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SOMETHING FOR MOTHERS (AND DADS) TO READ

Our homes point the way our society will go — How about yours?
As go the homes of our day, so goes the society of our day.

SOME MISTAKES . . .

THINKING:

that three hours at any movie are harmless for the child, but that two hours of church and Sunday School are too much for his nervous system is just bad thinking.

GIVING:

him a nickel for the collection and fifty cents for the movie not only shows a parent's sense of values, but is also likely to produce a proportionate giver.

LETTING:

him listen to several hours of radio and television thrillers a day with no time for a short prayer and a few Bible verses is criminal unbalance.

BEING:

careful that Junior has his week-day lessons, and caring not that he knows his Sunday School lessons make for spiritual illiteracy.

SAYING:

that a child makes his own decisions as to whether or not he should go to church or to what church is shirking a parental responsibility.

WHEN FATHER:

spends Sunday morning in mowing the lawn, cleaning the garden, washing the car, or playing golf, his sons are left to walk alone.

WHEN PARENTS:

idle away Sunday morning in reading the paper or listening to the radio while brother and sister are sent by themselves to church, something happens to the children's evaluation of church attendance.

**"A FAMILY THAT WORSHIPS TOGETHER
USUALLY STAYS TOGETHER"**

Pastor's Paragraphs

COMPENSATIONS OF CONFINEMENT

It had to end sometime. My string of 572 Sundays was finally broken. I sure hated it— but then the "bug" simply laid me low. Not one time in the last 21 years had I missed preaching on a Sunday because of sickness. That is, not until last Lord's Day.



... however being sick has its compensations. For the first time I heard our Sunday morning broadcast on the radio. Brother Carr's voice came through loud and clear with the message of salvation. He did a splendid job. (Worship by the radio still can't compare with BEING THERE. This ministry is for the benefit of the shut-ins and the sick. It was not designed to cater to the convenience of the lazy.)

... and then there was Sunday night. For the first time ever I watched Brother Sullivan's variety program. Lots of our Baptist folk watch it religiously on Sunday night. To tell you the truth I could hardly wait for 7 p.m. to arrive. At exactly 7 p.m. my eyes were glued to the TV screen. By 7:06 I had all I could take. I've known all along it was sin to stay home on Sunday night to watch this or any other program on television, but honestly I didn't know how big a sin it was — not until Sunday night. It's not only a sin — it's a waste of time!

... just how should one describe the program. Two minutes after it started my wife asked me, "How is it?" I replied, "It's terrible." Having now reflected on it for several hours, it seems the word "really" should have been inserted between "It's" and "terrible".

... now hear this. The best place in the world for you and your family to spend Sunday night is in God's House.

... the good Lord willing I'll look forward to seeing you on Mother's Day in the Father's House.

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz



HEAR "THE BAPTIST HOUR"

Sunday, 7:30 A.M.
Station WNVY

DR. HERSCHEL H. HOBBS
Speaking on the Subject
"What Is A Mother To Do?"
(Proverbs 3:5-6)

THE LISTENING POST

HAVE YOU HEARD?

That Mike Lewis won a special Chemstrand Scholarship on the basis of scholastic aptitude, leadership and good citizenship.

That Ronald Wiggins helped bring seven members of L.S.U. Choir safely to shore after they were caught in a swift current at the beach.

That Bill Taylor did an exceptional job as soloist at PHS Band Concert.

That David Riddle was recently elected senior class senator at FSU.

That Lon Roberts, III, former Peace Corp member in Peru, was speaker at the Mobile Chapter, National Secretaries Association.

COMING EVENTS FOR YOUTH:

SATURDAY, MAY 28 — GRADUATING SENIORS will be entertained by the Church. Details later.

JUNE 6-10 — JUNIOR CAMP — Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lusk, Missionaries; buzz groups, magicians, nature hikes, stunt time, prayer time; all these for a total of \$12.00 to you.

JULY 10-17 — YOUTH WEEK AND WEEKEND REVIVAL — Russell Dilday, pastor of Tallowood Baptist Church, Houston, Texas, will be the evangelist. Youth of the church will assume offices of the church for the week and will teach in departments, Intermediate and up, on Sunday, July 17.

AUGUST 1-12 — VBS for all Juniors; T.A.B.S. for all Intermediates.

AUGUST 22-26 — YOUTH CAMP at Gulfshore Baptist Assembly, Pass Christian, Mississippi. Bill Hickock of First Baptist Church, Panama City, will be the preacher. Our own pastor will bring the Bible study each morning. Cost to you: \$37.00, room with private bath; \$30.00, bath on the hall.



THE VERY NEWEST

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

MASTER TIMOTHY MICHAEL BAGGETT

Son of

Mr. and Mrs. William M. Baggett
Born April 26

MISS LISA ANNE SPRINGLE

newly adopted daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. George W. (Bill) Springle
Born March 23



MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary Sunday will be given in memory of

Mrs. T. L. Barrineau
by her Family.

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"What Influences A Child?"

(Luke 2:52)

7:15 P.M.

"The Light of the World"

(John 1:1-9)

LIBRARY NOTES

"I am an alcoholic. I know what it is like to burn with a desire to drink that is so overpowering that family, job and friends mean nothing. . . . I know the joy of deliverance from the power of alcohol," says Jerry Dunn in his book **GOD IS FOR THE ALCOHOLIC**. The book is divided into three sections: (1) Understanding Alcoholism, (2) Five Ways to Help the Alcoholic, (3) Five Ways the Alcoholic Can Help Himself.

A recent scientific survey reveals that 80,000,000 adult Americans — 71% of the population over 21 years of age — drink intoxicating beverages. Alcoholism is now in the epidemic stage in the United States. The road up from the abyss may be long and difficult, but it is very plainly marked and simple to follow. **GOD IS FOR THE ALCOHOLIC** points the way.



SERVICE OF PARENTAL DEDICATION

At the 11:00 service Sunday, we will have a Service of Parental Dedication. The new babies will be presented to the congregation and the pastor will lead in a prayer of dedication of these homes.

In this sort of service, we are coming in the example of Hannah, the mother of Samuel, who first having yielded her own will in dedication to God, dedicated her child to the glory of God.

Here is the procedure for the service:

1. Parents who plan to participate will go to the nursery following Sunday School and get their child, then will go to the Dining Room.

2. There will be a brief period of instruction and preparation and at the appropriate time, the children will be taken to the sanctuary for a very brief service.

3. Then the parents will take their children back to the nursery and return themselves to the service in the sanctuary.

Parents with children born within this year have received a special letter from the pastor. If there are others who have for some reason been unable to participate in a previous service and would like to participate in the service next Sunday, we would appreciate your calling the office.

Weddings

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Augustus Wash

request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter

Judith Aliene

to

Mr. Joseph Douglas Bryant

on Saturday afternoon, the fourteenth of May
One thousand nine hundred and sixty-six
at half after four o'clock

Myers Park Baptist Church
Charlotte, North Carolina

and afterwards for the reception
at the Church



OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist:

Mrs. Wallace Brown, Mrs. David Johnson, Mrs. W. R. Parks, Mr. William H. Smith, Jr.

Sacred Heart:

Miss Sadie Coley

Navy Hospital:

Mrs. James Maughon

Eglin Air Force Base Hospital:

Mr. Andy Jutila

Jackson Hospital, Montgomery, Alabama:

Mrs. George C. Smith

HOME FROM HOSPITAL:

Mrs. William M. Baggett, Mrs. Agatha Wolff, Mrs. Manuel Ramos, Mr. William H. Massey, Mrs. Joe Holladay, Mr. P. O. Davis, Sr., Mrs. Lois Everett, Mr. H. T. Lenz, Mrs. Roy Ingram.

OUR SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. Albert Anderson in the loss of a brother.

Mrs. Harold Droke in the loss of her mother.



SPECIAL SPEAKER FOR W.M.S. NIGHT SOCIETY

The special visiting speaker for the regular meeting of the W.M.S. Night Society next Tuesday evening at 7:00 o'clock will be Mrs. Sosamma Visvanathan from India. Mrs. Visvanathan, better known as "Susie" by the students at Woodham High School who have trouble pronouncing her name, holds a degree from Maharand's College and a Master of Science degree from Central College, Bangalore, South India. Her purpose in this country is two-fold: to help to teach Biology to U. S. students and at the same time to learn as much as she can about U. S. teaching methods. She is a member of the Methodist Church. Her father and mother and other members of her family are products of Methodist Mission work.

All members of the church are invited to attend the meeting and hear Mrs. Visvanathan.

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 for the Week*

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 C. H. Overman, Jr., Brotherhood Pres.....476-3123
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CHURCH STAFF Residence Phones

James L. Pleitz, Pastor.....433-1502
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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 writing,
 not later than 9:00 a.m. Mondays.



LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance.....	1295
Members Present	1227
New Members	10
Visitors	58
Training Union Attendance	250
Members Present	227
New Members	4
Visitors	19
Additions to church membership.....	5
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	7,666.28
Specials	197.25
Revival	41.00
Building Fund	5.00
TOTAL OFFERING	7,909.53

NEW MEMBERS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27

BY LETTER:

150. Miss Lynn Brantley, 3550 Cortez
 From: First Baptist Church,
 Gainesville, Florida

SUNDAY, MAY 1

BY PROFESSION OF FAITH:

40. Wayne Dobelstein
 41. Miss Jackie Archer
 42. Ed Daniel
 43. Miss Diann Hosmer

READ YOUR BIBLE DAILY
 Reading for the week of May 8 - 13
Isaiah 64-65
Jeremiah 1-6

SUNDAY, MAY 8

- * 9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages.
 A. H. Arnold, Superintendent
- * 11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship, Pastor
 Broadcast over WCOA
- 4:30 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 — Baptism
- 8:45 p.m.—Singspiration at the Myrtle Grove
 Methodist Church,
 1030 North 57th Avenue

MONDAY, MAY 9

- 4:00 p.m.—Rehearsal for G.A. Coronation
- 6:15 p.m.—Brotherhood Meeting
- 7:30 p.m.—Deacons' Meeting

TUESDAY, MAY 10

- * 10:00 a.m.—See WMS Circles

6:00 p.m.—WMS NIGHT SOCIETY
 6:00—Supper
 6:30—Business
 7:00—Missionary Program
 7:45—Circle Meetings

- 7:00 p.m.—Boy Scout Meeting,
 Activities Center

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

- * 2:30 p.m.—English Class for Foreign Speaking
- * 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 — G.A. Coronation
- * 8:15 p.m.—Adult Choir Rehearsal

SATURDAY, MAY 14

- 2:00 - 5:00 p.m.—Junior 9 Year Training
 Union Picnic

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



WMS CIRCLES

Tuesday, May 10

- 10:00 A.M.—
 CLARICE ASHMORE CIRCLE will meet in the
 Church Fellowship Hall.
- T. N. CALLAWAY CIRCLE will meet with Mrs.
 Clarence Taylor, 724 North 12th Avenue.
- VIRGINIA COBB CIRCLE will meet with Mrs.
 Glen E. McDonald, 2860 Blackshear Ave.
- STANLEY DAVIS CIRCLE will meet with Mrs.
 H. G. Gray, 1709 East Jackson Street.
- MARTHA HAYLOCK CIRCLE will meet with
 Mrs. Spencer T. West, 80 Stetson Road.
- DONALD LANGFORD CIRCLE will meet with
 Mrs. O. A. Biles, 2019 North 17th Avenue.
- DOTTSON MILLS CIRCLE will meet with Mrs.
 Earl Royals, 3016 Swan Lane.
- R. C. MOORE CIRCLE will meet with Mrs.
 A. T. England, 1519 East Lloyd Street.
- BERNICE NEEL CIRCLE will meet with Mrs.
 James Nelson, 689 Copley Drive.
- MAMIE LOU POSEY CIRCLE will meet with
 Mrs. Nixon Daniel, 1261 Stow Avenue.
- LAURA FRANCES SNOW CIRCLE will meet
 with Mrs. Marguerite Walker, 738 Citrus St.
- 2:30 P.M.—
 HARVEY HEADRICK CIRCLE will meet with
 Mrs. A. L. Stanton, 1500 East Bobe Street.
- 6:00 P.M.—Night WMS Supper
- 6:30 P.M.—Night WMS General Meeting
- 7:00 P.M.—Night WMS Program