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A REPORT

Next Sunday your Finance Committee will make a report to you at the regular morning worship services. It will recommend the approval of the following estimated expenditures in connection with our building program.

Recommended Expenditures:

The New Building—including the contract cost, the architect's fee, and construction contingency	\$863,000.
Pews and Pulpit Furniture	36,000.
Carpet	6,000.
Moving the Nursery Building	2,000.
Chairs and Furnishings	8,000.
Remodeling Present Building	15,000.
Piano	4,950.

Total \$934,950.

Received to Date and Expected:

Received and applied on the building, February 13, 1956	\$407,663.
Pledges—Due by December 31, 1956	62,337.
Estimated Budget Transfers—To December 31, 1956	36,000.
Loan: Per Agreement	450,000.

Total \$956,000.

The present recommendation of the Finance Committee does not include the purchase of an organ as suggested by the Organ Committee. The current price is \$44,053. Further study is being given to the matter. Additional financing would be required to purchase an organ at this time, since our present borrowing limit is \$450,000.



OUR BUILDING FUND TO DATE:

Given to date	\$407,994.92
Borrowed	90,100.00

Total \$498,094.92

Less:

Payments to Contractor	\$484,536.43
Interest on Loan	458.37
Other Expense	338.00

Balance \$ 12,762.12

Viewpoint

The Congressional Record carries all sorts of information, useful and useless. I particularly like the following lines which appeared a few days ago:

THE CORONARY CLUB—MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

1. Your job comes first; personal considerations are secondary.
 2. Go to the office evenings, Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays.
 3. Take the briefcase home on the evenings when you do not go to the office. This provides an opportunity to review completely all the troubles and worries of the day.
 4. Never say "No" to a request—always say "Yes."
 5. Accept all invitations to meetings, banquets, committees, etc.
 6. Do not eat a restful, relaxing meal—always plan a conference for the meal hour.
 7. It's a poor policy to take all the vacation time which is provided for you.
 8. Fishing, hunting, golf, bowling, gardening, etc. are a waste of time.
 9. Never delegate responsibility to others—carry the entire load at all time.
 10. If your work calls for traveling—work all day and drive all night to make your appointment for the next morning.
- There are some members of the First Baptist who need to read these lines again.

The Nominating Committee of the church is meeting every Wednesday, 8:30 P.M., in the South Wing of the Auditorium. In our business session last week, the church voted that no person should be officially approached and enlisted for a place of church elected leadership until the Nominating Committee had approved such a step. This gives the Committee an opportunity to make an overall study of leadership needs in our church. This policy does not apply to class officers, union officers, circle officers, etc., who are not normally church elected.

The committee will welcome any suggestions. Members are: David L. Raley, John Berry, Paul W. Caro, Sr., W. H. Coker, Jr., Mrs. W. H. Dismukes, Mrs. Stanley Lassiter, Mrs. Irvin Roberts, and Mrs. E. A. Allen, representing the W. M. U.



Music Notes

ALL CHOIRS will remember the State Music Festival which is to be held March 9-10, at DeFuniak Springs. The ADULT CHOIR will participate Friday night, March 9. The CHERUB, CAROL and CONCORD GROUPS will meet on Saturday, March 10. Members of all these choirs are asked to make their plans NOW to attend. Let's have a great representation from this church.

Choir Rehearsal last week was one of those inspiring hours which comes too seldom in a choir director's life. There were 35 persons at choir practice. We can use twice that many, however.

A cordial invitation is extended to our church members who sing to talk with the music director concerning choir membership. We believe our music program will be rewarding and challenging to all who are seriously interested in music. A special invitation is extended to those who have had training and previous choral experience.

GRADED CHOIR SCHOOL

Attendance Last Week

Church Choir.....	35
Senior Ensembles.....	4
Carol Choir.....	37
Concord Choir.....	13
Cherub Choir.....	29
Celestial Choir.....	15

Total133

NORTH HILL NARRATIONS

At least two records were broken Sunday at our North Hill Chapel. We had our best attendance at our evening worship service and a new record of 81 in attendance in Training Union. A new record for new members has also been set for this month. Our church offices have been completed and are almost equipped and are now meeting one of the greatest needs of our chapel.

I believe that all our members have united their hearts together in prayer and that we are going to see many rich blessings come as a result. We invite the members of the First Baptist Church to come and see our new building.

Sermon Topics

8:30 and 11:00 A.M.

"Our Saving Homesickness"

Luke 15:18

7:30 P.M.

"What Do They Say"

Mark 2:10-11

PREPARATION CLINIC

for

"MAGNIFY CHURCH MEMBERSHIP WEEK"

Friday Night, 7:00

Woodlawn Baptist Church

A Clinic for all teachers of the books for "Magnify Church Membership Week"

CIRCLE CHAPEL CHIMES

We praise the Lord each passing day for all His blessings and benefits unto us. Every week reveals to us new advances in all phases of the Lord's work at Circle Chapel.

Revival season is almost upon us. Our preparation is already under way with cottage prayer meetings. The dates are March 11-18. Our evangelist, the Rev. James Butler, pastor of the West End Baptist Church of Birmingham, will arrive for the evening service on Monday, March 12. We are praying for a revival experience which will be long felt and long remembered. Pray with us, "Lord, send a revival and let it begin in me."

ATTENDANCE MISSIONARY ORGANIZATIONS

Sunbeams	44
Girls' Auxiliary	42
Junior R. A.'s	14
Intermediate R. A.'s	7
Young Men's Brotherhood	1
Y. W. A.'s	5
Total	113

ATTENTION

SENIOR G. A.'s

LEAP YEAR PARTY

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24

7:30 P.M.

Mrs. George Russell, 206 Donald Drive
Come and bring your dates.

TEAMWORK COUNTS IN RELIGION, TOO!

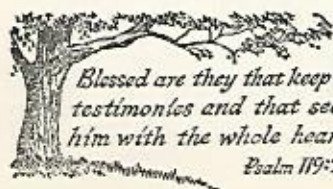
You alone cannot support a system of Christian education, but you can through the Church.

You alone cannot Christianize America, but can through the Church.

You alone cannot girdle the earth with bands of love and understanding, but you can through the Church.

You cannot lift up a banner against the hosts of wickedness, but you can through YOUR CHURCH!

—Selected.



Blessed are they that keep his testimonies and that seek him with the whole heart.

Psalms 119:2



SUPERINTENDENT'S MEETING TUESDAY, 7:30 P.M.

All General Officers, Associate Superintendents, and Department Superintendents of the Sunday School are urged to be present for this important meeting.



Training Union

OFFICERS' COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY NIGHT,

Beginning with Supper, 6:30 P.M.

All Leaders and Counsellors, Department and General Officers, and ALL UNION OFFICERS are urged to be present.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

OUR KNOWN SICK—Baptist Hospital—Mr. W. T. Osborn, Mrs. L. M. Bradley. Home from Hospital—Dr. and Mrs. H. B. Brunson, Mrs. L. L. Hanks, III at Home—Mrs. F. Guy Keen, 1607 E. Lee St., Mrs. Jack Allen, Mrs. Myrlin Brooks, 2006 N. Barcelona, Clyde K. Bizzell, 1805 N. 14th Ave., Mrs. L. M. Creel, 17 E. LaRue St.

CONGRATULATIONS TO: Mr and Mrs. M. E. Shallar, 41 East Leet Street, on the birth of their son, Marcus Paul, February 14. Mr. and Mrs. John Tretheway, Jr., 201-C Lorena Avenue, on the birth of their daughter, Shannon Lin, February 17. 1st Sgt. and Mrs. J. L. O'Donovan (former Beatrice Horlick) on the birth of their daughter, February 16 at Ft. Bragg, North Carolina.

SYMPATHY TO: Judge Harvey Page in the death of his brother.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

FIRST BAPTIST (By Letter)

114. Mrs. Shirley Roddy, 23 East Strong Street.
115. Mr. P. O. Davis, Sr., 1510 E. Belmont St.
116. Mrs. P. O. Davis, Sr., 1510 E. Belmont St.

NORTH HILL CHAPEL (By Letter)

117. Lloyd Edward Byrd, Route 5, Box 735-M.

CIRCLE CHAPEL (By Letter)

118. Miss Edith Kroll, 108 State Street.
- FOUR BAPTIZED SUNDAY
Marsha Smith, Marciadeen Battaille, Patricia Freeman, Mr. Troy L. Futch, Jr.

“THE KING’S BUSINESS”

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26—

- 8:30 A.M.—Early Morning Worship.
Pastor.
9:40 A.M.—Sunday School for all ages.
Theron Guthrie, Supt.
11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship, Pastor.
Broadcast on WPFA
3:30 P.M.—Baptist Hour on WEAR.
4:30 P.M.—Senior Ensemble Rehearsal.
5:15 P.M.—Chapel Choir Rehearsal.
6:10 P.M.—Training Union for all ages.
A. Haywood Arnold, Director
6:10 P.M.—“Christian Leadership” Class
taught by Mr. Bizzell. Con-
vention Classroom.
6:10 P.M.—New Members’ Class
7:30 P.M.—Evening Worship. Pastor.
8:30 P.M.—Intermediate-Senior Teentime.
W. M. U. Room.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27—

- 6:30 P.M.—Monthly Training Union Of-
ficers’ Council beginning
with supper. Adult 2 Dept.
serving.

MONDAY through FRIDAY—

Convention-wide Bible Teaching Clinic.
Columbia, South Carolina.

MONDAY through THURSDAY—

State Recreational Clinic.
Tampa.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28—

- 7:15 A.M.—Morning Watch. First Baptist
Church.
10:00 A.M.—W. M. S. Executive Commit-
tee.
3:15 P.M.—Cherub Choir Rehearsal.
3:15 P.M.—Beginner Sunbeams meet at
church.
4:00 P.M.—Primary Sunbeams, Junior
G. A.’s and R. A.’s, Inter-
mediate G. A.’s meet at
church.
4:15 P.M.—Celestial Choir Rehearsal.
7:30 P.M.—Associational Brotherhood
Meeting. Gonzalez Baptist
Church.
7:30 P.M.—Sunday School
Superintendents.
7:30 P.M.—Lydia Bible Class Meeting at
the home of Mrs. Naomi Hol-
brook, 1920 Barrancas Ave.
7:30 P.M.—Bykota Class Meeting in the
home of Mrs. Carey Morris,
3820 N. 12th Avenue.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 29—

- 6:00 P.M.—Sunday School Teachers and
Officers’ Meeting begins with
supper. Lydia Bible Class
of Adult 3 serving.
6:30 P.M.—Intermediate R. A.’s meet at
church.
6:30 P.M.—Concord Choir Rehearsal.
7:45 P.M.—Prayer Meeting.

THURSDAY, MARCH 1—

- 9:15 A.M.—VISITATION STUDY.
6:45 P.M.—VISITATION STUDY.
2:00 P.M.—The Women’s Bible Class will

LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance.....	1088
Members Present.....	998
New Members.....	11
Visitors.....	59
Circle Baptist Chapel.....	180
North Hill Baptist Chapel.....	106
Escambia County Jail.....	17

Total Sunday School Attendance.....	1351
Attendance one year ago.....	1032
Training Union Attendance.....	321
Members Present.....	270
New Members.....	3
Visitors.....	48
Circle Baptist Chapel.....	49
North Hill Baptist Chapel.....	81

Total Training Union Attendance.....	451
Attendance one year ago.....	267
Additions to church membership.....	5
Tithes and Offerings:	

Budget.....	\$2,706.61
(Circle.....)	\$190.21)
(North Hill.....)	212.60)
Specials.....	111.07
Building Special, C. E. Pearce, Jr. Memorial Fund.....	43.43
Building, First Baptist Church.....	331.30
Building, Circle Chapel.....	20.09
Building, North Hill.....	2.50

TOTAL OFFERING.....\$3,214.96

- meet for Business and Social
at the home of Mrs. J. H.
Parker, 1218 E. Moreno St.
2:30 P.M.—Convention Bible Class meets
with Mrs. N. C. McMillan,
1002 N. Baylen Street.
Group 4, co-hostess.
7:30 P.M.—Church Choir Rehearsal.
FRIDAY, MARCH 2—
7:15 A.M.—Morning Watch. North Hill
Chapel.
2:30 P.M.—Willing Workers Class meets
in home of Mrs. A. S. Ed-
wards, 1517 N. 9th Avenue.
6:30 P.M.—Deborah Class of Adult 1,
Dinner, Lower Auditorium.
7:00 P.M.—Preparation Clinic for
Magnify Church Membership
Week Woodlawn Baptist
Church.
SATURDAY, MARCH 3—
9:00 A.M.—Carol Choir Rehearsal.

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Residence Phones.....	
Nathan C. Brooks, Jr., Pastor.....	HE 3-1502
Clyde K. Bizzell, Assistant to Pastor.....	HE 3-2590
Frank Bledsoe, Mission Pastor.....	CL 5-5226
W. J. Burnell, Mission Pastor.....	HE 3-2872
Dr. G. J. Rousseau, Pastor Emeritus.....	