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Penny Baumgardner Secretary Dear Board Members and Friends of FBHS.

Our very best material sources come from family members. Kenneth R. Frink (Ken) has been kind enough to send us helpful material on his father Rev. Loys Frink. The family history and pictures are very helpful for us.

Loys Frink (1902-1967) attended school at BBI in New Orleans and Mercer University. He was born at McRae, Georgia but he was raised at Ft. Pearce. Bro. Frink served as pastor at Titusville, Inverness, Avon Park and Winter Park. He served as a WWII Army Chaplin in the Philippines. It would sure be nice if we had more information about Florida Baptist ministers who served as chaplains in WWII.

Congratulations' to Albert Wardin of Nashville, Tennessee, for his receiving the Brown Street Press Baptist History Research Award for his 2007 book *The Twelve Baptist Tribes in the USA*. The book is the very best current historical, geographical and statistical analysis of Baptists in the United States. The color maps locating the various Baptist groups in the United States are worth the price of the book. You may order the Wardin book from The Baptist History and Heritage Society, 3001 Mercer University Drive, Atlanta, Georgia 30341. The cost of the book is \$24.95, plus \$6.95 shipping. You may order this book by check and it is well worth the price.

From time to time people ask me about good sources to purchase religious books and commentaries. We use Lifeway and Christian Book Distributors (1-800-247-4784) for new books and C. Brent Cloyd (815-622-7899) for used books. I remind you that Abebooks has over ten million used books for sell on line. There are 32 million books in print and Abebooks will have ten percent of them for sale at any given time.

The trivia question last month was: Name the first Floridian to go out as a Baptist medical missionary? The answer is Louise Fleming (1862-1899). The trivia question for this month is: Who did the Florida Baptist State Board of Missions send to Cuba on a "missions quest" in 1885? (The board had to borrow money from one of its members to send the missionary).

The Florida Baptist Historical Spring Board meeting is set for Friday, April 25 (9am-12noon) at the Ancient City Baptist Church in St. Augustine. All interested parties are invited to attend the meeting.

Honoring those who honor Christ,

Jerry M. Windsor