

**Announce Changes in Operations**

Effective with the first of the 1957 fiscal year (December 31, 1956), the operating territory of Colonial Stores Incorporated, with headquarters in Atlanta, Ga., will be divided into four regional areas, it is announced by Joseph Seitz, president of the company. Each regional territory will be headed by a vice president and will be comprised of one or more operating divisions under the direction of a general manager. "The decision to decentralize operating management and authority offers greater flexibility on a local level, closer to the actual problems," Mr. Seitz said. "In addition, this new organization structure will facilitate the development of executives to become better equipped to assume greater responsibilities."

J. W. Wood, senior vice president, Norfolk, will head up the new Eastern Region, embracing the states of Virginia, Maryland and Eastern North Carolina. As previously announced, Mr. Wood will also serve as an advisor to the operating executives of the other regions.

K. J. Brethauer, manager of stores operations, Norfolk, was named to the newly created position of general manager of the Norfolk Division. Brethauer, a 26 year Colonial, will be responsible for the functioning of all divisional operations in the area served by warehouses located in Norfolk and Richmond, Virginia.

J. R. Mercer, general superintendent, Richmond, will be promoted to the position of manager of stores operations for the Norfolk Division. Mercer, a former resident of Atlanta, and who has been with the company almost 20 years, will move back to Norfolk with his family shortly after the first of the year.

**Another Year**

It is hard to believe—as always—but 1956 has run its course in what seems like only a few months. Now, 1957 crowds into the act.

The year 1956 was one of general prosperity in the United States, of politics, and international crises. It was a year in which the American people chose President Dwight D. Eisenhower to serve another four years, although they gave him a Democratic House and Senate in the process.

It was a year in which Egypt's President Nasser precipitated an international crisis by seizing the Suez Canal, England, France and Israel precipitated another when they invaded the canal zone with troops, although they had pulled out by the latter days of December.

It was also a year in which the Russians savagely attacked the free people of Hungary, a move which aroused the widespread sympathy of freedom-loving peoples everywhere.

The United States stayed out of war, and prosperity—for most Americans—continued. It is true that many farmers, small business men and some workers, whose employers went out of business, did not enjoy the prosperity experienced by many.

And 1957 may well be the year in which the economy makes or breaks itself. A continued worsening of the situation for the group of Americans who are not now as prosperous as they have been, could mean a recession. A change for the better, which would provide them their share of U. S. prosperity, could mean many more years of good times.

Therefore, 1957 is a year of hope. It should be a year of prayer also in behalf of peace. Since most of the economic forecasters and economists predict that 1957 will be another good year, the prospect is that 1957 will prove to be another highly successful year for Americans.

**Japan In The U.N.**

The Security Council of the United Nations has unanimously approved the admission of Japan as the eightieth member of that body recently. The General Assembly followed suit.

For four years the Soviet Union had vetoed the application of Japan for membership in the United Nations. Finally, after Japan and Russia had agreed on a peace treaty as an official end of the state of war which existed between them, the Russians withdrew their veto and allowed Japan to be accepted as a member of the United Nations Assembly.

The admission of Japan to the United Nations is important. It is more important than the admission of some insignificant nation, many of whom make a lot of noise in the United Nations. Japan is a member whose policies are generally lined up behind those of the United States, and a country which will probably be ready to actively participate in the United Nations decisions, even military actions—if and when the time comes.

Had Japan been a member of the United Nations during the Korean War, no doubt Japan could have offered the United Nations good assistance in Korea, and now that she is in the United Nations, a recurrence of trouble in Korea would find Japan on the side of the United Nations and would probably find Japanese troops ready to fight for the South Koreans.

Of course, Japan has few well-trained troops and very little in the way of an armament which actually counts in the form of a police force. However, in time Japanese military strength will be important, and it is good to have Japan in the UN to back UN measures and decisions and even actions which might be taken regarding Korea, or other trouble

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Saturday, December 29—  
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MOUNTAIN"  
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Late Show Saturday Night  
December 29—11:15  
—also—  
Sunday and Monday,  
December 30-31—  
Jack Lemon and  
June Allyson in  
"YOU CAN'T RUN AWAY  
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Late Show New Year's Eve  
Monday Dec. 31 at 11:15 P. M.  
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**SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON**

**THE NEW HEAVEN AND EARTH**

International Sunday School Lesson For December 30, 1956

Memory Selection: "I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold the tabernacle of God, is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death." —Revelation 21:3-4

Lesson Text: Revelation 21:1-8; 22-27.

Our lesson for this week brings us to the close of God's Word, the close of this series on the "Great Passages of the Bible," and also to the close of another year. It is a perfect end and the only possible end if God is omnipotent, as we believe He is.

The word of God begins, in Genesis, with a picture of beauty, of perfection, of satisfaction, with man, the highest creation of God in perfect communion with Him. Sin in the form of a serpent, soon enters and comes between man and his God.

Sin is committed, a curse is placed on man and, from that hour to the last hour of the earth's existence, under the dominion of man, there has been and will continue to be a conflict between good and evil. It is only when man accepts Jesus Christ and receives salvation from sin which He offers, can man hope to reestablish the communion of his soul with its maker, God.

The ultimate hope of every Christian is to be forever with his Lord, Jesus Christ. John, in his vision, received a revelation of the place where the redeemed souls will spend eternity. Deep down within the human heart there is a firm conviction that death does not end all for the individual—that there is a future life for that part of us that can never die—the soul.

Man has always been interested in the question, asked by Job long ago, "If a man die, shall he live again?" The Christian answers, "Yes." We know that the body dies, but the soul—the real self—lives on after death.

Take Jesus as an example. The New Testament tells us that he died physically on the cross, but on the third day, he arose from the grave. We believe he is alive today. Because he conquered death, we believe that we, also, shall live another life beyond the grave.

Granted that this is so, what will our future abode look like, who shall be there and what shall we do? John, in the 21st and 22nd chapters of Revelation, gives us a description of Heaven. It is a city—the new Jerusalem—which was the beloved city of the Jews and the home, not only of the king, but the location of the Temple and, in the Temple, the holy of holies.

Dymmelow says that "Jerusalem" represents the society of the redeemed on earth, while the "new Jerusalem" represents the society of the redeemed in heaven. In this city there will be no temple, because there will be no need of a Temple—God himself is there.

Heaven will be an inhabited place. The redeemed of the Lord will be there and we have reason to believe that they will be recognizable. Moses and Elijah were recognized when they met Jesus upon the Mount of Transfiguration. Unless souls do retain their identity, some of the joy of Heaven would be lost—that of reunion with loved ones and friends.

Inside the wall which surrounds the city of God will be those who have put their faith in Christ, those who have hungered and thirsted after righteousness, those who have proved faithful. However, outside the walls are pictured the fearful, those who denied their Lord, those who refused to believe in Christ, those who were guilty of idolatry, the murderers, the fornicators, the sorcerers, the liars or deceivers. Instead of being permitted to enter and enjoy the blessings of Heaven, these will be cast into the lake of fire—Hell—or the scrap heap of the Universe.

The life in Heaven is to be a perfectly happy one, for Heaven is a place of joy. The sorrows of life—tears, death, sorrow, crying—will be done away with. There will be no sickness, there will be no fear, because we will be with God eternally.

Ask yourself this question, now, today: "Will I be with God and his redeemed throughout eternity?"

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**THE GLEAM FROM BEYOND THE CLOUDS**

There may be folks who dream of a new year with no clouds over the horizon. But life has taught most of us that there is never a day free of uncertainty.

Some like to rejoice in the calm of today and give no thought to the clouds of tomorrow. There is a contentment without strength, a happiness empty of hope.

But stronger souls see both the calm and the clouds. And they look beyond the clouds to the Light whose rays bathe the horizon. These are the souls who face the new year with faith in their God. They know the days will not be without shadow. The ripples may sometimes become angry breakers. But they follow the gleam across another year... the Gleam from beyond the clouds.

The Church is for those who would look ahead... ever toward the Light.

**ALL FOR THE CHURCH**

The Church is the greatest factor on earth for the building of character and good citizenship. It is a stepstone of spiritual values. Without a strong Church, neither democracy nor civilization can survive. There are four should reasons why every person should attend services regularly and support the Church: They are: (1) For his own sake; (2) For his children's sake; (3) For the sake of his community and nation; (4) For the sake of the Church itself, which needs his moral and material support. Plan to go to church regularly and read your Bible daily.

Day	Book	Chapter	Verses
Sunday	Psalm	27	1-14
Monday	Psalm	90	1-17
Tuesday	Psalm	97	1-12
Wednesday	Psalm	102	23-28
Thursday	John	12	20-28
Friday	1 Corinthians	12	30-28
Saturday	James	3	7-18

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Joe Brickhouse, Pastor  
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First Sunday 11 A. M., and 8 P. M.

**BURGESS BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Phil H. Quitley, Pastor  
Church services second Sunday at 11 A. M., fourth Sunday at 8 P. M.  
Sunday School at 10:00 A. M.

**PERQUIMANS CHARGE CHURCHES**  
E. R. Meekins, Pastor  
First Sunday: New Hope Church, 11:00 A. M., Oak Grove Church, 7:00 P. M.  
Second Sunday: Winfall Church, 11:00 A. M., Cedar Grove Church, 10 A. M., Woodland Church, 7:00 P. M.  
Third Sunday: Oak Grove Church, 11:00 A. M., New Hope Church, 7:00 P. M.  
Fourth Sunday: Cedar Grove Church, 11:00 A. M., Woodland Church, 10 A. M., Winfall Church, 7:00 P. M.  
Fifth Sunday: Woodland Church, 11:00 A. M., Prayer Meeting each Wednesday at Winfall Church, 7:00 P. M.

**ANDERSON'S METHODIST CHURCH**  
P. M. Porter, Jr., Pastor  
Church School, 10:00 A. M., Morning Worship, 11:00 A. M., second and fourth Sundays.

**WOODVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Charles Sinclair, Pastor  
Church Services on second and fourth Sundays at 11 A. M.  
First and Third Sundays at 7:45 P. M.  
Sunday School at 9:45 A. M.  
UP RIVER FRIENDS CHURCH  
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Sunday School, 9:45 A. M., Church services, 11 A. M. and 8 P. M.  
Youth Fellowship, 7 P. M., Prayer service, Wednesday, 8 P. M.

**BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH**  
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Sunday School 10 A. M., Morning worship 11 A. M., Evening service 8 P. M.

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Church services first and third Sundays at 11:00 A. M.

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Church School 9:45 A. M., Morning Worship 11:00 o'clock, Youth Fellowship, 6:46 P. M., Evening worship, 7:30 P. M., Mid-week Fellowship, Wednesday at 7:30 P. M.

**BAGLEY SWAMP PILGRIM**  
Coy S. Saunders, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10:00 A. M., Morning Worship 11 o'clock, Young People's meeting at 6:30 P. M., Evening worship, 7:30 o'clock, Mid-week Services Thursday at 7:30 P. M.

**HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
Rev. Paul E. Shultz, Pastor  
Church School weekly at 9:45 A. M., Morning Worship weekly at 11:00 A. M., Holy Communion first Sunday at 11 A. M., Fifth Sunday Services and Holy Days as announced.

**BEECH CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Neal Puckett, Minister  
Bible School Sunday 10 o'clock, Church Services First and Third Sunday mornings at 11 o'clock, evening services, first and third Sundays at 7 o'clock, Communion is served each Lord's Day morning.

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Rev. J. Paul Holoman, Pastor  
Sunday School every first and third Sunday at 11:00 A. M., Sunday School every second and fourth Sunday at 2:00 P. M., Worship services every second and fourth Sunday at 3:00 P. M.

**ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
G. B. Lawrence, Pastor  
Sunday School 9:45 A. M., Worship at 11 A. M., GA, 7:30 P. M., Evangelistic Services 8 P. M.

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