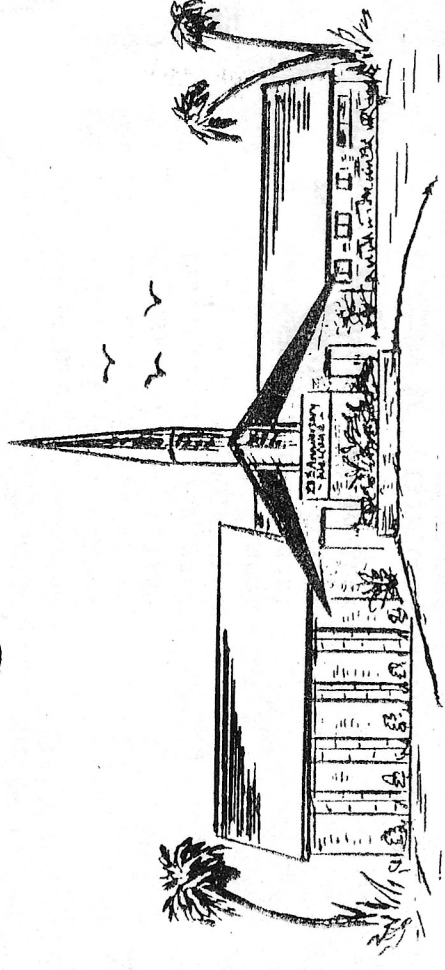


20th

Anniversary Celebration

May 5, 1985



North Brevard
Church of Christ

3585 Park Avenue

Titusville, Florida ~

1965 ~ 1985

PROGRAM OF THE DAY

9:00 A.M.....BIBLE STUDY

Classes for all ages

Adult class taught by Sam Ayers

10:00 A.M.....WORSHIP

Welcome - JIM MITCHELL

Song.....383

Song.....411

PRAYER - LARRY PIPKINS

Song.....682

COMMUNION

Song.....503

Introduction of Speaker

SERMON - CHARLIE GARNER

Song of Invitation.....146

11:15 A.M.....RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

RECOGNITION OF CHARTER MEMBERS

DISMISSAL PRAYER

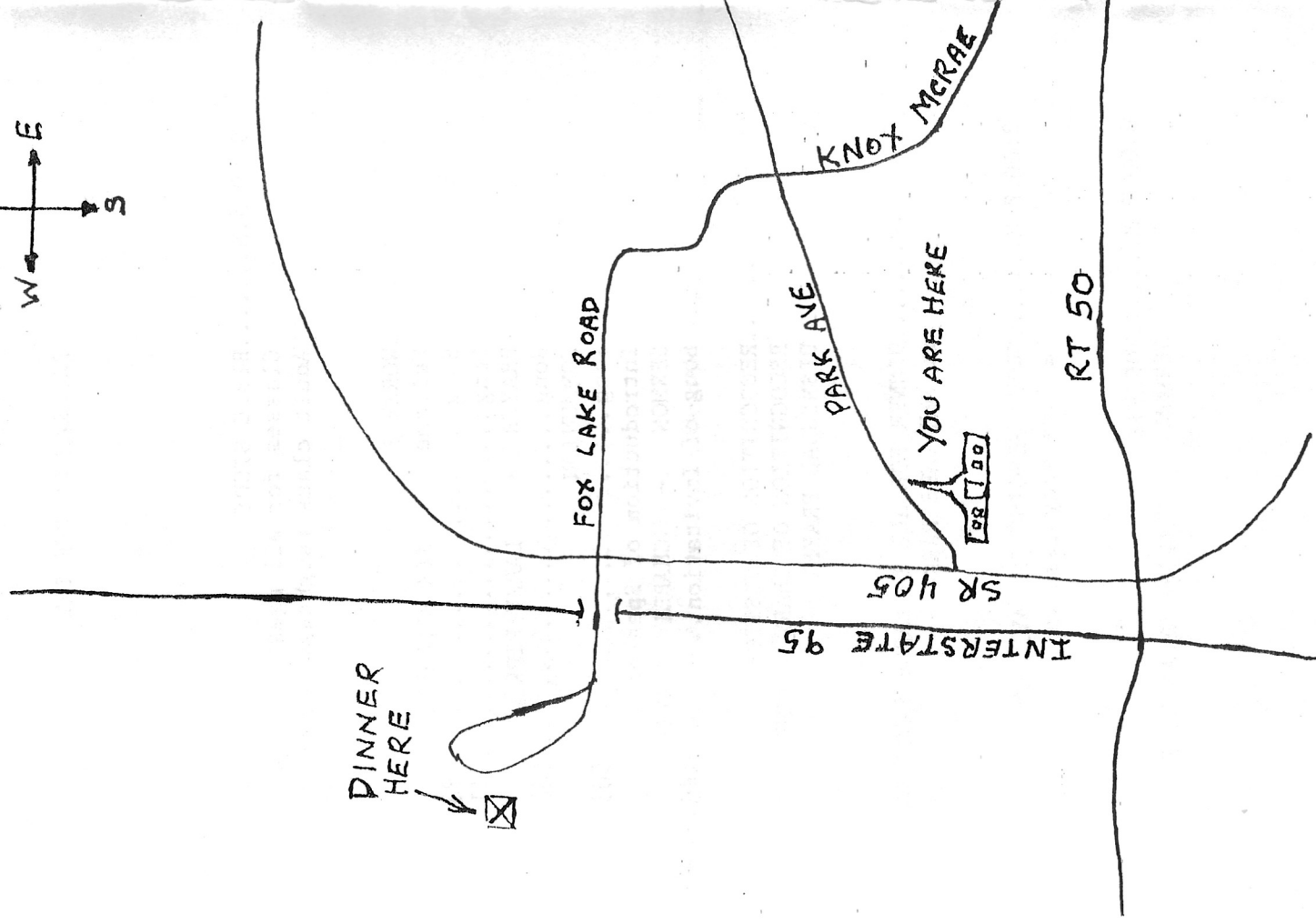
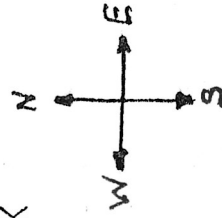
12:30 P.M.....DINNER FOR ALL IN LARGE PAVILION
AT FOX LAKE PARK

2:00 P.M.....GROUP SINGING IN PAVILION
Various song leaders

6:00 P.M.....WORSHIP

SERMON - CHARLES WHARTON, II

MAP TO FOX LAKE PARK



NORTH BREVARD CHURCH OF CHRIST TITUSVILLE, FLORIDA - OUR FIRST 20 YEARS -

The bustle of activity at the Space Center in the early sixties brought brethren into this area from all parts of the country. They found a church home with the brethren in Cocoa. After traveling that distance for some time, the following Titusville brethren, with the blessings of the Cocoa elders, met to discuss establishing a congregation here to accommodate the needs of the Christians in Titusville:

James P. Arthur, Robert Arthur, Oneal Avant, Bill Barnett, Daniel Collins, Charles Fagg, Nolan Finch, David Kirk, James E. Martin, John McNeal, Bill Parsons, Ronald Philman, Larry Pipkins, Wilburn Rainey, C. M. Rhodes, Dick Rhodes, Byron Rowan, W. H. Rowan and Ray Smith.

It was decided that the new congregation, known as the North Brevard Church of Christ, would begin meeting May 9, 1965. Wilburn H. Rainey delivered the sermon that day and served as Evangelist of the new congregation while continuing his secular job as coordinator of the evening division at Brevard Junior College in Cocoa.

The new congregation first met in the Titusville Women's Club at the corner of Broad Street and Hopkins Avenue in downtown Titusville (the property was re-modeled and now serves as a city fire station). Because other religious groups were using those same facilities, it meant some rather unorthodox worship and Bible study hours. Lord's day morning worship was at 8:15 A.M., Bible study at 6:00 P.M., followed by evening worship at 7:00 P.M. Ninety five were in attendance at the first worship service followed by 63 the next Sunday. Since the facility was used for other purposes we had to use folding room dividers for our classes and the communion was carried to and from the building in a wooden case built by one of the members.

Steady growth was to follow that fine beginning. The

influx of people to work on the program to put a man on the moon brought many new Christians to the area, many of which settled in Titusville and immediately became involved with the church. Knowing that we needed a more permanent meeting place, we were constantly on the lookout for such. In March of 1967 we were able to rent the old Presbyterian building at the corner of Pine Street and Hopkins Avenue just three blocks south of where we were then meeting and we held our first service in that large building on March 12. Even though the building gave us some problems heating it and pumping out the water from the lower level when we had a down-pour, it served us well for the next three years.

During this time four and one half acres of land was purchased at the present location and an architect was employed to design a building for us. After a period of time selling bonds to finance the new facility, construction was begun in 1969 on the first phase of our facility which included the classrooms and large vestibule which we were to use as an auditorium until our financial condition permitted us to build the present auditorium. Our first service was held in the vestibule of the new building on March 15, 1970.

Our dream was realized with a permanent location now established and our own building erected. Brother Rainey continued to serve as our pulpit preacher until it became necessary for him to resign at the end of 1971. Brother Sam Ayers and Brother Orval Boyd from the Christian Home and Bible School in Mt. Dora came and preached for us each Sunday until we secured a full time man. With attendance and contributions steadily increasing, we soon were able to hire an evangelist to work with us full time. In July 1973 Brother Charlie Garner and family from Hood River, Oregon came to work with us. Knowing that rental property was very high, we purchased a four bedroom home at 2880 Malibu Court in the Shangri-La subdivision of Titusville to house the new preacher and his family. We had several work days cleaning and painting the home getting it ready for the Garners arrival.

With layoffs occurring quite heavily at the Space Center during 1973-74 the congregation here had some lean times but God saw us through those times and we have experi-

enced a fairly steady growth over the years.

In September 1976 Brother Garner resigned as evangelist and in November 1976 Brother Charlie Wharton, II, and family from Snyder Texas came to work with us. We continued to grow and shortly after brother Wharton's arrival we were able to payoff our outstanding bonds and enter into the second phase of our building program. In the Spring of 1978 the new auditorium drawings were complete, the loan secured and a contractor selected to construct the new auditorium. Construction was started in June 1978 and on February 11, 1979 our dedication service was held in the new auditorium. At last a much needed addition to our physical plant was realized.

With our auditorium completed we were able to concentrate more fully on reaching the lost with the Gospel.

In December 1979 Brother Wharton resigned and our search began for a new man to come and preach for us full time. In July 1980 Brother Jim Mitchell and his wife, Melanie, from Miami, Florida, came to work with us and continue with us at this time.

With God's blessing we hope to enter a third phase of our building program in the near future to add additional classrooms and a large fellowship hall.

Presently the congregation is involved in several avenues of evangelism and outreach:

- ° Gospel call in which we telephone the people of the community and offer them a free Bible correspondence course.

- ° World Bible School in which we send Bible correspondence courses to people in Nigeria.

- ° A weekly article in the local newspaper.

- ° People involved in teaching others through Bible studies conducted in their homes.

- ° A zone program designed to stay informed of the needs of the total congregation and encourage those who visit our services as well as promote christian fellowship among our members.

°Once each year we host the Christian Youth Fellowship in which several hundred young people from Central Florida come together for a period of singing and preaching followed by a meal and period of fellowship.

°Constantly providing food, clothing and financial aid to needy people in the community and those traveling through our community.

°Providing financial support for orphans care at the Christian Home and Bible School in Mt. Dora.

°Providing support for the preaching of Jesus to prisoners and their families in the Lake Butler area through the Florida Prison Evangelism. Gary Wyder is the minister supported.

°Providing support for the preaching of the Gospel in Thailand. Larry Henderson is the Missionary supported.

°Providing financial aid on an emergency basis by special collections and from the treasury to aid our brethren throughout the world who are hungry.

God has abundantly blessed his people in Titusville and to Him we give thanks for our talents, for our jobs, for our financial resources, for our beautiful building, for His written word, for the opportunities and challenges He places before us and the love and concern that is demonstrated for each other.

As we reflect back over the years in this day of celebration we are made to realize just how great it is to be a child of God.

We are so glad that all of you could be here to join in this day of celebration. This truly is a day of Thanksgiving to God for his abundant care and tender mercies showered upon us.

LIST OF ORIGINAL MEMBERS ASSEMBLING ON MAY 9, 1965

ARTHUR	- James and Helen, Robin, Charles, Steve and Frances
AVANT	- Oneal and Irene, and children
BARNETT	- Bill
COLLINS	- Dan and Fay, Barbie, Danny, Allen and Bryan
FAGG	- Marguerite, Charles, Frank, James, Tim and Sarah
FINCH	- Nolan and Jeanette, Randy
FISHER	- Ham and Nelle
KIRK	- David and Linda
MARTIN	- Jim and Dean, Sandy, Mickey, Paulette and Janice
McNEAL	- John and Nell, and children
PARSONS	- Bill and wife
PHILMAN	- Ronnie and Judy, and children
PIPKINS	- Larry and Sandy, Debbie
RHODES	- Buck and Wilma, Dickie, Kathy
ROWAN	- Buddy and Shirley
ROWAN	- W. H. and wife
SMITH	- Ray and JoAnne, Glenn, Gayle, Donna

LIST OF CHARTER MEMBERS STILL ATTENDING NORTH BREVARD CHURCH OF CHRIST

BARNETT	- Bill
FAGG	- Marguerite, Tim
FISHER	- Nelle
GRIFFIN	- Gayle
RHODES	- Buck and Wilma
SMITH	- JoAnn

BRIEF RUNDOWN OF
THE CHURCH AT NORTH BREVARD

No. of families on roll.....	106
No. of people on roll.....	272
Average A.M. attendance in 1985.....	202