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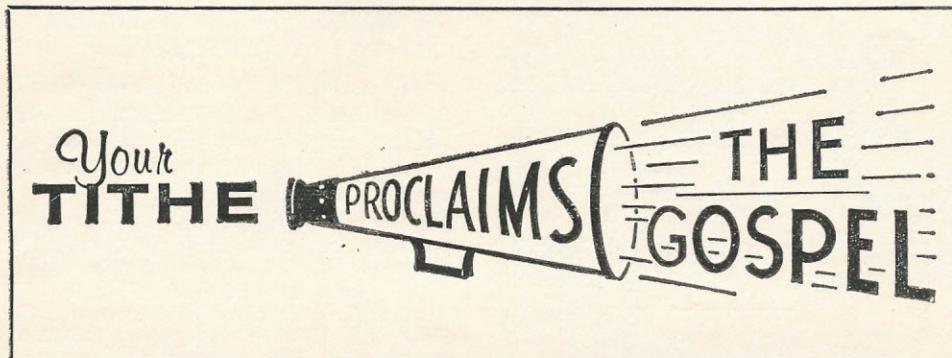
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## SUNDAY IS DEMONSTRATION DAY



We'll have to use larger offering plates if all  
of us bring our tithe Sunday.

### EVERY MEMBER URGED TO BRING A TITHE

"Our church has no idea how much it can do until it tries," our pastor told us last week.

Next Sunday an effort will be made to enlist every member in a one hundred percent stewardship effort.

We are calling it "Demonstration Day." Every member of our church is urged to bring a tithe for at least one week to help take part in this great tithing demonstration.

The success of the day depends on every member taking part. Even those who have never tithed before can make a special effort on this day.

This will not be a special offering. It is simply a special emphasis on our regular weekly offering.

Demonstration Day will not only show what our church can do when it really gets maximum cooperation from all members, but most of all will be an opportunity to show our love for the Saviour and the work of His church.

YOU are the key to the success of this day. No one else can take your place, as each person has his own place to fill.

God has said that if we bring our tithes into His storehouse He will open the windows of heaven to shower us with blessings. Participating in this special demonstration will be a great blessing in itself.

### SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"Mirrors Or Windows?"

(Luke 12:13-31)

7:15 P.M.

"Laborers Together"

(I Corinthians 3:9)

# Pastor's Paragraphs

## A FOOTBALL COACH'S TESTIMONY

So help me, this is my final word. I know some of you tire of hearing about the Razorbacks . . . but, after all, they are the number one team in the nation . . . according to the JP. (Every time I think about it, I break out in a cold sweat. What am I going to do if the Gators play the Razorbacks in a post-season bowl game? Well, we'll cross that bridge when we get to it.)

Frank Broyles, the coach of the Arkansas team, is a devout Christian and a faithful steward. Listen to his testimony.

"All of life involves stewardship. I am happy to be a tither. My tithe helps me to handle carefully not only my own money but all other gifts God has blessed me with. I have never known a tither to be an unhappy man nor felt he was wasting his money. On the other hand, the tithers I have known have had a love for God. They have expressed a loyalty to the church and the kingdom and they have found joy in the handling of our God-given treasures.

"I want to be a good steward. Tithing helps me in this and, therefore, I commend it. Study it, pray about it, try it for a year, see for yourself its real spiritual value to your life and the work of the kingdom.

"My tithe is given freely, gladly and with love in my acknowledgment that God is my Father and I belong to Him. I like to think of tithing as a matter of trust in the goodness and the mercy of God in the days ahead.

"Tithing is the best way to acknowledge that God owns all that I possess and ever will possess. I commend tithing to everyone."

Sunday is DEMONSTRATION DAY. Please join me in demonstrating your love for the Lord by bringing at least one-tenth of the week's income to God's House Sunday.

Faithfully your pastor,

*James L. Pleitz*



### REMEMBER!

that what you possess in the world will be found at the day of your death to belong to someone else; but what you are, the time you give, the service you render, the tithe and offering you bring to God, will be yours forever.



**Sunday Is Demonstration Day**  
**Bring A Tithe**



### OUR CHURCH FAMILY

**OUR CONGRATULATIONS TO:**  
Miss Peggy Avant and Mr. Wayne Mattee upon their marriage October 23.

### OUR SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. Charles Deese, Sr., in the loss of a sister.  
Mr. H. C. Stringfield, Sr., Mr. H. C. Stringfield, Jr., and Mrs. Clara Thompson in the loss of wife and mother.  
Mrs. Wallace Brown in the loss of a brother.  
Mr. Dave H. Bagley in the loss of his mother.

### IN THE HOSPITALS:

**Baptist:** Mrs. Inez Diamond, Mrs. Wallace Hobby, Mr. Walter McNeil, Mrs. William Steele, Mr. W. B. Townley, Sr., Mr. Clarence E. Green, Mrs. Lillie Kendrick.

**Sacred Heart:** Mrs. Winford Abney, Mrs. E. A. Bratcher, Mr. P. O. Davis, Sr., Mrs. W. L. Warren,

**Navy Hospital:** Mrs. Frances Cox, Mr. G. B. Lowe.

### HOME FROM HOSPITAL:

Mrs. Florence Byrd, Mrs. Maggie Brown, Miss Elva Gomillion, Barry Young, Mrs. Mamie Peake, Mrs. Charles Craft, Mrs. John Vaughan, Mrs. George Holladay.

## The Very Newest

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

**MISS LAURA ELLEN CRAFT**  
daughter of  
Lt. and Mrs. Charles D. Craft  
Born October 21



### YES, I TITHE

"Because it never occurs to me not to tithe, I had the privilege of growing up in a Christian home in which, though the amount of cash was desperately small, there was never a time in which the tithe was not given to God's work through our local church. Thanks to the wise guidance of a widowed mother and later to the voluntary impulse to give for Jesus' sake, I have practiced tithing through the years as normally as I practice other habits which are wholesome and right."

— Chester Swor



'Stewardship is not a means of financing the local church. The financing of the local church is a way of practicing stewardship.' — John M. Verseteg.

## IN MEMORIAM



### MRS. H. C. STRINGFIELD

2570 Bayou Boulevard

Joined our church by baptism  
May 9, 1926  
Deceased October 20, 1965

### GIRLS AUXILIARY HOUSE PARTY HERE

Our church is to be host to members of Girls Auxiliary this weekend. This meeting will attract girls from this section of our state. Last weekend a similar meeting was held in Orlando.

All sessions will be held in our church. The girls and their adult leaders will be staying in local hotels and motels.

The theme for the sessions will be "So Send I You." Miss Ruth Bagwell, the State G.A. Director, will be in charge of the meeting. Mrs. Leonard Ivey, Associational G.A. Director; Mrs. Elmer Durden, G.A. Director in our church, and a host of other people have worked hard in preparation for this meeting.

The Friday night session will begin at 7:30 and will include a message by Miss Beverly Hammack, Home Mission Board. The Saturday morning session begins with Age Group Conferences at 9:00 a.m. and assembly in the sanctuary at 11:25 a.m. This session will feature a panel discussion with Miss Josephine Jones as the Moderator; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bagby of Brazil; Miss Beverly Hammack, Mrs. Fred Propst, and Miss Joyce Carmichael, all of the Home Mission Board.

The Saturday evening session will begin at 7:00 and will include a message by Miss Joyce Carmichael and Mrs. Albert Bagby. The Sunday morning session will begin at 8:30 a.m. and will include a message by our pastor and Reverend Albert Bagby.



### DON'T MISS "TODAY'S SHOW"

At W.M.S. Tuesday, November 2, the Dottson Mills Circle will present "The Indonesian Story". There will be a special taped interview with Mrs. Dave Echman just back from five years in New Guinea as a missionary.

## "I BELIEVE . . ."

I believe in the tithe as the minimum standard of giving for all Christian people. God gives only one plan of church finance in the Bible, and that is by the tithes and offerings of His people. I consider it an obligation and privilege and a way to express my gratitude for His goodness to me.

— Mrs. J. Norwood Cobb



## THE LISTENING POST

### BUS TO TALLAHASSEE

Reservations will be closed this Sunday and we will know whether there are enough to warrant the bus. Cost of the trip to you will be \$7.50 which includes your transportation and evening meal. There is room for 41 on the bus but we must have your money and reservation this Sunday. So if you are planning to go, make it known and soon.

Get-Together this Sunday is for Seniors in High School and College Students only, and will be held at the home of Jim Hirni, 673 Connell Drive.

Our Young People are performing a wonderful service as they go each Sunday to have a Sunday School for the children at our Crippled Children's Clinic. Already these have assisted: Richard Holt, Carol Rogers, Helyn Heard, Jimmy Roth, Patsy Robertson, Randy Duncan, Mike Lewis, Trish Roberts, Mary Gail Lenz, Danny Peacock, Tommy Butler, Melanie Stender, Libby Coker, Mary Lou Burks, Sherran Holt, Bill Taylor, Barbara Hughes, Pat Roberts, Margaret Holmes, and Carolyn Hiley.

The program calls for singing, a Bible story, character story, missionary story, and testimony. If you are interested in being a part of this ministry, see Miss May.

HELEN MAY  
Director of Youth Education



### ONE WAY . . . GOD'S WAY Tithing Is A Spiritual Adventure

God has only one Plan of Salvation —  
The Blood of Jesus;  
God has only one Plan of Christian  
Growth — Service;  
God has only one Plan of Church Financing  
— The Tithe.

"All the Tithe . . . Is The Lord's"  
Lev. 27:30



### TITHING

1. Is a moral and not a ceremonial law. Jesus did not cancel the moral law; He confirms it. He did not tone it down, but up. He did not lower the obligations, but heightened them. He did not ask for less, but for more. He did not abolish tithing, but commanded it.
2. Is not the completion of the Christian's duty, but the beginning.
2. Is the expression of honesty, not necessarily liberality.

c — Dr. Clifton J. Allen



### HEAR THE BAPTIST HOUR

Sunday, 7:30 A.M.  
Station WNVY

DR. HERSCHEL H. HOBBS  
Speaking on the Subject  
"A PARTICLE OF DIFFERENCE"

"Praise ye the Lord. Sing unto the Lord a new song,  
and His praise in the congregation of saints."

(Psalm 149:1)

The Ministry of Music is a family affair. Through your tithes and offerings you help provide leadership and training in serving Christ through church music.



The W. L. Jameson Family serves with pride in this vital area and are grateful for the opportunity you have given them. Mr. Jameson, tenor in Adult Choir; Mrs. Jameson, soprano in Adult Choir and Director of 8-year Choir; Kathy, member of Junior Hi Choir; Linda, member of Junior Choir; Mark, member of 6-year Choir.

### DON'T MISS THE POINT

The purpose of Tithing  
is to secure  
not the tithe  
but the tither,  
not the gift  
but the giver,  
not the possession  
but the possessor,  
not your money  
but YOU  
F O R G O D  
— Church Chimes



### A CHRISTIAN AND HIS MONEY

A real Christian uses three books in worship — his Bible, his hymn book, and his pocketbook.

However many blessings and privileges come from giving, the greatest to me is that it gives me a chance to put God first.

Money is a test of character. It takes a steady hand to carry a full cup.

A man is measured by his attitude toward money — Copied.

### Missionary Thoughts Worth Quoting

The gospel can never be communicated with less than radical personalism. Mass communication must be supplemented by radical personalism — E. Luther Copeland, missions professor, Southeastern Seminary.

If I'm hungry and you tell me you care for me but do not give me bread, I'm not going to believe you. — E. Luther Copeland, missions professor, Southeastern Seminary.



### Have A Ball In The Fall (Golf Ball, that is)

### FALL GOLF TOURNAMENT November 13

Perdido Bay C. C.

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Bill Harden . . . 432-9831

or

Jim Roth . . . 433-2131

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Our Missionary to Honduras

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should be in the office, preferably in writing,  
not later than 9:00 a.m. Mondays.



### LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance .....	1265
Members Present .....	1197
New Members .....	12
Visitors .....	56
Training Union Attendance .....	285
Members Present .....	259
New Members .....	5
Visitors .....	21
Additions to church membership.....	6
<b>Tithes and Offerings:</b>	
Budget .....	5,542.25
Specials .....	403.24
Building Fund .....	36.00
Organ Fund .....	15.00
<b>TOTAL OFFERING .....</b>	<b>5,996.49</b>



### Sunday Is Demonstration Day Bring A Tithe

Don't give until it hurts; Give a little  
more . . . give till it feels good.

**READ YOUR BIBLE DAILY**  
Reading for the  
Week of October 31 - November 6  
**Psalm 32 - 37**  
"WAY OF BLESSING"



Eugenia Price is one of those rare adults who can observe young people "up close" without assuming the lofty role of critic. College students can feel comfortable with her because she identifies with them enthusiastically and with honest objectivity. This is obviously one reason she could write **FIND OUT FOR YOURSELF**. If you love a young person or if you are one, you will catch yourself getting more and more involved with Eugenia Price's concept of life as you read such chapters as "Finding Out What You Really Believe," "Finding Out About Your Talents," "Finding Out About Christian Conduct," and other interesting subjects.

Another new book by Miss Price is **GOD SPEAKS TO WOMEN TODAY**. In today's world are the counterparts of the women of the Bible. Her perceptive psychological analysis of the problem of each Bible personality and its application to women today is stimulating and provocative.



### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31

- \* 9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages. A. H. Arnold, Supt.
- \* 11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship, Pastor Broadcast over WCOA
- 4:00 p.m.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
- \* 6:00 p.m.—Training Union and Sunday Evening Seminars F. Willard Vickery, Director
- \* 7:15 p.m.—Evening Worship, Pastor

### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1

- 7 - 8:30 p.m.—Boy Scouts, Activities Center

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

W.M.S. General Meeting

- \*10:00 a.m.—Business
- \*10:45 a.m.—Missionary Program, "The Indonesian Story". Dottson Mills Circle in charge.
- \*11:30 a.m.—Bible Study
- \*12:00 p.m.—Lunch

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

- \* 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 Lydia Class Meeting
- \* 7:30 p.m.—Prayer Service
- \* 8:15 p.m.—Adult Choir Rehearsal

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5

- 2:00 p.m.—Lois Class will meet with Mrs. W. E. Walker, 3775 Bonner Road.
- 2:30 p.m.—Willing Workers Class will meet with Mrs. W. R. Parks, 4417 N. Davis Hwy.

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



### NEW MEMBERS

ON PROFESSION OF FAITH IN CHRIST:

- 4. Miss Rebecca Payne, 3827 San Gabriel Dr.
- BY LETTER:
- 30. Mr. Donald N. Bridges, 926 Blue Springs Dr. From: Beech Island Baptist Church, Beech Island, S. C.
- 31. Mrs. Donald N. Bridges (Charlene).
- 32. Mr. Ben Crosby, 1709 E. LaRue St. From: Concord Baptist Church, Mohawk, Tenn.
- 33. Mr. John T. Miller, 3960 Kingsberry Dr. From: First Baptist Church, Alexandria, Va.
- 34. Mrs. John T. Miller (Bette).



### SEE YOU IN SUNDAY SCHOOL