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WILL YOU FORGET?

"I forgot my Lord in the summer time,
Just the time I was needed most;
I was not away but on each Lord's Day,
I just failed to be at my post.

I forgot my Church in the summer time,
As I lazily lay in bed;
While the faithful few had my work to do,
I was spiritually dead.

I forgot my tithe in the summer time,
When He needed it most of all;
While my cash was spent, I was pleasure bent,
Just off my duty for God till fall.

I forgot my class in the summer time,
But the devil did not forget;
Working day and night, he kept up the fight,
He's a go-getter you can bet.

I forgot my soul in the summer time,
Got along without spiritual food;
While my Lord on High sent me blessings,
I showed Him naught but ingratitude.

If my Lord should come in the summer time,
When, from duty to God I'm free;
Wonder what I'll do, when my life is through,
If, by chance, He should forget me?"

**"Thou shalt have no other gods before Me . . .
Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy."**

—from the Ten Commandments.



Pastor's Paragraphs

"HANG IN THERE, BABY"

There are times when a picture is worth MORE than a thousand words. Perhaps you've seen the picture of a kitty cat hanging onto a pole for dear life. He has his two front paws over the pole and from the look in his eyes, he must be suspended at least 12 stories above the ground. The only thing that's saving him is his desperate hold on that pole. The caption over the picture is "Hang In There, Baby."



I can identify with this cat and probably you can too. We've all known the stress and strain of trying to hang in there. This is true of the business man, housewife and student. It is true of all of us.

Most of the stress and strain in your life and mine is unnecessary. As strange as it may seem, the secret of "hanging in there" is letting go. It's been said "He who will not let go — cannot hang on." For when we learn to let go and let God have His wonderful way in our life, we have learned life's most valuable lesson . . .

My favorite passage in the Bible is Isaiah 40: 28-31. It's all about letting go. "Hast thou not known? Hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth, faintest not, neither is weary? There is no searching of his understanding. He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength. Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall: But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint."

See you Sunday in God's House.

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"FINDING THE BEST THROUGH THE WORST"

(Genesis 45:3-5; 50:19-20)

7:15 P.M.

"ON MAKING A STEW WITHOUT GETTING IN ONE"

(Luke 10: 38-42)

REACHING OUT

We rejoice at the response for visitation last Wednesday evening. There were 60 plus people who went out from the church between 6:30 and 8:30 P.M., to visit in the homes of prospects.

Many of the people who joined the church last Sunday were visited by members of our church last Wednesday or Thursday.

We must always remember that Jesus commissioned us to GO. Don't miss the blessing of the outreach ministry of our church!

Bro. Bob

BUS MINISTRY REPORT

Bus No.	Captain	En.	Rds.	New Rds.	Vts
1	P. Coupe				
	C. F. Wilson	20	16	4	20
2	Max Dickson				
	Barry Royal	43	39	2	55
3	Rat Trigg	38	24	0	40
4	Walter Nell	39	22	0	37
5	Bennie Pope	37	20	0	10
6	Jim Prim	33	31	3	30
7	J. Schappaugh	48	34	3	48
8	Sherry Corley				
	E. Ebersold	20	16	1	20
			278	202	13
					260
	Workers			56	
	Total on Buses		258		

Honor Bus is Bus No. 2 with 39 riders. We would also note Bus No. 6 has 33 enrolled and they had 31 riders.

16% of our Sunday School attendance during May was brought in on the buses.. I am sure you would like to join me in commending all the workers for a job well done.



The Tour Choir of First Baptist Church, Huntsville, Alabama, will provide the music for the Sunday evening service.

THANKS

There are times when words are so inadequate.

I was surprised and overwhelmed by the Anniversary Celebration Sunday night. The gifts were unbelievable. I still don't know what all those knobs are for.

From the bottom of a grateful heart to a very gracious people: "Thanks!"

Clyde Bizzell

RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP
LAST WEEK



Dorothy Linley

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist:

Mrs. John (Barbara) Ackerman, Mrs. William G. (Mary Evelyn) Harker, Mrs. G.T. (Edna) Farrington, Mrs. A. J. (Bertie Ruth) Butler, John Daniel, Mrs. Lennie Bonham

Sacred Heart:

Mrs. Donald (Gail) Wright

HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Mrs. William (Ava) Holley, Mr. Neil Blue, Cynthia King, Mr. Jim Schappaugh, Mrs. Lillie Kendrick, Mrs. Lois Heine, Mrs. Ralph (Carolyn) Van Matre, Mrs. L. O. (Mamie) Larcom, Timothy Sims

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Judy Eggart and Chris Webb on their marriage May 26.

Laurie Riddle and Adollah ShoKonki Nejad on their marriage May 26.

SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. A. E. Taylor in the loss of her brother.

Mr. Ronnie Hooper in the loss of his father, Mr. Stanley T. Hooper.

BEGINNING SUNDAY NIGHT
NEW STUDY GROUP

1. "The Seven Churches of Asia Minor" led by Brother Bob Ebersold. A study of the first three chapters of the book of Revelation. This will be an in depth study of the scriptures that deal with the message to the seven churches of Asia. In the very first session we will discuss the author of the seven letters. There is no where in the Bible so profound a description of the Lord as in the first chapter of Revelation.

FOCUS ON
FIRST FOLKS

Rebecca Thrash, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman E. Thrash, returned to Tallahassee last week to be initiated into Phi Beta Kappa. Rebecca received her Bachelor of Arts degree in French from Florida State University in March. She was graduated Cum laude.

Patricia Roberts Masters received her B.S. degree in Elementary Education from East Texas Baptist College, Marshall, Texas. She made the Dean's List with honors the last semester.

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP
MAY 13, 1973

BY LETTER:

112. Nancy Pleitz, 1400 N. Spring St.
From: FBC, Dallas, Tx.

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP
MAY 27, 1973

BY LETTER:

113. Calvin Armistead, 438 Fairfax
From: FBC, Winston-Salem, N.C.
114. Ken Beaton, 7200 Lillian Hwy.,
Apt. 807
From: FBC, Marmaduke, Ar.
115. Mrs. Ken Beaton (Linda)
116. Frieda Blackwell, 235 Cherokee Tr.
From: Mars Hill Bapt., Mars Hill, N.C.
117. Howard L. Conwell, Jr.
4005 W. Fairfield, Lot 25
From: Brent Lox Bapt. Chesapeake,
Va.
118. Mrs. Howard Conwell, Jr. (Cathy)
119. Sherry Corley, 1728 Yates Ave.
From: FBC, Bunnell, Fl.
120. Nix Daniel, 2713 Delmar Dr., GB
From: FBC, Winston-Salem, N.C.
121. Kenny Harris, NASC 600
From: FBC, Lawton, Ok.
122. W. W. Killam, 1730 N. "Y"
From: Brownsville Bapt., Pensacola
123. Mrs. W. W. Killam (Tallulah)
124. Amy Killam
125. Mike Killam
126. Leslie Kilpatrick, 6100 E. Shore Dr.
From: FBC, Easley, S.C.
127. Sandra Lutrick, 3880 Tom Lane
From: Main St. Bapt., Hattiesburg,
Ms.
128. Frances E. Nichols, 1907 E. Broyhill
Lane
from: Brownsville Bapt., Pensacola
129. Jan Page, 4735 Howe Ave.
From: Highland Bapt., Waco, Tx.
130. John Wiley, 6087 St. Alban Rd.
From: FBC, Indiatlantic, Fl.
131. Mrs. John Wiley (Gayle)
- ON PROFESSION OF FAITH:
99. Becky Brantley, 1515 Detroit Blvd.
100. Dennis Grassman, 5720 Wickford Lane
101. Andy Hoyt, 5705 Wickford Lane
102. Becky Page, 4735 Howe Ave.
- FOR BAPTISM
- FROM ANOTHER DENOMINATION:
103. Debbie Gresham, 8123 Ridgefield Rd.
104. Francis Johnson, 1324 E. Lee
105. Mrs. Francis Johnson (Carol)
106. Charlie Johnson
107. Kim Steiner, 428 Dolphin, GB
- REDEDICATION:
- Donald Emert, Neal Kinard, Nancy Strebeck.

BAPTIST WOMEN
GENERAL MEETING
Tuesday, June 5, 1973

- 9:45 A.M.—Bible Study
- 10:15 A.M.—Business
- 10:45 A.M.—Program — Emphasis:
Pensacola Bay Baptist Association
- 11:30 A.M.—Luncheon — Dottson Mills
Group, Hostesses

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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.

LOOKING AT LAST WEEK

The Church in Study	1289
Main Sunday School	1269
Crippled Children's Home	20
The Church in Training	618
Christian Training Hour.....	169
Other Training Activities	449
Coming for Membership	3
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$10,625.76
Specials	450.04
TOTAL OFFERING	\$11,075.80

EXTENDED SESSION TEACHERS

Sunday, June 3, 1973

- A—Mrs. Joe Brooks
- B—Mrs. W. D. Gibson
- C—Mrs. Bob Fetrow
- 1A—Mrs. Larry Woody
- 1B—Mrs. Mary Knight
- 2B—Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hill
- 3A—Mrs. Buford Abeldt
Mrs. Joe Royals
- 3B—Mrs. Raymond Hurst
- 4A—Mr. and Mrs. Gary Cushing

M E N U

June 6, 1973

- Roast Beef
- Rice & Gravy
- Green Peas and Carrots
- Roll and Butter
- Apple Crisp

Tea Coffee



OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

Sunday, June 3

- * 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School
New Member's Class,
Session No. 1
- * 11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship
- 2:30 P.M.—Woodham High Baccalaureate Service, Sanctuary
- 4:45 P.M.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
- * 6:00 P.M.—Christian Training Hour
- * 7:15 P.M.—Evening Worship,
Baptismal Service

Monday, June 4

- 10:00 A.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group,
Prayer Room

Tuesday, June 5

- * 9:45 A.M.—Baptist Women
- 6:00 P.M.—Baptist Women
- 7:30 P.M.—Boy Scouts in "The Cellar"

Wednesday, June 6

- * 5:45 P.M.—Fellowship Dinner
- * 6:15 P.M.—Prayer Service
- * 6:30 P.M.—Sunday School Officers and Teachers Meeting, Mission Friends, GA's, RA's, Ac-teens and Joy Group
—Bible Study
—Visitation
- * 7:20 P.M.—Visitation
Adult Choir Rehearsal
- * 8:30 P.M.—Visitation Reports

Thursday, June 7

- 4:30 P.M.—Faithful Workers Annual Picnic, Mrs. M. A. Farmer,
730 W. Jordan.

Saturday, June 9

- 3:00-5:00—4th Grade Sunday School Department Social in "The Cellar"

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary this Sunday are in loving memory of Mr. David H. Cobb and are given by Mrs. David H. Cobb, Brandon and Brett.