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Mr. Bizzell and Miss May are shown discussing our fall visitation emphasis. By now all of our Sunday School workers know of our plan to Visit Every Member, and they are going to do it, with vigor and vitality.

Pastor's Paragraphs

It's a personal question, but I would like to ask it just the same. "How old are you?" You don't want to answer? Why?



It's a mystery to me why so many of us consider growing old to be a sin. All of us are growing older, you know.

How many people do you think there are in our country over a hundred years old? 50? 100? 150? Would you believe 13,000! That's right, 13,000 people in America are 100 years old or older.

A lot of people have a horror of growing old. The Christian certainly has nothing to fear. He knows that God will take care of him whether he is young or old. The Psalmist said: "I have been young and now am old, yet I have not seen the righteous forsaken nor his seed begging bread."

I'll look forward to seeing you Sunday, in the Father's House.

Sincerely your pastor,

James L. Pleitz



DOES ANYONE HAVE THIS BOOK?

The granddaughter of Dr. T. O. Reese is looking for a copy of a book of sermons entitled "The Unpardonable Sin And Other Sermons", written by Dr. T. O. Reese in 1926. She indicates that he was active in evangelistic work in Florida and is wondering if any of us might have a copy of this book. If you have and would be willing to part with it, please let Mr. Bizzell know.



SEE YOU IN SUNDAY SCHOOL AND WORSHIP SUNDAY

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"The Problem Of Re-Entry"

(Matthew 17:1ff)

7:15 P.M.

"On Getting Your Eyes Opened"

(Acts 9:1-19)

PROPOSED 1969 BUDGET

On pages three and four of this week's Builder, you will find the Proposed Budget for 1969. The Finance Committee and the Deacons join the Budget Planning Committee in recommending this budget to the church. On Wednesday night, October 23, the budget will be presented to the church for discussion. Then on Sunday, October 27, the congregation will be called upon to vote upon the adoption of this budget. Members of the congregation are urged to study the proposed budget carefully and to be present for the presentation and discussion next Wednesday evening.

OFFICERS OF THE DEACONS

At their Organizational Meeting Monday, the Deacons elected the following as their officers for the year:

Chairman T. A. Shell
Vice-Chairman Charles Overman
Secretary Billy Renfro
Assistant Secretary Joe Napier



ANNUAL MEETING

Pensacola Bay Baptist Association

October 24-25

Thursday, 9:00 a.m.

Bellview Baptist Church

Thursday, 7:00 p.m. Central Baptist Church

Friday, 9:00 a.m. Olive Baptist Church

Two pastors and an editor make up the visiting state team for the Annual Meeting of Pensacola Bay Association on October 24 and 25. Pastor Joe Martin of the Lake Shore Church in Jacksonville will speak on the Cooperative Program and Home Missions. Pastor James Grave of Vero Beach will report for the Retirement Center and the Children's Home. Editor W. G. Stracener (formerly pastor at East Hill) will promote his **Florida Baptist Witness** and United Christian Action.

Reports of activities and plans of the various departments and committees of the Association will be given. Two items of special interest will be reports from Camp Aca and from the Baptist Center.

We would like to know about those who plan to attend. Please call Mr. Bizzell.



LAST MINUTE REMINDER

Friday, October 18, 1968 at 6:30 p.m., Bill Steele's Sunday School Class will have a steak cookout at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Clevenger on Scenic Highway.

PROPOSED 1969 BUDGET

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH — PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

| | 1968 Budget | Proposed 1969 Budget |
|--|--------------|-------------------------|
| I. MISSIONS AND BENEVOLENCES: | | |
| 1. Cooperative Program..... | \$ 55,000.00 | \$ 67,500.00 |
| 2. Mission Fund..... | 2,000.00 | 22,000.00 |
| 3. Associational Missions..... | 4,800.00 | 5,000.00 |
| 4. Baptist Hospital Charity Work..... | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 |
| 5. Pastor's Personal Ministry..... | | 300.00 |
| 5a. Evangelistic Visitation..... | 1,440.00 | |
| 6. Benevolence..... | 1,600.00 | 1,600.00 |
| 7. Missionary on Foreign Field..... | 2,000.00 | 2,000.00 |
| 8. Radio..... | 5,300.00 | 3,650.00 |
| SUB TOTAL..... | \$ 73,640.00 | \$103,550.00 |
| **Goals for Designated Offerings: | | |
| Home Missions — Annie Armstrong..... | \$ 3,000.00 | \$ 3,500.00 |
| Foreign Missions — Lottie Moon..... | 12,500.00 | 13,000.00 |
| State Missions..... | 1,000.00 | 500.00 |
| Special to Missions..... | 700.00 | 700.00 |
| TOTAL GOALS FOR DESIGNATED OFFERINGS..... | \$ 17,200.00 | \$ 17,700.00 |
| TOTAL MISSIONS AND BENEVOLENCES..... | \$ 90,840.00 | \$121,250.00 |
| II. ADMINISTRATION: | | |
| 1. Pastor's Salary..... | \$ 12,800.00 | \$ 14,000.00 |
| 2. Pastor's Annuity and Health Benefit..... | 2,300.00 | 2,350.00 |
| 3. Asst. to Pastor's Salary..... | 9,200.00 | 10,200.00 |
| 4. Asst. to Pastor's Annuity and Health..... | 1,000.00 | 1,025.00 |
| 5. Secretarial Personnel..... | 16,002.00 | 16,850.00 |
| 6. Treasurer and Audit..... | 1,620.00 | 1,800.00 |
| 7. Pulpit Supply..... | 400.00 | 500.00 |
| 8. Office Supplies and Postage..... | 4,000.00 | 4,000.00 |
| 9. Church Bulletins and Builder..... | 4,000.00 | 4,000.00 |
| 10. Retirement and Health Benefit..... | 2,414.00 | 2,700.00 |
| 11. Social Security..... | 2,600.00 | 3,100.00 |
| 12. Pastor's Convention Expense..... | 500.00 | 500.00 |
| 13. Asst. Pastor's Convention Expense..... | 200.00 | 200.00 |
| 14. Pastor's Car Expense..... | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 |
| 15. Asst. Pastor's Car Expense..... | 1,250.00 | 1,250.00 |
| 16. Church Envelopes..... | 500.00 | 500.00 |
| 17. Publicity..... | 900.00 | 1,800.00 |
| 18. Banking Service..... | 48.00 | 48.00 |
| 19. Revival Expense..... | 200.00 | 200.00 |
| 20. Budget Promotion..... | 800.00 | 800.00 |
| 21. Contingency..... | 750.00 | 750.00 |
| TOTAL ADMINISTRATION..... | \$ 62,984.00 | \$ 68,073.00 |
| III. EDUCATION AND PROMOTION: | | |
| 1. GENERAL | | |
| (1) Library..... | \$ 600.00 | \$ 990.00 |
| (2) New Member Enlistment..... | 200.00 | 150.00 |
| (3) Florida Baptist Witness..... | 650.00 | 800.00 |
| (4) Boy Scouts..... | 180.00 | 240.00 |
| (5) Athletics..... | 525.00 | 525.00 |
| (6) Visual Aids..... | 500.00 | 500.00 |
| (7) Hymnals..... | | 2,000.00 |
| SUB TOTAL..... | \$ 2,655.00 | \$ 5,205.00 |
| 2. SUNDAY SCHOOL | | |
| (1) Assemblies..... | \$ 150.00 | \$ 150.00 |
| (2) Literature..... | 4,400.00 | 4,400.00 |
| (3) Supplies..... | 1,300.00 | 1,500.00 |
| (4) Training Courses..... | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 |
| (5) Fellowship..... | 450.00 | 350.00 |
| (6) Vacation Bible School..... | 800.00 | 600.00 |
| (7) Leadership Banquet..... | | |
| SUB TOTAL..... | \$ 8,100.00 | \$ 8,000.00 |
| 3. TRAINING UNION | | |
| (1) Assemblies..... | \$ 150.00 | \$ 150.00 |
| (2) Literature..... | 600.00 | 500.00 |
| (3) Training Courses..... | 150.00 | 150.00 |
| (4) Fellowship..... | 300.00 | 250.00 |
| (5) Senior Adult Fellowship..... | 300.00 | 300.00 |
| (6) Supplies..... | 150.00 | 100.00 |
| SUB TOTAL..... | \$ 1,650.00 | \$ 1,450.00 |

PROPOSED 1969 BUDGET

(CONTINUED)

| | 1968 Budget | Proposed 1969 Budget | |
|---|--------------|-------------------------|---------|
| 4. MUSIC | | | |
| (1) Minister of Music..... | \$ 8,700.00 | \$ 9,500.00 | |
| (2) Minister of Music Car Allowance..... | 800.00 | 800.00 | |
| (3) Organist..... | 1,500.00 | 2,400.00 | |
| (4) Music and Supplies..... | 1,050.00 | 1,100.00 | |
| (5) Choir Activities..... | 600.00 | 650.00 | |
| (6) Clinic and Convention Expense..... | 300.00 | 300.00 | |
| (7) Promotion..... | 250.00 | 300.00 | |
| (8) Robes and Replacements..... | 1,850.00 | 200.00 | |
| (9) Festivals and Retreats..... | 150.00 | 200.00 | |
| (10) New Equipment..... | 100.00 | 100.00 | |
| (11) Music Ministry Supply..... | 50.00 | 100.00 | |
| SUB TOTAL..... | \$ 15,350.00 | \$ 15,650.00 | ctor |
| 5. BROTHERHOOD | | | |
| (1) Baptist Men..... | \$ 125.00 | \$ 125.00 | er at |
| (2) Royal Ambassadors..... | 200.00 | 200.00 | |
| | \$ 325.00 | \$ 325.00 | |
| 6. W.M.U. | \$ 2,000.00 | \$ 2,000.00 | |
| 7. YOUTH EDUCATION AND ACTIVITIES | | | |
| (1) Director of Youth Education..... | \$ 6,100.00 | \$ 6,600.00 | |
| (2) Director of Youth Car Expense..... | 600.00 | 600.00 | |
| (3) Youth Activities..... | 1,525.00 | 1,950.00 | ts |
| (4) Camps..... | 2,400.00 | 2,450.00 | home |
| (5) Church Picnic..... | 50.00 | 50.00 | |
| (6) Clinic Expense..... | 125.00 | | |
| (7) Recognition of Graduates..... | 150.00 | 150.00 | |
| (8) Refreshments — Get Togethers and Youth Choir..... | 1,200.00 | 1,500.00 | |
| SUB TOTAL..... | \$ 12,150.00 | \$ 13,300.00 | |
| 8. NURSERY | | | |
| (1) Nursery Maids..... | \$ 4,620.00 | \$ 5,550.00 | s |
| (2) Supplies..... | 250.00 | 250.00 | |
| (3) Refreshments..... | 250.00 | 250.00 | ing |
| SUB TOTAL..... | \$ 5,120.00 | \$ 6,050.00 | |
| 9. CONTINGENCY | \$ 750.00 | \$ 750.00 | iew |
| TOTAL EDUCATION AND PROMOTION..... | \$ 48,100.00 | \$ 52,730.00 | tal |
| IV. OPERATIONS: | | | |
| 1. Custodial Personnel..... | \$ 17,000.00 | \$ 18,400.00 | |
| 2. Hostess..... | 1,200.00 | 1,580.00 | |
| 3. Kitchen Help..... | 3,000.00 | 3,850.00 | |
| 4. Utilities (including Pastorium)..... | 17,500.00 | 17,500.00 | allar'' |
| 5. Supplies and Laundry..... | 2,400.00 | 2,400.00 | |
| 6. Insurance..... | 3,000.00 | 6,200.00 | |
| 7. Organ and Piano Contract..... | 815.00 | 815.00 | |
| 8. Maintenance and Repairs..... | 5,000.00 | 14,000.00 | |
| 9. Flowers..... | 680.00 | 680.00 | |
| 10. New Equipment..... | 1,700.00 | 3,000.00 | er'' |
| 11. Contingency..... | 500.00 | 500.00 | |
| TOTAL OPERATIONS..... | \$ 52,795.00 | \$ 68,925.00 | her'' |
| V. BUILDING FUND: | | | |
| 1. Mortgage Obligations..... | \$ 60,000.00 | \$ 32,000.00 | side'' |
| 2. Building Debt Prepayment..... | 25,000.00 | | |
| 3. Repayment to Mission Fund..... | | 12,000.00 | |
| TOTAL..... | \$ 85,000.00 | \$ 44,000.00 | u |
| VI. RESERVE FOR BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT | \$ 12,500.00 | \$ 12,500.00 | For— |
| TOTAL..... | \$352,219.00 | \$367,478.00 | |
| **Goals for Designated Offerings..... | —17,200.00 | —17,700.00 | |
| GRAND TOTAL OF CHURCH BUDGET..... | \$335,019.00 | \$349,778.00 | |

All monies received over and above the adopted budget to be divided:
 50% to Cooperative Program
 50% to Property Acquisition and Local Missions

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THE LISTENING POST

MORE ABOUT OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS

Cliff Owens, Sue Fowlkes and Charles Reddick are attending P.J.C.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Westberry (Cynthia Warren) are at Troy State University to complete their preparation.

DID YOU KNOW that each week these dedicated folk from our church go to conduct Sunday School at the Crippled Children's Clinic: Mrs. K. K. Knight, Mrs. Gerald Garrett, and Mr. Mike Cranmer? The attendance of this group is included as an extended ministry of our church.

GET TOGETHERS

Junior High — In "The Cellar"
Senior High - College — at the home of
Melody Crane, 409 W. Jordan Street

THE COMMANDMENTS FIRST-GRADE STYLE

1. We only got one God: not a lot of gods like a rain god and a snow god and a flower god.
2. We don't say prayers to statues and things like that.
3. We only say God's name when we talk about Him and when we say our prayers.
4. We mustn't forget to go to church every Sunday unless we're sick and say a couple of extra prayers that we don't say on the other days.
5. Do what your father and mother tell you to do, and be nice to them.
6. We must never, ever, kill people and boys and girls and babies.
7. If you got a wife, you have to be nice and take care of her, and if you got a husband, you have to be nice and take care of him.
8. We mustn't steal or just take anything that's not ours.
9. Don't say bad things about people. Only good things if you know they're true.
10. We mustn't wish we had what everybody else has 'specially toys.

These are the Ten Commandments as the first-graders of a Sunday School interpreted them in their own words.

From The North Carolina Churchman

CHURCH LIBRARY SPONSORS NEW YEAR'S PARTY

It's time for a New Year's Party, and our Church Library is holding one. It is the beginning of a new Church Year, you know, and the purpose of this party, which is to be held next Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, is to introduce church workers to the resources available in our Church Library.



SENIOR ADULT FELLOWSHIP

Our Senior Adult Fellowship monthly meeting will be held next Tuesday, October 22. All members are urged to be present for this meeting.

Also, tentative plans have been made for a trip to the Florida Caverns at Marianna and to Baptist Bible Institute at Graceville on Tuesday, October 29. Reservations must be in by October 22.



OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist — Mr. James A. Riddle, Mrs. M. C. Eason, Mr. Sam Williams, Mrs. William E. Nettles, Mr. A. J. Butler, Mr. A. F. Downey

Sacred Heart — Mrs. Velma Tice

HOME FROM HOSPITAL:

Mr. A. V. Hatton, Mr. W. T. Creel, Mr. Elliott Doblestein

OUR SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. A. L. Wallace in the loss of a sister.



NURSERY WORKERS

Announce OPEN HOUSE AND PARENTS' MEETING

Sunday, October 27th
4:30 P.M.

Open House in Departments

Program featuring
Dr. Conlee Pickens, Pediatrician
and Dr. Pleitz

Refreshments



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AND WORSHIP SUNDAY

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Dir. of Library Sv. 455-7925

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Residence Phones

Dr. James L. Pleitz, Pastor.....433-1502
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Mrs. Arthur Haylock,
Our Missionary to Honduras

All material to be included in The Builder
should be in the office, preferably in
writing, not later than 9:00 a.m. Mondays.



LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

The Church in Study 1285
Main Sunday School 1274
Crippled Children's Home 11
The Church in Training 259
Additions to Church Membership..... 9

Tithes and Offerings:

Budget\$5,717.10
Specials 673.94
Building Fund 30.00

TOTAL OFFERING\$6,421.04



NEW MEMBERS

ON PROFESSION OF FAITH IN CHRIST:

- Miss Sue Fowlkes, P. O. Box 4054

BY LETTER:

- Lt. Donald Beaver, 1215 N. 12th Ave.
From: Mobberly Avenue Baptist,
Longview, Texas
- Mrs. Donald Beaver (Kay)
- Mr. A. S. Cobb, 61 W. Hernandez
From: Whitfield Baptist, Pensacola
- Mrs. A. S. Cobb
- Mr. David H. Cobb, 3661 Menendez Drive
From: Community Baptist,
Somerset, N. J.
- Mrs. David H. Cobb (Jean W.)
- Mr. Harold Dennis Mathis, 18 Todd Drive
From: Friendship Baptist, Manvel, Texas
- Mrs. Harold Dennis Mathis (Cynthia)
From: First Baptist, Alvin, Texas



Attend Prayer Service Wednesday



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

- * 9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages
Mr. A. H. Arnold, Supt.
- * 11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship, Pastor
- 2:30 p.m.—Associational YWA Meeting
Myrtle Grove Baptist Church
- 3:30 p.m.—New Year's Party
(Church Library)
- 4:30 p.m.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
- 5:30 p.m.—Junior Sword Drill
Junior 12 Department
- * 6:00 p.m.—Training Union for all ages
Mr. F. Willard Vickery, Director
- * 7:15 p.m.—Evening Worship, Pastor
- 8:30 p.m.—Junior High Get Together
In "The Cellar"
Sr. High-College Get Together at
the home of Melody Crane
409 W. Jordan Street

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21

- 6:15 p.m.—WMS Night Society

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

- 10:00 a.m.—Senior Adult Fellowship
- 12:00 noon—Covered Dish Luncheon
- 6:30 p.m.—Sr. 15 Teachers and Officers
Covered Dish Supper at the home
of Mrs. W. C. Carr, Jr.
5704 N. Davis Street
- 7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts in "The Cellar"

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23

- 4:45 p.m.—Children's Choirs,
Junior High GA's
- * 5:50 p.m.—Fellowship Dinner
- * 6:30 p.m.—Sunbeams, GA's RA's, YWA's
Junior High School Choir
Rehearsal
- Officers and Teachers' Meeting
- * 7:30 p.m.—Prayer Service
- * 8:00 p.m.—Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

- 9:00 a.m.—Associational Meeting, Bellview
- 7:00 p.m.—Associational Meeting, Central

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

- 9:00 a.m.—Associational Meeting, Olive
- 5:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts Camping Trip
Return 4:00 p.m. Saturday
- 7:00 p.m.—Junior 9-10 Training Union
Halloween Party in "The Cellar"



DAILY BIBLE READINGS

- SUN., OCT. 20: "The Forgiving Father"
Luke 15:11-24. Key Verse 24.
- MON., OCT. 21: "The Unforgiving Brother"
Luke 15:25-32. Key Verse 32.
- TUES., OCT. 22: "The Veil Drawn Aside"
Luke 16:19-31. Key Verse 31.
- WED., OCT. 23: "The Grace of Gratitude"
Luke 17:11-19. Key Verse 19.
- THURS., OCT. 24: "Prayer With—Or For—
Ourselves"
Luke 18:9-14. Key Verse 14.
- FRI., OCT. 25: "The Poverty of Mere
Money"
Luke 18:18-30. Key Verse 18.
- SAT., OCT. 26: "A Refuge in Trouble"
Psa'm 9:1-9. Key Verse 9.