue.
—Jane McRae Circle will meet with
Mrs. Robert E. Sparks, Qtrs. 30-2,
NA2.
3:00 p.m.—Harvey Headrick Circle will meet
with Mrs. W. E. Wilson, 1919 N.
14th Avenue.
7:30 p.m.—J. C. Penney will speak in Sanc-
tuary.
7:30 p.m.—Bill Cowley's Circle will meet with
Mrs. Margaret Berrisford, 110 Eu-
clid Dr., Pine Glades.
—Robert Goldie Circle will meet
with Mrs. G. W. Shofner, 2931 N.
Magnolia Avenue.
—Eleanor O'Haver Circle will meet
with Mrs. Doris Berlin, 1601 East
Lakeview Avenue.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11—

- 4:45 p.m.—Choirs.
5:30 p.m.—Superintendents' Cabinet Meeting.
Adult B. Department.
—Training Union Directors' Meet-
ing, Room 131.
5:50 p.m.—Fellowship Dinner.
6:30 p.m.—Sunday School Officers and
Teachers Meet.
7:25 p.m.—Prayer Service.
8:00 p.m.—Recreation Committee Meeting.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12—

- 8:30 a.m.—Bible Survey Plan.
7:30 p.m.—Church Choir Rehearsal.
7:30 p.m.—Ancll Scull Circle will meet with
Mrs. R. N. Pyle, 403 9th St., EPH.
—Faithful Workers' Monthly Class
meeting with Mrs. W. A. Everitt,
1324 E. Bohe St.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13—

- Fellowship for Intermediates and Young
People after football game.

Sunday Is Pledge Day!

Our S. S. Goals for Pledge Day

Each Sunday School class and department has set goals for Pledge Sunday, November 8. Success of Pledge Day will be in direct proportion to advance preparation by the Sunday School workers. Many teachers—particularly in the younger departments—are visiting in the homes before Pledge Day to lead their pupils to have their pledges in that day, whether absent or present.

All teachers have been furnished goals which were entered on goal posters in their classrooms. Goals for each class have been set in terms of the number of pledgers and number of tithers.

Find your goal now:

	Enrol.	Pf'ges	Tith.
General Officers.....	20	20	20
Adult E Dept. Officers.....	5	5	5
Mrs. M. A. Farmer.....	41	41	16
E. Dixie Beggs.....	96	96	48
Mrs. Anzie Wilson.....	24	24	21
Ben C. Johns.....	8	8	4
Mrs. R. C. Keith.....	30	30	28
Mrs. S. C. Kennedy, Jr.....	49	49	18
Total.....	253	253	140

Adult D Dept. Officers.....	5	5	5
Mrs. John Bussey.....	18	18	11
Mrs. Ruth Adams.....	16	16	9
Clarence Dannelly.....	18	18	6
O. F. Aultman.....	17	17	8
Mrs. Charles Deese.....	32	32	14
Total.....	106	106	53

Adult C Dept. Officers.....	5	5	5
Mrs. R. N. Pyle.....	25	25	9
Mrs. M. B. Dawson.....	27	27	8
Robert Ansley.....	13	13	2
Mrs. O. F. Aultman.....	11	11	6
Robert N. Pyle.....	23	23	9
Dr. Richard Morley.....	23	23	8
Total.....	127	127	47

Adult B Dept. Officers.....	6	6	6
Percy Pentecost.....	15	15	4
M. A. Farmer.....	20	20	6
E. G. Owens.....	24	24	6
Mrs. Carl Daniel.....	18	18	6
Mrs. W. A. Everett.....	22	22	9
Mrs. H. O. Williams.....	22	22	5
Mrs. Tate Bousman.....	19	19	6
Total.....	146	146	48

Adult A Dept. Officers.....	5	5	5
Mrs. H. T. Lenz.....	18	18	5
Milton Richardson.....	17	17	2
Mrs. M. S. Penton.....	16	16	7
Mrs. Emory W. Rogers.....	16	16	6
Edward F. Lewis.....	30	30	7
Mrs. W. P. Mooty.....	21	21	6
Total.....	123	123	38

Married Young People			
Dept. Officers.....	3	3	3
Mrs. Espin Bullock.....	16	16	4
Mrs. Bo Mitchell.....	19	19	4
Dr. Lee Neuman.....	9	9	2
Espin Bullock.....	12	12	4
Total.....	59	59	17

Young People B			
Dept. Officers.....	6	6	6
Mrs. O. A. Minieris.....	21	21	10
Mrs. R. E. Sparks.....	42	42	15
Keith C. King.....	13	13	6
Comdr. R. E. Sparks.....	18	18	4
Darrell M. Jones.....	6	6	2
Total.....	100	100	43

Young People A			
Dept. Officers.....	8	8	3
J. Nixon Daniel.....	18	18	9
James D. McCaskill.....	18	18	8
Mrs. Arthur F. Jordan.....	13	13	5
Miss Betty Sue Holt.....	20	20	11
Total.....	72	72	36

Senior 16 Dept. Officers.....	3	3	3
Miss Florene Longier.....	9	9	8
Malcolm Patterson.....	11	11	3
Jack Howes.....	11	11	8
Total.....	34	34	27

Senior 15 Dept. Officers.....	3	3	3
Norwood Cobb.....	8	8	5
Lewis Steele.....	7	7	6
Mrs. M. J. Conlon.....	9	9	5
Mrs. C. L. Taylor.....	10	10	9
Marshall King.....	7	7	6
Total.....	44	44	34

Intermediate 14			
Dept. Officers.....	3	3	3
Miss Ann Kreitlein.....	10	10	8
M. J. Conlon.....	7	7	6
J. A. Watson.....	10	10	6
Miss Nell Smith.....	11	11	7
Boys Class.....	8	8	7
Total.....	49	49	37

Intermediate 13			
Dept. Officers.....	4	4	4
W. L. Lee.....	9	9	5
Mrs. Marvin Lee.....	11	11	6
Charles Wamble.....	9	9	5
Mrs. Clyde Hood.....	10	10	8
Mrs. Henry Shows.....	10	10	5
Marvin Lee.....	9	9	6
Total.....	62	62	39

Junior 12 Dept. Officers.....	3	3	3
David Raley.....	12	12	8
Lee Hardy.....	10	10	7
Mrs. Alma Branch.....	7	7	6
Miss Gladys Windsor.....	8	8	6
Jack Neuman.....	10	10	3
Mrs. W. C. Carr.....	8	8	6
Eloyce Squires.....	7	7	5
Total.....	65	65	44
Junior 11 Dept. Officers.....	5	5	5
Mrs. Richard Morley.....	6	6	6
W. T. Creel.....	6	6	4
Claude Adkison.....	6	6	5
H. C. Gray.....	7	7	6
J. G. Brookins.....	6	6	6
Certrude Bazzell.....	6	6	6
Mrs. A. J. Butler.....	6	6	5
Miss Genevieve Averett.....	7	7	3
Total.....	55	55	46

Junior 10 Dept. Officers.....	7	7	4
Miss Grace Smith.....	7	7	7
P. C. Sutton.....	7	7	6
Mrs. Billy Renfro.....	7	7	3
Mrs. L. D. Allen.....	6	6	5
Mrs. J. R. Marble.....	6	6	5
Neil P. Johnson.....	5	5	3
Billy Renfro.....	6	6	4
Connie Asters.....	6	6	4
Total.....	57	57	41

Junior 9 Dept. Officers.....	4	4	4
Mrs. Jack McGuffee.....	6	6	3
Mrs. D. M. Jones.....	6	6	6
Jack G. McGuffee.....	5	5	4
Herman H. Hobbs.....	6	6	5
Charles Deese, Jr.....	6	6	2
Emil Anderson.....	5	5	5
Mrs. E. L. Barrineau.....	6	6	2
Miss Judy Barrineau.....	7	7	3
Total.....	51	51	33

Primary 8B Dept. Officers.....	8	8	8
Children.....	18	18	5
Total.....	26	26	13

Primary 8A Dept. Officers.....	7	7	7
Children.....	23	23	6
Total.....	30	30	13

Primary 7B Dept. Officers.....	7	7	7
Children.....	20	20	4
Total.....	27	27	11

Primary 7A Dept. Officers.....	8	8	8
Children.....	28	28	14
Total.....	36	36	22

Primary 6B Dept. Officers.....	7	7	7
Children.....	17	17	10
Total.....	24	24	17

Primary 6A Dept. Officers.....	5	5	5
Children.....	24	24	6
Total.....	29	29	11

Begin, 5 Dept. Officers.....	11	11	11
Children.....	53	53	8
Total.....	64	64	19

Begin, 4 Dept. Officers.....	11	11	11
Children.....	36	36	6
Total.....	47	47	17

Nursery 3B Dept. Officers.....	4	4	4
Nursery 3A Dept. Officers.....	3	3	3
Nursery 2 Dept. Officers.....	4	4	4
Nursery 1B Dept. Officers.....	5	5	5
Nursery 1A Dept. Officers.....	4	4	4
Nursery A Dept. Officers.....	2	2	2
Totals.....	1723	1723	883

Help your class
reach its goal

Our Class Goals

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YOUR PLEDGE... *A Dedication to God*

Each member of the Church and Sunday School is urged to sign a pledge card individually.

Nursery children should pledge. Beginners and Primaries should pledge. Let all the family pledge and sign a separate card.

Giving is an act of worship. Signing your pledge card, placing it on the altar is a dedication of your worldly possessions to God. A father who chooses to do all the singing and praying for his family would rob them of a privilege. The same father who places all offerings in one envelope and makes one family pledge likewise robs the children of the joy of personal giving and retards their development in Bible stewardship.

Yes, mothers are urged to sign cards for the nursery children and give them to the workers Sunday morning. All other children will hold their cards for the pledging march in the auditorium.

There are some instances where husband and wife desire to give together for book-

keeping purposes. In these instances we would suggest that husband and wife decide how much of the total each will pledge on his or her pledge card. Then, each will sign an individual pledge card for that amount and will mark the card "Combine with Husband" or "Combine with Wife." This will enable the Tally Committee to give proper credit to the Sunday School class of which each is a member. The Financial Secretary will combine the two pledges on the church records and one set of envelopes will be supplied.

Envelopes will be furnished every church member and Sunday School member whether they pledge or not.

Pledges made next Sunday begin the first Sunday in January. New envelopes will be provided every member the latter part of December.

Parents are requested to begin this year to train your children in stewardship. See that they sign their pledge card and bring their offerings each Sunday—even if it is for only a small amount every week. If you guide their footsteps in God's plan you mold them into more faithful and staunch Christian men and women as they grow up. Do not neglect your responsibilities in Bible stewardship as a parent.

Turn in your pledge card Sunday. If you know you will not be present, please mail it before Sunday. Your faithfulness will save someone a lot of time and work. The canvasser's work of contacting every member who did not return their card will be lessened. Won't you voluntarily dedicate your material possessions to God?

Help underwrite and support your church in God's program.

WEEKLY TITHE CALCULATOR

(Before payroll deductions)

If your annual income is:	Your weekly tithe is:
\$1800.00	\$ 3.45
2400.00	4.60
2800.00	5.00
3000.00	5.75
3300.00	6.35
3500.00	6.75
4000.00	7.70
5000.00	9.60
7500.00	14.40

If your monthly income is:	Your weekly tithe is:
\$125.00	\$ 2.00
150.00	3.45
200.00	4.60
250.00	5.80
300.00	6.90
400.00	9.25
500.00	11.55
600.00	13.85

If your weekly income is:	Your weekly tithe is:
\$ 25.00	\$ 2.50
40.00	4.00
50.00	5.00
75.00	7.50
100.00	10.00

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

All Sunday School departments will convene at 9:30 a.m. After a brief opening assembly, Sunday School classes will meet to get their records. Then, all Sunday School departments from Junior 9 up will assemble for the Pledge march at 10 a.m.

B. W. C. FEDERATION

will meet at the church November 19 at 7:00 for a supper meeting. Make your plans now to attend.

