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PASTOR

Have We Grown Up?

We are indebted to Editor C. Ray Dobbins of THE CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN for some recent notes of his on tests of a mature person, particularly of a Christian person. Editor Dobbins lists five of these as: ability to accept reality, ability to both give and receive, freedom from anxiety and tension, ability to handle hostile impulses, and finally the ability to love.

Whether or not we have "grown up" may be measured by these tests. First of all, the mature person takes a firm hold on life as it really is. He does not live in an imaginary world, nor yield to the temptation to seek escape from the facts of life by a mental excursion into the past, nor abandon thinking to mere wishful thinking. This grown-up person also has the readiness to give and take. He knows he can't have his way 100% of the time. Furthermore, he is a well-rounded personality. He may not be free from worry, but he gives himself to the things that can be achieved and not to conditions beyond one's control. So he is free from useless anxiety. We can't escape having some tensions, but we can see to it that the tensions do not become such as to break life. Furthermore, this mature person knows how to handle anger, fear, jealousy, and hate. These are natural and normal impulses, but they have to be sublimated or else they will destroy. Most of all, the mature person is the one who has readiness to express good will toward others. It is love for Christ's sake that makes us grow up.

Then, too, as we become mature Christians we know how to work with one another so as to best promote the Kingdom of God.—Copied.

PASTOR'S PARAGRAPHS



The First Baptist Church is grateful for the faithful ministry of Miss Evelyn Heintz. Last Sunday was her last day with us, and she will take up her new work in Palo Alto, California in the very near future. She is going to serve as a dietitian in the new V. A. Hospital there. She

has served extremely well, and we pray God's richest blessings on this faithful servant.

When you read these lines, the Southern Baptist Convention will be drawing to a close. This yearly meeting is one that our Baptist people look forward to with great anticipation. It is always a thrill to see thousands and thousands of fellow Baptists gathered together from all over the country in this one meeting. Our hearts swell with pride to be a part of such a great Christian fellowship; but, at the same time, we should be made to realize what a great obligation this imposes. Only the Lord knows what could be accomplished if all Southern Baptists would put their all on the altar for Jesus Christ.

Margaret Ann and I are grateful for the privilege of representing our church at the convention in Miami. We shall return to the city on Saturday, and I will be looking forward to seeing each one of you in the Lord's House on His day.

Faithfully in Christ,

James L. Pleitz Pastor:



SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"More Than Conquerors"
(Romans 8:37)

7:30 P.M.

"Death and Deliverance"
(Acts 12)

DO YOU HAVE A BOY OR GIRL GRADUATING?

Graduating time is near. If you have a boy or girl that is graduating this summer, please call the church office and let us know. All graduates, High School, College, Seminary, etc., will be recognized in a special way of you will let us know who they are.

As I See It!

By CLYDE K. BIZZELL

Concerning Our Children's Work

With the going of Miss Heintz, some of her duties in relation to our children's work are of necessity having to be assumed by others. We appreciate so much the Children's Work Committee and their willingness to assume these responsibilities.

The scheduling of the maids to care for pre-school children for all activities of the church will be handled through the church office. Miss Pitts or I will need to be contacted by those responsible for activities where care of pre-school children is required. This should be done as early as possible since we will be making up the schedule for the maids needed a week ahead.

The Children's Work Committee has asked Sunday School Department Superintendents to assume responsibilities for the extended service during the morning worship hour. How grateful we are for these superintendents and workers and parents who are willing to assist in the extended service.

We are going to miss Miss Heintz and her faithful work.

Read and Wake Up

In our recent observance of National Library Week, we used the theme "Wake Up and Read." Somebody has suggested that we ought to "read and wake up." This is a stimulating thought! A good book read will wake us up. Have you read one recently? Try the little book by David Dunn entitled "Try Giving Yourself Away."

Piano Needed

We could use to good advantage an upright piano for Camp Ada. If you have one that you would be willing to give, I would be most happy to hear from you.



Brotherhood

The men of the church are urged to reserve May 30 for the Associational Brotherhood Meeting. This meeting will be held at the Myrtle Grove Baptist Church. Tickets are available now from our Brotherhood President, Bro. Bill Osborn. Get your ticket from him and plan now to be present.



SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

Exchange Park

May 24—7:30 p.m.—First Baptist vs.
Whitfield Baptist



Music Notes



DR. WARREN ANGELL

I am thrilled and delighted to bring to First Baptist Church the Bison Glee Club from Oklahoma Baptist University. The group is directed by Dr. Warren Angell, Dean of Music at O. B. U. Dr. Angell is recognized throughout the nation as an outstanding leader in the field of sacred music. His compositions and arrangements are many, and his unique ability as a choral conductor is in constant demand.

The famous Bison Glee Club will present a concert in our church Saturday, May 21, at 7:30 p.m. I sincerely believe you will enjoy this group.

WENDELL CARPENTER
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VISITATION DAY NEXT THURSDAY

Thursday, May 26, has been set aside by our Sunday School as a day of visitation. Every department ought to be represented in this effort. Superintendents and associate superintendents are urged to enlist some definite people to meet here at the church at 7:00 o'clock Thursday night, May 26.



Library Notes

We are processing all the study course books according to the new categories and classifications. It would be of tremendous help to us if those of you who have study course books checked out and have finished your work would return them now. It would save much work later on. If there are those who wish to donate study course books, we would also be glad to have them now. Thanks for your cooperation in this matter.

"A PARENT'S GUIDE TO CHILDREN'S READING"

By Nancy Lerrick

This is an easy-to-read handbook that gives detailed answers to the questions parents and teachers ask about children's reading:

How can I get my child interested in reading?

Should I teach the ABC's before the children go to school?

How can I help my children outgrow comic books?

How is reading taught nowadays?

What kind of books do children choose for themselves?

You will find practical suggestions in this authoritative guide prepared for parents of children 12 and under.

MRS. L. T. STOESSEN



New Members

BY LETTER:

179. Mr. Farrel A. Andress, 3710 Maule Rd., Cordova. From: First Baptist Church, Greenville, S. C.
180. Mrs. Farrel A. Andress
181. Miss Madonna Driver, 313 W. Gadsden St. From: Ashleigh Baptist Church, Blackville, S. C.
182. Mr. Don Driver
183. Mrs. A. L. Johnson, Jr., 1570 North "A" St. From: North Hill Baptist, Pensacola.
184. Mrs. Webb Lee, 764 Tanglewood Drive, Cordova Park. From: First Baptist Church, Robertsdale, Ala.

Wednesday, May 11

BAPTIZED:

Miss Gracie Robertson
Mr. William C. Ellis, Jr.

SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK

MISS WILLIE KENDRICK
Hicks Rest Home
904 North Baylen

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All material to be included in The Builder
should be in the office, preferably in writing,
not later than 9:00 A.M. Mondays.



LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance.....	1171
Members Present	1104
New Members	10
Visitors	57
(Attendance one year ago..1052)	
Training Union Attendance.....	284
Members Present	263
New Members	2
Visitors	19
(Attendance one year ago.. 266)	
Additions to church membership.....	6
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$4,272.87
Specials	520.70
Building Fund	62.81
TOTAL OFFERING	\$4,856.38



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IS YOURS UP TO DATE?



IN
MEMORIAM

MR. THOMAS A. BOWMAN

Baptized into this Church 5-4-24
Died 5-14-60



SUNDAY, MAY 22—

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.
Subj.: "Faith In the Crisis of
Sickness"
Speaker: Dr. H. Guy Moore.
5:00 p.m.—Chapel Choir Rehearsal.
6:10 p.m.—Training Union for all ages.
Comdr. R. E. Sparks, Director.
New Members Class.
7:30 p.m.—Evening Worship. Pastor.
8:30 p.m.—Intermediate Fellowship in Lower
Auditorium of Educational Bldg.
8:30 p.m.—Chapel Choir Fellowship.

MONDAY, MAY 23—

7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts meet in Lower Auditorium of Educational Bldg.

TUESDAY, MAY 24—

7:00 p.m.—Bible Survey Plan.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25—

5:00 p.m.—Choirs.
5:30 p.m.—Training Union Directors meet in
Room 104.
5:50 p.m.—Fellowship Dinner.
6:30 p.m.—Teachers and Officers Meeting.
Auxiliaries.
Special Study Group.
7:30 p.m.—Prayer Service.

THURSDAY, MAY 26—

9:30 a.m.—Bible Survey Plan.
6:15 p.m.—Adult D Sunday School Picnic.
Bayview Park.
7:00 p.m.—Sunday School Visitation.
7:30 p.m.—Church Choir Rehearsal.



OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Baptist Hospital:

Mrs. Robert Todd, Mr. M. A. Farmer.

Sacred Heart Hospital:

Mrs. C. W. Shofner

Home from Hospital:

Mrs. Fred Reichmann, Mr. Felix Woolf,
Mrs. W. H. Williams, Mrs. J. E. Reynolds

We Extend Our Deepest Sympathy To:

Mrs. Thomas A. Bowman and Mrs. Virginia Miles in the loss of Mr. Bowman.

Congratulations To:

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Eickler, Jr. (Waleiwa,
Oahu, Hawaii) upon the birth of a baby
girl, Carla Elise, on May 10. Mr. and
Mrs. M. C. Colley upon the birth of a
baby girl on May 12. Mr. and Mrs. Lee
Harlton upon the birth of a baby boy
on May 14.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Our superintendents met briefly last Saturday and plans for the "best Vacation Bible School ever" were discussed. We can use some additional workers in some departments. If you can help, please contact Mr. Bizzell.