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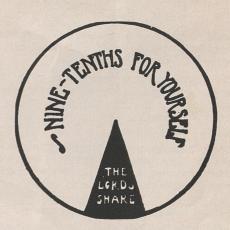
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He received the B. A. degree from Morehouse College, the B. D. degree from Gammon Theological Seminary, and the D.D. degree from the Chapel School of Theology.

A native of Mississippi, prior to coming to Columbus, he served as pastor of the First Baptist Church of La Granze, Georgia, and the Union Baptist Church of Fort Wayne, Indiana. During the past twelve years, he has served as pastor of the Union Grove Baptist Church in Columbus.

He has been president of the Area Council Ministerial Association and the Columbus NAACP. Some of the offices he now holds are president of the Inter-Denominational Ministerial Association Chairman of the Board of Directors of the American Baptist Theological Seminary, and Chairman of the Social Action Commission of the Ohio Baptist General Association.

He teaches a Seminar on "The Psychology of Pastoral Care" in the National Sunday School and Baptist Training Congress. In addition to these obligations, Dr. Hale serves as a Marriage Counselor in the Scientific Marriage Bureau.

First Baptist Fellowships With New Hope of Ashland

On the first Sunday in March, approximately one hundred thirty five members and friends of First Baptist Church worshipped with members of New Hope Baptist Church of Ashland, and their pastor, Rev. George Childs. It was Men's Day. A choir of 60 accompanied the pastor, who spoke on "The Call For Fearless Men."

The "Courier Journal," Kentucky's leading newspaper reported, "Rev. Smith addressed the overflow crowd of 400 at the church's annual Men's Day. He is a native of Georgetown, Ky.

He told the group that during World War II, women became the economic equals of their husbands, but in later years family and community unity have suffered because male leadership faded during that period."



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- Mr. William Murrell, 1636 10th Ave.
- Mrs. Ida Williams, 1844 8th Ave.
- Mrs. Severna Rogers, 730½ Rear 7th Ave.
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- 14 Miss Dawn Spaulding, 1218 Rear 7th Ave.
- Mrs. Aurelia Richie, 1659 10th Ave.
- 18 Miss Debbie Ann Murrell, 1615 8th Ave.
- Mrs. Louise D. Cosby, 1702 9th Ave. 19
- Mrs. Beatrice Johnson, 1678 Doulton Ave. 19
- Mrs. Hazel Woodson, 1822 Doulton Ave.
- Mrs. James H. Gatewood, Sr., 2929 8th Ave.
- Mrs. Norma Johnson, 1407½ Primrose Ave.
- Mrs. La Verne Singleton, 1833 10th Ave.
- Mr. Arthur Deering, 206 Hiplar Street, Ironton, Ohio

March New Members

Mr. Ernest Barnes, Pending Letter, South Point, O. Miss Carolyn Green, Pending Letter, 1714 Doulton

Miss Delphene Pegram, Candidate for Baptism 1006 Wilson Street.

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Mr. Merchant Thompson, Pending Letter, 1733 Doulton Avenue.

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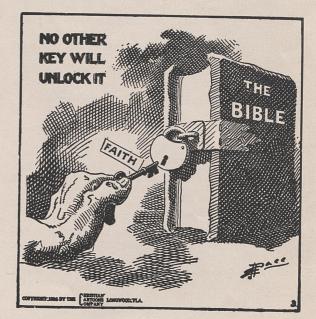
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Girls of our Baptist Youth Fellowship have dressed dolls which were given to the Stella Fuller Settlement for distribution to needy families. Displaying their handiwork are, from left, Arleen Fain, April Carter, Edna Dawson, and Mrs. Vada Ellis, one of the youth sponsors who directed the project. Others who assisted included Miss Donna Carey, Mrs. Lillie Smith, Mrs. Roberta Dawson, and Mrs. Sadie Bowling.

"Donato Edwards Retains Title"

First Baptist Church wishes to congratulate Donata Edwards of Barnett Elementary School who has won the spelling championship for the second consecutive year at Barnett School.

Donata is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred

Edwards, 820 Fourteenth Street.

We are indeed proud of Donata, and we wish her the best of luck in the Tristate finals which will be in Huntington on May 12. It is our prayer that she will use her God-Given talents to His Glory.

State Youth Conference Meets

The Annual West Virginia Baptist Youth Convention will be held at Baptist Temple in Charleston, April 6-8. The convention is only for Senior High and Older Youth and their adult counselors and pastors.

The convention will have small discussion groups in which each person can tell freely or simply listen. First Baptist will have possibly five delegates to the convenetion who will share in this enlightening experience.



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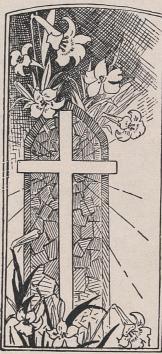
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PALM SUNDAY

The Lord's Supper Commemorated Morning and Evening

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Easter Sermon - Music Hallelujah Chorus



YOUTH DAY - April 1

Speaker - Our Pastor Annual Pink Tea, 5 P. M.

YOUNG ADULT DAY April 8

Speaker -

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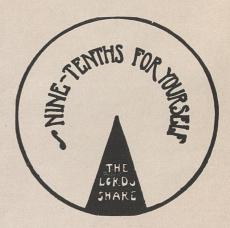
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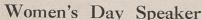
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Dr. Phale D. Hale

MEN'S DAY

Plans have been completed by the men of First Baptist to have Dr. Phale D. Hale, pastor of Union Grove Baptist Church, Columbus, Ohio, to preach for Men's Day.

He received the B. A. degree from Morehouse College, the B. D. degree from Gammon Theological Seminary, and the D.D. degree from the Chapel School of Theology.

A native of Mississippi, prior to coming to Columbus, he served as pastor of the First Baptist Church of La Granze, Georgia, and the Union Baptist Church of Fort Wayne, Indiana. During the past twelve years, he has served as pastor of the Union Grove Baptist Church in Columbus.

He has been president of the Area Council Ministerial Association and the Columbus NAACP. Some of the offices he now holds are president of the Inter-Denominational Ministerial Association Chairman of the Board of Directors of the American Baptist Theological Seminary, and Chairman of the Social Action Commission of the Ohio Baptist General Association.

He teaches a Seminar on "The Psychology of Pastoral Care" in the National Sunday School and Baptist Training Congress. In addition to these obligations, Dr. Hale serves as a Marriage Counselor in the Scientific Marriage Bureau.

First Baptist Fellowships With New Hope of Ashland

On the first Sunday in March, approximately one hundred thirty five members and friends of First Baptist Church worshipped with members of New Hope Baptist Church of Ashland, and their pastor, Rev. George Childs. It was Men's Day. A choir of 60 accompanied the pastor, who spoke on "The Call For Fearless Men."

The "Courier Journal," Kentucky's leading newspaper reported, "Rev. Smith addressed the overflow crowd of 400 at the church's annual Men's Day. He is a native of Georgetown, Ky.

He told the group that during World War II, women became the economic equals of their husbands, but in later years family and community unity have suffered because male leadership faded during that period."

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State Youth Conference Meets

The Annual West Virginia Baptist Youth Con-Mvention will be held at Baptist Temple in Charles-Mton, April 6-8. The convention is only for Senior MHigh and Older Youth and their adult counselors Mand pastors.

The convention will have small discussion Mgroups in which each person can tell freely or Msimply listen. First Baptist will have possibly five Mdelegates to the convenetion who will share in Mthis enlightening experience.



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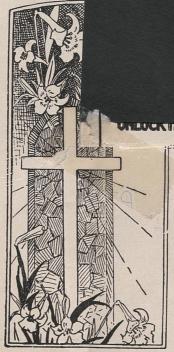
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II Timothy 1:5

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EVERY FRIDAY:

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8:00 p.m. The Benjamin Club (As Scheduled)



May 13-Mother's Day

May 17, 18, 19-Field Trip, Senior BYF, Chicago, Illinois

May 21-25-School of Religion, Hill Top

May 27—Memorial Sunday, Film 7 p. m. Refreshments

May 31 - June 1-Detroit Field Trip, Junior BYF

June 5-8-State S. S. Congress, Young Street, Charleston, West Virginia

June 9-Field Trip, Coney Island, Elementary Group

June 11-15-Bible School

June 17—Father's Day

June 17-Bible School, Closing Exercises 7 p.m.

June 18-24—National Sunday School Congress - Denver, Colorado

June 24—Mission Sunday

June 26, 27-Mt. Olive District Women's Convention, London, West Virginia

July 15-20-Summer Camp, Hill Top

July 17, 18-Mt. Olive District Association

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August 13-17—West Virginia Baptist State Convention West Virginia Baptist Women's Missionary and Educational Convention, Hill Top, West Virginia

September 4-10-National Baptist Convention, Chicago, Illinois

From The Pastor's Study



OUR THEME

Faith Gives Us The Vision

During the month of May, our minds are filled with sweet memories of mother. Faith in God not only grants us permission to see the unseen but enhances our children with a rich legacy. Timothy was a recipient of this heritage. Paul in admonishing Timothy to continue in the Faith reminds him that his grandmother Lois, and his mother Eunice handed him a rich background well grounded in faith. Faith in the future gives us a mind to work. Faith in our church gives us a garden where in to work. Faith in each other gives us partners to till the soil. Let Mother's Day and Memorial Day, find us counting the cost of those who planted the seed. Then let us be possessed by a Vision which will find us watering the seed planted while God gives the increase.

LAWD AH NEEDS

Every church can think of hundreds of necessities and one of the most pressing at First Baptist is the need for a nursery.

Perhaps this need was brought to the attention of all of us Easter Sunday morning when we had an abundance of Young Adults who came to church with their babies.



"The people had a mind to work."

Nehemiah 4:6

Babies do not understand or feel it is necessary to sit quietly. Consequently from time to time a parent could be seen quietly tipping out with his youngster.

If we had a nursery, this problem could be alleviated. We would need baby beds, play pens, sheets, and toys, all of which could be donated.

The most important need would be the person who would attend to the children. For a modest fee, we could no doubt hire homeone especially for this purpose. She could have helpers on a voluntary basis.

The end result would be a more satisfying worship service for the Young Adults and everyone concerned.

Realizing that it will take time for us to realize this goal, each parent should feel free to bring their children to church. The need for spiritual guidance is much more important than the irritation caused by a few baby cries.

INFORMATION PLEASE, PASTOR Subject Matter

"How Protestants Differ From Roman Catholics"

(This series will be unopinionated statement of the differences between Protestants and Roman Catholics. Its purpose will be to inform our readers of the basic, actual differences between these two component faiths of Christianity. Although, we as Baptist prefer not to be considered as Protestants in the historical context, we will forego this reservation for the sake of these articles and be included in the ranks with other protestants such as the Presbyterians, The Methodist, The Episcopalians and Christian Scientist.)

1. Protestants believe that membership in the Church extends to all true Christians and that the Church is "a community of forgiven, baptized sinners." Roman Catholics believe that the Church's membership is restricted to those who are members of the Roman Catholic Church, either knowingly or unknowingly.

According to Roman Catholics, Christ himself founded the Church in the form of a visible, hierarchical society, being made up of subjects and superiors. The Roman Catholic Church teaches that a person becomes a member of the Church upon receiving the sacrament of Baptism. The teaching that "outside the Church there is no salvation" does not mean that everyone who is not a Roman Catholic will necessarily go to hell, but it does mean that no person can be saved unless he belongs in some manner to the Roman Catholic Church-either actually or in desire, which may be unconscious. No one can be saved without sanctifying grace, and the Catholic Church alone is the divinely established means by which grace is brought to the world and the full fruits of Our Lord's Redemption are applied to men.

Protestants do not discover in the New Testament any statement which would indicate that the

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Peace of Mind

Daily we stand at a continental divide where some word we speak may determine the direction taken by someone else. We help others and we hinder them, we lift them up and we cast them down, we open doors for them and we block their way. Glorious is the privilege of leading another person into the Christian experience, and awful is the responsibility of turning someone away from God. Therefore, for their sake we must be alert, concerned and consecrated. Whether or not we are faithful in prayer makes a threefold difference, to ourselves and to others and to God. Remember that intercession is a power entrusted to us in behalf of our brethren. In the words of Molly Haley, speak to Him now:

Make of my heart an upper room, I pray

Swept clean of pride, let self be but a door

Through which young lives may come to Thee this day.

To know Thee as they have not known before.

Speak through my voice that they may hear Thine own.

Shine through my life in beauty and in truth

That they may see the Comrade Christ alone

And in the glad impulsiveness of youth

Rise up as did those fisher lads of Thine

Who left their boats and nets to follow Thee, these of mine

Whom out of the world "Thou gavest me."

The highest ambition that can possibly come to the human being is to raise everything that comes into one's life to its highest possible value.

Killing time kills life.



Why Pledge?

Most of you have made pledges to the Church. A few—for reasons unknown to me—will have decided not to pledge. There is a word I'd like to say to both groups.

God is forever judging the motives of men. What we do is never so important in His sight as why we do it. Our outward actions spring from basic attitudes, from deep-seated convictions, from the faith that is in us. It is with these well-springs of the human soul that God is concerned.

This means that our reasons for pledging to the Church are more important than our pledges. For example, it is quite possible for a man to increase his pledge out of pride. His motive would not be to return to God His share but to maintain a proud front.

By the same token, a man's reasons for not pledging must also be acceptable to God. We should be very careful that we have not yielded to one or more of the capital sins: Pride, covetousness, sloth, to name only three.

The answers people give for pledging usually reveal of these "root sins":

When a man says, "I do not pledge because I might not be able to pay it," this is pride for it reveals a self-centeredness rather than a God - centered faith.

When one says: "I simply do not have enough to meet my own needs," this may well be penury. We can give something.

When a man says, "I intend to pledge but I haven't got around to it," this can be due to sloth, which simply means a dullness of zeal in spiritual things.

The consequences of our decisions will live on. It is not simply a question of what we do for the Church. God will judge the motives which prompt our stewardship.

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The man who planted a tree at ninety was a man of vision. We should plant creative ideas, words, and dreams in the minds of others so that our lives may go on in them, bigger and finer than we ever dared be.



Marriage Trouble?

Much of the counselling which the clergy do is concerned with marriage problems. In many homes these days there is undue tension between husband and wife. Here are a few suggestions which may help those who are troubled, puzzled, or despairing about their marriage.

Be wise enough to ask for help. Do not make the mistake of thinking you can solve your problems alone.

Be sure to have a medical check-up. Sometimes there is a physical basis for marriage troubles.

Talk things over with your minister.

Admit any and all of your own sins and mistakes. No one is perfect.

Accept one another as you are. That does not mean that you approve of everything about one another, but accept one another. Do not make conditions such as, "If you will ... then I will ... etc."

Forgive one another. Simple forgiveness is the answer to many problems.

Go to Church together every Sunday.

Remember that you promised to love and cherish each other.

Do not give up. Trouble is sometimes the prelude to a deeper joy.

More problems are soluble in patience than in petulance.

My Mother

MY MOTHER'S LOVE

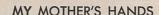
My mother's love was the first love that nestled me, and suffered for me. From first to last she has loved me, whether I was lovely or unlovely. Her love never changed, never tired, but endured through all. Such love calls me to remembrance at this Mother's Day.

MY MOTHER'S VOICE

My mother's voice was the first message of love that sounded in my ears. Her smile was my first glimpse of beauty. I did not understand those first endearing words, but I understood her tones of love and her smile, and was made glad. Other voices have flattered and derided me, praised and condemned me without love; but, whether her voice rebuked or encouraged me, it was always in love. I shall not fail to lift my voice in praise of her, and in praise of all other true mothers.

"My mother's voice! How often creeps
Its sweetness on my lonely hours!
Like healing sent on wings of sleep,
Or dew to the unconscious flowers.
I may forget her melting prayer

While busy pulses madly fly,
But in the still, unbroken air,
Her gentle tone comes stealing by—
And years, and sin, and manhood flee,
And leave me at my mother's knee."



My mother's hands labored for me long before I could provide for myself. Up through the lean years those loving hands toiled early and late for my sake. They are now "wreathed in lines and white with wear,"—some of the love marks she carries for me. Never did she spare herself when I needed her in helpless infancy or in growing youth, nor will I deny myself the privilege now of serving her.

MY MOTHER'S TEARS

My mother's tears moistened her pillow when I knew it not, nor cared. My selfish, heedless, careless, loveless ways and words often brought her grief and pain. When I grew up into self-sufficiency, she wept and prayed that I might be spared the harvest of folly. Let me thank God again today that mother's prayers followed me, and have been answered—answered while she still lives.

MY MOTHER'S LIFE

My mother's life was my first Bible. Her life was an exemplification of its teachings. Nothing I can ever do can fully repay the debt I owe my mother for her godly influence, unless it be that I walk the way she taught me, and meet her at heaven's gate "when the saints go marching in."

"Oh, mother, when I think of thee. 'tis but a step to Calvary;
Thy gentle hand upon my brow is leading me to Jesus now."





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April New Members

Mrs. Willie Robinson, Pleasantville Baptist Church, Greenville, South Carolina, Christian Exper-

Mr. Lawrence Qualls, 1751 9th Avenue Huntington, West Virginia, Candidate for Baptism.

COMMENTS

April 16, 1962

Dear Brother Smith:

I read with enjoyment your Easter copy of "The Pioneer." My congratulations go to you and your staff on an excellent publication and your Church on the Christian program you are providing.

My best wishes.

Sincerely,

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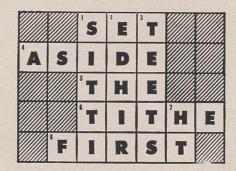
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Church and Community News

MEN'S DAY HIGHLIGHT'S

Sunday, April 29, marked the Second Annual Men's Day in First Baptist. With a capacity crowd, Dr. Phale D. Hale, minister of Union Grove Baptist Church, Columbus, Ohio, delivered a powerful message entitled "The Old Man and The Space Age." In the afternoon, the men were admonished to recognize the powers of Love, Prayer and Christ.

The voices of the Men rang melodiously through the Sanctuary as "God is Still on His Throne", "A Little Talk With Jesus," and "Oh, What He's Done For Me," were sung. Mr. Robert Hill, Mr. Homer France, Mr. Wiley Mitchell, Mr. James Smith, Mr. Ronald Atkinson, Mr. William Murrell participated in trios, duets, and solos. Mr. Robert Hill gave the invocation and Deacon William Murrell led the Responsive Reading. Mr. Joseph Slash, Sr., welcomed the guests and Mr. Jack Forte read the announcements. A paper expressing the theme of the day was read by Mr. Charles Spencer. Sentence prayers were offered by Mr. Charles Prater, Mr. Jonah France, Mr. James Hairston, and Deacon Albert Slayton. The guest speaker was introduced by Deacon Lewis Green, while Mr. Whittier Johnson and Mr. Homer France, took the Men's Day offering of Consecration. Mr. Johnny McCoy, and Mr. Willie Howard, directed the music for the day.

More than one hundred and fifty guests were served a delicious ham dinner. Mr. Conkaline Gray, and Mr. Sherman Polley served as chairmen of the dinner. The Fellowship of the day was one that will be long remembered.

YOUNG ADULT DAY HIGHLIGHT'S

Young Adult Day at First Baptist Church was highlighted by an inspiring and rewarding message delivered by the Rev. Leonard Chapman.

Rev. Mr. Chapman spoke to us in the morning from the 37th Psalm, the first five verses, which read, "Commit thy way unto the Lord, trust also in Him, and He shall bring it to pass." If the Young Adults would commit themselves to Christ, they would not have to fret themselves because of evil doers. If they would but trust in the Lord and do good, if they would but delight in the Lord, He would surely bring to pass the longings of their heart.

The Worship service was highlighted by three special music selections. "Come Ye Blessed," solo by Mr. Ronald Atkinson, "Stand By Me," solo by Mrs. Rebecca Terry. "He's So Wonderful," solo by Mrs. Vaida Carey.

Mr. Kenneth Johnson gave the invocation, and Mrs. Lillie Smith, led the Responsive Reading. Mrs. Ruth Forte welcomed the guests, and Miss Marilyn Black read the announcements. The theme of the day, was given by Mr. Johnny McCoy. Sentence prayers were offered by Mrs. Ardelia

Pegram, Miss Janie Moore, Mrs. Dorothy Scott, and Mr. Joseph Slash, Jr. The guest speaker was introduced by Mrs. Ogle Duff.

One hundred guests enjoyed a palatable dinner, prepared and served by the Young Adults, under the leadership of Mrs. Edith Johnson. Mr. Johnny McCoy, and Miss Sandra Barnett, served as Co-Chairman, Mrs. Rebecca Terry as Secretary, and Mr. Ronald Atkinson as Treasurer. The fine co-operation of many Young Adults welded together a link that connected a dream with its fulfillment. (Success). It was remarked by many that the day was likened to a grand pageant.

YOUTH DAY

Under the youth leadership of Toni K. Washington, Cecelia Murrell, and Freddie Bivins and the adult sponsorship of Mrs. Vada Ellis, Miss Donna Carey, Miss Barbara Diggs, Mr. George Bolden, Mrs. Sadie Bowling, and Miss Ellen James, Youth Day set the pace for Loyalty Month. Our pastor spoke both to the youth and to their parents. The pink tea given in the afternoon surpassed all expectations. The Little Chapel was beautifully decorated in pink carnations. A program revealing the latent talent of our youth inspired the capacity crowd. Gary Edwards of Burlington, Ohio was guest soloist. Kathy Murrell and her brother Steve were crowned Youth Day King and Queen.

Usher Board Serves Tea

Easter Sunday afternoon, the Usher Board of First Baptist served tea at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Tate.

Amidst beautiful Easter decorations of candy and eggs mounted on driftwood. Tea was poured by Mrs. Flora Bass. Tiny little sandwiches and cake were served.

The experience will long be remembered by those who shared in the Fellowship. "Successful" was the magic word of the day.

The Easter spirit gave it the necessary atmosphere. The Board wishes to thank all who participated.

Group 18 Has Style Show

A pre-Easter style show was held on April 11, 1962 in the Appalachin Electric Company Auditorium, by Women's Group Eighteen as their effort for Loyalty Month. The Co-Chairmen of the group were Mrs. LaVeeta Peters and Mrs. Irene Murrell.

Clothing was modeled from The Smart Shop, Kurzman's and The Princess Shop. Hats from Paris Hat Shop were worn by the models.

Features on the program were dances from the Arthur Murray Studio; guest soloist, Clarence Johnson, Jr., accompanied by Johnny McCoy; the Farrell Sisters and Miss Judy Harris accompanied

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Information Please, Pastor

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Church must be organized as one visible body under the sole rule of a pope. Baptism is not essential to salvation. There is no saving power in a drop or two of water. The organization of the Church cannot save one, the priest, pope, minister, deacon, cardinal or bishop. Men are saved only by their FAITH IN CHRIST JESUS. Baptism is a sign or symbol of an inner change. It within itself has no saving power.

2. Protestants believe that both elements of the Lord's Supper, that is, bread and wine, should be received by the communicant; the Roman Catholic Church reserves the wine exclusively to the clergy.

In the Roman Catholic Church the priest in the Mass partakes of both elements, while the congregation partakes of the Eucharist under the appearance of bread alone. The Church believes it is unnecessary to serve both kinds, since Christ is complete in either element. After the priest has consumed "the Body and Blood of our Lord," those who are to receive Communion approach the altar rail. The priest then removes from the tabernacle the ciborium, which contains the "Sacred Hosts," and after absolving the people of their sins he administers the sacrament to those at the altar, saying "May the Body of our Lord Christ preserve your soul to everlasting life. Amen"

Protestants believe the "Bread and the Wine", not to be the actual body of Christ, but merely

symbols. No prayer can change the elements into His Body. Protestants further receive both elements. After giving the members of the Church at Corinth a warning not to abuse the Lord's Supper, Paul adds to the words of institution this comment: "For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do show the Lord's death until he come. Wherefore, whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup" (I Cor. 11:26-28.)

While Protestants differ widely as to the interpretation of Christ's presence at the Lord's Table-from memorial service to a sacramental ritual-they all believe that the true worshiper really meets Him there.

- 3. Protestants believe that no one has the right or power to forgive sins save God alone; the Roman Catholic Church teaches that the priest can and does forgive sins.
- 4. Protestants believe that they have a right to read any version or translation of the Bible; the Roman Catholic Church forbids its members to read any version or translation not specifically authorized by itself.

Before I have a right to judge my neighbor, I must in some true sense become my neighbor. I must see with his eyes and think with his thought and feel with his heart. Only then have I won the right to differ from him.

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Baptists of the World... CODAY

HEN any church body increases its membership over two hundred fold within a 20year period in the world of today—then that church can lay claim to a remarkable call of God.

Yet that is exactly what the Baptists have done in the last two decades. At present, they number more than nine million church members in the United States. And there are over seventy thousand Baptist churches in the world.

But even more remarkable is this fact: There is no Baptist church. There are but Baptist churches. For each of these seventy thousand Baptist churches is independent in its government, and is responsible to no other church or company of churches, but to itself only.

From the human point of view, the "tie that binds" these churches together might look more like a "rope of sand." For these churches do not find their strength in the wealth of their members, in their worldly influence, nor in elaborate form of reorganization. Each church is a miniature republic, and is responsible to Jesus Christ, and Him alone. Each church is independent, self-governing and administers its own affairs under the headship of Christ.

Yet these principles and practices have welded them together in every state in our Union, and in every land the world over, by "the fellowship of the Spirit and the bonds of love." They have been hoops of steel, binding them together in a common fellowship of faith and service.

Because they believe they are building "upon the foundations of the Apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone,' tist churches have been champions of civil and religious liberty, the complete separation of church and state, and the absolute freedom of conscience within the limits of the revealed word of God. They believe in the inherent right of every soul to deal personally with God. And Baptist principles, like Baptist doctrines, have for their authority the Word of God-declared to be the sole and sufficient rule of faith and practice.

Baptists have their distinguishing characteristics wherever they are found. They are known for a simplicity of faith that is quite startling in contrast with complex creeds and systems so often asso-

ciated with religious orders. And as a republic, in theory, at least, is much less complicated in government and in working than a monarchy or oligarchy, so a Baptist church is simpler and more direct in its attitude and operation than any other form of religious organization.

Baptists are plain and wholesome in doctrine and in life. Their principles lead them to refrain from any sort of entanglement with political influence and government. They have never ESUS SAYS

SHALL WE DO WHAT HE SAYS

craved social prestige. They have subordinated material success in spiritual service.

They have always shown a definite interest in evangelizing agencies. This has followed naturally from their devotion to the simple and eternal principles of the Gospel. They have never been satisfied with a formal acceptance of the Christian teachings but have demanded a change of heart through faith in Jesus Christ. They have labored incessantly, both in the home-lands and on the mission fields, to bring men and women to the cross, and to secure their loyal obedience to Christ as Master and Savior.

Baptists have always been known for their love of soul-liberty. Stoutly and constantly Baptists have contended for freedom of conscience, till today these principles are acknowledged by almost all Protestant denominations. But through generations of splendid history the demand for spiritual liberty has been

an outstanding trait of these

people.

Their history has been marked in sacrifice and true heroism. Possessed with a great passion to be known of their Lord for their practical faith, they have been zealous in their adventuring, achievements, leadership practical ministry.

Such is the heritage of the millions of Baptists in the world today. Such is the torch they carry to the Baptists of tomor-

It takes a great many years of hard work, tempered by the lessons taught by adversity and repeated failures, to succeed in a big way. And after all, this demonstrates the truth of a great law—the law of evolution. Nothing is at its best in the beginning. It must grow, develop, evolve, profit by the lessons and bitter experience of the years, of the ages, of time, to reach its finest expression, its acme of power and usefulness .- Selected.

Group Nine Has Coffee Hour

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Watson Jennison at 1628 Doulton Avenue, was the setting for a Coffee Hour, Palm Sunday, given by the Women's Group Nine as their project for Women's Day.

From a table covered with a pale green cloth with yellow roses and decorated with a centerpiece of flowers arranged in a milk glass compote, coffee and cake were served from 3 to 6 P. M.

Group 18 Has Style Show

(From page 7)

by Mrs. Martha Edwards who also furnished back-ground music for the models.

Small tots modeling were Ronda Perry, Princess Taylor, Donita Quarles, Tonie Quarles, and Edward Ramsey.

Teenager models were Olivia Waldon, Debbie Murrell, Meredith Dawson, Anita Murrell.

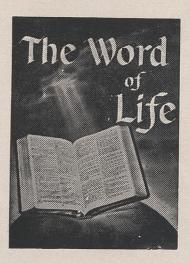
The Adult models were: Mrs. Fannie Slayton, Mrs. Lillie Smith, Mrs. Vaida Carey, Mrs. Marcelene Williams, Mrs. Eleanor Perry, Mrs. Irene Murrell, and Mrs. Ogle Duff. Mr. William Murrell was master of ceremony.

Refreshments were served after the program. In addition to Mrs. Murrell and Mrs. Peters, other members of the committee were Mrs. Lillian Crump, Mrs. Eleanor Perry, and Mrs. Maude Walker.

Scott Center Plans Renovation

Plans have been made by the J. W. Scott Community Center to renovate the building located at 1639 Eighth Avenue. The proposed remodeling plans call for a concrete floor, new front, new windows, and an addition on the rear among other things. The cost of this project has been estimated to cost \$20,000.

You can help by joining other religious, civic, and social organizations in support of this building campaign.



SAND

I scooped a mound of sunny sand, And clutched it tight within my hand. Said I, "This is my own today." And yet, the sand just slipped away.

And, as the sand, I plucked a rose From thorny stem on which it grows, And caressing petals sweet It dropped in shreds about my feet.

Then, like the rose, I found a word,
Which painted beauty when 'twas heard.
I used it, forced it, all that day
Until the beauty slipped away.

How like the sand is beauty's quest, For when we feel we've found the best, We hold it tight - it's ours today— And, as the sand, it slips away.





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- 3. By keeping the confidence of the growing children.
- 4. By giving the children responsibilities and seeing that they fulfill their obligations.
- 5. By practicing Christ's methods of understanding and forgiveness.
 - 6. By going to Church with your children.
- 7. By talking in the family circle of your beliefs and convictions.
- 8. By example and teaching in developing a philosophy of life worth while, worth living and dying for; faith in Jesus Christ.

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I took a piece of pottery clay And idly fashioned it one day, And as my fingers pressed it still It bent and yielded to my will.

I came again when days were passed; The bit of clay was hard at last. My early imprint still it bore, And I chould change its form no more.

I took a piece of living clay And gently moulded it day by day, Pressing with all my power and art A young boy's soft and yielding heart.

I came again when years were gone; He was a man I looked upon My early impress still he bore, And I could change him never more.

A Few Little Do Mores

- 1. Do more than exist . . . LIVE
- 2. Do more than look . . . OBSERVE
- 3. Do more than read . . . ABSORB
- 4. Do more than hear . . . LISTEN
- 5. Do more than listen . . . UNDERSTAND
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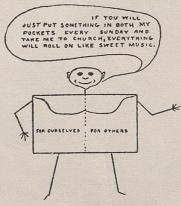


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COURSES OFFERED

- (a) Church School Workers
- (b) Visitation
- (c) Church Music Worship
- (d) Parliamentary Procedure

Wisdom is the beginning of understanding. Understanding the mission of the church in our community and understanding each other are our greatest needs. Plan now to attend.

TEN COMMANDMENTS FOR CHURCHGOERS

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I

Thou shalt enter reverently, quietly and gladly into the house of worship, remembering that is the "Meeting House" wherein thou dost meet with God, and with thy fellow worshippers. (Ps. 122:2.)

II

Thou shalt follow the user unto the seat pointed unto thee, and go unto the farthest end thereof; not making of thyself a seat-hog or endangering the corns of thy feet by having late comers squeeze by thee. (Ps. 42:4.)

III

Thou shalt enter therein and be seated in the pew, with wraps removed and books arranged, at least two minutes before the services opens, prepared to join heartily in the music, responsive readings, and all parts of the exercises; and by a moment of prayer and meditation divest thyself of any grouch which might disfigure thy countenance and mar the profit of the meeting unto thee. (Heb. 2:20.)

IV

Thou shalt hearken diligently unto the words of thy minister, and not divert thy attention by planning the dinner, devising a way by which thou mayest swat thy business rival, or check the missing cylinder in thy automobile; and especially shalt thou not distort thy countenance and give forth sonorous sounds by falling into a deep sleep. (I Cor. 15:34.)

V

Thou shalt remember the offerings, and by using both ends of thy duplex envelope show that thou art not a tightwad, or lacking in missionary knowledge and zeal. (Ps. 96:1; Matt. 6:20.)

VI

Thou shalt always be ready to welcome strangers, sharing with them thy pew and thy hymn-book, and giving unto them the glad hand; remembering when thou wert a stranger in a strange church and didst suffer embarrassment because of a scanty welcome. (James 2:3, 4.)

VI

Thou shalt not nervously snap thy watch, or ostentatiously stare at a clock during the service, (Please turn to page 8)

MISSION DEPARTMENT PLANS CONCERT

Frances Hopkins Watkins, dramatic soprano, will be presented in concert by the Mission department Sunday, September 30, at 4 P. M.

She is a native of Bluefield, West Virginia, where she attended public schools and graduated from Bluefield State College with teaching fields in Music and Business Education.

She received her Master of Arts Degree from Teachers College, Columbia University, New York City, with Voice as her performing media.

While teaching school in the state of Missouri, she presented recitals in Missouri, Kansas, and Nebraska where she was highly received. Also she has presented recitals in Virginia and West Virginia.

She has auditioned for DePaus and Columbia Artists.

Presently she is instructor of music in the Genoa Junior High School and Minister of Music at the Scott Street Baptist Church.

Her accompanist is Mrs. Helen Davis who formerly attended West Virginia State College but graduated from Bluefield State College. She is Minister of Music at the John Steward Methodist Church.

Both ladies are members of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.

OPERATION WORKSHIP

OCTOBER 23-26

All leaders in our church need constant training to do the Lord's Work. Paul admonished Timothy in his day to study to show thyself a qualified



DEDICATION SERVICES

NURSERY BECOMES REALITY

"Suffer little children to come unto me and forbid them not for such is the kingdom of heaven," sayeth the Lord. We are always glad to see parents bringing their young ones to church and now we are happy to be able to provide facilities for these small ones to be properly cared for while you parents worship with God.

The old library downstairs has been converted into a nursery with all the trimmings.

Under the guidance of Mrs. Lorraine Cobbs and Mrs. Marcelene Williams, the nursery has become a fact. Mrs. Roberta Dawson, Mrs. Lillie Smith, Deacons Slayton, Murrell, Cosby, Trustee Hall, Mr. Joseph Scott, Mr. Alphonso Duff and the Pastor decorated the nursery. It is opened every Sunday to anyone with children under five. Toys and furniture have been donated by interested members of the church.

We hope that with this added service more young adults will find it possible to come to church and participate in the services.

Price Speaks For Mission Day

Mrs. Ruth E. Price served as guest speaker for Mission Day July 29 at the morning services.

A loyal and faithful member of our church, Mrs. Price is a graduate of the National Trade and Professional School for Women and Girls, Inc., Lincoln Heights, Washington, D. C. She is president of the West Virginia Baptist Women's Educational and Missionary Convention and member of the Board of Directors of the National Baptist Convention

Her latest achievement is serving as a cochairman of the National Youth Camp. This camp is located at Constitine, Michigan. May God ever bless and guide her in all her undertakings.

Mrs. Sadie Bowling is chairman of the program committee of the Mission.

There is nothing so easy but that it becomes difficult when you do it with reluctance.

We are all manufacturers—making good, making trouble of making excuses.

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The Chancel Choir Sings

Members of the Chancel Choir of First Baptist joined Rev. Charles H. Smith in services held in Handly, West Virginia, July 19, at the closing exercises of the Mt. Olive District Association Convention.

Members of the choir making the trip were Mrs. Susie Johnson, Miss Zenobia Minor, Mrs. Rebecca Terry, Deacon William Murrell, Mr. John Hawkins, Mrs. Dorothy Scott, Mr. Joe Louis Scott, Mrs. Roberta Dawson, Miss Carolyn Green, Mrs. Norma Johnson, Mrs. Lillie Smith, Deacon Ronald Atkinson, Mr. Willie Howard and Mrs. Martha Edwards, pianists, Mrs. Donna McCoy, and Mr. Johnny McCoy.

Special music by the choir included "Plenty Good Room," "Ride The Chariot," "We've Come This Far By Faith," "Onward Christian Soldiers," "Pray For Me," and "Stand By Me," after which Rev. Smith delivered an inspiring and powerful message entitled "Strange Cargo."

Enroute home the choir stopped at a restaurant in Charleston and had an informal dinner honoring the recently married Mr. and Mrs. Johnny McCoy with a surprise wedding shower.



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"I Was Sick And Ye Visited Me"

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What Is A Preacher?

What is a preacher, my son?

Why, he is a man, called of God to preach the Gospel, and dependent upon the grace of a congregation. He is a specialist, educated, trained and experienced in a field where everyone on earth considers himself an expert. He is the manager of an institution, numbering scores of activities and hundreds of members, whose major task is to manage it without the fatal hint of assuming any authority.

And what does a preacher do, my son?

Well, his time is his own which means he is always on the job. You see, the man who is cursed with punching in a time clock in the morning is also blessed with the privilege of punching one out in the evening. The preacher teaches, though he must solicit his own classes. He heals, though without pills or knife. He is sometimes a lawyer, often a social worker, something of an editor, a bit of philosopher, an entertainer, a lecturer, a salesman, a handy decorative piece for public functions, a local representative for every relief movement in the land. He is supposed to be a scholar, as well as a promotional man. People come to see him and he goes to see people continually and he rejoices with exceeding joy when in the midst of this an opportunity arises to be of genuine personal, spiritual help. He visits the sick, marries people, buries the dead, labors to console those who sorrow and to admonish those who sin, and labors to stay sweet when chided for

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not calling enough. He plans programs, appoints committees and does their work for them, spends considerable time in keeping people out of each other's hair, and more time in trying to scramble out himself with the least possible loss.

Oh, yes—and between time he prepares a sermon and preaches it on Sunday to those who don't happen to have any other engagement for the Sabbath holiday. Then on Monday he smiles when some jovial chap roars, "What a job—one hour of work a week!"



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Church School News

Our Church School under the leadership of Mrs. Julia Nixon has started its fall program with a bang. The new church bus has already boosted our attendance from 60 to 96. It is our aim to have 125 present in school each Sunday. The time of opening each Sunday morning has been changed from 9:45 A. M. to 9:30 A. M. This change will give each class 15 additional minutes in the class room.

Our School needs more adults who will avail themselves of the exposure of the Bibles. All adults ought to be in Sunday School. The more members attending, the stronger our church will become.

A Men's Bible Class will be organized soon in the Sunday School. For the month of September the Junior B. Y. F. will bring devotions.

B. Y. F.

Our week-day Religious Educational program is off to a good start. Elementary group has 30, Junior High has 27, Senior High 8, and College 12. Serving as counselors are the following:

Elementary:

Mrs. Vada Ellis

Mrs. Sadie Bowling

Mrs. Irene Murrell

Mrs. Lillie Smith

Junior High

Mrs. Ogle Duff

Senior High

Pastor, Charles H. Smith

Baptist Students (College)

Pastor, Charles H. Smith

Our church bus picks up all our youth from the schools, brings them to church, and returns them home after the meeting. During the warm months, the groups will meet in the park for some of their meetings. Parents are asked to donate refreshments as they did last year.

What Camp Has Meant To Me BY MERCHANT THOMPSON

Having the opportunity to attend Hilltop camp has helped me in many ways. It helped me to realize the meaning of being a Christian. It also gave me a better understanding of the meaning of Christian growth. It gave me the opportunity to meet many new friends.

While attending Hilltop I gained more strength and power in wanting to be able to be and work closer in the Church.

The classes I attended were "The Church's Members," taught by Rev. Winston, and also a class taught by Rev. Charles H. Smith.

The week I spent at Hilltop will be remembered throughout my life. It has truly made a difference in my life, and I know Jesus is with me every hour.

B. Y. F. Plans Youth Convention

All four divisions of our Baptist Youth Fellowship plan a Five State Youth Convention, November 2-4. Our Youth will serve as host.

The purposes of the convention are to bring together the top caliber of young Christians, to further inspire them for dedicated service to their church, and to allow them to express their convictions by using their native and cultivated Godgiven talents.

The theme is "A Company of the Committed." Those who assemble will form the company. By virtue of the Pastor, Youth Council or Mission Department's choice, they are believed to be committed. Truly Huntington should ring forth with joy when youth invades its boundaries and declares the message of the Cross "He Lives." Yes, there will be Baptist Witnesses from Ohio, Kentucky, West Virginia, Virginia, Penn., and Indiana.

It is the desire of our young people to provide homes and meals for their guests. Therefore they are asking the membership for whole hearted support in their effort to foster the program of Christ

What Camp Has Meant To Me BY MISS APRIL CARTER

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Hilltop Camp was a scene for many boys and girls to gain fellowship, love, and understanding of God's Word. This camp has helped me to meet many new friends.

Highlights on what happened at camp:

Hilltop Camp has increased. Last year there were forty-five boys and girls from all over the state, this year there were 68. I attended three classes. The first one was "The Meaning of Church Membership," taught by Mrs. Willie Mae Eaton of Switzerland. The second was "About Myself," taught by Dr. R. B. Powell, State Dilrector of Christian Education. The last class was Handicraft Work, taught by the Mesdames Victoria and Edith Cousins.

We had a camp newspaper: I was elected as proofreader. All of the girl campers who attended camp last year were elected as board directors. I was on the board. We learned a number of pep songs. I can surely say that I have had a marvelous experience during the past two years that I have attended camp at Hilltop.

IS YOUR NAME WRITTEN THERE? ... on the Voting list?

If you want to have a say about how you are treated as a citizen you must register and vote!

DEADLINE — October 8th

Register Now!

What Camp Has Meant To Me BY DAVID THOMPSON

I'd like to thank the General Mission for sending me to Hilltop. I had a good time and had a chance to meet new friends. We left Huntington at about 1:30 A. M. and got to Hilltop in time for breakfast at 8:00. We had four young people from First Baptist. They were April Carter, Merchant Thompson, Cecil Mayo and I.

After we ate, we went to first period class at 8:45 with Rev. Ashley Leonard, my teacher. We studied about "The meaning of Church Membership." In this class I learned that the Baptist Church had a glorious beginning, a blood written history, an illustrious present and a future as bright as the promises of God.

I also learned that membership brings us great opportunity for fellowship in the finest fellowship that can be found, for Christian growth, for Christian service through the work of the church. Last but not least, I learned that membership places upon us an inescapable obligation to make the church and its work first in our lives, to use our time and our talent for the glory of God, to support the work with our presence, our talent, our influence, and our means.

We talked about Christian Growth. Rev. Leonard also talked about the Physical Growth, how physical beings can be mentally ill and retarded but spiritually nothing can happen to them unless they do it to themselves.

Our second class was at 9:50 and my subject here was "Teach Us To Pray" which was taught by Rev. Mozelle Scrugg. In this class, I learned a little bit more about how to pray and also learned that there are five different kinds of prayers. They are (1) adoration; (2) thanksgiving; (3) confession; (4) petition; (5) intercession. We discussed the meaning of prayer and everybody had a different meaning.

His "Easy Time"

- If he is young, he lacks experience, if his hair is gray, he is too old; if he has five or six children he has too many; if he has none, he is setting a bad example.
- If his wife sings in the choir, she is being forward; if she does not, she is not interested in her husband's work.
- If he speaks from notes, he has canned sermons and is dry; if he extemporaneous, he is not deep.
- If he spends too much time in his study, he neglects his people; if he visits, he is a gadabout.
- If he is attentive to the poor, he is playing to the grandstand; if to the wealthy, he is trying to be an aristocrat.

- If he suggests improvements for the church, he is a dictator; if he makes no suggestions, he is a figurehead.
- If he uses too many illustrations, he neglects the Bible, if not enough, he is not clear.
- If he condemns wrong, he is cranky; if he does not, he is a compromiser.
- If he preaches an hour, he is windy; if less, he is lazy.
- If he preaches the truth, he is offensive; if not, he is a hypocrite.
- If he fails to please everybody, he is hurting the church; if he does please everybody, he has no convictions.
- If he preaches tithing, he is a money-grabber; if he does not, he is failing to develop his people.
- If he receives a large salary, he is mercenary; if a small salary, it proves he is not worth much.
- If he preaches all the time, the people get tired of hearing one man; if he invites guest preachers, he is shirking responsibility.
- So what! They say the preacher has an easy time.

Ten Commandments

for Churchgoers

(From page 4)

giving the impression that thy mind is upon the dinner, early afternoon visit, or motor trip in the country. (Ps. 26:8.)

VIII

Thou shalt not engage in whispered conversation during the postlude or any part of the service, whether thou art in the choir, among the assembled ushers at the door, or in thy pew; but thou shalt concentrate thy thought and save thy breath for the songs, responses and amens, by which the congregation putteth enthusiasm into the service. (Ps. 26:12.)

IX

Thou shalt not interrupt the closing hymn and benediction by putting on thy wraps, rubbers, et cetera, before the close of service, that thou mayest be able to make a quick getaway before anyone hath time to speak unto thee; nor shall thou include in loud or irreverent conversation at the close of the service, by which the solemn impressions thereof may be banished from the minds of thy fellow worshippers. (Ps. 93:5.)

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Thou shalt not shun thy pastor, if he chanceth to be at the door to speak unto thee on thy way out; but if the service or sermon hath helped thee, thou shalt speak unto him the appreciative word which may help to make "blue Monday" less blue unto him. (Prov. 25:11.)