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PASTOR



REQUESTS

I asked for Peace —
My sins arose,
And bound me close,
I could not find release.

I asked for Truth —
My doubts came in,
And with their din
They wearied all my youth.

I asked for Love —
My lovers failed,
And griefs assailed
Around, beneath, above.

I asked for Thee —
And Thou didst come
To take me home
Within Thy Heart to be.

— Digby M. Dolben, 1848-1867

Pastor's Paragraphs

WHY DIDN'T GOD THINK OF THAT?

In a few days we will be off to Europe and the Bible Lands. (I WILL be here Sunday LOOKING for you!) Serving as tour directors makes it



possible for my wife and me to spend our vacation in the land of our Lord. It is no small responsibility to shepherd thirty-eight people across the Atlantic and back. There are a thousand and one details that must be taken care of.

For one thing, we have to determine how much tip to give all the people who render us any sort of service. Now let's see — there are the bus drivers, the guides, and the porters, and the transfer agents, and of course the waiters in the hotels.

In most of the hotels, tipping the waiters is no real problem. When you receive your bill, they have already added a fifteen per cent "service charge." The tip is automatically taken care of. The "service charge" is as much a part of your bill as the charge for food.

NOW I WONDER WHY GOD DIDN'T THINK OF THAT? Just think how much money would come into His church for His work if God would simply add a ten per cent "service charge" to all of His accounts.

Surely we would not question His right to such a service charge. After all, we are talking about the Creator of the universe and the one who has given us EVERYTHING.

The very thought staggers me — we don't do nearly as much by God as we do by our waiters. (Even in America we are embarrassed to give less than a fifteen per cent tip.) How many of us can honestly say we give God even a tithe — ten per cent? It gives a fellow something to think about, doesn't it?

I'll look forward to seeing you Sunday, and rest assured when the service is over, I'll have left considerably more than ten per cent. not BESIDE my plate but IN His. Won't you join me?

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Plettz



SOFTBALL GAME

Tuesday, July 9

7:00 p.m.—First Baptist vs. Olive Baptist
Lions Park.

THE LISTENING POST

Seventy-one young people and their counselors will leave July 18 for Camp—Choir Tour — Mission Encounter in the Ozarks. We just might be able to squeeze one or two more in if you see Miss May or Mr. Royal by Sunday.

Immediately on our return, we will begin Vacation Bible School August 5-9, and then on the heels of that, Youth Week, August 18-25.

Congratulations are in order to

Shelby Guilbert who graduated from U. S. Naval Academy and is now attached to Naval Air Basic Training Command here in Pensacola.

Charles Danforth on his promotion to 2nd Lt. and being made Wing Commander for all new cadets and being selected as member of the honor guard.

Melody Crane for being in the upper division at University of Florida.



OUR CHURCH FAMILY

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Miss Patricia Suzanne Robertson and Ensign Paul Daniel Bridges, Jr. upon their marriage June 28.

Miss Marjorie C. Milligan and Mr. H. Archie Harris, III upon their marriage June 29.

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist:

Mrs. Max Kohr, Mrs. Eva Reynolds, Mrs. John May, Mr. Vernon Bulger, Mrs. J. L. Hackett.

HOME FROM HOSPITAL:

Mrs. Christine McDonald, Mrs. E. E. Roberts, Mrs. Robert Salter, Mrs. Martha Lane, Mrs. Maggie Brown, Mrs. W. L. Waters, Mr. John Vaughn, Mrs. Ethelyn Higgins, Mr. York Colson, Mrs. Gene Clayton, Mrs. Alice Mae (Susie) Shoemaker.

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

**"On Getting Something Out
Of Church"**
(Isaiah 6)

7:15 P.M.

"In Remembrance Of Me"

DO YOU BELIEVE IN ASTROLOGY?

HERE IS A HOROSCOPE FOR YOU . . .

JANUARY—All babies born in January will be boys or girls. Whichever they are, they should be in Vacation Bible School.

FEBRUARY—babies will sometimes cry. It has been known that children cry to come to Vacation Bible School.

MARCH—A baby born in March will be very young, but there will be a place for him or her in our Bible School.

APRIL—Children born in April will be exactly nine years old in nine years. Juniors are important in our Bible School.

MAY children will have two eyes and one mouth. With these, they see and eat refreshments at Bible School. Be here!

JUNE — Children born in June have been known to squirm and wiggle their hands and feet; if they come to VBS, they will have opportunity to do this very thing in many of their activities.

JULY — A child born in July will have one brain. By coming to Bible School, he can learn about Jesus.

AUGUST children should never go horseback riding alone. They should take a horse. Neither should go to Bible School alone; you should bring someone with you.

SEPTEMBER — People born in September are called people and should find themselves working in Vacation Bible School.

OCTOBER — People born in October have two hands and two feet with which they can get their creative activity or handwork ready before Bible School starts.

NOVEMBER — People born in November will either be men or women and we can use both in our Vacation Bible School.

DECEMBER born will get a birthday present and a Christmas present too. You will get a double blessing if you work in Bible School.

NOW THAT YOU KNOW WHAT YOUR FUTURE IS, IT'S UP TO YOU TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT.

V.B.S. AND T.A.B.S. — AUGUST 5-9

THE VERY NEWEST

The rosebuds on the pulpit Sunday were placed there in honor of

MASTER JEFFREY GENE CLAYTON
son of
Mr. and Mrs. B. Gene Clayton, Jr.
born June 27
and

MASTER DONALD HALL KNAPP
son of
Lt. and Mrs. Don Knapp
born June 29

SUNDAY NIGHT

6:00 P.M.

LEADERSHIP STUDY GROUP

"THE CHURCH AND HER
TEACHING TASK"

All Sunday School Workers Urged
To Be Present.

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



LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

The Church in Study	1058
Main Sunday School	1045
Crippled Children's Home	13
The Church in Training	216
Additions to church membership	5
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$6,770.49
Specials	173.46
TOTAL OFFERING	\$6,943.94



NEW MEMBERS

BY LETTER:

171. Miss Deborah Arnold, 2342 Escambia
From: Dawson Memorial Baptist,
Birmingham, Ala.
172. Mr. Roy D. Miller, Jr., 222 W. La Rua
From: Dauphin Way Baptist,
Mobile, Ala.
173. Mrs. Roy D. Miller (Marilyn R.)
174. Ensign Duane Fullington, 900 So. "E"
From: Sou. Hills Baptist, Bolivar, Mo.
175. Mrs. Duane Fullington (Jackie)



Attend Prayer Service Wednesday

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary this
Sunday are in memory of
Mr. James A. Reeves and are
given by
Mrs. James A. Reeves



SUNDAY, JULY 7

- * 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
Lord's Supper

TUESDAY, JULY 9

- 10:00 a.m.—WMS Circles Meet

WEDNESDAY, JULY 10

- * 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 Choir
Workshop
- * 7:30 p.m.—Prayer Service
- * 8:00 p.m.—Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, JULY 11

- 2:30 p.m.—Faithful Workers Class
Meeting in Adult "C".
- 7:30 p.m.—ByKota Class Meeting at the
Home of Mrs. A. G. Woerner,
355 W. Lloyd Street



WMS CIRCLES

TUESDAY, JULY 9

- 10:00 a.m.—T. N. CALLAWAY will meet with Mrs. J. M. Peebles, 671 Nagel Drive
- VIRGINIA COBB will meet with Mrs. George Holladay, 766 Boxwood Drive
- STANLEY DAVIS will meet with Mrs. Irvin Roberts, 1610 West Chase Street
- MARTHA HAYLOCK will meet with Mrs. Russell Stewart, 212 Ariola, Pensacola Beach
- DONALL LANGFORD — Picnic
- DOTTSON MILLS will meet with Mrs. Al Wcner, 355 West Lloyd Street
- R. C. MOORE will meet in "The Cellar" at the church. Luncheon following
- BERNICE NEEL will meet with Mrs. Charles Clevenger, Scenic Highway
- MAMIE LOU POSEY will meet with Mrs. Clarence Whitehurst, 4603 Marseille Drive
- LAURA FRANCES SNOW will meet with Mrs. J. B. Livingston, 6101 Drexler

3:00 p.m.—HARVEY HEADRICK will meet with Mrs. George Zeigler, 1235 Stow Avenue



DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUN., July 7: "United In Him"
I Corinthians 1:10-18. Key Verse 10.

MON., July 8: "Glorying In Him"
I Corinthians 1:19-31. Key Verse 31.

TUES., July 9: "Hidden Wisdom"
I Corinthians 2:1-6. Key Verse 2.

WED., July 10: "Enlightened By Him"
I Corinthians 2:7-16. Key Verse 12.

THURS., July 11: "Service For Him"
I Corinthians 3:1-8. Key Verse 6.

FRI., July 12: "Responsible To Him"
I Corinthians 3:9-23. Key Verse 11.

SAT., July 13: "Holy Unto Him"
I Corinthians 6:9-11, 18-20. Key Verse 20.