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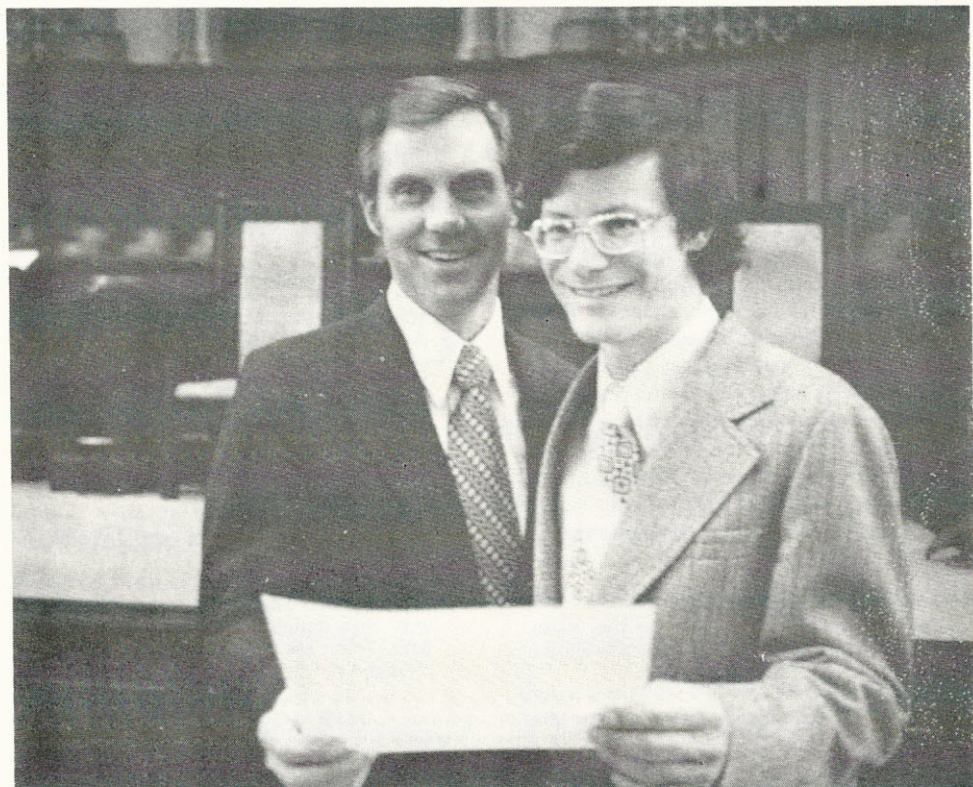
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## BILL WARREN LICENSED TO PREACH



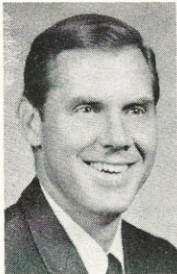
Bill Warren, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Warren, was recently licensed to preach by our church. Bill is graduating this June from Washington & Lee University and will enter New Orleans Seminary this fall. Dr. Pleitz presented his Certificate of License last Sunday.



# Pastor's Paragraphs

## "The Cocoon Has Got To Go"

The Lord said, "where two or three are gathered together in my name, there will I be in their midst also." When two ladies met together in Texas to write a book of prayers, it's quite obvious that God was present with them.



Jo Carr and Imogene Sorley have written a beautiful book entitled "Plum Jelly and Stained Glass & Other Prayers."

I've found this to be a most inspirational book, especially this prayer that I would like to share with you.

"Lord, The words were on a poster — and I can't get them out of my mind: 'You can fly . . . but that cocoon has got to go.' And I don't think it was talking about butterflies. But the risk — oh, the risk of leaving the swaddling warmth of a cocoon. My cocoon. My status quo. My . . . deadening security.

To leave the unknown, no matter how confining it may be — for an unknown, a totally new life-style — oh, the risk!

Lord, my cocoon chafes, sometimes. But I know its restrictions. And it's scary to consider the awful implications of flight. I'm leery of heights. (Even your heights.) But, Lord, I could see so much wider, clearer from heights. And there's an exhilaration about flight that I have always longed for. I want to fly . . . if I could just have the cocoon to come back to. Butterflies can't. I can't. Probably butterflies don't even want to — once they've tasted flight.

It's the risk that makes me hesitate. The knowing I can't come back to the warm, undemanding status quo.

Lord . . . about butterflies . . . the cocoon has only two choices—risk . . . or die. What about me?

If I refuse to risk, do I, too, die inside, still wrapped in the swaddling web? Lord?"

The good Lord willing I'll look forward to seeing you Sunday in His House.

Faithfully your pastor,

*James L. Pleitz*

## BUS MINISTRY REPORT

Bus No.	Workers	Total Riders
1.	D. Wilson, Nobles, Dingwall, Berry	37
2.	B. Royal, Nelson, Wilson, Wiltshire	21
3.	Jernigan, Burks, Morrow, Cunningham	27
4.	Steiner, Hanberry, Daniel, Boyles	17
5.	Pope, Ford, M. Hurt, P. Beuris	19
6.	McNeill, T. Lutrick, J. Haylock, Batson	18
7.	Holt, Dean, P. Royal, Clevenger	22
8.	Corley, E. Daniel, S. Haylock, Hanberry	19
9.	Johnson, Cranmer, Straughn, M. Bell	28

208

"Show Bus" results at Heritage Apts. April 12  
New Riders enrolled 6  
Attendance 20

## SHOW BUS

The Bus Ministry has a new dimension in outreach and enlistment of new riders. The "Show Bus" is specially equipped for puppets, movies, refreshments, and Bible Study. It is used each Saturday in Mobile Home Parks and apartment complexes as a ministry to people in the community and as a tool for reaching people for Bible Study and worship at First Baptist. Five programs have been conducted and approximately 30 bus riders have been enlisted by this method alone. Total enrollment in these programs is 160. This ministry will be expanded this summer to include week-long backyard Bible clubs in various communities in Pensacola.

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

### IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist

Mr. Curtis Morris

Sacred Heart

Mr. Henry Pohlman, Mrs. Don (Robbi)

Brantley, Mrs. John (Angle) Ingram, Mr.

John Straughn, Mrs. Lola Bordelon, Mrs.

A. M. (Lena) Crutchfield

Naval Hospital

Mr. Lilborne Parvino

Veteran's Hospital, Mississippi

Mr. John D. Wiggins

### HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Mr. Nixon Daniel, Mrs. Henry (Florida)

Smith, Vernice Sanders

### SYMPATHY TO:

Mr. Tom Thornton in the loss of his Mother.

Mr. Dan Boyles in the loss of his Father.

Mr. Robert Saujon in the loss of his wife and daughter.

Mrs. John Ingram, Jr. in the loss of her husband.

## THE VERY NEWEST

The rosebud on the pulpit Sunday was placed there in honor of  
MISS CAROLYN ELAINE BRANTLEY  
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Brantley,  
born April 12, 1975.

## MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary this Sunday are in memory of Mr. A. L. Stanton and are given by his wife, daughter and son.

## RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP LAST WEEK



*Mr. and Mrs. Alex G. Duke, Harrison and Robert Duke.*



*Mr. and Mrs. Bill Vanoy and Vanessa, Cole Wheeler. Also shown is Nicole Vanoy.*

*Also received were Dr. and Mrs. William Don Jacobs, Ron and Bruce Jacobs.*

### IN MEMORIAM

John Ingram Jr.  
471 Springdale Circle  
Joined our church by Baptism  
November 13, 1932  
Deceased April 13, 1975

### IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Lynn R. Saujon  
1801 E. Bobe  
Joined our church by Baptism  
October 20, 1974  
Deceased April 14, 1975

### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday, April 20: "Except They Be Sent"  
II Chronicles 11-13; Romans 10  
Monday, April 21: "The Depth of His Wisdom"  
II Chronicles 14-16; Romans 11  
Tuesday, April 22: "A Living Sacrifice"  
II Chronicles 17-18; Romans 12:1-8  
Wednesday, April 23: "Patient in Tribulation"  
II Chronicles 19-20; Romans 12:9-15  
Thursday, April 24: "Overcome Evil with Good"  
II Chronicles 21-23; Romans 12:16-21  
Friday, April 25: "Love Your Neighbor"  
II Chronicles 24-25; Romans 13:1-10  
Saturday, April 26: "The Night is Far Spent"  
II Chronicles 26-28; Romans 13:11-14

### CHURCH SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

WEEK OF APRIL 21-26  
Tuesday, April 22  
6:30 P.M.—First Baptist vs. Central Baptist. Exchange Park No. 2.  
Friday, April 25  
6:30 P.M.—First Church of Nazarene vs. First Baptist. Exchange Park No. 2.

### BAPTIST WORLD ALLIANCE

The Baptist World Alliance will be meeting this summer in Stockholm, Sweden. Mr. Bizzell is planning to attend. Anyone interested in making this trip June 26-July 17 may secure additional information from him.

### SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.  
"THE PROFIT OF HIS LOSS"  
(Acts 1:1-14)  
7:15 P.M.  
"THE CHANGELESS CHRIST"  
(Hebrews 13:7, 8)

### MENU

April 23, 1975  
Roast Beef  
Snowflake Potatoes  
and Gravy  
Green Beans  
Roll and Butter  
Jelly Tart  
Tea - Coffee





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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 .....1449  
Main Sunday School.....1426  
Crippled Children's Home.....23  
The Church in Training.....582  
Christian Training Hour.....229  
Other Training Activities.....353  
Coming for Membership .....6  
Tithes and Offerings:  
Budget .....12,025.45  
Specials .....617.26  
Building Fund .....15.00  
**TOTAL OFFERING .....12,657.71**

## EXTENDED SESSION WORKERS

FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 20

A —Mrs. Talmadge Blackmon  
B —Mrs. Michael Driver  
C —Mrs. Gerald Bryant  
1A—Mrs. Bonnie Martin  
1B—Miss Susie Spork  
2A—Mrs. Charles Fosha  
Miss Linda Thompson  
2B—Mrs. Regan Clause  
3B—Mr. Joe Tillman  
Miss Janis Sutton  
4A—Mrs. Carol Allen  
4B—Mrs. Dan Boyles  
4C—Miss Lauren Mowe

**WATCH FOR THE  
SUPER STARS!  
MAY 31**

## OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

*Sunday, April 20*

- \* 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School
- \* 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, April 21*

- 10:00 A.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group—  
Adult I

*Tuesday, April 22*

- 3:00 P.M.—Council on Aging — Dining  
Room
- 7:30 P.M.—Boy Scouts "Cellar"

*Wednesday, April 23*

- \* 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, Acteens.  
Joy Group  
Bible Study and Prayer  
Visitation
- \* 7:15 P.M.—Visitation  
Adult Choir Rehearsal

*Thursday, April 24*

- \* 9:30 A.M.—Internationals
- 10:00 A.M.—Senior Adults at Church  
"Cellar"
- 7:00 P.M.—Silent Class Film —  
Fellowship Hall

*Saturday, April 26*

- 2:00 P.M.—Adult Choir Social
- \* Nursery Provided

## COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP

APRIL 13, 1975

### BY LETTER:

109. Mr. Wilford Wallace Keyes,  
1692 Calle Bonita  
From: Central Baptist, Hattiesburg,  
Ms.
110. Mrs. Wilford W. Keyes (Yvonne)  
Major Tom Fine, 331 Summit  
From: Central Baptist, Burbank, Calif.
112. Mr. Thomas Joel West,  
1811 N. Spring St.  
From: Galilee Baptist, Pensacola
113. Mrs. Thomas West (Kay)  
From: Circle Baptist, Pensacola
114. Mr. Donald N. Crandall, 614 E. Larua  
From: Fairfield Baptist, Pensacola