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Stephen, Edgar graduated from Wake Forest College. He served as pastor of churches in New Mexico, Virginia and Florida including First Baptist Church, Hastings, Phoenix Park Baptist Church, Jacksonville, First Baptist Church, Bunnell and First Baptist Church, Delray Beach, 1948-1950.



Rev. Edgar Stephen Will Speak Sunday At Baptist Church

According to arrangements made some time ago Rev. Edgar Stephen, pastor of the Phoenix Baptist Church in Jacksonville, will preach in the Ancient City Baptist Church Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Rev. Stephen is a graduate of Wake Forest College, Wake Forest, N. C., and has attended the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., and also the Southwestern Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Tex. At one time he was pastor of the First Baptist Church at Santa Fe, N. Mex., and a few years ago he was pastor of the First Baptist Church at Hastings. Five years ago he conducted special services here for two weeks in the Ancient City Baptist Church and is greatly beloved by the congregation of the church.

Friends of Mr. Stephen in St. Augustine and St. Johns County, especially in the Hastings and Elkton district, are cordially invited to attend this service.

For the sake of those unable to attend, the service will be broadcast over WFOY. Mrs. Arthur D. Manucy, church organist, has prepared a special musical program for the service.

The public is extended a cordial invitation to be present.

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Visiting Pastor At Ancient City Baptist Tonight

Reverend **Edgar Stephen**
to Preach Sermon; Pub-
lic Cordially Invited

Rev. Edgar Stephen, pastor of the Phoenix Park Baptist Church in Jacksonville, will preach in the Ancient City Baptist Church this evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Mr. **Stephen** is a graduate of Wake Forest College, Wake Forest, N. C., and has attended the University of Pennsylvania and the Southern and the Southwestern Theological Seminaries. At one time he was State Secretary of Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. work in New Mexico, where later he served as pastor of the First Baptist Church in Santa Fe. For several years he was pastor of the First Baptist Church in Hastings. Five years ago Reverend **Stephen** conducted special services for two weeks in the Ancient City Baptist Church and is greatly beloved by the congregation of the church.

Friends of Mr. **Stephen** in St. Johns County, especially in the St. Augustine, Hastings and Elkton sections, are cordially invited to attend this service.

Mrs. Arthur Manner, church or-

Revival Services Will Start Sunday

GREENACRES CITY — Revival services, with the **Rev. Edgar Stephen** in charge, will be held at the Greenacres City Baptist Church starting Sunday morning and continuing each evening, except Saturday, through April 18, according to the **Rev. James F. Miedema**, pastor.

Mr. **Stephen** of the Ashcamp Baptist Church, Keysville, Va., was formerly pastor of the First Baptist Church in Delray Beach. W. A. Hubbard will be in charge of the music.

Wednesday has been designated as Men's Night, and Thursday as Young People's Night, Mr. Miedema said.

New Minister to Lead Services at Phoenix Baptist

The **Rev. Edgar Stephen**, who recently accepted a call as pastor of the Phoenix Baptist Church, Evergreen Avenue and Fifty-Sixth Street, will have charge of the 11 A. M., and 7:30 P. M. services today.

Educated at Wake Forest College, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, University of Pennsylvania and the University of Florida, the **Rev. Mr. Stephen** will come to the Phoenix Baptist Church from near Fredericksburg, Va., where he has completed a long and successful pastorate. He was pastor of the First Baptist Church of Hastings, for several years.

The **Rev. Mr. Stephen** and his family will reside at 595 East Sixth Street.

Rev. Edgar Stephen Comes to Hastings As Baptist Pastor

HASTINGS, Aug. 31.—Having accepted the call of the local church, **Rev. Edgar Stephen**, of Gold Dale, Va., arrives in Hastings this week to take over the pastorate of the First Baptist Church. Having been without the services of a regular pastor since the resignation of their former pastor, **Rev. J. F. Gable**, which took effect the first of last February, the members and friends of the church are looking forward to the coming of the new pastor and his family.

As a means of extending a cordial welcome to the new pastor and his family to the work here, tomorrow will be observed as "Every Member Day," and an effort is being made to have every member of the church present at the Sunday school and preaching services. A cordial invitation is extended to all of the friends of the church to join with them in these services.

Rev. Stephen was trained at Bethel College, Wake Forrest College, University of Pennsylvania, and Southern Seminary. He has had three years' experience as state secretary of the B. Y. P. U.,

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THE REV. EDGAR STEPHEN, who has accepted the call to the First Baptist Church, Delray Beach, will reside with Mrs. Stephen at 218 Dixie Blvd.



76 Members Added To Ancient City Baptist Church After Services

The special evangelistic services conducted by the Ancient City Baptist Church in the tabernacle at Bayview and Douglas Avenues, Fullerwood Park, came to a close last Sunday night and the evangelists, Reverend and Mrs. W. L. Head, have gone to Bunnell where they are conducting a meeting with the First Baptist Church of which Rev. Edgar Stephen is pastor.

The special services here were most successful, it is stated, and last Wednesday night at the prayer meeting hour 76 new members were received into the membership

of the Ancient City Baptist Church. About 500 members and friends of the church gathered at the church to welcome the new members. The pastor, Rev. A. E. Calkins, spoke briefly, using as his subject, "The Way of Salvation," and A. R. Dale, chairman of the officers, gave an appropriate address of welcome.

At the close of the service, members and friends presented a liberal "Pantry Shower" to the pastor and his wife. The presentation was made by C. A. Williams, superintendent of McDowell Chapel, who expressed the love and fellowship existing among the members of the church.

Next Wednesday evening a "get-acquainted meeting" will be held at the church and members and friends are cordially invited.

FBC Delray Beach

Our Former Pastors

Rev. Samuel S. Gibson	January 1912 - January 1920
Dr. J. M. Walker	January 1920 - April 1920
Rev. Robert H. Russell	October 1920 - October 1923
Rev. A. D. Woodle	June 1924 - 1926
Rev. P. C. Barclay	1926 - 1929
Rev. Perry T. Taylor	1929 - 1932
Rev. L. E. Dutton	1932 - May 1937
Rev. Marshall Mines	1938 - 1939
Rev. Ed P. Fendley	1939 - June 1, 1942
Rev. M. C. Gardner	August 1942 - November 1943
Rev. John B. Martin	February 1944 - July 1948
Rev. Edgar Stephen	October 1948 - May 1, 1950
Rev. Arthur W. Rich	November 1950 - November 1957
Rev. Charles C. Lemons	December 1957 - July 1, 1958
Dr. Henry E. Turlington	November 1958 - September 1961
Dr. D. Douglas Scrivner	March 1962 - July 1965
Rev. Carl E. Storey	October 1965 - 1969
Dr. Andrew M. Hall	February 1970 - April 1984
Rev. Thomas M. Clayton	May 1984 - November 1985
Rev. Neil T. Hickem	November 1986 - Present

Baptist Group To Meet Here

61st Annual Session of Association to Bring 250 Delegates

The St. Johns River Baptist Association will hold its 61st Annual Session at the Ancient City Baptist Church in this city Thursday and Friday of this week, with approximately 250 delegates from 26 churches in attendance.

Among the outstanding speakers will be Dr. Thomas Hansen, pastor of the Main Street Baptist Church in Jacksonville and vice-president of the Florida Baptist State Mission Board; Dr. F. C. McConnell, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Jacksonville; O. K. Radford, of Miami; Dr. C. M. Brittain, Jacksonville, Executive Secretary of Florida Baptist State Mission Board; Dr. W. C. Allen, president of Stetson University, DeLand, Florida.

Rev. Edgar Stephen, pastor of the First Baptist Church at Bunnell, will deliver the annual sermon, and Rev. A. B. Canady, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Crescent City, will close the meeting with an address on Christian Fellowship.

A full program of the session will be announced later by Rev. A. E. Calkins, pastor of the Ancient City Baptist Church.