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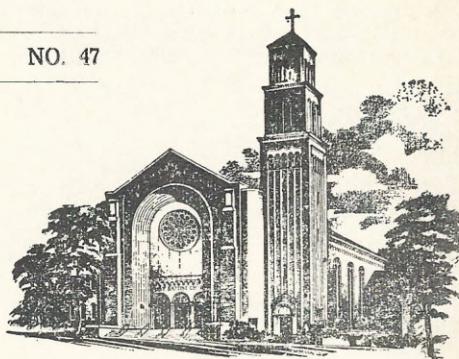
NO. 47

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

PALAFIX AND LA RUA STREETS

PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

JAMES L. PLEITZ, D.D.  
PASTOR



## O FATHER, THOU WHO GIVEST ALL

O Father, thou who givest all  
The bounty of thy perfect love,  
We thank thee that upon us fall  
Such tender blessings from above.

We thank thee for the grace of home,  
For mother's love and father's care:  
For friends and teachers — all who come  
Our joys and hopes and fears to share.

For eyes to see and ears to hear,  
For hands to serve and arms to lift,  
For shoulders broad and strong to bear,  
For feet to run on errands swift.

For faith to conquer doubt and fear,  
For love to answer every call,  
For strength to do, and will to dare,  
We thank thee, O thou Lord of all.

— John Haynes Holmes, 1879-



# Pastor's paragraphs

## WANTED A HANDWRITING EXPERT!

I am stumped. Perhaps you can help. Someone handed me a note following the Sunday morning service which reads: "If

you have an opportunity, give me a call this afternoon." The note is signed but for the life of me I can't read the signature—nor can the greatest handwriting expert in Pensacola, my wife. She can read even MY handwriting.

This call may be unimportant, but it causes me concern that I have not been able to make it.

The person who handed me this note must be thinking . . .

"The pastor has more important things to do. This is the reason he has not called."

OR

"The pastor forgot about my request."

OR

"The pastor doesn't care about me."

Now the truth is that none of these reasons are correct. I have not called because I don't know whom to call. If you can help, call 433-5631 and solve a mystery.

Speaking of calling, don't we make these same excuses for not calling upon God in prayer? God has more important things to do; or God will forget; or God doesn't care.

Believe me, friend, none of these is a valid reason for the prayerless life. Our Lord has said: "Call upon me and I will show you great and mighty things." We deprive ourselves of numerous blessings when we fail to call upon God.

I'll look forward to seeing you Sunday, in His House.

Faithfully your pastor,

*James L. Pleitz*

P.S. If you wrote the note, CALL.

**MEMORIAL FLOWERS**  
The flowers in the Sanctuary this Sunday are in memory of  
**MRS. E. L. DERBY**  
and are given by  
**MR. E. L. DERBY**

## SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"The Vanishing American"  
(Philippians 4:11-12)

7:15 P.M.

"Our Daily Bread"  
(Matthew 6:11)

## *The Listening Post*

A BIG THANK YOU to the following young people who made 1,116 telephone calls Saturday between the hours of 10:00—11:30 in the interest of Pledge Day: Nancy Pleitz, Cindy King, Teresa Thames, Cathy Hurt, Barbara Hughes, Linda Coker, Gail Swint, Jo Ann Lenz, Cole Odom, Nancy Cheshire, Linda Gomillion, Ann Fields and Ellen Hooper.

Get Together for the Senior High - College this Sunday evening after services will be in "The CELLAR." Pizza and cokes will be served, all games will be available for casual fellowship, and IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS with regard to SUMMER PLANS will be discussed.

Names of college young people whose names we did not have on our YPA roll continue to come in. SUSAN CLARKE, having completed her work at PJC is now a Senior at University of West Florida. Thank you for helping us make this roll as accurate as possible. It is most helpful when you let us know of any change of address and honors received by those whom you know.

## IT'S UP TO YOU

You are the fellow who has to decide  
Whether you'll do it or toss it aside.

You are the fellow who makes up your  
mind  
Whether you'll lead or linger behind.

Whether you'll try for the good that's afar  
Or be contented to stay where you are.

Take it or leave it; there's something  
to do,  
Just think it over, it's up to you!

**THANKSGIVING SERVICE**  
**THURSDAY MORNING**  
**10:00 O'CLOCK**

Thou hast giv'n so much to me,  
Give one thing more, a grateful heart.  
Not thankful when it pleaseth me,  
As if Thy blessings had spare days;  
But such a heart, whose pulse may be Thy Praise.

—George Herbert

### ASSOCIATIONAL BROTHERHOOD MEETING

Monday, November 25, will be the date for the Associational Brotherhood Meeting. It will be held at Myrtle Grove Baptist Church at 6:45 p.m. Supper tickets are available from the church office at \$1.00. The program will be presented by missionary Melvin Gentry. Melvin is on furlough from Indonesia and is living in Pensacola. He is a product of the Brownsville Baptist Church. The program will begin at 7:20.

### LIBRARY NOTES

**The Other Side of a Fence** by Molly Cone is about a young boy named Joey who returned to spend the summer with his Aunt Liz, expecting it to be just the way it had been the year before. He found, however, that all interests were centered on a family who lived in a so-called "empty" house. He was disturbed at the treatment of the family, a Negro couple and their one child.

The conflict that Joey experienced in his own actions and conscience makes a thought-provoking story in which a young reader will find himself deeply enmeshed. The book does not preach, but it does teach.

### OUR CHURCH FAMILY

#### OUR CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Major and Mrs. Don Lyons upon the birth of a son, Daniel Barrineau, November 15 in Beaufort, South Carolina. Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Barrineau are the maternal grandparents.

#### OUR SYMPATHY TO:

Mr. Robert Brumfield in the loss of his mother.

Mrs. J. M. Wallace in the loss of her father.

#### IN THE HOSPITALS:

**Baptist**—Mrs. Mack Penton, Mrs. Eva M. Reynolds, Mrs. Thomas Little, Jr., Mr. A. V. Hatton, Mrs. Minnie Whitlock, Mrs. Edrie Dove, Mrs. Frank Patterson, Mrs. Van McCaskill, Mrs. John V. May

**Sacred Heart**—Mrs. W. H. Crawford, Miss Jan Boghich, Mrs. W. W. Foster, Mrs. Bessie Parks, Miss Annette Galloway, Joe Bill Adams

**Baptist Hospital, New Orleans**—  
Mrs. Merle Gilmore

**Navy**—Chief J. J. Yandle

#### HOME FROM HOSPITAL:

Mrs. W. G. Foxworth, Sr., Mrs. Edward L. McCrory, Miss Bonnie Boucher, Mrs. O. M. Vineyard, Mrs. Wilma Scholls

## Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

Last Sunday was a day of victory in our church as members over subscribed the 1969 Budget.

Pledges are still coming in. As of Wednesday  
We Have Pledged \$360,644.44.

IF YOUR PLEDGE IS NOT IN  
You will want to get it in immediately

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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 . . . . .	1248
Main Sunday School . . . . .	1237
Crippled Children's Home . . . . .	11
The Church in Training . . . . .	176
Additions to Church Membership . . . . .	1
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget . . . . .	\$6,350.82
Specials . . . . .	780.46
Building Fund . . . . .	25.00
TOTAL OFFERING . . . . .	\$7,156.28

## NEW MEMBERS

BY STATEMENT:  
39. Mr. Charles T. Kindle, 6818 W. Jackson

## THANKSGIVING SERVICE

The Thanksgiving Service sponsored by  
the downtown churches is to be held here  
in our Sanctuary on Thanksgiving morning,  
beginning at 10:00 o'clock. Robert Siedentopf,  
pastor of the Trinity Presbyterian  
Church, will preach the sermon.

## TRAINING UNION "M" NIGHT

The Annual Training Union "M" Night  
will be held here at First Baptist Church,  
December 2, at 7:30 p.m. The speaker will  
be Rev. William L. Self, Pastor of the  
Wiecu Road Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga.

# OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

- \* 9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for All Ages  
Mr. A. H. Arnold, Supt.
- \* 11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship Service,  
Pastor  
Ordinance of Baptism
- 4:00 p.m.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
- \* 6:00 p.m.—Training Union for All Ages  
Mr. F. Willard Vickery, Dir.
- \* 7:15 p.m.—Evening Worship Service,  
Pastor

## MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25

- 6:45 p.m.—Associational Brotherhood  
Meeting, Myrtle Grove  
Baptist Church
- 7:30 p.m.—Reflector's Class Meeting  
in "The Cellar"

## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26

- 7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts—"The Cellar"

## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27

- 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 Choir Rehearsal  
Officers, Teachers' Meetings
- \* 7:30 p.m.—Prayer Service
- \* 8:00 p.m.—Adult Choir Rehearsal

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28

- OFFICE CLOSED
- THANKSGIVING DAY
- 10:00 a.m.—Thanksgiving Service  
in the Sanctuary

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30

- Senior 15 Sunday School  
Social in "The Cellar"

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUN., NOV. 24: "God Is Judge and  
Deliverer"  
2 Peter 2:1-9. Key Verse 9.

MON., NOV. 25: "Christ Will Come"  
2 Peter 3:1-14. Key Verse 13.

TUES., NOV. 26: "Giving Thanks"  
I Thessalonias 5:1-18. Key Verse 18.

WED., NOV. 27: "Giving Thanks"  
Genesis 8:15-22. Key Verse 20.

THURS., NOV. 28: "Giving Thanks"  
Deuteronomy 8:1-10. Key Verse 10.

FRI., NOV. 29: "Giving Thanks"  
Psalm 100. Key Verse 4.

SAT., NOV. 30: "Giving Thanks"  
Psalm 107:31-43. Key Verse 31.