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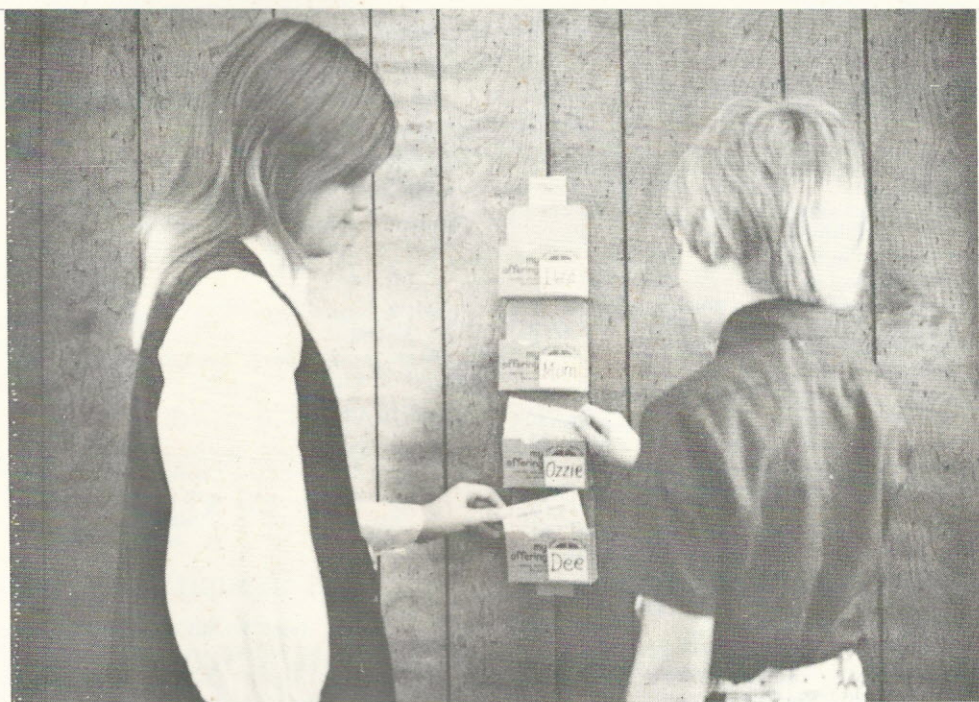
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Dee and Ozzie Collins show us how to use our 1975 envelopes as a weekly reminder for giving in the new year.

The new envelope packets are in the mail this week to every church and Sunday School member. Please call the Church office if you have not received yours.

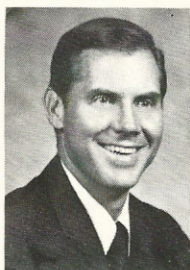
And, please use your own envelopes as you make your contribution to the Lord's work through your church in 1975. The numbered envelopes assist with proper posting of your gifts.



# Pastor's Paragraphs

## "SOME THOUGHTS REGARDING THE NEW YEAR"

As our thoughts turn to the year 1975, most of us will be making resolutions. I trust that we will keep them.



Are you open for suggestions? Consider these:

I WILL forget the past and honor God more in 1975!

"... forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high call-

ing of God in Christ Jesus."—Phil. 3:13b, 14.

I WILL live for Christ before the world! "For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain."—Phil. 1:21.

I WILL trust God with a strong faith! "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen."—Hebrews 11:1.

I WILL be faithful to my Church! "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching."—Hebrews 10:25.

I WILL honor God with my income! "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.

I WILL help bear the other's burdens! "Bear one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ."—Galatians 6:2.

I WILL train whatever talents God has given me for His Church! "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."—2 Timothy 2:15.

I WILL faithfully witness to the Lost! "They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him."—Psalms 126:5, 6.

Make every effort to be in God's House this coming Sunday. I'll look forward to seeing you then.

Faithfully your pastor,

*James L. Pleitz*

## BUS MINISTRY REPORT

Bus No.	Bus Workers	Total Riders
1. D. Wilson, Noble, Dingwall		23
2. B. Royal, Wiltshire, Nelson, K. Wilson		15
3. Chambers, Lovette, Morrow		14
4. Hanberry, Clause, S. Daniel, Hennigan		11
5. Pope, A. Ford, P. Beuris, M. Hurt		13
6. McNeill, T. Lutrick, Batson, J. Haylock		23
7. Pendleton, Dean, P. Royal, M. Straughn		24
8. Corley, E. Daniel, L. Clevenger, S. Haylock		14
9. C. Johnson, Cranmer, Boyles, M. Bell		13
Total —		150

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

### IN THE HOSPITALS:

#### Baptist

Mr. A. J. Butler, Mrs. A. J. (Dorothy) Streinz, Mrs. F. (Cameron) Babcock, Mr. Herman Mertins

#### Sacred Heart

Mrs. C. V. (Margaret) Headrick, Mr. A. L. Stanton

#### University Hospital

Mr. E. L. Derby

### SYMPATHY TO:

Mr. Stanley Lassiter in the loss of his Mother.

Mrs. R. F. Jernigan in the loss of her Father.

Mrs. J. L. Smith in the loss of her husband.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Linda Gomillion Brown on her graduation from the University of West Florida this past quarter.

## IN MEMORIAM

Jesse L. Smith

1206 N. Devilliers

Joined our church by letter,

September 16, 1962

Deceased, December 29, 1974

## SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"WHAT ARE YOU LIFTING UP?"

(John 12:23-33)

7:15 P.M.

MESSAGE BY DR. JAMES MONROE

## JANUARY BIBLE STUDY TEACHING ADULTS



Dr. James L. Monroe, Pastor  
*First Baptist Church,  
Fort Walton Beach, Florida*

Dr. Monroe is a native of Alabama. He attended Howard College (now Samford University), received his BS degree from Livingston State Teachers College and his theological degree from Southern Seminary. He has served pastorates in Alabama and Florida. He has served as President of the Florida Baptist Convention and as Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention.

He will be leading our adults in a study of Acts.

## YOUTH JANUARY BIBLE STUDY

The High School-College January Bible Study will be held on January 5, 6:00-7:00 P.M., and January 6-7, 7:00-8:30 P.M., and will feature the book "Sit, Walk, Stand," based on the book of Ephesians. The teacher will be Bill Lee. The Middle School Youth will study the book "Now Listen My Friend," a study of Proverbs. Dr. Bill Hetrick will be the teacher.

## PRESCHOOLERS AND ELEMENTARY CHILDREN

During our January Bible Study, our Preschoolers and Elementary children will be involved in a time of learning, fellowship, and fun. Their sessions will be held during the time parents and young people are in Bible Study. Our Preschoolers will meet in PS 3A. Elementary school children will meet in Fellowship Hall.

## BAPTIST WOMEN GENERAL MEETING TUESDAY, JANUARY 7

9:45 A.M.—Bible Study  
10:15 A.M.—Business—Calendar of Prayer  
10:30 A.M.—Informal get acquainted period  
11:30 A.M.—Luncheon

Any new member of the church or unenlisted member of the Baptist Women interested in attending our enlistment meeting and luncheon, please make a reservation for lunch by contacting the church office.

## "GOLDEN SPRING"

The Radio & Television Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention in cooperation with NBC-TV has produced a television special entitled "Golden Spring" which will be shown on Channel 10 Sunday, January 5th at 2:00 P.M.

Golden Spring will feature the outstanding television personality Alexander Scourby, taking the viewing audience on a journey back through history, as seen through the great art works of masters, such as deVinci, Raphael, and Michelangelo.

## MENU

January 8, 1974  
Spaghetti with Home-  
made Meat Sauce  
Cabbage, Apple &  
Raisin Salad  
French Roll & Butter  
Fudge Square  
Tea Coffee



## LOST? MAYBE IT'S BEEN FOUND

Our Lost & Found closet is overflowing with Bibles and other items found in the church buildings. To make it easier for you to claim any of these items which may be yours, they will be placed on a table just outside the church office January 8-12. After that date, any unclaimed items will be disposed of.

## CHURCH BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

*Saturday, January 4*

13 and Under vs. St. Marks — 2:30 P.M.  
YMCA.

*BAY BAPTIST LEAGUE*

*Monday, January 6*

17 and Under vs. Pine Forest — 7:30  
P.M. — YMCA.

*Saturday, January 11*

18 Up vs. East Hill — 8:00 P.M. —  
YMCA

*CITY LEAGUE*

*Monday, January 6*

Middle School girls vs. Brownsville —  
5:00 P.M. — Saunders Beach Rec Center.

*Thursday, January 9*

Men's Team — night — Malcolm Young  
Gym.

The High School girls city league team under the direction of Coach Bill Moore, Jr. completed their season at Bayview Park Rec Center in December. Congratulations to Coach Moore and his team's fine effort this first year.

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## 1975 PLEDGES

Many of us as we made our pledges for the 1975 budget resolved to increase our giving during 1975. These pledges become effective on next Sunday. You will want to remember this as you make out your envelopes for Sunday.

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## LIBRARY NOTES

Look through your book shelves and closets and return any overdue books. NO FINES will be charged on overdue books returned from December 22, 1974 through January 5, 1975. If the library is not open, you may deposit books through the slot in the library door.

Make a New Year's Resolution to use your church library.

## MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary this Sunday are in memory of Mr. W. H. Smith and are given by Mary Ellen, Cricket and Susie.

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday, January 5: "Be Not Dismayed"  
Joshua 8; Luke 7:24-50

Monday, January 6: "Asked Not Counsel"  
Joshua 9; Luke 8:1-25

Tuesday, January 7: "The Lord Fought for Israel" Joshua 10; Luke 8:26-56

Wednesday, January 8: "He Left Nothing Undone" Joshua 11-12; Luke 9:1-27

Thursday, January 9: "I Wholly Followed the Lord" Joshua 13-14; Luke 9:28-62

Friday, January 10: "Give Me a Blessing"  
Joshua 15-16; Luke 10

Saturday, January 11: "Why Do You Wait?"  
Joshua 17-18; Luke 11:1-28

## LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

OUR GOAL .....\$13,000.00  
GIVEN TO DATE .....\$12,310.94

## RIDGECREST RESERVATIONS

Summer of 1975 seems a long time away. Each summer Southern Baptist have numerous conferences at the two conference centers Ridgecrest and Glorieta. Reservations for these conferences need to be made early in the year immediately following January 1. If you and your family would like to consider one of the weeks at Ridgecrest or Glorieta members of the staff can share with you the dates and other information needed.

Miss Taris Savell's interview with Steve Davis will be aired on Channel 23 January 5 at 10:00 P.M. and January 11 at 3:30 P.M.

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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 .....1017

Main Sunday School .....996

Crippled Children's Home ..... 21

The Church in Training .....117

Christian Training Hour .....117

Coming for Membership .....1

Tithes and Offerings:

Budget .....\$14,236.30

Specials ..... 6,220.88

Building Fund ..... 411.00

**TOTAL OFFERING .....\$20,868.18**

## EXTENDED SESSION WORKERS FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 5

A—Mrs. Joe Brooks

B—Mrs. Leah Ann Jackson

C—Mrs. Ben McLeod

1A—Mrs. Douglas Claybrook

1B—Mrs. Ken Meacham

2A—Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hendrix

2B—Mr. and Mrs. Larry Hicks

3A—Mrs. C. F. Folmar

3B—Mrs. Roger Kingrey

4A—Mr. and Mrs. John Wiley

4B—Mr. and Mrs. Gary Cushing

4C—Mrs. Ralph Thompson

—Mrs. Frank Johnson

## COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP DECEMBER 29, 1974

BY LETTER:

47. Paul W. Thomas, 422 N. Baylen

From: FBC, Dallas, Tx.

## OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

*Sunday, January 5*

- \* 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School
- \* 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  
January Bible Study
- \* 7:15 P.M.—Evening Worship

*Monday, January 6*

- 10:00 A.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group
- 7:00 P.M.—January Bible Study

*Tuesday, January 7*

- 9:15 A.M.—Alta Allison Group —  
Adult 1
- 9:45 A.M.—Baptist Women
- 7:00 P.M.—January Bible Study
- 7:30 P.M.—Boy Scouts — Cellar

*Wednesday, January 8*

- \* 4:45 P.M.—Choirs
- \* 5:45 P.M.—Fellowship Dinner
- \* 6:10 P.M.—Prayer Service
- \* 6:25 P.M.—Sunday School Officers and  
Teachers Meeting, Mission  
Friends, GA's, RA's, and Joy  
Group  
—Bible Study & Prayer  
—Visitation
- \* 7:15 P.M.—Visitation  
—Adult Choir Rehearsal

*Thursday, January 9*

- 9:30 A.M.—Internationals Meeting
- 9:30-2:00 P.M.—Mother's Day Out
- 10:00 A.M.—Senior Adults at Church  
"Cellar"
- 2:00 P.M.—Faithful Workers Business &  
Social Meeting, 1907 Broy-  
hill Lane — Mrs. Bertha  
Foxworth, hostess

*Friday, January 10*

- 6:30 P.M.—Radiant Class — Adult 2 De-  
partment Pizza Party —  
"The Cellar"