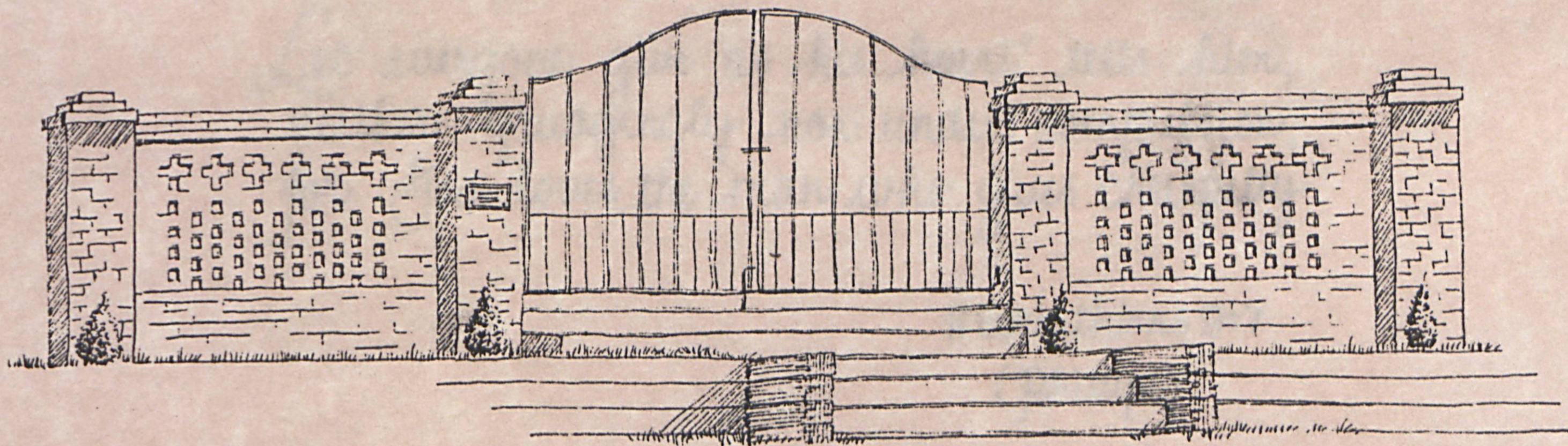
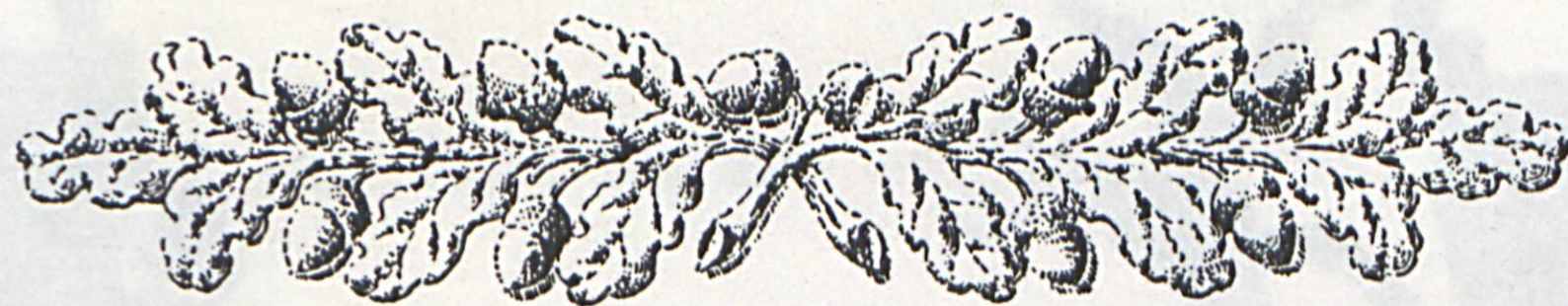


Special Gifts
1991



First Baptist Church, Boone, N.C.



Let everyone give as his heart tells him,
neither grudgingly nor under compulsion,
for God loves the man who gives cheerfully.

II Corinthians 9:7
(Phillips)

WHAT IS A SPECIAL GIFT?

It may be a gift in honor or in memory of someone, or simply an acknowledgement of your awareness of God's goodness and mercy.

Whatever prompts you to give, it is important that the gift be used in a way appropriate to meet a special need or as an opportunity to expand the ministry of the First Baptist Church.



WHAT ARE SOME RECENT SPECIAL GIFTS?

The Bingham House, a temporary home for furloughing or returned missionaries and for other mission needs.

The Memorial Prayer Garden.

Beautification of the grounds of the church property.

A playground for small children.

New equipment for educational and recreational needs.

Renovation of the Church Parlor and the Recreation Room.

Purchase and display of flags of nations where there is Southern Baptist mission work.

WHERE ARE SPECIAL GIFTS NEEDED?

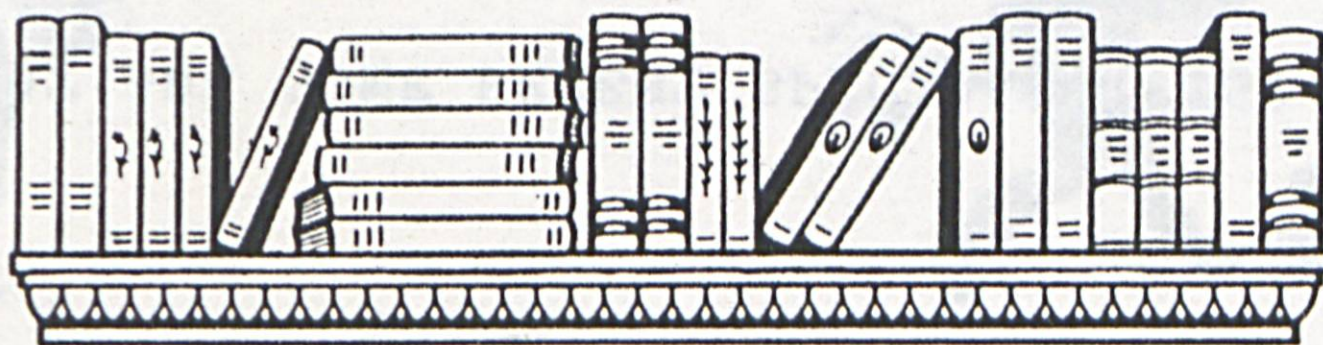
1. Contributions to the general budget of the church can be designated for current programs and projects. Such gifts could expand funds already allocated for:

Sunday School. New equipment, furnishings and instructional materials would be greatly appreciated.

Library. A good collection of books and other learning resources cannot remain stagnant. It is necessary to work constantly to replenish, discard, or enlarge the collection so that materials are available when needed.

Missions. In addition to gifts to the regular special missions offerings, financial assistance is needed for our members who are more and more frequently taking part in mission trips both at home and abroad.

Worship. A new communion set, additional hearing aids, pew Bibles and new hymnals are among items which are needed.



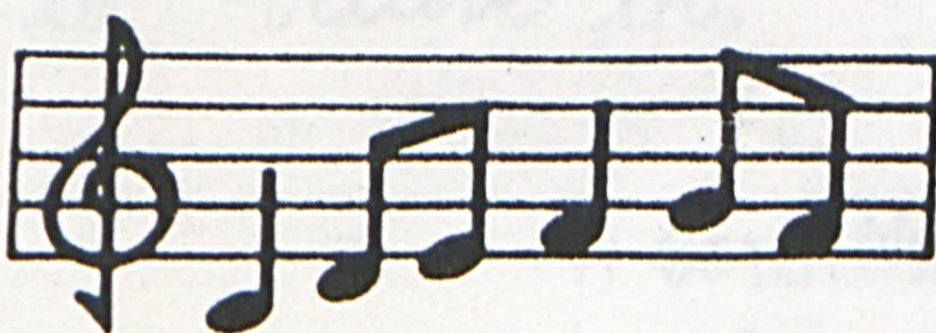
2. Projects already approved by the church which need further funding before they can be completed:

Debt Retirement. By vote of the church members, the current debt must be eliminated before we can initiate the Facilities Master Plan.

Facilities Master Plan. In October 1989, the church voted to pursue construction of an elevator and classrooms, a music suite, improvement of the sanctuary heating and ventilation system, and purchase of a pipe organ. We continue to add to the two funds already established:

Elevator. The Gilma Brown Memorial was designated for purchase and installation of an elevator needed by many of our older or handicapped members.

Pipe Organ. Installation of a new pipe organ has been a dream of many members for many years. A pipe organ fund has been growing slowly for more than twenty years.

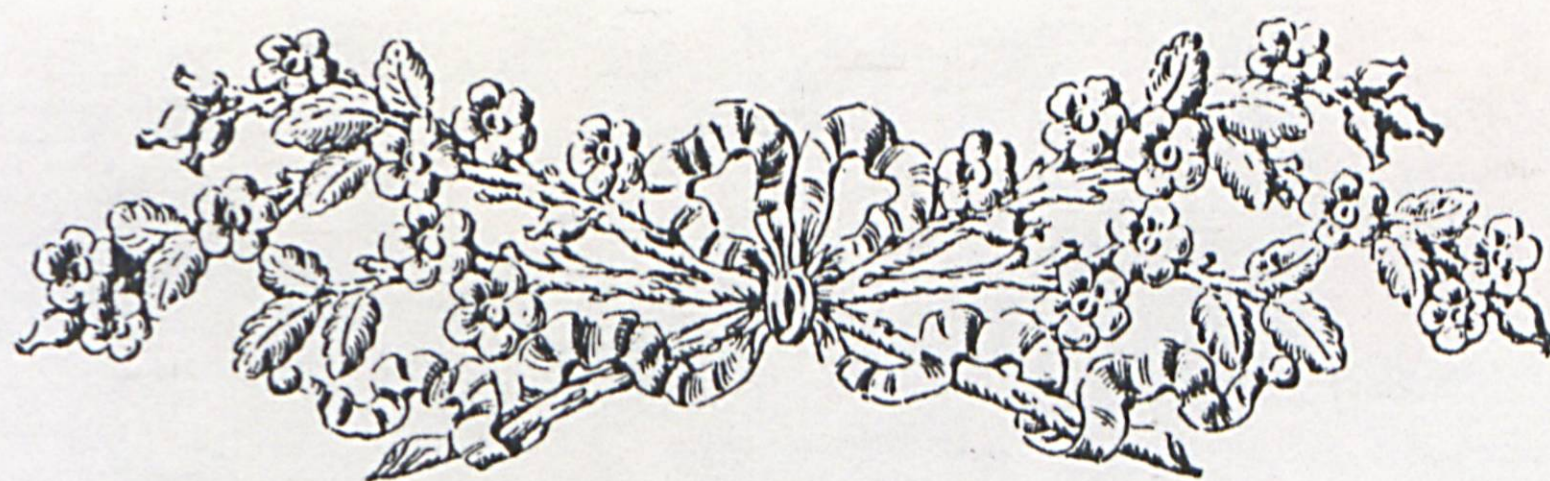


WHAT CAN YOU DO?

The Special Gifts Committee encourages you not only to make gifts now but also to include the church in your will. By doing so, you will contribute to the continuation of Christ's ministry through this church.

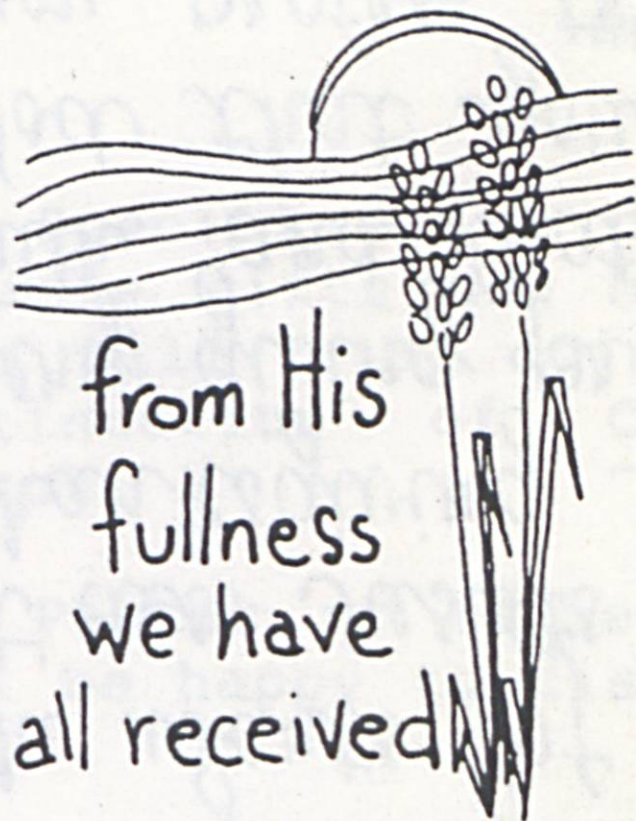
The Pastor or members of the Special Gifts Committee will be happy to discuss needs and opportunities with you.

Whatever the size or nature of your gift, it is always received by us with gratitude.



For your giving does not end in meeting the wants of your fellow Christians. It also results in an overflowing tide of thanksgiving to God. Moreover, your very giving proves the reality of your faith and that means that men thank God that you practice the gospel that you profess to believe in.

11 Corinthians 9:12-13a
(Phillips)



from His
fullness
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all received

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