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PALAFOX AND LA RUA STREETS
PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

JAMES L. PLEITZ, D.D.
PASTOR



THREE FIRE TRUCKS AND THE INCENDIARY FELLOWSHIP

Several folk made mention of the hot sermon of the morning—but I really had not anticipated this reaction.

Just as our service ended Sunday night, three fire trucks came charging up Palafox hill. I stood on the church steps wondering where they were going. To my great surprise, they came to a screeching halt directly in front of the church.

For years we have been seeking to develop what Dr. Elton Trueblood calls "An Incendiary Fellowship." What better proof could you ask for than that three fire trucks parked directly in front of the Meeting House!

In a matter of minutes a sizable crowd had gathered in front of the church.

There are few things that will draw people like witnessing a fire from without. I would to God that we could develop such an interest among our people as far as the church gathered is concerned. Surely every member of the congregation including those who never—but never—come, would come IF the church were on fire.

.... And then again—can you conceive of anything that will scatter folk as fast as a fire when it is being witnessed from within. Had the fire trucks arrived ten minutes earlier, we could have had a serious problem on our hands. When people find themselves in a burning building, there is a headlong rush to get out immediately—if not sooner.

May God hasten the day when we are as anxious to get out into the world and put into practice the teachings of Jesus (the church scattered) as men are to get out of a burning building.

God is concerned that as a church we scatter out in the community and that we as individuals stay busy doing the things Jesus would do if He were here. BUT, the church scattered can never be any stronger than the church gathered. I vote for Christ and the church, how about you? Your presence or absence Sunday will be your vote.

James L. Pleitz, pastor

P.S. It was a false alarm.

CHAPLAIN SPEAKS MONDAY



Chaplain Raymond W. Johnson of Pensacola Naval Air Station will speak to a meeting co-sponsored by the WMS Night Society and Brotherhood Monday Evening.

Chaplain Johnson is a native of Minneapolis, Minnesota. He is a graduate of Augustana Seminary. He has served as a campus pastor to students and as pastor of the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Rutland, Vermont.

He has just completed a tour of duty in Vietnam where he earned the Purple Heart. He is the author of a book "Postmark: Mekong Delta" recently published by the Fleming H. Revell Company.

Supper will be served at 6:15. Reservations may be made through the office. Chaplain Johnson will speak at 6:45 p.m.



KINDNESS

Kindness is the key that opens many doors
Long locked against the light, and hiding
precious stones.

Kindness is a staff which, given to a friend,
May prove his chief support to the
journey's end.

Kindness is a way made smooth for weary
feet.

That all who follow there may find their
traveling sweet.

—Copied



SENIOR ADULT FELLOWSHIP

Our Senior Adult Fellowship is having its monthly meeting Tuesday, June 18th. We are going to the home of Mrs. Jack Shoemaker at Innerarity P't for a picnic. The bus will leave from the church at 10:00 a.m.



SEE YOU IN SUNDAY SCHOOL
AND WORSHIP SUNDAY

DISTINGUISHED ACHIEVEMENT



Mr. Bizzell presents to Mrs. Stoesen the Distinguished Achievement Certificate recently received from the Church Library Department.

The Church Library Achievement Guide provides for Merit, Advanced, or Distinguished achievement. Our Library is the second library in Florida to receive the Distinguished (the highest) recognition.

Go by our library to see the attractive recognition certificate. While you are there, browse around. Our library staff feels that it hasn't really achieved until it has helped you with your resource needs.



LIBRARY NOTES

Vacation time is here and many of you will be traveling hither and yon. We trust you may all have safe and happy sojournings. This is a little reminder that you remember our Mission Library with some small souvenirs which are representative of the people among whom our Home Missionaries and our Foreign Missionaries work. They will be greatly appreciated as these articles are constantly in use and demand by our organizations of our own church as well as other churches in our Association. May God be with you and may you all return safely.

MRS. L. T. STOESEN
Director of Library Services



COME TO THE LIBRARY
AND
SEE SAMMY, THE SHARY

Our 1968 High School Graduates

Also Graduating But Not Pictured Are
Daphne Artrip and Beth Morris



John Conlon



Alger L. Hart III



Bobby Ansley



Mary Lou Burks



Penny Carp



Susan Drexler



Randy Hicks



Chris Armistead



Glenn L. Butts



Kristina Cheshire



Randi Fosha



Cindy Hobbs



Billy Belford



Jane Cary



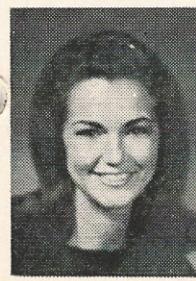
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Gary Jones



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Ruth Anna Payne



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Gayle Simmons



Merry Anne Willis



Mary Gail Lenz



David Peacock



Pat Roberts



Anne Tolar



Booby Wilson



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Danny Pleitz



Triss Roberts



Steve Ward



Wayne Woerner



Dennis Mauldin



David Raley



Peggy Robertson



Carl Wheelus



David Wooten

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"On Crying Over Spilled Milk"
(II Samuel 18:33)

7:15 P.M.

"Confucianism and Taoism"

46 JUNIOR CHORISTERS RECEIVE AWARDS

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS were presented to 46 members of the Junior Choir Sunday evening. The Choir presented its final program of the Choir Year. Points are given to the members on the basis of their participation in the Choir. Those members who earned the necessary points were presented awards.

Special awards went to seven members for perfect attendance and for earning the maximum number of points possible. They are Susan Allen, Renee Burks, Cheryl Dulaney, Lauren Mowe, Joyce Powell, Susie Smith, and Steve Shivers.

The Junior High Choir will present a program of Sacred Songs at the Evening Worship Service, Sunday at 7:15 p.m.



SOFTBALL GAME

Tuesday, June 18, at 8:20 p.m.

Olive Baptist vs. First Baptist Church
Game to be played at Lions Park.



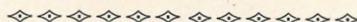
MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary this Sunday are in memory of Mrs. Bessie Garrett and are given by her family.



THE PILGRIMS ARE COMING!

The Pilgrim 20 Singers will appear in our church on Wednesday, June 26. The plan is to have our annual church picnic on the church grounds with the program by the Pilgrim 20 Singers to follow.



WHAT IS THE CHURCH?

The film "WHAT IS THE CHURCH?" is to be shown to the LEADERSHIP STUDY GROUP Sunday night. This "examination of the contemporary church and its mission in the community and the world" should be seen by every adult member of our church. Meet us at 6:00 in the Dining Room.

Weddings

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Warren, Sr.

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

Cynthia Muriel

to

Mr. Richard John Westberry

on Saturday, the twenty-second of June
Nineteen hundred and sixty-eight
at eight o'clock in the evening

First Baptist Church
Pensacola, Florida

Reception
following ceremony
Church Parlor



OUR CHURCH FAMILY

OUR CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Miss Shelia Frances Rhodes and Ensign
David Tyler upon their marriage June 5
in Annapolis, Maryland.

Miss Dorcas Ann Whetsel and Mr. David
Roy Krauss upon their marriage June 8
in Edmond, Oklahoma.

Miss Virginia Oneida Cullifer and Mr.
James Arnold Walker upon their marriage
June 8.

Miss Judy Baird and Mr. John Platt
Roberts, III upon their marriage June 8.

Miss Gail Archer and Mr. James Richard
Butler upon their marriage June 9.

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist:

Mrs. W. E. Wilson, Sr., Mrs. John V.
May, Miss Bessie E. Yates, Mrs. J. C.
Parrish, Mr. S. A. Taylor, Mrs. Ida Rudd.

MILTON HOSPITAL:

Mrs. Gerald Gaherty.

HOME FROM HOSPITAL:

Mr. J. W. Wright, Mr. George Peterson,
Mrs. Victor Goeller, Mr. Vernie Chance,
Mrs. M. Jack Brown, Mrs. Phyllis
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Huckaba, Mrs. John Ingram.

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LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

The Church in Study	1105
Main Sunday School	1085
Crippled Children's Home	20
The Church in Training	302
Additions to church membership	9
Baptized	5
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$7,096.03
Specials	387.31
Building Fund	5.00
TOTAL OFFERING	\$7,488.34



NEW MEMBERS

ON PROFESSION OF FAITH IN CHRIST:
56. Mark Merritt, 1717 No. 17th Avenue.

BY LETTER:

154. Miss Beth Barrineau, 1120 Barcia Drive.
From: First Baptist, Tallahassee, Fla.
155. Mr. Marshall Black,
6129 Confederate Drive.
From: Boulevard Baptist, Pensacola.
156. Mrs. Marshall Black (Ellen)
157. Michael Black.
158. Michele Black.
159. Miss Jan Duralde, 3400 W. La Rua
From: Oakgrove Baptist, McDavid, Fla.
160. Mr. Bill Lee, 1809 E. Gadsden
From: N. Central Baptist,
Gainesville, Fla.
161. Mr. Jackie Nelson, 1103 Trenton Drive.
From: First Baptist, Opp, Ala.

REDEDICATION:
Coleman Odom, 3950 Bayou Boulevard.

BAPTIZED:
Peggy Beuris, Janna Hardy, Jeanna
Hardy, Tommy King, Mark Merritt.



SEE YOU IN SUNDAY SCHOOL
AND WORSHIP SUNDAY



SUNDAY, JUNE 16

- * 9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages
Mr. A. H. Arnold, Supt.
- * 11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship, Pastor
- 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, Pastor
- 8:15 p.m.—Sr. High-College Get-To-Gether
at the home of Pat and Triss
Roberts, 104 W. Jackson Street
- 8:15 p.m.—Junior High Get-To-Gether
at the home of Barbara Yonker,
2121 North 12th Avenue

MONDAY, JUNE 17

6:15 p.m.—WMS Night Society and
Baptist Men

TUESDAY, JUNE 18,

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

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19

- * 4:45 p.m.—Junior Music Workshop, Junior
High G.A.'s and R.A.'s
- * 5:50 p.m.—Fellowship Dinner
- * 6:30 p.m.—Sunbeams, G.A.'s, R.A.'s and
Y.W.A.'s, Junior High Music
Workshop
- * 7:30 p.m.—Prayer Service
- * 8:00 p.m.—Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, JUNE 20

9:30 a.m.—Faithful Workers Class Visitation
with covered dish luncheon at the
home of Mrs. B. M. Wakefield,
1219 E. Moreno Street



DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUN., June 16: "Lost Witness Restored"
Genesis 12:10 to 13:4. Key Verses 3-4.

MON., June 17: "A Right and a Wrong
Choice"

Genesis 13:5-18. Key Verse 11.

TUES., June 18: "Dependence On God"
Genesis 14:14 24. Key Verse 20.

WED., June 19: "Belief And Righteousness"
Genesis 15:1-6. Key Verse 6.

THURS., June 20: "The Covenant"
Genesis 17:1-8, 15-19. Key Verse 2.

FRI., June 21: "The Friend of God—An
Intercessor"

Genesis 18:20-33. Key Verse 23.

SAT., June 22: "Judgment — And
Deliverance"

Genesis 19:24 29. Key Verse 29.

