



*The Arthur D. Brown
Enrichment Center*

Co-Chairs – Deacon Edward Sallie and Deaconess Amy Fletcher

Honoree Host – Deacon Robert James, *Pastor's Study*

Culinary Specialist Team – Deaconesses Hattie Hayes and Gwen Pritchett
and Trus. Tina Gordon

Hosts – Deaconess Carol Baxter, Sis. Jovita Fant and Deacon George Martin

Photography & Videography – Sis. Kimanne Smith and Sis. Evelin Potts

Positioned Hosts for each Space Function in the Center:

The Library, Study and Meeting Space – Trus. Allen Washington, Esq.

The Kitchen – Culinary Specialist Team

The Upper Room for Biblical Research and Devotions –

Trus. Nora Drewery

The Records, Publications, Archives Room – Official Sign-In Guest

Book – Deaconess Jo James

The Management Team's Room – Sis. Lesia Pinnix, Treasurer

The Pastor's Study – Deacon Robert James

The "Loft" – Fellowship, Study and Fun Space – Sis. Teresa Sallie,
Minister Gordon Drewery and The Youth

Thank you for Grasping 'The Vision' – 'Using the Oil We Have Left'

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THE MINISTRY OF THE
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF MADISON, NJ

*Open House
of the*

*Arthur D. Brown
Enrichment Center*

*36 Cook Avenue
Madison, New Jersey*

*Sunday, December 14, 2003
1:00-4:00 PM*

Rev. Charles H. Smith, Pastor





The Arthur D. Brown Enrichment Center

The First Baptist Church of Madison welcomes you to our Open House of the new **Arthur D. Brown Enrichment Center**, located at 36 Cook Avenue, Madison, New Jersey.

The Brown Center will serve as a base to intersect with other community-based organizations and local academic civic institutions to enrich the lives of its members and local community. The Center's approach will be examining relevant interdisciplinary research and seeking "Applied Solutions" to social concerns, as well as looking for opportunities to enrich life. The Center will house the state-of-the-art video and sound for distant learning and television viewing, as well as 'a spot for fellowship'.

The first major program will be called "*Filling in the Blanks in the History of Madison*". Storytelling by its older citizens will enrich Madison's history from an African American perspective.

The Brown Center will provide space for meetings, library and readings, personal meditation and scholarly bible study, youth meetings, as well as offices for the pastor, trustees, church clerk and secretary.

Paintings by Kimanne Smith, the pastor's wife, are on exhibit today for the *Center's Open House*.



ARTHUR D. BROWN

The Center's name honors one of Madison's most respected citizens, a stakeholder who embodies 'the essence of an enriched life'. Mr. Arthur D. Brown, 87, has been a member of First Baptist Church for 50 years. He currently serves as the Vice Chairman of the First Baptist Church Board of Deacons and is revered as 'The Dean' for his wisdom and guidance. He also serves as a Trustee and is an avid class member in the Church's Tuesday noon bible study.

Arthur D. Brown is a native of Madison, New Jersey and a product of its public school system. He is the son of Irvin and Pearl Brown of Madison. He was married to his lovely wife, Muriel Doris Kyes, for nearly 60 years. They were blessed with a son, A. David, Jr., and a daughter, Muriel. Both have blessed his name with four grandchildren. David and his wife, Joan, have two children, Zackery and Joshua, and Muriel and her husband, Gary Lewis, have two children, Jason and Seth.

Arthur D. Brown's Family operated the I. S. Brown & Son Dairy for nearly 50 years. They provided fresh milk products house-to-house in the Madison community. Deacon Brown reminiscently recalls that milk was sold in those days for .17 cents a quart. After the farm was sold, Mr. Brown worked for several dairy companies. Later he was employed as a salesman and supervisor for the Singer Sewing Machine and later expanded to other sewing machine companies.

Arthur D. Brown has served on the Board of Directors of the Madison YMCA and as a Driver with the Ambulance Corp. of Madison.