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THE INFORMER

The First Baptist Church

120 NORTH LAFAYETTE STREET

Shelby, N. C.

HARLAN HARRIS, Pastor

H. O. Max
103 S. Washington
City

Vol. 3

November 15, 1951

No. 31

"VICTORY SUNDAY"

Adult Dept. Officers	SUNDAY SUNDAY SUNDAY SUNDAY				GOAL	
		Oct. 28	Nov. 4	Nov. 11	Nov. 18	BALANCES
& Gen. Officers	\$2,000.00	\$ 815.00	\$ 201.00		?	\$ 984.00 To Go
John P. Mull Class	6,000.00	1,085.00	881.57	\$ 639.00		3,394.43 To Go
O. M. Mull Class	10,000.00	2,050.00	400.00	220.00		7,330.00 To Go
Newton Bible Class	28,000.00	10,000.00	4,480.00	4,096.00		9,424.00 To Go
Johnson Class	2,500.00	313.88	400.00	55.00		1,731.12 To Go
L. T. Class	1,500.00	111.00	261.00	262.50		866.00 To Go
Elam Class	300.00	47.50	38.00	91.00		123.50 To Go
Mary Bible Class	3,000.00	2,336.25	622.00	174.00		Gone Over Goal
Philathea Class	3,500.00	1,540.00	307.00	552.00		1,101.00 To Go
T. E. L.	1,500.00	2,130.25	114.00	121.00		Gone Over Goal
Ruth	1,500.00	924.00	253.00	146.00		177.00 To Go
Friendship	2,000.00	1,534.00	32.00	312.00	?	122.00 To Go
Fidelis	2,000.00	697.55	579.00	213.00		510.45 To Go
Golden Circle	500.00	256.00	52.00	49.25		142.75 To Go
Bethany	500.00	534.00	4.50	5.00		Gone Over Goal
Young People 2	500.00	542.50	25.00	5.50		Gone Over Goal
Young People 1	750.00	856.00	46.50	239.87		Gone Over Goal
Intermediate 2	500.00	2,167.15	36.00	44.00		Gone Over Goal
Intermediate 1	500.00	776.05	55.95	87.50		Gone Over Goal
Junior 2	500.00	508.35	81.50	96.75		Gone Over Goal
Junior 1	500.00	710.88	115.40	76.44	?	Gone Over Goal
Primary	750.00	718.50	61.00	122.69		Gone Over Goal
Beginner 2	250.00	328.87	57.75	18.10		Gone Over Goal
Beginner 1	250.00	141.00	60.25	39.00		9.75 To Go
Nursery 4	250.00	57.00	15.50	31.00		146.50 To Go
Nursery 3	250.00	206.00	14.50	16.50		13.00 To Go
Nursery 2	250.00	62.50	16.00	22.00	?	149.50 To Go
Others		5,601.00	1,116.40	100.00		
Total	\$70,000.00	\$37,050.24	\$10,376.20	\$ 7,835.04		

This Sunday is probably one of the most important Sundays in our Church history. If we reach our goal of \$70,000.00 on Sunday morning, we shall have past our \$150,000.00 mark and will be ready to proceed in our program to accommodate approximately 700 additional people in our Sunday school.

We feel definitely that this is God's plan and His program. It is apparent that everyone is of the same feeling as we look over our list on this page.

May I call your attention to several verses of scripture which indicate to us that the least we can do on this important day is give **sacrificially**.

"The earth is the Lord's"—Psalm 24:1
"The silver is mine and the gold is Mine."—Hag. 2:8

"Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above."—James 1:17

"Give an account of thy Stewardship."—Luke 16:2

"It is required in Stewards that a man be found faithful."—1 Cor. 4:2

"God loveth a cheerful giver."—II Cor. 9:7

"Freely ye have received, freely give."—Matt. 10:8

"Upon the first day of the week let everyone of you lay by him in store as God hath prospered him."—II Cor. 16:2

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse."—Mal. 3:10

Let's pay up what we owe God not only for this year but for the years that we have failed to honor Him by our free giving.

WE CAN DO IT! VICTORY IS OURS!

Champion Heads State Brotherhood

Mr. F. O. Champion was honored by the Baptist of our great state on Monday evening by being elected to the presidency of the North Carolina Brotherhood Movement. We are proud of this recognition and will be praying for Mr. Champion (commonly known as "Red") as he continues serving the Lord faithfully.

BRING YOUR FAMILY TO SUNDAY SCHOOL

Gardner-Webb College ANNOUNCES

Night Classes in Adult Christian Education EACH TUESDAY NIGHT

November 13, 1951 through January
15, 1952

7:00 to 9:00 o'clock

On the campus of Gardner-Webb Col-
lege, Boiling Springs, N. C.

Cost: \$1.00 per person per night for
two hours of study.

COURSES OF STUDY

I

THE BIBLE

Professor Robert Dyer

A study of the Bible from the division of the kingdom through Malachi, with special emphasis on God's universal purpose of redemption and the role of Israel as the priest nation. The prophets and their messages will be studied in chronological order with particular emphasis on each as God's spokesman to the chosen people and to humanity as a whole.

The textbook is the Bible. For any who desire college credit special assignments are given, which require a wider reading and written work.

II

CHURCH MUSIC

Professor Stephen Morrisett

A study of the great hymns of the Church. The following topics will be discussed:

What makes a hymn great.

The danger of using poor songs in our worship.

Introducing new hymns to the congregations.

Great hymn-writers and their hymns.

On the First Sunday in December there will be a hymn festival in the E. B. Hamrick Auditorium at Gardner-Webb College at 3:00 o'clock to which all who are interested are invited. Choir leaders and choir members are especially asked to attend.

III

CHURCH ORGANIZATION

Miss Mabel Starnes

A thorough study of the Sunday school by departments as follows:

November 13—The Intermediate Department.

November 20—The Young People's Department

November 27—The Adult Department.

December 4—The Extension Department.

December 13, December 18, January 1—Vacation Bible School.

January 8—Study courses; officers' and teachers' clinics; training and leadership.

January 15—Youth night; Intermediate week; Junior Parent night; the church kindergarten; extras.

In the class in church organization teachers, pastors, and leaders in Christian Education in the churches will visit the school and tell about their work. The teacher will discuss the work of the Sunday school departments in detail.

IV

A CHURCH AT WORK

Professor Garland A. Hendricks

A practical approach to the work a church does in its community. Class discussions will be as follows:

November 13—Bulletins and publicity.

November 20—Support for a program.

November 27—The pastor.

December 4—Officers and workers.

December 11—The place of the local church.

December 18—A church and community agencies.

December 25—No school—Christmas.

January 1—Individual responsibility in a church.

January 8—Selection of leaders.

January 15—Boards and committees.

This is a description of class work for the session November 13 through January 15.

Who may attend? All who are interested in learning more about the Bible and church work.

What about credit? Only a few have asked for college credit. An award in the form of a certificate of attendance is offered all who are present as many as seven nights in a session of nine weeks. Any person who has completed high school may receive college credit by meeting regular requirements of the college.

For information write

Garland A. Hendricks

Director of Church-Community Development

Gardner-Webb College

Boiling Springs, North Carolina

7:30—Leah Class meets with Mrs. Joe Cabaniss

7:30—Philathea Class meeting at church.

WEDNESDAY:

2:45—Cherub Choir rehearsal

3:30—Carol Choir rehearsal

6:15—Weekly Officers' and Teachers' Supper

7:00—Young People's Prayer Service in T.E.L. Classroom

7:45—"Sweetest Hour of the Week"

THURSDAY:

7:30—Adult Choir rehearsal

Deacon's Committee

F. Cline Hendrick

John P. Mull

Hackett Wilson

Wilbur Wilson

Carlos Young

TRAINING UNION WEEK OF STUDY

All Training Union Members are urged to take advantage of the week of study—Nov. 26 - 29—Monday night through Thursday night. Classes will begin each night at 7:00 O'clock.

Juniors—Mrs. Broughton McGinnis

Intermediates—Mrs. Lansford Jolly

Young People—Miss Sarah Posey

Adults—Rev. T. L. Cashwell

Junior and Intermediate leaders—Miss

Lalene Grigg

**IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO
REGISTER.
DO SO AT ONCE!**

The King's Business

SUNDAY:

9:40—Sunday School

11:00—Morning Worship

6:15—Baptist Training Union

7:30—Evening Worship

MONDAY:

3:30—Sunbeams

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Roland Leath, Director of Education
and Music

Harlan Harris, Pastor

BRING YOUR FAMILY TO SUNDAY SCHOOL

The American Way of Life Hold On To It

The *Chronicler* of September 16, 1950 published sixteen basic principles of the original American political philosophy, which for many years have been the accepted as the essence of the American way of life. The *Chronicler* suggested that these principles be read not once but several times, and then reflected upon.

With reference to their forming the framework of our Constitutional Government and those of the several states, The *Chronicler* declares: "They are not ideological theories; they are not 'isms' that reflect only the views of certain classes; they are not 'policies' that can be twisted, changed and juggled to suit whoever may so desire and have the temporary power to do so. They are, instead, principles. They are the distilled and refined principles of liberty, and by them the freedom of every man is guaranteed. A policy may be anything the exigencies of a situation may seem to require or dictate. A principle is truth discovered by experience and polished to jewel-like brilliance by time. And such are the precepts written into our Constitution by those who preceded us nearly two centuries ago.

"There are those about us who hold our Constitution is out of date, outmoded. These proclaim that a new world has risen around us. Science and discovery, they say, has so limited space and so nearly annihilated time that the old rules, the old traditions, the old principles no longer apply. These raise a clamor for 'one world,' for 'world government,' for the sacrifice of nationality, rights, liberty, anything that will merge us politically and socially into the world stream. They are clever. They present seemingly plausible arguments. They point out the enormous difficulties met with in dealing with a world alien to and often hostile to our institutions. But all this is rank sophistry.

"The truth is that the rest of the world, the best of it along with the worst of it, never has caught up with the social, political and industrial progress of the United States has made. Nor is this due to any intellectual or spiritual superiority of our people over the peoples of other lands. Our astounding and seemingly magical development grew directly from the political philosophy under which this nation was formed—a philosophy which declared not only the nation but each individual in it should be, must be, and is free."

"The political and economic rights which protect the dignity and freedom of the individual," as published by *The Chronicler* are:

- "Right to worship God in one's own way.
- "Right to free speech and free press.
- "Right to assemble.

- "Right to petition for grievances.
- "Right to privacy in our homes.
- "Right of habeas corpus—no excessive bail.
- "Right to trial by jury—innocent till proved guilty.
- "Right to move about freely at home and abroad.
- "Right to own private property.
- "Right to work in callings and localities of our own choice.
- "Right to bargain with our employees.
- "Right to go into business, compete, make a profit.
- "Right to bargain for goods and services in a free market.
- "Right to contract about our affairs.
- "Right to the service of government as a protector and referee.
- "Right to freedom from 'arbitrary' government regulation and control."

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GUILTY?

By EA LAIDLAW

Each and every one of us is a lifter!

A prisoner, for life, shut up in the environs of his physiological, and psychological, make-up.

He is either a disciple of Christ or of Satan. A child of God, or an enemy of God. A builder in the spiritual Kingdom, or a destroyer of souls on the side of the god of this world, which is the devil.

Make up your minds, dear friends, on which side you will to be. Surely you want to be on the winning side, do you not? To be on the winning side, the Lord's side, you must have some knowledge of what constitutes the Lord's side.

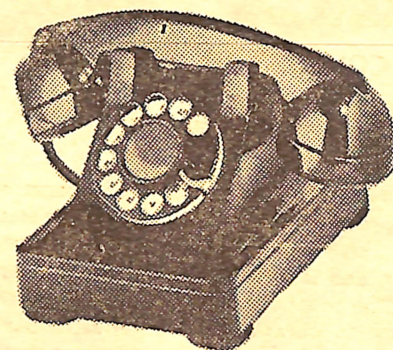
All you need to do is get yourself a Bible, and go to a church that follows the Bible in its teachings.

There are many denominations and many churches which teach the pure Word of God. There are also many which appear to do so. If you come across one of the latter . . . one, perhaps, whose members like to boast of a founder, either male or female, whose writings, and sayings ARE PUT BEFORE THE PLAIN STATEMENTS OF GOD'S PROPHE-

ETS, AND EVEN BEFORE THE VERY WORDS OF CHRIST, beware. Turn away from such a church and such a congregation and seek out dispensers of the pure Gospel message.

Jesus said: I am the good shepherd: the good giveth his life for the sheep. But he that is a hireling . . . seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth . . . and the wolf catcheth them, and scattereth the sheep. Jno. 10:11, 12

To DATE
or NOT to DATE



A Catholic?

READ AND WEEP!

21 per cent of Roman Catholic marriages are Mixed Marriages.

Over 50,000 Protestant children enrolled by the Roman Church every year in the U.S.A.

It contains an article by a Priest regarding Mixed Marriages; a copy of the Pre-Nuptial contract. Instructions for the Protestant party how to help the Catholic find the Truth with the Roman Catholic Bible; also, Why Protestants respect Mary and the Saints but do not pray to them; Why Protestant ministers do not say the Mass or have Confessions; Why Protestants do not pray for the Dead; how to Prevent a Mixed Marriage even by marrying a Roman Catholic, etc.

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DR. WALL TO BE HONORED



DR. ZENO WALL — Pastor Emeritus

Dr. Zeno Wall and his family came to Shelby on October 1, 1925. He was born near Mooresboro, August 20, 1882, and was educated at Mars Hill College and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; entered the ministry in the spring of 1906; was ordained July 8, 1908; served as pastor of the Clinton Baptist Church, Mississippi College, 1916-1921; Chaplain, U. S. Army, World War I; President of Boiling Springs Junior College, 1930-1932; President Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, 1933-1936; pastor, First Baptist Church of Shelby, 1926-1948; general superintendent, Baptist Orphanage of North Carolina, 1948-1951. He has also served as president of the board of trustees of the North Carolina Baptist Orphanage and has represented North Carolina on the board of trustees of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

During his ministry here the membership of the church grew from 763 to 2500, and the first unit of our educational building was erected.

Dr. Wall is the author of three books of sermons, "Heartening Messages," "Verities of the Gospel," and "A Day for God-Called Men."

Dr. Wall married Miss Ada Ramsey, of Marshall, N. C. They have five children: Zeno, Jr., Morristown, Tenn.; Mrs. Ollie (Abbie Jane) Harris, Kings Mountain; Yates, Charlotte; Woodrow, Fort Worth, Texas; Mrs. Walter (Ada Ramsey) Fanning, Shelby.