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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Palafax and La Rua Streets
PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

JAMES L. PLEITZ, D.D.
Pastor

' 'THE VOICES' '



"The Voices" from Pensacola High School will present a program of entertaining music here on Sunday, December 1, 1968. The popular group is directed by Mr. Ike Terry and accompanied by our own Elwin Garrett.

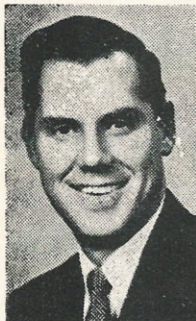
The program will be in the dining hall at 8:30 p.m. The occasion is an all-church fellowship which will follow the regular evening service.

Refreshments will be served and everyone is invited to attend.

Pastor's paragraphs

A DAY LATE OR A YEAR EARLY?

A few days ago I really started to live. Who was it who said "Life begins at 40"? To tell you the truth, I thoroughly enjoyed the first 39. Growing old has its compensation. Now I am a year closer to medicare.



The greeting card companies have designed clever cards to send AFTER the birthday. They are especially made for those of us whose memories sometime falter.

Now I am not in the greeting card business. If so, I think that instead of admitting the card came a few days late I would say: LET ME BE THE FIRST TO SAY HAPPY BIRTHDAY — I REALIZE IT IS A BIT EARLY — ALMOST A YEAR ACTUALLY — BUT I JUST COULDN'T WAIT. (Here is the idea, you write the poetry!)

- ... some of you are thinking,
"The pastor is a day late."
- ... why make reference to the
103rd Psalm?
- ... Thanksgiving was yesterday.
- ... and you're right.
- ... we did celebrate Thanksgiving
yesterday.
- ... but isn't every day a day of
Thanksgiving?
- ... you can't crowd it into one day...
- ... like the man said, "Forget not
all his benefits."

I'll look forward to seeing you Sunday, in God's House. We will have another Thanksgiving Service.

Sincerely, your pastor

James L. Pleitz

TRAINING UNION "M" NIGHT
MONDAY, DECEMBER 2
HERE IN OUR CHURCH

Speaker:

BILL SELF

Pastor, Wieuca Road Baptist Church
Atlanta, Georgia

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary this
Sunday are in memory of

Dickie Creel

and are given by his parents
Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Creel

Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Lowell W. Abney
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter

Janis

to

Mr. Charles Eugene Milsted, Jr.

on Friday evening, the sixth of December
nineteen hundred and sixty-eight
at half after seven o'clock

First Baptist Church
Pensacola, Florida
and afterwards at the reception

The Listening Post

MISS CAROLINE BEGGS, graduate of
PHS and now attending Converse College,
is a member of the STUDENT CHRISTIAN
ASSOCIATION CABINET.

MEMBERS OF OUR CHURCH who will
be singing with "THE VOICES" in our
church include Laurie Riddles, Ricky Gill,
Eddie Dobelstein and Nancy Pleitz. Elwin
Garrett is one of the pianists for the group.

"THOUGHT FOR THE DAY" ON WMEL

Radio Station WMEL is now carrying
our "Thought For the Day." The same
thought is aired twice each day at 6:59
a.m. and 3:59 p.m.

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"Practicing His Presence"
(Matthew 28)

7:15 P.M.

"Debts and Debtors"
(Matthew 6:12)

**DO YOUR PLANS
FOR SUNDAY
INCLUDE
SUNDAY SCHOOL
AND CHURCH?**

**WMS WEEK OF PRAYER
FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS
DECEMBER 1 - 8**

***Monday — Thursday — Friday**

10:00 a.m.—Prayer Room

10:20 a.m.—Week of Prayer Program

***Tuesday — Adult A Dept.**

10:00 a.m.—Business

10:30 a.m.—Program — Mr. and Mrs.
Melvin Gentry, Missionaries
to Indonesia

11:15 a.m.—Bible Study

12:00 noon—Luncheon, Robert Hughes
group serving

MISSION GOALS

The goal for the Lottie Moon Christmas
Offering for Foreign Missions in 1968 is
\$15,500,000. Our church goal is \$12,500.

**DEACONS OF THE MONTH
DECEMBER**

**Mr. E. L. Barrineau
Mr. Billy V. Renfroe**

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist—Mrs. Thomas Little, Jr., Mr. A.
V. Hatton, Mrs. Edrie Dove, Mr. A.
Wayne Hickman, Mrs. Van McCaskill,
Mrs. John May, Mrs. Eva M. Rey-
nolds, Mrs. James M. Frye, Dr. E. G.
Owens, Victor Russell Goeller III.

Sacred Heart—Miss Jan Boghich, Mrs.
W. H. Crawford, Mrs. W. W. Foster,
Mrs. Bessie Parks, Robert Saujon,
Mrs. Conrad McDaniel, Joyce Powell

Navy—Chief J. J. Yandle, Mark Calli-
cotte

Baptist Hospital, New Orleans—
Mrs. Merle Gilmore

HOME FROM HOSPITAL:

Mrs. Minnie Whitlock, Mrs. Mack Pen-
ton, Mrs. D. H. Johnson, Mrs. Frank
Patterson, Joe Bill Adams

OUR SYMPATHY TO:

Mr. Jack Macon in the loss of a sister.

AN OPEN LETTER TO LADIES

Dear Friend:

The week of December 1-8 will be observed in thousands of Southern Baptist Churches as the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions. The Lottie Moon Offering for Foreign Missions is a part of this emphasis. We can talk of this offering in terms of goals and dollars, and it's possible for us to overlook the value of the prayer services planned for this week. Under the leadership of Woman's Missionary Union, plans have been made for a Prayer Period on Monday, Thursday and Friday. (Tuesday will be the regular meeting.) Each day there will be an opportunity for personal prayer in the Prayer Room from 10:00-10:15, followed by a period of directed prayer from 10:20-10:45.

These services are not planned just for W.M.U. members, but for any who believe in prayer and who believe in missions. You are not only warmly invited, but urged to attend.

Sincerely,

James L. Pleitz, Pastor

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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.....	1232
Main Sunday School.....	1212
Crippled Children's Home	20
The Church in Training.....	224
Training Union	177
Weekday Activity	47
Additions to Church Membership.....	3
Baptized	2
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$8,482.19
Specials	374.36
Building Fund	20.00
TOTAL OFFERING	\$8,876.55

NEW MEMBERS

ON PROFESSION OF FAITH IN CHRIST:

4. Tim Yelverton, 31 Gilmore, Gulf Breeze

BY LETTER:

40. Mr. Charles E. Cutchens,
 667 Berkley Drive
 From: First Baptist, Guntersville, Ala.
 41. Mrs. Charles E. Cutchens (Aline)

BAPTIZED:

Mrs. Frances Byrnes
 Miss Linda S. Lovette

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1

* 9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages
 Mr. A. H. Arnold, Supt.
 *11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship, Pastor
 4:00 p.m.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
 5:30 p.m.—Junior Sword Drill
 * 6:00 p.m.—Training Union for all ages
 Mr. F. Willard Vickery, Dir.
 * 7:15 p.m.—Evening Worship, Pastor
 8:15 p.m.—All-Church Fellowship,
 Dining Room

MONDAY, DECEMBER 2

*10:00 a.m.—Week of Prayer, Adult A
 7:30 p.m.—Associational Training Union
 "M" Night, Sanctuary

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3

*10:00 a.m.—WMS General Meeting
 *12:30 p.m.—Laura Frances Snow
 Group will meet
 7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts, "The Cellar"

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4

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' Meeting
 * 7:30 p.m.—Prayer Service
 * 8:00 p.m.—Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5

*10:00 a.m.—Week of Prayer, Adult A

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6

*10:00 a.m.—Week of Prayer, Adult A

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7

7:00 p.m.—Faith Bible Class Christmas
 Party — "The Cellar"

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUN., DEC. 1: "Power to Save and Judge"
 Exodus 14:21-31. Key Verse 30.

MON., DEC. 2: "The Bitter Place Made
 Sweet"
 Exodus 15:23-27. Key Verse 25.

TUES., DEC. 3: "Daily Provision"
 Exodus 16:2-4, 9-18. Key Verse 12.

WED., DEC. 4: "The Smitten Rock and
 the Water of Life"
 Exodus 17:1-7. Key Verse 6.

THURS., DEC. 5: "Prayer and Victory"
 Exodus 17:8-13. Key Verse 11.

FRI., DEC. 6: "The Commandments
 of God"
 Exodus 20:1-17. Key Verse 2.

SAT., DEC. 7: "The Divine Presence"
 Exodus 33:12-23. Key Verse 14.