

John Peloke Jr.

HOUSE OF WORSHIP: Harmony Ridge Baptist Church, 5546 Highway 90, Pace; about 330 members

PERSONAL: **Peloke** has been married to Billie Jo for 23 years. They have two children: Tim, 22, and Ed, 19. Both are students at Pensacola Junior College. **Peloke** is originally from Jacksonville and was reared in upstate New York. He has been in Northwest Florida since the early 1970s.

DUTIES: "I oversee the music program, lead congregational singing in the choir. I am an associate to the pastor. I do administrative work and other duties."

EDUCATION: He received a bachelor's degree from Florida Baptist Theological College, Graceville.

CHURCH CAREER: **Peloke** has been a member of Harmony Ridge Baptist Church for a year. He has been on staff full-time for six months. Before coming to Pace, he was a bi-vocational pastor at New Vision Baptist Church, Jay, for three years.

CAREER CHOICE: "I felt like God called me into it. He did speak to me in certain ways by affecting circumstances."

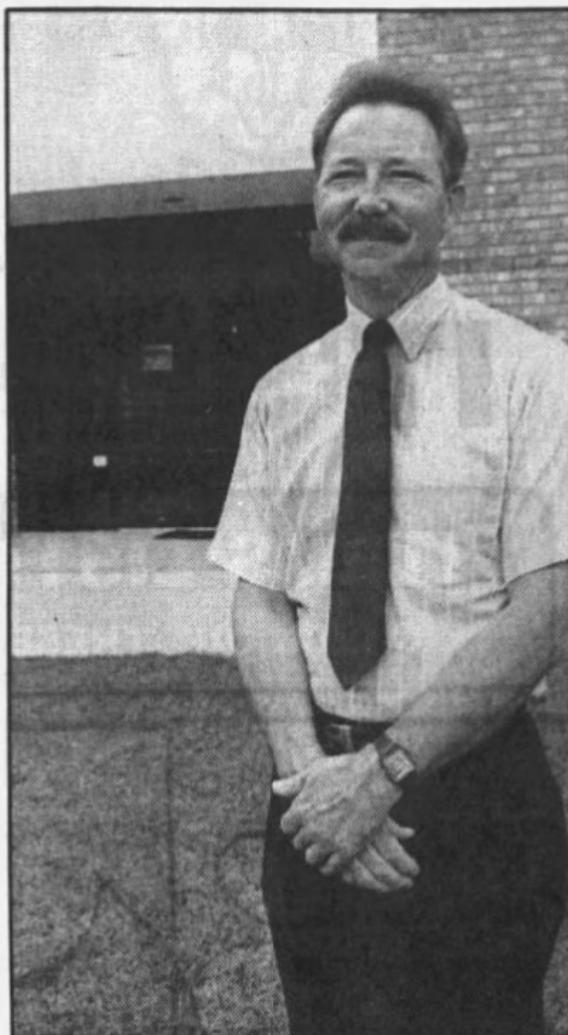
OUTSIDE INTERESTS: Jogging

MOST DIFFICULT: "My greatest weakness is organization, but I work hard at it."

MOST SATISFYING: "Seeing changes in people's lives and thinking that I might have affected those in a minor way."

GOALS: "To reach more people in the community — from homeless to doctors and lawyers."

FAVORITE BIBLE VERSE: Psalms 57:7 "My heart is fixed, oh God, my heart is fixed. I will sing and give praise."



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