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Stone, Nathan R. (1874-1956) graduated from the Mississippi Baptist University and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville. He served as pastor of churches in Mississippi, Alabama and Florida, including Whitfield Memorial Baptist Church, Pensacola and Jackson Heights Baptist Church, Tampa, 1931-1932

May 3, 1956

This, That and the Other

FIRST CHURCH OF PANAMA CITY ADDS TWO WORKERS TO STAFF



Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wolfskill have been called by First Church, Panama City to serve as minister of education and church musician respectively. Natives of Missouri, they are to be graduated from Southwestern Seminary in May and will move to Panama City shortly thereafter. The Wolfskills have three children.

Following a Bible Conference April 15-20, led by W. E. Denham, the Mims Church, Mims held a one-day evangelistic conference on Sunday, April 22. Guest speakers for the day were Gene Baxley, A. H. Stainback, W. E. Denham, J. T. Williams, Henry Tatum, and Paul Wilson. Hugh Beasley is the pastor.

First Church, Tallahassee received 67 members in revival services led by Duke K. McCall, president of Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky. Harold G. Sanders is pastor.

During dismantling of old buildings and construction of the new auditorium, the church is holding two morning services each Sunday in the State Theatre and two evening services in the Duval Auditorium.

Pastor John K. Manley of Brownville Church, Arcadia writes to express appreciation for the Two Months' Free Trial plan which led to the church's vote to put the Baptist Witness in its budget. This small and growing church is using the unified budget system of church finance to good advantage and giving a regular percentage to world missions through the Cooperative Program. The church writes that an interesting scrapbook is being made of the Jack Hamm cartoons, the Counselor's Corner, and some of the editorials which appear in the Witness.

C. Penrose St. Amant of New Orleans Seminary was guest speaker in a Christian Life Conference at Riverside Church, Jacksonville April 15-18.

The Witness has received a copy of resolutions passed by the Executive Committee of Peace River Association commending Loren A. Williams for his service to the association while pastor of Riverside Church, Ft. Myers.

Williams has recently moved from Ft. Myers to become pastor of First Church, Chiefland.

DOVER CHURCH BREAKS GROUND FOR \$45,000 AUDITORIUM

In a ceremony conducted by Pastor J. J. Dorough, ground was broken for the new \$45,000 sanctuary of Dover Church, Dover on Monday afternoon, April 16.

The new 54' x 96' masonry building to seat 750 persons is expected to be completed in about four months. The old frame building now in use will then house Sunday school classes.

O. G. Hart is chairman of the Building Committee and W. P. Griffin of the Finance Committee.

Singer T. E. Bush of New Smyrna Beach has recently led the music in revival services at Ashley River Church, Charleston, S. C. in which there were 58 additions and at Plains Church, Plains, Ga. in which there were 16 additions.

Features of Youth Week at First Church, Cedar Key included a week-end revival led by Carl Whidden, ministerial student at Stetson who was supply pastor last summer for his home church at Perry, and a fish fry sponsored by the Brotherhood and the W.M.U. on Friday night honoring the young people.

New Orleans Church, Tampa and Pastor J. Earl Tharp received 88 new members, 71 by baptism, during revival services conducted by Evangelist E. J. Daniels of Orlando. Ken Sliger of Pensacola led the singing and directed a youth program.

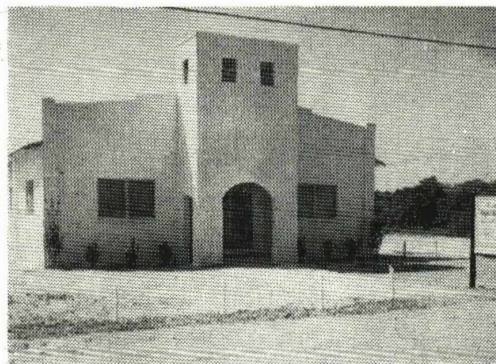
Woodstock Park Church, Jacksonville, conducted revival services April 8-15 with C. H. Bolton of First Church, Avon Park, preaching and Larry Stracener leading the music. Of the 22 new members added, 12 came by baptism. O. E. Boals is pastor.

Allen S. Cutts, formerly pastor of First Church, Pensacola, has begun an interim pastorate at Riverside Church, Jacksonville.

First Church, Macclenny will be in revival services May 6-11 with W. G. Stracener preaching and W. A. Ruis singing.

GULF BREEZE MOVES AHEAD

Brownsville Church, Pensacola has taken over the sponsorship of a new mission, First Church of Gulf Breeze. The mission auditorium pictured here is complete with beautiful new light oak furniture. A new \$19,000 educational building is under way. This is the second mission which Brownsville Church, under the leadership of Pastor H. Gerald Walker, has started in eight months.



MORTGAGE-BURNING FEATURED AT FOREST PARK HOMECOMING

At homecoming on March 25, Forest Park Church, Vero Beach, marked the first anniversary of its organization. Pastor George E. Moulton was assisted by G. A. Ratterree as guest speaker. During the year the membership of the church has increased from 103 to 163, Sunday school enrolment from 188 to 301 and Training Union enrolment from 53 to 115. During an afternoon service the church burned the mortgage on its educational building.

In revival services beginning April 2 in which A. A. Smith of Mandarin was evangelist, the church received 21 members (16 for baptism) and broke all attendance records by having 241 present in Sunday school.

NATHAN R. STONE DIES AT 82

Nathan R. Stone, Baptist minister, who had lived for several years until very recently in Pensacola and had served churches in this state as well as in Mississippi, Alabama, and Kentucky, died at the Baptist Hospital in Jackson, Miss. on March 25, his 82nd birthday.

Graduation exercises of the 1955-56 session of the Lakeland Division of Baptist Bible Institute will be held at Southside Church, Lakeland on Sunday, May 13 at 3:00 pm with Charles Knight, Southside pastor, delivering the address.

The Lakeland Division of B.B.I. has enrolled 67 students during the current year, 30 of whom are attending night classes. The fall term for 1956-57 will open Sept. 3, 1956. Write Dean L. B. Johnson for information and catalog.

First Church, Palatka and Pastor H. K. Masteller were assisted in revival services April 9-15 by Don Austin, Greensboro, N. C. as evangelist and Verl Capps of results included 19 additions to the church, 12 of them by baptism.

Miss Nita McCullough, Southern Baptist missionary to Nigeria, is returning to the States for furlough and may be addressed at Route 1, Box 128, Lee, Fla., where she makes her permanent American home. Miss McCullough is a native of Jasper, Fla.

Rev. N. R. Stone Is To Be Assisted By Alabama Pastor In Work

Special evangelistic services began at the Whitfield Memorial Baptist church on Monday, the pastor, **Rev. N. R. Stone**, being assisted by

Baptist."

Jackson Heights Baptist, the **Rev. N. R. Stone**, pastor; morning, the Lord's Supper will be observed; evening, "The Price of Redemption."

Calvary Baptist. 1905 Thirty-sixth

Jackson Baptist To Dedicate New Church Tomorrow

The Jackson Heights Baptist temple, formerly the East Side Baptist church, will hold special dedication services tomorrow night at 7:30 o'clock at the newly completed church building, Thirty-fourth street and Twenty-fifth avenue. **Rev. N. R. Stone**, pastor, will be in charge.

Work on the new church was begun about eight months ago, shortly after the site was purchased. The old church building was located at Chipco and Thirty-third streets.

third streets.

Baptism will be administered to several candidates, following the dedication service.

Rev. Stone, who has been pastor of the church for the past eight months, will leave Monday morning for South Carolina where he will conduct a two weeks revival meeting.

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FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

Jan. 18, 1930.

EVERY DETAIL for the three-day greater Pensacola \$3,500 open golf tournament to be held Feb. 14-16 was provided for at the two meetings occasionally.

The **Rev. N. R. Stone** has accepted a call as pastor of the Whitfield Baptist church.

Pensacola railroad officials stated yesterday that more tourists are coming in the city at this time than ever before.

National Association of Civil

Jackson Heights Baptist Pastor To End Work Here

The **Rev. N. R. Stone** will end his pastorate at Jackson Heights Baptist church today. He will take up associational evangelistic work in Mississippi.

Mr. **Stone** has served as pastor of the church for two years. Under his leadership it has shown a decided gain in membership, paid off all indebtedness and a new building has been erected. He was connected with the Southern Home board in evangelistic work for 12 years before coming to Tampa.

Myrtle Grove Church

Baptists Will Observe Silver Anniversary

worship hour.

Later activities begin with Baptist Training Union at 6:30 p.m. The evening worship hour will feature the first pastor of the church, the **Rev. Leo Roberts**, Orlando.

Other former pastors invited to attend are the **Rev. C. O. Stewart**, the **Rev. G. C. Eubanks**, the **Rev. Martin White** and the **Rev. Francis E. Broyles**. Mrs. I. I. Roberts and Mrs. L. E. Ferguson, wives of former pastors now deceased, also are invited.

Included in the invitation, also is the **Rev. N. R. Stone**, who was instrumental in the founding of the church.

Funds for the occasion have been set by the Sunday School and Training Union. All money received that day through offerings and collections is designed for the church building fund.

Present at the organizational v

BAPTIST PASTOR ARRIVES

The **Rev. N. R. Stone**, graduate of the Mississippi Baptist university and the Southern Baptist Theological seminary at Louisville, has arrived at Orange Glade to conduct revival services at the church there. Services will be held at 7:15 p. m. daily, starting tonight.

Stone Leaves for Mississippi Monday

Rev. N. R. Stone, pastor of the Jackson Heights Baptist Church for the past two years, will leave Monday for Mississippi where he will take up evangelistic work. Mr. **Stone** was connected with the Southern Home Board in evangelistic work for 12 years before coming to Tampa.

Rev. N. R. Stone with his wife and daughter will leave tomorrow on a two week's vacation. Their destination is Tampa.

Hit-Run Car Hits Retired Minister

The **Rev. Nathan R. Stone**, an 81-year-old retired Baptist minister, was struck by a hit and run motorist at Mallory and T Sts. Saturday night and hospitalized for fractures of the left shoulder, several ribs and left wrist, County Road Patrolman Bill Davis reported.

Mr. **Stone** was walking north on T St., about 6:30 p.m. Saturday when a southbound car, passing another, struck him a glancing blow, according to Davis. Authorities were seeking the car, believed to be a 1940 Chevrolet sedan.

Mr. **Stone** resided at 1718 N. T Street.