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ADULTS GO TO SEA



Eighty-six of our adults enjoyed a trip sponsored by our Senior Adult Fellowship last Thursday. They went by chartered bus to Gautier, Mississippi. There they toured the Gautier Plantation Home and then boarded the Magnolia Blossom for a 2 hour cruise on the Singing River viewing the Pascagoula Harbor and Litton Shipyards. Shown here are some of the group reluctantly leaving the Riverboat.



Pastor's Paragraphs

"CAN YOU SAY THE LORD'S PRAYER?"

Since childhood we have known the Lord's Prayer. You can spend a lifetime thinking about the content of the prayer.

It has been observed that

I cannot say "Our" if I live in a watertight spiritual compartment. I cannot say "Father" if I do not demonstrate the relationship in daily life.

I cannot say "which art in Heaven" if I am so occupied with the earth that I am laying up no treasure there.

I cannot say "hallowed be Thy name" if I, who am called by His name, am not holy.

I cannot say "Thy Kingdom come" if I am not doing all in my power to hasten its coming.

I cannot say "Thy will be done" if I am questioning, resentful of, or disobedient to His will for me.

I cannot say "on earth, as is in Heaven" if I am not prepared to devote my life here to His service.

I cannot say "give us this day our daily bread" if I am living on past experience.

I cannot say "forgive us our trespasses as we forgive them that trespass against us" if I harbor a grudge against anyone.

I cannot say "lead us not into temptation" if I deliberately place myself in a position to be tempted.

I cannot say "deliver us from evil" if I am not prepared to fight it in the spiritual realm with the weapon of prayer.

I cannot say "Thine is the power" if I fear what men may do or what my neighbors may think.

I cannot say "Thine is the glory" if I am seeking glory for myself.

I cannot say "forever and ever" if my horizon is bounded by things of time.

I'll look forward to seeing you in God's House Sunday. It should be a wonderful day. Be here with your family and friends.

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"THE HOLY SPIRIT AND COURAGE"

(Acts 4:1-13; 5:29-31)

7:15 P.M.

"THE UNPARDONABLE SIN"

(Matthew 12:22-26, 31-32)

TO SPEAK AT BAPTIST WOMEN SPRING LUNCHEON



Pictured above is Mrs. R. L. Mathis, the guest speaker for the Spring Luncheon of the Baptist Women on Tuesday, April 2. The program will begin at 9:45 in the Sanctuary with lunch following in the church dining room.

Mrs. Mathis, President of Baptist Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to Southern Baptist Convention, has been an outstanding leader in Baptist work for a number of years. She is a former second vice-president of the Southern Baptist Convention, a former vice-president of the Baptist World Alliance, and at the present time is president of the Woman's Department of the Baptist World Alliance.

Receiving her earlier education at Mid-western College and Southern Methodist University, she was the first woman to receive honorary doctorates from Hardin-Simmons University and Mary-Hardin Baylor College. She has been listed in WHO'S WHO OF AMERICAN WOMEN.

Mrs. Mathis is co-author of THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION PROGRAM OF A CHURCH.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist

Mr. Raymond Barrow, Mr. J. L. Smith, Mrs. Ed (Faye) Scholz, Jr., Mr. Cecil Ray, Mrs. Lennie Bonham, Mrs. A. J. (Bertie) Butler, Mr. George M. Lewis, Mr. Marshall Black, Mrs. Woody (Lavada) Creel

Sacred Heart

Mr. Vernon Phillips, Mrs. James (Beverly) Parker

Specialty Care:

Mrs. Claudia McCurley

Mobile Infirmary

Mrs. Charles (Melba) Stallings

HOME FROM THE HOSPITALS:

Mr. Herman Johnson, Mrs. Robert T. (Carole) Hudson, Jr., Mr. Huey P. Sanders, Mrs. W. W. (Virginia) Stephens, Mr. William T. Butler, Mrs. Sterling (Ruby) Denton, Mrs. Francis (Carol) Johnson, Melanye A. Ray

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Griffin Vickery who received the Eagle Award for Scouting on Tuesday night. Nix and John Daniel who were tapped for membership in Phi Beta Kappa at Wake Forest University.

RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP LAST WEEK



*Mr. & Mrs. Charles Griffin and Suzanne
Also shown are Deborah, Allison, and Chuck.*



*Mr. & Mrs. Jim Hardekopf
Also shown is Christopher*

Also received were Mr. & Mrs. Danny Kepner.

FROM THE MAIL BAG

The following article appeared in the mailout bulletin of First Baptist Church, Meridian, Mississippi. We thought that our First Baptist folk ought to see it, so, in the absence of the pastor, we're taking the liberty of reprinting here this portion of Dr. Beverly Tinnin's message:

"Isn't it strange that God seems to know better than we do what our needs are and how they can best be filled. In being led to Dr. Pleitz three years ago we could not know the thirst our entire church would feel when the appointed time would arrive for affirmative Christian teachings that would fit our needs to live happily and victoriously. Twice twenty have called to say something to the effect that 'no series of sermons has affected me so greatly since I was a boy and my seven year old daughter understood and listened intently to each one of them.'

"You'll be delighted to know I'm sure that the management of WTOK-TV is planning to begin to use Dr. Pleitz's meditation "spots" on a regular basis. This will allow the splendid inspiration of our revival to live on."

BUS MINISTRY REPORT

Bus		Riders
No.	Captain	
1.	Mr. & Mrs. L. Holt	26
2.	M. Dickson	
	E. Dunson	25
3.	R. Trigg	
	C. F. Wilson	25
4.	W. Nell	16
5.	B. Pope	
	A. Ford	20
6.	T. Lutrick	
	M. Cranmer	17
7.	A. Little	
	M. Hennigan	27
8.	T. Thornton	29
9.	S. Bell	15
P. M. Special		8
	Total	208
	Workers	43
	Total on Buses	251
Honor bus this week is No. 8 with 32 riders.		

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP MARCH 24, 1974

BY LETTER:

82. Craig Hurt,
3331 Summit Blvd., Apt. 117
From: Boulevard Bapt., Pensacola
83. Mrs. Philip Pendleton (Genevieve)
4000 Gaugin
From: FBC, Waco, Tx.
84. Alton V. Tippins, 6581 Antietam Dr.
From: FBC, Daytona Beach, Fl.
85. Mrs. Alton Tippins (Beverly)
From: Wesconnett Bapt.,
Jacksonville, Fl.

ON PROFESSION OF FAITH:

52. Michael Guerra, 20 Arthur Lane
53. Brett Linton, 4795 Velasquez Pl.

FOR BAPTISM

54. Philip E. Pendleton, 4000 Gaugin

REDEDICATION:
Mrs. Michael Guerra (June)

THE VERY NEWEST

The rosebud on the pulpit Sunday was placed there in honor of
MISS LESLI JOY HUDSON
daughter of

Mr. & Mrs. Robert T. Hudson, Jr.
born March 19, 1974

MENU

Fried Chicken
Buttered Lima Beans
Snowflake Potatoes
Roll - Butter
Fudge Square
Tea - Coffee



ANNIE ARMSTRONG OFFERING FOR HOME MISSIONS

Given to date.....\$2,601.85
Goal\$4,200.00

Please give generously so that your homeland will be a better place in which to live.

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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	1370
Main Sunday School.....	1355
Crippled Children's Home	15
The Church in Training	539
Christian Training Hour	207
Other Training Activities	332
Coming for Membership	7
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$10,309.90
Specials	1,425.10
 TOTAL OFFERING	\$11,735.00

EXTENDED SESSION TEACHERS FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 1974

A—Mrs. Owen Eubanks

C—Mrs. Larry Crossland

1A—Mrs. Chet Owens

2A—Mr. and Mrs. Tom Thornton

2B—Mrs. B. L. Kisner
—Miss Cindy Beuris

3A—Mrs. James Driskell
—Miss Jackie Archer

3B—Mrs. Elton Dunson

4A—Mrs. Joe Hosner
—Miss Bambi Moore

4B—Mrs. John Coleman
—Mrs. Charlie Rector

OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

Sunday, March 31

- * 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School
 New Members Class No. 2
- * 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,
 Ordinance of Baptism

Monday, April 1

10:00 A.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group

Tuesday, April 2

- * 9:15 A.M.—Alta Allison Grp. —
 Intercessory, Prayer Room
- * 9:45 A.M.—Baptist Women
- * 10:00 A.M.—Mary Saunders Grp —
 Cellar
- 7:30 P.M.—Boy Scouts — Cellar

Wednesday, April 3

- * 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, April 4

- * 9:00 A.M.—Helen Fling Grp. —
 Fellowship Hall
- * 9:30 A.M.—Internationals Meeting
- * 9:30-2:00 P.M.—Mother's Day Out
- 7:00 P.M.—Youth Bible Study —
 Sanctuary

Friday, April 5

7:00 P.M.—Adult Choir—Cellar

Saturday, April 6

- 9:00 A.M.—G.A. Rally—Myrtle Grove
 Baptist Church
- 9:00-2:00 P.M.—Backyard Bible Clinic—
 Warrington Baptist