



The First Baptist Builder

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

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*Merry Christmas
From the
Staff Of
First Baptist Church*



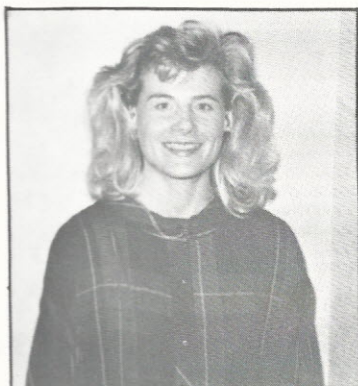
HALLELUJAH! VICTORY DAY VICTORY!

Thanks be to God that First Baptist Church has met the 1988 Lottie Moon offering goal of \$86,000! Sharing with the world the meaning of Christmas — what a wonderful way to celebrate the birth of our Saviour! Many thanks to all those who worked to bring the goal to reality and to all who contributed to the offering.

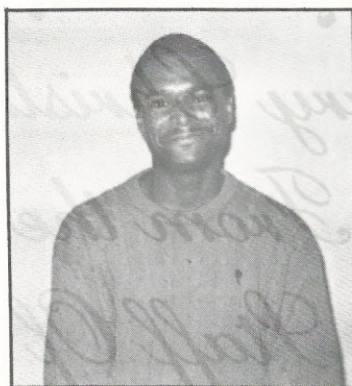
— Missions Committee, WMU Council

1988 GOAL	\$86,000
1988 OFFERING	\$86,100

COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP — DECEMBER 18, 1988



MISS TINA M. PEEBLES



MR. ANTHONY E. COWAN

JANUARY BIBLE STUDY

The Gospel of John

Classes Begin 5:00 P.M. January 8

THE PEOPLE RESPONDED DECEMBER 18, 1988

BY LETTER:

Miss Tina M. Peebles (205) 981-5334
5312 Beach Boulevard
Orange Beach, AL. 36561
From: Myrtle Grove Bapt., Pensacola

BY STATEMENT:

Mr. Anthony E. Cowan 438-5889
1512 East Hatton
Pensacola, FL. 32503

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

SYMPATHY:

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

Ben Waters on the death of her mother, Maude Davis Short, December 13.

Bill Waters on the death of his grandmother, Maude Davis Short.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Marilyn McGowin and Lynn Livingston who graduated from Auburn University December 9.

Milette Ward and Rene West on their marriage December 17.

THANK YOU:

Thank you notes have been received in the church office from:

Paula Howard for all the prayers and expressions of kindness shown to her and her family during her recent hospitalization.

Joe and Effie Altilio for the many visits and prayers during Joe's recent surgery and hospitalization. "It always lifts your spirit and gives you strength to carry on when you know your church family is praying for you."

HOLIDAY OFFICE SCHEDULE

The office will close at Noon on December 23 and reopen at 8:00 A.M. on December 28.

The office will also be closed January 2.

OUR KNOWN SICK

IN THE HOSPITAL:

BAPTIST HOSPITAL

285 Gail Catwood

231 Leslie White

MINU Katherine Karn

256 Beulah Ferguson

413 Harold Stokes

483 Elmer Deering

SPECIALTY CARE

206 Stella Kendrick

216 Mary Charles Renfroe

221 Virginia Ledford

SACRED HEART HOSPITAL

411 Edward Horn

424 Bessie Hardy

450 Ruby Kent

WEST FLORIDA HOSPITAL

429 Cotis Williams

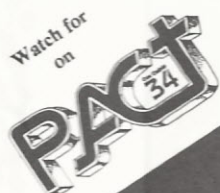
GULF BREEZE HOSPITAL

217 Frank Barrineau

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary Sunday, January 1, will be in memory of W. H. Smith, given by Mary Ellen, Cricket and Susie.

Watch for on



First Baptist Christmas Music

Messiah

(Sanctuary Choir)

Saturday, December 17, 8:00 P.M.

Tuesday, December 20, 6:30 P.M.

Saturday, December 24, 9:00 P.M.

Sunday, December 25, 2:00 P.M.

Tradition

(Children's Choirs/Clarion Choir)

Saturday, December 24, 7:00 P.M.


'Specially For Shepherds

(Chapel Choir)

Saturday, December 24, 11:00 P.M.

Sunday, December 25, 5:00 P.M.

A gift for you

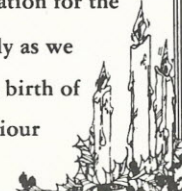


TO
First Baptist Church
with Love....

"CAROLS and CANDLES"

Christmas Eve
5:00 P.M.

A time of celebration for the
First Family as we
worship the birth of
our Saviour



COMMITTEE ORIENTATION MEETING
SUNDAY, JANUARY 8
4:00 P.M.

Members of all church committees are invited to attend an orientation meeting on Sunday, January 8, at 4:00 P.M.

The meeting will begin in the Dining Room, and then break up into individual committee groups. The purpose of the meeting is to zero in on the responsibilities for 1989, to meet any new members of the committee, and to determine the meeting schedule of subsequent meetings.

BUDGET PLANNING TO DATE

1989 Budget . . . \$1,858,430
Pledges and Other
Anticipated
Receipts . . . \$1,538,087
82.7%

It is not too late to make a pledge! If you intend to contribute to the Lord's work through your church, please turn in a PLEDGE CARD indicating the amount you will be giving in 1989.

VIDEO TAPES ARE IN!

If you ordered a video tape of the August Mini-Concert Series, they are in the Music Office ready to be picked up.

BAPTIST WOMEN MEETING

JANUARY 3 — 10:00 A.M.

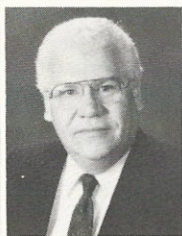
Martha Trotter and Beth Gowing Share
"THEIR TRIP TO PERU."

1988 CHALLENGER AWARD

BANQUET FOLLOW-UP

- 199 — First-time decisions for Jesus Christ.
541 — Rededications or desire to know more about growing as a Christian.

The Seagle Say:



Christmas '88 . . .
has been:
- filled with matchless music;
- made magnetic through all kinds of class, department and family gatherings;
- saturated with Christ exalting worship and praise. I cannot remember a more exciting season in all my life!

You have . . .
blessed us with cards galore. We've savored every written morsel! You've made us feel special. You've given loving

and kind gifts. For every expression of your love for us we give thanks to Him and to you! I count it joy to be known as your pastor. We count it joy to share life in Christ with you.

Simply . . .

but honestly — we love you. Peggie and I wish for you and yours a happy and joyous season. May the Father be honored and glorified through the "Holy-Day" season.

May the Christ of Peace and the Peace of Christ envelope your life and give you a new, vital awareness of His love and presence. Merry Christmas, dear friends!



FOR ALL HIGH SCHOOLERS!!

DECEMBER 28 - 29 — COST: \$20.00

Sign-up now with Eddie Benton for a wonderful time at the Holiday Inn, Navarre Beach. Deadline for sign-up and all monies due is December 21. We will enjoy * INDOOR POOL * SPA * TENNIS * BASKETBALL * VOLLEYBALL and will have as our special guests the BCM group from the University of Kentucky. High Schoolers, don't miss this great retreat!

CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve: Carols and Candles — 5:00 P.M.

Christmas Day: Worship — 10:30 A.M.

The staff, deacon body and pastor have adopted the above schedule for the Christmas season. There will be no Sunday School Sunday, December 25th. The schedule allows parents and children a bit of extra time on Sunday morning. An outstanding Children's program Christmas Eve and Christmas Day is being planned as a part of the worship experience. Join us for an exciting and joyous time of celebration and praise.

CECIL W. SEAGLE, Pastor



CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

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

In Honor of:

MARTHA DICKSON
By Love Sunday School Class
THE SUNDAY NITE RIDERS
By Young Adult 1 Sunday School Class

In Memory of:

LEE GILLESPIE
By Lee and Lynn Schulte

In Memory of:

M. H. CRANMER
By Mrs. Evelyn Cranmer
GRACE SWOFFORD
By James M. Swofford
ELEANOR KENNEDY
By Dr. Kennedy and Family

MEMORIAL GIFTS

The Foundation Committee gratefully acknowledges receipt of the following gifts:

CHAPEL

In Memory of:

LONORA NOWLIN BOWMAN
By Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Hogan
BILL OSBORN
By Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Hogan
RICKI JERNIGAN
By Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Hogan

BENEVOLENCE

In Honor of:

VICKY RIGGS
By Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Hogan

In Memory of:

MARY ANN McWATERS
By Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bell

FOUNDATION

In Memory of:

KELLY MOWE
By Paul and Ruby Howse

BUILDING FUND

In Memory of:

MARY ANN McWATERS
By Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rogers

LIBRARY

In Memory of:

HENRY G. SELLERS, JR.
By R. E. and Mary Louise Hooper

LOTTIE MOON

In Honor of:

TOM and LOUISE WASH
(50th Anniversary)
By Charles and Lil Burns
Mr. and Mrs. David Andrews
RODOLPH and MAE DIXON
By Bruce Brock
PAT EVANS
By New JOY Sunday School Class

In Memory of:

KELLY MOWE
By Mr. and Mrs. David Andrews
Mrs. James Hurt and Family
ARCHIE Z. LAVENDER
By Mrs. Leon E. Singletary, Sr.
DR. NATHAN BROOKS
By Mrs. James Hurt and Family
LEON E. SINGLETARY, SR.
By Mrs. Leon Singletary, Sr.
MRS. GEORGIA TRENATHAN
By Mrs. James Hurt and Family

BASKETBALL

BASKETBALL SEASON BEGINS IN THE C.A.C.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3RD — 17 and Under League

9:00 P.M. — FBC vs. First United Methodist

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5TH — Men's League

9:00 P.M. — FBC - Jackson vs. FBC - Garrett

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6TH — 15 and Under League

6:00 P.M. — FBC vs. Liberty

SATURDAY, JANUARY 7TH — 13 and Under League

9:00 A.M. — FBC - Wilson vs. Fairfield Presbyterian

12:30 P.M. — FBC - Hinson vs. First Presbyterian

SATURDAY, JANUARY 7TH — 11 and Under League

5:00 P.M. — FBC - McCargo vs. East Hill Baptist

FBC - Boyd has a BYE

YEAR-END CONTRIBUTIONS

People wishing to make year-end contributions to be posted to 1988 contribution records will need to have the money or check brought to the church office by 4:30 P.M. on Friday, December 30.

The church office will be closed on Saturday, December 31, but anyone wishing to make a contribution on that date should date a check December 31, 1988, and put it in the mail that day so that it bears a December 31 postmark.

MEMORIAL GIFTS

The Foundation Committee gratefully acknowledges receipt of the following gifts:

BENEVOLENCE

In Honor of:

PAULA HOWARD
By Friends at Jim Allen School
T. A. and ELOISE SHELL
By Margaret H. Hughes

BUILDING FUND

In Memory of:

MARY ANN McWATERS
By J. O. and Sylvia L. Love
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rogers

FOUNDATION

In Memory of:

MARY ANN McWATERS
By Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Smith, Jr.
HENRY G. SELLERS, JR.
By Barbara B. Schreiner
Henry and Florida Smith
Martha and Charles Folmar
KELLY MOWE
By James and Ellen Bromley
Jack Gardner & Associates
Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Howe

PLAYGROUND FUND

In Honor of:

BILLY & MARY CHARLES RENFROE
By Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Adams

CHAPEL

In Honor of:

JOSEPHINE WILLIAMS
By Woody and Vada Creel

In Memory of:

HENRY G. SELLERS, JR.
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By Woody and Vada Creel
ROBERT SANSING
By Charles and Mary Dean Cox
MRS. MATTIE ELIZABETH BRYANT
By Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Green
LUCILLE SHOFNER
By Woody and Vada Creel
JACK BROWN
By Woody and Vada Creel

LOTTIE MOON

In Honor of:

TOM and LOUISE WASH
(50th Wedding Anniversary)
By Joy Sunday School Class
RODOLPH and MAY DIXON
By Dr. and Mrs. Ken Counselman
YOUNG AULT 1 S.S. CLASS
By Sunday Nite Van Widows
MARVIN & LINDA LEECH & FAMILY
By Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Edwards
MELISSA and DAVID CHISM
By Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Edwards

LOTTIE MOON

In Honor of:

FRANCES and ERNEST BARRINEAU
By Mrs. Herman O. Williams

In Memory of:

LAURA STOESSEN
By Mrs. Judd Gatlin
Betty Egedy WMU Circle
CATHERINE LANCASTER
By Winnie Lancaster
MERLE NELL WINDHAM
By Winnie Lancaster
E. A. BRATCHER
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CLEMMIE STEELE
By Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Steele
MARY ANN McWATERS
By Dolores and Monte Barrow
Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Buff
Laura Shelton Baptist Women
Group
KELLY MOWE
By Mr. and Mrs. Elton Dunson
Dora and Freddie Stark
Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Buff
MRS. DOROTHY EDWARDS FIELDS
By Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Edwards
MR. and MRS. A. S. EDWARDS
By Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Edwards
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LIBRARY

In Memory of:

JACK C. BROWN
By Mrs. Judd Gatlin
ARCHIE Z. LAVENDER
By James and Mary Lou Sutton
MARY ANN McWATERS
By Melian Adult 4 Department
Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Minchew
Jewel Garrett
Mr. and Mrs. Harper Shannon
HENRY C. SELLERS, JR.
By Charles, Dot, Janet and June Cork
Dolores and Monte Barrow
Martha L. Pierce
Mr. and Mrs. J. Letcher Lamkin
Mrs. Judd Gatlin
W. L. and Jean Phillips
Mr. and Mrs. Pryce B. Gibson
Joy Sunday School Class
Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Haynes
Charles and Mary Dean Cox
Vonceil McCreary
Byron H. Gibson
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Mr. and Mrs. Carl E. Schumann
Bill and Linda Bollinger
MATTIE ELIZABETH BRYANT
By George and Dora Liveakos

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MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary Sunday, December 25, are in memory of Chris Mitchell, wife of Robert E. Mitchell.

HIGH SCHOOL

WINTER BEACH PARTY

JANUARY 16 - 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

ANNUAL FLAMINGO FOOTBALL GAME

LUNCH WILL BE SERVED COST: \$1.00



FOR ALL MIDDLE SCHOOLERS

JANUARY 20-21

HOLIDAY INN, NAVARRE BEACH

COST: \$20.00

Sign-up with Eddie Benton for a special time
of Bible Study, fun, and fellowship!
Deadline for all monies is January 15, 1989.

CONGRATULATIONS!



Shown above, left to right, are Paul Reynolds, Tate High School, and Scott Hawk, Washington High School, who were Challenger Award winners for the second year in a row. Congratulations, Paul and Scott, we're proud of you!

FAMILY AT WORK

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25

*10:30 A.M.—Morning Worship

MONDAY, DECEMBER 26

— OFFICE CLOSED —

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27

— OFFICE CLOSED —

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28

12:00 - 1:15 P.M.—Men's Exercise

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30

12:00 - 1:15 P.M.—Men's Exercise

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 1

* 9:00 A.M.—Sunday School

*10:30 A.M.—Morning Worship

3:00 P.M.—Children's Bible Study

Japanese Bible Study - E-308

4:30 P.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group

5:00 P.M.—Middle School JOY

YouthQuake

* 6:15 P.M.—Evening Worship

MONDAY, JANUARY 2

— OFFICE CLOSED —

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3

9:00 A.M. - Noon—Samaritans Hands

5:30 P.M.—Chapel Bells

6:30 P.M.—Surrender

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4

12:00 - 1:15 P.M.—Men's Exercise

* 4:30 P.M.—Clarion Choir

Children's Choirs

* 4:30 P.M.—High School Acteens

* 5:15 P.M.—Fellowship Dinner

5:40 - 6:10 P.M.—Our Gang Time

* 5:45 P.M.—Exaltation — S-311

6:00 P.M.—A Cappella Singers — L-220

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

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5

9:00 A.M. - Noon—Samaritans Hands

9:30 A.M.—Explorer's Bible Study - S-112

12:00 Noon—Businessmen's Luncheon

5:30 P.M.—Youth Visions

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6

* 9:00 A.M.—Mother's Day Out

12:00 - 1:15 P.M.—Men's Exercise

* Nursery Open

** Nursery by Reservation Only

DINNER MENU

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4

Roast Beef and Gravy

Steamed Rice

Buttered Lima Beans or Cole Slaw

Cornbread or Roll

Dessert

Tea and Coffee

BUDGET OFFERING REPORT

Weekly Budget Needs...	\$ 32,836.00
December 18, 1988	
Receipts	51,720.64
Year to Date.....	1,640,981.50
Budget Needs	
Year to Date.....	1,674,636.00

DESIGNATED GIFTS

BUILDING FUND	\$23,281.31
SPECIALS	11,628.92

SERMON TITLES

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1988

10:30 A.M.

"FOR UNTO YOU . . ."

Luke 2:11

* * * * *

— No Evening Service —

LAST WEEK

DECEMBER 12 - 18, 1988

SUNDAY SCHOOL	1,391
Extension Department	58
Married Adults	680
Single Adults	147
Youth	179
Children	204
Preschool	123
WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAM....	436
MEN'S LUNCHEON	92
COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP	2

SANTA VISITS

CAMBODIAN CHILDREN



Single Adult 3 Sunday School Department sponsored a Christmas party at First Baptist Church for the Cambodian children of Pensacola Tuesday night, December 13. The children and their parents enjoyed refreshments and each child received a gift from Santa.