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The Builder

A builder builded a temple,
He wrought it with grace and skill;
Pillars and groins and arches
All fashioned to work his will.
Men said, as they saw its beauty,
"It shall never know decay;
Great is thy skill, O Builder!
Thy fame shall endure for aye."

A Teacher builded a temple
With loving and infinite care,
Planning each arch with patience,
Laying each stone with prayer.
None praised her unceasing efforts,
None knew of her wondrous plan,
For the temple the Teacher builded
Was unseen by the eyes of man.

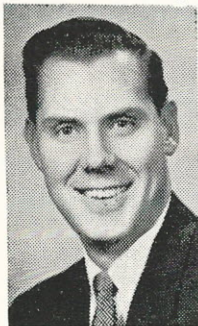
Gone is the Builder's temple,
Crumpled into the dust;
Low lies each stately pillar,
Food for consuming rust.
But the temple the Teacher builded
Will last while the ages roll,
For that beautiful unseen temple
Was a child's immortal soul.

—Author Unknown

Pastor's paragraphs

THE CHURCH WITH 3500 MINISTERS

Perhaps it is too early to make an evaluation. There are nine chapters in the book and five of these remain unread. The first four chapters are quite different—and yet there is one striking



similarity — **THE CHURCH THAT USES LAY MINISTERS IS THE CHURCH GOD IS USING.**

NINE ROADS TO RENEWAL is the title of the book. (Don't be surprised if the author is arrested for plagiarism. Nearly everything in the book is taken from an

earlier publication—the **NEW TESTAMENT**.)

God blessed in an unusual way in our services last Sunday. It has been months since we have experienced such services. God was present. My heart was strangely warmed as you—the lay ministers of the congregation—helped to conduct the worship service. We must do this more often. It is not necessary for you to be a Bible scholar. Every Christian should be able to stand up and tell others what it means to live by God's guidance. Just what does Christ mean to you?

Some exciting plans are in the making. In the meantime, beginning Sunday, in both the morning and evening services, lay ministers (Every born again believer is a minister.) of the congregation will be reading the scripture and leading in prayer. It is just one small step, but it is a step in the right direction.

There will be a meeting of the **FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE** Sunday. Remember friend, if you are a Christian, you are a member of this organization. **YOU ARE A MINISTER.** If your Christianity means much to you, you will be present. If it doesn't mean enough for you to be present, it means next to nothing to you and you have my sympathy.

There are times when your pastor preaches his sermons in this church, but the one Sunday morning is God's. I want you to hear it.

Faithfully your pastor,
James L. Pleitz

The Listening Post

On **FEBRUARY 8th** we will have access to Enco Station on Fairfield and 9th Avenue from 9:00-1:00 and 1:00-6:00. Construction still closes out Gregory station this week.

By the way, if your car needs a wash job, bring it by and help these young people.

Other opportunities to help them earn will be provided. Be listening for them and prepare to lend your assistance.

Young People Senior 15 through College, call the church office and let us know whether you will be with the 9:00-1:00 or 1:00-6:00 team.

SINGSPARATION this Sunday will be held at Warrington Baptist.

DAY SOCIETY GROUP MEETINGS

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

9:30 a.m.—**ROBERT HUGHES** will meet at church. Go to Camp Ada. **MARY SAUNDERS** will meet with Mrs. R. L. Redman, 4051 Bonway Drive. Mrs. Melvin Gentry, Missionary to Indonesia, will be guest speaker.

10:00 a.m.—**T. N. CALLAWAY** will meet with Mrs. H. H. Hobbs, 3905 West Gadsden.

VIRGINIA COBB will meet with Mrs. Roy Ingram, 4423 North 12th Avenue; Mrs. R. E. Hooper and Mrs. George Liveakos, Co-Hostesses. **STANLEY DAVIS** will meet with Mrs. Henry Parramore, 3810 Maule Road.

MARTHA HAYLOCK will meet with Mrs. J. B. Livingston, 6101 Drexel Road.

DONALD LANGFORD will meet with Mrs. R. A. Edwards, 333 Silver Road.

BERNICE NEEL will meet with Mrs. George Yarbrough, Sr., 921 North Palafox.

LAURA FRANCES SNOW will meet with Mrs. Russell Stewart, 121 High Pines Place

10:30 a.m.—**JOANNA MAIDEN** will meet with Mrs. Malcolm Gilchrist, 80 High Point Drive, Gulf Breeze.

2:30 p.m.—**HARVEY HEADRICK** will meet with Mrs. Charles Wiggins, 1708 East Bobe Street.

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"The Company of the Committed"
(Judges 6:1-6, 12-14, 33-34; 7:1-7, 16-22a Revised Standard Version)

7:15 P.M.

"The Merciful"
(Matthew 5:1-7)

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist — Mrs. Blossom Artrip, Miss Nancy Pleitz, Mr. Elbert Hopkins, Sr., Mrs. William M. Baggett

Sacred Heart — Mrs. Millie Alf, Mr. Frank Loggins, Mr. Robert Hatcher, Miss Kate Coley, Mr. Donald Nelson, Mr. York Colson, Mrs. C. D. Rector, Mrs. Lawren Meacham, Jimmy Ward

Escambia General — Miss Ruth McAdams
Navy — Warren Morgan

HOME FROM HOSPITAL:

Mr. H. B. Trotter, Mrs. Ernie Priest, Miss Ednell Chandler, Bill Moore, Jr., John Robert Markham, Mr. James F. Taylor, Mrs. Imogene Stewart

OUR SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. Marshall Black in the loss of her father.

Mrs. Ben Johns in the loss of a brother.

Mrs. John Campodonico in the loss of her mother.

Mrs. P. O. Davis, Sr. in the loss of her husband.

Mr. P. O. Davis, Jr. in the loss of his father.

Mrs. J. F. Gammell and Roy in the loss of son and brother.

Miss Lois Williams in the loss of a brother.

IN MEMORIAM

Mr. Percy O. Davis, Sr.

1510 E. Belmont St.

Joined our church by transfer of letter Feb. 19, 1956.

Deceased February 3, 1969.

Vaughn Timothy Gammell

6610 Schwab Dr.

Joined our church by transfer of letter Jan. 27, 1963

Deceased February 2, 1969.

TRAINING UNION FOLLOW-THROUGH CLINIC

On Friday, February 14, there is to be a follow-through clinic, sponsored by the State Training Union Department, at the East Hill Baptist Church. The afternoon session begins at 2:30 p.m. The evening session begins at 7:00 p.m. The emphasis of this meeting is on conservation of those persons won in the spring revival crusade.

SUNDAY IS SCOUT SUNDAY

Next Sunday is being observed as Boy Scout Sunday in our church. This year's observance of Boy Scout Week uses the theme "Manpower Through Boypower." We are looking forward to the presence of many scouts in our service on next Sunday.

LIBRARY NOTES

JUVENILE HIT PARADE FOR '68

One Fish, To Fish, Red Fish—Seuss
Charlotte's Web—White
Story of Silent Night—Moore
Stuart Little—White
Mighty Atom—Lewellan
Why Do People Pray—Richards
Her Own Way—Monsell
Singing Bells—Coleman
Little Toot—Gramatkey
What A Silly Thing To Do—Smaredge
God Planned It That Way—Muller

"Children who travel early in life through books, leave footprints in the sands of time." Read and see that your child reads. Visit our Church Library.

NEW MEMBERS

ON PROFESSION OF FAITH IN CHRIST:

18. Mr. Earl H. Berry, 3040 Collinswood Rd.

BY LETTER:

72. Mrs. Earl H. Berry (Joyce)
From: Bethel Baptist, Dadeville, Ala.

73. Mr. Darryl Blancheri, 1414 E. Maxwell
From: Northside Baptist, Atlanta, Ga.

74. Mrs. Darryl Blancheri (Jackie)

75. Mrs. Margie Jo Johnson, Rt. 4, Box 211
From: Waikiki Baptist, Honolulu, Hawaii

76. Ensign Mike McCarty, BOQ Rm. 330B, Saufley
From: First Baptist, El Paso, Tex.

77. Ensign James C. Peterson, 1600 W. Michigan, Lot 31
From: Franklin St. Baptist, Hutchinson, Minn.

78. Mrs. James C. Peterson (Janice E.)
From: Olivet Baptist, Minneapolis, Minn.

79. Mr. Ron S. Reagan, 5655 No. 9th, Apt H-3
From: First Baptist, Houston, Tex.

80. Mrs. Ron S. Reagan (Dianne)
From: First Baptist, Beaumont, Tex.

81. 2/Lt. E. S. Stuart, Jr. (Sonny), 900 So. "E" Apt. 202
From: First Baptist, Waco, Texas

82. Mrs. E. C. Stuart, Jr. (Gayla S.)

83. Mr. William E. Waters, Rt. 4, Box 211
From: Olive Baptist, Pensacola

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LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

The Church in Study	1219
Main Sunday School	1200
Crippled Children's Home	19
The Church in Training	308
Training Union	265
Weekday Activities	43
Additions to church membership	13
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$7,586.71
Specials	236.94
Building Fund	8.00
TOTAL OFFERING	\$7,831.65

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUN., Feb. 9: "Bought With A Price"
 I Corinthians 6:9-20. Key Verse 20.
 MON., Feb. 10: "Woe . . . If I Preach
 Not"
 I Corinthians 9:12-23. Key Verse 16.
 TUES., Feb. 11: "Things not Expedient"
 I Corinthians 10:23-33. Key Verse 23.
 WEDS., Feb. 12: "In Remembrance Of
 Me"
 I Corinthians 11:23-34. Key Verse 26.
 THURS., Feb. 13: "The Body Of Christ"
 I Corinthians 12:14-27. Key Verse 27.
 FRI., Feb. 14: "The Greatest Of These"
 I Corinthians 13:1-13. Key Verse 13.
 SAT., Feb. 15: "Serving Christ Through
 Others"
 Matthew 25:31-40. Key Verse 40.

OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9

BOY SCOUT SUNDAY

- * 9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages
 Mr. A. H. Arnold, Supt.
- * 11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship, Pastor
 Baptismal Service
- 4:00 p.m.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
- * 6:00 p.m.—Training Union for all ages
 Mr. F. Willard Vickery,
 Director
- * 7:15 p.m.—Evening Worship, Pastor
- 8:45 p.m.—Singspiration at Warring-
 ton Baptist

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10

7:30 p.m.—Deacon's Meeting

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

- * 9:30 & 10:00 a.m.—WMS Group
 Meetings
- 7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts in "The Cellar"

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

- * 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
 Junior High Choir Re-
 hearsal
 Officers and Teacher's
 Meeting
- * 7:30 p.m.—Prayer Service — Business
 Meeting
- * 8:00 p.m.—Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13

10:00 a.m.—TACLO Study in MYP's
 Department

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14

- 2:30 p.m.—Follow-through Clinic at
 East Hill
- 4:00 p.m.—Boy Scout Camping Trip
- 6:00 p.m.—YWA Banquet
- 7:00 p.m.—Follow-through Clinic at
 East Hill
- 7:00 p.m.—Church Choir Party in
 "The Cellar"

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15

- 7:00 p.m.—Adult C, Winsome Class,
 Covered Dish Supper in
 "The Cellar", Mrs. Regis-
 ter, hostess

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10

7:00 p.m.—Men's Team—First Baptist
 vs Gadsden Street Methodist, YMCA

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

5:30 p.m.—Junior Boys—First Baptist
 vs Scenic Hills, Sanders Beach

8:30 p.m.—Men's Team—First Baptist
 vs Pine Forest Methodist, YMCA

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

7:00 p.m.—Senior Boys—First Baptist
 vs Gadsden Street Methodist, YMCA

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13

8:30 p.m.—Senior Boys—First Baptist
 vs Whitfield Baptist, YMCA