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Interest in Master Life Continues



Those attending the graduation of the last class of Master Life are, front row: Debra Golden, Susan Morrison, Alice Johnson, Doris Darnell and Faye Fincannon. On the back row: Joanie Hughes, Thad Darnell, David Morrison, teacher Rev. Nicholas Cheek, Ann Jones, and Dr. Lin Fincannon.

For the past two years groups have been meeting at the Baptist Center for classes in Master Life, each lasting for 26 weeks, meeting once a week for two hours.

A class has just been "graduated" with Rev. Nicholas Cheek as teacher. These were Dr. and Mrs. Lin Fincannon, Mr. and Mrs. David Morrison, and Ann Jones. Geraldine Jordan completed the first session of 13 weeks.

A new class, starting from the beginning,

to be taught by Dr. Don Stephens, will begin on Thursday, May 3, at 9:30. Any who wish to attend are asked to contact the office.

Five of our pastors have completed also the Master Builder program and are qualified to teach classes themselves.

If your church does not offer these classes, you are urged to join one at the Baptist Center. Many say that Master Life has been the most meaningful experience of their lives.

Emergency Supplies Needed for Migrants

During the coming month the churches of the Elkin Association are committed to collecting emergency supplies and health kits for the migrants who are coming into our area.

Rev. Noe Bautista, pastor of our Hispanic mission, and Eldon Rogers, who works for the Health Department in the summers, are both watching for needs as the migrants come.

Many need some help until their first pay check is received.

Each church is asked to provide two boxes of food and two health kits. Food

supplies include 5 pounds each of sugar, flour, rice, pinto beans, meal, 5 quarts powdered milk, 64 ounces cooking oil, 5 packages Kool Aid, and a box of detergent.

Health kits include soap, bath cloth, tooth paste, tooth brush, can opener, small sewing kit, safety pins, toilet paper and paper towels. The bags should be of sturdy material with a draw string, made 24 by 30 inches.

These supplies should be brought to the Baptist Center for pick-up. The office is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Witnessing/Giving Life Seminar Slated For May 25

The Stewardship Department and the Evangelism Department will combine forces for a new type of follow-up on the Simultaneous Revivals.

Ken Batts from the Stewardship Department in Raleigh, and Victor Cole, from the Evangelism Department, will lead a seminar on May 25, starting at 6:15 at the Baptist Center with a fellowship meal as guests of the State Convention.

Each pastor is urged to come and bring at least two laymen from his congregation who are leaders in these areas. Suggestions are: the chairman of deacons, chairman of your church finance committee, or chairman of your evangelism committee.

The seminar is designed to train pastors and lay leaders to lead in the Church Witnessing/Giving Revivals in 1991.



Rev. Joel Blevins is off to a good start as pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church. Pictured above are: his youngest son, Adam, his wife Susie, and Rev. Blevins. On the back row, daughter Sonia and son Tracy.

Cooks Being Recruited For Summer Ministry

ReElla Ball, Mission Action Chairman for the WMU Council of the Elkin Association, is busy recruiting cooks from the churches of the area to help with providing a hot meal each Sunday for the migrants. The goal is to get participation from every church.

The Elkin Association is responsible for the meals on July 1, July 22, and August 5. These meals are served immediately following the service in Spanish. The time is about 5 p.m. This gives the workers time to get back to their own churches for the evening service.

When our association is responsible for the meal, we also take care of the activities for the children, including babies. We are asking the Acteens to take over this project, under the direction of Cathy Couch. Although our Acteens cannot speak Spanish, the association provides the lessons printed in Spanish for the children to take home with them.

The women who cook the meals also stay to serve and to clean up afterwards. This is a real labor of love, which many women say has been a great blessing to them as they watch the "mission in action."

The association furnishes paper plates and cups, napkins, and Kool Aid.



This is Raymond Leonides, 3 years old, who is attending our Hispanic Mission on Sunday afternoons. You should hear him sing "Jesus Loves Me" in both Spanish and English.

Retired Minister Furnishes Chairs For Mission



This is the Hispanic Mission House, the two-story building that the association rents as a home for pastor Rev. Noe Bautista, and as a meeting place. It is located on old 52 between Pilot Mountain and Mt. Airy.

When Rev. E. G. Jordan of Elkin read about the need for chairs in our Spanish mission, it became a burden on this heart. So he went to Winston-Salem, purchased 26 beautiful chairs and brought them to his garage.

Rev. Vernon Ball, who lives nearby, then came by with his pick-up truck and

delivered the chairs to our mission, a two-story house on Old #52 between Pilot Mountain and Mt. Airy, Rt. 1, Box 360-A, Pilot Mountain, NC.

Although Rev. Jordan is now 91 years old, he continues to do supply preaching and to keep up with what is going on in the association.

Revivals Bring Renewed Hope

Of the 14 churches who have sent in reports on their Revivals, all call this the "warmest" experience in many years.

We had 19 of our 21 churches participating in the revivals. The 14 reporting show 51 professions of faith, with 34 of those from one church, Pleasant Hill, where Rev. Rick Ingle was the evangelist.

Mineral Springs reports a genuine experience with the Holy Spirit as members confessed to each other, forgave each other, prayed together, and have continued in a spirit of such joy and good fellowship that it is evident to all in the community. Rev. Fehlsion Cheek was the Evangelist.

Pleasant View has been having a continual spirit of revival for a couple of months as new converts have joined the church almost every Sunday.

Most of the pastors attribute much of the success of the meetings to better preparation and more prayer as the whole area was made conscious of plans for revival. Many praised the little booklet, "Daniel Prayer Retreat" for leading them into a spirit of commitment.

Let's continue that spirit and plan for more cooperative efforts in the future.

New WMU Council To Be Installed

At the Annual WMU Meeting at Elkin Valley on May 7, the new WMU Council will be installed.

The new WMU Director is Carole Macemore from Pleasant Hill, who follows Mrs. Alice Johnson, who has completed 6 years of splendid leadership in that position.

Mrs. Johnson will continue to serve as Assistant Director.

Other Council members include the following:

BAPTIST WOMEN: Brenda Hollyfield, assistant, Debbie Benge.

BAPTIST YOUNG WOMEN: Sharon Smith; assistant, Debbie Gilmore.

ACTEENS: Cathy Couch; assistant, Peggy Shumate.

GIRLS IN ACTION: Lisa Goad; assistant, Susan Morrison.

MISSION FRIENDS: Ann Chappell; assistant, Janice Cheek.

MISSION ACTION/PERSONAL WITNESSING: ReElla Ball; assistant, Frances DeBorde.

ENLISTMENT/ENLARGEMENT: Doris Darnell.

New Officers Elected At Annual Meeting

The Spring Annual Session is the time for election of new officers and committee members. Their time of service begins following that meeting, with a training session at Ridgecrest in May.

Most of the officers agreed to continue their service, but here are the newly elected ones:

YOUTH MINISTRY: Laura Parker, from the staff of Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church.

WMU DIRECTOR: Carole Macemore, school teacher, from Pleasant Hill.

From the representatives only one new person was elected, Dr. Kenneth Hyde for the Annuity Board. He is pastor of First Baptist Church of Ronda.

For all of the committees a rotation system is used. Here are the new ones, each elected to serve for three years:

FINANCE: Bud Combs and Doug Poplin.

PERSONNEL: Jim Bradley and Rev. Charles Lethcoe.

ORDINATION: Rev. Finley McCoury and Max Church.

PROPERTIES: Alice Johnson.

CONSTITUTION: Jim Caudle.

RESOLUTIONS: June Nixon.

PLACE AND PREACHER: Chris Newman.

PROGRAM: Rev. John Attaway.

TRUSTEES: Dewayne Langford.

MEMORIAL: Mrs. Kenneth Hyde.

PASTORS ON STEERING COMMITTEE: Dr. Don Stephens.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 1: FINAL FOUR Sunday School Rally at Mt. Pleasant, Dr. Don Stephens, speaker.

May 3: Master Life classes at the Baptist Center, each Thursday morning at 9:30 for 26 weeks, taught by Dr. Don Stephens.

May 7: WMU ANNUAL MEETING at Elkin Valley at 7 p.m. with Mrs. Minnette Drumwright from the Foreign Mission Board as speaker.

May 8: Pastors Conference meets at the Baptist Center at 10:30 with Rev. Russ Nixon speaking on Seminary Extension.

May 14 and 15: KEY LEADERSHIP at Ridgecrest, van leaving from the Baptist Center at 11:30 on Monday, May 14, leaving Ridgecrest at 11:30 on Tuesday, May 15.

May 21-22: Sunday School Convention, Greensboro.

May 25: WITNESSING/GIVING LIFE SEMINAR at the Baptist Center, with Ken Batts and Victor Cole from the State Convention, starting with a fellowship meal at 6:15 as guests of the State Convention.

June 12-14: SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION in New Orleans, Louisiana.

June 19: Finance Committee Meeting at the Baptist Center at 7:30.

Good News Comes From Bible Society

by Dr. Lin Fincannon

There is good news from the American Bible Society. The official permission given to import a million Bibles into the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe was met with great enthusiasm by Christians in America.

In 1989 over 600,000 Bibles were distributed. Our aim is to get a million in before the door is closed.

Faye and I pledged to get 2,000 Bibles in the Elkin area at a cost of \$3.00 per Bible. This goal was reached last October.

Today there is a new spirit in the Soviet Union. North Carolina Baptist Men will return in April to build a seminary in Warsaw, Poland. The footing has been poured and materials are in place to begin construction. If things go well, we are planning to help build a seminary in Moscow later this summer.

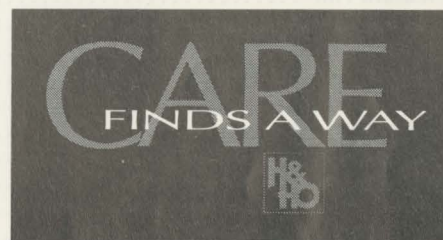
Old churches are being rebuilt, restored, and put back into use.

When a shipment of Bibles arrive in Moscow, the Bibles are allocated on a percentage basis according to the number of church members. The churches that act as a distributing center normally have a waiting list who want Bibles. These Bibles are given free, because of your generosity. May all churches respond to this "act of love."

People in Russia are gaining knowledge of God's love, the Way, the Truth, and the Life. You can help them by your gifts of Bibles.

There has been a new United Bible Society formed in Moscow, the first in 150 years. This society is shipping 100,000 Ukranian Bibles this month.

Please pray for Bibles for Russia. Give a gift of love to the American Bible Society.



Week of Prayer—May 6-13, 1990
State Goal—\$1,600,000

H&HO—Homes and Hospital Offering for:
Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina Inc.
Baptist Retirement Homes of North Carolina Inc.
North Carolina Baptist Hospital Inc.

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM Receipts and Special Offerings Jan 1 Through Mar 31, 1990

Churches Name	Total To Date Above	To Date Last Year	To Date Above
Cool Springs	424.98	566.64	595.00
East Elkin	.00	.00	490.00
Elkin First	8,143.84	11,670.34	17,594.78
Elkin Valley	5,293.00	6,017.00	12,653.00
Friendship	.00	.00	2,222.00
Macedonia	1,163.95	2,324.84	3,600.00
Mineral Springs	900.00	900.00	.00
Mount Pleasant	4,474.93	5,644.74	2,078.98
Oak Grove	.00	.00	.00
Pleasant Grove	.00	2,780.99	.00
Pleasant Hill	8,098.48	7,486.93	6,630.96
Pleasant Home	367.01	.00	1,962.26
Pleasant Ridge	1,800.73	1,845.00	3,223.16
Pleasant View	375.00	.00	.00
Poplar Springs	500.00	876.00	1,606.43
Rock Creek	.00	.00	.00
Ronda First	750.00	750.00	553.00
Shoaly Branch	.00	.00	.00
Union Hill	525.00	500.00	.00
West Elkin	600.00	500.00	.00
White Plains	.00	153.00	.00

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Financial Statement for March 1990

Balance February 28, 1990 \$ 7,200.05
Mount Pleasant - Budget 194.39
 Building 145.79
Cool Springs - Budget 50.00
 Building 50.00
Pleasant Hill 394.24
East Elkin 50.00
Here's Hope Rally Meal 178.75
Elkin First - VBS supplies 145.55
Elkin Valley - Revival Expenses 125.00
Macedonia 169.29
Macedonia - Revival Expenses 100.00
Ronda 91.67
Cool Springs - Budget 50.00
 Building 50.00
 Revival 125.00

West Elkin - Revival 26.00
Mineral Springs 100.00
Union Hill - Jan.-March 118.00
Friendship - Revival 80.00
Pleasant Home - Budget 50.00
Elkin Valley - Budget 275.00
Pleasant Ridge - Minutes 3.00
 Budget 238.22
Interest for March 24.59
TOTAL RECEIPTS *\$ 2,834.49
TOTAL TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR **\$10,034.54**

*Budget Items Receipts \$2,029.60
*Non-Budget Items Receipts \$ 804.89

DISBURSEMENTS FOR MARCH 1990

	AMOUNT BUDGETED	PAID THIS MONTH	TOTAL TO DATE	BALANCE IN BUDGET
ANNUAL MEETING - Bulletins	\$ 200.00	\$ 9.87	\$ 9.87	\$ 190.13
THE LEAF (Printing & Postage)	2,805.00	234.80	754.40	2,050.60
MAINTENANCE	1,100.00	48.00	171.00	929.00
TOWN OF ELKIN	150.00	11.70	35.10	114.90
MISCELLANEOUS - Cash & Carry	500.00	16.38	47.60	452.40
DUKE POWER	1,500.00	132.85	458.82	1,041.18
ANNUITY BOARD	2,700.00	225.00	675.00	2,025.00
EVANGELISM:				
Rev. Ned Matthews	\$125.00			
Rev. Jerry Fugate	75.00			
Rev. Billy Cline	200.00			
Rev. & Mrs. David Boan	75.00			
Pleasant Hill - Meal	412.68			
OFFICE SUPPLIES	1,000.00	887.68	944.73	55.27
MINUTES	730.00	10.40	102.05	897.95
FIRST UNION	14,400.00	730.00	730.00	None
POSTAGE	850.00	*1,081.06	3,374.68	11,025.32
CENTEL	600.00	50.00	294.40	555.60
JANE McRAE	9,240.24	46.05	137.14	462.86
CLERK'S HONORARIUM	750.00	770.02	2,310.06	6,230.18
		62.50	187.50	562.60
		**\$4,316.31		

*Principal paid on Note \$ 633.33
Interest 447.73
\$1,081.06

Balance due on Note as of 3/15, 90 \$57,633.43
**All disbursements are Budget items disbursements.

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