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PASTOR



To Mother

You painted no Madonnas
On chapel walls in Rome,
But with a touch diviner
You lived one in your home.

You wrote no lofty poems
That critics counted art,
But with a nobler vision
You lived them in your heart.

You carved no shapeless marble
To some high souled design,
But with a finer sculpture
You shaped this soul of mine.

You built no great cathedrals
That centuries applaud
But with a grace exquisite
Your life cathedraled God.

Had I the gift of Raphael,
Or Michelangelo,
Oh, what a rare Madonna
My mother's life would show!

—T. W. Fessenden

Pastor's Paragraphs

PLANNED NEGLECT

I read the following story recently and wished to share it with you:

A noted young concert artist was asked the secret of her success, with her violin. "Planned Neglect," she replied and then explained.

"There were many things which demanded my time. When I went to my room after breakfast, I made my bed, straightened my room, dusted the floor and did whatever came to my attention. When I finished my work, I turned my attention to violin practice. That system failed to accomplish the result desired, so I reversed things. I deliberately planned to neglect everything else until my practice period was completed. That program of planned neglect accounts for my success."

Now the thought "Planned Neglect" may not sound good at the first reading, but it is essential to give priority in the use of our time if we are to become efficient in the service of our God. First priority to our responsibilities in the church will most certainly be rewarded with success and happiness. "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God . . . and all things shall be added to you." Have you ever heard some one make one of the following remarks: "I just haven't got time to visit the pupils in my class," "I just have so much to do that I can't get to choir rehearsal," "It is so hard for me to find time to study my lesson," "With all I have to do at home, it is almost impossible for me to get to Sunday School and Training Union."

No doubt you have heard these statements many times, but a little observation will prove that we all find time to do what we want to do most. I have often wondered how the God of our salvation feels when our remarks and attitudes reveal that we do not consider His program important enough to give it priority.

Honor God by being in God's House Sunday. I will see you then—1300 Bibles strong.

Faithfully in Christ,

James L. Pleitz



"Many wonder if the heathen are saved without the gospel. But the main question is, "Am I saved if I have the gospel and fail to share it?"—Charles Haddon Spurgeon.



"Without a love for books the richest man is poor."

"Gibbon, the Historian, once said: "My early and invincible love of reading, I would not exchange for the treasures of India." Charles Dickens declared that his love for good books was one of his best defenses against temptation. Cicero was willing to give up all he owned in order that he might live and die among his books. Finelon declared he would not part with his books or his book love for an empire. After returning to Abbotsford to die, Sir Walter Scott had his servant wheel him into his library. There he burst into tears as he bade his lifelong friends on the bookshelves a sorrowful farewell." (Taken from one of the best books we have in the Library, "I Love Books" by J. D. Snider).

MRS. A. R. W. STOESEN



ASSOCIATIONAL
SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETING

MONDAY, MAY 15
7:30 P.M.

WHITFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH



RELIGION

Walking with God is keeping step with Him, never running before Him, never lagging behind. Not the songs I sing about Him, not even the prayers I offer to Him, not even the donations I make towards His Work; but the love that waits His command, and marches the moment the command is heard, that is religion.

—G. Campbell Morgan



SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"Like Mother, Like Son"
(II Timothy 1:1-12)

7:15 P.M.

"Remember Me"
(I Corinthians 11:24)

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

We Extend Our Congratulations To:

Mr. and Mrs. Donald F. Taylor upon the birth of a baby boy, born May 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Colvin upon the birth of a baby boy, born May 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kenneth Godfrey upon the birth of a baby girl, born May 9.

Our Deepest Sympathy To:

Mrs. A. A. Licorenko in the loss of her mother.

To Mrs. W. P. Mooty in the loss of her sister.

Baptist Hospital:

Mrs. Carlie Littlefield, Mrs. W. A. Ev-
eritt, Miss Gladys Windsor, Mrs. Robert
Kenneth Godfrey, Debbie Hartsfield,
Jerry Hobbs.

Sacred Heart Hospital:

Mrs. Espin Bullock

Navy Hospital:

Mr. H. B. Parker

Home from Hospital:

Mrs. J. A. Frye, Jerry Hobbs, Cliff
Mowe, Mrs. Don Taylor, Mrs. Thomas
Colvin, Mr. George Peterson.

THE Singing CHURCH

Sunday Service Music:

11:00 A.M.—

Offertory Solo: "For My Mother"—

Malotte

Anthem: "Prayer".....Guion

7:15 P.M.—

Choir: "My Crucified Saviour"....Folk

Solo: "Hymn of the Last Supper".....

Demarest

(Mrs. Lucy Ferguson, Soloist)

HOT OR COLD?

My church is not a refrigerator for preserving piety. It is a dynamo for charging human wills with power. The object of the church is not to tell me how to dodge difficulties, but to furnish strength and courage to meet them. The business of the church is not to furnish hammocks for the lazy, it is rather to offer well-fitting yokes for drawing life's load.—Copied.

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Do more than think; Ponder.

Do more than talk; Say something.

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Turning your back on one problem
brings you face to face with another.

The Lord's Table

ACCORDING TO THY GRACIOUS WORD,

IN MEEK HUMILITY,

THIS WILL I DO, MY DYING LORD,

I WILL REMEMBER THEE.

THE BODY, BROKEN FOR MY SAKE,

MY BREAD FROM HEAVEN SHALL BE;

THY TESTAMENTAL CUP I TAKE

AND THUS REMEMBER THEE.

—James Montgomery

(We will observe The Lord's Supper at the Evening
Worship Service Sunday.)

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LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance.....	1199
Members Present	1133
New Members	6
Visitors	60
Training Union Attendance.....	307
Members Present	284
New Members	2
Visitors	21
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$4,886.19
Specials	193.41
Building Fund	44.75
TOTAL OFFERING	\$5,124.35



MEMORIAL FLOWERS SUNDAY

The memorial flowers in the sanctuary Sunday will be given by Mr. and Mrs. K. D. Seiffert in memory of Mrs. Seiffert's mother, Mrs. Avin C. Johnson.

The memorial flowers in the vestibule will be given by Mrs. R. C. White in memory of her husband.



BRING YE ALL THE TITHES

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it."—Malachi 3:10.



The day that changed the world was the day of the cross. —George Truett



SUNDAY, MAY 14—

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 WDEB.
Speaker: Dr. H. H. Hobbs.
Subj.: "The Silence of Jesus."
4:30 p.m.—Chapel Choir Rehearsal.
6:00 p.m.—Training Union for all ages.
Capt. R. E. Sparks, Director.
New Membe s' Class.
7:15 p.m.—Evening Worship. Pastor.
Baptism.
Observance of Lord's Supper.
8:30 p.m.—Intermediate fellowship in lower auditorium of Educational Bldg.

MONDAY, MAY 15—

6:30 p.m.—G.A. Coronation Rehearsal.
7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts meet in lower auditorium of Educational Bldg.

TUESDAY, MAY 16—

9:30 a.m.—Mary-Martha Class Visitation with
lunch at noon at the home of
Mrs. J. F. Busey, 1001 East Strong.
5:30 p.m.—Eleanor O'Haver Howell Circle
will meet with Mrs. Joe Rankin,
5 S. Dakota Street (Youth Harbor
Road) for supper meeting.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17—

5:00 p.m.—Children's Choirs.
5:50 p.m.—Fellowship Dinner.
6:30 p.m.—Teachers' and Officers' Council.
Sunbeams, G.A.'s, R.A.'s, Y.W.A.'s
Study of "Progress in the Christian
Life."
7:30 p.m.—G.A. Coronation.
Mrs. Leonard Ivey in Charge.

THURSDAY, MAY 18—

9:30 a.m.—Faithful Workers Class Visitation
with luncheon at 12 Noon with
Mrs. Florence Reed, 1622 E. Lee
Street.
6:30 p.m.—Junior Associational G.A. Ban-
quet. Church Dining Room.
7:30 p.m.—Church Choir Rehearsal.

FRIDAY, MAY 19—

6:30 p.m.—Intermediate Associational G. A.
Banquet. Church Dining Room.



G. A. FOCUS WEEK

Coronation Rehearsal:

Monday, May 15, 6:30 p.m.

G.A. Coronation, May 17th, Wednesday,
7:30 p.m.

Associational Mother and Daughter G. A.
Banquet

For Juniors, May 18th, 6:30 p.m.

For Intermediates, May 19th, 6:30 p.m.



How you give is a revealing shadow of
what you are.
Love's motive is not hoarding but helping.
What you give outlives what you get;
What you share outlasts what you save;
What you tithe outblesses what you keep.