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**Shepherd, Herbert** (1924-2006) was a native of Mississippi the son of Rufus Howard and Martha Lockler Shepherd. He graduated from the University of Southern Mississippi and Temple Baptist Theological Seminary. Shepherd served as pastor of churches in Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee and Florida including Providence Baptist Church, Quincy, Florida and Calvary Baptist Church, Pensacola, Florida, 1964-1982. He and his wife, Lola Mae Malone Shepherd had three children.



### At Calvary Baptist Church

# It's an All-Night Labor Day Service



REV. HERBERT SHEPHERD

... invites everyone

The Calvary Baptist Church will conduct its fourth annual all-night Labor Day service at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, the Rev. Herbert Shepherd, pastor, announced Friday.

The visiting pastors will be the Rev. Edgar Jackson of the Beulah Baptist Church and the Rev. Ken Sliger of the Grenada Baptist Church.

Others appearing will be Mrs. Gerald Pearson, converted Buddhist from Japan and Claude Townsend of Florence, Miss., a successful businessman who retired at 39 to

devote his life to lay service.

A movie, "The Tony Fontaine Story," will be shown during the evening.

Mrs. A. E. Radvilas, a chalk artist who traveled with the Gospel Messengers, will illustrate various parts of the Bible.

The music will be under the direction of James Boyd, director of music at Calvary Baptist. It will include the church's choir, the Male Quartet, the Ladies Choir and Pensacola's little wheel chair Gospel singer, Bobbie Davis.

"We wish to invite everyone to come and share a part or all of the night with us as we listen to good music testimonies and sermons by good speakers," the Rev. Mr. Shepherd said.

The church is located at 815 N. V St.

## Johnson to Lead

Denmark Series

**REVEREND HERBERT  
SHEPHERD  
1924 - 2006**



After a 10 month struggle with the after effects of a stroke, Rev. Herbert Shepherd, passed away Thursday evening, September 21, 2006 at his home in Havana, FL. His three children, a son-in-law, and a daughter-in-law were with him as he died. He is survived by his daughters Brenda Ruth Beigle of Havana, FL; Martha Jean King of Fort Knox, KY; and his son David H. Shepherd of Halfmoon, NY. He also had two son-in-laws, Scott Beigle and Richard King and a daughter-in-law, Peggy Shepherd. He leaves 10 grandchildren and one great grandchild. He was 82 years old and spent his whole life serving the Lord as a Baptist minister. He was born in 1924 as the son of Rufus Howard Shepherd and Martha Lockler Shepherd of

# Pastor retires after nearly three decades

By Kimberly Riegler  
News Journal

The Rev. Herbert Shepherd retired as pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church on Pine Forest Road, Sunday.

The congregation honored him and his wife, Lola Mae, with a retirement reception Sunday afternoon, where he was given awards for his dedication to the church.

Even though the congregation is saddened by his retirement, they are delighted that Shepherd and his wife, Lola Mae, will remain part of the church family.

"He has been a wonderful pastor. We hate to see him retire, but we're glad he will still be a member," said Ray Roselli, a deacon and member of the

church for 18 years.

"His morals are impeccable," said Don McLaughlin, chairman of the deacons. "He is like a tree planted by a river — sturdy and has the strongest roots."

It was Shepherd's strong, deep-rooted faith that first inspired him to take the job as pastor of Calvary Baptist Church on July 7, 1964, for just \$35 a week.

After serving as an aircraft mechanic in the Navy during World War II, he earned his bachelor's degree in social studies from the University of Southern Mississippi.

Then he attended Temple Baptist Theological Seminary.

After serving as pastor at Providence Baptist Church in Quincy,

Shepherd came to Pensacola with his family of six to serve Calvary Baptist Church.

Now after building two churches, Shepherd is looking forward to spending time with his wife, doing some fishing and continuing some of his ministries.

"It has been Shepherd extremely pleasing and satisfying," Shepherd said. "I've never been disappointed."

Not only has Shepherd built two churches, he also organized the Bus Ministry.



"That was one of his biggest accomplishments," said McLaughlin. "We had five buses that went around the community picking up kids and some adults and brought them to church. We were able to reach people who couldn't get to church."

A committee of six deacons will try to find a replacement.

"They are going to be very hard shoes to fill," said McLaughlin. "He is like losing a cornerstone."

Until another pastor joins the church, services will be conducted by the deacons and guest ministers.

"There is emotion tied to this," said Shepherd. "But I have been so busy I have not thought about it."

## Quincy Pastor Gets Church In Pensacola

The **Rev. Herbert Shepherd**, former pastor of Providence Baptist Church in Quincy, has assumed duties as pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, 815 North V St.

The new pastor is a native of Mississippi and attended Mississippi College.

He received his B.S. degree at the University of Southern Mississippi, seminary training at Temple Baptist Theological Seminary, Chattanooga, Tenn., and also studied at Florida State University.

His previous pastorates have been in Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee and Florida.

He served as a chaplain with the Florida Division of Corrections.

Mrs. **Shepherd** is the former Miss Lola Mae Malone of Pensacola.

The **Shepherds** have three children.