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Dear Board Members and Friends of FBHS,

Congratulations to East Naples Baptist Church upon the celebration of their first 50 years of service (1956-2006). Congratulations also to the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church of Century, Florida, upon their 150th celebration. I want to thank Board Member Judy Jolly for representing the Society there. Thanks also to Board Chair Carolyn Melton for her kindness in representing Society interests at church library meetings in our state.

A very helpful research tool should be available for Florida Baptists before April 1, 2007. The "CAM KIT" will be a document of over 100 pages that will list the location of Florida Baptist Associational Minutes, FBHS Convention Press holdings, and FBHS microfilm holdings. (CAM is Convention Press, Association Minutes and Microfilm). The "CAM KIT" will be a ready resource for us to check the location of all Florida Baptist Association Minutes in print since our first association was formed in 1835 (Suwannee). Researchers contact us at least once per week searching for associational documents and "CAM" will speed up our response time to research queries.

Deep appreciation is extended to Lawson Jolly for his new works *Forgiving: A Journey in Learning to Forgive*; and *Protected: How God Protects His Own*. Both of these books were published in 2006 by Cedar House Publications and may be ordered through the Florida Baptist Historical Society.

The Emmanuel Baptist Church of Parrish, Florida, sent us a copy of their newly published *History of Emmanuel Baptist Church*. Ruth Osganian was helpful in seeing that this book was sent to us. Marjorie Buhr is the church secretary and Rick Chaffin is their transitional pastor.

Thanks to the International Mission Board, President Dr. Jerry Rankin and archivist, Edie Jeter for their kindness in hosting church historians in a meeting of Baptist archivists, librarians, and historical society directors.

Our fall FBHS meeting is set for November 13, 2006, in Ft. Myers, and our spring meeting is set for April 19-20, 2007, in Thomasville, Georgia.

Honoring those who honor Christ,

Jerry M. Windsor  
Secretary-Treasurer  
*Matthew 6:33*



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