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JAMES L. PLEITZ  
PASTOR

## *An Open Letter From the Pastor*

Dear Christian Friends:

In just a few brief days, the month of June will arrive. Of all the months of the year, June is one of the best loved. It is the time our schools are dismissed for the long summer holiday (little do the children realize what a welcomed time this is for the teachers!).

There are, however, those who are not so enthused about the arrival of June. In this group are many ministers. Some churches all but go out of business with the arrival of this month. A Philadelphia church has a marble plaque over the entrance, bearing the words: "Gate of Heaven." Beneath this was the legend on the church signboard: "Closed during June, July and August."

The First Baptist Church is indeed for many the very gate of heaven. Your church is counting on your ALL-OUT support during the summer months. Please be faithful in both your attendance and the giving of your tithes and offerings to support His causes around the world. Your co-operation will make this summer the best one in the history of our church for our precious Savior.

Faithfully yours,

*James L. Pleitz* Pastor

"Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." (Rev. 2:10)

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL FACULTY MEETING TUESDAY, MAY 31

9:30 a.m.—GENERAL FACULTY MEETING in Adult A Department.

10:30 a.m.—DEPARTMENTAL FACULTY MEETINGS.

This will be our only meeting of the entire Faculty. It is our hope that every person who is going to help in this year's school can be present.



### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL WORKERS NEEDED

My dishes went unwashed today,  
I didn't make the bed,  
I took God's hand and followed  
To Vacation Bible School instead.

Oh, yes, we went adventuring,  
The Children, Faculty and I  
Exploring the Bible,  
Its truths we can't deny.

That my house was neglected,  
That I didn't sweep the stairs,  
In twenty years no one on earth  
Will know, or even care.

But that I've helped a boy or girl  
To noble adulthood grow,  
In twenty years, the whole wide world  
May look, and see, and know.

—Louise Crawford



## Brotherhood

The men of the church are urged to reserve Monday night, May 30, for the Associational Brotherhood Meeting. This meeting will be held at the Myrtle Grove Baptist Church, beginning with supper at 6:45. Tickets are available now from our Brotherhood President, Bro. Bill Osborn. Get your ticket from him and plan now to be present.

The principal speaker will be Mr. Kermit C. Bradford, an Atlanta attorney.

### SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"Felix—

**A Man Who Trembled"**

(Acts 24:25)

7:30 P.M.

**Rev. and Mrs. Logan Atnip**  
(Southern Baptist Missionaries to  
Southern Rhodesia)



## Training Union

### MONTHLY OFFICERS COUNCIL MEETING

Sunday afternoon is the time for our Training Union Monthly Officers' Council Meeting.

4:30-4:45—Departments meet

4:45-5:30—Unions meet

5:30-6:05—Snack and General Announcements. (Lower Auditorium of Educational Building).

Chapel Choir Schedule:

4:30-4:45—Departments meet

4:45-5:15—Unions meet

5:15-5:30—Snack

5:30-6:05—Chapel Choir Rehearsal

There will be an activities period provided for Primaries during the Officers' Council Meeting in Primary 6B Department



### FOR YOUR INFORMATION

For the benefit of the new members—and as a reminder to the others—the kitchen committee provides this information about the procedures for making supper reservations on Wednesday night.

Reservations can be made by calling the church office by 5:00 Tuesday. Cancellations should be made by this time also. The price of the meal is 60c for adults, 35c for children through high school and 25c for children fed in the Nursery.

A person can be placed on the permanent reservation list by calling the church office. In this case when a person cannot come, he must call the church office to cancel the reservation for a specific Wednesday.

For further information, call Miss Betty Sue Holt in the office. The reservations are not handled by Mrs. Manning.



### LIBRARY NOTES

"Now I Can Tell," by Quentin K. U. Huang, is a story of a Christian bishop under Communist persecution. Because it is concerned with such things as disloyalty, degradation, mock justice, intellectual perversion, starvation and torture, it is not a pleasant story, but it affords, at uncomfortably close range, a view of practical Communism and the methods by which it has gained control over the Chinese millions.

Bishop Huang's words will make an impression upon all who prize highly the worth, dignity and integrity of the individual in society. Read this book. You will never forget it, and you will be more concerned about those who are behind the Iron Curtain.



## RELIGIOUS DRAMA TO BE PRESENTED

At the prayer service hour next Wednesday, a group from the Gadsden Street Methodist Church will present a religious drama entitled "The Story of Barabbas." This play was written by Dr. Clyde E. Miller of Pensacola and was produced and directed by Mr. Kent E. Williams.

Who was Barabbas? What was so important about his life that God intended for us to know? What lesson was his life to teach?

The answers to these and other questions are not fully recorded in the Bible. A great many of the details of his life, deeds, and death are lacking. We may be positively certain that after his path crossed the path of Jesus, he was never the same.

## GIRLS' AUXILIARY

Forty-one of our girls were recognized in a very lovely coronation service, Wednesday, May 18. Following is a list of the girls recognized and the steps attained:

MAIDENS: Donna Morley, Diane Stewart, Susan Brown, Susan Drexler, Cindy Hobbs, Rhonda Moore, Victoria Hosler, Debbie Johnson, Patricia Roberts, Marsha Smith, Carol Caton and Jane Ansley.

LADIES-IN-WAITING: Patricia Stewart, Marcia Johnson, Judy Sparks, Caroline Lee, Jane Kohr, Susan Sparks, Sandra Wilson, Beth Barrineau, Linda Parker, Patricia Jernigan, Sharon Holladay, and Harilee Santoro.

PRINCESSES: Jane Meacham, Marilou Gentry, Diane Danforth, Ann Hardy, Lynda Bales, Robyn Gilmour, Margaret Ann O'Neill, Julia Ann Drexler, Deborah Arnold, Cynthia Arnold, and Carol Rogers.

QUEENS: Lynn Brantley, Marsha Creel, Jackie Pinkin, Jackie Aultman, and Jackie Neuman.

QUEEN WITH SCEPTER: Marcia Dean.

## SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

### EXCHANGE PARK

Tuesday, May 31—7:00 p.m. First Baptist vs. East Hill Baptist

## NEW MEMBERS

### BY LETTER:

185. Mr. Jim Rogers, 900 Bayou Blvd., EPH. From: First Baptist Church, New Orleans, La.

186. Mr. W. H. Carpenter, 215 N. Baylen St. From: First Baptist Church, Hamburg, Mississippi.

### REDEDICATION:

Miss Barbara Clements, 101 High Pine Place.

## SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK

Mrs. Ada McLellan

248 East Intendencia Street



Mr. and Mrs. Chas. J. Payne

request the honour of your presence at the marriage of their daughter

Janice Anita

to

Mr. Richard Ford Wash

on Saturday, the twenty-eighth of May  
Nineteen hundred and sixty  
at four-thirty o'clock in the afternoon

Antioch Baptist Church  
Centreville, Alabama

### Reception

immediately following ceremony  
at the home of the Bride

Mrs. Earline Stone Lindsey

requests the honour of your presence at the marriage of her daughter

Margie Earline Carson

to

William Edward Everett

Lieutenant United States Marine Corps

on Saturday, the twenty-eighth of May  
at five o'clock in the afternoon

First Baptist Church  
Pensacola, Florida

### Reception

following ceremony  
Church Dining Room

## DRAMA WORKSHOP

An intensive Church Drama Workshop will be held at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly as a part of the Recreation Leadership Conference, August 25-31. 18 hours will be given to the actual "doing," to include:

Make-Up  
Costuming  
Lighting  
Acting  
Directing

The participants will be divided into small working groups and will experiment with lighting, practice putting on make-up, design and make costumes and will get experience in other areas of play production.

The workshop faculty will include Mrs. Sarah Miller, Special Drama Consultant, Houston, Texas; Mrs. Dorothy Murphree, Drama Director, First Baptist Church, Florence, South Carolina; Jack Clay, Department of Drama, University of Miami, Coral Gables, Florida, and Cecil McGee, Drama Consultant, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee.

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## CHURCH OFFICERS

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## LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance.....	1196
Members Present .....	1135
New Members .....	10
Visitors .....	51
(Attendance one year ago..1075)	
Training Union Attendance.....	292
Members Present .....	270
New Members .....	2
Visitors .....	20
(Attendance one year ago.. 279)	
Additions to church membership.....	2
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget .....	\$4,287.49
Specials .....	229.51
Building Fund .....	37.80
Expansion Fund .....	8.00
TOTAL OFFERING .....	\$4,562.60



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IS YOURS UP TO DATE?

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

We Extend Our Deepest Sympathy To:

Mr. Charles L. Danforth in the loss of  
his father.

Congratulations To the Following

New Parents:

Mr. and Mrs. Carl B. Causey, boy, Carl  
Bertram, Jr., born May 13. Mr. and Mrs.  
Paul Shimek, boy, born May 17.

Congratulations To:

Evelyn Joyce Capps and Albert Sidney  
Johnson who were married recently. Mr.  
and Mrs. Johnson will reside at 514 N.  
Baylen.

Baptist Hospital:

Mr. M. A. Farmer, Mr. Jack Lurton.

Sacred Heart Hospital:

Mr. Claude Vice

Home from Hospital:

Mrs. Robert Todd, Mrs. C. W. Shofner  
Mrs. Lauree Kickliter

*Attend Church Twice Sunday*



SUNDAY, MAY 29—

- 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  
Sorrow."  
Speaker: Dr. H. Guy Moore.
- 4:30 p.m.—Training Union Officers' Council  
Meeting.
- 5:00 p.m.—Chapel Choir Rehearsal.
- 6:10 p.m.—Training Union for all ages.  
Comdr. R. E. Sparks, Director.  
New Members Class.
- 7:00 p.m.—Evening Worship. Pastor.
- 8:00 p.m.—Intermediate Fellowship in Lower  
Auditorium of Educational Bldg.
- 8:30 p.m.—Chapel Choir Fellowship.

MONDAY, MAY 30—

- 6:45 p.m.—Supper and Associational Broth-  
erhood Meeting, Myrtle Grove  
Baptist Church.
- 7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts meet in Lower Audi-  
torium of Educational Bldg.

TUESDAY, MAY 31—

- 9:30 a.m.—V. B. S. Faculty Meeting. Adult A  
Dept.
- 7:00 p.m.—Bible Survey Plan.
- 7:00 p.m.—Softball: First Baptist vs. East  
Hill, Exchange Park.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1—

- 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.
- 8:15 p.m.—Brotherhood Executive Committee  
Meeting.

THURSDAY, JUNE 2—

- 9:30 a.m.—Bible Survey Plan.
- 11:00 a.m.—The Faithful Workers Class will  
have their annual picnic at Bay-  
view Park on the hill under the  
new shed.
- 7:30 p.m.—Church Choir Rehearsal.

FRIDAY, JUNE 3—

- 12:00 Noon—Willing Workers Class will meet  
for covered dish luncheon and  
business meeting with Mrs. A. G.  
Hudson, 4015 Mobile Highway.
- 2:00 p.m.—The Convention Bible Class will  
meet with Mrs. A. J. Gahan, 1420  
East Mallory.

## MISSIONARIES TO SPEAK SUNDAY NIGHT

At the evening service next Sunday, we  
are to have Rev. and Mrs. Logan Atnip,  
Southern Baptist Missionaries to Southern  
Rhodesia, to speak to us. Mrs. Atnip is a  
niece of Mrs. Joe Boykin in our church.  
They will show pictures of their work. You  
owe it to yourself to be present.