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## A BONUS FOR SURVEYING



You never know what you will find as you go out to survey, to knock on doors in a house to house visitation. Some people don't go because they have a fear of what they might find.

On a recent Saturday morning, Mr. Willard Vickery, our Sunday School Director, was surveying in behalf of our bus ministry. At one of the homes he found a man who wanted to give him some persimmons. Shown with the persimmons are Mr. Vickery, Bus Captains Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Bell, and their son, Blake.

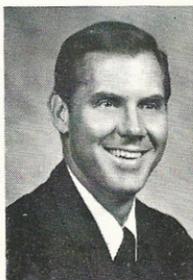
We won't promise persimmons to all of our surveyors next Saturday, December 1, but we do promise that you will receive a-blessing.



# Pastor's Paragraphs

## "PERPETUAL THANKSGIVING"

Many, many years ago, George Washington, our first President, signed the following proclamation:



"Whereas, it is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey His will, to be grateful for His benefits, and humbly to implore His protection, aid and favors

.....  
 "Now, therefore, I do recommend and assign Thursday, the 26th day of November next,

to be devoted by the people of these states to the service of that great and glorious Being, who is the Beneficent Author of all the good that was, that is, or that will be; that we may unite in rendering unto Him our sincere and humble thanks for His kind care and protection of the people of this country, and for all the great and various favors which He has been pleased to confer upon us."

Thanksgiving Day, 1973, is now history, but in the heart of the Christian, there is always to be the spirit of thankfulness. This is to be a perpetual matter. May God help us always to have thankful hearts!

I will be looking for you Sunday in God's House — 1400 strong.

Sincerely in Christ,

*James L. Pleitz*

### SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"THE VANISHING AMERICAN"  
 (Philippians 4:11-12)

7:15 P.M.

"THE ETERNAL LEGACY"  
 (John 14:15, 21-27)

## BUS MINISTRY REPORT

Bus No.	Captain	Rds.	New Rds.
1.	Mr. & Mrs. L. Holt	34	4
2.	M. Dickson		
	E. Dunson	35	0
3.	R. Trigg		
	L. Mowe	19	0
4.	W. Nell		
	R. Jackson	24	2
5.	B. Pope	32	2
6.	T. Lutrick	27	0
7.	J. Schappaugh		
	M. K. Edwards	34	3
8.	Mr. & Mrs. T. Thornton	30	6
9.	B. Bell	17	6
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		252	17
	Workers	55	
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	Total on Buses	307	

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

### IN THE HOSPITALS:

#### Baptist

Mrs. Emma K. Watts, Mrs. Lennie Bonham, Mr. J. A. Riddle, Mr. Raymond A. Barrow, Mr. James C. Rountree, Mrs. Omar Cecil (Virginia) Butler, Mrs. Elliott (Frances) Dobelstein, Mrs. Evelyn Silver, Mrs. Sam (Mary) Williams

#### Specialty Care

Mr. Burton T. Renfroe

#### Sacred Heart

Mr. K. S. Hudson, Mr. William H. Williams, Mr. Angus Andrews, Miss Kate Coley

### HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Mrs. Nellie M. Boyett, Mrs. Robert A. (Lavel) Miller, Mr. J. L. Lamkin, Mrs. Carl Steven (Linda) Steele

### CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Mr. and Mrs. Lon Roberts III on the birth of a baby girl. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lon Roberts, Jr.

Sharon Proctor and Harlan Raymond Giacomo on their marriage November 1 in the Chapel of Peace, Corry Field.

### SYMPATHY TO:

Dr. James Pleitz on the loss of his sister, Mrs. Martha Jolly, in Cincinnati, Ohio. Mr. Tom Little in the loss of a brother in Mississippi. Mr. E. A. Bratcher on the loss of his sister.

## THE VERY NEWEST

The rosebud on the pulpit Sunday was placed there in honor of MISS CHERLYN ELISE MILLER daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Miller born November 16, 1973

## TOUR 10 FOREIGN COUNTRIES

Plan now to tour 10 countries Sunday night, December 2, 5:30 - 7:15. Tour guides will be members of your WMU.

## RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP LAST WEEK



Debbie Goff



Mr. & Mrs. Sheridan Weir

Also received was Dewey White, whose picture was not available.

### REPORT OF PLEDGING

As of Tuesday, November 20th, \$469,505.92 has been pledged towards the 1974 budget. We are still \$30,494.08 short of pledging our goal. If you haven't gotten in your pledge, PLEASE do so today.

### MISSION RALLY

The Pensacola Bay Baptist Association is sponsoring a Mission Rally on Monday November 26. The Rally will begin promptly at 7:30 at the Myrtle Grove Baptist Church (61st. Ave. at Lillian Hwy.). Featured speaker will be Dr. Byron Harbin, on furlough from Brazil.

The Rally will be preceded by a supper, which begins at 6:45. Tickets are available for those who plan to attend.

*Mr. and Mrs. James H. Kirkland*

*request the honour of your presence  
at the marriage of their daughter*

*Pamela Anne*

*to*

*Mr. Raymond Rich Edwards*

*on Saturday, the first of December*

*One thousand nine hundred and seventy-three*

*at half after seven o'clock in the evening*

*East Hill Baptist Church*

*Pensacola, Florida*

*Reception following  
Pensacola Garden Center*

### MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary this Sunday are in memory of Mrs. E. L. Derby and are given by Mr. E. L. Derby.

### SENIOR ADULT FELLOWSHIP

Our Senior Adult Fellowship is a monthly meeting for older adults who, because of retirement, can attend a daytime meeting. Each month's meeting consists of fellowship, a program of interest, and the group also engages in mission action type projects.

The program for the meeting on Tuesday, November 27, will include a film on insurance to be presented by a representative from the State Commissioner of Insurance. This will be of real interest to older adults. Also, Mr. Horace Fleming will give a report of a meeting especially for families of prisoners of war and those missing in action held last summer. This meeting was sponsored by Jim Irwin.

Any interested person is welcome to attend the meeting which begins at 10:00 A.M. Reservations for lunch should be made by calling the church office.

### IN MEMORIAM

DR. CHARLES H. BOLTON

Interim Pastor of this church

1958-59

Deceased November 14, 1973

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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 .....	1327
Main Sunday School .....	1317
Crippled Children's Home .....	10
The Church in Training .....	651
Christian Training Hour .....	207
Other Training Activities .....	444
Coming for Membership .....	0
Baptized .....	0
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget .....	\$9,212.66
Specials .....	495.08
Building Fund .....	
<b>TOTAL OFFERING .....</b>	<b>\$9,707.74</b>

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday, November 25: "Lamb Without Blemish" I Peter 1:17-25  
Monday, November 26: "No Guile in His Mouth" I Peter 2:19-25  
Tuesday, November 27: "In Him Is No Sin" I John 3:1-9  
Wednesday, November 28: "No Fault in Him" John 19:1-6  
Thursday, November 29: "Became Sin for Us" II Corinthians 5:14-21  
Friday, November 30: "Endured Temptation" Hebrews 4:12-16  
Saturday, December 1: "Author of Salvation" Hebrews 5:1-10

## OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

### Sunday, November 25

9:30 A.M.—Sunday School  
New Members 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

### Monday, November 26

10:00 A.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group  
6:45 P.M.—Associational Brotherhood Meeting—Myrtle Grove  
7:00 P.M.—Football Banquet — Municipal Auditorium

### Tuesday, November 27

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

### Wednesday, November 28

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 & Prayer Service  
—Visitation  
7:20 P.M.—Visitation  
—Adult Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, November 29

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

### Friday, November 30

5:00 P.M.—till Saturday Noon — GA Slumber Party—"Cellar"

## BASKETBALL

Boys ages 11 and under are encouraged to sign up for the church basketball team. Registration will be November 24, at 1:00 P.M. at the PJC Gym. If you cannot register Saturday, call the church office and give them your name. You will be contacted by phone. Adults with experience and interest in basketball and young people are also encouraged to sign up to help with this program.