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Senior Adult Fellowship Meeting

THURSDAY, JANUARY 8

WILL FEATURE

"FLORIDA ON MY MIND"

(Pensacola Bicentennial Film)



You are invited to the 10:45 A.M. program. If you can stay for lunch, call the church office for a reservation.

Pastor's Paragraphs

"THE OLD AND THE NEW"

In just a few hours, 1975 will be history. It has been a wonderful year in the life of



our church. I want to thank each one of you for making it so. The attendance is running at an all time high. Many people are being won to the Lord. You're also to be commended on your faithfulness in the matter of Christian Stewardship. We have far exceeded our budget and I'm confident that you will be just as faithful in the coming days of the New Year.

Let us move forward into this New Year with assurance and with joyful anticipation of the blessed experiences that we shall have in fellowship with God. I like the thoughts expressed by Russell Bowie in the following prayer. "Father, as the old year ends and the new year begins, forgive us for the failures of the vanished days and bless us in whatever we have truly striven for in days that do not die. Keep us from vain regrets, and let us face forward in the light of the best that we have learned. Purge our hearts both of shallow self confidence and of cowardly fears, so that we may know that without Thee we can do nothing but in Thee all things are possible; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

Sunday will be the first Sunday in a fine New Year. I know you'll make a special effort to start the year right by being in God's House with His people as we worship Him together.

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"ON REMEMBERING WHAT TO FORGET"

(Philippians 3:1-13)

7:15 P.M.

"MEETING GOD IN STRANGE PLACES"

(Genesis 28:10-17)

BUS MINISTRY REPORT

Bus No.	Captain	Riders	Workers	Total
1.	Pope	20	1	21
2.	Royal	21	3	24
3.	Lockwood	20	4	24
4.	Hanberry	15	3	18
5.	Lutrick	15	2	17
6.	Holley	19	3	22
7.	Sporck	8	2	10
8.	Johnson	13	2	15
		110	20	130

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist

Mr. Neil Blue, Mr. Raymond Barrow, Mr. Harvey Page, Mrs. E. W. (Marian) Sudduth

West Florida

Mrs. Pearl Owens

Mobile Hospital

Mrs. Sybil Riddell

North Triton Regional Hospital, Charleston, S.C.

Mr. M. A. Farmer

HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Mr. Dudley Davis, Mr. Herman Johnson, Mrs. C. B. (Helen) Clements, Mr. L. D. Allen, Theresa A. Gaherty, Mr. William W. Killam, Mrs. Neil (Ovie) Blue, Miss Joyce Blackmon, Mrs. Everette (Dolly) McGowin, Mr. Joe Tillman

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Kim Steiner and Tommy Poe on their marriage December 27.

Mr. and Mrs. William C. Carr, III on the birth of a baby girl December 23. Proud paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. William C. Carr, Jr.

SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. J. B. Livingston in the death of her Mother.

Mrs. Grady Wilson in the death of her brother and sister.

MENU

January 7, 1976

Spaghetti with
Homemade Meat Sauce
Apple, Raisin and
Cabbage Salad
French Roll & Butter
Dessert

Tea

Coffee



RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP LAST WEEK



Mr. and Mrs. Bill Tabb. Also shown Michelle and Billy Tabb.

Also received were: Ann C. Brassell, Jimmie Murray Lynn, Karen Lynn, Mrs. Sue Markham, Tom and Pat Marshall, Susie Pugh.

PARKING AVAILABLE

The new owners of the building formerly used by the Pensacola Business College on the southwest corner of Palafox and LaRua Streets has made the parking area south of that building available for our use on Sundays. We appreciate so much this being made available to us.

Our neighbors who operate the Mobile Home Answering Service on LaRua Street across from the educational building report that on occasion, cars belonging to their employees are blocked in by cars parked on LaRua Streets. This, of course, is access to their property and cars should not be left there. Members are cautioned to abide by the signs which prohibit parking on Jackson Street due to its being a very narrow street.

Also on Sunday mornings the sidewalks need to be left clear for pedestrian passage and for wheelchairs. Please do not park on the sidewalks.

We have a lot of parking available to us and need to respect the laws and the rights of others.

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 4: "God Cares for our Needs" Genesis 8:15-22
Read the Bible Through Passages: Genesis 7-8; Matthew 5
- Monday, January 5: "Keep Your Good Deeds Quiet" Matthew 6:1-6
Read the Bible Through Passages: Genesis 9-10; Matthew 6
- Tuesday, January 6: "Called to New Territory" Genesis 12:1-7
Read the Bible Through Passages: Genesis 11-12; Matthew 7
- Wednesday, January 7: "Amazing Power" Matthew 8:19-27
Read the Bible Through Passages: Genesis 13-14; Matthew 8
- Thursday, January 8: "Sensing Others' Need" Matthew 9:35-38
Read the Bible Through Passages: Genesis 15-16; Matthew 9
- Friday, January 9: "Finding Through Losing" Matthew 10:34-39
Read the Bible Through Passages: Genesis 17; Matthew 10
- Saturday, January 10: "Jesus Gives Light Burdens" Matthew 11:25-30
Read the Bible Through Passages: Genesis 18; Matthew 11

CHRISTIAN ACTIVITIES CENTER SCHEDULE

- Monday, Jan. 5 (Lee Hanberry, DIC)
6:00-10:00 P.M.—P.C.R.A. Men's Basketball League Play
Game Room Closed.
- Tuesday, Jan. 6 (Ed Horne, DIC)
7:00- 8:30 P.M.—Open Skating
8:30-10:00 P.M.—Basketball Practice TBA
7:00-10:00 P.M.—Game Rooms Open
- Wednesday, Jan. 7 (Max Dickson, DIC)
7:00- 8:30 P.M.—Open Gym Activity
8:30-10:00 P.M.—Basketball Practice TBA
7:00-10:00 P.M.—Game Rooms Open
- Thursday, Jan. 8 (Jackie Phillips, DIC)
6:00-10:00 P.M.—P.C.R.A. Boys High School Basketball League Play
Game Rooms Closed.
- Friday Jan. 9 (Mike Collins, DIC)
7:00- 8:30 P.M.—Open Gym Activity
8:30-10:00 P.M.—Open Skating
7:00-10:00 P.M.—Game Rooms Open
- Saturday, Jan. 10 (Bill Thompson, DIC)
9:00-12:00 P.M.—PCRA 11 and under Basketball League
1:00- 5:00 P.M.—PCRA 13 and under Basketball League
Game Rooms Closed.

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writing, not later than 9:00 a.m. Mondays.

LOOKING AT LAST WEEK

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Tithes and Offerings:

Budget\$12,655.77

Specials3,830.39

TOTAL OFFERING\$16,486.16

YOUR OFFERING AND YOUR OFFERING ENVELOPES

Due to circumstances beyond our control,
your 1976 offering envelopes will not get
to you in time for use on Sunday.

If you have one left from 1975, please
use that Sunday. Or, you may get an enve-
lope from your Sunday School department
or from the pew rack.

Please remember that your 1976 Pledge
becomes effective Sunday. When we made
our pledge last Fall, many of us determined
to give more in 1976.

OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

Sunday, January 4

- * 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, January 5

- 10:00 A.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group
- 7:00 P.M.—DORA HARBIN Grp. with
Mrs. Jack Shoemaker, 3803
N. 12th Ave.

Tuesday, January 6

- 9:15 A.M.—Alta Allison Prayer Group
- * 9:45 A.M.—Baptist Women General
Meeting & Luncheon
- 6:00 P.M.—Baptist Women General
Meeting & Supper
- 7:30 P.M.—Boy Scouts, "Cellar"

Wednesday, January 7

- * 4:45 P.M.—Choirs
- * 5:45 P.M.—Fellowship Dinner
- * 6:10 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.—Choir Rehearsal
Visitation

Thursday, January 8

- * 9:30 A.M.—Internationals
- 10:00 A.M.—Senior Adult Fellowship
Dining Room
- *Nursery provided
See also Christian Activities Center
Schedule.

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP DECEMBER 28, 1975

BY LETTER:

- 48. Sara Mayo, 1926 Creighton Rd.
From Scenic Heights Baptist,
Pensacola, Fl.
- 49. Mr. Bobby Lee Smith, 2021 N. "W" St.
From: Thompson Creek Baptist,
Chesterfield, S.C.
- 50. Mrs. Bobby Lee Smith (Linda),
2021 N. "W" Street
From: First Baptist Church,
Wadesboro, N.C.

BAPTIZED:

Nathan Dortch, Mark Gilbert, Debbie
Jacobs, Susie Pugh and Rusty Rood.