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Do You Know



This First Baptist Family?

Believe it or not, they are presently members of First Baptist Church. Their bow ties, knicker pants and beard are a part of their preparation for our 125th Anniversary celebration scheduled for April 30-May 3.

Pastor's Paragraphs

LIGHTS AND "THE LIGHT"

Seventy-six years ago Thomas Edison invented the electric light. Since that time 41,750,000,000 light bulbs have been produced in the United States alone. It's said that no other manufactured product touches so many lives. (I had assumed that light bulbs were used solely for the purpose of illumination, but the other day a picture appeared in the paper of a man who ate them. He said he learned to eat light bulbs as a child because there was nothing else around his house to eat. Most of us know nothing of real hunger.)



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Jesus Christ is "the light of the world." John said, "In Him was life and the life was the light of men." Our Lord came to earth to give guidance and direction to all men. When we turn from Him, the results are disastrous. We stumble about in the moral darkness of the world.

In spite of a lot of talk about the death of God, the LIGHT is still shining brightly today. (The life expectancy of the light bulb has been greatly increased in the past 76 years, but they will finally burn out . . .) The gospel writer said, "The light is still shining in the darkness because the darkness has never put it out." And I might add — IT NEVER WILL.

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

Message by Clyde Bizzell
"THE LAST BEATITUDE"
(John 20:29)

7:15 P.M.

SACRED CONCERT
STETSON UNIVERSITY CONCERT
CHOIR

BUS MINISTRY REPORT

Bus No.	Captain	Enrolled	Riders	New Riders
1	Bob Fetrow	42	27	0
2	Max Dickson	44	30	0
3	Rat Trigg	28	20	0
4	Pete Urban	35	22	3
5	Benny Pope	35	21	2
		184	120	5
Workers			41	
Total on Buses			161	

JUST FOR YOU(th)

This past weekend was a full one for our youth. On Friday night they performed "Love" at the Cordova Mall Shopping Center and then had an inspirational service on the beach. Sunday morning some 75 plus, met at 4:15 A.M. to go to NAS to sing at the Sunrise Service on board the Lexington. They returned to the church for a steak and egg breakfast, sang in the Morning Worship Service, the Evening Worship Service and ended the day with a fellowship period.

The spirit of our young people continues to be a source of encouragement to us all. Many of our college students have been home for Easter and they have joined right into the spirit and activities of the group.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary this Sunday are in memory of Mrs. E. L. Derby and are given by Mr. E. L. Derby.

FOCUS



FIRST FOLKS

Rhonda Fosha Thomas made the Honorary Dean's List at the University of Florida for the third consecutive quarter with a 4.0 grade in 19 semester hours.

Frieda Hilda Blackwell was nominated from Escambia High School as Outstanding Teenager of America for 1972. The county winners will now vie for the Outstanding Teenager of the Year trophy. State and Regional finalists will be chosen for national scholarships.

Robert F. Jernigan, Jr. was commissioned as an Ensign in the United States Naval Reserve on March 10, 1972. Skip is in flight training in Pensacola.

COVER PICTURE

The family pictured on the front are the Charles Bakers who live at 3885 Summer Drive.

Reading left to right are Charles, Jr., Charlotte, Charles holding Shannon, Stephanie and Steven.

RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP LAST WEEK



Pam Ingram



John and Barbara Saylor

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITAL:

Baptist

Miss Ora House, Mrs. Hazel Johnson, Mrs. Ruth Connerly, Mrs. B. W. Matthews, Mr. Paul Caro, Mr. D. C. Parker.

Specialty Care

Mrs. R. C. Keith

Sacred Heart

Mrs. Scott (Elizabeth) Harter

Eglin AFB Hospital

Eugene Ellis

HOME FROM THE HOSPITALS:

Mrs. Wm. E. (Marie) Jackson, Mrs. S. A. (Pinkie) Taylor, Mr. Patrick A. Boghich, Mrs. Evelyn Silver, Miss Teresha Thames, Mr. Lloyd Gatlin, William Sears, Mrs. Maggie Brown.

SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. Robert E. Broxton, Sr. and Robert

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL CLINIC

The Associational Vacation Bible School Clinic is to be held on Thursday, April 13 at East Brent Baptist Church. The time is 9:00 to 12:00 Noon.

Our Vacation Bible School is to be held July 31-August 4.

ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING

GOAL	\$3,000.00
GIVEN TO DATE	\$2,924.83

E. Broxton, Jr. in the loss of their husband and father.

Mrs. Irvin Roberts in the loss of her brother.

Mr. J. R. Blackwell in the loss of his mother.

STETSON UNIVERSITY CONCERT CHOIR



The Stetson University Concert Choir will present a concert of sacred music Sunday night at 7:15. Then following the service they will do some popular music in a special fellowship to be held in the Church Dining Room. This is one of the outstanding college groups in America and you will not want to miss this concert.

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LOOKING AT LAST WEEK

The Church in Study1408
Main Sunday School1395
Crippled Children's Home 13
The Church in Training 809
Christian Training Hour 212
Other Training Activities 597
Coming for Membership5
Tithes and Offerings:
Budget\$8,912.84
Specials 408.62
TOTAL OFFERING\$9,321.46

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP

Wednesday, March 29, 1972

BY LETTER:

112. Ken Kirby, USS Lexington
From: FBC, Virginia Beach, Virginia

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP

Sunday, April 2, 1972

ON PROFESSION OF FAITH

IN CHRIST:

42. Mrs. Lee Sullivan (Glenda), 1212 46th Ave.

BY LETTER:

113. Carlisle L. Buck, Jr., 226 Ruby Ave.
From: University Baptist, Huntsville, Ala.

114. Mrs. Carlisle L. Buck, Jr.

115. Pamela Buck.

From: Judson Memorial Bapt., Nashville, Tenn.

SUNDAY, April 9

- * 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School
New Members Class No. 1
- 11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship
- 4:00 P.M.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
- 5:00 P.M.—Sign Language Training
- 5:15 P.M.—Explorers Bible Drill
- * 6:00 P.M.—Christian Training Hour
- * 7:15 P.M.—Evening Worship

MONDAY, APRIL 10

- 9:30 A.M.—Assn. Baptist Women,
Warrington
- 10:00 A.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group
- 7:00 P.M.—Assn. Night Group,
Dining Room
- 7:00 P.M.—Assn. Bible Explorers Drill,
East Brent
- 7:30 P.M.—Deacons meeting.

TUESDAY, APRIL 11

- 9:30 A.M.—Mary Saunders Group, in
"The Cellar"
- 10:00 A.M.—Stanley Davis Group,
Fellowship Hall
Dottson Mills Group will
meet with Mrs. Luciano
Suarez, 3005 East Lee St.
Laura Frances Snow Group
will meet with Mrs. Herman
Johnson, 1701 E. Hernandez
- 7:30 P.M.—Boy Scouts in "The Cellar"

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12

- * 4:45 P.M.—Choirs
- * 5:50 P.M.—Fellowship Dinner
- * 6:30 P.M.—SSO and TM, Mission
Friends, GA's, Acteens and
RA's
- * 7:30 P.M.—Prayer Service,
Business Meeting
- * 8:00 P.M.—Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, APRIL 13

- * 9:00 A.M.—Vacation Bible School Clin-
ic, East Brent Baptist Church

IN MEMORIAM

Robert E. Broxton
20 N. W. Bishop Dr.
Fort Walton Beach, Florida
Joined our church by baptism
May 14, 1961
Deceased April 2, 1972