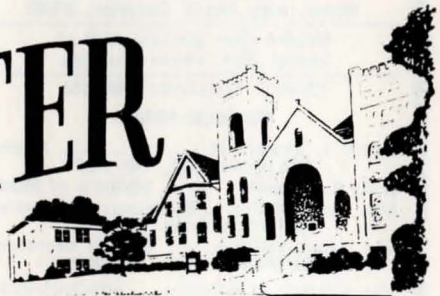


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CHURCH TO FOCUS ON ITS SHUT--INS THIS SUNDAY MORNING--OCTOBER 30

Do you have a loved-one, friend, or neighbor who is "shut-in" due to his health and/or age? Do you realize that this person is deprived of worship week by week unless their church goes to them? Each month a Home Life magazine is delivered to each of these homes with a visit, and then our worship service broadcast goes into their homes the first Sunday of each month. But is this really enough?

This Sunday morning at 11:00 A. M. we are seeking to transport every shut-in who can walk, roll, or be carried to our morning worship service. We are asking family members to take the first step in helping us. Then we have called on our W.M.U. circles and Mr. Frank Jones, at Jones Funeral Home, to assist us in needed transportation and equipment. We want to do everything in our power to assure their safety as well as being sure they are comfortable while in the service.

We are calling on our registered nurses and doctors to be present and available if any need should arise for their assistance.

This can be a unique "homecoming" for many, and at the same time, a spirit-filled service of worship for all of us. I'll see you Sunday, Bible in hand.



FIFTH SUNDAY EMPHASIS URGED

Is your church pledge up to date? That's a simple way of saying we want you to use this Sunday to catch-up with your financial pledge to the church. Our collections are still running far behind our church budget. I believe this is due to your oversight and not apathy. The spirit in our congregation has been more evident and alive recently than in many months of our past work. Let's not forget that it takes committed stewardship for a church to win the lost, train the membership, and PAY THE BILLS! CATCH UP OR GO AHEAD THIS SUNDAY.

Ordinance Of Baptism To Be Observed Sunday

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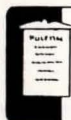
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COMING EVENTS

Sunday, October 30

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
6:00 p.m. Training Union

Monday, October 31

3:30 p.m. Cub Scouts

Tuesday, November 1

10:00 a.m. WMS General Meeting

Wednesday, November 2

6:00 p.m. Primary Choir
6:00 p.m. Junior Choir
6:30 p.m. Diaconate
6:45 p.m. Youth Choir
7:30 p.m. Prayer Service
8:15 p.m. Finance Committee
8:15 p.m. Senior Choir

Thursday, November 3

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts

OUR KNOWN SICK

NORTHERN SURRY HOSPITAL
Mrs. L. P. Wrenn, Sr.

FORSYTH HOSPITAL

Mr. Sparky Paul
Mrs. W. E. Adams

AT HOME

Youth Want Church Going Moms And Dads!

The following article released recently by the Religious News Service should be of interest to every adult, and if your parents haven't read it, show it to them when you finish.

"Parents can help raise the moral standards of the country by attending church with their children. This was the consensus of a cross-section of more than 12,000 teen-agers at the annual convention of the Arkansas Association of Future Homemakers. If parents do not attend church with their children, the children soon feel that the church is not important! The future homemakers agreed. Parents who take their children to church, leave them there, and then go home are not setting a good example.

Delegates made it plain that they feel the country's moral standards are dropping dangerously low. The future homemakers said the youth of today have a great responsibility for keeping moral standards up in the future. They also said that parents and teachers should not tell and teach us one thing and do something different!"

What do you think?



SERVICEMAN OF THE WEEK

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

AB Larry J. Kirkman
AF 12843248
CMR-2, Box 1507
Flight 2188
Lackland AFB, Texas 78236

WORLD COMMUNITY PROGRAM

The annual World Community Program sponsored by the United Church Women will be held at the Grace Moravian Church, Friday, November 4, at 7:30 P. M. Mrs. Robert Smith will present a film and speak on the theme "LAITY".



Excitement filled our congregation last Sunday morning as we witnessed a packed house. It was a beautiful day, but our people chose the house of the Lord over and against the highways. We thank God for your obedience to Him and His church.

Our service was further enhanced with a visit from the Granite Lodge 322 and Renfro Lodge 691. What a privilege it was to preach to such a powerful congregation.

This Sunday morning we are emphasizing our shut-in ministry and have asked as many of our shut-ins as possible to be present. Surely the hand of God will bless us with the presence of His spirit in this "unique homecoming." The pastor will bring the message.

Would you believe we have found a Minister of Education? By Sunday we will know whether or not this young man will accept our offer. At that time we will tell you more about him. For now let us say he is a graduate of Southwestern Theological Seminary with a Religious Education Degree, and that he and his wife are natives of North Carolina. Pray earnestly with us that the will and way of God will be clearly known to us all at this very important time.

The addition of a staff member, the prospects of breaking ground for a new sanctuary, and the continuing needs of our missions causes tells us that personal stewardship is the need of the hour. I cannot impress on you how important your contributions and paid-up pledges are to your church. Please examine what action you need to take, and have the courage and dedication to do it.....TODAY!

See you Sunday for Bible study and worship.

MEMORIAL GIFTS

A memorial gift has been given to the Handbell Choir in memory of Mrs. D. C. Witt by Mrs. Lester V. Haynes.

Dr. Otis Oliver Was Honored Sunday

Last Sunday morning, October 23, Dr. Otis Oliver was recognized by the pastor and congregation for his having completed five years of perfect attendance in Sunday School at First Baptist. The pastor presented Dr. Oliver with a pin containing the crest and bars signifying his five years. When asked if he would be adding other bars for consecutive years of attendance, he said, "I'm going for fifty more!"

We salute Dr. Oliver for his discipline and obedience during these past years. Surely his example should cause each of us to examine our own relationship to our Lord and church. His faithfulness says everyone of us can do better. Let us pledge to do so beginning this Sunday morning in Sunday School at 9:45 A. M.

OUR STEWARDSHIP RECORD

October 23, 1966

Budget Offering-----	\$1,928.59
Designated Funds-----	\$87.00
Kindergarten-----	\$67.00
Handbell Choir-----	\$20.00
Total Offering-----	\$1,995.59
Budget Offerings to Date---	\$79,696.82
Budget Requirements to Date--	\$95,096.22

SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK

Mrs. R. H. Fulcher
221 E. Poplar Street
Mount Airy, N. C.

Please remember the shut-in of the week with a visit, a card, and your prayers. It will be appreciated.

Christian Sympathy

We express our sincere Christian Sympathy to Mrs. W. H. (Ruby) Johnson in the passing of her uncle, Mr. Arthur Phipps of Welch, West Virginia.

ANNUAL MEETING CLOSES FIRST BAPTIST RECOGNIZED

The sixty-fourth annual session of the Surry Baptist Association closed last week after meeting for two days at Little Mountain Baptist Church. Several items of interest should be related to you.

CHURCH CLERK HONORED

For the first time in many years, Frank Longest, our church clerk, was presented the award for the best Associational Letter. This was judged on neatness, correctness, promptness, and thoroughness. We congratulate Frank, and say thank you to Mrs. Golding and Mrs. Childress in our church office for compiling and putting down the necessary information.

NEW MODERATOR ELECTED

Mr. Clifford Scott, a layman and insurance agent in Dobson, was elected Associational Moderator for the coming year. He is not only a fine Christian layman, but he also is a successful businessman. Rev. Ed Daniel, pastor of Haymore Memorial, will serve as his vice-moderator.

1967 ANNUAL MEETING SET

The mid-year meeting will be at Antioch Baptist on February 23. The annual meeting will be as follows:

TIME: OCTOBER 19-20
PLACE: MT. AIRY FIRST BAPTIST
PREACHER: REV. PAUL BRUCE,
MT. CARMEL
ALTERNATE: REV. LARRY WILLIAMS,
DOBSON

ADULT I AND ADULT II INSTALLATION

All Adult I and Adult II Class Officers (President, Vice-President, Secretary and Group Leaders) are asked to sit at the front of the Sanctuary for opening assembly on Sunday morning, October 30. The installation of all officers will be held on this Sunday morning. Encourage everyone to attend to show these officers all of us are behind them in their work.

Sunday's VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Haynes
Marietta, Georgia

Mrs. June S. Peterson
Mark Peterson
225 Westview Park Dr., Rocky Mt., N.C.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Johnson, Sr.
4755 West 1st St., Winston-Salem, N.C.

Mrs. Bessie Dula
Rt. 1, Dobson, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Perryman
Rt. 10, Winston-Salem, N. C.

Mrs. Harriet B. Leary
104 Pembroke Circle, Edenton, N.C.

Miss Thomasene Owensby
Box 28014, Furman University
Greenville, S. C.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND TRAINING UNION

The tiny tots....
The jolly juniors....
The tender teens....
The trying twenties....
The testing thirties....
The fiery forties....
The forceful fifties....
The serious sixties....
The sacred seventies....
The energetic eighties....
The nervous nineties....
AND.... The happy hundreds!

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W.M.U.

The W.M.S. General Meeting will be held Tuesday morning, November 1 in Fellowship Hall. The C. C. Haymore Circle will have charge of the program. All ladies are urged to attend this important meeting.