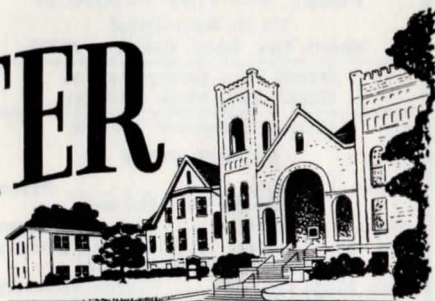


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OUTSTANDING CLINIC IS ANNOUNCED

ATTENTION ALL ORDAINED DEACONS,
DEACONESS, WIVES, HUSBANDS, AND
INTERESTED YOUNG MEN!

YOU ARE INVITED (ENCOURAGED) TO BE PRESENT

Calvary Baptist Church (Toast)
7:30 P. M.
Monday and Tuesday
April 25 and 26

DR. E. L. SPIVEY: Noted authority on the Baptist Deacon and his place of service, will conduct the clinic both nights.

Here is an opportunity in two successive evenings to gain a mountain of information that would take months to find and study by yourself. Every deacon, active now or in past years must take advantage of this once in a lifetime event. Bring your wife or husband, as it may be, because they will be very important in the clinic. I cannot urge hard enough to say your participation in this learning experience could mean the making or breaking of the diaconate in this church. I will also be there to support you. Won't you be there to support me?

Your Pastor

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THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 24

- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
- 5:00 p.m. Youth Choir
- 5:45 p.m. Snack Supper
- 6:15 p.m. Training Union
- 7:15 p.m. Evening Worship

Monday, April 25

- 3:30 p.m. Cub Scouts
- 7:30 p.m. Cub Scout Pack Meeting

Tuesday, April 26

- 3:15 p.m. Girl Scouts

Wednesday, April 27

- 5:00 p.m. Cherub Choir (Primaries)
- 5:45 p.m. Church Supper
- 6:15 p.m. Sunday School Promotional Period
- 6:15 p.m. Carol Choir (Juniors)
- 6:15 p.m. Sunbeams
- 6:15 p.m. Officers and Teachers Departmental Meetings
- 7:30 p.m. Prayer Service
- 8:15 p.m. Senior Choir

Thursday, April 28

- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts

Friday, April 29

- 3:15 p.m. Brownies
- 3:15 p.m. Cub Scouts

SOME FACES ARE LIFTED

It is always our desire to provide as comfortable and attractive quarters as is possible. The old sanctuary building is "old", but you have seen what new paint and cleaning can do to restore the old. The Adult II and Junior Departments have been painted throughout and some additional lighting has been added to Adult II. We hope these two departments are proud of the work that has been done and that they will strive diligently to keep it in good shape. Upkeep is the job of each member; not just the staff.

The painting was done by Jones Painting Company, and several members of this family are members of this church, as was the late Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Jones. I hope you will express your appreciation to them and to Mr. Henry Rowe, chairman of our House and Grounds Committee.



BY LETTER:

Miss Marla J. Hartman

Route 5, Mount Airy

Note To Parents Concerning Kindergarten Registration

For the past month the Kindergarten enrollment has been open to the First Baptist Church members. April 22nd the registration will be open to the public. If you have not sent in your registration blank with the registration fee, it is suggested that you do so at once.

The registrations are filling up quickly and we would like all First Baptist Church members to be sure of a reservation for their child. Reg-

Message to Parents!

CHILDREN OFTEN SAY...

"My Parents never attend Sunday School, why should I?"

Parents—For Your Children's Sake As Well As Your Own, Be A Regular Attender Each Sunday



Youth Lead In Worship

You supported the youth of this church with a magnificent attendance last Sunday, and I knew you could do it all along. And by your being here you heard six of our young people speak as frankly and as well about the youth of our day and how they are relating to Christianity as you have ever heard. You also saw evidence of the fact that this church could have a youth choir if it wants one badly enough. In fact, this church could entrust various jobs and responsibilities to the young people if it wanted to be bothered enough about it. Are you really and truly leading your youngster to the church and its Bible centered program, or away from the church by a lack of parental concern over the church and its life? When's the last time you worshiped as a family group, discussed the sermon or Sunday School lesson after leaving the church, shared with each other what Christ is doing in your life right now today, or discussed the spiritual needs of others? Think about it! I'll see you in church Sunday.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

Flowers have been placed in the church sanctuary for this Sunday in memory of Mr. Raymond Weldon by Lt. and Mrs. James S. Hurdick, and son of

OUR KNOWN SICK

NORTHERN SURRY HOSPITAL

Mrs. James R. McNeil
Mr. C. A. Peavy
Mr. E. D. Bray, Sr.
Mrs. Lassie Kirkman
Mrs. James L. Powell, Jr.

BAPTIST HOSPITAL

Mrs. Frances Miller Haynes

AT HOME

Mr. Lewis Webb
Mrs. Rex Tilley
Mr. Russell Shelton

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

FOR 1966

Often times we like to remember our loved ones, friends, and associates on special occasions by placing flowers in the church sanctuary. This can be done in honor of someone who is living or in memory of one who is now deceased.

A flower calendar is located in the north church foyer indicating the dates having already been reserved for 1966. If there is a special Sunday you would like to reserve, call our flower committee chairman, Mrs. Davis (786-5161), or the church office, and they will take care of your request. We ask you not to write on the calendar itself without the knowledge of Mrs. Davis or a church secretary, please. We will appreciate your co-operation.

OUR STEWARDSHIP RECORD

April 17, 1966

Budget Offering-----	\$1,861.58
Designated Funds-----	\$518.00
Memorials-----	\$22.00
Kindergarten-----	\$496.00
Total Offering-----	\$2,379.58
Total Offerings To Date-----	\$26,010.07

Does Surry Hospital Need A Chaplain?

The Chaplaincy Committee of the Mount Airy Ministerial Association has announced their plans for securing a full time chaplain at the Northern Hospital of Surry County. For quite some time, the ministers of Mt. Airy have been serving on a volunteer basis as the "chaplain of the week". Each morning for a week the minister would visit in the hospital and be on call around the clock for emergencies. This has been a good program, but there are many necessary things this program cannot accomplish due to lack of time, etc. on the part of the volunteer minister. Thus, the discussion over a full time chaplain who will be highly skilled in this field of endeavor is now before the people.

The churches are being asked to financially support the program along with the United Fund and the Hospital itself. All churches will benefit from the program, therefore it is only natural that they should be willing to play a part in its support. Mr. Howard Morris, finance committee chairman of our church, attended an information luncheon this week with the pastor in order to be better versed on the proposal. Before the finance committee can begin discussion of this matter, they need to know the congregation's attitude. Sunday you will find information sheets in each foyer. Read them carefully and make your comments on the sheet provided. This is a most worthy cause and it deserves your worthy attention. We cannot tarry, for the time of decision is upon us. What's your opinion?



SERVICEMAN OF THE WEEK

This week we remember in our prayers and in our thoughts:

Lt. (jg) Jerry D. Gilbert
2857 Ashley Shores Drive



"I especially like your benediction ... that is, what I could hear above the noise of hymnals dropping into pew racks."

No truer words were ever spoken. Ministers get to where they fear the time for an invitational hymn. This seems to be the signal for mass confusion in most Baptist churches that ends only after the final Amen!

The invitation hymn is a time for meditation, reflection, and dedication. We should meditate on the words of the sermon. We should reflect our deepest feelings and needs into the riches of God's grace. We should dedicate our lives according to the claims of Christ. We should do so quietly, reverently, and with a prayerful attitude. Not in seeing how fast we can turn to the hymn and blurt out.

For someone in the congregation, these few minutes may be the most important of their whole life. Don't ruin it for them! Pray that God will work His way in the worship and dedication periods every Sunday. The invitation time will improve this Sunday, that is, if you'll help it.

MEMORIAL GIFTS

Memorial gifts have been given to the **CALEB EARL HILL MEMORIAL FUND** by Mrs. Lester Haynes and The Dorcus Sunday School Class.

A memorial gift has been given to the **HANDBELL CHOIR** in memory of Mr.