



# The First Baptist Builder

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## *Brian's Lines*

I enjoyed our worship experiences Sunday although our attendance was down considerably. I especially enjoy hearing from our students in the annual Student Night at Christmas. Did you know that our college



ministry is expanding under the leadership of Bill Lee, who is the director? It is thrilling to me to be able to touch the lives of these college students at a pivotal time in their development. Their potential is amazing. Let's continue to support them

and pray for them so that their potential might be developed to its fullest for the Lord. Thanks, all of you who shared in the service Sunday night. We enjoyed it.

I PETER . . . is the January Bible Study book for this year. Each year, the Convention sets aside one book for a time of concentrated study during the month of January. I taught last year's book, Jeremiah, in a church-wide study on Sunday nights. I have decided not to do that again this year. Instead, I will be teaching I Peter in the Sanctuary Bible Class that I teach each Sunday morning at 9:30 in the Sanctuary. If you are not in Sunday School, why don't you come join us as we study, in depth, one of the most practical epistles of the New Testament. I'll begin with an introduction and background to I Peter this Sunday. I'll look for you here.

SPEAKING OF SUNDAY SCHOOL . . . we have experienced continued growth during this year. Last year we averaged 1306 in Sunday School for the year. Before Sunday (the first 12 weeks of the new Sunday School year), we were averaging 1400. Sunday's low attendance will drop our average down some, but the evident signs of growth are there. Let's continue to build our church around the teaching of the Bible in our Sunday School.

SOMETHING NEW FOR THE LADIES! . . . For two years, we have been providing a once-a-month ladies' luncheon. We will continue that this Spring, but we will change the time. I need you ladies to help us get the word out. The ladies' luncheons this Spring will be on the second Tuesday of each month. That means that the first ladies' luncheon for the Spring will be on January 11. Let's get the word out. And ladies, I'll see you here.

## PRAYER COMMITMENT DAY SUNDAY, JANUARY 2

The Pastor will issue a challenge Sunday morning for each of us to commit ourselves to

**"120 Days of Praise"**

## NEW COMMITTEES TO ORGANIZE SUNDAY, JANUARY 2 — 5:00 P.M.

Members of all church committees are scheduled to meet on Sunday evening, January 2, at 5:00 p.m. in the Dining Room.

The meeting will begin with a general session of all committee members led by the Pastor. At this time, the new manual on committee policies will be introduced and distributed.

Following the general session the group will divide into separate committees to set goals for 1983.

## COMPOSER'S DAY — JANUARY 9

**Mr. Tom Fettke, Guest Composer**

## PARENT-BABY DEDICATION — JANUARY 16

PREACHING SCHEDULE . . . I have been planning my preaching schedule for the Spring and I thought you might like to know which direction we will be going. I have four more sermons in the series on "The Story of the Bible From Peak to Peak." These have to do with the church age. I will be preaching these during January. We will have some family sermons during the Spring: "The Pitfalls of Parenting" on January 16 when we have our parent-baby dedication service and "Steps to Marital Happiness" on February 6. We will have our Pastor's Pals again this year. It will be during April, and the four sermons will present some basic teachings of the church. I will preach "A Child's Eye View of God," "A Child's Eye View of Jesus," "A Child's

Eye View of Salvation" and "A Child's Eye View of the Church." During May I will preach a special series on the stages of life. Five sermons will be in this series: "Facing Childhood," "Facing Adolescence," "Facing Young Adulthood," "Facing the Mid-Life Crisis," and "Facing the Golden Years." On the remaining Sundays during the Spring I will complete a series on Acts that I began last year. I will pick up the series where I left off, in Acts 18.

THIS SUNDAY . . . We will begin 1983 with a sermon entitled, "A Call to Prayer." Sunday night I will preach "The Constitution of the Church" using Acts 1-2 as my text. I'll see you here as we begin our greatest year ever at First Baptist Church.

# MUSIC MINISTRY

Mike Simoneaux

If you read this column on a regular basis you know that it is usually an information source on programs and schedules. However, there are some committees that I would like to thank in a special way for the success of "Jesus: Gift of Light"; lighting, sound, ushers, security, stage construction, props, clean-up, decorations, publicity, program design, food service, photography, video, costumes, make-up, script and the actors, choir directors and all members of the choirs who participated to make this Christmas a truly blessed time of the year.

A special word of thanks goes to Bill Reynolds who coordinated the entire pageant and to Virginia West for her direction. For your information, Sunday night over 2,000 people attended the first presentation. Monday night we estimate that around 1,500 people attended.

COMPOSER'S DAY . . . This year we are very pleased to announce that Mr. Tom Fettke, composer of "The Majesty and Glory," will be our guest composer on January the ninth. Mr. Fettke will direct the Sanctuary Choir in the morning service as we sing "The Majesty and Glory" and will lead the choirs in a vocal clinic and a time of rehearsal beginning at 3:00 P.M. that day, Sunday, January 9th. Let's have all 150 Sanctuary Choir members and all 70 Youth Choir members present for this special time.

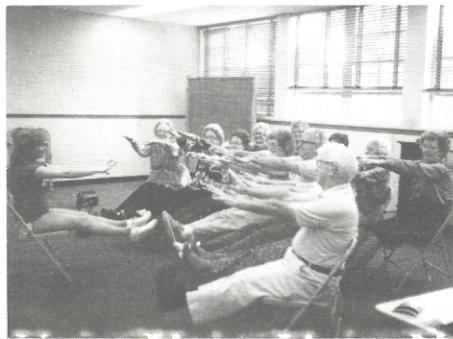
Youth Ensemble and the Youth Choir will not rehearse on January 2nd, but you are encouraged to come on the 9th to the Composer's Day Clinic with Tom Fettke.

## WHITE CHRISTMAS TRADITION BENEFITS TWENTY FAMILIES



Dennis Johnson and Jay Johnston coordinated the plans for collection and distribution of food, gifts, and clothing to several needy families. Thank you, church members, for responding to this opportunity of service.

## JOIN OUR "PRIME TIME FITNESS" PROGRAM



Pictured above are some of our Leisure Timers enjoying "shaping-up" for the new year. Join them each week on Mondays at 10:15 A.M. and Thursdays at 9:15 A.M.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL WEEK AT RIDGECREST '83

There will be conferences for:

- ★ Adult Sunday School members (18 and above)
- ★ Sunday School Directors
- ★ General Officers
- ★ Department Officers
- ★ S.S. Teachers of adults, youth, children and preschoolers
- ★ Leaders of children's worship

If you and your family are interested in attending one of the weeks listed below, just send your names and ages to the church office, *attention Ridgecrest*, as soon as possible.

1. SATURDAY - FRIDAY, JULY 9 - 15
2. SATURDAY - FRIDAY, JULY 16 - 22
3. SATURDAY - FRIDAY, JULY 23 - 29

Each conference begins with the evening meal on the first day (registration begins at 1:00 P.M.) and closes with the noon meal on the last day. Afternoon conferences Monday through Thursday will include Sunday School program emphasis, Church Training emphasis, and Family Ministry conferences. Children and preschoolers registering with their parents are provided for during all morning conferences, and limited provisions for preschoolers are provided during evening conferences.

For more information contact the Educational Office (433-5631).

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

### IN THE HOSPITALS:

#### Baptist

Mrs. Mary Charles Renfroe, Mr. George Kent, Mrs. Virginia Campodonico, Mr. Freddie Stark, Mrs. Margaret Phillips, Mr. Mack Hamrick

#### Sacred Heart

Mrs. Lucille Shoffner, Leigh Givens

#### West Florida

Mary Ann Stevens, Mrs. Mary Etheredge

### HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Mrs. Elsie Brown, Teresa Ayotte, Mrs. Edna Green, Mr. Earl Berry, Mrs. Ethel Breen, Mr. Bill Martin, Mrs. Linda Martin, Mrs. Louise Pohlmann, Mrs. Vela Early

### SYMPATHY TO:

Mrs. Carlton Fendt in the death of her husband.

Mrs. Earline Van Pelt in the death of her Mother.

Mrs. Kathleen Stokes in the death of her Father.

## 1982 CONTRIBUTIONS

Year-end financial contributions to the church will be credited to the 1982 contribution records in the following manner:

1. Contributions should be brought or mailed to the church office before 4:30 P.M. on Thursday, December 30, if possible. (The church office will be closed on December 31.)
2. Checks dated in December may be put in the offering on Sunday, January 2, and still be credited on the 1982 giving records, due to the holiday on Friday.

JANUARY BIBLE STUDY for the deaf begins this Sunday for four consecutive weeks, during the Church Training Hour (5:00 P.M.) in Room E-308.

## WANTED

### Your New College Address!!!

If you are going away to school, please inform the church office of your new address. This is for the BUILDER and just to "keep in touch." Thank you.

## MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary this Sunday are in memory of Mr. W. H. Smith, and are given by Mary Ellen, Cricket and Susie.

RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP — DECEMBER 19, 1982



Tracy Askew



Gary and Sandra Condray  
Also shown: Lance Condray



Nathan Hicks

RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP — DECEMBER 26, 1982



Becky Overman



Praya Mam



TUESDAY, JANUARY 4

9:00 A.M.—BAPTIST YOUNG WOMEN

10:00 A.M.—BAPTIST WOMEN

11:30 A.M.—LUNCHEON

6:30 P.M.—BAPTIST WOMEN (NIGHT)

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**LADIES' LUNCHEON DATES CHANGED**

This Spring the Ladies' Luncheons will be held on the *second* Tuesday of each month. The next luncheon will be January 11. Be sure to tell your friends of this change in date.

**STAFF ANNIVERSARIES  
FOR JANUARY**

Josephine Williams, Office	1954
Lorraine Pulley, Dietician	1972
Gladys McGill, Kitchen	1972
Jerry Spivey, Ministerial	1979
Steve Edwards, Janitorial	1981
Jay Johnston, Ministerial	1982

**R.A. BIKE-A-THON RESULTS**



Pictured left to right: Brent Hicks,  
Chad Overman and Jim Ashe

Thank you, sponsors, for helping our boys raise \$631.00 toward our church's Lottie Moon Christmas Offering goal. Fourteen boys participated, riding 179.5 miles. Brent Hicks and Chad Overman each rode 20 miles in raising \$201.00 and \$176.00, respectively. Jim Ashe gets the persistence award for riding 4.5 miles on a big wheel.

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**Counselors Needed**

We urgently need another counselor for 5th grade and two counselors for the 6th grade.

**IN MEMORIAM**

MRS. KATIE PIPPIN  
411 Bayou Blvd., Apt. 147

Joined our church by Letter:  
October 23, 1923

Deceased: December 18, 1982

**IN MEMORIAM**

CARLTON J. FENDT  
1720 North Magnolia

Joined our church by Baptism:  
December 6, 1949

Deceased: December 16, 1982



Pictured above are visitors for the Homebound Department preparing Christmas fruit plates for delivery to our homebound members.

We sincerely express our appreciation to the ladies who gave of their time and talents by baking the pumpkin bread and also to everyone else who helped by organizing and distributing the fruit baskets, canned goods, and poinsettias.

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**OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Friday, 8:00 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.

**CHURCH OFFICERS**

Mr. Danny Kepner, Chairman of Deacons.....433-0956  
Dr. Hiram Smith, Jr., S.S. Director.....432-4697  
Mr. Frank Rabold, Church Training Director 478-7939  
Mrs. Jenna Young, W.M.U. Director.....433-8498  
Mrs. Earl Gentry, Director of Library Services 478-1367

**DEACONS OF THE WEEK**  
Beginning January 2

Joe Brookins ..... 433-0425  
Claude Adkison ..... 477-0235  
Jack Archer ..... 434-1503  
Judson Gillespie ..... 433-2446

**LOTTIE MOON**

GOAL ..... \$50,000.00  
GIVEN TO DATE..... 30,750.71

**LAST WEEK**

DECEMBER 20 - 26, 1982

TOTAL BIBLE STUDY.....1,095  
SUNDAY SCHOOL ..... 1,005  
Married Adults ..... 524  
Single Adults ..... 125  
Youth ..... 130  
Children ..... 141  
Preschool ..... 85

WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDIES..... 90  
CHURCH TRAINING ..... 78  
WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAM.... 650  
COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP..... 2

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5**

Pork Chop  
Rice and Gravy  
Tossed Salad  
Roll and Butter  
Dessert  
Tea and Coffee  
Milk - 25¢

(Hamburger dinner available for  
children by reservation only.)

**OPPORTUNITIES of the WEEK****SUNDAY, JANUARY 2**

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  
5:00 P.M.—All Church Committees  
Children's Bible Drill  
Adult Handbells  
Guitar Class  
College / Singles I Choir

**\* 6:15 P.M.—Evening Worship**

**MONDAY, JANUARY 3**  
\* 9:00 A.M.—"Needle" Workshop — CAC  
Ladies' Intermediate Aerobics  
10:00 A.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group  
10:15 A.M.—Ladies' Skating

Prime Time Fitness

12:00 Noon—Men's Exercise — CAC  
7:00 P.M.—"Needle" Workshop — CAC  
Single Adult Bible Study

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 4**

9:00 A.M.—Beginner Aerobics  
Baptist Young Women  
10:00 A.M.—Baptist 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  
Baptist Women (Night)

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5**

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  
Choir Officers  
\* 6:15 P.M.—Bible Study for Adults  
S.S. Weekly Workers Mtg.  
High School JOY  
Growth Group  
Mission Friends  
Middle School Actees  
G.A.'s and R.A.'s  
\* 7:00 P.M.—Sanctuary Choir  
7:15 P.M.—Boy Scouts — Cellar

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 6**

9:00 A.M.—Beginner Aerobics  
9:15 A.M.—Prime Time Fitness  
9:30 A.M.—Senior 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.—Night BYW

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 7**

\* 9:00 A.M.—Mother's Day Out  
Ladies' Intermediate Aerobics  
12:00 Noon—Men's Exercise — CAC  
\* Nursery Provided

**COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP****DECEMBER 19, 1982****BY LETTER:**

30. Tracy Askew,  
4155 Tronjo Rd. (03) - 432-5363  
From: Woodmont Baptist,  
Nashville, Tn.

**ON PROFESSION OF FAITH:**

15. Gary E. Condray, 1017 E. Lakeview  
Ave. (03) - 434-7279  
17. Nathan Hicks, 5245 Durango Cr.

**BAPTISM FROM****OTHER DENOMINATION:**

16. Mrs. Gary E. Condray (Sandra),  
1017 E. Lakeview Ave. (03) - 434-7279

**COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP****DECEMBER 26, 1982****ON PROFESSION OF FAITH:**

18. Becky Overman,  
1600 E. LaRua St. - 433-2904

**BY STATEMENT:**

2. Praya Mam, 1512 E. Belmont St. (01)

**BUDGET OFFERING REPORT**

Dec. 19, 1982, Receipts \$	25,046.69
Dec. 26, 1982, Receipts	21,920.27
Weekly Budget Needs....	20,809.00
Budget Receipts	
Year To Date.....	1,117,637.07
Budget Needs	
Year To Date.....	1,082,068.00

**DESIGNATED GIFTS**

Building Fund .....	\$ 437.87
Specials .....	808.90
Japan Mission Project	
Given to Date toward Church's	
Goal of \$112,000.....	7,207.18

**SERMON TOPICS**

January 2, 1983

10:55 A.M.

"A CALL TO PRAYER"

6:15 P.M.

"THE CONSTITUTION OF  
THE CHURCH"

(Acts 1-2)