Historically Christians have laid their deceased persons to rest in a church or adjacent cemetery. The First Baptist Church Memorial Prayer Garden with columbarium will be a present-day equivalent for churches located in urban areas.

Several members of our church family have expressed a desire for a columbarium at First Baptist Church. It is an idea that has been discussed for several years. . .and we have an opportunity to explore options to possibly meet this desire for our church family in the form of a Memorial Prayer Garden with a Columbarium.

#### What is a Columbarium?

A columbarium is a dedicated setting for the reverent disposition of cremated remains. The primary component is a structure containing niches, uniform in size, to hold the cremated remains of one or two people, covered by a stone niche cover with the names and dates of birth and death. The columbarium area will provide a quiet location to pray and remember loved ones.

#### **Columbarium**

- Initial phase 320 niches
- Outdoor location
- Landscaped with benches, lighting and water feature

#### **Memorial Markers**

• Honor loved ones interned elsewhere



### **Pricing**

- Single Niche \$2,000 niche, urn, niche cover
- Companion Niche \$3,000 niche, two urns, niche cover
- Memorial markers are \$500 each
- Authorized Military Markings
  \$100Niche location availability based on date of full payment



## M e m o r i a l Prayer Garden

with a Columbarium proposed concept

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#### **Administration**

- Memorial Prayer Garden Committee under supervision of Trustees
- Current and former FBC members and their immediate family members are eligible for inurnment
- Policy and Procedure Manual
- Digital record keeping
- Financially self-sustaining/costs are covered by sales

#### **Perpetual Care**

- Beautification, maintenance, and general upkeep
- Periodic review of procedures
- Adequate space for expansion

#### **Looking Ahead**

 Pledges and positive church vote required prior to construction





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