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DON'T MISS THIS "The Journey of Love"

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I WANT TO GO ON "THE JOURNEY OF LOVE"

and commit myself to being in Sunday School for the four Sundays leading up to Easter.

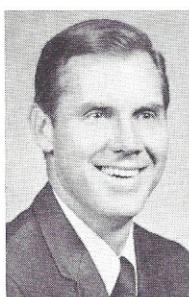
Signed _____

IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY,
SIGN UP SUNDAY.

Pastor's Paragraphs

A JOURNEY OF LOVE

A Journey of Love — what a great description of the Christian life. It's a journey all right — there's nothing stagnant about it.



Most of the journey is an uphill climb. Jesus said it would be tough. In fact, he told his would-be followers time and time again to count the cost of discipleship. There's no such thing as a cheap salvation.

The person who dares to accept the challenge of Christ finds life exciting. Jesus meant it when He said, "I'm come that you might have life and have it more abundantly." Sad but true, many people are just alive when they could really LIVE IN JESUS!

It's a journey of LOVE. Love is the big word in the vocabulary of the Christian. Because of His love for us, we have been saved, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

Because of our love for Him, we gladly serve Jesus Christ and put Him first in our lives. "For the love of Christ constraineth us . . . that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto Him which died for them, and rose again."

Every person in the fellowship of our church will want to be involved in the Journey of Love starting March 21. If you have not already committed yourself to this journey, please do so today.

The good Lord continues to bless us in a marvelous way. In the past three weeks, there have been 15 professions of faith in Christ and numerous other additions to the church. Look around you, don't you have a neighbor who needs to be a part of this fellowship of excitement. Bring them with you Sunday!

We're saturated with bad news. I'd like to share with you some good news. CHRISTIANITY TODAY recently published the results of a poll among 22,000 "high achievers" conducted by "Who's Who among American High School Students" with the following results: those who believe religion plays a significant role in their lives, 86% as compared to 63% in 1972; those who identify with an organized faith, 80% as compared to 70% in 1972; 90% had never tried hard drugs; 73% never tried marijuana, only 27% supported its legalization; and "they are more puritanical on sexual issues and more old-fashioned in their attitudes toward marriage" than that same group surveyed in 1972. That's encouraging as we think of the future in America in 1976!

BUS MINISTRY REPORT

Bus	No.	Captain	Riders	Workers	Total
1.	Pope	22	.4	26	
2.	Nelson	27	3	30	
3.	Kilpatrick	36	6	42	
4.	Steiner	28	4	32	
5.	Lutrick	20	5	25	
6.	Hennigan	42	4	46	
7.	Coker	26	1	27	
8.	Bridgeman	19	6	25	
		220	33		253

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist

Mr. A. J. Butler, Mr. James Riddle

Sacred Heart

Mrs. B. T. (Parnell) Renfroe

Specialty Care

Stuart Brown

Providence Infirmary, Mobile

Mrs. Sybil Riddell

HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Mrs. Zelma Gregory, Carole Holladay, Mr. Roy Algood, Mrs. Charles E. (Onnie) Roth, Mrs. R. L. (Lillie) Kendrick, Mr. John Walker, Mrs. Ann Cunningham, Mr. Raymond Barrow

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

June Teal and Douglas Murphy on their marriage March 5.

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Simmye Ferry

800 Scenic Highway

Joined our church by Letter

September 17, 1939

Deceased February 24, 1976

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"ON GETTING OUT OF THE DOLDRUMS"

(John 10:1-10)

7:15 P.M.

"GOD'S BOOK OF DESTINY"

(Revelation 5:1-10)

The good Lord willing I'll look forward to seeing you Sunday in God's House. Remember if you can't be here, let it be for some good reason and not just a flimsy excuse!

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz

RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP LAST WEEK



Ruth Austin



Mr. and Mrs. William O. Brown
and Cris Brown

Also received: Suzette Viverette

CHRISTIAN ACTIVITIES CENTER SCHEDULE

Monday, March 15 (Lee Hanberry, DIC)
6:00-10:00 P.M.—P.C.R.A. Men's Basketball League Playoff.

Game Rooms Closed.

Tuesday, March 16 (Ed Horne, DIC)
4:00- 6:00 P.M.—Senior High Girls B.B. Practice

6:00- 7:00 P.M.—13 and under Boys B.B. Practice

7:00- 8:00 P.M.—Middle School Girls B.B. Practice

8:00- 8:30 P.M.—Open Gym Activities

8:30-10:00 P.M.—Senior High Boys B.B. Practice

7:00- 9:30 P.M.—Game Rooms open to all age groups.

Wednesday, March 17 (Max Dickson, DIC)
11:00- 1:00 P.M.—Men's Noon Exercise Program

7:00- 8:15 P.M.—Youth Gym Activities

8:15- 9:45 P.M.—Men's B.B. Practice

7:00- 9:30 P.M.—Game Rooms open to all age groups.

Thursday, March 18 (Paul Gray, DIC)
9:00- 1:00 P.M.—Senior Adult Fellowship

4:30- 5:45 P.M.—15 and under Boys B.B. Practice

7:00- 9:45 P.M.—Open Gym Activities

7:00- 9:45 P.M.—Game Rooms open to all age groups.

Friday, March 19 (Mike Collins, DIC)

7:00-10:00 P.M.—Family Night — Open Gym Activities

7:00- 9:30 P.M.—Game Rooms open for all age groups.

10:00- 8:00 A.M.—Lock-in Santa Rosa Baptist Association

Saturday, March 20 (Bill Thompson, DIC)
1:00- 3:00 P.M.—P.C.R.A. 15 and under Boys B.B. League

4:00- 6:00 P.M.—Men's B.B. Practice — Lee Hanberry

6:00- 9:00 P.M.—11 and under Boys B.B. end of season party — Bill Thompson in charge

NOTES:

1. All P.C.R.A. Basketball coaches and players are reminded to sell all their tickets for the fish fry to be held on March 27 at Escambia Christian School. Our church members are asked to help

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP MARCH 7, 1976

BY LETTER:

83. Linda Bixel, 711 Underwood Ave.
From: First Baptist,
Ft. Walton Beach, Fl.

84. Mr. Thomas Davis,
730 W. Hernandez St.
From: Pensacola Baptist Temple

85. Mrs. T. J. Davis (Effie)

86. Deborah Falvey, 220 Chase Apt 205 B
From: Vicksburg Baptist, Vicksburg, Ms.

87. Charles E. Snow,
711 Underwood Ave. 34B
From: First Baptist, York, Al.

ON PROFESSION OF FAITH:

32. Jonathan M. Jones, 4100 Monteigne Dr.
33. Kevin Perkins, 6980 Cabral Dr.

34. Rick Renfroe, 9546 Pickwood Dr.

35. Rita Stacks, 8324 Carldean

36. Deidre Tarantino, 8120 Binkley

FOR BAPTISM

FROM ANOTHER DENOMINATION:

37. Martha B. Jones, 4100 Monteigne Dr.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday, March 14: Mark 8:10-15

Numbers 22; Mark 8:1-26

Monday, March 15: Mark 8:31-38

Numbers 23-24; Mark 8:27-38

Tuesday, March 16: Mark 9:33-42

Numbers 25; Mark 9

Wednesday, March 17: Mark 10:1-9

Numbers 26; Mark 10:1-12

Thursday, March 18: Numbers 27:12-17

Numbers 27-28; Mark 10:13-27

Friday, March 19: Mark 10: 28-34

Numbers 29; Mark 10:28-52

Saturday, March 20: Mark 11:1-10

Numbers 30-31; Mark 11:1-14

support our program by purchasing a ticket for \$1.50. It will be a fine meal and a full day of great fun for all.

2. The Gym is tentatively set to be closed the most part of April to resurface the floor and service the skates. Until this is done, skating activities will be ceased to reduce damage to the floor and skates.

3. We need help on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. If you like to associate with fine Christian people and can spare 2 hours per month, then volunteer to help.

