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WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH MRS. CRAIG?

Mrs. Ella Craig, age 81, hasn't missed Sunday School attendance in 1,040 Sundays, a perfect record for 20 years.

1. Doesn't Mrs. Craig ever have company on Sunday to keep her away from church?
2. Doesn't she ever go anywhere on Saturday night and get up tired Sunday morning?
3. Doesn't she ever have a headache, colds, nervous spells, tired feelings, poor breakfasts, sudden call out of town, business trips, Sunday picnics, or any trouble of any kind?
4. Doesn't she have any friends at all—friends who invite her on a week end trip?
5. Doesn't she ever sleep late on Sunday morning?
6. Doesn't it ever rain or snow on Sunday morning at her house?
7. Doesn't she ever get her feelings hurt by somebody in the church?
8. Doesn't she ever get mad at the preacher or Sunday School teacher?
9. Doesn't she have a radio or television so that she can listen to some "mighty good sermons from out of town?"

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
PALAFOX AND LA RUA STREETS
PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

JAMES L. PLEITZ
PASTOR

PASTOR'S PARAGRAPHS



Pastor's Study
Monday Morning
February 15, 1960

Dear Lord:

Yesterday was a beautiful day here in Pensacola. It was rather cold, but there was not a cloud in the sky—a truly gorgeous day. I really expected Your house to be filled with people for both Sunday

School and the worship service. It was a real disappointment to me, and I am quite sure to You also, to find that hundreds of our folks did not make it for either service.

As you know, Lord, many of our people have been sick (I have been talking to You about these folks and shall continue to pray for their recovery), but I rather suspect that our real foe was not the flu but unconcern. I am persuaded that many of our people decided when the weather was bad on Saturday that Sunday would be an excellent day to stay at home, and so they did. I am also persuaded that if yesterday had been a work day, that without a second thought, they would have gone on to the office or shop.

Now, Lord, this is of real concern to me. It is so hard to reconcile such passages as Luke 14:25f and Matthew 10:38 to the demonstration of loyalty that we give on the Lord's Day. How great is our need for deeper loyalty. Please hasten the day when our worship will be taken from the category marked "convenient" and placed in the file marked "top priority."

In a very brief time, our revival will begin. The pastor's prayer is that it will be a real revival and not a mediocre meeting. You know, Lord, how much we need it!

Prayerfully,

James L. Pleitz

Undershepherd,
First Baptist Church

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"Silent Preachers"

(Luke 22:7-20)

7:30 P.M.

"The Steadfast Christ"

(Luke 9:51)



Library Notes

A good preparation for our revival would be to read some of the library books on evangelism and soul winning. Plus the many others on our shelves, here are the names of a few:

"A Search For Souls" by Scarborough.

"With Christ After the Lost" by Scarborough.

"Every Christian's Job" by Matthews.

"Ways to Win" by Grindstaff.

"Personal Soul Winning" by Evan.

"A Winning Witness" by Dobbins.

"Winning the Children" by Dobbins.

"Winning the Adolescent Boy" by Burkhalter.

MRS. L. T. STOESEN

ASSOCIATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETING

MONDAY NIGHT,
February 22, 7:30 p.m.

Hillcrest Baptist Church

IF

If your knees start to knockin'
When to a group you are talkin';
If your hands start to shakin'
When a speech you are makin';
If for knowledge you've been yearnin';
And your Bible you've been spurnin';
If for a special place you're lookin',
Come on out and see what's cookin';

TRAINING UNION'S WHAT I MEAN,
WE MEET EACH SUNDAY AT 6:10
—Copied

APPRECIATION

My wife and I want to thank each and every one for the many acts of kindness shown us during my recent illness, but most of all we appreciate your prayers.

We know that the members of the First Baptist Church are the nicest people this side of heaven and we love you all.

S. L. and MARY BELL DAVIS

COATS SWITCHED

At the Sweetheart Banquet last Friday night, a woman's red coat, belonging to Mrs. Clyde Hood, was taken by mistake. A similar coat was left. Then, on last Sunday morning, a man's tan overcoat, belonging to Mr. Charles Leaman, was taken in error from the north vestibule and a similar coat left. Any persons owning similar coats will want to check to see if you have yours or one of these.



KING AND QUEEN OF SWEETHEART BANQUET

The youth of the church elected Mr. Sonny Cushing and Miss Julia Ann Richardson to reign over the Sweetheart Banquet as King and Queen. The second place winners were Tommy Harrell and Judy Bousman.



FILM WEDNESDAY

On Wednesday night, February 24, we will be showing the ninth in the Book of Acts series of films. This film entitled "Witness Before a King" portrays the dramatic conclusion of the life of Paul. The dominant note in the picture is faithful witnessing motivated by an inward compulsion which would not be satisfied.

The content of Paul's message is also emphasized, revealing the teachings of his philosophy, and the compassion of his heart. He was God's messenger and he spoke God's word to needy people. Since this film covers the uniform Sunday School lesson for February 28, we hope that many of our adults will join the teachers in seeing the film at 6:50 next Wednesday.



MARCH 7

HOME MISSION STUDY

THEME: Our Mission in Town and Country. Books for all ages. Reserve this evening for information and inspiration.

Our Children

By EVELYN E. HEINTZ

Description of a Good Home

(From a statement prepared by the National Conference on Prevention and Control of Juvenile Delinquency in 1946).

It may be a one-room apartment, a trailer, or a twelve-room house, but it is a good home for a child.

1. If he is loved and wanted and knows it.
2. If he is helped to grow up by not having too much or too little done for him.
3. If he has some time and some space of his own.
4. If he is a part of the family, has fun with the family, and belongs.
5. If his early mistakes are understood as a normal part of growing up, if he is corrected without being hurt or confused.
6. If his growing skills—walking, talking, reading, making things—are enjoyed and respected.
7. If he plans with the family and is given real ways to help and feels needed throughout childhood.
8. If he has freedom that fits his age and his needs and has responsibilities that fit his age, abilities, and freedom.
9. If he can say what he feels and talk things out without being afraid or ashamed.
10. If he can learn through mistakes as well as successes and if his parents appreciate his successes rather than dwell upon his failures.
11. If as he grows older he knows his parents are doing the best they can and they know the same about him.
12. If he feels his parents care as much about him as they do about his brothers and sisters.
13. If the family sticks together and members help each other.
14. If he is moderately and consistently disciplined from infancy, has limits set for his behavior, and is helped to take increasing responsibility for his own actions.



New Members

FOR BAPTISM:

29. Mr. Loam Brown, Jr., 1707 E. Scott St.
30. Judy Jones, 141 High Pine Place, Cordova.

BY LETTER:

115. Ens. Frank Bachman, BOQ NAAS, Sau-ley Field. From: Donald Smith Memorial Baptist Church, Oak Lawn, Illinois.
116. Mr. Douglas I. Blancher, 280 Wedgewood Rd., Cordova. From: Warrington Baptist Church, Warrington, Fla.

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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.....	1041
Members Present	993
New Members	7
Visitors	36
(Attendance one year ago.. 871)	
Training Union Attendance.....	327
Members Present	292
New Members	3
Visitors	32
(Attendance one year ago.. 269)	
Additions to church membership.....	4
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$3,447.44
Specials	362.01
Building Fund	31.65
Expansion Fund	105.25
TOTAL OFFERING	\$3,946.35

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Congratulations to the Following

New Parents:

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie L. Magaha, boy,
James Walter, born February 6.
Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Gober, boy, Rob-
ert Arnold, Jr., born February 7.
Mr. and Mrs. John P. Jones, girl, Paula
Frances, born February 9.

Congratulations To:

Homer H. Higgins, Jr. and Eleanor Ann
Waters who were married last Saturday.

Baptist Hospital:

Mr. A. T. England, Mr. S. L. Ellis.

Sacred Heart Hospital:

Mrs. Marvin Garrett, Sr., Mrs. Phyllis
Morris.

Navy Hospital:

Cynthia Kay Trowbridge.

Home from Hospital:

Mr. Homer Jones, Betty Jean Gonzalez,
Louise and John Minieris, Mrs. J. E. Kelly,
Mr. H. D. Lamkin.

Congratulations To:

Lynne Bass who recently graduated from
Florida State University with a B.S. De-
gree in Political Science and History.

We Extend Our Deepest Sympathy To:

Mr. Ralph Van Metre in the loss of his
father.



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21—

- 9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages.
Theron A. Guthrie, Supt.
- 11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship. Pastor.
Ordinance of Baptism.
The Lord's Supper.
Broadcast over WCOA.
- 1:30 p.m.—Baptist Hour over WCOA.
Subject: "Will All Jews Be Saved?"
- 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.
Ordinance of Baptism.
- 8:30 p.m.—Intermediate Fellowship in Mar-
ried Young People's Dept.
- 8:30 p.m.—Chapel Choir Fellowship.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22—

- 5:30 p.m.—Sunbeam Leadership Study.
- 7:00 p.m.—Boy Scout Meeting. Lower Audi-
torium Educational Building.
- 7:30 p.m.—Associational Sunday School Meet-
ing, Hillcrest Baptist Church.
- 6:00 p.m.—Basketball Game: First Baptist vs.
Eight Avenue Baptist. YMCA Gym.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23—

- 7:00 p.m.—Bible Survey Plan.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24—

- 4:45 p.m.—Choirs (There will be no Concord
Choir).
- 5:30 p.m.—Training Union Officers' Council.
Room 104.
- 5:50 p.m.—Fellowship Dinner.
- 6:30 p.m.—Teachers' and Officers' Meeting.
- 7:30 p.m.—Prayer Service.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25—

- 9:30 a.m.—Bible Survey Plan.
- 7:00 p.m.—Basketball Game: First Baptist vs.
Greek Orthodox. YMCA Gym.
- 7:30 p.m.—Church Choir Rehearsal.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26—

- 6:30 p.m.—Ideal Class Banquet. Church Din-
ing Room.

"SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK"

MRS. ANNIE BELFORD

1220 East Lakeview Avenue

DATES TO REMEMBER

February 29 — Associational Brotherhood
Meeting, Whitfield Memorial Baptist
Church.

March 4 and 5 — State Music Festival,
Milton.

March 7 — Churchwide Home Mission
Study.

March 14, 15, 17, 18 — Training Union
Group Schools.

March 17 and 18 — Cottage Prayer Meet-
ings.

March 20-27—REVIVAL.