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PASTOR



IS THIS THE TIME?

Is this the time, O Church of Christ! to sound retreat?
To arm with weapons cheap and blunt
The men and women who have borne the brunt
Of earth's fierce strife, and nobly held their ground?
Is this the time to halt, when all around
Horizons lift, new destinies confront
Stern duties wait the nations, never wont
To play the laggard, when God's will was found?

No! rather, strengthen stakes and lengthen cords,
Enlarge Thy plans and gifts, O Thou elect,
And to Thy Kingdom come for such a time!
The earth with all its fullness is the Lord's.
Great things attempt for Him, great things expect,
Whose love imperial is, whose power sublime
Fills all the earth, if we, who follow Him—
Build in this world, His church, unconquerable!

—Summer Hoyt

Pastor's Paragraphs



When you read these lines, the good Lord willing, your pastor will be completing a revival meeting in the Riverside Baptist Church of Miami. James Monroe, who was formerly Pastor of the Warrington Church, leads this great congregation. Please remember to pray for your pastor as the revival draws to a close.

Brother Bizzell will preach here on the Lord's Day. You know, of course, that he always has a timely message, and I sincerely hope you will be in all of the services in our wonderful church on God's Day.

Faithfully in Christ,

James L. Pleitz



THANKS TO ALL

It takes a lot of people to achieve the kind of victory attained in our church last week. As the General Chairman of the Forward Program, I would like to thank every person who served in any way in this year's Forward Program. All of us are conscious that without the faithful support of so many of you, our work would not have been achieved. Thanks to all.

J. NORWOOD COBB



MEMORIAL FLOWERS SUNDAY

The memorial flowers for the sanctuary Sunday will be given by Miss Lucile Shank and Mrs. Roy A. Porter in loving memory of their Father and Mother, Mr. and Mrs. Pope Shank.



Reversing your treatment of the man you have wronged is better than asking his forgiveness.

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"To Whom Shall We Go?"

(John 6:66 - 69)

Clyde K. Bizzell

7:15 P.M.

"Called To Be Saints"

(Romans 1:1 - 7)

Clyde K. Bizzell

YOU...TH in Particular

By JERRY HOWELL

Does Everyone Do It?

A survey of high school students revealed that, of those who drink, 68 per cent did so in order to be a part of the crowd. In other words, two out of every three teen-agers you know who drink receive no special joy from it and would rather not do it. They just want to be a part of the crowd.

The truth of the whole matter is that "the crowd" does not drink. The same survey shows that only one out of four high school students drink. What a pity that two-thirds of those who do think that they are following the crowd. "The crowd" practices total abstinence while the noisy minority makes it appear that one must drink in order not to be different.

—Copied

It is a general rule of life that should you touch mud with your gloves, it is never the mud that becomes glovey.

GEORGE MIKES

Wisdom for Others
Allan Wingate, Ltd.

TEEN-TIME

Sunday, November 12

at home of

Julie Merritt

2 Eighth Street, EPH



OUR CHURCH FAMILY

We Extend Our Deepest Sympathy To:

Mr. Robert S. Harvey in the loss of his mother.

Mrs. Harry Santoro in the loss of her sister.

Congratulations To:

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald E. Williams upon the birth of a baby boy.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Somich upon the birth of a baby girl.

Dr. and Mrs. Jimmy Knight upon the birth of a baby boy. The Knights now reside in Philadelphia.

Baptist Hospital:

Mrs. John Feldman, Mrs. Harold Drown

Navy Hospital:

Mrs. Leonard Ivey

Home From Hospital:

Mrs. Dhera Barnett, Mrs. Robert T. Somich, Mrs. Floyd Lee Thompson, Mrs. Joe Marques, Mrs. Ronald Williams, Mrs. J. M. Wallace, Mrs. W. L. Patterson, Mr. William H. Houghton



Thanksgiving Day Service

Again this year the Training Union is sponsoring our Thanksgiving Day giving. Various groups are planning to take a Thanksgiving basket to families on Thanksgiving morning. Names are available from the church office. These should be visited prior to Thanksgiving Day in order that up-to-date information may be secured.

On Thanksgiving morning we will have our Thanksgiving service in the sanctuary at 7 A. M. Following this service, we will deliver the Thanksgiving baskets and return to the church about 8:30 for breakfast together.

It is our hope that every group in our Training Union will participate in this activity as their missionary project for November.

Training Union Age Group Study

The week of November 27-December 1 has been set aside for the study of Training Union principles and methods in our Training Union. Excellent teachers have been secured—books are available—plan to attend.



LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance	1251
Members Present	1199
New Members	6
Visitors	46
Training Union Attendance	332
Members Present	306
New Members	5
Visitors	21
Additions to church membership	6
Baptized	2
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$6,957.53
Specials	732.85
Building Fund	1,114.30
TOTAL OFFERING	\$8,804.73



W.M.U.

"WAIT A MINUTE"

According to the figures furnished us by the Foreign Mission Board, it takes \$34.46 to operate the Foreign Mission Board for one minute. Our goal for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering this year is \$7,500.00. This amount will operate our Foreign Mission Board for 214 minutes or 3 hours and 34 minutes. Many of us can operate the Foreign Mission for a minute. All of us can have a part in reaching our goal of \$7,500.00. The clocks on display represent our total goal. We will move forward one minute for each \$35.00 given. Watch the time!

MISSION STUDY

"Hands Across the Sea"

By H. Cornell Goerner

This is a book about the Baptists of Europe—a mission field again.

Tuesday, November 14 — 10 A.M. to 12 Noon. Following this study the circles will meet for a short business meeting.

Tuesday, November 21 — 5:30 to 9 P.M. BWC and Night Circles. Anyone interested may attend.



NEW MEMBERS

Sunday, November 5, 1961

BY LETTER:

32. Mr. Woodrow W. Reeder, 114 West Gadsden. From: First Baptist Church, Chipley, Florida.

BY STATEMENT:

33. Mr. David "Earl" Trant, 1819 North "A" Street

FOR BAPTISM:

3. Mrs. Woodrow W. Reeder, 114 West Gadsden.

4. Mr. James E. Cullifer, 212 Euclid Street, Pine Glades

5. Mrs. James E. (Mary) Cullifer

6. Miss Ginny Cullifer

BAPTIZED:

Mr. Wayne A. Peterson

Mrs. Wayne A. Peterson

YOUTH WANT CHURCH-GOING MOMS AND DADS

The following article released recently by the Religious News Service should be of interest to every Adult.

"Parents can help raise the moral standards of the country by attending church with their children. This was the consensus of a cross-section of more than 12,000 teen-agers at the annual convention of the Arkansas Association of Future Homemakers here."

"If parents do not attend church with their children, the children feel the church is not important," the future homemakers agreed. "Parents who take their children to church, leave them there and then go home are not setting a good example."

Delegates made it plain they feel "the country's moral standards are dropping dangerously low."

"Parents and school teachers should not tell and teach us one thing and do something different," the youth declared. The future homemakers also said the youth of today have "great responsibility" for keeping moral standards up in the future.

THE *Singing* CHURCH

By JERRY HOWELL

An Explanation

Some have indicated during the past several weeks that during the services they have felt the organ was being played too loudly. Let me say that we appreciate your concern and interest in the way things happen during the services. In order to help you understand, here are some factors which you might consider:

1. Our instrument (any pipe organ) cannot be manipulated like a radio, ie. select any volume without affecting the tone quality.
2. This instrument includes more than you think. It is not merely an electric gadget imitating organ sounds through a small speaker system. This is the real thing! The whole sanctuary is a part of the instrument, not just the pipes and a console .
3. The organ sounds loudest when there are empty spaces in the seating area allowing more reverberation?
4. The organ sounds loudest when there is a lesser degree of congregational participation in the singing. This was noticed last Sunday when the same registration was used on two consecutive hymns. One was old and was sung well and did not seem to have offensive accompaniment; the other was also old but few knew it well enough to make an honest effort at singing it. Some returned their hymnbooks to the rack without even letting the words speak to their hearts. (Jesus, Lover Of My Soul). The organ then sounded loud and harsh.
5. Many mistake timbre for volume. This is the peculiar quality of a particular rank of pipes and because of necessary adjustment made during the modification of the instrument for this sanctuary, some of the pipes took on a piercing quality. It became more harsh and less pleasant to the ear. It is very difficult not to use some of these pipes.
6. Some have been accustomed to the "skating rink variety" of organ music; to the accordian and other types of reedy sounds and have never developed an appreciation for "the King of instruments."
7. Ours is still a pretty good, old instrument having been moved and operated on countless times and having some components still doing their best since about 1896. We are proud to have it. We look forward to the day when she

The Escambia County Committee
for Decent Literature
is holding a public meeting at the
U.S.O. building on Monday,
November 13, at 8 o'clock.

You are invited.



Library Notes

November 12-19 is National
Book Week

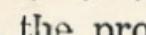
Joseph Addison said, "Books are legacies that a great genius leaves to mankind, which are delivered down from generation to generation as presents to the posterity of those who are yet unborn."

"Of all the multiplied opportunities our modern era offers young persons, the most precious is the opportunity to own and read good books." J. D. Snider.

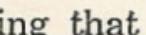
"Books are boats loaded with a cargo of ideas, the most valuable goods and vital wealth of the world. They come floating down the stream of time, it may be from distant days and far lands and various climes, and bring us freight infinitely more precious than the silks of India, or the spices of Arabia, or all the ivory and diamonds and gold of Africa; yet, they are so plentiful and cheap that no one is so poor but may be rich in this treasure. Books are the throbbing brains of thinkers that are gone. They crowd the glorious consciousness of these gifted souls into our minds so that we see through their eyes and think with their thoughts and are strong with their strength and rise on wings of their spirits." James H. Snowden, "Books For All Ages".

We have 3662 selected books in our Church Library at this date. Come in and make your choice during National Book Week."

MRS. A. R. W. STOESEN



Every step in the progress of missions is directly traceable to prayer.



There is nothing that makes us love a man so much as praying for him.

can be replaced with a new, complete, totally functional and operative pipe organ. Would you like to help? A special fund is in existence to which you may contribute gifts of any size. We would be happy to discuss memorial gifts with you at any time.

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WHAT HAPPENS IF ONE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS DISREGARDS THE AGE RANGE ASSIGNED TO IT BY THE CHURCH?

- What happens to the pupil?
The pupil receives the wrong conception of the democratic functioning of a Baptist Church.
- Many times he becomes confused because two classes expect his attendance.
- What happens to the prospect for the class?
He continues on his way to destruction because of neglect from the class to which he is assigned. **NO OTHER CLASS IS RESPONSIBLE FOR HIM!**
- What happens to the class?
it grows STRONG—but the expense of other classes which try earnestly to carry out the enlistment plan adopted by the church.
- Its spirit soon supersedes the church spirit and the Sunday School spirit.
- What happens to the other teachers?
They become discouraged and find their work more difficult.
- What happens to the Sunday School?
Promotion on Promotion Day stops with the class which disregards its assigned age group.

The Sunday School loses the spirit of being **workers together with God**.

Paul said the Philippians. **Look not every man on his own things, but every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others.** May we be considerate of the efforts and work and responsibilities of others—helping others to see the success in their work too.

—Selected.



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages.
Theron A. Guthrie, Supt.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship, Clyde K. Bizzell
Broadcast over WCOA
4:30 p.m.—Chapel Choir Rehearsal
6:00 p.m.—Training Union for all ages.
R. F. "Bob" Jernigan, Director
7:15 p.m.—Evening Worship, Clyde K. Bizzell
8:30 p.m.—Youth Fellowships

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13

6:15 p.m.—Brotherhood Supper Meeting
7:30 p.m.—Deacons' Meeting

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

10:00 a.m.—12 Noon
WMS CIRCLES MEET AT CHURCH
Study "Hands Across the Sea"
7:00 p.m.—Bible Survey
7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts meet third floor educational building
7:30 p.m.—Robert Goldie Circle meets with
Mrs. G. T. Sutton, 317 Seventh Street,
EPH.
7:30 p.m.—Eleanor O'Haver Howell Circle
meets with Mrs. C. C. McCurley, 1403
E. Brainerd
7:30 p.m.—Bill Cowley Circle meets with Mrs.
Anne E. Wright, 1620 E. Anderson
Street

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15

4:00 p.m.—Junior High Choir
5:00 p.m.—Children's Choirs
5:50 p.m.—Fellowship Dinner
6:30 p.m.—Teachers' and Officers' Meeting
Sunbeams, G.A.'s, R.A.'s Y.W.A.'s
Study of "We Southern Baptists"
7:30 p.m.—Prayer Service

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16

9:00-1:00—Sunbeam Leadership Course
Warrington Baptist Church
9:30 a.m.—Faithful Workers regular class visitation with covered dish lunch at noon with Mrs. G. R. Rumble, 114 N. "E" St.
9:30 a.m.—Bible Survey
7:00 p.m.—Adult C Department Visitation
7:30 p.m.—Church Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17

7:30-9 p.m.—Junior 10 S. S. Dept. Parents &
Pupils' night.
JOY—Training Union Study Course



BROTHERHOOD MEETING MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13 6:15 P. M.

Mr. Harold Thompson of Mobile, Alabama, will be the speaker for our Brotherhood meeting next Monday night. Mr. Thompson is a layman and is employed at Brookley Air Force Base. He is a member of the First Baptist Church of Mobile. He has served as Associational Brotherhood President and is now serving as the President of the Alabama State Brotherhood organization. Several years ago he made a trip to Mexico where he saw much of our mission work. He will give us a layman's view of missions.

You will want to hear him next Monday. Make your reservations for supper.