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All Ready For A New Year



Shown here are:

Mr. Robert Jernigan, Director of Church Training and Mr. Willard Vickery, Director of Sunday School, discussing plans for the new church year which begins Sunday.

Pastor's Paragraphs

"WHAT KIND OF CHURCH—IF"

Consider these simple lines:

"What kind of church would my church be if all the members were just like me?"



Dare we be absolutely honest? If all the members were like some, there wouldn't be a First Baptist Church. Instead of a beautiful church building standing as a witness for Christ on the top of Palafox hill, the site would perhaps be occupied by an office building or a service station.

The heart of Jesus Christ is broken by indifference. Indifference causes Christ greater agony than the nails that held Him to Calvary's Cross.

How do you explain the fact that some church members never come to church or make any pretense to support the church. It's not necessary for the indifferent church member to make any explanation to the pastor, but one day we will all stand before our Lord and give an accounting for our lives. What reason will you give Him for your utter indifference? Why have you ignored HIS BRIDE, THE CHURCH?

"What kind of church would my church be if all the members were just like me?"

On the other hand, the faithfulness of others must surely cause our Lord to rejoice! The conscientious, consistent Christian will one day hear the words of commendation from the lips of our Lord, "Well done, good and faithful servant." Nor is it necessary to wait until you stand in God's presence in order to be rewarded for faithfulness. The faithful Christian has a peace and joy deep in his heart that comes right now to those who put first things first.

If all of us were as faithful as some, the First Baptist Church of Pensacola would be the greatest church in the history of the world.

How do we account for this amazing loyalty? **THE KEYWORD IS LOVE. WHEN WE LOVE CHRIST, WE ARE LOYAL TO HIS CHURCH.** It's that simple.

We cannot separate our love for Christ and our love for the church. The real Christian knows that one word in the poem demands to be changed. It is not **MY CHURCH BUT HIS CHURCH** . . .

"What kind of church would HIS CHURCH be if all the members were just like me?"

I'll look forward to seeing you in His Church on His day.

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz

BUS MINISTRY REPORT

AN ALL TIME RECORD HIGH . . .

Bus No.	Captain	Enrolled	Riders	New Riders
1	Barbara Yonker	36	23	1
2	Max Dickson	42	102	15
3	Rat Trigg	28	22	2
4	Pete Urban	26	20	4
5	Bennie Pope	31	28	0
		163	195	22
Workers			28	
Total on Buses			223	

195 riders on our five buses this past Sunday was an amazing new record for our Bus Ministry. Our congratulations go to Max Dickson and Elton Dunson for the excellent job which they have done on Route 2. This crew has worked for the last two or three weeks toward having 100 riders on Bus 2. This again reminds us that if we will follow God's command to go into the highways and hedges and compel them to come in, they will come into His house to hear His word preached and taught. There is a direct relationship between the number of people who attend our services and the number from our church who are out visiting each week. All of our crews have been working hard toward building up the attendance for this Fall and this is much in evidence with 195 riders this past Sunday. We continue to need people who are willing to give some of their time and talents to this important outreach ministry. Won't you pray about your involvement in the Bus Ministry of our church?

JUST FOR YOU(th)

91 Young people gathered at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Frank Patterson last Saturday evening for a Luau and enjoyed a delicious meal and some fine entertainment from the Sunshine Season, a singing group from Florida State University. Mrs. Patterson and her committee did an excellent job in preparing for the luau and decorating. Our thanks to them for the excellent job which they did.

This Sunday from each youth department of our church we will be electing two members of the youth council. This is an important election as the young people elected to serve on the council will carry a tremendous responsibility in helping to determine the youth program for the coming year. Our young people are asked to be much in prayer for this upcoming election.

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"CHRIST AND THE STORMS OF LIFE"

(Mark 6:45-52)

7:15 P.M.

"MEN WHO MAKE THE DIFFERENCE"

(Acts 6:1-7)

RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP LAST WEEK



Susan Covington



Sarah Dukes



Frances Halford



Mr. & Mrs. Curtis Holt



Mrs. Mary Parker



Mr. and Mrs. James Schappaugh & Tammy



Mr. & Mrs. David Shiell



Bill Stinson



Betsy Tidwell

Also received were Mr. and Mrs. Carlisle Buck, Pamela Buck and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Von Antz, whose pictures were not available.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist

Mrs. Gerald (Sue) Gentry III, Mrs. Hugh (Rose) Brock, Mrs. Ralph (Carolyn) Van Matre, Mr. E. A. Bratcher, Mrs. Wallace (Nina) Brown, Mrs. H. G. (Catherine) Gray, Mrs. George (Fannie) Kent, Mrs. J. L. (Bernice) Smith, Mrs. Henry (Evelyn) Parramore

Sacred Heart

Sybil Blount, Mrs. S. J. (Billie) Bell

Navy Hospital

Julie Minchew

Walter Reed Army Hospital

Mr. Bill Guyette, Sr.

HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Mr. George Dandelakis, Mrs. George Wallace (Nina) Brown, Miss Lola Gen-Kitchen, Mrs. Evelyn Silver, Deborah Little, Mrs. G. R. (Kathryn) McDonald, Mrs. A. H. (Mary) Steele, Mrs. Larry (Cathy) Woody, Christy Aerne, Miss Lola Gentry

SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. Martha Parker in the loss of her mother.
Mrs. R. C. Keith in the loss of her husband.
Mrs. Elise Sutton and Mrs. Grace Kenney in the loss of their father.
Mr. A. L. Hart in the loss of his mother.

BAPTIST WOMEN PLAN FOR 1972-73

On Tuesday, October 3, 1972, Mrs. Irene Williams, Director of W.M.U.; Mrs. Lucy Gray, President of Baptist Women; and Mrs. Angie Blackmon, Group Chairman of Baptist Women, will bring us the latest news, inspiration, and other information from Ridgecrest W.M.U. on the work planned for Baptist Women for the coming year. At this meeting there will be extended the opportunity to join groups who serve Christ through ministering to new citizens, and through visitation in the homes of newcomers, and with parents of our "Bus Ministry" children. There are also groups who work with those speaking other languages and with underprivileged children. Every Christian woman is so vitally needed for the work Baptist Women are undertaking.

Come for Bible study, for details on new work, and for fellowship around the luncheon table. Each of us is responsible for the twenty-four hours our Lord entrusts to us each day — **MAKE MISSIONS A MUST IN YOURS!**

- 9:45 A.M.—Bible Study
10:15 A.M.—Business and Program
11:30 A.M.—Luncheon—The Dale Terry Group will be hostesses.

A NEW YEAR AND NEW OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday is the first Sunday of a brand new church year. Many will be moving to new departments and new classes. There are some new meeting places for departments.

Career Department meets on the 2nd floor of the Educational Building, Entrance 13 (North end of building)

Adult 1, Marriage through 24, 1st Floor, South Wing, behind Library.

Adult 2, ages 25-32, meets on the first floor of the Sanctuary building.

Adult 3, ages 33-40 meets on the basement floor of Educational building where Adult 4 has been meeting.

Adult 4, ages 41-49 meets on the first floor of the Sanctuary building where Adult 3 has been meeting.

Adult 5, ages 50-60 meets on the basement floor of the Educational Building.

Adult 6, 61 up meets on the first floor of the Sanctuary building.

THE VERY NEWEST

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

MISS LAURA ELIZABETH RIDDLES
daughter of

Mr. & Mrs. Benjamin Riddles II
born September 15, 1972

* * *

MISS TERESA DAWN WOODY
daughter of

Mr. & Mrs. Larry Woody
born September 21, 1972

IN MEMORIAM

R. C. Keith
1501 E. Brainerd
Joined our church by letter
April 6, 1924
Deceased September 22, 1972

LOOKING AT LAST WEEK

The Church in Study	1347
Main Sunday School	1331
Crippled Children's Home	16
The Church in Training	775
Christian Training Hour	191
Other Training Activities	584
Coming for Membership	3
Baptized	5
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$7,900.09
Specials	572.37
TOTAL OFFERING	\$8,472.46

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP

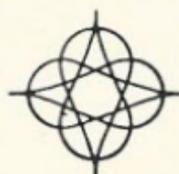
SEPTEMBER 24, 1972

BY BAPTISM:

96. Amie Cox, 2401 Nagel Dr.
97. Michael H. Pitts, Sr., 6211 Sarah Dr.
98. Mrs. Michael Pitts (Jane)

BAPTIZED:

Susan Covington, Sarah Dukes, Curtis
Holt, Bill Stinson, Betsy Tidwell



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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, October 1

- * 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School
 New Member's Class,
 Session 2
- * 11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship
- 3:30 P.M.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
- 5:00 P.M.—Explorer's Bible Drill for
 3rd-6th graders, 6th Grade
 Room.
- * 6:00 P.M.—Christian Training Hour
- * 7:15 P.M.—Evening Worship
- 8:15 P.M.—High School — College
 Fellowship, in "The Cellar"

Monday, October 2

- 10:00 A.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group
- 7:30 P.M.—TACLO Meeting, Library

Tuesday, October 3

- * 9:45 A.M.—Baptist Women General
 Meeting
- 11:30 A.M.—Lunch
- 6:00 P.M.—Baptist Women, with Mrs.
 Doris Berlin, 1601 E. Lake-
 view
- 7:30 P.M.—Boy Scouts in "The Cellar"

Wednesday, October 4

- * 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

- * 7:30 P.M.—Prayer Service
- * 8:00 P.M.—Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 5

- * 9:00-3:00—Mother's Day Out
- 12:30 P.M.—Faithful Workers — Dining
 Room

Saturday, October 7

- 6:30 P.M.—Adult 2 Church Training
 Social in "The Cellar"

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday, October 1: "God Claims a People"
 Ezekiel 11:16-20.

Monday, October 2: "An Everlasting Cove-
 nant"
 Genesis 17:1-8.

Tuesday, October 3: "God's Deliverance"
 Exodus 3:7-10.

Wednesday, October 4: "God's Presence"
 Isaiah 43:1-5.

Thursday, October 5: "God's Expectation
 of His People"
 Jeremiah 11:1-5.

Friday, October 6: "God Hears His Peo-
 ple"
 2 Chronicles 7:12-18.

Saturday, October 7: "A Savior to Save
 God's People"
 Isaiah 7:10-14.

QUIET MOMENTS ON WVIX

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Taylor are pro-
 ducing a 15 minute program of sacred
 music which will be heard each Sunday
 morning from 7:00 to 7:15 on WVIX (610
 on the AM dial). This will be a quality
 program of inspirational, vocal and in-
 strumental selections which will appeal to
 all ages.

Encourage others to listen.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary this
 Sunday are in memory of Miss Mon-
 taree Barrineau and are given by the
 Barrineau family.

MENU FOR WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 4, 1972

Roast Beef
 Rice Gravy
 English Peas
 Coffee Tea
 Dinner Rolls
 Danish Pastry

MEN'S BASKETBALL

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