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PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

JAMES L. PLEITZ
PASTOR



Great Grace

His grace is great enough to meet the
great things,

The crashing waves that overwhelm the soul,

The roaring winds that leave us stunned and
breathless,

The sudden storms beyond our life's control.

His grace is great enough to meet the
small things

The little pin-prick trouble that annoy,

The insect worries, buzzing and persistent,

The squeaking wheels that grate upon our joy.

Annie Johnson Flint

HEAR OUR PASTOR THIS SUNDAY

Speak On "The Tower Of Babel"

Pastor's Paragraphs

DEAD WEIGHT

My friend Truman Aldredge of Minden, Louisiana has written a very provocative article that I would like to share with you.



He starts by asking a question:

"Are you a 'dead weight' to your church and the Kingdom of God?"

According to the Weymouth translation of 2 Corinthians 12:13, Paul is saying, "I myself have never hung as a dead weight. . . . He has been slandered. His enemies have accused him of being a

burden to the churches, that he had profited unfairly from them. This he firmly denies by saying "I never hung like a dead weight on any church."

What a picturesque description of a large number of church members! Dead weights! Names "carried" on a church roll year after year with no response to show that they are living, vital parts of the body of Christ. Because they are dead they have to be carried, and a dead weight is hard to handle. It seems to weigh a ton. One strains every muscle in his body in his effort to lift a dead weight.

Yet this is the arduous task of most of our churches—trying to make headway with the Kingdom causes in this world, but staggering under people who are dead weights. Dr. Halford Luccock aptly describes such members in the following words: "Such people do not move the load; they are the load. They would be the first concern of a spiritual engineer who might be called in to study the causes of lost motion and energy in the church. Perfectly delightful people, most of them. They would scorn the suggestion that they could ever be classed as liabilities of the church. The simple trouble lies in their whole conception of the church as a sight-seeing bus rather than an engine pulling a load up a mountain. They insist on riding in a Pullman."

Paul said, "I never hung as a dead weight." And you . . . ?

Yours inquisitively,

James L. Pleitz

READ YOUR BIBLE DAILY

Reading for the week of July 25-31

2 Kings 6-18

"Troubled Times"

JUNIOR CAMPERS REUNION

Where? Church Dining Room

When? Sunday, July 25, 1965—5 p.m.

Who? All 1965 Junior Campers and Staff

Why? To give all a chance to share your pictures which you took.
To renew acquaintances we made and remember good times we had.

YOUTH NOTES

Youth Depth Study continues:

(For Senior High-College only)

July 26—Basil Yelverton, 31 Gilmore Drive, Gulf Breeze

July 27—Sherri Vickery, 6115 Virwood Rd., Scenic Heights.

Discussion is on "Tomorrow You Marry" with James L. Pleitz leading the discussion. We begin promptly at 7:00 p.m. so don't be late.

Sunday, July 25—will be a full day. This is Pre-registration Day for V. B. S. and T. A. B. S. (All Superintendents please take careful note).

Junior Campers Reunion—is also set for 5:00 p.m. Bring your pictures and memories. This will be sharing time. We will see you in the church dining room promptly at 5:00 p.m.

The Greatest Show On Earth—is finally here after unexpected delays but it promises to be great. Don't miss it if you are in the Youth Division (13-college). A friendly warning: **YOU'D BETTER BE THERE TO DEFEND YOURSELF!** Such revelations as are in store we are sure you'll agree it was the "Greatest Show On Earth".

SAVE THIS DATE—

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21.

We're going to Ranch of the Pines for an All-Youth Retreat. Your ticket will be \$2.00. They will be on sale soon.

—H. M.

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A. M.

"Concerning Tents and Altars"

(Genesis 12:1-9)

7:15 P. M.

"His Workmanship"

(Ephesians 2:8-10)



David Russell, Lee Albritton, Mark Jameson, Renee Burks, Phyllis Russell, Monique Burks, III are inviting you to join them each day August 2-13, 8:30-11:30 A.M., for Vacation Bible School. The V. B. S. Special suggests all the wonderful treats in store for those who come.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

OUR CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Mrs. Dianne Williams and Ensign Larry W McElthlin on their marriage July 17.

OUR SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. M. J. Simpson in the death of a son.

IN THE HOSPITAL:

Baptist Hospital

Mr. W. P. Booty, Mrs. Thomas Pelt, Mrs. E. W. Speed, Mrs. Imogene Stewart.

Sacred Heart Hospital

Mr. Angus Andrews, Mrs. Van Santoro, Mr. W. E. Poe.

Escambia General Hospital

Mrs. Ada McMillan.

HOME FROM HOSPITAL:

Mrs. Wayne Hickman, Miss Linda Jernigan, Mrs. Charles Griffin, Mrs. Ruth Patin, Mrs. Jimmy Stanley, Miss Sheila McCrory.



V.B.S & T.A.B.S.—AUGUST 2-13



The Very Newest

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

MASTER ANDREW MARTIN HICKMAN

Son of

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wayne Hickman

Born July 13

MISS DEBORAH LYNN GRIFFIN

Daughter of

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Griffin

Born July 16



LIBRARY NOTES

Juniors, how about some free travel via books this summer? Here are some of the fine books we have in the library.

LET'S GO TO THE WHITE HOUSE

—Rosenfield

LET'S GO TO THE CAPITOL—Rosenfield

GETTING TO KNOW KOREA—Tor

KNOW YOUR WORLD—Ross

TRAILS WEST AND WHO MADE THEM

—Dorian

MY VILLAGE IN SPAIN—Judae

MAINSTREETS OF SOUTHEAST ASIA

—Buell



SUNDAY EVENING SEMINAR

"What Others Believe"

Sunday, July 25

SOUTHERN BAPTIST
BELIEFS AND POLITY

JAMES L. PLEITZ, Pastor
First Baptist Church

Meeting in Church Dining Room

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Mrs. Arthur Haylock,
 Our Missionary 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	1,139
Members Present	1,073
New Members	7
Visitors	59
Training Union Attendance	257
Members Present	233
New Members	3
Visitors	21
Additions to church membership	3
Baptized	7
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	5,705.43
Specials	177.50
Organ Fund	10.00
Building Fund	33.00
TOTAL OFFERING	5,925.93



V.B.S & T.A.B.S.—AUGUST 2-13



IN MEMORIAM

Mr. James E. Medlock

1725 East Jordan St.

Joined our church by letter
 January 2, 1955

Deceased July 18, 1965

SUNDAY, JULY 25

*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
 5:00 p.m.—Junior Campers Reunion
 *6:00 p.m.—Sunday Evening Seminar and
 Training Union
 Homer D. Reed, Director
 *7:15 p.m.—Evening Worship. Pastor
 8:15 p.m.—ALL YOUTH GET TOGETHER
 "The Greatest Show On Earth"

MONDAY, JULY 26

7:00 p.m.—Youth Depth Study at the home
 of Basil Yelverton, 31 Gilmore,
 Gulf Breeze

TUESDAY, JULY 27

7:00 p.m.—Youth Depth Study at home of
 Sherre Vickery, 6115 Virwood Rd.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 28

*5:50 p.m.—Fellowship Dinner
 *6:30 p.m.—Sunday School Officer's and
 Teacher's Meeting
 Sunbeams, G.A.'s, R.A.'s, YWA's
 Lydia Bible Class meets in their
 Classroom
 *7:30 p.m.—Prayer Service
 *8:15 p.m.—Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, JULY 29

9:30 a.m.—Associational WMU Meeting,
 Ensley First Baptist Church

*Indicates Nursery will be open 15 minutes
 prior to time given above.



NEW MEMBERS

ON PROFESSION OF FAITH IN CHRIST:
 53. Mary Kaye Edwards, 2405 N. 18th Ave.
 54. Patricia O'Gara, 426 West Lloyd St.
 BY LETTER:
 154. Miss Sonja Nelson, 1705 E. Cross St.
 From: First Baptist Church,
 Decatur, Ga.

BAPTIZED:

Mary Kaye Edwards	Patricia O'Gara
Mary Ruth Garrett	Billy Simmons
Mr. Adrian Mesa	Cathy Pope
Mrs. Gary Nelson	



HEAR "THE BAPTIST HOUR"

Sunday, 7:30 a.m.
 Station WNVY

Preacher:

Dr. John M. MacGorman
 Professor of New Testament
 Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary

Subject:

"The Strategy of Temptation"

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AUGUST 2-13

Sunday Is Pre-Registration Day