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From Your Pastor,

I am excited to present to you the combined work of a large number of First Baptist Church committee members, program leaders and church staff. This work is the proposed 1992 Budget for First Baptist Church.

I would like to challenge you to look at the numbers to this budget and see something besides numbers. These numbers represent ministry and outreach world-wide.

This budget will be presented and discussed Sunday evening, November 17th. It will then be voted on Sunday morning, November 24th. My prayer is that God will use our tithes and offerings to help accomplish His work and bring honor to Himself.

This budget is very attainable if every one of you will covenant with God to be honest with Him in bringing the tithe of what He has blessed you with into His house (Malachi 3:10).

May God speak to you, and may you listen and obey.

Faithfully yours in His Service,

Jere D. Mitchell
Pastor
First Baptist Church

- 1992 Proposed Budget Presentation and Discussion
November 17 - 6:00 p.m.
- Budget Commitment Day - November 24

THIS WE ARE ABLE Our Potential of Giving

Projected 1992 Per Capita Income for Fayetteville/Springdale	\$13,300
Projected 1992 Membership of First Baptist Church Sunday School & Church	1,337
Projected Income of First Baptist Members	\$17,782,100
Potential Budget Gifts If Every Member Tithed (10% of Income)	\$1,778,210

PLUS ONE

Plus One is First Baptist Church, Fayetteville's effort to reduce the indebtedness of the church. Over the past few years the church has purchased property along Highland Street to provide room for additional parking and possible expansion of church facilities.

In order to pay for this property, the church approved a plan to ask church members to give in addition to their tithe, one percent of their income for debt retirement.

There is a place on your commitment card to indicate your participation in this effort. Remember, this is to be an offering over and above your regular tithe.

GIVE... Live God's Word

Matthew 25:40

MY COMMITMENT TO MY HEAVENLY FATHER AND MY CHURCH

Recognizing that God is Creator and Owner of all things and that Jesus is Lord over my life: I covenant with God and with His church to acknowledge Him and my responsibility for good stewardship by: (check)
☐ Giving at least a tithe (10%) of all God blesses me with materially.
☐ Giving regularly and praying about tithing.

Signature _____

MY PLAN FOR GIVING TO MY CHURCH 1992

BUDGET
I estimate my giving to my church budget to be \$ _____ per week.

PLUS ONE DEBT RETIREMENT
I plan to give \$ _____ per week for debt retirement.
This is over and above my regular tithe.

First Baptist Church, Fayetteville, Arkansas
This is an estimate and may be increased or decreased as necessary.

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WHY SHOULD I TITHE?

1) It is Biblical. Leviticus 27:30 says, "the tithe is the Lord's; Malachi 3:10 instructs, "bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse." Jesus endorsed this principle and practice (Luke 11:42).

2) It acknowledges God's ownership and your stewardship. Psalm 24:1 says everything is the Lord's. You are a caretaker. To give back to God what is His is being an honest steward.

3) It is an act of obedience.

4) It is an act of faith. You are to trust God for your daily needs (Matthew 6:25 - 34).

5) It expresses a Christ-like attitude of giving.

Matthew 25:40, NKJV

"Inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me."

GIVE

Live God's Word

WORLD MISSIONS

	1991	1992
Cooperative Program (19%)	\$135,550	\$142,782
Associational Missions (2%)	14,268	15,030
Baptist Student Union (2%)	14,268	15,030
American Bible Society	500	500
Local Missions	1,200	1,800
Christian Civic Foundation	500	500
Special Mission Projects	2,400	1,200
Sierra Baptist Chapel	2,400	1,200
	\$171,086	\$177,442

SALARIES

Ministerial Staff	\$143,181	\$151,274
Support Staff	102,996	106,341
(Salary information is available in the church office)	\$246,177	\$257,615

OTHER PERSONNEL EXPENSES

Social Security	\$28,850	\$29,517
Denominational Retirement	9,936	11,535
Health/Life Plan	27,000	30,000
Convention Expenses	4,000	4,000
	\$69,786	\$75,052

PASTORAL EXPENSES

Pulpit Supply	\$ 750	\$ 750
Revival, Conferences & Clinics	2,000	2,000
Pastoral Ministries	1,000	1,000
	\$3,750	\$3,750

EDUCATIONAL MINISTRIES

	1991	1992
Supplies (Organizational)	\$1,000	\$1,400
Sunday School	20,000	22,000
Discipleship Training	2,400	2,200
Royal Ambassadors	1,040	1,200
Woman's Missionary Union	4,000	4,250
Preschool Ministry	1,850	1,900
Children's Ministry	750	850
Singles Ministry	1,200	1,000
Adult Ministry	1,000	1,000
Senior Adult Ministry	2,000	2,000
Vacation Bible School	1,500	1,500
June Bible Week	1,900	1,900
Back Yard Bible Club	300	300
	\$38,940	\$41,500

MUSIC MINISTRY

	\$13,750	\$14,300
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YOUTH AND UNIVERSITY MINISTRY

Youth Ministry	\$8,500	\$8,750
University Ministry	6,500	6,750
	\$15,000	\$15,500

SERVICE MINISTRIES

	1991	1992
Radio	\$7,800	\$7,800
Printing	10,000	10,610
Office Supplies	3,000	3,200
Publicity and Promotion	2,000	2,000
Postage	6,330	6,900
Arkansas Baptist Newsmagazine	1,800	2,000
Food Service	4,000	4,000
Flowers	400	400
Media Library	600	600
Historical Committee	0	50
Janitorial Supplies & Laundry	2,000	2,800
Transportation	7,000	7,000
Baptismal Supplies	100	100
Recreation	900	1,000
Hospitality Committee	320	320
	\$46,250	\$48,780

BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT

Electricity	\$29,000	\$30,000
Water	4,000	4,000
Gas	11,000	10,000
Telephone	6,000	5,800
Insurance	10,125	10,700
Repair and Maintenance	24,000	30,000
New Equipment	6,500	5,000
Audio Equipment	200	200
Real Estate Taxes	1,445	1,095
Interest on Debt	3,000	3,000
Financial Audit	2,000	1,750
Cleaning Contract	10,821	16,000
	\$108,091	\$117,545

TOTAL BUDGET 1991

\$712,830

TOTAL PROPOSED BUDGET 1992

\$751,484

THIS IS THE RECORD

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH 1990

Average Individuals
Amount Giving
Given to Budget
Per Week Offering

NOTHING	653
0.01 - 1.00	155
1.01 - 3.00	60
3.01 - 5.00	40
5.01 - 7.50	52
7.51 - 10.00	51
10.01 - 15.00	69
15.01 - 20.00	37
20.01 - 30.00	89
30.01 - 40.00	43
40.01 - 50.00	31
50.01 - 60.00	14
60.01 - 70.00	16
70.01 - 80.00	7
80.01 - 90.00	1
90.01 - 100.00	8
100.01 - 110.00	5
110.01 - 120.00	0
120.01 - 130.00	0
130.01 - 140.00	2
140.01 - 150.00	0
150.00	4
	1337

Completed on the basis of
gifts given through
the church budget
by church members and
non-church members.