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Dear Board Members and friends of FBHS,

Some people work very hard at Florida Baptist historical society research and get little or no credit. Let me tell you about some of these people.

Jan Cunningham and Melissa Campbell keep the day by day research going. We receive phone calls, emails, and letters every day from folks requesting data and information. These ladies are the heart and soul of what goes on here. If you have a question Jan is the one who knows. She and Melissa will keep digging until they are able to give you an answer.

Judith Jolly (one of our new board members) has been a gold mine of information for our Baptist work in western Florida. She is a good researcher and excellent writer and communicator.

Paul Fries (DOM in Holmes County Association) has been one to furnish pastoral biographical sketches that help us keep a current data bank. We have over 1,200 pastoral biographical entries and this is gris for the mill of historical writing and research.

Gene and Geraldine Stokes of Middle Florida Association have served as guardian angels for our whole state convention in this our 150th anniversary years. Gene is DOM and Geraldine is associational secretary. They have worked long and hard to get us ready for celebration day on November 20, 2004.

Don Hepburn stays in a constant study-research mode. Soon we will have his revision of the Earl Joiner book available online. This is a most important and valuable project.

The trivia question last month was: Who was the first president of the Florida Baptist Convention? The answer was Richard Johnson Mays. The following six people answered the question correctly! James Hackney, Linda DeMott, Geraldine Stokes, Greg Wilkerson, Herb Jukes, and Joe Butler.

This month's trivia question is about a well known evangelist whose picture is shown below. **Question:** Who was the most used church evangelist in Southern Baptist history? He was a church evangelist for over 50 years. He graduated from Baylor in 1945 and Southern Seminary in 1949. This evangelist was a Texas native but preached all over the SBC. Conservative estimates are that he led over 500,000 people to pray the sinner's prayer at invitation time. He died in 1995 at age 73.

Call (800) 328-2660, ext. 428 and give me his name and a gift will be mailed out to you.



Honoring those who honor Christ,

Jerry M. Windsor
Secretary-Treasurer
Matthew 6:33