



## **F&M DONATES \$2,000 TO GOD’S STOREHOUSE**

*Lawrence County charity provides free food, clothing, medicine and financial help*

LAWRENCEBURG, Tenn. June 27, 2007 – First Farmers & Merchants Bank has donated \$2,000 to God’s Storehouse, a charitable organization providing free food, clothing and medicine and helping pay rent and utility bills for needy individuals and families in Lawrence County.

“F&M takes its role as a community bank very seriously, and helping neighbors who are in need is an essential part of this commitment,” said Tim E. Pettus, F&M president. “We are happy to continue our support of God’s Storehouse and the great service they provide to Lawrence County.”

Established in 2000, God’s Storehouse, 425 Frank St., is a central distribution point where needy individuals in Lawrence County can receive help with their basic needs such as food, clothing, medicine and financial help. Today, God’s Storehouse serves more than 500 families a month. The organization is primarily supported through local churches and individual donations.

“F&M has been involved with the charitable efforts of God’s Storehouse since 2003,” said Paul Ivey, president of God’s Storehouse Board of Directors. “We are very thankful for F&M’s financial support over the years. With their help, God’s Storehouse is helping hundreds of folks every month.”

Founded in 1909, First Farmers & Merchants Bank (Member FDIC) is one of the most successful independent banks in Tennessee, with total assets of approximately \$800

million and an additional \$2.6 billion in assets held by its Trust & Financial Management Department. Headquartered in Columbia, the bank operates 19 offices in a seven-county area that includes Lawrence, Maury, Marshall, Hickman, Dickson, Giles and Williamson counties. It is distinguished by its commitment to traditional, personal banking relationships that incorporate state-of-the-art technology to provide the highest possible level of service.

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