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"If you are looking for a Church Home, come! we can help you: If you are looking for Church work, come! you can help us."

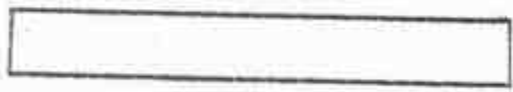
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300 E. Jackson, Hugo, Okla.

FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN.....

The phrase "Back to School" can be seen in many places at this time of the year. With this before our eyes and ringing in our ears we need to make a different application than in the usual sense! We need to apply this to Sunday School as well as public school. A back to Sunday School movement needs to be inaugurated. The department superintendents can help and the teachers can help but the greatest help needs to come from each individual member of the Sunday School. YOU are the one who can really get YOU to Sunday school. This means that if you have gotten into the habit of not coming during the summer that you will need to break the habit and begin a new one--- that of coming. It also means that those who have been regular in attendance and establishing the habit of regular attendance. Are you equal to the challenge? We will see in the next few weeks. September will be a good month to establish the "Back To Sunday School" habit in your schedule. We will be doing some checking to see who is coming and who is not. We hope you will be present every Sunday from now on. It will be to your benefit and advantage.



THERE IS A MESSAGE IN THIS EMPTY SPACE!

1. It contains all that a sinner has to do to be lost.
2. It contains all a church member needs to do to be a backslider.
3. It holds all that a church needs to do to become useless to Christ's cause.
4. It contains all that God withholds from those who are obedient to him.
5. It contains all that God gets from some church members.....which is NOTHING.

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 boys and girls 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 ASKE 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 myself, Dear Lord, I'LL HELP YOU SOME OTHER DAY.

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"BACK TO SUNDAY SCHOOL" SEPTEMBER 3-24 MAKE IT A POINT TO ATTEND YOUR

By now most of our church membership has heard of the proposed change in our grading system in our church for the coming year. This system will be from birth through the Young People. This will be presented to the Sunday school and Training Union Cabinet on Sept. 6 at 6:00 PM. I encourage each Superintendent and those who will be starting anew this year to be present at this meeting. It will be vital to the organization of our church.

We all have been hearing about the "Back to Sunday School" theme for Sept. I consider this to be a wonderful idea. For over the summer the attendance in our church has dropped to a new low. It seems that people have lost interest in their church. Well, let's rise up and take the challenge that our pastor has charged us and let's start working together and strengthen our church with our help and attendance. We have a wonderful church here in Hugo and if we as Christians do not take advantage of this privilege we can just lose it as easily. Thank God for what He has given to us by prayers and your cooperation in His church. Take the challenge--BE A BIGGER CHRISTIAN IN '68

THANKS TO CHURCH: For two wonderful, inspired, blessed years in Hugo. It is indeed a pleasure to be your Music-Educational Director. A thanks to all and your prayers daily are deeply appreciated.

Gary

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Lucien Spear invite you to Open House Sunday, September 3rd from 2:00 to 6:00 o'clock honoring their son John and his bride, Brenda.

OPPORTUNITIES CONT'

SANCTUARY CHOIR: Choir rehearsal will resume on September 6 at 8:00 PM. All choir members are expected to be in attendance. Bring a choir prospect with you--there are plenty in our church that need to be in choir. On September 13 we will begin work on the Christmas Cantata "Night of Miracles". Plan to be in choir every Wednesday night.

JUNIOR CHOIR: Junior choir will resume rehearsals on September 10, at 5:00 PM in the church sanctuary. All parents are encouraged to bring their children to Junior choir. A SNACK will be served to those who are present. Plan to attend Junior choir.

Thanks to all who helped with the music and those who played the piano and organ and sang during MUSIC EXPANSION EMPHASIS.

R. A. CAMPOUT--Sept. 1-2. All RA's who plan to go on this campout and have completed all requirements to be able to go, please meet at the church on Friday the 1st, at 3:00 PM. Have a bedroll, tent or sleeping bag, sack lunch, paper bag, flashlight, and cot, if you have one, and something to snack on. We will return to the church on Saturday the 2nd by noon.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

FRIDAY: RA Campout--Meet at the church at 3:00.

SUNDAY: The Lord's Day. 9:45 AM Sunday School. 11:00 AM Morning Worship. 6:00 PM Training Union. 7:00 PM Eve. Worship

MONDAY: 2:00 PM Week of Prayer for State Missions Beg. Choir 2:30-Beg. Sunbeams 3:00-Pri. Choir 3:30-Int. GA's 4:00-Nominating Committee mtg.

WEDNESDAY: 6:00-SS & TU Cabinet Meeting

JR. HIGH - SENIOR HIGH DEPARTMENTS COMING SOON. On the first Sunday in October the departments which involved all youth will be changing to Junior High and Senior High in Sunday School and Training Union. This change will involve some pupils changing classes. It will be set up exactly the way it is set up at the high school. Classes will be grade wise and not age wise. We feel that this will be an advantage to our youth program. The youth can and will know who to visit and who to contact easier than under the present system. We feel that this will help our youth participation also. We feel that this is another step forward in our youth program..

LOST & FOUND: Found--a good pair of tennis shoes. Were returned with the Falls Creek material. If yours, see Gary or Mrs. Allen.

WMU NEWS.....

STATE MISSIONS WEEK OF PRAYER--SEPTEMBER 4-10....

ATTENTION ALL WMS & AUXILIARY MEMBERS: Save your expiration notice for Royal Service, Window, and Tell magazines--you will have an opportunity to renew your subscription for 50¢.

LAST SUNDAY'S REPORT

S. S. Attendance-----245
T. U. Attendance----- 37

FINANCIAL

General Fund-----\$827.55
Air Cond. Acct.----- 46.00
Birthday Offering--- .30

CHURCH STAFF

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Custodian: Mrs. Bud Allen

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