

## MARCH OF DIMES BIRTH DEFECTS CENTERS GROW IN NUMBER — NEED TWICE AS MANY



**First Baptist Church**  
Rev. Harold McDonald,  
Pastor

The monthly Sunday School Workers' Council will be held on Wednesday night, January 19, in connection with prayer meeting. The Deacons meeting will be held immediately following the Workers Council in the Pastor's study. All active deacons are encouraged to be present at this time.

The second Associational S. S. meeting of the year will be held at the West Burnsville Baptist Church on Monday night, January 17 at 7:30 p. m. The program for the night will be on personal witnessing and evangelism. Following an opening devotional period, there will be meetings of each age group for discussion periods. All S. S. officers and teachers are especially urged to be present.

January Bible Study Week will be held during the week of January 23-27. Departments for every age group have been provided and excellent teachers have been enlisted for the study. Pre-enrollment will be held through the Sunday School on January 16 and 23 leading up to the study which will begin during the Training Union hour on the 23rd. Books for the adult study will be available on January 16 for those who would like to make advance preparation for the intensive study of the book "John's Witness To Jesus."

A special unit entitled "Hearing Our Witness For Christ" was begun in all adult and Young People's classes last Sunday. For the next 12 weeks these classes will be making a study of the biblical basis for personal witnessing. It is hoped that this study will prepare the entire church for the experience of a real revival in April as the series of evangelistic services begin. The services will be under the leadership of Rev. T. L. Rich, Jr., pastor of the First Baptist Church of Fairmont, N. C.

#### Higgins Memorial

Rev. Joe Warner, Pastor  
Rev. Warner has just returned from High Point, where he has been attending a Pastor's Conference.

The WSCS study course will be held at 7:30 Sunday evening. It will be taught by Mrs. Warner, based on Acts of the Apostles — "Then and Now".

The WSCS Circles will hold their regular meetings on Thursday at 8:00 p. m. as follows: Sue Reynolds Circle with Mrs. W. H. Higgins; Clara Brown Circle with Mrs. Wallace Edge; Mildred Ray Circle with Mrs. P. C. Coletta  
On Sunday morning at 8:00 o'clock the Methodist men will meet for their breakfast.

The Methodist ministers of Yancey and Mitchell Counties will meet Tuesday, the 18th at 11:30 a. m. in Bakersville for a luncheon at the Bakersville Restaurant.

Bishop Earl Hunt, Jr., will preach at the Central Methodist Church in Asheville at

7:30 p. m., Wednesday, January 19th. This will be "The Bishop's Rally for Laymen of the Asheville District". All Laymen and lay-women are urged to attend.

**Martins Chapel Methodist**  
Rev. Alvin Jones, Pastor  
Mr. and Mrs. Jones have been attending the Pastor's Conference in High Point this week.

The first Saturday night gospel sing at this church is gaining in interest, and popularity.

The prayer meetings, held every Tuesday night at 7:00 o'clock, is quite well attended, as are the Sunday School and church services.

**Bald Creek Methodist**  
Rev. Thos. W. Weeks, Pastor

The Bald Creek charge is comprised of four churches: Bald Creek, Boring Chapel, Pensacola, and Elk Shoals Union Church. The Elk Shoals Church is made up of Baptists and Methodists, and probably some other denominations, and is more or less a community church. Rev. Weeks preaches there every other Sunday, with a Baptist pastor preaching the other Sundays.

Rev. and Mrs. Weeks (Carol) have served this charge for one and one-half years, coming here from McAdenville, N. C. They have four small daughters—Linda, Julie, Laura and Karen. To say this is a busy family is putting it mildly. We thought the days of the "circuit rider" were gone forever, but with four churches it would seem that Mr. Weeks might come under that category.

The MYF of Bald Creek and Boring Chapel meet regularly every Sunday evening at 6:30 at the Bald Creek Church.

The MYF and Family Fellowship of the Pensacola Church will meet on Thursday night of this week at 7:00 p. m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Rathbone.

The WSCS of the Boring Chapel Church will meet Thursday at about one o'clock at the home of Miss Fannie Evans.

Rev. Weeks will be in the pulpit of the Boring Chapel church Sunday morning, the 16th, at 10:00 a. m., and the Bald Creek church at 11:00 a. m.

**Burnsville Presbyterian**  
Rev. Woodward Finley  
Pastor

This church will observe the sacrament of the Lord's Supper at the Sunday morning service.

The Westminster Fellowship group will hold their regular meeting Sunday afternoon at 4:45.

Mrs. Harlan Holcombe will be hostess to the Women of the Church at her home on Thursday, the 13th.

**Newdale Presbyterian**  
Rev. Troy Young, Temporary  
Pastor

This church is still without a regular pastor, but have been greatly blessed the past few months by having in the pulpit every Sunday morning Rev. Troy Young, or, in a few instances, visiting ministers. We are glad to report that both attendance and interest is holding up well.

Rev. Young announced Sunday that the General Assembly has set aside January until Easter of this year as a period of evangelism.

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