The Bandon Chapel Notebook - A Thankful Heart Is A Real Blessing

By Maggie B. Hi, Neighbors! A thankful heart is a real blessing. So many people today take our countless blessings for granted, failing to realize that many lives have been lost in making our lot in life easier. I was reading an article by Major J.W. Marshall, USA (Ret.). In it, he described a journey he took while stationed in China. One day, he and his Chinese driver were driving up a steep mountain on very rough roads. They had to cross over a river on a bridge built by coolie labor, using mountain rocks. On one side of the bridge entrance, there was a sign with Chinese characters. He asked the driver what the sign said. The driver replied that it asked travelers using

the bridge to say a prayer

for those who had died

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journey. That sign stayed in his mind and had a profound influence on his life. He concluded the article as

lesson, "God Gives Jacob a "In the homestretch of my pilgrimage of life, which has

trails in its search for meaning and truth, these conclusions have been

arrived at: the best source of strength is faith; the best bond

relations is love and friendship; and it is always good to give thanks. This

boils down to having faith, hope, leve, and thanking God."

On this Lord's Day, the air was fresh and pure following the welcome rain Saturday. Waters of the mighty Chowan lapped gently against the bulkhead, the bounty of God's handiwork was everywhere -just right to enter the church of your choice to have your spiritual batteries building it so that they recharged.

New Name", Gen. 32: 9 - 12, 22 - 30, was presented by Margaret Bunting. It was brought out that our problems and difficulties bring us closer to God and lead to a deepened understanding of our Heavenly

Bandon Chapel for Sunday

School were warmly

welcomed by Supt. Meta

Mason. An enlightening

Prayer List: When we pray, we ask that God's Will be done, for only He knows

friends to your prayer list. Joseph Harrell, Jr., brother of Mary Julia Parrish, was struck by lightening Mon-day. He's confined to Cardiac Intensive Care Unit

at Albemarle Hospital in Elizabeth City and needs prayer; Joe Harris, husband of Thelma Harris, is confined to Chesapeake General Hospital, Chesapeake, Va., where he is recouperating from surgery performed last week; please remember Samuel Oakes; Ella Powell; Lucille English; Len Koraska; A.J. Woolney; Mildred Carper; Elton Boswell; Robert Harvey and Jessie H. Davis. Add Tom Boals, Rt. 1, Chowan

The fine folk assembled at what is best. Please add our of Arthur Kay. Pray for our Christian faith under the fence Nation, its people, and that greatest teacher of all, God will guide the decisions. Jesus Christ. made by our leaders; remember our missionnaries and our Pastor, Rev. Robert S. Harrell and his

> "Happy Birthday" was sung by all in honor of Robert Cumbia. We wish him many more.

-0-At our Worship Service, Bandon's Shepherd, Rev. beautiful message entitled Mark 8:31 - 38. Resume: We each other and accept are all engaged in some kind of learning experience disciple, follow me": Jesus every day. The New is talking about loyalty. If Testament has a word for it - your loyalty is half - hear-"Discipleship"...learning

Jesus Christ.
"Disciple" means "Learner". Our Scripture emphasizes three points: 1) "If anyone would be My disciple, he must deny himself": Self denial means subordinating our selves to the full claims of Jesus Christ on our lives. 2) Cross bearing: Jesus was talking life; however, the people about accepting the consequences of obedience. At the time He was speaking, Robert S. Harrell, brought a He was preparing to die on the cross for our sins. We "Discipleship", based on must learn to depend on

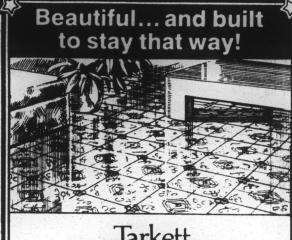
discipline. 3) "If you be my

ted, you might as well stay

will do my thing" or "I will live my life as I please". That would be O.K. if you were the only person in this world. But, sooner or later what I do will affect you and what you do will affect me. Some see being a Christian as taking all the joy out of

Our society today places piest in this life are those emphasis on freedom - "I who have committed who have committed themselves to Jesus Christ and His way in their life. Try it - be a "learner"!

> Miss Vicky Nelson played a flute solo as our Special Music, entitled "He Leadeth Me". It was beautiful -Vicky made that flute talk! Continued On Page 7-A



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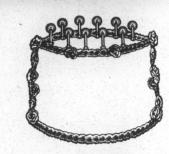
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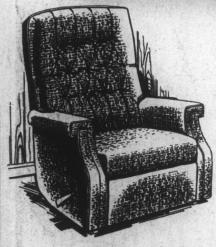
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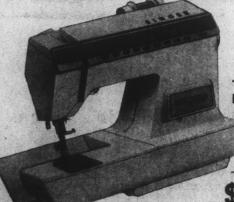
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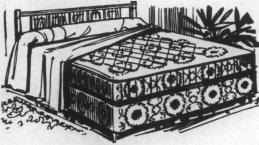
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