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IF HE CAME TO YOUR HOUSE

Would you meet Him at the door with arms outstretched in
welcome?
Or would you have to change your clothes before you let Him in?
Or hide some magazines, and put the Bible where they'd been?
Would you hide your worldly music and put some hymn books
out?
Could you let Jesus walk right in, or would you rush about?
And I wonder — if the Saviour spent a day or two with you,
Would you go right on doing the things you always do?
Would you go right on saying the things you always say?
Would life for you continue as it does from day to day?
Would you take Jesus with you everywhere you'd planned to go?
Or would you maybe change your plans for just a day or so?
Would you be glad to have Him meet your very closest friends?
Or would you hope they stay away until His visit ends?
Would you be glad to have Him stay forever on and on?
Or would you sigh with great relief when He at last was gone?
It might be interesting to know the things that you would do,
If Jesus came in person to spend some time with you.

Most popular short feature ever to appear in Guideposts

Pastor's Paragraphs

"A BOY'S ESSAY ON ANATOMY"

Children have a wonderful way of expressing themselves. When he was assigned an essay on anatomy, one youngster wrote the following:



"Your head is kind of round and hard and your brains is in it and your hair is on it. Your face is the front of your head where you eat and make faces. Your neck is what keeps your head out of your collar. It's hard to keep clean.

Your stummick is something that if you don't eat often enough it hurts and spinach don't help none. Your spine is a long bone in your back that keeps you from folding up. Your back is always behind you, no matter how quick you turn around. Your arms you got to pitch with and so you can reach the butter. Your fingers stick out of your hands. Your legs get you to first base. Your feet are what you run on, and your toes are what always get stubbed. And that's all there is on you 'cept what's inside, and I ain't seen that."

Although he hadn't seen it, the little fellow was convinced there was something ON THE INSIDE. He's right, and believe it or not, the most important part "on the inside" can't be seen. When there's something wrong with this part, nothing really goes right in life. This part is the soul of man.

Things really can't be right on the inside or out until we are right with God. Augustine said, "Thou hast made us for thyself, O God, and we are restless until we rest in Thee."

I'll be looking forward to seeing you in God's House Sunday. You'll be blessed inside and out!

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"The Darkness Where God Was"
(Exodus 20:1-21)

7:15 P.M.

"Sea Side Meditations"
(Mark 4:1-20)

BUS MINISTRY REPORT

For Sunday, July 29, 1973

Bus No.	Captain	Enr.	Rds.	New Rds.	Vts
1.	P. Coupe	29	17	2	29
2.	M. Dickson				
	E. Dunson	37	25	1	00
3.	Rat Trigg	33	32	3	45
4.	Walter Nell				
	M. Cranmer	45	26	3	39
5.	B. Pope	38	21	1	38
6.	Tim Lutrick				
	D. Kilpatrick	30	28	4	30
7.	J. Schappaugh				
	M. Straughn	46	16	3	47
8.	L. Clevenger				
	E. Ebersold	23	18	0	23
		281	183	17	251
	Workers		48		
	Total on Buses		231		

The honor bus this week was bus No. 3 with 32 riders out of 33 enrolled. Also note No. 6 with 4 first time riders.

Bro. Bob

RECREATION

This week the Hi-School and College Group will go to the "Y" for a night of volleyball, trampoline and swimming fun. Bring a dollar and meet us at the "Y" at 6:30 Monday night.

The Middle Schoolers will go to play Putt-Putt Monday morning. Bring a dollar and meet us at the church at 9:00. We will return to the church at 11:30.

Since the 3-5 grades will be at camp this week, no recreation has been planned for them.

INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP

If you are interested in working in our English Language ministry to internationals, save the week of August 27-30 to attend our workshop. Mrs. Phil Maxwell from Jacksonville will be the instructor. She is one of the outstanding teachers in our convention.

The workshop is scheduled from 9:30 til 2:00 Monday through Thursday. There will be a mid-morning coffee break and a sack lunch (bring you own) meal at noon.

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 irreprouchable, 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 ENDING 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)

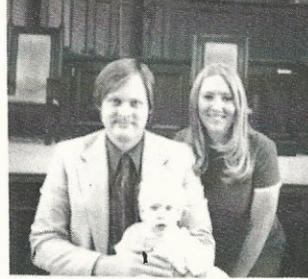
NOTE: Every member of the congregation may suggest as many names as he wishes. This form must be signed to be accepted.

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RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP LAST WEEK



Leslie Kilpatrick



Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Sutherland
Also shown is Robert



Mr. & Mrs. Norman Wiginton

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist:

John Godwin, Mrs. W. L. (Beatrice) Waters

Specialty Care:

Mrs. Bernard (Elizabeth) Bond

Sacred Heart:

Mrs. Maude Cassidy, Vernon Phillips
Children's Hospital, Birmingham, Ala.
Karen Howse

Eglin Hospital:

Lowell Abney

HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

David Haddock, Mrs. Evelyn Silver, Mrs. W. D. (Bonnie) Harvell, Mrs. Charlie Faye Wilson, Carolyn Powers, Mrs. Donald (Dorothy) Herzel, Mrs. Clarence Allison

SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. Fred Reichman in the loss of her mother, Mrs. Maggie Brown.
Mrs. M. C. Eason in the loss of her Mother, Mrs. Sides, and also her sister-in-law.

CONGRATULATIONS:

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Griffin on the birth of a baby son, Charles Aubrey Griffin, July 24 in Brandon, Florida.

SINGLE ADULTS TO RIDGECREST

The Career Department is planning to take a group to Ridgcrest Baptist Conference Center for the Single Adult Conference Labor Day Weekend, leaving here on Thursday, August 30 and returning on Tuesday, September 4. Anyone interested is asked to contact Bill Waters, 476-3854 or Mr. Bizzell, 433-5631.

FOCUS ON FIRST FOLKS

Joy Gomillion was on the Dean's list for the Spring Term at Maryville College, Maryville, Tennessee.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday, August 5: "Fellowship Through the Gospel" I Corinthians 1:1-9
Monday, August 6: "One Purpose" I Corinthians 1:10-17
Tuesday, August 7: "One Gospel" I Corinthians 1:18-25
Wednesday, August 8: "One Savior" I Corinthians 1:26-31
Thursday, August 9: "One Spirit" I Corinthians 2:1-13
Friday, August 10: "One Work" I Corinthians 2:14 to 3:9
Saturday, August 11: "One Foundation" I Corinthians 3:10-23

MENU

August 8, 1973

Chicken & Dumplings

Fresh peas & butterbeans

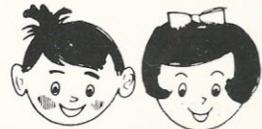
Congeaed salad

Snowflake rolls & butter

Dessert

Tea

Coffee



Our Bible Explorer's Camp begins next week at Camp Ada for friends who have just finished the third, fourth, and fifth grades. There is still room for you to join us. Our departure time will be 3:00 Monday afternoon, August 6 from the church dining room, and we will return Thursday afternoon about 1:30. Miss Jo Anna Wright, a recent missionary journeyman to Gaza, will be our guest. We are looking forward to these days of learning, fun, and recreation.

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All material to be included in the Bullder
 should be in the office, preferably in
 writing, not later than 9:00 a.m. Mondays.

LOOKING AT LAST WEEK

The Church in Study1219
 Main Sunday School1204
 Crippled Children's Home 15
 The Church in Training302
 Christian Training Hour187
 Other Training Activities115
 Coming for Membership2
 Tithes and Offerings:
 Budget\$6,972.57
 Specials 214.31
TOTAL OFFERING\$7,186.88

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP

JULY 29, 1973

BY LETTER:

164. Wayne Baumgardner, BEQ 656, NAS
 From: 5th St. Bapt., Hannibal, Mo.
 165. Linda Stephens, 7610 Shamrock, Lot 2
 From: Trinity Bapt., Marianna, Fl.

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Maggie Brown
 24 E. Brainerd St.

Joined our church by letter,
 May 2, 1943

Deceased, July 31, 1973

OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

Sunday, August 5

- * 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School
 New Member's Class,
 Session No. 1
- * 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
- 8:30 P.M.—High School - College
 Get-together

Tuesday, August 7

- * 9:45 A.M.—Baptist Women General
 Meeting.
 (Provisions will be made for
 Preschool and Elementary
 School age children. Please
 call church office, 433-5631,
 for reservations).
- 6:00 P.M.—Baptist Women
- 7:30 P.M.—Boy Scouts in "The Cellar"

Wednesday, August 8

- 1:30 P.M.—Choir Clinic
- * 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, Ac-
 teens, RA's, Joy Group
 —Bible Study
 —Visitation
- * 7:20 P.M.—Visitation
 —Adult Choir Rehearsal
- * 8:30 P.M.—Visitation Reports

Thursday, August 9

- 7:30 P.M.—Adult 1 Bible Study in
 "The Cellar"

BAPTIST WOMEN — GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday, August 7, 1973

- 10:00 A.M.—Business
- 10:15 A.M.—State Mission Needs Preser-
 tation
- 10:45 A.M.—Program by Rev. John Ches-
 hire, Jr., Chaplain Baptist
 Hospital.
- 11:30 A.M.—Luncheon, Ralph Bethea
 Group, Hostess.