

# A Call To Commitment

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### Brian's Lines

Sunday was a great day. I hope that you were here to worship with God's people and to share in the music program on Sunday night. So many people work behind the scenes each week to make things go. You know who you are. I want to say a special thanks to you this week.



OUR BUDGET . . . will be adopted this week, and next Sunday you will have an opportunity to help pledge it. A budget of over \$1.5 million seems large. Yet, when you consider our resources as a people, and the awesome riches of God, and the responsibility we have for reaching the world for Christ, it seems small. In the 1985 budget we will be giving over \$300,000 to the Cooperative Program which is the primary resource for our mission work all over the world. I received a letter last week from Jim Powell, Executive Vice President of Cooperative Program Promotion for the Stewardship Commission. He informed me that our church is one of the two hundred twenty churches in the Southern Baptist Convention which gave over \$100,000 to the Cooperative Program last year. This mission emphasis of our church is demonstrated through this year's budget. The budget is more than dollars and cents. It is missions and Bible study and service and ministry. It is all of that, and more. My prayer is that every member of the church will be in attendance Sunday. When we ask you to come forward by classes and departments, I hope everyone of you will bring your pledge card to the front and join in the company of the committed who believe in what God is doing in this church.

ACTS . . . network was previewed here recently. I understand that this month the poll will be taken of Cox subscribers to determine the preference of the various programs recently aired. I hope that you were impressed by ACTS and that you will vote for it in the poll. To have ACTS here in our city will be a big boost, both to the ACTS network and to our city.

THIS SUNDAY . . . I will be preaching in all three services. Sunday morning my sermon will be "A Call to Commitment." Sunday night I will be preaching another in the series on Famous Chapters of the Bible. We'll be looking at Psalm 51. I'll see you here for another exciting day.

## PLEDGE DAY IS THIS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

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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 ☐ MO ☐ QRT ☐ YR

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

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

### ★ EVERY MEMBER PLEDGING

Whether the pledge is to tithe or to give a set amount regularly, the key to pledging our 1985 budget is to have every member pledge to contribute.

### ★ PLEDGING TO BE DONE IN THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES

Please bring your pledge card to either Morning Worship Service on November 18. (You may sit with your Sunday School Class or in your usual place in the auditorium — that choice is yours.)

## Night of Prayer — Friday, November 16

7:00 - 12:00 Midnight — (Room S-112 and the Sanctuary)

## Day of Prayer — Saturday, November 17

7:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. — (There will be someone in prayer at all times.)

Come by sometime during the day to pray for our church and for Pledge Day (November 18) to be a victorious day in which our Lord is honored.

## WEDNESDAY ON TUESDAY!

All Wednesday Activities for November 21, including Fellowship Dinner, will be held on Tuesday, November 20.

6:15 P.M. — Thanksgiving Celebration in the Sanctuary.



## A CALL TO COMMITMENT



As a child, I was blessed with Christian parents who taught me that being a Christian includes being a good steward of all of life — talents, time and money. Too often, I think, we Christians tend to think that if we emphasize one area of stewardship, we can justify less than a strong commitment in other areas. Yet, as I was taught from a very early age, by my parents and a group of dedicated Sunday School teachers, Christian stewardship involves the total management of a person's life under the leadership or direction of Christ.

Christ would have us tithe, not because we are obligated or commanded to, but because it is our earnest and sincere desire to show our gratitude and love for Him. We should give as did the Macedonians for the benefit of the Jerusalem Christians, "according to their means . . . , and beyond their means, of their own free will . . ." 2 Cor. 8:3. This is the attitude with which we should all pledge to give during this time of commitment.

Christ has provided me with every blessing in abundance: a Christian wife, family, friends and the necessities of life. Paul tells us in 2 Cor. 9:8, that He has done so, that we "may always have enough of everything and may provide in abundance for every good work."

— ED HOLLAND



## LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

As we begin our Christmas shopping and Christmas planning let us spend *quality* time in our Quiet Time — our Prayer Time **PRAYING** for our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering — **PRAYING** for Foreign Missions — **PRAYING** for foreign missionaries and their work — **PRAYING** for Dr. Keith Parks as he leads the Foreign Mission Board.

This Christmas I urge you to give the most precious gift of all: Give the gospel to a lost world, through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions.

Your offerings are helping more than 400 persons find Christ every day. That's how many we helped reach for Christ every day last year (on the average) in other lands.

We can reach even more people this year with your — **PRAYER SUPPORT** — your **GIVING**.

OUR NATIONAL GOAL.....\$66,000,000  
OUR CHURCH GOAL.....\$ 75,000

## HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH RETREAT December 7 and 8 — (Friday and Saturday)

At Camp Beckwith, Fairhope, Alabama — **COST: \$21.00 Per Person**

Special Guest: "FINAL EXAM" — providing special music, comedy, magic and Bible Study. Great recreation, food, fellowship and much, much more! **INVITE A FRIEND!**

### MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary this Sunday are in memory of E. L. (Dick) Puckett and are given by Mrs. Beth Puckett, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Puckett and Mr. and Mrs. Carson Walker.

### THE VERY NEWEST

The rosebud on the pulpit Sunday was placed there in honor of  
**MISS MARGARET BLAIR TAYLOR**  
daughter of  
Mr. and Mrs. Bob Taylor  
born October 16, 1984

### THE CHURCH FAMILY

#### IN THE HOSPITALS:

##### Baptist

Jennifer Farris, Mrs. Cheryl Lee, Mrs. Kelly Pope

##### Specialty Care

Mrs. Mary Charles Renfroe

##### Sacred Heart

Mrs. Bertha Kingry

##### West Florida

Mrs. Ola Rampey, Mrs. Alice Ingram

##### Rehabilitation Center

Mr. Fred Rand

#### HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL:

Mr. Henry Smith, Dr. Rodney Taylor, Mrs. Elva Brooks, Mrs. A. J. Pockrus, Mr. Ralph B. Nichols, Mr. Raymond Taylor, Mrs. Kay Hennigan, Mrs. Voncell Cushing, Mrs. Ed Watford

#### SYMPATHY TO:

The family of Mrs. Doris Mooty in her death.

Mr. Billy Merritt in the death of his brother.

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Susan Hanna and Mitch Hall on their marriage November 10.

### LEISURE TIMERS' MEETING

(NOTE TIME CHANGE)

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19**

**10:30 A.M.**

#### PROGRAM:

**ROSE RANKIN AND HER PUPPETS**

Plan to stay for a delicious Thanksgiving

Lunch in the Dining Hall. — \$1.50

Leisure Timers Choir —  
immediately following lunch

*Mr. and Mrs. Durell Adams  
request the honour of your presence  
at the marriage of their daughter  
Judy Ann*

*to  
Mr. Barry L. Royal  
Saturday, the seventeenth of November  
nineteen hundred and eighty-four  
at four o'clock  
First Baptist Church  
Pensacola, Florida  
Reception  
immediately following the ceremony  
Church Fellowship Hall*



**CABLE  
SUBSCRIBERS**

Please be aware of the questionnaire in your November bill regarding support of ACTS, the SBC-sponsored television network, and return it to Cox Cable.

### IN MEMORIAM

**MRS. DORIS (W. P.) MOOTY**  
511 N. Barcelona St. — Apartment 1  
Pensacola, FL 32501

Joined our church by Letter on the  
1st Day of November 1955

Deceased: November 8, 1984



RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP  
NOVEMBER 11, 1984



Mrs. Martha Taylor  
(Pictured with her husband, Robert)

MIDDLE SCHOOL LOCK-IN  
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14  
10:00 P.M. - 7:00 A.M.

COST: \$5.00 per person, includes use of indoor pool, gymnasium, weight room, racquetball, food, film and great fellowship. DON'T MISS IT!

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Porras  
request the honour of your presence  
at the marriage of their daughter  
Joni Kay  
to

Mr. William Hubbell Pierce, III  
on Saturday, the twenty-fourth of November  
One thousand nine hundred and eighty-four  
at two o'clock in the afternoon  
First Baptist Church  
Pensacola, Florida  
and afterwards at the reception  
The Garden Center



DON'T  
FORGET!

- All Wednesday Activities for November 21, including Fellowship Dinner, will be held on TUESDAY, November 20.
- There will be no Businessmen's Luncheon on Thursday, November 22.
- The Church Office and CAC will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 22 and 23, for Thanksgiving Holiday.

BAPTIST YOUNG WOMEN  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20  
7:00 P.M.  
at Johanna Hall's  
2905 West Jackson Street

A CALL TO COMMITMENT

In writing to the Corinthian Christians, Paul commended the churches of Macedonia: "They gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own . . . they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service to the saints . . . but they gave themselves first to the Lord. . . ."

Then he urged the Corinthians: "But just as you excel in everything - in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in your love for us - see that you also excel in this grace of giving." (2 Cor. 8:3-5; 9 NIV)

As Pledge Day approaches, we too need to look at the example of the Macedonians. In response to God's Call to Commitment, we need first to give ourselves to our Lord. Then we will count it a privilege to pledge our financial support for His work. As a church we are blessed beyond measure. Should we not also "excel in this grace of giving"?

Please pray for God's guidance as you commit yourself and your resources to Him. The ability of First Baptist Church to carry out His mission depends on you.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Mike Simoneaux

SING THE MIGHTY POWER OF GOD - I want to thank all who participated in the program this past Sunday night. It was the hope and prayer of all of us in the Music Ministry that the church would have a meaningful experience of worship and praise.

LEISURE TIMERS CHOIR - TIME CHANGE - Remember that this week only we will have rehearsal on Monday due to the different schedule of "Wednesday on Tuesday." Rehearsal will begin immediately after lunch on Monday and go for 45 minutes only. (12:15 - 1:00). No rehearsal on Tuesday.

HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR AND ENSEMBLE WILL MEET AT THE REGULAR TIME THIS SUNDAY.

SPECIAL "MESSIAH" REHEARSALS - A REMINDER . . . FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16 - 6:00 - 8:00 P.M. . . . SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17 - 9:00 A.M. - 12:00 NOON.

NOVEMBER 18, 1984

Goals for Each Sunday School Department

Adult 2	118	College	45	Children 1A	16
Adult 1	120	Youth 13	46	Preschool K3	9
Median Adult 3	95	Youth 10	33	Preschool K2	17
Median Adult 2A	52	Youth 9	40	Preschool K1	10
Median Adult 2	52	Youth 8	34	Preschool 4C	12
Median Adult 1	90	Youth 7	21	Preschool 4B	12
Young Adult 2	60	Youth 6	30	Preschool 4A	17
Young Adult 1	75	General Officers	15	Preschool 3C	15
Sanctuary	32	CDBS		Preschool 3B	12
Paul Caro Mem.	20	(Ethnic Bible Study)	30	Preschool 3A	12
Spanish	7	Children 5	50	Preschool 2C	12
Cambodian	9	Children 4B	18	Preschool 2B	12
Vietnamese	5	Children 4A	18	Preschool T3	8
Silent	16	Children 3B	16	Preschool T2	6
Single 4	20	Children 3A	15	Preschool T1	6
Single 3	25	Children 2B	22	Preschool C1	8
Single 2	45	Children 2A	20	Preschool B2	7
Single 1	90	Children 1B	18	Preschool B1	7
GRAND TOTAL				1,600	





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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

NOVEMBER 5 - 11, 1984

SUNDAY SCHOOL .....1,390  
Married Adults ..... 725  
Single Adults ..... 147  
Youth ..... 152  
Children ..... 204  
Preschool ..... 162

CHURCH TRAINING ..... 201  
WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAM.... 643  
COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP..... 3

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

Please come to  
DINNER

Pork Chop  
Rice and Gravy  
Sweet Potato Patty  
Tossed Green Salad  
Cornbread or Roll  
Dessert  
Coffee or Tea  
Milk — 25¢



## OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

- \* 8:30 A.M.—Morning Worship  
8:30 - 11:00 A.M.—Library Open  
9:00 A.M.—Telephone Class  
\* 9:30 A.M.—Sunday School  
\* 11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship  
3:00 P.M.—Children's Bible Study  
3:30 P.M.—Puppet Practice  
4:00 P.M.—Prayer Meeting  
High School Ensemble  
4:30 P.M.—M.S. Instrumental Ensemble  
4:30 - 6:00 P.M.—Library Open  
\* 5:00 P.M.—Church Training  
High School Choir  
College / Singles Choir  
Instrumental Ensemble  
Children's Bible Drill  
Adult Handbells  
\* 6:15 P.M.—Evening Worship

### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19

- \* 9:00 A.M.—“Needle” Workshop  
Ladies' Aerobics  
10:00 A.M.—Intercessory Prayer Group  
10:30 A.M.—Leisure Timers  
12:00 - 1:15 P.M.—Men's Exercise  
12:15 P.M.—Leisure Timers Choir  
5:00 P.M.—Finance Meeting  
6:00 P.M.—Deacon's Meeting and Dinner  
7:00 P.M.—“Needle” Workshop

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

- \* 9:00 A.M.—Young Baptist Women  
Jazzercise  
4:30 - 7:15 P.M.—Library Open  
\* 4:45 P.M.—High School Acteens  
Graded Choirs  
Middle School Choir  
\* 5:15 P.M.—Fellowship Dinner  
G.A. Supper Reading  
\* 6:15 P.M.—Bible Study for Adults  
S.S. Weekly Workers Mtg.  
Chapel Singers  
High School JOY  
College / Singles JOY  
Mission Friends  
Middle School Acteens  
Royal Ambassadors  
G.A.'s  
\* 7:00 P.M.—Sanctuary Choir  
Baptist Young Women  
7:15 P.M.—Boy Scouts  
H.S. Discipleship Class

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21

9:00 A.M.—Ladies' Aerobics  
12:00 - 1:15 P.M.—Men's Exercise

### THURSDAY AND FRIDAY

NOVEMBER 22 and 23

— Happy Thanksgiving —  
(Office and CAC Closed)

\* Nursery Provided

## COMING FOR MEMBERSHIP NOVEMBER 11, 1984

### BY LETTER:

16. Mrs. Martha Taylor  
1815 East Strong  
Pensacola, Fl. 32501 — 433-2506  
From: Ginter Park Baptist,  
Richmond, Va.
17. Dr. Edwin E. Yee  
3560 Brookshire Drive  
Pensacola, Fl. 32503 — 432-2271  
From: FBC, Leland, Mississippi
18. Mrs. Paula Yee  
(Same as above)

## EXTENDED SESSION

### SCHEDULED TO WORK SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

8:30

Beth Rood  
Bettie Puckett  
Mira Siegel  
Ken and Jackie  
Counselman  
Elizabeth Six

11:00

Monique McBrayer  
Linda Bourne  
Tammy Williams  
Rita Hoffman  
Cara Gullede  
Dale Taylor

## CHURCH TRAINING

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18 — 5:00 P.M.

Continuing video series on  
“THE TEN COMMANDMENTS”

Session 6

Room S-108

## DESIGNATED GIFTS

BUILDING FUND .....\$752.70  
SPECIALS ..... 493.25

## SERMON TOPICS

November 18, 1984

8:30 A.M. and 11:00 A.M.

“A CALL TO COMMITMENT”

6:15 P.M.

FAMOUS CHAPTERS OF THE

BIBLE

Psalms 51

## BUDGET OFFERING REPORT

November 11, 1984

Receipts .....\$ 29,192.54  
Weekly Budget Needs.... 26,481.00  
Budget Receipts  
Year To Date..... 1,194,849.18  
Budget Needs  
Year To Date..... 1,218,126.00