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Sexton, Ewell served as pastor of First Baptist Church, LaBelle, 1958-1960 and First Baptist Church, Istachatta, 1981-1984. He was married to Agnes Sexton.

Rev. Sexton Pastor Of LaBelle Church

LaBELLE, March 11—The Rev. Ewell Sexton will assume his duties April 1 as pastor of the First Baptist Church in LaBelle. The Rev. Sexton will succeed the Rev. J. Roy Crosby who resigned in September, 1957 to go to Sarasota.

Rev. Sexton is at present pastor of the Southside Baptist Church in Montgomery, Ala. He has a wife, a son, John aged 19, and daughter, Monte, 15. The family will occupy the new pastorium built recently on Main Street.

BAPTIST PASTOR RESIGNS

LaBELLE, Nov. 3 — The Rev. Ewell Sexton's resignation as pastor of the First Baptist Church was accepted Sunday.

Rev. Sexton is ill and is a patient in the Coral Gables Veterans hospital. He has been pastor here since May 1, 1958. So far no one has been employed to succeed him. Visiting pastors will be asked to conduct services for the present.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE 135th ANNUAL SESSION

OF

ALACHUA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF INVERNESS

OCTOBER 19, 1981

AFTERNOON SESSION: "PUBLISH GLAD TIDINGS" Through BOLD PRAYING

1. Registration of Messengers and Visitors began at 1:15 P.M.
2. The 135th Annual Session opened with the singing of the theme song, "O ZION, HASTE", led by Claud Smith, Jr., Music Director of First Baptist, Wildwood; with Alice Wooten at the Piano.
3. Moderator Wilson Smith, Pastor of First Baptist, Wildwood, called the meeting to order.
4. A Mimi-Concert was presented by the Ladies Trio of Main Street Baptist Church in Inverness. Those singing were: Carol Hicks, Sue Jolly and Jenny Hughes. They sang, "He Hideth My Soul"; "Heaven Came Down"; "I've Found The Happy Side of Life"; "Gentle Shepherd, Come & Feed Us"; "We're Not Strangers Any More"; "We're Not Strangers Any More"; "Whatever It Takes" and "Let Me Share My Life In A Song".
5. The Devotion and Prayer was brought by Lamar Harris, Pastor of Webster. His Scripture was Daniel 6:4 and he spoke on Bold Prayer - Before God - Daily.
6. The Clerk, Millie Renick, moved that the Messengers who have registered and those who will subsequently register from the churches cooperating with, and affiliated with Alachua Baptist Association, constitute the working body of this 135th Annual Session. The motion was seconded and carried. She also introduced her Assistant Clerk, Polly Gideons; and helper, Karen Hamilton.
7. Ben Hicks, Program Chairman, moved the adoption of the printed program, with such changes as are necessary to conduct the business of this body. The motion was seconded and carried.
8. Ernest Stoutamire, Music-Educational Director for Inverness, and serving as Host, since F.B.C. Inverness is without a Pastor, extended a warm welcome to the Association.
9. The Response to the Welcome was given by Carl Vause from First Baptist, Wildwood. He commended the members of Inverness for their preparation for this meeting.
10. The Moderator recognized our visitors.
11. Percy Renick, Director of Missions, introduced the new Pastors and their wives:

Center Hill-Wayne Hysong	Oxford.....-David Harper
Eden.....-Allen Taylor	Red Level.....-Stan Stewart
Hebron.....-Roy Silver	Spring Hill...-Billy Byrd
Istachatta.-Ewell Sexton	Sumterville...-Bert Harbison
Inverness..-Babb Adams	Webster.....-Lamar Harris
(coming in November)	

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MINISTERS LICENSED DURING THE YEAR 1985 -- continued:

LAKE PANASOFFKEE, FIRST:

William Vitt Rt.3, 8215 Floral Pk. Drive,
Floral City, Florida 32636 726-5594

PASTORS WHO LEFT THEIR PULPIT DURING THE YEAR 1985

ADAMSVILLE.....Rev. Jerry Glaze
BEVERLY HILLS, FIRST....(Deceased 11-13-85)..Rev. Thomas Channell
BUSHNELL, FIRST.....Rev. Terry Townsend
GULF RIDGE PARK.....Rev. Robert DeCorah
ISTACHATTA, FIRST.....Rev. Ewell Sexton
LINDEN, FIRST.....Rev. Jerry Alexander
MAIN STREET BAPTIST.....Rev. Eddie Kirkland
PLEASANT HILL BAPTIST.....Rev. Bob Swingler
SUMTERVILLE, FIRST.....Rev. Bert Harbison

OTHER TYPE MISSIONS AND / OR MINISTRIES - 1985

BEVERLY HILLS, FIRST:

Weekly Tape Ministry to shut-ins with 2 participating; also 4 participating in Brentwood Health Center in Lecanto.

FLORAL CITY, FIRST:

Worship services taped and taken to shut-ins home sometime during the week. 5 average participate.

GULF RIDGE PARK:

Young Ladies Bible Study held monthly with 5 participating. Six participate weekly in paper collection for handicapped. Food and clothing are provided in Food Store Room for those in need. Three participate in the Tape Ministry to sick and shut-ins.

HERNANDO, FIRST:

Fellowship and Bible Study provided for Singles twice a month with 20 participating. Bible Study and Sign Classes for the Deaf Ministry with 10 participating. They have a Shut-In and Youth Ministry with 18 participating in the Shut-In Ministry & 25 participating in the Youth Ministry.

HOMOSASSA, FIRST:

Radio Ministry--preaching services weekly provided. Homebound Ministry in Homosassa and Crystal River, Extension Bible class. Tape Ministry provided for weekly.

MASARYKTOWN, FIRST:

Bible Study and Preaching station at Brooksville Road Prison on Spring Hill Blvd. twice weekly.

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INVERNESS, FIRST: (continued)

O/P	Ms. Zoa Green	St. Rt. 4, Box 1989, Hern.	32642	726-7899
SS	Martin Sapp	2302 S. Carnegie Dr., Inv.	32650	344-0686
BD	J. B. Boyd	P.O. Box 334, Inverness	32651	726-3158
WD	Ms. Martha Muns	St. Rt. 1, Box 19X3, Inv.	32650	726-9299
D	W. H. Barnes	2501 S. Carnegie Dr., Inv.	32650	726-2534
L	Glenna McQueen	St. Rt. 1, Box 128-A, Inv.	32650	628-2269
C	Carol Davis	P.O. Box 454, Inverness	32651	726-2629
T	Robert Stockdale	9040 E. Point O'Woods Dr. Inverness, Florida	32650	344-2268
S	Robert Stockdale	9040 E. Point O'Woods Dr. Inverness, Florida	32650	344-2268
MC	Homer Loomis	311 Hunting Lodge Drive, Inverness, Florida	32650	726-6415
<u>ISTACHATTA: P.O. Box 24, Istachatta, Florida</u>			33536	-
P	Ewell Sexton	P.O. Box 165, Istachatta	33536	799-1666
M	E.W. Gideons	P.O. Box 65, Nobleton	33554	796-3778
O/P	Pauline Gideons	P.O. Box 65, Nobleton	33554	796-3778
SS	Agnes Sexton	P.O. Box 165, Istachatta	33536	799-1666
BD	Rev. Bill Burris	16 E. Liberty, Bkville	33512	796-0222
WD	Frances Stephens	Rt. 2, Box 500, Bushnell	33513	793-4189
D	E.W. Gideons	P.O. Box 65, Nobleton	33554	796-3778
C	Polly Gideons	P.O. Box 65, Nobleton	33554	796-3778
T	Louise Matthews	P.O. Box 144, Istachat.	33536	796-6431
<u>LECANTO, FIRST: P.O. Box 126, Lecanto, Florida</u>			32661	746-3492
P	Joe Pomaco	8505 E. Gospel Island Road, Inverness	32650	726-1184
M	Wilbur Langley	P.O. Box 126, Lecanto	32661	746-3002
O/P	Sylvia Roberts	P.O. Box 3, Lecanto	32661	746-6942
SS	Wilbur Langley	P.O. Box 126, Lecanto	32661	746-3002
CT	Theresa Rogers	St. Rt. 2, Box 111, Inv.	32650	382-3768
BD	Gene Rogers	P.O. Box 1009, Hom. Spr.	32647	628-4896
WD	Helen Anjima	St. Rt. 1, Box 137-U, Inv.	32650	628-5198
D	Wilbur Langley	P.O. Box 126, Lecanto	32661	746-3002
C	Robert Rashley	St. Rt. 1, Box 138-F, Inv.	32650	746-6236
T	Helen Langley	P.O. Box 126, Lecanto	32661	746-3002
<u>LINDEN, FIRST: Rt. 2, Box 123, Webster, Florida</u>			33597	793-3103
P	Jerry Alexander	Rt. 2, Box 123, Webster	33597	793-3103
M	Pete Parish	Rt. 2, Box 148, Webster	33597	793-2518
O/P	Denise Shirley	Rt. 2, Box 287, Webster	33597	793-5538
SS	Howell Johnson	Rt. 1, Box 933, Webster	33597	793-4960
CT	Joel Bedgood	Rt. 2, Box 318, Groveland	32736	429-3664
D	Ricky Shirley	Rt. 2, Box 287, Webster	33597	793-5538
L	Judy Love	Rt. 1, Box 362, Webster	33597	793-5956
C	Maude Owens	Rt. 2, Box 329, Webster	33597	793-3590
T	Ronnie Sizemore	Rt. 1, Box 980, Webster	33597	793-5266
<u>MAIN STREET: P.O. Box 507, Inverness, Florida</u>			32651	726-1480
P	Benton Hicks	P.O. Box 507, Inverness	32651	344-2730
M	W.C. Duncan	7626 E. Misty Lane, Inv.	32650	726-4918
CS	Helen Seger	5539 S. Withlapopka Dr. Floral City, Florida	32636	726-4678
O/P	Martha Hinkle	P.O. Box 2033, Inverness	32651	344-2397
SS	Lee Merrill	St. Rt. 2, Box 442, Hernando	32642	726-0514
CT	Roger Osborne	Rt. 2, Box 385-A, Invern.	32650	344-4131
BD	Dale Hughes	220 S. Ricky Pt., Invern.	32650	726-8911
WD	Carolyn York	5541 S. Withlapopka Dr. Floral City, Florida	32636	726-0724
D	Frank Jackson	1318 College Ave. SW, Inv.	32650	726-6034



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First Baptist Church to honor **Rev.** and Mrs. **Sexton**

Citrus-Hernando Times Correspondent

CHASSAHOWITZKA — The First Baptist Church of Chassahowitzka will honor **Rev.** and Mrs. **Ewell Sexton** at a noon dinner in the fellowship room on March 30.

Rev. Sexton is a former pastor. **Rev.** Elwyn Edwards, the present pastor, will conduct the 11 a.m. service.

The church is on CR 480 W.

tival Service at 10:30 a.m.

Faith Lutheran Church lists activities for H

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NEW PORT RICHEY
have been planned during
Church, 517 Sunset Road
Rev. Charles Lentner in ch

The church will be open
day for an all day praye