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PASTOR



LIFE

God gives us each but one short day
The time that we call life —
To waste or cherish as we will,
To spend in peace or strife;
One little day in which to do.
Or else to leave undone,
The work He gives us; we must leave
It all at set of sun.
But one brief day in which to learn
That we are not our own,
That that day's sweetest pleasure is
To hush another's moan.
That life of selfish living brings
No blessed eventide,
While life of loving service finds
Deep joy on every side.
But one brief day! Oh help me, Lord
To use it as I should!
Help me, for others, in that day
To do some little good
And when at twilight cool and dim,
I hear thy gentle call,
Dear Lord, forgive me, if for thee
I've not used time and all.

Pastor's Paragraphs

TESTIMONY

"A MAN TOOK HIS FAMILY TO A RESTAURANT. They sat down at a clean table, ordered a sumptuous meal, ate with satisfaction and delight. When the waitress



brought the check the man said, 'Oh, I don't believe in paying for meals. Please give the check to the man over there. He will probably be glad to pay it.' The waitress took the check to a man at nearby table. The man accepted the check and paid for it, even leaving a tip for the waitress. Incredible, I call it!

"A WOMAN WENT TO A SUPER-MARKET where all manner of goodies which characterize American eating were spread out in long rows. She filled her cart with everything from a case of gingerale to a prime roast of beef and a large bag of out-of-season fruit. When she came to the check-out desk the cashier rang up the bill and said, '\$35.60 please.' The woman put on a horrified look and said, 'But I'm going to take a trip to Alabama next week, and I just don't have the money to pay for this food. I'll just let these folks behind me in line pay for it.' And behold, the folks in line behind reached for their pocketbooks and put out the money and paid the bill. Incredible!

"A FAMILY LIVED IN PLEASANTVILLE, one of the nicest towns in the world. The children attended the fine schools, the family enjoyed the paved streets, the excellent water and sewage facilities, the park and community hospital. They liked this town. But one day a tax bill arrived and they frowned and tore it up, and threw it away. 'I don't believe in paying taxes, let the neighbors pay,' they said. And the neighbors liked these people, so they got together and paid their taxes. Incredible!

"NOW THERE WAS A FAMILY THAT BELONGED TO FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH . . . Sorry, I just can't bear to tell this story — you tell it yourself. It is so utterly incredible, and it's true!"

—Selected

I am grateful that the vast majority of our people believe in the faithful support of the Lord's work. Many of you join the pastor in not only tithing but bringing an additional gift to the House of the Lord each week. I'll look forward to seeing you Sunday—1400 Bibles Strong.

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitt

SERMON TOPIC

11:00 A. M.

"My Two Sons"

(Genesis 25:20-34)

THE LISTENING POST

The names of the following college students were inadvertently left off the list in last week's bulletin:

PENSACOLA JUNIOR COLLEGE

Frank Bratcher
Homer Biles
Gene Ellis
Bonnie Guyette
David Parker
Gerald Smith
Leon Singletary
John Williams

LIVINGSTON STATE COLLEGE

Gene Irwin

UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE

Troy L. Booker

EMORY UNIVERSITY

Wynn Smith

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISS.

Wayne Mateer

HELEN MAY

Director of Youth Education



LIBRARY NOTES

NOW OR NEVER, THE PROMISE OF THE MIDDLE YEARS by Smiley Blanton. If you are between 35-60, this book may be the most important book you ever read. In it a world-famous psychiatrist proves that with a little self-awareness, these "last chance years" are the most rewarding of all. Warmly, informally, Dr. Blanton gives practical, detailed guidance on such down-to-earth matters as overcoming stress, finances, diet, exercise, raising teenagers, etc. He proves that by facing festering inner conflict, we can free ourselves and go unfettered to days bright with promise. His wise forthright book, dedicated to every man and woman over 35, is a source of priceless insight, self-understanding and encouragement.



OPEN HOUSE

Mr. and Mrs. Lon Roberts, Jr. are inviting members of the congregation to their home Sunday, October 3, 2:30-5:00 p.m. to meet their house guests, Miss Carmen Sarmiento and her mother.

DEACONS OF THE MONTH FOR OCTOBER

Mr. Claude Adkison
Mr. Gerald Garrett

W. M. S. MEETING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5 10:00 A. M.

Program to be presented by the
General Officers

Theme: "The New Look For Mrs. W.M.S.
For 1965-1966"

Luncheon reservations may be made
Sunday or by telephone.



PENSACOLA JUNIOR COLLEGE

One of the short courses to be offered by the Pensacola Junior College may be of particular interest to our people. Miss Helen May will be leading a course entitled "Youth — A Laboratory for Living," on Thursday evenings at seven o'clock for ten weeks beginning October 7. These are non-credit courses. The total fee is \$12.50.



MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary Sunday will be given in memory of Mr. L. D. Rushing by Mrs. L. D. Rushing.



An elderly Quaker woman with a beautiful complexion was asked what kind of cosmetics she used. In reply, she offered this prescription: "I use for my lips, truth; for my voice, prayer; for my eyes, pity; for my hands, charity; for my figure, uprightness; for my heart, love." This prescription can be filled without expense, and the supply will increase with continued use.



WE CAN'T ASK GOD

- For help if we are not making any effort.
- For strength if have strength we are not using.
- For guidance if we are ignoring the guidance we now have.
- For prosperity if we have proved we cannot be trusted with it.
- For faith when we are afraid to act on what we already know.
- For forgiveness if we continue hating some.
- For mercy if we intend to commit the same sin again.

—Roy L. Smith.
Writer and Editor



SEE YOU IN SUNDAY SCHOOL

OUR CHURCH FAMIL.

OUR SYMPATHY TO:

Dr. and Mrs. E. G. Owens in the loss of their son, David.
Mr. Clyde Hood in the loss of his father.
Miss Grace Blalock in the loss of her father.

IN THE HOSPITAL:

Baptist:

Mr. R. E. Ansley, Mr. Walter Dearnley, Mrs. Joe Brookins, Mrs. J. A. Riddle, Mrs. Oscar Mattheus, Dr. E. G. Owens.

Sacred Heart:

Mrs. H. C. Stringfield, Mrs. B. M. Peterson.

HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Mrs. George Ellis, Mrs. Mary Goldback, Mr. Norman Johnson, Mrs. Troy Booker, Mrs. Florence Byrd, Mrs. Virginia Tharpe, Mrs. James Taylor, Mrs. Lamar Moore, Mrs. R. E. Broxton.

THE VERY NEWEST

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

MASTER SHERMAN ALAN ELLIS

son of
Mr. and Mrs. George R. Ellis
born September 22



HOMECOMING AT CIRCLE

The Circle Baptist Church is observing Homecoming Day next Sunday, October 3. As a part of the day's activities, they will break ground at 2:15 p.m. for a new building. Members of our congregation are invited to share in the day's activities with them.



TRAINING UNION FOR ADULTS

Mr. Willard Vickery, our Training Union Director, will be in charge of a joint meeting of all adults next Sunday evening. At this time plans for the year will be presented along with seminar topics for the next two months. A brief film entitled "My Church" will be shown.



IN MEMORIAM

DAVID OWENS

189 Euclid St.

Joined our church by baptism
April 18, 1954

Deceased September 26, 1965

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Our Missionary 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.



NFW MEMBERS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

BY LETTER:

225. Rebecca Sue Carr, 304 Kaylyn Rd.
From: Ensley First Baptist Church,
Ensley, Fla.
226. W. Dee Carr, Jr.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

BY LETTER:

227. Dr. Robert L. Hughes, 815 W. Moreno St.
From: Immanuel Baptist Church,
Natchez, Miss.
228. Mrs. Robert L. Hughes (Mary Lou)
229. Charles R. Hughes
230. Jan Hughes
231. Sue Hughes

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 26

232. Mr. J. E. Elmore, 1024 Underwood Avenue
From: First Baptist Church, Semmes, Ala.
233. Mrs. J. E. Elmore (Nelle)
234. Jeannie Lyn Elmore
235. Jon Elmore
236. Phil Elmore
237. Mr. Andrew J. Stephens, Sr.,
231 Drew Circle
From: Dauphin Way Baptist Church,
Mobile, Ala.
238. Mrs. Andrew J. Stephens, Sr.
239. Mr. Charlie Cooper Wiggins,
1060 E. Cross St.
From: First Baptist Church,
Monrceville, Ala.
240. Mrs. Charlie Cooper Wiggins
(Mary Elizabeth)

STATE MISSION OFFERING

GOAL \$800.00

GIVEN TO DATE \$725.00



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3

*9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages.
A. H. Arnold, Supt.
*11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship. Pastor.
Broadcast over WCOA
4:30 p.m.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
5:15 p.m.—Jr. 11-12 Sword Drill, Jr. 12 Dept.
*6:00 p.m.—Training Union and
Sunday Evening Seminar
Willard Vickery, Director
*7:15 p.m.—Evening Worship
8:30 p.m.—Sr. High-College Fellowship at the
home of Leo Andrews.
4260 North 9th Ave.
Pat Jernigan, co-hostess

MONDAY, OCTOBER 4

7:00-8:30 p.m.—Boy Scouts, Activities Center
7:30 p.m.—TACLO Meeting,
Myrtle Grove Baptist
7:30 p.m.—Special Meeting of Deacons

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5

*WMS General Meeting
*10:00 a.m.—Business
*10:45 a.m.—Missionary Program
*11:30 a.m.—Bible Study
*12:00 p.m.—Lunch
6:00 p.m.—Robert Goldie Circle Covered Dish
Supper & Mission Study.
Mrs. S. L. Fulghum,
1306 East Mallory St.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6

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

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7

6:30 p.m.—Faithful Workers Class Banquet,
Dining Hall

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8

Business & Professional Training Union Social

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



LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance	1,393
Members Present	1,318
New Members	17
Visitors	58
Training Union Attendance	303
Members Present	265
New Members	7
Visitors	31
Additions to church membership	14
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	6,023.02
Specials	407.90
Building Fund	11.00
TOTAL OFFERING	6,441.92

READ YOUR BIBLE DAILY

Reading for the week of
October 3-9

Job 9-42

"The Man And His Maker"