

#### **Speakers & Musicians**

Lee Strobel, Dr. Willie McLaurin, Shane Pruitt, Richard Ross, PhD., David Evans, Steve Beckham, Michael Wood, Jason Lovins Band, and Point of Grace. **Louisiana Baptist Convention** 

# **Evangelism Conference**

January 24-25
First Baptist Church

16333 Highway 1085, Covington, LA

www.louisianabaptists.org/2022-evangelism-conference



# THE ANCHOR

"Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the LORD, because you know that your labor in the LORD is not in vain."

I Corinthians 15:58 (NIV)

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# Executive Board Meeting

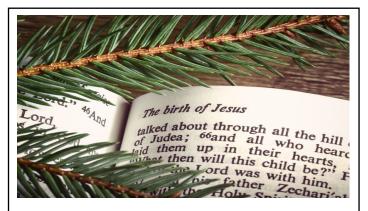
Tuesday, January 18 @ 10 a.m. Grace Memorial Baptist Church

58516 Pearl Acres Road, Slidell

All member churches are entitled to send their pastor (or the church's designee) and one other designated person to represent them in the conducting of Associational business.

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Your Northshore Staff Wishes You a Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year.

Don Pucík - Kathy Cason

The NBA Office will be closed December 23 - January 2 for the Christmas and New Year's holidays.



### Week of Prayer for International Missions

November 28-December 5, 2021

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering National Goal: \$160 Million

# **Northshore Church News**

- First (Ponchatoula) will present their annual Christmas Spectacular 2021 *The Glory of Christmas* on Friday and Sunday, December 10 and 12, at 7 p.m. They invite everyone on the North Shore to enjoy the story of the birth of Christ and hope that this will help to get churches in the Christmas Spirit. There will be Wisemen, shepherds, angels, and banners. The Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra will present the music. Chip Vickers is music pastor. David Cranford is pastor.
- •Grace Memorial (Slidell) upcoming December events are: •Sunday, December 5, at 10:30 a.m. Preschool Choir sings, then Children's Choir Musical "Behind the Manger Scenes" •Sunday, December 12, at 10:30 a.m. Adult Choir, Orchestra, and Band musical "Season of Joy" •Sunday, December 12, from 2-5 p.m. Ladies' Open House Tour/Fellowship (visit five of our members' homes) tickets are \$25, proceeds go to Macedonia Missions •Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, December 17, 18, 19, 6-9 p.m. Living Nativity •Friday, December 24, 5p.m. Christmas Eve Service. Jerry Smith is pastor.
- •New Beulah (Hammond) will have January Bible Study on Sundays January 9 through February 13. Les Fogleman is pastor.
- •Thompson Road (Slidell) is accepting resumes for a part time Worship Leader. The position would involve Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings. Please contact Pastor Randy Boyett at <a href="mailto:rbtrbc@yahoo">rbtrbc@yahoo</a> for more information. He can also be reached at 985-768-9605.
- Ridge Memorial (Slidell) has been experiencing a revival type of services. The membership seems so excited just to be in their church on Sundays. Pastor Paul Dabdoub has started something new. He is teaching the Book of Revelation, a verse by verse study. The study begins at 4 p.m. Sunday evenings. The time was changed to 4 p.m. to give people daylight when they leave. The study concludes at 5 p.m. Pastor Dabdoub said, "We are seeing many visitors who want to learn this great Book. Many are interested in the future and we have it right in front of us in this wonderful Book of Revelation." Slidell Baptist Seminary continues to reach students all over the United States. Even though the seminary is a Southern Baptist school, students range from Southern Baptist, to BMA Baptist, to American Baptist and Independent Baptist. Not only Baptist are students but 20% are Methodists, Lutheran, Pentecostal, and a few Catholics. The seminary has nearly 5,000 students. The national graduation in 2022 will be June 5. Classes of 2020, 2021, and 2022 will be honored. The church did not have the last two graduations due to Covid, however it looks like this coming year is on.

- Celebration (Mandeville/Covington) upcoming events include •Sunday, December 5, at 6 p.m. -Sweet Christmas Ladies Event. All ladies are invited to experience an incredible time of fellowship, worship, and sweets from around the world. This will be a bi-lingual event in English and Spanish. •Sunday, December 12, at 6 p.m. - Merry Meat-mas. All men are invited to bring your grills or bring your cooked meat and enjoy a Christmas event for men. Men can cook in the parking lot starting around 4 p.m. and all meat will be ready to serve at 6 p.m. Men, meat, and a message. •Sunday, December 19, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. - Christmas Blood Drive. Join us for worship and an opportunity to save lives by giving a blood donation. You can sign up HERE. • Thursday, December 23, at 7 p.m. - Christmas Eve Service in Spanish. • Friday, December 24, at 5:30 p.m. -Christmas Eve Service in English. Chad Richardson is
- •SweetWater (Abita Springs) Ladies Christmas Tea will be held on Saturday, December 11, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the home of Gayla Schroeder. If you're interested in attending, please call Gayla at 985-373-2887. Christmas Night of Worship is on Wednesday, December 22, at 6:30 p.m. at the Abita Springs Recreation Center. Bridge Church and SweetWater Church are meeting together for this special service. Ken Schroeder is pastor.
- •Bethlehem (Albany) paid off the mortgage of an additional 19.27 acres of land and second parsonage that joins their property. They had a mortgage burning on November 29 along with their Thanksgiving church wide family meal. Jason Ogle is pastor.
- •Midway (Ponchatoula) will host *Chronicle* on Sunday, December 19, at 10:45 a.m. They will bless you with the Gospel in music. They have made the front page of Southern Country and Gospel. The church is located at 42111 Firetower Road, Ponchatoula (985-542-9166). Jimmy Wall is pastor.
- •Serenity (Tickfaw) has elected its first deacon since the new start up of the church. Bro Glen Starkey's ordination will be Sunday, December 5, at 4 p.m. All are invited to come and participate in the ordination. Keith Wagner is pastor.
- •Woodland Park (Hammond) DivorceCare support group will meet on Wednesday, December 8, 6 to 8 p.m. This free one-time event offers emotional support for those facing marital separation and/or divorce, especially during the upcoming holiday season. For more information or to register call 985-345-4012, email divorcecaregrp@gmail.com, or go to www.divorcecare.org. The church is located at 1909 J.W. Davis Drive, Hammond, LA 70403. Tim Moffett is pastor.

## **ShoreLines**

By Don Pucik
Associational Mission Strategist

Now there were in the same country shepherds living out in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. And behold, an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were greatly afraid. Then the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be



**Don Pucik** 

to all people. For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be the sign to you: You will find a Babe wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men!" - Luke 2:8-14

They were just doing their job. Ordinary men... extremely ordinary. The shepherds of the Christmas story were among the poorest in society: you will never read about a wealthy shepherd. And of all the people on the planet, God sent an army of angels to inform them that His Son was being born in Bethlehem in real time.

The news was for every person on the planet ("all people"), and when properly understood, the news causes "great joy." What were they told?

There was a birth.

The birth was in the city of David (Bethlehem).

It was the birth of a Savior.

The Savior is identified as the Christ (the anointed One or the Messiah).

The Savior is the Lord.

The Savior will be found as a newborn in a feeding trough.

Then the countless assembly of angels shouted out, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men!" The word "peace" was commonly used to describe the cessation of hostilities in a war. The same word is used in Romans 5:1, "Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." For the one who places faith in Christ for forgiveness and salvation, God erases all sin from the relationship. You can draw near. You can know His favor. He is able to respond to you with "goodwill."

God is not at war with you.

However, your experience of God's peace is not automatic. It is conditional... dependent on your readiness to lay down your defenses and cease hostilities on your part. You don't need to fight your way through life. You don't need to live as if everything depended on you. You don't need to hide. You can stop running.

You have a Savior.

The first ones to learn about the Savior born in Bethlehem were not the rich and powerful, the mighty and influential, the successful and famous... the first ones granted access to the Savior were the ordinary ones!

He has good news for you, if, like me, you feel pretty ordinary. The Savior has been born... for us!



Don Pucik, Mission Strategist Northshore Baptist Association

Coming soon to the Northshore...

Revive Conference, March 24, 2022. Richard Blackaby (President, Blackaby Ministries International) and Mark Clifton (Sr. Director Church Replanting, NAMB) have teamed up together to share their exciting and challenging insights into the restoration of spiritual life in the church.

Find out more information concerning these events and other happenings in the current issue of *The Anchor* newsletter!

### The Institute for Biblical Counseling and Discipleship Care and Discipleship Course

#### Everyone shares advice, but is your advice biblical?

The question is not, "do you counsel?" but rather "how biblical is your counsel?" In everyday life, we counsel and advise one another. Sometimes people need counsel when they're in crisis; at other times, we simply work together to grow in Christian maturity. How can you learn to be more biblical when it's your turn to counsel?

#### A Training Course in the Fundamentals of Biblical Counseling

What is it? The first half of the course is an introduction to biblical counseling designed to acquaint people with an understanding of how the sufficiency of Scripture impacts the way we view our struggles. It also deals with the general principles involved in biblical counseling and how one would apply Scripture to situations involving anger, conflict, depression, fear, temptation, and dealing with trials. The second half of the course focuses specifically on biblical views of marriage and parenting and how to deal with common problems in these areas.

#### Who should attend? Anyone interested in learning to:

Apply the Scriptures to your life.

Disciple others.

Better advise and counsel others.

Become a certified Biblical Counselor.

#### When is it?

Conducted over three weekends, Friday from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. January 14 &15, February 11 & 12, March 11 & 12, 2022.

#### Where Will it Be Held?

First Baptist Church Slidell, 4141 Pontchartrain Drive, Slidell, LA

#### How much does it cost?

\$75 which includes workbooks, a copy of *Instruments in the Redeemer's Hands*, and lunch on Saturdays. Check or cash; mail in to the address shown above or pay at the door.

#### **How Do I Register?**

Call the church office at FBC Slidell: (985)643-3456; or email: <a href="mailto:cindy.mullins@fbcslidell.org">cindy.mullins@fbcslidell.org</a> Register by January 3, 2022 to ensure that you'll have a workbook.

#### **Additional information:**

Instructor is Dr. Don Roy, an ACBC Fellow, IBCD Training Center Director, and Director of Northshore Biblical Counseling and Training Center. <a href="https://www.northshorebiblicalcounseling.org">www.northshorebiblicalcounseling.org</a>

Material is the Care and Discipleship Course developed by the Institute for Biblical Counseling and Discipleship <a href="https://www.ibcd.org">www.ibcd.org</a>

The course fulfills the academic requirement towards certification with the Association of Certified Biblical Counselors www.biblicalcounseling.com

This is all about spiritual growth and discipleship!



#### Mark Your Calendar

Northshore Baptist Association

#### **DECEMBER 2021**

Nov. 28-Dec. 5 Week of Prayer for International Missions and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering 2021

- 4 Experiencing God Workshop @ NOBTS, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. (See this page for details.)
- 7 Discover Church Planting @ Online, 7-8 p.m. www.LouisianaBaptists.org/event/discover-church-planting-december

#### **JANUARY 2022**

- 12 Disciple Making Movement @ Baptist Building, Alexandria www.LouisianaBaptists.org/event/ disciple-making-movement-lab
- 18 NBA Executive Board Meeting @ Grace Memorial, Slidell 10 a.m.
- 25 Evangelism Conference Senior Adult Luncheon @ FBC Covington www.LouisianaBaptists.org/event/2022senior-adult-luncheon
- 28-29 Disaster Relief Training @ FBC New Orleans (See this page for details.)

#### **FEBRUARY 2022**

4-5 Disaster Relief Training @ Jefferson Baptist Church, Baton Rouge (See this page for details)

# **Mark Your Calendar Now**

March 24, 2022 REVIVE: Christ and His Church

Blackaby Ministries International (BMI), in partnership with the North American Mission Board, is excited to bring "REVIVE: Christ and His Church" to the Louisiana Northshore! Dr. Richard Blackaby and Dr. Mark Clifton will unpack several significant truths from the "Flickering Lamps" and "Reclaiming the Glory" books as well as from their extensive ministry with pastors and churches.



# **Evangelism Conference**

A team of evangelists will be coming to our area for the 2022 ECON. If you would like to schedule an evangelist to speak in your church on Sunday, January 23, please let us know AS SOON AS POSSIBLE by emailing office@NorthshoreBaptists.net or calling 225 -567-5086. Host churches are simply asked to take up a love offering, which will go to the team of evangelists to help offset their expenses and support their ministries.



## Saturday, December 4

9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary** Providence Learning Center Conference Room

Led by Claude King (Coauthor of **Experiencing God**)

For more information and to register: www.LouisianaBaptists.org/event/2021-experiencing-god-workshop



# Disaster Relief Training

# January 28-29 First Baptist Church

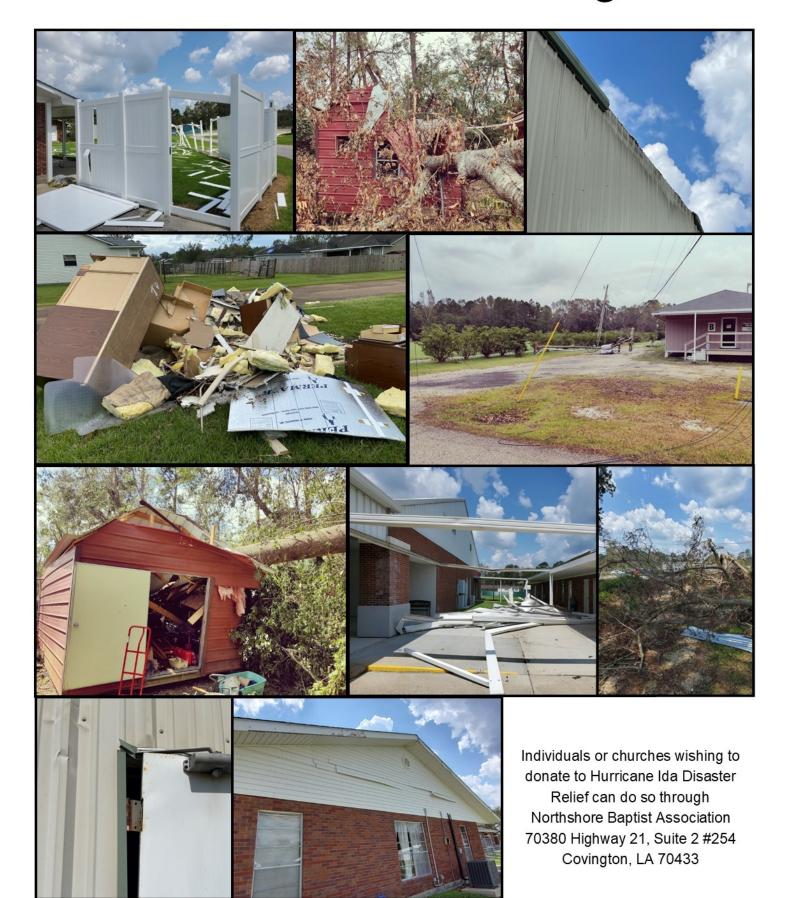
5290Canal Boulevard, New Orleans www.LouisianaBaptists.org/event/2022-disasterrelief-training-new-orleans

## February 4-5

Jefferson Baptist Church

9135 Jefferson Highway, Baton Rouge www.LouisianaBaptists.org/event/2022-disasterrelief-training-baton-rouge

# Hurricane Ida Damage



We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God granted to the churches of Macedonia [NBA]: During a severe testing by affliction, their abundance of joy and their deep poverty overflowed into the wealth of their generosity. — 2 Corinthians 8:1-2 HCSB

## **Northshore Baptist Association Church Contributions**

The NBA defines a member church as one which does the following (among other things): **Contributes financially to support the work of the Association.** 

	Sept-Oct	YTD
Albany First	963.71	3,336.90
Antioch	50.22	176.82
Bayou	100.00	500.00
Bedico	844.00	4,123.00
Bethlehem	911.00	3,479.00
Blood River	823.28	2,672.26
Bogue Falaya	770.91	2,575.05
Boots N Saddles	-0-	-0-
Calvary	200.00	1,000.00
Celebration (Cov/Man		2,500.00
Celebration (Slidell)	500.00	2,500.00
Coburn	-0-	102.44
Collins Blvd.	-0-	300.00
Countryside	75.00	225.00
Covenant	90.00	220.00
Creekside	200.00	1,300.00
Cristo para Todos	-0-	-0-
Crossbrand	259.66	1,919.38
Crossgate	100.00	350.00
Crossroads		5,598.90
	1,119.78 651.35	
Ebenezer	-0-	2,131.04
Emmaus Evans Creek		
	931.90	2,159.23
First, Covington	6,500.01	21,666.70
First, Folsom	1,332.41	4,385.86
First, Hammond	798.27	2,134.47
First, Independence	200.00	1,000.00 -0-
First, Madisonville	-0- -0-	-0- -0-
First, Pearl River		
First, Slidell	1,566.66 84.23	7,833.30 861.07
First, Springfield First, Tickfaw	-0-	
		1,496.12
French Corner	612.13	1,842.06
Grace Community	-0-	390.40
Grace Fellowship	865.82	3,006.15
Grace Hispanic	-0- 1 744 00	32.72
Grace Memorial	1,744.00 -0-	11,469.00
Greater St. James	300.00	-0- 2,700.00
Hebron		
Iglesia Agua Viva	-0- - 226.00	-0- 722.04
Iglesia Buenas Nuevas		733.04
Iglesia Cristo Redento		833.50
Immanuel	275.51	895.44
Jerusalem	1,658.02	6,366.96
Killian First	480.00	1,440.30

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	Sept-Oct	YTD
Lee Hill	-0-	-0-
Lee Valley	-0-	-0-
Life	-0-	-0-
Lighthouse	-0-	-0-
Loranger	1,328.14	6,336.18
Louisiana	-0-	-0-
Manchac	-0-	-0-
Mandeville's First	3,750.00	12,500.00
Midway	-0-	-0-
Millville	-0-	-0-
Mt. Calvary	80.71	358.19
Natalbany	1,267.14	6,685.84
New Beginning	300.00	600.00
New Beulah	89.58	659.15
New Hope	-0-	-0-
New Life Community	125.00	1,000.00
New Zion	2,409.10	11,765.16
Northshore	1,750.00	8,750.00
Northside	474.49	1,533.20
Old Zion Hill	1,167.89	3,594.27
Ponchatoula's First	3,143.96	15,243.02
Red Bluff	398.00	1,894.17
Redemption, Lacombe	200.00	1,000.00
Redemption Christian	-0-	-0-
Ridge Memorial	50.00	100.00
River Fellowship	418.05	2,323.88
Serenity	59.22	404.02
Springville	111.00	356.88
Still Water	-0-	-0-
SweetWater	47.28	533.07
Tammany Hills	491.80	2,385.65
The Bridge	200.00	1,100.00
The Field Church	300.00	1,100.00
Thompson Road	525.08	2,646.68
Trinity	560.00	2,438.00

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	Sept-Oct	YID
True Life	200.00	1,000.00
Victory	-0-	-0-
Wadesboro	-0-	-0-
Wardline	-0-	1,400.00
Westside	864.08	4,666.45
Woodhaven	231.00	674.00
Woodland	-0-	-0-
Woodland Park	3,710.68	11,863.90
TOTAL	50,236.09	211,167.82

43,417.26	213,022.02
50,236.09	211,167.82
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	107,974.12
	899,424.01
	50,236.09



#### Pastors & Staff

#### Chad Palao

Children's Ministry Director Grace Memorial. Slidell

DEADLINE FOR FEBRUARY-MARCH NEWSLETTER: January 17, 2022



#### **Timothy 2:1-4**

is the prayer watchword for everything we do in the Northshore Baptist Association.