

Inspirational Thinking From The Pages Of Bandon Notebook

by Maggie B.
HI, NEIGHBORS! My neighbors, Marion and Bob Dennis, just pulled out the driveway headed for Pitt Memorial Hospital in Greenville where Marion will be in the Rehabilitation Center for the next two or three weeks. They are natives of Ohio but thoroughly enjoy being a part of North Carolina now. Marion has MS and is confined to a wheel chair but is one of the most talented and ALIVE people I know. She sees beauty in everything! She is a real inspiration - her conversation is always interesting and positive - she doesn't have time for negative thinking! She believes that when God closes a door, He opens a window for you - she's always looking for something or some way to help others. These words by M.E. Crushman seem to reflect her thinking. Share them with me:

*"I will not hurry through this day!
 Lord, I will listen by the way
 To humming bees and singing birds,
 To murmuring trees and friendly words;
 And for the moments in between
 Seek glimpses of Thy great Unseen.*

*I will not hurry through this day,
 I will take time to think and pray;
 I will look up into the sky,
 Where fleecy clouds and swallows fly,
 And somewhere in the day maybe
 I will catch whispers, Lord, from Thee!"*

Birth Is Announced

Couple Honored
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 Clyde's grandmother, Mrs. Fay Tew, Jonathon and David Brooks all of Dunn and Gail's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Vogedes of Raleigh.

Assisting with the affair were the Gray's children, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gray of Fuquay and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Walters of Raleigh.

Prior to their departure the hostess presented the couple with a gift of brass.

Goodbyes were said by Mr. and Mrs. Wortman to approximately, 75 friends and relatives.

'Twas a glorious Lord's Day!
 Gentle winds stirred tree tops
 and caressed waters of the mighty Chowan which glistened
 as though sprinkled with diamonds;
 birds were singing their songs of joy; fragrance

The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. F.E. Blackwell of Laurinburg, N.C. and the paternal grandparents are Rev. and Mrs. Keith Reeve of Raleigh. The paternal great-grandparents are the late James W. Gardner of Edenton and Mrs. Carmen Gardner of Tyrone, Pa.

of freshly mowed grass and spring flowers delighted one's nostrils while the eyes feasted upon the beauty of God's handiwork. A perfect day to enter the church of one's choice to recharge our Spiritual batteries!

The fine folk gathered for Sunday School at Bandon Chapel were warmly welcomed by Deacon Dave Lapham and treated to an interesting lesson by B. Kent Rowley. It was based on Acts 16:9-18. God's Will was made known to Paul through a vision of a

man calling for him to come into Macedonia and help. God's Will can come to us today through His Word, in the words and advice of others and it can strike us through the personal inner struggle of thought and insight.

Prayer List: When we pray we ask that God's Will be done. Please add our friends to your prayer list. My brother, Roy W. Darden, underwent open heart surgery at Norfolk General Hospital, Norfolk, Va., Friday morning. His recovery has

been fantastic! He expects to be released from the hospital Saturday. Cards may be addressed to his home: 1800 Dock Landing Road, Chesapeake, Va. 23321; Mike Kane is still confined to Norfolk General Hospital, Rm. 808 but is improving day by day; Hilda Strickland is recuperating at home but still needs prayer; Eddie Wright is suffering with an inflamed sciatic nerve and needs prayer; Meta Mason is improving; please remember Marion Dennis; Ruth

Whitley; Alice Elliott; Owen Pate; Joe Harris and Wilford Topping. Pray for our Nation and its people, pray that God will guide the decisions made by our leaders and leaders of other nations. Remember all missionaries, all churches and our Pastor, Rev. Robert S. Harrell and his family.

A hearty welcome is extended to our first timers this week: Gene and Dot Beaver of Durham, N.C., guests of Evelyn and Eddie Wright. We hope you enjoyed our service

and will return soon.

Our Worship Service this May Day was special! Two beautiful red Rosebuds in lovely vases graced our altar in honor of our new babies - Ashlee Jane Birkhead and Nathaniel Scott Turbyfill. Pastor Bob presented Ashlee Jane's to her parents, Susan and Thomas Birkhead. Then, he presented his granddaughter, Ashlee Jane, to the congregation. Nathaniel Scott's parents, Stan and Lorraine Turbyfill, were unable

to be with us so he presented the Rosebud to his paternal grandmother, Joan Turbyfill Bingham.

Pastor Bob's powerful message, "The Kingdom of God", was based on Mark 4:26-29. Resume: The Kingdom of God consists of ALL people who believe in Jesus Christ and make Him the Lord of their life, their friend and companion - trusting, believing and following Jesus. It's a condition of the heart and mind.

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