

Pastor's Lines

Dear Church Family,

I like painting. My wife and I have been taking time on Saturdays to repaint a house that we own as a rent house in Broussard. We had a rent-to-own contract with a lady (don't ever do that) and it went badly. Ultimately, we got the house back and after hauling 6 trailer loads of trash out of the house, we began the process of restoring the house to its proper luster. It has been a time consuming project, but I have learned something about myself. I like painting. In fact, painting has become somewhat of a spiritual experience for me. And here is why. So much of what we do in this life has a tentative outcome. We raise our children, and hope they follow through with our training. We do our work, and hope it is good enough, we mow our grass, we trim our trees, and hope the yard looks good for a while. We fix our car, and pray that it keeps running. Much of life seems to change, even as we are trying to make it better. But when I paint...it has been so refreshing to put a swipe of paint on a wall, come back the next time, and see that paint staying right where I left it. I have done a lot of praying while painting, and that has been good for me, and for you, cause I find myself praying for you. By the way, when the painting is finished, it looks sooooo good as well. **In a world that is addicted to change, it is so nice to know that one thing remains even more permanent than paint. JESUS!!! Let's remember to "stick" with Him, no matter what!!**

We want to welcome our Lottie Moon Missionary speakers to our church today. Randy and Kittie Trail are retired missionaries who served two terms in Sub-Saharan Africa. They have three children and are currently serving as College Ministers at Emmanuel Baptist Church in Ruston. We are so thrilled to hear the stories of their work in Africa. We will enjoy a great fellowship meal after the service today, and hope you can stay and get to know these wonderful servants of the Lord. Our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering will be collected through December to help support missionaries like the Trails all over the world.

We are also remembering to pray for Bill Armstrong who is in Rwanda right now, serving on a medical mission trip. He will be preaching there today as a part of the trip.

PLEASE remember to bring your bag of food to the church before December 10. We are having our Christmas Service tomorrow night at 6pm for our Second Harvest Clients. You are welcome to attend. We also need cookies brought to the church for Monday night's fellowship after the service. I know it will be a time of blessing.

Ray and Marlene Lejeune, and John McCoppin have completed the New Members Class and are becoming members of First Baptist Church. Our inaugural New Member's Class went very well, and we will be hosting another class in January. If you are interested in going through the 4 week class to discover how to become a member at this great church, please let me know. We welcome Ray, Marlene and John to the church family.

Blessings,
Dr. j

Church News

CHRISTMAS MISSION BANQUET

The Christmas Mission Banquet is **today**, following the morning worship service. We hope that you and your family have planned to join this time of good food and fellowship!



The Lottie Moon Post Office is open for our church family to send Christmas Cards to each other. The Lottie Moon stamps are 10 cents apiece and can be purchased in the church office.

Proceeds from the stamp sale go to the **Lottie Moon Christmas Offering**. Cards with the Lottie Moon Stamp can be mailed in the Lottie Moon Mail Box.

The Lottie Moon Post Office opens on **December 3rd** in the front foyer. The Post Office will close on **January 4th**.



Our Jail Ministry workers are collecting Christmas cards and postage stamps to give to inmates. Last year over 400 cards were given out. If you would like to help with this ministry, Christmas cards, postage stamps, or donations can be dropped off at the church office from now until **December 10th**.



Finance Committee Meeting TODAY at 4pm in the Family Life Center.

Missions Committee Meeting on Wednesday, December 6th at 5pm in the Family Life Center.

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Church News

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for the calls, emails, cards, food, and personal expressions of concern during Becki's illness and subsequent death. You prayed for healing in her foot and the Lord answered: the wound doctor put in the last graft and pronounced it almost "there." Unforeseen, a secondary infection invaded her body, caused a massive stroke, and her body began to shut down. We are grieving the loss of her companionship, but rejoicing in many happy memories, consoled by the knowledge that the struggle which was her life has ended in a joyous new life with Jesus.

Please pray for Debby and me as we are in Indiana this weekend for her funeral and burial next to her beloved Jim. Pray for Bob and Steve as they "stay by the stuff." (KJV)

There will be a memorial service here at First Baptist on Saturday, December 9, at 11:00 AM. Steve will preach, Debby will play the piano, Brian will give the eulogy, and yes, our beloved Dr. J. will lead the singing! Come to celebrate with us. Thank you for everything.

Love in Christ,
Becki's Family: Bob, Liz, Debby, Steve



November 5th thru December 10th
Sponsored by First Baptist Church Jennings

Bring filled bag to the church by December 10th. Bags will be distributed on December 14th.

During this Food Drive we will be collecting food which will be added to the food distribution commodities. Please fill the bag with family sized portions.



The next BYAH Luncheon will be on **Tuesday, December 12th** at 10:30am. Smoked turkey will be provided. Please bring a dish or dessert to compliment our meal. Bring a gift if you would like to participate in the White Elephant gift exchange.

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Student Ministry students.fbcjennings.com

Students from 7th - 12th grade are encouraged to join us. This Wednesday from 5-7 pm, students will be continuing our series on *Plus Nothing, Grace is Sufficient*. Students can get involved in other areas too:

Wednesday Nights: 5-7pm
Sunday Mornings: 9:15-10:15
Sunday Nights: 5-6:30pm

Youth Christmas Party - December 17 - We will have our annual Youth Christmas Party on December 17th from 5-7pm in the Refuge. We will have a Christmas meal, read the Christmas Story, and of course, celebrate with lots of games. Guys need to bring a snacks, and girls need to bring drinks. More details coming.

*** Summer Mission Camp ***

This summer students will be going to the East Texas Baptist University in Marshall, TX for Mission Camp, July 2-6th. Deadline to signup is January 24th. Deposit of \$60 due February 14th. Total Cost will be \$330.



To send a prayer need to the prayer chain, e-mail Liz Bollich at bollich@bellsouth.net text or call @ (337) 580-2896.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION MINISTRY

Food Distribution will resume on **Monday, December 4th from 3-5pm**. **Special Christmas Service at 6pm** in the Sanctuary.

If you are interested in being involved, you are welcome to participate. Thank you for your prayers and service.

Sunday, December 3 - Saturday, December 9



Welcome to the worship services of First Baptist Church

Sunday, December 3, 2017

Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.



Mark 16:15

Sunday, December 3:
 9:15 a.m. Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship
 11:30 a.m. Mission Banquet
 4:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting
 5:00 p.m. Evening Worship
 5:00 p.m. Discipleship Small Groups
 5:00 p.m. Kidz Konnection

Monday, December 4:
 5:00 a.m. FLC Open Exercise/Walking
 3-5 p.m. Food Distribution
 6:00 p.m. Special Worship Service for Food Recipients in the Sanctuary
 6:00 p.m. First Place 4 Health

Tuesday, December 5:
 5:00 a.m. FLC Open Exercise/Walking

Wednesday, December 6:
 5:00 a.m. FLC Open Exercise/Walking
 5:00 p.m. Refuge
 5:00 p.m. Missions Committee Meeting
 6:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting
 6:00 p.m. G.A.'s R.A.'s, C.A.'s & Mission Friends
 6:00 p.m. Midweek Prayer Service
 6:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, December 7:
 5:00 a.m. FLC Open Exercise/Walking
 6:00 p.m. Widows Christmas Banquet

Friday, December 8:
 5:00 a.m. FLC Open Exercise/Walking

Saturday, December 9:

Nursery workers for extended session:
 December 3 Donna Trahan
 December 10 Tina Goebel
 December 17 Nonie Sonnier
 December 31 Carolyn Delahoussaye

Window/Door Offering
 March 19 - Nov.26 \$31,820 received
 Offerings and pledges will continue to be received throughout the construction period.

CHURCH FINANCES
 Monthly Budget Requirements: \$39,993.17
 November 2017 Receipts to Date: \$39,880.75

Dr. jeff Cook Pastor	Brian Wells Minister of Education & Sr. Adults
Derrick Laughlin Youth Leader	Eric Sonnier Children's Leader

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Morning Worship

"Joy to the World"

Welcome & Fellowship

"Jesus Messiah"

"O Come All Ye Faithful"

Scripture Reading & Offering
Special Music

"O Holy Night"

"Silent Night"

Children's Dismissal

Sermon

Randy Trail
Missionary Speaker

Invitation

"Only Trust Him"

Evening Activities

Evening Worship 5pm

Discipleship Small Groups 5pm

Kidz Konnection 5pm

Sermon Notes

Lined area for sermon notes.