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GUIDEPOSTS CHURCH AWARD SERVICE

MONDAY- JANUARY 19, 1970

7:30 P.M.



DR. NORMAN VINCENT PEALE

Featured Speaker

## MRS. NORMAN VINCENT PEALE



Mrs. Norman Vincent Peale, Co-Editor of Guideposts magazine, will be a special guest at the Award Service on Monday, January 19.

Our church has been chosen to receive the 1970 Guideposts Church Award. Each year since 1958, Guideposts, a religious magazine read by an estimated 6 million persons each month, has surveyed the program of churches and synagogues throughout America in search of outstanding initiative and spiritual creativity by congregation and pastor, priest, or rabbi. It is because of initiative and creativity that First Baptist is being honored as Church of the Year.

Dr. Norman Vincent Peale, editor-in-chief of Guideposts, will present the Award in a special service in our Sanctuary on Monday, January 19, at 7:30 p.m.

Probably no minister of our time has a more far-flung pulpit than Dr. Peale. Through his books, radio and television programs, and speeches, he has and is reaching millions of people throughout the world.

From his pulpit at Marble Collegiate Church in New York City, Dr. Peale preaches to some 4,000 people every Sunday. His sermons are broadcast and later published by the Foundation for Christian Living and mailed to 500,000 persons each month. His largest "congregation," however, is made up of the readers of his 16 published books, one of which—The Power of Positive Thinking—has been translated into 30 languages and has sold over 2½ million copies.

Dr. Peale will be the featured speaker at the special Award Service. Every member of our church should plan to attend and bring his friends.

Other special guests who will participate in the Award Service are: Mrs. Norman Vincent Peale, wife of the featured speaker and co-editor of Guideposts magazine; Dr. Porter Routh, Executive Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention's Executive Committee; Dr. Harold Bennett, Executive Secretary of the Florida Baptist Convention; and Reverend Douglas Watterson, President of the Florida Baptist Convention.

Receiving Guideposts Church Award is a great honor for First Baptist. You will want to share in the blessings of the Award Service.

# Pastor's paragraphs

I surely hope that you have made your plans to attend the Award Service Monday evening. I am extremely proud of

our church family. To be recognized by Guideposts as their Church of the Year is a tremendous honor.

This honor has come to the church because we have hundreds of people who are sincerely trying to live the Christian life. Christianity is so much more than a belief, it is a matter of

behaviour. If our beliefs do not result in the living of the Christian life, something is seriously wrong.

Norman Vincent Peale is one of the outstanding ministers in America. He has touched the lives of millions for the Master. I am anxious for you to hear and meet Dr. and Mrs. Peale, but to tell you the truth, I am even more anxious for Dr. and Mrs. Peale to meet you!

Come early and bring a friend. The time is 7:30 p.m.

Sincerely your pastor,

*James L. Pleitz*

P.S. Between now and Monday evening, we have another date down at the Meeting House. Remember!

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUN., Jan. 18: "The Forgiving God"  
Exodus 34:1-9. Key Verse 7.

MON., Jan. 19: "The Forgiving Jesus"  
Mark 2:1-12. Key Verse 5.

TUES., Jan. 20: "A Great Sinner Forgiven"  
Luke 7:36-50. Key Verse 47.

WED., Jan. 21: "Forgiveness Unlimited"  
Matthew 18:21-35. Key Verse 22.

THURS., Jan. 22: "God, Be Merciful to Me"  
Luke 18:9-14. Key Verse 14.

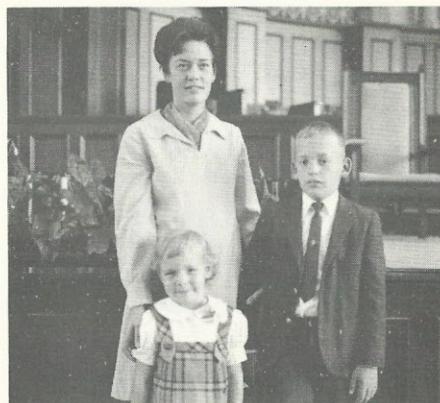
FRI., Jan. 23: "Forgiveness and Restitution"  
Luke 9:1-10. Key Verse 8.

SAT., Jan. 24: "Forgiving One Another"  
Ephesians 4:25-32. Key Verse 32.

THESE WERE RECEIVED INTO  
CHURCH MEMBERSHIP  
WEDNESDAY, JAN. 7, 1970



Dottie Henthorn



Mrs. Virginia Sandidge  
(Also Shown are Kelly and  
James Robert)

## ALL PENSACOLA CRUSADE

Featuring: Dr. John R. Rice, Dr. Bill Rice and Dr. Jack Hyles

Sponsored by Christian Businessmen's Committee, January 18-21, Municipal Auditorium

### SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A. M.

"Power Unlimited"  
(Matthew 17:1-8)

7:15 P. M.

"Turning The World Right Side Up"  
(Acts 17:1-9)

## BIBLE CONFERENCE "STUDIES IN JAMES"

February 1-4



**Dr. Raymond Bryan Brown**  
Southeastern Baptist Theological  
Seminary

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### THE VERY NEWEST

The rosebuds on the pulpit Sunday were  
placed there in honor of

**MISS KIMBERLY LYNN ATKINSON**  
daughter of  
Mr. and Mrs. John Russell Atkinson  
born December 17

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**MISS LISA MARIE BERCAW**  
daughter of  
Mr. and Mrs. David Lamont Bercaw  
born January 5

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**MISS WENDY ELISE JERNIGAN**  
daughter of  
Mr. and Mrs. William S. Jernigan  
born January 5

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### COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP

#### BY LETTER:

64. Mrs. George H. Crane, 3420 Summit Blvd.  
From: Lakeside Baptist, Lakeland, Fla.
65. Mrs. Marilou Dotson, 2025 E. Hatton  
From: First Baptist, Jacksonville, Fla.

#### BAPTIZED:

Mr. Don Brunson  
Mrs. Don Brunson  
Dottie Henthorn  
Mrs. Henry G. Sellers, Jr.

# FOCUS ON FIRST FOLKS

Mrs. Charles H. Overman, III (Pat Jernigan) upon graduation from University of Florida with Bachelor's degree in education. Pat was initiated into Phi Kappa Phi, National Honor Society, which is for those graduating in the upper 10 per cent of class in all fields.

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## LIBRARY NOTES

### TOP TEN OF '69

Shea—Then Sings My Soul  
Stanger—That Quail, Robert  
Hines—This Is My Story, This Is My  
Song  
Marshall—Christy  
Creffer—Song Of Wild Laughter  
Seaery—America's Historylands  
Polley—America's Historic Houses  
Dugan—World Beneath The Sea  
Mead—With God In The Garden  
Roberts—Automobiles Of The World

Have you read them?

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## LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS

Church Goal	\$13,000.00
Given To Date	\$10,087.38

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## LOOKING AT LAST WEEK

The Church in Study	989
Main Sunday School	973
Crippled Children's Home	16
The Church in Training	660
Training Union	186
Other Training Activities	474
Coming for Membership	2
Baptized	4
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$5,167.46
Specials	336.52
Building Fund	
TOTAL OFFERING	\$5,503.98

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Sidney Jones  
request the honour of your presence  
at the marriage of their daughter  
Cecilia Ann

to

Mr. Jamie Allen Coulter  
on Saturday, the twenty-fourth of January  
One thousand nine hundred and seventy  
at half after four o'clock in the afternoon  
First Baptist Church  
and afterwards at the reception  
at the Church

## Opportunities of the Week

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 18

- \* 9:30 a.m.—Sunday School
- \* 11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
- 2:30 p.m.—Association YWA Meeting, Whitfield
- 4:00 p.m.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
- 5:30 p.m.—Sword Drill, Jr. 12 S. S. Dept.
- 5:40 p.m.—Training Union Snack
- \* 6:00 p.m.—Training Union
- \* 7:15 p.m.—Evening Worship

### MONDAY, JANUARY 19

7:30 p.m.—"Church of the Year" Award Service

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21

- \* 4:45 p.m.—Choirs
- \* 5:50 p.m.—Fellowship Dinner
- \* 6:30 p.m.—Sunday School Officers and Teachers Meeting, Sunbeams, G.A.'s and R.A.'s
- \* 7:30 p.m.—Prayer Service
- \* 8:00 p.m.—Adult Choir Rehearsal

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 22

9:30 a.m.—Association WMU Meeting, Gulf Breeze

7:00 p.m.—Silent Class Film Night, Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m.—WMU Association of Night Groups, Whitfield

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 23

\* 6:30 p.m.—MYP Training Union Party in "The Cellar"

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

### OUR CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Miss Katie Sue Van Pelt and Mr. Gene Steven Warren upon their marriage December 30.

### OUR SYMPATHY TO:

Mr. Hugh Reeves in the loss of a sister.

Mr. Jack Lurton in the loss of a brother.

Mr. C. I. Pinnell in the loss of a brother.

### IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist—Mrs. Lillie Bloch, Mrs. Lillian Crosby, Mrs. Floyd Anderson, Mrs. Lillie Vice, Mr. Fred Rand, Mr. James F. Taylor, Mrs. Troy L. Booker

Sacred Heart—Mrs. Ella Gilmore, Miss Sherre Vickery, Mrs. Jessie Davis, Mr. Earl Buchanan

Children's Hospital—Miss Jan Boghich, Oschner Hospital, New Orleans — Mrs. Myles Colley

### HOME FROM HOSPITAL:

Mrs. Raymond Barrow, Mrs. John Ledford, Mrs. William Jernigan, Mrs. David Bercaw, Mr. Lee Vann Byrd, Mrs. J. R. Beard, Mr. A. S. Edwards