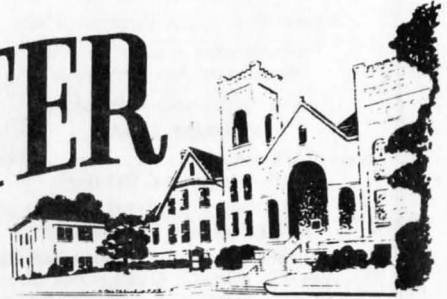


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Summer Time

..... is here! It's a happy time for many, with vacations coming, trips planned, a chance to rest and break the routine of life. God rested, and so did our Lord while in the flesh (Mark 6:31). Man's body needs rest, as does his mind and spirit. I've learned afresh the necessity of rest. Sometimes it can be forced upon you. There are always some cautions about the summer months we feel necessary, both for your physical and spiritual well-being:

1. Drive carefully. A Christian should not drive like the devil! We want you back alive. "Be not foolish: why shouldest thou die before thy time?" (Ecclesiastes 7:17)
2. Avoid places of worldly amusement where your testimony is compromised. The crowds may go there. You are different.
3. Witness for Christ where you are. There are no moral holidays. People need Christ in every place. Many have been won to Christ by strangers away from home.
4. Do not tempt the Lord (Matt. 4:7) by daredevil stunts, over-indulgence in eating, over-exposure to sun and heat, and risky sports. Be temperate in all things.
5. Keep the sacredness of the Lord's Day, Sunday. Attend church where you are. Bring back bulletins from services you have attended.
6. Use the days away as days in which your mind and soul may grow richer by reading God's Word and praying daily. Take your Bible with you. Read a good book you've intended reading for years, but just "never had time for."
7. Be sure someone here knows how to contact you in case of emergency. Stop delivery of milk, newspaper, mail, etc. Have someone look after your house.
8. Leave your tithe with the church before you leave. You'll have more before you leave than when you return! Church obligations are the same in summer, as in winter.
9. Be sure someone is committed to take your place in the church. Do not leave a Sunday School Class without leadership.
10. COME BACK TO CHURCH THE FIRST SUNDAY YOU ARE HOME

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OUR STEWARDSHIP RECORD

July 16, 1967

Budget Offering-----\$1,540.37
Designated Funds-----\$5.00
Kindergarten-----\$5.00
Heck-Jones Offering-----\$27.00
Total Deposit-----\$1,572.37
Budget Offering to Date----\$58,948.08
Weekly Budget Needs-----\$2,385.00

ATTENTION YOUNG PEOPLE:

There will be no Youth Fellowship
Meeting this Sunday night.

"Thank You, Dear Friends"

Carol and I would like to express our appreciation and love to each one of you for all your prayers and kindnesses shown us during the hospitalization and death of my husband. So many expressions of your love and concern have been made us during these difficult times and we wish to thank you for everything. It is a great source of comfort to have Christian friends like you.

Think It Over

I'll go where you want me to go
Dear Lord

Real service is what I desire,
I'll say what you want me to say,
Dear Lord,

But DON'T ASK ME TO SING IN THE
CHOIR.

I'll say what you want me to say,
Dear Lord,

I like to see things come to pass,
But don't ask me to teach girls and
boys, Dear Lord,

I'D RATHER JUST STAY IN MY CLASS.

I'll do what you want me to do,
Dear Lord,

I yearn for Thy Kingdom to thrive,
I'll give you my nickels and dimes,
Dear Lord,

But PLEASE DON'T ASK ME TO TITHE.

I'll be what you want me to be,
Dear Lord,

I long to see the church alive.
But don't ask me to come out at night,
Dear Lord,

I'M ALWAYS WORN OUT AND TIRED.

I'll go where you want me to go,
Dear Lord,

I'll say what you want me to say,
I'm busy just now with myself,
Dear Lord,

I'LL HELP YOU SOME OTHER DAY.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

MEETS MONDAY NIGHT

The Nominating Committee will begin meeting on this Monday night, July 24 at 7:30 in the church library. Mr. Crockett Brannock, chairman, urges each member of this committee to be present.



Congratulations to First Ltn. and Mrs. James Hawkins on the birth of a son, Raymond Thomas, on July 12 at Northern Surry Hospital. Mrs. Hawkins



Wedding Bells

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Tilley (nee: Judy Lynn Stadler) who were married on July 4th at the Friendly Road Baptist Church in Greensboro, N. C.

Today

TODAY IS HERE. I will start with a smile, and resolve to be agreeable. I will not criticize. I refuse to waste my valuable time.

Today has one thing in which I know I am equal with others----time. All of us draw the same salary in seconds, minutes, and hours.

Today I will not waste my time, because the minutes I wasted yesterday are as lost as a vanished thought.

Today I refuse to spend time worrying about what might happen. I am going to spend my time making things happen.

Today I am determined to study to improve myself, for tomorrow I may be wanted, and I must not be found lacking.

Today I am determined to do things I should do. I firmly determine to stop doing the things I should not do.

Today I will not imagine what I would do if things were different. They are not different. I will make success with what material I have.

Today I will stop saying "find time" for anything---if I want time I must take it.

Today I will act toward other people as though this might be my last day on earth.

I will not wait for tomorrow. Tomorrow never comes.

-Author Unknown

A CHRISTIAN SHOULD BE LIKE A GOOD WATCH:

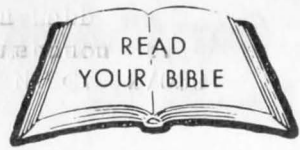
Open face;

Busy hands;

Pure gold;

Well regulated;

Full of good works.



If you are impatient, sit down quietly and talk with Job.

If you are just a little strong-headed, go and see Moses.

If you are getting weak-kneed, take a good look at Elijah.

If there is no song in your heart, listen to David.

If you are getting sordid, spend a while with Isaiah.

If you feel chilly, get the beloved disciple to put his arm around you.

If your faith is below par, read Paul.

If you are getting lazy, watch James.

If you are losing sight of the future, climb up the stairs of Revelation and get a glimpse of the promised land.

OUR KNOWN SICK

NORTHERN SURRY HOSPITAL

Mrs. A. L. Dowell

Mrs. T. C. Birks

Mrs. Miles Key

Mrs. Charlie Goins

BAPTIST HOSPITAL (Progressive Care)

Mrs. I. V. Hampton

VETERANS HOSPITAL, SALEM, VA.

Mr. Henry H. Johnson, Jr.

Ward 74B

AT HOME

Mrs. J. S. Belton

Mrs. Hazel Inman



SERVICEMAN OF THE WEEK

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

Lt. Russ Tucker

418 Korneg Street

Bergstrom Air Force Base

Austin, Texas 78743

Our Church Needs To . . . Move!



W.M.U.

The Woman's Missionary Union Associational Mission Study will be held Monday night, July 24 at 7:00 in the Fellowship Hall of the church.

The book entitled "Woman's Missionary Union Program of a Church" will be taught by Mrs. Carl Lewis, Second Vice-President of North Carolina's Woman's Missionary Union. All ladies are encouraged to come and hear this outstanding lady.

OUR CHURCH NEEDS TO MOVE IN THE DIRECTION OF PRAYER.

Take time to be holy. "Ye ought always to pray." Prayer is so simple, it is like quietly opening a door and slipping into the very presence of God. Here is the stillness to listen to His voice, perhaps to petition, or only to listen. It matters not; just to be there in His presence is prayer!

OUR CHURCH NEEDS TO MOVE IN THE DIRECTION OF LOYALTY.

We need to be reminded that unfaithfulness breeds a lack of love and devotion to Christ.

OUR CHURCH NEEDS TO MOVE IN THE DIRECTION OF STEWARDSHIP.

"Bring Ye all the Tithes into the Store House"-----"The tenth shall be holy unto the Lord." (Lev. 27:32) We are grateful for the pledges to our budget and gifts to the building fund. We encourage you to honor your pledges.

OUR CHURCH NEEDS TO MOVE IN THE DIRECTION OF VISITATION.

There are hundreds of people in Mount Airy who have no connection with any church. There are many homes where God is not a welcome guest. There are boys and girls, men and women---young and old---who need desperately to give their hearts to God through Christ.

The major task of the church is to confront men with Christ and His way of life.

You as an individual are to be concerned about this. You are a part of the church. Look around you. Get someone on your heart. Start a prayer list of people for whom you are concerned. It may include someone in your family. It may be the boy who carries your paper or your neighbor next door. It may be a friend or business associate. It could be the new family that moved in down the street. It could be one of the many unsaved people on your prospect list.

"Churches are not Beautiful Build-



Sunday, July 23

- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship

Monday, July 24

- 7:00 p.m. WMU Associational Missions Study
- 7:30 p.m. Nominating Committee Meeting

Wednesday, July 26

- 7:30 p.m. Prayer Service
- NO CHOIR REHEARSALS

Thursday, July 27

- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts

Christian Sympathy

Our deepest Christian Sympathy goes out to Mrs. Bruce Yokley in the sudden passing of her daughter, Miss Marjorie Yokley early Monday morning. Miss Yokley was also the niece of Mrs. Eugene Smith of our congregation.

Our Christian sympathy goes out also to Mrs. Natt Ferguson in the passing of her brother, Mr. George K. Martin of Kernersville, N. C. Mr. Martin passed away Friday, July 14.

We extend our sympathy to Mrs. P. D. Cain in the passing of her aunt, Mrs. Jim Burke of Mount Airy. Mrs.