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## Pastor's Paragraphs

### NO NEGATIVE NEUROSIS

God gave us a wonderful day in the "Meeting House" yesterday. In spite of the fact that the pastor preached a Stewardship message, the spirit of the people was excellent! (I say "in spite of the fact" because sometimes people are overly sensitive when such a sermon is preached. They get into a negative mold. They register an instant "No" to a message on



tithing.) It was a simple routine item on the ballot. Every twenty years the people of the suburban town were required to approve a contract with the County Water Company. No money or taxes were involved, just the use of easements so the town could be served with fresh water. But out of a total of 2878 votes cast, 730 voted no! Now why would 730 people vote not to allow the County Water Company to bring them fresh water? Some of them must have misunderstood. Some, no doubt, just had the habit of being negative. I am happy to say that we have no negative neurosis in the First Baptist Church!

There is a spirit of optimism in the air. I have no doubt in my mind that we will go well beyond the budget goal in our giving next year. You good folk realize that it takes money to discharge our worldwide obligations. Your faithfulness will insure victory.

I'll see you Sunday in God's Meeting House.

Faithfully your pastor,

*James L. Pleitz*

### SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A. M.

"A Crown or A Cross"  
(Matthew 21:8-11; 27:15-26)

7:15 P. M.

"Three Realities"  
(I John 1)

# First Baptist Builder

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## PLEDGE CARDS TO BE MAILED TO FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH FAMILIES



### TWO RED LETTER DAYS

#### November 4

"An Evening in Jerusalem"  
The whole family is included in our  
plans for supper and study,  
beginning at 6:00 p.m.

#### November 5

"Hot Coffee and Warm Fellowship"  
9:30 A. M.  
Followed at 10:30 with "A Woman's  
Impressions" by Mrs. Paul Duffy.  
A special invitation to all ladies that  
have joined the First Baptist Church  
during the past year

## THE Singing CHURCH

### CHURCH WIDE YOUTH RESERVE THIS DATE

City-wide Singspiration Coming  
November 10  
8:45 P.M.

We're looking for the largest crowd  
ever to attend!

Songs! Choruses! Special Music!  
Refreshments! Fellowship!

Next week every member of the First Baptist Church will receive his personal pledge card through the mail. These cards are to be turned in on Pledge Day, Sunday, November 10.

Upon receiving his pledge cards, each member should carefully consider two definite steps in arriving at the final amount his pledge will be. First of all, prayer is essential. The individual should ask God to guide him in making his decision.

Secondly, a thorough and objective study will help each member determine present income and other financial matters.

If you cannot be at church on November 10, mail your pledge card to the church.

If you will be leaving the city before getting your pledge card through the mail, you may secure a blank card from the office next Sunday so that yours may be in on Pledge Day.



### STEWARDSHIP TESTIMONIES

Sunday, November 3

A.M.—Mr. Hiram Smith

P.M.—Mrs. Henry L. Ashmore



SEE YOU IN SUNDAY SCHOOL  
AND WORSHIP SUNDAY



*Some are reaching*

**HIGHER**

THE TITHE IS THE FLOOR NOT THE CEILING!

# YOUR CHURCH HAS A MINISTRY TO ALL AGES



*The Youngest Learn of God's Love*



*The Bible is Taught to All Ages*



*Learning by Sharing*



*Learning by Doing*



*Learning Continues*



*Choirs for 4 Years Thru Adults*



*Books for All Ages*



*Sunbeams, G.A.'s, R.A.'s, Y.W.A.'s  
Meet on Wednesday Nights*



*Vacation Bible School*



*Fellowship Around the Tables Every Wednesday Night*

**YOU HAVE A PART IN THIS TOTAL MINISTRY**

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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.....	1297
Members Present .....	1235
New Members .....	18
Visitors .....	44
Training Union Attendance.....	285
Members Present .....	262
New Members .....	7
Visitors .....	16
Additions to church membership.....	6
Baptized .....	5
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget .....	\$5,358.20
Specials .....	387.00
Building Fund .....	58.19
Furnishings Sold .....	1,000.00
TOTAL OFFERINGS .....	\$6,803.39



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

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

### Baptist Hospital—

Mrs. Imogene Stewart, Mr. Carlton Fendt, Jr., Mrs. Darrell Jones

### Sacred Heart Hospital—

Mrs. W. T. Osborn

### Home From Hospital—

Mrs. Neil Van Pelt, Mrs. George Holladay, Mrs. Katie McLeod, Miss Claudia Ann Davis



## SUNDAY SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT COURSE TO BEGIN SUNDAY

Will include Sunday Morning and  
Wednesday Night Sessions

For other information:

Call Miss Florida Waite at 433-0565  
Call Mr. Bizzell at 433-5631  
Or come Sunday Morning

## DEACONS OF THE MONTH FOR NOVEMBER

**Mr. Tom A. Wash  
Mr. Clarence Dannelly**

## NEW MEMBERS

### FOR BAPTISM:

5. Miss Molly F. Stewart, 121 High Pines Place
- BY LETTER:
24. Mrs. David L. Carson, 1735 East Hernandez St. From: East Hill Baptist Church, Pensacola
25. Miss Jan Grayson, 607 Leonard Drive, Warrington. From: Warrington Baptist Church, Pensacola
26. Miss Ann McLeod, 2110 North 20th Ave. From: First Baptist Church, Tallahassee, Fla.
27. Mr. Sam L. White, 1963 Skycrest Drive. From: First Baptist Church, Milton, Fla.
28. Mrs. Sam L. White

### REDEDICATION:

Miss Cynthia Warren, 1818 East Gadsden St.

### BAPTIZED:

Miss Linda Buchanan  
Miss Patricia Buchanan  
Mr. Bill Brown  
Miss Paula Howard  
Miss Molly Stewart



### SUNDAY..NOVEMBER 3

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 Homer Reed, Director  
7:15 p.m.—Evening Worship, Pastor  
8:30 p.m.—Intermediate Teen Time to be held at the church  
8:30 p.m.—Senior Teen Time at the home of Mr. Bill Lee, 1809 E. Gadsden

### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4

6:00 p.m.—Mission Study Supper — WMU Nursery will be open  
7:30 p.m.—Mary-Martha Class Meeting at the home of Mrs. R. S. Rouse, 313 N. Barcelona Street

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5

WMS DAY SOCIETY GENERAL MEETING  
9:30 a.m.—Coffee  
10:30 a.m.—Missionary Program  
11:15 a.m.—Business  
11:45 a.m.—Bible Study  
12:30 p.m.—Lunch  
7:30 p.m.—Ruth Class Meeting at the home of Mrs. Wayne Mowe, 624 Berkley Drive, Woodland Heights  
7:30 p.m.—Ideal Class will meet with Mrs. William Warren, 1818 East Gadsden Street

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

12:00 Noon—Activities Committee Meeting  
5:00 p.m.—Children's Choirs Meet  
5:50 p.m.—Fellowship Dinner  
6:30 p.m.—Teachers' & Officer's Meeting Sunbeams, R.A.'s, G.A.'s, YWA's  
7:30 p.m.—Prayer Service  
8:15 p.m.—Church Choir Rehearsal

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7

2:00 p.m.—Faithful Workers Class Meeting at the home of Mrs. J. S. Baisden, 1818 E. Strong Street

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8

2:30 p.m.—Associational R. A. Meeting Fellowship Hall



## STUDY

"The Nature and Functions of a Church"  
Sunday Evenings — 6:00 P.M.

For those not now attending Training Union. We will study the question "What Is the Church?"