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PASTOR



MEMORIAL DAY

Is it enough to think to-day
Of all our brave, then put away
The thought until a year has sped?
Is this full honor for our dead?

Is it enough to sing a song
And deck a grave; and all year long
Forget the brave who died that we
Might keep our great land proud and free?

Full service needs a greater toll—
That we who live give heart and soul
To keep the land they died to save,
And be ourselves, in turn, the brave!

—Annette Wynne, Contemporary American

THE LISTENING POST

Gail Sasnett completed PJC in one year with honors. Her records average was 3.451. She was very active in Student government, a member of both Zeta Phi Delta and Phi Theta Kappa. Our congratulations and good wishes to a very capable young lady.

Ellen Hooper was named Student of the Day recently on WCOA. Orchids to you, Ellen.



ASSOCIATIONAL BROTHERHOOD

The Associational Brotherhood meeting on Monday, May 27, at the Oakcrest Baptist Church, will feature a message by Mr. Gus Johnson, Executive Secretary of the Florida Baptist Foundation. Mr. Johnson is also the Associational Brotherhood Director for the Jacksonville Association. In this position, he has been interested in a project of providing clothing for men at Baptist Bible Institute, Graceville, Florida. Men attending the meeting are asked to bring a good used men's suit. Sport Coats, slacks, shirts are also acceptable. This or a one dollar ticket will admit you to the meal which will be served at 6:45 p.m.



CONGRATULATIONS, PASTOR

The Pastor will be awarded an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree by his Alma Mater, Ouachita Baptist University, at their annual commencement service Saturday, May 25. He will deliver the Commencement Address on Saturday evening. One friend wrote, "The institution honors itself in honoring him." That's how we feel, too. Congratulations, DOCTOR PLEITZ!



Happiness and injustice cannot live in the same home.



The man who loves little children will never grow old.



Southern Baptist Convention
June 4-7
Houston, Texas

Senior Adult Fellowship
Tuesday, May 28
10:00 A.M.

UNSEEN HELPERS



When we come in for the worship services, we see the pastor, the choir, the ushers. There are others who assist behind the scenes. One of these unseen helpers is Dave Raley, Chairman of the Radio Committee. Dave, or one of his committee members, is in the radio room during every service to man the sound system and to tape record the service. They have just completed some improvements in the radio room.

We're grateful to each of these men for their help: S. A. Taylor, Terry Thames, and W. H. (Bill) Smith.



LIBRARY NOTES

"Sea so big, ship so small" was written by Jeanne Bendick with young people in mind. This book can be read with profit—and with pleasure—by anyone of any age who has ever stepped into a boat, large or small, or ever intends to do so.

The author-artist lets her facts and her pictures tell the story. She pulls no punches. She makes it clear that when you're handling a boat, you either think or sink, but she manages to convey her information so palatably that it's interesting even to those who never go near the water.

The information ranges from hints on how to buy the best boat to careful instructions on rescue breathing, caring for your boat, how the motor works, how to make knots, how to dock, weather, currents, navigation aids, first aid, what to do in an accident, and what makes accidents, rules of the road, and so on.



Attend Prayer Service Wednesday

Pastor's Paragraphs

ON HAVING A SEASON TICKET

It is enough to cause a fellow's blood pressure to rise. Think of it — I have a season ticket which entitles me to see every game played by the Chicago White Sox!



It is all very official. My number is 4173, and look — my ticket is signed by the president of the Club.

Now I wouldn't want you to think that the president of the ball club is a personal friend of mine, and that he gave me this ticket. The ticket was given to me by a dear friend.

Sumner Wemp, who served as pastor of the Central Baptist Church.

Now I ask you, can you think of a more generous gesture on the part of a preacher. It is enough to choke a fellow up. There is just one small problem. My ticket (which is number 4173 and signed by the president) is for the year 1967 and it just occurred to me that this is the year 1968. Even a ticket signed by the president is worthless if the games were played last year.

Some folk I know seem to think God's promises are like my 1967 baseball ticket. They were good in the past, but . . .

Take this promise God made some 600 years before the birth of Christ: "Call upon me and I will show you great and mighty things." Friend, that promise is good today. Claim it!

Or the promise found in Hebrews 13:5. "I will never leave thee nor forsake thee . . ." That promise is good today. Claim it!

Or take the promise Jesus made one night some two thousand years ago. "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." That promise is good today too, and it is yours for the claiming.

I'll look forward to seeing you Sunday, and in the meantime, why not claim all of the promises of God. None of them have expired.

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz



FAITHFUL WORKERS CLASS PICNIC

The Faithful Workers Class will have their annual picnic June 6 at the home of Mrs. M. A. Farmer, 730 W. Jordan Street at 4 o'clock p.m.

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"What's Right With The Church?"

(Matthew 16:13-20)

7:15 P.M.

"All Of Me"

(Luke 9:18-27)

Clyde K. Bizzell, Preaching

SPEAKER'S TOURNAMENT SPEAKER TO BE HEARD

Miss Debbie Waters, a student at Pensacola Junior College, placed first in the Young People's Speaker's Tournament in our Association and then represented the Association at the Regional Tournament. At this Regional Tournament she placed first and will represent the region in the State Tournament to be held June 18-20 at Lake Ya'e Assembly. We have invited Debbie to present her speech during the Evening Worship Service Sunday. This speech entitled "What Is Worth My Life?" will be a blessing to you.



OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist:

Mr. George Peterson, Mr. Jack G. Allen, Mrs. Van McCaskill, Mr. Milton Richardson, Mr. Wilson Harris, Mrs. Edna Farrington.

Sacred Heart:

Mrs. Martha Lane, Mrs. Archie Lavender, Mrs. W. A. Montgomery.

HOME FROM HOSPITAL:

Mrs. Charlie Stallings, Mrs. George Markham, Jr., Mrs. Edward L. McCrory, Mrs. Lois Everett, Mr. Dewey H. Johnson, Mrs. J. D. Cunningham, Mrs. Charles Ash'ey, Mrs. J. W. Creel, Mrs. Minnie Whitlock, Mrs. Wallace Hobby, Mrs. Lillie Kendrick, Mrs. W. E. Poe.



THE VERY NEWEST

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

MISS KATHERINE LEIGH MCCRORY
daughter of

Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. McCrory
born May 17



SEE YOU IN SUNDAY SCHOOL AND WORSHIP SUNDAY

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LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

The Church in Study1082
 Main Sunday School1062
 Crippled Children's Home 20
 The Church in Training 183
 Additions to church membership 3
 Tithes and Offerings:
 Budget\$8,067.98
 Specials 454.20
 Building Fund 25.00
TOTAL OFFERING\$8,547.18

**1968 Budget Deficit
 Now is \$1,807.36**

It's not too late to help us catch up!

NEW MEMBERS

ON PROFESSION OF FAITH IN CHRIST:

54. Peggy Beuris, 5124 Crestwood Road
 55. Tommy Wayne King, 224 North "I" St.

BY LETTER:

146. Mrs. Claude D. Hawkins (Carolyn),
 4204 North P
 From: West Lauderdale Baptist,
 Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

**Be Listening
 For Plans
 Concerning Sunday Nights
 Beginning June 2**



SUNDAY, MAY 26

- * 9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages
 Mr. A. H. Arnold, Supt.
- * 11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship, Mr. Bizzell
- 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, Mr. Bizzell
- 8:15 p.m.—Sr. High-College
 Get-To-Gether "The Cellar"
- 8:15 p.m.—Junior High Get-To-Gether at
 the home of Margaret Hurt
 1315 E. Lakeview Avenue

MONDAY, MAY 27

- 6:45 p.m.—Associational Brotherhood
 Meeting
 Oakcrest Baptist Church

TUESDAY, MAY 28

- 10:00 a.m.—Senior Adult Fellowship
- 12:00 noon—Covered Dish Luncheon

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29

- * 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.—Sunbeams, G.A.'s and
 R.A.'s, Y.W.A.'s, Junior High Choir
 Rehearsal
- * 7:30 p.m.—Prayer Service
- * 8:15 p.m.—Adult Choir Rehearsal



DAILY BIBLE READINGS

- SUN., May 26: "An Enemy Becomes An Envoy"
 Acts 9:1-20. Key Verse 15.
- MON., May 27: "Peter Empowered"
 Acts 9:32-43. Key Verse 40.
- TUES., May 28: "Human Barriers Broken"
 Acts 10:34-48. Key Verse 34.
- WED., May 29: "The Power of Herod And The Power of God"
 Acts 12:1-12. Key Verse 11.
- THURS., May 30: "Confidence in God"
 Psalm 37:1-11. Key Verse 7.
- FRI., May 31: "Words of Wisdom"
 Proverbs 1:7-23. Key Verse 7.
- SAT., June 1: "Words of Wisdom"
 Proverbs. Key Verse 6.



FAITHFUL TO RESPONSIBILITY

Mr. Marvin Lee, Chairman of our Ushers, told about a most interesting telephone call he received last Sunday morning. The wife of one of our ushers called to tell him that her husband was out of the city and would not be in his place of responsibility. Now the interesting thing about this telephone call is that it was a long distance call from North Carolina. We really need more folks with this kind of dedication.