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PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

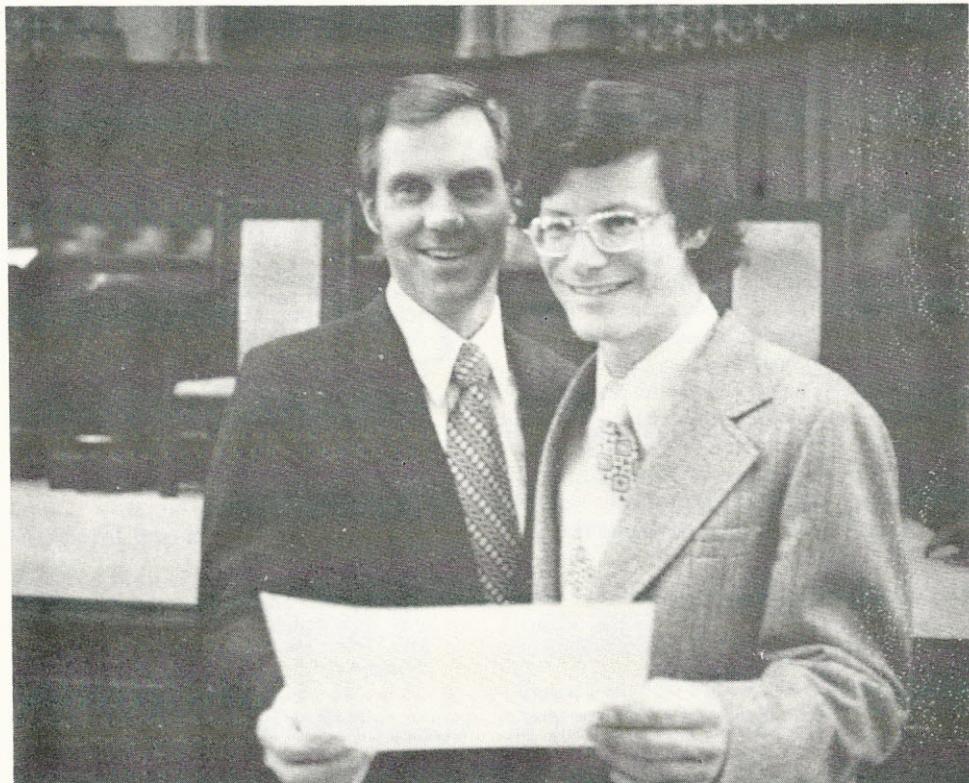
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BILL WARREN LICENSED TO PREACH



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	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 Sporck
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)
111. 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