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Quarterly Business Conference Meets
This Wednesday Night At 6:30 P.M. In Fellowship Hall

CHURCH-WIDE DINNER WILL BE SERVED AT 5:45 P.M.

The Kitchen Committee of First Baptist will prepare one of its delicious meals this Wednesday night just before the Business Conference of the church. We are anticipating the interest and participation of a large number of our people at this meeting which happens only four times a year. We are asking you to reserve the number of plates you will need for your family this Sunday morning or by telephone to the church office. The adult plate will be \$1.00 and the child's portion, \$.50. A nursery will be provided for children three and under, however, we ask you to feed these children at home or at least before you carry them to the nursery. Thank you.

LACK OF UNDERSTANDING "BETTER COMMUNICATION"

This quarterly meeting will be more comprehensive than before. It will not be a time of dull reports, but rather a time of communication. We are asking every committee chairman and every organizational head to prepare as thorough a report to the church as possible. We are asking that you explain what the picture of your work has been for the past few months and then tell us what plans your committee or organization is making for the next three months.

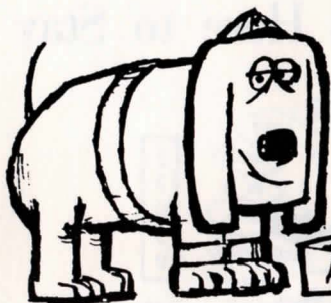
Let's walk away from Prayer Meeting saying I am better informed about my church and its work because I cared enough to come and listen.

OUR GREATEST PROBLEM—

Lack of Understanding

OUR GREATEST NEED—

Better Communications



"I
Like
FIRST
Baptist's
Training
Union

Even If It Doesn't Make Its Own Gravy"

6:00 - 7:15

Mrs. James Boyd-Director
Youth Fellowship Following BTU

TRAINING UNION

WHAT'S MY LINE
... IN TRAINING UNION

I'M TOO OLD ...

God says "grow in grace and knowledge"
(no age limit).

IT'S THE SAME OLD STUFF ...

It's the same Bible, the same Jesus ...
but maybe not the same you.

I'VE SERVED MY TIME ...

If you are perfect, you have served your
time, but not until then.

I WORK TOO HARD ...

Another hour won't kill you. If it will,
you may be excused.

I WORK IN THE SUNDAY SCHOOL ...

Sure you do. Every Church member
should. But the Sunday School cannot
supply all the Christian's need.

I DON'T CARE ...

We hope this isn't true.

— Selected

Annual Associational Meeting October 20-21

The sixty-fourth annual meeting of the Surry Baptist Association will be held this month at the Little Mountain Baptist Church. On Thursday evening, October 20, at 7:00 P. M., the opening session will take place lasting until 9:00 P. M. On Friday morning the second day's session will begin at 9:30 A. M. and lasting until mid-afternoon.

The sixty-eight churches in our association always look forward to this opportunity when we can come together and share past records and future plans. This year we will enjoy the hospitality of the people at Little Mountain and their pastor, Rayton Puckett. This church has had a fine growth under this pastor having registered over a hundred baptisms last year.

You will want to make your plans to attend as much of this two-day session as you possibly can. Let's support Brother Bradley and our association with our presence. Be sure others realize that First Baptist is interested in the work, the churches, and the people of Surry Association.

Little Mountain Baptist Church is located just out of White Plains. Go to Siloam Road in White Plains and turn left. Approximately two miles down the Siloam Road you will see a sign indicating Surry Association Meeting asking you to turn left. Then you're there.

Hope to see you, your family and your friends there Thursday night. Don't be late!

A noon meal will be served by the church on Friday. You need not bring

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Sunday, October 16

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

Monday, October 17

3:30 p.m. Cub Scouts

Wednesday, October 19

5:45 p.m. Church-wide Dinner
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
7:30 p.m. Prayer Service
8:15 p.m. Senior Choir
8:15 p.m. Kindergarten Committee

Thursday, October 20

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts



SERVICEMAN OF THE WEEK

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

Lt. Jerry D. Gilbert
2857 Ashley Shores Drive

Pastor's Pen

Are you a "flashbulb Christian"? That's a person who has one big burst of energy and that's all. He's useless from then on.....or so he feels.

Daily commitment and on-going dedication are two very important items for every Christian. A once-in-a-lifetime commitment for the Christian is not enough. Jesus intimated that the dedicated and serious Christian has at least three things to do. He said deny self, take up your task for God's sake, and follow Him; three very important jobs to perform. Too many of us go half way and quit. We say "yes, Lord, I will," and then we don't.

I am asking you here at the beginning of a new church year to examine your own relationship to Jesus Christ and His church. Maybe you used to attend First Baptist but don't anymore. We need your loyalty and dedication, and pray that God will lead you back to all the ministries of this church. Christianity is not having your name on a church roll; it's a relationship with Christ. Can you fully relate to Him and His will and keep on ignoring His church?

See you Sunday with Bible in hand to learn and to worship.

OUR STEWARDSHIP RECORD

October 9, 1966

Budget Offering-----\$1,650.99
Designated Funds-----\$470.29
 Kindergarten-----\$415.00
 State Missions-----\$55.29
Total Offering-----\$2,065.99
Budget Offerings to Date---\$76,172.39
Budget Requirements to Date-\$90,673.14

ATTEND

SUNDAY SCHOOL EACH SUNDAY

BIBLE STUDY IS IMPORTANT

CALLING ALL TEACHERS! CALLING ALL LEADERS!

Circle Wednesday, October 26, right now. Have you done it? Good! Now let me tell you why.

This is the night for our Sunday School Class Officers and Teacher's Clinic. A separate conference will be held for each Departmental Officer, Sunday School Class Officer, and for all teachers and their assistants.

The workshop will begin at 6:30 P. M. in Fellowship Hall and will dismiss in time for Prayer Meeting. A nursery will be provided.

If you have been elected a leader in our Sunday School, you must be present unless you are providentially hindered (that means dying). Information will be given each person as to his duties and responsibilities.

This can be the best year we have ever had in Sunday School if we will learn what part we are to perform and then commit ourselves to doing it. Success here will take three little but powerful words: I - WILL - DO! Wednesday, 6:30 P. M., October 26.

HAVE YOU ELECTED CLASS OFFICERS YET?

It is absolutely necessary for every class, Junior High, 7th grade through Adult III, to elect a slate of class officers. You have only two more Sundays (October 16 and 23) before the Class Officer's Clinic.

The officers you should elect are: President, Vice-President, Secretary, and two or more Group Leaders depending on the size of your class roll. Each class should have at least two.

Help us help you help the class you are in to grow spiritually and physically. Working together will do it.

ZIP Code, Sliced Bread Here to Stay



The ZIP Code, like sliced bread, is here to stay. And like sliced bread, it is a speedier and more efficient means of providing a necessary service.

Our second class mailing must contain your zip code. If you are out of town, always communicate your change of address by including your zip code.

Help up to help you help the postman---use your zip code always.

SHUT-IN OF THE WEEK

Mr. Harvey Parries
215 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.

— CHURCH NEWS — OUR KNOWN SICK

DUKE HOSPITAL
Mr. Joe Edwards

FORSYTH HOSPITAL
Mrs. W. E. Adams

HOSPITAL IN ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
A/2C Walton R. Shelton, Jr.

AT HOME

If God is kept outside, then some-