



Fall, 2002

CLIFTON MANSION

November 20, 1854 — Delegates arriving at the home of R. J. Mays, near Madison, to draw up the organization papers of the Florida Baptist Convention.

MIDDLE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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TRANSFORMING...

Heart, Soul, Mind, And Strength

*"It is my eager expectation and hope
that I shall not be at all ashamed,
but that with full courage now as always
Christ will be honored in my body,
whether by life or by death"
(Phil. 1:20, RSV).*

One Hundred Third Annual Session

October 21, 2002

Madison First Baptist Church

October 22, 2002

Brewer Lake Baptist Church

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PROGRAM PERSONALITIES

Doctrinal Sermon Rev. Clyde Laraby
 Missionary Sermon Rev. Greg Ragans
 Inspirational Speakers Dr. Cecil Seagle
 Director, Missions Division, Florida Baptist Convention
 Gene Stokes, Director of Missions

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Journal
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Research Celebrations

John Windsor

PROGRAM One Hundred Third Annual Session MONDAY - OCTOBER 21, 2002 Madison First Baptist Church

THEME: "The Unchanging Word for a New Century"

Session One: "Through Discipleship"

- 4:00 Call to Worship Madison First
- Hymn Led by Geoff Hill
- Prayer Steve Bass
- 4:05 Theme Interpretation . Sherwood Sawyer, Pastor, Bethel Creek
- 4:15 "Welcome" Clyde Larrabee, Host Pastor
- 4:20 THE ASSOCIATION ORGANIZES Ralph Boots, Moderator
- Adoption of Order of Business Geraldine Stokes, Clerk
- 4:25 Our Departed Loved Ones Pat Reams, Greenville
- 4:30 Discipleship Training Jeff Cordero, Pastor, Faith
- 4:35 Treasurer's Report Geraldine Stokes, New Home
- 4:40 Stewardship Glenn Luttrell, Macedonia
- 4:45 Adoption of Budget Caron Harn, Lee First
- 4:50 Music Pam Cordero, Faith
- THE ASSOCIATION AT WORSHIP AND PRAYER Walter Bailey
- 4:55 Hymn Led by Geoff Hill
- 5:00 Digest of Letters Geraldine Stokes, Clerk
- 5:05 Special Music Liane Wakefield, Madison First
- 5:10 Doctrinal Sermon Clyde Larrabee, Pastor, Madison First
- 5:40 Adjournment Prayer/Blessing. Oliver Bradley, Pastor, Morningstar

S U P P E R

Session Two: "Through Stewardship"

- 6:30 Call to Worship Winds Choir, Madison First
- Prayer Ted Rushing, Pastor, Pleasant Grove
- 6:40 Theme Interpretation Tommy Bussey, Pastor, Pinetta First
- 6:50 Recognition: Visitors/New Pastors Gene Stokes
- Director of Missions Report Manning Hicks
- 7:00 Baptist College of Florida Dr. Jerry Oswalt
- 7:05 State Board of Missions Roy Faglie, Elizabeth
- 7:10 Florida Baptist Historical Society Jerry Windsor
- 7:20 Miscellaneous Business: Phil Heard, Cornerstone, Morningstar, Unity
- THE ASSOCIATION AT PRAYER Walter Bailey, Pastor, New Hopeful
- Hymn Led by Geoff Hill
- 7:35 Pastoral Ministries Howard Adams, Pastor, Elizabeth
- 7:40 Family Life Judy Phillips, Madison First
- 7:45 Introduction of Speaker Roy Faglie
- 7:50 Special Music . "Agnus Dei" . Sanctuary Choir, Madison First
- 7:55 Inspirational Speaker Cecil Seagle, Director,
Missions Division, Florida Baptist Convention
- 8:25 Adjournment Prayer Dick Whitehead, Pastor, Concord

RECESS UNTIL 4:00 P.M. TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22
Brewer Lake Baptist Church

TUESDAY - OCTOBER 22, 2002
Brewer Lake Baptist Church

Session Three: "Through Evangelism and Missions"

4:00 Call to Worship Led by Pam Cordero, Faith
Prayer Kyle Giddens, Pastor, Cornerstone
4:05 Theme Interpretation . . Steve McHargue, Pastor, Fellowship
4:15 "Welcome" John Bracken, Host Pastor
4:20 THE ASSOCIATION AT WORK Caron Harn, Vice Moderator
4:25 Hymn Led by Pam Cordero
4:30 Woman's Missionary Union Elouise Green
4:35 Brotherhood Tom Moore, Lee First
4:40 Evangelism Steve McHargue, Fellowship
4:45 E. C. Tyner Camp Iris Wesson, Hopewell
4:50 Middle Florida Baptist Assembly Tom Moore, Lee First
4:55 Miscellaneous Business & Announcements
5:00 THE ASSOCIATION AT WORSHIP AND PRAYER Walter Bailey
Hymn
Introduction of Speaker Gene Stokes
5:05 Special Music
5:10 Missionary Sermon Greg Ragans, Pastor, Mt. Olive
5:40 Adjournment Prayer/Blessing Harold Smith, Brewer Lake

S U P P E R

Session Four: "Through Prayer"

6:30 Call to Worship Brewer Lake
Prayer David McMullen, Pastor, Mayo
6:40 Theme Interpretation ASSISTeam
6:50 Sunday School J.R. McLeod, Greenville
6:55 Annuity/Insurance Glenn Luttrell
7:00 Florida Baptist Family Ministries Julie Boyd
7:15 Resolutions Committee Buddy Sapp, Hopewell
7:20 Time-Place-Preacher Preston Gainey, Hopewell
7:25 Recognition of 2002-2003 Officers/Directors . . Gene Stokes
THE ASSOCIATION AT WORSHIP AND PRAYER Walter Bailey
7:30 Hymn
Introduction of Speaker Ralph Boots, Moderator
7:35 Special Music Brewer Lake
7:40 Inspirational Speaker Gene Stokes, DOM
8:10 Benediction Doyle Bell, Brewer Lake

Associational Directory

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- 2003 Iris Wesson, RR 1 Box 3158, Madison 32340; 973-4746
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- Elouise Green RR 1 Box 606, Mayo 32066; 294-3141

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- 2004 Lucy McKown, 5118 E Washington St., Monticello 32344;
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- 2004 Wayne Sapp, 1630 NE Persimmon, Pinetta 32357; 929-4243
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2003 Janet Bailey 228 NE Spencer Ct, Lee 32059; 971-5728
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Brotherhood

Middle Florida Baptist Men had a very fruitful and exciting time in the Lord's work this past year. Thanks to all the men and churches for making it a great year.

Six churches were represented at our fall workshop at Faith Baptist Church. Plans for the New Year were discussed and our main mission goal was to make needed improvements at the Pickett Lake Camp and to encourage the other member associations to join in this effort.

In January we met at Macedonia Church. Emphasis at this meeting was Evangelism and Brother David Burton of the Florida Baptist Convention challenged us all to be about the business of witnessing. There were 108 men present to enjoy the program and the delicious food. A special thanks to the gracious folk at Macedonia.

Our April meeting was held at Brewer Lake with 70 men in attendance. Brother Eddie Blackmon of the Florida Baptist Men's Department gave an interesting account of Florida Baptist Men's involvement in the providing food and support for the workers in the New York and Washington disaster areas. The Hispanic Mission of Mayo provided us with great singing and music. Thank you Brewer Lake for providing a great meal and your facilities.

New Home Church was our host for the July WMU and Baptist Men's meeting. Everyone enjoyed the opportunity to get a look at their beautiful new sanctuary. Brother Jack, his helpers and the ladies dished out a splendid meal. Our emphasis centered on missions. Walter Jarvis and Gail Washington gave a report of their mission work in Haiti. Julie Boyd and Ms. Mildred presented an enjoyable report of the work of the Children's Home in Tallahassee. There were 198 present for the meeting.

Baptist men and churches of our association were involved with several improvement projects at our Middle Florida Campgrounds:

1. Contacts were made with the six other associations urging them to get involved with the projects by financial means and providing manpower.
2. Churches of Middle Florida Association were called on to provide for the Campgrounds in their budgets and to encourage members to become involved.
3. In March 29 men from 12 churches met and put a new metal roof on Cabin AB. Brother M.L. Purvis and team provided our meal. The stage in the chapel was given a much needed refinishing job at this time.
4. A senior team of men and ladies met in April and worked on motel rooms. Rooms were cleaned and new curtains, bedspreads and rugs were put in place. The men put Sheetrock ceilings in two units to replace old drop ceilings.
5. Several churches made donations toward the purchase of a new ice machine, the machine is in place.
6. Money is being collected to buy new chairs for the dining hall. Several churches have made contributions; send gifts to the Association Office.
7. Churches of the Beulah Association have committed to replacing old roof on the dining hall, plans are to begin work in October.
8. Suggested projects for year 2003 are: sheetrock ceilings for three motel rooms and cabin AB, new air conditioners for the chapel, furnishings and dressing up of motel rooms.

Thanks again to all the churches of the association for your support and prayers during this past year and looking forward to another great year in the service of our Lord.

Tom Moore

Middle Florida Assembly Projects

1. Approximately 30 workers turned out to put a new metal roof on cabin AB. The following churches made contributions toward the purchase of the materials: Madison First, Mayo, Macedonia, St. Johns, Faith, Pinetta First, Greenville, Lee First, Pine Grove, Riverside, Hopewell, Lamont and Tyner Youth Camp Fund.
2. New Ice Machine - Elizabeth, Faith, Macedonia and Central provided funds toward this purchase.
3. Motel rooms - Ladies from Faith, Elizabeth, and Lee First placed new furnishings and cleaned some of the rooms, and men from Elizabeth and Lee First along with Tim Kinsey placed sheet rock ceilings in two of the rooms.
4. Chapel stage work - Several men from Pinetta First and Brewer Lake assisted Tim in putting in a new stage floor.
5. New dining hall chairs - Money is being collected for this purpose: Elizabeth WMU & YES (Young Energetic Seniors), Pinetta First, Hopewell, New Home and Lee First have made donations.
6. Dining hall roof - Churches of the Beulah Association have committed to replacing the old roof.
7. Projects for year 2003 - Sheet rock ceilings for 3 motel rooms; new air conditioners for the chapel, sheet rock ceiling for Cabin AB; furnishings and dressing up of motel rooms.

Tom Moore, Brotherhood Director

State Board of Missions

As your State Board of Missions representative I respectfully submit this report. As in the past, this has been a busy year for the Florida Baptist Convention.

The State Board is made up of 99 individuals representing the various associations around the state. Pastors, church staff members and lay persons, such as myself, make up the Board. Each member serves on one or more committees. This year I was assigned to the Budget-Allocations Committee.

The Budget-Allocations Committee met in August of this year and completed a budget to present to the State Board of \$35,236,888.00. This is an increase of \$2,334,655.00 or 7.10% over last year's budget. As in the past, 40% of this budget will be forwarded to the Southern Baptist Convention. If this budget is approved by the State Board of Missions during the September meeting, this budget will then be voted on at the State Convention in November.

I am sure you will agree that God continues to bless our convention financially. This financial blessing helps the Florida Baptist Convention fulfill its mission to inspire and equip, through word and deed, Florida Baptist churches and associations to accomplish the Great Commission.

I appreciate the opportunity you have given me to serve on the Stat Board. If I can ever be of service to you or your church, please do no hesitate to call me.

Roy Faglie

Director of Missions Report
October 1, 2001 - August 31, 2002

The activities of the association have taken your Director into all the churches at least once, and in many, more than once. We have traveled 6,047 miles in association-related work, and have spoken in 45 services.

Of historic significance was the debt-free dedication of our new office/mission center on April 14, 2002. It should continue to be useful for many years to come.

I wish to pay special tribute to Letha, my loving and devoted wife, for her support, dedication, and service as we have worked together with you these past six years. Not only has she supported me, but she has also served you as you have called upon her. She has given unselfish material support as well as sharing encouragement to pastors' wives and others in our constituency.

The following are some of the goals we have had in serving you:

1. To make Christ known to as many people as possible.
2. To encourage and equip others to make Christ known to as many people as possible.
3. To promote the total program of world missions in our Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria and to the ends of the earth.
4. To share in the joys, and sorrows, of all our people with true empathy.
5. To offer counsel and prayers with those who have chosen to share their problems.
6. To extend the work of the kingdom of God by every means possible.

To whatever extent we have been able to reach these goals we are grateful. It was a blessing for us to serve with you. May God's blessings be upon you as you continue to lift up our Lord Jesus.

Just as the Lord said to the church at Philadelphia (Rev. 3:8, He says to you, "*Behold, I have set before thee an open door and no man can shut it.*")

Manning Hicks

Minutes Needed
The Association Office is
in need of the following
Minutes to complete our
file:
1900-1904
1907
1909-1918
1920-1926
1928

If you or your church has
the Minutes for any of
these years and would
allow us access to them,
we would greatly
appreciate it. Please call
Geraldine (973-8607) or
(971-5744).

Sunday School

In January of 2002 several Sunday School leaders of Middle Florida Baptist Association were invited to participate in the Innovators training at Lake Yale. These leaders were: J.R. McLeod, Kim Reams, Marianne Hughes and Debe Scott.

For Ministers of Middle Florida Baptist Association a January Bible Study was provided.

A VBS Clinic was held at Faith Baptist Church. Conferences were provided for VBS Directors, Adults, Youth, Children and Preschool. The VBS Director is Carol Prevatt.

J.R. McLeod led the Sunday School Key Leadership Conference at Faith Baptist Church on August 27, 2002.

On September 9, 2002 at 7:00 P.M. Jess Hessinger introduced the Guest Speaker Bill Yeldell for a Regional Faith Aware Conference at Greenville Baptist Church. There were seven churches present with attendance of 37 people from North Florida and South Georgia.

Associational Sunday School Training Conference was held at Greenville Baptist Church on September 17, 2002 at 7:00 P.M. Rev. John McInnis, Associate in the Sunday School Department of Florida Baptist Convention led the General Officers and Pastors. Rev. Clyde Ellison of First Baptist Church of Panama City led the Adults. Marianne Hughes is Youth Director of Greenville Baptist Church and Innovator for Sunday School Department for Florida Baptist Convention led the Youth Conference. Ginger Owens is Children Director of Thomasville Road Baptist Church and Innovator for Florida Baptist Convention led the Children Conference. Kim Reams is Preschool Director of Greenville Baptist Church and Innovator for Sunday School for Florida Baptist Convention led the Preschool Conference.

J. R. McLeod

Children's Camp 2002

God is so good! He blessed us with one of the best and smoothest running camps our association has ever had. Around 45 adults and 121 children from grades 2-6 embarked upon Pickett Lake on July 8 to begin our 2002 Children's Camp week. Our theme this year was "*Survival Skills for Life*". The lessons taught were: "How to Follow God's Instructions", "Choose Friends Wisely", "Make Peace, Show Respect and Trust Jesus". Each night we had a wonderful time playing a survivor challenge game.

By the end of the week, 22 children had accepted Christ as their Savior and at least 9 had rededicated their lives to Christ. As wonderful as these numbers are, we don't even know the long range effect our camp may have had on each camper there. I know that I have not been to camp yet that I didn't come home closer to my Lord because of experiences at camp.

I would like to thank the workers who take a week out of their summer and spend it ministering to God's children! God blesses our efforts and energy when we give ourselves to Him. If your church or your children have not been involved in our camp, please join us next summer. It will be a tremendous blessing!

Iris Wesson

Elbert C. Tyner Youth Camp Financial Report

Balance on hand (September 1, 2001) \$ 7,363.81

Camp Donations \$1716.75
Pinetta First350.00
Pleasant Grove.150.00
St. Johns216.75
FL. Bapt. Conv.1000.00

Receipts from Campers. \$ 6,700.00
Supper/Family Night 368.00
Interest Income 21.13 (thru 9-17-02)
Misc. receipts/Refunds 305.35
Total Receipts \$ 9,111.23

Total Funds \$16,475.04

Expenditures:

Camp Fees \$ 4635.00
Books/Curriculum 112.70
Supplies 322.22
Woodworking Supplies 300.00
Food1658.73
T-Shirts 900.19
Camp Deposit 150.00
Change 60.00
Middle Florida Brotherhood .1000.00
(Pickett LK Roof Project)
Refunds to Campers 300.00

Total Expenditures \$ 9,438.84

BALANCE ON HAND (September 30, 2002) \$7,036.20

Geraldine Stokes
Associational Treasurer

Evangelism

Evangelism training opportunities for Pastors and Church leaders:

The Evangelism Strategy Department seeks to assist churches in equipping Christians to win Florida to Christ through several strategies. Prayer and Spiritual awakening conferences, Prayer walking, lighthouses of prayer, how to develop an effective Wednesday night prayer meeting, etc., Intentionally Evangelistic Church Strategy. Pastors, staff and lay leadership are equipped in five components: evangelistic leadership, evangelistic prayer, evangelistic assimilation, personal evangelism and mass evangelism.

Children and Conversion continues to be requested throughout the state.

This conference outlines strategies to share Christ with children with integrity and without manipulation.

Revival Preparation Consultants have been trained and certified by this department to assist local churches in effective preparation for intentionally evangelistic revivals/harvest events.

Interfaith Evangelism Department and consultants train people in Interfaith Evangelism.

(How to reach Mormonism, Jehovah's witnesses, Muslims, etc.)

Student training events for students:

FISH is a four-week campus evangelism strategy designed for High School students. The strategy is designed to help students grow in their walk with God, testimony on campus, and reaching their friends for Christ. Students that accept Christ are then plugged into the strategy so that they can begin to grow in Christ and lead their friends to Christ...multiplication! The strategy is designed so that it can be totally student initiated and student run. **Stand** is an event done in conjunction with Florida Right To Life to promote True Love Waits. **Extreme Shock Weekend** is a leadership retreat designed for a small group of High School students. Student Evangelistic Missions Projects will be offered in 2003. Student mentoring Program is an exciting program that has been put together by Youth Ministries from around the state. **2XS** is held the first weekend of August. Thousands of students left **2XS** excited about God and equipped to reach their friends for Christ just days before they go back to school.

Our staff stands ready to equip the Body of Christ in evangelism. Don McCutcheon continues to lead our Evangelism Strategy Department with a new goal of over 100 churches participating in his International Evangelistic Church Strategy. Rick Shepherd is doing a wonderful job in the Prayer and Spiritual Awakening Department, with more and more requests coming from our churches and Associations to lead in the area of his expertise. Loy Reed ministers to hundreds of college leaders, which influence in and through the local churches across the state of Florida. Austin Rammell focuses on Personal and Student Evangelism and is beginning to develop some of the strongest student evangelism ministries in the country.

The Evangelism Division is available to our Associations and Churches to assist in winning our state to a saving knowledge of Jesus. We stand open and ready to help in any way we can. We are close as your phone or e-mail communications. Please let us hear from you. We are ready to serve.

Steve McHargue

Stewardship

In today's world, the future of ministry through the local church will depend largely on three things: first soul winning; second, developing the new born Child of God to realize his/her full potential; and third, training in stewardship development. When the grace of God produces change in a life, it will result in a change in priorities. With the present trend in giving requiring five new young adult families to replace the giving of one senior adult family in the church today, each church must have a well developed stewardship ministry if the church is to survive into the future. Encouraging the Heart is our newest stewardship promotion on sacrificial giving. Encouraging the heart was provided for Florida Baptist churches this year and many pastors took advantage of the full resource (including the CD-ROM) designed to encourage members to grow as demonstrated by the Macedonian Church in II Corinthians 8:1-9. Last year your Middle Florida Baptist Stewardship Department provided two training seminars to develop a heart of stewardship in our local churches. One training ministry was February 26, with Dr. Joe Courson, held at our Association Office/Missions Center and the second was also at our Office/Missions Center with Dr. William F. (Bill) Montgomery. A meal was served at both training clinics and each was well attended.

Glenn H. Luttrell

Annuity

We can now answer "*absolutely*" to the bivocational pastor who wants to roll over his retirement fund from a secular employer. We can now answer "*absolutely*" to the institutional employee who wants to open an IRA or roll over his retirement account from a previous employer and we can now answer "*absolutely*" to the county seat pastor who receives an inheritance and needs a place he trust to invest his money in a personal savings account.

Florida Baptist Convention Statistics as of July 31, 2002

Number of active churches in the Church Annuity Plan: **1,519**

Percentage of churches active in the Church Annuity Plan: **74%**

Number of persons receiving retirement benefits: **1,695**

Number helped by the Adopt An Annuitant and Relief ministries: **185**

If you want more information about the Annuity Board products and services, call toll-free **1-800-226-8584 Ext. 8160**.

Arthur Herbert, Associate
Florida Baptist Convention
Glenn H. Luttrell
Associational Stewardship Director

Women's Missionary Union 2001-2002

Our 2001-2002 theme was *Beyond Belief!* Our two-year objectives continues to challenge members to go beyond the ordinary in their relationship with God and others, and lead the churches to anticipate and participate in the awesome works of God in our communities and around the world.

Our Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer was observed at Elizabeth Baptist Church November 13. The program involved a group of our associational women in an in-depth study of Africa. Our Operation Christmas Child drive yielded over 450 shoe boxes filled for needy children around the world. A delicious dinner was served.

The February 12th Rally was held at St. Johns Baptist Church. Helen Yates, our State President of WMU gave an inspirational message on accomplishments and challenges. The Arc Singers from Donetsk, Ukraine gave their testimony in words and song. The lunch served was a special treat.

April 19-20 was our yearly Associational Retreat at Middle Florida Assembly, Pickett Lake. It's like a reunion everyone looks forward to a relaxed, spiritual atmosphere. Mrs. Hilda Cowser from Jacksonville, a third generation missionary lead the retreat Friday evening and Saturday morning. Cathy Palomino lead the morning devotions on the deck. Gail and Edna directed the games, skits and music. Everyone enjoyed a covered dish on Friday evening. Cathy and Casey provided special music. Breakfast was furnished by Dorothy and Dorothy and team. The entire leadership worked tirelessly the whole retreat to make it meaningful. Everyone pitched in to do all the necessary closing chores.

May 14th Rally was held at Macedonia. The evening meeting began with a delicious dinner hosted by the church at 6:45 P.M. Christy Bass gave an excellent report on her mission trip. Mr. & Mrs. Wally Poor shared some of their experiences as missionaries. Their charts, displays, and handouts added interest in their mission work.

The joint Brotherhood/WMU in July was held at New Home. The music was great, the program was extra ordinary, the Julie Boyd and friend gave her usual unusual presentation.

It has been a pleasure to serve as your WMU Director.

Elouise Green

Prayer Coordinator Report

The Prayer and Spiritual Awakening Department exists to encourage a deeper prayer life for Christians and churches. The Prayer Coordinator is available to come to churches to share ways and means of helping Christians become powerful prayer warriors. Most of us believe in prayer, but we fall short of praying as we should.

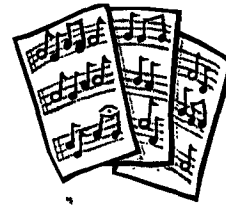
Churches are encouraged to Provide Prayer Rooms, Prayer Walks, Light Houses of Prayer in every neighborhood, to learn to fast and pray. There are materials available to churches that will give guidance to starting these events in your church. Every church should elect a Prayer Coordinator.

Just how often should we pray? Paul says in I Thessalonians 5:17 to pray without ceasing. Does that mean that we should leave off everything else and just pray? I think not. I think we should maintain an attitude of prayer. All our activities should be bathed in prayer. Again, Paul says in Philippians 4:6 "*Be anxious for nothing but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving let your request be made known to God.*"

If I can assist your church in anyway concerning prayer, please feel free to call me at 850-997-2867. The email address is WARU@webtv.net.

Walter Bailey

Music Report 2001-2002



The Middle Florida Association Music began the new year with a bang! The following events took place in this calendar year:

September 2001 - Associational Music Leadership Training at Madison First. Key leadership was provided for every age group.

December 2001 - Many of the choirs in the Association presented cantatas and special Christmas programs to their congregations and to their communities.

February 2002 - The Adult Choir Festival was hosted by Mayo Baptist Church in their beautiful Garden Worship Center on February 23, 2002. Joycelyn Cook led the congregation in praise and worship choruses. There were a total of ten choirs, a men's quartet, ladies ensemble, wind's choir, and a soloist. We had a total of 178 participating singers and 73 visitors. Two hundred-fifty one (251) in all singing praises to the Lord. If you missed it, you missed a blessing from on high. The Journey of Hope Christmas Choir shared music with those present and we all sang "Bless That Wonderful Name" together as an added blessing.

May 2002 - I attended the Association Leadership Training at Blue Springs. Terry Williams is the new State Music Director. What an inspiration, thank you for providing me the opportunity to attend.

August 2002 - Key Leaders Workshop at Faith Baptist was especially exciting. We had a lot of new faces attending the workshop. **Music Directors**, if you were not there, I need your name, address, phone, email as well as the name and address of your church. The key to good planning is communication.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

September 10, 2002: Helping the Small Church Music Program
Madison First, 7 PM, Blimp Davis leading

February 8, 2003: Choral Reading Workshop, Madison First, 9 AM-12 PM

Your choir members will need a music packet for this event - \$5.00 each. Please let me know SOON how many to order for your church.

February 22, 2003: Adult Choir Festival, 7 PM, New Home, Nursery Provided.

September 9, 2003: How to Read Music, 7 PM

ATTENTION Music Directors - if your church is planning a musical event for adults, youth, or children, please contact me. We want to know what you're doing so we can help you promote the event and pray for you by name.

Please pray for me as we try to develop a stronger communication between the music directors this year. We need to pray for one another. We have an awesome task before us as we lead our congregations into the throne room of the Father. God is always at work, we must join Him in that work. In order to do that we must meet with him on a regular basis. "*Enter into His courts with Praise*"! The Bible says that even the rocks cry out in praise, we can do no less!

In His Love,
Pam Cordero

2002-2003 Calendar of Activities

October 2002

- 1 ACP Due in Association Office
- 2 Minister's Breakfast, 8 A.M., E & J Restaurant
- 12 Mayo Pioneer Day
- 21-22 Annual Meeting of Association; 4 P.M., Madison First & Brewer Lake

November 2002

- 6 Minister's Breakfast, 8 A.M., E & J Restaurant
- 11-12 Florida Baptist Convention, Pensacola
- 12-14 Campers on Mission State Rally, Yogi Bear Park
- 12 WMU Rally, 10 A.M., Lee First
- 20 Association Council, 10 A.M., Office

December 2002

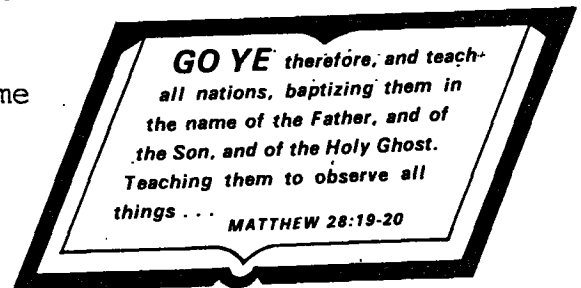
- 1-8 Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions/Lottie Moon Offering
- 3 Executive Committee Meeting, 7:30 P.M., Office
- 4 Minister's Breakfast, 8 A.M., E & J Rest.
- 10 Ministers/Wives Supper, 7 P.M.,
- 14 Greenville Country Christmas

January 2003

- 1-5 Winter Bible Study
- 7 January Bible Study Clinic, 7 PM, Office
- 8 Minister's Breakfast, 8 A.M., E & J Restaurant
- 14 Assn. Brotherhood, 6:45 P.M. Supper, Disaster Awareness"
- 19 Baptist Men's Day
- 22 Association Council, 10 A.M., Office
- 28 Assn. Stewardship Leader Workshop, Baptist College of FL

February 2003

- 4 Executive Committee Meeting, 7:30 P.M., Office
- 5 Minister's Breakfast, 8 A.M., E & J Restaurant,
- 8 Choral Reading Workshop, 9 AM -12 Noon, Madison First
- 11 WMU Rally, 10 A.M., Harmony, Frances Shaw, Speaker
- 18 Ministers, Churches & IRS, 7 PM
- 17-18 Evangelism Conference,
- 19-22 North American Mission Study
- 22 Choir Festival, 7 P.M., New Home
- 24 VBS Early Bird Clinic



March 2003

- 2-9 Week of Prayer for North American Missions, &
Annie Armstrong Offering
- 4 Pastor & Director Dinner/Dialogue
- 5 Minister's Breakfast, 8 A.M. E & J Restaurant
- 9-16 Youth Week
- 25 Discipleship "Expo", 7 P.M.
- 26 Association Council, 10 A.M., Office
- 28-29 WMU Prayer Retreat, Pickett Lake

April 2003

- 2 Minister's Breakfast, 8 A.M., E & J Restaurant
- 4-5 WMU Workshop
- 5 Lee Day
- 8 Semiannual Meeting, 6:30 P.M.,
- 15 Brotherhood Meeting, 6:45 P.M. Supper, Midway
- 19 Madison DownHome Day
- 28 VBS Clinic, 7:00 P.M., Faith
- 30 Association Leadership Conf., Blue Springs

May 2003

- 2 Men's Rally, Pickett Lake, 6:30 PM Supper
- 4-11 Christian Home Week
- 13 WMU Rally, 6:45 P.M., Hopewell
- 14 Minister's Breakfast, 8 A.M., E & J Restaurant
- 18-24 Associational Missions Week
- 20 Pastor's Stewardship Meeting, 6:30 P.M.
- 28 Association Council, 10 A.M., Office

June 2003

- 3 Executive Committee Meeting, 7:30 P.M., Office
- 4 Minister's Breakfast, 8 A.M., E & J Restaurant
- 16-17 WMU Annual Meeting, Phoenix, Arizona
- 17-18 Southern Baptist Convention, Phoenix, Arizona
- 21 Monticello Watermelon Festival

July 2003

- 2 Minister's Breakfast, 8 A.M., E & J Restaurant
- 14-17 Children's Camp, Pickett Lake
- 14-18 Harmony Bay Youth Music Camp, Blue Springs
- 14-18 Missions Adventure Camp, Blue Springs
- 15 Joint Brotherhood/WMU Meeting, 6:45 P.M.,
- 21-25 Young Musicians Camps, Lake Yale
- 23 Association Council, 10 A.M., Office

August 2003

- 1-2 Youth Evangelism Conference, Orlando
- 5 Executive Committee Meeting, 7:30 P.M., Office
- 6 Minister's Breakfast, 8 A.M., E & J Restaurant
- 17-24 Church Music Emphasis Week
- 22-23 Women's Missions & Ministries Training, Blue Springs
- 26 Key Leader Workshop, 7 P.M., Faith

September 2003

- 3 Minister's Breakfast, 8 A.M., E & J Restaurant,
- 7-14 Season of Prayer/Maguire State Mission Offering..
- 9 How to Read Music Clinic, 7 P.M.
- 19-20 Sunday School Leadership Retreat, Blue Springs
- 22-24 Senior Adult Conclave, Blue Springs
- 23 Association Training School, 7 PM
- 24-26 Senior Adult Conclave, Blue Springs

October 2003

- 1 Minister's Breakfast, 8 A.M., E & J Restaurant
- 5 On Mission To Share the Gospel Day
- 10-11 Minister's Wives Retreat, Lake Yale
- 11 Mayo Pioneer Day
- 13-15 Women in Professional Ministry, Blue Springs
- 15-18 Women in Professional Ministry, Blue Springs
- 20-21 Annual Meeting of Association; 4 P.M.,
- 26 Sunday School GREAT DAY

November 2003

- 5 Minister's Breakfast, 8 A.M., E & J Restaurant
- 11 WMU Rally, 10 A.M., Madison First
- 9-11 International Mission Study
- 10-11 Florida State Convention, Tampa
- 12 Association Council, 10 A.M., Office

December 2003

- 30-7 Week of Prayer for International Missions/Lottie Moon Offering
- 2 Executive Committee Meeting, 7:30 P.M., Office
- 3 Minister's Breakfast, 8 A.M., E & J Restaurant
- 9 Ministers/Wives Fellowship Supper, 7 P.M.
- 13 Greenville Country Christmas

The Baptist Association
CHANGED LIVES
Caring People

Middle Florida Baptist Assembly

2002 has been another Great Year for Our Lord's Work at Middle Florida Baptist Assembly. Many improvements were made at YOUR CAMP this past year! A new roof was placed on Cabins A & B. Several of our electrical systems were revamped. Our new Ice Machine was installed. Two Adult Center rooms were redecorated. Our Swimming Pond was a great success. Nine RV sites were constructed. **Look for more improvements and changes in the Assembly coming in the next year.**

Pickett Lake is still low enough to be called Pickett Pond. Please continue to pray that God will provide the water needed to keep Pickett Lake at its normal beautiful condition!!!

God has continued to bless the harvest of souls at Pickett Lake. There were 202 Professions of Faith and 437 Rededications made from October 1, 2001 to September 30, 2002. These decisions were made by some of the 2125 campers in the 43 Groups who have visited the Assembly this year. Our Lord is still at work in the lives of this years campers and He will continue to transform the spirit of all who come to the Assembly. Praise God that He is faithful to touch our lives daily!! **Come and see what God can do in your life when you visit Your Camp at Middle Florida Baptist Assembly!**

Check us out on the internet at:

www.baptistcamp.com

In the Service of Our Lord,
Tim Kinsey, Manager

Funds Given 10-1-01 through 9-30-02

Handicap Ramp: Madison First \$100.00

Ice Machine:

Bethel Creek	50.00
Central	100.00
Concord	100.00
Elizabeth	75.00
Faith	50.00
Macedonia	50.00
Moseley Hall	200.00
New Macedonia	50.00
Pleasant Grove	<u>50.00</u>

Total \$ 725.00

MFBA Gifts

Brewer Lake	\$ 600.00
Central	1,102.98
Cherry Lake First	170.00
Concord	900.00
Elizabeth	1,613.57
Faith	290.00
Lamont	250.00
Lee First	1,000.00
Madison First	351.00
Mayo	100.00
Midway	1,513.08
Mt. Olive	161.37
New Home	<u>2,309.00</u>

Total \$10,361.00

**Recognition of Church Clerks
Order of Receipt of Annual Church Profile**

CHURCH	CLERK/SECRETARY/PASTOR	DATE RECEIVED
Olive	Kathy Jones	09-20-2002
Beulah	Jeanie Koontz	09-23-2002
Lamont	Fannie Mae Purvis	09-24-2002
Hopewell	Pam Olsen	09-24-2002
New Macedonia	Sarah Buchanan	09-24-2002
Elizabeth	Shirley Faglie	09-27-2002
Harmony	Pearlie Mae Pearce	09-27-2002
Moseley Hall	Billy Bailey	09-30-2002
Cherry Lake First	Cathy Caslin	09-30-2002
Mayo	Judy McMullen	09-30-2002
Central	Dorothy Lewis	09-30-2002
Pleasant Grove	Lacretia Barrington	09-30-2002
New Hopeful	Laverne Rutherford	09-30-2002
Faith	Madge Waller	09-30-2002
New Home	Lisa B. Tuten	09-30-2002
Morning Star	Shirley Mattair	09-30-2002
Lee First	Ernestine Kinsey	10-01-2002
Mt. Olive	Latrell Ragans	10-01-2002
Greenville	Mary Harper	10-01-2002
Pine Grove	Shirley Davis	10-01-2002
Midway	Kathryn Hale	10-01-2002
Macedonia	Alvera Rhoades	10-01-2002
Bethel Creek	Sheila Snipes	10-01-2002
Pinetta First	Relma Coody	10-02-2002
St. Johns	Bertha Day	10-02-2002
Riverside	Stella Buchanan	10-02-2002
Fellowship	Sabrina Whitaker	10-02-2002
Cornerstone	Jennifer Giddens	10-04-2002
Concord	Julie Townsend	10-04-2002
Madison First	Sandra Shannon	10-06-2002
Brewer Lake	Janet Brookshire	10-07-2002
Sirmans	Rebecca Sever	10-08-2002
Vision Mission	NO LETTER RECEIVED	

A VERY SPECIAL THANKS to each clerk, pastor or person responsible for completing the Annual Church Profile to the Association! The ACP process continues to challenge clerks to use the Southern Baptist Directory Service (SBDS) through the Internet. Ten clerks used the SBDS, which simplified my work. I appreciate the opportunity to serve along beside you...May God bless each of you as you continue to serve our Lord through your local church.

Geraldine Stokes
Associational Clerk



Florida Baptist
Children's Homes

2002 Report to the Associations

When children hurt and need homes, only the people of God will do. Denominations whose associations and churches include benevolent ministries on their significant agendas can serve with the pleasure of knowing they are in harmony with the eternal purposes of God.

For almost a century, Florida Baptists have owned, loved and supported their children's homes. Cooperative Program allocations, the Mother's Day Offering, Vacation Bible School missions collections, and special church gifts represent the umbilical cords through which the life-changing energies of the churches reach the hurting, homeless, and lonely children of our beloved state.

How proud we are to serve children and families under the Baptist banner. During the past 12 months, 813 children have lived in our cottages and foster homes, 32 have been adopted and 74 have made major Christian decisions. In addition, a dozen precious developmentally delayed adults have lived in our Sunshine House and Lakeside Villa programs with 26 more among the group gathering daily for fellowship and growth.

Our relatively new programs in Pensacola and Niceville are doing well and regularly receive more requests for services than they can accommodate. A collaboration with the Santa Fe River Association has made possible the opening of a regional office in Gainesville with the accompanying hope that this is the first step in an ever-widening ministry within the region. Our evolving website (www.fbchomes.org) is fast becoming a vital communications link with the state and beyond. Many rely on it for information about the ministry and how churches and individuals can help.

Major renovations of cottages have been underway in Miami and Lakeland while Jacksonville has seen unused space turned into useful offices mainly through the tireless efforts of volunteers. A new Gretna Baptist Learning Center now graces the grounds of the Tallahassee campus and is ready for dedication. It will certainly be the center of campus activities for many years to come.

The Sanctity of Life effort begun through support by the State Board continues to serve its purpose by coordinating Baptist interests and resources to address the teen pregnancy crisis in our state. A trained and informed staff member is available to assist groups who wish to get involved as problem solvers. Over the most recent 12-month period, five Pregnancy Care Centers have opened and 10 others are in developmental stages.

Now a personal word. In May I became the eighth president of Florida Baptist Children's Homes following the retirement of Charles Hodges who led the esteemed organization with poise and distinction. After more than two decades in children's home work, I am as convinced as ever that this is the work of God. Our large state is filled with children who need our help. Fortunately, it is also populated with adults whose hearts are moved at the image of children lacking those bare essentials and warm embraces that make life real.

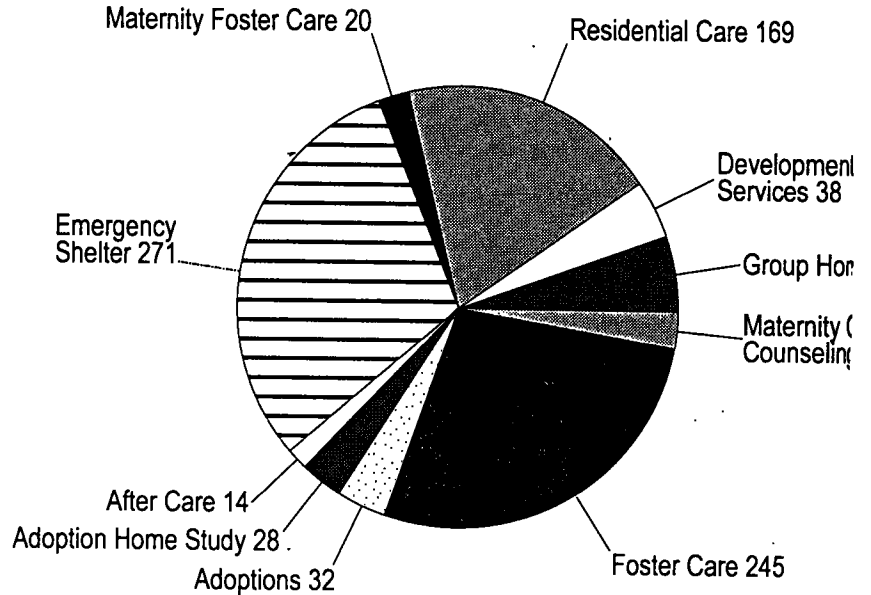


I am very happy to be here and I pledge to be a good and cooperative partner with the fine people of Florida as we build on the historic traditions of this tender ministry.

— Jimmy McAdams, President

Services provided 7/1/01 through 6/30/02

Total children served: 813
 Family members served: 1,600
 Adult services: 77
 Total children and adults served: 890
 Christian decisions: 74



Goals for 2003

- ✓ To fully utilize statewide resources by serving 740 children and 50 developmentally challenged adults (total) through a variety of services designed to address their total needs. In addition, more than 1,400 family members will be served.
- ✓ To receive re-accreditation through the Council on Accreditation.
- ✓ To assist in starting 10 new Pregnancy Crisis Centers, five in the Miami-Dade county area.
- ✓ To take specific steps toward developing age-appropriate positive work ethics among the children in residential care.
- ✓ To evaluate our Christian education emphasis with an aim of consistency and improvement.
- ✓ To upgrade our technology tools.
- ✓ To reverse the course of greater reliance on public dollars through enhanced private support.
- ✓ To find individual donors who will lovingly fund the following needs:
 - New cottage at Lakeland.
 - A Learning Center to serve as the center of campus activity at Miami.
 - Renovate the old superintendent's residence at Lakeland for a guest house/historic facility.
 - To nurture existing friends and identify 300 new ones.

Our mission

For the purpose of Christian ministry, Florida Baptist Children's Homes provides high-quality social services and programs within a Christian context of evangelism, missions and education in Florida. Services are provided without discrimination.



Members Who Died During the Year

BETHEL CREEK

Mr. G.C. Singletary
Mrs. Estelle Bell

BEULAH

None

BREWER LAKE

Mr. Elbert Buchanan

CENTRAL

Mrs. June Merritt Kinsey

CHERRY LAKE FIRST

Mrs. Edna Genton
Mr. Rudolph Sapp (Deacon)
Mr. Everett Hudson

CONCORD

None

ELIZABETH

Mr. Mack Barfield, Sr. (Deacon)
Mr. A.D. Demott
Mrs. Leila Floyd

FAITH

None

FELLOWSHIP

Mr. Mario Oladell
Mr. Clay Broadie

FIRST, MADISON

Mrs. Martelle Burnett
Mrs. Kathleen Fisher
Mrs. Grace Rutherford
Mr. Woodrow "Bunk" Gibson
Mrs. Kay Money
Mr. Bobby Sherrod
Mr. Hugh Gibson
Mr. Michael Scanlan

GREENVILLE

Mrs. Mae Brown
Mrs. Edna Crymes

HARMONY

None

HOPEWELL

Mr. Jerry Bennett
Mr. Horace Bailey
Mrs. Mary Sapp

LAMONT

Mrs. Mamie Capps
Miss Bessie Lee O'Quinn

LEE FIRST

Mr. James Thomas "J.T." Kent
Mr. Willie Allen

MACEDONIA

Mrs. Dorothy Harrellson

MAYO

Mrs. Lorraine Venier
Mrs. Doris Johnson
Mr. John Coulthurst

MIDWAY

Mr. Quinton Dryden
Mr. Timothy Hale
Mrs. Loree Tompkins
Mr. Ernest Terry
Mrs. Helen Cuppett
Mr. Phil Strickland

MORNING STAR

Mr. Gene Givens

MOSELEY HALL

None

MT. OLIVE

None

NEW HOME

None

NEW HOPEFUL

Mr. Alfred Stevens

NEW MACEDONIA

Mrs. Bernice Odom

OLIVE

None

PINE GROVE

Mr. William Collins
Mr. Colin Thomas
Mrs. Clara Reams

PINETTA FIRST

Mr. Howard Maloy
Mr. Bernard Keeling

PLEASANT GROVE

Mr. James E. (Gene) Lawson

RIVERSIDE

Mr. Claude Copeland
Mrs. Willow Lee Lyons

SIRMANS

None

ST. JOHNS

Mr. Clifford King
Mr. Chuck Hendricks

*"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints."
- Psalms 116:15*

Memorial Committee:
Pat Reams, Elouise Green,
Geraldine Stokes

Tuesday, November 12, 2002

Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer

First Baptist Church, Lee

10:00 AM - Fellowship meal to follow

The BWA Women's Department depends on this one day offering as its main source of income. Please make checks to Middle Florida Association. We will total all monies and send one check to the Baptist Women's Union in Australia.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS SHOE BOX COLLECTION...A trailer will be parked at the church for you to unload your boxes directly from your car to that trailer. We will have a small display in the auditorium, a dedication at the trailer following the meal, and take pictures.

Please know your box count for roll call of churches.

Pastoral Ministries

There have been great strides in the last year in areas of fellowship, service and unity among Middle Florida ministers. There is a special bond developed as ministers share concerns, joys, and accomplishments in God's work.

Thanks to the E & J Restaurant, we have a place to meet for our monthly breakfast. Praise God for our guest speakers who have brought us words of inspiration, encouragement, wisdom and guidance that we have all used to enhance our own mission fields. The Florida Baptist Convention is always ready to assist pastors and churches in a wide range of ministry areas.

Because of the many needs and demands in ministry we must bind our hearts and hands together as we seek to build up God's kingdom throughout Jefferson, Lafayette and Madison counties. Please continue to share any idea or suggestion for speakers or programs that will promote our ongoing ministry and broaden our understanding of the Lord's work. Let's remember the words from Paul in I Corinthians 15:58, *"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."*

As We Serve Together,
Howard Adams

Cooperative Program giving through the Percentage Plan

The Percentage plan clearly indicates the exact proportion of a church's total budget receipts currently being for world missions. It provides attainable and regular steps for increasing the proportion of Cooperative Program gifts. The percentage plan permits a much-needed annual increase.

It Is Spiritual

The bible teaches proportionate giving. As God blesses us he expects us to give more. The same applies to churches. As churches grow in size and maturity, their ability to support missions grows. God measures what we do in relation to our ability.

It Is Simple to Carry Out

Lead your church to adopt a specific percentage of its undesignated budget receipts to be given through the Cooperative Program. Set a higher future percentage goal and increase each year toward this goal by some percentage amount.

Each week have your church mail its cooperative Program gifts to your state office. Determine the amount by multiplying your church-adopted percentage for Cooperative Program by that week's undesignated offerings. (Example: Your church has decided to give 18 percent of its budget through the Cooperative Program, and Sunday's undesignated receipts were \$875; so $.18 \times \$875 = \157.50 . this is the cooperative Program portion of that Sunday's offerings.)

Middle Florida Baptist Association
Proposed Budget 2002-2003

BUDGETED ITEM	2001-2002 AMT. BUD.	EXPENDED thru 9-30-02	2002-2003 BUDGET
100 Sunday School			
A. ASSIST Team Training	\$500.00	389.93	335.00
B. ASSIST Team supplies	100.00	22.94	125.00
C. Auto Expense			125.00
D. ATS Outside Coconsultants			150.00
E. Consultant Accommodations			120.00
F. Refreshments for Clinics			55.00
G. VBS 1. Assn. Kit	450.00	376.10	450.00
2. Clinic Registration	100.00	70.00	100.00
3. Clinic Transportation	125.00	0	125.00
4. Local Clinics	300.00	0	300.00
5. Conf. Leader Expense			120.00
101 Discipleship Training (Includes Family Life)	300.00	0	350.00
102 Music			
A. Festival Expense	350.00	355.00	350.00
B. Library	50.00	0	50.00
C. Choir Workshop	350.00	0	350.00
D. Fellowship	50.00	0	50.00
103 Brotherhood			
A. Host Church	450.00	450.00	450.00
B. Honorariums	400.00	150.00	400.00
C. Leadership Training	50.00	0	50.00
104 W.M.U.			
A. Leadership Training	100.00	756.80	500.00
B. Honorariums	400.00	400.00	400.00
C. Books/Supplies/Nursery	175.00	264.54	200.00
D. Prayer Retreat	150.00	270.00	200.00
E. Host Church	300.00	300.00	300.00
F. Mis.Friends/GA's/Acteens	200.00	0	200.00
105 Youth Rally	400.00	0	400.00
200 Evangelism	1000.00	399.83	1000.00
201 Stewardship	100.00	0	100.00
202 Disaster Relief	600.00	0	600.00
301 World Mission Conf.	500.00	0	500.00

ADMINISTRATION ASSN.OFFICE			
400 A. Supplies	600.00	856.38	900.00
B. Equip. Main./Internet Ser.	200.00	130.29	500.00
C. UTILITIES 1. Rent		800.00	0
1. Water			300.00
2. Telephone	1500.00	1461.43	2100.00
3. Electric	1800.00	1097.64	1800.00
D. Postal Expense	1000.00	661.91	1000.00
E. Printing Minutes	1200.00	1011.00	1050.00
F. Copier Supplies/Serv.	800.00	376.68	800.00
G. Office Equipment Rental	1400.00	1410.64	1400.00
H. Yard Service	560.00	750.00	800.00
I. Video Library	100.00	15.00	100.00
J. Ministers/Wives Fell.	100.00	56.15	100.00
K. Office Insurance	1500.00	769.00	1000.00
401 Assn. Ldship Trg. Conf.	65.00	60.00	65.00
500 Annual/Semiannual Mtg	600.00	600.00	600.00
B. Honoraria	200.00	0	200.00
600 A. DOM Salary	19514.00	17887.87	12423.80
B. SBC Annuity	4800.00	4400.00	2400.00
C. Ministry-rel. Exp.	2400.00	2273.75	2400.00
D. Insurance			8198.88
E. Housing Allowance			4800.00
F. Christmas Bonus	300.00	300.00	300.00
601 A. Secretary Salary	12000.00	12000.00	12600.00
B. SBC Annuity	3600.00	3600.00	3600.00
C. Conference Expense	150.00	150.00	300.00
D. Christmas Bonus	300.00	300.00	300.00
E. Employer's Payroll Tax	800.00	961.51	950.00
700 MISCELLANEOUS	400.00	592.22	400.00
701 Office Building	3000.00	25331.01	0
701 Building Maintenance/Repair			1500.00
Festival Ministry		142.15	
TruckStop Ministry		535.32	
Designated: Pickett Lake		4737.75	
Desig. Bro. Pickett Lk Roof		1499.56	
Desig. Pickett Lake Chairs		916.00	
Desig. Tyner Children's Camp		1000.00	
Office Equip. Replacement		1629.41	
TOTALS	68,964.00	92394.86	73,342.68

Budget Committee: Caron Harn, chairman, Margaret Moncrief, Jargo Clark, Ann Sapp, Phil Heard

Middle Florida Baptist Association
Treasurer's Report
October 1, 2001 - September 30, 2002

CHURCHES	RECPTS. Y-T-D	DESIG.	Y-T-D PICKETT LAKE	TOT. BUDGET RECEIPTS Y-T-D
Bethel Creek	\$ 726.63	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 726.63
Beulah	\$ 754.98	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 754.98
Brewer Lake	\$ 3,020.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,000.00
Central	\$ 3,708.26	\$ 1,202.98	\$ 1,202.98	\$ 2,505.28
Cherry Lake	\$ 2,263.86	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,263.86
Concord	\$ 2,133.76	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,133.76
Cornerstone	\$ 1,440.97	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,440.97
Elizabeth	\$ 8,872.82	\$ 2,418.57	\$ 1,688.57	\$ 6,454.25
Faith	\$ 1,623.02	\$ 250.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 1,373.02
Fellowship	\$ 7,193.69	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 7,193.69
Greenville	\$ 2,148.55	\$ 100.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,048.55
Harmony	\$ 1,727.64	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,727.64
Hopewell	\$ 3,715.00	\$ 170.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,545.00
Lamont	\$ 500.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 500.00
Lee First	\$ 7,217.48	\$ 405.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 6,812.48
Macedonia	\$ 2,273.20	\$ 240.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 2,033.20
Madison First	\$ 4,147.68	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 4,047.68
Mayo	\$ 4,009.48	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 3,909.48
Midway	\$ 2,938.26	\$ 1,264.66	\$ 1,371.20	\$ 1,673.60
Morning Star	\$ 200.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 200.00
Moseley Hall	\$ 424.21	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 424.21
Mt. Olive	\$ 546.55	0	\$ 0.00	\$ 546.55
New Home	\$ 7,598.36	\$ 166.08	\$ 0.00	\$ 7,432.28
New Hopeful	\$ 415.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 315.00

New Macedonia	\$ 1,145.82	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,145.82
Olive	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,800.00
Pine Grove	\$ 2,832.29	\$ 50.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,782.29
Pinetta First	\$ 3,497.47	\$ 200.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,297.47
Pleasant Grove	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,200.00
Riverside	\$ 1,383.22	\$ 240.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,143.22
Sirmans	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
St. Johns	\$ 2,676.50	\$ 700.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,976.50
Brotherhood	\$ 779.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 779.00
W.M.U.	\$ 568.95	\$ 79.10	\$ 0.00	\$ 489.85
Youth Rally	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 11,688.28	\$ 6,253.58	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,334.70
Interest	\$ 87.88	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 87.88
TOTALS	\$ 99,967.23	\$14,059.97	\$ 4,737.75	83,098.54

TOTAL RECEIPTS Y-T-D \$ 99,967.23
BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD (10-1-01) . . . 37,491.30
TOTAL RECEIPTS/CREDITS \$137,458.53
LESS TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 92,394.86
BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD (10-1-02) . . \$ 45,063.67

(Evangelism \$8211.06/Festival Ministry \$465.00/Truck Stop Ministry \$31.45/World Mission Conference \$3375.95)

GENERAL FUND BALANCE \$ 32,980.21

Geraldine Stokes, Treasurer

EXPENDITURES
October 1, 2001 - September 30, 2002

BUDGETED ITEM	2001-2002 AMT. BUD.	EXPENDED	BUDGET BALANCE
100 SUNDAY SCHOOL	\$500.00	\$389.93	\$110.07
A. ASSISTeam Equip/Trg			
B. Training Clinics	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
C.1. VBS ASSN KIT	\$450.00	\$376.10	\$73.90
2. Clinic Reg.	\$100.00	\$70.00	\$30.00
3. Clinic Transport.	\$125.00	\$0.00	\$125.00
4. Local Clinics	\$300.00	\$22.94	\$277.06
101 Discipleship Train.	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
102 Music A. Festival Ex			
1. Adult	\$350.00	\$355.00	(\$5.00)
B. Library	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
C. Choir Workshop	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$350.00
D. Fellowship	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
103 Brotherhood			
A. Host Church	\$450.00	\$450.00	\$0.00
B. Honorariums	\$400.00	\$150.00	\$250.00
C. Leadership Trg.	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
104 WMU A. Ldshp. Trg.	\$100.00	\$633.85	\$533.85
B. Honorariums	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$0.00
C. Books/Sup./Nursery	\$175.00	\$264.54	(\$89.54)
D. Prayer Retreat	\$150.00	\$270.00	\$120.00
E. Host Church	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00
F. Mission Friends/GA	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
105 Family Life Rally	\$75.00	\$0.00	\$75.00
B. Senior Adult	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
C. Singles Rally	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
106 Youth Rally	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$400.00
200 Evangelism	\$1,000.00	\$399.83	\$600.17
201 Stewardship	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
202 Disaster Relief	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$600.00
301 World Missions Conf.	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
400A. ASSN.OFC. SUPPLIES	\$600.00	\$856.38	(\$256.38)
B. Equip. Maintenance	\$200.00	\$130.29	\$69.71

C. Utilities 1. Rent	\$2,400.00	\$800.00	\$1,600.00
2. Telephone	\$1,500.00	\$1,461.43	\$38.57
3. Electric	\$1,800.00	\$1,097.64	\$702.36
D. Postal Expense	\$1,000.00	\$661.91	\$338.09
E. Printing Minutes	\$1,200.00	\$1,011.00	\$189.00
F. Copier Supplies/Ser	\$800.00	\$376.68	\$423.32
G. Copier Rental	\$1,400.00	\$1,410.64	(\$10.64)
H. Yard Service	\$560.00	\$750.00	\$190.00
I. Video Library	\$100.00	\$15.00	\$85.00
J. Ministers/Wives Fel	\$100.00	\$56.15	\$43.85
K. Office Insurance	\$1,500.00	\$769.00	\$731.00
L. DOM Ministry-rel. Exp.	\$2,400.00	\$2,273.75	\$126.25
M. Secr. Soc. Sec. (Assn)	\$800.00	\$961.51	(\$161.51)
401 ASSN. LDSHP.CONF.	\$65.00	\$60.00	\$5.00
500 A. Assn Sessions	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$0.00
B. Honoraria	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
600 SALARIES: A. DOM	\$19,514.00	\$17,887.87	\$1,626.13
B. Annuity	\$4,800.00	\$4,400.00	\$400.00
C. Christmas Bonus	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00
601 Secretary A. Salary	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$0.00
B. Annuity	\$3,600.00	\$3,600.00	\$0.00
C. Conference Expense	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$0.00
D. Christmas Bonus	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00
700 MISCELLANEOUS	\$400.00	\$592.22	(\$192.22)
701 Office Bldg. Fund 5%	\$3,000.00	\$25,331.01	
Office Equip. Replacement*		\$1,629.41	
Bro. Pickett Lk Project		\$1,499.56	
DESIG. Pickett Lk Chairs		\$916.00	
DESIG.:Pickett Lake		\$4,737.75	
FESTIVAL/TRUCK STOP MIN.		\$677.47	
DESIG. Children's Camp		\$1,000.00	
TOTALS	\$68,964.00	\$92,394.86	\$10,114.19

*Office Equipment Replacement, after Lightning:

FAX, Telephone, Surge Protection - \$ 213.97
Pentium IV CPU 930.00
HP Laser Printer 400.00
APC Backups Office 500 85.44
TOTAL \$1629.41
Insurance Received 1174.78
Actual Cost \$ 454.63

Geraldine Stokes, Treasurer

BUILDING CHECKING (closed 12-31-01) ..Balance \$ 4,253.58

RECEIPTS TO BUILDING FUND ..(12-31-01 THRU 09-30-02) 4,023.68

EXPENSES (12-31-01 THRU 09-30-02) \$25,331.01

Time, Place, & Preacher Committee

I. TIME AND PLACES

1. Semiannual Meeting

Date: April 8, 2003

Time: 6:30 P.M.

Place: Baptist Church

2. Annual Meeting

Date: October 20, 2003

Time: 4:00 P.M.

Place: New Home Baptist Church

Date: October 21, 2003

Time: 4:00 P.M.

Place: Pinetta First Baptist Church

II. PREACHERS

1. Semiannual Meeting

Preacher to be determined by DOM and Associational Council

2. Annual Meeting

Doctrinal Message: Preston Gainey, pastor of Hopewell

Alternate: John Bracken, pastor of Brewer Lake

Missionary Message: Howard Adams, pastor of Elizabeth

Alternate: Tommy Bussey, pastor of Pinetta First

Respectfully Submitted by the
Time, Place and Preacher Committee
Preston Gainey, Chair
Dennett Cruce
Dick Whitehead

2002 Annual Church Profile Survey - Summary Report

SBC ID		C/M	Total Members	Total Baptisms	Other Additions	Total SS Enrollment	SS Average Attendance	Church VBS	Total CT/DT Enrol	CM Total Enrol	Total WMU Enrol	Men/Boys Man Educ	Total Recpts	Tot Man Exp	Cooperative Program	Associational Missions Giving
0065409	Bethel Creek	C	98	2	6	28	20	48	0	0	0	10	\$28,127	\$2,382	\$731	\$727
0065417	Beulah	C	65	0	0	27	17	0	0	3	6	0	\$15,100	\$2,101	\$753	\$755
0065425	Brarwar Lake	C	339	4	3	116	86	107	76	77	44	22	\$146,851	\$11,550	\$5,520	\$3,600
0065433	Central	C	140	2	1	60	30	46	65	30	6	4	\$61,540	\$10,833	\$4,756	\$3,476
0065441	Cherry Lake First	C	175	4	0	39	30	37	39	0	26	15	\$54,799	\$7,594	\$4,980	\$2,024
0092387	Concord	C	133	0	4	47	23	85	0	10	0	0	\$40,713	\$15,685	\$6,011	\$2,848
0570857	Cornerstone	C	41	7	3	56	62	162	0	2	0	0	\$117,802	\$9,378	\$6,327	\$1,441
0065458	Elizabeth	C	470	27	9	181	99	109	99	74	50	26	\$222,015	\$48,828	\$37,224	\$5,937
0065474	Faith	C	255	5	1	91	50	57	155	57	15	29	\$72,555	\$8,425	\$4,750	\$1,648
0443390	Fellowship	C	667	21	20	226	204	124	250	102	0	0	\$484,801	\$48,439	\$31,836	\$7,337
0065490	Greenville	C	260	5	6	162	88	146	129	70	3	23	\$102,772	\$14,531	\$9,432	\$3,390
0092445	Harmony, Greenville	C	124	4	11	47	40	64	16	28	18	0	\$33,974	\$2,606	\$0	\$1,728
0065508	Hopewell	C	136	1	0	87	61	151	61	50	40	33	\$78,000	\$9,500	\$3,491	\$3,715
0065516	Lamont	C	92	0	0	16	10	0	10	6	7	7	\$21,173	\$1,292	\$224	\$500
0065524	Lee First	C	385	4	11	216	103	86	76	36	10	20	\$184,144	\$35,863	\$27,076	\$7,217
0065532	Macedonia	C	150	6	0	53	0	70	35	24	8	15	\$68,487	\$8,684	\$4,985	\$2,273
0065540	Madison First	C	646	10	22	282	145	153	20	82	47	0	\$292,531	\$24,631	\$20,351	\$4,070
0065557	Mayo	C	273	5	3	125	75	86	39	56	14	15	\$168,614	\$17,798	\$11,441	\$3,568
0065565	Midway	C	234	3	10	82	31	101	33	15	8	5	\$101,133	\$10,740	\$9,415	\$2,832
0570800	Morning Star, Madison	C	80	8	5	34	25	55	12	2	8	12	\$22,631	\$925	\$500	\$200
0065573	Moseley Hall	C	31	0	0	11	10	0	0	2	0	0	\$14,258	\$2,684	\$1,915	\$424
0065581	Mt. Olive	C	115	2	1	52	25	0	0	25	0	12	\$29,256	\$4,287	\$2,240	\$546
0065599	New Home	C	185	3	2	117	50	76	0	17	20	25	\$124,862	\$25,721	\$13,682	\$7,523
0065607	New Hopetul	C	40	0	0	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	\$28,000	\$775	\$315	\$0
0065615	New Macedonia	C	106	4	1	37	21	47	15	2	0	0	\$39,002	\$7,588	\$3,525	\$1,140
0060624	Olive	C	176	7	6	85	63	89	32	30	0	0	\$76,286	\$13,530	\$10,081	\$1,800
0065623	Pine Grove	C	135	4	5	112	43	52	13	14	18	8	\$64,233	\$10,509	\$7,443	\$2,832
0065482	Pinetta First	C	423	6	18	164	106	118	54	120	27	20	\$115,993	\$19,625	\$4,712	\$3,497
0065691	Pleasant Grove	C	198	1	1	40	21	20	40	10	16	0	\$83,822	\$3,664	\$1,200	\$1,200
0065658	Riverdale	C	136	4	4	40	26	35	0	20	0	0	\$37,437	\$3,442	\$0	\$1,383
0065664	Sirmans	C	50	3	1	22	20	0	0	2	0	0	\$27,856	\$0	\$0	\$0
0065672	St. Johns	C	153	2	0	66	35	59	9	3	11	0	\$68,122	\$9,509	\$7,716	\$2,815
0544619	Vision Hispana	M	0	0	0	0	0	52	0	15	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$0
Total:			6510	156	148	2736	1604	2233	1268	984	402	301	\$3,021,580	\$393,119	\$242,632	\$82,444