

Newsletter: August 2023



On Sunday, July 30th, the Deacons have asked Rev. Mark Robinson to come in **View of a Call** as Interim Pastor of our church. He will preach during the AM Worship Service and at the conclusion of this service church members will vote on calling him as Interim Pastor. Please be in prayer for our church, our Deacons, and Bro Mark as we prepare for this important decision for our church. Please make plans to be here on July 30th.

FALL FOOD ROUNDUP FOR BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME UNDERWAY! PICK UP DAY IS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH

It's time for the annual Children's Home Fall Food Roundup. The list of needed items are placed throughout the church and on page 4 of this Newsletter. The home will be here to pick up the food on Monday, September 11th. A box is located by the church office and upstairs by the water cooler to put purchased items in. The Children's Home is also accepting monetary donations. You can turn in your donation to the church office but please make checks payable to the La. Children's Home. Please be generous.



First Responders Breakfast on Thursday, August 24th

On Thursday, August 24th, our Missions and Evangelism Committee will be coordinating taking donuts, juice, and milk as well as spending a little time in prayer with our area First Responders on behalf of Many First Baptist Church. If you would like to help with this endeavor, please contact Mary Gore. This breakfast is taking the place of our annual First Responders Sunday. Please lift up our area First Responders in your prayers daily.

MONTHLY DEACONS MEETING

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13TH @ 6:00 PM

This will be the regular monthly meeting and all Deacons are urged to attend. Pray for our Deacons and their ministry to our church.

Finance Committee Meeting

Sunday, August 13th @ 5 p.m.

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

Business Meeting on Wednesday, August 16th @ 6:15 PM

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



XYZ Luncheon Outing on Tuesday, August 8th

Anyone interested in joining be at the church at 11 a.m. This is a good time for Christian fellowship and enjoying a good meal together.

2023 Flower Calendar Has Openings

We have the following dates open for Sanctuary Flowers: August 13, August 20, August 27, September 3, and September 10. Please call the church office as soon as possible so that we can mark your reservation on the calendar. We deeply appreciate everyone who places flowers in our church.



We encourage everyone to join us Wednesday evenings for a great meal and a good time for Christian fellowship. Cost of meals are \$3 per person with a max of \$15 per family. Please be sure to RSVP so we can get a more accurate number of the meals that need to be prepared. Menus are posted in the Sunday bulletins. We appreciate your help with these items and for joining us at the Wednesday Night Meals.

Fourth Friday Fish Fry at Clara Springs

Friday, August 25th is the next fish fry at Clara Springs Camp. It begins at 5 PM. Adults are \$ 15 per person, kids 10 - 17 yr. old are \$ 10 per person, and kids under 9 & under are free. Contact Clara Springs for more details. Make plans to attend.

Wednesday Night Activities

Meal @ 5:45 PM

Prayer Meeting & Devotion @ 6:15 PM

Join us weekly for this time of study and prayer. The adults will meet in the fellowship hall. Youth and Children meet in their Sunday School room.

We have a great time of food, fellowship, and study so come join us!

Some Have Asked ... “What is an Interim Pastor?”

This is a person who will come to a church mainly to preach on Sundays. Interim pastors will write and deliver sermons, perform ceremonies, participate in leadership functions and provide spiritual care. He will provide the church with some consistency and stability as they search for their next lead pastor. Interim Pastor Ministries provides temporary (interim) pastors to strengthen churches during pastoral transition for greater effectiveness with as little spiritual or emotional strain as possible. An Interim Pastor is a temporary shepherd who is trained to lead a church through specific steps toward a healthy beginning for the arrival of the new pastor.

Schedule of Upcoming Speakers for AM Worship Service

7/30/2023 – Rev. Mark Robinson

8/6/2023 – Rev. Jack Bell

College Scholarship Applications

It is time to apply for the church scholarships. The Bray Memorial Scholarship and the Britt Memorial Scholarship applications can be obtained from the church office. The applications and transcripts will need to be returned to the church by Friday, August 4th. To get more details, contact the church office.

No XYZ Bible Study until Tuesday, September 5th. During the summer months on the 1st Tuesday of the month, the group will do a lunch trip. If you need more info contact the church office.

Mid -Year Contribution Statements

Mid-Year contribution statements will be ready in the next couple of weeks. This will let you know where you are on your financial gifts to the church so far in 2023. When you receive your statement, please look it over carefully and let us know if you have any question or if there is an error. We appreciate your financial support of the ministry of FBC.



Do you want to keep up with the latest news from the Southern Baptist Convention and the La. Baptist Convention? There are several ways that you can do so. You can subscribe to the La. Baptist Message for \$ 14 annually. Slips are on the table by the church office to mail in to begin your subscription. You can log on to <https://www.baptistmessage.com> to look at the La. Baptist Message webpage plus you can also find them on Facebook. To view the news from a national level, log on to <https://www.baptistpress.com> for the Baptist Press, owned by the Southern Baptist Convention. Contact the church office for help and more information.

Does the church office have your correct contact information? If you are unsure, please drop us an email with all your info (cell #, email, mailing address, anniversary date, etc.) so we can update our records. Your help in making sure our records are correct is greatly appreciated.



Also, the mid-year contribution statements will be sent out by the end of July. This will let you know where you are on your financial gifts to the church so far in 2023. When you receive this statement, please look over it carefully and let us know if you have any questions or see a possible error. We do appreciate your financial support of the ministry of Many FBC.



1 Linda Kirk	14 Andy Payne	24 Brock Booker, Phyllis Horton
2 Mike Ross, Lindsey Fredieu	17 Valerie Scalsi, Larry Skinner	25 Victoria Lane
4 Shay Edwin Morrison Jr.	18 Cecile Lites	27 Al Schweiger
6 Virginia Burkett	19 Terry Brandon	28 Courtney Barnhill
7 John Curtis, Rachael Ross	21 Breez Booker	29 Ginger Jordan
8 Doug Patrick, Colton Alford	22 Harley Cummings, Robby Lang	30 Shirley Salley
9 Lance Horner		31 Cathy Collier
13 David Maxey		

Deacon Counters for August –
Don Burkett & Phillip Roark

Bulletin & Newsletter Deadlines

Bulletin for 8/6= Thursday 8/3 @ 9 AM
 Bulletin for 8/13= Thursday 8/10 @ 9 AM
 Bulletin for 8/20 = Thursday 8/17 @ 9 AM
 Bulletin for 8/27= Thursday 8/24 @ 9 AM
 Newsletter for Sept. 2023 = Monday 8/24 @ 9 AM
To have announcements to be placed in publications, have them to Karen or Phyllis by these deadlines.

Members in Service :		
	Greeters	Deacon of the Week
8/6	Nancy Wright, Cathy Kelly	Charles Mains
8/13	Kathy & Danny Warmack	Paul Morris
8/20	Dorothy Alford, Shirley Salley	Don Burkett
8/27	Shirley Salley, Delores Geoghagan, and Rocky Wright	Phillip Roark

Vital Statistics	
Financial July 2023 (as of 7/24/23)	
Monthly Budget Needs:	\$ 25,960.40
Gifts Received for Month:	\$ 27,036.38
Budget Needs Exceeded:	\$ 1,075.98

Look Ahead at Upcoming Activities in September:

- Sunday, September 3rd – Southern Plainsmen in Concert
- Monday, September 4th – Labor Day (Church Office closed)
- Tuesday, September 5th – XYZ Bible Study Resumes weekly
- Sunday, September 17th – Finance and Deacons Meetings
- Wednesday, September 20th – Church Business Meeting
- Monday, September 25th – Sabine Bapt. Assoc. Mtg. Antioch

Emergency Contact Numbers

First Baptist Church of Many
Church Office = (318)256-5655
 M – F from 8 AM – 4 PM & closed 1 hr. for lunch

AFTER HOURS CONTACTS:
 Karen Sepulvado = (318)508-1138
 Phyllis Horton = (318)602-5062

Interim Pastor –
 Church & Financial Secretary – Karen Sepulvado Church Secretary – Phyllis Horton

August 2023


Monthly Special Offering = Sabine Disaster Relief

Monthly Supplies Request = La Children's Home Fall Food Roundup

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 <i>Teachers 1st Day of School</i> Meal @ 5:45 PM Study & Prayer Mtg @ 6:15 PM	3	4	5
6	7 <i>1st Day of School for Sabine Parish</i>	8 XYZ Lunch Trip @ 11 AM	9 Meal @ 5:45 PM Study & Prayer Mtg @ 6:15 PM	10	11	12 ReGroup Conference Jefferson BC in Baton Rouge
13 Finance Mtg – 5 PM Deacons Mtg – 6 PM	14	15	16 Meal @ 5:45 PM Study & Prayer Mtg @ 6:15 PM Business Meeting @ 6:30	17	18	19
20	21	22	23 Meal @ 5:45 PM Study & Prayer Mtg @ 6:15 PM	24 1 st Responder Breakfast to Departments – Missions & Evang.	25 Fourth Friday Fish Fry @ Clara Springs 5 PM \$ 15	26
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Louisiana Baptist Children's Home & Family Ministries
2023 Fall Food Roundup Needs List

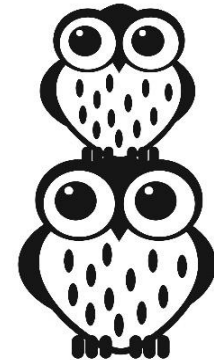
- Aluminum Foil
- Baked Beans
- Baking Powder/Soda/Corn Starch
- *Bathroom Tissue
- Body Wash & Deodorant (Men/*Women)
- *Bottled Juice (Orange/Apple/Grape/Fruit Punch)
- Brownie Mix
- Cake Mixes/Muffin Mixes/Icing
- Canned Meats (Chicken/Spam/Tuna/Viennas)
- Canned Vegetables (Butter/Lima/Pinto/Red Beans/Black-Eyed/Field/Purple Hull Peas; Turnip Greens)
- *Cereal
- Cheese (Parmesan & Velveeta)
- Chili w/o Beans
- *Cleaners (Bathroom/Kitchen/Disinfectant Spray)
- *Clorox Bleach & Wipes
- *Condensed & Evaporated Milk
- Cookies & Cookie Mix
- *Cooking Oil
- *Corn Meal (Plain/Self-rising)
- *Crackers (Ritz/Saltines)
- Crisco Shortening
- *Dishwasher Detergent
- Facial Tissue (square boxes)
- Flavors (Almond/Lemon/Vanilla)
- Flour (Plain/Self-rising)
- *Freezer Bags (Gallon & 2-Gallon)
- Fruit (Canned)
- Gravy Mixes
- Green Chiles
- Grits (Regular/Instant)
- *Hand Soap/Sanitizer
- Jelly/Jam (*Apple/Grape/Strawberry)
- Jiffy Cornbread Mix
- Ketchup
- Kool-Aid
- *Laundry Detergent (HE-Liquid/Spray 'n Wash)
- *Mayonnaise
- Mushrooms (Canned/Bottled)
- Mustard
- Oatmeal (Instant/Quick/Old Fashioned)
- Pam Cooking Spray
- *Paper Towels & Napkins
- Pastas
- Peanut Butter (Smooth & Crunchy)
- *Pickles & Relish (Dill/Sweet)
- Pie Filling/Pudding (Instant/Chocolate/Vanilla; Canned/Peach)
- Pop Corn & Pop Tarts
- *Potatoes (Instant & Boxed)
- Rice (Instant & Boxed Dinners)
- Salad Dressings (Ranch/Italian/1000 Island)
- *Sauces (*Alfredo/BBQ/*Enchilada/*Mild Salsa/*Spaghetti)
- Seasonings (Sloppy Joe/Taco/Tony Chachere's)
- Soups (Variety/Cream of Chicken/Mushroom/Chicken & Beef Broth/Onion Soup Mix)
- Spices (Allspice/Black Pepper/Cayenne Pepper/Garlic/Lemon Pepper/Nutmeg/Onion Powder/Poultry/Sage/Salt)
- Stuffing (Stove Top)
- Sugar (Regular/Brown/Powdered)
- Syrup (Chocolate/Pancake/White Karo)
- Tea (Regular/*Decaf)
- Tomatoes (Diced/Stewed/Rotel)
- Tomato Sauce/Paste
- Vinegar (Apple Cider & White)
- *Much Needed Items.
- **No gallon size cans please! Meals are prepared in individual cottages, not cafeteria style. Thank you!



WISDOM FROM THE WORD

God makes a special promise to people who study Scripture.

Directions: Arrange the word list in alphabetical order. Then write the circled letters in order below to complete Joshua 1:8, NIV.



school	—○—
paper	—○—
wisdom	—○—
read	—○—
play	—○—
learn	○—
grow	—○—
pencils	—○—
pray	—○—
art	—○—
student	—○—
kids	—○—
apple	—○—

“... meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be _____ and successful.”

JOSHUA 1:8, NIV

Answer: apple, art, grow, kids, learn, paper, pencils, play, pray, read, school, student, wisdom, prosperous