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The First Baptist Builder

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Season's Greetings

FROM OUR STAFF

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Charlotte Martin Josephine Williams
Diane Walker Nancy Graham
Ann Hernandez
LaDon Boyd

From each member of our Church Staff to each member of our Church goes a Sincere Prayer for a WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS SEASON and A HAPPY, PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

STUDENT NIGHT AT CHRISTMAS

This year the college students will present a musical and drama on December 30 at 7:15 P.M. This service will involve all those students who wish to sing in the choir and participate in the drama. If you are interested in a drama part contact Franz.

Brian's Lines

What a week this last week has been. The parties, the Football Banquet, the family night, the beautiful service Sunday morning, the presentation by our Music Ministry on Sunday night. This has been an outstanding week in the life of our church, and literally hundreds of you helped make it happen. Thanks.

FOOTBALL BANQUET . . . About 1600 people were there and everything seemed to fall into place just right. Once again, our steering committee did an excellent job in making the preparations. This year LaDon Boyd worked with this committee. No one can understand the vast scope of this banquet, the number of people involved in getting everything done, and the kind of impact it makes on our community unless you are actually involved in it. I stand in awe that so many people can do so many things and that all of it can fall into place in just the right way. Once again we showed the young people of our community that First Baptist Church cares about them. Thank you for your part in this momentous undertaking.

THE MUSIC MINISTRY . . . outdid themselves Sunday. The singing of the Hallelujah chorus on Sunday morning was their very best presentation since I have been here. And the musical Sunday night was unusually good. Thanks goes to Jim Kerrick and all his folks for this great program.

LIBRARY . . . We had a luncheon with our library staff this last week. It reminded me again of what a fine job they do. Our library has over 10,000 books. It also houses the Tape Ministry and the Audio-Visual equipment. The following are all a part of our library staff: Gladys Windsor, Lettie Lassiter, Iva Dean Rountree, Betty Sellers, Martha Dickson, Annie Mertins, Emily Work, Elizabeth Niles, Hilda Blackwell, Voncile McCreary, Ruth Watkins, Martha Pierce, Mary Pancoast, Sara Langston, Laura Stoesen and Letcher Lamkin. Mrs. J. F. Boykin is the Director of Library Services. To all of these we need to express our appreciation for their outstanding service.

NEW BOOK . . . I sent in the manuscript this week for my new book, *Famous Singles Of The Bible*. It is a sequel to *Famous Couples* and will also be published by Broadman. I've not been given an exact date but I feel it will be out by September or October of 1980. I am so thankful for the wonderful way you have responded to the first book.

SPECIAL NOTE FROM THE HARBOURS . . . This has been a special year, and you have made it so. Your prayers of support, your encouragement, your kind words, your cards and gifts at Christmas time, all of these have reminded us of how happy we are to be in Pensacola. From Jan and me, and the children, Jay,

MINISTRY OF ADULTS

By JERRY SPIVEY

SINGLES ASSEMBLY SUNDAY — All of our singles departments will assembly in the CAC this Sunday, beginning at 9:15 A.M. for a continental breakfast. A special program will follow and Dr. Bob Wilson will present the lesson for all.

HOMEBOUND DEPARTMENT — This Friday our Homebound visitors will prepare and deliver fruit baskets for all of our Homebound members. My thanks to all of these dedicated people who share in this important ministry. Sunday, please remember to pick up a poinsettia after the morning worship service and deliver it to the Homebound member whose name is on the card attached.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS AND LEADERS — Be sure and mark your calendar for the Sunday School Evaluation Clinic on January 13, 1980. The schedule will be:

9:30 - 10:40 A.M. — Clinicians visit various S.S. Departments

5:00 - 6:00 P.M. — Conference with teachers and leaders

6:15 - 7:00 P.M. — Evening Worship

7:15 - 8:15 P.M. — Conference session II

Scheduled to be with us for the clinic are Dr. Alva G. Parks, Adult Division; Miss Rhonda Huff, P/S, Children Division; (the leader for the Youth Division is to be announced).

SKI/BIBLE RETREAT FOR COUPLES — Ridgecrest, N. C., is the setting for the Couples Ski/Bible Retreat, February 14-17, 1980. We will travel via chartered bus to this beautiful resort in the Smoky Mountains where skiing and Bible Study will be the main attraction. Cost for the trip will be approximately \$120.00 per couple for three nights lodging (private room and bath), six meals, transportation, and conference fees. A deposit of \$10.00 per person is required to hold the reservations.

CLIP AND MAIL TO CHURCH OFFICE

NAME _____

PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

Amount enclosed (\$10.00 per person/deposit) — Balance due January 9, 1980.

MERRY CHRISTMAS — After almost a year among the great people that comprise this great church, I can truthfully say it is a blessing to be here. All of you are very special to me and I thank God for you each day. From the Spiveys, may each of you experience the joy of Christmas that only our Saviour can provide.

MUSIC MINISTRY



Thank you Adult Choir, Instrumentalists, Drama Cast and Congregation for your efforts which made for a sparking presentation of **THE GREAT GLAD TIDINGS TELL**. We rejoice that God has come to us and abides with us when we ask Him.

College Choir For "SNAC"

(Student Night at Christmas)

College Students, you are invited to rehearse and perform the mini-musical **CAN YOU BELIEVE IT?** by Ken Medema. We will rehearse December 27, 7:00 P.M.; December 29, 10:30 A.M.; December 30, 2:30 P.M. with the presentation on December 30, 7:15 P.M.

Candlelight Service

With the warm glow of Candlelight filling the Sanctuary, we will worship on Sunday Evening, December 23, 7:15 P.M. We will sing carols, hear soloists and the Adult Ensemble, The Youth Handbell Ringers will ring as we gather to celebrate God's gift to us. The worship at 7:15 P.M. will be the only scheduled activity on Sunday Evening.

Collin, Cara, and Marty, we wish you as our church family a happy and holy Christmas.

THIS SUNDAY . . . I will be preaching Sunday morning on "The Emotions of Christmas." Sunday night we will have our special Candlelight Service. I'll see you here for another exciting day.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist

Mr. James Riddle, Mr. Neil Blue, Mrs. Rose Brock, Jan Ainslie

West Florida

Mrs. Johnnie Jones

Navy Hospital

Phillip Taylor, Mrs. Thelma Craven, Mr. Hal Mullins

HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Mrs. Patricia Threadgill, Mrs. Virginia Stephens, Mr. John R. Jones, Sharon McMurray, Mrs. Warra G. Wolter, Mr. Duaine Macon, Mrs. Jewel Deese, Mr. Jim Drexler, Mrs. Carol Armstrong, Mrs. Mildred Ackerman

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Kathy Campbell and Mike Jones on their marriage December 15.

SYMATHY TO:

Mr. and Mrs. William E. Threadgill in the death of their son.

DEACONS OF THE WEEK FOR NEXT WEEK

Tom (Jet) Rogers 478-6351
T. A. Shell 432-9533
T. A. Wash 476-2920

BAPTIST WOMEN (DAY)

Tuesday, January 8, 1980

10:15 A.M. — General Meeting

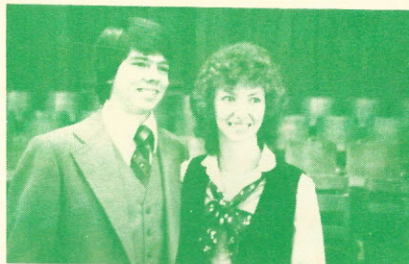
Guest Speaker: Mrs. Marvin Lee

"INDONESIA"



Bill and Sharon Bryan
Also shown: Kimberly and Jonathan Bryan

RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP DECEMBER 16, 1979



Scott L. Drake
Also shown: Ann Simpler



Rory Yeaton

THE VERY NEWEST

The rosebud on the pulpit Sunday
was placed there in honor of

MASTER

CLAYTON ELLIS ARMSTRONG

son of

Mr. and Mrs. William S. Armstrong
born December 12, 1979

HISTORIC PENSACOLA PRESERVATION BOARD

The Pensacola Chamber of Commerce and the Historic Pensacola Preservation Board are working cooperatively with the St. Michael's Cemetery Committee in an effort to locate relatives of those interred at St. Michael's Cemetery. If you have any information, please contact Linda V. Ellsworth at 434-1042 or 432-6717, Historic Pensacola Preservation Board (205 East Palafox Street).

CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT PREVENTION PROGRAM

The CANPP is a training program designed to prepare individual volunteers with the necessary skills and knowledge to work with abusive and neglectful parents. The trained volunteers will develop techniques and methods for preventing and rehabilitating abusers and will be involved in community awareness activities. If you would like additional information or would like to fill out an application for the program, please call Tama Andrews at 476-5410, extension 312.

KOREAN CHOIR TO SING IN OUR CHURCH

First Baptist Church will host the Yoido Baptist Children's Choir from Korea in their Northwest Florida concert on Thursday night, January 10, at 7:00. The group will sing in seven churches in Florida as well as being featured at the State Evangelism Conference.

While staying with us, they will need to be provided for in our homes. We are planning a meal for them at the church that evening. Following the concert, they will go home with the hosts. The host family will provide a breakfast for them and return them to the church the following morning.

If you would be interested in housing the children and/or sponsors, please call Nancy Beuris at the church office.

JUST FOR YOUTH

By FRANZ CORNELIUS



FROM THE YOUTH COUNCIL TO YOU

We the youth council would like to wish all First Baptist Members a meaningful Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

Our last youth council meeting ended with plans for a very active 1980. Among our plans and goals are more mission activities, Bible Study, Outreach, self awareness and a genuine concern for others. We feel God has blessed us with the potential to do great things for Christ this New Year.

LOOKING AT A BRIGHT FUTURE

As I look at my calendar of events and talk to the youth I can't help but get excited. We are planning for a very active year. As mentioned in the youth council, statements above, our new year involves being a church within a church. The young people want to help the church, others, and themselves by becoming strong active Christians.

I wish each and everyone of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

In the spirit of Christian joy

Rachel Jeannette Walford

and

Joseph Lee Hanberry

will vow their lives to one another forever

Friday, the fourth of January

Nineteen hundred and eighty

Mr. and Mrs. Junior Edwin Walford

along with

Mr. and Mrs. James Moly Hanberry

invite you to join with them in asking

God's blessing upon this holy union

at seven in the evening

First Baptist Church

500 North Palafox Street

Pensacola, Florida

Reception

immediately following

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary this Sunday are in memory of Mrs. Christine Hart McDonald and are given by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Johnson and Kandy.

EVENING SERVICE TIMES TO CHANGE

The Church Council, with the endorsement of the deacons, is announcing a new service time for Sunday night beginning January 6, 1980, the first Sunday night of the new year. Church Training and the other activities which happen during that hour will begin at 5:00. The evening worship will begin at 6:15. This schedule will be followed until a further announcement is made. This will enable our young families to attend and still get their children in bed early. It will also enable our older adults to worship at night and still get home early. Spread the word about our new time.

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

First Baptist Church Goal\$25,000.00
Given to Date..... 17,691.93

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary Sunday, December 30, will be in memory of Nellie C. Howland and are given by her husband and son, Frank and Todd Howland.

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All material to be included in the Builder
should be in the office, in writing, not
later than 10:00 a.m. Mondays.

LOOKING AT LAST WEEK

Sunday School	1194
Married Adults	629
Single Adults	64
College	25
Youth	185
Children	156
Preschool	109
Crippled Children's Home.....	26
Christian Training Hour.....	249
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WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER MENU

DECEMBER 26, 1979

THERE WILL BE NO
SUPPER SERVED
TONIGHT.



DESIGNATED OFFERINGS

DECEMBER 16, 1979

Building Fund	\$ 6,518.25
Specials	15,347.52
Total	\$21,865.77

Our own Valerio Reynolds has written
a week of devotional thoughts for next
quarter's "ENCOUNTER".

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP DECEMBER 16, 1979

BY LETTER:

47. William E. Bryan, 2131 Stallion Rd.
From: Walnut Hill Baptist,
Walnut Hill, Fl.
48. Mrs. William Bryan (Sharon),
2131 Stallion Rd.

ON PROFESSION OF FAITH:

18. Rory Yeaton, 3575 Blueridge
FOR BAPTISM

FROM OTHER DENOMINATION:

19. Scott L. Drake, 711 Underwood #11-D
FOR REDEDICATION:

Jean Askew, 2325 Hallmark Dr.

NOTICE

There will not be a BUILDER published
during the week of December 24, 1979,
due to the Christmas Holidays. The next
publication will be on January 2, 1980.

SERMON TOPICS

December 23, 1979

10:55 A.M.

"THE EMOTIONS OF CHRISTMAS"

(Luke 2)

7:15 P.M.

"THAT SPECIAL STAR"

Candlelight Service

BUDGET OFFERING REPORT

December 16, 1979

Receipts	\$ 15,171.67
Weekly Budget Needs.....	16,346.15
Budget Receipts Year to Date.....	764,946.53
Budget Needs Year to Date.....	817,307.50

YEAR-END GIVING

For your contribution to be counted in
your 1979 giving, it MUST be in the church
office or postmarked on or before the last
day of the year.

PLEDGE UPDATE

We have received \$790,424.74,
91% of our 1980 Budget.

OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23

- * 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School
- * 10:55 A.M.—Worship Service
- * 9:15 A.M.-10:40 A.M.—Singles Assembly
and Continental Breakfast —
CAC

- * 7:15 P.M.—Candlelight Service

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24

OFFICE CLOSED

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25

MERRY CHRISTMAS

OFFICE CLOSED

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26

- 12:00 Noon—Men's Noon Exercise — CAC
- * 6:00 P.M.—Prayer Service

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27

7:00 P.M.—College Rehearsal —
Choir Room

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28

- * 9:00 A.M.—Mother's Day Out
and Elementary Activities

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29

- 10:30 A.M.—College Rehearsal
Choir Room
- 6:30 P.M.—Basketball Practice

TAKE TIME TO FIND THOSE HIDDEN LIBRARY BOOKS

December is the month that the Library
will let you return your overdue books and
not pay a fine. If you have an overdue
library book on the shelf in your closet or
laying in the back seat of your car or any-
where else that you may have one, if you
return it to the church library before De-
cember 31, then there will be no overdue
fine charged to you. Take this opportunity
not to have to pay that fine and return that
book(s) so that someone else may read it.
Thank you.

ELEMENTARY ACTIVITIES

December 21 and December 28

and January 4.

Bring 25 cents for skating, sack lunch
and snack money.

Time 9:00 A.M. until 1:00 P.M.

ATTENTION . . .

The church office will be closed
December 24 and December 25 for Christ-
mas Holidays. The office will be open on
December 26 as usual.