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## CHRIST'S VICTORY

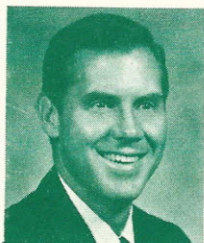
Christ when He died  
Deceived the cross  
And on death's side  
Threw all the loss:  
The captive world awak'd and found  
The prisoners loose, the jailer bound.  
O dear and sweet dispute  
'Twixt death's and love's far different fruit,  
Different as far  
As antidote and poisons are:  
By the first fatal Tree  
Both life and liberty  
Were sold and slain,  
By this they both look up, and live again.  
O strange and mysterious strife,  
Of open death and hidden life:  
When on the cross my King did bleed,  
Life seemed to die, Death died indeed.

—Richard Crashaw 1613 (?)—1649

# Pastor's Paragraphs

## DAY OF JOY AND GLADNESS

As we move into the Easter season, I find myself inspired by these words of Arthur Gossip: "The heart of Christianity, its innermost sanctuary, its most dazzling glory, and the chief source of its power, is not the cross. It is the open grave."



To many, indeed, the cross must always be a very central thing. Whenever I wander far from Calvary, I, for one, begin to lose sight of the Master and have to get back and yet, is there not a real point in Michelangelo's indignant protest when he turned in his stormy way upon his fellow painters and demanded: "Why do you keep filling gallery after gallery with endless pictures of the one ever-reiterated theme of Christ in weakness, Christ upon the cross, Christ dying, most of all Christ hanging dead? Why do you concentrate upon that passing episode as if they were the last word and the final scene, as if the curtain dropped upon that hour of disaster and defeat? At worst all that lasted for only a few hours, but to the end of unending eternity Christ is alive, Christ rules and reigns and triumphs. If we would help people to be valiant in their Christian living, we would be ringing out over the world the message that Christ has won, that evil is toppling, that the end is sure, that nothing can for long resist our mighty and victorious Lord. That is the tonic that we need to keep us healthy. The trumpet blast to fire our blood and send us crowding in behind the Master singing happily on our way, ready and eager to face anything, laughing and recklessly unafraid because the feel of victory is in the air and our hearts thrill to it."

I'll look forward to seeing you Sunday on this the most joyous day of the year.

Faithfully your pastor,

*James L. Pleitz*

### SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A. M.

**"WHAT A DIFFERENCE A DAY MAKES"**

John 20:1-18

7:15 P. M.

**"CHRIST AND THE PESSIMIST"**

John 20:19-24

## BAPTIST WOMEN GROUPS TO MEET TUESDAY, APRIL 13

9:30 A.M.—MARY SAUNDERS will meet at the Church in The Cellar.

10:00 A.M.—RALPH BETHEA will meet with Mrs. Charles F. Cox, 2401 Nagel Drive. VIRGINIA COBB will meet with Mrs. R. E. Hooper, Mrs. George Liveakos, Mrs. R. A. Ingram, at the Church in Adult 4 Department.

STANLEY DAVIS will meet with Mrs. Malcolm White and Mrs. Leon Singletary at the Church in Adult 5 Department.

BERNICE NEEL will meet with Mrs. George Yarbrough 921 N. Palafox.

CHARLOTTE OWENS will meet with Mrs. Joseph Napier, 425 Kenilworth, Gulf Breeze.

LAURA FRANCES SNOW will meet with Mrs. W. A. Webb, 3820 Molaree Drive.

DALE TERRY will meet with Mrs. Marshall King, 7805 N. Chemstrand Road.

2:30 P.M.—HARVEY HEADRICK will meet with Mrs. J. A. Frye, 1012 Palafox.

## FOCUS ON FIRST FOLKS

Matthew Brunson, eighth grade student at Ferry Pass Middle School, was WCOA's Youth of the Day.

Robert Hatcher was one of three High School Seniors named Boy of the Month by the Exchange Club. He maintains a B plus average at Washington High School, and is a member of Mu Alpha Theta, Math Honor Club. He is also a member of NJROTC and holds rank of mustering petty officer.

### IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. W. H. Crawford  
1602 North 9th Avenue

Joined our church by transfer of letter May 5, 1918.

Deceased April 2, 1971.

## THESE WERE RECEIVED INTO CHURCH MEMBERSHIP LAST WEEK



**Wade and Dianne Curington  
(also shown are Keith and  
Donnie)**



**Barry Hudspeth**

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL CLINIC

Just a reminder about the Associational Vacation Bible School Clinic to be held at East Hill Baptist Church on Monday, April 12, from 9:00-12:30. There will be provisions for Preschool Children here at our own church. See you there.

### BUS MINISTRY

On Saturday, April 3, 1971, 35 church members met for breakfast at 8:30 A. M. at the church. Following a period of instruction and assignments, they went into different areas enlisting bus riders. These 35 people in 2 hours work enlisted 67 potential bus riders. In addition, they talked to 25 other families who do not attend church but are interested. This was a great beginning for our bus ministry.

We will need workers for the next two Saturdays, April 10 and 17. The more we have, the more we can see, talk to and enlist. The blessing will really be yours for giving your Saturday morning to the Lord in this project. Call the church office today and let us know you will work.

### OUR CHURCH FAMILY IN THE HOSPITALS:

#### Baptist

Mrs. Evelyn Silver, Mr. Raymond A. Barrow, Mrs. J. E. (Bertha) Bratcher, Mr. Herman H. Hobbs, Mr. Bill Carr, Mrs. J. L. (Marie) Mayo, Sr.

#### Sacred Heart

Mr. Pat Boghich

#### University Hospital

Mr. Horace Lowery

#### HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Mrs. John M. (Betty) Conlon, Mrs. Neil (Ovie) Blue, Mr. Burton W. Murray, Mrs. J. C. (Judy) Parrish, Mrs. Joe (Peaches) Hosner, Mrs. Herbert (Christine) Gladden, Mrs. Wm. H. (Charlotte) McCaskill, Mrs. Newman (Doris) Davis, Mrs. Dennis (Karen) Eakins, Mrs. Norman (Laurie) Thrash

#### SYMPATHY TO:

Mr. Oma H. Coker and Mrs. C. C. McCurley in the loss of their sister.

### THE VERY NEWEST

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

**MR. BRIAN ANTHONY CONLON**

son of

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Conlon  
born March 27, 1971

**MR. THOMAS ALTON EAKINS**

son of

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Eakins  
born March 31, 1971

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All material to be included in the Builder  
 should be in the office, preferably in  
 writing, not later than 9:00 a.m. Mondays.

## LOOKING AT LAST WEEK

The Church in Study ..... 1262

Main Sunday School ..... 1241

Crippled Children's Home ..... 21

The Church in Training ..... 680

Christian Training Hour ..... 148

Other Training Activities ..... 532

Coming for Membership ..... 2

Tithes and Offerings:

Budget ..... \$9,298.72

Specials ..... 1,018.55

**TOTAL OFFERING** ..... \$10,317.27

## DAILY BIBLS READINGS

Sunday, April 11: "The Grand Desire"  
 Job 23:1-13

Monday, April 12: "The Earnest Search"  
 Jeremiah 29:8-14

Tuesday, April 13: "A Sense of Wonder"  
 Exodus 3:1-6

Wednesday, April 14: "Courageous Com-  
 mitment". Psalm 37:1-7

Thursday, April 15: "The Living Water"  
 John 4:1-14

Friday, April 16: "Meaning of Man-  
 hood". Psalm 8:1-9

Saturday, April 17: "The Inescapable  
 God". Psalm 139:1-12

## Opportunities of the Week

### SUNDAY, APRIL 11

- \* 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School
- \* 11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship
- 3:00 P.M.—"The Reasons Why" Re-  
 hearsal
- 4:00 P.M.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
- 5:00 P.M.—Woodwind Ensemble Re-  
 hearsal
- \* 6:00 P.M.—Christian Training Hour
- \* 7:15 P.M.—Evening Worship
- 8:15 P.M.—Middle School Fellowship  
 in "Cellar"

### MONDAY, APRIL 12

- 9:00 A.M.—Vacation Bible School  
 Clinic, East Hill Baptist  
 Church
- 7:30 P.M.—Deacons meet

### TUESDAY, APRIL 13

Baptist Women Group  
 meetings listed elsewhere in  
 BUILDER

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14

- \* 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, Ac-  
 teens and RA's, Brass  
 Ensemble Rehearsal
- \* 7:30 P.M.—Prayer Service, Business  
 Meeting
- \* 8:00 P.M.—Adult Choir Rehearsal

### FRIDAY, APRIL 16

RA Congress, W. Florida  
 Assembly, Panama City  
 (ages 9-17)  
 April 16 and 17.

7:00 P.M.—Adult 2 Social "Cellar"

### SATURDAY, APRIL 17

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

## FELLOWSHIPS

The fellowship for High School and  
 College will be held in the dining room  
 immediately after the worship service.

All Middle Schoolers are invited to  
 fellowship in "The Cellar". Parents  
 waiting on Middle School youth are in-  
 vited to share coffee and doughnuts in  
 Adult 4 Department.

## COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP

By Letter:

- 116. Mrs. Carol P. Allen, 704 Loire Way  
 From: First Baptist, New Orleans,  
 La.
- 117. Kim Allen