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Dear Board Members and Friends of FBHS,

The Florida Baptist Historical Society gets about five phone calls, four website hits, three letters and two personal contacts per day. In addition to that we get about a dozen emails a day and many want information as to church records and family history. Our goal is to respond to each call, letter and email within 24 hours.

The last trivia question was: Name an association that has had more missions than churches? There was more than one correct answer to this (Gulf Stream and Palm Lake) and Joel Breidenbaugh of Panama City Beach and Herb Jukes of Vero Beach got the correct answer. Nice gifts went out to them.

It has been a great privilege to celebrate with the FBC Apalachicola (160), FBC Greensboro (100) and FBC Inverness (100) on their special anniversary research and dates. The churches have worked hard to do it right. Inverness had a historical DVD that was professionally done and pastor Donnie Seagle and church family have much to celebrate. David and Carolyne Melton led Greensboro to publish their history (100) and Holly is a research giant as secretary at FBC Apalachicola. These churches have set good examples in research and writing.

Please remember Charles Dewese in your prayers. Charles is Executive Director of the Baptist History and Heritage Society. He is in a battle with cancer and would appreciate your prayers very much. You could also send Charles a card of encouragement to his home address at 1528 Centerville Drive, Buford, Georgia, 30518.

Joseph O'Shields from the University of North Florida is preparing research on Alachua County, 1821-1860. Sharon Winter is researching Fleming Bates (1771-1840), Carol Tomlinson is researching Daniel Sloan (1811-1888), Doug Gilmore is writhing on Billory Baptist Church and Ty Wood is preparing video documents for the 2007 Florida Baptist State Convention history awards. It is our plan to assist in all these projects and I am so grateful for Penny Baumgardner and Ashley Lathrop for their work here in the office. We are all part time, but these two ladies are a tremendous help in our research and office work.

Sunday, September 9, 2007, was so very special. Pastor Richard Englert Jr., and his people at FBC Arcadia did a wonderful thing. They led in the effort to identify and place in remembrance children who had died in the Florida Baptist Children's Home in Arcadia and had been placed in unmarked graves. Due to lack of funds there was no way anything could have been done in the 1920's to remember the children, but now a very fitting memorial has been made. Pastor Englert, Marilyn Mizell, the research historian and Marvin Williams, Church History Committee Chairman did what was needed to be done to see this event come to pass. We must always remember those who have no voice.

The trivia question this month is a tough one, but interesting. Name a Florida Southern Baptist Association that had foot washing as an ordinance in their articles of faith until 1927? Call 850-263-9028 with the correct answer for a gift.

Congratulations to Janice Lopes who served as secretary in Treasure Coast Association for 35 years. She is retiring and DOM Harvey Webb and his folks and the rest of us wish "Miss Janice" a great retirement.

Honoring those who honor Christ,



Jerry M. Windsor
Secretary-Treasurer
Matthew 6:33

Pictures from the September 9, 2007 Arcadia Service



L to R. Marvin Williams, Jerry Scott, Mrs. Marvin Williams, Pastor Richard Englert and Jerry Mae Windsor at FBC Arcadia before the Deceased Children's Monument Dedication in the Arcadia Cemetery.



L to R. Jerry Haag, President, Florida Baptist Children's Home. Frank Scott, Sarah Register Johnson and Jerry Scott who came to live at the home in 1935.



Richard Englert and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Williams.