



The First Baptist Builder

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Brian's Lines

Your financial response at the end of the year has been fantastic. When 1981 came to a close, you had given a little more than \$997,000 to the budget of \$983,000 which means that we overgave the 1981 budget



by about \$14,000. In addition to that, thousands of dollars of designated gifts came in during the month. I believe that we are just beginning to tap the potential resources in our church that can be used for the ongoing of God's kingdom. But it

is gratifying to see us reach our goal for 1981. Now, 1982 looms before us. Our 1982 budget of \$1,082,047 will require \$20,809 every week. We can do it, and more. But it depends on the level of our commitment. Many of you have been giving faithfully to the "Together We Grow" fund for the last four years. We have now included some debt retirement in the budget, so I want to encourage you to transfer that amount that you were giving to the budget. We need to stay with the budget during the spring months so we will not have so much to make up next fall. Will you begin 1982 with a renewed commitment to regular, faithful, generous giving to God's work?

THANKS . . . for your overwhelming positive response to the recommendation to call Jay Johnston to be our Minister of Activities and Singles. With this step, we are moving into a new dimension of ministry which I believe will bring tremendous results in the months ahead. Jay is a dedicated, enthusiastic young man and I believe we will love him and his dear wife, Jerilyn.

SUNDAY SCHOOL . . . has experienced some solid growth this fall. Seven of the thirteen weeks of the new Sunday School year we had over 1300 in attendance. For the first three months we averaged 1308 which is to be compared to an average of 1198 over the same three month period last year. Now that the holidays are behind us, it is time to gear into Sunday School again and move on toward the 1400 level. There is a Sunday School class for every member of our church. If you are a single adult, we have some exciting options for you. If you do not prefer to go to a regular Sunday School class, you can come to the Sanctuary on Sunday morning where I am teaching the book of Acts. The Sun-

Parent/Baby Dedication Service Morning Worship, Sunday, January 10

The Pastor and Dorothy Walker, our Minister of Childhood Education, are coordinating plans for a Dedication Service for couples and their babies. Any family who has not participated in such a service is welcome to do so. Please call the church office and discuss the matter with Mrs. Walker if you want to be a part of this special dedication service.

Final Figures On 1981 Stewardship -- Good News!

Budget Offering	\$997,632.92
1981 Budget	983,372.00
"Over The Top" by	\$ 14,260.92
Building Fund Gifts in 1981	\$112,474.69
Total Giving in 1981:	
Budget	\$997,632.92
Building Fund	112,474.69
Designated Gifts	50,271.12
Gifts, All Causes	\$1,160,378.73

day School is the heart of our church program, and it is doing well. Thanks to Jerry, Franz, and Dot, and all their co-workers who are doing such an excellent job.

REVIVAL . . . is planned for our church the week of March 14-19. Joel Gregory from Cambrell Street Baptist Church in Ft. Worth and Don Blackley from Shiloh Terrace Baptist Church in Dallas will be here to lead us. Most of the committees have been organized and others will be in the next few days. I will meet for a brief time with all the members of the Revival Committees after church this Sunday night, January 10. It is very important that you all be there. If you have not been asked, but would like to serve on one of the revival committees, let me know and we will take care of it. Begin to pray now for revival.

JEREMIAH . . . is the book selected for the January Bible Study book this year. We had Dr. Clyde Francisco scheduled to teach the book in our church. Because of his unexpected death recently, we had to make other plans. Since I recently taught the book to the pastors in Mississippi, Frank Rabold has suggested that I teach it to our people here. So beginning on Sunday night, January 31, and going through the Sunday nights in February (5 sessions in all), I will be teaching the book of Jeremiah. This will be during the church training hour (5:00-6:00) and will be in the dining hall. You need to bring your Bible, a notebook of some kind, and a pen and we will go through the book together.

A UNIQUE JOY . . . was experienced Sunday as a group of our deacons, under the
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MUSIC MINISTRY

Mike Simoneaux

NEW MUSIC MINISTRIES — Two new music ministries will be started this month involving music therapy. If you have need of help in the areas of the learning disability known as dyslexia, or in speech therapy, please call the music office and make an appointment. We are offering this ministry to FBC church members and their families.

BOYS CHOIR — Another audition will be held Thursday, January 14, at 4:00 P.M. in the choir room for the boys choir. Requirements are ability to read (words), an unchanged voice and a parent to attend the audition with the boy. This group needs a minimum of twelve members.

CHOIR RETREAT — Sanctuary Choir retreat this Friday and Saturday (8th and 9th) to learn the Easter music. It begins with a pot-luck supper at 6:30 on Friday, and resumes at 8:30 A.M. on Saturday.

VOICE CLASSES WILL START this month. Two classes will be started: One class will meet on alternate Wednesday nights (1st and 3rd) at 6:30 P.M. Another class will begin on Tuesday afternoon at 2:00 for members who do not work. The Wednesday class will begin on January 20 and the Tuesday class will begin on the 19th.

SINGLES ENSEMBLE will resume on Sunday, January 24th. Auditions will be held for membership following the evening service at 7:15 P.M. in the choir room.

PIANO FUND ESTABLISHED

The church purchased its 9-foot Steinway Concert Grand Piano in 1956 for about \$6,000. This instrument is in dire need of extensive repair and rebuilding due to its age and normal use. If we were to purchase this instrument at today's prices, it would cost more than \$27,000 to replace. Bids are presently being taken on its repair. The deacons and church voted to establish such a fund which now includes \$3,700. If you are interested in making a donation or a memorial gift towards the repair of this magnificent instrument, please contact the music or church office. We hope to be able to include refinishing of the instrument to make it look as good as it will sound.

ATTENTION YOUTH GRADES 10 - 12

Preparations are being made for the 1982 Southern Baptist Youth Speakers Tournament. The Speakers Tournament is designed to stimulate growth toward Christian maturity by asking youth to think seriously about their Christian commitment. Participation in the tournament also assists youth in developing skills and confidence in expressing their commitment verbally. The regional drills will be March 22nd at East Hill Baptist Church. If you are interested, contact Franz before January 18th.

State drill will be conducted April 3, 1982, at Lake Yale Baptist Assembly. State winner will represent Florida at Ridgecrest. A scholarship is awarded for the winner.

ATTENTION COLLEGE STUDENTS!!

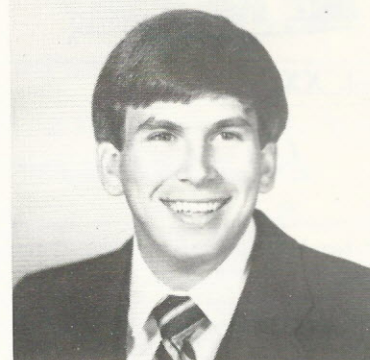
A summer challenge awaits you as a student missionary in Florida the summer of 1982.

The VBS missionary program is sponsored by the Sunday School Department of the Florida Baptist Convention.

If you are looking for excitement, something different happening each day, a challenge and opportunity for your summer weeks, this could be for you! See Franz for further details.

Note: You must have completed one year of college by June, 1982.

CHURCH VOTES TO CALL JAY JOHNSTON AS MINISTER OF ACTIVITIES/SINGLES



Jay Johnston

The church, in a special called Business Conference voted to call Mr. Jay Johnston to fill the newly created position of Minister of Activities and Singles.

Jay and his wife, Jerilyn, will move to Pensacola to begin part-time work on January 17. When his seminary work is completed, Jay will begin full-time work on March 17.

WELCOME TO PENSACOLA, JAY AND JERILYN!

BAPTIST WOMEN (DAY) GROUP MEETINGS

Tuesday, January 12, 1982

10:00 A.M.—ALTA ALLISON

with Mrs. E. J. Williamson
3815 Gerhardt Dr.

—RALPH BETHEA

with Mrs. Beale G. McCarty
Apt. 146-0, 4311 Bayou Blvd.

—VIRGINIA COBB

with Mrs. E. A. Allen
100 W. Brainerd St.

—STANLEY DAVIS

with Mrs. A. E. Bass
800 W. Blount St.

co/hos. Mrs. A. Z. Lavender

—LINDA LEECH

with Mrs. R. A. Edwards
333 Silver Road

—DOROTHY MADDOX

with Mrs. Charles Clevenger
9520 Scenic Highway

—CHARLOTTE OWENS

with Mrs. Wayne Hickman
1231 Ramblewood Dr.

—BETTY TOMLINSON

with Mrs. O. A. Biles
7960 Burstaff Rd.

2:00 P.M.—ROSIE BEDSOLE

with Mrs. T. J. Davis
730 W. Hernandez

BAPTIST WOMEN (NIGHT)

6:00 P.M.—PRAYER/MISSION ACTION

with Mrs. Laura Stoesen,
1919 E. Mallory

7:00 P.M.—BIBLE/STUDY MISSION ACTION

with Elizabeth Petkis
1101 E. Lakeview

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist

Mrs. Anna Wilson, Mrs. Annie Stanley,
Mr. William Adams, Mr. Chuck Horn

Sacred Heart

Mrs. Minnie Ward, Mrs. Sue Adams,
Mr. John Reed, Mrs. Mary Foster

West Florida

Mrs. Johnnie R. Jones, Mr. K. K. Knight

Annapolis, Maryland

Mrs. Lucy Wastler

HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Linda Coker, Mrs. Edna Highsmith

SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. G. T. Sutton in the death of her
daughter, Martha.

Mr. David Raley in the death of his
Father.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Mr. and Mrs. Denny Langston in the
birth of a baby boy, James Dennis, Jr.,
January 2. Proud maternal grand-
parents are Mr. and Mrs. Bob Merts.



JANUARY 22, 1982—6:30 P.M.

Come and meet Jay Johnston, our new
Minister of Activities/Singles. Dinner in
the Dining Room and then over to the
Christian Activities Center for skating,
games, and the film, "The Ugly Dach-
shund."

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary this
Sunday are in loving memory of John
R. Blackwell and are given by Mrs.
Blackwell and Frieda.

BEGINNING SQUARE DANCE CLASSES

The Rhythm Squares are beginning a
new square dance class during the month
of January. If you have four left feet and
would like to have Christian fun and fel-
lowship, along with physical and mental
exercise, join us at the Christian Activities
Center on Thursday nights at 7:30 p.m.
Call 455-5887 for further information.



We are praying for teachers in:

- Both 5 year-old classes
- 3 year-old class
- 2 year-old class

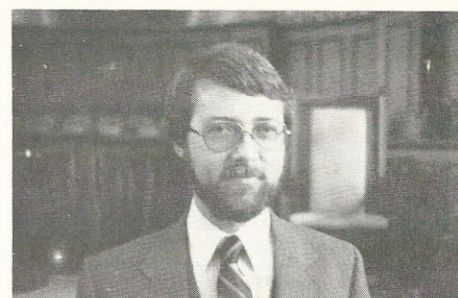
Maybe YOU are the answer. Would love
to have some couples volunteer.

RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP

JANUARY 3, 1982



Karen Yarbrough



Frank Wilkes

KEEPING UP WITH ADULTS

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS AND LEADERS — The average weekly Sunday School attendance of 1308 for October-December, 1981 is an impressive 107 over last year's weekly average for the same period. I am convinced that one of the major reasons for this increase is our consistent devotion to the weekly workers' meetings on Wednesday evenings. These meetings afford the opportunity for each department to plan individually for outreach, ministry, and Bible study. The Wednesday schedule for all Sunday School teachers and leaders is thus:

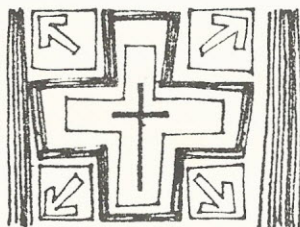
5:20-6:00	Supper
6:00-6:10	Announcements
6:15-6:35	Departmental meetings
6:35-7:00	Teachers Planning with Dr. and Mrs. Pickens, rm. S-108
	Outreach leaders meetings by departments

Please make this important opportunity a part of your weekly schedule this new year.

SINGLE ADULTS — Mark your calendars for February 26-28 and our annual Winter Retreat at Beckwith Lodge, Fairhope, Alabama. This will be an excellent opportunity for our singles to get to know Jay Johnston and for him to get to know them. Watch for more detailed information later.

LEISURE TIMERS — Our monthly meeting for January is set for Tuesday, January 19, at 10:00 A.M. The featured program will be a very timely presentation, "The Sounds of Energy," by Gulf Power. You'll hear of ways to conserve energy in your home as well as enjoy the warm fellowship we always appreciate. See you then!

THANK YOU, CHURCH FAMILY for the many expressions of love during this Christmas season. The Spiveys appreciate you and look forward to serving with you in 1982.



**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
IS IMPORTANT
FOR
CHRISTIAN GROWTH**

ADULTS IN CHURCH TRAINING SUNDAYS... 5:00 P.M.

- "THE LIFE OF CHRIST"
Room S-112
led by Nix Daniel
- "ISRAEL'S PERIOD OF PROGRESS"
Room S-108
led by Dr. Bob Trotter
- YOUNG ADULT STUDIES
Room S-311

Brian's Lines (Continued from Page One)

leadership of Frank Gibbs, went into the homes of many of our shut-ins and shared the Lord's Supper with them. This important part of our church family was thus able to share with us in the observance of the Lord's Supper. Thanks to Frank and the men for their fine work.

PRINTED SERMONS . . . are available in the library and in the office. The two printed this month are "The Christ of

Christmas," my Christmas message, and "A Prayer for the New Year," my New Year's message. For a fee of \$5 to cover the postage, we will send two of the sermons to you each month for a year. Call my secretary if you are interested.

THIS SUNDAY . . . we will celebrate parenthood in the Parent-Baby dedication Sunday morning. My sermon will be "The Patient Parent." Sunday night I will begin the School of Prayer with a sermon entitled, "Why We Don't Pray." I will see you here for another exciting day.

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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.

LAST WEEK

JANUARY 3, 1982

TOTAL BIBLE STUDY1,176
SUNDAY SCHOOL1,176
Married Adults 589
Single Adults 139
Youth 206
Children 127
Preschool 94
The Village Chapel 21
CHURCH TRAINING 151
COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP 2



January 13, 1982

Bar-B-Q Chicken
Buttered Corn
Cabbage/Carrot/Raisin Salad
Roll and Butter
Dessert
Tea and Coffee

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP JANUARY 3, 1982

BY LETTER:

38. Karen Yarbrough, 390 Springdale Cr.
From: First Baptist, Milton, Fl.

FOR BAPTISM FROM OTHER
DENOMINATION:

16. Frank Wilkes, 1385 Pinnacle Dr.
BAPTIZED: Tina Bryant, Cara Joy Harbour

EVANGELISM TRAINING

Mrs. Dorel Pence, W.M.U. Personal Witnessing Director, will be leading sessions in First Baptist's *Way of Life Evangelism* training.

The sessions will be held on Thursday mornings, January 14th until March 4, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Everyone is invited.

SERMON TOPICS

Sunday, January 10

10:55 A.M.

"THE PATIENT PARENT"

6:15 P.M.

"WHY WE DON'T PRAY"

BUDGET OFFERING REPORT

January 3, 1982

Receipts\$19,485.70
Weekly Budget Needs 20,809.00
Budget Receipts
Year To Date 19,485.70
Budget Needs
Year To Date 20,809.00

LOTTIE MOON

Goal:\$40,000.00
Given to date:\$38,392.89

"We would like to express our sincere appreciation to our church family for the prayers, cards, visits and other kindnesses extended to us during Winnie's recent illness.

Yours in Christian love,
Edna and Winford Abney"

OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

SUNDAY, JANUARY 10

- 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.—Middle School Handbells
—Auditions for Celebration Singers
- Instrumental Ensemble
- * 5:00 P.M.—Church Training Hour
Youth Choir
Children's Bible Drill
Adult Handbells
- * 6:15 P.M.—Evening Worship

MONDAY, JANUARY 11

- * 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

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12

- Baptist Women Group Meetings —
Listed elsewhere in Builder
- 6:30 P.M.—Youth Bible Study

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13

- 9:00 A.M.—Aerobics — CAC
- 10:30 A.M.—Ladies' Skating
- 12:00 Noon—Men's Exercise — CAC
- 3:45 P.M.—Youth Handbells
- 4:45 P.M.—High School Acteens
Middle School Choir
Graded Choirs
- * 5:30 P.M.—Fellowship Dinner
- * 6:15 P.M.—Bible Study for Adults
High School JOY
College JOY — (S-311)
Mission Friends
Middle School Acteens
Royal Ambassadors
G.A.'s
Sunday School Workers
Weekly Meeting
- * 6:35 P.M.—Adult Lesson Preview
- * 6:45 P.M.—Music Reading
- * 7:00 P.M.—Sanctuary Choir
- 7:15 P.M.—Boy Scouts — Cellar

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14

- 9:30 A.M.—Senior Adults — CAC
- 12:00 Noon—Businessmen's Luncheon
- 4:00 P.M.—Boys Choir Auditions
- 7:00 P.M.—YSA/College Bible Study
- 7:30 P.M.—Square Dancing — CAC

FRIDAY, JANUARY 15

- * 9:00 A.M.—Mother's Day Out
Aerobics — CAC
- 12:00 Noon—Men's Exercise — CAC
- 7:00 P.M.—Middle School Family
Fair — CAC

* Nursery Provided