

First
BAPTIST CHURCH
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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.

Mark Your Calendars

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

8/1 Back to School Rally MES, Sat. 9-12

8/2 Sunday School & Worship

8/5 Wednesday Night Activities

8/6 Ladies Book Club 2 p.m.

8/9 Sunday School & Worship

8/10 1st Day of School Sabine Par.

8/12 Wednesday Night Activities

8/16 Sunday School & Worship

8/16 Finance Comm. Mtg. 5 p.m.

8/19 Wednesday Night Activities & Business Meeting

8/20 1st Responders Breakfast

8/21 4th Friday Fish Fry

8/23 Sunday School & Worship

8/26 Wednesday Night Activities

8/30 Sunday Sch Promotion Day

Sunday Service Schedule

Sunday School @ 9:30 a.m.

Worship Service @ 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday Night Activities

Meal @ 5:30 PM

Prayer Meeting & Bible Study @ 6 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 rooms. We have a great time of food, fellowship, and study so come join us!

SUNDAY SCHOOL PROMOTION

SUNDAY ON AUGUST 30TH

Our annual Sunday School Promotion Day is Sunday, August 30th. Near the end of Sunday School time, those who will promote or wish to change classes will go to their new class, get the new Sunday School books for the quarter, and get ready for the next Sunday. If you haven't been a part of our Sunday School classes (OR if it's been a while), now is a good time to join or come back. Let's make the new church year (which starts September 1st) a year of growth both for the church and for our spiritual lives. Hope to see you in Sunday School!

Promotion
SUNDAY

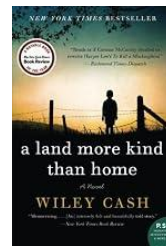
PRAYER AT MANY SCHOOLS ON AUGUST 5TH

After Wednesday Night Bible Study

Everyone is asked to join in as we go to the Many Schools after Prayer Meeting and Bible Study. We will gather in our church parking lot and divide up in groups to go to the schools to pray for the schools, students, and faculty as the new school year begins. For more information, please contact Mary Gore.

Grateful Hearts Book Club

Ladies! Looking for a Christian book club? Come join us at Many First Baptist Church. Everyone is welcome. The group meets the first Thursday each month. The next book we will discuss is "A Land More Kind than Home" by Wiley Cash. Get your book at your favorite bookstore or the library and come ready to discuss it at the meeting on Thursday, August 6th @ 2 PM. Bring a friend. For more information, contact the FBC office at 256-5655.



Join us Wednesday Nights for a great time of food, fellowship, and study. Our meal is covered dish at 5:30 so bring a dish or two and come have dinner with us. Prayer Meeting and Bible Studies begin at 6. Folks have really been enjoying this time of informal discussions, talking about current events, and Biblical applications. We have studies and activities for our kids and youth during this time. If you have not been attending, you are missing out!

Prayer Chain

Are you looking for a way to serve our church and church family? Praying is a way we all can be a part of a very valuable part of ministry. We are in the process of "rebuilding" our Prayer Chain group. If you would be interested in being a part of our Prayer Chain here at First Baptist Church, we would love to include you. The Prayer Chain gets notified (usually by email) if there are special or urgent requests or need for prayers. For more information or to be included to our Prayer Chain group, please contact the Church office by email at fbcmany@bellsouth.net.



Prayer List Refresh

We are in the process of updating our church prayer list to ensure it remains current. If you would like a name to remain on the list, add a new prayer request, or share an update, please contact the church office by Friday, August 14th. Names without an update may be removed after that time

but can always be added again as needed. We also have "Prayer Request Cards" in various areas of the church that you can use to provide prayer requests, updates, or corrections and turn into the office. The Prayer List are created weekly on Wednesdays for our Prayer Meeting time and copies are located in various places in the church. Thank you for helping us care for and pray faithfully for one another.

Ways to Provide Prayer Concerns & Updates:

- Share at Wednesday Prayer Meeting
- Email church office: fbcmany@yahoo.com or fbcmany@bellsouth.net
- Call the church office (318)256-5655
- Fill out a "Prayer Request Card" and drop in offering plate/box or bring to church office.

Business Meeting

Wednesday, August 19th @ 6 PM

Church members are encouraged to attend and take part in the crucial business matters of the church. Several items are on the agenda. Contact church office for more details.

Finance Committees Meeting

Sunday, August 16th @ 5 p.m.

All members of this committee are urged to attend. If you cannot attend, contact Paul Morris or the church office.

First Responder's Appreciation

On Thursday, August 20th, our Missions and Evangelism Committee will be coordinating taking donuts as well as spending time in prayer with our area First Responders on behalf of Many FBC. If you would like to volunteer to take the donuts as well as pray with them, please contact the church office or see Virginia Burkett. We do truly appreciate our First Responders in our parish. Please lift them up in your prayers.

•	Sabine Parish
•	Back 2 School Rally
•	FREE
•	SCHOOL
•	SUPPLIES
•	Saturday, August 1
•	@ Many Elementary School
•	Registration 8-9 AM.
•	Program begins at 9 AM.
•	School supplies distributed after program.
•	Student must be present to receive school supplies.
•	Student must be accompanied by an adult.

Back to School Rally

The Back to School Rally is set for Saturday, August 1st
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at Many Elementary School.

This is for students PreK through 12th Grade.

Children must be accompanied by a parent/guardian and be present to receive school supplies.

Our church has contributed \$ 1,590.76 towards this community outreach event. Your generous support of this event and parish students is greatly appreciated.

Sabine Parish First Days of School

Teachers First Day of School = Wednesday, August 5th

Students First Day of School = Monday, August 10th



School will be starting back soon. As school prepares to start back, let us lift up the students, teachers, and faculty in prayer - praying for them and the upcoming school year. Everyone will be getting back in a regular routine. This is also an excellent opportunity for you to make a commitment to start back attending our church services regularly. If you know someone who hasn't been at church for a while, take this opportunity contact them and invite them back. We have postcards that you can use to drop them note in the mail. Contact the church office for more details on this. Join us on Sunday Mornings and Wednesday Evenings. Let us all do our part in helping our church grow by inviting someone to church.

LBCH- Fall Food Roundup

This month we will begin collecting food and other items for the Louisiana Baptist Children's Home Fall Food Round Up. We will have baskets set up across from the office and down in the Sanctuary. List of items needed will be on the table across from the Church Office or you can go to LBCH.org to see the list. The Louisiana Baptist Children's Home will be here on Monday Sept. 8th to pick up the items we have collected. If you would rather make a financial contribution, you can do that as well. Contact the church office for more information.

Ways to Give Your Tithes & Offerings

- Place in offering plate during worship service.
- Place in offering boxes as you enter or exit the Sanctuary on Sundays.
- Mail to Church (P.O. Box 239, Many, LA 71449).
- Come by the church during office hours.
- Log on to www.fbcmmany.org/giving or Text FBCMANY to 73256.

The Church Office will be closed on Monday afternoons. This will allow the office staff to do some records work, cleaning, and maintenance with minimal interruptions. If it is an emergency, of course we will be there to take care of that. Thank you for your help and understanding about the closure.

Mid-Year contribution statements will be ready in the next couple of weeks. This statement will let you know where you are on your financial gifts to the church in 2026. When you receive your statement, please look it over and let us know if you have any questions. We appreciate your financial support of FBC.

FOURTH FRIDAY FISH FRY

at Clara Springs = August 21st

**Come enjoy a great time of fellowship at the Fourth Friday Fish Fry at Clara Springs. Cost: \$15 adults, Kids 10-17 \$10, Kids 9 & under---FREE
Time: Serving starts at 5:00pm**



Are you signed up on the church's "Realm" program? If not, please call or email to the church office so that we can send you an email invite. Realm is the church's membership program. You can update your contact info, make contributions, see your contributions to the church, upload profile photo, and much more. This is a great tool and we plan to utilize some new things with Realm soon. Get signed up today!

The Church Office needs your help in making sure your contact information is correct. Recently, we have received returned mail and emails and/or do not have a correct phone numbers. Church Information Update sheets are located on the back table in the sanctuary and on the table by the office. You can contact the office and we can mail or email a form or take your info over the phone. Contact the church office if you have questions.

We have some upcoming dates open for Flowers for the Sanctuary, including some in August and September. If you have a specific date in mind (birthday, anniversary, etc.) contact the church office to secure your date in advance. This is a great way to remember your loved ones as well as honor someone in a special way. The flowers that are placed in our sanctuary add so much beauty to our worship experience and are greatly appreciated.

**The Church Office will be closed on Monday, September 7th for Labor Day!
Have a blessed and safe holiday!**



We had a wonderful VBS this past month and I want to make sure that everyone who helped out in some way knows how thankful I am for your help. Church is supposed to be about serving the Lord and sharing His love. That is what happened at our Vacation Bible School.

I also want to encourage everyone to come join us in Sunday school and invite someone to join you at church. Just think what God could do in our church and our community, if everyone would invite one.

Because He Lives,
Bro. Wade



2 Lindsey Fredieu
4 Shay Morrison Jr.
6 Virginia Burkett
7 John Curtis
8 Doug Patrick,
Colton Alford
13 David Maxey

14 Andy Payne, Trett
Matherne
17 Terry Webb
18 Cecile Lites
19 Terry Brandon, Gary
Strange
20 Drew Booker

21 Breez Booker
22 Harley Cummings
24 Phyllis Horton, Brock Booker,
Jase Nichols
30 Shirley Salley, Mary Jane Price
31 Cathy Collier

Members in Service :

Greeters		Deacon of the Week
8/2	Cathy Kelly & Nancy Wright	Mike Collier
8/9	Shirley Sally & Danny Warmack	Paul Morris
8/16	Phyllis Horton & Shirley Salley	Don Burkett
8/23	Shirley Salley, Delores Geoghagan, and Rocky Wright	Phillip Roark
8/30	Phyllis Horton, Gary and Ramona Moore	Mark Jordan

Bulletin & Newsletter Deadlines

Bulletin for 8/9 = Thursday 8/6 @ 9 AM

Bulletin for 8/16 = Thursday 8/13 @ 9 AM

Bulletin for 8/23 = Thursday 8/20 @ 9 AM

Bulletin for 8/30 = Thursday 8/27 @ 9 AM

Newsletter for September = Thursday 8/27 @ 9 AM

To have announcements to be placed in publications, have them to Karen or Phyllis by these deadlines.

Deacon Counters for August –

Phillip Roark & Jimmy Bray

Look Ahead at Upcoming Activities in September:

- Thursday, Sept. 3rd – Grateful Hearts Book Club 2 p.m
- Friday, Sept. 4th – MHS Tailgate
- September 6 – 13 – Week of Prayer for State Missions and the Georgia Barnette State Missions Offering
- Monday, September 7th – Labor Day, Office Closed
- Sunday, September 13th @ 5 PM – Finance Comm. Mtg.
- Tuesday, September 15th – WMU Meeting @ 9:30 a.m.
- Wednesday, September 16th – Business Meeting
- Sunday, September 20th – Roundup Sunday

Vital Statistics

Financial July 2026

Monthly Budget Needs:	\$ 35,684.58
Gifts Received:	\$ 32,500.48
Budget Needs Short:	\$ 3,184.10

Emergency Contact Numbers

First Baptist Church of Many

Church Office = (318)256-5655 M – F 8 AM – 4 PM

AFTER HOURS CONTACTS:

Bro. Wade Penfield = (318)315-2534

Karen Sepulvado = (318)508-1138

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OFFICE STAFF

Pastor – Rev. Wade Penfield

Church & Financial Secretary – Karen Sepulvado

Church Secretary – Phyllis Horton