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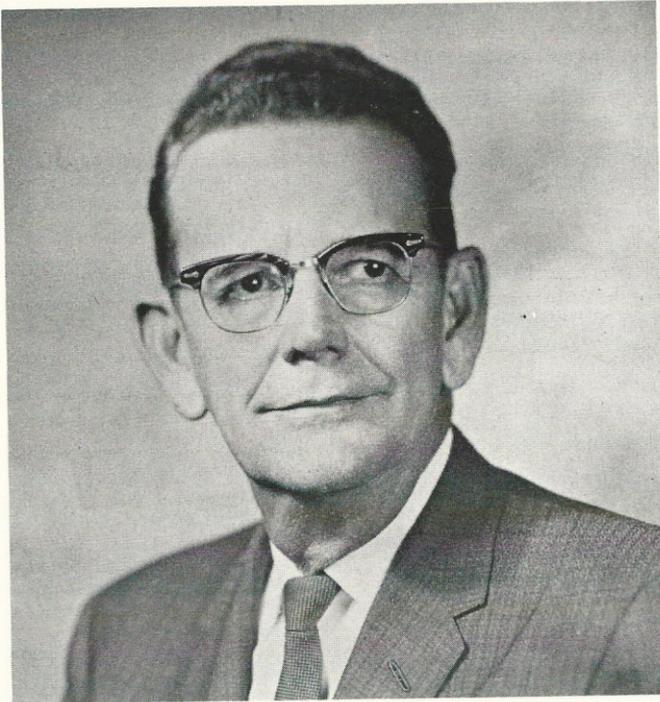
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COMING!



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FOR BIBLE CONFERENCE

JANUARY 23-26

(Sunday through Wednesday)

We will be studying

"JOB . . .

A study in providence and faith

Pastor's Paragraphs

A CARD FOR "SONGBIRD"

"Songbird" will be 81 years old on Friday, January 14th. For the life of me, I don't know where she got the nickname, but as is so often the case, it fits



her perfectly. For as long as I can remember, my Mother has spread joy and happiness. She is indeed a precious "Songbird." At 81 her song has not diminished!

Would you do your pastor a great big favor? THANKS —

I KNEW YOU WOULD! PLEASE SEND MY MOTHER A CARD ON HER BIRTHDAY. (To you good folks living outside of Pensacola — or for that matter, outside of the United States — PLEASE do the same. Never mind if the card is a few weeks late. It will still be greatly appreciated.)

For nearly 13 years I have had the pleasure of mailing nearly 40,000 birthday cards literally all over the world. The response has been most gratifying. This letter came just last week from a little friend:

"Dear Pastor:

Thank you for the Birthday Card. It was very nice. I will always keep it. I feel sort of big because I am nine. It is nice to be nine. That rhyme is cute. I will keep it for ever and ever. I promise."

You see, whether you are nine or ninety — just a card can warm your heart! Bless you!

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz

P.S. "Songbird's" address is:

Mrs. W. P. Pleitz
715 Flint St.
Jonesboro, Arkansas 72401

Cards mailed by Tuesday, January 11, should reach her on or before Friday.

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A. M.

"TAKING STOCK OF OURSELVES"
(I John 3:1-5, 1:6-10)

7:15 P. M.

"COMFORTING WORDS FOR
TROUBLED TIMES"
(Psalm 121)

BAPTIST WOMEN GROUP MEETINGS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 11, 1972

9:30 A.M.—MARY SAUNDERS will meet at the Church in Fellowship Hall.

10:00 A.M.—VIRGINIA COBB will meet with Mrs. W. A. Hibbert and Mrs. Wilson Harris, 1716 Osceola Blvd.

STANLEY DAVIS will meet with Mrs. J. R. Early and Mrs. Frank Howland at the Church in the Cellar.

DOTTSON MILLS will meet with Mrs. Laura Stoesen, 1919 E. Mallory St. CHARLOTTE OWENS will meet with Mrs. H. G. Sellers, Jr., 506 Navy Cove Blvd., Gulf Breeze.

DALE TERRY will meet with Mrs. H. H. Hobbs, 3905 W. Gadsden St.

RALPH BETHA will meet with Mrs. Elbert Gentry, 2110 Semur Road.

2:30 P.M.—HARVEY HEADRICK will meet with Mrs. M. B. Dawson, 369 Gamarra Road.

BUS MINISTRY REPORT

No.	Captain	Enrolled	Riders	New Riders
1	Bob Fetrow	34	11	0
2	Max Dickson	40	24	0
2A	Pete Urban	32	11	0
3	Rat Trigg	27	15	1
		133	61	1
Workers			14	
Total on Buses			75	

With the holidays behind us, now is the time to look forward in our Bus Ministry. There is no reason why we cannot double our Bus Ministry before this summer. Eight buses with 160-200 riders should be our goal for June 1, 1972. To do this we need concerned people such as you! We need bus visitors to go out each Saturday morning from 9:15-12:00 to solicit new riders. We need new crew members to ride the buses each week. Put this important Outreach Ministry high on your prayer list; then come to the church Saturday morning at 9:15 and get involved!

FOCUS ON FIRST FOLKS

Bill Warren made the honor roll and Dean's List at Washington & Lee University.



David and Melinda Beck



Mrs. Ray Forehand (Dot)
(Also shown is Ray Forehand who is already a member.)

IN MEMORIAM

Robert Wayne Dobelstein
Came into our fellowship by baptism
on May 1, 1966
Deceased December 28, 1971

IN MEMORIAM

Austin Rye
Came into our fellowship by letter
on September 1, 1946
Deceased January 2, 1972

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist

Mrs. M. W. (Marjorie) Gilchrist, Mrs.
Robert E. (Patsy) Hatcher

Specialty Care

Mr. E. F. Lee

Sacred Heart

Mrs. Joe (Ollie Rae) Napier, Debbie
McVoy

Mobile Infirmary

Mrs. Charlie (Melba) Stallings

HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Nancy Pleitz, Mrs. George (Evon)
Rica, Mrs. Sam Eickler.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Miss Gloria Elaine Colley and Dan
Davis Roy on their marriage Decem-
ber 26 in Bessemer, Alabama.

Miss Judith Gale Moore and James
Elwin Matson on their marriage Dec-
ember 27.

SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. Lewis Mack, Miss Ruth Watkins,
and Mrs. Wm. Richard Hood in the
loss of their brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Bullock in the
loss of their daughter.

Mrs. Austin Rye in the loss of her
husband and Mrs. Sally Pettersen in
the loss of her brother.

Mrs. A. S. Edwards in the loss of her
brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Dobelstein in the
loss of their son and Eddie Dobelstein
in the loss of his brother.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday, January 9: "Growth in Self-
Discipline" 2 Peter 1:2-11

Monday, January 10: "Growth in Spirit"
2 Timothy 1:3-10

Tuesday, January 11: "Growth in
Witnessing" Acts 4:13-21

Wednesday, January 12: "Growth in
Bible Study" 2 Timothy 3:10-17

Thursday, January 13: "Growth in
Worship" Luke 1:46-55

Friday, January 14: "Growth in Love"
John 21:14-19

Saturday, January 15: "Growth Toward
Maturity" Ephesians 4:11-18

JUST FOR YOU(th)

We are presently looking for young
people to participate in the Association-
wide Youth Bible Drill and Speakers
Tournament which will be held on March
27, 1972. The Youth Bible Drill will be
for young people in grades 7, 8, and 9.
The Speakers Tournament for youth in
grades 10, 11, and 12. Any young person
enrolled in any of the Youth Activities
in our church may participate. Informa-
tion concerning these two events may be
obtained from Bill Phillips in the Church
Office. The winners of the Association
Tournament will proceed to the regional
tournament with the winner of the re-
gional tournament participating in the
State Tournament to be held later in the
year during the Church Training Con-
ference. The winner of the State Tourna-
ment will then proceed to Ridgcrest for
the National competition. Pick up your
information as soon as possible so that
you might be ready for this very worth-
while and important opportunity of
service.

There will be a Middle School Fellow-
ship Sunday night, January 9, in "The
Cellar", for all young people in grades 6,
7 and 8. Coffee and donuts will be avail-
able in Adult 4 Sunday School Depart-
ment for all parents who are waiting for
their young people to attend this fellow-
ship.

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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	1038
Main Sunday School	1027
Crippled Children's Home....	11
The Church in Training	304
Christian Training Hour.....	189
Other Training Activities....	115
Coming for Membership	5
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$8,152.58
Specials	465.25
TOTAL OFFERING	\$8,617.83

SERIES ON "OUR BIBLE"

CONTINUES

A host of adults came last Sunday evening for the first of three sessions of "Our Bible — How It Came To Us".

Sunday night's session will include the film "The Bible Spreads Across Europe". This part shows how the Bible slowly spread across Europe during the 3rd and 4th centuries through the devoted efforts of careful copyists and great translators. Among the outstanding translations of this period is the Latin Vulgate by Jerome. The Goths brought destruction to Western Europe, but the copying of manuscripts still persisted in the monasteries, and the Bible gradually spread to Northern Europe and the British Isles.

Join us Sunday night at 6:00 in the dining room.

Opportunities of the Week

Sunday, January 9

- * 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School
- * 11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship
- 2:30 P.M.—Acteens — Modern Sounds, Gonzalez
- 3:00 P.M.—"The Reasons Why" Rehearsal
- 4:00 P.M.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
- 5:15 P.M.—Explorer's Bible Drill
- * 6:00 P.M.—Christian Training Hour
- 7:15 P.M.—Evening Worship-Baptism
- * 7:15 P.M.—Evening Worship
- 8:15 P.M.—Middle School Fellowship, in "The Cellar"

Monday, January 10

- 7:30 P.M.—Deacons meeting

Tuesday, January 11

- 10:00 A.M.—Group meetings — listed elsewhere in **Builder**
- 7:30 P.M.—Boy Scouts "The Cellar"

Wednesday, January 12

- * 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

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP SUNDAY, JANUARY 2, 1972

BY LETTER:

- 53. Wayne Coleman 5420 Primrose Dr.
From: Harrisburg Baptist,
Tulepo, Miss.
- 54. Mrs. Wayne Coleman (Jan)
- 55. Jan Beinda Coleman
- 56. Charles E. Shirley, Jr.,
1600 W. Michigan, Lot 34A
From: FBC, Port Orange, Fla.
- 57. Mrs. Charles E. Shirley, Jr.
(Patricia Ann)

PETITIONS REGARDING SUNDAY SALES OF ALCOHOL

Tuesday, January 11, is the date we will be turning in all of the petitions calling for a referendum on the recently enacted legislation to allow an enlargement of the Sunday hours for the sale of alcoholic beverages. Your signing one of these petitions simply means that you want the city registered voters to make their own decision concerning Sunday liquor sales. If you wish to sign and have not already done so you will find copies of the petition available in Sunday School and the Worship Services next Sunday so that you will have opportunity to sign.