

Pastor's Lines

Dear Church Family,

How are you at encouraging others? Do you do it well, or do you need some improvement? It is important to know that the church can be a place of learning and worship, and members can also reasonably expect to be encouraged when participating in the activity of the church. Certainly the word and the worship will be an encouragement when deliberately offered, and prayerfully prepared. But there are other ways to give and receive encouragement in the church family.

1. Remember to be prayed up
2. Remember to pray for one another
3. Remember to pray for your leaders
4. Remember to pay attention to those who are hurting
5. Remember to take extra time to listen
6. And remember to always be thankful for what the Lord is doing and has done for you.

Today, I want to share some encouragement with you. As we are still in that New Year's Mindset, let me share with you some encouraging news and perspectives about our church as we look forward to a great year in 2018. Habakkuk writes his little prophetic book with a purpose. That purpose is *to comfort the people of God under the afflictions that were coming upon them, and to encourage them to the exercise of faith and patience, in the hope and view of the coming of the Messiah.* Sounds like a timely message for today. In the middle of the book, Habakkuk writes an inspiring word to prepare for the future. He says "write the vision on tablets (iPads?) and make it plain. Wait for the appointed time. IT WILL COME TO PASS!

Today, as I share some reflections and some vision for the near future, I want to encourage you to write, and make plain your vision that God has for you.

Blessings,
Dr. j

Ps. We welcome Kent Bozant to our church today as worship leader. Thank you for leading us today!!

Church News



The next BYAH Luncheon will be on Tuesday, January 16th. We will start gathering at 10:30 am for fellowship. Bring a covered dish. We need to provide our own meat dish this month. Lunch will be served at 11:00am. Mark your calendar and plan on coming. I look forward to seeing you there!

Special Opportunity

Senior Adult Luncheon at Evangelism Conference
First Baptist Church, Pineville, LA
Tuesday, January 23rd at 11am-4pm
Cost \$12.00

Special Guest for the afternoon - "Miss Claire"
from the War Room movie--Larnelle Harris.
Music - Voices of Louisiana College
Message - Greg Frizzell



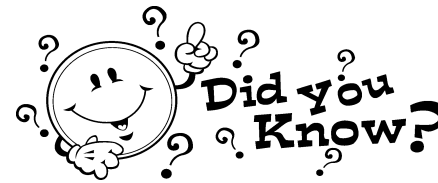
There is a job opening for a nursery worker. The position would be for Sunday morning and evening and Wednesday evening during church activities. Contact Brian Wells or Nancy Walters for more information. Applications are available in the church office.



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

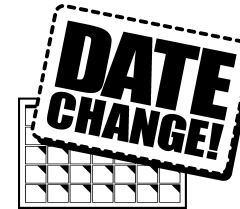
Business Meeting on Wednesday, January 17th at 6:00pm in the Sanctuary.

Church News



Jeff Davis Living Center Sing Along...our church has had a sing-a-long ministry for more than 30 years. We meet each Wednesday at 10:00am at the Living Center and would love to have you participate. Come join us as we minister to the residents in song.

Camelot Nursing Home Visitation...some of our church members have been visiting residents at Camelot. We have several members of our church who are residents there. We meet at Camelot at 10:00am on Thursday and you are invited to join us.



Marriage Under Construction Conference to be rescheduled for the Fall. Watch for more info on our Website and in the bulletin.



The enrollment period is now open where only church members and those families who currently have children enrolled may sign up their child or returning child for this coming school year. The registration fee during this special period will be **\$40.00.**

On **February 1st**, registration will also be opened to the public. At that point, your child's place in the preschool or kindergarten is not guaranteed. You need to register your child as soon as possible. The registration fee starting February 1st is **\$50.00.**

Church News

Student Ministry students.fbcjennings.com

Students from 7th - 12th grade are encouraged to join us on Wednesdays from 5-7 pm for Bible study. Our current series "This Is Your Year" takes us thru having a God-given vision, committing to follow Him, and then join in the service of the church to work together to complete the Great Commission.

Opportunities to join in Student Ministry:

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

*** Summer Mission Camp ***

This summer students will be going to the East Texas Baptist University in Marshall, TX for Mission Camp, July 2-6th.

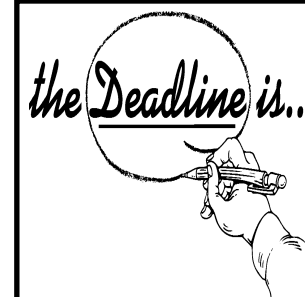
Deadline to signup is January 24th. Deposit of \$60 due February 14th. Total Cost will be \$330.

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, January 15th from 3-5pm.**

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



Any articles or postings for the Sunday Bulletin need to be in the office by Wednesday.

Articles for the Newsletter need to be in the office by the 20th of each month.

Sunday, January 14- Saturday, January 20

Sunday, January 14:

9:15 a.m. Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship
 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, January 15:

5:00 a.m. FLC Open Exercise Walking
 3-5 p.m. Food Distribution
 6:00 p.m. First Place 4 Health

Tuesday, January 16:

5:00 a.m. FLC Open Exercise/Walking
 10:30 a.m. BYAH Luncheon

Wednesday, January 17:

5:00 a.m. FLC Open Exercise/Walking
 10:00 a.m. Jeff Davis Living Center Sing-a-Long
 5:00 p.m. Refuge
 6:00 p.m. G.A.'s R.A.'s, C.A.'s & Mission Friends
 6:00 p.m. Business Meeting
 6:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, January 18:

5:00 a.m. FLC Open Exercise/Walking
 10:00 a.m. Camelot Nursing Home Visitation

Friday, January 19:

5:00 a.m. FLC Open Exercise/Walking

Saturday, January 20:

Nursery workers for
 extended session:

January 14 Martha Phelps
 January 21 Tina Patterson
 January 28 Samantha Patterson

Window/Door Offering

March 19 - Jan 7 \$34,310 received
 Amount invoiced to date: \$56,706.82

Offerings and pledges will continue to be
 received throughout the construction
 period.

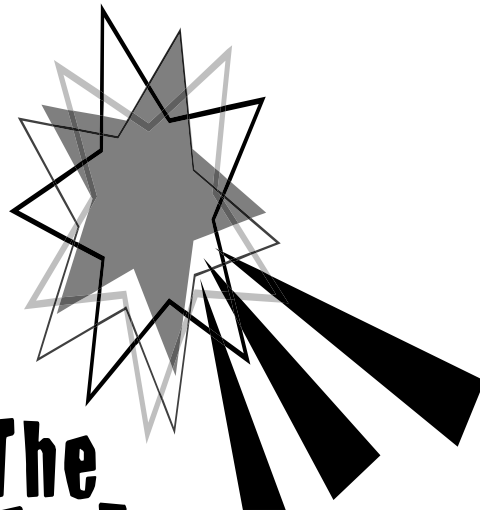
CHURCH FINANCES

Monthly Budget Requirements: \$39,993.17
 January 2018 Receipts to Date: \$ 9,018.00



Welcome
 to the worship services of
First Baptist Church

Sunday, January 14, 2018



**The
 righteous
 live by their faith.**

HABAKKUK 2:4, NRSV

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

“Come, Now Is the Time to Worship”

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Welcome & Fellowship

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

“Jesus, Name Above All Names”

Scripture Reading & Offering

Children's Dismissal

“I Am Thine, O Lord”

“Jesus, Draw Me Close”

“There Is a Redeemer”

Sermon Dr. jeff Cook

Invitation

“Have Thine Own Way”

Evening Activities

Evening Worship 5pm

Discipleship Small Groups 5pm

Kidz Konnection 5pm

Sermon Notes

LOOKING AHEAD

Habakkuk 2:2-3

1. Show Up _____

2. Share _____

3. Serve _____

4. Celebrate _____