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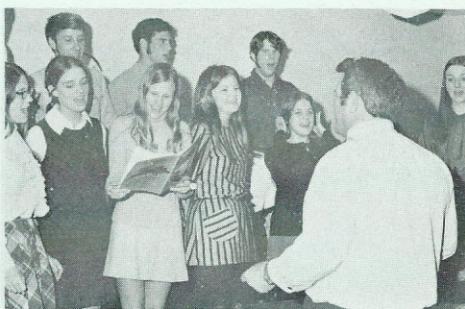
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We Care About Youth . . .

Pastor's Paragraphs

"ON TAKING DOWN YOUR CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS"

If you still have some of your Christmas decorations up, don't you think it's about time you took them down? I saw ole Santa Claus standing in a front yard the other day just as big as life.



We celebrated Christmas about three months ago — or to put it another way — there are 238 shopping days left until Christmas. Ole Santa looks pretty stupid standing in a front yard in March.

MOST OF US WILL AGREE — S. CLAUS SHOULD BE RESERVED FOR THE LATE WINTER.

ISN'T IT STRANGE THAT SOME PEOPLE HAVE THIS SAME IDEA ABOUT J. CHRIST.

There are some who make the mistake of reserving J. Christ for the late winter of life. In the late winter of life, everyone — BUT EVERYONE — turns to the Lord. As strange as it seems, plenty of folks who aren't willing to give Him a serious thought in the Spring or Summer or even Fall of life — are mighty anxious to establish contact with J. Christ when the cold blast of winter arrives.

Please friends, don't try to isolate Jesus Christ to the winter of life. **HE IS NOT A SEASONAL GOD.**

Speaking of seasons, when you really give J. Christ the place of preeminence in your life, **IT'S SPRINGTIME ALL YEAR LONG!**

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A. M.

"THE DARE OF DISCIPLESHIP"

Matthew 10:32-39

7:15 P. M.

"A VISIT TO PHILIPPI"

Acts 16:16-34

WHO? ME?

Sharing in my America is a strange request you make of me, Lord. My country is one of prosperity and poverty, of festering cities, of moon walks, of confrontations. It is searching for identity just as I am.

Sharing in missions is a strange request that you make of me, Lord. The ability you gave to me to share with One or One Thousand who may know you. I do believe in prayer, though It brings change . . . change in me, in conditions, in situations. I believe prayer brings discovery; it gives relief. It is the basis for miracles. It is my lifeline. I believe in prayer . . . for the distressed, for the exuberant. It is a cry of pain, a shout of joy. Prayer is for all people everywhere. So Lord, please help me to share with One or One Thousand.

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

Given to date \$2,400.28
Goal \$3,000.00

HELP NEEDED

For the past several weeks we have been emphasizing the fact that the people at First Baptist "CARE". Now we are beginning a program which will allow us to show "We Care" by actions. On Sunday, April 18, 1971 we will begin our bus ministry — showing people we care enough not only to invite them to come to our church, but that we care enough to come pick them up. We will not have any riders, however, unless we first show our concern to go out and invite them to ride.

On Saturday, April 3, 10 and 17 we need people who do care enough to devote their Saturday mornings to knocking on doors and enlisting bus riders. Each of these Saturdays we will meet at the church for breakfast at 8:30. Then at 9:00 we will divide into teams to go into a selected area, canvassing the area for unchurched people. When these are found we will seek to enlist them to ride our buses. The more workers we have the more people we can see.

Please give of your self on at least one or more of these Saturdays. It will be work, but it will be the Lord's work and it will be a very real way for you to show that you CARE! Sign the slip below and return it to the church as soon as possible.

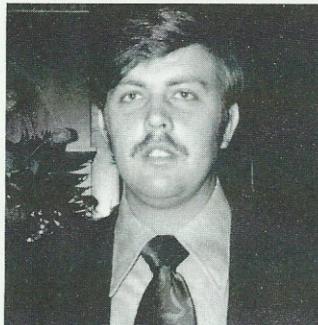
Yes, I CARE! I will work on Saturday

day April 3: April 10;

April 17 for the bus ministry.

NAME

THESE WERE RECEIVED INTO CHURCH MEMBERSHIP
LAST WEEK



Jack Lea Croach



Marie Johnson



Mrs. Dolly H. Simpson
(also shown are Bill and
Wayne Simpson, already
members)

YOUTH COUNCIL

Recently in each of the Youth Sunday School Departments and in the Youth Choir an election was held for representatives to the Youth Council. The Youth Council will serve until October and is responsible for helping to plan, promote, carry out and evaluate the Youth activities of our church. Congratulations to these who were elected to this responsible position:

DEPARTMENT

6th Grade
7th Grade
8th Grade
9th Grade
10th Grade
11th Grade
12th Grade
College
Youth Choir

REPRESENTATIVE

Nilo Porras
Suzie Smith
Phillip Napier
Richard Sellers
Bill Moore
Bill Norvell
Susan Hughes
Brenda Smith
John Daniel

ALTERNATE

Terry Beck
David Harker
Allison Chestnut
Mark Lee
Monique Burks
Margaret Hurt
Pat Simmons
Eddie Dobelstein

IN MEMORIAM

Mr. Sam J. Hall, Sr.
2012 North 19th Avenue
Came into our church by baptism
November 20, 1940
Deceased March 21, 1971.

LOOKING AT LAST WEEK

The Church in Study	1265
Main Sunday School	1244
Crippled Children's Home	21
The Church in Training	688
Christian Training Hour	180
Other Training Activities	508
Coming for Membership	5
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$7,633.57
Specials	1,699.70
Revival Offering	451.00
TOTAL OFFERING	\$9,784.27

**OUR CHURCH FAMILY
IN THE HOSPITALS:**
Baptist

Mrs. Phillis Jean McCargo, Mr. Herman Hilton Hobbs, Mrs. Georgia Parker, Mrs. Fred (Doris) Reichmann, Mrs. Neil (Ovie) Blue, Mrs. C. E. (Annie) Roth

Sacred Heart

Mrs. David (Merle) Wilson, Mrs. Fred (Carrie) Green, Mrs. W. H. (Bertha) Crawford, Mr. J. H. Holley, Mrs. Joe (Peaches) Hosner

Naval Hospital

Marshall King, Chaplain Ray Nobles
HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Mr. D. H. Johnson, Woodrow Jennings Darden, Mr. J. E. Bratcher

SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. S. L. Hall, Sr. in the loss of her husband.

Mrs. T. P. O'Gara in the loss of her father.

Mrs. T. R. (Marguerite) Walker in the loss of her mother.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Miss Betty Jo Cascone and Jerry Miles Dykes who were married March 19.

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BAPTIST WOMEN'S SPRING LUNCHEON

The Baptist Women's Annual Spring Luncheon will be held April 6. Regular Bible Study at 10:00 A.M. will be followed by a short business meeting. Our featured speaker will be Mrs. J. T. (Charlotte) Owens, Professor of Music at our Baptist Theological Seminary in Mexico City, Mexico. Tickets are \$1.00 and are on sale now from Vivian Ladner or Group Leaders. Be sure and make your reservations right away. Prospects will be guests of the Baptist Women's Society.

COMIN FOR MEMBERSHIP

FOR BAPTISM FROM OTHER
DENOMINATION:

36. Mr. George A. Belleau, 3991 Rain-tree Dr.
37. Mrs. George A. Belleau (Ann)
38. Miss Cathy Belleau

BY LETTER:

110. Mr. Andy Arnold, 5312 Mobile Highway, No. 25
From: Leawood Baptist, Memphis, Tenn.
111. Mrs. J. H. Goatley, 700 E. Jackson St.
From: Tallowood Baptist, Houston, Texas

Opportunities of the Week

SUNDAY, MARCH 28

- * 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School
- * 11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship
- 3:00 P.M.—"The Reasons Why" Rehearsal

4:00 P.M.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
5:00 P.M.—Woodwind Ensemble Rehearsal

- * 6:00 P.M.—Christian Training Hour
- * 7:15 P.M.—Evening Worship
- 8:15 P.M.—Senior High-College Fellowship at the home of Bonnie Burton, 5940 San Gabriel.

MONDAY, MARCH 29

- 7:00 P.M.—Associational Church Training Youth Bible Drill and Speaker's Tournament, Heights Baptist Church

TUESDAY, MARCH 30

- 7:30 P.M.—Boy Scouts meet in "The Cellar"

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31

- * 4:45 P.M.—Choirs
- * 5:50 P.M.—Fellowship Dinner
- * 6:30 P.M.—Sunday School Officers and Teachers meeting, Mission Friends, GA's, Acteens and RA's, Brass Ensemble Rehearsal

* 7:30 P.M.—Prayer Service

* 8:00 P.M.—Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, APRIL 1

- 2:00 P.M.—Faithful Workers business meeting at the home of Mrs. Genevieve Shaffer, 2622 Pompano Drive.

FRIDAY, APRIL 2

GA Slumber Party "The Cellar"

SATURDAY, APRIL 3

- 8:30 A.M.—Breakfast for Bus Ministry workers.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUN., MARCH 28: "Meaningful Remembrance". Psalm 107: 1-22

MON., MARCH 29: "Nothing but the Best". Deuteronomy 15:19-23

TUES., MARCH 30: "Cost of Fulment" Matthew 10:32-42

WED., MARCH 31: "Extravagance of Love". Mark 14:1-9

THURS., APRIL 1: "On Bearing Fruit" John 12:20-28

FRI., APRIL 2: "Glad to Be Spent" 2 Corinthians 12:11-15

SAT., APRIL 3: "Pay Your Vows" Jonah 2:1-10

FOUND—A WATCH

One of our folks found a small watch, evidently owned by a young person, on their way to church last Sunday. Thinking that probably someone lost it on the way to church, they left it in the office. If you lost one, call Mr. Bizzell at the office.