

Church
1996 + 1997

Scrapbook







*Mathison Retirement Center
A Methodist Home for the Aging
Panama City, Florida*

Ground Breaking Ceremony

*Named In Honor And
In Memory Of The*

M. C. "Si" Mathison Family

September 18, 1996







Church picnic '96



MATHISON RETIREMENT CENTER

Highway 390
PANAMA CITY, FL

*An Assisted Living
Facility*

*"We want to provide a home that will enrich and
make life better for senior citizens."*

- Tommy Thomas

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The John Wesley Fellowship Sunday school class of First Ozark, AL recently received a \$2,000 donation from actor Paul Newman and his food company, Newman's Own. This was part of USA WEEK- END's sixth "Make a Difference Day, Oct. 26, 1996." The award was announced in the April 11-13 edition of USA WEEKEND magazine.

**Ozark First
UMC Sunday
school class
receives
national
recognition**

District fish fry. The Demopolis District United Methodist Men's Fellowship held a districtwide fish fry, April 26 at Linden UMC. Robert Powell, national president of UJM Men and a member of the Alabama-West Florida Conference, was the inspirational speaker for the event. Chuck Christian, conference UJM Men president, also was in attendance. Above left, (from left to right), Demopolis District UJM Men President Norman Burton, Christian, Powell, Linden UMC UJM Men President John Weaver, Demopolis District Lay Leader Jimmy Scruggs and Demopolis District Superintendent Charles Walker. Seated is Linden pastor, the Rev. Jesse Shackelford. Above right, the Grove Hill UJM Men Gospel Singers provided special music for the event. Front row, from left to right, are: Gene Clarke, pianist; Coleman Gunn; Tom Daffin; and Ed Cotten. Back row, from left to right, are: Mark Brady, Mike Williamson, Norman Burton, Randy Jones and Bruce Wilson.



.....**Around the conference**.....

MATHISON RETIREMENT CENTER

Highway 390

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...Around the conference.....

Gulfview UMC breaks ground for Mathison Sunday School building

By C. Jane Wright

Gulfview United Methodist Church has served as a beacon of love on Panama City Beach for many years. Under the leadership of Brother Si Mathison, the church welcomed youth groups from throughout the United States and visitors from around the world.

Two years ago, Brother Si, now pastor emeritus, retired. The Rev. Jim Fillingim then came to pastor and has led the church toward continuing growth both in size and ministry.

The core membership has pulled together not only to play gracious host to visitors, but also to be family to each other. The only trouble has been, the "little church with the big welcome" has grown too big for its building.

After six months of pledges, projects, planning and prayer, Gulfview met the goal of more than \$260,000 toward the building of the new Mathison Sunday School Annex.

The future two-story building is already named in honor of Brother Si and his late wife Mary.

But, here is the rest of the story. The church members were determined to have \$260,000 in the building account before breaking ground. About six months ago, pledges were taken toward the Palm Sunday goal.

As the day drew closer, the goal seemed almost unattainable. Faith and perseverance continued when answers seemed few and far between.

Only weeks before goal day, someone anonymously placed 37 silver dollars on the pulpit after church. It was



Above left, the Rev. Jim Fillingim speaks to gathering prior to breaking ground for the Mathison Sunday School Annex following morning worship on Palm Sunday. Above right, Fillingim looks over merchandise as bidders make their offers during a silent auction.

presumed that they were a donation for the building fund. Several members mentioned that they would like to buy the silver dollars and Brother Jim jokingly asked what would they give for them.

This led to a suggestion of having a silent auction for the building fund. Within less than two weeks the sale was held on a Friday and Saturday.

Donations of coin and stamp collections, gold and silver jewelry, glassware, collectibles, artwork, fishing and golf equipment, household items and even old hunting guns came in. Every item had to have a minimum value of \$10.

Sacrifices of long-held treasures were not uncommon and a multitude of blessings were received through heartwarming stories.

One couple donated their class rings. The high bidder was thrilled. He and his wife had attended the same school and had lost their class rings.

The donation of an antique pistol presented a double dilemma, legal and moral. Concerned, a member took the collectible pistol to the police station for advice. An officer made an offer, which was accepted for a donation and the dilemma was placed to rest.

One bidder wanted a computer so much he ended up bidding against himself, and held both of the highest bids.

An oil painting was much desired by a church member because it reminded

her of her childhood home. She was out-bid by \$25. The top bidder made a \$25 donation to the church and conceded the bid to her.

The Silent Auction brought in more than \$4,000 for the building fund.

A building lot held another piece to the puzzle God was working on Gulfview's behalf.

Donated almost one year ago, the lot had not sold. Just weeks before, there was finally an offer, a low one. A couple of counter-offers later, the prospective buyer's offer was even lower than the original offer.

Then, just 10 days before Palm Sunday, a family saw the lot and knew it was for them. They even pulled the real estate sign up and took it to the sales office. Their initial offer was exactly what the committee had counter-offered previously. Sold!

Offering plates were passed on Palm Sunday morning. The donations were counted in a back room and the slip of paper with the total was brought out at the end of services. The morning offering pushed the building fund over the goal to \$261,987.10.

Fillingim invited everyone outside. He gave the shovel to brother Si who proudly dug in to mark the commencement of the much-needed expansion.

Fillingim noted that the estimated full amount for the new Sunday School annex is \$400,000.



Choir

10/7

*Today, we want to "commission" our Mission team who will be traveling to Chihuahua, Mexico from March 19-28. Keep them in your prayers. They are: Linda Keith, Samantha Granger, Larry Pauley and Kay Fillingim.

*The flowers on the altar today are given in celebration of the life of Bill Oschman by his wife Grace.

**"Stand In The Gap" (Ezekiel 22:30) is the theme for a national emphasis on prayer for revival for our nation. Promise Keepers is coordinating this effort in Washington, D.C., Oct. 4 from 12:00 Noon - 6:00 P.M. Six of our men will attend. They are Carlton Harrison, Bobby Henson, Keith Wetzel, Charles Hurt, Glenn Bowron and Bro. Jim. You are invited to pray during this time, either at home or in the Sanctuary. When Revival comes, we must be in preparation. II Chronicles 7:14 says that God will answer when "we humble ourselves, pray, seek his face and turn from our wicked ways." Then, He will ...

9-28-97

*After SS today, there will be a brief meeting for everyone helping with our first children's "Hallelujah Harvest" on Halloween. We are having game booths and serving refreshments. If you are interested in being a part of this fun event, please come to this meeting or call Linda Keith at 234-2388 or Angie Clark at 230-2730.

8-4-96

*A big, warm GULFVIEW WELCOME is extended to everyone! We would especially like to meet you and invite you to join us in the Fellowship Hall after the worship service for fine fellowship and refreshments. Please print your name and address on the registration pad and fill in a visitor card.

*The Communion Love Offering received at our Evening Service will to to assist elderly United Methodist at the Wesley Manor Nursing Home. Gifts from across our Conference provide a great service to these precious folk. Be Blessed for giving.

*Our men who attended the Promise Keepers Meeting in New Orleans last weekend will share their blessings tonight at our Evening Service, and following the sharing we will have Holy Communion.

Dearest Church Family:

Your prayers are powerful!!! Words are not adequate to say a proper "Thank You" for all of your outpouring of Christian love, prayers, visits, phone calls, cards and letters. It is impossible to imagine my life since Jan. 5, without Christ and Christian friends. I'm most blessed to have had both - I love you and will always cherish that special place in my heart for you. Please continue your prayers from me.

Betty B. Dorsey

7-6-96

3-3-96

Our communion love offering today goes to the Salvation Army. Thank you for prayerfully considering this need.

2-25-96
*Charles Watford's family thanks the Gulfview family for your friendship and love. The marvelous food, the visits, the flowers and plants, your attendance at the funeral, and your support throughout. We love you!





Church play



Mr Jim
Jeanette Martin



B. B. Downer



Sunday School
Bldg. Court.





Cheryl Turvey
Claire + Jackie



H. Benton
S.S. class



Christmas '97





Mathison Education Annex--Proposal 7-17-97

Recommendation of the Building Committee, July 16, 1997:

A.	Accept Tom Kolmetz bid on the Annex (only) with three changes:	
	1. Alum. soffits from .032 to .024	
	2. Panel inserts from Alum to Masonry	
	3. Install door & cover near office	
	Cost for Annex with changes:	\$ 390,550.00
	4. Additional (Est.) Civil Engineering, survey, etc.	<u>4,000.00</u>
	Total Cost for Annex Building :	\$ 394,550.00
B.	Additional Expenses to complete the Annex (all estimates):	
	5. Furnishings, Carpet, window treatments, etc.	15,000.00
	6. Landscaping	2,000.00
	7. Contingency Fund	<u>16,500.00</u>
	Total Cost to Complete the Annex:	\$ 428,050.00
C.	Monies already spent for Architectural fees, permits, septic tank, etc.	<u>27,049.00</u>
	Final Estimated Cost:	\$ 455,099.00

Item 2

Contractor's Proof of Payment:

	Kolmetz bid plus civil engineering (est.)	\$ 394,550.00
	Church has on hand 7-16-97	<u>268,650.00</u>
	Need:	125,900.00
	Proposals:	
	1. Outstanding pledges	\$ 5,000.00
	2. Transfer from Gen Fund:	\$ 50,900.00
	3. Letter of Credit Guaranteed:*	<u>\$ 70,000.00</u>
	Total Receipts:	\$125,900.00 -0-

*Letter of Credit would be in the form of a Loan Application from the Conference UM Foundation, signed by Trustees and available as needed. No points, no closing, no prepayment penalty. Current rate is 8% variable (may change at anniversary date)

(Sample: \$70,000 x 5 years 8% = \$1419.38 per month or \$17,032.56 a year).







*Picnic '96
6-96*





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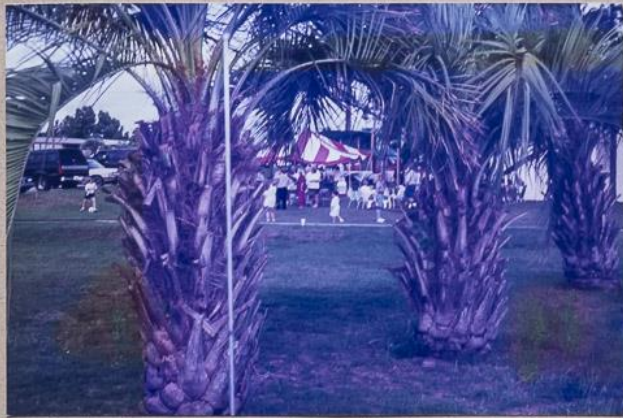
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More
Picnic





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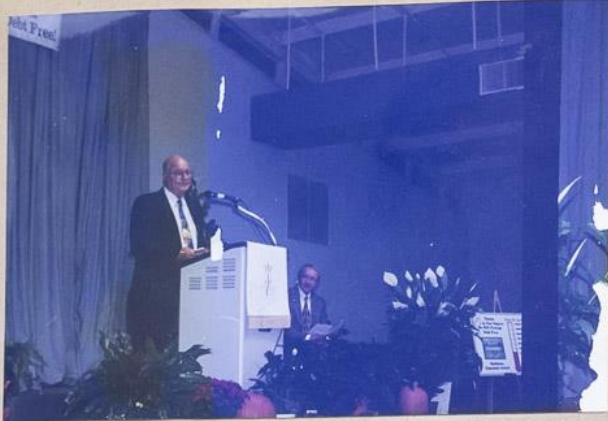






















*dinner
meeting
for committee*





*John & Ed Mathison & Wife
Don & Sister*

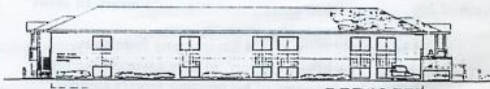




Mathison Education Annex Gulfview United Methodist Church

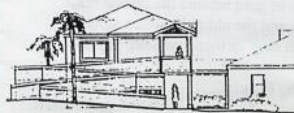


WEST EXTERIOR ELEVATION



EAST EXTERIOR ELEVATION

SOUTH, SIDE



NORTH SIDE



Worship Celebration

November 4, 1996

God is Our Source; He Will Provide, Debt Free!
for the
Mathison Education Annex!

Welcome and Opening Prayer Rev. Jim Fillingim

Introduction of Guests Mr. O.B. DOWIS
Chairperson, PPRC

Hymn of Joy **"Victory In Jesus"**

I heard an old, old story, how a Savior came from glory,
how he gave his life on Calvary, to save a wretch like me;
I heard about his groaning, of his precious blood's atoning,
then I repented of my sins and won the victory.

Chorus: O Victory in Jesus, my Savior forever! He sought me,
and bought me with his redeeming blood; he loved me ere I
knew him, and all my love is due him; he plunged me to
victory beneath the cleansing food.

I heard about his healing, of his cleansing power revealing,
how he made the lame to walk again and caused the blind to
see; and then I cried, "Dear Jesus, come and heal my broken
spirit," and somehow Jesus came and brought to me the
victory.

I heard about a mansion he has built for me in glory, and I
heard about the streets of gold beyond the crystal sea;
about the angels singing and the old redemption story,
and some sweet day I'll sing up there the song of victory.

Testimony of Vision for reaching People Mr. Ferrell Pinson
Chairperson, Building Committee

Hymn of Witness

"Blessed Assurance"

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Chorus: This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior
all the day long; this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight,
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending bring from above
echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Prayer of Gratitude Mr. John Thomas

Gulfview Choir **"Find Us Faithful!"**

Inspirational Challenge *Reverend Dr. John Ed Mathison*
Senior Pastor, Frazier UMC, Montgomery, Al

Receiving **Love Offerings** and **6 Month Commitments**

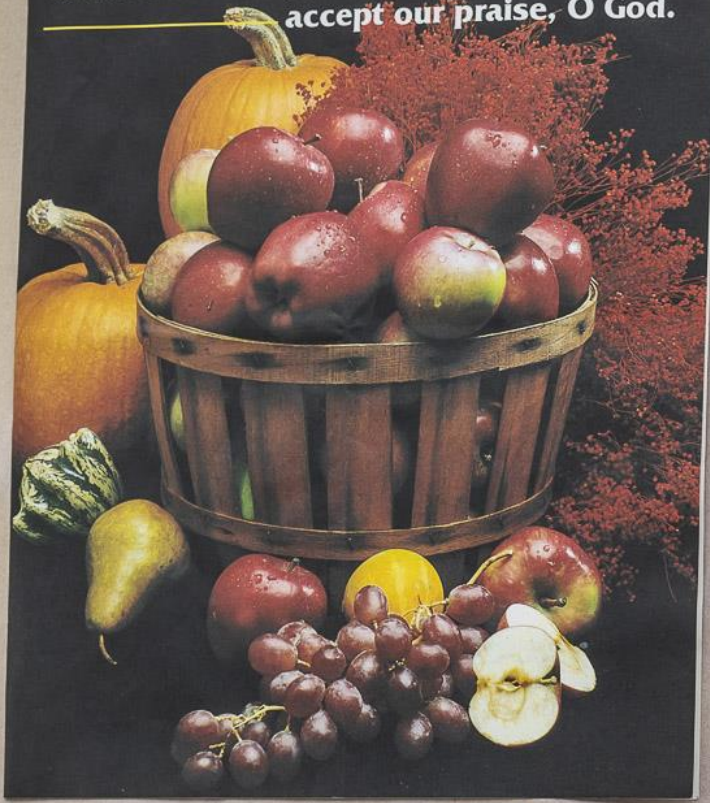
Medley of Praise Mrs. Neysa Wilkins-Troutt

Celebration of Offerings and Commitments

Prayer of Thanksgiving Rev. Jim Fillingim

A special Thanks to everyone who helped make this night wonderful.

With our thanksgiving for these blessings,
accept our praise, O God.



SCENE I

LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

SCENE II

ALL IS WELL

Soloist - Teresa Henson

ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH

Angels we have heard on high, Sweetly singing o'er the plains:
And the mountains in reply, Echoing their joyous strains,
Glo--ria in excelsis Deo, Glo--ria in excelsis Deo.

Shepherds, why this jubilee? Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be, Which inspire your heavenly song,
Glo--ria in excelsis Deo, Glo--ria in excelsis Deo.

SCENE III

ARISE, SHINE

SCENE IV

WHAT CAN I GIVE TO THE KING?

Soloist - Larry Pauley

IN ALL OF HIS GLORY/ANGELS

Duet - Kay Fillingim and Gordon Meyer

A FEW WORDS FROM THE PASTOR

CHARACTERS

NARRATORS.....Louise Anderson, Faye Kabaci
 MARCUS.....Larry Pauley
 INNKEEPER.....Gordon Meyer
 JOSEPH.....Chuck Harvel
 MARY.....Teresa Henson
 MIDWIFE.....Jean Williams

THANK YOU

...to Camille Salter, for all of your hard work, practice, and patience. I couldn't have done this without your talented contributions.

...to the Gulfview Adult Choir, for your faithfulness, hard work, and trust (even when my ideas seemed a little strange). You've come a long way, baby!!

...to Larry Pauley, for helping make sure the sound system would perform to its maximum potential and for all of the little things you do to make my job easier.

...to Christina Tyler, my best friend, not only for working the sound system for us on short notice, but especially for being there when I need you.

...to Cecilia Harbin, my mother, for helping to instill a love of music into my life and for your continued support in my musical endeavors.

...to the Gulfview family, for your love, faith, and support. I love you and wish you the most wonderful Christ-centered Christmas.

Sincerely, Lee Ann Harbin

MERRY CHRISTMAS

*Welcome... Jim and Eve Perry, who joins today by Church Transfer. They live at 17642 Front Beach Road F-2, Panama City Beach, FL 32413 (235-9892).

Candlelight and Chrismon Service at 6:00 P.M.

You are invited to the Candlelight Service tonight at 6:00 as we celebrate in the moving experience of seeing His Light, become the light of the world! And this year, along with Scripture and Christmas Hymns, we will highlight a number of the beautiful Chrismons, which also speak of our Lord. It's at this Service we will receive our White Christmas offering for the Children's Home. Give gladly as you feel led - and Be Blessed.

*The flowers on the altar today are given by Glen & Hazel Vaughn in honor of the Gulfview Family.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

SUN 8:30 A.M. Choir Rehearsal
 9:00 A.M. Cantata "The Gift"
 10:15 A.M. Sunday School-Everyone Invited
 11:00 A.M. Worship Service
 6:00 P.M. Worship Service-Candlelight Service
 Receive our White Christmas offering for Children's Home

MON 9:00 A.M. Prayer Ministry-Sanctuary
 10-11:30 Children's Christmas Party & Hotdog Lunch
 5:30 P.M. Christmas Carolling & Hot Chocolate

TUES 5:30-6:30 "Come and Go" Service of Holy Communion.
 Prayers for your Families

WED Merry Christmas! Christ Has Come!

Thanks for being Faithful Stewards - December 15

Budget	\$2,396.40	SS Bldg Fund	\$180,294.14
White Christmas	2,602.00	Total Deposits	<u>800.52</u>
6 Mos. Commit.*	490.00	Total Cash On Hand	\$181,094.66
SS Bldg	<u>310.52</u>		
Total	\$5,798.92		

*Total 6 Month Commitments is \$53,223.00 (Less Commitments paid)

Lot Asking Price \$23,500.00 - 20,000.00 (Net)

9:00 Worship Attendance 200 * 11:00 Worship Attendance 37 * Sunday School 76

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*The
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God Himself Is With Us

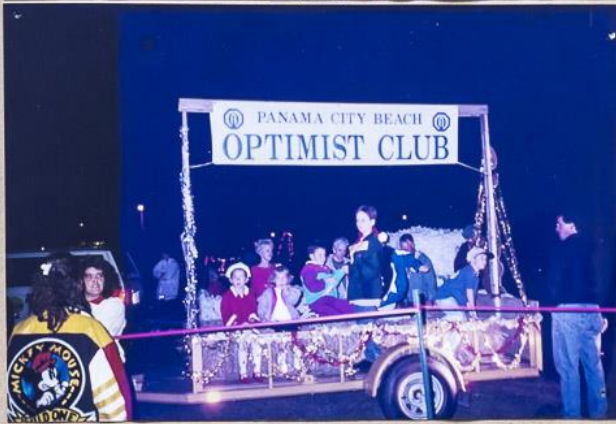
**A Dramatic Christmas Musical
Created and Arranged by
Dennis and Nan Allen
Orchestrated by Dave Williamson**

**"Angels We Have Heard on High" and Finale
Arranged by Lee Ann Harbin**

Director: Lee Ann Harbin
Accompanist: Camille Salter
Pastor: Jim Fillingim
December 22, 1996

Donors of Poinsettias
Pete & Vi Brannon
Chris Depew
Mike & Faye Kabaci
Fenell Panson
Mary Hamm
Barbara







MS. JEANNETTE MARTIN
BECAME A MEMBER OF
GOLFVIEW ON JANUARY
28, 1996.



MR. + MRS JOE (JAYNE)
MORALES BECAME MEMBERS
OF GOLFVIEW ON JANUARY
28, 1996.



MS. JOAN DELOACH BECAME
A MEMBER OF GOLFVIEW
ON JANUARY 28, 1996.



MR + MRS NOLAN (NEIL) CRISS
BECAME ASSOCIATE MEMBERS
OF GOLFVIEW ON JANUARY
28, 1996



MR + MRS. JOEY (TERESA) TRIPP
THEIR SONS, BLAKE, PEYTON AND
DYLAN BECAME MEMBERS OF
GOLFVIEW ON JANUARY 28, 1996.



MR. + MRS. CHUCK (NORMA)
HARVEL BECAME ASSOCIATE
MEMBERS OF GOLFVIEW ON
JANUARY 28, 1996.



MR + MRS PAUL (JOYCE)
BESSINGER JOINED
GOLFVIEW ON April 7, 1996



MRS MARIAN SMITH
Joined Golfview on
April 7, 1996.



MRS MRS JOHN (JUANITA) TIMSON
BECAME MEMBERS OF
GOLFVIEW ON April 14,
1996.



MR + MRS CURTIS (CONNIE)
MOCK BECAME AFFILIATE
MEMBERS OF GOLFVIEW
ON APRIL 14, 1996.



MR + MRS BOCK (HALDINE)
BAXTER BECAME AFFILIATE
MEMBERS OF GOLFVIEW
ON APRIL 28, 1996



CHUCK SOLLIVAN BECAME
A MEMBER OF GOLFVIEW
ON AUGUST 13, 1996.



MRS DEBBIE MISS MELISSA
BLANCHARD BECAME MEM-
BERS OF GULFVIEW ON
SEP 15, 1996.



Mr and Mrs Frank (Edna) McKinney
became Affiliate Members of
Gulfview 9-8-96 (She 9-12-96).



MRS JEAN WILLIAMS BECAME
AN ASSOCIATE MEMBER OF
GULFVIEW ON OCT. 20, 1996



Mrs. BABE JOHNSON BECAME
A MEMBER OF GULFVIEW
ON OCT. 20, 1996.



Mrs. ANN WILLIAMSON
BECAME A MEMBER OF
GULFVIEW ON OCT. 20, 1996



MRS. NITA WOLPERT BE-
CAME AN AFFILIATE
MEMBER OF GULFVIEW
ON OCT. 20, 1996.



MRS BEVERLY BROWN
BECAME A MEMBER OF
GULFVIEW ON NOV. 3, 1996.



Mr. Jack Smith
Became a member of
Gulfview Dec. 8, 1996



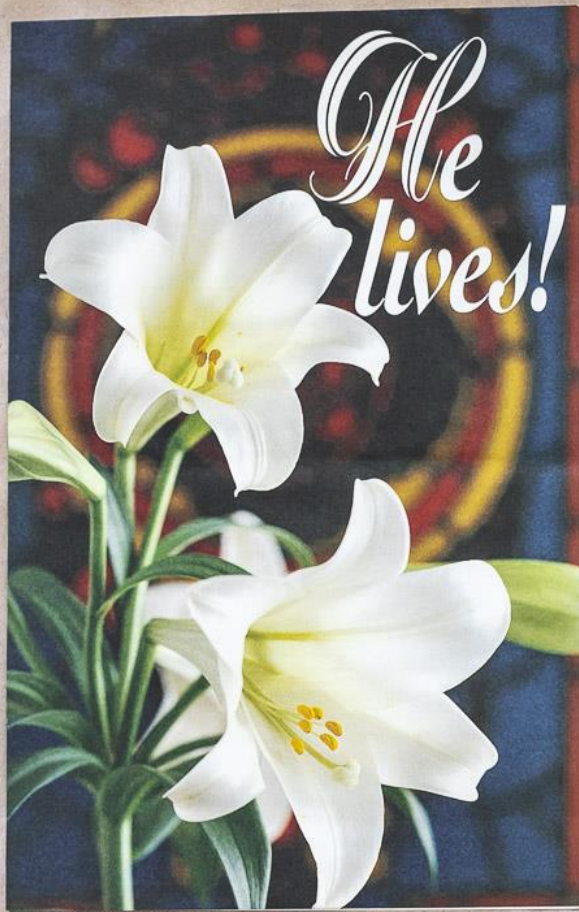
MRS. PAT MINNIE
Became a member of
Gulfview on Dec 15 1996



Jim + Eve PERRY
Became members
of Gulfview Dec. 22



Camille and GARY
Salter
Became members of
Gulfview Dec 29, 1996



*Vacation Bible School is June 9-13. We will meet again right after Sunday School in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is encouraged to attend this meeting. If you are unable to attend today you can reach Angie at 230-2730 or Teresa at 235-1729. Please complete the inserted Registration forms and leave them in the Fellowship Hall. Thanks!!

Upcoming Events (Brochures in Literature Rack)

April 27 Concert Series Continues with Lee Ann Harbin & Johnny Burrows featuring Southern Gospel, Contemporary, and "Oldies But Goodies". Bring finger foods for afterwards. A Love Offering will be received.

April 28-29 At Blue Lake Retreat, Dr. Terry Teykl will be teaching on "Mobilizing the Local Church to Pray"

*There's More to
this Story...*



*Directed and Compiled by Lee Ann Harbin
Accompanied by Camille Salter
Narrated by John Neufeld and Clare Haynes*

*"Anyone who has faith in me will do
what I have been doing. He will do even greater
than these, because I am going to the Father."
-----John 14:12-----*

Together, with God's Blessings, our
Finance Committee is issuing a

"GROUND BREAKING CHALLENGE"

Palm Sunday, March 23 ⁹⁷

As you know, we are committed to "break ground" on the Mathison Education Annex when our thermometer reaches \$260,000. We now have \$213,652.27 and only - \$46,347.73 to reach our goal! Our committee believes we can reach this goal on **Palm Sunday**. Bro. Si will be preaching for us that day--what a wonderful event it will be when we say: "*Bro. Si, let's dig that first shovel of dirt for the new building!*" Praise God for His Blessings! And, we could really praise God Easter morning as a "God of Miracles".

Many of you have made commitments already, and we want everyone to be a part of this ministry. You have appreciated what God has done and is doing in the lives of people through Gulfview and want to see it move ahead. You are encouraged to help by making a one-time "Ground Breaking" gift by or on Palm Sunday. Then, you can help by making a 6 month commitment to help bring it to completion (start April through September). And, when we all turn the corner next winter and see the beautiful Mathison Education Annex, you will know you had a hand in God's miracle on the beach! We hope everyone will be a part.



Ground
Breaking
55. Bible
Palm Sunday
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Marion Smith &
 I want to Blue Lake
 older adults Mary Hammett
 320 Placido Place
 Panama City Bch., Fl.
 32413



~~Blue Lake~~
 Older adults
 Blue lake



Ground Breaking for
 New Sunday School
 Bldg.
 Bro Jim +
 Charles Hunt



REVIVAL DAYS are here! February 16-18, 1997

Bro. Walter Albritton, Opelika, AL will be preaching and Bro. SI will be leading the singing! And great congregational singing including Sunday night the Sanctuary Choir



Choir
+
Christy

Pastor David Hakes (Bass) Lynn Hobbs (B) Chris
John Kelley (B) Bob Arcech (B) +
Christy
Dina Hakes (Acc) Catherine Husted
Virginia Holley (A) Brian (S)

We have 2 Tenors not pictured
3 Sopranos and 1 Alto not pictured
* 15 regular members *





Porch Chat

by C. Jane Wright

Seed Money

My daddy taught me what seed money could do. It is a little bit to be planted, then with a little nurturing, it will grow and do what it was meant to do. Anything is possible, with the right seed.

Daddy would tuck a dollar bill in my pocket. He seemed to know when I had a hankering for something that was just out of my reach.

The dollar would inspire me and give me hope of reaching my goal. Then I would buckle down to see how I could make it grow.

I've been watching Daddy's principle in action over at my church. Gulfview United Methodist Church has been a beacon of love on the beach for many years.

Under the leadership of Brother Si Mathison, the church has welcomed youth groups from across the United States and snowbirds from above and just below our country's northern border.

The core membership has pulled together to not only play gracious host to visitors, but

also to be family, in the true sense of the word, to each other.

Brother Jim Fillingim came in to shepherd the flock almost two years ago. With the size of a lion and the gentleness of a lamb he has grown as a minister and nurtured the growth of our membership, in faith and size.

We have just about outgrown ourselves to the point of having Sunday School under the hovering shade trees outside.

The new Sunday School wing has been talked about for as long as I can remember. Plans were finally drawn up a while back, so we have a tangible goal to focus upon.

This congregation built additions to the worship area a few years ago and had it paid for before it was built. Building on faith instead of credit is the way we are.

So back to the point of my seed money reference.

After six months of pledges and offerings designated for the Mathison Sunday School Annex, as it will be called in honor of Brother Si and his late wife, Miss Mary, we are almost down

to our goal date.

Our lot sold, as we had faith it would. Pledges and offerings have come in not only from members but from visitors and folks from all over who hold the "little church with the big welcome" in high regard.

A couple of Sundays ago, someone left \$37 in silver dollars on the pulpit after services. We can only speculate that they had saved these over time and wanted to give the \$37 toward the Sunday School building.

Several members mentioned they would like to buy the silver dollars, and Brother Jim good-naturedly started asking what they would give for the coins. This led to the suggestion of

having a silent auction to raise the final amount needed for our ground-breaking. That is coming up all day Friday and Saturday morning, March 21 and 22, at Gulfview.

From the "seed" of the \$37, members are offering coin and stamp collections, pre-loved golf and fishing equipment, jewelry, collectibles, dolls and crystal, and more. I have no doubt that we will make our goal.

With God smiling down and seeing our need, Brother Jim will hand that shovel to Brother Si this Sunday, and we'll all march out to turn the first shovels of earth.

I think my daddy will be smiling down, too.





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Halloween '97



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99
Bible school



197
Bible School







Arlene Bronson
Lorana at Bible
school



Sunday School
Bldg - cont.





getting ready for
ladies day at church





*Porter
appreciation
cake*



1999
New Members



John & Tina Davies joined
Coulview UMC 2-28-97
daughter Tina Jo



Deno and Teri Truffelli
joined Coulview Easter,
March 30, 97



HERBERT AND MARIE
POTNAM JOINED GOLF-
VIEW ON MAR. 30, 1997



The Hudes
Elbra Jack Lori
joined Coulview Mar 30 97
(Easter)



Jim & Louise Anderson
joined Coulview UMC on Easter,
March 30, 1997



Cindy and Lamar Tucker
(Adam Alex) joined
Coulview Apl. 6, 1997

New Member 1997



Arline Bronson
joined Gulgview
on May 18, 1997



Mildred & J.B. Land
Joined Gulgview Aug. 17,
1997



Troy Yancy
joined Gulgview
Oct 12 1997



Buddy (Howard) Foreman
accepted Christ and joined
Gulgview on Oct 12, 1997



Ann + Harry Hubbard
joined Gulgview
Oct 12, 1997



Walter + Jane Randall
joined Gulgview on
Dec. 7, 1997

Restored 2/97



Chris Depew
Restored by Confession
of Faith - 2-23-97



*Congratulations to Jack Smith and Emily McKnight who were united in marriage here at Gulfview, Saturday, Oct. 19, and the beautiful altar flowers for God's Glory from this wedding. 96

9-21-96 Promise Keepers
 *We are excited about 10 of our men going to New Orleans this weekend for Promise Keepers. Pray for safety as they travel and for God's Blessing upon them.

3-3-96 Opportunities for You and Your Family
 March 14 "4-Him" Christian Concert-Marina Civic Center
 March 15-16 Holy Spirit Conference at Blue Lake
 March 23 V.B.S. Training in Dothan-Alison Simmons 234-6834
 March 30 Music Special "Come, Celebrate Jesus"
 March 30- April 2 Holy Week Services - 7 P.M. Bishop Morris
 April 7 Sunrise Service at the Pier. (Remember Time Change!)

We are grateful to the Ramada Inn, Harbour House Restaurant and Chem-Dry of Bay County for sponsoring the morning worship service live on WPCF 1290 A.M. and 100.1 F.M. You will enjoy hearing "Bro. Si" on Monday 6:27 A.M. on the Fox channel's "Thought for the Day".

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 The Gulfview United Methodist Women will hold their annual spring "TREASURE SALE" on Saturday, March 9, 7:00 A.M. to 12 Noon. Sausage-gravy and biscuits will be sold for breakfast. You may bring the "treasures" you wish to donate to the church this Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday (March 6, 7, and 8) from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Thanks!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - July 8-12 196

"Come Follow Jesus" is the message of our VBS. And our desire is to instruct the children and youth to come to know who Jesus is and to follow Him in these exciting days. We ask you to pray daily for the faculty listed below. May God work mightily through this ministry to touch the lives of each of these persons:

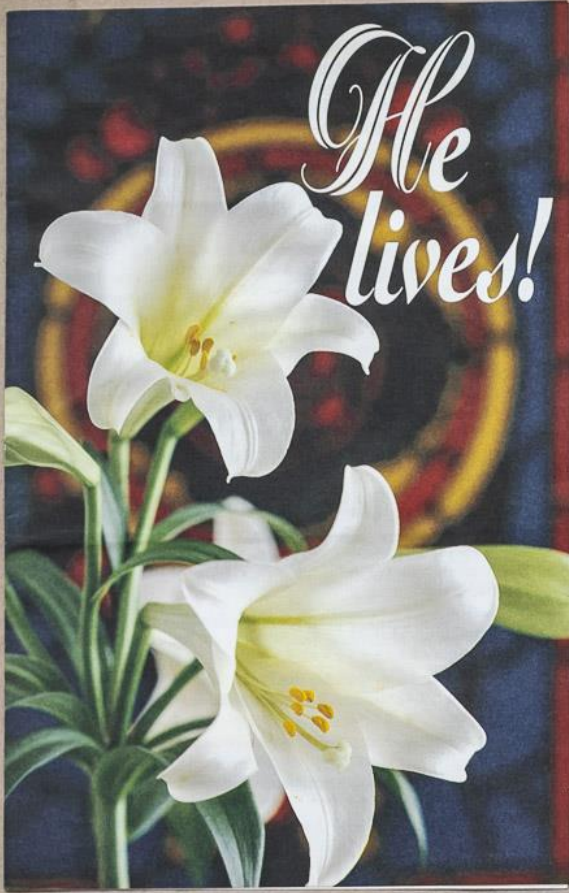
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| Nell Criss | Faye Kabaci | Ila Sandlin |
| Becky DeBell | Mike Kabaci | Alison Simmons |
| Chris Depew | Arlene Kraus | Strawberry Simmons |
| Kathy Docken | Herbert Letlow | Glenna Thomas |
| Betty Sue Erwin | Pauline Letlow | Tereta Tripp |
| Jim Fillingim | Emily McKnight | Mary Ruth Tucker |
| Kay Fillingim | Kathryn McWhorter | June Wetzel |
| Mary Foreman | June Mege | Dot Whitehill |
| Mary Hammett | June Meyer | |
| Chuck Harvel | Loretta Moore | |
| Norma Harvel | Trudy Nulle | |

*You are invited to "walk or ride" in the Christmas Parade, this Saturday, Dec. 14. We will meet at Surfside Middle School at 6:00 P.M. Mr. Charles Hurt will be driving the van and we have an attractive "Gulfview Banner" to display. Be a part of this community effort. 12-8-96

*Snowbird Christmas Tea - Thursday at 10:30 A.M. "Tea and Crumpets" as we together explore "how we best can serve you" during your stay on the beach. Every idea and request will be received. We do want you to "Be Blessed" at Gulfview!

*Thanks to everyone who helped in the Christmas Parade. Thanks, too, for your support of the Young Adult S.S. Class project for missions (Pancake Breakfast!) We're excited about some of our "own people" having the opportunity to go to Mexico for this Mission Project. (March 19-28, 1997)

*Candlelight Service will be next Sunday Night at 6:00 P.M. We will be receiving our White Christmas Offering for the Children's Home. Thanks for "giving our other children a chance!" 12-15-96



He lives!

*You are invited to attend the Community Easter Sunrise Service on March 30 at 6:30 A.M. at the Beach County Pier. In case of rain the service will be held at the Frank Brown Park. Bring a neighbor, too!

We are blessed to have **Rev. Walter Albritton**, the Senior Pastor of Trinity UMC of Opelika, for our Revival Services, February 16-18. **Bro. Si Mathison** will lead us in song, and we know these services will be a blessing of revival to you. The schedule for our services are:

Sunday 6:00 P.M.
 Monday 10:00 A.M.
 7:00 P.M.
 Tuesday 10:00 A.M.
 7:00 P.M.

2-9-97

Pete and VJ Braannon request your presence at their 50th Anniversary Reception to be held at the Harbor House, Sunday, Oct. 26, from 2:00-4:00 P.M. We will want to share in their joy for this wonderful occasion.

10-12-97

*On Friday, Oct. 31, from 5:00-8:30 P.M., we will be holding our first annual "Hallelujah Harvest". We are looking forward to having a fun event for the evening! We will have games, treats and a cake walk. We are asking for help in donations of cakes and large bags of candy. If you can bring any of these items, please have them at the church Thurs., Oct. 30, or Friday by 5:00 P.M. Then join us for a lot of fun! Call Angie Clark (230-2730) or Linda Keith (234-2388) if you have any questions.

Special Thanks...

*We can't thank our VBS faculty enough. The teachers, leaders, assistants, and helpers were wonderful. We touched many children during this week and taught them about Jesus. Thanks to everyone who participated!

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 Thank you for your financial support of The Children's Home Ministry.
 \$2,293.02 was given for our White Christmas offering.

11-29-97
 *Invite your friends for the Healing Service next Sunday, Nov. 30 at 6:00 P.M. Along with the Healing Message will be the Anointing with Oil and Laying on of Hands. Be in prayer for God's Presence in the Service.

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Christmas '97





3/23
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**Ground
Breaking
Challenge**

Target Date:
PALM SUNDAY
March 23

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One of our oldest members
"The Younger"



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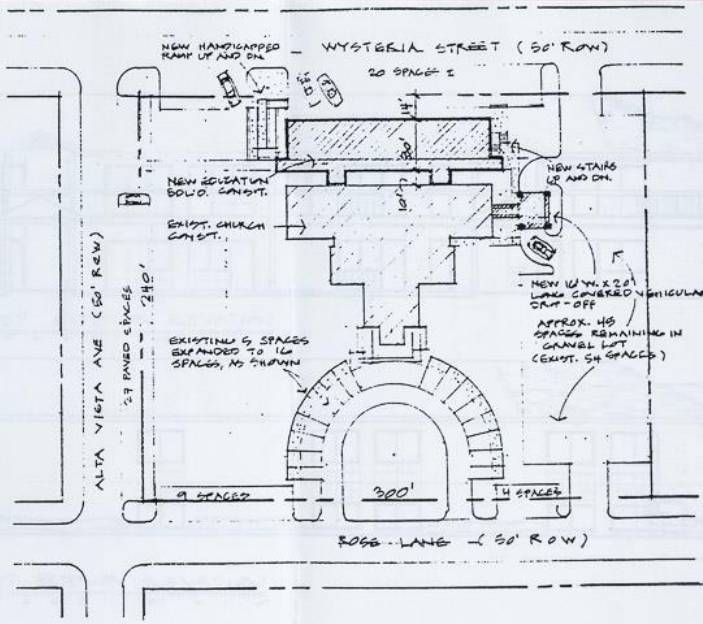


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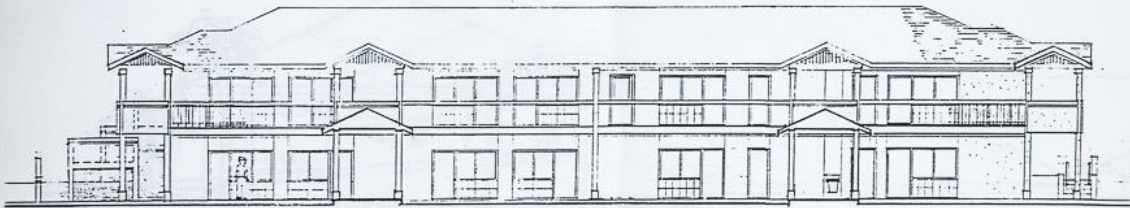
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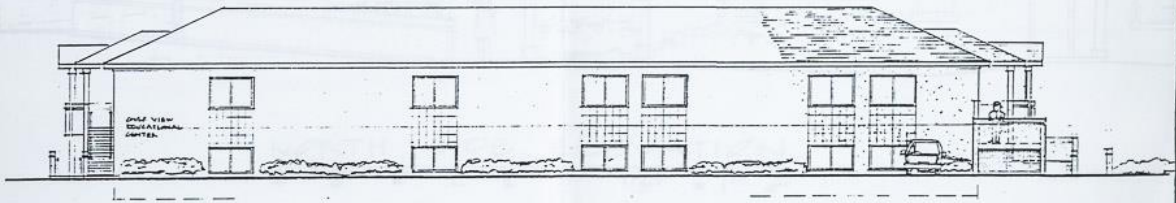


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EAST EXTERIOR ELEVATION

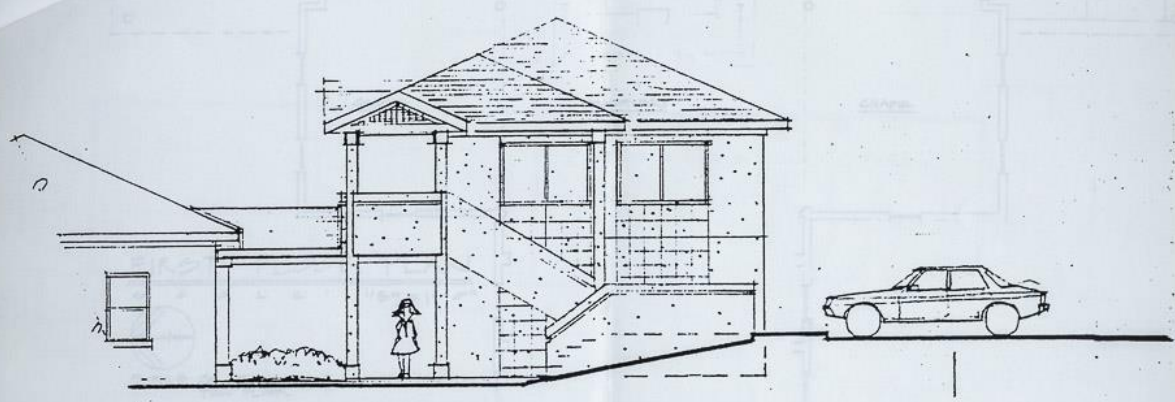
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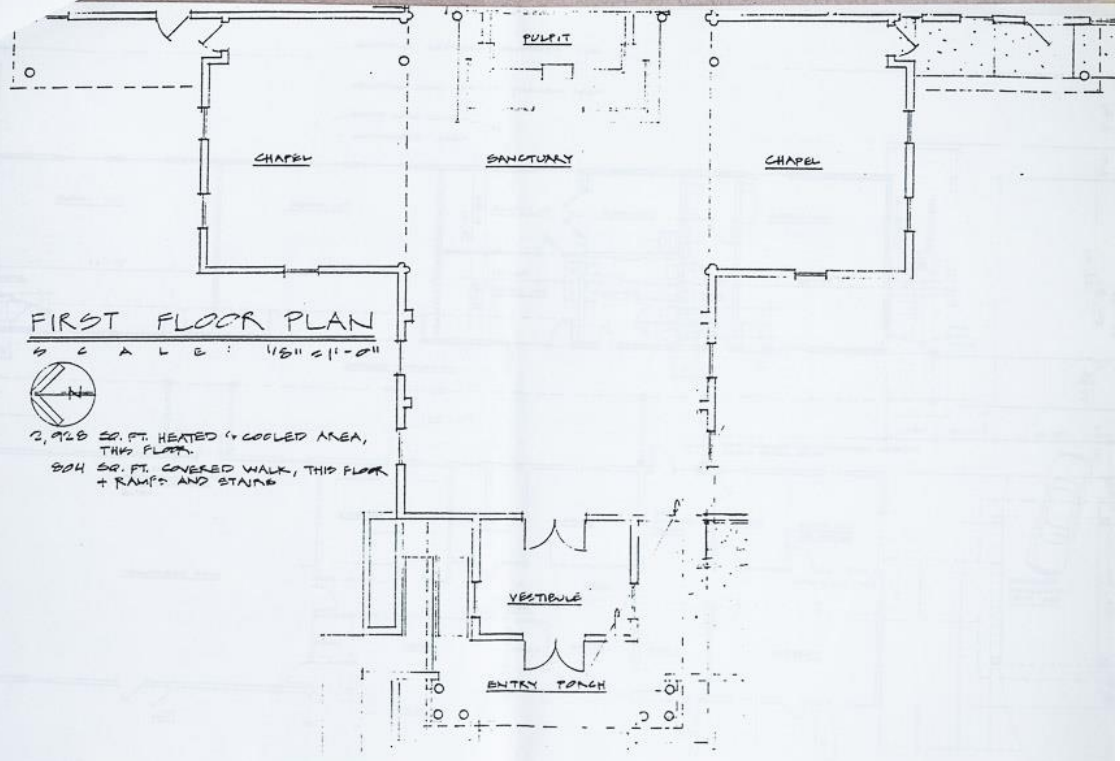
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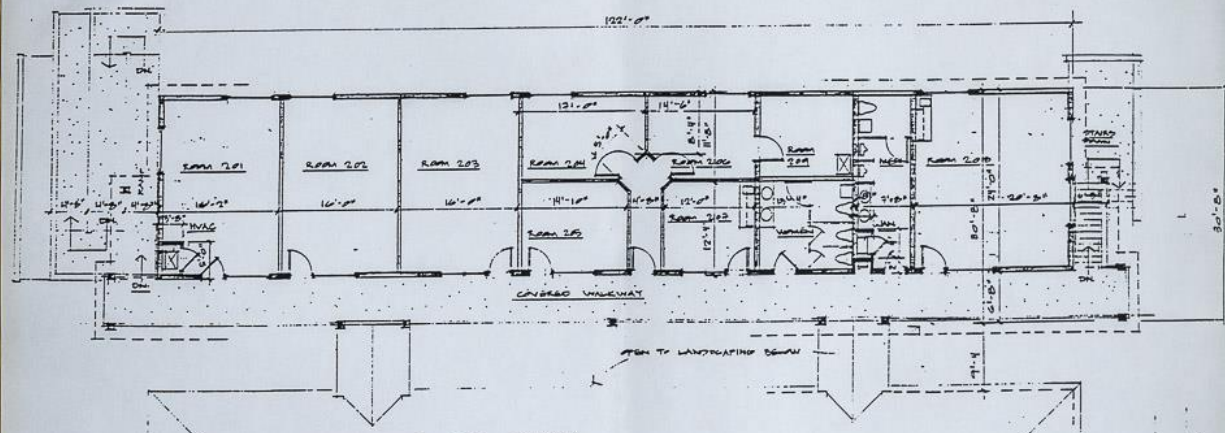


FIRST FLOOR PLAN

SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"



2,928 SQ. FT. HEATED & COOLED AREA, THIS FLOOR.
804 SQ. FT. COVERED WALK, THIS FLOOR + RAMPS AND STAIRS



SECOND FLOOR PLAN



2,920 SQ. FT. OF HEATED AND COOLED AREA; THIS FLOOR
 264 SQ. FT. OF PATRIARCH WALKWAY; THIS FLOOR + RAMP + STAIRS