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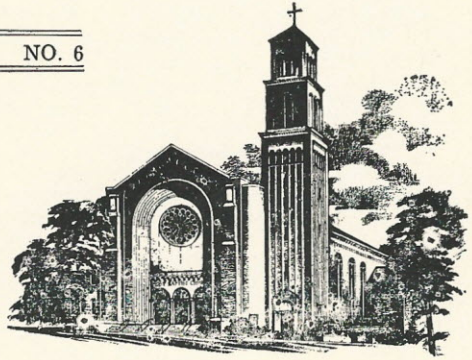
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JAMES L. PLEITZ
PASTOR



LOYALTY

Jesus and His church have no greater need in the world today than loyal Christians. Loyalty will manifest itself in:

Kind remarks of praise and appreciation
about the church and its workers,

Prompt and regular attendance at all services,

Faithfulness to any task to which one may
be assigned,

Glad and generous financial support "as
God hath prospered",

Willingness to support the program adopted
by the church,

Faithfulness to the elected officers
who are responsible for definite tasks,

Consistent living that honors Christ and his
teachings,

A Christ-like humility that gladly serves
where assigned but does not seek
position or prestige for the sake of self.

Pastor's Paragraphs

MEMBERS ONLY

There are many interesting tidbits that can be gleaned from the bulletins of other churches that come to my desk each



week. I want to pass on one of these to you.

"A pastor was asked if a certain person, John Doe, belonged to his church. His reply was, 'No, John doesn't belong to this church, although his name is on the roll.' Then the inquirer was so impolite as to ask the difference between being on the roll and belonging. The pastor had to explain what he meant. 'It's like this,' the pastor explained, 'John's time does not belong to the church, neither his affection, his energy, nor his thoughts. And the work of the church does not belong to John.'

"What sort of membership does John have in your church," asked the outsider? "You see," continued the pastor, "it is a bit difficult to explain. He never refers to the church and the pastor as 'my church' and 'my pastor,' it is always, 'those people' and 'that preacher.' Since his visits to the church are so infrequent, he has no feeling of belonging to the church family, and the church has never become a spiritual home to him. So it would be stretching a point to say that John belongs to the church. If John ever does anything for its support, he feels that he is most liberal. Actually, there is not an ounce of John that truly belongs to the church."

This is far too true to be humorous in any of our churches today. Our rolls are cluttered with names of folks that are "members only." That means that this is their only claim to love for the church. One of the clearest truths of the New Testament is that love is active, not passive. The love of Jesus Christ for you and me was expressed in His activity centered in the cross and the resurrection. Our love for Him is expressed in our involvement in those matters concerning His Kingdom that He entrusted to our care. "Let us then be up and doing . . ."

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz



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

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"Abraham and Lincoln"

(Genesis 12:1-3)

7:15 P.M.

"The Unfinished Sermon"

(Acts 24:25)

LIBRARY NOTES

We want to thank all who participated in any way in the TACLO conferences and banquet January 31 and February 1. We feel that they were very successful. The total attendance at the conferences was 86, and 148 enjoyed the banquet—62 of these were from our church. 27 different churches were represented from five denominations. We had 14 out-of-town guests from Mobile, Panama City and Niceville.

Mr. Charles Warnock from the Church Library Department at Nashville, had several parts on the program and was a great inspiration to all. Also, Miss Florida Waite, a member of our own church, contributed greatly and we feel we are so fortunate to have her here to consult with and advise us. Thanks also to all who contributed so abundantly of your camellias which made such lovely decorations.

We have resolved to try from now on to serve the Lord and you with greater dedication and faithfulness in the library ministry.

—THE LIBRARY STAFF



"LIVING PERSONALITIES OF THE OLD TESTAMENT"

The Broadcasting and Film Commission of the National Council of Churches in cooperation with the National Broadcasting Company is carrying a series of illustrated lectures on the Old Testament. Channel 10 will carry these lectures on the program, "Frontiers of Faith" each Sunday, 12:30 to 1:00 P.M. On next Sunday, February 9, the program will be on "Moses the Law Giver." The lecture will be given by Hagen Staack, a German-born Lutheran Minister and Bible Scholar.

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Henry C. Mertins
537 East 54th Street

Joined Our Church By Baptism
May 25, 1958

Deceased February 5, 1964

BROTHERHOOD SUPPER MEETING

The monthly meeting of our Brotherhood will be held next Monday evening beginning with supper at 6:15 p.m.

Mr. Bo Mitchell, Personal Stewardship Leader, has announced that the program will consist of a motion picture entitled, "God's Will Through Yours." This film tells the story of a young widow whose father prepared a hand-written will but failed to have it dated and witnessed. Mr. J. Nixon Daniel, Jr., an attorney and a member of our congregation, will be present to lead in a discussion and answer questions pertaining to this subject.

All of the men in our church and organizations are invited to attend this meeting. All you need to do to make a reservation for supper is to use the slip attached to Sunday's bulletin or call the church office.

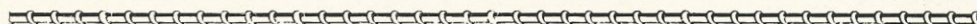


SUNDAY IS SCOUT SUNDAY

On next Sunday, February 9, the Boy Scouts of America will observe Scout Sunday as a part of their 54th Anniversary. The theme for this year's observance is "Strengthen America—Scouting Can Make the Difference". All Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Explorers are encouraged to attend worship service and to rededicate themselves to the relationships, principles, and spiritual ideals of scouting.



Sunday Night Belongs to the Church



SWEETHEARTS IN DOGPATCH



Join the crowd which will be pouring out of the hills around Dogpatch for the banquet of banquets. You will be a part of the greatest congregation of citizens of this quaint little town in all history.

Wear your costume fittin' for the occasion and bring some tranquilizing potion to calm your aching sides brought on from excess laughter.

The Doin's will begin at 6:45 on Friday, February 14. Reservations are being taken now. All Dogpatch tax payers will pay \$1.25 at the city gate. See your Sunday School department representative or call the church office by Wednesday, February 12 for your reservation.

The younguns will have special "play parties" while the grownups are concerning themselves with more serious things.

← RICHARD E. ROBERTS, Speaker
Pastor, Heights Baptist Church

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Sacred Heart Hospital:

Mrs. John Busey, Mr. Henry Parra-more, Mr. George Peterson, Mr. Charlie Rector, Mrs. Maude Cassidy, Mr. Charlie Wiggins

Baptist Hospital:

Mrs. W. H. Ferry, Chuck Williamson

Home From Hospital:

Mrs. John Kelly, Mrs. Helen Woodward, Mrs. B. M. Peterson, Mrs. W. W. Foster, Mr. O. M. Vineyard

Navy Hospital:

Mr. E. A. Guillot

Our Sympathy To:

Mrs. L. M. Sheehee in the loss of her brother
Mr. Henry C. Mertins in the loss of his wife

Congratulations To:

Miss Betty Holloway and Mr. Nathan Markham upon their recent marriage

BIBLE READING FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 9-14

Matthew 23:1 through 26:16

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary Sunday will be given by Mr. and Mrs. Ken Seifert in memory of their daughter, Jan Corrine.

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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.....1230
Members Present.....1179
New Members 8
Visitors 43

Training Union Attendance..... 324
Members Present 293
New Members 6
Visitors 25

Additions to church membership..... 2

Tithes and Offerings:
Budget\$5,765.84
Specials 506.07
Building Fund 8.00

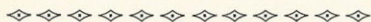
TOTAL OFFERING\$6,279.91



NEW MEMBERS

BY LETTER:

101. Mr. Gerald Daniel, V-6 Div. USS Lexington, NAS. From: Northside Baptist Church, Milledgeville, Ga.
102. Mrs. Ruth Petty Patin, 4004½ North 8th Avenue. From: Central Baptist Church, Pensacola



**HEAR DR. HERSCHEL HOBBS
SUNDAY, 7:30 A.M.**

Subject:

**"Tragedy and The Will of God"
Station WNVY**



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9

- 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School for all ages.
Theron Guthrie, Supt.
- 11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship, Pastor
Broadcast over WCOA
- 4:00 P.M.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
- 6:00 P.M.—Training Union for all ages.
Homer Reed, Director
- 7:15 P.M.—Evening Worship
- 8:45 P.M.—Singspiration at the
McIlwain Presbyterian Church

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10

- 6:15 P.M.—Brotherhood Meeting
- 7:30 P.M.—Deacons Meeting
- 7:30 P.M.—Associational Training Union
Meeting—West Highland Baptist
Church

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

See WMS CIRCLES

WMS NIGHT SOCIETY GENERAL MEETING

- 6:00 P.M.—Dinner
- 6:30 P.M.—Meeting Begins
- 7:00 P.M.—Boy Scouts meeting in
Activities Center

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

- 5:00 P.M.—Children's Choirs Meet
- 5:50 P.M.—Fellowship Dinner
- 6:30 P.M.—Teachers' and Officers' Meeting
Sunbeams, G.A.'s R.A.'s YWA's
- 7:30 P.M.—Prayer Service
- 8:15 P.M.—Church Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14

- 6:45 P.M.—Church-wide Sweetheart
Banquet.



WMU CIRCLES

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

10:00 A.M.

- T. N. CALLAWAY CIRCLE will meet with
Mrs. R. D. Hinson, 2261 Pine Needle Circle,
Scenic Hills (Bring a sandwich for lunch)
- VIRGINIA COBB CIRCLE will meet with
Mrs. C. C. Clark, 1610 East Moreno Street
- STANLEY DAVIS CIRCLE will meet with
Mrs. Lewis White, 3781 Molaree Drive.
- MARTHA HAYLOCK CIRCLE will meet with
Mrs. G. R. McDonald, 2860 Blackshear
Avenue
- DOTTON MILLS CIRCLE will meet with
Mrs. W. C. Carr, Jr., 5704 Davis Highway
- R. C. MOORE CIRCLE will meet with
Mrs. P. O. Davis, Sr., 1510 East Belmont
Street
- BERNICE NEEL CIRCLE will meet with
Mrs. E. A. Allen, 100 West Brainerd Street
- MAMIE LOU POSEY CIRCLE will meet with
Mrs. Jack Allen, 725 Old Corry Road,
Warrington
- LAURA FRANCES SNOW CIRCLE will meet
with Mrs. Herman H. Hobbs, 3905 West
Gadsden Street
- 2:30 P.M.
- HARVEY HEADRICK CIRCLE will meet
with Mrs. Herman Williams, 3636 Menendez
Drive.

All Business Circles will meet immediately
following the general meeting. See Oppor-
tunities of the Week for schedule.



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