

***Foundation of the First Baptist Church of Columbia***  
**Annual Report**  
**for Fiscal Year ended September 30, 2021**

The Foundation of the First Baptist Church of Columbia was formed in 2003 to foster, further and develop religious benevolence by funding scholarships, mission endeavors, and capital improvements that are consistent with the mission of the First Baptist Church of Columbia. The Foundation's purposes are as follows:

- *Scholarship support* for students attending Baptist universities or Baptist seminaries or the First Baptist Church Kindergarten.
- *Mission support*, including relief of the poor, the distressed or the underprivileged, prevention of cruelty to children, combating community deterioration, combating juvenile delinquency, and the advancement of religion. The Foundation was formed to serve any Baptist institution, agency, cause or enterprise fostered by the First Baptist church of Columbia or the Southern Baptist Convention.
- *Capital improvements* to the FBC-Columbia church building for maintenance and additions.

For the 2021 fiscal year, the Foundation's assets increased from \$72,225.70 on September 30, 2020 to \$83,789.39 on September 30, 2021, with an annual return on average assets of 13.25%. The Foundation received \$10,540.69 in investment income and \$5,023.00 in general contributions, and disbursed \$4,000.00 in distributions.

There were no operating expenses. Scholarships and donations were distributed as follows: \$1,800 to Jay Sanderson (Samford University), \$900 to Riley Davis (William Carey University), \$300 to Marion County Food Pantry, \$500 to Marion County Baptist Association for Brotherhood Wheelchair Ramps and \$500 to Next Level in Christ Church, New Orleans.

The amounts given as scholarships differ according to the funds available, the number of applicants, and the number of semesters for which funds are requested.

The September 30, 2021 balance in the Baker Kindergarten Fund, which is included in the Foundation's assets, is \$83.52.

The Foundation, which is an avenue for final bequests, transfers or gifts, does not actively solicit contributions. Those interested in making a contribution or seeking additional information may contact the Church Office or any trustee of the Foundation. Current trustees are Trey Carley, Gayle Knight, Paul Pace, Bruce Ratcliff, Jay Rayborn, Beverly Swann and Shannon Walker.