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Ministers of the Church

Every member of River Road Church, Baptist, like every disciple of Christ, is commissioned to participate in Christian ministry. The following persons have been called by this congregation to serve as enablers in such ministry:

Michael J. Clingenpeel
Pastor

E. Carl Freeman
Music

Robert L. Dibble
Adults

Barbara J. Massey
Children

Mary R. Mann
Students

J. Brent Kimlick
Pastoral Intern

George S. Davis
Church Administrator

Margaret S. Collins
Preschool Director

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 25, 2005
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
Sanctuary

Micah Volunteers Commissioning

Sermon by Dr. Michael J. Clingenpeel
Anthems by the Chancel Choir
Special Music by the children of the
River Road Church Preschool Development Center

Reception in the Fellowship Hall following
the worship service hosted by the deacons.



WEDNESDAY DINNER PROGRAM

September 28, 2005
5:30 p.m. Dinner 6:30 p.m. Program

Called Business Meeting
See inside for details

Evolution: What It Is and What It Is Not
Dean Decker

The Pastor's Forum is pleased to welcome River Road Church member Dean Decker. Dean is the retired Associate Professor of Biology at the University of Richmond, having taught at that fine institution for 29 years. He received his Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees from Purdue University and his Ph.D. from North Carolina State University. Dean is active in several volunteer capacities, including the Virginia Junior Academy of Science and as the director of the Memorial Rifles, an Honor Guard for military funerals and other military commemorative occasions. His program will explore evolution from a biological perspective—chasing away many common misconceptions and myths—and discuss alternative viewpoints, including creationism.

“GROWTH THROUGH GIVING” STEWARDSHIP 2006

Of course you believe in God, but — Do you *Believe God?*

When He says, through the Apostle Paul,

“In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’”

Paul to the Ephesian Elders
Acts 20:35 (NIV)

CALLED BUSINESS MEETING SEPTEMBER 28

The Board of Trustees has called for a church business meeting to be held on Wednesday evening, September 28, following the church dinner. The purpose of the meeting will be to adopt budget goals for the church for the year 2006, as presented by the Board of Administration.

The called meeting will also afford opportunity to elect messengers for the Baptist General Association of Virginia, which will meet November 10 and 11 in Woodbridge, and to the meeting of the Richmond Baptist Association on October 23, at St. Paul’s Baptist Church. The church is entitled to fifteen messengers to the General Association and eight messengers to the Richmond Association. Persons wishing to serve as messengers to either meeting should call the church office so that arrangements may be made for their nomination. Nominations also may be offered from the floor at the church business meeting. The Nominating Committee will present a slate of nominees for general officers.

All members are encouraged to attend the called meeting on September 28. The session will follow the 5:30 Wednesday dinner in the Fellowship Hall, convening at about 6:15 p.m. and will precede Dean Decker’s presentation on evolution.

HURRICANE KATRINA RELIEF EFFORT UPDATE

At a meeting on Sunday, September 11, 2005, the Board of Directors of the Endowment Fund agreed to match, to a maximum of \$15,000, any gifts to the Virginia Baptist Mission Board for hurricane disaster relief made by members of River Road Church, Baptist, prior to January 1, 2006. Members’ checks should be made payable to River Road Church, Baptist, with “Disaster Relief” noted on the check.

As of September 20, River Road Church members have donated \$11,135.00.

Sunday Responsibilities

Acolyte: David Newsome

Deacons' Coffee: Melanie Butterworth, Linda Cash, Sylvia Dickerson, Sam Measell

Flower Distribution: Mary Ellen Berry, Betty Woolcott

Greeters: Betty Balentine, Nancy Gary, John O'Bannon, Lee Perkins, Theresa Price

Sound: Tom Berry

Tellers: Harper Alford, Mary Ellen Berry, Courtney Bunn, Frances Cloe, Henry Holland, Marjorie Yount

Ushers: Steve Bailey, Ethan Butterworth, Richard Cloe, Chuck Myers

Minister On Call

Weekend: Sept. 24-25

Barbara Massey
673-9156

If you are unable to reach this minister immediately, please leave a message on the church office voicemail at 288-1131. The voicemail will be monitored by the on-call minister.

Adult Sunday School News

Formations Sunday School literature concludes a four-week unit of study entitled *Life Lessons from David*. In the life of King David, we see human heights and depths, a real character whose life experiences are much as our own. The lens through which we will view and study David's story is the various stages of the human journey: childhood, adolescence, adulthood, and senior adulthood. From the biblical treatment of the stages of David's life, we can gain some insights to assist us in better understanding our human journey. This week's lesson, entitled *The Senior Adult David: Passing On A Legacy*, is based on I Kings 1:1-2:12, and is studied in the following classes:

Fellowship Class will be taught by **Don Powell**.

Lydia Class will be taught by **Libbie Geiger**.

Robert Smart Class will be taught by Brent Kimlick. The class is studying the *Life Lessons from David* series, but on a one-week delay. The topic for Sunday is from I Samuel 11.

Reuben Alley Class will be taught by **John Oliver**.

Seekers Class will be taught by **Ken Dibble**. The class will host the CARITAS meal on Saturday, October 15, in the Fellowship Hall and will provide the meal at the Hull Street shelter on Friday, November 4.

TwentySomethings Class will be taught by **Heather Felts**. Please check out the class page on the website for upcoming social activities including a cookout on September 24 at the home of **Buddy** and **Emily Sumner**.

Discussion Class—**Taylor Cousins** will lead the class in a discussion of *The Tipping Point* by Malcolm Gladwell.

Explorers Class—The class will continue discussing Marcus Borg's *Imaging God: Why it Matters*.

Friendship Class—**Connie Showalter** will continue a discussion of the *Life of David*.

Journey Class—The class will continue the series *The Gospel According to The Simpsons*. Read chapter 2, *The Power of Prayer*.

Life Class—The class continues its study of *The Great House of God* by Max Lucado. **Ken Lantz** will lead the discussion of chapters 12-15.

Phoenix Class—The class will discuss church-and-state issues after it views the show *Hardball*, which was taped in June just after the Supreme Court rulings on displaying the Ten Commandments.

Shepherd-Simpson Bible Study Class—The class will continue its study of David this week, beginning with II Samuel 4:1. **Bob Shepherd** will teach the class.

Adult Orientation

The fall edition of Adult Orientation begins Sunday, October 2 at 9:45 a.m., in the Chapel and will run through Sunday, October 23. Adult Orientation is aimed at all **new** and **prospective** members of River Road Church. The complete schedule is as follows:

October 2 Finding Out About Our Church

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Paxton

October 9 Finding Our Own Identity

Dr. Michael J. Clingenpeel

October 16 Finding A Small Group Experience

Dr. Robert L. Dibble

October 23 Finding A Personal Ministry

Diane Shoemake, Gordon Thomson,
Letty Wood and Don Powell



Friday—23rd
Norvel Camden
Karen Luper
Barrett Way

Saturday—24th
Marylee Baker

Sunday—25th
Harrison Daniel
Rebecca Ernouf
Joan Hines
Skip King
Caitlin Nugent
David Slatton

Monday—26th
Griz Dixon
Michael Haydon
Elizabeth Hirko
Susan Larson
Jean McGraw
Curtis Newcomb
Erin Nugent
Bill Paulette
Rohn Price

Tuesday—27th
Ron Benton
Katherine Farmer
Anthony Morgan

Wednesday—28th
Craig Carlock
Todd Huffman
Maggie Leftwich
Linda McCann

Thursday—29th
Jane Budwell
Katie Gobble
Tom Heggie
Linda Muse
Elsie Palmore
Bailey Thomson



IN HEALTHCARE: Suzanne Keyser, Cedarfield
Ellett Pollard, Our Lady of Hope

IN REHABILITATION: Jeanette Gholston, Westport

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is expressed to the friends and family of **Crichton J. Armstrong** (né Betty Crichton Jones) upon her death on September 8.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is expressed to **Charles Higgins** upon the death of his wife; to **Charles, Brent, and Ross Higgins** upon the death of their mother; to **Martha Donohue** upon the death of her sister; and to **Betty Gustafson** upon the death of her niece, **Julia Donohue Higgins**, on September 14.

CONGRATULATIONS to **Jackie and Tommy Jackson** upon the birth of their son, Cooper Lloyd, on September 16, in Kernersville, North Carolina. **Barbara and Lloyd Jackson** are his grandparents.

PLEASE EXTEND A WARM WELCOME
TO OUR NEWEST CHURCH MEMBERS!

Clinton Jackson united with River Road Church, on a promise of a letter from a local Baptist church, on September 18.



Jim and Nancy Moses united with River Road Church, on a promise of a letter from a Methodist church in Danville, Virginia, on September 18.



Jim and Nancy are the parents of **Alice Lynch** and grandparents of **Caroline Lynch**.

**Discussion
Group**

**IS THERE REALLY ANYTHING
NEW TO SAY ABOUT JESUS?**

N. T. Wright, one of today's premier scholars investigating the life of Jesus, in his book *The Challenge of Jesus – Rediscovering Who Jesus Was and Is* compels his readers to rethink their standard images of Jesus so that they will never read the Gospels in the same way again. The book unveils exciting new perspectives that clearly echo Jesus' challenge to follow him, and it reinvigorates the quest to know Jesus more fully and join in shaping the world as his disciple. The **Modern Theologians Discussion Group** will discuss Wright's book at its next meeting on **Thursday, October 13, at 7:30 p.m. in the church parlor**. Visitors are most welcome. Even if you have not had a chance to read the book, come and join in the always lively discussion. Call **George Davis** at the church, 288-1131, for more information.



Tuesday—27th
Jim and Pam Hughes—36 years

CARITAS—OCTOBER 15-21, 2005

CARITAS stands for Congregations Around Richmond Involved to Assure Shelter. We will be hosting 35 men and women.

Needs list:

- ❖ **Preparing bagged lunches**—You assemble them in our church kitchen. The food is provided. Time is flexible.
- ❖ **Making dinners**—We will pair you up with other church members who also want to help in this area.
- ❖ **Helping serve meals**—Usually 7:00-9:00 p.m.
- ❖ **Spending the night**—9:00 p.m.- 7:00 a.m. Does require making coffee, setting out continental breakfast in the morning, and handing out lunches.
- ❖ **Spending time in evening with CARITAS members**—Anytime in the evening—playing cards, checkers, games, etc.
- ❖ **Offering of special services/talents you may have**—Examples include donating clothing or shoes, giving haircuts, assisting with laundry at church, mending and sewing, etc.
- ❖ **COSTCO runs**—You will be reimbursed.
- ❖ **Setting up cots on Saturday, October 15**—Usually in the morning. The exact time will be confirmed at a later date.
- ❖ **Taking down cots on Saturday, October 21**—Usually in the morning. The exact time will be confirmed at a later date.

You can learn more about CARITAS at www.caritasshelter.org. Please contact **Brantley Holmes** at 754-1579 or by email at holmesby@comcast.net if you would like to help.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS

PASSPORTkids! PREVIEW—On Sunday morning, **October 9**, all **third, fourth and fifth graders** (and their parents) who are interested in knowing more about PASSPORTkids!, and possibly attending next summer, are invited to the Reception Room following worship. We will watch the DVD from last summer's camp (River Road Church campers are on the DVD!) and hear from campers who attended. Please mark your calendars for this informative time. Registration for 2006 begins on November 1 and we would like to have an idea about how many children want to attend this year.

TRUNK OR TREAT—is coming! River Road's second annual Trunk or Treat is scheduled for Friday evening, **October 28**. If you came last year, you know how much fun it was for the whole church family. Don't miss this one!

STUDENT MINISTRY NEWS

Events for Youth

Sunday, September 25	5:30 p.m.	Snack Supper—Fellowship Hall Dinner provided by Audrey Thomson
	6:00 p.m.	Youth Choir
	6:45 p.m.	Bible Study
Wednesday, September 28	5:30 p.m.	Dinner
	6:30 p.m.	Mission Study—Youth Area

We're back in the full swing of things with the River Road youth program. It was great to see everyone last Sunday evening for our first night back. We have lots of newcomers joining us—what an exciting time! Please remember to put our Sunday and Wednesday night events on your calendar. This is going to be a great year!

UPDATE ON OFFERINGS

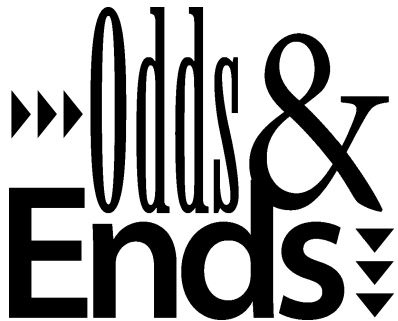
As of August 31, 2005

Again this year, the Board of Administration wants to keep the congregation informed on the progress of offerings toward our budget. Fortunately, many of our members pay their pledges in advance. Our hope is that others will either contribute in advance or make their pledge payments equally throughout the year. In the figures below, the pro-rata portion for eight months of pledges paid in advance is shown as received in order to accurately reflect current income. On this basis, at the end of August we had received 88.6% of our budgeted offerings. This is significantly better than we have done in recent years. If we can continue this trend, we should not experience a cash flow problem later in the year. If you haven't made a contribution toward your 2005 pledge, please help us by doing so at your earliest opportunity.

Offerings budgeted	\$844,768	Offerings received*	\$748,774
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Current ratio of received to budgeted offerings 88.6%

*Received offerings included pro rata offerings paid prior to January 1, 2005.



FIXERS

(Frequently Ingenious, eXtremely Efficient, Righteous Servants)

The next breakfast meeting for the FIXERS will be **Thursday, September 29, at 8:30 a.m., in the Reception Room.** If you can help out around the church for just a couple of hours that morning, contact **George Davis, 288-1131,** for more information.

NEEDED: WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVERS

Wednesday night serving team co-ordinator **Wendy Graves** could use several more church members to help serve beverages and scrape plates during the regular meal. This involves eating dinner before the meal from 5:00-5:30 and then serving / scraping from 5:30-6:30.

If you can work one Wednesday night a month or be on call as a substitute, please call Wendy at 739-8736.

URGENT CALL FOR BLOOD DONORS

River Road Church is hosting a blood drive on Sunday, October 2, from 12:00 noon-4:00 p.m., in the Youth Area (lower level of Fellowship House). Please call **Susan Vaughan, 883-7160,** to sign up to donate.

Give a gift of the heart—it saves lives!



WEDNESDAY DINNER MENU

The adults will have pork loin, twice baked potatoes, broccoli, salad bar, rolls, apple cobbler with ice cream. The children will have tacos, potato chips, salad bar, rolls, and ice cream. For dinner reservations, call the church office at 288-1131. The reservation deadline is Tuesday at noon of each week.

Missions

ALMA HUNT OFFERING FOR VIRGINIA MISSIONS

In September the Woman's Missionary Union and the Board of Missions jointly sponsor the Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions at River Road. This year the offering theme is *Imagine* from Ephesians 3:20-21, "Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly more than all we ask or imagine according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever!" We

are reminded by Paul in his letter to the church at Ephesus that through His power at work within us we are able to do and receive more than we ask or imagine. Contributions to the Alma Hunt Offering fund new church investment grants, migrant/rural ethnic ministries, developmental disabilities mentoring, WMUV ministry projects such as parish nursing and Hope Builders/Christian Women's Job Corps, and many other projects and mission opportunities. The Disaster Relief component of the Virginia Baptist Mission Board is especially evident at this time. "About 50 miles from New Orleans, Virginia Baptist disaster response units have set up in hurricane-ravaged Picayune, MS., and have already begun feeding thousands of people from surrounding areas...The teams, headed to Mississippi within 24 hours of a call-up...were first on the scene in Picayune, August 31...Fifty-nine Virginia Baptist volunteers set up at First Baptist Church of Picayune to operate units for feeding, recovery (cleanup and chainsaw work), showers, water purification, and counseling by crisis care chaplains." (VMBM release, 9/2) Please consider a generous contribution to the Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions. Offering envelopes can be found in the sanctuary pew racks.

FIRST SUNDAY FOOD SHARE

Thank you for your support of the First Sunday Food Share. A large delivery of food was made to the South Richmond Baptist Center on September 12. Mark your calendars for the next first Sunday Food Share on **Sunday, October 2**. Suggested foods for donation include: canned applesauce, fruits, vegetables, tuna, salmon, meats, soups, and stews; rice, macaroni and pasta products, peanut butter, crackers, cereals, and powdered milk. Please remember that canned and nonperishable food items can be brought to the church office at any time.

GOLF TOURNAMENT FOR CAMP ALKULANA—OCTOBER 14

This is a great way to have some fun and raise funds for a good cause at the same time! Camp Alkulana is a year-round ministry of the Richmond Baptist Association (RBA) with a targeted summer ministry to inner city children. Due to recent improvements and expansions, which our church had a hand in, the dining room is too small. All funds raised from the golf tournament will go to the dining hall expansion. There will be a shotgun start at 1:00 p.m. at The Hollows Golf Club on Friday, October 14. Costs are \$65 per person, or \$240 per foursome. We'll provide box lunches beginning at noon, with prizes awarded at a BBQ dinner (included) after play has ended. Please register on Camp Alkulana's web site www.Alkulana.org or call the Richmond Baptist Association at 329-1701. If you have any questions, or if you just want to share your golf wisdom with someone who needs help with his game, call **Bill Rusher** at 285-1087 or email wdrusher@aol.com.

SOUNDING THE CALL FOR TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS

The Transportation Committee is looking for "a few good members" to recruit and train as drivers of our church bus which is utilized on Sundays and other special occasions to assist members with transportation to and from the church (a Commercial Driver's License—CDL—is required and the church would cover all expenses related to securing a CDL). **Mark Pounders**, a member of the committee, has volunteered to provide the necessary training to acquire this license. Training dates/times will be set according to the schedule of interested drivers.

There are times, however, when the church bus is unavailable and the Transportation Committee is also seeking volunteers who would be willing to transport members to the church by utilizing their own personal vehicles. These members of our congregation are no longer able to provide their own transportation. Some of the transportation needs are temporary (i.e. after having surgery) and others are permanent. Many have been very active in the life of our church and would like to continue their participation. In Philippians 4:19 God promises to supply all our needs. This is a wonderful opportunity to allow God to use you to help members of our church family. The benefits far outweigh any inconveniences. If you are interested in either of these opportunities please contact **Linda Cash** at 756-8903 or email her at tedandlinda@corlink.com.

RIVER ROAD CHURCH, BAPTIST

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

AUGUST 2005

	2005 BUDGET	2005 BUDGET YR-TO-DATE	2005 ACTUAL YR-TO-DATE	2005 REMAINDER	2004 ACTUAL YR-TO-DATE
CURRENT RECEIPTS					
Current Offerings-Pledged	1,202,052	801,368	762,320	439,732	766,726
Current Offerings-Unpledged	65,095	43,397	37,692	27,403	27,418
Loose Offerings	16,000	10,667	12,053	3,947	8,777
Miscellaneous	6,000	4,000	7,432	-1,432	6,614
Prior Year Offerings	35,000	23,333	7,085	27,915	14,006
Interest	2,000	1,333	6,248	-4,248	1,739
Preschool	70,000	46,667	61,415	8,585	59,864
Columbarium Income	5,000	3,333	1,000	4,000	0
TOTAL CURRENT RECEIPTS	1,401,147	934,098	895,245	505,902	885,144
Carry Over	54,069	36,046	54,030	39	36,342
TOTAL RECEIPTS & CARRYOVER	1,455,216	970,144	949,275	505,941	921,486
CHURCH MISSIONS					
Cooperative Missions Gift					
Baptist Joint Committee	2,000	1,333	1,000	1,000	1,000
Baptist Communications-Religious Herald	1,750	1,167	875	875	875
Baptist Communications-Associated Bapt Press	1,250	833	625	625	625
Virginia Baptist Women in Ministry	500	333	500	0	500
Baptist Theological Seminary-Richmond	18,000	12,000	0	18,000	0
Baptist General Association of Virginia	54,000	36,000	0	54,000	0
Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Programs	34,400	22,933	0	34,400	0
Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of VA	3,000	2,000	1,500	1,500	1,500
Annuitant Ministry	2,000	1,333	1,000	1,000	1,000
Center for Baptist Heritage and Studies	1,000	667	500	500	
Global Women	1,000	667	500	500	
Baptist World Alliance	1,000	667	500	500	
Passport (Donation)	500	333	500	0	
Baptist Center for Ethics	300	200	300	0	
Total Cooperative Missions Gift	120,700	80,467	7,800	112,900	5,500
Richmond Baptist Association	23,000	15,333	11,500	11,500	11,500
Richmond Baptist Trust Fund	1,750	1,167	875	875	875
MARCH	4,000	2,667	2,000	2,000	2,000
Sponsorship Ministry	5,000	3,333	500	4,500	0
Church Family Ministry	500	333	26	474	15
Youth Mission Projects	20,000	13,333	5,926	14,074	36,761
Adult Mission Projects	15,000	10,000	8,142	6,858	-7,800
WMU	2,000	1,333	1,223	777	799
Community Outreach	18,380	12,253	8,475	9,905	9,330
	210,330	140,220	46,467	163,863	58,980
EDUCATIONAL MINISTRY					
Sunday School	18,525	12,350	13,980	4,545	13,104
Educational Programs	14,000	9,333	7,879	6,121	8,395
Summer Educational Programs	7,700	5,133	7,626	74	4,717
Preschool Workers	33,000	22,000	19,512	13,488	19,141
Teacher Training	1,000	667	143	857	3,007
Teacher Appreciation Banquet	2,500	1,667	2,648	-148	0
Other Educational Expenses	3,000	2,000	368	2,632	547
	79,725	53,150	52,157	27,568	48,911

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ORGANIZATIONAL EXPENSES					
Religious Herald	3,600	2,400	1,663	1,937	1,588
Publicity	5,150	3,433	1,018	4,132	842
Historical	9,100	6,067	621	8,479	196
Stewardship	2,500	1,667	0	2,500	0
Chancel Supplies	3,470	2,313	2,074	1,396	1,310
Social Activities	2,000	1,333	688	1,312	1,089
Special Services	0	0	32	-32	0
Recreation	2,000	1,333	1,951	49	1,211
Stephen Ministry	2,500	1,667	2,584	-84	
Food Services Supplement	4,500	3,000	5,377	-877	4,390
	34,820	23,213	16,008	18,812	10,626
STAFF SALARIES AND BENEFITS					
Salaries	582,653	388,435	390,705	191,948	363,168
Taxes and Benefits	180,048	120,032	106,006	74,042	118,207
Convention and Conference Expenses	5,300	3,533	2,812	2,488	1,782
	768,001	512,001	499,523	268,478	483,157
MUSIC					
Choral Leaders	19,040	12,693	7,358	11,682	5,963
Adult Music Program	3,000	2,000	1,129	1,871	1,539
Instrument Maintenance	3,500	2,333	1,221	2,279	2,208
Concerts/Special Services	5,000	3,333	3,014	1,986	3,922
Children's Music Program	5,000	3,333	3,274	1,726	3,520
Robe Maintenance	1,000	667	740	260	682
Youth Choir Tour	1,500	1,000	63	1,437	0
	38,040	25,360	16,799	21,241	17,834
OPERATING EXPENSES					
Heating-Gas	44,000	29,333	33,065	10,935	31,200
Electricity	43,000	28,667	26,863	16,137	28,210
Telephone	4,800	3,200	3,351	1,449	2,944
Water and Sewer	4,000	2,667	2,301	1,699	2,465
Insurance	33,000	22,000	25,922	7,078	21,823
Maintenance Repairs	34,500	23,000	25,595	8,905	21,237
Maintenance Supplies	21,000	14,000	11,942	9,058	11,978
Painting/Reserve	22,000	14,667	512	21,488	2,058
Postage	18,000	12,000	11,354	6,646	10,777
Office Supplies	20,500	13,667	10,980	9,520	11,385
Service Contracts	23,000	15,333	15,678	7,322	15,656
Vehicle Expenses	8,000	5,333	4,018	3,982	2,746
Miscellaneous	2,000	1,333	31	1,969	3,824
Traffic Officer	3,000	2,000	1,702	1,298	1,470
Church Facilities Upgrade & Replacement	30,000	20,000	743	29,257	19,459
	310,800	207,200	174,057	136,743	187,232
DEBT RETIREMENT AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS					
Auto Reserve	5,000	3,333	0	5,000	0
Equipment	3,500	2,333	895	2,605	0
Columbarium Debt Repayment	5,000	3,333	1,000	4,000	0
	13,500	9,000	1,895	11,605	0
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,455,216	970,144	806,906	648,310	806,740
FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR OPERATIONS			142,369		114,746

September & October

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, September 24	Church Work Day , 9:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall
Sunday, September 25	Stephen Ministry Supervision , 9:00 a.m., Church Parlor
	Micah Volunteers Commissioning , 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary
	Youth Programs , 5:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall
	Garden Party , 5:30 p.m., Courtyard
	Board of Administration , 7:30 p.m., Assembly Room
Wednesday, September 28	Annual Church Business Meeting , 6:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall
	Pastoral Intern Committee , 7:30 p.m., Church Parlor
Thursday, September 29	FIXERS , 8:30 a.m., Reception Room
Sunday, October 2	Stephen Ministry Supervision , 9:00 a.m., Church Parlor
	Adult Orientation , 9:45 a.m., Chapel
	Virginia Blood Services Blood Drive , 12:00 p.m., Youth Area
	Board of Missions , 7:30 p.m., Assembly Room
Monday, October 3	Board of Deacons Dinner , 6:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, October 4	Evening Bridge , 7:30 p.m., Reception Room
Wednesday, October 5	Stephen Ministry Supervision , 4:30 p.m., Church Parlor



TIME TO "SPRUCE UP" THE CHURCH! SEPTEMBER 24 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon

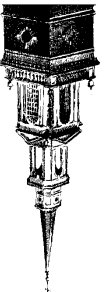
The House and Grounds Committee has scheduled a workday for this **Saturday, September 24**, from 9:00 a.m. until noon. Raking, trimming, and weeding are just some of the tasks that the committee hopes will be accomplished that morning to help make the church look a little nicer. Donuts, juice and coffee will be served for all hungry workers. Call **George Davis** at the church, 288-1131, with any questions.

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