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PASTOR



GOD TOUCH MY LIFE

God touch my ears that I may hear,
Above earth's din, Thy voice clear;
God touch my eyes that I may see
The tasks Thou'd have me do for Thee;
God touch my lips that I might say
Words that reveal the Narrow Way;
God, touch my hands that I might do
Deeds that inspire men to be true;
God touch my feet that I might go
To do Thine errands here below;
God touch my life that I might be
A flame that ever glows for Thee.

—Anonymous

**COME SUNDAY
PRAYING
THAT GOD WILL TOUCH
MANY LIVES**

Pastor's Paragraphs

BE IT EVER SO HUMBLE

I think if he had not beat me to it I could have written the poem, "Be it ever so humble, there's no place like home." The

poet was so RIGHT. There is not really any place like it.

The trip to Europe and the Bible Lands was interesting and exciting. We had a marvelous time. You can't walk where Jesus walked and ever be the same again. We enjoyed every minute of it. (This is not to say we didn't have some anxious moments. Any

father seeking to care for a family of 34 in distant lands has his anxious moments. Like the time . . . Oh well, I'll tell you about this later.)

Everywhere we travelled we encountered people we knew. Several of them former members of our church. We saw the Bob Davis Family and the Julian Minchews in London, the Paul Wards in Paris, the Bob Smoaks in Athens, and talked to Georgia Ruth Lee in Cairo. This world of ours is getting smaller all the time. It is a neighborhood. Now what we need to develop in our old world is a brotherhood. It was great to fellowship with these folk.

Speaking of fellowship, I'll look forward to seeing you and yours in church Sunday. The fellowship here is unsurpassed.

Sincerely your pastor,

James L Plettz



HOW DID YOU LIKE THE SERMON?

"How did you like the sermon?" has become the habitual question asked of the worshiper. It is fine to "like" a sermon, but that is not the important thing. Sermons are preached, not to be liked, but to be accepted and lived. When the arrow of truth penetrates the heart, you may go away in a rage.

John the Baptist, Peter, and even Jesus were not anxious that their sermons be liked. They simply had a message from God and presented it. The crucial question is not "Did you like it?" but rather, "Did it help you?", "Did it give you a new vision of duty?", "Did it help you see yourself?", "Did it bring you closer to the Lord?" The sermon should not be measured in the delight of the listeners, but by their response in action and dedication.

— The Capsule, Eau Gallie

12 RULES FOR HAPPINESS

I recently came across the following which I believe can be read and adopted to great profit. These are called "Twelve Rules For Happiness" and were written by a prominent New York educator:

1. Live a simple life. Be temperate in your habits. Avoid self-seeking and selfishness. Make simplicity the keynote of your daily plans. Simple things are best.
2. Spend less than you earn. It may be difficult, but it pays large dividends in contentment. Keep out of debt. Cultivate frugality, prudence, and self-denial. Avoid extravagance.
3. Think constructively. Train yourself to think clearly and accurately. Store your mind with useful thoughts. Stand porter at the door of your mind.
4. Cultivate a yielding disposition. Resist the common tendency always to want your own way.
5. Be grateful. Begin the day with gratitude for your opportunities. Be glad for the privilege of life and work.
6. Rule your moods. Cultivate a mental attitude of peace and goodwill.
7. Give generously. There is no greater joy in life than to render happiness to others by means of intelligent giving.
8. Work with right motives. The highest purpose of your life should be to grow in spiritual grace and power.
9. Be interested in others. Divert your mind from self-centeredness. In the degree that you give, serve, and help, will you experience the by-product of happiness.
10. Live in a "daytight" compartment. That is, live one day at a time. Concentrate on your immediate task. Make the most of today.
11. Have a hobby. Nature study, walking, gardening, music, golfing, carpentry, stamp collecting, sketching, voice culture, foreign languages, chess, books, photography, social service, public speaking, travel, authorship. Cultivate an avocation to which you turn for diversion and relaxation.
12. Keep close to God.

— Selected

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A. M.

"The Master and the Musicians"

(Matthew 7:13-23)

7:15 P. M.

"Does God Care — Really?"

(John 15:1-7)



Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Merriman

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

Linda Lee

to

Frank Edward Hand, III

Ensign United States Naval Reserve

on Saturday, the twentieth of August
Nineteen hundred and sixty-six
at five o'clock in the afternoon

First Baptist Church
Pensacola, Florida

Reception
following ceremony
The Garden Center



Mr. and Mrs. Albert G. Woerner

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

Barbara Ann

to

Mr. Wiley Carlton Page

on Sunday, the twenty-first of August
Nineteen hundred and sixty-six
at three o'clock in the afternoon

First Baptist Church
Pensacola, Florida

Reception
following ceremony
Pensacola Country Club

W.M.S. GENERAL MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 16
10:00 A. M.

Program Topic:
"Great Is the Company"
Martha Haylock Circle in Charge

READ YOUR BIBLE DAILY

Reading for the Week of Aug. 14-20

Micah
Nahum
Habakkuk

"The Ways of God"

LIBRARY NOTES

"Mind, it is our best work that He wants, not the dregs of our exhaustion. I think He must prefer quality to quantity."

—George Macdonald (born 1824)

"If the people about you are carrying on their business at a pace which drains the life out of you, resolutely take a slower pace, be called a laggard, make less money, accomplish less work in a day than they, but be what you are meant to be and can be. You have your natural limit of power as much as an engine—ten-horse power, or twenty or a hundred. You are fit to do certain kinds of work, and you need a certain kind and amount of fuel and a certain kind of handling."

—George Merriam (born 1843)

"I love best to have each thing in its season, doing without it at all other times. I have never got over my surprise that I should have been born into the most estimable place in all the world, and in the very nick of time, too."

—H. D. Thoreau (1817-1862)

Taken from—

Daily Strength for Daily Needs.



OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist:

Mr. Eugene Bell, Gregory Bass, Mr. Clay Davis, Sr., Mr. Harold Garrett, Mr. L. M. Gatlin, Mrs. Lemon Morgan, Mr. George Peterson, Jr., Mrs. Neva E. Pybus, Mr. William H. Smith, Jr., Mrs. D. I. Blancheri, Mrs. L. D. Biddie, Mr. J. S. Baisden.

HOME FROM HOSPITAL:

John Bomer, Jr. (Chip)

OUR SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. W. H. Adams in the los of her father.



THE VERY NEWEST

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

MISS KAREN RENEE McCASKILL
daughter of

Mr. and Mrs. Van McCaskill
born July 31

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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.



LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance	1085
Members Present	1016
New Members	5
Visitors	64
Training Union Attendance	221
Members Present	194
New Members	1
Visitors	26
Additions to church membership.....	10
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	6,866.94
Specials	244.01
Building Fund	5.00
TOTAL OFFERING	7,115.95

CHOIR WORKERS WORKSHOP THURSDAY, AUGUST 18 10:00 A.M. FELLOWSHIP HALL

For All Children's Choir Workers
 Bring Sandwich — Nursery Will Be Open

HEAR "THE BAPTIST HOUR"

Sunday, 7:30 A.M.

Station WNVY

WAYNE E. WARD

Professor, Southern Baptist Theological
 Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky
 Speaking on the Subject:
 "When You Die"

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14

- * 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. 12-Int. 13 Sword Drill Meeting,
 Jr. 12 Dept.
- * 6:00 p.m.—Training Union and Sunday
 Evening Seminars
 F Willard Vickery, Director
- * 7:15 p.m.—Evening Worship, Pastor
- 8:45 p.m.—Singspiration at Gadsden Street
 Methodist, 901 East Gadsden St.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16

- * 10:00 a.m.—WMS GENERAL MEETING
 10:00—Business
 10:30—Missionary Program
 11:15—Bible Study
 12:00—Lunch
- 12:30 p.m.—T. N. Calloway Circle will meet
 at the church.
- 12:30 p.m.—Virginia Cobb Circle will meet
 at the church.
- 12:30 p.m.—Dottson Mills Circle will meet
 at the church.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17

- * 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, AUGUST 18

- * 9:30 a.m.—Visitation
 - * 10:00 a.m.—Children's Choir Leadership
 Workshop
 - 9:30 a.m.—Faithful Workers Class meets
 at church for visitation. Class
 will be guests of Mrs. M. H. Holt,
 2661 Scenic Highway, for lunch.
- *Indicates Nursery will be open 15 minutes
 prior to the time indicated above.

NEW MEMBERS

- ON PROFESSION OF FAITH IN CHRIST:
 59. David Russell, 196 Mango Street
- BY LETTER:
- 204. Miss Janet Floyd, 4413 Guerlain Way
 From: 15th Avenue Baptist Church,
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 - 205. Mr. Thomas R. Newkirk, 311 Moreno Court
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 - 206. Mrs. Thomas R. Newkirk (Carole)
 - 207. Ensign Ronald D. Schneider,
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 From: Warrington Baptist Church,
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 - 211. Marian Smith
 - 212. Mrs. G. A. Vickery, 1170 E. Brainerd St.
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 Tallahassee, Fla.
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 From: First Baptist Church,
 Augusta, Ga.
 - 214. Mrs. A. R. Smith, Jr.