

in Strangers and new comers feel at home with us.

Notes

A church officer once said of his pastor: "He is an excellent man—faithful pastor and a good preacher, and sometimes really eloquent; we wish he could always be at his best." Thereupon a candid friend inquired "How about his people? Are they generally at their best? Are they regular in church attendance? Do they join heartily in the services? Are the deacons always at their best?" To these irrelevant remarks it was inconvenient to reply. Thereupon the candid friend added: "The oftener the people are at their best the oftener the pastor will rise to the occasion."

—The Standard.

A Baptist Church depends for its existence upon the spiritual life of its individual members. "Ye must be born again," is our main doctrine. Everything else grows out of that. If we have been truly born again, we will keep the commandments of Christ. We are baptized "not in order to be saved, but because we are saved." Spiritual worship is preeminently the desire of a true New Testament Church. Other churches may depend upon form and ceremony. The requirements of worship may with them be fulfilled by a perfunctory performance. But it is not so with us. And yet there is always a great tendency to degrade the services of the church into a mere money-making affair. When a Baptist church does that she ceases to have a right to exist. She has devised the fundamental doctrine of the faith. "God is a spirit, and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth." We need constantly to watch the tendency to change spiritual institution into a financial machine. It is well for us to encourage the financial part of our work, but this is not the main mission of the church. If the financial part is dominated by spiritual endeavor, there will be no trouble about the support of every department of our work.

Applications for Sitings should be made to Deacon Jas McPherson. The seats are assigned, not rented. Each holder of a sitting is expected to be a contributor.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.—A. E. Soulis, Chairman; G. Parsons, Vice-Chairman; N. L. McDonald, Financial Secretary; C. Butcher, C. T. Burns, C. H. Graves, E. Hubley, A. C. Layton, R. P. Proctor, N. B. Smith. This Committee meets 8 P.M. Monday evening, preceding the monthly business meeting of the church. All bills or accounts are to be sent to A. E. Soulis, 119 Robie St. All monies contributed, donated or raised by and for the church, are to be handed to N. L. McDonald, Fin. Sec'y.

THIS CHURCH IS SUPPORTED by the voluntary contributions of the people. That is to say, every member of this church shall voluntarily subscribe towards the expenses of the church whatever sum it is in their power to give, and shall so inform the Financial Secretary, and from him receive envelopes for that purpose.

CONVENTION FUND offering the second Sunday of each month. W. M. A. S. OFFERING the third Sunday of each quarter beginning with August. W. M. A. S. Meeting the first Tuesday of each month, 3.30 P.M.

Families having cases of sickness or distress will please send word at once to the pastor, or one of the Deacons. You are urged to use the information cards in pews, you are not a regular member of some other city congregation, you are cordially invited to come with us and find a permanent home.

"Seek ye first the Kingdom of God."—Matt. 6: 33.