

# *Welcome To First Baptist Church Many, Louisiana*



***February 4, 2024***

**Our Mission Statement:**

*Our purpose is to be a unified body seeking to reach up to God, out to people, and down within ourselves to expand God's Kingdom for God's glory.*

## **First Baptist Church**

### **Ministry Leaders**

Rev. Mark Robinson Interim Pastor

Mike Collier Music Leader

### **Worship Team**

Glenda Merriman	Pianist	Merrill Cummings	Organist
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## Welcome & Announcements

*To God Be the Glory* ..... Hymn # 28  
Prayer.....Deacon of the Week..... Don Burkett  
Giving of Tithes & Offerings  
Message..... Bro. Jack Bell  
*Winter Bible Study - Sermon on the Mount*  
Invitation..... As the Deer..... Hymn #554  
Benediction ..... Bro. Jack Bell

*Flowers for today's service are placed by  
Doug & DeAnne Patrick in memory of their parents,  
Mr. & Mrs. E.M. Patrick, Mr. & Mrs. Frank S. Mathews,  
and Mr. D.N. Hammons.*

**Birthdays:** Emmy Hinds (4), Loren Alford (6), & Liam Brant (9).

## 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.
- Log on to [www.fbcmany.org/giving](http://www.fbcmany.org/giving) or Text FBCMANY to 73256.

<i>January Offering: Pro Life &amp; Crisis Pregnancy Center</i>	
<i>Our Church Goal:</i>	\$ 500.00
<i>Offerings Received:</i>	\$ 220.00
<i>Amount short of goal:</i>	\$ 280.00

**February's Special Offerings**  
*La. Hunger & Local Food Box Project and Souper Bowl/FBC Food Pantry*  
Your support is greatly appreciated.  
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**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**

<b><u>Members in Service :</u></b>		
	<b>Greeters</b>	<b>Deacon of the Week</b>
2/4	Cathy Kelly, Nancy Wright.	Don Burkett
2/11	Kathy and Danny Warmack	Phillip Roark

## *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
	6:00 p.m.	Winter Bible Study
Monday	6:00 p.m.	Winter Bible Study
Tuesday	6:00 p.m.	Winter Bible Study
Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Meal
	6:00 p.m.	Prayer Meeting & 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

### **Prayer Concerns:**

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

## **Vital Statistics**

Financial January 2024		Attendance		
		Date	Sun. School	Worship
Monthly Budget Needs:	\$26,100.97	1/7	33	53
Gifts Received to date:	19,783.38	1/14	39	56
Budget Needs	\$ 6,317.59	1/21	41	63
Remaining:		1/28	38	

### Wednesday Night Meal Menu for Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>

Gumbo with rice, Potato Salad, & dessert. \$ 3 per person

Note: If you plan to eat with us, **RSVP to the Church Office by Tuesday at noon.** Call 256-5655 or email [fbcmny@bellsouth.net](mailto:fbcmny@bellsouth.net)

**The 2023 Contribution Statements are ready. Phyllis Horton will be handing out the statements today or you can pick them up at the church office this week. Contact the office if you would like yours mailed, emailed, or if you have questions.**





We are pleased to have Rev. Jack Bell with us as he begins leading our Winter Bible Study this morning. It is titled "Sermon on the Mount - Blessings of the Kingdom". If you haven't had a chance to sign up, not a problem. There are plenty of books available so see Paul Morris to get your copy before service today. Bring someone with you. Please pray for Bro. Jack Bell as he leads us in this Bible Study. It will be a 5 session study starting this morning at 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m., then 2/5 - 2/7 @ 6 p.m. The nightly sessions will be held in the fellowship hall. Child care will be provided.

### February 2024 Meeting Schedule

*Sunday, 2/18 @ 5 PM – Finance Committee Meeting*

*Tuesday, 2/20 @ 9:30 AM – WMU Meeting*

*Wednesday, 2/21 @ 6 PM – Business Meeting*



Join us for a training and networking opportunity! KID MIN Retreat is open to paid or volunteer children's and preschool ministry leaders, directors, or coordinators.

Join us in our discussion of what it means to cast a vision for your church, your ministry, yourself, and your future.

**Dates:** Begins Mon, Feb. 5 at 1:30 PM and concludes Tues, Feb. 6 at 11:45 AM.

**Location:** FBC, Natchitoches

**Cost:** \$35 (includes session refreshments and dinner Monday evening)

**Special Guest:** Chuck Peters, Director of Lifeway Kids

**Subject:** Casting a Vision

**Contact** LBC to register.

### Flower Calendar 2024

If you would like to have a special day to place flowers in the Sanctuary, please call the church so we can put it on the calendar. The flowers that are placed in our Sanctuary add so much beauty to our worship experience and it is a good way to remember your loved ones.



**Sabine Baptist Association Missions Banquet**

Monday, February 12<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 PM  
Siloam Baptist Church

This year our speaker will be from the LBC WMM office in Alexandria. They will be sharing on how mission's education can and should impact our world views. This event is open to all church members and we encourage everyone to attend. This year is covered dish for the meal. If you would like to help plan, please RSVP to Mary Gore by landline 318-645-6601, text 318-452-9731 or email [tbbaptist@gmail.com](mailto:tbbaptist@gmail.com) by Thursday, February 8<sup>th</sup> on how many will be attending, and what you will be bringing for the meal.

Does the church have your correct email address, mailing address, and phone numbers? Email us your info so that we can make sure we have your records up to date. If you would like to sign up for our e-newsletters and/or our email prayer updates, please send us an email to [fbcmany@bellsouth.net](mailto:fbcmany@bellsouth.net) so we can add you to our lists.



**Hunger Fund Offering Emphasis**  
**Soup Lunch on Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>**

We will have our annual soup lunch on Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> after the Morning Worship Service. If you would like to make a pot of soup, contact the church office or Mary Gore. No desserts please. A donation basket will be placed at the end of the table and proceeds will go to the La. Hunger Fund at La Baptist.

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# *Sermon Notes:*

*Church Family,*

*Grace and peace to all in the name of Jesus our Savior!*

*In a perfect world we never arrive late, never get sick or ill, eat all the chocolate ice cream we want without the risk of needing a bigger pant size, or never have any set back in our plans. Fact is, in the beginning, we being created perfect in the image of God, were in a perfect world! Pride, self-righteousness, and disobedience changed all that.*

*Consequently, our lives here can be filled with trials and tests that God allows for our endurance, humility, and discipline.*

*They are there to keep us going, keep us trusting, keep us praying, and keep us depending upon God. Likewise, our pastor search task has been one with its highs and lows.*

*However, to paraphrase the apostle Paul, 'we know who we believe in and know He is able to keep what we have for your continued prayers of commitment to find the man God has to shepherd us in our church's work for His kingdom going forward.*

*My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience. But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing.*

*James 1: 2-4*

Pastor Search Committee