



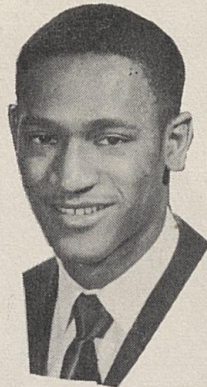
FIRST BAPTIST  
CHURCH

• *Versus* •

INADEQUATE PARSONAGE



YOU ARE ON THE JURY!!!  
HOW DO YOU VOTE ???



My Dear Co-Workers;

God hath certainly blessed us during the past seven months. Through His Divine Guidance, we have accomplished much on all fronts. I am more certain now, than ever before, that God heard our prayers and now is leading us on to greater heights.

I wish to thank the many members for their sincere, wholehearted support to the program of the Church. Realizing that adjustments had to be made on both sides, you have exerted an extra amount of effort to bring our membership together as one in Jesus Christ. The manifestation of this "oneness" is already being felt throughout the Community.

The greatest expression of your faith is this adventure we are undertaking. It shows that you are a people with Pride and Vision. Pride reveals that you have dignity and respect. Vision reveals that you are not only concerned about today but also tomorrow. "Where there is no vision, the people perish:" Proverbs 29:18. You will live because you have already seen the Lord.

Therefore, let us all now put our shoulders to the wheels, and push, push hard, until the job is done.

Your humble servant,

*Charles H. Smith*

Charles H. Smith, Pastor  
First Baptist Church

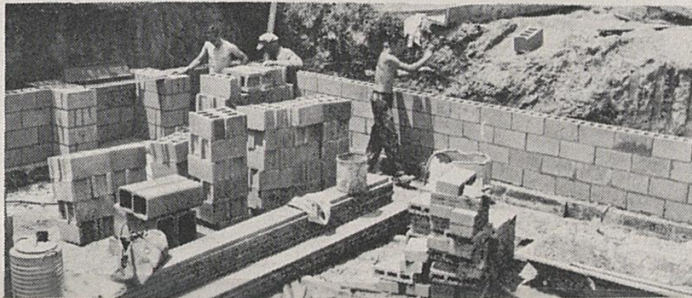
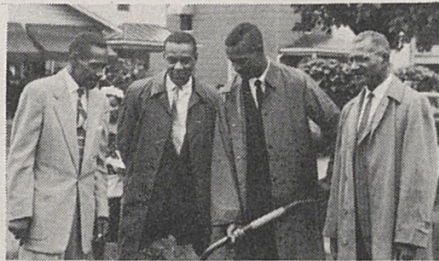
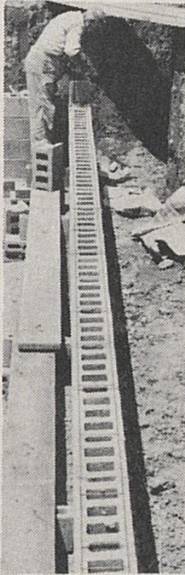
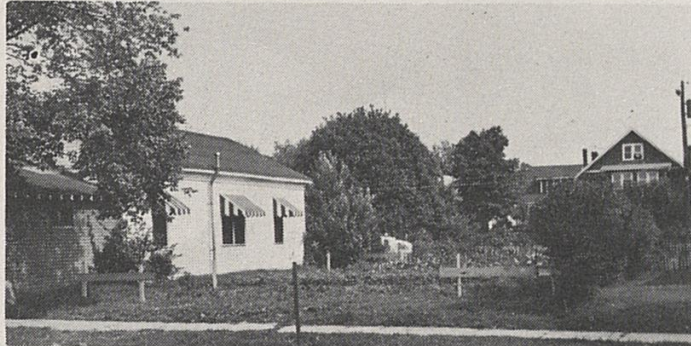
# BUILDING FUND GOAL

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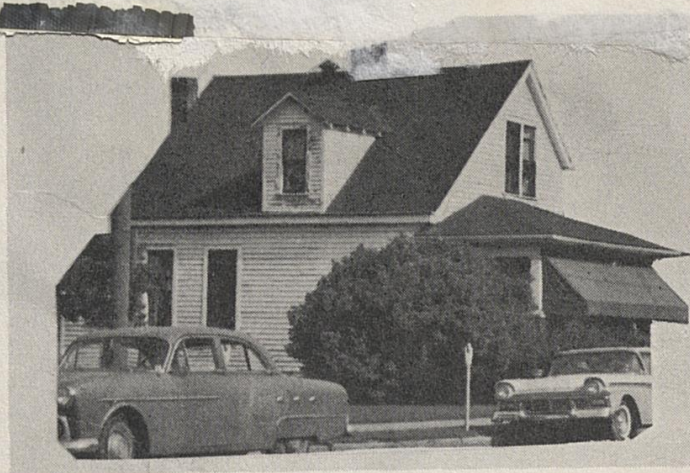
*Principle and Interest  
for 36 Months . . . . .*

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*Each member is asked to  
pledge weekly . . . . .*



" LET 'S FINISH THE JOB "



TIME HAS TAKEN ITS TOLL

TOO OLD FOR MAJOR EXPANSIONS

LOCATION UNDESIRABLE FOR COMMUNITY LIFE

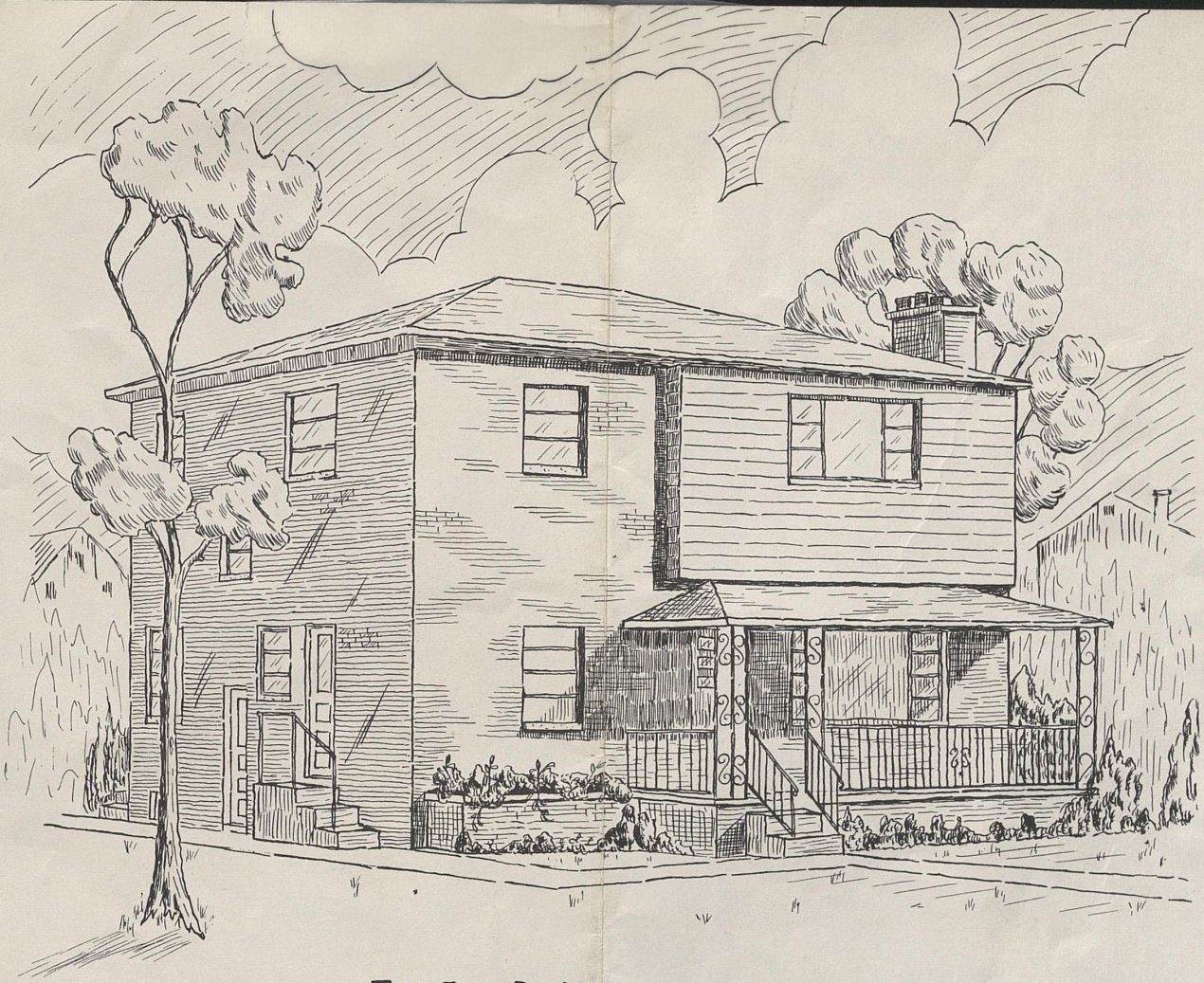
HOUSE UNADAPTABLE FOR A GROWING FAMILY



OLD - BUSINESS SURROUNDINGS



NEW - QUIET RESIDENCE



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OLD - DANGEROUS TRAFFIC



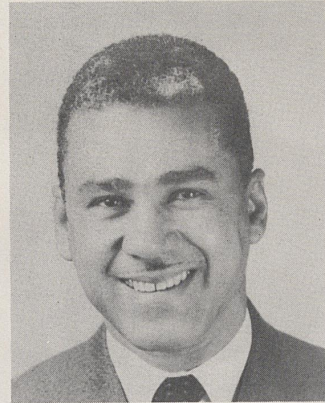
TRAFFIC IS DANGEROUS FOR CHILDREN



NEW - AVERAGE COMMUNITY TRAFFIC



NEW - LOVELY RESIDENTIAL AREA



Fellow Church Members,

Men take great honor in serving their country in a time of national crisis. They take great honor in serving their community. Today, I deem it an honor to serve my Church which stands to me as a fortress of defense against the destruction of the human personality and against the erosion of the human soul.

As a fellow-member, I know that you share this same feeling with me, "that my Church, the place where I found Christ, means all the world to me." Therefore it should be first in my thoughts and first in my expressions of gratitude to God. We can show our appreciation to our church through contributions of time and substance.

First Baptist must not stop its progress. It will continue to grow because you are ready to meet any challenge that prevents its expansion.

We have started a \$25,000 BUILDING FUND DRIVE that will eventually lead us on to greater things for our Church.

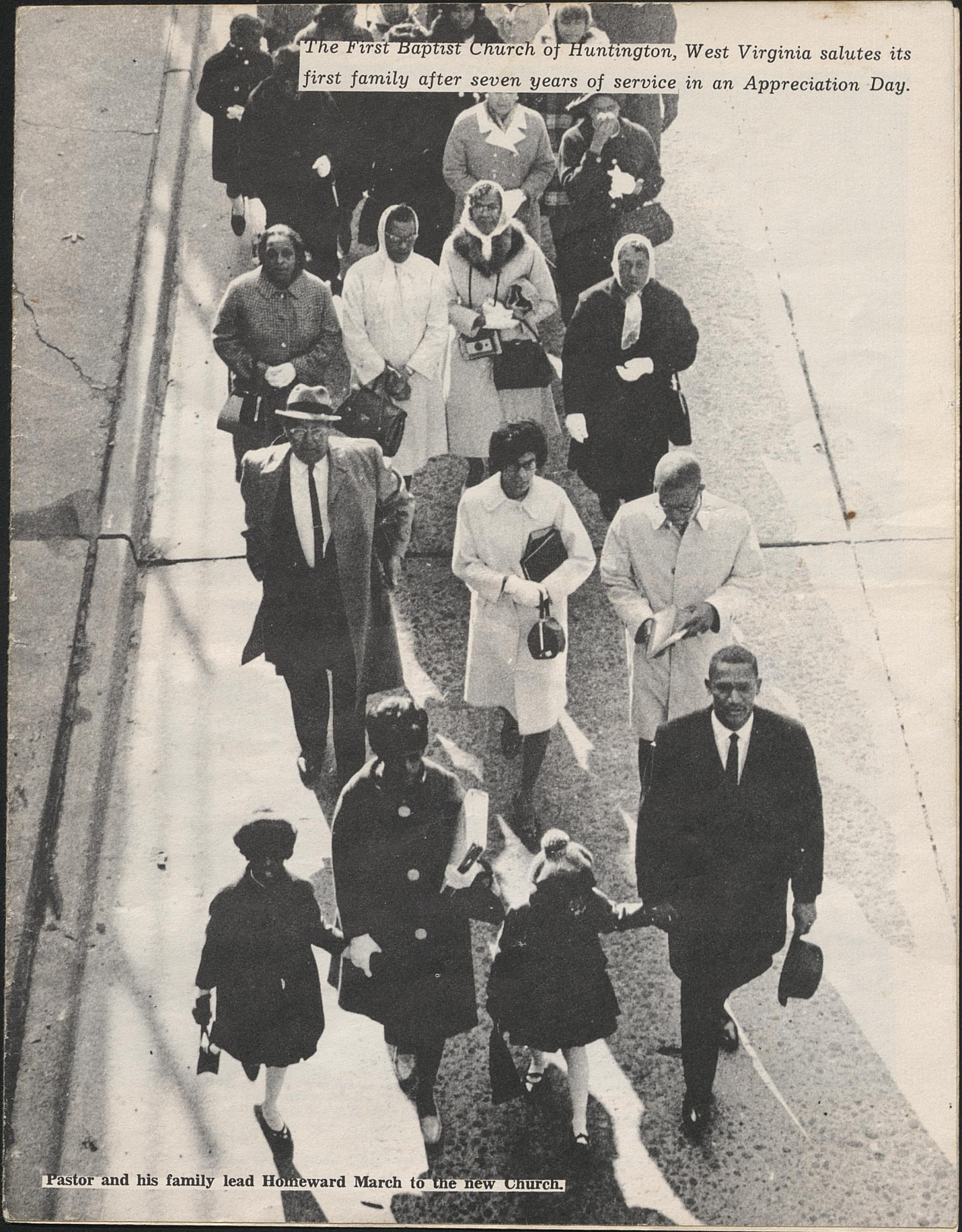
To do this job, we need the help of every man, woman and child in First Baptist Church. We will appreciate your consideration of this need with the deep concern that you have exhibited in the past.

Sincerely yours,

*Joseph A. Slash*

Joseph A. Slash  
General Chairman  
Building Fund Drive

*The First Baptist Church of Huntington, West Virginia salutes its first family after seven years of service in an Appreciation Day.*



**Pastor and his family lead Homeward March to the new Church.**

## Church Goes Into Seafood Business

The Men of the First Baptist Church are contributing to the church building fund by operating a business, the Rev. Charles H. Smith, pastor, said yesterday. The church is erecting a new sanctuary at Sixth Avenue and Eighth Street.

Under auspices of the Men of the Church the Seafood Mart will open today at 925 Sixteenth Street. The mart will be open from 9 a. m. until 7 p. m. Tuesday through Friday each week.

Mrs. Bessie McClain is food manager. Carl Barnett, general manager, is a trustee of the church.

All proceeds above expenses

from the enterprise will help pay for the new church building.



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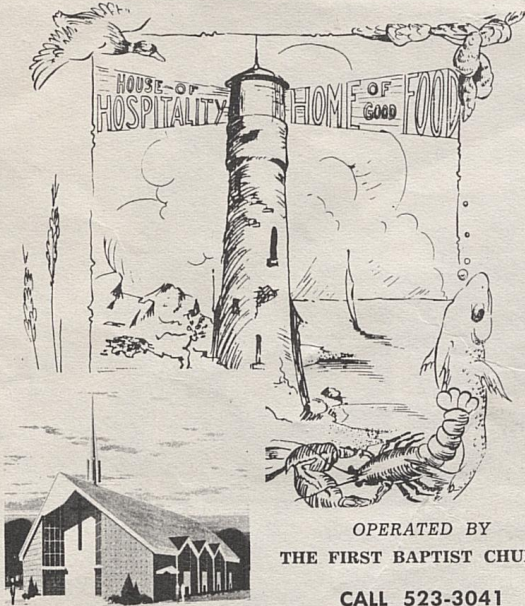


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## THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Huntington, West Virginia

## Rev. Charles H. Smith Wins Jaycees' Award For Service

The Rev. Charles H. Smith, pastor of the First Baptist Church and director of the anti-poverty Action Center, was presented the Huntington Junior Chamber of Commerce distinguished service award Monday night for contributions to the community during the past year.

The award was presented at a dinner at the Holiday Inn on recommendation of a judging committee composed of former Governor Cecil H. Underwood; Dr. Stewart H. Smith, president of Marshall University; Dr. Lynn T. Jones, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church; City Manager Edward A. Ewing and Larry Glick, executive director of the Downtown Improvement Group.

Mr. Smith, 35, was nominated by the Huntington Professional and Business Men's Club, which noted that his church recently completed a \$275,000 building to replace one destroyed by fire about

two years ago; that he founded and heads a seafood market which helped finance the rebuilding program, meets a community need and provides work for six persons;

That the Action Opportunity Center with 38 employees that "has done more to lift the economic status and social climate of citizens in the lower socio-economic bracket . . . than any other program . . . in recent history" of the city; that he served for two years as chairman of the City Human Rights Commission, and that he is chairman of the board of trustees of the West Virginia State Baptist Convention and has been active in many volunteer community organizations.

Mr. Smith is an honor graduate of Virginia Union University in Richmond with an A. B. degree and received his Bachelor of Divinity degree from the Virginia Union



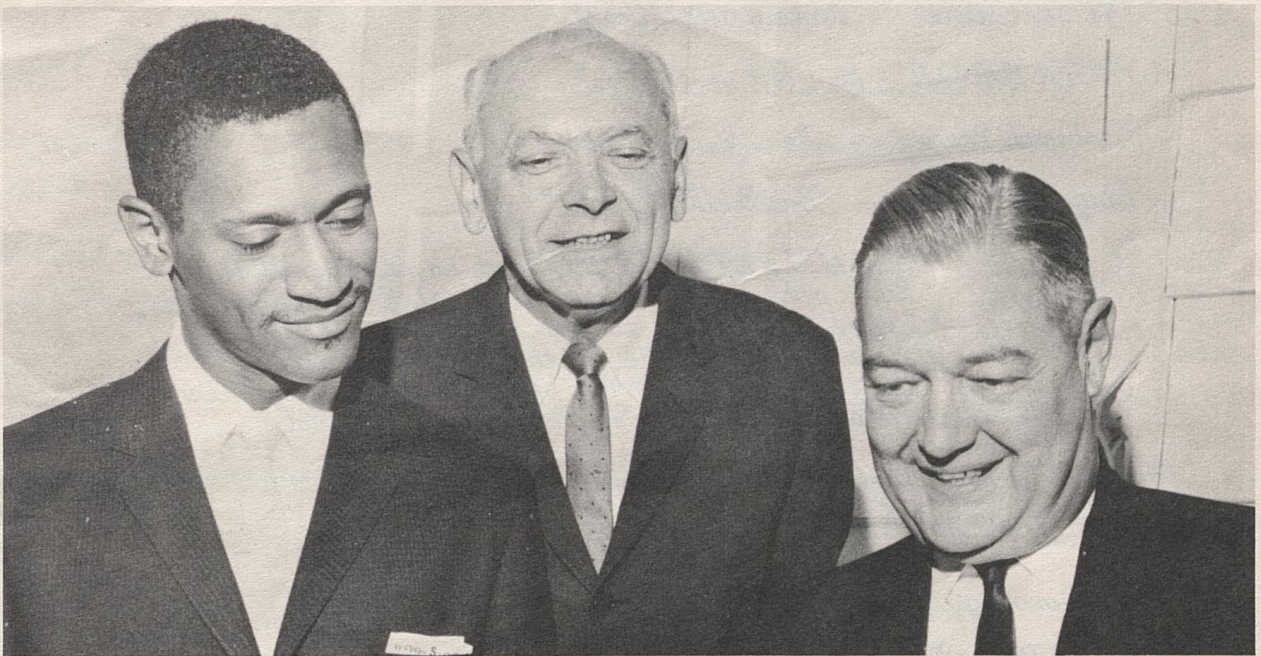
Rev. Smith

school of religion. He has been pastor of the First Baptist Church for more than six years.





*Pastor and Mrs. Smith meet Governor and Mrs. Nelson Rockefeller of New York State.*



*Pastor studies proposal with Dr. Steward Smith, President of Marshall University and Dr. Andrew Byrd, former pastor of First Presbyterian Church.*

MORNING WORSHIP  
January 22, 1967  
10:50 A.M.

ORGAN PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

O come, Let us sing unto the Lord: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms. For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods. (Psalms 95: 1-3)

HYMN: No. 401 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

INVOCATION, followed by the Lord's Prayer

Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from thy presence: and take not thy holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit. (Psalm 51: 10-12)

THE TRUE SOURCE OF KNOWLEDGE

The Scripture: Romans 10: 12-21

A PRAYER FOR GOD'S ELECTED

Pastoral Prayer - Rev. W. F. Parks

Prayer Response: "Be Still My Soul"

Be still, my soul; the Lord is on thy side;  
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;  
Leave to thy God to order and provide;  
In every change He faithful will remain.  
Be still my soul: thy best, thy heav'nly Friend  
Thro' thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

WELCOME TO VISITORS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS - Mr. James Madison

OFFERTORY SERVICE - Prayer of Consecration

The Doxology

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER - Mr. Joseph Slash, Sr.

Solo: "Dedication" - Mr. E. C. Barnes

MORNING MESSAGE: Rev. Lowell McCown, Pastor New Hope Baptist Church,  
Ashland, Kentucky

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP: "Something Within"

THE BENEDICTION

CONTEMPLATION

ORGAN POSTLUDE

AFTERNOON SERVICE

5:00 P.M.

MASTER OF CEREMONIES	Deacon William Murrell
ORGAN PRELUDE	
HYMN OF PRAISE	No. 453 "Rise Up O Men Of God"
SCRIPTURE	1 Corinthians 13: 1-13 - Deacon Gray
PRAYER	Deacon Cosby
SONG	No. 454 "O Master Let Me Walk With Thee"
TRIBUTE	Mrs. M. T. Garrison Church Organization, Civic, Religious and Educational
SOLO	"Lost Chord" - Deacon Fair
PRESENTATION	Anniversary Committee
CHORAL TRIBUTE	Combined Choirs
REMARKS	Pastor Smith
BENEDICTION	
RECEPTION	Fellowship Hall

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Anniversary Committee

Deacon William Murrell - General Chairman  
Mrs. Louise Cosby - Program Chairman  
Mrs. Evelyn Moore - Publicity Chairman  
Deacon Ronald Atkinson - Expression Co-Chm.  
Mrs. Susan Spencer - Expression Co-Chm.  
Mrs. Rose Webb - Reception Chairman



*Pastor directs the church choir in annual concert.*



*Corner Stone laying exercise. From left to right Deacon Jerry Cosby, Trustee L. L. Jackson, Chairman Building Committee Joseph Slash, Sr., and Pastor Smith.*



*Pastor works with youth of the church.*

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By BILL WILD

City Council last night appointed the officers of the Mayor's Commission on Civil Rights. The action was taken on the commission's request at the time several three-year appointments were made.

The Rev. Charles Smith, pastor of First Baptist Church, was appointed chairman, Roger Gross as vice chairman, and Mrs. Gerald Phillips as secretary. The chairman has been the Rev. Royce K. McDonald pastor of Enslow Park Presbyterian Church. He continues as a member of the 15-member commission.

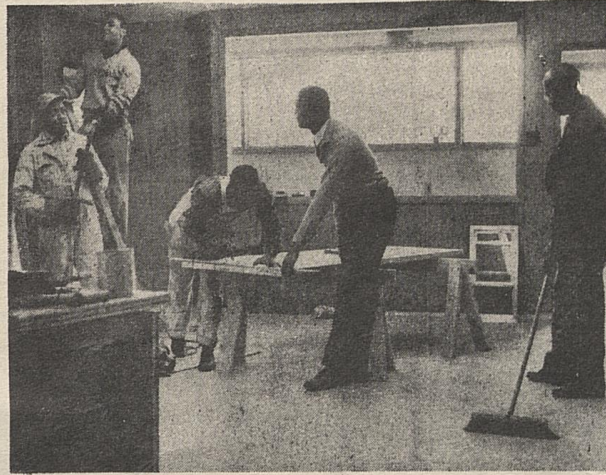
Former Mayor George Garner explained only that the commission had requested that Council select the officers each year hereafter. Other boards and commissions pick their own officers.

Appointed to three-year terms were Mrs. Phillips, the Rev. Mr. Smith, Mrs. Robert Gunn and Ernest Leaberry.

## J. W. Scott Center Job Under Way

Volunteer workers at the J. W. Scott Community Center, 1637 Eighth Ave., hope to have the first floor of the building ready for use by Easter, the Rev. Charles W. Smith, chairman of the volunteer committee, said today.

# Baptist Pastor Heads Mayor's Rights Group



SCOTT COMMUNITY CENTER RENOVATION UNDER WAY  
Volunteers above are Wallace Hayden Jr., Wilbert Nixon, Harlan Johnson, Rev. C. H. Smith and C. P. Hall.

## Clergy's Aid Asked In Housing

By BILL WILD

A proposal to free Negroes from "ghetto" housing districts in the city and develop plans for open housing in all neighborhoods was laid before the Huntington Human Rights Commission last night.

The Rev. Charles Smith, chairman of the commission, said recent experiences in trying to obtain housing for Negro members of the Women's Job Corps Center staff here only put the spotlight on a problem of many years duration.

He outlined, and the commission approved, a plan to request the Huntington Ministerial Association to coordinate an educational campaign to define the problem and then take definite steps to do something about it.

If Mayor Hinerman and City Council give their approval, the first step might be a meeting styled as a "mayor's conference" on ending discrimination in housing.

A  
Committee to Improve Our Neighborhood

# ACTION



Let's Get Behind Action And Go.



## MORTGAGE-BURNING CEREMONY AT CHURCH

In special services at the First Baptist Church yesterday afternoon, church officials, from left, Robert Hill, chairman of trustees; the Rev. Charles H. Smith, pastor, and Jerry Cosby, chairman of the board of deacons, burned the mortgage on the parsonage, which has been paid in full. Located at 1531 Doulton Avenue, the modern residence was built in 1960 at a cost of \$30,000.

Atty. HERBERT HENDERSON  
Chairman of the Board of Directors

REV. CHARLES H. SMITH  
Project Director

**ACTION CENTER**

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*The only true Huntingtonian in the Smith family, Stephanie, enjoys her first day in the new church nursery.*

# To 150 Townhouse Apartments

ROTARY GARDENS  
First Baptist Housing Development



## *Plan To Live In Rotary Gardens Complex*

Rotary Gardens consists of a group of 150 Town House Apartment units, sponsored by The First Baptist Church, under the name of the First Baptist Church Housing Association.

Rev. Charles H. Smith, Founder

Mr. James Carroll, Chairman Building Commission

Deacon Jerry Cosby  
Chairman, Board of Deacons

Mr. Joseph Slash, Sr.  
Chairman, Board of Trustees



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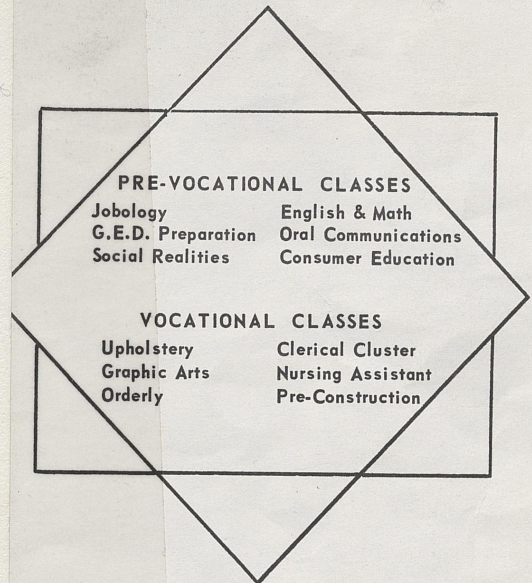
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