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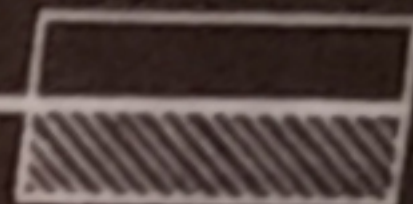
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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Official No. 788

W B Q M (EFF: 5-12-75)
X W E L L

Date first licensed 6-16-75

Call letters

Station location Decatur, Alabama

Name of licensee Grace Baptist Schools

Transmitter location Johnson Hill Rd., 0.8 mi. E. of Moulton Rd., Decatur Ala. (PED 10-21-74)

1312 Riverview Ave., S.E., Decatur, Alabama (BSED-4-12-78)

218 357⁰¹
X Redes: Grace Baptist School, 1211 Sherman St., Decatur, Alabama
Main studio location Grace Baptist School, Sherman & Riverview, Decatur, Ala. (PED 10-21-74)

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call **W E L L**
Letters **NEW-EDUC-FM**

GRACE BAPTIST SCHOOLS
x BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GRACE BAPTIST SCHOOLS

Name Grace Baptist Church
Decatur, Alabama (PO 1211 Sherman Street, S.E., Decatur, Alabama 35601)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPED-1,770 R & F NO FEE REQUIRED PRESS: FEB 27 1974 PN REC'd: 7-31-74	2-2-74 2-6-74	CP for New Educ. FM on: 91.7mhz. #219 HAAT: 300' ERP: 3kw Trans: CCA-FM-3000DS; Ant: CCA-FMC-LP-3, 3 sections. TL: Johnson Hill Rd., Decatur, Alabama. SL & RC: Sherman & Riverview Streets, Decatur, Alabama. 34° 33' 05" - 87° 03' 56" Atty - Dean George Hill Engr---	GRANTED	10-21-74
AMENDED AMENDED PRESS	2-28-74 6-28-74 JUL 12 1974	Certified Copy of Articles. Chg. name to: BOARD-OF-DIRECTORS-OF-THE-- GRACE-BAPTIST-SCHOOLS:		
AMENDED PRESS	10-4-74 OCT 16 1974	Change name to: GRACE BAPTIST SCHOOLS.		

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

WBQM 91.7mhz.

Call Letters x W E L L
x Unassigned

Name Grace Baptist Schools
Decatur, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPED-1208 R & F NO FEE REQUIRED PRESS	12-12-74 12-23-74 JAN 15 1975	Mod. of CP(BPED-1770) to change ant. (PHELPS-DODGE, CP-100-3, 3 sects.); make changes in transmission line; change TPO. Atty: Dean George Hill Engr: William J. Kitchen	GRANTED	2-24-75
BLED-1405 R & F PTA PRESS	4-21-75 4-23-75 5-6-75 JUN 9 1975	Lic. (BPED-1770, as mod.)-New Sta. Atty: Dean George Hill	GRANTED	6-16-75
BKED-788 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	11-14-75 11-28-75 " " FEB 6 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	Granted	10-18-76

Form BC-121
May 1976

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters W B Q MName GRACE BAPTIST SCHOOLS
Decatur, Alabama

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BSCA-1823 R & F PRESS:	11-7-77 3-20-78 APR 3 1978	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a subcarrier frequency of 67khz. Atty: Dean George Hill	GRANTED	4-26-78
BRED 781205UD PRESS	JAN 26 1979	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	5-11-79
BMSCA790131AB PRESS (0)	MAR 2 1979	Modification of Subsidiary Communications Authorization to make changes in Equipment & Programming.	GRANTED	3-5-79

Name: GRACE BAPTIST SCHOOLS

Station Location: DECATUR, ALABAMA

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
790913AD		CP to incr ERP: 50KW H&V ;HAAT:500'H&V and make chgs in ant sys MAJOR ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION UNDER SECTION 1.1305	<u>RETURNED 2-7-80</u> <u>SHORT SPACING</u>

About the History Cards ...

History Cards were first used by the Department of Commerce to keep track of applications filed by, and changes to, the earliest AM broadcast stations in the early 1920s. The records were subsequently transferred to the Federal Radio Commission in 1927, and after that to the Federal Communications Commission when that agency was created in 1934. These cards gradually grew into a large card file.

FM History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest FM stations in the FM band, then at 42 to 50 MHz. (The band was shifted to its present location, 88 to 108 MHz, in 1946.) History Cards remained in use until the creation of the first computerized database in 1980 to track broadcast applications, the Broadcast Application Processing System (BAPS). However, the Commission did not transfer the data from the History Cards to the new system. Instead, it retained the History Cards in their original form for reference.

In 1999, the Commission moved to a new location (445 12th Street SW), and also at that time created the successor database to BAPS, the Consolidated DataBase System (CDBS). Prior to that move, the History Cards were transferred to microfiche by a contractor (only a few sets of microfiche exist), and the original paper cards were destroyed. The History Cards were stored on the microfiche as negative images, like those you see above.

History Cards contain very brief entries and notes about station facilities, applications, and ownership. They are not, and never were intended to be, a comprehensive record of a station's operations. Nevertheless, they can be useful to help determine, for example, when a station first went on the air and its call letters at that time. History Card comments were generally typed onto the cards, and thus some records will show more faintly or with more smudging than others, depending on the quality of typewriter and ribbon then used. Occasional handwritten comments, corrections, and strikeouts may also be found. Cards may be incomplete, missing, or occasionally out of sequence.

The History Cards are presented here as they were copied to microfiche, to preserve this record for public use, and with the hope that they will be of value to future researchers of radio station history.

