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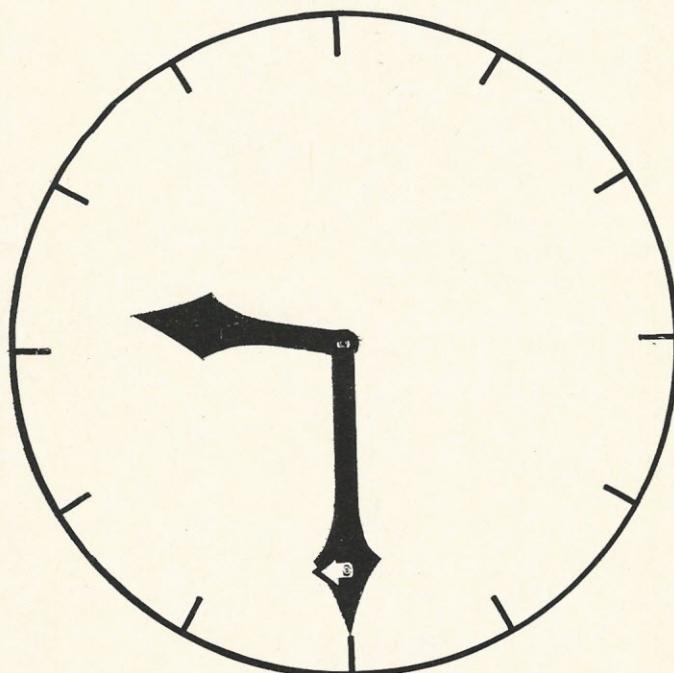
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JAMES L. PLEITZ, D.D.
PASTOR
PASTOR

A Reminder....



Move the clock FORWARD
1 hour before retiring saturday
night so you can be ON TIME for
the services Sunday.

Pastor's paragraphs

FREE GASOLINE TOMORROW

Outside a service station in a certain town is a sign which reads, "Free Gasoline Tomorrow." It shouldn't be neces-



sary to underline a perfectly obvious catch, yet somehow it is. Of course, nobody ever gets free gas at this station, because it is always promised tomorrow.

A notice that offers free petrol tomorrow is no good, nor is a religion that offers happiness tomorrow or power tomorrow; the recurring note in

the New Testament is NOW!

Our Lord puts the emphasis on NOW. Take your Bible and note this fact. Jesus said, "Do you NOW believe?" (John 16:31) This He asked of those who had no past to look to, and no certainty of a future. The setting in which the Christian's life becomes operative in God's program is provided in that word . . . NOW. The Christian's great moment is NOW. "Now is the accepted time, behold NOW is the day of salvation." (2 Corinthians 6:2) Paul's own witness is "The life which I now live, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me." (Galatians 2:20) "Beloved, NOW are we sons of God." (I John 3:2)

The Divine Imperative for us, for our church, for our community, for you, for me is NOW. Why? God's Time Is Now!

I'll look forward to seeing you in the service Sunday.

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"Bishop Pike, Christ,
And His Church"

(Matthew 16:13-18 Ephesians 5:22-27)

7:15 P.M.

"An Unfinished Sermon"
(Acts 24)

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP

MONDAY, APRIL 14

BY LETTER:

112. Lt. Rodney Ward, Ellyson Field,
BOQ Box 16
From: First Baptist, Meridian, Miss.

THURSDAY, APRIL 17

BY LETTER:

113. Miss Barbara Robertson, 1504 N.
Baylen
From: Magnolia St. Baptist, Laurel,
Miss.

FOR BAPTISM FROM OTHER

DENOMINATION:

36. Mr. Gordon Towne, 8 Benton Rd.
37. Miss Linn Dee Towne

BY STATEMENT:

114. Mrs. Gordon Towne

FRIDAY, APRIL 18

BY LETTER:

115. Mr. Marion J. Welford, 3200 Keating Rd.
From: First Baptist, Laurel, Md.
116. Mrs. Marion J. Welford (Joanne)
117. Mayla Welford
118. Richard Welford

ON PROFESSION OF FAITH

IN CHRIST:

38. Capt. Philipp Otto Giese, 754 Tanglewood Dr.
39. Jerry Ray Payne, Jr. (Rusty) 3827
San Gabriel Dr.

SUNDAY, APRIL 20

BY LETTER:

119. Mrs. Betty J. Davidson, 3007 No.
17th Ave.
From: Central Baptist, Pensacola
120. Jeanine Diamond, 3007 No. 17th
Ave.
From: Central Baptist, Pensacola
121. Mr. Cecil P. Faulkner, 529 W. Lee
St.
From: First Baptist, De Funiak
Spgs., Fla.
122. Mrs. Cecil P. Faulkner
123. Cecil P. Faulkner, Jr. (Chip)
124. Mr. Cecil H. Gilliland, 8875 Thunderbird Dr.
From: Dalraida Baptist, Montgomery, Ala.
125. Mrs. Cecil H. Gilliland (Nettie)
126. Janet Gilliland
127. Mr. Laurence Renfroe, 201 Poinciana Dr. Gulf Breeze
From: Boulevard Baptist, Pensacola
128. Mrs. Laurence Renfroe (Betty)

ON PROFESSION OF FAITH

IN CHRIST:

40. Donna Diamond, 3007 N. 17th Ave.
41. Lee Noblin, 1921 E. Fisher St.
42. Cheryl D. Ray, 6001 Hilltop Rd.
Mr. S. H. Denton, 308 Camelia St.,
Gulf Breeze

RE-DEDICATION:

Monique Burks, 3450 Baisden Rd.
Barbara Ann Yonker, 2121 No. 12th

OUR CHURCH FAMILY IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist—Ronald S. Spencer, Mrs. Clyde Swint, Mrs. Ben Stevens, Sr., Mrs. Maude Cassidy, Mrs. Raymond Williams, Mrs. C. C. (Mary) Wiggins, Mrs. Charles Wamble, Mr. Palmer Byrd.

Sacred Heart—Mrs. Shelby Sanders, Mrs. W. H. Coker, Sr., Mr. Rafael Perez.

HOME FROM HOSPITAL:

Mrs. Maggie Brown, Mrs. Norman White, Miss Sandra Winston, Mr. Fred Barnes, Mrs. E. C. Austin, Mrs. Chris Banakas, Mrs. Wayne Jenkins, Mr. L. Winfred Abney, Mrs. Hugh Hosmer, Mrs. Charles Allen, Steve Legrone, Mr. Norman Carraway, Mr. Earl Gaston, Mr. James C. Cunningham, Mr. Garrett Benoit, Mrs. Boyd Reeder, Miss Bessie Yates, Mrs. Barney Burks.

OUR SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. Stella Fielding in the loss of a brother.

OUR CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Van Hampton (Linda Parker) upon the birth of a daughter, Michelle Ann, April 23 in Jacksonville, Florida. Mrs. J. H. Parker is the maternal grandmother.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUN., April 27: "God's Likeness"
Psalm 17. Key Verse 15.

MON., April 28: "The Victory Of The Righteous"
Psalm 18:20-29. Key Verse 29.

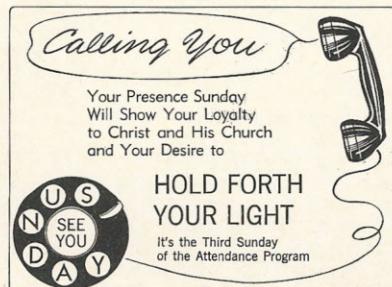
TUES., April 29: "Declaration Of The Glory Of God"
Psalm 19. Key Verse 1.

WEDS., April 30: "My Shepherd"
Psalm 23. Key Verse 1.

THURS., May 1: "The Earth Is The Lord's"
Psalm 24. Key Verse 1.

FRI., May 2: "The Strength Of My Life"
Psalm 27. Key Verse 1.

SAT., May 3: "A Prayer Promise"
John 15:1-8. Key Verse 7.



The Listening Post

SPOTLIGHTING INTERMEDIATE 13

Frustration at times but a very real sense of reward is the lot of those who work with this active, seeking, group of youth. Quite adequate to adjust to fluctuating needs of such a group is the leadership: MR. AND MRS. CLIFF LENZ, MRS. JIM DREXLER, MRS. T. W. MCWATERS, MISS DEAN RECTOR, MRS. JAMES L. PLEITZ, MR. JULIAN WILSON, MR. W. L. LEE, SR. and MRS. W. E. DURRETT. How fortunate these young people are to have as their leaders those who not only know the Lord and the Book, but are concerned enough to be faithful to its teachings and loyal in their support. Strong emphasis in this department is given to preparation of teachers for lesson presentation. Realization that this age is one filled with questions, the teachers and workers in this department attempt to expose their pupils to such teaching methods as to provoke discussion and participation. We are fortunate indeed to have such dedicated workers serving with these of such impressionable years.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE honored for their proficiency in foreign languages: Paula Wiginton, Russian; Maria Perez, Italian; Andy White, Russian.

DON'T FORGET THE GARAGE SALE, Saturday, April 26, in Mr. Royal's garage. Items ranging from kitchen ware, furniture, clothing, games, books, records, patterns to lamps, hardware, lawn mower, vaporizer and electric irons will be available. In addition to these things for sale, there will be homemade ice cream, bakery items, lemonade, etc. WE WILL BE LOOKING FOR YOU!

No get togethers this week.

Next Car Wash is set for May 10 and will be a dual one at Ben Gibbs Pure Oil and Abney's Enco. Tickets are available now for those young people wishing to sell them.

VISITATION GROUP OF NIGHT SOCIETY

The visitation group of the Night Society will meet Tuesday, April 29, 1969 at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Sarah Andress, 3011 Blackshear.

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LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

The Church in Study	1254
Main Sunday School	1241
Crippled Children's Home	13
The Church in Training	674
Training Union	177
Other Training Activities	497
Additions to the Church	25
Baptisms	3
TITHES AND OFFERINGS:	
Budget	8637.96
Specials	343.03
Revival	1352.63
Building Fund	25.00
TOTAL OFFERING	10,358.62

THE VERY NEWEST

The rosebud on the pulpit Sunday was
placed there in honor of

MISS LEXIE AMANDA JENKINS
daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. Wayne L. Jenkins
born April 18

OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

SUNDAY, APRIL 27

- * 9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages
Mr. A. H. Arnold, Supt.
- * 11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship, Pastor
- 3:00 p.m.—Interracial Worship Service at First Presbyterian Church. A. J. King, Speaker
- 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

MONDAY, APRIL 28

- 9:00 a.m.—Associational Vacation Bible School Clinic at Whitfield
- 7:30 p.m.—TALCO Meeting at Warrington Baptist Church

TUESDAY, APRIL 29

- 10:00 a.m.—Day Society Executive Board Meeting at Mrs. H. T. Dukes, 1060 Gerhardt Drive
- 7:30 p.m.—Visitation group of the Night Society will meet at the home of Sarah Andress, 3011 Blackshear

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30

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

THURSDAY, MAY 1

- 9:30 a.m.—Associational WMU Meeting at East Brent Baptist Church
- 7:00 p.m.—Refector's Class Meeting in "The Cellar"

FRIDAY, MAY 2

- 4:45 p.m.—Junior Choir Skating Party

ADULTS ON SUNDAY NIGHTS

Our adults are having a real fine experience on Sunday nights at our Training Union Hour. They are discussing the current school situation in Escambia County. Next Sunday, Mr. W. J. Darden will continue the discussion on school finances. Join our adults at 6:00 o'clock in Fellowship Hall (basement of the Educational Building).