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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)

PLEDGE CARDS TO BE MAILED TO FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH FAMILIES



W.M.U.

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



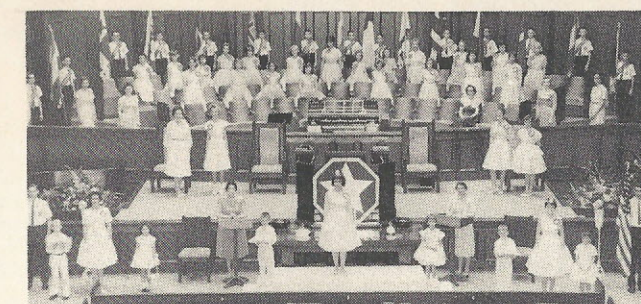
Learning Continues



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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 to Honduras.

All material to be included in The Builder
 should be in the office, preferably in writ-
 ing, 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 Holla-
 day, 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 Hernan-
 dez 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. Balsden,
 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?"