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## Senior Adults Inaugurate Activities Center



The two oldest members present were asked to cut the ribbon during the opening of the Christian Activities Center last Thursday. Shown above left to right: Paul Royal, Dr. Pleitz, Mrs. Olive Manheim, Mrs. Amzie Wilson, Mayor Barney Burks, Bill Thompson.

# Pastor's Paragraphs

For this Mother's Day season, I would like to share with you Dr. Peter Marshall's celebrated legend about the Keeper of the Springs.



"Once upon a time, a certain town grew up at the foot of a mountain range. It was sheltered in the lee of the protecting heights, so that the wind that shuddered at the doors and flung handfuls of sleet against the window panes was a wind whose fury was spent. High up in the hills, a strange and quiet forest

dweller took it upon himself to be the Keeper of the Springs. He patrolled the hills and whenever he found a spring he cleaned its brown pool of silt and fallen leaves, of mud and mould and took away from the spring all foreign matter, so that the water which bubbled up through the sand ran down clean and cold and pure. It leaped sparkling over rocks and dropped joyously in crystal cascades until, swollen by other streams, it became a river of life to the busy town. Millwheels were whirled by its rush. Gardens were refreshed by its waters. Fountains threw it like diamonds into the air. Swans sailed on its limpid surface and children laughed as they played on its banks in the sunshine. But the City Council was a group of hardheaded, hard-boiled business men. They scanned the civic budget and found in it the salary of a Keeper of the Springs. Said the Keeper of the Purse: "Why should we pay this romance ranger? We never see him; he is not necessary to our town's work life. If we build a reservoir just above the town we can dispense with his services and save his salary." Therefore, the City Council voted to dispense with the unnecessary cost of a Keeper of the Springs, and to build a cement reservoir. So the Keeper of the Springs no longer visited the brown pools but watched from the heights while they built the reservoir. When it was finished, it soon filled up with water, to be sure, but the water did not seem to be the same. It did not seem to be as clean, and a green scum soon befouled its stagnant surface. There was constant trouble with the delicate machinery of the mills, for it was often clogged with slime, and the swans found another home above the town. At last, an epidemic raged and the clammy, yellow fingers of sickness reached into every home in every street and lane. The City Council met again. Sorryfully, it faced the city's plight, and frankly it acknowledged the mistake of the dismissal of the Keeper of the Springs. They sought him out in his hermit hut high in the hills, and begged him to return to his former joyous labor.

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

### IN THE HOSPITALS:

#### Baptist

Mrs. Anita Brown, Mr. James Davis  
Mrs. W. G. (Neva) Pybus, Mrs. J. C.  
(Judy) Parrish, Dr. Victor Goeller

#### Specialty Care

Mr. Curtis Morris

#### Naval Hospital

Mrs. James P. (Wilma) Fiveash

#### Oschner Clinic, New Orleans

Mrs. Sterling Denton

#### Veteran's Hospital, Miss.

Mr. John D. Wiggins

### HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Mr. Paul Thomas, Mrs. John (Angle) Ingram, Mrs. Lola Bordelon, Mrs. W. D. (Virginia) Gibson, Jr., Mrs. David (Judith) Lewing, Heidi Hurst, Mr. Oma H. Coker, Mrs. Robert P. (Margaret) Salter

### SYMPATHY TO:

Mr. Herman Williams in the loss of his brother.

Mr. Mose Penton in the loss of his sister.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Lora Louise Fillingim and Philip Edward Carp on their marriage May 2.

### SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"A CHRISTIAN HOME IN TODAY'S WORLD"

(I Timothy 5:1-8)

7:15 P.M.

"A PORTRAIT OF THE FATHER AND SON"

(Hebrews 13:7-24)

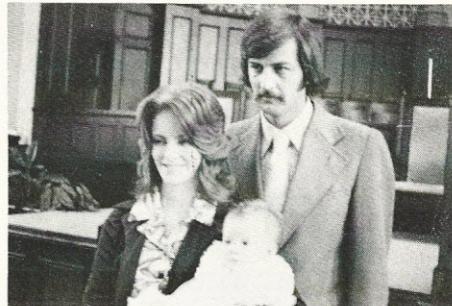
Gladly he agreed, and began once more to make his rounds. It was not long until pure water came limting down under tunnels of ferns and mosses and to sparkle in the cleansed reservoir. Millwheels turned again as of old. Stenches disappeared, sickness waned, and convalescent children playing in the sun laughed again because the swans had come back. Do not think me too fanciful, too imaginative, or too extravagant in my language when I say that I think of women, and particularly of our mothers, as Keepers of the Springs. The phrase, while poetic, is true and descriptive."

I'll look forward to seeing you Sunday in God's House.

Faithfully your pastor,

*James L. Pleitz*

## RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP LAST WEEK



Mr. and Mrs. Bob Grames  
Also shown is Shelley.

### BAPTIST WOMEN GROUP MEETINGS

Tuesday, May 13 (Day)

9:15 A.M.—MARY SAUNDERS GROUP at the church in the Cellar.  
 9:30 A.M.—ROSIE BEDSOLE GROUP at the church in Prayer Room.  
 HELEN FLING GROUP with Mrs. Max Dickson, 173 Talladega Trail.  
 10:00 A.M.—RALPH BETHEA GROUP with Mrs. Eugene Langston, 1195 Langley Ave.  
 VIRGINIA COBB GROUP with Mrs. Russell Stewart, 101 High Pines Place; Mrs. Everette McGowin, co-hostess.  
 CHARLOTTE OWENS GROUP with Mrs. T. E. Thames, 953 Aqua Marine Dr.  
 LAURA FRANCES SNOW GROUP with Mrs. L. M. Steele, 7220 W. Penton St.  
 DALE TERRY GROUP with Mrs. Russell Bechtel, 711 Underwood St.  
 2:00 P.M.—HARVEY HEADRICK GROUP with Mrs. M. B. Dawson, 369 Gamarra Road.  
 Tuesday, May 13 (Night)  
 7:00 P.M.—MARTHA HAYLOCK GROUP with Mrs. Mavis Garrett, 1120 E. Brainard St.  
 JEWELL GARRATT GROUP with Mrs. H. C. Dove, 1100 E. Lakeview St.

### BUS MINISTRY REPORT

BUS NO.	WORKERS	TOTAL RIDERS
1	D. Wilson, Nobles, Dingwall, Berry	42
2	B. Royal, Nelson, K. Wilson, Wiltshire	26
3	McInnis, Loveffe, Morrow, Cunningham	43
4	Steiner, Hanberry, Boyles, S. Daniel	54
5	Pope, Ford, M. Hurt, P. Beuris	31
6	McNeill, Lutrick, Batson, J. Haylock	24
7	Holt, P. Royal, L. Clevenger	19
8	Corley, E. Daniel, S. Haylock, M. Bell	32
9	Johnson, Cranmer, M. Straughn	30

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"Show Bus" Results at Camelot Apts.  
 Attendance 12  
 New Riders 3

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fletcher Folmar  
 request the honour of your presence  
 at the marriage of their daughter  
 Judith Rebecca

to

Mr. Walter Herman Lockwood  
 on Saturday, the seventeenth of May  
 Nineteen hundred and seventy-five  
 at seven o'clock in the evening  
 First Baptist Church  
 Pensacola, Florida  
 and afterwards at the reception

### THE VERY NEWEST

The rosebuds on the pulpit Sunday were placed there in honor of  
 MASTER CLAYTON MATTHEW MARTIN  
 son of  
 Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Martin  
 born April 29, 1975

MASTER JASON PAUL LEWING  
 son of  
 Mr. and Mrs. David Lewing  
 born April 30, 1975

MISS JENNIFER LYNN GIBSON  
 daughter of  
 Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Gibson, Jr.  
 born May 2, 1975

### BOOK BY ORVIL REID

Copies of the book "Anchors for Life's Storms" by Orvil W. Reid are available through the church office. Mr. Reid asks for a contribution of \$2.00 to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

### COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP MAY 4, 1975

#### REDEDICATION:

Clyde Gimlin

### "SUPER SATURDAY"

#### CHURCH PICNIC

Saturday, May 31  
 1:00 P.M.

Bayview Park

All Dinner tickets \$1.00

No charge if you do not wish to eat. Tickets will be on sale Sunday morning, Sunday evening and Wednesday evening in the alcove by the Church Library and at the park on the day of the picnic.



Larry and Marie Hicks are shown here with their 7 months old son, Nathaniel. The Hicks are one of the families that will be participating in the Service of Parental Dedication Sunday (11:00 A.M.). If you have not already called the church office, please call and let us know.

## CHURCH SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

WEEK OF MAY 12-17

### MEN'S TEAM

Tuesday, May 13

9:00 P.M.—FBC vs. 1st Church of Nazarene, Exchange Park No. 2

Friday, May 16

7:45 P.M.—FBC vs. Richards Memorial, Exchange Park No. 2

### GIRL'S TEAM—HIGH SCHOOL AGE

No game scheduled this week.

### GIRL'S TEAM—AGES 9-12

Monday, May 12

6:00 P.M.—FBC vs. Scenic Heights No. 2, Airport Athletic Field

### WOMEN'S TEAM

Tuesday, May 13

6:45 P.M.—FBC vs. Warren Hardware Kiwanis Park

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday, May 11—"Victory over Temptation"—Nehemiah 9; I Corinthians 10:1-17

Monday, May 12—"Do All to God's Glory" Nehemiah 10-11; I Corinthians 10:18-33

Tuesday, May 13—"In Remembrance of Me"—Nehemiah 12; I Corinthians 11

Wednesday, May 14—"Diversities of Gifts" Nehemiah 13; I Corinthians 12

Thursday, May 15—"Not Easily Provoked" Esther 1-2; I Corinthians 13

Friday, May 16—"Seek to Excel"

Esther 3-5; I Corinthians 14

Saturday, May 17—"Thanks Be to God"

Esther 6-8; I Corinthians 15

IS YOUR CHILD IN CHOIR?  
IF SO  
PLEASE MARK IN RED ON  
YOUR CALENDAR  
MAY 21 AND MAY 28

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**CHRISTIAN ACTIVITIES  
CENTER**

**SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES**

**MONDAY, MAY 12**

9:00-11:00 A.M.—Ladies Activities  
11:00- 1:00 P.M.—Men's Noon Exercise  
1:00- 3:00 P.M.—Senior Adults  
3:00- 6:00 P.M.—Middle School  
6:00- 8:00 P.M.—Grade School Planned Activities  
8:00-10:00 P.M.—Open Skating

**TUESDAY, MAY 13**

11:00- 2:00 P.M.—Men's Noon Exercise  
2:00- 3:00 P.M.—Open  
3:00- 4:30 P.M.—Grade School  
4:30- 6:00 P.M.—Men's After Work Activities  
6:00- 8:00 P.M.—Middle School  
8:00-10:00 P.M.—High School - College

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 14**

9:00-11:00 A.M.—Ladies Activities  
11:00- 2:00 P.M.—Men's Noon Exercise  
2:00- 3:00 P.M.—Open  
3:00- 5:45 P.M.—High School - College  
6:30- 7:30 P.M.—RA & GA Group Activities  
7:30- 9:00 P.M.—Joy - Youth  
9:00 11:00 P.M.—Adult Activities

**THURSDAY, MAY 15**

10:00-11:00 A.M.—Senior Adults  
11:00- 2:00 P.M.—Men's Noon Exercise  
2:00- 3:00 P.M.—Open  
3:00- 5:30 P.M.—Grade School  
4:30- 6:00 P.M.—Men's After Work  
6:00- 8:00 P.M.—Middle School Planned Activities  
8:00-10:00 P.M.—High School - College

**FRIDAY, MAY 16**

\* 9:00-11:00 A.M.—Ladies Activities  
11:00- 2:00 P.M.—Men's Noon Exercise  
2:00- 3:00 P.M.—Open  
3:00- 6:00 P.M.—High School - College  
† 6:00-10:00 P.M.—Family Night  
Basketball & Volleyball, 6 to 8 P.M.;  
Skating, 8 to 10 P.M.

**SATURDAY, MAY 17**

9:30- 6:00 P.M.—Game Room Open — Any Age  
9:30-11:00 A.M.—Gym - High School College  
11:00- 1:00 P.M.—Gym - Grade School  
1:00- 3:30 P.M.—Gym - Middle School  
3:30- 6:00 P.M.—Gym - Adults  
\* Nursery Open for Pre-School Age Children  
† Nursery Upon Request.

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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 .....	1469
Main Sunday School .....	1448
Crippled Children's Home .....	21
The Church in Training .....	626
Christian Training Hour .....	169
Other Training Activities .....	457
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget .....	13,726.41
Specials .....	971.86
Building Fund .....	33.00
TOTAL OFFERING .....	14,731.27

## EXTENDED SESSION WORKERS

FOR SUNDAY, MAY 11

A—Mrs. Ray Wise  
B—Mrs. Joe Saiter  
C—Mrs. M. W. Gilchrist  
1A—Mrs. T. R. Walker  
1B—Miss Marilyn Merchant  
2A—Mr. and Mrs. Gene Myatt  
2B—Miss Susan Toomey  
2C—Mrs. Leon Flowers  
3A—Mrs. Ralph Moulder  
3B—Mrs. Cameron Hughes  
3C—Miss Ruth Ackerman  
4A—Mr. and Mrs. Bill Reynolds  
4B—Mrs. Joel Enderson  
4C—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thorsen

## OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

SUNDAY, MAY 11

- \* 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School
- \* 11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship  
—Service of Parental Dedication
- 4:45 P.M.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
- \* 6:00 P.M.—Christian Training Hour
- \* 7:15 P.M.—Evening Worship  
—Ordinance of Baptism

MONDAY, May 12

10:00 A.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group  
7:30 P.M.—Deacon's Meeting

TUESDAY, May 13

Baptist Women Group Meetings listed  
elsewhere in Builder.

7:30 P.M.—Boy Scouts—"Cellar"

WEDNESDAY, May 14

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

THURSDAY, MAY 15

- \* 9:30 A.M.—Internationals
- \* 9:30 A.M.—Mother's Day Out
- 7:00 P.M.—Adult 1 Bible Study "Cellar"  
See Also Christian Activities Center  
Schedule of Activities.
- \* Nursery Provided

## MENU

May 14, 1975  
Baked Ham  
Buttered Corn  
Cabbage & Carrot  
Salad  
Roll & Butter  
Banana Pudding  
Tea - Coffee

