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PASTOR



THE WORLD'S GREATEST NEED

• *It is Not*

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Political Alliances
Social readjustment
Military might
Economic Stabilization

• *But it Is*

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Repentance toward God
Faith in Christ
Daily walking with God

THE WORLD NEEDS A REVIVAL

IT MUST BEGIN
IN INDIVIDUAL MEN

ARE YOU CONCERNED?

If So, You Will

- Pray for the lost
- Bring them to Church
- Make the most of this hour

God Expects You to
DO YOUR PART DURING THE REVIVAL

MARCH 20-25, 1960

PASTOR'S PARAGRAPHS



One of the saddest expressions found in the Holy Word of God is a statement found in the 142nd Psalm.

"I looked on my right hand, and beheld, but there was no man that would know me: refuge failed me; no man cared for my soul."

I believe the greatest weakness in Christian living today is the lack of concern we have for our lost friends and neighbors. It is so easy for us to neglect our responsibilities because we are too busy about things of secondary importance. It is such an easy thing to find the time to participate in the things we enjoy, while it is difficult to spare a few hours to engage in the work of our Lord. This situation has come about because we have ceased to be interested in true and eternal values . . . we continue a mad pace to satisfy fleshly appetites . . . we are constantly endeavoring to build temporary havens of happiness. God help us to carefully study the course we are pursuing.

Sunday, March 20, our revival will begin. Between now and then, we will be engaged in intensive visitation and prayer. The question is facing each of us, "How much do I care?" I challenge you to join your pastor in a rededication of life.

Faithfully yours,

James L. Preitz Pastor



OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Baptist Hospital:

Mr. S. L. Ellis, Mrs. Mervin Hudson, Mrs. Richard Warfield, Mr. Thomas H. Miller, Rodney Overton, Mr. Kirk Johnson, Mrs. Sue Allen (baby girl).

Home from Hospital:

Mrs. Kenneth Bruce Gosnell, Mr. John M. Myrick, Ann Hawsey, Mrs. Marvin Garrett, Sr., Mrs. Charles Deese,

CONGRATULATIONS TO: Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Allen, Jr., upon the birth of a baby girl on March 1.



LOST FROM LIBRARY: "Public Speaking Treasury" by H. V. Prachnow. If you know anything about this book, please let us know.

Library Notes

"God and Man in Washington" by Paul Blanchard is a provocative new book which frankly discusses many controversial questions such as: What part has religion played in the Presidency? What are the current religious pressures in Washington? What does the Supreme Court say about key Church-State issues? This book ought to be in circulation continuously until election.

"Religious Freedom in Spain, Its Ebb and Flow" by J. D. Hughes, Jr. The plight of Protestants in Spain from the day of the Reformation to 1954 are recounted in some detail. This book reveals undeniably what the Roman hierarchy is doing in one country enslaved by the doctrine of Catholic Unity. This is the protest of a scholar; it is factual and authentic—yet earnest and concerned for the spread of the truth that is Christ. Dr. Hughes wrote this book as a dissertation for his Ph. D. degree at Columbia University.



NEXT MONDAY, MARCH 7

Much information about our Home Mission work will be presented by the various teachers in the churchwide Home Mission study next Monday. The plans for the evening include an old fashion country supper to be served at 6 o'clock, at the regular supper prices (35c for children and 60c for adults). Reservations will need to be made not later than Sunday. Following supper time a time of inspiration will be held around the tables before going to the various class groups.

The following books will be taught:

Primaries—"Sammy in the Country" taught by Mrs. L. M. Gatlin; Juniors—"Mike and His Four-Star Goal" taught by Mrs. Lon Roberts; Intermediates—"Doorstep R. F. D" taught by Mr. Clyde Bizzell; Young People—"Call to the Country" taught by Mrs. Robert E. Sparks; Adults—"Reaching Rural Churches" led by Mrs. Elwood Burks and Mrs. W. C. Carr.

It is our hope that many of our people will take advantage of this one night Home Mission study.

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"Escape"

(Luke 4:18)

7:30 P.M.

"The Interrupted Sermon"

(Mark 2:1f)

DEACONS OF THE MONTH

Our deacons of the month for March are:

MR. PAUL CARO

and

MR. BILLY RENFROE

MR. CARO joined our church by baptism in 1917. He was ordained a deacon in 1928. He has served in the past as superintendent of a department in Sunday School and as Church Treasurer. At the present time, he is serving as Superintendent of Training in the Sunday School and as chairman of a special committee on insurance. He is employed by Sherrill Oil Company. Mr. Caro is the father of two sons.

MR. RENFROE joined our church by letter in 1952 from the First Baptist Church, Oxford, Mississippi. He is serving as a teacher of Junior boys in the Sunday School and as an Associate Leader in the Nursery Department in the Training Union. Mr. Renfroe is employed by Gulf Power Company. He was ordained a deacon in 1959.

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COTTAGE PRAYER MEETINGS

THURSDAY, MARCH 17 and
FRIDAY, MARCH 18

Under the leadership of our Women's Missionary Society cottage prayer meetings are being planned for Thursday and Friday, March 17 and 18. The Women's Missionary Society is enlisting the homes where the prayer services will be held. The Brotherhood will then enlist leaders for the prayer services. An effort is being made to secure homes in every area of the city where we have members living. If you would like to have a cottage prayer meeting in your home, you may call Mrs. E. A. Allen at HE 2-6275 or the church office.

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REVIVAL VISITATION

The Training Union sponsored revival visitation this past Thursday. Next Thursday, March 10, the Sunday School will sponsor visitation in the interest of our revival. Then, on the 17th, the Women's Missionary Society will sponsor revival visitation. Prospects are available on the prospect board just outside the dining room on the ground floor of the sanctuary building.

You may come by at any time, get a prospect or prospects to visit and sign the visitation board. Then, we would like to encourage you to make a report on that visit just as soon as possible that we may know how to follow up on this particular person.

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PRAY FOR REVIVAL

MARCH 20-27

SOUL WINNING CLINIC

On next Wednesday evening, we will be having a special soul winning clinic. The clinic, to be held from 6:30 to 7:25 will give specific instruction on how to win others to Christ,

There will be three conferences as follows: (1) "How to Lead Adults and Young People to Christ" led by Mr. Bizzell. This conference designed not only for workers with adults and young people, but for members of these age groups as well. (2) "How to Lead Intermediate and Seniors to Christ" led by Mr. Robert Sparks. This will be designed for workers with intermediates and seniors. (3) "How to Lead Juniors to Christ" led by Rev. James L. Pleitz. This conference is designed not only for the workers with Juniors but for parents of Junior boys and girls who have not yet made their public commitment to Christ. It may be that parents of younger children will want to attend this conference also.

The Sunday School is making possible these conferences by giving us the Officers and Teachers' meeting time next Wednesday. The auxiliary groups will meet as usual with an emphasis on personal soul winning in their regular meetings.

Sunday School officers and teachers and all Christians interested in improving the effectiveness of their personal witness for Christ should be present to participate in these conferences.

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REVIVAL PLANS

At the prayer service hour on Wednesday evening the plans for our revival were presented by the various organizational leaders. The weeks between now and March 20 should be devoted to revival preparation. Let us give first place to the matter of preparing our own hearts and doing all that we can to be ready.

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NEW MEMBERS

FOR BAPTISM:

33. George E. Biddlecombe, Cadet Batt. Saufley Field
34. Mrs. Larry G. Crawford, 26 Fountain Abby, Sherwood Park

BY LETTER:

117. Lt. Larry G. Crawford, 26 Fountain Abby Sherwood Park
From: First Baptist Church, Roseburg Oreg.
118. Mrs. Scott Florance, 108-A Catherine Ave., Ellinor Village
From: First Baptist Church, Norman, Okla.
119. Mrs. Scott Florance,
From: Coggan Ave., Baptist Church.
Brownwood, Texas
120. Jim Lightsey, 28 Redwood Circle, Pinehurst.
From Lexington Park Baptist Church, Lexington Park, Md.

BAPTIZED:

Eugene Luker
George E. Biddlecombe
Craig H. Pubols



SUNDAY, MARCH 6

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 over WCOA
 4:30 p.m.—R. A. Committee Meets
 5:00 p.m.—R. A. Reviewing Council meets. Adult A Department
 5:00 p.m.—Chapel Choir Rehearsal
 6:10 p.m.—Training Union for all ages
 7:30 p.m.—Evening Worship, Pastor
 8:30 p.m.—Intermediate Fellowship in Married Young People's Department
 8:30 p.m.—Chapel Choir Fellowship.

MONDAY, MARCH 7

HOME MISSION STUDY COURSE

2:30 p.m.—Mary-Martha Class Meeting with Mrs. C. E. McNabb, 3421 North 9th. Ave.
 6:00 p.m.—Supper
 6:30 p.m.—Study Begins
 7:00 p.m.—Basketball: First Baptist vs. Greek Orthodox YMCA Gym

TUESDAY, MARCH 8

10:00 a.m.—Week of Prayer Program in Ad. A Dept. Harvey Headrick Circle in charge: Program "Bring Good Tidings Through Building"
 10:00 a.m.—T. N. Callaway Circle will meet with Mrs. Geo. Holladay, 113 Warwick Drive, Highland Terrace
 —Virginia Cobb Circle will meet with Mrs. R. R. Steele, 3826 N. 11th Avenue.
 —Stanley Davis Circle will meet with Mrs. Elwood Burks, 3811 Menendez Drive
 —Mary S. Gullatt Circle will meet with Mrs. Edwin Frank, 2020 E. Lakeview Avenue.
 —Dotson Mills Circle will meet with Mrs. Paul Caro, 2020 East Maxwell Street
 —R. C. Moore Circle will meet with Mrs. John Busey, 1001 E. Strong Street
 —Bernice Neel Circle will meet with Mrs. C. M. O'Neill, 3960 Bayou Blvd.
 —Charles Shirley Circle will meet with Mrs. E. E. Lawrence, 2930 W. Blount Street.
 —Laura Frances Snow Circle will meet with Mrs. Harvey Page, 2014 Escambia Avenue.
 3:00 p.m.—Harvey Headrick Circle will meet with Mrs. Amos Garrett, 1921 E. Lloyd Street
 7:30 p.m.—Bill Cowley Circle will meet with Miss Montaree Barrineau, 921 N. 19th. Avenue
 —Robert Goldie Circle will meet with Miss Emily Ward, 840 W. Jordan Street

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9

5:00 p.m.—Choirs Meet
 5:30 p.m.—Training Union Directors' Meeting. Room 104
 5:50 p.m.—Fellowship Dinner
 6:30 p.m.—Officers' & Teachers' Meeting. Soul Winning Clinic Auxiliaries Special Study Group
 7:30 p.m.—Prayer Service

THURSDAY, MARCH 10

REVIVAL VISITATION DAY

(9:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.)

9:30 a.m.—Bible Survey Plan

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 not later than 9:00 A.M. Mondays.



LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance.....	1048
Members Present.....	999
New Members	10
Visitors	39
(Attendance one year ago.....)	1016)
Training Union.....	310
Members Present	277
New Members	4
Visitors	29
(Attendance one year ago.....)	258
Additions to church membership	6
Baptized	3
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	4292.93
Special	346.84
Building Fund, First Baptist.....	33.35
Expansion Fund	61.25
TOTAL OFFERING	4734.37

"SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK"

MRS. FRANCES BRADLEY

607 East Leonard

6:00 p.m.—Basketball: First Baptist Friendship Team vs. Pine Forrest Methodist. YMCA Gym
 7:00 p.m.—Basketball: First Baptist Intermediate Team vs. St. Marks Methodist
 7:30 p.m.—Church Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY, MARCH 1

10:00 a.m.—Week of Prayer Program in Ad. A Dept. Mary S. Gullatt Circle in charge: Program "Making Straight the Way Through Witnessing"

SATURDAY, MARCH 12

2:30 p.m.—R. A. Conclave meeting at Highlands Baptist Church, Molino.