

Just The Facts...

Snippets & Updates from the First Baptist McKinney Committees & Ministry Teams

Executive Committee Dan Brooks, Chair dbrooks@independent-bank.com

The EC is preparing a request for the Nominating Committee to form an Ad Hoc committee for church approval with its goal being to bring forward a recommendation of direction regarding the Option afforded through the Seeds for the Future partnership to the church to purchase 80+ acres in northwest McKinney. To avoid any appearance of a potential conflicts of interest, none of the members of the Seeds partnership that have preserved this option for the church will be nominated to serve on the committee. The Nominating Committee will be asked to present a list of the proposed committee members for Church approval in a special called church conference in June. Any questions you have about this topic can be directed to the Executive Committee via email.

The EC acknowledges the resignation of Michael Curl as he leaves to accept a call to be the Youth Minister at First Baptist Church, Mustang, OK. We thank him for his great service to the Lord with us and we bless him as he moves to this new exciting opportunity to serve where the Lord has led him.

Building Committee Don Paschal, Chair don@paschalconsulting.com

- Following congregation approval to proceed with the remodeling and updates to our facilities, the Building Committee has continued working with our architectural firm, Omniplan.
- We are nearing completion of the schematic design phase.
- We have initiated the process of selecting a general contractor to provide assistance with pricing of project components and to advise the most cost effective alternatives as we move to preparation of construction plans.
- Our Pastor has initiated opportunities for congregation members to make funding commitments. We are fully cognizant that \$500,000 must be committed before we award a contract for construction and before the Finance Committee is authorized to execute a loan (not to exceed \$1.0M) for the remainder of the project funding. In anticipation that the required funding will be committed by the end of June, the Building Committee is diligently working to put the Church in position to award a contract for construction by early July. The project is expected to require from 5 to 7 months with the final timing unknown until we finalize both plans and a construction contract.
- As we reach various project milestones, the Building Committee will provide communications to the congregation through the Church website and bulletin. Any member of the Church is welcome to contact us at any time.
- We continue to be excited about the new service and use potential the building changes will provide and are confident that with congregational support through prayer and contributions that this project can begin in a timely manner.

Deacon Heartbeat Scott Baller, Lead Deacon sballer@pinecove.com or 214-762-1323

1. 16 Deacon Mentoring Candidates for this year.
2. April 8th Spring Senior Banquet. Great night of celebration and fellowship as dinner and entertainment by Charlie Haddox were provided.
3. A review of the Barnabas fund process will be conducted this summer.
4. Spring project- Garage Giveaway- We will be coordinating the loading/unloading and running of the donations for the project. This process will involved over 100 volunteers over a 3 day period.
5. Upcoming Summer Project- Seed Sowers Ministry Project

Deacon Election Committee Vicki Argabright Brooks, Chair vandr1@sbcglobal.net

Purpose -The Deacon Election Committee facilitates the nomination, preparation and election of church members to serve as deacons of FBC McKinney.

Process Time Line -Deacon nominations can be made at any time during the calendar year by church members turned in to church office. *December 31* is the cutoff date for the upcoming calendar year's mentor process.

- **January-February** - Nominees complete Deacon Nominee Questionnaire.
 - Each nominee is required to attend a meeting with the Deacon Election Committee, the topics are as follows: (1) The Biblical qualities of a Deacon (typically shared by the pastor), (2) The role & responsibilities of a deacon at FBC McKinney, (3) Deacon orientation/mentoring process (typically shared by the chairman of Deacons and/or Mentor Process Lead), (3) Each nominee will share his salvation experience and spiritual growth
- **Early March** - Nominees meet their assigned mentor and begin the shadowing process.
- **September** - Nominees who have completed the deacon mentoring process are asked to indicate their willingness to serve.
 - The active church membership shall elect deacons by ballot at a called church conference. Nominees receiving 90% or more of positive votes shall be elected as deacon.
- **October** - Ordination of newly elected deacons, who have not been previously ordained in a church of like faith and order.

Missions Leadership Team Jack Haye, Chair jack.w.haye@wellsfargo.com

Upcoming Field Engagements

- Sierra Leon (June) - 3rd engagement. 15 team members
- Uganda (June) - 3rd engagement. 10 team members
- Baltimore (June) - 2nd engagement. 8-12 team members.
- Germany (July) - 3rd engagement. 30 team members.
- Dominican Republic (July) - 4th engagement. 22 team members.
- Guatemala (July) - 3rd engagement. 40 team members.
- Bolivia (July) - 3rd engagement. Student Ministry. 20-25 team members.

Local Initiatives

Step into Africa: April 26th-May 2nd

- An interactive exhibit, here at FBC in the Rock, that invites visitors to "step into Africa" by hearing, seeing and walking through an African village to personally experience the lives of children affected by AIDS.
- Need 200+ volunteers

Garage Giveaway: (Donate April 30th and May 1st) May 2nd

- Join us as we donate gently used items to over 3000 people in our city.
- Need 700+ volunteers

Additional GO and BE Projects

- Newsome House, Relay for Life, Automotive Care, Sudanese Refugee Project

Communications Links

Pastor Jeff's Blog – www.liveforgiven.org

Pastor Jeff's twitter – [www.twitter.com/Jeff Warren](http://www.twitter.com/Jeff_Warren)

Church Knowledge Base – www.fbcmckinney.com/questions

Executive Pastor (Chris Stull's Office) – Debbie.Sanders@fbcmckinney.com

Finance Committee Jim Brown, Chair financecommittee@fbcmackinney.com

A letter from the committee chair...

To keep you fully informed regarding finances at First Baptist, it is a pleasure to address you via this inaugural "chairman's letter" covering the first calendar quarter of 2010. My initial comments relate to the accompanying "Summary Operating Statement" which depicts the comparative results for the first quarter in a summarized fashion.

Receipts for the first quarter of 2010 were \$1,337,723, 11% below budget and 9% below the same quarter last year. With total expenses for the quarter approximately 7% under budget, we closed the period with year-to-date expenses exceeding receipts by \$168,461. Since our budget anticipated a deficit of \$123,728 for the period, we ended the first three months of 2010 approximately \$45,000 worse (in terms of expenses exceeding receipts) than anticipated in the budget.

It is typically a challenge to gauge spending patterns early in the year because the timing of mission and ministry expenditures is difficult to anticipate and budget, and because there are often a number of significant expenditures for deposits or supplies which will be used later or throughout the year. With that said, however, it appears that first quarter spending has remained conservative, with no notable unfavorable trends compared to budget. You will note that the "debt retirement" line item reflects increased expense compared to the prior year, as we have begun scheduled principal reduction on the children's building expansion note as discussed during budget information meetings.

I will admit up front that I am no Warren Buffett, but permit me to close with some "color commentary" reflecting my personal observations and opinions (and not necessarily those of the staff or others). While we are behind where we would like to be at this point of the year, we are clearly in a position to be able to recover if we remain faithful and disciplined in our budget giving, particularly as summer approaches. Although the staff will continue to be prudent with their spending, I pray that our continued diligence to support the budget will allow our ministers to exercise full faith in God's provision (and in our faithfulness) as they seek to maximize the ministry visions and opportunities represented in the 2010 budget.

Finally, I want to encourage you to eagerly (not a misprint) anticipate the upcoming opportunities to support the Unified Mission Offering and fund our remodel effort. Sometimes it seems that we become so accustomed to God's blessings that we fail to fully recognize and appropriately respond to them. Although I am not completely there yet, I have resolved to consider my personal financial stewardship not as something I have to do, but as something that I get to do.

What a great God we serve! I love serving with you....

Jim Brown 2010 Finance Committee Chair

First Baptist Church - McKinney
Summary Operating Statement

	Quarter ended March 31		
	2010		2009
	Actual	Budget	Actual
RECEIPTS	\$1,337,723	\$1,490,000	\$1,460,771
EXPENSES			
Missional Life	108,465	145,625	139,336
Ministries	190,988	232,995	143,625
Discipleship	11,453	10,250	6,582
Youth	19,844	20,360	16,190
Children	23,386	33,700	20,006
Worship and arts	49,309	66,177	31,962
Communications	58,313	56,950	51,023
Other ministries	28,683	45,559	17,862
Administration and support	1,056,306	1,084,658	1,054,900
Facilities	101,152	106,250	79,285
Computers	35,771	37,800	23,929
Utilities	74,543	68,300	66,740
Salaries and benefits	834,488	859,198	880,554
Other administration	10,352	13,110	4,393
Debt retirement	150,425	150,450	138,300
Total expenses	<u>1,506,184</u>	<u>1,613,728</u>	<u>1,476,161</u>
NET OPERATING TOTAL	<u>(\$168,461)</u>	<u>(\$123,728)</u>	<u>(\$15,390)</u>