

Charles F. Ragland
Director, Brotherhood Department
Serving the Convention since 1964

Primary Responsibility: To assist church and associational leadership to involve men and boys in missions by leading them to plan and conduct mission activities through Baptist Men and Royal Ambassadors.

To coordinate World Mission Conferences, Lay Renewals, Disaster Relief and Volunteers on Mission and Construction volunteers.

Birth: El Dorado, Arkansas, August 28, 1931

Marital Status: Married, June 6, 1953 **Spouse:** M. Carolyn Meador

Children: Charles F., Jr. (January 18, 1956)
James Frederick (August 31, 1958)
Margaret Jean (August 25, 1962)
Mary Elizabeth (November 28, 1967)

Education: Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky, B.D., 1956 (Reissued as M.Div., 1973)
Ouachita Baptist University, Arkadelphia, Arkansas, B.A., 1953

Professional Training: University of North Florida, Jacksonville, Florida, Career Counseling Course, 1975

Previous Experience: Florida Baptist Convention
Director, Brotherhood Department, 1978 to present
Associate Director, Church Training Department, 1964-1978
Pastor, Main Street Baptist Church, Leesburg, Florida, 1961-1964
Pastor, Sherwood Baptist Church, North Little Rock, Arkansas, 1956-1961
Pastor, Crossroads Baptist Church, Salem, Indiana 1953-1956
Pastor, Sixteenth Street Baptist Mission, Arkadelphia, Arkansas, 1951-1953

Professional Memberships: American Personnel and Guidance Association, Washington, D.C., 1975-1978

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Florida features

Staff changes:

David Williams has become pastor of Grand Island Church, near Eustis. He has served the past five years as pastor of First Church, Blountstown. Grand Island Church, which has been a mission of Bay Street Church in Eustis, has a \$275,000-facility near completion, built by construction volunteers from Florida and Georgia.

Doug Rogers, minister of media and activities at Southside Church, Jacksonville, since 1989, recently began duties as audiovisual manager for the communications and marketing office of the General Board of South Carolina Baptist Convention in Columbia. Rogers earned degrees from Tallahassee Community College, Florida State University and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. His primary responsibilities will include various aspects of audiovisuals, including planning, writing, photography, production and printing.

James McCall, pastor of First Church, Sebring, resigned to become chaplain at Florida Baptist Theological College in Graceville. July 4th was his last Sunday and also marked the 10th anniversary of his pastorate there. In recognition, McCall and his wife, Mary Alice, were presented a plaque and love offering as an expression of the church's appreciation for the couple's dedication. After a mission trip to Montana this month, McCall will begin his duties at the college.

Charles Ragland has been called to serve as interim director of missions for the Black Creek Association. Since his retirement from the Brotherhood department of the state convention in 1991, which completed 27 years of service to the Florida Baptist Convention, Ragland was named local coordinator of the Jacksonville branch of New Orleans Seminary, which will begin courses this fall. He also is writing some biblical background materials for the Foreign Mission Board's publishing house in Fort Lauderdale which will be used in the Caribbean.

Henry Schol, pastor of Santa Fe Church, Santa Fe, has resigned and is available for supply or interim work. He may be contacted by calling (904) 375-1739.

People news:

Several Florida students at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary received academic awards during the recent baccalaureate ceremony. Charles Rosenbalm of Leesburg received the John and G. Henton Davies Old Testament Prize, which is given each year to the student who shows the most promise as a teacher of Hebrew and Old Testament. Joseph Richard Hammill of Miami shared the

Paulino de los Reyes and Joseph Block Greek Prize. This award is given to the student(s) who demonstrates excellence in the study of the elementary Greek language and who shows promise as a Greek exegete or research scholar. And Jourden Travis Moger from Ocala received the J. Lake Williams Award in Christian Ethics, which is presented to the student who has exhibited exceptional skill and promise in the study of Christian ethics. He also shared the S. L. Stealey Church History Award, which is presented to the student(s) who submitted the best term paper in church history during the current year.

Anthony Hall of Grand Ridge and Wayne Roberts, also of Florida, were members of a basketball team from Southwestern Seminary which took the gospel to the Indian Ocean Islands for three weeks this summer. In addition to playing basketball in the Indian Ocean Island Games, a preliminary for the Olympics, the players worked in clinics with young people, using basketball to make inroads with the gospel.

July marks the first anniversary of Roy Arnold as pastor of Woodstock Park Church in Jacksonville.

Dr. and Mrs. Samuel G. Shepard have returned recently from a five-month stay in Barbados, where both were on a volunteer assignment teaching ministerial students in the Barbados Baptist College. Shepard is available now for interim pastorate, supply or mission-speaking engagements and may be reached at 303 N. Boundary Ave., DeLand, Fla. 32720 or (904) 738-3445.



Breaking ground. More than 200 people attended the groundbreaking ceremony for an education/all-purpose addition to First Church of Poindiana. This \$300,000 facility will add 12 new Sunday school rooms, a Sunday school office, a larger, more efficient kitchen area and a much-needed fellowship/dining space which will include a 50X42-foot basketball half court. In the photo are (from left): Rodney Nicholls, who did the preliminary and construction design drawings; Frank Murrelle, chairman of the building committee; Pastor Timothy G. Williams; Jackie Ransbottom, chairman of the finance committee; and Roy Hobbs, building contractor.

Missionary news:

Cary and Anne Hanks, missionaries to Ecuador, are on the field and may be reached by writing Casilla 09-01-3236, Guayaquil, Ecuador. He considers Bratt to be his hometown. She considers Pensacola hers.

Donald and Margie Mimes, missionaries to Argentina, are on the field. Their address is Wineberg 3444, 1636 Olivos, Buenos Aires, Argentina. A native of Florida, he was born in DeLand and lived also in Delray Beach, Titusville, Live Oak and Tampa.

Obituary:

W. W. Hawk, former pastor of Oakie Ridge Church in Chipley where he served 20 years, died May 23. He was 85. Hawk also was employed by Nelson Buick of Panama City for 45 years and was active in the National Forest Campground Ministry. He is survived by his wife, Doris, of Chipley; two daughters, Janie Eden of Clayton, Ga., and June Gainer of Chipley; two sisters, Lillie Exum of Chipley and Eunice Howell of Pensacola; one step-brother, D. L. Anderson of DeFuniak Springs; two step-sisters, Doris Creel of Shreveport, La., and Myrna Hickman of Chipley; nine grandchildren; and 22 great grandchildren.

Church news:

Pembroke Road Church, Miramar, will host singer/songwriter Barbie Bobo in concert July 17 at 8 p.m.

First Church, Hollywood, will host Christian vocalist Janet Leffew in a concert of in-

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