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May Birthdays

2 – John Brumley
4 – Dillon Walker
Madilynn Blackwell
6 – Tammy Blackwell
Tracy Tuck
8 – Margie Tipton
9 – Dominic Lewandowski
Pat Gremillion
10- Nancy Williams
12- Trip Clemons
13- Linda Brady
Roland Terrell
Kenneth Owers
15- Mindi Cooley
18- Axel Rector
Elizabeth Cyr
22- James Tuck
24- Genevieve Johnson
Sophia Stephens
27- Dustin Smith
28- Finn Toro
31- Mike Corley



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Staff

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Kiersten Nolen, Children Minister
Elizabeth Cyr, Choir Director

Deacon on Call

May 5-11, 2024
Dustin Smith
337 424 9975

May 12-18, 2024
Teddy Broyles
225 439 6109

May 19-25, 2024
Robert Pynes, Jr.
337 397 2930

May 26 -June 1, 2024
Jack Simms
337 208 9354

FBC State of Affairs

2024 Monthly Budget Required \$35,418.00
Total for April 2024 \$33,335.86

Sunday School Report

	4/7	4/14	4/21	4/28
Members Present	92	89	90	90
Visitors	14	15	11	10
Worship Attendance	178	180	185	191

I.O.U.C.K. Ministries

meet each Monday Morning in the church parlor
to pray for the needs of our church and our
community. They welcome all to come and pray
with them.

Memorials

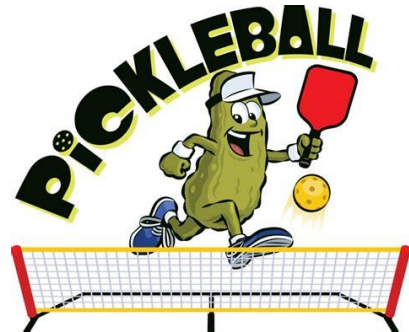
In Memory Of:
Catherine Bauer
David Bennett

Given By:
Betty Westerchil
Betty Westerchil



The Youth Room has been redecorated and refurbished. Thanks to all who worked diligently to get the work done. A big "Thank You" to Rodney and Tammy Blackwell, Youth Minister and wife.

If you have not seen the new Youth Room, come by and see it.



Pickleball in the FBC gym Tuesdays and
Thursdays 1-5 and Saturdays 10-12 Noon



Word From Pastor Darin

I trust as you are reading this newsletter that you are experiencing the love of Christ in your life. We are experiencing some trying times in life and the only way to thrive is to center on God's wonderful peace. I want to encourage each of you to be praying the names of God that I preached on a few weeks ago. Some of them are.

Jehovah – Raah my shepherd, Jehovah Rapha the God who heals, Jehovah Jireh the God will provide, and Jehovah Shalom the Lord is Peace. I believe if you pray these names of God, you will have a deeper walk with Him and a greater prayer life.

Please be praying for our college campuses that enemy has infiltrated and that the students will be safe, and please be praying for Israel.

This week we will be recognizing our seniors that are graduating. Please be here so we can let them know how proud we are of them.

Also, we will have a guest speaker this week to give us some more detail on our backpack ministry that we will be launching this month. Bro. Marshall Ingle will be the speaker and he is from the Mississippi River Ministry, and we are looking forward to the word he has for us.

Also, the next week is Mother's Day, and we will once again be having a mother's day breakfast to honor our mothers. The breakfast will be at 9:00 and will be followed by a lesson in the CLC. Also, on that day we will have baby dedication. God is doing a lot in this place and be praying where you can join in.

Serving Him

Pastor D

FIRST YOUTH NEWS

Hello FBC Leesville Family,

The Lord continues to add members to our Sunday School roll and our Wednesday nights number remains steady with 20-25 or more youth each week. The Youth Garage Sale Fundraiser was a great success. We were able to raise \$1644.00 to help send our youth to Fuge camp this summer. Thank you for your item donations and for purchasing items during the sale. Our next fundraiser will be the Youth Jambalaya plate dinner sales. The pick up/delivery date is Friday, May 24th. Please see a youth, a youth team leader, Tammy and myself or purchase them through the church office. Thank you for always supporting our student ministry.

As I think about the successes and challenges Tammy and I have experienced, especially the last couple of years, I am reminded of what the Apostle Paul pinned to the church of Phillipi, Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead. Philippians 3:13 Thank you for your prayers and encouragement.

In His service, Rodney Blackwell

Children's Corner

We had a great month of April in our Children's Ministry! The Children's Choir did great with their program as well! We will have our **Baby Dedication on Mother's Day- May 12th**. If anyone would like to include their baby or child please let me or the church office know by **May 3rd**. With the school year wrapping up, our last night of

Wednesday night Children's Choir and Awana will be **Wednesday May 15th**. We will meet at 5:00 for our regular fellowship meal, go to Choir at 5:35, and then we will have our **Awana Awards Ceremony at 6:00 in the CLC**. We are inviting all parents and church members to come to this special night. The children have some songs and verses to share. Afterwards we will have cake for everyone and the kids will have their celebration in the gym from 6:30-7:30. Our GA's will have our end of year **"Lock-In" on May 17th from 5:30 pm-8:00 am** the following morning.

Our RA's will have their **end of year swim party on May 19th**. We will meet at the church at **5:00 pm to head to the Rolons and will return by 7:00 pm**. We are all getting excited about our Kids Mission Camp at **Clara Springs Baptist Camp which will be July 15th-18th**. We will have a **Spaghetti Lunch fundraiser after church on June 2nd**. We invite you all to attend. We will also have a **bake sale at Market Basket on June 22nd**. Our FBC VBS

will be held June 24th-28th from 9-12. We will have a quick meeting after the service on **May 5th** for anyone who would like to sign up to volunteer. You may continue signing up for an area you would like to serve in the foyer. We are looking forward to what the Lord has in store for this awesome week at "Breaker Rock Beach" VBS! "And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God" Romans 12:2 ~With Love~ Mrs. Kiersten

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MISSISSIPPI RIVER
ministry

A SOUTHERN BAPTIST MINISTRY



The WMU ladies will be overseeing the

Backpack Ministry again this year. The

63 bags filled last year were all distributed in Louisiana. Our goal this year is 100 backpacks. Mr. Marshall Ingle will be picking up the bags and he will also be at FBC to speak May 5, 2024. It is not too early to begin filling your backpacks for this ministry. Mississippi River Ministry makes it their mission to spread the love of God and help those less fortunate through missions, prayer, and community involvement with the region's churches. We invite volunteers and local churches to help with our ministry opportunities. Our motto is, "Impacting Lostness, Confronting Poverty," so we make it our top priority to carry out hunger ministries and many others that help children and families in the Mississippi River region.

Sunday Morning

Bible study for all ages 9:30 to 10:30 am
Children's Church Pre-school thru 3rd Gr.

Worship Service 10:45 – 12:00 Noon

Sunday night Activities

RA's, GA's & Mission Friends 6-7 pm
(until May 15-School out)

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

(Until May 15-School Out)

Adult & Youth Bible Study 6-7

Adult Choir Practice 6:45 –7:45 pm

May 2024 Wednesday Night Meals

May 1, 2024- Loretta Poe & Crew

May 8, 2024 – Sarah Class-

DeLain Prewitt

May 15, 2004 – Pot Luck-

Bring your favorite dish.

Welcome New Member



Jaden Hilton

"Thank You" to everyone who provided food & prepared and served the Wednesday Night meals throughout the school year.

"You are appreciated"

thank you

Thank you to everyone that has called, text, prayed and sent encouraging cards to me in the loss of my Mom. She was the sweetest person I've ever known and she will be greatly missed. Your continued prayers are appreciated.

Bunny Woods

DeLain Prewitt

Rinkie Endris

Roger Rolon

Brenda Bealer

Mike Corley

Nathaniel Meins

Yong Johnson

FBC Sunday School Teachers

We appreciate your willingness to serve and to always be so prepared.

Ted Broyles

Jamarie Smith

Leslie Moore

Linda Cedars

Smile It's Sunday

Tim Tuck

Jim Tuck

Karan Brumley

Tommy Cannon

Shirley Quinones

Rodney Blackwell

Vernon Clark

May 12th, Mother's Day

All men come and join the men's choir on that day. Let's honor our mothers!

Meet Elizabeth in the choir room at 10:30.

Congradulations On Your Graduation

Nattacin Meins

Haley Gargis

LeAndre Miller

Mother's Day Baby Dedication 2024

Scan to Sign-Up!

FIRST BAPTIST LEESVILLE
YOU BELONG HERE

Join us for a ...

Speak, Jesus Paint Party

May 14 at 6 PM at First Baptist Church, Leesville

Be encouraged with God's Promises!

Cost: \$25 (All materials included)
Venmo or PayPal pamrkeith@aol.com
(To ensure you have the correct person, look for Pam's photo. Please put the date of the party in the notes)
You may also register by check to the Women's Ministry.
Deadline to sign up: May 8, 2024

Artist and Speaker: Pam Keith

Painting:

New to First Baptist Church

We are so glad you are here and we are anxious to get to know you !

Children's SS and programs

Ladies Bible Study Programs

Pickleball

Praying

Missions around the world

Ladies Exercise Class

happy Sunday
Sunday School for Everyone

BREAKER ROCK BEACH

GOD'S ROCK-SOLID TRUTH IN A WORLD OF SHIFTING SANDS
ROMANS 12:2

VBS June 24 through 28 from 9 to 12 Noon

See Kiersten Nolen to volunteer to help.

Youth Fund Raiser-Jambalaya
May 24, 2024
for tickets See any youth, Rodney, Tammy or sign up in the office

Support the Youth