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Palafox and La Rue 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 COULDNT 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?**

**DEACONS OF THE MONTH  
DECEMBER**

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

**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.

**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. Reynolds, 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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Our Missionary to Honduras

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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
<b>TOTAL OFFERING .....</b>	<b>\$8,876.55</b>

## 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.