



# The Baptist Builder

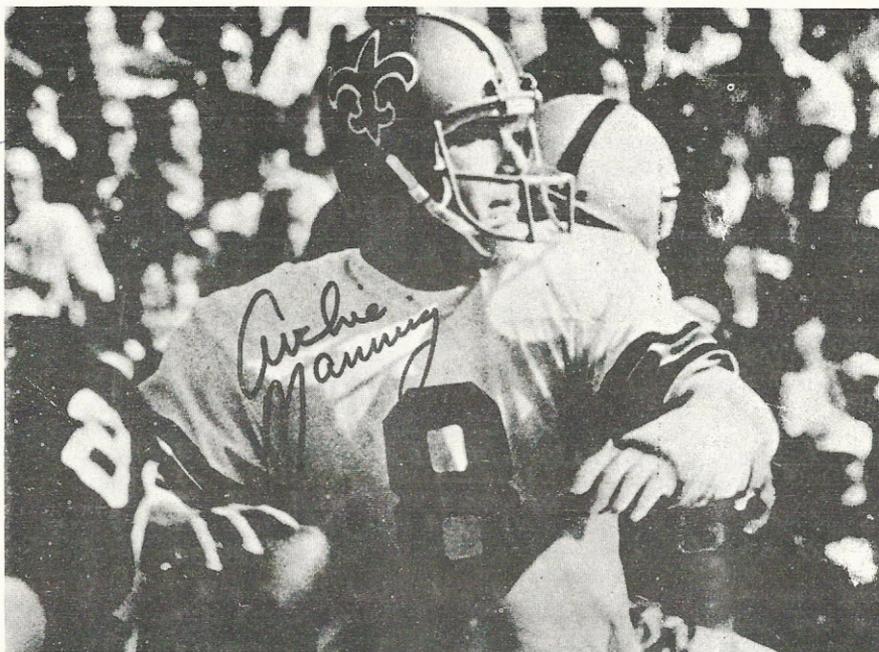
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## FOOTBALL BANQUET TUESDAY 7:00 P.M.



ARCHIE MANNING WILL SPEAK

GET YOUR TICKET **NOW!**

# Pastor's Paragraphs

## "ON KNOWING UP FROM DOWN"

Some folks have trouble remembering right from left. Mine is an even more serious problem, I get up and down confused.

If you were in the service last Sunday night (hundreds of people were), you will recall that during the sermon, mention was made of the vertical and the horizontal.

There was just one small problem, I had them backward!

It's amazing how much trust some people have in their pastor. One dear lady said, "For years I thought

they meant just the opposite, but I'm sure our pastor knows what he's talking about." Now hear this—the pastor was WRONG.

Perhaps the best way to define the words is to draw a picture. This is a horizontal line ———. This is a vertical line | .

LET THERE BE NO CONFUSION ABOUT THIS GREAT TRUTH EMPHASIZED BY REID HARDIN IN CELEBRATION — UNLESS OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH PEOPLE (THE HORIZONTAL RELATIONSHIP) IS GOOD AND LOVING AND CHRIST-LIKE, OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD (THE VERTICAL RELATIONSHIP) CANNOT BE WHAT IT SHOULD BE. Have you ever known anyone who refused to speak to certain people and yet claim that they spoke to God in prayer? Impossible.

John, the Apostle of Love, put it this way. "Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love." "We love him, because he first loved us. If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar; for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen? And this commandment have we from him, That he who loveth God love his brother also." (I John 4:7-8, 19:21)

It's a privilege to pastor a church made up of folk who love each other!

Sunday promises to be another blessed day. I'll look forward to seeing you in the Meeting House.

Faithfully your pastor,

*James L. Pleitz*

## BUS MINISTRY REPORT

| Bus No.        | Captain            | Enrolled | Riders |
|----------------|--------------------|----------|--------|
| 1              | Barbara Ann Yonker | 39       | 26     |
| 2              | Max Dickson        | 46       | 23     |
| 3              | Rat Trigg          | 32       | 21     |
| 4              | Wade Curington     | 27       | 23     |
| 5              | Bennie Pope        | 35       | 25     |
| 6              | Jim Prim           | 35       | 24     |
|                |                    | 214      | 142    |
| Workers        |                    |          | 31     |
| Total on Buses |                    |          | 173    |

We were glad to have two new workers in the Bus Ministry this week. Jay Wallace and Joe Pace are now serving the bus ministry as drivers. We need many more workers, new areas need to be surveyed as well as the regular work on the routes.

We hope the Lord is leading you to serve in some way in the Bus Ministry. If you are interested call Max Dickson, 456-4746 at home, 455-1345 at the office, or call the church office 433-5631.

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

### IN THE HOSPITALS:

#### Baptist:

Paul Poe, Mrs. E. C. (Laura) Austin, Mrs. Bettie Galloway, Calvin B. Heine, Sr.

#### Sacred Heart:

Mrs. L. D. (Elizabeth) Allen, Mrs. Robert (Helen) Gardner, Robert H. Wilson, Jr., Mrs. Robert H. Wilson, Sr., Mrs. Lennie Bonham, Mrs. Grace Burris, Mr. William Novick

### HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Mr. John Williams, Mr. Theron Guthrie, Mrs. Bennie Mae Peterson, Mr. John Cobb, Mrs. Robert (Angela) Morrison, Mrs. Robert H. Wilson, Sr., Mrs. Imogene Stewart

### SYMPATHY TO:

Mr. Marvin Beck in the loss of his Father.  
Mr. Francis Boucher in the loss of his brother.  
Mr. Ed Green in the loss of his Mother.  
Mrs. William Novick in the loss of her Father.  
Leah Ware in the loss of her brother.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Sandra Jackson and Jimmy Roundtree on their marriage December 2.

## CHURCH LEAGUE

### BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

MONDAY, DEC. 11, 8:30 P.M.

Our Men's Team Vs. Heights Baptist Church, at Malcolm Yonge Gym.



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### LOOKING AT LAST WEEK

|                                 |                  |
|---------------------------------|------------------|
| The Church in Study .....       | 1372             |
| Main Sunday School .....        | 1359             |
| Crippled Children's Home .....  | 13               |
| The Church in Training .....    | 823              |
| Christian Training Hour .....   | 214              |
| Other Training Activities ..... | 609              |
| Coming for Membership .....     | 5                |
| Baptized .....                  | 4                |
| Tithes and Offerings:           |                  |
| Budget .....                    | 13,964.45        |
| Specials .....                  | 2,608.80         |
| <b>TOTAL OFFERING .....</b>     | <b>16,573.25</b> |

### COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP

December 3, 1972

#### BY LETTER:

37. Mrs. Cheryl Wojdak, 512-B Paulding Avenue.  
 From Central Baptist, Pensacola

#### BY BAPTISM:

18. Roxana Dawson, 5720 Wickford Lane  
 19. Jeff Harker, 3860 Baisden Rd.  
 20. Mike Harker, 3860 Baisden Rd.  
 21. Amy Little, 3230 Bayou Dr.

#### REDEDICATION:

Mrs. Juanita Ashley, Mrs. William Novick, Patricia O'Gara

#### BAPTISED:

Marvin Beck, Jr., Laurie Anne Blue, Wayne Knight, Dale Neuendorf

### SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.  
 "ON FINDING FULFILLMENT"  
 (John 10: 1-11)  
 7:15 P.M.  
 REPORT FROM EAST AFRICA  
 CLARENCE ALLISON

## OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

- \* 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School  
     New Member's Class, Session No. 3
- \* 11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship  
     2:30 P.M.—Career Department in "The Cellar"
- 4:45 P.M.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
- 5:15 P.M.—Explorer's Bible Drill
- \* 6:00 P.M.—Christian Training Hour
- \* 7:15 P.M.—Evening Worship

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11

- 10:00 A.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group
- 6:30 P.M.—Adult 5, Reflectors SS Class  
     Christmas Party in "The Cellar"
- 7:30 P.M.—Deacons

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12

- 9:30 A.M.—Group meetings - listed elsewhere in BUILDER.
- 7:00 P.M.—Football Banquet, Municipal Auditorium
- 7:30 P.M.—Boy Scouts in "The Cellar"

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13

- \* 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

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14

- \* 8:00 P.M.—Adult Choir Rehearsal
- 6:30 P.M.—Naomi Class (Adult 6)  
     Christmas Party, Fellowship Hall
- 7:30 P.M.—Adult 1 Bible Study in "The Cellar"

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15

- 7:00 P.M.—Silent Class Fellowship in Dining Room

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16

- 1:30 P.M.—Party for Handicapped children, Dining Room

### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

- Sunday, Dec. 10: "Taking the Likeness of Men"  
     Philippians 2:5-11
- Monday, Dec. 11: "Identifying Self with Sinners"  
     Matthew 3:13-17
- Tuesday, Dec. 12: "Overcoming All Temptations"  
     Matthew 4:1-11
- Wednesday, Dec. 13: "Accepting the Father's Will"  
     Matthew 26:36-39
- Thursday, Dec. 14: "Paying the Price of Redemption"  
     Matthew 27:29-42
- Friday, Dec. 15: "Breaking Death's Dominion"  
     Matthew 28:1-9
- Saturday, Dec. 16: "Giving Salvation Through His Life"  
     Romans 5:1-10