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PASTOR



OUR PASTOR'S PRAYER

Pastor's Study
Monday Morning
February 4, 1963

Dear Lord:

Yesterday was a beautiful day here in Pensacola. It was rather cold, but there was not a cloud in the sky—a truly gorgeous day. I really expected Your house to be filled with people for both Sunday School and the worship service. It was a real disappointment to me, and I am quite sure to You, also, to find that hundreds of our folks did not make it for either service.

As you know, Lord, many of our people have been sick (I have been talking to You about these folks and shall continue to pray for their recovery), but I rather suspect that our real foe was not sickness but unconcern. I am also persuaded that if yesterday had been a work day, that without second thought, they would have gone on to the office or shop.

Now, Lord, this is of real concern to me. It is so hard to reconcile such passages as Luke 14:25f and Matthew 10:37-39 to the demonstration of loyalty that we give on the Lord's Day. "He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me. And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after me, is not worthy of me. He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it."

How great is our need for deeper loyalty. Please hasten the day when our worship will be taken from the category marked "convenient" and placed in the file marked "top priority."

Prayerfully,

James L. Pleitz

Undershepherd,
First Baptist Church

SERMON topics

11:00 A.M.

"The Greatest Thing"

I Corinthians 13

7:15 P.M.

"Sleeping in Church"

Acts 20:6



W.M.U.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

10:00 A.M.

—R. C. MOORE CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. H. H. Higgins, 1717 N. 17th Ave.

—BERNICE NEEL CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. Henry Ashmore, 2960 N. Magnolia.

—MAMIE LOU POSEY CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. Homer Reed, 3840 Maule Road.

—LAURA FRANCES SNOW CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. Harold Ackman, 1505 E. Strong Street.

—DOTTSON MILLS CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. J. E. Bores, 4100 Menendez.

—MARTHA HAYLOCK CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. E. F. Warren, 1905 N. Baylen Street.

—STANLEY DAVIS CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. O. A. Biles, 2019 North 17th Avenue.

—VIRGINIA COBB CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. J. E. Nelson, 639 Copley Drive.

—T. N. CALLOWAY CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. Clarence Taylor, 724 N. 12th Avenue.

2:30 P.M.

—HARVEY HEADRICK CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. Norwood Cobb, 2775 North Escambia.

7:30 P.M.

—ROBERT GOLDIE CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. A. R. W. Stoesen, 1919 East Mallory Street; Miss Elizabeth Niles, co-hostess.

—ELEANOR O'HAVER HOWELL CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. Bennie Swain, 1121 Barcia Drive.



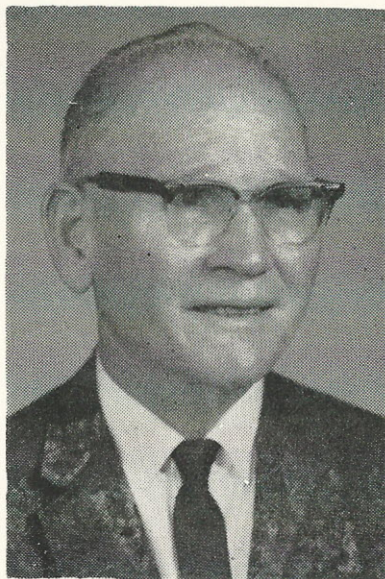
PRIMARY 8A AND 8B PARENT-TEACHER MEETING

Primary 8A and 8B Departments of our Sunday School are having a Parent-Teacher Meeting Sunday, February 10, 3:30 - 4:00 p.m. Members of these departments and their parents are urged to come at 3:30 to your department. This will give the parents an opportunity to see the children's departments and to meet the teachers.



**SEE YOU IN SUNDAY SCHOOL
AND WORSHIP SUNDAY**

BROTHERHOOD SUPPER MEETING MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11 6:15 P.M.



J. LESTER LANE

The program will be under the direction of the Personal Stewardship Leader and will feature a message by J. Lester Lane, Interim Pastor of the East Hill Baptist Church. Mr. Lane served in Southern Baptist churches over a 50-year period. He retired in 1960 from the pastorate of the Calvary Baptist Church, Asheville, North Carolina. Since his retirement he has served as Interim Pastor at the First Baptist Church, Lenior, North Carolina, First Baptist Church, Douglas, Georgia, and First Baptist Church, Pompano Beach, Florida.

Mr. Lane will speak on the subject, "MEN I REMEMBER."

Members of the Brotherhood are urged to invite another man to come with you to the meeting. Be sure to make reservations for you and any guest you invite. New members of the church need not wait for an invitation, but are cordially invited to attend this meeting.



Do not live to make a living,
Rather live to make a life,
For the measure of succeeding
Is your service in the strife.
All that you leave behind you,
When your soul has crossed the bay,
Is the good you've done to others,
As you tarried by the way.



At the same time God lets us see a need, he gives us an invitation to meet it.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Congratulations to:

Miss Tanna Rogers and Mr. F. H. Crowe upon their marriage in December.

Miss Bonnie Eason and Mr. James Robert Martin upon their marriage January 24.

Miss Jewell Linton and Mr. Randall Markham upon their marriage January 31.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Pierre Brown upon the birth of a boy, Roger Vincent, January 28.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Higdon upon the birth of a boy, Stephen Randall, January 26.

Sympathy To:

Mrs. Joe Earl Kingry in the loss of her mother.

Baptist Hospital:

Mr. F. Richard Bower; Mr. M. A. Farmer; Mr. Lee M. Hardy; Mr. A. Roy Ingram; Mrs. O. H. Smith, Jr.; Mrs. R. L. Williams; Mr. Carl Bond.

Sacred Heart Hospital:

Mrs. Evelyn Silvers.

Naval Hospital:

2/Lt. Larry Gibson.

Emory University Hospital, Atlanta, Ga.:

Mr. Thomas B. Sturgis.

Home From Hospital:

Mr. R. Pierre Brown; Mrs. Marshall King; Mrs. Harry Merritt; Mr. Henry Mertins; Mr. Henry B. Parker; Mrs. Velma Powers; Mrs. Kenneth Seiffert; Mrs. Angie Wiggins; Miss Maxine Kent.

YOU ARE INVITED

The Episcopal Church is bringing to the area Mrs. Gertrude Behanna. She will speak at Christ Episcopal Church on the evening of February 12, 13 and 14 at 7:30 p.m. Our Episcopal friends want to invite members of all churches to hear her powerful story.

WE'LL SEE YOU IN SUNDAY SCHOOL

LIBRARY NOTES

We were very happy to welcome 127 friends who attended the Associational Church Library "Resourceville" banquet last Friday night. Mr. Glynn T. Hill of the Church Library Service gave a very inspiring message. Thirty-four librarians attended the Workshop all day on Saturday and we gleaned many practical and helpful ideas. Twenty different churches were represented at these two events, among them three Methodist Churches and one Presbyterian Church. We sincerely appreciated the presence of so many of our own members and shall hope that many more may attend next year.

THE LIBRARY STAFF

G. A. CONVENTION

The Girls' Auxiliary Fiftieth Anniversary Convention will be held June 18-20 in Memphis, Tennessee. Reservations are now being taken. The hotel reservations in Memphis are being held through Wednesday, February 13. This means that those who plan to attend must register now. Reservations are being made on a "first come, first served" basis. The total transportation cost of sixteen dollars must be paid at the time reservation is made. The registration fee of one dollar and \$7.50 motel accommodations will be due April 1. Girls planning to attend will need to get your name in by next Wednesday.

NO ONE CLIMBS ALONE!

No one climbs alone! This simple statement was made by a member of the party that successfully scaled Mount Everest. It applies in one's work. We do not climb alone. Others labor join ours. It applies to our character. Don't forget the molding of your character done by your loved ones. And it applies to our religion. No one climbs alone. Spiritual growth tends to develop a community. Frank Laubach once said: "God does not give all His truth to one individual. He gives some of it to all who seek, and then He expects us to get together and share it so we can find the whole!"—Rev. A. Purnell Bailey, "Bread of Life," Grit.

HE GAVE HIMSELF

What did you join when you "joined the church?" — the morning preaching service? the revival meeting? In joining the church did you become a part of its Bible teaching ministry in the Sunday School? of its membership training ministry in the Training Union? its stewardship and missionary program? How much of the church did you join?

In some civic clubs the members maintain an almost perfect record of attendance. If they miss a meeting in their home club, they may drive several miles to a neighboring club meeting to "make up" attendance. What percentage of attendance will your church have this Sunday?

Our loyalty to the church is a reflection of our love for Christ. Paul tells us "Christ is the head of the church" (Eph. 5:23), and that "Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it" (Eph. 5:25). If we have Christ, we will love His church. We will attend its services and support its program.

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to Honduras.

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ing, not later than 9:00 A.M. Mondays.



LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance.....	1142
Members Present.....	1107
New Members.....	1
Visitors.....	34
Training Union Attendance.....	280
Members Present.....	261
New Members.....	4
Visitors.....	15
Additions to church membership.....	3
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget.....	\$5,153.01
Specials.....	409.34
Building Fund.....	100.00
TOTAL OFFERING.....	\$5,662.35

NEW MEMBERS

FOR BAPTISM:

20. Miss Elizabeth Macks, 600 North Hayne
Street.

BY LETTER:

85. Mr. Everett R. Burnette, NavSchool
Aviation Med. NAS. From: First Baptist
Church, Arcadia, S. C.
86. Mr. Neil F. Law, USS Lexington, NAS.
From: First Baptist Church, Brooksville,
Florida.

ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY

Mr. Bizzell will be teaching "Studies
in Matthew" at the Boulevard Baptist
Church next week, Monday through Thurs-
day. There may be those who did not
get to study Matthew during our Bible
Study Week who could take advantage of
this opportunity. The hour is 7 p. m.



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10

9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages.
Theron Guthrie, Supt.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship. Pastor
Broadcast over WCOA
3:30 p.m.—Primary 8A and 8B Parent-
Teacher Meeting
4:30 p.m.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
6:00 p.m.—Training Union for all ages.
R. F. "Bob" Jernigan, Director
7:15 p.m.—Evening Worship. Pastor
8:30 p.m.—City-wide Singspiration.
Central Baptist Church

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11

6:00 p.m.—Associational Y. W. A. Banquet
Brownsville Baptist Church
6:15 p.m.—Brotherhood Supper Meeting
7:30 p.m.—Deacons Meeting

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

SEE WMU CIRCLES
7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts Meet

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

5:00 p.m.—Children's Choirs
5:50 p.m.—Fellowship Dinner
6:30 p.m.—Teachers & Officers Meeting
Sunbeams, G.A.'s, R.A.'s, YWA's
7:30 p.m.—Prayer Service
8:15 p.m.—Church Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14

6:30 p.m.—Dinner Meeting—Mrs. Aultman's
Class, Adult C, Church Dining
Room
7:30 p.m.—Church Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15

6:30 p.m.—Homemakers' Class Banquet
Church Dining Room

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16

7:30 a.m.—Primary and Junior Choirs leave
for Crestview for State Music
Festival from church



SEE YOU IN SUNDAY SCHOOL

PLEASE NOTE



Word has come from the tele-
phone company that the telephone
number of the church will be
changed during the week of Febru-
ary 11th. We do not know just
when it will be changed nor do we
know the new number. After the
change has been made any caller
will be given the new number. This
word of explanation is simply to
put you on guard if you try to reach
the church and experience some
difficulty.