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## A NEW YEAR BEGINS

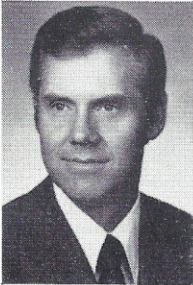


Shown above left to right are Dr. Hiram Smith, Sunday School Director, and Dr. Bill Hetrick, Church Training Director, discussing some of their plans for the new church year beginning Sunday. All of us will want to be in our place Sunday morning and night as we begin our best year ever.

# Pastor's Paragraphs

## THE GREAT DEBATE

The hundred million Americans couldn't hear a word they were saying. We couldn't hear Mr. Carter and President Ford in the final minutes of their debate. For over 27 minutes the two men stared at us in silence.



Mr. Carter was speaking at the time the mike went dead. (Frankly, I could wish the mike had been off in several of his recent interviews, if the press has quoted Mr. Carter correctly. Every Christian should pray as did the Psalmist that the words of our mouths might be acceptable in God's sight . . .)

Although most of us could not understand what he was saying, there were those watching the T.V. debate that **NEVER MISSED A WORD**. They listened with their eyes, not with their ears. There are those among us who read lips. It's not necessary to speak up nor even whisper for them to understand exactly what we're saying.

**IN ALL PROBABILITY, THERE ARE JUST A FEW PEOPLE IN THIS CITY WHO READ LIPS, BUT EVERYONE IN THIS CITY READS LIVES.** That's why it's so important for us to be the people of God. There should be something Christlike in our actions.

Actions have always spoken louder than words. Whether we realize it or not, we are "talking" all the time. My prayer is that our lives will say something good and positive for the cause of Jesus Christ!

I'll look forward to seeing you Sunday.

Faithfully your pastor,

*James L. Pleitz*

### SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"THE GREAT DEBATE"  
(Matthew 4:1-11)

7:15 P.M.

"THE RIVER OF LIFE"  
(Revelation 22:1-5)

### SENIOR ADULT FELLOWSHIP

The regular monthly meeting of our Senior Adult Fellowship will be Thursday, October 8, beginning at 10:00 A.M. The program will feature Mr. Bob Gowing of Baptist Hospital telling of plans of the hospital for Senior Adults.

## BUS MINISTRY REPORT

Bus No.	Captain	Riders	Workers	Total
1.	Pope	24	4	28
2.	Nelson	43	2	45
3.	Kilpatrick	28	5	33
4.	McNeill	32	4	36
5.	Holley	45	5	50
6.	Johnson	48	2	50
		220	22	242

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

### IN THE HOSPITALS:

#### Baptist

Mrs. Ina Andrews, Mr. Clarence Dannelly, Mr. A. J. Butler

#### Sacred Heart

Mrs. Frank (Nellie) Howland

#### West Florida

Mr. John Creel, Miss Annie Averett, Dr. William Coker, Mrs. Greg (Monique) Mabry, Mrs. B. T. (Annie) Riddles

#### Medicenter, Mobile

Mrs. Sybil Riddell

### HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Mrs. Velma A. Mandlay, Mrs. Steve (Diane) Busbee, Mrs. Jeff (Teresa) Colley, Mrs. Bill (Ava) Holley, Miss Dessie Hart, Mr. Herbert Richburg, Mr. John Johnson, Mrs. E. L. (Willie) Sutton, Mrs. E. C. (Laura) Austin

### SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. Randall Markham in the death of her Father.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Eleanor Jean Smith and Michael Lynn Kelly on their marriage September 25 in Tappahannock, Virginia.

## THE VERY NEWEST

The rosebud on the pulpit Sunday was placed there in honor of  
**MISS TIFFANY JAN BUSBEE**  
daughter of

Mr. and Mrs. Steven Busbee  
born September 21, 1976

## MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary this Sunday are in loving memory of Leon E. Singletary, Sr. and are given by Mrs. Leon E. Singletary, Sr., Children and Grandchildren.



## RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP LAST WEEK



Mr. and Mrs. Ben Tomlinson, Melinda, Cynde, Joy and Bob Tomlinson.

## COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP SEPTEMBER 1976

### BY LETTER:

- 189. Carolyn Driscoll, 504 N. Baylen St.  
From: Cedarlawn Baptist, Pensacola
- 190. Mr. Joseph A. Gunnels, Jr.,  
6470 Mariana Dr.  
From: Northside Baptist, Columbus,  
Ga.
- 191. Mrs. Joseph A. Gunnels, Jr. (San Dee)
- 192. Mrs. Jeanette B. Hurst, 666 Tangle-  
Wood Dr.  
From: First Baptist, Gulf Shores, Al.
- 193. Mr. Joe Palmer, 3827 San Gabriel Dr.  
From: First Baptist, Gadsden, Al.
- 194. Mrs. Joe Palmer (Freda)
- 195. Jimmy Wellborn, 200 E. Burgess  
From: First Baptist, Brewton, Al.
- 196. Linda Wellborn
- 197. Warra G. Wolter, 433 Bayou Blvd.  
From: Arlington Baptist, Jacksonville,  
Fl.

### ON PROFESSION OF FAITH:

- 100. Caul Causey, 205 Loruna St., Gulf  
Breeze, Fl.

## FOSTER HOMES NEEDED

The Northwest Area Office of the Florida Baptist Children's Home is currently seeking Christian foster parents. The foster home program is an extension of the Children's Home and provides individual care for a child in a substitute family for a planned period of time. The length of stay in a foster home is contingent upon the child's own needs and upon the progress of the child's relationship with his own parents. The Florida Baptist Children's Home provides \$75 per month for the basic needs of each child, and is also responsible for any medical care which the child receives.

The objective of the foster home program is to provide the child with something he has never known, a normal family which will give love, guidance, and praise, and thereby, help him recover from the emotional scars of his past. A foster home has the potential of redirecting a child's life by the foster parents conveying an attitude of love, acceptance, and understanding to the child and therefore showing him that he is a worthwhile and important person.

If you are interested in this program, please contact Wanda Kilpatrick at 434-0243.

## CHRISTIAN ACTIVITIES CENTER SCHEDULE

**Monday, Oct. 4 (Lee Hanberry—DIC)**

6:30- 9:30 P.M.—Men's P.C.R.A. Volley-  
ball League Play

Game Rooms Closed.

**Tuesday, Oct. 5**

6:30- 9:30 P.M.—Ladies P.C.R.A. Volley-  
ball League Play  
—Senior High Mixed Vol-  
leyball at Ferry Pass  
Methodist

Game Rooms Closed.

**Wednesday, Oct. 6**

11:30- 1:00 P.M.—Men's Noon Exercise  
Program

6:30- 7:30 P.M.—Volleyball Practice

7:30- 9:30 P.M.—Open to all age groups—  
Gym and Game Rooms.

**Thursday, Oct. 7**

7:00- 9:30 P.M.—Volleyball practice —  
Reserve time by calling  
the office.

Game Rooms Closed.

**Friday, Oct. 8**

7:00- 9:30 P.M.—Open gym activities —  
College, Career Group.

Game Rooms Open.

**Saturday, Oct. 9**

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

Game Rooms Closed.

### RECREATION NOTES:

1. Basketball will start in mid-November. Registration and team practices will be October 16, Saturday morning at the Activities Center. We will have teams for the following age groups. Boys 11 and under, 13 and under, 15 and under, 17 and under, 3 men's teams, girls' middle school (6-8 grades) and Senior High (9-12 grades).
2. Coaching help is needed for our basketball program. If you have some spare time and would like to work with some of the finest young Christians around, give Joe Palmer a call at the Activities Center. We need you.
3. High School Volleyball (mixed) will play on Tuesday at Heights Baptist (several at Ferry Pass Methodist). Check the schedule at the Center and come out and support the team as a player or spectator.

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Sunday, October 3—Ephesians 3:14-21

Proverbs 8-9; Ephesians 3

Monday, October 4—Ephesians 4:11-16

Proverbs 10-14; Ephesians 4:1-16

Tuesday, October 5—Ephesians 4:17-24

Proverbs 15-19; Ephesians 4:17-32

Wednesday, October 6—Ephesians 5:15-20

Proverbs 20-24; Ephesians 5:1-20

Thursday, October 7—Proverbs 29:4-14

Proverbs 25-29; Ephesians 5:21-33

Friday, October 8—Proverbs 31:25-30

Proverbs 30-31; Ephesians 6

Saturday, October 9—Isaiah 1:10-20

Isaiah 1-5

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All material to be included in the Builder  
 should be in the office, preferably in writ-  
 ing, not later than 9:00 a.m. Mondays.

## LOOKING AT LAST WEEK

The Church in Study .....1435  
 Main Sunday School .....1409  
 Crippled Children's Home ..... 26  
 The Church in Training ..... 473  
 Christian Training Hour ..... 163  
 Other Training Activities ..... 310  
 Coming for Membership .....10  
 Tithes and Offerings:  
 Budget .....\$12,562.31  
 Specials ..... 1,427.30  
**TOTAL OFFERING** .....\$13,989.61

## MENU

October 6, 1976  
 Spaghetti with  
 Homemade Meat Sauce  
 Tossed Green Salad  
 French Roll & Butter  
 Dessert  
 Tea                      Coffee



## OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

### Sunday, October 3

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

### Monday, October 4

10:00 A.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group

### Tuesday, October 5

- \* 9:45 A.M.—Baptist Women Day
- 6:00 P.M.—Baptist Women Night
- 7:30 P.M.—Boy Scouts — Cellar

### Wednesday, October 6

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

### Thursday, October 7

10:00 A.M.—Senior Adult Fellowship,  
 Dining Room

\*Nursery Provided

## PRAY DAILY FOR OUR MISSIONARIES

Our 11 missionaries to Botswana were  
 scheduled to arrive in Botswana on Friday,  
 September 24.

Pray each day for Paul, Bonnie, Leon,  
 Elaine, Kaaren, Bob, Celia, Charlie, Kim,  
 Tommy and Scott.