



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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E4 Preaching Conference at First Baptist, Pineville

The 12th Annual E4 Preaching Conference, a one-day preaching clinic hosted by First Baptist Church of Pineville, LA, will be held on Tuesday, September 8. Plenary worship sessions will feature H.B. Charles Jr. (Pastor of Shiloh Metropolitan Baptist Church of Jacksonville and Orange Park, Florida) as this year's keynote speaker, coupled with breakout sessions led by pastors and seminary professors. Fees for the one-day gathering include lunch, snacks, and freebies and are as follows:

- \$60.00: Early Bird Pastor Only
- \$80.00: Early Bird Pastor and Wife
- \$20.00: Early Bird Student in College or Seminary

Registration deadline is August 31

Register by clicking [here](#).

Executive Board Meeting

Tuesday, September 15 10 a.m.

First Baptist Church
16333 Hwy. 1085, Covington

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.

WE ARE BETTER TOGETHER

Each member church is entitled to three messengers for the first 100 members and one additional messenger for each additional 100 members. No church shall be entitled to more than ten messengers for any session.

Annual Meeting

Monday, October 5 Mandeville's First Baptist Church

1895 Hwy. 190, Mandeville
More details to come

Preaching: Steve Horn, Executive Director, Louisiana Baptist Convention

Digital ReGroup Conference Hosted by LBC

The Louisiana Baptist Convention will host a *Digital ReGroup Conference* August 10-11, designed for those who lead weekly Sunday School classes and small groups. Each webinar is free. After the live presentations conclude, the recordings will be posted online for future viewing by August 14, 2020. Each participant can register online at www.LouisianaBaptists.org/ReGroup20. Available options are on page 2.

Northshore Church News

● **New Zion (Covington)** Women on Mission will host Hope Harbor, a women's conference, on Saturday, August 15, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Special guest speaker is Emily Herrod. The event is free. Donations are accepted and greatly appreciated. Register at www.newzion.net no later than Sunday, August 9. Clark Stewart is pastor.

● **Northshore (Slidell)** will offer **Loss of a Spouse Seminar** by GriefShare Wednesday, September 2, 6-8 p.m. This is a practical and healing 2-hour seminar for those who have lost a spouse. Childcare will be available unless virtual meetings are still needed. For more information visit northshorechurch.net. **GriefShare**, a 13-week support group will begin on Wednesday, September 16, from 6-8 p.m. This group is available for all who have lost a loved one and childcare will be available unless virtual meetings are needed. A 2-hour seminar, **Surviving the Holidays** by GriefShare, will be offered on Saturday, November 16. This seminar offers help getting through the holidays for all who have suffered loss. Larry McEwen is pastor.

IMB MedAdvance Conference Planned for August 7-8

For the past 13 years, IMB has hosted the MedAdvance conference as a forum for healthcare professionals, students, church leaders and state and associational leaders to learn how they can partner with IMB healthcare workers. Ideal for any medical professionals in your congregation with an interest in missions.

- Friday, August 7 @ 6 p.m. (CST) **Healthcare Missions: The IMB's Commitment** - IMB President Paul Chitwood and IMB leaders will share about the organization's ongoing commitment to healthcare missions..
- Saturday, August 8 @ 9 a.m. (CST) **Healthcare Missions: Sharing the Gospel and Starting Churches** - Participants will learn how healthcare opens doors for sharing the gospel.
- Saturday, August 8 @ 1 p.m. (CST) **Healthcare Missions: Praying, Giving and Going** - The final session will provide participants with next steps for connecting and partnering with IMB's healthcare strategies through praying, giving and going. Registration closes August 4. To register click [here](#).



Annual Church Profiles (ACPs) will be mailed soon. If you do not receive yours please contact the Northshore office at 225.567.5086 or office@northshorebaptists.net.

The annual church profile is a snapshot of church statistics. It provides a knowledgeable look at the growth and potential of each church. Reporting the statistics has several benefits for the church, the association, and the Louisiana Baptist Convention.

1. The church can track growth over time.
2. The data can be used to help church leaders plan ministry and outreach strategies.
3. The church can share the data when meeting with prospective pastors and church staff.
4. The data can be used to help secure loans for building projects.
5. The data can be used to assist church planting in reaching people groups.
6. The number of messengers your church sends to the LBC Annual meeting is determined by data provided on the ACP.
7. The local association and the Louisiana Baptist Convention can use the information to plan strategies and support existing programs as well as to identify areas for church planting.
8. The Louisiana Baptist Convention archives the data for the church in case theft, fire or natural disasters destroy church records.

Digital ReGroup Conference Hosted by LBC (continued from page 1)

- For Pastors/Staff/Key Ministry Leaders - Monday, August 10, from 6-7 p.m.
- For All Adult Leaders – Monday, August 10, from 7:30–8:30 p.m.
- For all Preschool/Children's Leaders – Tuesday, August 11, from 6-7 p.m.
- For all Student Leaders – Tuesday, August 1, from 7:30-8:30 p.m.

ShoreLines

By Don Pucik

Associational Mission Strategist

It has been a historic season of unrest and anxiety in our nation. How are you doing? Regardless of what you've been going through, I know what you need – because we all need it. Everyone you know needs it.

Encouragement. In Romans 14:19, Paul writes, “*Therefore let us pursue the things which make for peace and the things by which one may edify another.*”

I used to have a penny jar at home... not any more. Let me tell you what happened. Day by day I used to empty my pocket change into my penny jar, but as my kids got older, I noticed the level of saved change began going down! While I was adding to the jar regularly, someone else (I will not name names) was taking my contributions away — the result? No more change for emergency Big Mac attacks!

That really captures what Paul is dealing with in Romans 14. God is building a bride for His Son and we are very much a part of the process. In the church we are called to “edify” or build each other up — not to tear each other down. The way we speak to each other and the way we treat each other adds to what God is doing or detracts from it.



Don Pucik

So pretend the church today is like a great, big penny jar for God. Every day He adds to our lives as we read His Word and spend time alone with Him in prayer. With a deep affection, He encourages us, guides us, corrects us — whatever it takes to build us up into a mature, godly lover of Jesus Christ. The level in the penny jar is raised daily as we walk with Him.

And as we come to interact with other members of His family, He intends that the building continue. But does it? Or do we take away from what God is doing in others? In every conversation I have a decision to make: will I add to this person's life or not? Worse yet: am I going to pilfer what God has stored up in this person? Sound like an odd concept? Consider the range of decisions we can consciously make when we encounter a brother or sister in Christ. Some quick examples...

In general conversation: am I going to speak about my needs or focus on encouraging someone else?

When I hear of a brother's failure or weakness: am I going to spread damaging information about him or be graciously silent?

When we disagree: am I going to argue my position or listen to your heart?

Every member of my family needs my contribution to his or her life. God made us that way!

Let's stop pilfering from the “penny jar of God” in the hearts of others. Let's start emptying pockets of kindness into each other's lives. Let's do it today!

Yours In His Presence,

Don Pucik, Mission Strategist
Northshore Baptist Association

P.S. I would like to take a moment to let you know how much we appreciate your prayers and contributions to the association.

Paul also told the church, “*We continually remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers loved by God, that He has chosen you.*” (1 Thessalonians 1:3-5)

We are so blessed to be part of a group of churches who support one another through prayer, time investment, and financial support. Because of your faithfulness, we continue to work together to spread the Good News across the Northshore and around the world!



Mark Your Calendar

Northshore Baptist Association

AUGUST 2020

- 1 ESL Ministry Meeting <https://louisianabaptists.org/event/esl-ministry-meeting/>
- 7 ESL Ministry Workshop - Part 1
<https://louisianabaptists.org/event/esl-ministry-workshop-part-1/>
- 8 ESL Ministry Workshop - Part 2
<https://louisianabaptists.org/event/esl-ministry-workshop-part-2/>
- 7-8 IMB MedAdvance Conference (see page 2 for details)
- 10-11 Digital Re-Group (see page 1 for details)

SEPTEMBER 2020

- 7 Labor Day
- 8 E-4 Preaching Conference @ First, Pineville (see page 1 for details)
- 13-20 Week of Prayer for State Missions & Georgia Barnette Offering
- 15 NBA Executive Board Meeting @ First, Covington, 10 a.m.
- 23 Autumn begins



Week of Prayer for State Missions and Georgia Barnette State Mission Offering

September 13-20

Planning guides have been mailed to church pastors and church WMU directors. It included a DVD, a poster, and sample copy of offering envelopes and prayer guides. Churches will receive their quantities of offering envelopes and prayer guides in the second week of August. Additional copies can be ordered from WMM@LouisianaBaptists.org.

For more information go to <https://georgiabarnette.org/>

Scholarship Applications Being Accepted

The NBA Scholarship Committee is currently receiving requests for 2020 scholarships and renewals through August 10. For information or to submit an application e-mail Dr. David Cranford at dcranford@fbcponchatoula.com.

WMU News

CALL TO PRAYER

The NBA Associational WMU Council is asking the women in the Northshore churches to join us in prayer every day at 1 p.m. during this COVID-19 pandemic for our nation, our leaders, and our law enforcement officials. Ask God to give them His wisdom, protection, and guidance as they lead our nation.

MINISTRY WEEKEND AT THE LOUISIANA CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTE FOR WOMEN

Your Northshore Baptist Association WMU is once again participating in the Ministry Weekend at the Louisiana Correctional Institute for Women (LCIW) on September 25-27, 2020. Deadline to sign up to participate is August 15. For more information contact Janice Cowart at 985.320.1649 or go to <https://louisianabaptists.org/prisonministry>

GEORGIA BARNETTE STATE MISSIONS OFFERING & WEEK OF PRAYER

Remember, to promote and encourage your churches to give for our Week of prayer for State Missions & Georgia Barnette State Missions Offering - those dates are September 13 -20. This will be an exciting day of celebration, worship, and missions awareness.

M-JAM

October 10, 2020

Woodland Park Baptist Church, 1909 J.W. Davis Drive, Hammond, LA

Theme: Unshakable

Verse: 1 Corinthians 15:58

Cost: \$30 and T-shirt \$10. Online registration is available for this event at

www.LouisianaBaptists.org/mjam

At M-JAM, GAs, RAs, Children in Action, and their leaders will explore missions, build on their faith foundation, and hear the gospel presentation. Based on John 8:36, Mission Jamboree (M-JAM) is an exciting day of celebration, worship, and missions awareness. Jared Greer, American Ninja Warrior from Texas, is the featured guest.

Janice Cowart

WMU Director

Northshore Baptist Association

Congratulations



Benjamin Alexander Watson was born July 14, 2020. He weighed 6 lbs. 9 ozs. and was 18.25 inches long. Parents are Adam and Laura Watson. Adam is worship pastor at First Baptist Church, Covington.

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.

	May-June	YTD		May-June	YTD		May-June	YTD
Albany First	899.08	2,611.84	Killian First	344.00	1,163.84	True Life	300.00	600.00
Antioch	-0-	36.84	Lee Hill	-0-	-0-	Victory	-0-	-0-
Bayou	50.00	300.00	Lee Valley	-0-	-0-	Wadesboro	-0-	-0-
Bedico	879.00	2,514.00	Life	-0-	-0-	Wardline	400.00	2,050.00
Bethlehem	1,063.00	2,154.00	Lighthouse	-0-	240.00	Westside	1,008.75	2,869.15
Blood River	320.88	1,391.11	Loranger	976.26	3,200.44	Woodhaven	123.00	321.00
Bogue Falaya	601.38	2,082.55	Louisiana	-0-	-0-	Woodland	-0-	423.45
Boots N Saddles	55.71	116.15	Manchac	-0-	-0-	Woodland Park	2,817.79	7,757.62
Calvary	200.00	600.00	Mandeville's First	2,634.47	7,048.45	TOTAL	48,607.70	125,192.25
Celebration (Cov/Mand)	750.00	1,050.00	Midway	-0-	-0-			
Celebration (Slidell)	750.00	1,050.00	Millville	-0-	-0-			
Coburn	-0-	-0-	Mt. Calvary	135.09	191.61			
Collins Blvd.	150.00	450.00	Natalbany	1,776.15	1,776.15			
Countryside	75.00	150.00	New Beginning	150.00	450.00			
Covenant	50.00	140.00	New Beulah	427.06	982.49			
Creekside	600.00	600.00	New Hope	-0-	-0-			
Cristo para Todos	-0-	-0-	New Life Community	375.00	774.00			
Crossbrand	269.94	967.58	New Zion	3,308.77	8,386.85			
Crossgate	-0-	-0-	Northshore	1,670.00	5,010.00			
Crossroads	1,119.78	3,359.34	Northside	517.02	1,611.82			
Ebenezer	512.30	1,162.18	Old Zion Hill	650.22	1,867.06			
Emmaus	-0-	-0-	Ponchatoula's First	5,547.04	8,170.59			
Evans Creek	500.83	953.43	Red Bluff	-0-	426.21			
First, Covington	4,400.00	13,333.34	Redemption, Lacombe	300.00	700.00			
First, Folsom	1,158.87	2,854.99	Redemption Christian	-0-	-0-			
First, Hammond	478.52	636.21	Ridge Memorial	50.00	100.00			
First, Independence	300.00	1,049.12	River Fellowship	303.82	797.14			
First, Madisonville	-0-	-0-	Serenity	78.16	136.40			
First, Pearl River	-0-	1,259.85	Springville	-0-	218.66			
First, Slidell	1,566.66	4,699.98	Still Water	-0-	-0-			
First, Springfield	240.37	534.33	Tammany Hills	322.46	897.71			
First, Tickfaw	455.48	1,066.64	The Bridge	450.00	850.00			
French Corner	-0-	660.95	The Field Church	300.00	600.00			
Grace	-0-	15.25	Thompson Road	542.05	1,790.38			
Grace Community	-0-	218.40	Trinity	514.00	1,536.00			
Grace Fellowship*	463.55	1,148.30						
Grace Hispanic	-0-	8.55						
Grace Memorial	2,282.58	6,027.54						
Greater St. James	-0-	-0-						
Hebron	600.00	1,800.00						
Iglesia Agua Viva	-0-	38.40						
Iglesia Buenas Nuevas	148.64	405.18						
Iglesia Cristo Redentor	177.79	464.87						
Immanuel	180.35	547.06						
Jerusalem	1,286.88	3,787.25						

*Applied for NBA Membership

Expenditures	40,570.17	125,795.81
Church Receipts	48,607.70	125,192.25
Additional Income	25,730.22	25,730.22
Balance		109,348.72
Designated Accounts		740,718.90

Welcome

Pastors & Staff

Jason Lawson
Associate Pastor
First, Mandeville



Timothy 2:1-4
is the prayer watchword
for everything we do in the
Northshore Baptist Association.

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