

Pastor's Paragraphs

"DEAR ABBY"

Episcopal priests and Baptist pastors face many similar problems. I really wasn't aware of this until I read this recent letter written to Abby.



"A Mother wrote that her daughter wanted to be married in the park by a justice of the peace. She says her daughter doesn't believe in anything, and neither does the young man. Your answer was absolutely right. A civil ceremony is the only

appropriate one.

What puzzles so many of the clergy today is why so many people completely ignore the church, but when it comes to being married and buried, they want a minister.

I am a retired Episcopal priest and admit that I have officiated at many such weddings and funerals, but I am still not sure whether I was showing Christian charity or moral cowardice by doing so."

I know exactly how the priest feels. Many people who completely ignore the church, and the good Lord, do not hesitate to turn to the church in time of need. It does not seem to bother them that were it not for the faithfulness of others in their loyal support, there wouldn't be any church to turn to.

How do you think the Lord feels when we never think of Him or His bride, the church, until we have some serious need. There are those who say that God has a place in their lives, although the church doesn't. Let's be honest and admit that we don't care about God or His church. There's no reason for us to add the sin of lying to the sin of indifference.

Thank God for the hundreds and hundreds of members of this church who faithfully support the work of the Lord. You make it possible for your church to minister to all people regardless.

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz

PS. I think the answer given by Abby was exactly right. She wrote, "Dear Priest: I would be inclined to say you showed Christian Charity."

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"THE MAN WHO HAD NEARLY EVERYTHING"

(Matthew 19: 16-22)

7:15 P.M.

"TWELVE STONES"

(Joshua 4:1-9)

BUS MINISTRY REPORT

Bus No.	Captain	Enr.	Rds.	New Rds.	Vts
1.	P. Coupe	29	21	4	29
2.	M. Dickson	37	28	1	37
3.	R. Trigg	33	28	1	50
4.	W. Nell	45	13	1	43
5.	B. Pope	38	20	4	30
6.	T. Lutrick	30	28	4	30
7.	J. Schappaugh				
	L. Williams	50	32	3	50
8.	S. Corley				
	C. Holladay	31	20	1	29
		293	190	19	298
	Workers		51		
	Total on Buses		241		

The honor bus this week is Bus No. 7 with 32 riders.

We extend a warm welcome to Tim Lutrick as the new captain of Bus No. 6. Tim has been a faithful worker for a long time but has willingly accepted the responsibility of captain.

BAPTIST WOMEN GROUP MEETINGS

Tuesday, August 14, 1973

10:00 A.M.—VIRGINIA COBB Group with Mrs. Douglas Burks, 2270 Dupont.

DALE TERRY Group with Mrs. Guy Spearman, 320 W. Lloyd St.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

("A Mini-Conference designed for busy people.")

AUGUST 24 - 25

WEST FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSEMBLY

This is an intensive training opportunity for Sunday School workers. The theme for this year is "Make It Happen." The program begins with supper at 6:00 on Friday night and closes Saturday afternoon at 2:00. Let Mr. Bizzell or Miss Dale know if you are interested in going. Total cost is \$8.00 for registration, room and meals. \$4.00 registration fee should be turned in now. The Church will pay the additional \$4.00.

RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP LAST WEEK



Shannon Carter



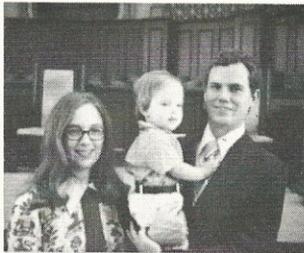
*Mr. & Mrs. Carl Causey
(Also shown are
Todd & Carl, Jr.)*



*Mr. & Mrs. Charlie Crowder
(Also shown are
Christy & Connie)*



Mrs. Mae Johnson



*Mr. & Mrs. Jack Overman
Also shown is Chad.*



Mr. & Mrs. Drexel Poynter

OTHER WISE OLE OWLS

These young folks were not able to be present last Wednesday evening to receive their Certificates for completing requirements for the Owl Reading Club.

From Grades 1, 2, 3:

Cheryl Brown
Susan Dunson
Joel Hill
Shelia Ann Jones
Julie Doreen Smith
Jandra Smithen
Charlie Wilson

From Grades 4, 5, 6:

Charles Anthony

BAPTIST CAMPUS MINISTRY

Open house for all PJC students at the CROSS ROADS during the week of August 20, 1973. This will help you to start the new term in fellowship with Christians.

The CROSS ROADS is located at 1024 Underwood Drive. This is just behind the Student Center.

The CROSS ROADS is sponsored by the Baptist Campus Ministry which is an outreach arm of our church to college students.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist

Mr. John Godwin, Mrs. W. L. (Beatrice) Waters, Mrs. Edna Jernigan

Specialty Care

Mrs. Bernard (Elizabeth) Bond, Mrs. Clara Baldwin

Sacred Heart

Mrs. Maude Cassidy, Mr. John E. Gray
Children's Hospital, Birmingham
Karen Howse

HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Mr. Vernon Phillips, Mrs. Monroe (Ora Lee) Lutrick, Cathy Hurt, Mrs. Helen Cary, Mr. George Jackson, Lowell Abney

SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. Dorothy Streinz and Mrs. J. C. Dixon in the loss of their Father, Mr. R. M. Merritt.

Mr. R. C. Merritt in the loss of his brother, Mr. R. M. Merritt.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Regena Kaye Miller and Jeffrey Grooms on their marriage August 4.

FOCUS ON FIRST FOLKS

Rick Edwards and Steve Hamrick graduated from Pensacola Junior College at the end of the summer term.

HAPPINESS
for
GCM MEMBERS
is
AUGUST

REVELATION STUDY RESUMES

Brother Bob Ebersold has just completed a study of the first 3 chapters of Revelation and on this Sunday night will begin the second phase of this study which will be a chapter by chapter study beginning with the 4th chapter. This study is held at the 6:00 training hour in Adult 4 Department and you are invited.

BAPTIST SEAMAN'S SERVICE

Mr. R. E. Rabon, Jr. is the Director of the Pensacola Baptist Seaman's Service. Mr. Rabon is presently seeking to enlist people who are interested in assisting him in ministering to the men who come into the port of Pensacola. He is, of course, especially in need of people who speak languages other than English. Mr. Bizzell has copies of the survey and commitment form which he would be happy to share with anyone who is interested in serving in this way.

SINGLE ADULTS TO RIDGECREST

The Career Department is planning to take a group to Ridgecrest 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.

IN MEMORIAM

R.M. MERRITT

316 N. Barcelona

Joined our church by letter

March 5, 1924

Deceased, August 3, 1973

WHICH ARE YOU?

A family once said: "Yes, we think the church is necessary, but we have not attended for weeks." They were *By-Standers*.

Another family said: "Yes, we believe in the church. We never miss a meeting except for sickness." They were *Stand-Byers*.

Which are you?

RECREATION

Because of the tremendous response to our last skating party, we are planning another party as the finale to a great summer of recreation. The Middle Schoolers, High Schoolers and college students will meet at the church at 6:40 and return from Dreamland at 10:15 Monday. Bring a dollar and join us for a night of fun.

LIBRARY NOTES

NIGHTMARE IN RED — by Horst Gerlach

Would you like to know what a Russian prison in Siberia is like? Read this first-hand description. It will make you more thankful than ever for our American way of life.

I'M OK — YOU'RE OK — by Dr. Thomas A. Harris

This book describes the methodology of Transactional Analysis that can be used by every person to improve his interpersonal relationships with others. The author's thesis is that every individual acts as a Parent, Adult, or Child in every human relationship or transaction, with each participant in that transaction assigned an "OK" or "NOT OK" role. The ideal, mature relationship is the Adult — Adult one (the "I'm OK — you're OK" position.)

This is a stimulating book with many innovational ideas. It can be read for information, pleasure, or as a challenging self-improvement course.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary this Sunday are in memory of Mr. R. M. Merritt and are given by the four girls.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday, August 12: "Respect for One Another" I Corinthians 4:1-5

Monday, August 13: "Living Examples" I Corinthians 4:6-13

Tuesday, August 14: "Loving Admonishment" I Corinthians 4:14-21

Wednesday, August 15: "The Pure Bread of Sincerity" I Corinthians 5:6-8, 12-13

Thursday, August 16: "A Conciliatory Spirit" I Corinthians 6:1-8

Friday, August 17: "Living with New Moral Power" I Corinthians 6:9-14

Saturday, August 18: "Living Members of Christ's Body" I Corinthians 6:15-20

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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 Study1204
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Tithes and Offerings:
Budget\$11,245.34
Specials 486.18
TOTAL OFFERING\$11,731.52

EXTENDED SESSION WORKERS

FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 12, 1973

PS A—Mrs. Rela Wise
PS B—Mrs. Sue White
PS C—Mrs. Mazie Stone
PS 1A—Mrs. T. R. Walker
PS 1B—Mrs. Donna Foxworth
PS 2B—Dr. and Mrs. Leon Flowers
PS 3A—Mrs. Joy Hughes
—Miss Sylvia Hinton
PS 3B—Mr. and Mrs. Jim Yarbrough
PS 4A—Miss Kathy Banakas

OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

Sunday, August 12

- * 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School
—New Member's Class,
Session No. 2
- * 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,
Ordinance of Baptism

Monday, August 13

- 7:30 P.M.—Deacons Meeting

Wednesday, August 15

- * 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 and RA's, Joy Group
—Bible Study
—Visitation
 - * 7:20 P.M.—Visitation
—Adult Choir Rehearsal
 - * 8:30 P.M.—Visitation Reports
- Friday, August 17*
- * 6:30 P.M.—Adult 1-2 Church Training
Group "The Cellar"

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP AUGUST 5, 1973

BY LETTER:

- 166. Clyde Gimlin, 1225 Corry Rd.
From: North Hill Bapt., Pensacola
- 167. Robert A. Thorson,
4311 Bayou Blvd., Apt. 94
From: FBC, St. Simons Island, Ga.
- 168. Mrs. Robert Thorson (Brenda)
- 169. John W. Watson, 4000 Croydon Rd.
From: FBC, Albany, Ga.
- 170. Mrs. John Watson (Chris)

MENU

August 15, 1973
Roast Beef & Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans
Roll and Butter
Cherry Dessert
Tea Coffee

