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It is a good thing to give thanks



UNTO THE LORD



"Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts
with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name."

—Psalm 100:4

Pastor's Paragraphs

GOD OUR REFUGE AND STRENGTH

The words of the Forty-sixth Psalm are the spirit of Martin Luther's hymn, "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God". It was written in 1529 at Go-burg during the climax of Luther's struggle with the Roman Catholic Church. Its power is magnificent and has been the battle cry of many a national crisis. Heine said, "It was as the Marseillaise of the Reformation . . . It was sung in the streets . . . It was sung by poor Protestant emigres on their way into exile, and by martyrs at their death . . . It is an imperishable hymn, rugged and strong like Luther."

The second stanza is of special relevance to us. When prone to trust in our own strength the words haunt us.

"Did we in our own strength confide,
Our striving would be losing;

Were not the right Man on our side,
The Man of God's own choosing:

Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus,
it is He;
Lord Sabaoth His Name,

From age to age the same,
And He must win the battle."

The church's battle is not a losing cause, its gates shall ever resist and turn away the intruder bent on its destruction.

I will look forward to seeing you in God's House Sunday — 1300 Bibles strong.

Faithfully in Christ,

James L. Pleitz

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A. M.

"A Magnificent Gratitude"

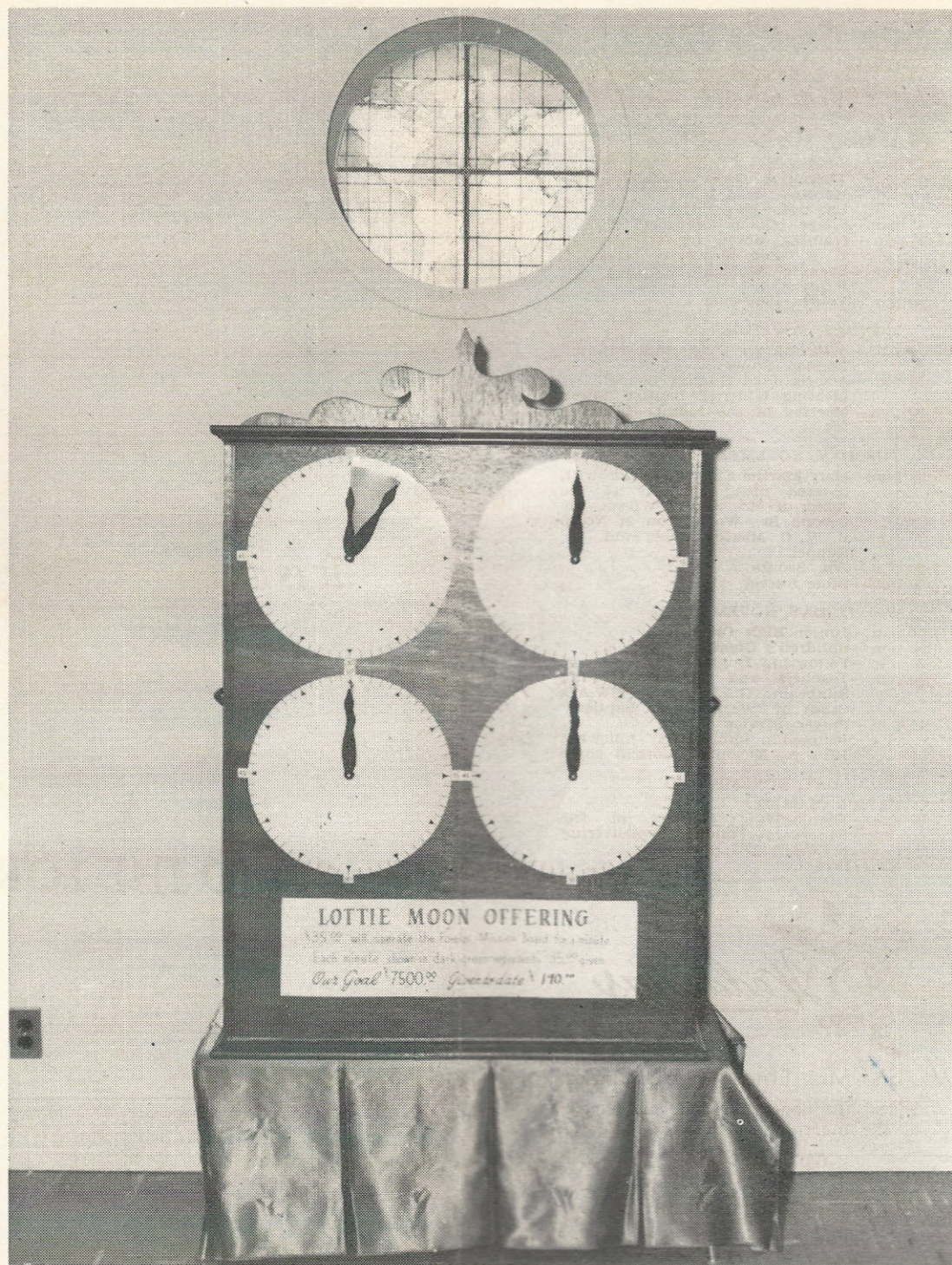
(Philippians 4:4-7)

Psalms 103

7:15 P. M.

"For Troubled Hearts"

(I Kings 19)



WATCH THE TIME

At the prayer service last Wednesday night, members of the congregation saw for the first time the clock which will record our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering giving. Each minute on each of the faces represents thirty-five dollars given to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions.

**Married Young People's'
Training Union
Hobo Party and Weiner Roast
Saturday
6:30 P. M. November 18
At
Ronnie and Sue Williams
3806 West Lakeview**

THE *Singing* CHURCH

By JERRY HOWELL

OUR SINGING CHURCH

... And that's exactly what it was on last Sunday morning! Your singing was superb. It has been a long time since I heard the congregation respond in such a pleasing manner.

Did you know that few normal people lack the vocal equipment and pitch perception to carry a tune? Such gifts are God-given at birth, but too often and too long before the grave, they lie buried.

We hope you will never become guilty of making your worship a mere "spectator experience." Let your whole being raise the song of Christian joy and you will see that it will become contagious.

MUSIC FOR SUNDAY

A. M.

"Praise, Thanksgiving, Glory, Honor"
Arr. Dickinson
Sanctuary Choir

P. M.

"Glory and Honor Are Before Him"
—Bach
Youth Choir

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

We Extend Our Deepest Sympathy To:

Mr. Joe F. Boykin, Sr. in the loss of a brother.

Mrs. J. E. D. Yonge in the loss of her husband.

Mr. C. O. Stewart in the loss of his father.

Mrs. Robert Pyle in the loss of her mother.

Baptist Hospital:

Mr. A. L. Harrell, Mrs. Homer G. Smith,
Mr. C. M. O'Neill, Mrs. Harold Drown.

Navy Hospital:

Mrs. Leonard Ivey

Highland Avenue Baptist Hospital, Birmingham, Ala.:

Mrs. Guy Spearman.

Home From Hospital:

Mrs. John Feldman, Douglas Mann.

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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 Attendance1222
Members Present1170
New Members 6
Visitors 46

Training Union Attendance 321
Members Present 293
New Members 8
Visitors 15

Additions to Church Membership..... 4

Tithes and Offerings:
Budget\$5,053.65
Specials 229.89
Lottie Moon 135.56
Building Fund 43.45

TOTAL OFFERING\$5,462.55

NEW MEMBERS

Sunday, November 12, 1961

BY LETTER:

34. Mrs. Lula Williams, 203 West Gregory.
From: Riverside Baptist Church, Miami
Florida.
35. Mr. Edgar L. Smith, Box 6 Corry Field,
NAAS. From: Hope Baptist Church, Kirk-
wood, Missouri.
36. Mr. George W. Springle (Bill), 722 Gentian
Drive. From: Emmanuel Baptist Church,
Raleigh, North Carolina.
37. Mrs. George W. Springle (Anne).

BIBLE SURVEY

We will begin our second unit in Bible Survey on Tuesday, November 21. The morning class will not meet next week but will begin the study of this second unit "From Adam to Moses" on Thursday, November 30. Those wishing to begin the night class will come next Tuesday at 7 P.M.

TEEN - TIME

Sunday Night

at

**Mrs. Lawren Meacham's
1020 East Maura Road**



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

- 9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages
Theron A. Guthrie, Supt.
- 11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship. Pastor
Broadcast over WCOA
- 4:45 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. Pastor
Baptism
- 8:30 p.m.—Youth Fellowships

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20

- 5:30 p.m.—Associational YWA Supper and
Mission Study
- 7:30 p.m.—Associational Sunday School
Meeting, Whitfield Baptist Church
- 7:30 p.m.—Meeting of the Library Commit-
tee

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21

- 9:30 p.m.—Mary-Martha Class Visitation with
covered dish luncheon at the
home of Mrs. Grady Wilson, 420
Second St., Warrington at Noon.
- 5:30 p.m.—B. W. C. Mission Study and
Supper
- 7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts
- 7:00 p.m.—Bible Survey

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

- 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"
- 7:15 p.m.—Prayer Service
Fellowship immediately following
PHS vs. Escambia football game

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23

OFFICE CLOSED

- 7:00 a.m.—Thanksgiving Services in the
Sanctuary. Followed by delivering
of Thanksgiving Baskets
- 8:30 a.m.—Breakfast



Mr. and Mrs. Ernest G. Hernandez

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

Miriam Joan
to

Mr. David Earl Trant

on Saturday, the eighteenth of November
Nineteen hundred and sixty-one
at half after seven o'clock in the evening

First Baptist Church
Pensacola, Florida

Reception
following ceremony
Church Dining Room