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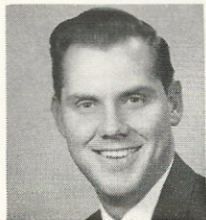
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Pastor's Paragraphs

THERE ARE TWO SEAS

There are two seas in Palestine. One is fresh and fish are in it. Splashes of green adorn its banks. Trees spread their branches over it, and stretch out their roots to sip of its healing water. Along its shores the children play.



The River Jordan makes this sea with sparkling water from the hills. So it laughs in the sunshine. And men build their homes near to it, and birds their nests; and every kind of life is happier because it is there.

The River Jordan flows on south into another sea. Here is no splash of fish, no fluttering leaf, no song of birds, no children's laughter. Travelers choose another route, unless on urgent business. The air hangs heavily about its waters and neither men or beast nor fowl will drink. What makes this mighty difference in these neighbor seas? Not the River Jordan. It empties the same good water into both. Not the soil in which they lie; not the country round about.

This is the difference: The Sea of Galilee receives but does not keep the Jordan. For every drop that flows into it another drop flows out. The giving and receiving go on in equal measure. The other sea is shrewder, hoarding its income jealously. It will not be tempted into any generous impulse. Every drop it gets it keeps. The Sea of Galilee gives and lives. The other sea gives nothing. It is named the Dead Sea.

There are two kinds of people in the world. There are two seas in Palestine.

Bruce Barton has not only given us a vivid description of the two seas, he probes deep into the human heart doesn't he!

See you Sunday.

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz

STAFF LEADS THE WAY



Again this year, various groups are being asked to turn in their pledges prior to our November 22 Pledge Day. Shown above are members of the church staff as they become the first group to turn in their pledge cards.

SUNDAY IS DEMONSTRATION DAY

Sunday is the date that has been set for our Demonstration Day. You have received from the pastor a letter and an envelope. You will want to use this envelope to make a **MEANINGFUL DEMONSTRATION** of your love for Christ and the Church. Every member is urged to bring a tithe of his weekly earnings. Many of our people who are already tithing regularly are planning to bring an over and above offering.

Demonstration Day last year was an outstanding day in the life of our church. Let's again demonstrate concerning our love.



FIRST BAPTIST'S FIRST HANDBELLS

A set of Schulmerich Handbells has been added to the Music Ministry of First Baptist Church. The set includes 37 handbells with a range of 3 chromatic octaves. The handbells are kept in custom-made carrying cases.

The art of handbell ringing was founded in England over 400 years ago and has grown until now there are over 500 handbell groups in this country.

Several groups will be started as part of First Baptist's Music Program. Pictured here are members of the Senior Fellowship Group who performed the first song on the new bells.

A performing group will be organized from 9th and 10th grade boys and girls. Auditions are now open. The group will perform for the first time as a part of the Christmas music program.

THESE WERE RECEIVED INTO CHURCH MEMBERSHIP LAST WEEK



Ray and Helen Nobles
Trenet and Paul



Julian and Flo Minchew

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUN., NOVEMBER 8: "Balanced Development". Luke 2:40-52.

MON., NOVEMBER 9: "Perfect in Love" Matthew 5:38-48.

TUES., NOVEMBER 10: "God Gives the Growth". 1 Corinthians 3:1-9.

WED., NOVEMBER 11: "Spiritual Maturity". Ephesians 4:1-16.

THURS., NOVEMBER 12: "The Completion of God's Work" Philippians 1:1-11.

FRI., NOVEMBER 13: "Supplement Your Faith". 2 Peter 1:1-8.

SAT., NOVEMBER 14: "Grow in Grace" 2 Peter 3:9-18.

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP

BY LETTER:

22. Mrs. Ronald G. Adkison (Margie), 6001 Audubon. From: Whitfield Baptist, Pensacola.

23. Miss Lynn DeFoore, 600 Scenic Highway, Apt 104. From: Broadmoor Baptist, Jackson, Miss.

24. Mr. Les Fairchild, 7155 N. 9th Ave. Apt. 101-G. From: Eastside Baptist, Haines City, Fla.

25. Mrs. Les Fairchild (Macklyn)

26. Mr. Richard R. Holmes, 2885 Blackshear Ave. From: N. Etowah Baptist, Etowah, Tenn.

27. Mrs. Richard R. Holmes (Sally)

28. Heather Holmes

29. Mrs. Donna Howard, Rt. 3, Box 229-A. From: First Baptist, Glen Rose, Texas.

30. James Howard, Jr.,

31. Joel Howard

32. John Howard

33. Mr. James E. Tribble, 6679 Westmont St. From: Jackson Way Baptist, Huntsville, Ala.

34. Mrs. James E. Tribble (Catny)

IN MEMORIAM

Mr. C. R. Tart

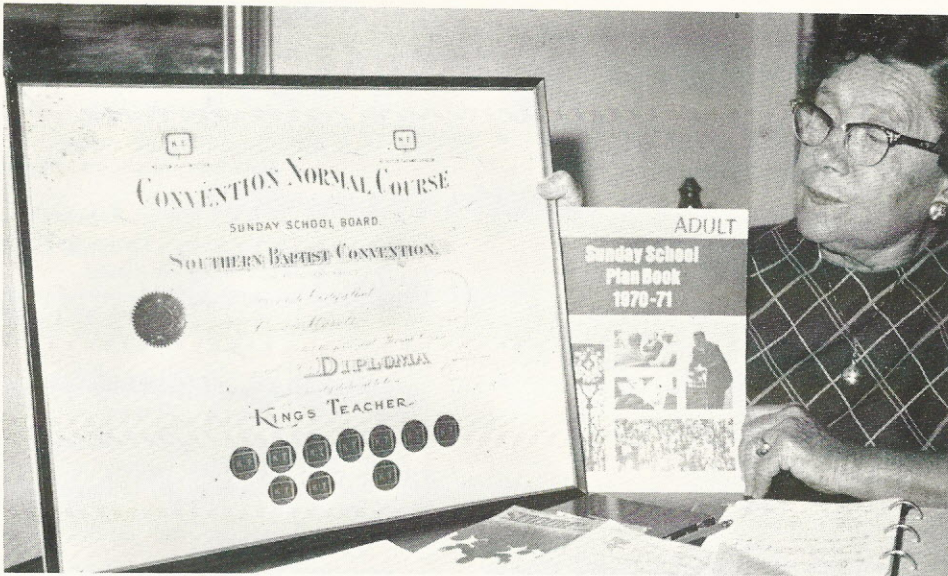
300 North Spring

Joined our church by baptism March 1, 1942.

Deceased October 28, 1970.



AND STILL SERVING



When workers in Adult 5 Department met recently in the home of Annie Averett, they had the opportunity of seeing the "King's Teacher" diploma which she earned at age 16. This may well be the earliest age such an award was earned.

Miss Averett served for a number of years as Superintendent of an Adult Department in our Sunday School and is presently Teaching Leader for the Adult 5 Department.

WHEEL CHAIRS

The Owens Class in Adult 3 Department is attempting to obtain wheel chairs for the Crippled Children's Home. If you have one that you no longer need, please contact Cdr. W. G. Harker at telephone 433-0257.

*Mr. and Mrs. Glen Earnest Lyons
request the pleasure of your company
at the marriage of their daughter
Glenda Jean*

to

*Mr. Gerald Wayne Simpson
on Saturday evening, the fourteenth
of November
One thousand nine hundred and seventy
at half after seven o'clock*

*First Baptist Church
Pensacola, Florida*

*Reception
following the ceremony*

MEMORIAL FLOWERS LAST SUNDAY

The flowers in the sanctuary last Sunday were in memory of Mr. Sam K. E. Williams, and were given by Mrs. Williams and children.

BAPTIST WOMEN — GENERAL MEETING TUESDAY, NOV. 10

10:00 a.m.—Bible Study

10:30 a.m.—Business Meeting

11:15 a.m.—PROGRAM — DR. WILLIAM K. GHRIST, OPHTHALMOLOGIST, who serves as a Medical Missionary in Mombasa, Kenya. Dr. and Mrs. Ghrist are house guests of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Clevenger and we are indebted to them for sharing these friends with us.

11:55 a.m.—Lunch — Stanley Davis Group serving.
Dottson Mills Group Meeting following lunch.

ASSOCIATIONAL ACTEENS MEETING

The first Associational Acteens meeting will be held Sunday, November 8, 2:30 P.M. at Bellview Baptist Church. Since the girls will be studying Japan next month, the speaker for this meeting will be a young Japanese student. To create the atmosphere for the meeting those attending will be sitting on the floor. You are encouraged to wear slacks and bring a throw pillow.

SENIOR ADULTS AT WORK



Shown above members of our Senior Adult Fellowship pack cookies to go to our men in service. More than thirty packages were mailed last week. Our Senior Adults enjoy the fellowship of the monthly meetings but they are more interested in ministering than being ministered to.

SO YOU THINK YOU ARE SACRIFICING?

Two wealthy Christians, a lawyer and a businessman, joined in a round-the-world tour. In Korea they saw by the side of the road a boy pulling a crude wooden plow, while an old man held the plow handles and guided it through the rice paddy. The lawyer was quite surprised and took a picture. "That's a curious sight. I suppose they are very poor," he said to the missionary. "Yes," was the reply, "that's the family of Chi Novi. When the church was built after the war, they were eager to share in its construction but had no money. They sold their only ox and gave the money to the church. This spring they are pulling the plow themselves."

The businessman then replied, "That must have been a real sacrifice." "They did not call it that," said the missionary. They felt fortunate to have an ox to sell."

The two tourists had little to say. But when they reached home, the lawyer took the picture to his pastor and told him of the incident. "I intend to double my giving through my church—and I want you to give me some plow work to do. I have never given anything to Christ that really cost me anything. I had to go around the world to learn that."

When are WE going to learn?

—Selected

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should be in the office, preferably in
writing, not later than 9:00 a.m. Mondays.

LOOKING AT LAST WEEK

The Church in Study1196
Main Sunday School1176
Crippled Children's Home ... 20
The Church in Training 805
Training Union 224
Other Training Activities ... 581
Coming for Membership13
Tithes and Offerings:
Budget\$9,216.05
Specials 355.31
Building Fund 18.00
TOTAL OFFERING\$9,589.36

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A. M.

"THE REASON WHY"

(Ephesians 3:14-19)

7:15 P. M.

"WOULD YOU BELIEVE?"

(Isaiah 53:1-6)

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist

Jeffery Leon Flowers, Mrs. Mamie
Graham, Mrs. A. S. Edwards, Mr.
Leon Singletary.

Sacred Heart

Mr. James Prim, Mr. A. S. Edwards,
Miss Annie (Nan) Beggs.

HOME FROM HOSPITAL:

John Hinson, Mr. L. L. Hanks, Mrs.
Willard Vickery, Mrs. Myles Colley,
Miss Ora House, Mrs. Woodrow Dar-
den, Miss Pearl Kennedy, Mrs. Frances
Schlevoight, Mr. Mose Penton, Mr.
Woody Creel, Mr. John Yelverton.

OUR SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. C. R. Tart in the loss of her
husband.

Mrs. Mike Samples (Cheryl) Watson
in the loss of her father.

Mrs. Alma Branch in the loss of a
brother.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary this
Sunday are in memory of Mr. O. W.
Petty and are given by Dr. and Mrs.
J. Conlee Pickens.

CONCERT

The Rollins College Choir and Or-
chestra will present a concert here in
our sanctuary at 4:00 Monday after-
noon, November 9.

The concert is a part of the 36th An-
nual Convention of the Florida State
Music Teachers Association and is under
the direction of Dr. Ward Woodbury.
The program will include a new work
commissioned by FSMTA, "Dialogue I"
for Chorus and Synthesizer. Professor
William Hoskins, composer of the work,
will be here to demonstrate the Moog
Synthesizer, an electronic device capable
of producing sounds ranging from a
train-whistle to a full symphony or-
chestra.

The public is invited to attend this
concert. Admission is free.

OPPORTUNITIES of THE WEEK

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8

DEMONSTRATION DAY

- * 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School
- * 11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship
- 2:30 P.M.—Associational Acteen
Meeting, Bellview Baptist
Church
- 4:00 P.M.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
- * 6:00 P.M.—Christian Training Hour
- * 7:15 P.M.—Evening Worship
- 8:45 P.M.—CITY-WIDE
SINGSPIRATION Central
Baptist Church

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10

- * 10:00 A.M.—Baptist Women —
General Meeting
- 6:30 P.M.—Baptist Women (Night)
Meeting in Library
- 7:30-9:15 P.M.—Boy Scouts "The
Cellar"

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

- * 4:45 P.M.—Choirs
- * 5:50 P.M.—Fellowship Dinner
- * 6:30 P.M.—Sunday School Officers
and Teachers Meeting,
Mission Friends, Girls in
Action, Acteens and Royal
Ambassadors.
- * 7:30 P.M.—Prayer Service
- * 8:00 P.M.—Adult Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13

- 4:30 P.M.—Middle School Choir Re-
treat. Leave from Church
for Camp Ada.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14

- 2:30 P.M.—Middle School Choir re-
turns to church from Re-
treat.

FLORIDA BAPTIST CONVENTION

The Florida Baptist Convention will be
meeting for its Annual session Novem-
ber 10-12 in Gainesville. The session will
be held at First Baptist Church except
on Wednesday night. The Wednesday
evening session will be held in the
Gymnasium on the Campus of the Uni-
versity of Florida. A special effort is
being made to get the University stu-
dents to attend that session.