



# Leadership Conference

Monday, January 13 @ 10:30 a.m.

Mandeville's First Baptist Church  
1895 Highway 190, Mandeville

**Topic: Being a Life Long Learner**

Speakers: **STEVE HORN**, Executive Director, LBC  
**JAMIE DEW**, President, NOBTS

*Lunch will be served.*



# 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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## Ministers/Spouses CHRISTMAS PARTY

Tuesday, December 17

6:00 p.m.

**Bedico Baptist Church**

28156 Highway 22 E, Ponchatoula

**RSVP by Tuesday, December 10**

[office@northshorebaptists.net](mailto:office@northshorebaptists.net) or 225.567.5086

## REVIVE! Christ and His Church

Tuesday, March 24, 2020 (9 a.m. - 3 p.m.)

*First Baptist Church, 16333 Highway 1085, Covington*

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. Cost is \$10 and includes lunch and the two featured books. Register/RSVP at 225.567.5086 or [office@northshorebaptists.net](mailto:office@northshorebaptists.net)

## Executive Board Meeting

Tuesday, January 21  
10 a.m.

*First Baptist Church  
4141 Pontchartrain Drive 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.

# Northshore Church News

●**First (Covington)** will have a **Christmas Outdoor Tree Lighting** at 6 p.m. on Sunday, December 1. The choir and orchestra will present their **Christmas program** Friday, December 13, at 7 p.m. and Saturday, December 14, at 2 and 6 p.m. **Christmas Eve services** will be held at 3 and 5 p.m. on December 24. Service times have been changed during the holidays. No service on Saturday, December 28. Worship only at 9:30 and 11 a.m. (no small groups) on Sunday, December 29. The church office will be closed Tuesday, December 24, Wednesday, December 25, and Wednesday, January 1. The FBC Bookstore will be closed the weeks of Christmas and New Year's. An on-going support group for caregivers of loved ones with Alzheimer's/Dementia meets on the first and third Mondays in the Decision Counseling Room at 1:30 p.m. Contact Linda Rockett at 985.264.5280 or [dlrocketts@gmail.com](mailto:dlrocketts@gmail.com) if you would like more information. This is free and open to the community. First Baptist will host a **Courageous Grandparenting Conference** with author Cavin Harper Saturday, February 1, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the ROC Building. Cost is \$25 and includes snacks, lunch, and materials. Register on-line at [www.fbccov.org](http://www.fbccov.org) beginning January 2. Registration deadline is January 28. The church is located at 16333 Highway 1085, Covington. Waylon Bailey is pastor.

●**Covenant (Slidell)** has a Biblical Counseling Center called "Covenant Counseling" where they provide "Biblical/ Pastoral Counseling" free to the community. Appointments can be made by calling 985.643.9438. The church is located at 890 Robert Blvd. Slidell, LA 70461. Pastor is Robby James.

●**Mandeville's First** will have a walk-through live nativity "A Mandeville Christmas" December 13, 14, 15 nightly from 6 to 8 p.m. Admission is free. Pastor is Corey Fontan.

●**New Zion (Covington)** will present "**Cradle to the Cross**," a drive-thru Christmas presentation that portrays the life of Christ from his birth to his death and resurrection with people, live animals, authentic costumes and vivid scenery. See the story unfold from the comfort of your own vehicle as you follow Jesus through His life and final days on earth. Enjoy a drive to the country and receive a blessing you will always remember. Dates are Saturday and Sunday, December 7 and 8, 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Admission is free. The church is located at 17387 New Zion Church Road, Covington, LA 70435. **Paige Patterson** will speak at New Zion on Monday, February 3, at 10:30 a.m. A **Sheep Dog Seminar** will be held at New Zion on April 24-25 (1-5 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. Friday, and 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Saturday. Go to [www.sheepdogseminars.com](http://www.sheepdogseminars.com) for more info or to pre-register. Pastor is Clark Stewart.

●**Grace Memorial (Slidell)** Children's Choir will present their Christmas musical "C.A.K.E Christmas Acts of Kindness Experiment" on Sunday, December 8, at 10:15 a.m. The Adult Choir and Orchestra will present their Christmas cantata "Song of Joy" on Sunday, December 15, at 10:15 a.m. A Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will be held on Tuesday, December 24, at 6 p.m. Dennis Phelps is interim pastor.

●**Jerusalem (Hammond)** celebrated her 117th anniversary on November 17. They will present their Christmas program on December 15, at 10:30 a.m. A Christmas Eve service will be at 6 p.m. on December 24. Pastor is Phil Weaver.

●**First (Ponchatoula)** Music Ministry will present their annual **Christmas Spectacular 2019 – "One Holy Night"** – Friday and Sunday, December 13 and 15, at 7 p.m. featuring the sanctuary choir and orchestra. Everyone on the North Shore is invited to enjoy the story of the birth of Christ with hopes that this will help to get all in the Christmas Spirit. There will be Wisemen, shepherds, angels and banners. Chip Vickers is music pastor and David Cranford is pastor.

●**First (Folsom)** will have a Christmas Concert Sunday, December 8, at 6 p.m. with a choir, cellist, carols, and the Christmas Story by the children. Also, FBC is looking for a part-time worship leader. The package includes housing. For more information contact Pastor Will Robbins at 985.773.4408.

●**First (Slidell) Hanging of the Greens** service will be Sunday, December 1, at 10 a.m. The preschoolers and children will be opening the Advent season with songs and decorating of the worship center. The Ladies Ministry will have their annual **Christmas Cookie Swap** on Thursday, December 5, at 9:30 a.m. All ladies are invited to attend. Be sure to bring two dozen of your favorite cookies to exchange. Dr. Ted Tripp will be the guest for the "**Shepherding a Child's Heart**" **Parenting Seminar** on Friday, December 6, at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday, December 7, at 9 a.m. A continental breakfast will be served on Saturday morning starting at 8:30 a.m. The cost is a suggested donation of \$10 at the door. For registration information go to [www.fbcslidell.org](http://www.fbcslidell.org). The Orchestra, Adult and Children's Choirs will present "**Carols by Candlelight**" on Saturday, December 14, at 7 p.m., and Sunday, December 15, at 10 a.m. **Family Christmas Caroling** will be Wednesday, December 18, at 5:45 p.m. to visit widowed ladies and shut-ins. **Christmas Eve Service** will be Tuesday, December 24, at 5 p.m. **Upward Basketball and Cheerleading** early registration will end December 31. Evaluations for the teams will be January 16 and 18. January 18 is the last day to register. Visit [www.fbcslidell.org](http://www.fbcslidell.org) to register. The **Sonshine Club Meetings** for Senior Adults will be Friday, December 13 (Christmas luncheon), and Friday, January 31, at 12 noon at the church. **UR Loved Card Ministry** will meet on Friday, January 3, at 9 a.m. Come and make blessing cards for nursing home residents, shut-ins, hospitals and law enforcement agencies. Pastor is Casey Stark.

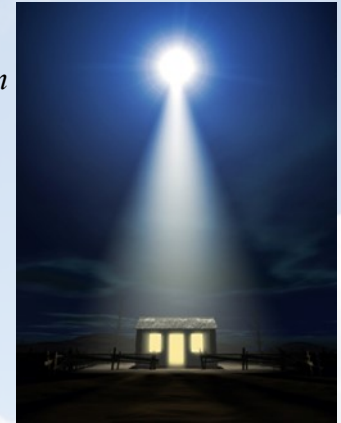
●**Bethlehem (Albany)** will host an IMB missionary from northern Africa on Sunday, December 1, at 5 p.m. She will give her testimony and tell about her work. All area churches are invited to attend this special evening. This is a great way to start the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering promotion in your church. Hearing from an IMB missionary will inspire and challenge us to support them as they work to share the Good News overseas. Pastor is Jason Ogle.

# ShoreLines

By Don Pucik

Associational Mission Strategist

*"Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death-- even death on a cross!" - **Philippians 2:5-8***



The baby in the manger reflects a way of thinking that inverts this world's system of values. By releasing His infinite majesty and absolute rule, and by limiting Himself to the insignificance and lowly place of a house servant, Jesus chose a life that was absolutely yielded to the will of His Father. Why did He do this? *"For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that you through His poverty might become rich."* (2 Corinthians 8:9) It's clear isn't it? Jesus became a servant so that your life could be transformed. With one life to spend, He spent it all... on you.



**Don Pucik**

Obedience is an offensive concept in our culture: it seems demeaning to obey someone. Yet, for Jesus, it was essential to doing life the way God intended. The obedient life is simply a dependent life, an active exhibition of faith in God. Although Jesus was fully God, He did life within the limitations and frailties of His humanity – just like you and me. Jesus had a divine mission, but He chose to fulfil it through the enabling presence and power of God.

- ✦ When Jesus needed to know what to say, God guided Him (John 12:49).
- ✦ When Jesus needed to know what to do, God showed Him (John 5:19).
- ✦ When Jesus needed supernatural help, God helped Him (Luke 11:20)

Jesus models dependence on the Father for everything. "Obedience" is about trading in your meager "powers" and tapping into His power. This is the attitude of Jesus... and it was evident with His arrival in Bethlehem! ~ DP

Coming soon to the Northshore...

**Christmas Party for Ministers & Spouses, December 17, 2019.** Pastors and staff from NBA churches are invited to be a part of this evening of food, fun, and fellowship!

**Winter Leadership Conference, January 13, 2020.** Join us as we explore "On Being a Lifelong Learner" with Steve Horn (LBC Executive Director) and Jamie Dew (NOBTS President).

**Revive Conference, March 24, 2020.** 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!



## Mark Your Calendar Northshore Baptist Association

### DECEMBER 2019

- 1-8 Week of Prayer for International Missions and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
- 17 Ministers/Spouses Christmas Party @ Bedico, Ponchatoula, 6 p.m. See page 1 for details.
- 21 First Day of Winter
- 23-Jan. 1 Northshore office closed for Christmas and New Year's holidays
- 25 Christmas Day (Northshore office closed)

### JANUARY 2020

- 1 New Year's Day (Northshore office closed)
- 13 NBA Leadership Conference @ Mandeville's FBC, 10:30 a.m. See page 1 for details.
- 20 Martin Luther King Day (Northshore office closed)
- 21 Executive Board Meeting @ First, Slidell, 10 a.m. See page 1 for details.
- 27-28 Evangelism Conference @ First, Lafayette See this page for details.
- 31-Feb. 1 Disaster Relief Training @ Franklin Avenue, New Orleans. See this page for details.

## DISASTER RELIEF TRAINING January 31-February 1



### Franklin Avenue Baptist Church

8282 I-10 Service Road  
New Orleans

<https://louisianabaptists.org/event/2020-disaster-relief-training-new-orleans/>

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

Don Pucik  
Kathy Cason



The NBA Office will be closed  
December 23 - January 1  
for the holidays.



Coming in January/February

## Northshore WMU International Mission Study

For more information contact Janice Cowart,  
NBA WMU Director, at 985.320.1649.

Week of Prayer  
for International Missions  
and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering  
December 1-8, 2019  
Goal: \$165 million



## Congratulations

Collins Grace Stark was born November 13, 2019. She weighed 7 lbs. 3 ozs. and was 19 inches long. Parents are Casey and Katie Stark. Casey is pastor at First Baptist Church, Slidell.

## Counseling Services Available

The Louisiana Baptist Children's Home and Family Ministries offers professional marriage and family counseling through the Granberry Counseling Center located in the main offices of First Baptist Church, Covington. Contact Counselor Lew Eaton at 225.223.1497 for an appointment.



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

**ECON PLUS**  
EVANGELISM CONFERENCE

A LOUISIANA BAPTISTS/NAMB JOINT VENTURE

January 27-28, 2020

First Baptist Church  
1100 Lee Avenue, Lafayette, LA 70501  
<https://louisianabaptists.org/event/2020-evangelism-conference-econ/>

*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		Sept-Oct	YTD		Sept-Oct	YTD
Albany First	816.24	4,412.55	Killian First	-0-	1,170.90	True Life	200.00	1,100.00
Antioch	34.62	212.44	Lee Hill	514.16	1,163.27	Victory	-0-	-0-
Bayou	50.00	400.00	Lee Valley	-0-	-0-	Wadesboro	-0-	-0-
Bedico	770.00	3,676.07	Life	-0-	-0-	Wardline	200.00	1,925.00
Bethlehem	754.00	4,383.00	Lighthouse	-0-	739.00	Westside	966.01	4,083.20
Blood River	739.06	3,382.39	Loranger	670.80	6,062.86	Woodhaven	97.00	558.00
Bogue Falaya	833.34	4,166.63	Louisiana	-0-	-0-	Woodland	-0-	1,418.96
Boots N Saddles	50.26	176.14	Manchac	-0-	150.00	Woodland Park	2,554.33	12,926.75
Calvary	650.00	1,000.00	Mandeville's First	2,411.10	11,780.95	TOTAL	44,538.73	218,918.03
Celebration (Cov/Mand)	300.00	1,500.00	Midway	-0-	-0-			
Celebration (Slidell)	300.00	1,500.00	Millville	-0-	897.90			
Coburn	-0-	-0-	Mt. Calvary	-0-	163.72			
Collins Blvd.	150.00	600.00	Natalbany	1,686.16	7,880.00			
Countryside	75.00	300.00	New Beginning	150.00	450.00			
Covenant	20.00	140.00	New Beulah	93.66	857.34			
Creekside	300.00	900.00	New Hope	-0-	-0-			
Cristo para Todos	-0-	-0-	New Life Community	466.18	1,095.57			
Crossbrand	241.30	986.00	New Zion	4,706.71	13,457.30			
Crossgate	-0-	1,189.19	Northshore	1,670.00	7,515.00			
Crossroads	1,010.82	5,054.10	Northside	417.24	1,863.78			
Ebenezer	339.82	1,871.00	Old Zion Hill	560.84	3,026.83			
Emmaus	-0-	-0-	Ponchatoula's First	3,283.60	16,358.90			
Evans Creek	443.91	1,637.11	Red Bluff	513.24	1,714.63			
First, Covington	4,000.00	20,000.00	Redemption, Lacombe	100.00	1,000.00			
First, Folsom	835.40	3,724.29	Redemption Christian	-0-	-0-			
First, Hammond	318.53	938.13	Ridge Memorial	25.00	150.00			
First, Independence	300.00	1,950.00	River Fellowship	301.62	1,554.23			
First, Madisonville	-0-	1,058.24	Serenity	28.71	219.49			
First, Pearl River	868.25	5,106.94	Springville	131.72	605.47			
First, Slidell	1,483.33	7,083.33	Still Water	-0-	-0-			
First, Springfield	193.13	729.17	Tammany Hills	508.95	2,498.44			
First, Tickfaw	373.96	1,571.64	The Bridge	300.00	1,000.00			
French Corner	337.99	2,090.24	The Field Church	200.00	1,200.00			
Grace	111.15	502.20	Thompson Road	633.32	2,347.12			
Grace Community	-0-	991.45	Trinity	487.00	3,107.00			
Grace Fellowship*	641.81	1,732.78						
Grace Hispanic	31.95	158.40						
Grace Memorial	1,059.00	9,933.27						
Greater St. James	-0-	-0-						
Hebron	600.00	2,700.00						
Iglesia Agua Viva	22.32	138.96						
Iglesia Buenas Nuevas	143.40	671.59						
Iglesia Cristo Redentor	203.16	1,582.15						
Immanuel	91.23	799.89						
Jerusalem	1,168.40	5,927.13						

\*Applied for NBA Membership

Expenditures	45,759.47	219,088.58
Church Receipts	44,538.73	218,918.03
Additional Income	-0-	-0-
Balance		77,846.57
Designated Accounts		710,040.04

# Welcome

## Pastors & Staff

**Cody Roberts**

Youth Minister  
Red Bluff, Folsom

**Nichole Deline**

Music Director  
Serenity, Tickfaw

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