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PASTOR

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



JULY 31 - AUGUST 4

9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Bible School this year will combine Bible Study with Day Camp type experiences. These will include crafts, music, games, small group activities and recreation. A snack lunch will be served daily. Our church buses will be on their regular routes daily to provide needed transportation.

Pastor's Paragraphs

"ON LOSING THINGS IN CHURCH"

All sorts of things get lost in church. This article appeared recently in a church bulletin . . .



"The church office is in temporary ownership of 57 Bibles, 7 purses, 13 umbrellas, 34 pairs of gloves, 7 scarves, and a number of various kinds of articles. If you're missing any of the above items, why not check the lost and found closet this week."

What a suggestive article. Did you notice that 8 times as many Bibles were unclaimed as purses? (I'd almost bet that not one of the 7 purses contained any money . . .) And then there's the catchall phrase "and a number of various kinds of articles." That covers a wide range of lost things — some of them you wouldn't believe.

Losing things in church. I'M FOR THAT. Hang on to your "various kinds of articles" when you come to church, but lose some various kinds of ATTITUDES.

What better place than church to lose all prejudice and hatred. We may come to church with these feelings in our hearts, but we should never leave with them. The hallmark of the Christian is love. Love and hate cannot dwell in the same heart. Let's LOSE our hatred in church.

What better place than in church to lose our self-centeredness. Jesus said greatness comes through service to others, not self. (Self-service may be the coming thing in all sorts of businesses including self-service service stations — but the business of the Christian is to serve others, not self.) Let's LOSE our self-centeredness in church.

What better place than in church to lose our guilt. Without exception we've sinned, but we can lose our guilt in church. "Though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow. Though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool." Let's LOSE our guilt in church.

Be in church Sunday and remember, LOSE something while you're there!

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"SEVENTY TIMES SEVEN"

(Matthew 18:21-35)

7:15 P.M.

"ON LEARNING TO DISCRIMINATE"

(Matthew 6:25-33)

BUS MINISTRY REPORT

Bus No.	Captain	Enrolled	Riders	New Riders
1	Sherry Corley	38	16	0
2	Bill Moore	38	23	0
3	Cindy Beuris	30	22	2
4	Buddy Burks	26	16	0
5	Bennie Pope	35	20	3
		167	97	5
Workers			24	

Total on Buses 121

Our thanks this week go to our teenage young people who have been serving so faithful as crew members on our buses since its inception. Due to vacation schedules of many of our Bus Captains, our young people have been serving in their absence. On this past Sunday, four buses were captained by teenagers. In fact, our teenagers have made up 78% of all the crews since our Bus Ministry began.

From January 1 through July 9, our buses have brought in 2,910 people to our Sunday School and Church Worship Services. This is an average of 103.9 persons per Sunday. If we are to maintain these figures we must continually visit and solicit new riders for our Bus Ministry. WE NEED YOUR HELP in accomplishing this task. Are you willing to become involved in this important Outreach Ministry?

JUST FOR YOU(th)

On Friday night, July 28, our Middle Schoolers will be involved in an all night Bible Study Fellowship. The program will begin at 10:00 p.m. in the Cellar with a Bible Study period followed by a Pizza Party. We will then go to Liberty Lanes Bowling alley and bowl until 4:00 a.m. at which time we will go to the beach for breakfast. The evenings activities will conclude at 7:00 a.m. Saturday morning, July 29. All Middle Schoolers must make reservations for this fellowship which will cost \$2.00 per person. Transportation will be provided on some of the church buses. Reservations must be in by Wednesday, July 26.

There will be a High School - College fellowship Sunday evening following the Evening Worship Service.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist

Mr. E. C. Austin, Mr. Herman Mertins, Mr. R. C. Keith, Miss Susan J. Smalley

Sacred Heart

Mrs. John (Ethel) Straughn, Miss Jan Page, Mr. Steven Davis, Mrs. Frank (Hilda) Brocato.

HOME FROM THE HOSPITALS

Mr. Herman Williams, Mrs. Ella Cunningham, Mrs. J. L. (Bernice) Smith, Mr. J. L. Smith, Mrs. J. R. Marble, Mrs. David L. (Melinda) Beck

SYMPATHY TO:

Mr. M. W. Gilchrist in the loss of his father.

PROCEDURE FOR NOMINATING DEACONS

The committee for the Nomination of Deacons requests that every member of the church suggest men who should be considered by the committee for nomination as deacons. You may suggest as many as you think qualify.

These suggestions must reach the committee by Sunday, July 30. They may be given to any member of the committee, mailed to the church office in care of the committee, or dropped into the offering plate. Suggestions are to be submitted only by members of the First Baptist Church, and therefore must be signed to be accepted.

Your committee, selected for the purpose of recommending to the church the best qualified persons, requests that you read the scripture passages below and suggest the names of as many men as you believe to be qualified to serve as deacons. According to the policy of the church, inactive deacons will not be placed on the ballot unless suggested by two or more members of the church. No one who has been a member of this church for less than one year will be considered eligible for election.

SELECTION OF FIRST DEACONS

"In those days, as the number of disciples kept growing, there rose complaint on the part of the Greek-speaking Jews against the Hebrews because their widows were overlooked in the daily charities. So the twelve summoned the assembly of the disciples and said: "It is not desirable that we should neglect the teaching of God's Word to wait tables; therefore, brothers, look around for seven men among you of good reputation and full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we shall appoint for this duty, while we continue to devote ourselves to prayer and the ministry of the word.'" (Acts 6:1-4, Berkeley Version).

THE CHARACTER AND QUALIFICATIONS OF ALL DEACONS

"By the same token are deacons to be honorable, not gossips, not addicted to much wine, not greedy for ill-gotten gains but with a pure conscience keeping hold on the hidden truth of the faith. They should first be put on probation and then, if irreprouchable, they may serve as deacons. Similarly must the wives be honorable, not given to slandering, but temperate and altogether trustworthy. Deacons shall be husband of one wife, admirable managers of their children and of their own homes. Because those who rendered helpful services as deacons do take a worthwhile step upward for themselves with considerable conversational freedom in the faith that centers in Christ Jesus." (I Timothy 3:8-13, Berkeley Version).

We urge you to be much in prayer that we as a church may know God's will in this all-important task.

This ballot will be on Sunday morning, September 10, when 10 men will be selected to serve on the active board of deacons.

DEACON'S NOMINATING COMMITTEE

PAUL CARO, Chairman

JUDSON GILLESPIE

BILLY RENFROE

DR. PAUL GRAY

MILTON RICHARDSON

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

The following men are now serving on the active Board of Deacons:

TERM ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1973

WALTER B. ARMISTEAD, JR.
CHARLES E. CLEVINGER
MAX DICKSON
WILLIAM H. GILL
PAUL R. GRAY

SIDNEY G. KENNEDY
CHARLES H. OVERMAN, JR.
MILTON RICHARDSON
THURSTON A. SHELL
LEON E. SINGLETARY, SR.

TERM ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1974

CLAUDE ADKISON
PAUL CARO
PHILLIP COOPER
CLARENCE DANNELLY
ROBERT HINSON

G. R. McDONALD
DAVID RALEY
BILLY RENFROE
TOM WASH
ROGER YONKER

DEACONS EMERITUS

F. G. ALMON
MOSE PENTON

The following men who retire this year will not be eligible for nomination for a period of one year.

BARNEY B. BURKS, JR.
J. NORWOOD COBB
J. NIXON DANIEL, JR.
FRANK GIBBS
JUDSON GILLESPIE

JOE B. LADNER
MARVIN LEE
F. WILLARD VICKERY
HERMAN O. WILLIAMS
ERNEST BARRINEAU

(NONE OF THE ABOVE 32 NAMES NEED BE LISTED)

FORM TO BE USED IN SUBMITTING SUGGESTIONS

I suggest to the Nominating Committee that the following men be considered as nominees for deacons:

NAME.....

NAME.....

NAME.....

NAME.....

NAME.....

NAME.....

Recommended by.....

(Your Signature)

NOTE: Every member of the congregation may suggest as many names as he wishes. This form must be signed to be accepted.

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!!! ZING !!!

Do the 3rd, 4th, and 5th Graders in your house have the midsummer "I can't find my socks?"

THINK POSITIVE

THINK AUGUST 21-22-23-24

"CELEBRATE LIFE"

Our Youth Choir is preparing a new pulpit musical entitled "Celebrate Life" written by Buryl Red with lyrics by Ragan Courtney. "Celebrate Life" includes narations, electric guitars, drums, organ, piano, clarinet, and numerous solos. The first performance is scheduled for Sunday, August 20 at 7:15 p.m. in the sanctuary. "Celebrate Life" — a musical with a message. Please plan to join us for an evening of excitement and inspiration through music.

Eb's Coming

July 30, 1972

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday, July 23: "When Tempted"
James 1:12-15
Monday, July 24: "The Untamed Tongue"
James 3:3-10
Tuesday, July 25: "Be Ye Holy"
1 Peter 1:13-19
Wednesday, July 26: "Be Watchful"
1 Peter 4:7-11
Thursday, July 27: "Walk in the Light"
1 John 1:4-10
Friday, July 28: "A New Commandment"
2 John 4-9
Saturday, July 29: "Faithfulness
Commended"
3 John 1-6

**FOCUS
ON
FIRST FOLKS**

Trenett Nobles played the piano in the National Piano Auditions and was a winner for the second consecutive year.

Trenett also won an award for scholarship in English at Wedgewood Middle School.

*Commander (Retired) and Mrs.
Charles Edward Fosha
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Randi Elon*

*to
Michael Milton Lutz
Ensign, United States Navy
on Saturday, the twenty-ninth of July
one thousand nine hundred and seventy-two
at half after seven o'clock in the evening
First Baptist Church
Pensacola, Florida
and afterwards at the reception
Fellowship Hall*

THE VERY NEWEST

The rosebud on the pulpit Sunday was placed there in honor of
MISS LAURA MELINDA BECK
daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. David Beck
born July 11, 1972

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary this Sunday are in memory of Mr. W. A. McCormick and are given by Mrs. W. A. McCormick.

Tom's Coming

July 30, 1972

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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, July 23

- * 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School
 New Members Class,
 Session 1
- * 11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship
- 3:00 P.M.—White Bible Ceremony for
 Randy Fosha, Adult 4
- 4:00 P.M.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
- * 6:00 P.M.—Christian Training Hour
- * 7:15 P.M.—Evening Worship
- 8:15 P.M.—High School - College Fel-
 lowship

Monday, July 24

- 10:00 A.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group
- 7:00-9:00 P.M.—Youth Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday, July 25

- 10:00 A.M.—Senior Adult Fellowship
- 7:30 P.M.—Boy Scouts, "The Cellar"

Wednesday, July 26

- * 5:50 P.M.—Fellowship Dinner
- * 6:30 P.M.—Summer Institute, Mission
 Friends, GA's, RA's and
 Acteens
- * 7:30 P.M.—Prayer Services
- * 8:00 P.M.—Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, July 27

- 7:00 P.M.—Silent Class Film Fellowship
 —"Big Mouth"

Friday, July 28

- 9:30 A.M.—Associational WMU Meeting,
 Plainview Baptist Church
- 7:00-9:00—Youth Choir Rehearsal
- 10:00 P.M.—All Night Middle School
 Party and Fellowship

LOOKING AT LAST WEEK

The Church in Study 1137
 Main Sunday School 1124
 Crippled Children's Home 13
 * * * * *
 The Church in Training 854
 Christian Training Hour 152
 Other Training Activities 702
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 Coming for Membership 7
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 Tithes and Offerings:
 Budget\$9,190.39
 Specials 281.52
TOTAL OFFERING\$9,481.91

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP July 16, 1972

BY LETTER:

- 167. Mrs. Jean Rea, 180 Kenilworth Rd.
 From: Lakeview Baptist,
 Pensacola, Florida
- 168. James Rea
- 169. Bradford Rea
- 170. Mitchell Rea
- 171. Larry G. Tharp, 1350 Bakalane, 18-A
 From: Wieuca Road Baptist,
 Atlanta, Georgia
- 172. Mrs. Larry Tharp (Jean)

BY BAPTISM:

- 63. Philip Giese, Rt. 2, Box 600

**Who is Coming?
 Tom or Eb?
 Watch next weeks
 Builder and see!**