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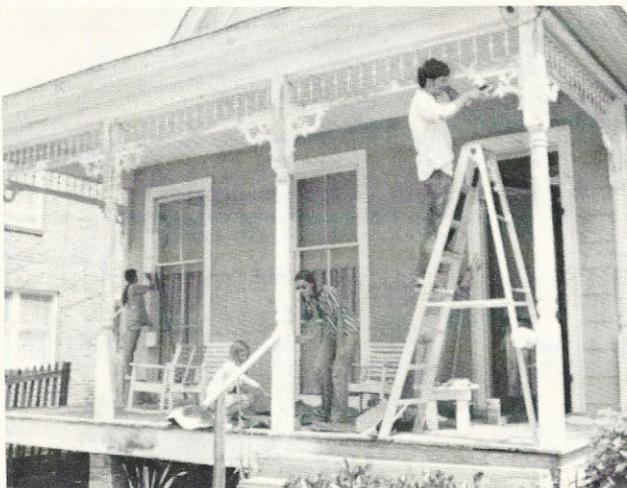
## TEACHING MISSIONS



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



## MISSION INVOLVEMENT



## TEACHING ENGLISH TO INTERNATIONALS



# Pastor's Paragraphs

## "FOR ..... SO LOVED GOD THAT HE GAVE ....."

The best known passage in the Bible is John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son . . . ."



We've known the passage since childhood. The verse speaks of God's amazing love and generosity.

By rearranging just two words, the verse turns a glaring searchlight on our own hearts. It reveals our love and generosity towards God — or (sad but true) it

reveals our indifference and selfishness towards Him.

We do no violence to the word "world" when we use instead our own name. As used here the word "world" has reference to people. You and me.

And so the verse reads:

"For Jim so loved God that he gave \_\_\_\_\_." I must fill in my blank but I dare you to do the same. "For \_\_\_\_\_ (put in your name, Bill, Ed, Mary, Sam, Sue, etc.) so loved God that he gave \_\_\_\_\_ (put in the amount you give to God's church)."

You'll have no problem filling in the first blank. You know your name. It's the second blank that presents a problem. On the basis of what many of us have done, that second blank must read,

"For Jim so loved God that he gave nothing."

or

"For Jim so loved God that he gave \$2.00 a week."

If this be the case, most of us need to drastically revise the sentence. STRIKE THE WORD "LOVE." Perhaps you can think of a more suitable word. Certainly "love" is not the word we're looking for. Nor is it "admire" or "adore" and even "like" doesn't quite fit the blank.

We're now in the process of filling out the blanks. "For \_\_\_\_\_ so loved God that he gave \_\_\_\_\_." With the signing of our pledge cards, we'll complete the sentence. Well?

Faithfully your pastor,

*James L. Pleitz*

### SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"GOD'S GRACE"

(11 Cor. 12:6-10)

7:15 P.M.

"TIME"

(Job 14:1-12; Psalm 90:12)

Messages by Brother Bob Ebersold

## BUS MINISTRY REPORT

Bus No.	Captain	Enrolled	Riders	New Riders
1.	Mr. & Mrs. L. Holt	32	36	6
2.	M. Dickson			
	E. Dunson	48	43	9
3.	R. Trigg			
	C. F. Wilson	38	35	1
4.	W. Nell			
	R. Hornsby	42	31	1
5.	B. Pope	38	38	1
6.	T. Lutrick	30	25	2
7.	J. Schappaugh			
	S. Bell	48	39	2
8.	Mr. & Mrs. T. Thornton	35	28	0
9.	B. Bell	22	21	0
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		333	296	22
Workers			58	
Total on Buses			354	

The honor bus this week is Bus No. 2 with 43 riders, 10 workers, and 9 first time riders. Bus No. 1 had 4 more riders than they have enrolled with 6 first time riders and Bus 5 had 100% of their enrollment present.

Our bus crews did an outstanding job again this week. If it had not been for one of our buses breaking down, we would have had about 10 more than our record shows. Our attendance on the buses this past Sunday was 165 over a year ago.

Let me say a hearty "Thank You" to those who helped survey last Saturday.

## BAPTIST WOMEN GROUP MEETINGS

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 1973

9:15 A.M.—MARY SAUNDERS Group at the church in the "Cellar"

10:00 A.M.—ALTA ALLISON Group with Mrs. Wayne Hickman, 1231 Ramblewood Dr., Gulf Breeze  
RALPH BETHEA Group with Mrs. T. A. Shell, 4180 Fern Court

VIRGINIA COBB Group with Mrs. J. A. Johnston and Mrs. Harvey Page, 2210 Escambia

STANLEY DAVIS with Mrs. C. E. Dannelly, 1915 E. Avery St.

HELEN FLING Group with Mrs. Paul Gray, 511 Yester-oaks Circle, Gulf Breeze

CHARLOTTE OWENS Group with Mrs. R. L. Algood, 409 Kenilworth Ave., Gulf Breeze

LAURA FRANCES SNOW Group with Mrs. E. W. Kingry, 1908 E. Moreno St.  
DALE TERRY Group with Mrs. M. H. Stultz, 1305 W. Moreno

2:00 P.M.—HARVEY HEADRICK Group with Mrs. M. A. Farmer, 730 W. Jordan St.

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

### IN THE HOSPITALS:

#### Baptist

Mrs. Emma K. Watts, Mr. Burton T. Renfroe, Mrs. Lennie Bonham, Mr. James Warthen

#### Specialty Care

Mrs. C. W. (Myra) Shofner

#### Santa Rosa Hospital, Milton, Fla.

Mrs. Carl (Yvonne) Shoupe

#### Sacred Heart

Mr. Vernon Phillips, Mr. K. S. Hudson, Mr. John Vaughan, Mr. William H. Williams

### HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Mr. Joe Hosner, Mr. L. D. Allen, Mrs. James (Beverly) Parker, Mrs. H. G. (Catherine) Gray, Sylvia Hinton

### SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. W. D. Gibson in the loss of her Father.

Mr. Lonnie Webster, Sr. in the loss of his brother.

## MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary this Sunday are in memory of Mr. O. W. Pettey and are given by Dr. and Mrs. J. Conlee Pickens.

RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP LAST WEEK



Phyllis Altieri



Mr. & Mrs. Ira Chambers

**ATTENTION  
HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE  
YOUNG PEOPLE**

The Challenger Award Football Banquet will be Monday, November 26, at the Municipal Auditorium with Gale Sayers as featured speaker. High School and College young people who wish to serve may sign up and purchase a ticket from Mrs. Rita Dukes before Sunday School and Youth Choir on November 11 and November 18, in the Choir Room. The cost is \$5.00 which includes dinner and a football jersey. The attire for serving at the banquet will be the football jersey with white pants. Be early to get your choice of size and color.

**DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

- Sunday, November 11: "The Multitudes"  
Matthew 9:35-38
- Monday, November 12: "The Hungry"  
Matthew 15:32-39
- Tuesday, November 13: "The Blind"  
Matthew 20:29-34
- Wednesday, November 14: "The Afflicted"  
Mark 1:40-45
- Thursday, November 15: "Little Children"  
Mark 10:13-16
- Friday, November 16: "Friends"  
John 11:23-44
- Saturday, November 17: "A City"  
Matthew 23:29-39

**MENU**

November 14, 1973

- Baked Meat Loaf
- Tomato Gravy
- Buttered Rice
- Congeaed Salad
- Roll and Butter
- Dessert

Tea                      Coffee



**CHURCH COMMITTEES NAMED**

The Committee on Committees announces the following Committee Appointments for the Church year 1973-74:

1. Activities Committee — T. H. Blackmon, Chairman.
2. Athletics and Recreation — W. H. Thompson, Chairman.
3. Banking — Mrs. Jack Shoemaker, Chairman.
4. Baptism — John Edwards, Chairman.
5. Benevolence — Clarence E. Dannelly, Chairman.
6. Boy Scouts — Elliott Dobelstein, Institutional Representative, Gordon Mattoon, Scout Master.
7. Building and Grounds — Joe B. Ladner, Chairman.
8. Bulletins and Office Help — Mrs. E. A. Bratcher, Chairman.
9. Bus Ministry Committee — Max Dickson, Chairman.
10. Childrens Work — Mrs. Tom Jernigan, Chairman.

11. Finance — Joe Napier, Chairman.
12. Flowers — Miss Carrie Lee Chairman.
13. Hospitality — Mrs. Earl R. Gaston, Chairman.
14. Kitchen — Gerald Garrett, Chairman.
15. Lord's Supper Preparation — Mrs. Judson Gillespie, Chairman.
16. Membership — George Lewis, Chairman.
17. Missions — Leon Singletary, Chairman.
18. Music — S. G. Kennedy, Chairman.
19. Nominating — Walter Armistead, Chairman
20. Personnel — J. Nixon Daniel, Chairman.
21. Publicity — Frank B. Gibbs, Chairman.
22. Radio & TV — David Raley, Chairman.
23. Receiving — W. E. Jackson, Chairman.
24. Ushers — Marvin Lee, Chairman.
25. Youth Activities—Frank Young, Chairman.
26. Association Executive Committee Member — J. Norwood Cobb.

**THE TITHING LADDER**

- 10% — I AM
- 9% — I Will
- 8% — I Must
- 7% — I Ought
- 6% — I might
- 5% — I'm Thinking
- 4% — What Is It?
- 3% — I Wish I Could
- 2% — I Just Don't Know
- 1% — I Just Can't
- 0% — I Won't

**ASK GOD**

What You Should Do  
**ABOUT TITHING**

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it."  
(Malachi 3:10)

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Mrs. Martha M. Gallagher, Financial Secretary  
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 .....	1410
Main Sunday School .....	1394
Crippled Children's Home .....	16
The Church in Training .....	515
Christian Training Hour .....	228
Other Training Activities .....	287
Coming for Membership .....	8
Baptized .....	9
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget .....	\$13,150.25
Specials .....	1,317.93
Building Fund .....	—
<b>TOTAL OFFERING .....</b>	<b>\$14,468.18</b>

## EXTENDED SESSION WORKERS

- A — Mrs. Ray Wise
- B — Mrs. Joe Saiter
- C — Mrs. Robert Stone
- 1A — Mrs. T. R. Walker
- 1B — Mrs. Mary Knight
- 2A — Mr. and Mrs. Joe Voight
- 2B — Dr. and Mrs. Leon Flowers
- 3A — Mrs. Ralph Moulder  
Miss Monique Burks
- 3B — Mrs. Cameron Hughes  
Miss Sylvia Hinton
- 3C — Mr. and Mrs. Jim Yarbrough
- 4A — Mrs. Jerry Jones  
Miss Debbie Wilson  
Mrs. Ralph Thompson

## COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP

NOVEMBER 4, 1973

### BY LETTER:

- 11. Robert C. Harrison, 134 Kenilworth Rd.  
From: Warrington Bapt.

### FOR BAPTISM

### FROM ANOTHER DENOMINATION:

- 17. Mrs. B. R. Creel, 1238 Demeter Pl.
- 18. Mrs. Robert C. Harrison (Jan)
- 19. Susie Sporck, 920 N. Baylen

### ON PROFESSION OF FAITH:

- 20. Jeff Harrison
- 21. Leslie Harrison
- 22. Dr. Charles McLaughlin, 1901 E. Bobe
- 23. Terry Spratlen, Rt. 2, Box 225

### BAPTIZED:

Mrs. Margaret Cockman, Beverly Cockman,  
Darla Grassman, Dennis Grassman, Mr. &  
Mrs. Charles McLaughlin, Steve Steele,  
Kay Steiner, Mrs. Harold Stokes.

## OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

*Sunday, November 11*

- 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School  
New Member Class 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
- 8:15 P.M.—High School - College Get  
together—Trice Dukes 4220  
Montalvo Drive

*Monday, November 12*

- 10:00 A.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group
- 7:30 P.M.—Deacons Meeting

*Tuesday, November 13*

- Florida Baptist Convention  
13-15, Orlando
- 7:00 P.M.—Baptist Women Bible Study
- 7:00 P.M.—Martha Haylock Group at  
Mrs. G. Holt, 2661 Scenic  
Highway.
- 7:30 P.M.—Boy Scouts—"Cellar"

*Wednesday, November 14*

- 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

*Thursday, November 15*

- 9:30 A.M.—International Meeting
- 9:30-2:00—Mothers Day Out

*Friday, November 16*

- 5:00 P.M.—til Saturday Noon—Acteen  
Slumber Party—"Cellar"
- 6:30 P.M.—Choir Rehearsal and Super-  
Dining Room.