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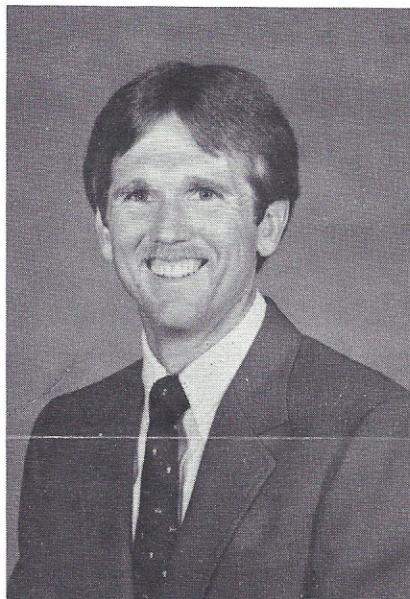
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In the Heart of Pensacola . . . With Pensacola on Our Hearts

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REV. EDDIE BENTON

REV. EDDIE BENTON PREACHING

SUNDAY, APRIL 6

Rev. Eddie Benton will be back in the pulpit Sunday as our interim preacher. The title of Sunday morning's message is "*What Is A Christian?*" (Acts 11:26). Sunday night the high school juniors and seniors and their sponsors, having just returned from a week in Colorado where they have been skiing during the day and coming together each evening for special Bible studies led by John Croyle and Jeff White, will give a report on the week's activities. Eddie will also bring a message entitled, "*Another Night with the Frogs*" (Exodus 8:1-10).

NEW DOBSON SERIES PREMIERES SUNDAY

Dr. James Dobson, whose "Focus on the Family" film series attracted large numbers of enthusiastic viewers to First Baptist Church a few years ago, now has released a new film series about the family, "Turn Your Heart Toward Home."

The Dobson films will be shown each Sunday evening at 5:00, April 6 through May 11, in the Dining Room.

Over 50 million parents were inspired by Focus on the Family. Now,



Dr. James and Shirley Dobson

have taken the next dramatic step.



Introducing a powerful six-part film series that will move you to action.

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WACO, TX 76796

Turn Your Heart Toward Home

MUSIC MINISTRY

Mike Simoneaux

MANY THANKS TO EACH ONE WHO HAD A PART IN THE GOOD FRIDAY COMMUNION SERVICE. As in every situation that involves a host of people in order for everything to go well, Friday night's special service could not have been possible had it not been for so many who came and did their part.

There are always those who are involved in ways that never seem to receive recognition, but without whom we could not operate. Gerald Garrett's security men were on the job both Thursday and Friday nights — in the building, around the parking lot, wherever we needed them. John Register is always so willing to cooperate in supplying ushers, seeing that pews are reserved for various groups, etc. Dot Walker and Lee Hanberry line up nursery and child-care facilities; the TV crew is willing to cooperate in every way they possibly can; and, of course, the Sanctuary Choir and accompanists put in many hours of extra rehearsals, not always an easy thing to do with families to care for. To list everyone is impossible, but this is just to say, "The Music Ministry appreciates you!"

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UPCOMING DATES FOR SPECIAL MUSICAL PRESENTATIONS

MAY 4 — 7:15 P.M. — "Jesus Never Fails" featuring the High School Choir
MAY 18 — 7:15 P.M. — "Down By the Creekbank" featuring the Children's Choirs
JUNE 1 — 7:15 P.M. — "Kid's Praise 2" featuring the Middle School Choir

EASTER LILIES — MARCH 30, 1986

DONOR

IN MEMORY OF

IN HONOR OF

Mrs. Leon E. Singletary, Sr.
Sara and Billy Shiell
Evelyn McGilberry
David L. Raley, Sr. Family
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Dorris Fleming
Ray Carter
Mr. Clarence Dannelly

The Chig Findley Family
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Mrs. and Mrs. Judson Gillespie

Golda Bousman

Mrs. Jewel Turman
Joe and Vivian Ladner
Gary and Jeree Whie

A GREAT BIG "THANK YOU!"

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Our class wants to thank you for your prayers and support all year long, and especially for our revival, March 21 - 23. Your love supports us in Christ.

Thank you, Mrs. Pulley, and Mary, for your help and delicious food.

Thank you, Bobby, for keeping the CAC open and watching the children.

Thank you, Jill, for your patience and direction when we didn't know which way to go.

Thank you, ladies of the WMU, for bringing more food than we could have expected. Your generosity thrilled us and touched our hearts.

Thank you, David, Dot, Bill, Mike and Eddie, for your encouragement, prayers and sense of humor when things got hectic.

Last, but never least, THANK YOU, JOSEPHINE! God only knows how much you really helped us with your suggestions, patience, love and gentle spirit when the copy machine was tied up for so long, the postage machine still going strong after you should have gone home, when we asked questions and just generally came to you for help. We love you!

Thank you, Church Family,
THE SILENT CLASS

PULPIT COMMITTEE REPORT

"Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: for every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. Or what man is there of you, who if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone? Or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent? If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?"

(Matthew 7:7-11)

In these verses Jesus encourages us to be *persistent in prayer* for "good gifts." We ask that you join us in claiming this promise as it relates to the good pastor we are seeking.

INTERNATIONALS CONFERENCE

OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

SATURDAY, APRIL 5

9:00 - 11:00 A.M.

Conference is for workers with Internationals, both students and adults. Conference led by John Griffin, Director of International Ministries, Park Avenue Baptist Church, Titusville, Florida.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The memorial flowers in the Sanctuary Sunday, April 6, are in memory of Earl and Myrtle Buchanan, given by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Buchanan.

RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP — MARCH 30, 1986



Mrs. Chamroeun Pel



Miss Sharon Thompson



Mrs. Sam Chhean

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITAL:

BAPTIST:

314 Gary Haywood
283 Rosa Mae Saunders

SACRED HEART:

204-2 Barbara Lang
446-1 Sue Margaret Adams
314 Bob Rabon
(Director of Port Ministry)

318 Sam Hall
437-1 Mrs. Maude Williams

SPECIALTY CARE:

1216 Mary Charles Renfroe

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED:

To Mrs. Charlotte McCaskill in the death of her sister, Mrs. Jessie Moynahan, March 22, 1986.

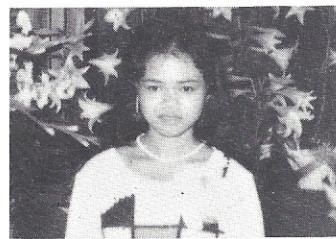
To Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Gentry in the death of their son, Elbert Gentry, III, March 26, 1986.

To Mr. Ernest Gentry in the death of his nephew, Elbert Gentry, III.

To Mrs. Evelyn Haines in the death of her uncle, John Clarke, in Ohio.



Mr. / Mrs. David Lawrence (Lori)
Shelsie and Brian



Miss Sinan Mam

SAMARITANS HANDS

"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me." Matt 25:40

THANKS, FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH!! . . . FOR:

— YOUR PRAYERS — Samaritans Hands feel and experience God's answers to your prayers and our prayers every day.

1) Several of the Samaritans Hands recipients have gotten jobs this month.

2) Our funds for the month of March nearly reached zero on March 24 BUT donations and gifts were received that enabled Samaritans Hands to finish the month and help many needy people. Praise the Lord!

3) Volunteers with Samaritans Hands face many frustrations and times of discouragement BUT the Lord brings us through those valleys to the mountaintops again and again. Prayer and the bountiful goodness of God through the power of the Holy Spirit has enabled us to have joy and peace in serving our fellow man.

— FINANCIAL SUPPORT — We have survived on our monthly budget amount plus donations. Thank you, First Baptist Church, for caring! However, we could do so much more and meet many needs if our money bag was full. I believe the Lord is going to make this happen. Do you believe it? Will you be a part of it? "To whom much is given, much is expected."

— DONATIONS — Members of FBC have contributed time and needed items for use in the Samaritans Hands ministry. Thank you! We are still in need of many things such as, iron and ironing board, sewing supplies, dolly, etc. Can you help with these needs?

SAMARITANS HANDS LOCATION: First Baptist Church - Room S-107 - 438-8907

FBC PRAYER MINISTRY

"For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me. And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness." (11 Corinthians 12:8-9)

One of the most valuable lessons Paul in his spiritual maturity taught us is the recognition that God's will is often different from our desires. No one desires a "thorn" such as Paul had, but his level of acceptance of God's perfect will was such that he could even "glory" in his infirmity.

Did Paul engage in a pity party, continually reminding others of his state? Did he refuse to minister for God until his state was improved? Did he impact others' lives in spite of his weakness? Did God turn Paul's weakness into strength? Did Paul humble himself before the Lord and others?

How do we deal with our own infirmities? Are we waiting until things are perfect until we step out and serve? If we have earnestly prayed for an infirmity to be removed and it has not been, we should pattern our response after Paul's example and accept God's "sufficient grace," realizing that He who is omniscient and omnipotent can turn our weakness into strength!

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday, 8:00 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.

CHURCH OFFICERS

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BUDGET OFFERING REPORT

March 30, 1986
Receipts \$ 25,821.72
Weekly Budget Needs 30,769.00
Budget Receipts
Year to Date 346,852.93
Budget Needs
Year to Date 399,997.00

DESIGNATED GIFTS

BUILDING FUND \$ 27.50
SPECIALS 1,631.00

MISSION GIFTS ANNIE ARMSTRONG

GOAL \$25,000
GIVEN TO DATE \$25,652

Last Week

MARCH 24 - 30, 1986

SUNDAY SCHOOL 1,402
Married Adults 749
Single Adults 154
Youth 120
Children 145
Preschool 192
International Children
(Sunday Afternoon) 42
WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAM 607
COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP 7
MEN'S LUNCHEON 130

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9

Please come to
DINNER



OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

SUNDAY, APRIL 6

8:30 - 10:30 A.M.—Library Open
8:45 A.M.—Telephone Class
° 9:00 A.M.—Sunday School
° 10:30 A.M.—Morning Worship
3:00 P.M.—Children's Bible Study
4:00 P.M.—Prayer Meeting
High School Ensemble
4:30 - 6:15 P.M.—Library Open
° 5:00 P.M.—*Adult Handbells*
High School Choir
Middle School JOY
Church Training —
Dr. Dobson's New Series
Church Training
for Grades 1 - 5
° 6:15 P.M.—Evening Worship
with Baptism Service

MONDAY, APRIL 7

° 8:30 - 9:30 A.M.—Aerolife Proaerobic
Workout
° 9:00 A.M.—"Needle" Workshop
° 9:30 A.M.—Blessercise
10:00 A.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group
12:00 - 1:15 P.M.—Men's Exercise
5:30 - 6:30 P.M.—Evening Aerobics
6:30 P.M.—H.S. Discipleship Class
7:00 P.M.—*Adult Ensemble*
"Needle" Workshop
MasterLife (Adult Discipleship Group) — CAC
7:30 P.M.—Singles Bible Study —
Home of Rose Mary Nice

TUESDAY, APRIL 8

9:00 A.M.—BYW
BW Group Meeting
9:00 A.M. - Noon—Library Open
5:30 - 6:30 P.M.—Evening Aerobics
6:00 P.M.—Visitation

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9

6:30 A.M.—Men's Prayer Breakfast
° 8:30 - 9:30 A.M.—Aerolife Proaerobic
Workout
° 9:30 A.M.—Blessercise
12:00 - 1:15 P.M.—Men's Exercise
4:00 P.M.—*Middle School Handbells*
4:30 - 7:15 P.M.—Library Open
° 4:45 P.M.—*High School Acteens*
Middle School Choir
Graded Choir
° 5:15 P.M.—Fellowship Dinner
Median Adult 1
Boy Scout Committee
Babies, Creepers, Toddlers
College / SA Planning
° 5:30 P.M.—Living Free — Room S-310
° 6:00 P.M.—*Chapel Singers*
° 6:15 P.M.—Prayer Meeting

IN MEMORIAM

MRS. BLANCHE MATTHEWS
Joined our church November 25, 1973
Deceased: March 26, 1986

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP MARCH 30, 1986

PROFESSION OF FAITH:

19. Miss Shelsie Lawrence
2600 West Michigan Avenue
Pensacola, FL. 32506

20. Miss Sinan Mam
303 Fairfax Drive
Pensacola, FL. 32503

21. Mrs. Chamroeun Pel
1235 Muscogee Road
Cantonment, FL. 32533

22. Mrs. Sam Chhean
1-B Ellis Drive
Pensacola, FL. 32507

BY LETTER:

45. Mr. David L. Lawrence
2600 West Michigan Avenue
Pensacola, FL. 32506
From: First Baptist, Homestead, FL.

46. Mrs. Lori Lawrence
(Same as above)

47. Miss Sharon Thompson
4101 Aiken Road
Pensacola, FL. 32503
From: Two Rivers Baptist,
Nashville, TN.

Singles 1 — Room S-312

S.S. Weekly Workers Mtg.

High School JOY

Mission Friends

Middle School Acteens

R.A.'s

G.A.'s

° 7:00 P.M.—*Sanctuary Choir*

7:15 P.M.—Boy Scouts

H.S. Discipleship Class

THURSDAY, APRIL 10

9:00 A.M. - Noon—Library Open

° 11:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.—Cambodian
Discipleship12:00 Noon—Businessmen's Luncheon
Association of Ministers
of Music Luncheon Meeting

5:30 - 6:30 P.M.—Evening Aerobics

FRIDAY, APRIL 11

° 8:30 - 9:30 A.M.—Aerolife Proaerobic
Workout° 9:00 A.M.—Mother's Day Out
12:00 - 1:15 P.M.—Men's Exercise

SATURDAY, APRIL 12

° 9:00 - 10:00 A.M.—Blessercise

° *Nursery Open*°° *Nursery by Reservation Only*