

Obituaries

Sunday School Lesson



BRIGHT YOUNGSTERS—These young sales people of Central School in Winfall, did a smashing job of selling The Perquimans Weekly, in the recent drive, with money going to the school. From left, Elaine Twine, third place winner; Keith Byrum, second place winner, and Stuart White, also a second place winner and finally Ken Miller, first place winner. Ms. Brenda Terranova's non-grade pilot class sold the most subscriptions, a total of 46. Her class will have a party.



SMART STUDENTS—These young people of Hertford Grammar School were winners of the seventh and eighth grade classes who sold the most Perquimans Weekly subscriptions recently. Front row, all seventh graders, left to right are: Julie Cherry, first place; Donna Phillips, second place and Renee Skinner, third place; back row, left to right all eighth graders are: Ann Rogerson, third place; Mary Beers, second place; and Herbert White, first place. Absent when photo was taken is Lynn Hurdle, who shared third place honors.

Makes Gift

The J. Alonzo Burris family of Lincolnton has made a challenge gift of \$100,000 to the Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina, Inc. for the development of Greer Home at Chapel Hill and the expansion of services for children with special needs. The announcement was made on behalf of the family by Dr. W.R. Wagoner, agency president, to trustees meeting for a semi-annual session in Raleigh today (Jan. 12, 1974).

J. Alonzo Burris and his father-in-law, the late E.B. Goodin, were co-founders of Burris Industries, Inc. in Lincolnton. Burris is now serving as the company's chairman of the board. Burris Industries is an internationally known manufacturer of chairs that recline, family room groupings and chemically-produced furniture.

Mr. and Mrs. Burris and their four children and their families have made an initial gift to the Homes of 15,632 shares of Burris Industries' stock. The stock was offered for sale to the public only this year.

Children who are participating in the challenge include Mr. and Mrs. J.

Wayne Burris of Lincolnton. He is president of the company, a graduate of North Carolina State University and Harvard Graduate School of Business and trustee for Gardner-Webb College. They have three children, J. Wayne Jr., Slate, and Lee Alonzo. Mr. and Mrs. Al E. Kale of Lincolnton have two children, Crayton and Gaylynn. She is the former Gayle Burris and he is a realtor in Lincolnton.

Mr. and Mrs. William M. Blair reside in Chapel Hill where he is a dental student at the University of North Carolina. She is the former Carole Burris and the couple has one child, Kristin. Miss Rebecca Burris is a first year student at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky. majoring in religious education concentrating in children's work. She is a 1973 graduate of Meredith College.

The family has long been interested in youth and child care programs in North Carolina. Miss Burris worked with retarded children at a camp in Lincolnton and during her first semester at Southern Seminary.

MISS EMMA PIKE
Miss Emma Myrtle Pike, 59, of Winfall, died Saturday at 4:35 p.m. in the Albemarle Hospital following an illness of a month.

A native of Pasquotank County she was the daughter of the late Benjamin Franklin and Mrs. Martha Sutton Pike and was a member of the Epworth United Methodist Church. She received her B.S. degree in nursing from John Hopkins University and was a retired director of the School of Nursing at City Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland.

Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Thelma Harrell and Mrs. Hazel Melton of Winfall and a brother, Wesley Pike of Moyock.

Funeral services were held Monday at 2:30 in Cedarwood Cemetery by the Rev. W.R. Pinner and the Rev. Larn L. Underwood.

The casket pall was made of pink roses, pink carnations, orchids, white chrysanthemums, baby's breath and fern.

Pallbearers were Leon Harrell, Roy Melton, Grady Twine, R.E. Ashley, Shelton Morgan and T.M. Stallings. Swindell Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

CARLTON E. SMITH
Carlton Elihue Smith, 53, of Rt. 1, Hobbsville, died Sunday night at 6:30 at his home following an illness of five months.

A native of Perquimans County, he was the son of Mrs. Ollie Cartwright Smith of Rt. 3, Hertford and the late Ed Smith. He was employed in the shipping department of the Lipton Tea Company in Suffolk, was an Army veteran of World War 2 and was a member of the Sandy Cross Baptist Church.

Besides his mother, he is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mildred Stallings Smith; HEELING-IN

"Heeling-in" is a term used to describe a process of "storing" a plant until it can be permanently transplanted. If a dug plant is delayed in replanting for two or three weeks, it can be heeled-in by digging a shallow hole or trench with one side sloped 45 degrees. The roots are placed in the hole or trench and the trunk resting against the sloping side. Cover the roots with loose soil and keep moist.

FLA. GUEST
Mr. Ruth Stevenson of Naples, Fla. is a guest of her father, L.N. Hollowell.

two sons, Carlton Wayne Smith of Rt. 1, Hobbsville and Clinton Payne Smith of Elizabeth City; a sister, Miss Elnora Smith of Elizabeth City and a grandchild.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 2:30 in the Hobbsville Baptist Church by the Rev. Bobby Hewitt, pastor. Burial followed in the King Family Cemetery. "Precious Memories" and "Sometime We'll Understand" were sung by Miss Janie Stallings and Mr. Earl Stallings, accompanied by Mrs. Albert Riddick, organist.

The casket pall was made of white chrysanthemums, red roses, and baby's breath.

Pallbearers were Manford Cobb, William Lilly, Waddell Harrell, Elmer Bunch, Ray Stallings and Earl Ward.

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By MARION SWINDELL

The ancient story of the three blind men approaching an elephant for the first time offers a great lesson in understanding.

The first blind man feeling the elephant's trunk declared: "It is like a snake." The second feeling the massive leg said: "It is the same as a tree." The third holding the tail said: "Ah, it is only as a rope."

Each wrong yet each correct. The two and three sides of arguments and differences, each and all have their points—this we need to remember. Consider the other side, and there is always another side.

When there is opposition to change, try to understand just what the opposition thinks. The fears and the anguish that they feel could result from change. This is really what people are fighting.

What appears as a simple rope to some, looms as big as a tree to others. The greatest attainment of man is when he can say: "Friend, I want to understand your problem."

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LOVE AMONG BELIEVERS
(JOHN 13:1-5, 12-14, 34-35)
Grenfell of Labrador once came to John Hopkins University looking for a nurse to come back to Labrador to help with the work there.

This is the way he made his approach: "If you want to have the time of your life, come with me and run a hospital next summer for the orphans of the North land. There will not be a cent of money in it for you, and you will have to pay your own expenses. But I'll guarantee you will feel a love for life you have never before experienced. It's having the time of anyone's life to be in the service of Christ."

It is not only the useful life but also the happy life that loves and serves. Jesus said and did many things to teach men how to live. Sometimes He acted out the lesson He sought to teach. Lessons of love and humble service can best be taught by example.

EXAMPLE.
JOHN 13:1-5
The time was just before the passover feast. This would be a time when the people of Israel would be charged with high feelings of emotion. Why? This passover festival turned their minds and hearts back to Egyptian bondage and deliverance. They remembered the story of the slain lamb and its blood on the posts of the door.

If this was such a time for the people of Israel, how

much more for God's Son? He was that "Lamb of God" who would "take away the sin of the world."

Jesus came to this hour in full consciousness that His death was near at hand. His death was no accident. He knew that His hour had arrived. Even in that hour the great heart of Jesus reached out to His disciples. How much He loved them! "He loved them unto the end" probably means that He loved them to the uttermost.

The devil had found in Judas an instrument for his evil plan. It is difficult for us to understand the action of Judas. Here was the height of spiritual blindness. Let us beware that we yield not to Satan's suggestions.

Jesus faced the hour of death in the confidence that all things had been given into His hands. Jesus knew what His hour of glory had arrived. He also knew that He had come from the Father and that He was returning to the Father. It is easier to face death when one knows that he is a product of God's grace and that heaven is his destiny.

With this knowledge and confidence what will Jesus do? What will He preach to His disciples? He rises from the supper, lays aside His outer garments, takes a towel to wrap around Himself, pours water into a basin and begins to wash the feet of the disciples!

Surely they were astonished and Jesus gave them an explanation.

EXPLANATION.

JOHN 13:12-14
Many have understood this lesson to be taken literally and many dedicated and sincere Christians practice washing one another's feet in connection with the Lord's Supper. One may do this and yet miss the true intent of the lesson. What did Jesus mean by this action? He asked them this question, "Do you know what I have done to you?" Surely they knew He had washed their feet. Was there more to be understood in what He did? Let us read on: "You call me Master and Lord; and you say well; for so I am. If I then your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; you also ought to wash one another's feet."

Jesus had given them, and us, a lesson in love and humble service. One could bend down and wash his brother's feet and yet be filled with pride, jealousy, or resentment. This could be obeyed apart from the literal act of washing feet. This could be obeyed apart from the literal act of washing feet. This commandment of Jesus is to be taken seriously. It is to be obeyed in all of our relations with one another.

There is a further and deeper explanation by Jesus of His action in washing their feet. In verse 10 of the background scripture, Jesus said, "He that is washed (bathed) needeth not save to wash his feet, but is clean every whit; and you are clean, but not all." Jesus

turns from the physical to the spiritual. When a person is saved by God's grace he will not need to be saved all over again. Nevertheless, there will be the daily defilement of sin.

In our final passage Jesus issues an exhortation.

EXHORTATION,
JOHN 13:34-35

Jesus gives them a new commandment. They are to love one another. Is this new? No, but the rest of the commandment is—"as I have loved you." Jesus' love for them was not based on their goodness or abilities. He loved them with an unselfish, unmerited, unwanted, unending, undeserving love. When Christians start practicing His love for one another, the world will sit up and take notice. Then the world will know we're real.

BIBLE QUESTION FOR THIS WEEK:

What did Jesus mean when He said "I am the way, the truth, and the life" John 14:6?

ANSWER:

Jesus claimed to be the way to God. Jesus is the truth of God. Jesus is the life of God.

According to the Bible, there is no way to God apart from Jesus. Jesus is the personification of truth. One does not know ultimate truth until he knows Jesus. To know God through Jesus Christ is to have eternal life. See Acts 4:12; John 3:36.

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This is one of many civic organizations in the communities of our state which makes the difference in whether a city stands still or moves ahead.

We tip our hat to all such progressive groups, and particularly wish the Lions a successful get-together on the coming weekend.

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