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THE COVER

This month Bob has drawn for us a picture of the season we are now passing through, the fields have lost their living shades of green, and are now turning to the yellows and browns of the fall and winter. The man in the picture is out in the wind and the cold trying to get ready for the bad weather to come. "We Church Members" of Trinity should renew our efforts to return to the church each Sunday to fill our hearts and minds with the words of life and wisdom, and then we will be ready to meet the "Adverse weather" of our daily living, and our souls will retain the color of life.

Dick Fehler

Kindergarden Class

Mrs. D. J. Smith

"Our Church" is the topic of the first unit of our fall quarter the children have enjoyed the stories and the songs of praise taught from these lessons. We are so happy to have the little ones from the Nursery Department with us, They are:

Teresa Anne Barber

Elizabeth Nell Barr

Samuel Thomas Bell Jr.

Myra Kathryn Crumpacker

Cameron Hack

Mayme Kay Hampton

Stephen Edwin Massengill

Sarah Anne Pryor

Violet Lee Stallings

Carlos Remon Umstead



FOR NOVEMBER . . . . From your Minister

The most important single date for our Church this month is

C H U R C H   L O Y A L T Y   D A Y

Sunday - November 14th - 11:00

On this day, you and your family will want to be present in your pew for the Service of Worship. It will be a Service of RECONSECRATION of the entire Church to the work of Christ here for the year to come.

You will bring your PLEDGE card to this Service. Let each member of the family - husband, wife, child, and others - make individual pledges, so that EACH one will feel a direct, personal responsibility for the work of the Kingdom. Train the children early to bring their OWN envelope each Sunday to the Church.

If your child is not yet a communing member of the congregation but would like to have a box of envelopes to bring his offering in each Sunday, call the Church office.

We have a growing group of TITHERS in the Church. They have learned the real joy of giving. Would you like to join with them this year?

As the service of our Church has grown, so has the budget. To meet it this year, we will all have to increase our pledges by at least 8 or 10%. We have no doubt but what this will be done.

In estimating your pledge for the coming year, be certain that:

1) It is PERSONAL - that it comes from your heart because of your love of God and your great joy over what God has done for you. Know that what you give represents that much of you and your own hard work that can now be put back to work for Christ, building schools, hospitals, missions in far flung places as well as keeping alive the Christian witness right here in our own community... that your money is going places and doing things for God that, all by yourself, you could never do!

2) It is PROPORTIONAL - that you are blessing others as God has blessed you. To whom much is given, much is required. The giving of the tithe is one way to make our giving proportional.

"Now concerning the collection for the saints... Upon the first day of the week, let every one of you lay by him in store, as God has prospered him..." St. Paul



GEORGE MATTHIS CLASS. . . . . Walter W. Benjamin

Since the start of the new contest between the WHITE'S and the BLUE'S, we have been having a very fine attendance. It certainly is nice to look out over your many shining, sleepy faces every Sunday morning! Now, if you would only read the lesson in the ADULT UNIFORM LESSON series before class, you could trip me up on some of my mistakes!

Our lessons this October have been concerned with the problem of evil as seen in the Book of Job. We noted that mankind is still perplexed as to its existence, but like Job, we know that we can overcome its' life-stultifying effects through an existential vision of God. Shaking one's fist at the universe does one little good, whereas the acceptance of the tragic in human existence many times brings spiritual insight. We also talked about "Making Home Life Successful" in another lesson and found that the fast tempo of modern life is destroying family unity and making the home but a place to eat and sleep. The family, it was believed, should make strong attempts to participate as a unit in more activities. In the "Dignity Of Work" lesson, Christianity was seen to take a positive position (believing that work is an order of creation and thus contributes to the growth of personality) as to work, whereas the Greeks and some non-Christian religions believe that it is to be shunned as something evil and degrading. Unemployment was considered as one of the great tragedies of Western Civilization, for (more than depriving man of food and clothing) it destroys man's faith in himself and his ability.

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There's a "newness" in the air up in the Attic, not in the room itself, alas but in the class members. We're happy to announce the names of newcomers: Joy and Bill Rolland, recently from Tennessee; and Helen and Stephen Walsh from Pennsylvania and New Jersey. It's grand having these folks with us, for they're as nice to know as they're faithful in attendance. Joy and Bill's pride and joy, three-year old Bill, is a member of the Sunday School nursery class.

Another something new is Miss Mary Elizabeth Wilson, born to Jack and Laura on October 22nd. Proud Papa Jack was a bit flustered two days later when Charlie asked him in class about the raising and discipline of children (our topic was the Christian home), but he and all the other fledgling parents were put at ease when Charlie admitted that even after the third, he was stumped!

On the "newness" side again: Florence and Bill Dickerson have moved into their new home on Indian Trail. The rest of us are making plans to visit them, especially golf enthusiasts. Happy homing to the Dickersons!

Not so new is the matter of unfinished easels for the church nursery..but the male element in the Attic strives to please and the work will soon be finished. The girls volunteered to finish them up but were flatly rejected.

Of special interest to us right now is our class inventory. Each member has been given three sheets of mimeographed questions concerning the conduct of our class, including its study and worship, outreach, fellowship and recreation. When the unsigned papers are filled out and compiled, we should have an intriguing collection of ideas to work on. You'll hear more about this later.

On second thought, unless we find a way of warming up the Attic, you won't hear anything. Too numb to write, you know.



A FEW BITS FROM THE PIONEER FELLOWSHIP. . . . . . J.H. Miller

Since reorganizing in September, there has been splendid attendance of about 12-members present for the Sunday evening meetings. We hope that this number will double by Spring.

The Retreat at Camp New Hope, October 16 and 17, was the outstanding activity of the month. Sunday morning we attended Church School with Mr. Jack Hudson's Class at the Camp. Afterwards Mr. Benjamin gave an inspiring message on "Love" in an open air service on the Camp ground. We came home with a feeling that we were drawn closer to God and to one another.

We are learning of "The Life of Paul" through the films the Auxiliary is sponsoring.

Plans for an attendance contest, similar to the one of the George Matthis Class, and the Junior Fellowship, are in progress. It is our hope that more Pioneers will attend our Sunday night meetings.

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#### ATTENDANCE CONTEST ----Bill McLeod

For five weeks the latest BLUES AND WHITES CONTEST has been under way. Each Sunday brings new interest as points are added by each side.

In order that the contest proceed in a fair and orderly fashion, points have been designated for attendance, visitors and new members. The foremost objectives are to keep members in attendance and to invite others to become members.

The points may be gained as follows:

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| 1 Attendance by member each Sunday   | 10 points |
| 2. Attendance of visitors (each visitor)   | 10 points |
| 3. New member to class   | 25 points |
| 4. For perfect attendance record during the contest, 1 point will be added for each Sunday. This, of course, will be added at the eand of the contest. |           |

A new member attends for two Sundays before he is placed on the class roll. A member absent four Sundays is taken from the roll, and his side loses any points earned by that person.

#### TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN COOPERATIVE NURSERY ----Helen Kraybill

The nursery sponsored by our church is in its second successful year (Ed. note:under the guidance of our capable leader, Helen Kraybill). This year Dorothy Bersebach is assistant. Mothers take turns helping which means that each mother comes about once a month. The school meets three mornings weekly ---Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:00 to 12:00. The mothers handle the business, finances and buying. We have monthly meetings of the mothers at which time we discuss problems and have outstanding speakers on child care --- physical, mental and spiritual. The enrollment is limited to 25 ---- our church members have first preference and then non-church members in order of application. There are at present twenty children enrolled, so that we have room for five more children.

The purpose of the Cooperative nursery is: To provide a place for supervised play under concerned guidance. Directly and indirectly christian principles are taught in group play, singing, games and daily routines. Mothers have an opportunity to learn and benefit along with the children.

#### NEW MEMBERS IN GEORGE MATTHIS CLASS

Have you met our new members? If not then make it a point to meet them and introduce yourself, for they want to meet you, too. The latest additions to the roll are: Hamilton and Marie Wilson, Estelle Sherwood, Ben and Marie Clark, Harriet Staples, and Dr. and Mrs. William Pryor. A very cordial welcome <sup>from</sup> each and everyone of us --- we want you to know that we are glad to have you as a part of the George Matthis family.

Did you know that Horman and Mary Johnson have a new 7 pound baby??



WOMEN OF THE CHURCH

There will be a meeting of the Women of the Church Monday November 8th at 8 oclock PM at the Church. The Speaker will be Mrs J. B. Teathers who will speak on the Presbyterian Home at High Point, N. C.

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HALLIE POPE BIBLE CLASS

We have a fine group of women making up our membership, from young Mothers to Grandmothers. Just now we have three new grandmothers. We are a wide awake group, even through we do not tell always what we are doing, Our last project was to buy Winter Clothing for a little blind girl. Our class met Monday Night Oct. 18, with Mrs A. J. Fargo with thirty women present. Everyone always looks forward to meeting with Mrs Fargo, she gives us such a warm welcome that as soon as entering her lovely home one catches her charm and friendliness. A program and intertainment was planned by our hostess also our devotion thought for evening, self-examination-"Let a man examine himself" Paul says and the Poet supports him.

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Just stand aside and watch yourself go by  
Think of yourself as her instead of I  
Pick flaws, find fault, forget the woman in you  
Then strive to make your estimate come true.

Exanine yourself with these questions

- Am I right with myself, in Spotless purity of heart?
- Am I right with others in unselfish service to all?
- Am I right with God, in humble dependence on Him?

After this self examination we hope to begin each new day with a radiant Spirit and thankful hearts. in Service for God----- Next our business--- A committe was appointed to slect officers for our new class year. Mrs Harris, MrsTunstall and Mrs Fargo led us in our fun session, after delicious refreshments all felt a great get together a wonderful evening of Christian Fellowship enjoyed by all.

Ruby Kirkland

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The many friends of Mrs P. A Sloan are praying and Hoping for a complete recovery.

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Was your article supposed to be here?

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