

GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION

**Christian Life Center
First Baptist Church of Saks
March 2, 2014**



"Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we could ask or think ... unto Him be glory in the church by Jesus Christ throughout all ages, world without end. Amen" (Ephesians 3:20-21)



How great to welcome you on this very special day in the life of our congregation. We are so thankful for all who have come to rejoice with us in the opening of our new Christian Life Center. Today is all about celebrating what God has done to get us to this day, as well as anticipating what we believe God will do in coming days.

Lots of prayer and hard work has culminated in this celebration service in which all the glory truly belongs to our Lord. Please join with us in asking God to help us be a church with a vision for family life. With a new building comes both the opportunity and the responsibility to use to the ultimate what God has given to us.

May this building be a "ministry tool" that will be a witness to our community and impact lives for generations to come. May this new facility be used to bring many people to Jesus and see them built up in Him. Amen.

Let the celebration begin!

Pastor Randy Postell



Celebration Worship

Call to Worship	"I Will Not Be Shaken" Duet: Jennifer Tittle & Derrick Vanover	Choir & Orchestra
	"How Great Is Our God" "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" "I Worship You, Almighty God"	
Special Recognitions		Randy Whorton Chairman of Building Committee
Message in Song	"This Blood" Soloist: Christy Oliver	Choir & Orchestra
Welcome	"The Family of God"	Pastor Randy Postell
Guest Speaker		Dr. Dennis Swanberg Monroe, Louisiana
Dedication Prayer		Lynn Martin Church Administrator
Offering		

*All are invited to join us for a covered dish luncheon in the new CLC
*Please be sure to sign our registry book located in the church foyer



Lobby



Kitchen



Multi Purpose Room



Gym and Stage



Elevator



Sr. High Youth Room

Youth Room



Grateful Acknowledgments

We gratefully acknowledge the contributions of all who have given sacrificially of their resources in the completion of this facility. We offer special thanks to a host of unnamed individuals who have been instrumental in the planning and production of this special day.

Building Committee

Bob Abernathy
Bo Batey
Jack Brim
Janis Burns
Misty Cassell
Norman Cole
Ron Drury
Glen Newman
Bobby Tittle
Randy Whorton

Finance Committee

Bob Abernathy
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Debbie Smith
Bobby Tittle
Sam Whorton

Trustees

Bo Batey
Johnny Green
J. D. Hess
Mike Howard
Chuck Jones
Tom Morris

Staff Consultants

Jeremy Ford
Tammy Postell

Construction Profile

Architect: Munroe & Jenkins Architect, LLC
Contractor: Eugene Turner General Contractor
Project Superintendent: Donald Suggs
Electrical Engineering: Jack R. Morgan Engineering
Financing: Regions Bank

Subcontractors

Abbey Carpet & Floor	Jennings Interiors
Acker Electric Company	McCulley Cabinets
Alabama Accessibility	NSC, LLC
Anniston Concrete Company	Precision Masonry
Covington Flooring Company	Quality Gutter
Giddens Plumbing Company	Snow Glass Company
Hurst Construction	Whorton Engineering

Information of Interest

The Christian Life Center is approximately 20,750 square feet with 15,000 square feet on the first level and 28 foot eave height. The facility includes internet, indoor and outdoor security cameras, telephone, TV's, vending area, etc. There is also a covered entry area for drop off, a covered entry from the original sanctuary, as well as additional parking areas.

The gym includes a regulation size high school basketball court as well as a regulation size volleyball court. In addition, the gym will also allow two regulation size cross court volleyball matches simultaneously or two cross court basketball courts. The gym includes a center electric curtain/divider that will partition the court for safety when used with the cross court configuration. The gym includes a stage for use during various events that allows full access for handicap visitors or members. Folding bleachers are also included.

The facility includes a lobby for assembly, storage areas, office, welcome center, warming/catering kitchen, rest rooms, and a 100+ seat multi-purpose room (connected to the warming kitchen) to be used for functions such seminars, meetings, showers, conferences, etc.

The second floor of the building includes a 150+ seat youth room with stage, lighting, projection system, etc. The second floor includes a large multi-purpose room that can be used for various functions. In order to prevent any exclusion from participation; the second floor can be accessed with an ADA elevator/lift for wheelchair, elderly visitors, those who may be injured, and those who may have difficulty with stairs.

We believe that the entire church family will enjoy the Christian Life Center for many years. We pray that it will provide a place for caring, friendships, good times and fellowship. We trust that it will further allow the First Baptist Church of Saks to be a witness to our community and a tool to be used to lead others to know Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

All this was made possible because of the Lord's blessings as well as the cooperation, sincerity, dedication, and contributions provided by the members, and guests of the First Baptist Church of Saks.