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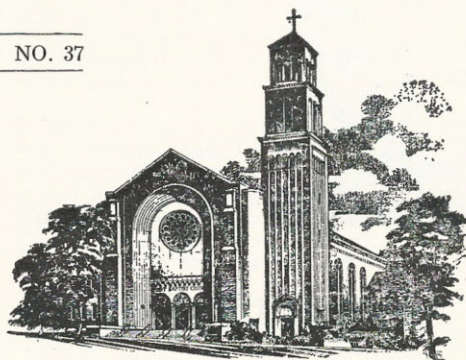
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AN EXCITING TIME OF THE YEAR FALL — 1967

RESPONSIBILITY TO SCHOOL

Clothes to buy
Books to secure
Shoes to sole
Pencils to sharpen
Classes to attend

BUT WHAT ABOUT CHURCH?

Sunday School
Training Union
Graded Choirs
Missionary Auxiliaries
Worship Services

YES

These things **must** be done for those six through seventeen. Parents must see that youth are ready for another year of learning.

DON'T HALF DO THE JOB!

The spiritual life of each member of the family is important and must not be neglected. Complete your family responsibilities in church . . .
N-O-W!

Pastor's Paragraphs

AN INSATIABLE APPETITE

A little boy wrote this letter from the church camp. "To whom it may concern: Please send food. The only meals they serve here are breakfast, dinner and supper!"



Everytime I think about the boy, I smile. One thing is for sure, there are times when a child's stomach is nothing less than a bottomless pit.

God has so created us that we have appetites which cannot be satisfied by the things of the world. Augustine said: "Thou hast made us for thyself, O God, and we are restless until we rest in Thee."

The deep needs of our souls can only be satisfied in Jesus Christ the Son of God. The reason so many people are dissatisfied today is because they are trying to satisfy a spiritual hunger with material things. It can't be done.

"I tried to live by bread alone,
The bread of earthly store;
But in my grasp it turned to stone,
I hungered more and more,
I turned to Christ, the living bread,
In earnest need, I cried.
I feasted at His table spread
And I was satisfied."

The good Lord willing I'll look forward to seeing you Sunday.

Faithfully your pastor,

James L. Pleitz

SERMON TOPICS

11:00 A.M.

"On Getting Your Eyes Opened"

(Acts 9:1-19)

7:15 P.M.

Captain Mitsuo Fuchida

DEACONS ELECTED

The following men were elected by the church Sunday, September 10, to serve as active deacons:

ERNEST L. BARRINEAU
PAUL W. CARO
CLARENCE E. DANNELLY
ROBERT D. HINSON
G. R. McDONALD
BILLY V. RENFROE
MILTON RICHARDSON
H. WYATT SHOWS
S. A. TAYLOR, JR.
TOM A. WASH
ROGER R. YONKER

At their regular meeting Monday evening, the Deacons elected the following officers:

NIXON DANIEL _____ **Chairman**
WILLARD VICKERY _____ **Vice-Chm.**
BILLY RENFROE _____ **Secretary**
JOE LADNER _____ **Ass't. Secy.**



PASTOR FEATURED IN "BEAM"

The September issue of "Beam," the magazine published by the Radio and Television Commission, contains a profile of our pastor, who serves as chairman of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention.

For the benefit of those of you who have not seen this magazine, we include here this excerpt from the article:

"At 38 one of the youngest men ever to serve in this position, Pleitz will demonstrate his own 'involvement' in the world next month as he travels to East Africa on a preaching mission."

"... the new chairman will draw upon his experience in the pastorate, travel, and various positions of denominational leadership. Upon him rests the challenge of helping a highly structured denomination maintain a relevant gospel witness while moving into deeper involvement with pressing social dilemmas of today's world."



Attend Prayer Service Wednesday

Good food and fellowship around the table

Organizations for missionary and music education

Leadership for Sunday School given help to reach, win and teach

Deepening of Spiritual Life through Prayer and Bible Study.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Mr. Donald Ray Stewart and Miss Jamie Ellis upon their marriage September 8.
Miss Sylvia Jean Nabors and Ensign Louis Leitenberger, IV, upon their marriage September 9.

OUR SYMJATHY TO:

Mrs. A. H. Arnold in the loss of her brother.
Mr. J. L. Hackett in the loss of his mother.
Mrs. Roy Caton in the loss of her father.

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist:

Mr. Adrian Kendrick, Mr. T. T. Lenz, Mrs. Eula Van Metre, Mr. Cecil Mutler, Mrs. James B. Ward, Mrs. Minnie Whitlock, Mr. L. M. Gatlin.

Sacred Heart:

Miss Montaree Barrineau, Mrs. Ruth Godwin.

HOME FROM HOSPITAL:

Mrs. W. W. Stephens, Miss Dorcas Whetsel.



JAPANESE CHRISTIAN TO PREACH SUNDAY EVENING

Captain Mitsuo Fuchida will speak in our service Sunday evening. On December 7, 1941, this Japanese naval officer led the raid against Pearl Harbor. Many months later he was converted through the efforts of Jacob DeShazer, who was one of the Lockheed Fliers that bombed Tokyo.

Captain Fuchida is a new creature in Christ Jesus. He is preaching that by the power of God a man's life can be changed. You will not want to miss hearing this man whose life gives eloquent testimony to this truth. "If any man be in Christ he is a new creature. Old things are passed away, behold all things are new."



PROMISE YOURSELF

... To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.

... To look on the sunny side of everything.

... To wear a cheerful countenance and give a smile to everyone you meet.

... To be too large for worry too noble for anger, too strong for fear and too happy to permit the presence of trouble.

—Selected.



The church inspires courage for this life and hope for the life to come.



To build character on rock foundations is the purpose of the church.

WHEN YOU ATTEND

When you attend Church, it's not an ordinary act.

It is something tremendous. You take a stand for faith and for spiritual interpretation of life. You testify and witness to the faith that is in you.

When you attend Church you take the side of the angels.

You count on the side of the spiritual; you tell the world you believe in God and Eternity and Immortality, and that's tremendous.

When you attend Church you challenge all that is evil.

... all that which is contrary to the will of God. When you attend Church you say to the whole world that you are against lying, cheating, immorality, drunkenness, war and everything that hurts human beings.

When you attend Church you tell your neighbors.

who see you go, that you are not simply an earthly creature, that you are not giving up all your time to creaturely pleasures, that you are seeking something higher.

When you attend Church you salute Christ and His Church.

You appreciate what the Church has done for humanity.

When you attend Church you come to God's house

... to adore, to worship, to praise. You become a part of that host that has been worshipping God down through the ages. You have been caught up in spirit.

When you attend Church you find strength for living a

rewarding life, friendships which make companions satisfying, a challenge which helps you be your best self and a peace which comes on'y to the committed.

When you attend Church you are doing what God said was right and that in itself brings a heap of happiness.

Going to Church is tremendous!



BAPTIST MEN'S MEETING

Communism is a subject of vital interest to all Christian men. On Monday night at 6:15, the Baptist Men will be privileged to hear two men discuss their personal experiences in Russia and China. Mr. Paul Mitchell and Mr. David Chan, both of whom lived in those countries recently, will talk to the group.



In church we let the winds of God blow through your souls.

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



LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

The Church in Study.....1447
Main Sunday School.....1426
Crippled Children's Home..... 21
The Church in Training..... 225
Additions to church membership..... 8
Tithes and Offerings:
Budget\$6,552.44
Specials 295.90
Building Fund 35.00
TOTAL OFFERING\$6,883.34



NEW MEMBERS

FOR BAPTISM FROM OTHER

DENOMINATION:

75. Mr. Roy Sindell, 4 San Carlos,
Gulf Breeze
76. Mrs. Roy Sindell (Carolyn H.)

BY LETTER:

224. Mr. Bill C. Kelley, 483 Hallmark
From: First Baptist, Oak Ridge, Tenn.
225. Mrs. Bill C. Kelley (Jeanette)
226. Mrs. Shirley Tarantino, 302 W. Romana
From: Eighth Avenue Baptist,
Pensacola
227. Mr. Clarence Whitehurst,
4603 Marse'lie Drive
From: Fulton Road Baptist,
Mobile, Ala.
228. Mrs. Clarence Whitehurst (Louise)
229. Miss Judy Whitehurst,
REDEDICATION:
Mrs. Shirley Tarantino.



SEE YOU IN SUNDAY SCHOOL



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

- * 9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages
Mr. A. H. Arnold, Supt.
- * 11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship, Pastor
Broadcast over Station WCOA
- 4:30 p.m.—Youth Choir Rehearsal
- 5:30 p.m.—Junior Sword Drill—
Jr. 12 Department
- * 6:00 p.m.—Training Union
- * 7:15 p.m.—Evening Worship
- 8:45 p.m.—Get Togethers:
Jr. High at the home of Barbara
Yonke, 2121 N. 12th, parents of
Jr. High at the home of Mrs. J.
L. Hurt, 1315 East Lakeview. Sr.
High — College will be at the
home of Ricki Trummer, 2622
Pompano Drive.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

- 6:15 p.m.—Baptist Men and Night Society

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

- * 4:45 p.m.—Childrens Choirs
- * 5:50 p.m.—Fellowship Dinner
- * 6:30 p.m.—Teachers and Officers Meeting,
Sunbeams, G.A.'s, R.A.'s, YWA's
- * 7:30 p.m.—Prayer Service
- * 8:15 p.m.—Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

- 7:30 p.m.—Faith Sunday School Class
Promotion Party in Fellowship
Hall.



WHEN YOU ARE ASKED TO SERVE

Dwight L. Moody once said:

"There are but few now that say:
'Here Am I, Lord, send me.'

The cry now is:

'Send someone else.
I have not got the ability,
the gifts, or the talents'

"Ah", said Moody, "Honestly say YOU
HAVE NOT GOT THE HEART. For if
the HEART IS LOYAL, God can use
you. IT IS REALLY ALL A MATTER
OF HEART. It does not take God a great
while to qualify a man for His work if
he only has the HEART for it."

How true it is—for it is a matter of
the "HEART". It has always been so.

Your Nominating Committee will be
ta'king with many of you soon. What will
your answer be? Remember, it is a MAT-
TER OF THE HEART.

If you are willing you can become
capable!



One good way to make children better is
to make them happy.



The most practical way of supporting the
church is by regular attendance.