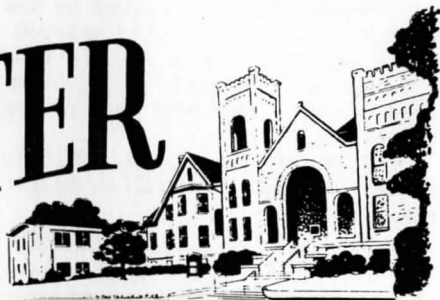


THE CHURCH NEWSLETTER



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SUNDAY IS LOYALTY SUNDAY

**\$41,525.73 IS PLEDGED
IN ONE WEEK**

Last Sunday was a thrilling day as we witnessed 253 of our people presenting their pledges for the 1967 year. Excitement seemed to run through every department in Sunday School as four of our laymen gave their stewardship testimonies. We thank God for these dedicated men and women of our church who believe and practice Bible stewardship.

This coming Sunday, January 22, is being designated Loyalty Sunday. We are expecting a large turnout for Sunday School and the Morning Worship Service. We are also expecting our members who have not turned in their pledge cards to do so at that time. Let us begin practicing our Loyalty to the Lord early in the year in order that we will not get behind or out of the habit. Attend church this Sunday with your family.



The Book Of Amos **What Is God Saying?**

In "What the Bible Is All About," Mrs. Henrietta Miers quotes a modern student of Amos: "Amos proclaimed a message so far ahead of his time that most of the human race and a large part of all Christendom have not yet caught up with it."

This fearless herdsman of Tekoa spoke straight from the shoulder. His thunderous tones, rolling down through the ages, can be heard today if one listens with his heart.

It has been declared, "In the light of the many amazing parallels between the history of Israel and of the United States, there is no other book of the Old Testament which speaks more directly to the conditions of our own time than does the book of Amos."

Are First Baptist members and leaders willing to listen, to really hear, and to apply? The blessing is before us. Let us claim it and profit from it.

ATTEND WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY
7:15 -- 8:45 P. M.
Fellowship Hall

QUARTERLY BUSINESS CONFERENCE THIS WEEK

Wednesday, January 25, will be the regular church business conference for this quarter (three months). Every member of the congregation and membership is invited to attend.

Supper will be served by the ladies of our kitchen committee from 6:00 - 6:30 P. M. The business session will begin at 6:30 for everyone, including those who could not arrive in time to eat.

The adult plate is \$1.00 and children 50¢. A nursery is open, but please feed nursery children before you arrive or feed them at your dinner seat in Fellowship Hall.

We encourage you to faithfully exercise your rights and interests as a member of this church by helping the church conduct its business and set its policies.

PLEASE MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS SUNDAY!

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JANUARY

Sunday, January 22

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

Monday, January 23

7:00 p.m. W.M.U. Quarterly Meeting,
Bannertown Baptist Church

Wednesday, January 25

6:00 p.m. Primary Choir
6:00 p.m. Junior Choir
6:30 p.m. Quarterly Business Meeting
6:45 p.m. Youth Choir
7:15 p.m. Bible Study in Amos
8:15 p.m. Senior Choir

Thursday, January 26

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts



By Baptism:

Miss Mimi Quesinberry
Miss Billie Jean Leach

OUR KNOWN SICK

NORTHERN SURRY HOSPITAL

Mrs. A. G. Webb

BAPTIST HOSPITAL

Janie Hensley

AT HOME

Mrs. Ralph Cooke, Sr.
Mrs. Jesse Boyd

OUR STEWARDSHIP RECORD

January 15, 1967

Budget Offering-----\$2,211.32
Designated Funds-----\$179.00
Kindergarten-----\$179.00
Total Offering-----\$2,390.32
Weekly Budget Needs-----\$2,385.00
Budget Offering To Date-----\$8,117.91

WMU

The Quarterly Woman's Missionary Union Meeting will be held next Monday night, January 23, at Bannertown Baptist Church. This meeting will begin at 7:00. These meetings are very important, so please try to attend if at all possible.

In Memoriam

Mrs. S. H. Warren

January 18, 1967

TITHE!

WHO, ME?



"A tithe is too much."—Really! Most of us spend an amount equal to or more than the tithe on housing or clothing. Many people spend more for "extras" than on the Lord's work. A tenth may seem like too much to you but it is really the minimum required by the One who gave himself for you.



"I'm in debt."—Yes, you really are. You are indebted to the Lord for all he has given. If you received a loan of one thousand dollars and were required to repay only one hundred dollars, you would be getting an unheard-of "deal." The Lord doesn't make "deals" but he does require at least one-tenth in return, plus the Christian use of what is left.



"I'll give when I come." Thanks! How generous you are. I suppose you fail to pay your bills when it's inconvenient, or to eat when not at home at your table, or to care for your family while away on business. The Lord's work goes on whether you attend church or not.



"I live under grace."—Good, you will want not only to tithe, you probably will give far more than the required tenth. Anyone who lives under grace will be so grateful he simply will not be able to share enough. We need more Christians like you.

How and What Shall I Give During 1967 to and Through FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

- If I give nothing:
 - I cast a ballot in favor of closing First Baptist Church.
 - I discourage others.
- If I give less than last year:
 - I show my disapproval of the work that has been done by my church.
 - I favor curtailment of the work at home and abroad.
- If I give grudgingly and of necessity:
 - I shall find no joy in my giving.
 - I shall not receive the Lord's richest blessings; for it is written that the Lord loves a cheerful giver.
- If I give less than one tenth of my income:
 - I do less than that which was required of the poorest of Jews.
- If I give proportionately:
 - I shall be blessed in my giving, whether the gift be large or small, "For if there be first a willing mind, it is accepted according to what a man hath and not according to what he hath not."
 - I shall probably increase my gifts: I know the Kingdom causes need increased support, and that I have not been giving in proportion. I must ask myself whether or not my giving has increased with my income.
- If I give systematically:
 - I shall make it possible for my church and for the Southern Baptist Convention to plan work in advance, and to live within its income.
 - I shall make it much easier for myself. I know, from past experience, that I shall find real joy and satisfaction in my giving.

Malachi 3:8-10; John 14:15

The tithe tests our obedience—"Bring ye all the tithes."

The tithe tests our honesty—"Ye have robbed me."

The tithe tests our trust—"Prove me."

The tithe tests our love—"If ye love me, keep my commandments."

STEP *FORWARD* IN FAITH

1966 Honor Roll

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