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PASTOR

TAKE A FRESH SPIRITUAL START NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5

- NEW TEACHERS!

- NEW CLASSES!

- NEW CHRISTIAN FRIENDS

Sunday every person will go directly to their new departments for opening assembly and records.

In new classes, we will be in touch with people whom we have never known well before. Look around. Lasting friendships can be made.

As we encounter different people, we will have new opportunities to mean something to them, comforting the sorrowing, bringing joy to the lonely, and encouraging others.

We can have a fresh start spiritually, as we dedicate ourselves anew to the great cause of Christ. We are privileged to be members of one of the greatest churches anywhere. Pray that this will be our greatest year as a church — and your greatest year in Christian growth!

As this new church year begins, let us all resolve not to miss a single Sunday. Now is the time to begin!

Pastor's paragraphs

On Turning a Church Into a Submarine

The good Lord never intended for any church to be turned into a submarine — but it can happen.

"Once upon a time in the twentieth century there was a church that became a submarine. It wasn't as difficult as it might seem. One day it just clang shut the hatch on the outside world and submerged into its own sea. Occasionally it ran up the periscope to see where it was going.



"Once the captain got a real vision through his periscope and when he demanded that they get back

to the surface and fast, the crew quickly developed the bends and the sub stayed down.

"While submerged there was a lot for the crew to do. In fact they were kept on alert and asked to make maximum efforts. They tinkered with the machinery constantly. They overhauled their kitchen. They inventoried their ammunition at least once a week but they never used it. They paid salaries to the officers and went through endless drills occasionally interrupted by prayers that no depth charge would disturb their isolation.

"The air got stale too, so did the routine, but they put up with it because the alternatives were too demanding. Several committees even decided the stale air was good for them.

"One of the members who had sneaked a look through the periscope suggested a change in course and the giving away of their surplus supplies. He was immediately eliminated for mutiny.

"The last entry in the captain's log book read 'Have probably set a new record for being submerged and maintaining predetermined course. See no reason why we should change directions. Crew continues to give maximum effort. We did sight an enemy, appointed three committee members to study the situation.'"

The First Baptist Church of Pensacola is not a submarine. We are making an honest effort to do what Jesus would do if He were here. How about joining us in this quest, friend? Our CAPTAIN has a word for us Sunday. I hope you'll join us in His House.

Faithfully your pastor,
JAMES L. PLEITZ

ADULTS STUDY DOCTRINE

Beginning next Sunday Adults and Young People in our Sunday School begin a six month study entitled "Great Truths From The Bible".

During October through December the lessons will be on "Great Truths From the Old Testament" and from January through March 1970 the theme will be "Great Truths from Romans". The six month study will present the important doctrines of our faith such as the Revelation concerning God, concerning man, holiness, God's Laws, forgiveness, sin, salvation and other beliefs of the Christian life.

In this day of confusion and change a study of the doctrines of our faith is timely. Our Christian life needs the strength from such a study. Are you an average Christian who is content with the assurance that God created man and willing to leave it there, or would you prefer to know more about what kind of being God is and the nature of man whom God created in His own image. This unit of study leads one to realize that God, the creator, is still at work in our world today. In Romans 3:23 we read "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." The beginning of sin is found in the third chapter of Genesis. It was disobedience on a voluntary basis. Salvation comes by the grace of God. It is free to all who accept it. The study of "Great Truths from the Old Testament" is designed for depth study that will strengthen our Christian faith to better combat the problems we are faced with in this twentieth century. The first president of our country said, "It is impossible to rightly govern the world without God and the Bible." The Bible is the Christian's weapon of offense. Make it your constant guide through diligent study. If you have not yet gotten your quarterly here are the Scripture passages for next Sunday:

Genesis 1:1-5, 31; 2:1-3;

Isaiah 40:21-28

Study these passages and be present Sunday. Don't miss a single Sunday of this vital study.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist—Gregory Brown, Mr. J. S. Baisden

Children's Hospital—Miss Jan Boghich

Navy Hospital—Mrs. Doug Blancheri

Sacred Heart—Mr. Don LeGrone

HOME FROM HOSPITAL:

Mrs. T. B. Shell, Mrs. L. G. Cox,
David Wilson, James A. Riddle, Mrs.
Pete McLeod.

SYMPATHY TO:

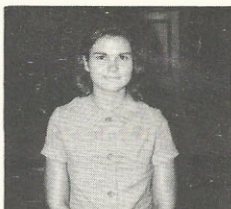
Mr. and Mrs. William Elliott Snuggs
(Leenan Gentry) in the loss of an
infant son.

Mrs. Ralph Thompson in the loss of
her father.

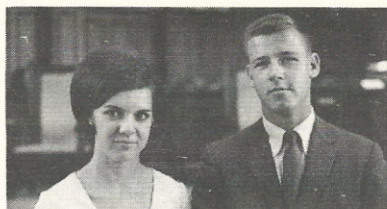
**THESE WERE RECEIVED INTO CHURCH MEMBERSHIP
ON LAST WEDNESDAY EVENING:**



Miss Genievieve Averett
and Miss Annie Averett



Miss Kathryn Fisher



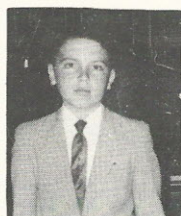
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goral (Angie)



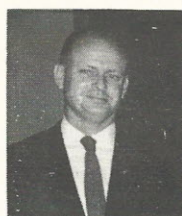
Chris Maughon



Scott Maughon



Michael McNew



W. K. McNew



Mary Royals

Special LIFE OF CHRIST study

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"The finest visual presentation of the Life of Christ ever undertaken."

Beginning next Sunday, 6:00 (sponsored by Adult Division of Training Union — Meeting in Adult A Department).

- October 5—Holy Night
- October 12—Escape to Egypt
- October 19—Boyhood and Baptism
- October 26—Men of the Wilderness
- November 2—Challenge of Faith
- November 9—Discipleship
- November 16—Return to Nazareth
- November 23—Conflict
- November 30—Fate of John the Baptist
- December 7—Retreat and Decision
- December 14—Triumph and Defeat
- December 21—Crucifixion and Resurrection

**FOR THE ENTIRE
TRAINING UNION**

Snack Supper
5:40-5:55
Dining Room

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A. M.
"Fools For Christ's Sake"
(Matthew 14:22-33)

7:15 P. M.
"Sour Grapes And Dry Bones"
Ezekiel 18:1-4, 37:1-10)

The Listening Post

MORE COLLEGE STUDENTS:

Pensacola Junior College: Barbara Robertson, George Crowther, Louis Higgins.

University of Florida: Mary Ann Overman, Graduate Work.

University of West Florida: David Sutton, Basil Yelverton, Frank Bratcher.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

CAROLYN HILEY on completion of training as stewardess Eastern Air Lines. She will be based in Atlanta.

JULIE DREXLER on 4.0 for summer quarter and on grant of achievement scholarship for next three quarters.

MRS. BONNIE GUYETTE JUTILA on receipt of BS degree in Nursing from Florida State University.

IF YOU HAVE OTHER INFORMATION ABOUT COLLEGE STUDENTS, WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO HAVE IT.

If you have correct addresses on your child, we would appreciate the information.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE JUNIOR BOYS AND GIRLS IN JUNIOR 9 ON COMPLETION OF THEIR MEMORY WORK: Steve Ford, Cliff Mowe, Kevin Flynn, Lynne Buff, Terrell Thames III, Susan Daniel, Bruce Powell, Ricky Sears, Alice Wiggins, Kevin Cassidy, Nilo Porras, Cynthia Wiginton.

**DEACONS OF THE MONTH
FOR OCTOBER**

MR. GERALD A. GARRETT
MR. JAMES C. ROUNTREE

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LOOKING AT LAST WEEK

The Church in Study 1283
 Main Sunday School 1263
 Crippled Children's Home 20
 The Church in Training 762
 Training Union 178
 Other Training Activities 584
 Coming for Membership 11
 Tithes and Offerings:
 Budget \$5,886.05
 Specials 353.75
TOTAL OFFERING **\$6,239.80**

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUN., OCT. 5: "A New Spirit"
 Ezekiel 11:13-21. Key Verse 19.
 MON., OCT. 6: "A New Heart"
 Ezekiel 36:26-38. Key Verse 27.
 TUES., OCT. 7: "Heart Purpose"
 Daniel 1:8-21. Key Verse 8.
 WED., OCT. 8: "God Is Able to Deliver"
 Daniel 3:13-28. Key Verse 28.
 THURS., OCT. 9: "Open Windows"
 Daniel 6:10-23. Key Verse 10.
 FRI., OCT. 10: "Return Unto the Lord"
 Hosea 6:1-11. Key Verse 3.
 SAT., OCT. 11: "When God's Spirit
 Comes"
 Joel 2:21-32. Key Verse 28.

THE WMS DAY SOCIETY

INVITES ALL LADIES
 OF THE CHURCH TO ATTEND
 A GET ACQUAINTED COFFEE
 Tuesday, October 7
 9:30 A. M.

Adult "A" Department
 and to hear SENATOR REUBIN AS-
 KEW SPEAK on church and state and
 how they influence each other at 11:00
 Nursery Open for Pre-School Children

OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5

- * 9:30 a.m.—Sunday School,
 A. H. Arnold, Supt.
- * 11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
 4:00 p.m.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
 5:30 p.m.—Jr. Memory Drill,
 Jr. 12 Dept.
- 5:40 p.m.—Training Union Snack
 Supper, Dining Room
- * 6:00 p.m.—Training Union
- * 7:15 p.m.—Evening Worship
 8:30 p.m.—Sr. Hi-College Fellowship
 at the home of Gail Swint,
 3041 Rothschild.
 B & P Fellowship in Cellar

MONDAY, OCTOBER 6

7:30 p.m.—Deacon's meeting

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7

- * 9:30 a.m.—W.M.S. Get-Acquainted
 Coffee
- 10:00 a.m.—General Meeting,
 Ad. A Department
- 12:30 p.m.—Dottson Mills Group Meets
- 7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts meet in Cellar
- WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8**
- * 4:45 p.m.—Choirs
- * 5:50 p.m.—Fellowship Dinner
- * 6:30 p.m.—Sunbeams, GA's, RA's,
 Sunday School Officer's
 and Teacher's meeting
- * 7:30 p.m.—Prayer Service
- * 8:00 p.m.—Adult Choir Rehearsal

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP

FOR BAPTISM FROM OTHER DENOMINATION:

- 79. Mr. W. Raymond Chesser, 1805 W.
 Wright
- 80. Mrs. Jim Hardekopf, Rt. 3, Box 312,
 Apt. G-3

BY LETTER:

- 227. Mrs. W. Raymond Chesser (Hettie)
 1805 W. Wright. From Faith Bap-
 tist Church, Pensacola
- 228. Mr. Ronald R. Eaton, 6030 Old Pala-
 fox, Lot 12. From: Wieuca Rd. Bap-
 tist, Atlanta, Ga.
- 229. Mrs. Ronald R. Eaton (Joanne W.)
- 230. Mr. Jim Hardekopf, Rt. 3, Box 312,
 Apt. G-3. From: First Baptist, W.
 Palm Beach, Fla.
- 231. Miss Betty Lane Lovvorn, 6822 N.
 Palafox, D-6. From: Central Bap-
 tist, Talladega, Ala.
- 232. Miss Rebecca Rayfield, 900 S. "E",
 Apt. 127. From: Calvary Baptist,
 Jackson, Miss.
- 233. Mr. John B. Tidwell, 3651 Forest
 Glen. From: Myrtle Grove Baptist,
 Pensacola
- 234. Mrs. John B. Tidwell (Ann)
- 235. Mr. Dennis Tower, BOQ 3251, Rm.
 319B, NAS. From: Middletown Bap-
 tist Church, Middletown, R. I.