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Sunday Is Demonstration Day

1968 Budget Adopted

Our 1969 Budget, totaling \$349,778.00, was adopted by the Congregation last Sunday. Prior to this formal vote, the Congregation had had opportunity to study the proposed budget and to discuss it in a special business session.

Mr. T. A. Shell, Chairman of the Deacons, pointed out Sunday morning that this budget reflects an increase in our mission giving of approximately \$40,000.

In adopting this budget, we have challenged ourselves to the largest Budget in the history of our church and to underwrite it in one day, November 17th.

As you look toward November 17, you will want to be thinking of your part, not so much in terms of what is MY share of the budget, but rather in terms of what is GOD's share of what I have.

Sunday is the date that has been set for our Demonstration Day. On this Sunday, members of First Baptist Church will make a MEANINGFUL DEMONSTRATION of our love for Christ and our love for our church. Every member is urged to bring on next Sunday a tithe of his weekly earnings. Many of our people who are already tithing regularly are planning to bring an over-and-above love offering.

Demonstration Day has been an outstanding day in the life of our church. Let's again DEMONSTRATE concerning our love!



We'll have to use larger offering plates if all of us bring our tithe Sunday.

Pastor's Paragraphs

FREDDIE, AND OTHER FREELOADERS

Every time I see him, I laugh until I cry. Freddie the Freeloader is certainly a hilarious character. Of all the roles he plays, Red Skelton is best known for his comic portrayal of this tramp.

Can't you just see him now — dressed in rags. He obviously has not shaved in weeks. His face is covered with stubble. His shoes are "holy" and he is puffing on a cigar someone else has discarded.

Ole Freddie is a freeloader. He doesn't have a care in the world. He lives off the other guy. Someone else will provide. Freddie will play the part of the parasite and live off their generosity. Like I said, every time I see Freddie, I laugh until I cry.

Then there are other freeloaders. Every time I see them, I cry and cry and cry some more. These are the freeloaders in the church. The freeloader gives little or nothing to the church. He is content to let someone else pay the bills while he enjoys all the privileges of membership.

Unlike Freddie, this freeloader is well dressed. He drives a good car and in many cases, lives in a palatial home. It is not necessary for him to smoke any one else's cigar. He can buy his own. But where the church is concerned, well, that's another matter. . . . at this point he is a freeloader.

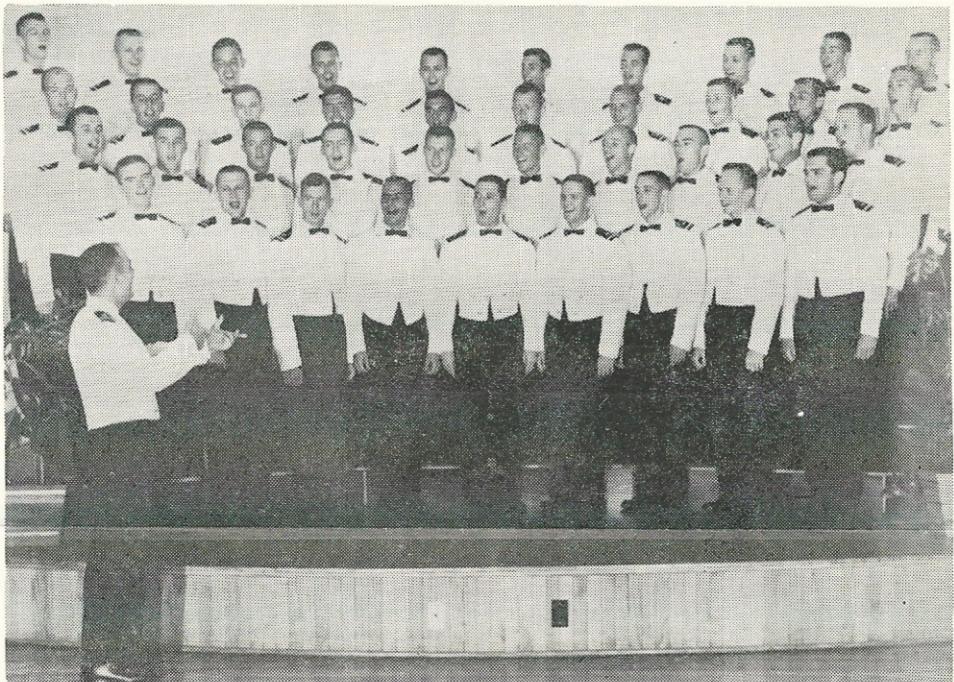
Freddie the Freeloader seems to be a happy individual. This is the exception, not the rule. FREELOADERS ARE NEVER REALLY HAPPY. Like Jesus said, "It makes one happier to give than to get."

I hope that each one of us is faithfully supporting the work of our church. In sacrifice, there is joy. The freeloader never finds real happiness.

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz

NAVY CHOIR SINGS SUNDAY



The nationally famous Naval Air Training Command Choir will provide the service music for our Morning Worship Service Sunday.

The singing officers, under the direction of Lt.JG David S. Carlson, are a volunteer group of Naval Aviation and Marine Aviation flight students. They have been heard literally around the world, and we are happy to have them appear in our church Sunday.

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"A Sure Key To Happiness"
(Acts 20:35)

7:15 P.M.

"Hallowed Be Thy Name"
(Matthew 6:9)

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist

Mr. Sam Williams, Mrs. Ray Tolar,
Mrs. L. P. Bryan.

Sacred Heart

Mrs. Ruth Adams, Mrs. Don Jensen,
Mrs. Velma Tice, Mrs. O. M. Vineyard,
Mr. James Frye, Barry Young.

HOME FROM HOSPITAL:

Mr. James A. Riddle, Mr. A. J. Butler,
Mrs. Katie Lou McLeod, Mrs. Thomas
Little, Jr., Mrs. W. O. Steele, Mrs.
Frances Byrnes, Mrs. Edward McCrory,
Mrs. Ava Lovette, Mr. Eugene E. Lawrence,
Mrs. Phillip Slade, Mrs. H. G. Gray.

OUR SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. Fred Kreitlein in the loss of a
sister.

Mrs. J. B. Miller in the loss of her
husband.

TITHE  **TO TELL**

STAFF LEADS THE WAY

Again this year, various groups are being asked to turn in their pledges prior to our November 17th Pledge and Canvass Day. Shown above are members of the church staff as they became the first group to turn in their pledge cards.



THE LISTENING POST

MORE ABOUT OUR STUDENTS

John I. Berry, Jr., is attending Troy State College, Troy, Alabama.

Word has been received that **Pat and Triss Roberts** have been elected freshmen representatives to the Student Government at E.T.B.C. They attended the B.S.U. Convention in Fort Worth last weekend.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary this Sunday are given by Miss Bessie Yates.

THE VERY NEWEST

The Rosebud on the Pulpit Sunday Was Placed There in Honor of

MASTER STEVEN ERIC CAMPBELL
son of

Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Campbell
Born October 10

THE ROAD OF LOVE

TITHING is an act of love. It is proof of your loyalty to Christ and your desire to support His program.

TITHING is a spiritual experience. It brings the Christian closer to God, more dependent upon Him.

TITHING is a partnership relation. It gives us a part in God's own program, brings you life-enriching happiness.

WHAT GOD'S WORD SAYS ABOUT DEFINITE GIVING

I Corinthians 16:2

A DEFINITE TIME . . .
"Upon the first day of the week—"

A DEFINITE PERSON . . .
"Let everyone of you."

A DEFINITE PROPORTION . . .
"As God has prospered him—"

A DEFINITE REASON . . .
"That there be no gathering when I come."

DEACONS OF THE MONTH FOR NOVEMBER

Mr. Joseph F. Boykin, Sr.
Mr. Charles A. Griffin

HOW IS YOUR MISSIONARY I.Q.?

- 1. Slept in jail hung up by his feet?
- 2. Was attacked by a lion in Africa?
- 3. Is known as the "cowboy missionary"?
- 4. Was said to have an "angel at her shoulder" while she travelled the rugged mountains of Taiwan?
- 5. Offered himself on a slip of paper?
- 6. Caused Southern Baptists to make a Christmas offering for foreign missions?
- 7. Is Martha Haylock?

You can find the answers in your Church Library. Come and join our **Missionary Guessing Contest** which starts November 17.

SEND IT ON AHEAD

You cannot take it with you
We often hear them say,
Though you're rich in earthly treasures,
You'll leave it all some day.
Why not give to God a portion,
Help spread the Gospel 'ere you're dead.
No, you cannot take it with you,
But you can send it on ahead.
Every dollar given to Him,
Every word for Him you've said,
Is written down in heaven,
For that's sending on ahead.
Do not pile up earthly treasures,
Lay them up in heaven instead,
For they'll be waiting for you,
If you send them on ahead.
Though you're rich in earthly treasures,
You're a pauper when you're dead.
No, you cannot take it with you,
But you can send it on ahead.

—Della Eckert

A GOOD DEMONSTRATION

Members of the Wayne Mowe family (on the front row) and hundreds of other families will be ready Sunday to join in our DEMONSTRATION DAY.



TITHERS DEMONSTRATION DAY

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse"

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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.

ALL WOMEN OF THE CHURCH ARE INVITED

TO

WMS DAY SOCIETY MEETING

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5,
10:00 A. M.**

10:00-10:30—Business
10:30-11:05—Beautiful South America—
Mrs. W. C. Carr, Jr.
11:05-11:20—Fellowship
11:20-12:00—Colombia, Land of Conflict
and Promise — Mrs. Al Woerner
12 Noon—Lunch Together

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUN., NOV. 3: "First Love Lost"
Revelation 2:1-7. Key Verse 4.
MON., NOV. 4: "Be Faithful Unto Death"
Revelation 2:8-11. Key Verse 10.
TUES., NOV. 5: "Hold Fast My Name"
Revelation 2:12-7. Key Verse 13.
WED., NOV. 6: "I Know Thy Works"
Revelation 2:18-29. Key Verse 19.
THURS., NOV. 7: "They Shall Walk
With Me in White"
Revelation 3:1-6. Key Verse 4.
FRI., NOV. 8: "I Have Set An Open
Door"
Revelation 3:7-13. Key Verse 8.
SAT., NOV. 9: "A Lukewarm Church"
Revelation 3:14-22. Key Verse 20.

NEW MEMBERS

24. Miss Bettye Jane Baker,
1515 N. Baylen
From: First Baptist, Westfield, N. J.
25. Mr. Roy Frusha,
600 Scenic Highway, Apt. 110
From: First Baptist, DeRidder, La.
26. Mr. John M. Harnish,
518 N. Baylen
From: First Baptist, Biloxi, Miss.
27. Miss Frankie Ward,
7155 N. 9th Ave., Apt. 205-B
From: Immanuel Baptist,
Little Rock, Ark.

LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

The Church in Study	1271
Crippled Children's Home	15
Main Sunday School	1256
The Church in Training	260
Training Union	213
Weekday Activity	47
Additions to Church Membership	4
Baptized	3
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$6,016.40
Specials	419.25
Building Fund	30.00
TOTAL OFFERING	\$6,465.65

OPPORTUNITIES

FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

DEMONSTRATION DAY

- * 9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages
Mr. A. H. Arnold, Supt.
- * 11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship Service
Pastor
- 4:30 p.m.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
- 5:30 p.m.—Junior Sword Drill,
Junior 12 Dept.
- * 6:00 p.m.—Training Union for all ages
Mr. F. Willard Vickery,
Director
- * 7:15 p.m.—Evening Worship, Pastor

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4

- 7:30 p.m.—WMS Night Society,
Mission Round Table,
Meets with Mrs. Joe
Brookins, 2026 E. Jordan

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5

- * 10:00 a.m.—WMS General Meeting
- 12:30 p.m.—Dottson Mills Group meets
- 7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts Meet in
"The Cellar"

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

- 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
and YWA's
Jr. High Choir Rehearsal
Officers, Teachers' Meeting
- * 7:30 p.m.—Prayer Service
- * 8:00 p.m.—Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7

- 2:30 p.m.—Faithful Workers Class
Meeting, Fellowship Hall
Robert Hughes Circle
Meeting at Camp Ada
- 6:30 p.m.—Training Union Leadership
Banquet

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9

- 9:00 a.m.—Boy Scouts Camp,
Lv. 9:00 a.m., back 2:30
p.m., November 11.