

*Welcome To
First Baptist Church
Many, Louisiana*



December 10, 2023

First Baptist Church

Ministry Leaders

Rev. Mark Robinson Interim Pastor

Mike Collier Music Leader

Worship Team

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Welcome & Announcements

Lighting of Advent Candle.....The Moores

Lottie Moon Offering for International Missions

Call to Worship

While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks.... Hymn # 203

Invocation.....Deacon of the Week.....Charles Mains

Giving of Tithes & Offerings

Mary, Did You Know?.....Hymn # 209

Silent Night, Holy NightHymn # 206

Special Music

Message.....Rev. Mark Robinson

Invitation.....*Near to the Heart of God*.....Hymn # 458

Benediction.....*Oh, How I Love Jesus*.....Hymn # 560

Birthdays: Donnie Smith (10), Phoenix Miller (13), and Joshua Scaife, Josh Weaver (15).

Watch our Sunday Morning Worship Services live on our Facebook page. If you cannot join us in person, please use this way to worship with us each week.

Ways to Give Your Tithes Offerings

- Place in offering plate as you enter or exit the Sanctuary.
- Mail to Church (P.O. Box 239, Many, LA 71449).
- Come by the church office during office hours.

<i>December's Offering: Lottie Moons Missions Offering</i>	
<i>Our Church Goal:</i>	\$6,000.00
<i>Offerings Received:</i>	\$1,715.00
<i>Amount Remaining of goal:</i>	\$4,285.00

Last Sunday church members voted on the proposed 2024 church budget which passed unanimously. Please be in prayer about your faithfulness in your financial support of our church and her ministry.

<u>Members in Service :</u>		
	Greeters	Deacon of the Week
12/10	<i>Kathy and Danny Warmack</i>	Charles Mains
12/17	<i>Dorothy Alford, Shirley Salley</i>	Paul Morris

Activities This Week

Today	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service & Livestream
	11:00 a.m.	KWLV (107.1 FM) radio
Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Meal
	6:00 p.m.	Prayer Meeting & Bible Study
Thursday	11:30 a.m.	XYZ Bible Study
Next Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service & Live Stream
	11:00 a.m.	KWLV (107.1 FM) radio
	5:00 p.m.	Finance Committee Meeting
	6:00 p.m.	Christmas Musical

Prayer Concerns:

Merylyn Booker, Kathy Byles,
Merrill & Linda Cummings, Dub Gentry,
Becky Horner, Ginger Jordan, Terry Kelly, Sr.,
Kristi Leach, Margaret Leach, Eddie Moore,
Jeff Morrow, Dovie Tarver, O.E. Varnado,
Claude Weatherford, and Mary Jo Wright

Vital Statistics

Financial		Attendance		
December 2023		Date	Sun. School	Worship
Monthly Budget Needs:	\$25,960.40	12/3	33	42
Gifts Received to date:	10,050.00	12/10		
Budget Needs Remaining:	\$ 15,910.40	12/17		
		12/24		

Wednesday Night Meal Menu for Dec. 13th

Baked Chicken and Dressing and Cranberry Sauce.
Please bring a side or Dessert. Pot Luck No Charge.
Note: If you plan to eat with us, **RSVP to the Church**

Office by Tuesday at noon. Call 256-5655 or email

fbcmany@bellsouth.net

Remember
to **RSVP**

Committee on Committee Meeting After AM Worship Service Today

*Committee on Committee will have a short meeting after AM
Worship Service today. Members are: Sandra Brandon,
Ginger Jordan, Phyllis Horton, Phillip Roark, and Danny
Warmack. We will meet in the room across from the
Sunday School Office.*



Lottie Moon International Missions Offering

Church Goal - \$6,000

Today, December 10th ends our
week of prayer and emphasis for

the Lottie Moon International Missions Christmas Offering. However you can still contribute to Lottie Moon through the month of December. For more information and resources go to www.imb.org Please do your part in supporting this mission by your prayers and giving financially. Offering envelopes are placed throughout the church.

Finance Committee Meeting

Sunday, December 17th @ 5 p.m.

Members of this committee are urged to attend. There are several important items to discuss. If you cannot attend, contact Paul Morris or the church office.



Christmas Musical
Sunday, December 17th @
6:00 p.m.

Invite Family and Friends
to attend. Nursery Provided.

Church Business Meeting

Wednesday, December 20th @ 6 p.m.

There are several important item to discuss. Church members are urged to attend. Come be a part of the discussions and decisions of the church.

Christmas Eve Service Schedule

Sunday school @ 9:30 a.m.,

Worship Service @ 10:30 a.m.

Come join us for this special time of Worship as we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ. Invite family and friends.



No Activities & Studies Week of Christmas

Due to the Christmas holiday, we will not have our Wednesday Night activities on December 27th or our XYZ Bible Study on Thursday, December 28th. We will return to our regular activities the following week.

January Bible Study

“Blessings of the Kingdom”

Sermon on the Mount

Sunday, February 4th @ 10:30 AM & 6 PM

February 5th - 7th @ 6 PM

Bro. Jack Bell will lead the 5 session study.

There is a sign- up sheet located on the table by the Church Office. Study books will be free to church members but if you would like to offset the expense, they are \$9.00 each. Invite family and friends to join us for this study.

Please sign up by Thursday, Jan. 11th.

End of Year Contributions

Please have donations that you would like to count toward your 2023 contribution statement into the church office by no later than Sunday, December 31st. If you would like to know what your year to date contributions are, check your Realm account or contact Karen at the church office.



**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED FOR
CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR HOLIDAY
FRIDAY, DEC. 22 & MONDAY, DEC.
25, & MONDAY, JANUARY 1ST.**

**The Mattingly Family in Concert
Sunday, December 31st 10:30 AM
More details coming soon.**

PRAY FOR OUR PASTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE

We are asking for your daily prayers for our Pastor Search Committee as they take on the task of seeking the man that the Lord has chosen to be our next Pastor. Members of this committee include: Jimmy Bray (chairman), Terry Brandon, Tiffeni Campbell, Ramona Moore, & Phillip Roark.

“When they had prayed, the place where they were assembled was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak the word of God boldly.” Acts 4:31, CSB

Church Family,

As your search team we just want to reiterate how humbled we are to have been chosen for this task. This is one of the hardest assignments we will ever be entrusted and we ask for you (our Church family) to continue to fervently lift us up to the Father for direction and guidance through the Holy Spirit. This week we especially ask for prayers of knowledge, understanding, and discernment in the recognition of false teachings. Today’s world is no different than biblical times in that there are men who profess to preach the word of God but in actuality only give us what our itchy ears want to hear. Allure us into thinking parts of His word is not relevant to today, or things in the old testament only pertain to old covenant laws and we should just focus on what is written in the new testament gospels. Some try to persuade, ‘Jesus is love and we can live our lives anyway we want as long as we confess He is our Savior’. It may not be in those exact words but that is what is implied. This is deception and we must be able to recognize that is the way of fallen man and not a biblical world view. GOD is a god of love but equally a god of judgment and wrath. The word of GOD is perfect, always relevant, and does not change. HE is Holy and not One who can lie! Period. The deception is no different when Satan said to Eve in the garden, “Can it really be that God has said, ‘You shall not’, and “You certainly will not die!”

2 Peter 2:17-18 (AMP)

These [false teachers] are springs without water and mists driven by a tempest, for whom is reserved the gloom of black darkness. For uttering arrogant words of vanity [pompous words disguised to sound scholarly or profound, but meaning nothing and containing no spiritual truth], they beguile and lure using lustful desires, by sensuality, those who barely escape from the ones who live in error.

Pastor Search Committee

