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EARLY CHRISTMAS



Our Baptist Women (Night Groups) recently participated in a special project promoted by Woman's Missionary Union.

Mrs. Paul Gray, incoming WMU Director, looks on as Sarah Andress, Mission Study Chairman; Mrs. Louis Berlin, President; and Mrs. G. T. Sutton pack a large box to be sent to David R. Lema, Williams Boulevard Baptist Church, Kenner, Louisiana. This is a Spanish speaking congregation in greater New Orleans.



Pastor's Paragraphs

"BURDENS INTO BRIDGES"

In seeking to minister to your needs, I am made mindful of the fact that all of us have problems. Recently I ran across this little article that I would like to share with you. My prayer is that all of you will make the wonderful discovery of how life's burdens can be turned into bridges.



A biologist tells how he watched an ant carrying a piece of straw which seemed almost too heavy for it to drag. The ant came to a crack in the ground which was too big for it to cross. It stood still for a long time, as though perplexed by the situation, then put the straw across the crack and walked over on the straw.

If only we were as wise as that ant! We speak much about the burdens we must bear, but have we ever thought of converting our burdens into bridges, of having our burdens bear US up instead of us bearing THEM up?

The Apostle Paul had learned the secret of being borne UP by his burden, instead of being borne DOWN by it. Throughout his life he had been afflicted with a physical deformity or handicap. But when he had once recognized his affliction as a part of God's will for him, he exclaimed, "Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities that the power of Christ may rest upon me." II Corinthians 12:9.

Every man who has found eternal life in the death of Jesus Christ can convert his burdens into bridges — bridges that lead him from the darkness of despair into the brightness of assurance. To know Christ is to know the love of God, and to know God's love is to be assured of eternal fellowship with Him.

Do you have what it takes to turn your burdens into bridges? Do you know the power of the love of God in Christ? That power is available to you through faith in the Christian Gospel.

Make a special effort to be in God's House Sunday.

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"NEVERTHELESS"

(Luke 5:1-6; Galatians 2:20)

7:15 P.M.

"NEVERTHELESS"

(Matthew 26:36-39)

BUS MINISTRY REPORT

Bus No.	Captain	Riders	New Riders
1.	Mr. & Mrs. L. Holt	27	5
2.	M. Dickson		
	E. Dunson	34	12
3.	R. Trigg		
	C. F. Wilson	24	7
4.	W. Nell	34	5
5.	B. Pope	19	0
6.	T. Lutrick	37	2
7.	J. Schappaugh		
	L. Williams	44	2
8.	Mr. & Mrs. T. Thornton	25	2
9.	Mr. & Mrs. S. J. Bell	18	4
		262	39
	Workers	56	
	Total on Buses	318	

ANOTHER GREAT DAY !!! The honor bus was Bus No. 7 with 44 riders for this week. Jim Schappaugh and his workers are indeed a faithful group that works many hours each week. Scott Bell is the driver.

Our new bus, No. 9 was up 4 from last week.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist

Mr. Thomas I. Poe, Mrs. Lennie Bonham, Wilda Pfeiffer

Sacred Heart

Mr. Burton T. Renfroe, Larry Eckhoff

HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Mr. J. L. Smith, Mrs. Lottie Bowman

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Mr. and Mrs. James C. Roth, Jr. on the birth of a baby boy, Christopher James Roth on September 16. Mrs. Roth is the former Helyn Heard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Heard. Jim, of course, is the son of Mr. & Mrs. James C. Roth, Sr.

SYMPATHY TO:

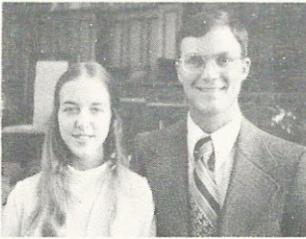
Mrs. H. W. Smith, Jr. and Mr. H. W. Watson in the loss of their brother.
Mrs. Boyd Reeder in the loss of her Mother, Mrs. J. W. Harrison.

SENIOR ADULT FELLOWSHIP MEETING

The monthly meeting of our Senior Adult Fellowship Group will be next Tuesday, September 25, at 10:00 A.M. Several important matters are to be discussed at this time and all members are urged to be present. Bring a covered dish for our luncheon together.

Dr. and Mrs. Byron Harbin, our missionary on furlough from Brazil, will speak.

RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP LAST WEEK



Mr. & Mrs. Tandy Brannan



Mrs. Margaret Cockman & Beverly



Mr. & Mrs. Donald Mayo



Susie Reed



Charisse Sims



Mr. & Mrs. Lee Thornbrough

ESCAMBIA COUNTY COUNCIL
ON AGING
TO MEET HERE

The Escambia County Council on the Aging will hold its meeting on Tuesday, September 25, here in our Church Dining Room. The meeting time is 3:00 P.M. The Honorable Tom Tobiassen, State Representative, will speak on what the new Division will mean to the older adults, and will discuss any other information and pending legislation pertinent to the interest of the retired citizens of our area. Refreshments will be served.

Our senior adults are urged to be present to be good hosts for this meeting.

DR. JAROY WEBER, PASTOR
DAUPHIN WAY BAPTIST CHURCH
MOBILE, ALABAMA



Will be the speaker for our Sunday School Leadership Banquet for those now working and those who will be working next year. Cost: \$1.00 Nursery will care for pre-school children.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary this Sunday are in memory of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Keith and are given by Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Sutton and Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Kenney

RED CROSS

The Red Cross will be recruiting for volunteers at Baptist Hospital October 1-5 between the hours of 9:00 AM. — 12:00 Noon, in the Volunteer Office.

MENU

- September 26, 1973
- Ham
 - Baked Beans
 - Potato Salad
 - Roll and Butter
 - Jello With Fruit
 - Tea Coffee



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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	1447
Main Sunday School	1430
Crippled Children's Home	17
The Church in Training	684
Christian Training Hour	235
Other Training Activities	449
Coming for Membership	6
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$ 8,416.25
Specials	2,782.29
Building Fund	_____
TOTAL OFFERING	\$11,198.54

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP

SEPTEMBER 16, 1973

BY LETTER:

212. Beckey Vaughn, 34 Gloucester Ave.
From: Liberty Bapt., Pensacola
213. Sheridan Weir, 1818 Peyton Dr.
From: Capitol Heights Bapt.,
Montgomery, Ala.
214. Mrs. Sheridan Weir (Charleen)
215. Rodney Williamson,
3331 Summit Blvd., Apt. 51
From: FBC, Ft. Walton Beach

FOR BAPTISM

FROM ANOTHER DENOMINATION:

135. Mrs. Rodney Williamson (Karen)

ON PROFESSION OF FAITH:

136. Jim Grimes, 1279 Demeter Pl.

OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

Sunday, September 23

- * 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School,
New Member Class 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, September 24

- 10:00 A.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group
- * 6:30 P.M.—Sunday School Leadership
Banquet, Dining Room

Tuesday, September 25

- 10:00 A.M.—Senior Adult Fellowship
- 7:30 P.M.—Boy Scouts in the "Cellar."

Wednesday, September 26

- * 4:45 P.M.—Choirs
- * 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

Thursday, September 27

- 9:30 A.M.—Internationals Meeting
- 7:00 P.M.—Silent Class Film Fellowship

Friday, September 28

- * 6:30 P.M.—Ruth Sunday School Class
Social, "The Cellar."

NEEDED FOR MISSION FRIENDS

The following items are needed for Mission Friends activities. If you can help, please bring any you might have to the church office.

- Cottage Cheese containers
- Cardboard core of bathroom tissue
- Shoe boxes

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