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Thomas E. Ratcliff



Philip Brannan

Thomas E. Ratcliff has been called as director of missions of Palm-Lake Association, effective Aug. 1. A graduate of Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas, and Southwestern Seminary, he goes to Palm-Lake after six years as director of associational missions in the Blanco Bend Area, Beeville, Texas.

Sheridan Hills Church, Hollywood called **Philip Brannan** as minister of youth and activities. A graduate of Palm Beach Atlantic College, West Palm Beach and Southwestern Seminary, he served as minister of youth and recreation at First Church, Saginaw, Texas, while a student at Southwestern.

Revival

First Church, Old Town; Herbert M. Wright, evangelist; one profession of faith; one by letter; David B. Downing, pastor.

Missionary Addresses

Mr. and Mrs. Donald E. Mines (Argentina)—Ramon Falcon 4080, 1407 Buenos Aires, Argentina.

St. John's Church, Palatka recently dedicated a new sanctuary. The 3,460-square-foot building and five-acre tract of land cost approximately \$68,500. Participating in the dedication services were Paul A. Meigs, former director of Evangelism, Florida Baptist Convention; William J. Guess, Florida's Church Extension director; and Swinton Futch, pastor, Lemon Heights Church, Palatka. John Ingram is pastor.

Nash A. Odom has been called as pastor of First Church, Lake Park, effective Aug. 3. He was formerly pastor of First Church, Dublin, N.C.



FIRST CHURCH, HIGH SPRINGS broke ground for 7,000 square feet of extra education space. The enlargement will accommodate 650. Participating (from left) are: Dick Bridges, Sunday School director; Joel Burbee, building committee chairman; and J. W. Thomas, steering committee chairman. Ron Huggins is pastor.

W. D. Jones Dies at 88

William David Jones, 88, died of a heart attack July 16 in Green Cove Springs.

Funeral services were held at Hickory Grove Church, Green Cove Springs, with Pastor Phil Messinger officiating. Interment was at Hickory Grove Cemetery.

Jones was the clerk of Black Creek Association for 33 years. He was also the association's historian and conducted a jail ministry in Green Cove Springs. Jones was the first pastor of Clay Hill Church, Maxville.

He is survived by his widow, MaeDelle.

Homecomings

Woodlawn Church, Johnson, Aug. 17; Charles Litzell, guest speaker; dinner on the grounds; singing in the afternoon; former pastors, members and friends invited; Kenneth Tanner, pastor.

First Church, Weirsdale, Aug. 17; Ray Reynolds, guest speaker; dinner on the grounds; former members and friends invited; Harry Horton Jr., pastor.

Parkview Church, Lake City, Aug. 17; dinner on the grounds; former pastors and members invited; LeRoy Curry, interim pastor.

Hiland Park Church, Panama City, Aug. 3; dinner on the grounds; former members and friends invited; Robert



FIRST CHURCH, OAK HILL held ground-breaking ceremonies recently for a new education building, which will join the present building. Pictured in the foreground are (from left): Pastor Tom Myers; Harold Hicks, building committee chairman; and Eugene Voss, chairman of deacons. Also attending the ceremony at her home church was Miss Vanita Baldwin, director, Florida WMU, shown behind and to the right of the pastor.