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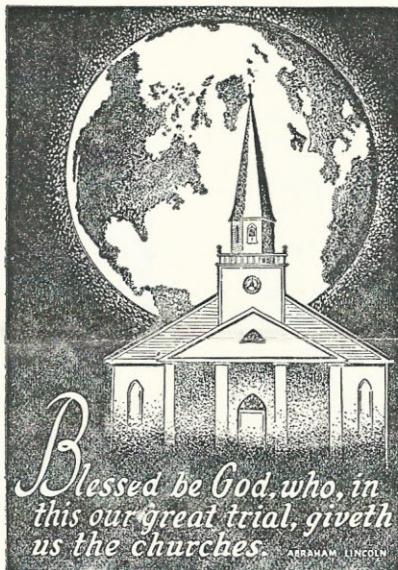
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JAMES L. PLEITZ
PASTOR



I Sought for America's Greatness

"I sought for the greatness and genius of America in her commodious harbours and her ample rivers, and it was not there; in her rich mines and her vast world commerce, and it was not there.

"Not until I went into the churches of America, and heard her pulpits aflame with righteousness, did I understand the secret of her genius and power. America is great because she is good, and if America ever ceases to be good, America will cease to be great."

—Alexis de Tocqueville

PASTOR'S PARAGRAPHS



Recently, I read an interesting article written by a Texas Baptist pastor which greatly impressed me. It would be a wonderful thing for the cause of Christ if all of us would give serious consideration to his suggestion:

"It is a good thing for us Baptists to remind one another of the importance of an extended stewardship: The Christian will.

"It is a thrilling and exciting consideration to know that it is possible for one to go on serving Christ on this earth through Christian institutions long after he is with Christ in heaven. That is just what you can do by making your will Christian.

"Remember that the amount of one's property does not determine the importance or unimportance of your will. Everyone should make a will, and keep it up-to-date.

"As a Christian you will want to be sure that the will of God is in your will."

Because of the heavy rains last Sunday, our attendance and giving were both down. (We fell \$732.00 short of reaching our budget goal). Make a special effort to be in your place this Lord's Day as we worship the Living Christ together.

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz



NEW MEMBERS

Wednesday, August 17, 1960

BY LETTER:

257. Miss Marguerite Edwards, 1310 E. Gonzalez St. From First Baptist Church, Tallahassee, Fla.

Sunday, August 21, 1960

FOR BAPTISM:

258. Brenda Fay Williamson, 727 Alpine Dr., Springdale.

BY LETTER:

258. Mrs. Emory E. Evans, 4011 W. Jackson St. From: Central Baptist Church, Mobile, Ala.

259. Miss Dale Evans

260. Deborah Lee Evans

261. Miss Kathleen Hardin, 20. E. Brainerd St. From: First Baptist Church, Castleberry, Ala.

262. Mr. Floyd T. Neth, 401 Edison Dr., Mayfair. From: First Baptist Church, New Orleans, La.

263. Miss Anna Rue Valentine, 1617 E. Mallory St. From: First Baptist Church, Brookhaven, Miss.

264. Mr. John O. Williamson, 727 Alpine Dr., Springdale. From: Poplar Springs Baptist Church, Meridian, Miss.

265. Mrs. John O. Williamson

REDEDICATION:

Miss Sandra Myrick, 22 Fountain Abbey, Sherman.

BAPTIZED:

Mrs. John Melvin Myrick (Tennie)



Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Rogers Hood

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

Mary Frances

to

Mr. John David Smith

on Saturday, the third of September
Nineteen hundred and sixty
at seven o'clock in the evening

First Baptist Church
Pensacola, Florida

Reception
following ceremony
Church Dining Room



Training Union

OFFICERS' COUNCIL MEETING SUNDAY

5:00 p.m.—Meeting by Departments
5:20 p.m.—Meeting by unions for program planning
6:00 p.m.—Snack and general meeting in lower auditorium of educational building.



SUGGESTIONS FOR DEACONS

Every member of the congregation has the privilege of suggesting men to be considered by the Deacons' Nominating Committee. Last week's Builder carried the complete information about the procedure for nominating and electing deacons.

Your suggestions must reach the committee by noon Monday, August 29. You may use the form contained in last week's Builder or Sunday's bulletin. Your bulletin next Sunday will carry a reprint of this form for your convenience.

Last week's Builder carried a list of the men now serving as deacons and those who are retiring this year. You may suggest the name of any male member of the congregation whom you believe to be qualified to serve as a deacon. Inactive deacons will not automatically be placed in nomination and names must be submitted to be considered by the committee.

**LABOR DAY BEACH PARTY
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5
DETAILS NEXT WEEK**

OFF DUTY FOR GOD UNTIL FALL

I forgot my Lord in the summer time,
Just the time I was needed mos',
I was not away, but on each Lord's Day
I just failed to be at my post.

I forgot my church in the summer time,
As I lazily lay in bed,
While the faithful had my work to do,
And I was spiritually dead.

I forgot my offerings in the summer time,
When He needed it most of all,
While my cash was spent, I was pleasure
bent,
Just off duty for God until fall.

I forgot my class in the summer time,
But the Devil did not forget,
Working day and night, he kept up the
fight,
He's a go-getter, you can bet.

If my Lord should come in the summer
time,
When from my duty to God I am free,
Wonder what I'll do, when my life is
through
If by chance, He should forget me?

—Copied

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By B. T. DEAN

Thou mayest hear sermons often, and do well in practicing what thou hearest; but thou must not expect to be told thee in a pulpit all that thou oughtest to do, but be studious in searching the Scriptures and reading good books. What thou hearest may be forgotten; but what thou readest may be better retained. John Bunyan.

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COLLEGE FELLOWSHIP

All college students will be honored at a special college fellowship following the evening service Sunday, August 28. Those who are going away and those who will be attending college here are cordially invited to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Overman, Jr., 3595 Forest Glen, Scenic Heights.

As I See It!

By CLYDE K. BIZZELL

JUNIOR CAMP

Fifty-two Juniors and a wonderful camp staff made for a very successful Junior Camp. We used for the first time the facilities at Camp Ada, our Associational camp. We have at Camp Ada only limited facilities but what we have is very good.

We are grateful to Bro. Jay Runners, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hardy, Mrs. Robert E. Sparks, Mrs. W. E. Jackson, Miss Ann Hardy, Miss Betty Lawhon, Mr. Bill Roberts, Mrs. Manning and her kitchen help for their excellent help.

One of our men made the observation that if our folk could spend a week at a similar camp and see the tremendous value, that we would have no trouble raising sufficient funds to complete what has been begun at Camp Ada.

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OPERATION HOME STUDY

Those studying "Jesus the Teacher", or "Preparing to Teach the Bible" as participants of **Operation Home Study** are reminded to get your paper in just as soon as possible. Those turning in papers will have requests made for an award in the Church Study Course for Teaching and Training which will apply toward new diplomas in this new study series. You have received the blessing in the study. Now don't miss the credit for it by failing to turn in your paper. We'll be looking for it.

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TRAINING UNION WORKSHOP

Our Training Union is concentrating its Fall Training in a two-day Workshop, September 9-10. Mr. J. Eugene Crane, Minister of Education, Parker Memorial Baptist Church, Anniston, Alabama, will lead in this Workshop. Mr. Crane was with the State Training Union Department of Tennessee just prior to coming to Anniston. He will lead us in studying how to build a great Training Union. Every Training Union worker is urged to reserve these two days.

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

**"The Man Who Might Have
Been"**

(Mark 10:17f)

7:45 P.M.

"We Would See Jesus"

(John 12:21)

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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.....	965
Members Present	880
New Members	8
Visitors	77
(Attendance one year ago. 992)	
Training Union Attendance.....	326
Members Present	273
New Members	5
Visitors	48
(Attendance one year ago. 319)	
Additions to church membership.....	10
Baptized	1
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$3,675.98
Specials	137.95
Building Fund	25.90
TOTAL OFFERING	\$3,839.83



OUR CHURCH FAMILY

We Extend Our Deepest Sympathy To:
Mrs. E. A. Allen in the loss of her brother.
Mr. A. J. Anderson in the loss of his
mother.

Baptist Hospital:

Mr. J. B. Hopkins

Sacred Heart Hospital:

Mrs. H. D. Lamkin, Mr. L. C. Biddie.
Mrs. John Myrick.

In the Hospital Out of Town:

Mr. E. J. Buchanan, General Hospital,
St. Louis, Mo.

Home from Hospital:

Mr. E. Carl Austin, Mrs. John Kelly.
Miss Iris Hernandez, Mrs. Ruth Bulger.

Congratulations to the Following

New Parents:

Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Beller, girl, Tami
Charise, born August 13.
Mr. and Mrs. Dan Spivey, boy, Richard
Andred, born August 13.



ATTENTION JUNIOR CAMPERS

All lost and found articles from Junior
Camp are on a table opposite the Library.
Claim yours!

ASSOCIATIONAL BROTHERHOOD MEETING

Monday, August 29

Supper begins at 6:45 P.M.
(Tickets 50c)

Brownsville Baptist Church

The new Brotherhood organization
will be presented.



SUNDAY, AUGUST 28—

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.
Speaker: Dr. J. Winston Pearce.
Subj.: Like An Army With
Banners.
5:00 p.m.—Training Union Officers' Council
Meeting.
5:30 p.m.—Chapel Choir Rehearsal.
6:30 p.m.—Training Union for all ages.
Capt. R. E. Sparks, Director
New Members' Class.
7:45 p.m.—Evening Worship. Pastor.
Ordinance of Baptism.
8:45 p.m.—Intermediate fellowship in Lower
Auditorium of Educational Bldg.
8:45 p.m.—College Fellowship at home of Mr.
and Mrs. Charles H. Overman, Jr.,
3595 Forest Glen, Scenic Hgts.

MONDAY, AUGUST 29—

6:45 p.m.—Associational Brotherhood Meet-
ing at Brownsville Baptist Church
7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts meet in Lower Audi-
torium of Educational Bldg.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31—

5:00 p.m.—Concord Choir Rehearsal.
5:50 p.m.—Fellowship Dinner.
6:30 p.m.—Teachers and Officers Meet.
Auxiliaries.
7:30 p.m.—Prayer Service.
8:15 p.m.—Brotherhood Executive Committee
Meets.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1—

2:00 p.m.—Faithful Workers Class will meet
with Mrs. J. S. Baisden, 1818 E.
Strong Street for their business
and social meeting. The Group
Captains and officers will be
hostesses.
7:30 p.m.—Church Choir Rehearsal.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2—

2:00 p.m.—The Convention Bible Class will
meet with Mrs. Libby Harvard,
911 North Spring Street.

SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK

Mrs. E. R. Cunningham
1620 West Cypress