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## MY CHURCH

My Church helps me —

To keep a sky in my life and to look up.

To keep my hand in God's and hold on to Him.

To see the eternal values above the material.

To lift life above self to service for Christ.

To see the good in others and praise it.

To keep sweet and to keep busy for Him.

To have a seeing eye, feeling heart, helping hand.

To test the motive of life and choose the best.

To do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly.

—Byron U. Hatfield





# Pastor's Paragraphs

## YOUTH DIRECTORS AND DIRECTORS OF YOUTH

The Lord gave us a good day in the Meeting House Sunday. A number of fine load-bearing folk were added to the



fellowship. I was grateful for the attendance, in spite of the inclement weather the faithful came (they always do).

Dr. Jones did a splendid job in preaching the Word. His exposition of Ephesians has created in our hearts a desire to know more about the Word of God. Remember, all of us are going to read through the New Testament in 1964.

We are most anxious to provide for every age group in the First Baptist Church a strong spiritual program. Many of us are especially anxious about our young people. Next Tuesday at 7 p.m. you are invited to attend a forum on youth in Fellowship Hall. At this time we will discuss what is now being done in this area as well as share ideas about how the work might be strengthened. Come!

Someday I trust we will have a youth director in our church. In the meantime, the need is even greater for directors of youth. Each parent is a director of youth. The tragic truth is that many of us are failing in this grave responsibility.

In this group there are those directors of youth—parents—who never come to church or take any interest in the things of God. All the youth directors in the world can't compensate for the failure of the director of youth in the home.

Many parents fail their young people by taking them home after Sunday School, thus depriving them of the opportunity to attend the worship service. Our boys and girls need to be in Sunday School as well as Training Union, but they also need desperately to worship God together with their mother and father. There are a few parents who actually use their children as an excuse for not staying for the church service. What a tragedy!

As parents we should do all within our power to help our children grow in the grace and admonition of the Lord. A good director of youth can help much at this point. Remember the right ex-

Hear Dr. Herschel Hobbs  
Sunday, 7:30 A.M.

Subject:  
"When the South Wind  
Blows Softly"

Station WNVY



## YOUTH CHOIR INVITED TO GLORIETA

Dr. W. Hines Sims, Secretary of the Church Music Department of the Sunday School Board in Nashville, and Mr. Paul Bobbitt, Junior-Intermediate Consultant of that Department, have extended to First Baptist Church Youth Choir an invitation to participate in the 1964 Music Leadership Conference at Glorieta, New Mexico. The conference will be held July 16-22 and the choir will present concerts in churches on its way to and from Glorieta.

Combined with participation in regular class and choir activities throughout the week, our young people will be featured in a worship service, a festival of youth choirs, and a final presentation on the closing day of the Conference.



## NEWSPAPER DRIVE

The members of the choir will be doing its best to raise the large sum for the trip expenses. We are now receiving and seeking old papers and magazines.

THIS SATURDAY, JANUARY 18, a truck will be stationed in the parking lot. We hope you will drop your collection in the truck anytime between 8 and 11 A.M. No need for binding or bundling. About 50 young people will deeply appreciate your help! Spread the word. Ask your neighbors to help us.

Your help is appreciated more than you will ever know.

ample is worth a thousand words. Need I say more.

I'll be looking for you Sunday in the Meeting House.

Faithfully your pastor,

*James L. Pleitz*

## SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"Jesus Stopped And Wrote"

(John 8:1-11)

7:15 P.M.

Lord's Supper Observance  
(Candlelight Service)



## ROYAL AMBASSADOR LEADERSHIP COURSE

In a recent meeting of our Brotherhood one of our fine young men said, in effect, that our greatest need in our Royal Ambassador program is for men. Some of us have known this all along but the statement of this fine young man should cause all of us to think again.

For the last several months we have contacted a number of men about assisting with our Royal Ambassador program. One of the responses that we got was "but I don't know how". On Thursday, January 23, we will begin a Royal Ambassador Leadership course. It is our purpose to make this a very practical approach. This first session will be for the members of the RA committee, Brotherhood officers, counselors, and any interested man. We ought to have a room full of men as we come next Thursday night. The time is 7:30 p.m.; the place is the chapel.



### BAPTIST MEN'S DAY

Sunday, January 26, will be observed in our church as Baptist Men's Day. Our Brotherhood officers have planned a breakfast here at the church at 8:00 a.m. on that Sunday morning. Men will be featured in all of the services and activities of the day and will be in complete charge of the evening service. Tickets for the breakfast will be available on next Sunday. Be sure to get yours then or make a reservation by calling the office.



*W.M.U.*

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 21  
10:00 A.M.**

- T. N. CALLAWAY CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. Cecil Jones, 1811 East Hayes Street
- VIRGINIA COBB CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. Charles Wiggins, 1708 East Bobe Street
- MARTHA HAYLOCK CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. Sadie Restor, 711 West Avery Street
- DOTTSON MILLS CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. Norwood Cobb, 2775 Escambia Avenue
- R. C. MOORE CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. Chris Manakas, 133 Berkley Drive
- BERNICE NEEL CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. R. A. Edwards, 333 Silver Road
- MAMIE LOU POSEY CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. Henry Parramore, 3810 Maule Road
- LAURA FRANCES SNOW CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. J. A. Frye, 1012 North Palafox Street



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

**BIBLE READINGS FOR THE  
WEEK OF JANUARY 19-24  
Matthew 9:35 through 14:14**

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

### Baptist Hospital:

Mrs. Nell Gentry, Mr. John Ackerman, Jr., Mr. James F. Prim, Mr. Ralph Gonzalez

### Sacred Heart Hospital:

Mrs. Herbert Gladden

### Home From Hospital:

Mrs. Curtis Brown, Miss Kathy Hardin, Mr. L. Early Wiggins, Mrs. Harold Drown, Mr. W. T. Creel, Mrs. Maggie Brown, Mrs. W. L. Patterson, Wayne Martin, Jr., (At Home) Miss Olive Swearingen, Pine Hill, Alabama. Mrs. T. B. Lucas, Mrs. M. B. Griffith

### Sympathy To:

Mr. Vernon Bulger in the loss of his father  
Mrs. Jack Hastings in the loss of her mother

### Congratulations To:

Miss Frances Eickler and Mr. Franz Edward Cornelius upon their marriage January 11.  
Miss Anne Kennedy and Lt. Jerry A. McKneely upon their marriage January 8



## *The Very Newest*

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

MASTER DANIEL SCOTT THOMPSON  
son of  
Mr. and Mrs. Wayne L. Thompson  
who was born December 17



## GOD'S SOVEREIGN GRACE

Though in a sinful world I dwell,  
And occupy a lowly place,  
Still in my closet I can kneel  
And plead my need of sovereign  
grace.

When I'm beset on every hand  
By trials in this earthly race.  
In secret I with God commune  
And there behold His blessed face.

Ofttimes He chastens and rebukes,  
Yet 'tis His love ordains it so;  
A bruised reed He will not break,  
For all my sorrows He doth know.

Yea, though I weak and sinful am,  
Unknown, unsung, I'm still beloved  
By Him who notes the sparrow's fall.  
And by my cry His heart is moved.

—M. D. Freeze



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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.....	1206
Members Present.....	1149
New Members.....	18
Visitors.....	39
Training Union Attendance.....	297
Members Present.....	271
New Members.....	9
Visitors.....	17
Additions to church membership.....	10
Baptized.....	2
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget.....	\$4,240.46
Specials.....	296.54
Building Fund.....	3.00
<b>TOTAL OFFERING.....</b>	<b>\$4,540.00</b>



## NEW MEMBERS

### BY LETTER

73. Miss Mary Lou Blount, 428 S. Barrancas Ave. From: Robertsedale Baptist Church, Robertsedale, Ala.
79. Mr. Bill Bumgarner, 106 Firethorne Rd. Gulf Breeze. From First Baptist Church, Gulf Breeze
80. Mrs. Bill Bumgarner (Mildred)
81. Mr. James C. Burton, Star Rt. 321 Perdido Terrace. From: First Baptist Church, Washington, Ga.
82. Mrs. James C. Burton
83. Mr. R. E. Davis, 105 Firethorn Rd. Gulf Breeze. From: First Baptist Church, Gulf Breeze
84. Mrs. R. B. Davis
85. Miss Becky Davis
86. Mr. Bruce Davis
87. Mr. Buddy Estle, 815 W. Blount St. From: Whitfield Baptist Church, City

### BAPTIZED:

Mrs. Came-on M. Neal  
Mr. John W. Buckingham



### SUNDAY, JANUARY 19

- 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School for all ages  
Theron Guthrie, Supt.
- 11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship, Pastor  
Broadcast over WCOA
- 3:00 P.M.—Associational YWA Meeting  
Gonzalez Baptist Church
- 4:30 P.M.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
- 5:00 P.M.—Training Union Director's  
Meeting, Adult A Dept.
- 6:00 P.M.—Training Union for all ages  
Homer Reed, Director
- 7:15 P.M.—Evening Worship  
Observance of Lord's Supper
- 8:30 P.M.—Intermediate Teen Time at the  
church
- 8:30 P.M.—Senior Teen Time at the home  
of Diane Danforth, 1700 E.  
Hatton Street

### MONDAY, JANUARY 20

- 7:30 P.M.—Associational SS Meeting  
East Brent Baptist Church

### TUESDAY JANUARY 21

- SEE WMS CIRCLES
- 7:00 P.M.—Forum on Youth Work  
Fellowship Hall

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22

- 5:00 P.M.—Children's Choirs Meet
- 5:30 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, JANUARY 23

- 9:30 A.M.—Nursery open for Visitation
- 6:00 P.M.—Associational BWC Meeting  
Bellview Baptist
- 7:00 P.M.—RA Leadership Course  
Chapel

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 24

- Associational Music Festival  
Warrington Baptist Church
- 6:00 P.M.—Youth
- 6:45 P.M.—Adults

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 25

- Associational Music Festival  
Warrington Baptist Church
- 9:00 A.M.—Beginners
- 9:30 A.M.—Primary
- 10:30 A.M.—Juniors



## ASSOCIATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETING

**East Brent Baptist Church**  
**7:30 P.M.**

The theme of this meeting will be the  
Witnessing Campaign to be Observed by  
the Pensacola Bay Baptist Association  
beginning January 27. Here in our  
church we will not be having the night  
meetings suggested for January 27 and  
28. These will be held at a later time and  
will be held in preparation for our revival  
which will begin on Easter Sunday.