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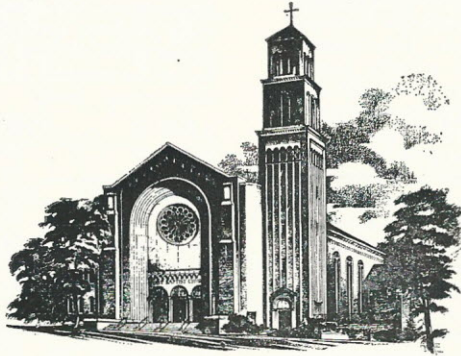
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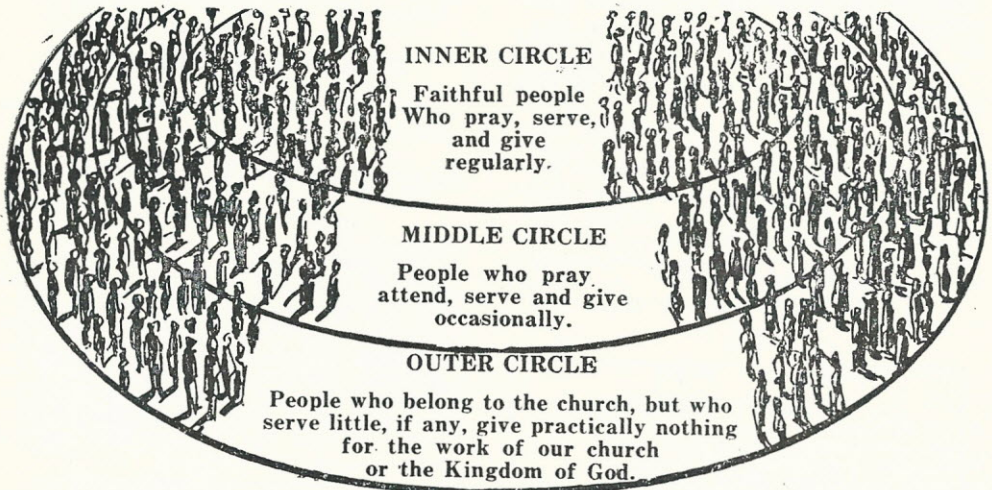
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PALAFOX AND LA RUA STREETS
PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

JAMES L. PLEITZ
PASTOR



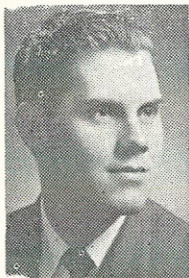
In Which Circle Are You?



Every member of First Baptist Church is in one of these circles. Every member can locate himself with just a few moments of thoughtful study.

The Inner Circle should include you. Those who have placed themselves outside the Inner Circle could move in closer to their church and would find extra happiness. Every member needs to have a place of service and to fulfill that service. Each of us needs to pray, study God's word and give faithfully and regularly.

PASTOR'S PARAGRAPHS



The earlier hour for Training Union and the evening service is proving to be a blessing indeed. We had one of the finest congregations Sunday night that we have had in many months, and God certainly blessed in the service. There is a place for every member of our church in

Training Union which meets each Sunday evening at 6:00. It would mean a great deal to you if you would take advantage of this blessed opportunity and be here on Sunday evening as well as the morning service.

As our congregation grows, we will need to be very careful about being reverent in all of the worship services. One of the things which pleases me most about our good church is the spirit of reverence. There seems to be some danger now that we will not be as reverent as we should. Please, out of consideration for others, do not whisper or talk when we come together to worship Almighty God. To the young folks who sit in the balcony, let me urge you to be especially considerate regarding this matter. Those who sit around you cannot worship if you are whispering to one another.

Our goal for Promotion Day is 1400. We should have at least 1300 present Sunday. Be sure and be in that glorious group on the Lord's Day.

May God richly bless you and all of our wonderful congregation that loves the Lord and the dear First Baptist Church of Pensacola.

Devotedly your pastor,

James L. Pleitz



REMEMBER FELLOWSHIP

After Each Pensacola High
Football Game

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"Does God Care?"

(Luke 15:1-10)

7:15 P.M.

"Jesus, the Universal King"

(John 19:1-22)



Preparation Month Study

We began Tuesday night our study of "Outreach for the Unreached." If you were unable to be here for this first session, it isn't too late for you to begin. Be present next Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock.

Promotion Day September 25

Our Sunday School has adopted a goal of 1400 present on Promotion Day. Each department has adopted a goal equal to their highest attendance this year. Each department is now signing up every member to be present on this day. Here are the department goals:

Adult E	187	Primary 8A	22
Adult D	75	Primary 7B	22
Adult C	75	Primary 7A	35
Adult B	102	Primary 6B	22
Adult A	89	Primary 6A	30
Married Y. P.	60	Beginner 5B	24
Young People B. ..	42	Beginner 5A	37
Young People A. ..	55	Beginner 4	42
Senior 16	27	Nursery 3B	16
Senior 15	39	Nursery 3A	17
Intermediate 14. ..	45	Nursery 2	22
Intermediate 13. ..	56	Nursery 1B	16
Junior 12	58	Nursery 1A	16
Junior 11	51	Nursery B	15
Junior 10	50	Nursery A	13
Junior 9	54	G. O.	20
Primary 8B	26		



DEACONS OF THE MONTH

Our "deacons of the month" for September are:

MR. WILLIAM E. JACKSON
and

DR. S. G. KENNEDY, JR.

Mr. Jackson joined this church by baptism in 1950. He was ordained in 1959. He is presently serving as Associate Superintendent in Adult B Sunday School Department and as Associate Leader in Beginner 4 Training Union. He is on the Receiving Committee. Mr. Jackson is the Superintendent of Gulf Life Insurance Company. He and Mrs. Jackson have one son who is in the Air Force.

Dr. Kennedy joined this church by letter from the First Baptist Church, Lakeland, Florida, in 1932. He was ordained a deacon in 1939. At present, he is Chairman of the Church Music Committee. He is a surgeon. Dr. and Mrs. Kennedy have two sons and one daughter.

SAMPLE BALLOT

Listed below are the names of 19 men who have been nominated for the office of deacon by the Deacons' Nominating Committee. From this group, 10 men will be selected to serve as active deacons for 3-year teams beginning October 1. The election will be held at the 11 o'clock service on Sunday, September 25. If you will not be present at that time, you may use the form below as an Absentee Ballot. You will vote for 10 men only. If more than 10 are marked, the ballot will have to be declared invalid. You may, of course, vote for less than 10. Absentee Ballots must be signed and in the church office by noon Sunday, September 25.

Claude Adkison	_____
A. H. Arnold	_____
O. F. Aultman	_____
J. C. Brookins	_____
Frank Gibbs	_____
T. A. Guthrie	_____
J. L. Hurt	_____
Ben Johns	_____
Marvin Lee	_____
Clifford Lenz	_____
Jim McCaskill	_____
G. R. McDonald	_____
Fermon Minshew	_____
Dave Raley	_____
George Russell	_____
R. E. Sparks	_____
Bill Warren	_____
Early Wiggins	_____
Julian Wilson	_____

Signed _____

SEE THE J. O. Y. TWENTY-YEAR SCRAPBOOK

The J. O. Y. Sunday School Class has compiled a 20-year scrapbook. This will be put in our Church Library on Sunday. Much hard work has gone into the compilation of this scrapbook. It contains many pictures and much information about people you know and have known. Make it a point to drop by the library and see this new addition. It will be well worth your time!

SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK

Mrs. J. E. Gates
1520 East Lee



Training Union Workshop

Our Training Union Workshop provided an opportunity for us to look at our Training Union as we face the new year. Mr. Crane made some suggestions to our Training Union leadership which will help us to build a better Training Union. Some changes are being made, particularly in the young people and adult departments, which we believe will strengthen our work.

October Attendance Emphasis

We will be striving for the highest attendance ever in our Training Union for the five Sunday nights in October. Plans are being made for this to be the best month ever in our Training Union.

WE ARE SAVED FOR SERVICE

What do we mean by service? It may be holding an office in the church, teaching in the Sunday School, singing in the choir, training for service in the Training Union, visiting and soul winning. It may mean faithfulness in attendance and giving. It could be a number of worthwhile things... but, essentially, it is the use of life, stewardship. In some form or another, large or small, prominent or obscure, the opportunity is before each of us.

It means putting self in the background and putting Christ first. It means interest in others, the passion for lost souls. It is only through the personal service of Christian people that many of our community will be led to a closer relationship with the saviour.

An old potter, who was shaping clay into the desired shape by his hands, was asked by a visitor: "Why don't you have machinery to do that?" The old man replied: "We have tried all kinds of machinery and failed, somehow it needs the human touch."

God has work that cannot be done by machinery, nor does He need it when there are so many of His children who should be ready with the "human touch."

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NEW MEMBERS

BY LETTER:

226. Mrs. Fannye Ruth Godwin, 203 S. E. Kalash Rd. N. P. Warrington. From: Oak Grove Baptist Church, Lake, Miss.
227. Chaplain David S. Hunsicker, BOQ 600 Rm. 8335, NAS. From: Swallowfield Baptist Church, Frankfort, Ky.
228. Mr. B. W. Matthews, 316 N. Barcelona St. From: East Hill Baptist Church, Pensacola.
229. S/Sgt. James H. Sutton, 317 7th St., EPH From: Calvary Baptist Church, Salina, Kansas.

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Sid Kennedy, Interim Minister of
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Miss Mary Lou Pitts, Edu. Sec.....HE 3-3285
Miss Betty Sue Holt, Pastor's Sec.....HE 2-6275
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All material to be included in The Builder
should be in the office, preferably in writ-
ing, not later than 9:00 A.M. Mondays.



LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance.....	1225
Members Present	1164
New Members	14
Visitors	47
(Attendance one year ago.. 750)	
Training Union Attendance.....	335
Members Present	300
New Members	8
Visitors	27
(Attendance one year ago.. 298)	
Additions to church membership.....	4
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$5,000.52
Specials	436.31
Building Fund	95.35
Expansion Fund	1.00
TOTAL OFFERING	\$5,513.18

DO YOU BELIEVE . . .

that the work of the Lord must go cease-
lessly on?
that it is the biggest business on earth?
that it has to do with time and eternity?
that it produces the most satisfying re-
sults and rewards here and hereafter?
Then how can you say "no" when of-
fered the privilege of serving in this great
business?

**1400
IN
SUNDAY SCHOOL
PROMOTION DAY**



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18—

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 Pierce.
Subj.: "Camping Outside the
Gates."
5:00 p.m.—Chapel Choir Rehearsal.
6:00 p.m.—Training Union for all ages.
Capt. Robert E. Sparks, Director.
7:15 p.m.—Evening Worship. Pastor.
Ordinance of Baptism.
8:30 p.m.—Intermediate fellowship in lower
auditorium of Educational Bldg.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19—

7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts meet in lower audi-
torium of Educational Bldg.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20—

9:30 a.m.—Mary-Martha Class meets at the
church for visitation; having covered
dish luncheon at noon with
Mrs. P. O. Davis, Sr., 1510 E. Bel-
mont Street.
7:00 p.m.—Study of "Outreach for the Un-
reached", Adult A Department.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21—

4:45 p.m.—Children's Choirs.
5:50 p.m.—Fellowship Dinner.
6:30 p.m.—Teachers and Officers Meeting.
Auxiliaries.
7:30 p.m.—Prayer Service.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22—

7:30 p.m.—Church Choir Rehearsal.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23—

Fellowship for all young people in lower audi-
torium of educational building following foot-
ball game.



OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Baptist Hospital:

Mr. W. H. Peters, Mr. Carl Austin.

Sacred Heart Hospital:

Mrs. Edwin Frank.

Home from Hospital:

Mrs. Bessie Baldwin, Mr. Sam Williams.
Mrs. H. D. Lamkin.

Out of Town:

Mrs. M. Holt—Hospital in New Orleans.

We Extend Our Deepest Sympathy To:

Mr. R. C. Keith in the loss of his brother
. . . and to Mr. J. S. Atchison in the loss
of his father.

Congratulations To:

Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Blackwell upon
the birth of a daughter, Linda Kathleen,
on September 5.



Every Baptist a Tither