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DON'T MISS IT !!

Bible Conference

February 5-7

(Monday Through Wednesday)



DR. HERSCHEL H. HOBBS

"STUDIES IN LUKE'S GOSPEL"

MONDAY—7:00 TO 9:00 P.M.

TUESDAY—7:00 TO 9:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY—6:30 TO 8:30 P.M.

Pastor's Paragraphs

THE TESTIMONY OF A PARKED CAR

During the past several years we have more than tripled our parking space — but the fact remains, the problem still exists.



(I arrived late for the service Sunday and it was all but impossible to find a place to park).

It would be nice to have oodles and gobs of parking space — in a way.

I guess the only thing worse than having a parking problem would be not to have one. Even while we work toward a solution — would you believe it —

I am glad we have the problem.

Parked cars give a convincing testimony. For instance parked cars can say ever so eloquently, "Something exciting is going on inside!"

When do you drive out to the stadium early in order to find a parking place, when the game is dull and routine? Not on your life. When this kind of game is being played, there is never a parking problem. Help yourself to an acre or two. BUT if it happens to be the championship game and something exciting is about to happen, THEN parking is at a premium.

When we come together to worship the Lord God, it should be an exciting time. When the early Christians met to worship you could feel the excitement in the air. There was an atmosphere of expectancy. Even though they had to park their chariots a mile down the road, they were not about to miss a worship service. Yes, parked cars often say "There's something exciting going on inside."

Nor is that all parked cars say. They also say, "something good is being served inside." On those occasions when you eat out, how do you select a restaurant? Do you drive around until you find a restaurant where parking is no problem? Not on your life — you LOOK for cars. The reason is simple, if the food is good people will drive from miles around to eat there. (That is exactly the reason crows look for scarecrows. What better way does a crow have for locating a succulent corn field!) Far be it from me to eat in any restaurant where there is no parking problem.

Cars thickly parked around a church speak the same testimony. The Bread of Life is being served, people come!

I can't deny the fact that we have a parking problem, but why not turn this liability into an asset? The next time someone says to you, "It's nearly impos-

SERMON TOPICS

The pastor will be preaching at both services Sunday.

His message Sunday Morning will be on the subject:

"A Preacher's Prayer"
(Philippians 1:9-11)

sible to find a place to park at First Baptist Church." Why not say, "Yes, and isn't it wonderful?"

I'll look forward to seeing you Sunday, even if I have to walk.

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pletitz



ADULT "A" SWEETHEART BANQUET

Friday, February 9
7:00 P.M.

Church Dining Room

Nursery open for preschoolers
Provision for school-age children

Be sure to make your reservations
if you plan to attend.



RELIGIOUS CENSUS TO BE TAKEN

Thirty or more of our Baptist churches will be taking a survey or census in preparation for the Sunday School Enlargement Campaign which is scheduled for March 9-14.

Many of the churches will be taking census during the week of February 4-11. We need census takers for Sunday afternoon February 11. Many workers are needed to help us to complete the area assigned to us which is Cordova Park and the area immediately surrounding our church northward.

You will bear in mind that as other churches might be taking the area where you live you will want to cooperate with their census takers.



The grabber leads the life of a barnacle.

DEACONS OF THE MONTH FOR FEBRUARY

Mr. Clarence Dannelly
Mr. S. A. Taylor, Jr.

THE LISTENING POST

ALL YOUTH PLEASE TAKE NOTE!

"The Cellar" is not to be used for recreation during Sunday School and between Sunday School and the morning worship service. The youth are not to be down there for any reason on Sunday mornings!

JR. WORKER-PARENT COFFEE

A Junior Worker-Parent Coffee will be given on February 12, 1968 at 7:15 in "The Cellar." All Junior workers and parents of Juniors are urged to attend. The program will include talks by Miss May and Mrs. Douglas Burks and a panel forum made up of Dr. S. G. Kennedy, Jr., Miss Genevieve Averett, Mrs. Aubrey Gomillion, and Mr. Robert Miller, Chief Counsellor for the Escambia County Juvenile Court. The panel will discuss the topic "Are We Making a Race of Bullies?"

ATTENTION

ALL 13-YEARS-OLDS, COLLEGE

Some of you have been asking for further information on youth camp, choir tour, and mission study. More definite information on this and the route we will be taking will be given to you later.

SOME HAVE ASKED. "WHEN CAN WE REGISTER FOR YOUTH CAMP?"

You may register right now by taking your money to Mrs. Rountree's office or to Miss May's office. Be sure you pick up a receipt. The last deadline for registration is Sunday, June 16.

CONGRATULATIONS! to Bill Taylor for being chosen as one of the members of a quartet entered in the campus-wide talent show at the University of Southern Mississippi. We aren't surprised at his being chosen to sing.



If we did half as well as we know, we should be twice as good as we are.



Every man is occasionally what he ought to be perpetually.



A life is beautiful only as it is useful.

W.M.S. GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday, February 6
10:00 A.M.

Program: "Money for Missions"
Virginia Cobb Circle

Bible Study: Dr. Herschel Hobbs

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist:

Miss Montaree Barrineau. Mr. George Peterson, Ronald Minshew, Mrs. Jerry Truss

Sacred Heart:

Mr. Jack Collins, Jr., Mr. Ned Hudson, Mrs. Lois Everett

Escambia General

Mr. Byrd Sims

HOME FROM HOSPITAL

Mrs. Lucy Lane (Nursing Home), John Gray, Jr., Mrs. James J. Yandle, Mrs. Randall Markham, Donald Crawford

OUR SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. H. L. Mathis in the loss of her mother

Mr. Bruce McCloskey in the loss of a brother

Mrs. Vora Wilkinson in the loss of a brother

Mr. U. E. Jutila in the loss of his mother

Mrs. R. W. McDonald (Sue Work) in the loss of her husband

Mrs. Clarence Taylor and Mr. Fermon Minshew in the loss of their mother



BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

MEN'S LEAGUE

Monday, February 5—6:00 p.m.—First Baptist Church vs. Pleasant Grove Baptist Church

SENIOR BOYS

Thursday, February 8—7:30 p.m.—First Baptist Church vs. St. Mark Methodist

JUNIOR BOYS

Tuesday, February 6—5:30 p.m.—First Baptist vs. Scenic Hills

Thursday, February 8—5:30 p.m.—Bellview vs. First Baptist

BIBLE CONFERENCE — FEBRUARY 5-7

(Monday - Wednesday)

Book	Teacher	Ages
"STUDIES IN LUKE'S GOSPEL"	Dr. Hobbs	15 up
"LIFE AT IT'S BEST"	Miss May	13-14
"IN THE LAND WHERE JESUS LIVED"	Mrs. Fleming	9-12

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LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

The Church in Study1184
Main Sunday School1164
Crippled Children's Home 20

The Church in Training 201

Tithes and Offerings:

Budget\$6,072.65
Specials 340.37
Building Fund 10.00

TOTAL OFFERING\$6,423.02



DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUN., Feb. 4: "The Indwelling Lord"
Colossians 1:24-29. Key Verse 27.

MON., Feb. 5: "The Sufficient Lord"
Colossians 2:1-15. Key Verse 10.

TUES., Feb. 6: "Holiness To The Lord"
Colossians 3:1-15. Key Verse 1.

WED., Feb. 7: "Serving The Lord"
Colossians 3:16 to 4:6. Key Verse 23.

THURS., Feb. 8: "A Roll Call Of The
Faithful Servants"
Colossians 4:7-18. Key Verse 7b.

FRI., Feb. 9: "In Whom My Soul
Delighteth"
Isaiah 42:1-7. Key Verse 1a.

SAT., Feb. 10: "A Light To The Gentiles"
Isaiah 49:5-12. Key Verse 6.



Attend Prayer Service Wednesday



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4

- * 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
- 4:30 p.m.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
- * 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. High-College at the home of
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Murray
2601 North Yates

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5

- * 7:00 p.m.—Bible Conference

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6

- * 9:30 a.m.—Associational WMU Meeting
- * 10:00 a.m.—WMS General Meeting
- * 7:00 p.m.—Bible Conference

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

- * 4:45 p.m.—Children's Choirs
Junior High R.A.'s and G.A.'s
- * 5:50 p.m.—Fellowship Dinner
- * 6:30 p.m.—Bible Conference
Sunbeams, G.A.'s, R.A.'s YWA's
Junior High Choir Rehearsal
- * 7:30 p.m.—Bible Conference (Continued)
- * 8:30 p.m.—Adult Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9

- 2:30 p.m.—Martha Class meets with
Mrs. Charles Leaman,
900 Bayou Boulevard
- * 7:00 p.m.—Adult A Banquet in
Dining Room

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10

- 6:30 p.m.—Married Young People Training
Union in "The Cellar"



LIBRARY NOTES

"Reading provides the only way I know
of by which children can see the whole
view of how people who are in earnest
about it grow slowly but surely into the
habit of right conduct." "Annis Duff

New books for children:

- TO FIND JESUS—Edward Peterson
- SEA SHELLS OF THE WORLD—
T. Abbott
- FOUR-LEGGED HELPERS—S. Russell
- SOME THINGS ARE FOR KEEPING —
F. Gottfried
- THE RICE BOWL PET—Patricia Martin
- GOD'S BEAUTIFUL WORLD—
Reba Grubb
- EVERYWHERE I GO—D. Andrews
- A GOPHER IN THE GARDEN —
J. Pretulsky
- A BOY HEARS STORIES FROM THE
OLD TESTAMENT—Edith Fraser
- THE PLANT SITTER—Gene Zion
- HOW NOW BROWN COW—J. Tamburine
- VISIT TO A CHIEF'S SON (Kenya)—
Robert Halmi
- THE LAST OUTLAY—C. Bishop
- CATCH A CRICKET—C. Stephens