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Pastor's Paragraphs

"HOW TO STAY WOUND UP"

It's just a little inexpensive music box. . . . It plays a pretty little tune which goes like this; do re mi, mi do re mi do.

Well, never mind. Suffice it to say it plays a lovely little melody.

. . . Sometimes I play a little game with the music box. After winding it up tight, I see if I can't finish shaving before it runs down. It's been close a time or two, but so far the music box has won every game. It runs down about the

time I reach the chin whiskers.

. . . That music box has caused me to do some thinking about life. Regardless of how vivacious it is to begin with, before long it starts to labor in playing the melody and invariably it runs down.

. . . Life is a lot like that. Regardless of how well we do for a while, most of us run down about as quickly as that two dollar music box.

. . . One time Jesus said, "I came that you might stay wound up tight." Well, actually that is not exactly what He said but it is exactly what He meant — "I am come that you might have life, and have it more abundantly."

. . . The truly great Christians I have known have been energetic and vivacious. These folk have discovered how to stay wound up. Take a man like Dr. E. Stanley Jones who was in our city recently. He is over 80 years of age and is a dynamo of energy.

. . . Back to the music box. There is a way for me to keep the box from running down. There is a way for me to keep the tune lively. **AS LONG AS I KEEP MY HAND ON IT, AND CONTINUE TO WIND IT UP, IT NEVER RUNS DOWN.**

. . . The secret is really quite simple. We can keep our lives vivacious by allowing God to have complete control of our lives. If we will but give Him a chance, He will keep our lives wound up.

. . . "In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths." (Proverbs 3:6).

I'll see you Sunday, all wound up.

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"GOD CAN CHANGE YOUR LIFE"
(John 3:1-18)

7:15 P.M.

"THE UNKNOWN GOD"
(Acts 17:16-34)

BUS MINISTRY REPORT

Bus.	Bus. No.	Captain	Rds.	New Rds.	Vsts.
1	Mr. & Mrs. L. Holt		19	0	0
2	M. Dickson	E. Dunson	29	4	4
3	R. Trigg	C. F. Wilson	20	0	0
4	W. Nell	R. Hornsby	37	6	8
5	B. Pope	T. Thornton	25	2	3
6	T. Lutrick	E. Ebersold	20	0	0
7	M. Hennigan	M. K. Edwards	32	4	8
8	Mr. & Mrs. T. Thornton	E. Ebersold	28	1	3
9	B. Bell		17	0	2
				227	17
				54	28

Total on Buses 281

The honor bus this week is bus 4 with 37 riders. They also had 6 first time riders and 8 visitors.

Below is a short review of Bus Ministry since school started in Sept.

Average number of riders per Sunday	253
Average number of workers per Sunday	54
Average number of visitors	25
Average total riders per Sunday	307
Total number of first time riders	317

VALENTINE BANQUET

The youth are having a Sweetheart Banquet February 15, at 7:00 P.M. Tickets are on sale for \$3.00 per person or \$5.00 per couple. Ticket includes lobster and steak, great entertainment, and an all out good evening of fun. Youth and Youth Workers are invited! You may purchase tickets from Eddie Ebersold, Susan Smalley, Mike Hennigan or Scott Bell. Dress is semi-formal.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist

Pamela McMurrain, Mrs. George (Evon) Riva, Mrs. Mary Powell, Mrs. Fred (Blanche) Barnes, Mrs. Ernie (Anise) Priest, Mrs. Leon (Eddie Lou) Singletary, Mr. John Ackerman, Mr. James E. Davis, Rev. Walter R. Doggrell, Mr. Andy T. Miles, Mrs. S. A. (Renah) Taylor

Specialty Care

Mr. John H. Godwin

Sacred Heart

Mrs. H. H. (Ethlyn) Higgins
Sacred Heart Children's Hospital

Wendy Linton

University Hospital, Birmingham

Mr. M. B. Dawson

HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

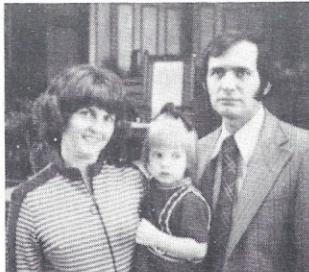
Mr. Leonard Gay, Mrs. L. Payne (Ann) Bryan, Mr. Kenneth Hudson, Mrs. D. L. (Dannie) McDavid, Mr. Henry W. Smith SYMPATHY TO:

Mr. Chris Banakas in the loss of his Mother.

RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP LAST WEEK



Dave Getman



*Mr. & Mrs. Larry Hicks
Also shown is Amy*



*Mrs. Jackie Prevattie,
Edwin & Peggy*

FRONT PAGE

The front page pictures the interior of The Baptist Temple in Vitoria, Spain. This is the church to which we made a special contribution last year to assist them in their effort to secure a meeting place. They used the building for the first time on December 8.

Agustin Fernandez, who was baptized here in our church, is a member of this congregation. He says, "I have been given the pleasant mission of expressing our thanks for the help you have given us."

BAPTIST WOMEN

The Baptist Women will meet Tuesday, February 5, 1974, to study the Home Mission book, EVANGELISM: THE CUTTING EDGE, by Gordon Clinard. Miss Carolyn Brooks, Director of Christian Social Ministries for Pensacola Bay Baptist Association, will direct the study.

Baptist Women (Day) will meet at 9:45 A.M. and will close the meeting with lunch at 11:30.

All ladies of the church are invited to attend this study.

BAPTIST WOMEN (NIGHT) MEETINGS

February 4

6:00 P.M.—Supper - Morrison's T & C
7:00 P.M.—Meeting with Mrs. W. A. McCormick, 804 Fairfield.

February 5

6:00 P.M.—Supper in dining room — Bro. Bob Ebersold will speak on Baptist work in the New York area.

February 12

7:00 P.M.—Bible Study with Mrs. Louis Berlin, 1601 E. Lakeview.

BIBLE CONFERENCE

February 24 - 26
Featuring Dr. Harold S. Songer
teaching Colossians

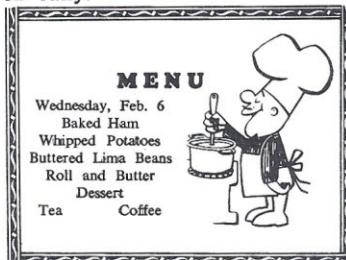
EVANGELISM WORKSHOP

A regional Evangelism Workshop is being held here in our church on Monday, February 11. A very excellent program includes conferences in the afternoon on the following subjects:

Personal Evangelism
Renewal Evangelism
Youth Evangelism
Sunday School Evangelism
Bus Evangelism
Resort Evangelism

The schedule is so arranged that each person can attend one conference at the 2:00 o'clock hour and a different one at the 3:30 hour. The program begins at 1:15 P.M. The evening session begins at 6:45.

Kenneth Chafin, recently Secretary of Evangelism for the Home Mission Board, will be the featured speaker at the 7:00 o'clock rally.



BASKETBALL SCHEDULE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 4

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4

FBC Men vs. East Hill at Malcolm Younge Gym at 6:30 P.M.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8

FBC 15 and under vs. Trinity at YMCA at 7:30 P.M.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9

FBC 15 and up (Red and Blue) playing in Pensacola Bay Baptist Association Tournament at Escambia High from 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

ATTENTION MEN

Anyone interested in playing on a softball team (ages 15 and up) contact Scott Bell, 432-2023. Deadline is February 9.

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should be in the office, preferably in writing, not later than 9:00 a.m. Mondays.	

LOOKING AT LAST WEEK

The Church in Study	1402
Main Sunday School	1379
Crippled Children's Home	23
The Church in Training	607
Christian Training Hour	204
Other Training Activities	403
Coming for Membership	2
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$9,143.31
Specials	540.71
 TOTAL OFFERING	\$9,684.02

EXTENDED SESSION TEACHERS FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1974

A—Mrs. Joe Brooks
B—Miss Leah Ann Jackson
C—Mrs. Ben McLeod
1A—Mrs. Douglas Claybrook
1B—Mrs. Mary Knight
2B—Mr. & Mrs. Larry Hicks
3A—Mr. Tom Fife
Miss Judy Folmar
3B—Mrs. Roger Kingrey
Miss Cricket Smith
3C—Mr. & Mrs. John Wiley
4A—Mr. & Mrs. Gary Cushing
4B—Mrs. Ralph Thompson
Mrs. Frank Johnson

OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

Sunday, February 3

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, February 4

10:00 A.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group	
6:00 P.M.—Baptist Women Night Group	
Supper—Morrison's, Town & Country	
7:00 P.M.—Baptist Women Night Group	
meeting—Mrs. W. A. McCormick, 804 Fairfield	
7:00 P.M.—Assn. Sunday School Meeting—Bellview	

Tuesday, February 5

9:00 A.M.—Alta Allison Group meeting	
9:45 A.M.—Baptist Women	
6:00 P.M.—Baptist Women Night Group	
Supper—D.R., Bro. Bob Ebersold speaking on recent trip to New York area.	
Wednesday, February 6	

5:15 P.M.—Choirs	
6:00 P.M.—Fellowship Dinner	
6:25 P.M.—Prayer Service	
6:40 P.M.—Sunday School Officers and	
Teachers Meeting, Mission Friends, GA's, Acteens, RA's, Joy Group	
—Bible Study and Prayer	
—Visitation	
7:30 P.M.—Visitation	
—Adult Choir Rehearsal	

Thursday, February 7

9:30 A.M.—Internationals Meeting	
9:30-2:00—Mothers Day Out	
12:30 P.M.—Faithful Workers Class	
Luncheon	
7:00 P.M.—Youth Bible Study —	
Sanctuary	

Friday, February 8

6:30 P.M.—Adult 3 Social—Cellar Kitchen & Fellowship Hall	
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COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP JANUARY 23, 1974

BY LETTER:

55. David Getman, 115 W. Strong St.
From: FBC, Bradenton, Fl.

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP JANUARY 27, 1974

FOR BAPTISM
FROM ANOTHER DENOMINATION:
41. Thomas Arledge, 3960 Montalvo
42. Mrs. Thomas Arledge (Judy)