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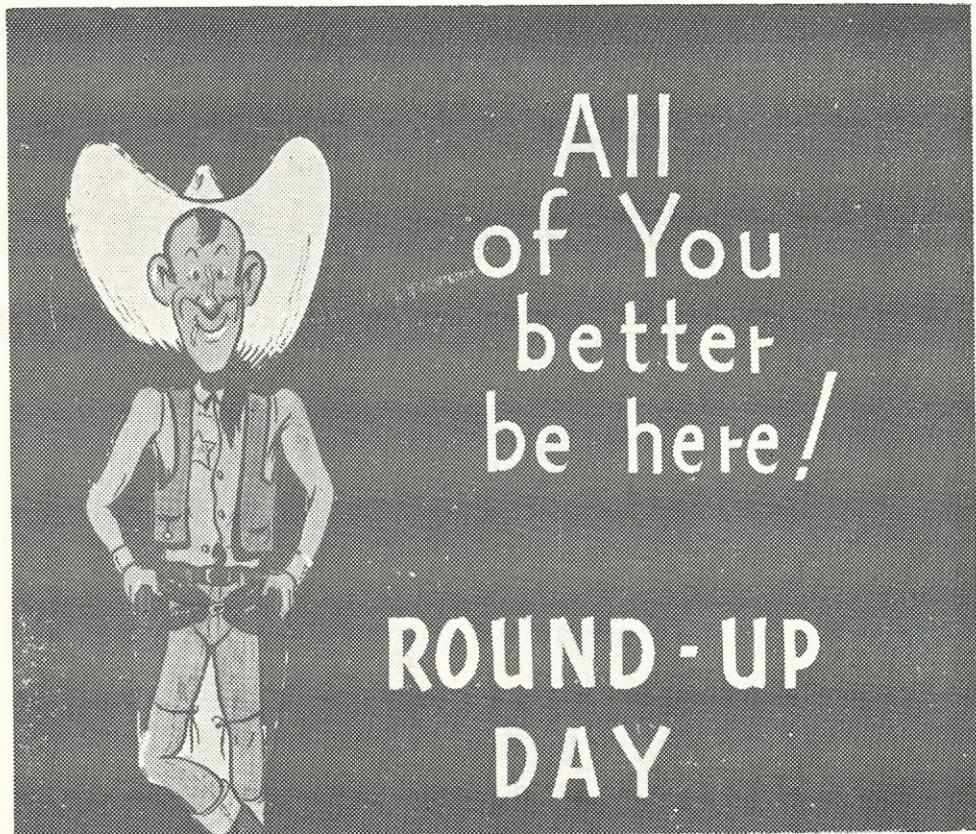
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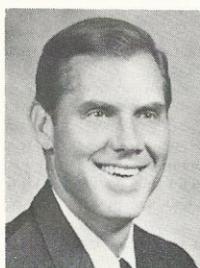


SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12th

Pastor's Paragraphs

"WANTED — A GREAT CAUSE"

Dr. Will Durant, in "Letters to a Would-Be-Suicide," says: "If we think of ourselves as part of a living (no mere theoretical) group, we shall find life a little fuller, perhaps even more significant. **FOR TO GIVE LIFE MEANING, ONE MUST HAVE A PURPOSE LARGER THAN ONESELF . . .**"



That would-be-suicide to whom Dr. Durant was writing could not be saved from himself and his own troubles until he found some Cause outside of himself in which he might lose himself. Goethe says, "Be a Whole, or join a Whole." **BUT MAN IN HIMSELF CANNOT BE A WHOLE.** The need for a Supreme Cause is deeply written within us. That Cause must be embodied in a Person. For we are persons and cannot be ultimately attached to an impersonal Cause.

Prior to the Second World War, this was the motto of German Youth, "Whoever serves Adolph Hitler serves Germany and whoever serves Germany serves God." We doubt the sequence there but we see what they were searching for — some attachment to a person which would mean an attachment to a Cause which would mean an attachment to God. Only the Kingdom of God and Christ fulfilled that, for whoever serves Christ serves the Kingdom of God, and whoever serves the Kingdom of God serves God.

Dr. Durant's statement is worth repeating — "To GIVE LIFE MEANING, ONE MUST HAVE A PURPOSE LARGER THAN ONE'S LIFE." It's one thing to read a statement. It's another to experience it. Try losing your life in Jesus Christ and I promise you friend, you'll find an excitement and fulfillment that cannot be found anywhere else.

I'll look forward to seeing you Sunday in God's House.

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"NO ROOM — THANK GOD!"

(Luke 2:1-7)

7:15 P.M.

"YOU WERE THERE"

Slide Presentation of
OPERATION: GOOD SAMARITAN-SOUTH by Pastor.

ELECTION OF DEACONS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1971

Below you will find a sample of the ballot to be used on September 12 as we come to the election of deacons at the 11:00 service. If you are going to be out of town on September 12, you may secure an absentee ballot from the Church Office. Absentee ballots must be signed and in the Church Office by noon Sunday, September 12, 1971.

- Claude Adkison
- Ernest Barrineau
- Joseph Boykin
- Charles Burns
- Paul Caro
- Phillip Cooper
- Clarence Dannelly
- Clay S. Davis
- Newman Davis
- B. T. Dean
- Elliott Dobelstein
- Bob Fetrow
- Jack Harless
- Wayne Hickman
- Robert Hinson
- George Holladay
- W. E. Jackson
- G. R. McDonald
- O. R. McNair
- Frank Patterson
- David Raley
- J. P. Register
- Billy Renfroe
- Bart Rowell
- Tom Wash
- Malcolm White
- R. H. Wilson, Jr.
- Robert K. Wilson
- Roger Yonker

Vote for 11 men only. If more than 11 are marked, the ballot will have to be declared invalid. Ballots with less than 11 marked will be counted. The 11 men receiving the highest number of votes will be elected to serve.

BUS MINISTRY

Last Sunday, 41 people came in all the rain on the buses to our church. For the next 3 Saturdays we will be making an intensive effort to visit for our Bus Ministry, hoping to add 2 new routes. We need workers who can visit from 9:30 - 11:30 on Saturday.

Call the Church Office if you can give a Saturday to this Outreach Ministry.

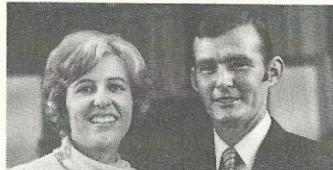
James Robison will be in Pensacola for one night only, September 28, 7:30 P.M. at the Municipal Auditorium.

THESE WERE RECEIVED INTO CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

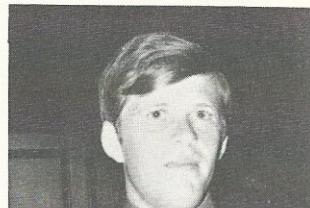
LAST WEEK



Kenny Abagis



Frank Hamilton
(Also shown
Mrs. Dot Hamilton)



Thomas E. Hamilton



Sylvia Hinton



Misty Straughn
(Also shown
Shawn Straughn)



Diane Thrash

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist

Mrs. Edres McCloskey, Mrs. Willie (Anna Jo) Bell

Sacred Heart

Mr. R. C. Merritt, Mr. Dewey Johnson

HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Mrs. John (Reva) Feldman, Mr. John Bratcher, Mrs. John (Patty) Cobb,

Mrs. George A. (Florence) Reed, Mr. Herman O. Williams, Mrs. Clara Beard has transferred to the Haven of our Lady of Peace, Mr. Frank Almon

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Miss Bonnie Helen Walker and Leon Singletary, Jr. on their marriage September 1.

Miss Kathryn Ann Neustaedter and Malcolm Anderson White, Jr. on their marriage September 4.

Miss Verna Virginia Guyette and Homer Russell Dell on their marriage September 4.

Miss Mary Louise Gregory and Mr. David Robert Butler on their marriage September 4.

SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. Ethel Inez Petty in the loss of her mother. Mr. Christian H. Hepfer, Sr. in the loss of his son. Mrs. B. B. Steele in the loss of her sister.

MIDDLE SCHOOL FELLOWSHIP

Students in grades 6, 7, and 8 are invited to a Fellowship this Sunday, September 12, following the evening worship service, in the Cellar. Fellowship will last 45 minutes. Parents of these young people are invited to come to Adult 4 Sunday School Department (next door to the Cellar) to wait for their youngsters. Coffee and donuts will be served.

ROYAL AMBASSADORS

All boys who are in school grades 1 through 8 are encouraged to join the RA program for this church year. Leaders for this year are as follows:

1st Grade—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Boyles

2nd Grade—Mr. and Mrs. Bob Fetrow

3rd Grade—Mr. Al Edwards

4th Grade—Mr. Tom Wash

5th Grade—Mr. Joe Phillips

Middle School—Mr. Wade Curington

An Induction Ceremony will be held Wednesday evening, September 15, 1971 in Adult 5 Sunday School Department at 6:30 P.M. All parents are invited.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday, September 12: "Invitation to Life." Isaiah 55:1-13

Monday, September 13: "When Healing Comes." 2 Chronicles 7:4-14

Tuesday, September 14: "Our God Forgives." Psalm 103:1-13

Wednesday, September 15: "A Sense of Need." Luke 18:9-14

Thursday, September 16: "When Love Overflows." Luke 7:40-50

Friday, September 17: "The Great Motive." Ephesians 4:24-32

Saturday, September 18: "Keep on Forgiving." Matthew 18:21-35

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary this Sunday are in memory of Mr. James F. Taylor and are given by Mrs. James F. Taylor.

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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.....	1062
Main Sunday School.....	1040
Crippled Children's Home.....	22
The Church in Training.....	639
Training Union.....	146
Other Training Activities.....	493
Coming for Membership.....	2
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget.....	\$8,813.05
Specials.....	516.20
TOTAL OFFERING	\$9,329.25

ARE YOU ROBBING GOD?

- A LITTLE BIT?
- QUITE A BIT?
- OF ALL TITHES?

Eight Months of 1971 Have
Passed.

How Much Have You Given To
Support God's Work In These 8
Months?

Opportunities of the Week

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

- * 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.—Middle School Fellowship
 —“The Cellar”

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

- 7:30 P.M.—Deacons Meeting

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

- 9:30 A.M.—Baptist Women, Bayview
 Park
- 7:30 P.M.—Boy Scouts Court of
 Honor, Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

- * 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—Business
 Meeting
- * 8:00 P.M.—Adult Choir Rehearsal
- * Provision for Preschool Children

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP

BY LETTER:

- 188. Diane Thrash 9852 Hillview Drive
 From: First Baptist Church,
 St Petersburg, Fla.

ON PROFESSION OF FAITH:

- 83. Rob Getman 115 W. Strong

DAY BAPTIST WOMEN GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday September 14, 1971
Please Note Change in Meeting Date,
Time and place!

9:30 A.M. Bayview Park*

Speaker will be Dr. Pleitz,
talking about our role as
members of the women's
organization of First Bap-
tist Church, Pensacola.

11:30 A.M. Lunch

Each member is requested
to bring a picnic lunch,
beverage, and something
to sit on. It will also be
necessary to take lunches
for children staying in the
Nursery at the church.
Drinks will be provided
for them. The Nursery will
open at 9:00 A.M. on that
day.

*In the event of rain, will meet at the
Church.