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Friends and Wood will direct all three phases of the campaign, according to Fred Chapman, consultant in endowment and capital giving for the Southern Baptist Stewardship Commission, Nashville, who is consultant for the fund campaign.

Both men are active in First Southern Baptist Church, Phoenix, where Friend is a deacon and Sunday School teacher; and Wood is a deacon.

They have been prominent in the Phoenix business community and in statewide interests for a number of years, and are familiar with both Baptist work in Arizona and the business life of the state, Chapman said. Both are enthusiastic about the campaign and optimistic concerning its outcome, he added.

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