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WATCH OUT! DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS SUNDAY!

GRADUATING SENIOR!

IS YOUR NAME LISTED BELOW?

Each year it is a privilege for our church to present each high school graduating senior with a leather bound copy of the scriptures with their name engraved on the cover. This is presented during a special worship service honoring these youth of our church. If your son or daughter is graduating this year and belongs to our Sunday School and/or church, please be sure this name is listed below correctly. If it is not, call the church office and report the error today (786-5185). Help us not to overlook anyone. These are:

Andrew Howard Allen
Ann Elizabeth Allen
Steve Craig Belton
Paul Dewey Cain
James Franklin Elder, Jr.
Sarah Elizabeth Green
Sarah Jane Gwyn
Pamela Miles Hennis
Rickey Harman Jester
Donald Wayne Kirkman
Ronald Andrew Kirkman
Sam Lyons Lewis
James Poplin
Daphne Pauline Quesinberry
Dudley Owen Quesinberry
Barbara Kaye Smith
Joan Nelson Still
Lynda Kathren Tickle
Carolyn Cruise Webb
Margaret Beatrice Henson

Would you believe that you could go to bed Saturday night, April 29, at your regular hour, and get up Sunday morning at your regular hour and still start out the day one hour behind time? You had better believe it's possible or you'll show up for Sunday School only to find out we are getting ready to start the 11:00 hour Worship Service, April 30, Sunday morning.

We remind you to turn your clocks, watches, and other time pieces back one hour before retiring Saturday night. During your sleep, N. C. will be switching over to Daylight Saving Time. You'll lose one hour of sleep Saturday night, but you'll have another hour of Daylight Sunday.

If you think this sounds confusing just wait until Sunday morning and see how many confused people there really are wandering around our church. You can help save us a lot of headaches if you'll pass the word around.

Some folks in our congregation have been asking when we are going to early time. Well, here's your answer! Beginning this Sunday we will be having Sunday School and Morning Worship one hour earlier. However, it may not seem like this to you because Sunday School will still be at 9:45 A. M. and Morning Worship at 11:00 A. M.

Sunday School officers and teachers are especially reminded to pay close attention to our Daylight Saving Time change this weekend. We cannot operate without you.

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OUR STEWARDSHIP RECORD

April 23, 1967

Budget Offering-----\$1,083.51

Designated Funds-----192.00

Kindergarten-----157.00

Memorials-----35.00

Total Offering-----\$1,275.51

Budget Offering To Date---\$36,196.38

Budget Needs To Date-----\$40,545.00

Weekly Budget Needs-----\$2,385.00



Sunday, April 30

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship

6:30 p.m. Youth Fellowship

Tuesday, May 2

10:00 a.m. WMS General Meeting

7:30 p.m. Martha A. Finch Circle
Meeting

Wednesday, May 3

6:00 p.m. Primary Choir

6:00 p.m. Junior Choir

6:30 p.m. Diaconate Meeting

6:30 p.m. Youth Choir

7:30 p.m. Prayer Service

8:15 p.m. Senior Choir

Thursday, May 4

Baptism Service Sunday April 30, 11:00 A. M.

This Sunday morning it will be the pastor's joy and privilege to baptize the six candidates for baptism and church membership who responded last Sunday to the church's invitation to commitment and rededication.

The candidates will meet with the pastor in his study at 10:30 A. M. to receive some final instructions on baptismal procedures.

The baptismal service will take place at the beginning of the morning worship service, April 30.

OUR KNOWN SICK

NORTHERN SURRY HOSPITAL

Mrs. Ralph Cooke, Sr.

BAPTIST HOSPITAL

Mrs. L. P. Wrenn, Sr.

FORSYTH HOSPITAL

Mrs. Albert Gwyn

AT HOME

Mrs. Leonita Smith

Mr. J. Carroll Hill

Mr. Warren Stewart

Mrs. Pearl Barber



Memorial gifts have been given to our church building fund as follows:

IN MEMORY OF MRS. A. G. WEBB

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh L. Merritt

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Reece

The Kitchen Committee

IN MEMORY OF MR. AND MRS. J. S. BRAY

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh L. Merritt

IN MEMORY OF MR. AND MRS. H. B. JOHNSON

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh L. Merritt

IN MEMORY OF MR. HARVEY BARRIES

Welcome New Members



Mr. Dana Acker
712 Carolina Avenue
For Baptism

Miss Charlotte Ann Gilbert
Rt. 4, Box 419
For Baptism

Mr. Hugh Linwood Hennis, III
Route 4
For Baptism

Mr. Billy Johnson
250 Fairview Avenue
For Baptism

Miss Mary Wall
115 West Poplar Street
For Baptism

Miss Elizabeth Ann Young
Rt. 4, Box 656-A
For Baptism

Baptized (4-23-67)

Mrs. Shirley Whittington Brinkley
Miss Susan Loftis
Mr. Bill Wall
Mr. Stephen Tickle
Mr. Phil Sutphin
Mr. Dean Riggs

NEW CHRISTIAN'S ORIENTATION TO BEGIN MAY 7

The pastor will be conducting a class of orientation for those who have recently accepted Christ and followed him in baptism. This class will begin on Sunday, May 7, and continue for four consecutive Sundays.

It is extremely important for new Christians to participate in these teachings in order that they may be able to grasp the meaning of Christian life and work more firmly right in the beginning. The classes will be divided by age groups and opportunity will be given for questions to be asked.

If you became a Christian some time ago and would be interested in this

Youth Fellowship Sunday Night, 6:30 P. M.

SCHEDULE

April 30 - Captain Joe Simmons and
Sergeant Donald Armstrong
of the Mt. Airy Police Dept.
Film - "Turn The Wheel West"

May 7 ---- Mr. James Templeton, Surry
Community College
Film - "Wild Rivers"

May 14 --- Sheriff Jim Taylor

May 21 --- Party

ATTENTION FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

The Finance Committee Meeting will not be held this Wednesday night, but will meet next Wednesday night, May 10th at 8:15 p. m.

Memorial Flowers

Flowers have been placed in the church Sanctuary for this Sunday in memory of MRS. R. E. LAWRENCE by the W. M. U.

Church Women Plan May Program

The May Fellowship Day observance will be held at 12:00 noon on May 5 at the Mount Airy Friends Church sponsored by the United Church Women. There will be a covered dish luncheon in the Educational Building of the church.

Mrs. Florence Creque, Director of Neighborhood Service Center, Kimberly Park in Winston-Salem will be the moderator of the panel of people who have participated in the program of Experiment in Self-Reliance.

In Memoriam

MRS. R. E. LAWRENCE

4-20-67

"Baptist Beliefs and Disciplines" Series

Each Wednesday Evening

Many of us as Christians and church members have yet to learn and grasp the deeper meanings of our faith and denominational ties. In short, we would find it difficult to easily state to another what we actually believe clearly.

For several Wednesday evenings during Prayer Meeting time we shall be discussing our beliefs and personal convictions. You are invited to come and lend to the discussions. You may invite friends who are non-Baptists if you wish.

We are convinced that people will never sincerely and honestly seek to live the disciplined Christian life until they are sure just exactly what they have committed themselves to. We have forgotten, or never actually learned, the disciplines of our faith.

Come and be with us each Wednesday at 7:30 P. M. and help us rediscover a vital Christian faith. A church nursery is provided each evening for children through three. See you there!

ATTEND PRAYER MEETING
WEDNESDAY NIGHT
7:30 P.M.



W. M. U.

The W. M. S. General Meeting will be held Tuesday, May 2 at 10:00 A. M. in the Fellowship Hall. The DORA P. WRENN CIRCLE will have charge of the program.

The MARTHA A. FINCH CIRCLE will meet Tuesday night, May 2, at 7:30 at the home of Miss E. May Hylton,

Pastor's Pen

"SIX MORE PROFESSIONS OF FAITH MADE LAST SUNDAY"

Two Sundays ago our hearts were thrilled as we witnessed ten people walk down the church aisles during the invitational hymn. Of these adults and youth, six of the decisions were for baptism and a first time profession of faith.

Last Sunday we had the privilege of baptizing these new Christians during the worship hour. At the close of the morning message, Christ's invitation was given once again to a large congregation. Immediately several stepped out into the aisles to make their way forward. Some in the congregation stood motionless with tears in their eyes; some sang lustily who usually never sing at all; and others just beamed all over for the privilege of being present. Six of our youth had stepped forward to commit their lives to Jesus and to ask for baptism. Once more our prayers were answered in a mighty way as we witnessed God's presence within us.

"What is happening to us?" some are asking. I do not claim to have all the answers, but I feel like this is a part of it. People are praying and expecting great things to happen. God doesn't disappoint this kind of attitude. People are becoming concerned about someone else besides themselves. People are talking about Christ in the home as well as in the church. People are interested in the ministry of the church to people and are beginning to look at Christian living in a sincere way. When these things are going on, something great is bound to happen for God and for his children.

Sunday I want you to come and worship with your neighbors. "Expect great things from God; attempt great things for God." Invite those who have not worshipped for a long time to come and share the joy of worship with you. There are still others who need a deeper dedication of Christ and His church. This can be the Sunday when our congregation will totally commit itself to God. I hope you will