



The First Baptist Builder

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In the Heart of Pensacola . . . With Pensacola on Our Hearts

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Brian's Lines

I'm in Atlanta, as I write this, at the Briarcliff Baptist Church. We had an excellent beginning yesterday in this four-day revival.

Paul Baxter, the young pastor of the church, is leading the church in a dynamic way. I'm thankful for the good report I heard about the services at First Baptist on Sunday. Thanks to Chuck Horn and Dave Mullis for filling in and also a special word of appreciation for Bob Cassibry for doing the Bible Study on Wednesday night.

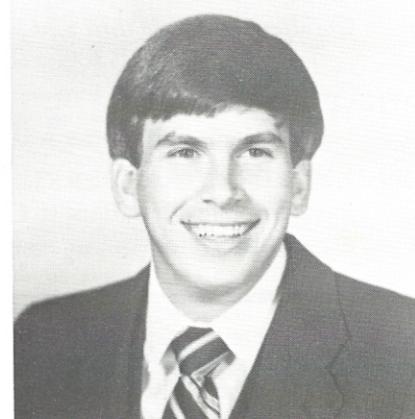
THE BIG EVENT . . . is coming up October 28. I do not want you to miss the significance of this night. "The Great Challenge" is before us in 1983. We want to continue our tradition of strong mission giving. We want to pay off the debt on the North Wing addition. We want to provide the financial support for the projects approved by the church: the sanctuary renovation, the new choir chairs, and the children's playground. We want to take some new steps in financially supporting our Vietnamese ministry. We need to provide better transportation for our church activities. We want to continue to support the church in Washington State and the other church in Pennsylvania. We want to increase the money for ministries in all areas of our church program. All of this is a part of "The Great Challenge" budget for 1983. The Budget Planning Committee has worked long and hard to plan the 1983 budget. The deacons will discuss it next Monday night. You will have it in print soon. This year we will have a more detailed explanation of what each line in the budget means. As we move forward to meet "The Great Challenge" in 1983, October 28th is the key date. On that night, I want all the adults of the church to attend our "Great Challenge" banquet as we join our hearts and minds together in support of God's plan for our church. Will you be there?

PRAYING FOR MISSIONS . . . As you pray for missions every day this month, don't forget to pray for our mission work right here at home with the Vietnamese and Cambodians. I shared Christ with a young Cambodian woman the other day who will soon make her profession of faith. The young man who is working with these Cambodians brought her to see me and interpreted for me. Missions begin at home at First Baptist Church.



JAY JOHNSTON TO BE ORDAINED SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17

Our Minister of Activities / Singles, Jay Johnston, will be ordained to the gospel ministry on Sunday evening, October 17, at the evening worship service (6:15 p.m.).



JAY JOHNSTON

October Is
Attendance October 10: 1,383
All Sunday School Members
contacted and committed
to attend October 31.



Especially For Adults:
STEWARDSHIP BANQUET,
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28

DR. PERRY SANDERS,
Inspirational Speaker

Invitations are in the mail this week, inviting every adult in our church to the Stewardship Banquet. (See Page 2 for more details.)

JAY JOHNSTON . . . has already found a special place in our hearts because of the fine work he has done since coming to our church last January. Since May, he has also been directing the youth work along with his regular responsibilities with singles and with the recreation program. When Jay came last January, we told him we wanted to ordain him to the ministry so he could more effectively carry out his work here. We will do that Sunday night. Both Jay's and Jerilyn's

parents will be here for this special night. I hope you will be here too.

THIS SUNDAY . . . I will conclude the second section of Biblical history with the sermon entitled "The Settlement of Israel." In my Sanctuary Bible Class, I will begin a new series of lessons on II Corinthians. If you are not going to Sunday School, you might consider coming to my class in the Sanctuary at 9:30. I'll see you here for another exciting day.

STEWARSHIP BANQUET INFORMATION

Thursday, October 28—6:30 P.M.—Church Dining Room

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

All single and married adults. Cost of the meal is \$1.50.

WHAT ABOUT CHILDREN?

Nursery thru age three: Nursery will be provided. (Children should be fed at home.)

Children, age four thru middle school: A hot dog supper (50¢) will be served in the "Cellar," followed by directed activities by age groups.

WHAT DO I WEAR?

"Sunday morning" dress will be appropriate.

WHO IS PERRY SANDERS?

Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Lafayette, Louisiana; a great speaker, a great motivator — our man for this hour to give us "The Great Challenge."



FAMILY NIGHT
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22
Christian Activities Center
6:30 - 9:30 P.M.
Feature Movie:
Son of FLUBBER

Fred MacMurray, Nancy Olson, Keenan Wynn

MENU — Corn Dogs, Chili, Potato Chips, Corn Chips, Ice Cream Sandwiches, Tea
\$2.00 Adults — \$1.50 Children
Volleyball, Table Games, Skating (7:00 - 7:30 P.M.)

MUSIC MINISTRY

Mike Simoneaux

The Sanctuary Choir and I want to thank the church for allowing the rebuilding of the choir railing to add the additional seating that we have been needing for a number of months. Sunday morning, the choir was very comfortable in the new spaciousness, which I know will add to the effectiveness and the ministry of the choir during worship services. Again, our heartfelt thanks.

SOME OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH AND SERVICE

Graded Choirs.....	Wednesday's	4:45
Middle School Choir.....	Wednesday's	4:45
Youth Choir.....	Sunday's	5:00
Sanctuary Choir.....	Wednesday's	7:00
College / Y. Singles.....	Sunday's	5:00
Singing Seniors.....	Tuesday's	TBA
Guitar.....	Sunday's	5:00
Voice Class.....	Tuesday's	1:00
"I Can't Sing".....	Wednesday's	6:30
Music Reading.....	Wednesday's	6:30
Male Chorus.....	Quarterly	
ETC.....	Ad Church Musicum	

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN THE HOSPITALS:

Baptist

Mr. Roger Yonker, Mrs. Mary ~~Ch~~es Renfroe, Mrs. Ovie Blue

Sacred Heart

Mrs. Katie Pippin, Mrs. Willye Jackson

National Institute of Health, Bethesda, Maryland

Miss Terri Driskell

HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Mr. George Dandekaris, Mr. Jack Brown, Mrs. Kittle Manning, Mr. Alton Stanley, Mrs. Geneva Holt, Mr. Lee Hardy, Lynn Rodriguez

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Patricia O'Gara and Carlos Morales on their marriage October 9.

"TASTER'S CHOICE"

Come to this special churchwide fellowship and sample dishes from almost every category of the cook-book. Recipes were randomly selected and each will be prepared by the submitter. The date is Sunday, October 24, after the evening service.

GOT SIX HOURS A YEAR?

*Volunteer For Extended Session
(During the Morning Worship Service)*

Preschoolers need teaching during the Worship Service, too.

- Work once every other month.
- Teaching outline and materials provided.
- Call the church office (433-5631). Specify age choice: babies, toddlers, 2's, 3's, 4's.

We also have urgent Sunday School teaching needs. Teachers are needed for 3-year-olds, 1st grade, and 4th grade. Please contact Dorothy Walker.

A NOTE OF THANKS

How my heart has been warmed and strengthened by your great support of our mission ventures to Argentina! I am deeply grateful to each of you for your generous gifts, many words of interest and encouragement, and *most of all*, your fervent prayers. God has already answered! He continues to work out every detail. I am counting on your continued prayer and support as we travel and as we work with the children.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,
JOAN PETERSON

CHURCH VOTES TO MAKE SIGNIFICANT PROPERTY IMPROVEMENTS

Short - Term and Long - Range Projects Involved

On Sunday night, September 20, 1982, the church, assembled in business conference, voted to accept the recommendations of the Building Planning and New Construction Committee and the Deacons to commence a program of construction and remodeling in a number of areas within our church "campus."

This Committee had spent many hours reviewing different needs, conducting "open hearings" for church members and staff to have input into the process, and then deliberating on the ways and means of dealing with the problems presented. Very early in its work, the Committee was impressed with several pre-existing problems: an aging physical plant, growing ministries in serious need of additional or improved space, an unsatisfied debt from the last building project, and an almost complete lack of financial reserve to meet the many and varied building needs.

These needs ranged from a long-standing hope of many that we could build a chapel, to such unglamorous problems as a worn-out boiler to heat the main church buildings. The Committee examined spaces from the cellar, where improvements are needed for adult Sunday School classes, to the steeple, where steel supporting beams are slowly deteriorating from rust. The needs for improvements literally affect every member of the church, from pre-school children (playground), to the entire assembled congregation (repairs to the sanctuary windows.)

Two problems investigated by the Committee were deemed to be so urgent that immediate action was recommended, and upon church approval, new steps have been installed on the Educational Building, and a replacement boiler has been ordered.

The Committee's recommendations, approved by the church, divided the projects into three basic categories. The first of these may be considered *long-term projects* which will probably require an indebtedness over several years. The second category is *short-term projects*, small enough in scope and cost to be initiated, completed, and paid for in one budget year. The third category is a *miscellaneous* collection of items of relatively small cost which were either felt not to be urgently needed or involved replacements or improvements which can be included in the annual budgets in future years.

Excerpts from the Committee's report are furnished here to explain what is contemplated:

I. LONG - TERM PROJECTS

The Committee recommends that capital improvements be made to existing facilities to provide the following:

1. *Chapel / Prayer Room.* Our proposal is that the old pastor's office and adjacent areas be modified and appropriately furnished to provide a chapel / prayer room which would be immediately adjacent to the sanctuary. While its dimensions might

be smaller than one would expect with a separate building, it is felt that this space could fulfill the requirements of many special functions, such as small weddings, funerals, prayer vigils, Bible studies, etc.

2. *Middle School Sunday School Renovation.* For years, leaders in the church have recognized the need to renovate and modernize this space, which is immediately south of the old office area mentioned above, taking up the entire second floor of the South Wing. Our study indicated that, with significant alterations, some areas that are not now usable could be integrated into a floor plan that would be much more functional, not to mention more attractive, than what presently exists.

3. *Singles Sunday School Space in the South Wing.* Our church has been blessed with a singles ministry that has grown steadily over the past several years. Three Sunday School departments comprised of single adults occupy the first floor of the South Wing, "behind" the library. There is one particular department of this group which needs more space which can be provided by taking down some interior walls. These walls are weight-bearing and columns and beams would need to be installed to carry the load. In addition, the rooms for all of these departments, the passageways, and the restrooms in this area, are in need of aesthetic improvements. These improvements will be integrated into the library expansion (see below) in the hoped-for event that all of the singles are ultimately accommodated in the CAC (see below.)

4. *Library Expansion.* Alluded to above, this is another project that has been postponed more than once in the past. The direction of the expansion will be to the South, into the space presently occupied by the older single-adult Sunday School departments mentioned in the paragraph immediately above. This movement cannot take place until those departments are moved out, which is contemplated once the changes proposed to be made to the CAC, described later herein, have been completed.

5. *Cellar Renovation.* Two married adult Sunday School departments occupy this space on Sunday mornings. The lighting, color schemes, and exposed pipes and beams in the north part of the cellar fall far short of an ideal learning atmosphere. In addition, the changes need to be made to accommodate opening assemblies and more classrooms. It is envisioned that the cellar could be remodeled and renovated, so as to meet these spatial needs and educational concerns.

6. *Singles Space Expansion in CAC.* Additional space for Singles Sunday School classes, and ultimately putting all singles in one area, might be accomplished by excavating below the present classroom space in the CAC, and if that is not feasible, some other kind of addition to the CAC may be called for. Adding a floor on top, or adding space on the South side of the CAC building are possibilities which need to be investigated.

CHURCH VOTES . . . (Continued)

II. SHORT - TERM PROJECTS

The Committee recommends that as many of the following projects as feasible be initiated, completed and paid for during calendar year 1983. The list is in order of priority:

1. Repair of Sanctuary Plaster and Stained Glass.
2. Choir Loft Chairs.
3. Children's Playground.

The first two of these might be categorized as "restoration of the temple," while the latter project would be a new addition.

Sanctuary Repair and Stained Glass. For several years, the walls of our sanctuary immediately adjacent to the stained glass windows have been deteriorating. The plaster is cracking and falling away in increasing amounts. The root problem is that, with changes in the weather, water condenses on the inside of the windows. This water, over time, then causes chemical changes in the plaster. The only permanent solution is to install a covering over the exterior of the windows (clear Lexan, or similar product) to create a barrier to the moisture, re-caulk and repair guttering on the outside, and then re-plastering the affected wall areas inside. The cost for all of this may approach \$90,000.00.

Choir Loft Chairs. Our church has been blessed by tremendous growth in the adult choir, and the added numbers have created a genuine need for more space in the sanctuary choir loft. Dr. Simoneaux has made some temporary changes to accommodate the situation, by using the rehearsal room chairs in the sanctuary but a permanent solution must be found. The Committee recommends replacing all existing chairs in the choir loft with 130 chairs specifically designed for this application. Approximate cost: \$10,000.00.

Children's Playground. There are many times that our younger children need to have a brief break from the nursery / classroom environment. This could be provided by "recess" of sorts in a fenced playground. The recommended location is just East of the educational building, and the final configuration would give consideration to available shade, security, access, the amount of fill needed to provide a level area, and the type and quantity of equipment to be installed. Recommended expenditure: \$10,000.00.

III. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

1. Brick Wall Around Transformers. These electrical fixtures in the alleyway between the sanctuary building and the educational building can be hidden, for aesthetic reasons, behind a brick wall. Approximate cost is \$1,000.00; recommended to be included in budget between 1983 and 1985.

2. Brides Room Redecoration. Ladies rooms off sanctuary foyer and on the lower level beneath the foyer should be refurbished with volunteer help and with excess funds as available.

3. Church Sign. To be budgeted between 1983 and 1985 as low-priority item.

4. Dining Room Tables and Chairs. Continued gradual replacement with general funds as available.

5. Foyer Redecoration. Recommend a committee be appointed to proceed with improvements with funds budgeted in 1982 and 1983 as available.

6. Landscaping. No new projects here, but continuation of regular upkeep.

7. Steeple Iron Work. Sand blasting and application of rust inhibitor in 1984.

8. Van Replacement. Recommend replacement of one van per year in 1983, 1984, and 1985 as a budgeted item.

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS

I. That the church commit to include \$7,500.00 in the 1983 budget for engineering and architectural fees, and authorize this Committee to proceed to develop specific plans for implementing the improvements described in this report as Long-Term Projects. All such specific plans and the method(s) of financing will be brought back to the church for approval before such improvements may be commenced. (Completion goal: 1987.)

II. That the church approve the Short-Term Projects described in this report with the priorities assigned, authorize this Committee and the staff to assign responsibilities for developing specific plans to raise the necessary funds and, as funds are available, to implement the improvements.

III. That the church approve the portion of this report described as Miscellaneous Items, as a statement of intent.

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Mrs. Jenna Young, W.M.U. Director.....433-4948
Mrs. Earl Gentry, Director of Library Services 478-1367

MALE CHORUS

Sunday, October 17 - P.M. Service
Meet in Choir Room at 5:45

DESIGNATED GIFTS

BUILDING FUND	\$ 404.75
SPECIALS	632.25
JAPAN MISSION PROJECT (Given to Date)..... 48,493.07	

LAST WEEK

OCTOBER 5 - 11, 1982

TOTAL BIBLE STUDY.....	1,639
SUNDAY SCHOOL	1,383
Married Adults	732
Single Adults	140
Youth	179
Children	186
Preschool	146
WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDIES.....	256
CHURCH TRAINING	184
WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAM.....	631
COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP.....	6



CHURCH DINNER

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20

Spaghetti
with Homemade Meat Sauce
Cole Slaw Salad
French Roll and Butter
Dessert
Tea and Coffee
Milk - 25¢

(Hamburger dinner available for
children by reservation only.)

OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17

- 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
Youth Ensemble
- 5:00 P.M.—Church Training Hour
Youth Choir
- Children's Bible Drill
- Adult Handbells
- Guitar Class
- College / Singles I Choir
- 6:15 P.M.—Evening Worship

MONDAY, OCTOBER 18

- 9:00 A.M.—“Needle” Workshop — CAC
Ladies' Intermediate Aerobics
- 10:00 A.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group
- 10:15 A.M.—Ladies' Skating
- 12:00 Noon—Men's Exercise — CAC
- 7:00 P.M.—Deacon's Meeting
“Needle” Workshop — CAC
Adult Ensemble
- Single Adult Bible Study

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19

- 9:00 A.M.—Beginner Aerobics
Baptist Young Women
- 10:15 A.M.—Ladies' Skating
- 12:00 Noon—Adult Piano Lessons
- 1:00 P.M.—Voice Class
- 3:30 P.M.—Children's Piano Lessons
- 5:30 P.M.—Ladies' Beginner Aerobics
- 6:30 P.M.—Youth Bible Study

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20

- 9:00 A.M.—Ladies' Intermediate Aerobics
- 10:15 A.M.—Ladies' Skating
- 12:00 Noon—Men's Exercise — CAC
- 4:00 P.M.—Boys Choir
- 4:45 P.M.—High School Actees
Graded Choirs
Middle School Choir
- 5:30 P.M.—Fellowship Dinner
Japan Project Committee
- 6:15 P.M.—Bible Study for Adults
High School JOY
Growth Group
Mission Friends
Middle School Actees
Royal Ambassadors
G.A.'s
Sunday School Workers
- 6:30 P.M.—Men's Voice Class
Music Reading
- 6:35 P.M.—Adult Lesson Preview
- 7:00 P.M.—Sanctuary Choir
- 7:15 P.M.—Boy Scouts — Cellar

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21

- 9:00 A.M.—Beginner Aerobics
- 9:30 A.M.—Seniors Adults — CAC
- 10:15 A.M.—Ladies' Skating
- 12:00 Noon—Businessmen's Luncheon
- 5:30 P.M.—Ladies' Beginning Aerobics
- 7:00 P.M.—Singles' Bible Study
- 7:30 P.M.—Square Dancing — CAC

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP OCTOBER 10, 1982

BY LETTER:

2. Ron Swaine,
11471 Clear Creek Dr. (04) — 968-6751
From: East Hill Baptist, Pensacola
3. Mrs. Ron Swaine (Olivia),
11471 Clear Creek Dr. (04) — 968-6751
From: East Hill Baptist, Pensacola
4. Alicia Swaine,
11471 Clear Creek Dr. (04) — 968-6751
From: East Hill Baptist, Pensacola
5. Alan Sanders, Bldg. 3251, Room 110B,
NAS (08) — 456-9524
From: Lakeside Baptist,
Birmingham, Al.

ON PROFESSION OF FAITH:

4. Meredith Swaine,
11471 Clear Creek Dr. (04) — 968-6751
5. Sharon Martin,
4000 E. Johnson Ave. (04) — 478-7530

DEACONS OF THE WEEK Beginning October 17

Max Dickson	477-7850
Al Ford	932-4959
T. A. Shell	432-953
Edward Holt	944-0998

SERMON TOPICS

October 17, 1982

10:55 A.M.

“THE SETTLEMENT OF ISRAEL”

6:15 P.M.

ORDINATION SERVICE
for
JAY JOHNSTON

BUDGET OFFERING REPORT

October 10, 1982

Receipts	\$ 26,808.06
Weekly Budget Needs.....	20,809.00
Budget Receipts	
Year To Date.....	870,292.81
Budget Needs	
Year To Date.....	853,169.00

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22

- 9:00 A.M.—Mother's Day Out
Ladies' Intermediate Aerobic
- 12:00 Noon—Men's Exercise — CAC
- 6:30 P.M.—FAMILY NIGHT

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23

- 9:00 A.M.—SAII Mini Retreat
- Nursery Provided