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JAMES L. PLEITZ
PASTOR



Keep Close to God!

When all is fine and going well
And life to you seems something swell,
Your home is happy, business good,
And you have everything you should,
Keep close to God!

When friends just stare with looks so cold,
And those you counted on from old
Refuse to aid you in distress,
And leave your spirit in duress,
Keep close to God!

When trials come to try you out,
And you are almost put to rout,
Hold on! Sit tight; And do your best!
And though your fear through this your test,
Keep close to God!

If you one thing in life would do
To aid and keep you ever true,
This motto take into your heart
And from it never do depart;
Keep close to God!

—H. H. McLeod

Pastor's Paragraphs

FREE GASOLINE TOMORROW

My good friend, Bill Pratt, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Greenville, Texas, recently quoted a good friend of



his in his pastor's paragraph. Although it comes to you third hand, I would like to share this thought with you.

"Outside a service station in a certain town is a sign which reads, 'Free Gasoline Tomorrow.' It shouldn't be necessary to underline a perfectly

obvious catch, yet somehow it is. Of course, nobody ever gets free gas at this station, because it is always promised tomorrow.

"In the realm of religion a notice that offers free petrol tomorrow is no good, nor is a religion that offers happiness tomorrow or power tomorrow; the recurring note in the New Testament is NOW!

"Our Lord puts the emphasis on NOW. Take your Bible and note this fact. Jesus said, 'Do you NOW believe?' (John 16:31). This He asked of those who had no past to look to, and no certainty of a future. The setting in which the Christian's life becomes operative in God's program is provided in that word . . . NOW. The Christian's great moment is NOW. 'Now is the accepted time, behold NOW is the day of Salvation.' (II Cor. 6:2). Paul's own witness is 'The life which I now live, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.' (Gal. 2:20). 'Beloved, now are we the sons of God.' (I John 3:2).

"The Divine Imperative for us, for our church, for our community, for you, for me, is Revival NOW. Why? God's Time Is Now!"

I'll look forward to seeing you in the service Sunday.

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary on Sunday are being placed in memory of Mrs. A. S. Edwards. They are being given by the Cordova Park Elementary School.

INTRODUCING DEACON NOMINEES

ELECTION TO BE HELD SEPTEMBER 8

The names of those pictured here will appear on the ballot Sunday, September 8. Church members will be called upon to vote for 10 out of the 33 listed. If for any reason you will not be here at the eleven o'clock service Sunday, September 8, you may secure an absentee ballot from the church and return it by noon Sunday, September 8.



Mr. E. L.
Barrineau
1120 Barcia Dr.



Mr. Troy Booker
110 W. Gadsden
Street



Mr. Paul Caro
2020 E. Maxwell
Street

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A. M.

"Master Workmen"

Jeremiah 18:1-6

7:15 P. M.

"About Face"

Matthew 3:1-12



Dr. John B. Coker
150 High Pines
Place



**Mr. Gerald
Garrett**
1120 E. Brainerd
Street



Mr. W. E. Jackson
2103 N. Magnolia
Avenue



Mr. Cecil Ray
6001 Hilltop Rd.



Mr. Wyatt Shows
5110 Fairfield



**Mr. Clarence
Dannelly**
1915 E. Avery St.



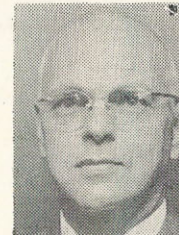
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2623 W. Gadsden
Street



Mr. Darrell Jones
141 High Pines
Place



Mr. Billy Renfro
721 Gentian Dr.



**Mr. Clarence
Taylor**
724 N. 12th Ave.



Mr. S. L. Davis
1503 E. Jackson St.



Mr. H. G. Gray
1709 E. Jackson
Street



Mr. Sam Jordan
440 W. Burgess
Road



**Mr. Milton
Richardson**
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Avenue



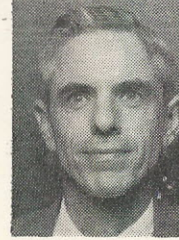
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606 Moreno Courts



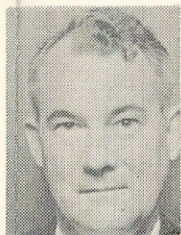
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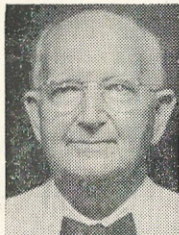
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504 Frisco Rd.



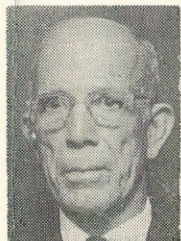
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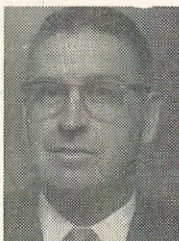
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Wiggins**
3800 Menendez Dr.



Mr. Carlton Fendt
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Avenue



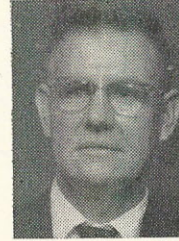
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Hinson**
2261 Pineneedle
Circle



Mr. Jim Price
3799 Summer Dr.



**Mr. George
Russell**
196 Mango St.



Mr. Roger Yonker
2121 N. 12th Ave.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Sympathy To:

Mrs. M. H. Stultz in the loss of her brother.
Mr. and Mrs. Earl Kendrick in the loss of their daughter.
Mr. Larry Kendrick and Mrs. Kenneth Godfrey in the loss of their sister.

Congratulations To:

Mr. and Mrs. C. Thomas Sutton upon the birth of a girl Marynell, August 19.
Mr. and Mrs. Pete C. Sutton, paternal grandparents.

Lt. (jg.) and Mrs. Walter D. Cain, Argentia, Newfoundland, upon the birth of a boy, Gregory David, August 21.
Miss Carol Sue Weaver and Lt. Dennis Edward Wolters upon their marriage on August 24.

Baptist Hospital:

Mrs. Thomas G. Corbett; Mr. Lee Hardy; Stuart Brown.

Sacred Heart Hospital:

Mr. B. R. Hegwood.

Home From Hospital:

Mrs. Virginia Butler; Mr. M. C. Pittman; Mrs. Harvey Page; Mrs. Henry Mertins; Mrs. Christine Woolam.



The rosebud on the pulpit Sunday was placed there in honor of:

MASTER JAMES THOMAS CORBETT
son of

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. Corbett
He was born August 22



LIBRARY NOTES

The prevalent problem in this "age of Aspirin and Anxiety" is the lack of faith in God. In the very first chapter of Dr. Lofton Hudson's book "For Our Age of Anxiety," the author comes to grips with this problem as he plumbs the depths of meaning in the 23rd Psalm to bring understanding and comfort to the reader.

Of the 14 sermons in this volume, the following are typical: "On loving people you don't like," "So you want to be great," "Why do good people suffer?" "Is the Bible really the Word of God?" and "The mystery of death."

Dr. Hudson has a realistic view of evil and understands that the religious person faces more deceptive temptations than the irreligious. He has used the Bible as a magnifying glass to reveal tensions of Christian living in our time.

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Doing good is the easiest way to get the most out of life.

"WALLS AND CURTAINS"

Next Wednesday night, September 4, the pastor will show the pictures he made recently in Russia and Berlin. You will want to be here for this service.

LET'S MAKE SEPTEMBER OUR BEST MONTH!

September is the last month of the church year. Nothing can be done about what has happened during the preceding 11 months. YOU can help to make this last month our best month. We especially would encourage every member of the Training Union to get back into the habit of regular Sunday night attendance.

WHAT WILL EACH AGE GROUP BE STUDYING?

Adult and Young People should be vitally interested in the programs on the general subject of the Bible. Adults will find help in understanding how the Bible was written, preserved and came to be available in the English language. Suggestions will also be made to help determine how one can select their Bibles wisely. Young People will discover ways the Bible strengthens one's life.

Intermediates will consider two units. The first will concern the morality of three habits that they are strongly tempted with today: namely alcoholic beverages, smoking and gambling. The last two Sundays they will look at some things involved in true worship.

Juniors will also study two units in September. They will be helped in understanding how a Baptist church cooperates with other Baptist churches in carrying on work throughout the state. The last three Sundays will be given to programs on kindness or courtesy.

Who can deny that First Baptist Church members need to know more in these various areas of the Christian life. This is a good time for new members to join.



IN MEMORIAM

Miss Judith Ann Kendrick
301-North "U" Street

Joined our church by baptism
April 10, 1955

Deceased August 28, 1963

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Mrs. Arthur Haylock, Our Missionary
 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	1182
Members Present	1092
New Members	8
Visitors	82
Training Union Attendance	263
Members Present	230
New Members	6
Visitors	27
Additions to Church Membership	3
Baptized	2
Tithes and Offerings—	
Budget	4766.59
Specials	227.00
Building Fund	103.85
TOTAL OFFERING	5097.44



SCHOOL OF MISSIONS

Missionaries from around the world will be coming to Pensacola to speak in our churches during the School of Missions to be held September 1-6 and 8-13. Our own church will be in the second week. During that week, Monday-Friday, we will have Mission Study Classes by age-groups each evening and a Missionary Speaker each evening. Make your plans now to attend during our School of Missions. You may wish to hear some of the missionaries during the first week. The church office can supply you with information as to the churches having their School the first week.



Opportunities for the Week

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1—

- 9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages
 Theron Guthrie, Superintendent
- 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

NO SENIOR OR INTERMEDIATE TEEN TIME

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2—

- OFFICE CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY**
- 3:00 p.m.—Labor Day Beach Party for
 Intermediates, Seniors, Young
 People A and B

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3—

- WMS GENERAL MEETING**
- 10:00 a.m.—Executive Committee Meets
- 10:30 a.m.—Missionary Program
- 11:15 a.m.—Business
- 11:45 a.m.—Bible Study
- 12:30 p.m.—Lunch
- 6:50 p.m.—Eleanor O'Haver Howell Circle
 will meet with Mrs. J. F. Crawford,
 624 Lakewood Road for
 Picnic Supper
- 7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts meet

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4—

- 5:00 p.m.—Children's Choir's meet
- 5:50 p.m.—Fellowship Dinner
- 6:30 p.m.—Teachers' and Officers' Meeting
 Sunbeams, GA's, RA's, YWA's
- 7:30 p.m.—Prayer Service
- 8:15 p.m.—Church Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5—

- 2:00 p.m.—Faithful Workers Class will meet
 with Mrs. Herman Johnson
 1720 E. Fisher St.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6—

- 2:00 p.m.—Convention Bible Class will meet
 with Mrs. S. L. Fulghum,
 1306 E. Mallory St.
- 2:30 p.m.—Willing Workers Class will meet
 with Mrs. J. T. Mackey,
 922 N. 19th Ave.
- 7:00 p.m.—Junior 9 SS Social, Fellowship Hall

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7—

- 2:30 p.m.—Associational R.A. Meeting,
 Highland Baptist Church
- 3:00 p.m.—Adult Choir Social



NEW MEMBERS

FOR BAPTISM—

- 77 Mr. Richard C. Kerekes, 117 Moreno Cts.
- BY LETTER—**
- 228 Mr. George E. Zeigler, 1235 Stowe Ave.
 From First Baptist Church, Tallahassee
- 229 Mrs. George E. Zeigler (Christine)

BAPTIZED—

- Mr. Chris Webb
- Mr. Richard C. Kerekes

DEACONS OF THE MONTH FOR SEPTEMBER

Glenn R. McDonald
J. Nixon Daniel, Jr.