

The Pastor's Report

On Sunday, March 31, 1968, our pastor, Rev. T.R. Buckmaster, reported several of the incidents in which he witness at the scene of supposedly Negro riot. He reported that the disturbance was not altogether carried by young people, but age group participated.

According to his report, tension began, however, at the church by the young and continued building on into the actual march; soul brothers began throwing thing on Beale Street and other frustrated Negroes and white followed in this great activity. This is however action was played, some broke windows on one side of street and crossed to break other, while others came behind and looted. He reported that he one young man go into Lansky Brothers and tried on different pants to get his size.

Also, the police activity was some unnecessary because usually they beat the innocent and seemed afraid to apprehend the lawbreakers. He also said that felt because of the number of policemen created the tension among the mass of Negro dissenters.

He was amazed at the Christians reaction to the disturbance: "Militant reactions became a part of Christian mind within an hour," he said.

NOTE TO READER:

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