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BROTHERHOOD MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 22
6:30 P.M.



Speaker: DR. HAROLD W. SEEVER, Pastor
Dauphin Way Baptist Church
Mobile, Alabama

Honoring 1956 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Get your tickets Sunday from one of the following men:

John Myrick, Clarence Taylor, Claude Vice.

Joe Ladner, Bill Jackson, Jim McCaskill,

or make reservations by calling the Church Office.



OUR BUILDING FUND

Given to Date.....	\$433,203.67
Borrowed	190,100 00
TOTAL	\$623,303.67
Payment to Contractor.....	\$556,735.01
Payment to Architect.....	35,952.66
Equipment & Furnishings.....	3,600.00
Interest on Loan.....	1,983 94
Other Expense	1,552.00
TOTAL	\$599,823.61
BALANCE	\$ 23,483.03

Viewpoint

By NATHAN C. BROOKS, JR.

Congratulations to our friends at the East Hill Baptist Church on their Fiftieth Anniversary Celebration, May 20-27. Our members will want to participate in as many of the special services as our own schedule will permit. Next Monday, 7:30 p.m., Dr. Eugene Hill, of the Foreign Mission Board, will speak; Tuesday, 7:30 p.m., Dr. John Haldeman, of Miami; Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Mr. Nelson Tull, of Arkansas; Friday and Saturday, Dr. Earl Edington, St. Petersburg.

Your Membership in the Mental Health Association of Escambia County is urged. An effort is being made to secure the establishment of a much needed clinic to minister to the mentally disturbed.

The Mother's Day Offering for charity work at Baptist Hospital came to \$427.29 at First Baptist, \$11.22 at Circle Chapel, and \$20.30 at North Hill Chapel. If you failed to make your gift last Sunday, it can still be turned in at the church office.

Pulpit Supplies during the pastor's July vacation will be Dr. W. Perry Crouch, of Asheville, North Carolina, on July 8; Rev. Donald Ackland, Editor of *Open Windows*, Nashville, Tennessee, on July 15; Dr. Larry Mayo, Smithfield, North Carolina, July 22; and Dr. E. N. Patterson, New Orleans Seminary, July 29.

At Acadia Academy, Eunice, Louisiana, the pastor is to bring the Commencement Address on Friday, May 25.



Training Union

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The Training Union Executive Committee will meet Sunday afternoon. All Training Union workers are urged to be present in the W. M. U. Room at 5:00 P.M.

NEW BOOK IN OUR LIBRARY "MAN TO MAN"

By Arthur C. Archibald

To say that this is a series of ten sermons on visitation evangelism is not enough to do justice to the book or to let you know what's in it. The theme is visitation evangelism. The purpose is to call Christianity back to the New Testament method of "man to man" telling the story.



Music Notes

OUR RECORD LAST WEEK

	Attend.	Enrolled	Percent Present	Loss	Gain
Church Choir	18	39	46%		
Senior Ensemble	5	9	56%		6%
Concord Choir	10	21	48%	18%	
Carol Choir	29	50	58%		18%
Cherub Choir	24	41	59%	2%	
Celestial Choir	11	22	50%	20%	
Total	97	182	54%		4%

Our Choirs averaged 4% more in attendance over the previous week. Still, anyway you look at it 54% is a low grade. We parents need to be as concerned over our children receiving good musical training through the church as we are about some other things. It is strange that we will send our children to music lessons and pay a large sum to do so, but fail to take advantage of the music instruction they may receive in the church. The service is available—use it.

The "Organ Prelude"—what it is. The Organ Prelude is the first physical part of the worship service. It is a vital part of the service because its main purpose is to soothe and calm the worshipper, to make an atmosphere suitable for worship, to lead the worshipper toward the high point of the worship experience—the sermon. It is quiet, soft, reflective and the organist makes every effort to make it a meaningful experience. The Prelude is of no use whatsoever if the worshipper uses it as a "cover-up" for conversation. We should enter the House of the Lord in an attitude of prayer, letting the music of the Prelude lead us to discard secular or worldly things. A good idea is to take your place in a pew, bow your head in a period of silent prayer, and meditate. Try it this Sunday and see the amazing difference.

MISSIONARY ORGANIZATIONS ATTENDANCE

Sunbeams	34
Junior R. A.'s	13
Intermediate R. A.'s	9
Y. W. A.'s	3
Total	59

LIBRARY COMMITTEE MEETING

Our Library Committee will meet Sunday afternoon, May 20th, in the Church Library, 4:00 P.M.

THE SURVEY BULLETIN

The Foreign Mission Board, meeting in Richmond, Virginia, April 10-11, appointed nineteen young people for overseas service, bringing the total number of active missionaries to 1,045. The Foreign Mission Board has urgent specific requests to appoint 500 missionaries this year, but indications are that only approximately 125 young Southern Baptists will qualify.

Baptist church membership in Great Britain totaled 326,633 at the end of 1955, an increase of 737 over the previous year's figure of 325,896—the first increase in thirty years. Number of baptisms increased by 2,078 to a total of 9,973, highest since 1934; however, Baptist Sunday School enrollment declined for the third successive year to 325,786, or 1,811 less than in 1954.

Paul Dudley White, who attended President Eisenhower when he was stricken with his heart attack, is a member of Dudley Street Baptist Church, Roxbury, Massachusetts, to which he has been related for fifty years and where he has taught a Sunday School class.

Brewers and distillers spent \$31,889,136 for billboard advertising in 1955, more than one-third the total expended by all major advertisers, according to the Methodist Board of Temperance. The automobile manufacturers were the next largest advertiser in this medium, spending \$19,038,000.

CIRCLE CHAPEL CHIMES

Our hearts thrill that a door is opening to us in the full completion of our educational building. Through the interest and concern of the leaders in our Mother Church, a plan has been formulated to provide us with the finances necessary to bring our building to completion. We thank the Lord for the support and encouragement which we are continually receiving from our home church.

Christian Home Week was a great time in our church. At the Evening Service on Mother's Day, twenty-nine husbands and wives and parents came forward to dedicate their homes to the glory of God. A wonderful experience! May the Lord bless each home represented in our church. We are grateful for everyone of them.

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MARRIED YOUNG PEOPLE TO BE "PASTOR'S GUESTS" SUNDAY

Young People II Department of our Sunday School will be "Pastor's Guests" Sunday. This department is for Married Young People, ages 17-24.

The Department Officers are:

Superintendent—Mr. Clarence Dannelly.

Associate Superintendent: Mrs. W. F. Bratcher.

Dept. Secretary: Mrs. Clarence Dannelly.

The Teachers are:

Golden Circle (Married young women, 17-21) Mrs. W. P. Mooty.

Alathea (Married young women, 22-24) Mrs. Robert N. Pyle.

King's Messengers (Married Young Men 17-23) Mr. K. K. Knight.

Bible Crusaders (Married Young Men, 24) Mr. John Berry.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

May is slipping by and June is almost here. Our Vacation Bible School is just three weeks away. Plans are being made for all boys and girls ages 8-16 to be included in this two-week Bible School June 11-22.

A Faculty Meeting is being held Monday morning, 9:30-11:00. All who plan to help in this year's school are urged to be present.

ASSOCIATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETING

Our people are urged to attend the Associational Sunday School Meeting Monday night. The meeting will be held at the Whitfield Baptist Church at 7:30 p.m.

The theme of the meeting will be Evangelism. Messages on "The Place of the Sunday School in Evangelism", "The Place of Evangelism in the Sunday School", and "The Christian Home and the Church" will be brought by local Pastors.

Our pastor will bring the message on "The Christian Home and the Church".

There will be conferences for all ages. Let's have a good attendance from our church.



LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance	991
Members Present.....	949
New Members	1
Visitors	41
(Attendance one year ago.....)	1060)
Circle Baptist Chapel.....	147
North Hill Baptist Chapel.....	109
Escambia County Jail.....	8
Training Union Attendance.....	250
Total Sunday School Attendance	1255
Members Present	216
New Members	0
Visitors	34
(Attendance one year ago.....)	237
Circle Baptist Chapel.....	46
North Hill Baptist Chapel.....	45
Total Training Union Attendance	341
Additions to church membership	4

Tithes and Offerings:

Budget	\$3,066.33
(Circle	\$166.48)
(North Hill.....)	\$169.16)
Specials	105.12
(Circle80)
Organ Fund	100.00
Hospital Offering	458.81
(Circle	\$ 11.22)
(North Hill	\$ 20.30)
Building Fund, First Baptist.....	374.95
Building Fund, Circle.....	19.25
Building Fund, North Hill.....	16.00
TOTAL OFFERING	\$4,140.43



First Baptist (For Baptism)

64. Mr. Harold Garrett, 1808 E. Cervantes Street.
65. Miss Marsha Creel, 1600 N. Spring Street.

First Baptist (By Letter)

158. Mr. Bruce Snipes, 706 Navy Blvd.
159. Mrs. Bruce Snipes, 706 Navy Blvd.
160. Mr. Bruce Snipes, 706 Navy Blvd.
161. Mrs. Bruce Snipes, 706 Navy Blvd.

REDEDICATION

Mrs. Gerald Garrett.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

OUR KNOWN SICK: Baptist Hospital—Mrs. Everette Stokes. Ill at Home—Mrs. Ben McLeod, 405 Lakewood Drive. Navy Hospital—Mrs. Wilma Fivcash. Ft. Walton Hospital—Mrs. M. L. Ward.

CONGRATULATIONS TO: Mr. and Mrs. William Johnson, 1007 N. DeVilliers Street, on the birth of a son.

SYMPATHY TO: Mr. Kenneth Justice in the loss of his father.

THE KING'S BUSINESS

SUNDAY, MAY 20—

- 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.
3:30 P.M.—Baptist Hour on WEAR.
4:00 P.M.—Library Committee Meeting.
5:00 P.M.—Senior Ensemble Rehearsal.
5:00 P.M.—Training Union Executive Committee.
5:30 P.M.—Training Union Departmental Meetings.
6:10 P.M.—Training Union for all ages.
A. Haywood Arnold, Director.
6:10 P.M.—Teaching Clinic Continuation Class taught by Mr. Bizzell.
Convention Classroom.
7:30 P.M.—Evening Worship. Pastor.
8:30 P.M.—Intermediate—Senior Teen-time. W. M. U. Room.

MONDAY, MAY 21—

- 9:30 A.M.—Vacation Bible School
Faculty Meeting.
6:00 P.M.—Ernelle Brooks B. W. C.
Mission Study. Lower Auditorium.
7:30 P.M.—Associational Sunday School Meeting. Whitfield Baptist Church.

TUESDAY, MAY 22—

- 7:15 A.M.—Morning Watch. First Baptist.
10:00 A.M.—W. M. S. Executive Committee Meeting, with Mrs. S. G. Kennedy, 2100 E. Mallory.
3:15 P.M.—Cherub Choir Rehearsal.
3:15 P.M.—Beginner Sunbeams.
4:00 P.M.—Primary Sunbeams.
4:00 P.M.—Junior and Intermediate G. A.'s, Junior R. A.'s meet at church.
4:15 P.M.—Celestial Choir Rehearsal.
5:45 P.M.—Brotherhood Choir Rehearsal.
6:30 P.M.—Brotherhood Supper Meeting Honoring First Baptist High School Graduates.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 23—

- 6:00 P.M.—Intermediate R. A.'s.
6:00 P.M.—Sunday School Teachers and Officers' Meeting begins with Supper. Intermediate II Department serving.
6:45 P.M.—Concord Choir Rehearsal.
6:45 P.M.—Y. W. A. and Young Men's Brotherhood Meeting.
7:45 P.M.—Prayer Service.

THURSDAY, MAY 24—

- 6:30 P.M.—Choir Supper.
7:30 P.M.—Church Choir Rehearsal.
9:15 A.M.—VISITATION STUDY.
11:00 A.M.—Woman's Bible Class will meet at Bayview Park for a picnic.

FRIDAY, MAY 25—

- 7:15 A.M.—Morning Watch. North Hill Chapel.

SATURDAY, May 26—

- 9:00 A.M.—Carol Choir Rehearsal.