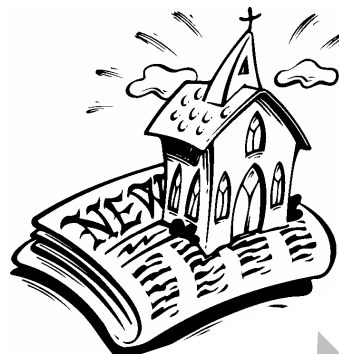


# January Eyes On



Crescent Bay West Los Angeles Southern Baptist  
Association

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## Changes! Changes!

**1<sup>st</sup>** - We have a new **Director of Missions, Rev. Ted Knapp** who begins full time January 1<sup>st</sup>.

**2<sup>nd</sup>** - We have new staff positions.

**Rev. Abel Owens** begins Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> as our new **Associate Ministries Director**. He will be helping with strengthening existing churches.

**Rev. Willard Smith** will be voted on at the Executive Board meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup> to be our new

**Educational Ministries Director**. He will be working with the CLD, CLTI and other educational programs. Both of these gentlemen have recently retired and will be paid a small stipend as they give their all to serving Christ through our association. We will also have a new **State Worker** in our association; **Rev. Thomas Blackwell** will be planting churches and serving in other ways in our association and the San Fernando Valley Association.

**3<sup>rd</sup>** - The newsletter will have parts of it translated into Spanish for our growing Hispanic churches. We will also be offering a class to learn conversational Spanish.

**4<sup>th</sup>** - We have already begun and will continue to highlight a different church each month. The past two churches were Rhema Community and then Grant Avenue. This month is Holy Tabernacle of God.

## ¡Cambios! ¡Cambios!

**1<sup>ro.</sup>** - Tenemos un Nuevo Director de Misiones, el **Rev. Ted Knapp**, quien empieza en su cargo el 1<sup>ro.</sup> Enero del 2003.

**2<sup>do.</sup>** - Tenemos nuevos nombramientos dentro del personal. **Rev. Abel Owens**, empieza el 1<sup>ro.</sup> de Enero como el **Director Asociado de Ministerios**, estará ayudando a reforzar las actividades en las Iglesias. En la reunión del Comité Ejecutivo, el 21 de Enero, el **Rev. Willard Smith**, será elegido como el nuevo **Director del Ministerio de Educación**. Estará trabajando con el Director Asociado de Ministerios y con el Instituto de Entrenamiento y otros programas educacionales. Estos dos señores se han retirado de sus trabajos seculares recientemente. Se les pagara una pequeña remuneración por sus servicios en la Asociación. También tendremos un nuevo trabajador a nivel estatal en la Asociación; el **Rev. Thomas Blackwell**, quien estará formando iglesias y desempeñando otras labores en nuestra Asociación y en la Asociación del Valle de San Fernando.

**3<sup>ro.</sup>** - Con el propósito de incluir la participación de las Iglesias de habla Hispana, hemos iniciado la traducción al Español de algunos segmentos de nuestro Boletín Informativo. También estaremos ofreciendo clases para aprender conversación básica en Español.

**4<sup>to.</sup>** - Ya hemos iniciado y continuaremos reconociendo diferentes iglesias cada mes. Las iglesias reconocidas los dos meses pasados fueron Rhema Community y Grant Avenue. Este mes nuestro reconocimiento es a la Iglesia Holy Tabernacle of God.



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## Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

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## Birthdays In January

- 1 Rev. Neal Browning
- 4 Mrs. Noel de Guzman
- 5 Mrs. Floyd Darling
- 8 Mrs. Abel Owens
- 9 Mrs. Randy Williams
- 21 Mrs. James Cross
- 22 Mrs. Lyman Alexander
- 24 Rev. Darnell Jones
- 30 Rev. David Shook

## Anniversaries In Jan.

None Reported

# From The D.O.M.

Greetings in the wonderful name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. During this past Christmas season, I pray that all was well with you and your family. I was visiting with someone recently who had found it difficult to get excited about Christmas. They work at a store in the mall and had gotten overwhelmed by the worldly spirit of commercialism. I pray that your focus was on God's love for us by sending His Son Jesus to be born in a dirty manger so that He can save us. What a joyous season Christmas is when we focus on Jesus.

During this transition period, we have been very busy building a new foundation for our associational ministry. We have been building a new associational staff. Reverend Abel Owens will be serving as our new "Associate Ministries Director". Abel will be focusing primarily on "Strengthening Existing Churches" within our association. Abel will be developing a ministry to assist churches, whether a church is large, medium, or small, every church needs assistance in some area.

In addition, we will be bringing a recommendation to hire Reverend Willard Smith to be our new "Educational Ministries Director". Willard comes with an exemplary resume of working in educational ministries. Willard has been working for the California Southern Baptist Convention for years in educational work. We are blessed to have Brother Smith on board, serving our association in assisting all our pastors and churches in educational ministries.

With 52 volunteers, twenty-four ministries and a staff of four, your Crescent Bay WLA Association is committed to touching and ministering to every church within the association. We are excited about this upcoming 2003 year. I am convinced that our Lord has placed each one of us where He wants us to serve. I pray that each pastor and each church within the Crescent Bay Association is equally excited.

May God bless Crescent Bay West Los Angeles Association of Churches.

Ted Knapp  
Director Of Missions

## DEL DIRECTOR DE MISIONES

Saludos en el nombre maravilloso de Nuestro Señor y Salvador Jesucristo. Durante estas fiestas navideñas he estado orando por ustedes y sus familias. Recientemente visite a alguien a quien se le hacia difícil involucrarse en las actividades de la navidad. Trabaja en un centro comercial y esta emocionado con el espíritu mundano del comercialismo. Mi oración es que tu enfoque sea en el amor de Dios; que mandó a su Hijo Jesús quien nació en un sucio pesebre y que vino a salvarnos. Que alegres y gozosas son las fiestas navideñas cuando nuestro enfoque esta en Jesús.

Durante este periodo de transición hemos estado muy ocupados preparando las bases para iniciar nuestro ministerio en la asociación. Hemos estado seleccionando a los nuevos miembros de la Asociación. El Rev. Abel Owen estará sirviendo como el nuevo "Director Asociado de Ministerios". La tarea principal de Abel será el trabajo con las iglesias ya existentes dentro de la Asociación. Abel estará desarrollando un ministerio para ayudar a las iglesias, sean estas grandes, medianas o pequeñas. Toda iglesia necesita ayuda en algún área.

También recomendaremos la elección del Rev. Willard Smith como el nuevo "Director del Ministerio de Educación". Willard viene con un amplio currículo por su trabajo en ministerios educacionales. Durante muchos años Willard ha trabajado en el área de la educación para la Convención Bautista del Sur de California. Es una bendición que el hermano Smith este en nuestro Comité sirviendo en la Asociación y ayudando a nuestros pastores e iglesias en el campo de la educación.

Con 52 voluntarios, 24 ministerios y un comité encabezado por 4 directores, la Asociación Crescent Bay de Oeste de Los Angeles esta comprometida a alcanzar y ministrar a todas las iglesias dentro de la Asociación. Estamos ansiosos que llegue el año 2003. Estoy seguro de que el Señor ha colocado a cada uno de nosotros donde El quiere que sirvamos. Oro para que cada pastor y cada iglesia dentro de la Asociación Crescent Bay tenga el mismo entusiasmo. Que Dios bendiga las iglesias de la asociación Crescent Bay del Oeste de Los Angeles.

Ted Knapp

## FINANCES FOR NOVEMBER

Balance 10/31/02		31,381.22
Received		
Budget	10,690.33	
Designated	<u>20,214.00</u>	
Total Received		<u>30,904.33</u>
Total Cash		62,285.55
Disbursed		
Budget	10,855.59	
Designated	<u>11,566.22</u>	
Total Disbursed		<u>22,421.81</u>
Balance 11/30/02		39,863.74

## CHURCHES WHO GAVE IN 2002

Calvary Baptist, Hawthorne		
Central Baptist, Inglewood		
Centro Cristiano Shalom Sadonai, Gardena		
Chinese Baptist Church of WLA		
Christians for Christ, Los Angeles		
Church of the Beach Cities, Manhattan Beach		
Concord Baptist, Los Angeles		
Crusaders for Christ, Culver City		
Emmanuel Missionary, Los Angeles		
Evening Star Missionary, Los Angeles		
Faith Baptist Church, Los Angeles		
Faith In Christ Baptist, Los Angeles		
First Baptist, Beverly Hills		
First Baptist, South Los Angeles		
First Southern, Culver City		
First Southern, Gardena		
Gardena Korean Mission, Gardena		
Gardena-Torrance S.B.C., Gardena		
Gardena-Torrance Japanese Miss, Gardena		
Good Shepherd Baptist, Santa Monica		
Grace & Truth Evangelical, Inglewood		
Grant Avenue, Redondo Beach		
Greater Berean Baptist, Los Angeles		
Greater Good Shepherd Baptist, Los Angeles		
Greater New Bethel, Inglewood		
Greater New Holy Trinity, Los Angeles		
Holy Tabernacle of God, Inglewood		
Iglesia Hispana Bautista Piedra Angular, Los Angeles		
Iglesia Hispana Central, Inglewood		
In Christ Church, Beverly Hills		
Leap of Faith Community Baptist		
Los Angeles Crenshaw, Gardena		
Mision Bautista Familia de Dios		
Mt. Carmel Holy Assembly		
New Beginnings Brazilian Community		
New Mt Calvary Baptist		
New Providence Baptist, Los Angeles		
New Rock of Ages Baptist		
New Vision Community, Inglewood		
Ocean Gate Baptist, Hawthorne		
Pacific Baptist, El Segundo		
Podowon Baptist, Gardena		
Primera Iglesia Bautista, Inglewood		
Rhema Community, Lawndale		
Set Free Christian Fellowship, Carson		
Sweet Hill Baptist, Los Angeles		
Temple Heights Baptist, San Pedro		
Topanga First Baptist, Topanga		
Triedstone Missionary, Los Angeles		
True Vine Missionary Baptist, Inglewood		
Victory In Christ Ministries, Hawthorne		
Way To God, Lawndale		
Westside Baptist, Los Angeles		
Westside Filipino Baptist, Los Angeles		
Total		<u>62,565.67</u>

# Getting to know..

## Rev. D.D. Alexander Holy Tabernacle of God Baptist Church

In the beginning was God and in the beginning was a man. And God spoke to the man through a vision and gave him a charge and a task. The man was D.D. Alexander, the charge was the organization of Holy Tabernacle of God Baptist Church, and the task was to serve God by serving mankind.

It was May 1977. The church began somewhat like the church in Acts 2. It started in the home of Rev. D.D. and Paulette Alexander. Those who heard the call gathered together to study God's word, break bread together and to pray. Everyone was in one accord and the Lord added to the number daily. And then, with only one week's tithe from a faithful member, the small group moved to the Inglewood Woman's Club where they worshipped for four years. The little choir sang acappella. There was one Sunday School teacher, and few others who ushered, deaconed, and anything else that was asked of them.

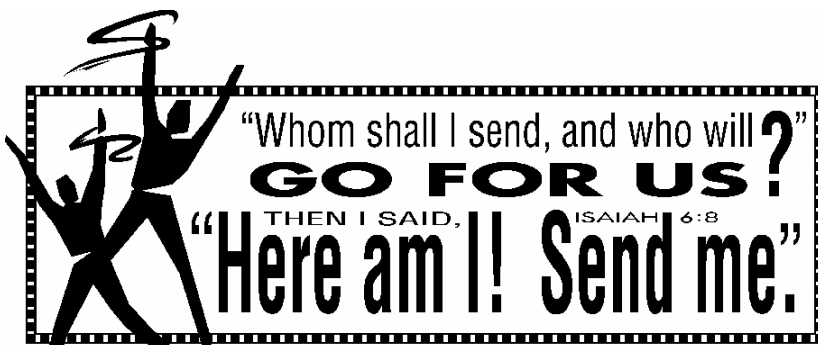
From there the church moved to the current location of 6701 West Boulevard in Inglewood. More people, bigger location, but still an attitude of study, breaking bread together and praying together, and God has blessed in awesome ways. Ministry expansion has occurred with Music, Missions, Evangelism, Religious Education, Youth/Children ministries and Pastoral Ministries. Sunday School has increased from 19 in attendance to an average of 75. Music ministry has gone from one choir to three with musician staff of eight. Several have announced their call into the ministry with some leaving Holy Tabernacle to go into the pastorate and some to start new churches. The discipleship ministry has traveled worldwide with Pastor Alexander preaching/teaching in Africa. Discipleship is strong within Holy Tabernacle, taking seriously the mandate to "make disciples." The Mission ministry serves our community by feeding the hungry/homeless. Evangelism has become the thrust of the church with emphasis on reaching those who do not know Christ with block parties, community prayer walks, and training in witnessing with application.

Twenty-five years later, God has once again challenged us to become a kingdom focused church and the Pastor is leading us with God's guidance to become just that. And the vision continues.

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En el principio era Dios y en el principio había un hombre. Y Dios hablo al hombre a través de una visión y le dio un trabajo y una tarea. El hombre fue D.D. Alexander. El trabajo fue de organizar la Iglesia Bautista Holy Tabernacle of God y la tarea fue servir a Dios a través de su servicio a la humanidad. Fue en Mayo de 1977 que la iglesia se iniciaba como la iglesia que se menciona en Hechos capítulo 2. Empezó en la casa del Rev. D.D. Alexander y Paulett Alexander. Aquellos quienes atendieron al llamado se reunieron para estudiar la Palabra de Dios, partir el pan en comunión y para orar. Todos estaban de acuerdo y el Señor aumentaba el número cada día. Con el diezmo semanal de un solo miembro fiel, el pequeño grupo pudo moverse al local del club de Mujeres de Inglewood donde adoraron durante cuatro años. El pequeño coro que tenían cantaba sin acompañamiento de instrumentos. Había un maestro de Escuela Dominical, algunos desempeñaban el papel de ujieres y diáconos y cualquier otra función que fuera necesaria.

De allí la iglesia se traslado a su local actual, 6701 West Boulevard en Inglewood. Mas gente, una mejor ubicación pero con el mismo deseo de estudio, juntos en comunión y en oración. Dios los ha bendecido en una forma impresionante. Han crecido los ministerios de música, misiones, evangelismo, educación religiosa, los ministerios de jóvenes y niños y los ministerios pastorales. La asistencia a la escuela dominical aumento de 19 a un promedio de 75. El ministerio de la música creció de un coro a tres coros con ocho miembros cada grupo. Muchos han sido llamados a servir en otros ministerios y han dejado la iglesia Holy Tabernacle para ir a pastorear otras iglesias y algunos a empezar con nuevos grupos para formar iglesias. Con la predica y enseñanza el Pastor D.D. Alexander llevo el ministerio de discipulado a Africa. El discipulado es un ministerio muy fuerte en Holy Tabernacle. Toman seriamente el mandato de "hacer discípulos". El ministerio de Misiones, ayuda a la comunidad proveyendo comida a los necesitados. El enfoque del Evangelismo es alcanzar a aquellos que no conocen a Cristo a través de grupos trabajando en cada cuadra. Hay caminatas de oración dentro de la comunidad y entrenamiento para presentar testimonios. 25 años mas tarde Dios una vez mas nos reta a que seamos una iglesia enfocada en su reino y el pastor nos esta dirigiendo como Dios quiere para poder lograrlo. Y la visión continúa.



At the Annual Meeting on October 27th, the Association Voted To Adopt the following mission project:

**Rio de Janeiro, Brazil in Early 2004**

There are 5 churches that have requested our assistance. The following are the types of assistance requested:

- ❑ Vacation Bible School
- ❑ Youth Ministries
- ❑ Children’s Ministries
- ❑ Adult Marriage Seminar Ministries
- ❑ Women’s Ministries
- ❑ Men’s Ministries

All of these ministries are to be focused upon the unsaved and un-churched people in Rio de Janeiro.

We will need 25-50 people. The cost per person will be approximately \$2,000.

Now is the time to spend time in prayer to find out if God is calling you to go.

En la reunión anual, el 27 de Octubre, la Asociación voto en favor del siguiente proyecto de misiones:

**Río de Janeiro, Brasil al Principio del 2004**

Hay cinco iglesias que han pedido nuestra ayuda. La ayuda que ellos piden es la siguiente:

- ❑ Estudios bíblicos vacacionales.
- ❑ Ministerios de jóvenes
- ❑ Ministerios de niños.
- ❑ Ministerios en seminarios para matrimonios
- ❑ Ministerios de mujeres
- ❑ Ministerios de varones

Todos estos ministerios deberán ser enfocados hacia los inconversos y gente que no asiste a la iglesia en Río de Janeiro.

Necesitaremos entre 25 a 30 personas. El costo por personal será aproximadamente \$2,000.00

Debemos poner esto en oración para saber si Dios nos esta llamando para ir a Río de Janeiro.

**CHURCH LEADERSHIP TRAINING INSTITUTE**

Semester 4: Jan.27<sup>th</sup>-Mar. 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Apr. 14<sup>th</sup> Deacon Caring Skills, Vol. 1

Semester 5: Mar. 10<sup>th</sup>-  
Deacon Caring Skills, Vol. 2  
The Ways of God

Semester 6: Apr. 21<sup>st</sup>-Jun 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Equipping Deacons to Confront Conflict  
When God Speaks  
Finding Meaning For Your Life  
Through Knowing God

**Location:**  
Mt. Carmel Holy Assembly Baptist Church  
9401 S. San Pedro Street,  
Los Angeles

**For Information call:**  
Rev. Willard Smith, Director  
323/758-8688

**When:**  
Mondays – 7pm-9pm {except holidays}  
Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, 2003– May 2003  
Graduation in June



## Associational Council Leadership Training

On December 14<sup>th</sup> the Associational Council got together for training and planning for 2003. They are excited and ready to help. If your church would like some help, or guidance in any ministry area, contact the appropriate ministry person or call the association office.

Areas of ministry/assistance that are available: Sunday School, Discipleship, Evangelism, Music, Prayer, Women's Ministry, Men's Ministry, Recreation, Financial, Family Ministries, Pastoral Ministry, Vacation Bible School, Missions, Social Ministries, and Children's Ministries. If your need isn't listed, call the office and we will find you the assistance that you need.



## 2003 Annual Christmas Banquet



On December 12<sup>th</sup> we Celebrated Christmas with our Associational Family at the Annual Christmas Banquet. We had a little country from Ocean Gate Baptist, Youth Praise Dancers from Central Baptist Church, Children's Choir from Centro Cristiano Nueva Imagen, and gospel by Rev. D.D. Alexander. Our pastor's and their wives livened up the place with a Fashion Show which

# 2003 CLD

## Contextualized Leadership Development

We are now signing up students for the Winter Quarter 2003 {Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> ~ April 10<sup>th</sup>}. We are offering two courses: Mondays – Systematic Theology 1; taught by Rev. Hozell Francis and on Thursdays – New Testament 2; taught by Rev. D.D. Alexander.

The Spring Quarter 2003 will be April 21<sup>st</sup> through June 30<sup>th</sup>. We will offer two courses: Mondays – Systematic Theology 2; taught by Rev. Hozell Francis and on Thursdays – History of Baptists [instructor to be announced].

There will be no Summer Quarter offered.

It costs just \$25 for your application fee. Classes are just \$60 each {\$70 for non-Southern Baptists} plus the cost of books.

There are three diplomas offered:

- Diploma in Christian Ministry (14 courses)
- Diploma in Church Planting (20 courses)
- Diploma of Theology (31 courses)

These are seminary classes. You will be enrolled through Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, Mill Valley. The classes will be held at the Association Office.

The Advisory Council, chaired by Rev. Tom Stringfellow, is in the process of joining together with the Long Beach Harbor Association and the Los Angeles Association to have a joint CLD Program. This will give us an opportunity to have the best instructors, larger classes and the ability to offer more classes per quarter. By having more classes offered, you will be able to complete your diploma in three years.

The joint CLD Program is planned to begin in September 2003. We will be moving the location at that time to be more centrally located for all three associations. We are hoping to offer classes three days per week with two classes per night.

Contact the Association Office for an application or more information.

# 2003

## PROGRAMA DE ESTUDIOS PARA DIRECTORES

Ha empezado la matricula para los cursos de invierno (3 de Febrero – 10 de Abril) Ofreceremos dos cursos, los lunes “Teología Sistemática 1”, profesor Rev. Hozell Francis; y los Jueves “El Nuevo Testamento 2”, profesor Rev. D.D. Alexander.

Los cursos de primavera se darán del 21 de Abril al 30 de Junio, también se ofrecerán dos cursos, los lunes “Teología Sistemática 2”, profesor Rev. Hozell Francis; y los Jueves, Historia Bautista (Se anunciara el nombre del profesor).

No se ofrecerán clases de verano.

El costo de la matricula es \$25.00. El costo de las clases es de \$60.00 cada una (\$70 para personas que no sean miembros de la Asociación Bautista del Sur) además del costo de los libros.

Ofrecemos tres diplomas:

- Diploma en Ministerio Cristiano (14 cursos)
- Diploma en Implantar Iglesias (20 cursos)
- Diploma de Teología (31 cursos)

Estos son seminarios. La matricula es a través del Golden Gate Baptist Seminary, Mill Valey. Las clases se darán en la oficina de la Asociación.

La junta de consejeros, presidida por el Rev. Tom Stringfellow esta estudiando la posibilidad de unirse a la Asociación Harbor de Long Beach y a la Asociación de Los Angeles para planear el programa de Estudios para Directores. Esto nos dará la oportunidad de tener mejores instructores y más variedad de cursos cada ciclo. El poder tomar más clases durante un ciclo facilitara a obtener el diploma en solo tres años.

De ser posible, se planea empezar con este programa en Setiembre 2003. Nos moveremos a un local que este a igual distancia de las tres asociaciones. Nuestro propósito es ofrecer clases tres veces a la semana, con dos materias por noche.

Para recibir una solicitud de matricula o mas información, llame a la Asociación.

# Executive Board Meeting - January 21<sup>st</sup>, 7:00pm

Held at New Rock of Ages Baptist Church, 12950 S. Prairie Avenue, Hawthorne

## In Our Churches

### Churches Searching for a Pastor:

Faith Baptist Church, Los Angeles  
Gardena-Torrance Baptist, Gardena  
Los Angeles Crenshaw, Gardena  
Philippian Baptist Church, LA  
Union Hill Baptist, Los Angeles

### Announcements:

**Pacific Baptist Church**, has called Roger Kinsey as their pastor. Roger has been serving as associate and interim pastor at Pacific Baptist.

**Gardena-Torrance Baptist**, held a good-bye potluck for Rev. Ted Knapp on December 29<sup>th</sup> to thank him for his 25 years of service there.

**Grant Avenue Baptist** recently hosted "Celebration!" the drama team ministry of California Baptist University. They presented "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to Jericho." They would like to encourage other churches to contact the drama department and invite them to their churches.

**CHURCHES:** Let us know what is being planned in your church, or what special, exciting, inspirational event has already taken place. We would love to share it with the other churches. It may encourage or inspire them. They also would be able to support your work.

## January Dates to Note:

JANUARY 7<sup>TH</sup> - FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

JANUARY 8<sup>TH</sup> - TRUSTEE MEETING, 10:00AM

JANUARY 14<sup>TH</sup> - AMDC MEETING, 6:00PM

JANUARY 14<sup>TH</sup> - COUNCIL MEETING, 7:00PM

JANUARY 16<sup>TH</sup> - CLD ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

9:00AM

JANUARY 18<sup>TH</sup> - WMU/WOMEN'S MINISTRY PRAYER BREAKFAST, 9:00AM

JANUARY 20<sup>TH</sup> - ASSN. BOWLING TOURNAMENT

JANUARY 21<sup>ST</sup> - EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING, 7PM

JANUARY 27<sup>TH</sup> - CLTI BEGINS 4<sup>TH</sup> SEMESTER

JANUARY 29<sup>TH</sup> - ZONE 2: ASSN PRAYER TOUR, 7PM

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### Director of Missions

*Ted Knapp* 310/671-4772 wk; 310/946-5436 cell

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### Educational Ministries Director

*Willard Smith* 323/758-8688

{to be voted on 1/21/03}

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*D.D. Alexander* 310/671-9252

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*Kerrie Knapp* 310/671-4772

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