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'65 BUDGET TO BE ADOPTED SUNDAY



STEERING COMMITTEE FOR OUR ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP EMPHASIS

Reading left to right: Standing: Frank B. Gibbs, Chairman of the Budget Promotion Committee; J. W. Harden, Jr., Vice Chairman of the Budget Promotion Committee; G. R. McDonald, Chairman of the Budget Planning Committee; W. H. (Bill) Gill, Vice Chairman of the Budget Pledging Committee; T. A. Shell, Chairman of the Budget Pledging Committee; Aubrey Gomillion, Chairman of the Tally Committee; F. Willard Vickery, Lesson Chairman; Clyde K. Bizzell, Assistant to the Pastor. Seated: Mrs. R. F. Jernigan, Chairman of the Office Help Committee; A. H. Arnold, Co-Chairman; J. Nixon Daniel, Jr., General Chairman; Mrs. James Rountree, Campaign Secretary; Mrs. G. R. McDonald, Chairman of the Assignment Supper Committee.

The annual stewardship emphasis in our church will be officially begun with the adoption of our 1965 budget goal in the morning worship service on Sunday.

The Budget Planning Committee, headed by Glenn R. McDonald, prepared the budget after much study. Their recommended budget was submitted to the Finance Committee and the Deacons of the church. The recommended budget was mailed out in the Builder last week so that members of the congregation might study it prior to the official presentation to the congregation on Wednesday Evening, October 14th. At that time, opportunity was given for questions and discussion. On next Sunday morning at the 11:00 Service the congregation will be called upon to vote to adopt this budget for the year 1965.

The needs for each organization of the church were studied carefully during the preparation of the budget, as well as the church's part in World Missions. The recommended budget calls for an increase in the amount given to World Missions through the Cooperative Program.

The next three weeks will be given over largely for stewardship education and information. This is the time when we think about our giving program for the coming year, and it gives an excellent opportunity to study again what God's word teaches about the stewardship of material possessions. This twenty-nine day emphasis will have the general theme, "In Loving Obedience, We Give!"

We will be in error if we interpret this simply as a way to raise money for the church. The first objective is consecration and spiritual dedication of all of life. When this is accomplished it will be easier to reach our giving goals, too.

Church members are urged to tithe to meet the proposed budget. It is estimated that if every member tithed, the total income would be about double the proposed budget.

Our church will have a glorious jubilee ministry during 1965 when we consecrate ourselves and our money to the Lord's work.



Pastor's Paragraphs . . .

THE CHURCH BUDGET

You found the proposed budget for 1965 in last week's issue of our church bulletin. This proposed budget was prepared by dedicated men and women representing all areas of our church life.

This budget represents the program of work for our church for 1965. It represents the dedication and love of our membership for Christ and His church.



It represents the outreach and compassion of each individual. It represents you.

I suggest to you that THE BUDGET SPEAKS.

1. IT SPEAKS ABOUT PLANNING.

We plan to provide for our own—A large portion of this budget is to be spent on a more effective ministry for our own people. The ministry of music, education, visitation and preaching are provided for in this budget.

We plan to pay our debts—The budget includes a sizable amount for the payment of our indebtedness.

We plan to preach Christ from here to the ends of the earth.—We will increase our giving through the Cooperative Program—our world mission outreach. We will support associational missions. This we do in order to preach Christ throughout the world.

2. IT SPEAKS ABOUT PARTNERSHIP.

This budget is a partnership. We can do what none of us could do alone. I cannot build colleges, seminaries, hospitals, and send missionaries, but with the help of "partners" like you, I can do all of these things. Even our children can take part in such witnessing through a budget like this. Praise God for such a plan of partnership. Be a good partner!

3. IT SPEAKS ABOUT PURPOSE.

The Apostle Paul was moved by the Spirit of God to say, "Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver." (II Cor. 9:7).

All Christian giving should be "predetermined" giving. Pre-determined giving, which is pledging to give, is indicative of real character. Purposeful giving indicates a prior claim, a prior commitment, and a supreme allegiance.

I want to challenge you to "take a step up" with me and my family in giving to Christ through next year's budget. Long ago we established the tithe as a minimum standard of giving. We have been enabled to "take a step up" several times since then. We intend to do so again next year. God has been good to us. Out of gratitude, we plan to do even more than in the past. Won't you join us?

I'll see you Sunday.

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz

A NEW LOOK

Your BUILDER for the next four weeks will appear in this enlarged format. The Budget Promotion Committee of our Forward Program of Christian Stewardship is combining its promotional effort with our regularly published BUILDER. The next four issues will bring you news of our Forward Program of Christian Stewardship and the many regular activities of our church. You will want to make a special effort to read each of these four issues.



ANNUAL SESSION PENSACOLA BAY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION OCTOBER 22-23

Theme: "OUTREACH — OUR TASK"

Thursday Morning Session—

Beginning at 9:00 a.m.—Brownsville Baptist Church. This session will include reports concerning our Associational work, and the Annual Sermon to be brought by Brother Willie D. Carr, Pastor of Ensley First Baptist Church.

Thursday Evening Session—

Beginning at 7:00 p.m.—Hillcrest Baptist Church. This session will include an emphasis on Youth, with reports from the Brotherhood, Woman's Missionary Union, Missions Committee, and Field Secretary, and an address by Jack Eppes, Executive Secretary of United Christian Action on the topic "Morals in Our Modern World."

Friday Morning Session—

Beginning at 9:00 a.m.—Walnut Hill Baptist Church. This session will feature reports of many of our state agencies, and the Doctrinal Sermon to be brought by Dr. J. Larry Mayo, Pastor of the Warrington Baptist Church.



CLASS OFFICERS' CLINIC Monday, October 26 — 6:30 P.M.

For Teachers and Class Officers of Young People and Adult Classes

CONFERENCES FOR:

TEACHERS
PRESIDENTS
VICE-PRESIDENTS
SECRETARIES
GROUP LEADERS

Supper Will Be Served at 6:30 P.M.
Regular Wednesday Night Price—60c

We would like to recognize classes with every Officer and Group Leader present.

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"The Preparation of the Heart"

(Philippians 2:5 ff.)

Observance of Lord's Supper

7:15 P.M.

"Jesus, The Laws and The Prophets"

(Matthew 5:17 ff.)

ROUTH TO SPEAK AT LEADERSHIP BANQUET

We are most fortunate to have as our speaker for our Leadership Banquet Tuesday, October 20, Dr. Porter Routh, who is Executive Secretary-Treasurer, Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee.

Dr. Routh was born in Lockhart, Texas, and was educated in the public schools of Dallas, El Paso, and Oklahoma City. He received his A.B. degree with honors from Oklahoma Baptist University in 1934 and has done graduate work at the University of Missouri, George Peabody College, and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

He served as Secretary of Brotherhood and Promotion for the Oklahoma Baptist Convention; as Editor of the Oklahoma Baptist Messenger; Secretary of Baptist Sunday School Board Department of Survey, Statistics, and Information before going to his present position in 1951.

He has appeared on national radio and TV programs and on programs of national, state, and associational meetings, in addition to frequent engagements in churches for various services. A regular contributor to many denominational publications, he is also author of *My World Too*, published in 1948; *Meet The Presidents*, published in 1953; and *77,000 Churches*, published in 1963.

Dr. Routh resides in Nashville with his



DR. PORTER ROUTH

wife, the former Ruth Elizabeth Purtle, and five children.

This Banquet to begin at 6:30 p.m. is for all church-elected leadership, including Deacons, workers in Sunday School, Training Union, W.M.U., Brotherhood and Music Ministry. Reservations are to be made on Sunday. The cost will be \$1.00 each.

SUPPER MEDITATION

O Thou, whose eternal love for us was most perfectly shown in the blessed life and death of Jesus Christ our Lord, enable me now to meditate:

I remember Gethsemane:
I remember how Judas betrayed Him:
I remember how Peter denied Him:
I remember how they all forsook Him and fled:
I remember the scourging:
I remember the crown of thorns:
I remember how they spat upon Him:
I remember His pierced hands and feet:
I remember His agony on the Cross:
I remember His thirst:
I remember how He cried, My God, My God,
 why hast Thou forsaken me?

Grant, O most gracious God, that I who now partake of this Supper may remember that life and salvation have come through the Cross of Christ.

—Copied.

GATHER AROUND THE LORD'S TABLE SUNDAY MORNING "IN REMEMBRANCE OF HIM"

IN LOVING OBEDIENCE
we give!

Honor the Lord with thy substance.

PROV. 3:9



Some of you will be interested in reading some books on the sermon topic of Sunday morning, "No Fear of Tomorrow." The following are some of the books in the library on this important subject:

UNDERSTANDING FEAR IN OURSELVES AND OTHERS by Bonaro W. Overstreet. The author traces some fears from their origin in childhood and adolescence and then demonstrates how these hidden fears block a mature approach to adult response—abilities of work, marriage, parenthood and old age. The book then goes on to show what the layman can do about the problem.

If you fear for your health, are worried about your job, lack courage to face the future, then read **THE CONQUEST OF FEAR** by Basil King.

POWER TO MANAGE YOURSELF by H. B. Walker has chapter titles such as "Released From Tension," "Putting Trifles in Their Place," "You Can Worry Wisely."

PRESCRIPTION FOR ANXIETY by L. D. Weatherhead. Every individual who longs for freedom from anxiety will find here the beginning of the secret of inward peace—a faultless trust in a God who can and will meet every need.

FOR OUR AGE OF ANXIETY by Lofton Hudson. This author has a realistic view of evil and understands that the religious person faces more deceptive temptations than the irreligious.

—L.T.S.



HEAR "THE BAPTIST HOUR"

Sunday, 7:30 A.M. — Station WNVY

Dr. Herschel H. Hobbs will speak on "The Pattern of Pardon"
1 Timothy 1:16

NEW CLASS FOR GRAY LADIES

November 9-13, 1964

Morning and Evening Classes
9:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M.

Those interested call the Volunteer Office, Baptist Hospital (432-1241) for an interview.



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LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance.....	1338
Members Present.....	1265
New Members.....	7
Visitors.....	66
Training Union Attendance.....	385
Members Present.....	354
New Members.....	6
Visitors.....	25
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget.....	\$7,323.98
Specials.....	366.32
Building Fund.....	65.00
TOTAL OFFERING.....	\$7,755.30



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

*9:30 A.M.—Sunday School for all ages
Theron Guthrie, Supt.
*11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship—Pastor
Broadcast over WCOA
Ordinance of Lord's Supper
4:30 P.M.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
*6:00 P.M.—Training Union for all ages
Homer Reed, Director
*7:15 P.M.—Worship Service. Pastor

MONDAY, OCTOBER 9

7:30 P.M.—Associational Sunday School
Meeting, Eighth Avenue Baptist
Church

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20

6:30 P.M.—Church Leadership Banquet
Dining Hall

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21

4:45 P.M.—Children's Choirs
*5:50 P.M.—Fellowship Dinner
*6:30 P.M.—Teachers' and Officers' Meeting
Sunbeams, R.A.'s, G.A.'s, YWA's
*7:30 P.M.—Prayer Service
*8:15 P.M.—Church Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22

9:00 A.M.—Associational Meeting
Brownsville Baptist Church
7:00 P.M.—Associational Meeting
Hillcrest Baptist Church

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23

9:00 A.M.—Associational Meeting
Walnut Hill Baptist Church
*7:30 P.M.—Radiant Class
Fellowship Hall

*Indicates nursery will be open 15 minutes
prior to the time indicated above.



"The will of God will not lead you
where the grace of God cannot keep
you."



"I BELIEVE"

I support the Forward Program because I believe that the tithe and more, should be brought into the storehouse of the Lord through my church, so that it can be used more efficiently to carry out God's program.

WILLIAM E. JACKSON

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Our Congratulations To:

Mr. and Mrs. William L. Peters
(Juanita Wilhite) upon the birth of a
son, William Douglas, October 6, in
Houston, Texas

Mr. and Mrs. Richard F. Wash upon
the birth of a son, Daniel Lanford, Oc-
tober 5.

Baptist Hospital:

Mrs. J. F. Boykin, Sr., Mrs. W. P.
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Home From Hospital:

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vis, Mrs. Harold Ackman, Mrs. Lu-
ciano Suarez, Mrs. E. R. Cunningham,
Miss Elaine Edwards

The Very Newest

The rosebuds on the pulpit Sunday were
placed in there in honor of

MASTER JAMES DONALD DAVIS

son of

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Davis, Jr.
Born October 9

MASTER LUCIANO JOSEPH SUAREZ, JR.

son of

Mr. and Mrs. Luciano J. Suarez
Born October 10



"A smile is a light in the window
of the face that shows the heart is at
home."

BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 18 - OCTOBER 23

Reading Through the New Testament
in 1964

I Thessalonians 5:1 to
I Timothy 2:15