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GOD'S WORD TO AFRICA



As our 11 missionaries left on Monday for Botswana, Dr. Pleitz is shown here giving Mr. Royal a Bible to be presented to Sir Seretse Khama, the President of Botswana. Pray for these missionaries as they take God's Word to Africa.

Pastor's Paragraphs

TO AFRICA—FROM ALABAMA

The good Lord willing, when you read these lines, our missionaries should be hard at work in Botswana, South Africa. The Commissioning Service Sunday morning was a most meaningful experience. just in case you weren't here, let me share it with you.

LEADER: As we commission this small group for this unique ministry, let us remember that we have all been commissioned to a great

task.

CONGREGATION: Therefore go and make disciples in all the Nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and then teach these new disciples all the commands I have given you.

LEADER: With this great commission came a great promise.

CONGREGATION: I am with you always, even to the end of the world.

LEADER: From our Lord, our eleven friends will need many things. They'll need strength.

CONGREGATION: They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength. They shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

LEADER: They will need to be bold in their witnessing.

CONGREGATION: Do not be ashamed of the Gospel for it is the power of God unto Salvation.

LEADER: And when there are other needs.

CONGREGATION: Ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find, knock and the door will be opened.

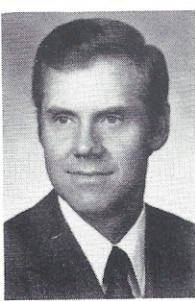
LEADER: Now we commission Leon, Kim, Tommy, Celia, Bob, Scott, Charlie, Elaine, Kaaren, Bonnie and Paul to:

CONGREGATION: Go and tell the people of Botswana of God's love and of the good news of the Gospel of Christ.

Our missionaries are counting on our prayers, and we will not fail them. Remember when you retire in the evening, the sun will just be coming up in Africa. Our prayers in the evening will sustain them through the day.

The Joe Palmers will be with us Sunday! Joe, who comes to us from First Baptist, Gadsden, Alabama, will be our Activities Director. He will also be working with our High School departments in Sunday School and Church Training. Our ladies have planned a reception for Joe and Freda on Sunday evening. You will want to be here to welcome these wonderful young people to Pensacola and to First Baptist Church.

This Sunday will be the last Sunday of the church year. By God's grace it has been our greatest year together. (As an



BUS MINISTRY REPORT

Bus	No. Captain	Riders	Workers	Total
1	Pope	23	3	26
2	Nelson	31	5	36
3	Kilpatrick	25	7	32
4	McNeill	22	5	27
5	Holley	37	4	41
6	Johnson	28	3	31
		166	27	193

OUR CHURCH FAMILY IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist

Mrs. E. C. (Laura) Austin, Mrs. Velma A. Mandlay, Mrs. Steve (Diane) Busbee, Mrs. Jeff (Teresa) Colley, Mrs. Ina Andrews

Specialty Care

Mr. A. J. Butler

Sacred Heart

Mrs. E. L. (Willie) Sutton, Mrs. Bill (Ava) Holley

West Florida

Miss Annie Averett, Dr. W. H. Coker

Miss Dessie Hart

Medicenter, Mobile

Mrs. Sybil Riddell

HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Mr. Adam Kickliter, Jr., Mrs. Frank (Nellie) Howland, Mr. Blondy Smith, Mr. Jim Roth, Stefanie Boyles, Mr. John W. Creel

SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. A. L. Stanton in the death of her brother.

Dr. Warren Sears in the death of his sister.

Mr. Ed Horne in the death of his Mother.

THE VERY NEWEST

The rosebud on the pulpit Sunday was placed there in honor of
MASTER JEFFREY PAUL COLLEY, JR.
son of

Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Paul Colley, Sr.
born September 13, 1976

example, a new High School Choir was organized just a few weeks ago. The night that we organized, I challenged them to enlist a hundred members by October 15. As of last Sunday, these enthusiastic young people have already enlisted 101 in this choir.) By any measure, baptisms, attendance, offerings, spirit, it's been a great year. But we must not rest on our laurels, the challenge of a new year is before us. It must be a year of conquest for our Lord!

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

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz

IN MEMORIAM

Mr. Lilborne M. Parvino
1715 E. De Soto St.
Joined our church by Baptism
February 7, 1960
Deceased September 20, 1976

RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP LAST WEEK



Mazie C. DuRant



Anne Marie Minchew

CHRISTIAN ACTIVITIES CENTER SCHEDULE

Monday, September 27 (Lee Hanberry — DIC)

6:30- 9:30 P.M.—Men's Volleyball —
P.C.R.A. League
Game Rooms Closed

Tuesday, September 28

6:30- 9:30 P.M.—Ladies Volleyball —
P.C.R.A. League
Game Rooms Closed
High School mixed volleyball team in
P.C.R.A. League scheduled to play each
Tuesday.

Wednesday, September 29 (Max Dickson—
DIC)

12:00-10:30 P.M.—Men's Noon exercise
group.
6:30- 7:30 P.M.—Open for volleyball prac-
tice
7:30- 9:30 P.M.—Gym and game rooms
open to all ages.

Thursday, September 30

9:30 A.M.- 1:30 P.M.—Senior Adult
Fellowship
7:00-10:00 P.M.—Gym reserved for vol-
leyball. Call Activities
Center office to reserve
time period.
Game Room closed

Friday, Oct. 1 (Bill Thompson — DIC)
7:00- 9:30 P.M.—Game Room and Gym
open to all ages —
Basketball and tumbling.
7:30- 8:30 P.M.—Basketball Coaches
Meeting.

Saturday, October 2

1:00- 4:30 P.M.—P.C.R.A. Volleyball
League Play.

NOTES:

1. If you are interested in helping coach
in our basketball program this season,
please leave your name and number
with Mr. Joe Palmer.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday, September 26—Ecclesiastes 5:1-7
Ecclesiastes 4-6; Philemon

Monday, September 27—Colossians 1:9-17
Ecclesiastes 7-9; Colossians 1

Tuesday, September 28—Ecclesiastes 12
Ecclesiastes 10-12; Colossians 2

Wednesday, September 29—Colossians 3:1-
11. Jonah; Colossians 3

Thursday, September 30—Colossians 4:1-9
Joel; Colossians 4

Friday, October 1—Proverbs 3:5-12
Proverbs 1-4; Ephesians 1

Saturday, October 2—Ephesians 2:1-10
Proverbs 5-7; Ephesians 2

A SPECIAL DAY FOR THE WOMEN

Look what's coming, and it's especially
for "you." WMU Leader Training Courses
are to be taught along with the new age-
level manuals in our church on Monday,
SEPTEMBER 27TH at 9:30 A.M. and 7:00
P.M.

This is an opportunity to improve yourself
as a Baptist Woman member, or a
leader, or to prepare for future leadership
in any of the WMU organizations. Confer-
ences are: "WMU Work in a Church" taught
by Mrs. Martha Stroup; "Baptist
Women" taught by Bernice Popham;
"Baptist Young Women" taught by Carroll
Kelly; "Acteens" taught by Ruth Bagwell;
"G.A.'s" taught by Elizabeth Painter and
"Mission Friends" taught by Mrs. Dale
Taylor.

The nursery will be open.

1976 CHALLENGER AWARD BANQUET

November 15

Any adult interested in working on the
banquet, please call the church office and
leave your name.

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SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"WHEN POVERTY IS A BLESSING"
(Matthew 5:1-3)

7:15 P.M.

"THE CITY FOUREQUARE"
(Revelation 21:22-27)

LOOKING AT LAST WEEK

The Church in Study	1357
Main Sunday School	1339
Crippled Children's Home	18
The Church in Training	512
Christian Training Hour	181
Other Training Activities	331
Coming for Membership	7
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$11,467.33
Specials	2,579.44
TOTAL OFFERING	\$14,046.77

MENU

September 29, 1976
Home Style Beef Stew
Over Rice
Cabbage, Apple &
Raisin Salad
Roll & Butter
Dessert
Tea Coffee



OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

Sunday, September 26th

- * 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, Business Meeting

Monday, September 27th

- 9:00 A.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group
- * 9:30 A.M.—WMU Leader Training
- * 7:00 P.M.—WMU Leader Training

Tuesday, September 28th

- 6:30- 8:30 P.M.—Sunday School Leadership Fish Fry and "Getting Ready" Conferences

Wednesday, September 29th

- * 5:00 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
—Visitation
- * 7:15 P.M.—Visitation
—Adult Choir Rehearsal

Friday, October 1st

- * 7:00 P.M.—Adult I Bible Study

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP

SEPTEMBER 19, 1976

BY LETTER:

183. Mrs. Dell Porth (Karen) 200 E. Burgess Rd. *H18-1393*
From: First Baptist, Lafayette, La.
 184. Jim Sterling, 1911 N. Escambia Ave.
From: First Baptist, Crestview, Fl.
 185. Mrs. Tom Husted (Dot) 3960 Piedmont Rd.
From: Heritage Baptist, Montgomery, Al.
 186. Ken Husted
 187. Jackye Husted
 188. Scotty Husted
- BAPTISM FROM OTHER DENOMINATION:**
99. Mr. Dell Porth, 200 E. Burgess Rd.