



The First Baptist Builder

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Brian's Lines

It was a thrill to have Dr. Bill O'Brien with us Sunday to stir our hearts about missions. Southern Baptists are involved in a Bold Mission Thrust, and we at First Baptist want to be a part of it. The cost of our work on the foreign fields during 1980 was \$161 a minute. Our goal of \$40,000 will enable us to support four hours of the work of the Foreign Mission Board. During 1980, Southern Baptist missionaries shared the message of Christ in 90 countries. There were 110,000 people baptized through our work on the field. We served 1,286,303 in our hospitals and clinics and enrolled 111,472 people in 561 schools. The work of the Foreign Mission Board is supported partly through the Cooperative Program and partly through special mission offering at Christmas. Our goal of \$40,000 will help meet the \$50,000,000 Lottie Moon Mission offering. Will you do your part?

TWO SIGNIFICANT EVENTS . . . occurred last week. The annual Challenger Award Banquet was a tremendous success. Literally hundreds of people worked in making it so. A special word of thanks goes to Bill Merritt, who was the chairman of the committee this year, and Susie Walker who did a tremendous job of taking care of details. In addition, every member of the staff carried out important responsibilities related to the banquet. A special word of thanks goes to everyone for making the banquet a success. The other event of significance in the life of our church was the Pictorial Directory. What a beautiful thing it is. And already, it has been of help to us as we minister to the people who make up our church. A special word of thanks goes to Toni Clevenger, Jack Overman, Lucy Gray, and Nix Daniel for their work on this directory. Also, to Bill Santo who gave the staff direction of the project.

OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL . . . continues to grow. On Dot Walker's first Sunday with us we had 150 in the children's departments (grades 1-5). This last week we had 202. That is outstanding growth. Also, that same week we had over 200 in our youth departments (grades 6-12). The fact that our church, in the heart of downtown, is seeing such growth in the children's and youth departments says something about the quality of our pro-



THE SANCTUARY CHOIR

presents

GLORIA

by

ANTONIO VIVALDI

Sunday, December 20, 1981

6:15 p.m.



CHRISTMAS EVE

Thursday, December 24, 5:00 p.m.

A service of carol singing and candlelighting will be held in the Sanctuary at 5:00 p.m. on Christmas Eve. What a wonderful service it will be with families, relatives, and guests together for inspiring moments at this most meaningful time!

STUDENT NIGHT AT CHRISTMAS

December 27

The annual Student Night at Christmas program featuring our college students will be the Sunday night after Christmas, December 27.

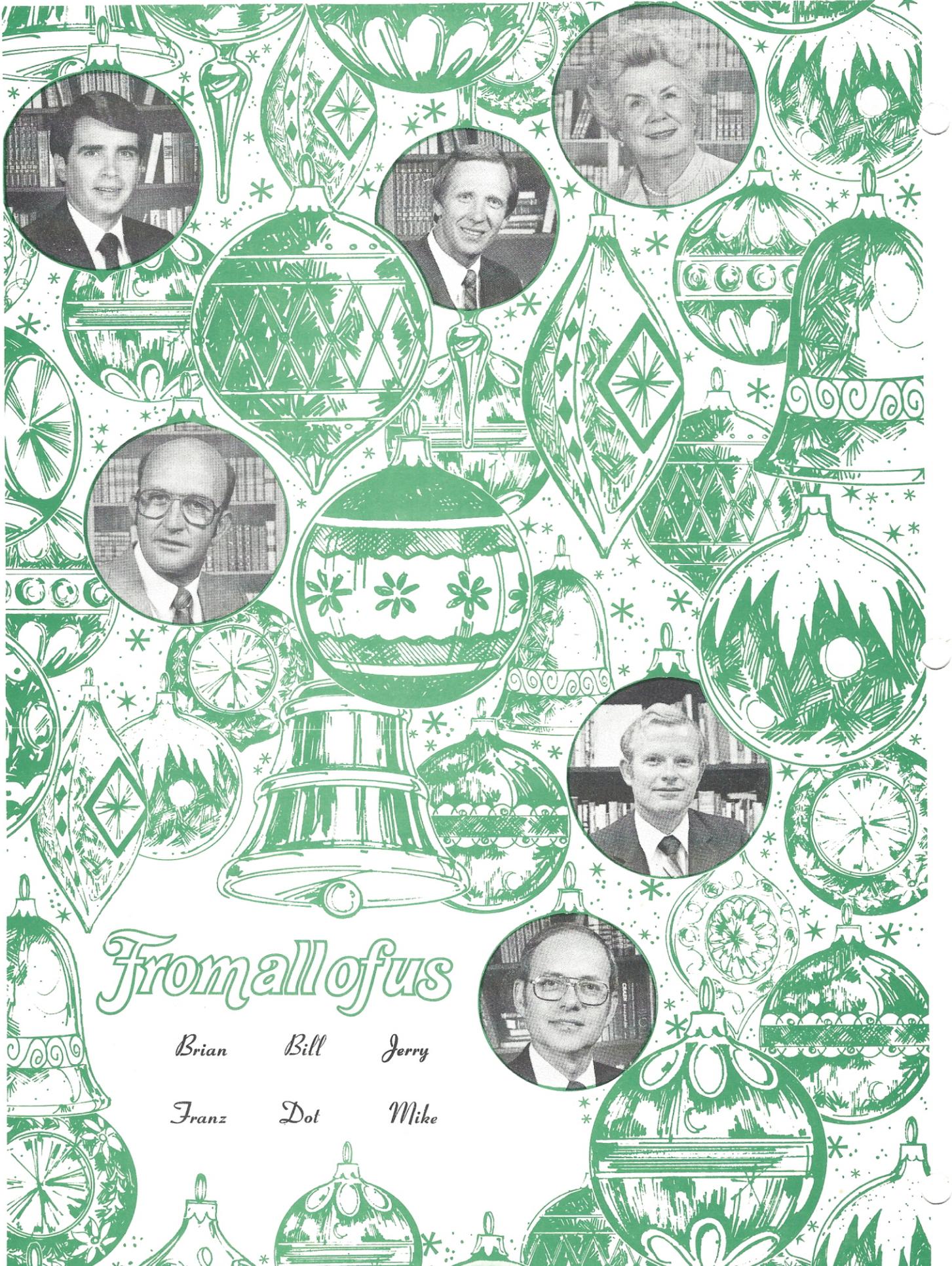
Special musical performances and testimonies will highlight the worship service, which begins at 6:15 p.m.

gram and Sunday School leadership. It also says a very positive and hopeful word about our future. There are many downtown churches in the country that are gradually dying. We are experiencing growth in every dimension of our program. For that we give our thanks to the Lord.

THE MUSIC . . . has been outstanding. We have enjoyed the children and youth in their programs. We look forward with great anticipation to the adult presentation this Sunday night.

FROM THE HARBOURS . . . This is our fourth Christmas with you. We are so thankful for the expressions of love you have already made to us during this Christmas season. Jan and I, along with Jay, Collin, Cara, and Marty, wish to all of you a very merry Christmas and a great 1982!

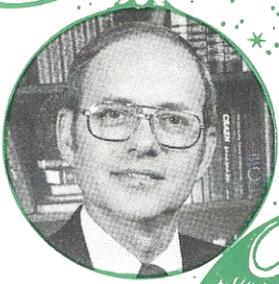
THIS SUNDAY . . . I will be preaching Sunday morning on "The Gifts of Christmas." Sunday night will be the adult choir. I'll see you here for another exciting day.



From all of us

Brian Bill Jerry

Franz Dot Mike



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Tina Bryant



Susan Hanna



Frank and Helen Ward, Fran, Carole
and Deborah (not shown)

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

We gratefully acknowledge the gifts of lovely poinsettias to make our church beautiful, and the love and honor you have expressed through these flowers we joyfully pass on to our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, whose birthday we celebrate.

IN HONOR OF:

Mrs. Flexie Armistead
by Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Armistead, Jr.
Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Jackson
by Mr. and Mrs. James L. Hurt
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Little
by Median Adult III Men's Class
Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Merritt
by Mr. and Mrs. Bill Merritt

IN MEMORY OF:

Adell W. Bird (Betsy's mother)
by Mr. and Mrs. Ed Holland
Mr. John R. Blackwell
by Mrs. John R. Blackwell and Frieda
Marjorie P. Brown
by Tom and Ann Brown and Children
Larry Gene Bulger (their son)
by Mr. and Mrs. Vernon E. Bulger
John Frederick Coker
by Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Johnson, Jr.
Rev. John P. Cordray
by Mr. and Mrs. John A. Cordray,

Carol Ann and Lisa
Ella Macon Cunningham
by Bruce Morrison, Jr.
J. Nixon Daniel, Jr.
by his family
Asa M. DuBose
by Mrs. A. M. DuBose
Mrs. Janie Fulghum
by the Tom Bales Family
Robert E. and Janie S. Gowing
by Bob and Beth Gowing
Alger Lamar Hart, Jr.
by Mrs. Betty Hart, Alger III, and Susan
Mr. and Mrs. James D. Henderson
by Dr. and Mrs. A. J. McCreary
Thomas M. Jernigan
by Mrs. Thomas M. Jernigan
Thomas M. Jernigan
by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Overman III,
Chad, Becky, and Tommy
Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Kendrick
by Helen Cary

Dudley Burney McCreary
by Dr. and Mrs. A. J. McCreary
Ray B. Minton
by Mrs. Katie Minton
W. P. Mooty
by Mrs. Doris Mooty
Mrs. John Myrick
by Nell Myrick
Mrs. Eupha Parker
by Leah Ann Butler
Mrs. Gladys D. Poynter
by Capt. USN (Ret.) Drexel E. Poynter
James A. Riddle, Sr.
by Annie Laura Riddle
Mr. Leon E. Singletary, Sr.
by Mrs. Leon E. Singletary, Sr.
Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Wiggins
by Mrs. J. O. Veach and
Kitty Sue Wiggins

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist
Mrs. Genevieve Stephens, Mrs. Anna
Wilson, Mr. Malcolm Gilchrist, Mr. Wil-
liam Adams, Mrs. Brenda Beck, Mrs.
Annie Mae McCreary, Mrs. Ruby Green-
hut

Specialty Care
Mrs. Susie Eddins

Sacred Heart
Mrs. Lawren Meacham

West Florida
Mrs. Ida Guilbert

Naval Hospital
Mr. James McGraw

HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Mr. Quinton Shafer, Mr. Ray Overton,
Mrs. Louise Pohlmann, Mrs. Carol
Johnson

SYMPATHY TO:

Mr. Chuck Horn in the death of his
Mother.
Mrs. Sheila McInnis in the death of her
Father.



THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS
IS SHARING

Acteens were able to express this joy at the Escambia County Nursing home. Through the generosity of many church members, residents of the nursing home were able to shop for gifts for friends and relatives at the 5th Annual Acteens Christmas Shopping Spree. Thanks to all of you who provided gifts for this event.

NO BUSINESSMEN'S LUNCHEON
ON DECEMBER 24 or 31.

IN MEMORIAM

MRS. LENNIE BONHAM
600 W. Gregory Street
Joined our church by Letter:
March 19, 1941
Deceased: December 9, 1981

MEMORIAL FLOWERS
DECEMBER 27

The flowers in the Sanctuary Sun-
day, December 27, are in memory
of Mrs. Christine Hart McDonald and
are given by Mr. and Mrs. Frank
Johnson and Kandy.

JUST FOR YOUTH

FRANZ CORNELIUS



Outreach to Banquet Participants

Part of our outreach this year to the many youth who attended our thirteenth Challenger Award Banquet was a registration form which contained informative information and the following question: "After hearing Coach Robinson, I would like to know more about becoming a Christian." There were fifty-five young people who responded with a "yes." Each of these has received a letter from us. We have also contacted the church that sponsored them. Seventeen young people who responded were from the Pensacola area. We are making personal contacts with them. Pray with us that the sponsoring churches will find these youth responsive and willing to make Christ their Lord.

Youth January Bible Study

This year the youth January Bible Study is on HOSEA. The study is entitled *Love Under Fire*. It was written by Martus Miley, especially for youth. Dr. Harbour is a personal friend of the author and I know we are in for an excellent Bible Study as he leads us again this year.

Merry Christmas from the Cornelius Family

Christmas is always a memory-making time for our family with all the cards from friends, parties with loved ones and the wonderful message that is heard all over the world that Christ was born and He still lives. We love you and wish for each of you a memory-making Christmas this year!

MUSIC MINISTRY

Mike Simoneaux

DATES TO REMEMBER (Please clip and keep for future reference.)

- Dec. 18—Youth Choir Sings at Navarre Holidome
Leave Church 6:00 P.M. - Sing at 7:00
- Dec. 20—Sanctuary Choir sings "Gloria" by Vivaldi - 6:15 P.M.
- Dec. 24—Candlelight Service - 5:00 P.M.
- Dec. 27—College Choir Rehearsal - 5:00 P.M.
"Student Night at Christmas" - 6:15 P.M.
- Jan. 3—Instrumental Ensemble Rehearsal resumes
Youth Choir Rehearsal resumes
- Jan. 6—Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal resumes
Graded Choirs resume
Middle School Choir resumes
- Jan. 7—Boys Choir auditions - 4:00 P.M. - WITH PARENT (choir room)
- Jan. 8-9—Sanctuary Choir Retreat - Blue Springs
- Jan. 10—Celebration Singers Auditions



How Shall They Hear?



Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

Our Church Goal: \$40,000

How shall they hear?
Does anyone know?
Is there really a need
For *me* to go?

Should I send money?
A daughter or son?
So someone who hasn't
Yet heard can be won?

The needs are so great
And the workers so few,
What is it, Lord, that
You want *me* to do?

It's easier, Lord
Just to stay home and pray,
But how shall they hear?
Lord, what do *you* say?

NEW NEEDLEWORK CLASS

We are making plans for a class in pulled thread embroidery to begin 9:00 a.m. January 11, 1982, and on successive Monday mornings. If you are interested in this class, please call Susie at the CAC and give her your name and phone number. We will have the class if the response warrants it. The teacher will be Betty Sellers. So—go call Susie right now!

HOMEBOUND TELEPHONE CLASS RECRUITING MEMBERS

For over a year now, many of our homebound and sick-at-home adults have enjoyed Sunday morning Bible Study via conference telephone. Mr. Kent Phillips, teacher, announces that several vacancies exist and encourages anyone interested to call Kay Sasse in the church office to sign up.

You may join the class either on a temporary basis (while convalescing from illness) or on a permanent basis (if unable to attend Bible Study).

Please pass the word to those whom you feel would benefit from this excellent opportunity to study God's Word each Sunday morning at 8:45 a.m.

CHURCH LIBRARY



IN MEMORY OF:

For Mrs. Winnifred Deering

by Mary - Martha Sunday School Class
by Tom and Louise Wash
by Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Byron, Jr.
by Mrs. Lottie Anderson
by Jannie G. Guerra

For Mr. Tate Bousman

by Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Garrett
by Old Martha Sunday School Class
by Mr. and Mrs. Roger Yonker
by Mrs. Herman Williams
by Max and Martha Dickson
by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gibbs
by Wednesday Bridge Club

For Dr. Pete Dukes

by Max and Martha Dickson

For Mrs. Flossie McDaniel

by Linda Leech WMU Group

For Mrs. Ruby Myrick

by Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Croach
by Mrs. Lyndol Wilder
by Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Bridges

For Mr. Glen Byron Moon, Sr.

by Lydia Sunday School Class

IN HONOR OF:

For Delree Boykin

by Mrs. Hilda Blackwell

Note:

All overdue books should be returned so they can be enjoyed by others. Take time to find those you might have. If returned before December 31, no fines will be charged.

COLLEGE/YSA CLASS COMING EVENTS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22

6:30 P.M.—Caroling (Leave by bus from the CAC and return to the Clevenger's for chili and fellowship.)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27

9:00 A.M.—Doughnut Breakfast at the CAC
9:30 A.M.—Bible Study
5:00 P.M.—Student Night practice in the Choir Room
6:15 P.M.—Student Night at Christmas (Followed by Fellowship at Jill Pullen's, 4515 Lavallet Lane)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 2

7:00 P.M.—Square Dance at the CAC

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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.

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP DECEMBER 13, 1981

BY LETTER:

28. Susan Hanna, 1100 Ft. Pickens Rd. El
From: South Roebuck Baptist,
Birmingham, Al.
 29. John F. Ward, 402 Bunkerhill Dr.
From: First Baptist, Cookeville, Tn.
 30. Mrs. John Ward (Helen),
402 Bunkerhill Dr.
 31. M. Frances Ward, 402 Bunkerhill Dr.
 32. Carole E. Ward, 402 Bunkerhill Dr.
 33. Deborah Ward, 402 Bunkerhill Dr.
- ON PROFESSION OF FAITH:
14. Tina Bryant, 3975 Bentoak Dr.

There will be no Wednesday Night activities on December 23 or 30. Regular schedule resumes on January 6, 1982.

SERMON TOPICS

December 20, 1981

10:55 A.M.

"THE GIFTS OF CHRISTMAS"
(Rev. 1:5-6)

6:15 P.M.

"GLORIA VIVALDI"
Presented by
The Sanctuary Choir

BUDGET OFFERING REPORT

December 13, 1981

Receipts	\$ 19,404.84
Weekly Budget Needs.....	18,911.00
Budget Receipts	
Year To Date	926,141.85
Budget Needs	
Year To Date	945,550.00

DESIGNATED GIFTS

BUILDING FUND	\$3,087.97
SPECIALS	\$.. 730.85

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Goal:	\$40,000.00
Given to Date:	\$15,390.67

OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20

- 8:30 A.M.—Singles Ensemble Rehearsal
- 9:00 A.M.—Med. Adult I Brunch
- 9:00 A.M.—Homebound Class
- 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School
- 10:55 A.M.—Morning Worship
- 3:30 P.M.—Vietnamese Bible Class
- 4:00 P.M.—Instrumental Ensemble
- 5:00 P.M.—Church Training Hour
Children's Bible Drill
- 6:15 P.M.—Evening Worship

MONDAY, DECEMBER 21

- 9:00 A.M.—Needlepoint — CAC
Aerobics — CAC
- 10:00 A.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group
- 10:30 A.M.—Ladies' Skating
- 12:00 Noon—Men's Exercise — CAC
- 7:00 P.M.—Needlepoint
Deacon's Meeting

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22

- 12:00 Noon—Ladies' Luncheon
- 6:30 P.M.—College/YSA Class Carc
(Leave from CAC by bus)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23

- 9:00 A.M.—Aerobics — CAC
- 10:30 A.M.—Ladies' Skating
- 12:00 Noon—Men's Exercise — CAC

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24

Office Closed at Noon

- 5:00 P.M.—Candlelight Service

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25

Office Closed

"MERRY CHRISTMAS"

NOTICE

There will not be a BUILDER published during the week of December 23, 1981, due to the Christmas holidays. The next publication will be on Wednesday, December 30.

1981 BUDGET OFFERING

Budget Requirement	
Total	\$983,373.00
Given to Date	\$926,141.85
Needed Last Two Sundays	\$ 57,231.15

LAST WEEK'S REPORT



TOTAL BIBLE STUDY	1,454
SUNDAY SCHOOL	1,274
Married Adults	612
Single Adults	122
Youth	206
Children	175
Preschool	118
The Village Chapel	23
Pensacola Health Care Facility	18
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ATTENTION . . .

The church office will close at Noon on Thursday, December 24, and all day Friday, December 25, for the Christmas holidays, and January 1 for New Year's Day.