First Baptist Church Congregational Information Meeting December 9, 2006

YOUR LEADERSHIP IS PROUD TO REPORT ITS STEWARDSHIP

The Covenant Board consisting of Deacons, Deaconesses, and Trustees is proud to release this Stewardship Report to the Congregation. Our last report was released on January 16, 2005.

Our Church is in sound spiritual and fiscal condition. Some of our stable members have moved upon retirement. However, most have requested their 2007 envelopes. 2005 Blueprints for our renovation have now become a reality We humbly wait for God's guidance to finish the new building task.

- Rev. Dr. Charles H. Smith, Minister

OUR COMMON LIFE AND SHARED MINISTRY FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH MADISON, NEW JERSEY

December 9, 2005 - Charles H. Smith, Pastor

Stewardship Highlights

WORSHIP

We celebrate the services of our organist Brother Jean D'Pasalegne whose health has forced him into retirement. The church is providing him a medical Stipend for twelve months in appreciation for his years of service. We are blessed to have Brother Clifford Blackwell bring his spirit and gifts to our congregation.

We celebrate members 'Full Participation in Worship' - Youth, Young Adults, Men and Women participate in Worship Services.

We use the Liturgical Church Calendar Year to provide us with creative worship experiences during Advent, Lent, Epiphany, Easter and Pentecost.

FELLOWSHIP

First Baptist celebrated its 111th Birthday in 2006. It was timely. All ages groups in our Church family was provided an opportunity for Christian f Fellowship: Summer Church Family Yard Picnic, Washington Cultural Trip, Dorney Park, and New York City Drama for the Young Adults. The Canteen and Pot Luck Dinners and Christmas bring us all together. The coffee pot is always on. Our Senior's Thanksgiving Luncheon was a blessing to all –Guest and Sponsors

MISSION

The Cora Jiggetts Missionary Ministry led the church in its Annual Mission Sunday which lifted our consciousness as we revisited the 'Great Commission'. We represented the church in the North Jersey Baptist Missionary Convention,

EVANGELISM

New Members – 13 (Baptism 9) and (Christian Experience 6)

MINISTRY

Outreach to our own Church Members Families: North Jersey Baptist Men and to the Brown Center's Outreach to young Black Males in distress.

2006 MEMBERSHIP MEMO

From: Jo James, Clerk

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Re: Year-End Information

BABY DEDICATION

Name	Date	
Jalen Joseph Adger	April 16, 2006	
Madasyn Aryah Dowmar	April 23, 2006	
Dorian Naseer Gibson	January 8, 2006	
Alexander Matthew Grube	January 8, 2006	
Conor John Richardson	April 23, 2006	
Aaniyah Brielle Stewart	April 30, 2006	
TOTAL	6	

NEW MEMBERS

Name	Date	Method
Johnna Brooks	July 22, 2006	Baptism
Gail Butz Cerciello	Sept. 24, 2006	Baptism
Sebastian (Sam) Cerciello	Sept. 24, 2006	Baptism
Anjana Heaven (Gigi)	June 25, 2006	Baptism
Damien James	May 21, 2006	Baptism
Cedric King	Feb. 5, 2006	Christian Experience
Vaughn MacIntosh	June 25, 2006	Baptism
Deneen Olidge	June 4, 2006	Christian Experience
Andre Piggery	May 21, 2006	Baptism
Mikaela Pritchett	June 25, 2006	Baptism
Leola Scott	June 4, 2006	Christian Experience
Jarrhin Thomas	June 4, 2006	Baptism
Thomas Walker	June 4, 2006	Christian Experience
Tyler Walker	June 4, 2006	Christian Experience
Preston West	Feb. 5, 2006	Christian Experience
Total	13	Baptism9 – Christian Exp. 6

DEATHS

In My Father's House Sybil Foushee

WEDDINGS Widdley & Mabel Jean-Francois Sam & Gail Cerciello

VISION

2007

MULTI-MEDIA MINISTRY EXPANSION

Mass-produce CDs for sale

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MUSIC MINISTRY

Acquisition of a Hammond C-3 Organ Concerts and CD Production

CHEF'S KITCHEN

Catering
Week-end Food Service

WEB SITE INTERNET MINISTRY

fbcofmadison.org Bookstore On Line

ARTHUR D. BROWN ENRICHMENT CENTER RESOURCE

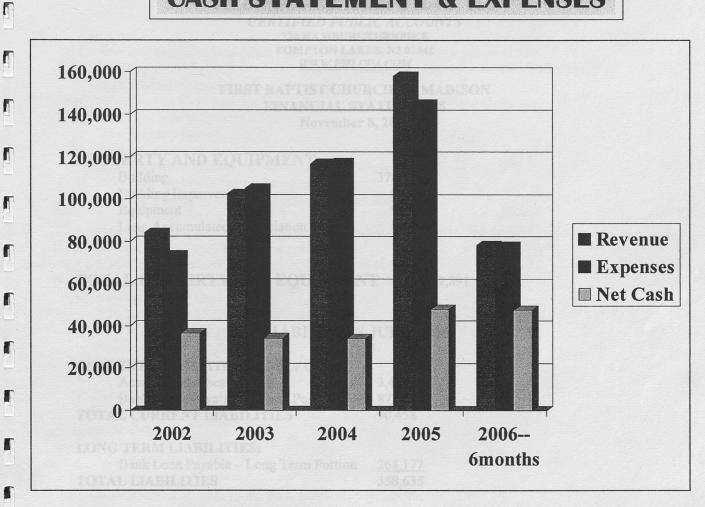
The Amistad Mobile Unit
Bookstore – Publications
Economic Workshops
Educational Incentives
Counseling
Mentoring
Seminars

MISSION PROJECTS

Local – National – International

100th BIRTHDAY – AMERICAN BAPTIST CHURCHES Washington, DC

CASH STATEMENT & EXPENSES



IF WE EXTRAPOLATED 2006 TO A FULL YEAR PROJECTION WE WOULD FINISH WITH \$155,474.00 [DOUBLING \$77,977.00].

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YEAR	REVENUES (\$)	EXPENSES (\$)	NET CASH (\$)
2002	84,006	73,406	36,614
2003	102,542	104,934	34,222
2004	116,609	116,969	33,862
2005	158,108	144,888	47,802
2006 6-MONTHS	77,977	77,737	47,322

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF MADISON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS November 8, 2006

PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Building	378,164
Building Improvements	9,640
Equipment	9,900
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	8,444

TOTAL PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

LIABILITIES JULY 2006

409,891

CURRENT LIABILITIES: (LINE OF CREDIT)

Accrued Expenses 3,417
Bank Loans Payable- Current Portion 87,041
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES 90,458

LONG TERM LIABILITIES:

Bank Loan Payable – Long Term Portion 268,177 **TOTAL LIABILITIES** 358,635

There Are No Delinquent Accounts Payable December 2006

CHURCH PROPERTY REPLACEMENT INSURANCE HAS BEEN UPDATED DECEMBER 2006

CHURCH BUS HAS BEEN SOLD
REMOVING \$3,000 INSURANCE AND UPKEEP COST

BROWN CENTER HEATING
SYSTEM HAS DRAINED AND SERVICED NOVEMBER 2006

CHURCH HEATING & AIR CONDITION SERVICED DECEMBER 2006

CHURCH RENOVATION PROJECT SUMMARY

Construction Team: Deacon George Martin, Trustee Amy Fletcher

- New and enlarged Gas Lines with feed to the proposed new construction.
- New Electrical Service (from 100 amp to 200 amp) adequate for new building.
- New Wiring throughout the Church Building
- New Central Heat and Air Condition through out the Building (zone controlled)
- New Fire Alarm System
- New Security System
- New Installation placed in all exterior Walls
- New Stairwells from the Basement to the Balcony
- New Balcony Platform, Carpet and Seating
- New Hand Railing from the Basement to the Balcony
- New Drywalls throughout the Church.
- New state of the art 'Sound System' with unlimited capacity for add-on features
- New Closed Circuit Television System
- New Chandelier and lowing device for maintenance
- New Nutron Control Lighting System
- New Sanctuary Carpeting
- New Sanctuary Lighting
- New exterior Mahogany Doors
- New inside French Doors
- New 'Baptismal Pool'
- New Altar Kneeling Area
- New Pulpit Platform
- New Choir Stand Loft
- New Organ Loft
- New Exterior Steps
- New Outside Lighting
- New Sanctuary Piano
- New Kitchen floor, walls, sink, cabinets, storage room,
- New kitchen Equipment –Stove & Refrigerator
- New Drywalls and Flooring in the Fellowship Hall
- New Chairs and Tables for the Fellowship Hall
- New Closet and Electrical Room in the Fellowship Hall
- Refurbished Sanctuary Pews
- Refurbished Women and Men's Bathrooms
- Refinished Pulpit
- Refinished Pulpit Chairs
- Refinished Chancel Flower Stands
- Refinished The Communion Table

First Baptist Church Madison, NJ Charles H. Smith, Paster

Guide

Our Church Planning For Ministry

October 10, 2005

MINISTRY

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF MADISON

The developement of the ministry in our congregation will express and form our identity, vison, and mission. Programs and services to be offered by our church will be made carefully or thoughtfully. Some of our programs and servises that are carried forward year after year, may relate to particular seasons of the church calender, some will depend upon the interest and expertise of certain church members, others result from our denominational emphases, and still others reflect particular issues of concern within the larger society or surronding community. Our ministry development- the determining of the various programs and servises which will make up the minisrty of the church- is a vital and important component of the overall life and mission of our congregation. Thus, our decisions regarding the content, form quality, quanity, leadership, and audience of various programs are fundamental, can long-term consequences and position our witness to Christ.

MODEL IN MINISTRY AND MISSION THE CHURCH AS AN INSTRUMENT

The church as the Christ-formed community is called to be an instrument of the reign of God. As an instrument created and used by God, the church is to participate in Christ's mission to the world. It is Christ present and active in the church through the Holy Spirit who forms the church as a sign of judgement and salvation to all humanity through its life, witness, and service.

As a contrast to society the community of God's people is not seperated in a ghetto, in religious self-satisfaction or in cultural or intellectual new forms of life which realize what God wants society to be. As such it stands in contrast to the structures of a sick society that is far from God. Precisely because the church does not exist for itself, but completely and exclusively for the world, it is necessary that the church not become the world, that it retain its own countenance.

As illustrated in Jesus' first sermon. Our Ministry: (Luke 4.14-21

- The poor, thoses who have come off badly in life, economically for example, the starving and the unemployed, but also in a moral or religious sense, the despised, the ignored, thoses cut off by the official church and society and considered suspect.
- The captives, the prisoners, the people who have gone under or gone astray and now at the mercy, or mercilessness, of rulers and privileged; the servants and slaves, robbed of their freedom and rights as human beings.
- The blind, the physically and mentally disabled, the sick whose capacities for living and impaired.
- The oppressed, the bruised, people whom life has broken because it has dealt them a bitter blow, or else because of personal failures as inner disintegration.

MULTI MEDIA COMMUNICATIONS

- PRINT NEWSLETTER
- CLOSED CIRCUIT
- VIDEO, DVD, VCR, CD
- CHURCH SOUND SYSTEM
- VIDEO PRODUCTION
- RECORDING SYSTEM
- **ELECTRONIC DIMMER SYSTEM**
- •WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT-MAINTENANCE

ARTHUR D. BROWN ENRICHMENT CENTER

- Review original MISSION STATEMENT
- Apply for Legal 501-C-3 Status
- Organize for R/D- Research+Development
- Blue Sky- Focuses
- Review Sample Models
- Explore 2005- "Year of Preservation"
- Schedule Meeting
- Partnership Implications

LIBRARY - ARCHIVES

- Local Church History
- Management of Church Videos and Bulletins
- Library- Organization- Maintenance
- Book Loan Procedures
- Prepare Book Abstracts/Notes
- Research- Recommend
 - Books- Print and Tapes
 - CD's
 - Websites of Interest
 - Videos

TEEN- CHILDREN FELLOWSHIP DEVELOPING CHRIST-CENTERED PROGRAMS

- Understanding the Echo Boomers
- Revisiting Generation X- Boomers
- Understanding the Hip Hop Generation, Hair Styles, Tattoos, Language, Clothes, Race, Gender
- Understanding "Cohort Effect" long term
- Facing Generational "Disconnects"
- Identifying teen issues set goals, and plan Christcentered *Youth Action Programs*
 - Schedule meeting with teens and develop calendar
 - Plan field trips
 - Consider a mission project for the summer

YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP IN CHRIST

- •Bible Study
- Mission Projects
- Recreational Fellowship Projects
- Needs Assessment
- •Finding Meaningful places to cultivate God given talent
- Field trips- Family outings

OUTREACH MINISTRY

- Chaplaincy Ministries
- A Guide for Planning and Conducting Ministry and Witness Projects
- Nursing Home Ministry Project
- Ministry with Substance Abusers
- Evangelism
- Denominational Projects
- Local Outlets for Cooperative Ministry Projects
- Schedule Workshop

WORSHIP PLANNING

- Schedule a 3 hour workshop
- •Creative Ways To Design Workshop Together
- Workshop for Sundays and Seasons
- Creating our own Liturgies,
 Responsive Readings, Meditations,
 Prayers, Call to Worships, Retreat
 Programs, and Benedictions
- Family Worship Children's Prayers

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