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PASTOR

KILL MY EXCUSES
AND VISITING ON
JANUARY 25TH

STOP excuses

GO VISITING
January 25



WILL YOU STOP AND GO? Shown with the pastor are Miss May and Mr. Bizzell discussing the response to our Visitation for January 25. Some of our classes have already reported excellent response. Other classes and departments will on next Sunday be getting commitments from their members. Let's all work.

Pastor's Paragraphs

SNOW FALLS IN PENSACOLA — AND JERUSALEM

So help me I saw it with my own eyes. It wasn't exactly a blizzard. There were no traffic jams. You couldn't track rabbits in it. The airport didn't close, nor did anyone make snow ice cream—but it snowed nevertheless. It happened early last Sunday morning right here in Pensacola, FLORIDA. (At least one other member of the church saw it—I am glad he did!)

To me there is something absolutely fascinating about snowfall. They say as you grow older it loses its fascination. Don't you believe it.

Snow in Pensacola is an oddity, nor does it snow very much in Jerusalem. However, on rare occasions it still snows here—and there. They had a 12-inch snow in Jerusalem this past week.

I don't know that it happened this way. I wasn't there, but I have a feeling that one day about 2700 years ago Isaiah watched it snowing in the sacred city and then penned the words found in the first chapter of his prophecy. Listen. "Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool."

What a beautiful picture of God's promise to forgive.

I'll look forward to seeing you Sunday in the Meeting House — regardless of the weather!

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz



BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

JUNIOR BOYS

Tuesday, January 23—5:30 p.m.—Sanders Beach. Junior Boys vs. Bellview.

Thursday, January 25—6:30 p.m.—Sanders Beach. Junior Boys vs. Richards Memorial.

SENIOR BOYS

Thursday, January 25—6:30 p.m.—YMCA. Senior Boys vs. Gadsden St. Methodist

MEN'S TEAM

Monday, January 22—8:00 p.m.—Richards Memorial



**SEE YOU IN SUNDAY SCHOOL
AND WORSHIP SUNDAY**

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"A Taste of Honey—Or Hell"
(Genesis 2:18-25)

7:15 P.M.

"A Hand-Me-Down Religion"
(John 4:28-42)

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUN., Jan. 21: "Christ Our Desire"
Philippians 3:1-14. Key Verse 10.

MON., Jan. 22: "Christ Our Hope"
Philippians 3:20 to 4:8. Key Verses 20-21.

TUES., Jan. 23: "Vision And Service"
Isaiah 6:1-8. Key Verse 8.

WED., Jan. 24: "The Everlasting King"
Isaiah 9:1-7. Key Verse 7a.

THURS., Jan. 25: "The Nature Of His
Kingdom"
Isaiah 11:1-9. Key Verse 4.

FRI., Jan. 26: "The World In His Hands"
Isaiah 11:10-16. Key Verse 10.

SAT., Jan. 27: "Our Song, Strength, And
Salvation"
Isaiah 12. Key Verse 2.



OUR CHURCH FAMILY

OUR CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Mr. and Mrs. Wynn Smith upon the birth of a daughter, Kristen Elizabeth, born January 13 in Doraville, Georgia. Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Smith, Jr. are the paternal grandparents.

OUR SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. Hugh Reeves in the loss of her husband and Miss Carrie Lee in the loss of her stepfather.

Mr. J. Nixon Daniel, Jr. in the loss of his father.

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist:

Mr. John M. Straughen, Mr. John H. Myrick, Miss Nell Butler, Mr. Joe Rankin, Mr. George Peterson, Mrs. L. W. Abney, Mrs. Leeta Mae Newberry, Mr. Adolph Fields.

Sacred Heart:

Mrs. Byron Lane, Mr. Jack Collins, Jr.

HOME FROM HOSPITAL:

Mrs. Kathleen Gilliam, Mr. Walter McNeil, Mr. James Riddle, Miss Occie Clubbs, Mrs. R. L. Kendrick, Mrs. Charles Miller.



Attend Prayer Service Wednesday

WHAT? . . . Senior Adult Fellowship
WHEN? . . . Tuesday, January 23
WHERE? . . . "The Cellar"

There'll be games and activities of interest to all. The program will be on the theme "Serendipity." If you already know the meaning of the word, you'll want to be here. If you don't know the meaning of the word you'll want to come and find out.

NOTE: Since we will be meeting in "The Cellar" (basement floor of the educational building) you may want to park in the parking lot on the corner of LaRua and Guillemond so that you can come in without climbing any stairs.

THE LISTENING POST

HAVE YOU HEARD?? . . .

- ★ Mike Jordan is in the USNR stationed in Newport, Rhode Island until March.
- ★ Ruth Stewart, Auburn University, made the 'Dean's List' for the fall quarter.
- ★ Don Hamrick, Laurie Riddles, Mark Riddles, and Chris Armistead have leading roles in the PHS production, which is already in rehearsal.
- ★ EVERY YOUTH AND JUNIOR WORKER ARE GOING VISITING JANUARY 25.
- ★ Our Bible Study is not far away, Feb. 5, 6, 7, 15. Year olds and up can join the adults in hearing Dr. Hobbs. Provision has been made for Juniors and Junior High young people.
- ★ Deadline for Easter Retreat, Camp Grandview, (\$10.00) is Sunday March 10. These are paid reservations. The retreat with guest speaker Don Canata of Birmingham, Ala. is scheduled for April 12 and 13. If our reservation number (100) is not reached by the deadline, it will have to be cancelled. More detailed plans will be forthcoming from Rusty Rein and his committee.
- ★ Junior Camp dates are June 17-21.
- ★ Youth Camp - Choir Tour - Mission Endeavor dates are July 18-25. The theme is "Songs For A Small Planet." The cost to you is \$25.00. Don't miss this marvelous experience. You will be hearing and seeing more about it as days progress.
- July 18—Our route will take us to Jackson, Miss. Woodland Hills Baptist Church. Homes will be furnished. We will have supper, followed by the concert. Non-choir members will be used in drama, narration, stunts, fellowship etc.

July 19—Tour Vicksburg Battle Grounds. Concert that night (Possibly Pine Bluff)

July 29—Arrive at camp for lunch, afternoon of recreation. Concert that night (possibly Hot Springs)

July 21—Tour campus at Ouachita Baptist College; worship in Arkadelphia; Back to camp for lunch; worship at Little Rock providing special music

July 22—Mission VBS in AM
Recreation in PM
Worship services each evening

July 23—Repeat

July 24—Repeat
Leave after evening worship services

July 25—Arrive Pensacola

† VISITATION THURSDAY, JANUARY 25

9:30 a.m.—Assemble in dining room for assignments and prayer
12:00 Noon—Visitation Luncheon
6:00 p.m.—Visitation Supper

Reservations will be made through your classes and departments on next Sunday for the meal and for nursery care.



IN MEMORIAM

MRS. NETTIE HOLLOWAY
Graceville, Florida

Joined our church by letter
February 12, 1950
Deceased January 11, 1968

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writing, not later than 9:00 a.m. Mondays.



LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

The Church in Study	1129
Main Sunday School	1106
Crippled Children's Home	23
The Church in Training	186
Additions to church membership.....	5
Baptized	3
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$5,753.58
Specials	288.59
Building Fund	10.00
TOTAL OFFERING	\$6,052.17
TOTAL LOTTIE MOON OFFERING TO DATE	\$10,748.77



2 **Sundays of the New Year
are gone. REMEMBER,
'68 budget pledges are
now in effect!**



BIBLE CONFERENCE

The date is February 5-7. Dr. Herschel Hobbs will be leading our study in Luke's Gospel for Seniors, Young People, and Adults. He'll be here only three nights. You'll want to reserve these three evenings.



SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

- * 9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages
Mr. A. H. Arnold, Supt.
- * 11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship, Pastor
Broadcast over Station WCOA
- 2:30 p.m.—Associational YWA Meeting
- 4:30 p.m.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
- 5:30 p.m.—Jr. Sword Drill
Jr. 12 Department
- * 6:00 p.m.—Training Union for all ages
Mr. Willard Vickery, Director
- * 7:15 p.m.—Evening Worship
8:30 p.m.—Get Togethers:
Sr. Hi-College-Kathy Bores,
4100 Menendez
Jr. High at the home of Kenny
and John Feldman,
4021 North 12th Avenue.
Parents—
Mr. and Mrs. Nixon Daniel
1261 Stow Avenue

MONDAY, JANUARY 22

- 7:00 p.m.—Associational Evangelism Clinic
Warrington Baptist

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23

- 10:00 a.m.—Sr. Adult Fellowship—
"The Cellar"
- 12:00 Noon—Covered Dish Luncheon
Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24

- * 4:45 p.m.—Children's Choirs
Junior High R.A.'s and G.A.'s
- * 5:30 p.m.—Fellowship Dinner
- * 6:30 p.m.—Officers and Teachers Meeting
Sunbeams, G.A.'s, R.A.'s, YWA's
Junior High Choir Rehearsal
- * 7:30 p.m.—Prayer Service
- * 8:00 p.m.—Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25

- 9:30 a.m.—Assemble for Visitation
- 10:00 a.m.—Associational WMU Council
Room 301
- 12:00 Noon—Visitation Luncheon
- 6:00 p.m.—Visitation Supper
- 7:00 p.m.—Associational Federation
of Night
Circles—Central Baptist Church



NEW MEMBERS

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10

BY LETTER:
54. Miss Sue Willis, 1812 E. Lakeview
From: River Falls Baptist,
River Falls, Ala.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14

BY LETTER:
55. Mr. Dan Bridges, BOQ 922 Rm. 105
Ellison Field
From: St. Johns Baptist, Charlotte, N. C.
56. Miss Judy Nall, 600 Scenic Highway
Apt. 119
From: First Baptist, Auburn, Ala.
57. Mr. Daniel J. Wilson, 284 Chestnut
From: Southern Baptist,
Lexington Park, Md.
58. Mrs. Daniel J. Wilson (Judith Ann)
From: First Baptist, Frankfort, Ind.

BAPTIZED:

Mr. Donald Harper
Mr. David Tevis
Mrs. M. V. Agee, Jr.