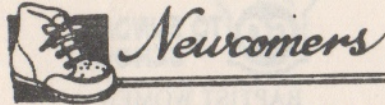


# Folks and Facts

The ALTAR FLOWERS for Sunday, February 20, will be given by Mrs. Emma Harrell and Family in loving memory of loved ones.

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Congratulations and best wishes to Rusty and Nancy Hughes on the birth of a son, Todd Ryan. Todd arrived February 7th.

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## OUR KNOWN ILL

Norfolk General:

Gladys Fulcher  
Dwight Holland  
Edward Bowles

Chesapeake General:

Ruth Krick

At Home:

Irvin Floyd

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## BAPTISMAL SERVICE

Sunday - February 20

7:30 P. M.

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# Thanks

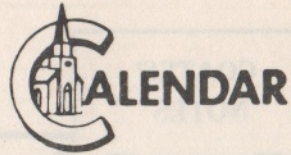
My sincere thanks and appreciation for the prayers, visits, cards, and gifts while I was in the hospital. Mr. Hughes, a special thanks to you for your faithful prayers and visits.

Mrs. Beatrice Morgan

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Grow in Bible  
Knowledge



## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20

9:30 A. M. Sunday School  
11:00 A. M. Worship Service  
6:00 P. M. Youth Choir  
7:30 P. M. Worship Service  
Baptism

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21

7:30 P. M. Deacon's Meeting

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23

6:00 P. M. Sunday School  
Supper Meeting  
7:00 P. M. Mission Study  
8:30 P. M. Church Choir

## DEACONS OF THE WEEK

February 21-27

*Gayle Harrell*  
*Billy Hopkins*

## CHURCH STAFF

Frank Hughes, Jr. . . . . Pastor  
W. A. Richardson . . . . . Outreach Minister  
Hammond A. Coates . . . . . Min. of Education  
Mrs. Mary Morgan . . . . . Church Secretary  
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I. Henry Benton . . . . . Treasurer

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## MISSIONARIES

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Irvin H. Acree . . . . . Uruguay

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*Fork Union Military Academy*

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# Pastor's Pen

It was the second Sunday in February, 1947, that I entered formally into pastoral relations with the South Norfolk Baptist Church. In describing the joys of the Christian ministry for thirty years in this church, I invite your attention to Paul's epistle to the I Thessalonians 2, verses nineteenth—twentieth "For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? Are not even ye in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at His coming? For ye are our glory and joy."

Thank God for that golden sentence, "For ye are our glory and joy." Paul expressed what every ambassador of Christ constantly experiences when in the thick of the Master's Work. Indeed this church family is my joy. My first sermon in the church was from the text Rev. 3:20 "Behold, I stand at the door." Since that sermon has followed several hundred in which "I determined not to know anything among you save Jesus Christ and Him crucified." Of that first company to hear that first sermon many are among the white robed and now behold their risen Lord in Glory.

The subsequent history of the church has been written in many ways. There have been over a dozen young people to answer the call "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel." There have been two new churches — mothered by our mission minded members. A beautiful educational structure has been erected and is now debt free. The Gospel is proclaimed each week by radio and in countless other ways, etc.

You know, my dear people, how I have preached and what I have preached. I have honestly fed you on "nothing but manna". The only claim for my sermons is that they have been true to God's book and the cross of Jesus

Christ and I hope simple enough for a child to understand.

Pastoral work has been my passion. I have never willfully neglected anyone poor or rich. I have made thousands of visits and spend much time by sick and dying beds. Also, placing my sympathy with aching hearts and bereaved households. The success of my ministry has been largely due under God, to your co-operation and above all the goodness of our Heavenly Father.

## THANKS

The Surprise Valentine Party celebrating 30 years ministry was indeed a blessing.

The gifts were warm and colorful. Each person present brought to mind many precious memories.

The program, refreshments, and decorations were delightful.

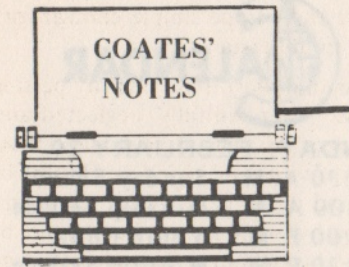
## Pastor and Family

On Baptist Women's Day our church received a tremendous blessing hearing Mrs. Paul D. Moore testify to claiming God's promise about training up her children and seeing God use them.

My blessing was multiplied because as a young man I witnessed this training up process. It made a tremendous impression on me then and is helping shape my family life now. There were times back then when I didn't understand why things were done like they were at the Moore household but now I see that it was part of life in a Christian family. Mr. and Mrs. Moore, Jeanie, Linda, and Mickey always showed love for each other and for all around them. This family set a tremendous example and every Christian parent should use this example as a guide in their family life.

A personal thanks for an inspiring message to one who fed me, scolded me, taught me, counseled me, prayed for me, and most of all — loved me.

Thomas C. McMillan Jr.



Sunday is Baptist Seminaries, Colleges and Schools Day across our S. B. C. Perhaps some basic facts about our institutions of learning will help you see somewhat of their importance in our convention.

## BASIC FACTS

- All enrollments including extension program in Baptist Schools have increased 31 per cent since 1970.
- All colleges, academies, Bible Schools, and institutes are related to and supported by Baptist State Conventions.
- All seminaries are owned and operated by the Southern Baptist Convention.
- The American Baptist College (American Baptist Theological Seminary) is operated jointly by the National Baptist Convention U. S. A., Inc. and the Southern Baptist Convention.
- All schools offer financial assistance.
- All schools are places where values make a difference.

The Southern Baptist Convention owns six theological seminaries in six states from Virginia to California. There are 45 senior colleges and universities, eight junior colleges, seven academies, and five Bible schools affiliated with state Baptist conventions across our convention. Subjects taught range from agriculture to military science to speech

and hearing therapy. Truly Baptist seminaries, colleges and schools are schools "where values make a difference."

## SPIRITUAL IGNORANCE

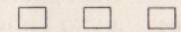


## BAPTIST WOMEN

We want to express our thanks to the Woman's Missionary Union and the ladies of the church for their excellent leadership at last Sunday Morning's Worship Service. The challenge and inspiration of the service will long be remembered.

We thank Mrs. Paul D. Moore for her challenging message.

We look forward to next year's program for Baptist Women's Day. Ladies, we salute you on a job well done.



## EAGLE EYRIE

"Eagle Eyrie" invites you to be a part of "A Bible Teaching — Learning Workshop" providing projects, plans, guidelines, materials and methods for improved Bible learning. The cost for the weekend is \$12.50 per person. April 1 & 2 are the dates. Registration is from 1:00—3:00 P. M. Friday, April 1. The program will begin at 3:00 P. M. on Friday and end with lunch on Saturday.

The deadline for your reservations is Sunday, February 20. You may make your checks payable to South Norfolk Baptist Church.

We hope you make your plans to attend this conference for our new Sunday School materials.