## FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



JIM HORNE Commissioner of Education



## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** District Superintendents

FROM: Jim Horne, Commissioner

**DATE:** June 4, 2004

## **SUBJECT:** Faith and Community-Based Advisory Council

The following is to notify each of you about the Florida Department of Education's Faith and Community-Based Advisory Council. The purpose of the Advisory Council is to engage in fact-finding, information gathering and reporting on how the Department may strengthen the partnership between school districts and faith-based and community-based non-profit organizations; offer additional resources to families so they can help their children achieve Florida's rigorous academic standards; and provide faith-based and community-based organizations with tools that will enable them to promote family involvement in their communities.

Attached is a list of the Faith and Community-Based Advisory Council members. I hope that you will cooperate with them in performing their important mission pr more information, please call Joyce Hobson or Debra Simmons at 850-245-0847, or email them at <u>Debra.Simmons@fldoe.org</u> or <u>Joyce.Hobson@fldoe.org</u>. Thank you for your support.

Enclosure

cc: Advisory Council Members