

*Welcome To  
First Baptist Church  
Many, Louisiana*



*April 23, 2023*

**First Baptist Church**

**Ministry Leaders**

Bro. Bo Owens Interim Pastor

Karen Owens Music Leader

**Worship Team**

Glenda Merriman	Pianist	Merrill Cummings	Organist
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**Welcome & Announcements**

*We Have Come into His House* ..... Hymn # 666

*Responsive Reading*..... # 665

*Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus* ..... Hymn # 665

Annie Armstrong Missions Offering Video

Prayer.....Deacon of the Week .....Phillip Roark

Giving of Tithes & Offerings

*What a Day That Will Be*..... Hymn # 607

Special

Sermon ..... Bro. Bo Owens

*Iron Shoes for Rough Roads*

*Deuteronomy 33:24-29*

Invitation.....*I Surrender All*..... Hymn # 413

Benediction .....*The Family Prayer Song* ..... Hymn # 655

**Birthdays:** Abby Hinds (26), and Jim Hembree (28).

**Watch our Sunday Morning Worship Services live on our Facebook page. If you cannot join us in person, please use this way to worship with us each week.**

<i>March &amp; April Offering:</i>	
<i>Annie Armstrong Easter Offering:</i>	
<i>Our Church Goal:</i>	\$3,500.00
<i>Offerings Received:</i>	\$3,246.00
<i>Goal Remaining:</i>	\$ 254.00

**April Special Offering's**  
*Annie Armstrong Easter Offering*  
 Your support is greatly appreciated.

**Ways to Give Your Tithes & Offerings**

- Place in offering plate as you enter or exit the Sanctuary.
- Mail to Church (P.O. Box 239, Many, LA 71449) or bring to the church office during the week.
- Log on to [www.fbcmany.org/giving](http://www.fbcmany.org/giving) or text FBCMANY to 73256.

<b><u>Members in Service :</u></b>		
	<b>Greeters</b>	<b>Deacon of the Week</b>
4/23	Delores Geoghagan, Shirley Salley, and Rocky Wright	Phillip Roark
4/30	Phyllis Horton, Gary and Ramona Moore	Mark Jordan

## *Activities This Week*

Today:	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service & Livestream
	11:00 a.m.	KWLV (107.1 FM) radio
Wednesday:	5:45 p.m.	Meal
	6:15 p.m.	Prayer Meeting, Youth and Children's Studies
Thursday:	11:00 a.m.	XYZ Bible Study
Next Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service & Live Stream
	11:00 a.m.	KWLV (107.1 FM) radio

### **Prayer Concerns:**

Merilyn Booker, Kathy Byles, Becky Horner,  
Ginger Jordan, Kristi Leach, Margaret Leach, Eddie Moore,  
Bro. Bo & Karen Owens, Evelyn Scaife, Dovie Tarver,  
Rev. Claude & Louise Weatherford, Pat Wiggins, Cindy  
Wright, and Mary Jo Wright

## **Vital Statistics**

Financial April 2023		Attendance		
		Date	Sun. School	Worship
Monthly Budget Needs:	\$ 25,960.40	4/2	40	62
Gifts Received to date:	15,605.00	4/9	47	78
Budget Needs Remaining:	\$ 10,355.40	4/16	33	40
		4/23		
		4/30		

Remember  
to **RSVP**

### Wednesday Night Meal Menu for April 26<sup>th</sup>

Chicken Strips. French Fries, Green Salad  
and Dessert

*(Note: If you plan to eat with us, please RSVP to the Church  
Office by Tuesday at noon each week. Call 256-5655 or  
email [fbcmay@bellsouth.net](mailto:fbcmay@bellsouth.net))*

### **ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING FOR NORTH AMERICAN MISSIONS**

NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 30 WILL BE THE LAST DAY TO  
GIVE TO ANNIE ARMSTRONG OUR CHURCH GOAL IS  
\$3,500. IF YOU HAVEN'T GIVEN AS OF YET PLEASE  
CONSIDER DOING SO.

## **\*\* Committee on Committee Members \*\***

There will be a short meeting right after AM Worship Service today. It is important that committee members attend. Members include: Sandra Brandon, Phyllis Horton, Ginger Jordan, Phillip Roark, and Danny Warmack.



**Kids! Join us for the  
16<sup>th</sup> Annual Toledo Bend Children's  
Fishing Derby!**

**Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon Fishing Time.**

**San Miguel Park, pavilion, bank fishing, Ages, 3-15  
Preschoolers must have a parent or guardian present.**

**School-age children groups must have at least one  
adult for each 5 children. Bring a fishing pole or rod  
and reel and some bait (not provided). We will also  
have complimentary lunch.**

### **Adult Day Clara Spring**

**With Special Guest Speaker Kenny Evans**

**Thursday May 11<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. - Lunch**

**For more info on this event contact the church office  
or contact Clara Spring at 318-352-4090 or email  
Clara Springs at [office@districteightmissions.com](mailto:office@districteightmissions.com).**

### **PARENT & CHILD DEDICATION ON SUNDAY, MAY 14<sup>TH</sup>**

**Parents of babies and young children are encouraged to  
participate! During our Mother's Day Worship Service, we will  
have Parent & Child Dedication as part of the worship service.**

**If you would like to participate, we ask that you contact the  
church office no later than Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup> to be placed on the  
list. If you have any questions on this, please contact the  
church office.**

**Do UNO your spot for VBS. Dates are  
June 26 - June 30<sup>th</sup> There is a bulletin  
board outside the Children's Dept.  
Make sure to sign up.**



## Dates Open for Sanctuary Flowers!

We have several open dates for Sanctuary flowers on the flower calendar. If you would like to schedule a certain date, contact the church office ASAP to save your date.

Does the church office have your correct contact information? If you are unsure, please drop us an email with all your info (cell #, email address, wedding anniversary date, etc) so we can update our records.



### **\*\* Mark Your Calendar for These Upcoming \*\*** **Important Dates:**

Clara Springs 4<sup>th</sup> Friday Fish Fry- April 28<sup>th</sup>

MHS Baccalaureate – Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>

National Day of Prayer - Thursday, May 4<sup>th</sup>

T. Bend Resort Min. Child Fishing Event –  
Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup>

Adult Day Clara Springs - Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup>

Mother's Day - Sunday, May 14<sup>th</sup>

For more information on these events contact the church office at 318-256-5655 or email us at

[fbcmany@bellsouth.net](mailto:fbcmany@bellsouth.net)

### MHS Baccalaureate Service Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>

There will be no Wednesday night meal or activities at our church on Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> so that those who want to can attend the Baccalaureate service.



Parent-Child  
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## **Media Committee Meeting**

**Thursday, April 27<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 PM**

# Iron Shoes for Rough Roads

## Deuteronomy 33:24-29

When famous preacher R.G. Lee retired he was asked if he could start over would he do anything differently. He said “Yes, I’d preach more encouragement”. That is good advice because all of us need encouragement.

The past few weeks for Karen and me found us in great need of encouragement. God reminded me of a short passage in Deuteronomy has been an encouragement to me. Let’s study it together: It teaches that.

- I. Life has Some Rough Roads (v.24)
- II. God Provides for His Children (v.25)
  1. He Provides Strength
  2. He Provides Peace
  3. He Provides Provisions
- III. God can be Trusted (v. 26-29)
  1. He is a God of Refuge (v.27)
  2. He is a God of Resourcefulness (v.37)
  3. He is a God of Redemption (v.29)

Whatever we may be going through, God knows, He cares, and He can be trusted. The promises are good because of the One who makes the promises!!

### ***How to Join First Baptist Church of Many:***

*At the close of the service, a hymn of invitation will be sung. During this time, you may go forward and tell the pastor that you desire to unite with this church. You may share that you:*

- ◆ *Want to receive Christ as Lord and Savior and follow Him in baptism.*
- ◆ *Have already trusted Christ as Savior and want to signify that commitment through Believer’s baptism by immersion.*
- ◆ *Want to transfer your letter of membership from another Baptist church of like faith and order to this church.*
- ◆ *Want to join the Church by statement of your prior conversion and symbolic baptism by immersion (when no letter is obtainable from a Baptist church of like faith and order).*