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## LEADING OUR DEACONS

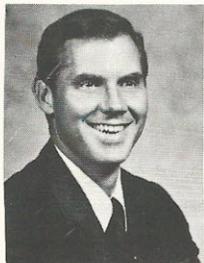


The Deacons have elected the above pictured men to lead them for the new Church year. Reading left to right are: Joe G. Brookins, Assistant Secretary; T. A. Shell, Vice-Chairman; Robert Hinson, Chairman; Billy Renfroe, Secretary.

# Pastor's Paragraphs

## "PROBLEMS WE CAN BE THANKFUL FOR"

Sometimes we can be thankful for our problems. The church has had a real parking problem. Because of the growth of the congregation, it isn't easy to find a place



to park around First Baptist Church. This problem will soon be solved. Have you seen the huge parking lot now being worked on just North of the Church?

Then there's another problem that has been brought on by our growth. That's the problem of noise in the Sanctuary. When hundreds and hundreds of people start gathering for a service of worship, we need to be extra careful not to talk and whisper.

### "NOISY BAPTISTS"

An interesting article appeared recently in the BRITISH WEEKLY under the above title. The British are a little more sensitive along this line than we, but we would be surprised at how many others here in America feel the same way.

"You are a noisy as well as a busy church," begins a letter which a well-known Baptist Church has received from a visitor to its services. The letter says:

"As a visitor, I am continually fascinated by newly-revealed facets of your church life. Frequently I am humbled by what I see, for here is an active fellowship, sponsoring a wide variety of Christian work.

"Not all is enchantment, however, for you are a noisy, as well as a busy church. For instance, it is the whispering, rather than the singing, that needs discipline during worship. At the end of a service, the spirit of worship is instantly disturbed (and first-class music drowned) by the torrent of words from your suddenly released tongues. If this social fellowship is so vital, ought you not make special provision for it? Why not move to one of the halls and provide coffee, leaving the church to those who wish to continue worship?"

"At the moment your thoughtless chatter is spoiling worship for some, but that is not the main point. It is not a question merely of keeping quiet so as not to disturb others, but not being still, and knowing God is Lord—remaining LISTENING so that YOU can hear God, too. Maybe your noisiness is a symptom of your reluctance to do that? And perhaps your absence of corporate prayer hints at the same thing?"

"I write in sorrow that a church with such a high standard should fall down on this point. It is at the same time both trivial and significant, and it should not be too difficult to remedy."

One wonders why this is a complaint

## BUS MINISTRY REPORT

| Bus No.        | Captain            | Enrolled | Riders | New Riders |
|----------------|--------------------|----------|--------|------------|
| 1              | Barbara Ann Yonker | 36       | 21     | 0          |
| 2              | Max Dickson        | 38       | 42     | 4          |
| 3              | Rat Trigg          | 28       | 34     | 7          |
| 4              | Pete Urban         | 26       | 17     | 2          |
| 5              | Bennie Pope        | 31       | 36     | 4          |
|                |                    |          | 159    | 12         |
| Workers        |                    |          | 33     |            |
| Total on Buses |                    |          | 183    |            |

With the beginning of school, our Bus Ministry is settling down to a new school year program and the 150 riders on Sunday was the second highest number of riders we have had since we began our Bus Ministry. We look for this number to climb week by week as new riders are added to our routes. The 33 workers represented a new high in the number of crew members who were serving on the buses Sunday morning. How thankful we are for these people who give so much of their time on Saturday and Sunday to work on the bus ministry week by week. You too can be a part of this tremendous outreach ministry and you are needed! There is some service that you can render to our bus ministry. Why don't you find out what it is today?

### JUST FOR YOU(th)

Many of our college students have returned to campuses throughout the land. These young people will be missed. However, we know that many of them will be serving their church actively wherever they are. We would like to update our mailing list for all college students and would appreciate very much if you know of any college students who are attending school outside the Pensacola area, to please call Mrs. Belich in the church office and give her their name and mailing address. We would appreciate very much this information as it will enable us to put them on our mailing list to receive The Builder and other youth materials week by week.

On Saturday, September 23, 1972 the high school and college young people will have a Luau at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Patterson. This will be a very special event aimed at beginning our Fall program. Tickets are \$1.00 per person and must be purchased no later than Sunday, September 17, 1972.

sometimes levelled at Non-conformist churches but rarely at the Established Church. Are we more fraternally minded, or is it that the Gothic architecture of the average Parish Church breeds a sense of awe and reverence? Many of our ministers are now seeking a more reverent and dignified worship.

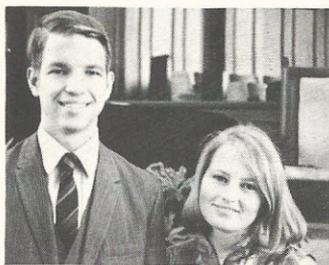
I'll look forward to seeing you Sunday in God's House. It promises to be another exciting day.

Faithfully your pastor,

*James L. Pleitz*

## RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP

### LAST WEEK



Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Bell



Karen Eckert



John Lee Edwards



Neva Price



Angela Stafford

Also received was  
John Karn, whose  
picture was not available.

### DEACONS ELECTED

The following men were elected by the Church Sunday, September 10, to serve as active deacons:

O. F. (Ben) Aultman  
T. Howard Blackmon  
Joe G. Brookins  
W. T. Creel  
Elliott E. Dobelstein  
Gerald A. Garrett  
Aubrey Gomillion  
Theron A. Guthrie  
William L. Lee  
Joseph Napier  
Frank Patterson

At their regular meeting Monday evening, the deacons elected the following officers:

Robert Hinson .....Chairman  
T. A. Shell .....Vice-Chairman  
Billy Renfroe .....Secretary  
Joe G. Brookins .....Assistant Secretary

### SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"THE MAN WHO MIGHT  
HAVE BEEN"

(Judges 13:2-5, 24)

7:15 P.M.

MESSAGE BY CLARENCE ALLISON

### OUR CHURCH FAMILY

#### IN THE HOSPITALS:

*Baptist* — Mr. George C. Dandelakis, Mr. E. A. Bratcher, Mr. A. S. Edwards, Mr. R. C. Keith, Mr. Bert Berrisford, Mrs. George Kitchen, Mrs. H. G. (Catherine) Gray, Mrs. George (Fannie) Kent, Mr. Bill Guyette, Sr.

#### HOME FROM THE HOSPITALS:

Mrs. W. H. (Simmye) Ferry, Mrs. Gerson (Dorothy) Mayer, Mrs. Maggie Brown, Mr. Albert G. Woerner, Mrs. P. O. (Rosemary) Davis, Mrs. Robert (Jill) Morris, Mrs. Roger (Marcia) Vinson, Julie Minchew.

#### SYMPAHTY TO:

Mrs. T. H. Blackmon in the loss of her brother.

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Linda Jo Carr and James H. Hinson on their marriage September 9.

### THE VERY NEWEST

The rosebuds on the pulpit Sunday were placed there in honor of

MASTER JASON PATRICK MORRIS  
son of

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morris  
born September 6, 1972

MASTER BENJAMIN TODD VINSON  
son of

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Vinson  
born September 9, 1972

**INTRODUCING  
DR. JAMES L. SULLIVAN**



Dr. James L. Sullivan  
Executive Secretary-Treasurer  
Baptist Sunday School Board of the  
Southern Baptist Convention

Dr. Sullivan is a native Mississippian, a graduate of Mississippi College and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He was pastor in Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi and Abilene, Texas, prior to assuming his present responsibilities in 1953. Dr. Sullivan will be here to lead us in our Sunday School Revival September 24-27.

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**W.M.U. LEADERSHIP  
CONFERENCE**

The W.M.U. Leadership Conference will be held Thursday, September 21, 9:30-12:00 at the church. It will be taught by the Association officers listed below.

W.M.U. Director .....Mrs. Robert Jernigan  
Baptist Women

Directors .....Mrs. Tate Bousman  
Mrs. Carl Schafer

Baptist Young Women

Director .....Mrs. John Stacey

Acteans Directors .....Mrs. Ralph Williams  
Mrs. H. E. Smith

G. A. Director .....Mrs. Jerry Mixon  
Mission Friends

Director .....Miss Dale Mooneyham  
A nursery will be provided.

**"THE BOY WHO  
CAUGHT THE FISH"**

By Jack Coleman

Featuring

Cal Clevenger, Narrator

Dick Bell, Tim

Mark Markham, Joel

9 Piece Orchestra

58 Voice Junior Choir

8:15 P.M.

## HAVE YOU HAD YOUR PICTURE MADE?

The photographer is already here and is at work taking pictures which will be included in our pictorial directory. Every family has received a letter from the pastor, and our telephone committee is in the process of calling each family to schedule a specific appointment. If you have not already been called, please call Mrs. Warfield in the church office. She will be able to schedule an appointment.

You may have a member of your family who is unable to be here, such as a college student, or shut-in, whose picture you would like to have included. In these instances, you may bring a picture of this member and it will be included in the directory in a special section at the back. This section will be in black and white in contrast to the main part of the directory, which will be in living color.

It is our hope that every family and every member will be included.

Call now and say yes.

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## THANK YOU!

Words fail us when we try to express the feelings of gratitude that well up within us when we consider the provisions that you have made for us during this furlough year. To the Pastor, Mr. Bizzell, Mr. Robert Hinson, Chairman of the Missions Committee, and to many others unnamed and unknown to us who have worked so hard to prepare this home for us, we can only say a sincere "thank you" from hearts that have been touched by the warmth of your love and friendship. We appreciate this home and all its lovely furnishings and the countless ways that you have taken us to yourselves and made us feel a part of the wonderful Christian fellowship that is First Baptist Church. To each of you, please consider this your invitation to drop by our way whenever you can. We want to know you better, but I don't think we can ever love you more than we do already.

Sincerely,

Clarence, Alta, Mark  
and Kay Allison

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## NEED FOR FOSTER HOMES

The Division of Family Service is in need of Foster Homes for children. Anyone interested is asked to call Mrs. Donna Kilbourn at 432-1251, Extension 232. The best time to call will be Monday or Wednesday mornings.

### MEN'S BASKETBALL

Anyone interested in playing basketball is asked to contact the church office, Mr. Charles Baker, (home—476-3781, office—476-6120) or Mr. Randy Markham, 476-8439.

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## CHURCH OFFICE.....433-5631

### CHURCH OFFICERS

Barney Burks, Jr., Chairman of Deacons.....438-6567  
F. Willard Vickery, S.S. Dir.....476-8431  
Ed Bell, Dir. of Church Training.....476-5990  
Mrs. Herman Williams, W.M.U. Dir.....432-3386  
Mrs. Joseph F. Boykin, Sr.  
Director of Library Services.....455-7925

### CHURCH STAFF — Residence Phones

Dr. James L. Pleitz, Pastor.....433-1502  
Clyde K. Bizzell, Asst. to Pastor.....432-7237  
Paul Royal, Minister of Music.....432-8573  
William V. (Bill) Phillips,  
Dir. of Youth Education.....477-0133  
Miss Dale Mconeyham,  
Dir. of Children's Work.....476-2435  
Mrs. Betty Getman, Organist.....432-0648  
Mrs. J. C. Rountree, Fin. Secy.....432-1326  
Mrs. Nelma Camp, Pastor's Secretary  
Mrs. Tom Thornton, Membership Sec.  
Mrs. Inez Warfield, Ed. Sec.  
Mrs. Drucilla Belich, Sec.  
Ernest Berrineau, Treasurer.....432-5079  
Mrs. Kitty Manning, Dietician.....456-2124

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, SEPTEMBER 17

- \* 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School  
New Member Class Session  
No. 3
- \* 11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship  
4: P.M.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
- \* 6:00 P.M.—Christian Training Hour
- \* 7:15 P.M.—Church wide fellowship featuring "The Boy Who Caught The Fish"

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

10:00 A.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

- \* 9:30-11:00—Mission Action Group,  
Adult 1 Dept.
- 11:00 A.M.—Laura Stoesen Round Table  
with Mrs. Jack Baldwin,  
2990 Blackshear Ave.
- 7:30 P.M.—Boy Scouts in "The Cellar"

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

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

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

- 9:00 A.M.—Faithful Workers SS Visitation meeting
- \* 9:00 A.M.—Mother's Day Out
- \* 9:30 A.M.—Assn. WMU Leadership  
Conference

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

- 7:00 P.M.—5th Grade Parents Night in  
"The Cellar"

## LOOKING AT LAST WEEK

September 10, 1972

The Church in Study .....1481  
Main Sunday School .....1468  
Crippled Children's Home ..... 13  
The Church in Training ..... 760  
Christian Training Hour ..... 187  
Other Training Activities ..... 573  
Coming for Membership ..... 5  
Tithes and Offerings:  
Budget .....\$12,446.79  
Specials ..... 1,079.05  
TOTAL OFFERING .....\$13,525.83

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday, September 17: "Teachings of Jesus"  
Matthew 22:35-40  
Monday, September 18: "Loyalty to God"  
Exodus 20:3; Luke 14:25-27  
Tuesday, September 19: "True Worship"  
Deuteronomy 8:11; John 4:19-24  
Wednesday, September 20: "Jesus and the Sabbath"  
Exodus 20:8; Mark 2:23-28  
Thursday, September 21: "Jesus and the Family"  
Exodus 20:12; Mark 7:9-13  
Friday, September 22: "Sacredness of Human Life"  
Exodus 20:13; Matthew 5:21-24  
Saturday, September 23: "Fidelity in Marriage"  
Exodus 20:14; Matthew 5:27-32

## COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP

September 10, 1972

### BY LETTER:

- 214. William E. Bush, Rt. 1, Box 461-F25  
From: Hopeful Baptist, Pensacola, Fl.
- 215 Dennis W. Kelly, 6570 Allyn Way  
From: FBC of Wahiawa, Wahiawa,  
Hawaii

216. Mrs. Dennis W. Kelly (Sharlyn)

### BY BAPTISM:

- 91. David L. Bardal, 5544 Charbar Dr.
- 92. Mrs. David Bardal (Lou)

### REDEDICATION:

Marcy Bell

## MOTHER'S DAY OUT

Our Mother's Day Out program for Preschool children will begin on Thursday morning, September 21. We want this to be a service to you, if there is a need. If we find that our families of preschool children do not need this service, then we will need to discontinue it. The hours are from 9:00 A.M. until 3:00 P.M., the first and third Thursdays of each month. There is a charge of \$ .50 an hour for one child and \$ .75 an hour for 2 or more children in the same family.