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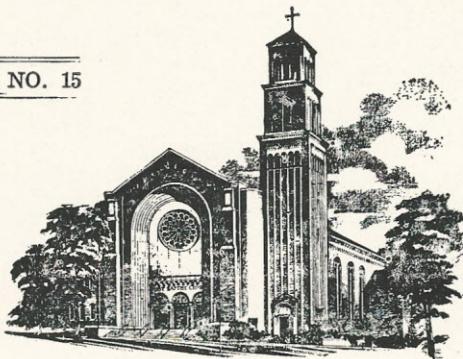
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PASTOR



If religious books are not widely circulated among the masses in this country, and the people do not become religious, I do not know what is to become of us as a nation. And the thought is one to cause solemn reflection on the part of every patriot and Christian.

If truth be not diffused, error will be. If God and his Word are not known and received, the devil and his works will gain the ascendancy. If the evangelical volume does not reach every hamlet, the pages of a corrupt and licentious literature will.

If the power of the Gospel is not felt through the length and breadth of the land, anarchy and misrule, degradation and misery, corruption and darkness will reign without mitigation or end.

—Daniel Webster



NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK April 12 - 18

Theme: "READING: the Key to Understanding . . . the Past . . . the Present . . . the Future."

Pastor's Paragraphs

FROM GRATEFUL HEARTS

Last week's revival was a blessed event in the life of First Baptist Church. Great throngs of people were in the service each evening. How my heart thrilled to your response.



It would be impossible for me to personally thank each person that made our revival effort a success but I would like to say a word of thanks to those who played the instruments, our ushers, and to all those who visited in the name of the Lord Jesus. (You realize, of course, that the Ministry of Visitation is a perpetual one. There are still many, many people who still MUST be reached for our Saviour.)

All of us are supremely grateful for the contribution made by our revival team. Dr. Carl Bates and Miss Joe Ann Shelton are simply two of God's finest servants.

One of our good members said to me after the morning service Sunday: "Pastor, this has been the most wonderful week in my life." Many, many others have made similar statements. This, dear friend, IS REVIVAL. As a result of our revival, the First Baptist Church of Pensacola should be a more aggressive Christ-centered congregation than it has ever been before. Thank God for such a meeting!

Please pray for me as I conduct a revival in Hot Springs, Arkansas, this week. I covet your prayers as I attempt to preach the unsearchable riches of Christ. Dr. Thomas Hansen will preach here Sunday morning and Mr. Bizzell will have the evening service.

The good Lord willing, I'll look for you in Prayer Meeting next Wednesday.

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz



SUNDAY IN OUR CHURCH

In absence of the Pastor who will be closing revival services at the Central Baptist Church, Hot Springs, Arkansas on next Sunday, Dr. Thomas Hansen will be speaking in our church at the 11:00 a.m. services Sunday.

Dr. Hansen is a former pastor of the First Baptist Church of Fort Lauderdale, Florida. He is a trustee of Stetson University. He is now devoting a great deal of time and energy to the current campaign of Florida Baptists to raise endowment funds for Stetson University and Baptist Bible Institute.



LIBRARY NOTES

We are sure some of you will want to read further on the subject, "The Holy Spirit". These are in the library for you to read.

Carroll — THE HOLY SPIRIT

Gaebelein — THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE NEW TESTAMENT. This is an examination of every New Testament reference to the Spirit of God.

Gordon, A. J. — THE MINISTRY OF THE SPIRIT.

Herring — GOD BEING MY HELPER. The purpose of this book is to give a clear explanation of the Spirit's place in your life, and to lead you into a growing knowledge of the Divine Helper who dwells in and governs the life of every true Christian.

Torrey — THE HOLY SPIRIT

Who He is and what He does and how to know Him in all the fullness of His gracious and glorious ministry.

—L. T. S.



DEACONS MEETING DELAYED

The Deacons meeting which would normally fall on Monday, April 13, will be held instead on Wednesday, April 15, at the close of Prayer Service. This will mean that the regular church business meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 22.

BROTHERHOOD LADIES' NIGHT

The April meeting of our Brotherhood will be Thursday, April 16, 7:00 P.M. This will be observed as Ladies' Night. Rev. Joe M. Bamberg will be the featured speaker. Mr. Bamberg, the Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Milton, Florida, has appeared in our church on numerous occasions and our people who have heard him will look forward to his coming for this special occasion.



**SOFTBALL PRACTICE
SATURDAY, APRIL 11—1 P.M.
EXCHANGE PARK**

BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 12-17

Reading through the New Testament in 1964

Luke 10:1 to 12:48



New Members

MONDAY, MARCH 30, 1964

BY LETTER:

124. Miss Ina K. Davis, 1701 E. Avery St.
From: First Baptist Church,
Ft. Walton Beach, Fla.
125. Mr. M. M. McMullen, 10 Redwood
Circle, Pinehurst. From: Whitfield
Baptist Church, Pensacola
126. Mrs. M. M. McMullan

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 1964

FOR BAPTISM:

29. Mr. Cleatus C. Bellamy, 900 E. Avery St.
30. Mrs. John B. Dulaney, Jr., 16 San
Carlos Dr., Gulf Breeze
31. Mr. Roger Lane, 400 North 14th Avenue
32. Miss Janice Wiggins, 3800 Menedez
Drive

BY LETTER:

127. Mrs. Robilyn Eason, 600 Berkley Drive

FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 1964

BY LETTER:

128. Dr. Robert Beanblossom 3860
Whispering Pines
From First Baptist Church,
Jacksonville, Florida
129. Mrs. Robert Beanblossom (Janice)
130. Mr. M. C. Gregory, 1801 W. Cervantes St.
From: Oakhurst Baptist Church,
Decatur, Ga.

SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 1964

FOR BAPTISM:

33. Mrs. Inez Diamond, 131 E. Gregory St.
34. Miss Phyllis Russell, 196 Mango Ave.

BY LETTER:

131. Miss Patsy Armstrong, 216 Ruby Ave.
From: Cherokee Baptist Church,
Memphis, Tenn.
132. Mr. Jack O. Harless, 122 San Carlos Ave.
From: First Baptist Church,
Gulf Breeze
133. Mrs. Jack O. Harless
134. Miss Sheila Rhodes, 6033 W. Fairfield
Drive. From: Myrtle Grove
Baptist Church, Pensacola
135. Ensign Virgil W. Rinehart, Jr., Eldg. 4
Apt. 15 Grandview Apts. Warrington
From: First Baptist Church,
Newberry, S. C.
136. Mrs. Virgil W. Rinehart, Jr. (Connie)
137. Mr. Sid Young, 23 S. Reus St.
From: Grace Baptist Church,
Nashville, Tenn.

REDEDICATION:

Miss Julie Drexler, 1430 E. Lakeview
Avenue
Miss Patricia Jernigan, 518 E. 53rd St.
Mr. Ben Riddles, 2543 Bayview Way
Miss Alice Yandle, 223 Tozaz Avenue

BAPTIZED:

Mr. Cleatus C. Bellamy
Mrs. John Dulaney, Jr.
Mr. Roger Lane



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

MASTER PATRICK RAY KIRKLAND
son of

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Kirkland
Born March 25.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The lovely flowers in the sanctuary Sunday will be given in memory of Mrs. E. J. Buchanan by Mr. E. J. Buchanan and son, U. L. Buchanan and Family.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Baptist Hospital:

Mrs. J. C. Cunningham, Mr. Don Jensen

Sacred Heart Hospital:

Mrs. John Busey, Mrs. W. L. Warren

Home From Hospital:

Mr. Tommy Husted, Mrs. Martha Evans, Mr. Milton Ward, Mrs. A. J. Butler, Patrick Ray Kirkland, Mr. Clarence Dannelly, Miss Becky Allen

Our Sympathy To:

Mr. W. H. Crawford in the loss of a sister

Mrs. L. L. Hanks and Mrs. Annie Dell Sanders in the loss of a brother.

Our Congratulations To:

Miss Mary E. Wilson and Mr. Robert Lester Wilson upon their marriage March 27, in San Diego, California.



"Pictures are windows
through which we look,
But the door of the world
is just a book."

Montague, the English novelist, tells of going to Oxford to hear Benjamin Jowett preach, and of being staggered wide awake by the statement that the average life for a man of twenty-one years was thirty-six years, or 13,600 days. The Oxford students estimated that man would spend one-third of those 13,600 days asleep and one-third in making a living, which would leave him one-third (4,333 days) in which to make his contribution to mankind. They voiced the opinion that he would be a shabby fellow indeed who would waste a single day.

Let's not waste our precious leisure hours with shoddy entertainment! READ A GOOD BOOK.



Mark Twain said it:

"The person who does not read is no better off than the person who cannot read."

Won't you come by the library for a book?



HEAR DR. HERSCHEL HOBBS

Sunday, 7:30 A.M.

Subject:

"The Brightest Verse in the Bible"
Station WNVY

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to Honduras



LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance.....	1326
Members Present	1266
New Members	14
Visitors	46
Training Union Attendance.....	277
Members Present	267
New Members	9
Visitors	1
Additions to church membership (For Week)	20
Baptized	3
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$6,452.09
Specials	346.14
Revival Offering	1,594.45
Building Fund	33.00
TOTAL OFFERING.....	\$8,425.68



CHURCH-RELATED VOCATIONS CONFERENCE

A Church-Related Vocations Conference will be held at Camp Ada, April 17-18. This conference is for Intermediates and Young people who have made a commitment to a church-related vocation or who are seriously considering a church-related vocation. The principal speaker will be Dr. Walter Draughon, Dean of Baptist Bible Institute, Graceville, Florida.

The Conference will begin at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, April 17 and will end at 3:15 p.m. on Saturday.

The total cost will be \$3.00. This includes meals and lodging.

If you are interested in attending this Conference, you may make your reservation through the church office by paying a 50c registration fee.



SEE YOU IN SUNDAY SCHOOL



SUNDAY, APRIL 12

9:30 A.M.—Sunday School for all ages. Theron Guthrie, Superintendent
11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship 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 St. Mark's Methodist Church

TUESDAY, APRIL 14

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 in Activities Center

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15

5:00 P.M.—Children's Choirs Meet
5:50 P.M.—Fellowship Dinner
6:30 P.M.—Teachers' and Officers' Meeting Sunbeams, GA's, RA's, YWA's Special Study Group
7:30 P.M.—Prayer Service
8:15 P.M.—Church Choir Rehearsal
8:15 P.M.—Deacons Meeting, Adult B Dept.

THURSDAY, APRIL 16

10:00 A.M.—Associational WMU Executive Committee Meeting Room 301
7:00 P.M.—Brotherhood Ladies' Night Rev. Joe M. Bamberg, Speaker

FRIDAY, APRIL 17

5:30 P.M.—Church-Related Vocations Conference Camp Ada for Intermediates and Young People



W. M. U. CIRCLES

TUESDAY, APRIL 14

10:00 a.m.—T. N. CALLAWAY CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. Jack Baldwin, 2900 Blackshaer Avenue

—VIRGINIA COBB CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. Judson Gillespie, 1815 North Escambia

—STANLEY DAVIS CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. W. H. McRee, 4061 Bayou Boulevard

—MARTHA HAYLOCK CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. H. W. Smith, Jr., 874 Berkley Drive

—DOTTSON MILLS CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. M. H. Cranmer, 717 Whitney Drive, Cordova

—R. C. MOORE CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. T. W. Little, 300 Ada Wilson Avenue, Lakewood

—BERNICE NEEL CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. Earl Gaston Route 6, Scenic Heights

—MAMIE LOU POSEY CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. Marshall King, 7805 Chemstrand Road

—LAURA FRANCES SNOW CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. R. D. Comstock, 1601 East Gonzalez Street

2:30 p.m.

—HARVEY HEADRICK CIRCLE will meet with Mrs. Myrlin Brooks, 2006 North Barcelona Street

7:30 p.m.

—ALL BUSINESS CIRCLES will meet immediately following general meeting