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First Baptist Dallas To Implode Four Buildings Oct. 30:

Move Will Make Way for Construction of Largest Protestant Building Project in Modern Church History

WHAT:

The implosion of First Baptist Dallas' Burt, Christian Education, Ruth Ray Hunt and Veal buildings in an area bounded by San Jacinto, St. Paul, Federal and Ervay streets. This will be done in order to make way for a new 21st century, state-of-the-art campus for the historic downtown church. The \$115 million campus plan will include a 3,000-seat worship center, a fountain plaza with a water tower topped by a cross, a new education building, hundreds of additional parking spaces and a sky bridge across St. Paul Street that will tie the different parts of the new campus into a unified whole.

WHERE:

Media will be able to safely view the implosion from:

Patriot Tower
1900 Federal St.
Dallas, TX 75201

For safety reasons, surrounding streets will be blocked off by police prior to and during the implosion. Media must have proper credentials issued by A. Larry Ross Communications to access the media viewing area. Those without credentials will not be allowed within 1,000 feet of the demolition site.

WHEN:

8:15 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 30.
Credentialed media should arrive no later than 7 a.m.

WHO:

Dr. Robert Jeffress, senior pastor of First Baptist Church of Dallas; **Tom Leppert**, mayor of Dallas, and other officials will be available to discuss the implosion and future construction. Dallas Demolition is in charge of the implosion.

DETAILS: Media are required to have proper credentials. To request credentials, please visit www.alrcnewskitchen.com/firstdallascredentials

First Dallas announced in May 2010 a pledge of more than \$115,000,000 to recreate its campus – the most ever pledged for a Protestant church building program in this country.