What!
You have no Will?

If you have no Will, the laws of the State of Florida will direct the distribution of your property. If you have a Will, you direct the disposition of your property at death. Faithful stewardship requires proper management of what God has blessed us with in life, and proper distribution of these blessings at death.

I Timothy 5:8 says, "But if any provide not for his own and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith and is worse than an infidel." This verse commands that we provide for our own families, but also for our Christian family.

This is what a Christian Will does. It provides for the family and may make provisions for the continuation of the Lord's work after death. Providing for the Lord's work can be accomplished in several ways.

First, you may choose to give a percentage of your estate to the Lord. Many people who are lifelong givers will designate 10% or more to their church or favorite Baptist ministry.

Secondly, you may choose to give a lump sum. The lump sum guarantees the ministry you designate will receive that amount, providing funds are available after expenses are paid.

Thirdly, you may make a gift of specific property such as a bank account, stock or a piece of real estate.

Fourthly, you may give the residue of your estate. After making some specific gifts, the remaining amount passes to a Baptist Ministry.

If you would like further information above a Christian Will, contact the Office of Strategic Endowed Giving, Brenda B. McCollum, J.D., Director, Florida Baptist Convention, 1230 Hendricks Avenue, Jacksonville, Florida, 32207, (904) 396-2351, extension 3030 or 1-800-226-8584, extension 3030.