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"WE'LL GET SOME MORE FROM THE CLEVINGER'S FIELD"



THERE WILL BE WATERMELON FOR EVERYONE
AFTER CHURCH SUNDAY NIGHT



Pastor's Paragraphs

"ISOLATED FROM THE OUTSIDE WORLD"

It always makes me sad when I read about a church staff member resigning. Many reasons are given as to why people leave full time church work.



There are times when the work does get extremely tedious and trying. Sometimes I feel a little like the frustrated husband who was having a hard time making his marriage work. Someone asked him if he had ever considered divorce. The young husband answered, "No — but I have considered murder!"

I just read about another resignation. The minister wrote, "Since coming to this church as your minister. I have found myself isolated from the outside world." So he quit.

I can't conceive of anything more boring than trying to do "church work" **INSIDE THE CHURCH. CHURCH WORK CAN'T BE DONE IN THE CHURCH.** God's work is done in the outside world or it's not done at all.

The greatest single reason why people are leaving the ministry is because of boredom. Whose fault was it that this minister was isolated from the outside world? What a pity that this fellow didn't get out into the outside world where people are hurting and bleeding and dying. Then, and only then, what goes on **INSIDE** the church becomes meaningful.

Here's one pastor who thanks the good Lord for a church who cares about the outside world. I've never seen a church more concerned to get involved — **IN THE OUTSIDE WORLD.**

Everytime I attend a service here at First Baptist, I feel that we are breaking out of a gigantic football huddle and hustling out into the outside world to try to touch some life for Jesus Christ. (If you don't move out in a hurry, someone will run over you.) Talk about excitement!

I'll look forward to seeing you on the inside Sunday. In the meantime, join me on the outside as we seek to do what Jesus would do if He were here.

Bless you!

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz

BUS MINISTRY REPORT SUNDAY, JULY 22, 1973

Bus No.	Captain	Enr.	Rds.	New Rds.	Vts
1.	P. Coupe C. F. Wilson	30	22	5	30
2.	M. Dickson E. Dunson	37	20	0	21
3.	Rat Trigg	34	24	0	50
4.	W. Nell	40	19	4	40
5.	B. Pope	38	22	1	38
6.	J. Prim	35	26	1	32
7.	J. Schappaugh J. Anthony	48	20	0	48
8.	S. Corley L. Clevenger	23	11	2	25
		<u>285</u>	<u>164</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>284</u>
	Workers		60		
	Total on Buses		224		

The honor bus this week is bus number 6 with 26 riders and 4 workers. Those working on the buses have done an outstanding job this summer when it might have been easy to do other things. They have remained faithful to the work of bringing people to church. So far this summer we have been averaging 90 more riders than last summer on the buses.

I would like to say a few words of appreciation to those who worked so faithfully on the buses during Bible School. We had an average of 314 and one day we had 335 riders. Most of the bus workers spent a full day working in Bible School and an additional 3½ hours each day on their buses. They are indeed to be commended for a job well done.

Bro. Bob

RECREATION

This week the 3-5 grades will play Putt-Putt. We will meet at the church at 9:00 and return at 11:15 Monday morning. Bring a dollar and a friend and let's have a great time.

The Middle-Schoolers, High Schoolers, and Collegians will have a huge skating party. We will meet at the church at 6:45 Monday night and return at 10:15. This is a party you've all been waiting for, so bring a dollar and let's make this the best night yet.

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"THE GREAT INVITATION"

(Matthew 11:28-29)

7:15 P.M.

"OUR GOD IS ABLE"

(Daniel 3: 1-28)

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, August 5. 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 one 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 irreproachable, 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 service 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 9, when 10 men will be selected to serve on the active board of deacons.

DEACON'S NOMINATING COMMITTEE
MILTON RICHARDSON, Chairman
T. H. BLACKMON
AUBREY GOMILLION
BILLY RENFROE
ROGER YONKER

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

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

TERM ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1974

CLAUDE ADKISON
PAUL CARO
W. T. CREEL
CLARENCE DANNELLY
ROBERT HINSON

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

TERM ENDNG SEPTEMBER 30, 1975

O. F. AULTMAN
T. HOWARD BLACKMON
JOE G. BROOKINS
ELLIOTT E. DOBELSTEIN
GERALD A. GARRETT

AUBREY GOMILLION
THERON A. GUTHRIE
WILLIAM L. LEE
JOSEPH NAPIER
FRANK PATTERSON

DEACON EMERITUS

MOSE PENTON

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

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.

(NONE OF THE ABOVE 31 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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RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP LAST WEEK



Mr. & Mrs. Ed Gregory,
Faith, Daniel, Donald
(Also shown is Jodi.)



Mr. & Mrs. Charlie Killam,
Amy & Mike



Mrs. Mary Knight



Eileen Knight



Mr. & Mrs. A. T. Miles

Also received were Selina Anderson, Sheila Jones, Shirley Raines, and Jack Trippe, whose pictures were not available. Stan Adams & Lissa Webb were pictured previously.

HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE GET TOGETHER SUNDAY, AUGUST 5, 8:30-10:30 P.M.

Kathy and Joni Porras will host a special High School and College Get Together Sunday night, August 5th. The new olympic size swimming pool at the School of Liberal Arts, Gonzalez and 13th, has been made available through arrangements made by Mr. and Mrs. Porras.

Be sure to bring your swim suits to church Sunday night. Water games, swimming, great refreshments all have been planned to make this a great get-together.

FOCUS ON FIRST FOLKS

Paul Nobles left July 24 for a bicycle tour of Europe called "Spinning Spokes — Europe on 2 Wheels." He will be gone one month.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist

Mr. David Haddock, Mr. John Godwin, Mrs. Evelyn Silver, Mrs. Jessie C. (Maggie) Brown, Mrs. Mary Bland, Mrs. W. D. (Bonnie Jean) Harvell, Mrs. W. L. (Beatrice) Waters

Specialty Care

Mrs. Bernard (Elizabeth) Bond

Sacred Heart

Mrs. Robert K. (Charlie Faye) Wilson

Baptist Medical Center, Little Rock, Ark.

Mrs. Clarence (Alta) All'son

HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Mr. Raymond A. Barrow, Mrs. Ed. (Jo) Gregory, Mrs. Al (Mag) Edwards, Mr. Emil Anderson, Mrs. Frank (Betty) Gibbs, Elizabeth Yarbrough, Mr. Robert E. Mitchell, Ricky Gill

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday, July 29: "Condemned to Die"
Mark 15:6-15
Monday, July 30: "The Crown of Thorns"
Mark 15:16-20
Tuesday, July 31: "Between Two Thieves"
Mark 15:21-32
Wednesday, August 1: "The Loneliness of the Cross"
Mark 15:33-39
Thursday, August 2: "Low in the Grave He Lay"
Mark 15:42-47
Friday, August 3: "The Triumph of the Resurrection"
Mark 16:1-7
Saturday, August 4: "The Gospel Task"
Mark 16:9-16

MENU

August 1, 1973

Sliced Ham
Baked Beans
Lettuce & Tomato Salad
Roll and Butter
Chocolate Pudding
Tea Coffee



SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. Milton Richardson in the loss of her Mother, Mrs. Julia Mae Williams.
Mr. W. W. Foster in the loss of his Mother in Sparta, Georgia.
Mrs. Helen Woodard and Mr. W. F. Bratcher in the loss of their Mother.
Mrs. J. E. Bratcher.
Miss Nan Beggs, Mrs. John Murphy and Mrs. J. A. Johnston in the loss of their brother in Sarasota, Fla.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Earp on the birth of a baby daughter, Lisa Carole, July 20 in Fernandino Beach, Florida. Mrs. Earp is the former Judy Bousman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tate Bousman.

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Mrs. Martha M. Gallagher, Fin. Sec.

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 Study1211
Main Sunday School1192
Crippled Children's Home 19
The Church in Training264
Christian Training Hour136
Other Training Activities128
Coming for Membership12
Baptized 1
Tithes and Offerings:
Budget\$7,193.56
Specials 608.55

TOTAL OFFERING\$7,802.11

EXTENDED SESSION TEACHERS

SUNDAY, JULY 29, 1973

PS A—Mrs. Owen Eubanks
PS B—Mrs. Jerry Martin
PS C—Mrs. Carolyn Powers
PS 1A—Mrs. William Owens
PS 1B—Mr. and Mrs. Tom Thornton
PS 2B—Mrs. Jimmy Driskell
Miss Ann Smith
PS 2C—Mrs. B. L. Kisner
PS 3A—Mrs. Elton Dunson
PS 3B—Mrs. James G. Rea
PS 4A—Mrs. Joe Hosner

OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

Sunday, July 29

- * 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School
—New Member's Class,
Session No. 3
- * 11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship
4:45 P.M.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
- * 6:00 P.M.—Christian Training Hour
- * 7:15 P.M.—Evening Worship

Monday, July 30

10:00 A.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group

Tuesday, July 31

7:30 P.M.—Boy Scouts in "The Cellar"

Wednesday, August 1

- * 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, Acteens and
RA's, Joy Group
—Bible Study
—Visitation
- * 7:20 P.M.—Visitation
—Adult Choir Rehearsal
- * 8:30 P.M.—Visitation Reports

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP

BY LETTER:

- 159. Mrs. Gregory Kaiser (Marianne),
3621 DeLoach St.
From: Warrington Bapt., Pensacola
 - 160. Donald D. Mayo,
3331 Summit Blvd., Apt. 68
From E. Tallassee Bapt., E. Tallassee, Al.
 - 161. Tom Rogers, 404 Bear Dr., GB
From: FBC, Tuscaloosa, Al.
 - 162. Mrs. Tom Rogers (Jean)
 - 163. Mincie Diane Rogers
- FOR BAPTISM
FROM ANOTHER DENOMINATION:
122. Mrs. Edith Daigle, 7165 Pearson Rd.
123. Gregory A. Kaiser
124. Mrs. Donald Mayo (Carol)
- ON PROFESSION OF FAITH:
125. Sam Halsey, Rt. 2, Box 700, Lot 78
126. Shannon Sheffield, 3800 Tom Lane
127. Charisse Sims, 1002 N. Baylen
128. Rebecca Ward, 3031 N. Magnolia
- BAPTIZED:
Stan Adams