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# February Birthdays

- 2 Linda Cedars
- 3 Ted R Broyles II Bobby Gray
- 6 Jules Brown
- 7 Kynsley Tuck Shirley Quinones
- 8 Lily Grace Simms
- 9 Crystal Rector
- 10 Ivory Meins
- 16 Trina Haymon
- 19 Sonny Pynes
- 20 Gryphon Cooley Trey Houck
- 24 Samantha Toro
- 27 Evelyn Cooley Remi Clark
- 29 Hunter Cooley Karlee Lowe

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# Deacon on Call

February 4 -10, 2024 Jack Simms 337 208 9354

February 12-17, 2024 Randall Smith 337 423 1950

February 18-24, 2024 Curtis Brumley 337 208 7382

Feb 25-Mar 2, 2024 Alan Loris 202 577 1437

# **FBC State of Affairs**

2024 Monthly Budget Required \$35,418.00 Total for January 2024 \$30,939.93 Total for Lottie Moon to date: \$9,508.51

# **Sunday School Report**

	1//	1/14	1/21	1/28
Members Present	96	91	87	97
Visitors	7	6	10	13
Worship Attendance	208	193	184	167

# Memorials

In Memory of: Given By:

Vera Richardson	Gary & Pam Anders
Vera Richardson	Loretta Poe
Vera Richardson	Michael & Mary Berger
James Williamson	Mike & Syd Corley
Charles Simmons	Mike & Syd Corley
Vera Richardson	David & Donna Waters
Margie Lee Labby	Betty Westerchil
Marcus Placenia	Betty Westerchil



Thank you for all the visits, cards, food and especially your prayers during my hand surgery and recovery time.

We thank God for a loving and caring Church Family.

In Christian Love,

Billy & Cordelia Jones



Kids Mission Camp deposits of \$105 are due February 18. You may turn in your money to Mrs. Kiersten.

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Please remember to pray for our newest Deacon Family



Charlie and Brenda Bealer



The FBC Women on Missions will be preparing and delivering treat platters to our local police, firefighters, sheriff's office and Office of the DA on Monday, February 12. If you would like to donate some items to go on these platters, such as cookies, brownies, muffins etc., please bring to the church office by Sunday, February 11th. Help us show our first responders how much FBC appreciates them. Thank you in advance for your generous participation.

# WHEN YOU PRAY

Come join the ladies on Sun evenings

@ 6 pm in the CLC. Books can be ordered
from Amazon or Lifeway.
For more information Call
Janet Cannon 337 485 8605



Men's Bible Study each Sunday evening 6 to 7 pm. Come and join these men as they study the Scriptures.

#### Word From Pastor Darin

I trust that everyone reading this is having a great day. At FBC Leesville we are in the midst of our series the 7 churches in Revelation. I trust you enjoyed Steve James and Toby Osburn preaching on Ephesus and Smyrna. This Sunday I will be preaching on Pergamum. There is so much information and biblical truth in this passage, please make every attempt to be there.

January 7<sup>th</sup> we had our family dedication service and what a great day that was. I would like to encourage all of our families to keep your sheet in a visible place so it's your daily reminder to be your primary faith influencer in your family.

Our bible verse we are memorizing in February are **Romans 3:23, 6:23,5:8, and 10:9-10**. Please make this a priority to hide God's word in your heart. I believe it is important for each one of us to place God's word at the center of all that we do.

See you Sunday Pastor D

#### FIRST YOUTH NEWS

Hello FBC Leesville Family,

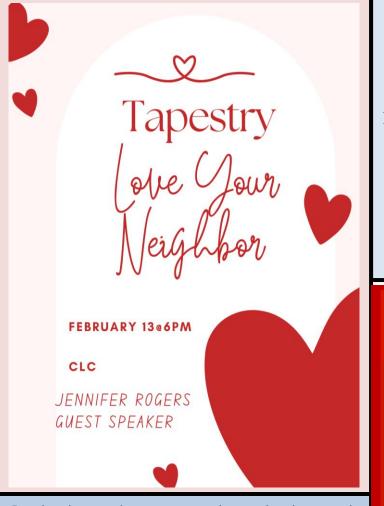
Our youth group numbers are remaining steady, and our faithful students continue to invite their friends. If you have not had a chance to see what has taken place in the youth room, I believe you will be pleasantly surprised. It is ninety-plus complete, and you are invited to come take a look. We will be formally dedicating it in the very near future. Our first fundraiser of 2024 is the Chili Cook-Off Youth Fundraiser on Sunday, 25 February. Be looking for more in the days to come.

The last two sermons on Revelation reminded me that being busy in doing good and doing good when it is easy is not necessarily holiness. We all need reminders and encouragement as adults, youth, and children to be people of the Word and to regularly attend church and church activities. In Matthew 18:20 Jesus says, "For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them." But we also must be reminded that there needs to be a <u>primary faith influencer</u> in the home. This may be the father, mother, husband, wife, grandfather, grandmother, or someone who is concerned for the spiritual wellbeing of the family. Have a fabulous February everyone!

In His service, Rodney Blackwell

# Children's Corner

We have had a great start to 2024 with our children! Our Family Dedication Day was a special day at FBC. It's never too late to dedicate your family to Jesus. You can speak to any of our ministers or members about how to get plugged in. Additionally, 2024 Family Commitment contracts can still be picked up in the foyer. We would love to assist you as you point your family to Jesus this year. Our GA's/RA's/Mission Friends (Kids Missions) have been growing on Sunday nights. We meet at 6:00 and would love for any children to join us. We will be going to Kids Mission Camp at Tall Timbers in July. \*As a reminder to our families- deposits (\$105) for camp are due on Feb. 18th. Please turn this in to me so we can secure our spots for camp. Our choirs have been busy learning new material for Easter. We can't wait to hear from them next month! Our Awana kiddos have been working hard to memorize more scripture this year. Thank you to all of our volunteers in the Children's Ministry! From Nursery to Children's Church to Sunday School and beyond, you are appreciated and LOVED! "Let all that you do be done in love."-1 Corinthians 16:14 ~With Love~ Mrs. Kiersten



Beginning February 6 and continuing each 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month we will have family night/open gym from 6 to 8 pm.

## **Sunday Morning**

Bible study for all ages 9:30 to 10:30 am Children's Church Pre-school thru 3<sup>rd</sup> Gr. Worship Service 10:45 – 12:00 Noon

## **Sunday night Activities**

RA's, GA's & Mission Friends 6-7 pm Youth & Adult Bible Study (CLC) 6-7

# Wednesday Night Activities

Youth, Children & Adult Meal CLC 5-6 Children's Choir 5:35-Awana 6-7:10 Adult & Youth Bible Study 6-7 Adult Choir Practice 6:45 –7:45 pm



# CHILI COOK-OFF YOUTH FUNDRAISER

February 25, 2024

Do you have the best chili at FBC Leesville? Bring it on Sunday, Feb. 25. to the CLC before the morning service, and let the judges decide. All proceeds will help send our youth to FUGE in Arkansas.



# New Members



George Albright



Tim & Theresa Parnell



Autumn Meins



To FBC Leesville.

I wanted to let you know about the seeds that you have sown in the heart of a young man who grew up in your church. Gavin Grimes came to First Baptist Church of Kenner several years ago along with his fiancé, Alexis, who is now his wife. The spiritual maturity and anointing was clearly upon the two of them as a couple. Gavin's professional experience in construction was a gift to the church that would become apparent soon after they joined and hurricane IDA rendered our sanctuary uninhabitable. As a result, we had to remodel our original sanctuary which had become our fellowship hall, and thanks to his assistance and leadership we have now been worshiping there for the last year and a half. Gavin has also taken a leadership role with our young couples, singles and career group. He and Alexis have been such a remarkable example of consistency and strength.

Gavin's spiritual maturity and service was noticed by many in the church which led to his nomination for Deaconship this past year. After going through the ordination council, it became apparent the Gavin held to the deep truths and mysteries of the holy scriptures and qualified as a deacon. We recently held the ordination service for Gavin and his family and look forward to his service this coming year. We wanted to thank First Baptist Church of Leesville for all that you poured into this young man's life and helping him develop the foundations and spiritual truths that made him the man and the husband to Alexis that he is today.

Csimmons, Chairman of the deacons, First Baptist Church, Kenner, Louisiana

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