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Stuckey, Robert graduated from Southern Illinois University, The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and Golden Gate Theological Seminary. Stuckey served churches in Illinois, Indiana, Texas, Iowa, and Florida. He served 50 years in active ministry and served as executive director of the Iowa Southern Baptist Fellowship. During the last 20 years of his ministry he served as pastor of First Baptist Church, Fort Myers Beach. He retired in 2005 after 50 years of active service. He and his wife, Suzanne, had four children.



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Baptist Church will val May 27-29. Guest Frank Smith, pastor of st Church and modera- eater Orlando Baptist ne Tangelo church choir y evening. Services are y 27-28, 7 p.m., then 30 a.m. For more infor- 07-859-5340.

Baptist Church will homecoming June 5. director of missions of Orlando Baptist will preach and The will sing in the 11 a.m. n will be served. For more information, call 407-277-8621.



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INDIAN RIVER

Baxter C. Phillips,78, former pastor of 79th Street Baptist Church in Miami, died March 31 in Vero Beach. He served more than 30 years of his 63-year career in ministry in Miami. After serving with the Third Infantry Division during WWII, he graduated from Wake Forest University and Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, both in Wake Forest, N.C., and Luther Rice Theological Seminary, Jacksonville. He also served as chaplain in the Air Force Reserves and with VFW Post 3918. Phillips is survived by his wife of 55 years, Wanda, three sons, Stephen, Timothy and Nathan and eight grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his son, Joel.



PHILLIPS

LAKE COUNTY

Nine members of **First Baptist Church, Clermont,** are in Cuba this week working with Sea of Galilee Baptist Church in Havana. They are providing leadership in the areas of worship, children's and youth ministry and discipleship. Clermont pastor Danny Davis is leading the team, which will return May 30.

MARION

Melvin Martin, retired minister of education of Downtown Baptist Church in Ocala, died May 12. He was 80. He served on the State Board of Missions of the Florida Baptist Convention, and was a former member of the board of St. Johns River Community College. He moved to Ocala from St. Augustine in 1992. He was a Navy veteran of WWII and the Korean Conflict. Martin is survived by his wife of 55 years, Lucille; a son, Larry; and two grandchildren.

ORANGE BLOSSOM

The Sanctuary Choir and Praise Band of **First Baptist Church,** Wauchula, will present "I Believe in America" May 29 at 11 a.m. A barbecue lunch will be served after the service. For more information, call 863-773-4182.

PALM LAKE

First Baptist Church, Tequesta, dedicated its newly-renovated worship center April 24. After the facility was damaged by hurricanes Frances and Jeanne, the congregation met for six months in the fellowship hall. The service included recognition of building contractors and prayers of commitment for the church ministry leaders.

PENSACOLA BAY

Hillcrest Baptist Church has called **James L. Locke** as pastor. He served the past 10 years as senior pastor of First Baptist Church, Forsyth, Missouri, and previously as associate pastor of Fielder Road Baptist Church, Arlington, Texas. He is a graduate of Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn., and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas. He and his wife, Judy, have two children.



LOCKE

RIDGE

Lake Region Baptist Church, Winter Haven, will host the Gulf State Quartet in a gospel sing June 4. The quartet also will sing at Homecoming 2005 June 5 at 10 a.m. and former pastor Ezra Wells will speak. Dinner on the grounds will be served in the fellowship hall. For more information, call 863-294-1734.

ROYAL PALM

First Baptist Church, Fort Myers Beach, honored **Robert Stuckey** May 25 on his retirement after 20 years as pastor. In his 50 years of ministry, he also served churches in Illinois, Indiana, Texas and Iowa, where he was executive director of the Iowa Southern Baptist Fellowship. He is a graduate of Southern Illinois University, Carbondale; Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.; and Golden Gate Theological Seminary, Mill Valley, Cal. He and his wife, Suzanne, have four children and seven grandchildren.



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SANTA ROSA

Immanuel Baptist Church, Pace, has called Sam Fitts as minister of education. He previously served as pastor of Tarrant Baptist Church in Birmingham, Ala. He is a graduate of Samford University and Beeson School of Divinity, also in Birmingham. He and his wife, Iris, have a son and three grandchildren.

SHILOH

J. Hugh and Marilyn Long, members of Turkey Creek Baptist Church in Plant City, serve as mission volunteers with the Cold Bay (Alaska) Chapel on the Aleutian Island chain. They will be visiting Plant City on leave through June 22. For more information, e-mail DRJAY357@aol.com.

SUNCOAST

First Baptist Church of Indian Rocks in Largo will host an evening of classical music, "A Celebration of Song," June 3 at 7 p.m. Soprano Melody Kielisch and tenor Girogio Aristo will sing along with the Indian Rocks Celebration Choir and Orchestra. For more information, call 727-595-3421 or go to www.indianrocks.org.

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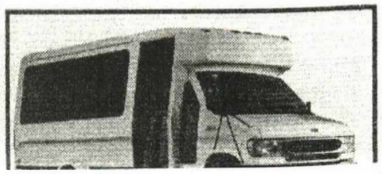
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