

# 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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# Annual Meeting Monday, October 7 First Baptist Church

4141 Pontchartrain Drive, Slidell

5:30: Dinner - 6:30: Meeting

#### Don't Forget to Elect Your Messengers —

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.

Baptist Church Thompson Road Baptist Church Trinity Baptist Church True Life Church Victory Baptist Church Wardline Baptist Church Woodland Baptist Church Woodland Park Baptist Church Woodland Park Baptist Church

Valley Baptist Church Life Church Lighthouse Baptist Church Loranger Baptist Church Manchac Baptist Church Mandeville Church Ridge Memorial Baptist Church River Fellowship Baptist Church Ponchatoula's First Baptist Church

### **Northshore Church News**



• First (Folsom) is hiring an Administrative
Ministry Assistant. The position is part time (eight hours a day, two days a week), pays \$20/hour, and is paid monthly. Job description and application. A Nursery

Worker is also being hired to work Sunday mornings, special events, training, Wednesdays 5:45-7:15 p.m. Compensation is \$20/hour paid monthly. Job description. A Ladies Conference is planned for Saturday, January 18, 8 a.m. to 12 noon, with guest speaker Tara Dew. Tara is the President's wife at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary in New Orleans, LA. At NOBTS, she is also an adjunct professor in the ministry to women program, as well as the Director of THRIVE (a Ministry Wives Certificate Program). Tara is a Bible teacher, author, and speaker, who is invited to women's events and retreats throughout the United States. Mark your calendars and plan to worship, fellowship, and hear a message to recharge you into the New Year! More details to come. Will Robbins is pastor.

- •New Beulah (Hammond) will have revival services October 13-16 with Bill Britt, evangelist. Service times are Sunday morning 11 a.m. and evenings 6 p.m. Les Fogleman is pastor.
- Natalbany (Natalbany) will have a Family Fall Fest Saturday, October 26, 4 to 6:30 p.m. with free food, fun, games, activities, and door prizes. Danny Carter is pastor. • First (Slidell) Ladies Ministry will make cards for area nursing home residents on Thursday, October 13, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. A Ladies Tea & Testimonies Luncheon is planned for Saturday, November 2. Tickets for the tea will go on sale October 7 for \$5 each. The Fall Festival for the community will be Sunday, October 27, from 4 to 6 p.m. on the back parking area of the church with food and games for the whole family. Friendly costumes are welcome. The Adults 55+ group will meet for their Fall Luncheon on Friday, October 25, at 12 noon at the church. The group will not meet in November. The Christmas meeting will be on Friday, December 13. Upward Basketball and Cheerleading registration will begin Friday, November 1. Please register at www.upwardslidell.org or come by the church office. Registration will be open through mid January. Operation Christmas Child boxes, one of the favorite ministries of FBC Slidell, will be collected the week of Sunday, November 10, and will be prayed over on Sunday, November 17, before being sent out. First Baptist Christian School and Child Development Center will have Veterans Day programs on Friday, November 8, and Monday, November 11, at 9 a.m. Pastor is Casey Stark.



- First (Mandeville) will host the Everyman Conference for men on Saturday, February 22, 2025. Pastor is Ronny Cooksey.
- •First (Covington) Adults 55+ Fall Celebration featuring Platinum Sound and their Big Band era music. will be Tuesday, October 8, at 10 a.m. in Central Hall. Cost is \$15, payable at the door, and includes lunch. Online registration is required at <a href="https://www.fbccov.org/adults-55">www.fbccov.org/adults-55</a>. The deadline to register or cancel is noon, Friday, October 4. Note: The church is required to pay the caterer for all who are registered by the deadline so please contact the church by the deadline if you must cancel. We hope adults 55+ will join us for this fun celebration. David Rockett is adult 55+ and congregational care pastor. Waylon Bailey is pastor.
- •Grace Memorial (Slidell) will have an Operation Christmas Child packing party Sunday afternoon, October 20. A Fall Family Fest is planned for Saturday, October 26, 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Pastor is Jerry Smith.
- •Jerusalem (Hammond) is in search of a pastor. The position is full time. Resumes may be sent to Jerusalem Baptist Church, 11109 Jerusalem Church Road, Hammond, LA 70403 or emailed to accounting@jbcpc.org.
- •Bogue Falaya (Folsom) is accepting resumes for a parttime administrative assistant. For more information contact Jeremy Moseley, pastor, at 850-890-1756 or Jeremy@bfbchurch.org OR Cliff Bonvillion, personnel chair, at 504-782-9836. Jeremy Moseley is pastor.
- •Woodland Park (Hammond) is in search of an interim worship leader for their contemporary worship service and a part time children's ministry intern. For job descriptions contact the church office at 985-345-4012 or woodlandparkonline@gmail.com.
- First (Springfield) is in search of a bi-vocational pastor. He would be able to live in the parsonage. He would need to preach on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings for bible study. He would need to be available to visit the sick and also shut-ins. They would like him to be well rounded getting involved in Church activities.



#### Mark Your Calendar

#### **OCTOBER 2024**

7 Annual Meeting (see page 1 for details)

#### **NOVEMBER 2024**

27-29 Northshore Office closed for Thanksgiving holiday28 Thanksgiving



# Welcome Pastors & Staff

**David Whitehead**Pastor - Woodland, Springfield



**David & Rhonda Whitehead** 

#### — LBC Events —

**Ministers Wives Retreat** 

October 18-19

**January Bible Study Preview** 

October 24

**2025 VBS Preview** 

November 9

**Pastors Conference** 

November 11

**LBC Annual Meeting** 

November 12

**Youth Evangelism Celebration** 

November 24-25

**Evangelism Conference** 

January 27-28



Give thanks to the Lord For He is good. His love endures forever.

– Psalm 107:1

#### **ShoreLines**

By Don Pucik
Associational Mission Strategist

October has become *Pastor Appreciation Month* for many churches across the country, and that's a good thing. I hope you will use it as a time to honor and bless your pastor. But the truth is that *your pastor needs encouragement from you year-round*. Here are five ways you can encourage the pastor God has given you:

1. Cover your pastor with prayer. When teaching spiritual warfare, Paul urges us to bathe all we do in prayer and to intercede for "all the saints" (Eph. 6:18). Everyone needs someone to pray for them, and your pastor is no exception. He is a primary target of the enemy, who wants to exploit every weakness and magnify every failure.



**Don Pucik** 

Include him in your prayers as the Lord brings him to mind during your day. Call or text him, letting him know when you have lifted him up. Your pastor prays with others almost daily, but how many people stop to place a hand on

his shoulder and pray for him? Call or schedule a brief visit during the week to pray for him directly.

**2. Share with your pastor how God is using him.** In addition to the time-consuming activities of visiting, counseling, and planning, your pastor spends countless hours preparing to preach and teach God's Word each week. As members leave the building on Sunday, it's easy for him to wonder, "Is God using me?"

While it's true that happy people don't complain, they should speak up! Let your pastor know how God is using him in your life. Text him at the end of a long Sunday and tell him what you saw God doing through him. Discuss his messages with him, sharing what God teaches you through his preaching. Your pastor will deeply feel and remember your specific and personal words of encouragement.

**3. Minimize murmuring to the maximum.** Years ago, the leaders in our church embraced the task of "minimizing murmuring to the maximum." The slogan expressed their desire to meet needs and handle complaints in a way that helped the church remain spiritually vibrant and relationally strong.

By routinely correcting misunderstandings, answering questions, and quelling rumors, you can lead other members to a more profound willingness to trust the heart of their pastor. When a member remains dissatisfied, offer to accompany him to a meeting with your pastor. Your presence can have a positive and calming effect on the conversation.

**4. Help him recharge and avoid burnout.** When a pastor becomes chronically tired, discouraged, or overwhelmed by the constant demands of ministry, he can suffer from burnout, lose his motivation, and become susceptible to intense temptation. Members are usually unaware of the stresses associated with pastoral ministry until it's too late.

Church members can help a pastor protect his use of time and avoid the abuse of his body. How? Don't expect him to attend every church function. Ask him whether he's taking a day off. Take an interest in his

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family, watching for opportunities to affirm and support his efforts to be a good father and husband. Be sure that he schedules and uses his vacation time. Lead the church to bless the pastor and his wife with an evening out (providing a gift card and free babysitting) or a weekend getaway.

**5. Do ministry together.** What is your ministry? What is the specific role that God has assigned to you? As an individual, one of the most encouraging things you can do for your pastor is to embrace your call to serve within the church. Great pastors of healthy, growing churches never get "there" alone. God always uses a group of believers to support, encourage, protect, and serve alongside their pastor.



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.** 

	July-Aug	YTD
Albany First	1,015.29	4,091.79
Antioch	33.64	127.43
Bayou	150.00	450.00
Bedico	1,204.00	6,065.00
Bethlehem	-0-	4,058.39
Blood River	616.28	2,724.29
Bogue Falaya	-0-	777.28
Calvary	-0-	200.00
Celebration (Cov/Man		1,750.00
Celebration (Slidell)	-0-	1,750.00
Coburn (Sinden)	-0-	-0-
Collins Blvd.	300.00	450.00
Cornerstone (watchcar		-0-
Countryside (waterical	-0-	-0-
Covenant	-0-	475.00
Creekside	300.00	600.00
	-0-	-0-
Cristo para Todos Crossbrand	-0-	-0-
	-0- -0-	50.00
Crossgate	1,009.16	
Crossroads	937.66	4,036.64
Ebenezer	-0-	2,364.16
Emmaus	-	300.00
Evans Creek	-0- 5 922 24	837.34
First, Covington	5,833.34	23,333.36
First, Folsom	1,175.24	5,197.76
First, Hammond	151.11	526.10
First, Independence	200.00	800.00
First, Madisonville	-0-	-0-
First, Mandeville	2,500.00	10,000.00
First, Pearl River	1,080.16	4,470.14
First, Slidell	1,949.00	5,126.34
First, Springfield	107.00	608.88
First, Tickfaw	-0-	-0-
French Corner	413.34	1,413.80
Grace Community	-0-	620.00
Grace Fellowship	297.18	1,039.52
Grace Hispanic	-0-	-0-
Grace Memorial	2,045.00	8,314.00
Greater St. James	-0-	-0-
Hebron	600.00	2,100.00
Iglesia Agua Viva	-0-	-0-
Iglesia Buenas Nuevas		843.74
Iglesia Cristo Redento	r 200.00	800.00
Immanuel	253.66	804.85
Jerusalem	993.32	4,380.96

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	July-Aug	YTD
Killian First	-0-	-0-
Lee Hill	-0-	-0-
Lee Valley	-0-	-0-
Life	-0-	-0-
Lighthouse	-0-	3,397.00
Loranger	-0-	4,836.83
Manchac	-0-	-0-
Midway	-0-	-0-
Millville	201.64	201.64
Mt. Calvary	209.96	467.24
Natalbany	669.68	2,717.20
New Beginning	-0-	600.00
New Beulah	169.35	599.43
New Hope	-0-	-0-
New Life Community	250.00	1,000.00
New Zion	-0-	50.00
Northshore	2,000.00	8,000.00
Northside	469.50	1,759.57
Old Zion Hill	816.46	3,476.15
Ponchatoula's First	3,218.81	12,035.19
Red Bluff	955.11	1,563.76
Redemption, Lacombe	300.00	900.00
Redemption Christian	-0-	-0-
Ridge Memorial	50.00	100.00
River Fellowship	708.03	2,305.18
Serenity	171.87	704.91
Springville	149.00	624.64
Still Water	-0-	-0-
SweetWater	255.45	886.25
Tammany Hills	874.75	2,581.44
The Bridge	100.00	700.00
Thompson Road	835.31	2,594.49
Trinity	905.00	3,511.00
True Life	200.00	700.00
Victory	-0-	-0-

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	July-Aug	YTD
Wardline	350.00	2,550.00
Westside	1,344.57	4,887.01
Woodhaven	83.00	468.00
Woodland	346.73	1,409.20
Woodland Park	1,781.04	7,840.40
TOTAL	40,938.48	174,953.30
Expenditures	/	161651.12
Church Receipts	40,938.48	174,953.30
Additional Income	-0-	-0-
Balance		159,734.51
Designated Accounts		934,927.50





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

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