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## OVER THE TOP



Mrs. Angie Blackmon, President of Baptist Women (Day) and Mrs. Doris Berlin, President of Baptist Women (Night) are shown telling two Southern Baptist Missionaries, Frances Horton and Dora Harbin, that our church went over our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering Goal. We have given \$12,000.00. Our goal was \$11,000.00.

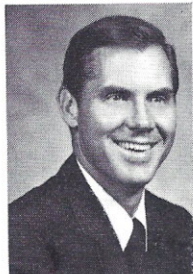
Miss Horton, Missionary to Japan, is a native of Pensacola and is now home on furlough. She spoke to our women on Tuesday.



# Pastor's Paragraphs

## "ON COMMUNICATING THE GOSPEL"

In his book "Communicating The Gospel," Dr. Hal Luccock makes this observation.



"We communicate the Gospel as a church by the Christian deed. God set the pattern. 'God so loved that He gave.' We get the sequence in the story of the crucifixion. 'Now when Jesus had finished all these sayings' — what then? What came after the sayings? After the words, the deed. He went on to the

cross. Never man spoke like this man, but words were not enough to reveal the love of God. He was lifted up, and the act of the cross drew all men unto Him. After our words, singly and together as a church, if the word is to be conveyed there must be the deed, the demonstration and validation by the action. All too often when we have finished our sayings, we pronounce 'Amen,' and it is all over. That is all there is. But after the sayings, there must be the deed. The world is always waiting for the authentic signature of the thing done. It is the deed which gets us into trouble. But it is the deed through which God can be seen, even by those of dim vision. All over the world unconvinced multitudes are waiting for the courageous deed of love of sacrifice. Our resolutions have been glorious, a long list of eloquent phrases. But a Christianity without the enacting clause of action is just what St. Paul called it, "sounding brass."

God gave us a marvelous day last Sunday. Your response is spite of the time change was nothing short of fantastic!

I'll see you Sunday in the House of the Lord. We'll talk about some things that we'll want to put in practice no later than 12:15 P.M. Sunday afternoon . . .

Faithfully your pastor,

*James L. Plitz*

### SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"WHY OUR PRAYERS ARE NOT ANSWERED"

(James 4:1-3)

7:15 P.M.

"COME BEFORE WINTER"

(II Timothy 4:9-21)

## BUS MINISTRY REPORT

Bus No.	Captain	Riders
1	Mr. & Mrs. L. Holt	26
2	M. Dickson	
	B. Parker	31
3	R. Trigg	
	C. F. Wilson	17
4	W. Nell	
	R. Hornsby	20
5	B. Pope	25
6	T. Lutrick	24
7	J. Anthony	
	M. Hennigan	24
8	Mr. & Mrs. T. Thornton	30
9	B. Bell	14
		211
Workers		48

Total on Buses 259

The honor bus this week is Bus 2 with 31 riders. Bus 8 was close with 30 riders.

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

### IN THE HOSPITALS:

#### Baptist

Mr. Kenneth Hudson, Mrs. Ernie (Anise) Priest, Mrs. Leon (Eddie Lou) Singletary, Mr. Herman Mertins, Mrs. O. L. (Ruth) Forehand, Mr. Leonard Gay, Mrs. Dohn (Lou) Sims, Mrs. L. Payne (Ann) Bryan, Jane Ellen Garrett

#### Specialty Care

Mrs. Emma Watts, Mr. John H. Godwin

#### Sacred Heart

Mr. James E. Davis, Mr. Herbert Richburg

### HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Miss Elizabeth Niles, Mr. David Fleming

### CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Langford on the birth of a baby boy, Thaxton Dean, December 25 in Montgomery. Proud Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Langford and Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Merritt.

### SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. David Raley in the loss of her Mother, Mrs. Fredrick.

## CAR HIT IN PARKING LOT

Last Sunday a car was hit in the parking lot North of the church. Would the owner of the offending car please call the church office.

## MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary this Sunday are in memory of Charles A. Beggs and are given by his brother and sisters, E. Dixie Beggs, Miss Annie Beggs, Mrs. J. A. Johnston and Mrs. J. T. Murphy.



## RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP LAST WEEK



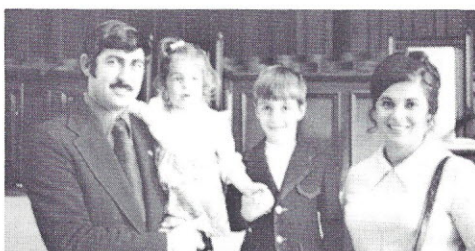
*Ashley Askew*



*Mr. & Mrs. Stuart Bainter*



*Mr. & Mrs. Arnold Gary*



*Mr. & Mrs. Darriel White  
Also shown are Rachel & Mark.*

*Also received was Mrs. W. P. Pleitz*

## BENEVOLENCE COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE THIS INFORMATION

Mr. Clarence Dannelly, Chairman of our Benevolence Committee, is asking all Sunday School classes and other groups to report to him the specific information about the families helped at the Christmas season. This will help his committee for future planning if you would simply give him a report as to the type of help given, and any other pertinent information.

## MENU



Hamburger Steak with  
Mushroom Gravy  
Potatoes Au Gratin  
Tossed Green Salad  
Snowflake Roll and Butter  
Apple Crisp  
Tea Coffee

## EXTENDED SESSION WORKERS

### FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 13, 1973

- A—Mrs. Ray Wise
- B—Mrs. Joe Saiter
- C—Mrs. Robert Stone
- 1A—Mrs. T. R. Walker
- 2A—Mr. & Mrs. Joe Voight
- 2B—Dr. & Mrs. Leon Flowers
- 3A—Mrs. Ralph Moulder  
Miss Monique Burks
- 3B—Mrs. Cameron Hughes  
Miss Sylvia Strebeck
- 3C—Mr. & Mrs. James Yarbrough
- 4A—Mrs. Jerry Jones  
Miss Debbie Wilson
- 4B—Mr. & Mrs. Robert Thorson

## COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP JANUARY 6, 1974

### BY LETTER:

- 34. Morrison G. Carter, Jr.  
517 Palomar Dr., Apt. 138  
From: Fork Bapt., Mocksville, N.C.
- 35. Mrs. Morrison Carter (Sybil)  
From: FBC, Statesville, N.C.
- 36. Larry K. Hicks, 6351 Beauclair Dr.  
From: FBC, Hopewell, Va.
- 37. Mrs. Larry Hicks (Marie)
- 38. William V. West,  
3790 Cherry Laurel Dr.  
From: Calvary Bapt., Eau Gallie, Fl.
- 39. Mrs. William West (Patricia)
- 40. Daryl D. West
- 41. Michael E. West

### BY STATEMENT:

- 3. Michael B. Collins, 5595 Hibiscus Rd.
- 4. W. B. Hearon,  
Star Rt. Box 724, Lillian, Al.
- 5. Mrs. W. B. Hearon (Olive)

### FOR BAPTISM FROM ANOTHER DENOMINATION:

- 31. Mrs. Michael Collins (Allene)

### ON PROFESSION OF FAITH:

- 32. Deirdre Collins
- 33. Ozzie Collins

### BAPTIZED:

Mrs. Thomas L. Davis, Jr., Susie Sporck,  
Terry Spratlen

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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 .....1309  
Main Sunday School .....1297  
Crippled Children's Home ..... 12  
The Church in Training .....507  
Christian Training Hour .....196  
Other Training Activities .....311  
Coming for Membership .....14  
Baptized ..... 3  
Tithes and Offerings:  
Budget .....\$15,612.07  
Specials ..... 394.15  
Building Fund .....  
TOTAL OFFERING .....\$16,006.22

## 1974 PLEDGES NOW IN EFFECT

Many of us, as we made our 1974 pledges, determined to increase our giving in 1974. You will want to remember this as you make out your envelope for Sunday. By the way if you failed to get your envelopes through the mail, please call the church office.

## OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

*Sunday, January 13*

9:30 A.M.—Sunday School  
New Members Class No. 3  
11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship  
4:45 P.M.—Youth Choir Rehearsal  
5:15 P.M.—Explorer's Bible Drill —  
Youth 6 Dept.  
6:00 P.M.—Christian Training Hour  
7:15 P.M.—Evening Worship

*Monday, January 14*

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

*Tuesday, January 15*

11:00 A.M.—Laura Stoesen Roundtable  
Grp. Mtg. with Mrs. R. D.  
Hinson, 2261 Pineneedles  
Circle  
7:30 P.M.—Boy Scouts, "Cellar"

*Wednesday, January 16*

10:00 A.M.—Spanish Bible class with Mrs.  
Nixon Daniel, 2713 Delmar,  
G.B.  
4:45 P.M.—Choirs  
5:15 P.M.—Sunday School Directors  
Meeting in Adult 2  
Department  
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, RA's,  
and Joy Group  
—Bible Study and Prayer  
—Visitation  
7:20 P.M.—Visitation  
—Adult Choir Rehearsal

*Thursday, January 17*

9:30 A.M.—Faithful Workers Mtg. and  
visitation  
9:30 A.M.—Internationals Mtg.  
9:30 A.M.-2:00 P.M.—Mother's Day Out

## IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Bertie Perry

Joined our church by baptism,

April 1, 1923

Deceased, January 9, 1974