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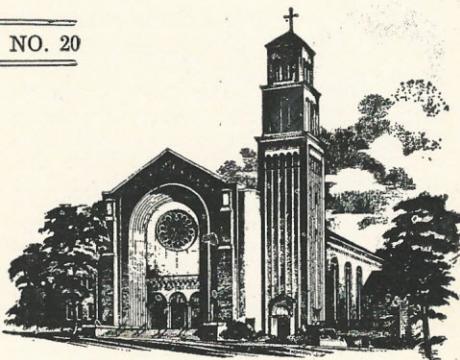
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PASTOR



GOOD EXAMPLES

I will - - - - -

like PAUL—forget those things which are behind, and press forward;
like DAVID—lift up mine eyes unto the hills from whence cometh
my help;
like ABRAHAM—trust implicitly in my God;
like ENOCH—walk in daily fellowship with my Heavenly Father;
like JEHOSHAPHAT—prepare my heart to seek God;
like MOSES—choose rather to suffer affliction than to enjoy the
pleasures of sin for a season.
like DANIEL—commune with God at all times;
like JOB—be patient under all circumstances;
like CALEB and JOSHUA—refuse to be discouraged because of
superior numbers;
like JOSEPH—turn my back to all seductive advances;
like GIDEON—advance even though my friends be few;
like AARON and HUR—uphold the hands of my pastor and the
leaders of my church with my prayer and support;
like ANDREW—strive to lead my brother to Christ;
like STEPHEN—manifest a forgiving spirit toward all who seek
my hurt;

Realizing that I cannot hope to achieve these objectives by my own strength, I will rely upon Christ for "I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me." Selected.

Pastor's Paragraphs

AT THE START OF THE FIFTH YEAR

At the Evangelistic Conference some months ago, Dr. Vance Havner said that when a preacher looks at problems he faces in trying to pastor a church, there are three things that he can do.



The first is that he can resign (although he pointed out that some don't have the privilege). He can look at the task and be so overwhelmed at the enormity of it that he just gives up.

The second alternative is to become resigned. He can just give in and compromise with the forces around him. Like a leaf on the water he can float along with the stream until he is finally submerged in it.

The third alternative is to re-sign. He can have his commission renewed and with God's help meet the challenge.

As I survey my own responsibility as pastor of this church, I recall my call from God and re-sign. These past four years have been wonderful years and I look with confidence to the blessings that Almighty God has in store for us in the future. Please remember that your pastor is totally dependent on your prayers and helpful support.

Sunday promises to be another wonderful day. I'll be looking for you in God's House.

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz



"He's early today--in a hurry to get to Vacation Bible School."

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"Why Be Good"

Luke 15:11-32

7:15 P.M.

"When Disappointments Are Delightful"

Romans 15:24

As I See It!

By CLYDE K. BIZZELL

ABOUT THIS COLUMN

Occasionally someone asks, "Why didn't you write a column for the BUILDER this week?" One reason is that I'd rather them ask it that way than to ask, "Why do you . . . ?" There are several other answers to the question. One of them is a matter of space, one is a matter of emphasis. Some times it works out better to use the space for other materials. Perhaps if I wanted to get real honest, I would just say that some weeks it doesn't get done — but anyway there are some things that I want to share with you this week, and this column seems to be the best way of doing it.

AUDOGRAPH

I am wondering if some person doesn't have one or more Audograph units that they are not using at the present time. We would be most grateful for the privilege of borrowing them for a while.

PASTOR NAMED TO SBC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

At the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Kansas City last week our pastor was named to the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee. This committee is made up of representatives from each of the cooperating states of the Convention and acts for the Convention ad interim, taking care of matters which arise between the annual sessions. This committee also serves in an advisory capacity on questions of cooperation between the different agencies of the Convention and makes up the budget for the Convention. This is an important assignment and we are happy to share the leadership of our pastor in this way.



ATTEND SUNDAY SCHOOL REGULARLY

A Good Rule!



CAN YOU SAY IT?

1. The SERVICE of Jesus is the VOCATION of my life.
2. The WILL of Jesus is the LAW of my life.
3. The PRESENCE OF JESUS is the JOY of my life.
4. The GLORY of JESUS is the CROWN of my life.

Selected

**EXTENSION MEMBER
OF THE WEEK**

For week beginning May 19

Mrs. L. O. Larcom
223 N. DeVillier Street

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Baptist Hospital:

Mr. E. W. Hopkins, Mrs. Imogene Stewart, Mr. Earl Kendricks, Mr. Lewis Steele, Mr. Bruce Clements.

Naval Hospital:

Mrs. Sandra Redman

Home from the Hospital:

Mrs. Bonnie Harvell, Mrs. Barbara Tillman, Mrs. Mary Evelyn Touart, Mr. Louis Steele.

Hospital Out of City:

Mrs. G. T. Sutton, Jacksonville Baptist Hospital, Jacksonville, Fla.

Congratulations to:

Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Redman on the birth of a girl.

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Morrow, Jr., on the birth of a boy, John D. III, born on May 11 in Mobile, Alabama. Maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stark.

Mary Ann Hiley and William M. Baggett upon their marriage May 11.

Ann Kreitlein and William M. Surrency on their marriage May 11.

Sympathy To:

Mrs. LaVada Creel upon the death of her grandmother.

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BROTHERHOOD FISH FRY

The Brotherhood of our church will have a fish fry Tuesday, May 21, 6:15 p.m. This will be held under the large shelter at Bayview Park. Reservations should be made on Sunday or by telephone to the church office. This would be a wonderful opportunity for members to bring a man who is a prospect either for our church or for the Brotherhood itself. The program will be under the direction of W. C. Carr, Jr., and will be an informal time of fun and a brief inspirational talk by Brother Al Butler, pastor of the Myrtle Grove Baptist Church.

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CHOIR AWARDS BANQUET

All Choirs and their leadership will have a banquet and awards presentation program on Friday evening, May 30. Please reserve this date. Activities for all members of all units — Beginner through Adults—are being planned.

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Library Notes

Books for Brides and Grooms

Tomorrow You Marry By Burton
This Love of Ours By Smith

This is an excellent book for every newly married couple to read in the first few weeks of their married life.

Make Yours a Happy Marriage
By Geiseman

You will be able to do exactly what this little book says if you follow the same counsel which the author offers in these pages.

Making Your Marriage Succeed
By T. F. Adams

You can make your marriage succeed only if you take God into the Christian family you are establishing. Dr. Adams has provided the married couple, the engaged couple, even boys and girls not yet "going steady", with the most helpful introduction to the institution of marriage.

Other Books:

Marriage Is What You Make It.
By Popenoe

Homes That Last By Rutledge

From This Day Forward By Foreman
Building A Christian Home By Leavell

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WHAT IS LIFE?

Life is a journey. I will live it trustingly — "Though I walk through the valley of the shadow . . . I will fear no evil, for thou art with me." (Psalm 23:4)

Life is a task. I will live it obediently. "We keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight." (I John 3:22)

Life is a mission. I will live it helpfully. "Be kind one to another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another." (Eph. 4:32)

Life is a contest. I will live it earnestly. "Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong." (I Corinthians 16:13)

Life is a battle. I will live it courageously. "Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid . . . for the Lord thy God is with thee." (Joshua 1:9) —Copied

**ASSOCIATIONAL SUNDAY
SCHOOL MEETING**

MONDAY, MAY 20
7:30 P.M.

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to Honduras.

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 Attendance.....	1249
Members Present	1199
New Members	12
Visitors	38
Training Union Attended	239
Members Present	221
New Members	2
Visitors	16
Additions to church membership.....	10
Baptized	7
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$4,162.27
Specials	499.76
Building Fund	49.25
TOTAL OFFERING	\$4,711.28

NEW MEMBERS

BY BAPTISM:

54. Randy Altman, 101 Fairpoint Dr.
55. Ann Batson, 2805 Osceola Blvd.
56. John Bell, Jr., 107 Fairpoint Dr.
57. Pamela Bullock, 1703 E. Mallory St.
58. Gretchen Cullifer, 212 Euclid Dr.
59. Sara Roth, 3732 Gerhardt Dr.

BY LETTER:

147. Mr. Clyde T. Morgan, 3515 Rothchild Dr., from East Pensacola Heights Baptist Church
148. Mrs. Clyde T. Morgan (Helen)
149. Miss Carol Morgan
150. Mr. Warren T. Morgan

BAPTIZED:

Ann Batson
John Bell, Jr.
Pamela Bullock
Philip Carp
Gretchen Cullifer
Jo Ann Lenz
Sara Roth



SUNDAY, MAY 19

9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages. Theron Guthrie, Supt.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship. Pastor Broadcast over WCOA
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.—Senior Teen Time will be held at the home of Brad Ward, 3661 Menendez
8:30 p.m.—Intermediate Teen Time will be held at the church

MONDAY, MAY 20

7:30 p.m.—Associational Sunday School Meeting will be held at Boulevard Baptist Church

TUESDAY, MAY 21

6:15 p.m.—Brotherhood Fish Fry Bayview Park (Big Shelter)
7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts meet

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22

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

THURSDAY, MAY 23

9:30 p.m.—Nursery Open for Visitation
7:30 p.m.—Church Choir Rehearsal



BIRMINGHAM YOUTH CHOIR SINGS SUNDAY

The Teen Chorale, 46 voiced youth choir of Huffman Baptist Church, Birmingham, Alabama will sing at the morning worship service this Sunday, May 19. Mr. Gerald Armstrong, director of the choir and Huffman's Minister of music reports the itinerary for their 1963 tour will include Baptist Children's Home, Troy, Alabama; First Baptist Church, Pensacola; Capitol Heights Baptist Church, Montgomery, Alabama.

The choir will arrive at noon Saturday and will be joined by First Baptist youth for a sight seeing trip and beach party. On Saturday evening at 7:30 a fellowship featuring stunt and novelty songs by the Teen Chorale will be held in the Activities Center. All First Baptist youth are invited to participate in entertaining this fine group of Christian youth.



SOFTBALL

MONDAY, MAY 20 — 7:00 P.M.

First Baptist vs. Brownsville Baptist Game will be played at the Exchange Park, Corner of West Jackson and "J" Street.



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