

The First Baptist Builder

Cecil W. Seagle, Pastor
North Palafox at Jackson Street
IN OUR 142ND YEAR OF WORSHIP

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PLEDGE DAY SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

*Enlarge Your Faith
By Tithing*

Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass. Psalm 37:5

As an expression of my desire to be a good steward of the material possessions God has entrusted to my care I make this commitment. I pledge that:

☐ I will give a tithe or more and estimate my gifts to be
\$ DOLLARS CENTS per ☐ WK. ☐ QRT. ☐ YR. ☐ MO.

☐ I will give regularly and estimate my gifts to be
\$ DOLLARS CENTS per ☐ WK. ☐ QRT. ☐ YR. ☐ MO.

Signed _____

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

TURN IN PLEDGE CARDS IN SUNDAY SCHOOL - On Sunday, November 20, Pledge Cards will be collected through the Sunday School. Then, at the appropriate time in the morning worship service, a designated representative from each Department will bring those cards to the front.

"WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES ON TUESDAY"

WHEN: Tuesday, November 22.

- TIME:**
- 4:30 p.m. Clarion Choir
Children's Choirs
High School Acteens
 - 5:15 p.m. Fellowship Dinner
 - 5:30 p.m. CWT-S-117
 - 5:40-6:10 p.m. Our Gang Time
 - 5:45 p.m. Exaltation

- 6:00 p.m. A Cappella Singers
S.S. Teachers-L-100
Mission Friends
Middle School Acteens
R.A.'s
G.A.'s
- 6:15 p.m. Prayer Meeting
High School Joy
- 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir
- 7:15-8:30 p.m. Boy Scouts

(Office will close Wednesday, November 23, at 4:30 P.M.)

Twentieth Annual CHALLENGER AWARD BANQUET

PENSACOLA CIVIC CENTER

MONDAY, DECEMBER 5 — 6:30 P.M.

Guest Speaker — BOBBY BOWDEN

Head Football Coach at Florida State University

Tickets are \$9.00 and may be purchased at the Christian Activities Center

MERCY SHIPS

WHO? A Ministry of Youth With A Mission

WHAT? Public Tour Schedule

WHEN? Wednesday, Nov. 22, through Saturday, Nov. 26 — 10:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.

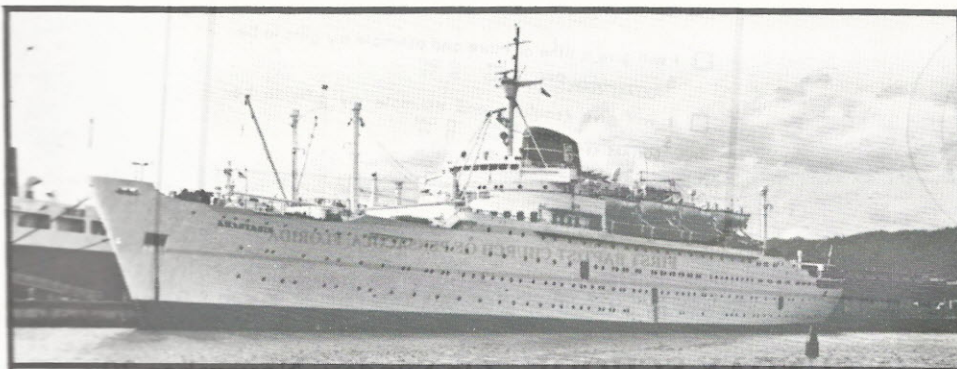
Sunday 1:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.

Thanksgiving - Closed

For Group Tours of 10 - 50 People: Wednesday - Friday — 10:00 A.M. - 2:30 P.M.

Please make reservations 444-4237 — Suggested donation: Adults \$2.00, Children 5 - 12 \$1.00

WHERE? The Port of Pensacola



The 522-foot, 9-story M/V Anastasis is a mobile hospital and relief center which brings doctors, nurses, dentists, builders and others to areas of disaster or chronic need. She and her sister ship, the M/V Good Samaritan, are operated by the International Christian Organization Youth with a Mission.

PLEASE NOTE!! NO CHURCH TRAINING IN DECEMBER

POINSETTIAS TO BE AVAILABLE AGAIN

Our Sanctuary again will be arrayed with beautiful poinsettias on Sunday, December 11.

If you wish to place a poinsettia in honor or in memory of someone you love, we invite you to do so by completing the form below and sending it, with your check in the amount of \$10.00, to the church, 500 North Palafox Street, Pensacola, Florida 32501.

Checks should be made payable to First Baptist Church. Deadline for participation will be Wednesday, December 7.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

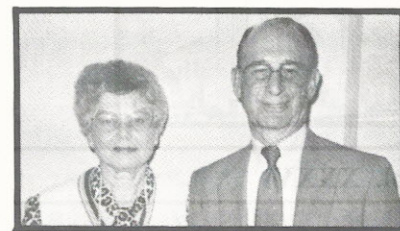
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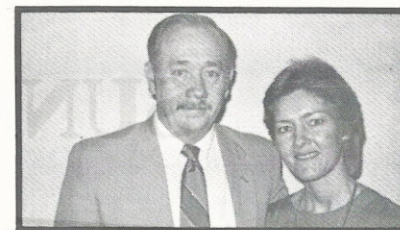
IN MEMORY OF: _____

IN HONOR OF: _____

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP NOVEMBER 13, 1988



MARTHA and EVERETT LOWELL



SONNY HOWERTON
Pictured with wife, TERESA

OUR CHURCH FAMILY SYMPATHY:

The pastor, staff and church family extend Christian sympathy to:

Margaret Allen in the death of her brother-in-law in Tennessee.

Betty Sellers in the death of her husband, Henry G. Sellers, November 7.

Kathleen Kendrick in the death of her aunt, Gladys Lott, November 7.

Rob Sansing in the death of his father, Robert Sansing, November 8.

Sandy Sansing in the death of his uncle, Robert Sansing, November 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Brown in the death of his father, Jack C. Brown.

Cheryl Killam and Mike Brown in the death of their grandfather, Jack C. Brown.

Thelma Lavender in the death of her husband, Archie, November 12.

Mary Pancoast in the death of her mother, Mrs. Amanda Hood, November 11, in New Mexico.

Jo McCormick in the death of her sister, Lisa Simmons.

THANK YOU:

A thank you note has been received in the church office from Mary Louise Moul-yet for the visits, cards, notes and flowers and most especially for the many prayers while she was in the hospital.

ON TITHING

"For God so LOVED the world that He GAVE His only son. . . ." (John 3:16)

Someone wisely observed in Sunday School, "We can give without loving, but we cannot love without giving." The truth of those words stuck with me. Whether the "gift" is support, things, money, time, mercy, understanding, or whatever, I cannot love without wanting to give.

Why did God GIVE His son? Because He LOVED us. He provided the example. Now, because I LOVE Him, I can GIVE — a tithe, at least.

A First Baptist Church Tither

ATTENTION ALL HIGH SCHOOLERS!!!

DROP-IN SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27

After the evening worship service at the home
of JILL EDWARDS, 3305 East Lloyd Street.

SEE YOU THERE!!!!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Children's Ministries of First Baptist seeks many ways to be involved in ministry to families. One such ministry is *Cradle Roll*. This Visitation / Ministry Department of the Sunday School is directed by Lisa Houston. Those helping Mrs. Houston are Jacki Benton, M'Adele Carson, Ann Watson and Beth Parker. These ladies visit before and after the baby comes into this world.

Please help us keep our ministry list current by calling Mrs. Houston or the Children's Ministry office with names of families expecting a baby.

November and December Birthday Party for Children in grade 1-5 will be Saturday, November 19, 1988, at 10:00 A.M. We will meet on the Children's Playground for games and fun! We will be finished at 11:30 A.M. (Rain location is E-308).

OUR KNOWN SICK

IN THE HOSPITAL:

BAPTIST HOSPITAL

261 Stella Kendrick
249 Talmadge Blackmon

SPECIALTY CARE

216 Mary Charles Renfroe
221 Virginia Ledford

SACRED HEART HOSPITAL

447 Nina Grimwood
539 Bill Gill

ICN Richard John Hodges
WEST FLORIDA HOSPITAL

ICU Harley Powell

GULF BREEZE HOSPITAL

219 Mary Ann McWaters
218 Mary Lee Crabtree

MEMORIAL GIFTS

The Foundation Committee gratefully
acknowledges receipt of the following gifts:

LOTTIE MOON

In Memory of:

GLADYS WINDSOR

By Mrs. Delree Boykin
JOSEPH F. BOYKIN, SR.
By Mrs. Delree Boykin

In Honor of:

ANNIE MERTINS

By Mrs. Delree Boykin

LIBRARY

In Memory of:

NINA MAE CHEATHAM

By Brent Bushong Single II S.S. Class

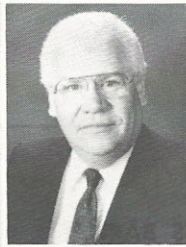
CHAPEL FUND

In Memory of:

JOHN COKER

By Mr. and Mrs. Douglas E. Burks
W. A. HIBBERT
By Mr. and Mrs. Douglas E. Burks

The Seagle Say:



FRIEND DAY '88!

What a success! We had friends everywhere! What a day! The full impact of "Friend Day" will not be easily determined. What I do know is that we had a tremendous day.

YOUR FRIENDS . . .

☆ Studied the Bible with us;
☆ Sang with us;
☆ Worshipped with us! They heard magnificent music and the Word of God proclaimed. They were exposed to the warmest, kindest and most exciting church family I know about.

WE DISCOVERED . . .

some interesting things. For instance:

— 1. *We confirmed a truth.* Many of you had trouble inviting a lost or unchurched friend because your friends are all believers, attending church. The longer we are followers of Christ the more difficult it is to maintain contact with those who do not share our journey.

— 2. *We discovered a need.* There is an urgent need to actively relate to those who have no relationship to Jesus Christ. Building a bridge of relationship will assist us in sharing the Gospel.

— 3. *We found it uncomfortable to be discomforted.* It's much easier to join an organization than it is to be the people of God. I need to be jolted out of complacency — into reality, toward those in need. Every believer is responsible for the lost and unchurched. That discomforts us. It should — if — it spurs us to action.

MY HAT'S OFF . . .

to — Gary Garland — John Robbins

Sandy Sansing — Bob Gowing and a host of God's finest! You are teeecerific! My challenge is simple — don't let up. Set a torrid pace. Dream the dream of God. Let's move beyond the 1500 mark — 1500 represents *people*, wonderful *people* — *people* who need Jesus Christ. *People* is our *only* reason for being. I cannot tell you how thrilled I am with the day and the possibilities.

See you 1500 strong Sunday.

ON THE BAY, ON THE HILL: THE STORY OF THE FIRST BAPTIST
CHURCH OF PENSACOLA, FLORIDA.

By Toni Moore Clevenger. Edited by Martha Pope Trotter.
Pensacola: First Baptist Church, 1986. 337 pp.

As curator and secretary-treasurer of the Florida Baptist Historical Society, this reviewer has encouraged local churches for many years to write their histories. Fortunately, the number of histories produced has increased rapidly in the last few years. This history of the First Baptist Church of Pensacola has been a long time in brewing, but the end result is worth the waiting. As is the case with many good histories, this one resulted from the efforts of many people, and credit is given to a great variety of persons for their contributions. Special credit should go to the present history committee, in general, and to Toni Moore Clevenger and Martha Pope Trotter, in particular, for bringing this history to life. It is an excellent piece of work. Those who would learn about early Baptist life in West Florida and those who are interested in writing a history of their own church would profit from reading this book.

In addition, non-Baptists interested in learning about the history of early West Florida will find it to be a gold mine of information.

The history is beautifully illustrated from cover to cover. The dust jacket design depicts baptismal services being conducted in Pensacola Bay, thus making the title of the book come alive immediately. In the text itself the photographs, the chapter titles, and the section headings help to make the church of the past come alive. The photographs are well arranged at appropriate places throughout the book, and with the lucid writing reflected in the narrative, the result is a vivid history.

The writing contains several special features. First, the author weaves the story of the beginnings of the church and the early town of Pensacola together into a most remarkable historical tapestry. Second, the biographical presentation of a long list of distinguished pastors shows the importance of leadership to the life of the church. Third, the unique contribution of pastoral and lay leadership to the life of the growing city and the growth of the Florida Baptist Convention relates the life of the church to the larger picture. Fourth, the problems and the controversies that have been part of the history of the church are reported with candor, skill, and tact, which is not always an easy combination to achieve. Fifth, the appendixes and the excellent index contribute important additions which are often absent from church histories.

Although not as thoroughly documented with endnotes as it could be, the work is quite adequately documented. The resulting efforts of Toni, Martha, their committee and others is an excellent history, and a model others would do well to emulate. The church, the authors, and the editor are to be congratulated. Florida Baptists and church historians everywhere owe them a debt of gratitude. — E. Earl Joiner, curator, Florida Baptist Historical Society, and professor, Stetson University, DeLand.

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ASSOCIATIONAL BROTHERHOOD / WMU WORLD MISSIONS NIGHT

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 6:30 P.M. — SCENIC HEIGHTS BAPTIST CHURCH

Cost: \$2.50 each

PROGRAM: Marvin and Linda Leech, Missionaries to Indonesia

David ("Sarge") Saucedo, from R.A. Summer Camp at Blue Springs

(R.A.'s and G.A.'s are invited to come hear "Sarge")

SPONSORED BY: Associational WMU and Brotherhood. For details, call Mrs. Betty Lane,
Associational WMU director (456-7188), or Rev. David Boyd, Associational Brotherhood
director (478-6945).RESERVATIONS PLEASE: WMU and Brotherhood directors should make *dinner reser-*
vations for the number of people coming from their church by calling the Association
office (434-0243) *by noon Friday, November 18th.*

SERMON TITLES

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1988

10:30 A.M.

"LET GOD BE FOUND TRUE"

Rom. 3:1-8

6:15 P.M.

FOREIGN MISSIONS STUDY

IN MEMORIAM

HENRY G. SELLERS, JR.

Joined our church January 13, 1963

Deceased November 7, 1988

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MRS. GLADYS MERRITT LOTT

Joined our church September 7, 1980

Deceased November 7, 1988

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MR. ROBERT A. SANSING, JR.

Joined our church January 2, 1960

Deceased November 8, 1988

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ARCHIE Z. LAVENDER

Joined our church September 29, 1905

Deceased November 12, 1988

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JACK C. BROWN

Joined our church August 1, 1966

Deceased November 13, 1988

LAST WEEK

NOVEMBER 7 - 13, 1988

SUNDAY SCHOOL	1,437
Extension Department	50
Married Adults	678
Single Adults	132
Youth	181
Children	245
Preschool	143
WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAM....	518
MEN'S LUNCHEON	97
COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP	3
CHURCH TRAINING	187
Adults	57
Youth	84
Children / Preschool	46

FAMILY AT WORK

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

* 9:00 A.M.—Sunday School

* 10:30 A.M.—Morning Worship

12:00 Noon—International Thanksgiving

Dinner

3:00 P.M.—Children's Bible Study

Japanese Bible Study - E-308

4:00 P.M.—Chapel Choir

4:30 P.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group

* 5:00 P.M.—Church Training

Middle School JOY

Sanctuary Bells

YouthQuake

* 6:15 P.M.—Evening Worship

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21

9:00 A.M.—"Needle" Workshop

9:00 A.M. - Noon—Samaritans Hands

10:00 A.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group

12:00 - 1:15 P.M.—Men's Exercise

6:00 P.M.—Deacons Meeting

7:00 P.M.—"Needle" Workshop

College / Career Bible Study

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

9:00 A.M. - Noon—Samaritans Hands

SEE FRONT PAGE FOR

SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23

12:00 - 1:15 P.M.—Men's Exercise

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24

— THANKSGIVING —

OFFICE CLOSED

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25

OFFICE CLOSED

* Nursery Open

** Nursery by Reservation Only

DESIGNATED GIFTS

BUILDING FUND	\$ 62.50
SPECIALS	1,855.00

1888 - 1988

LOTTIE MOON

FOREIGN MISSION OFFERING

Southern Baptist Convention

Goal\$84,000,000

First Baptist Church Pensacola

Goal\$86,000

"BECAUSE WE HAVE BEEN GIVEN MUCH"

THE PEOPLE RESPONDED

NOVEMBER 13, 1988

BY PROFESSION OF FAITH:

Mr. Sonny Howerton 477-2111
7171 North 9th Avenue, Unit F-8
Pensacola, FL. 32504

BY LETTER:

Mr. Everett W. Lowell 478-3978
4206 Spanish Trail Place
Pensacola, FL. 32504
Mrs. Martha Lowell
(Same as above)

BUDGET OFFERING REPORT

Weekly Budget Needs....\$	32,836.00
November 13, 1988	
Receipts	29,705.88
Budget Receipts	
Year to Date.....	1,456,442.46
Budget Needs	
Year to Date.....	1,510,456.00

DINNER MENU

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

Pork Chop
Rice and Gravy
Steamed Cabbage or Cole Slaw
Cornbread or Roll
Dessert
Tea and Coffee

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary Sun-
day, November 20, are in memory of
Dickie Creel, given by his parents,
Mr. and Mrs. Woody Creel and his
sister, Dr. and Mrs. James Brown and
children.