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I love Thy church, O God!
Her walls before Thee stand,
Dear as the apple of Thine eye,
And graven on Thy hand.

Pastor's Paragraphs

TAKE HEART, MADALYN

The crowd was disappointingly small. She had expected thousands but less than forty showed up for the convention in Austin, Texas.



There were probably more news reporters there than there were delegates to Madalyn Murray's Atheist Convention.

(If you see Madalyn, please tell her not to be disappointed in the attendance. Just because the

multitudes didn't come, she should not think for one minute that they are committed to Jesus Christ. On the contrary, the vast majority of Americans couldn't care less. According to the teachings of Jesus, these uncommitted multitudes can be counted in HER fold . . . Regardless of whether they attended the Convention or not.)

You'll have to travel many a mile to find a more optimistic crowd than the atheists that gathered in Austin last week. They calmly divided up the state of Texas and started planning to establish atheist churches in cities and communities all over the state. (Take note Texas Baptists. Forty committed atheists will give a million lukewarm Texas Baptists a hard row to hoe.)

Honestly, there are some features about atheism that are most appealing. For one thing it is not very demanding. You can do as you please and it's free! Even attendance at the Convention was not compulsory. Nor is it for the Christian. You don't HAVE to attend church, but if you don't WANT to, something is radically wrong in your heart.

"Top priority for Christians," said the late William Temple, Archbishop of Canterbury, "is the public worship of God; all else, including social action, is derivative." It is well to remember that Dr. Temple was one of Britain's most prominent progressives who believed that it is part of the religion of a man to see that his country is well governed.

God willing, we will meet to worship the Living Lord next Sunday. Will you testify to the validity of your belief in Goy by being present?

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz

THE BIG PARADE IS COMING.



Sunday night at the worship service, the pastor will show slides made on his recent trip around the world. Don't miss it!

MOODY ADAMS CRUSADE

You are encouraged to attend the remaining services of the Moody Adams Crusade. The services begin at 8:00 p.m. at the Pensacola High School Auditorium.

The special guest on Friday and Saturday evenings is Mr. Bobby Lord of the "Grand Old Opry." He will sing, play, and relate the experiences that led him to give up night club work. He is the author of the book "The Glory Road."

Hear Moody Adams
Richard Tate
Roy McCallum
Bobby Lord

*Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hall Wilson, Jr.
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Sandra Alice*

*to
Mr. Bernard Lawrence Lucassen, Jr.
on Saturday, the fifteenth of August
Nineteen hundred and seventy
at seven o'clock in the evening
First Baptist Church
Pensacola, Florida*

*Reception
following ceremony
at the Church*

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A. M.

"Would Jesus Go To Church?
(John 11:45-57)

7:15 P. M.

"Unto All The World"
Pastor will show slides of recent
trip around the world.

THESE WERE RECEIVED INTO CHURCH MEMBERSHIP
LAST WEEK



Bill and Virginia Kennedy



E. L. (Dick) and Elizabeth Puckett and Patricia

AMONG FLORIDA BAPTISTS
FIRST BAPTIST A LEADER IN WORLD MISSIONS

Thank the Lord for the Missions emphasis of our church! The Florida Baptist Witness of July 23 contained a report for the three quarters ending June 30, 1970. Here are the top ten churches in total gifts to missions.

1. First Baptist, Pensacola	\$82,117.15
2. First Baptist, Orlando	79,682.17
3. First Baptist, Fort Lauderdale	70,221.56
4. University Baptist, Coral Gables	61,121.97
5. First Baptist, Jacksonville	56,294.33
6. First Baptist, St. Petersburg	\$44,640.60
7. First Baptist, Lakeland	41,272.19
8. First Baptist, Gainesville	39,761.18
9. Central Baptist, Miami	37,212.64
10. First Baptist, Tallahassee	37,078.17

Because of your faithfulness in giving, we have been able to have this significant part in what Baptists are doing in Florida and to the ends of the earth.

REPORT FROM H.O.M.E.

Sunday night at the Training Union hour, Mrs. Charles Clevenger will speak on the work of Operation H.O.M.E. This is a group concerned with the problem of pornographic literature in our community. Mrs. Clevenger will give an up-to-the-minute report on the efforts of this group.

WMS GROUPS TO MEET
TUESDAY, AUGUST 11

10:00 a.m.—VIRGINIA COBB will meet with Mrs. Russell Stewart, 1210 Ariola Drive, Pensacola Beach.
T. N. CALLAWAY will meet at the Church, WMS Clothes Closet.

10:00 A.M.—STANLEY DAVIS will meet with Mrs. Henry Parramore, 3810 Maule Road.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

OUR CONGRATULATIONS TO:
Miss Carol Elizabeth Salter and Mr. William Scott Armstrong on their marriage August 1.

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist

Mr. Vernon Cash, Mrs. Elizabeth Vallia, Mr. James Riddle, Mrs. Pearl Zilonka, Mr. John Godwin, Stephen Shell

Sacred Heart Hospital

Mrs. Newman Davis, Mrs. Luciano Suarez, Mrs. Diana Miles, Mrs. Gladys Knight, Mrs. William Warren, Mr. Mel Lovett, Mr. Jack Archer, Mrs. Merle Gilmore Wilson

University Hospital, Jackson, Miss.
Mrs. Donald Pierce.

Eglin Air Force Base Hospital
Mr. Robert Broxton.

HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Mr. M. A. Farmer, Mrs. Max Albritton.

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LOOKING AT LAST WEEK

The Church in Study	1016
Main Sunday School	988
Crippled Children's Home	28
The Church in Training	232
Training Union	139
Other Training Activities	93
Coming for Membership	1
Baptized	2
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$7,730.28
Specials	1,511.92
TOTAL OFFERING	\$9,242.20

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP

ON PROFESSION OF FAITH IN
CHRIST:
58. Mr. Herman Lewis Mertins, 1008 W.
Chase.
Baptized:
Eddie and Linda Shutze.

Opportunities of the Week

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

- * 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School
- * 11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship
- 4:00 P.M.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
- * 6:00 P.M.—Training Union
- * 7:15 P.M.—Evening Worship

MONDAY, AUGUST 10

- 7:30 P.M.—Deacons Meet

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11

- * 10:00 A.M.—WMS Groups Meet

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12

- * 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 Business Meeting
- * 8:00 P.M.—Adult Choir Rehearsal

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sun., August 9: "The King of Glory"
Psalm 24. Key Verse 10

Mon., August 10: "Longing For God"
Psalm 42. Key Verse 1

Tues., August 11: "The Wonderful God"
Psalm 139:1-14. Key Verse 1

Wed., August 12: "Faithful Worship"
Psalm 145:1-18. Key Verse 2

Thurs., August 13: "Worship Leads to
Service" Isaiah 6:1-8. Key Verse 8

Fri., August 14: "Holy, Holy, Holy"
Revelation 4. Key Verse 8

Sat., August 15: "Worthy Is The Lamb"
Revelation 5:9-14. Key Verse 12

THANKS TO VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL WORKERS

A special "thank you" has been said to all who helped in the Vacation Bible School and in TABS last week. We had a real fine week and we are grateful not only to these who helped in the school, but to parents and Sunday School workers who in many ways supported these efforts.