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50 YEAR MEMBERS



During our 125th Anniversary Celebration, we recognized a special group of members of the congregation, those who have been members here for 50 years or longer. Reading left to right: Mrs. J. R. Marble, Mrs. J. T. Murphy, Mrs. W. E. Adams, Mrs. Stanley B. Lassiter, who is almost hidden behind Mrs. S. L. Fulghum, Mrs. Bruce Morrison, Mrs. Preston Husted, E. C. Gentry, Mrs. J. A. Johnston, Miss Lola Gentry, Mr. E. Dixie Beggs, Jr., Mrs. C. C. McCurley, Mr. F. G. Almon, Mrs. David Wilson, Mrs. J. A. Reeves, Mrs. Olive Manheim. There were others present who did not get in the picture.

Pastor's Paragraphs

TO BUSY TO LIVE

A famous author, Faith Baldwin, gives her secret for peaceful living in a hurrying world:



"For a long time I had been troubled because there had not been enough hours in a day to do all that I felt I must do. Interruptions, emergencies, and invitations came in such numbers that when I did have a quiet hour and sat down to work, I could not, with the best will in the world.

"Then came one especially beautiful morning, a warm day, cloudless, with a clarity of atmosphere like crystal. It came to me that all who had eyes to see this beautiful world must, of necessity, rejoice and be thankful. I realize that all my life I have not been sufficiently grateful for these things which appear common-place, and are in reality little miracles.

"I began to count them, and found I could not.

"The birds, flying free; and the flowers springing from the earth; the gentleness and understanding of friends; the sky at night, alive with stars; the warming cup of tea; the letter with good news.

"Why do we manage to remember with rebellion what we have not? We do not stop to consider what we have now.

"I have spent so much time begging and beseeching God; and so little in being grateful to Him. Gratitude is not a common attitude.

"I think back over a long way, beset with obstacles and present grief. No matter what turn the path has taken, I can find it in my heart to say, with the Psalmist, and with thankfulness, "Thou hast set my feet in a large room—the room of my life.

"There never was a time when I could not look from the windows and see my blessings. But I was always in such a hurry that I did not look.

"I was too busy to live. But I shan't miss that joy any more."

Faithfully in Christ,

James L. Pleitz

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"WHEN THE GOING GETS TOUGH"

(Acts 4:5-31)

7:15 P.M.

"WHY DOESN'T GOD DESTROY THE DEVIL?"

(Matthew 13:24-30)

BUS MINISTRY REPORT

Bus No.	Captain	Enrolled	Riders	New Riders
1	Bob Fetrow	42	13	2
2	Max Dickson	38	29	0
3	Rat Trigg	32	30	1
4	Elton Dunson	35	13	1
5	Ben Pope	35	32	5

182 117 9

Workers

24

Total on Buses 141

On Tuesday, May 23, 1972 at 7:00 P.M. in the Bus Ministry Room, second floor of the Educational Building, a Clinic will be held for all people who are interested in driving any of the church buses at any time. Everyone is invited to attend this clinic as we will be discussing bus driving in general, safety features, requirements and driving itself. Anyone who has any desire to drive the buses is encouraged to attend this important meeting. We would also point out that women are eligible to drive the buses and we would like very much to have some of those who would be interested, to attend this clinic, and to qualify to become drivers for us.

We continue to need workers in many capacities with our Bus Ministry and encourage each member of our church to be much in prayer for our Bus Ministry as well as for their personal involvement in the Bus Ministry. If you have one hour a week that you could give toward helping in this ministry, please contact Mr. Phillips in the church office.

JUST FOR YOU(th)

An Associational Youth Rally will be held at the Woodlawn Baptist Church on Saturday night, May 27, beginning at 6:30 P.M. All of our High School and College young people are encouraged to attend this Youth Rally. Any young person interested in going on the church buses is invited to be at First Baptist Church Parking Lot by 6:05 on Saturday evening and we will go as a group on the buses.

Due to the large number of registrations that we have received for the Middle School Trip, registrations were closed out as of 5:00, Monday afternoon, May 15. We are unable to take additional registrations for this trip as our registrations have already exceeded our expectations by a great number.

**FOCUS
ON**

FIRST FOLKS

Bill Warren, Jr., a freshman at Washington and Lee University, has been initiated in Phi Epa Sigma National Honor Society University Freshman. Bill has been on the Dean's list and Honor Roll during both the fall and winter quarters. He has maintained a 4.0 average during the winter quarter term. He is majoring in Religion.

RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP LAST WEEK



Mr. and Mrs. William E. Bryan
(Also pictured is Kimberly Joy)



Ken Kirby



Mr. and Mrs. Don Norwood and Scott
(Also pictured is Russell)



John Ralowicz

**BIBLE EXPLORER'S CAMP
JUNE 26 - 29**

Our third, fourth, and fifth grade boys and girls will be attending Bible Explorer's Camp to be held at Camp Ada, June 26-29. We will be traveling on the Blue Bird Airlines from the Lower Loading Gate (the Dining Hall) here at First Baptist Church. Miss Dale Mooneyham and Mr. Bill Phillips will be Managing Agents for the flight and Camp week. We will be having as our special guests the Dwight Dudley family, missionaries to Japan. We are excited that they will be able to join us. Your ticket will include adventures in music, crafts, Bible study, worship, recreation, and just plain fun (like an all night party)! The cost will be \$15.00. We are requesting that \$3.00 be turned in with the application to the church office. The balance will be paid before camp begins. If we can be of further assistance, be sure to call the Blue Bird Office (433-5631), and we will be glad to help you with any questions and reservations.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary this Sunday are in memory of Mrs. Velma Tice and are given by her daughter, Mrs. J. P. Fiveash and Family.

THE VERY NEWEST

The rosebuds on the pulpit Sunday were placed there in honor of
MISS CATHERINE MARLA RIVA
daughter of

Mr. and Mrs. Michael L. Riva
born April 23, 1972

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MASTER

BRENDON WAYNE BURKETT
son of

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Wayne Burkett
born April 29, 1972

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist

Mrs. Eva Harris, Mr. James S. Stinson, Jr., Mr. Herman Mertins, Mrs. Marion Poulas, Mr. H. S. Sanders, Dr. Wallace Mayo.

South Baldwin Hospital, Foley, Alabama

Mr. Emil Anderson

Eglin AFB

Mr. Eugene Ellis

Navy Hospital

Mrs. C. E. (Edna) Fosha, Lt. Jerry Martin.

HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL

Mrs. Myrlene Hawkes, Mrs. Amzie (Anna) Wilson, Mrs. John Paul (Kathleen) Monroe, Jr., Daniel W. Berry, Milton Richardson, Herbert Gladden, Harold L. Drown, Thames Jernigan, Mr. Harry Maddux

SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. J. A. Monk in the loss of her father.

Mrs. Steve Bordelon in the loss of her husband.

Mrs. L. M. Gatlin in the loss of a brother.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

- Sunday, May 21: "Our Guide to Truth"
John 14:23-28
- Monday, May 22: "Our Source of Power"
Acts 2:1-4
- Tuesday, May 23: "Our Gift from God"
Acts 2:37-42
- Wednesday, May 24: "Our Life in Christ"
Romans 8:1-11
- Thursday, May 25: "Our Assurance of Sonship"
Romans 8:12-17
- Friday, May 26: "Our Helper in Prayer"
Romans 8:18-26
- Saturday, May 27: "Our Strength in Trouble"
Philippians 1:19-26

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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.

OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

- Sunday, May 21*
 * 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School
 New Members Class No. 1
 * 11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship
 4:00 P.M.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
 * 6:00 P.M.—Christian Training Hour
 People Search Training
 * 7:15 P.M.—Evening Worship
 8:15 P.M.—Church wide Fellowship in
 Dining Room
- Monday, May 22*
 10:00 A.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group
 in the Library
- Tuesday, May 23*
 7:30 P.M.—Boy Scouts in "The Cellar"
- Wednesday, May 24*
 * 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 Re-
 hearsal.
 People Search Training
 7:30 P.M.—Prayer Service
 * 8:00 P.M.—Adult Choir Rehearsal
- Thursday, May 25*
 7:00 P.M.—Silent Class Film—Fellow-
 ship — Fellowship Hall
- Saturday, May 27*
 9:00 - 12:30 Associational G. A. meet-
 ing, East Brent
 6:30 P.M.—Associational Youth Rally,
 Woodlawn
 7:00 P.M.—Gleaners S. S. Class (Adult
 3) Cookout

*Mr. and Mrs. Herman H. Hobbs
 request the honour of your presence
 at the marriage of their daughter
 Cindy Maureen*

*to
 Gregory Patrick Durkin
 Ensign, United States Naval Reserve
 on Saturday, the twentieth of May
 nineteen hundred and seventy-two
 at seven o'clock in the evening
 First Baptist Church
 Pensacola, Florida*

*Reception
 following ceremony
 Mustin Beach Officers' Club*

LOOKING AT LAST WEEK

The Church in Study	1,237
Main Sunday School	1,225
Crippled Children's Home	12
The Church in Training	704
Christian Training Hour	170
Other Training Activities	534
Coming for Membership	6
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	7,990.48
Specials	2,509.70
TOTAL OFFERING	\$10,500.18

**COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP
 May 2, 1972**

By Letter:
 125. Mrs. Laura Robinson,
 124 Belmont, Apt. 1
 From: Baptist Temple

**COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP
 May 14, 1972**

By Letter:
 126. Pat Roberts, 104 W. Jackson St.
 From: First Baptist, Marshall, Texas
 127. Peggy DuBose, 7855 Kipling Street
 From: First Baptist, Vero Beach, Fla.
 128. Nancy Pleitz, 1400 N. Spring
 From 7th and James, Waco, Texas
 129. Mary Carpenter, 121 Shirley Ave.
 From: First Baptist, Gulf Breeze
 130. Patsy Carpenter, 121 Shirley Ave.
 From: First Baptist, Gulf Breeze
 For Baptism From Other Denomination:
 48. Phillip Fox, NAS Saufley