

Newsletter: September 2024

Our Mission Statement:

Our purpose is to be a unified body seeking to reach up to God, out to people, and down within ourselves to expand God's Kingdom for God's glory.

Mark Your Calendars

SEPTEMBER EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

- 9/2 Church Office Closed
- 9/4 Wednesday Night Activities
- 9/5 Ladies Book Club @ 2 PM
- 9/11 Wednesday Night Activities
- 9/15 Back to Church Sunday
- 9/15 Finance & Budget Committees Meeting @ 5 PM
- 9/17 WMU Meeting
- 9/18 Wednesday Night Activities & Business Meeting
- 9/25 Wednesday Night Activities
- 9/30 Sabine Assoc. Annual Meeting – Little Flock @ 6 PM

Sunday Service Schedule

Sunday School @ 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service @ 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday Night Activities

Meal @ 5:30 PM
Prayer Meeting & Bible Study @ 6 PM
Join us weekly for this time of study and prayer. The adults will meet in the fellowship hall. Youth and Children meet in their Sunday School rooms. We have a great time of food, fellowship, and study so come join us!

BACK TO CHURCH
SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 15TH
We are excited to have "Back to Church Sunday" on September 15th. If you haven't been to church in

a while, now is the time to rejoin us to study His word and to worship with the church family again. Start inviting folks now. Think of people that you can reach out to and ask them to come to (or come back to) Many FBC. We all know people who we haven't seen in church for a while, or a person who doesn't have a church home, or has visited but you were trying to find a way to invite them back. Now is your opportunity to reach out. We have postcards and invite slips that you can pick up to use in your efforts to invite and remind people to be here on September 15th as well as Sundays and Wednesdays after that. We look forward to a great day at Many FBC!



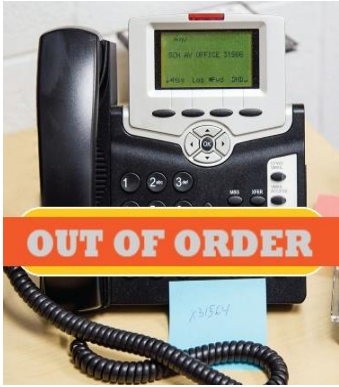
Fall Food Round Up

It's time for the annual Children's Home Fall Food Roundup. The home will be here to pick up the food on Monday, September 9th. A box is placed by the church office and upstairs. List of suggested items is placed throughout the church and on page 2 of this newsletter. The Children's Home is also accepting monetary donations. You can turn in your donation to the church office but please make checks payable to the La. Children's Home. Please be generous.

The Church Office will be closed on Monday, September 2nd in observance of Labor Day.

The Georgia Barnette State Missions Offering will be collected during September. The week of prayer is September 8 - 15 and prayer guides are available. Our church goal is \$3,500 so please be generous in supporting the missionaries. Offering envelopes are available in the pews. Pray for the lost in our state and the missionaries.





The phone lines are down at the church. Apparently, a semi-truck came down Magnolia Ave and snagged our phone lines. The phone company CAN NOT give us an estimated time that the lines will be repaired and back in operation. In the meantime, we are trying to get all calls to the church office automatically forwarded to a church staff member's cellphone. If you still can't reach us by phone, please refer to the Emergency Contact Numbers on page 4 of this newsletter to contact us. If you have any information that can be relayed via email, please email to: fbcmany@yahoo.com. We apologize for an inconvenience and ask for your understanding during this time. We will update you as soon as we receive any updates from the phone company. Thanks for your consideration and cooperation.

Business Meeting on Wednesday, September 18th @ 6 p.m.

There are several important items to be discussed including election of messengers to the Sabine Association Meeting and begin electing messengers to the Louisiana Baptist Convention in November as well as other items and recommendations. Church members are urged to attend. Come be a part of the business matters and decisions of the church.

Women's Christian Book Club

Ladies! Looking for a Christian book club? Come join us at Many First Baptist Church. Everyone is welcome. Right now, we are meeting the first Thursday each month. The next book we will discuss is "Alaska Twilight" by Colleen Coble. Get your book at your favorite bookstore or the library and come ready to discuss on Thursday, September 5th @ 2 PM. For more info, contact the FBC office at 256-5655 or fbcmany@bellsouth.net. Invite a friend or two and come join us September 5th.


Grateful Hearts Book Club

September 7, 2024 @ 2 pm

"Alaska Twilight"
by Colleen Coble

First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall
990 Main Street, Many, LA 71449
318-256-5655

* Parking & Entrance in the rear of church



BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEES TO MEET ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH

It's time to begin preparations for the 2025 Church Budget. At the Finance Committee Meeting on Sunday, September 15th at 5 PM, the Budget Committee members are encouraged to attend and pick up your packets. All committees who have budget line items are asked to meet between September 16th and September 29th with your committees so that you can plan your budget request for the 2025 Budget. The next Budget Planning meeting will be Tuesday, October 1st at 6 PM to begin "plugging in" figures. If you have any questions about these meetings, please contact Paul Morris or Karen in the church office. We ask everyone to give prayerful thought on budget requests and planning as we seek to grow His Kingdom.

Louisiana Baptist Children's Home & Family Ministries Fall Food Roundup Needs List	
Aluminum Foil	*Laundry Detergent (HE-Liquid/Spray 'n Wash)
Baked Beans	*Mayonnaise
Baking Powder/Soda/Corn Starch	Mushrooms (Canned/Bottled)
*Bathroom Tissue	Mustard
Body Wash & Deodorant (Men/*Women)	Oatmeal (Instant/Quick/Old Fashioned)
*Bottled Juice (Orange/Apple/Grape/Fruit Punch)	Pam Cooking Spray
Brownie Mix	*Paper Towels & Napkins
Cake Mixes/Muffin Mixes/Icing	Pastas
Canned Meats (Chicken/Spam/Tuna/Viennas)	Peanut Butter (Smooth & Crunchy)
Canned Vegetables (Butter/Lima/Pinto/Red Beans/Black-Eyed/Field/Purple Hull Peas; Turnip Greens)	*Pickles & Relish (Dill/Sweet)
*Cereal	Pie Filling/Pudding (Instant/Chocolate/Vanilla; Canned/Peach)
Cheese (Parmesan & Velveeta)	Pop Corn & Pop Tarts
Chili w/o Beans	*Potatoes (Instant & Boxed)
*Cleaners (Bathroom/Kitchen/Disinfectant Spray)	Rice (Instant & Boxed Dinners)
*Clorox Bleach & Wipes	Salad Dressings (Ranch/Italian/1000 Island)
*Condensed & Evaporated Milk	*Sauces (*Alfredo/BBQ/*Enchilada/*Mild Salsa/*Spaghetti)
Cookies & Cookie Mix	Seasonings (Sloppy Joe/Taco/Tony Chachere's)
*Cooking Oil	Soups (Variety/Cream of Chicken/Mushroom/Chicken & Beef Broth/Onion Soup Mix)
*Corn Meal (Plain/Self-rising)	Spices (Allspice/Black Pepper/Cayenne Pepper/Garlic/Lemon Pepper/Nutmeg/Onion Powder/Poultry/Sage/Salt)
*Crackers (Ritz/Saltines)	Stuffing (Stove Top)
Crisco Shortening	Sugar (Regular/Brown/Powdered)
*Dishwasher Detergent	Syrup (Chocolate/Pancake/White Karo)
Facial Tissue (square boxes)	Tea (Regular/*Decaf)
Flavors (Almond/Lemon/Vanilla)	Tomatoes (Diced/Stewed/Rotel)
Flour (Plain/Self-rising)	Tomato Sauce/Paste
*Freezer Bags (Gallon & 2-Gallon)	Vinegar (Apple Cider & White)
Fruit (Canned)	
Gravy Mixes	
Green Chiles	
Grits (Regular/Instant)	
*Hand Soap/Sanitizer	
Jelly/Jam (*Apple/Grape/Strawberry)	
Jiffy Cornbread Mix	
Ketchup	
Kool-Aid	

Sabine Baptist Association Annual Meeting * Little Flock BC on Monday, September 30th

Church members are encouraged to attend this meeting. If you would like to be elected as messengers for this meeting, please let the church office know so that you can be elected at the Business Meeting on September 18th. At the Association meeting, a meal will be served at 6:00 PM and the meeting will follow. Come be a part of this meeting and get the reports of what all is happening and works all across our association.

CHURCH COUNCIL QUARTERLY MEETING ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13TH @ 4 PM

The quarterly Church Council Meeting is approaching FAST! We need all committee chairpersons, and Church Leaders to attend. All church committees should meet prior to the Council Meeting to plan activities and events for the remainder of 2024 as well as 2025 for planning and budget planning purposes. Committees can contact the church office to schedule events to be placed on the church calendar. All church leaders and committee chairpersons are urged to attend the Council Meeting.

Nursing Home Christmas Store

Thursday, December 5th

Items needed for store:



Lap Throws
Pillows (soft – do not overstuff)
T-shirts (all sizes for Men & Women)
Rubber soled & Crochet slippers
House Shoes (men's larger sizes & women's)
Socks with grips (Men & Women)
Dolls and Stuffed Toys (new or very clean)
Name brand Kleenex
Jewelry & Trinkets
Body Mist & Perfume
Night Lights
Walker Purses
Room & Holiday Decorations
Lotion, cream, mouthwash, deodorant, etc.
Snack cakes
Diabetic cookies & candy
Homemade cookies & candy
Small can or bottled soft drinks (regular & diet)

NOTE – No Chocolate covered cherries please! They are a choking hazard.

Contact the Many First Baptist Church office for more details.

Georgia Barnette State Missions Offering & Nursing Home Store Items are Monthly Special Offerings

The month of September is the time that we will collect the special offering for Georgia Barnette State Missions Offering and items to be donated to the annual Nursing Home Store. A box is located by the church office for you to place the nursing home items into. Please be generous in your supporting of these mission focuses.

Fourth Friday Fish Fry at Clara Springs on September 27th @ 5:00 PM

Come enjoy a great time of fellowship at the Fourth Friday Fish Fry. During this time you can meet fellow believers in Christ from ALL over Louisiana, tour the camp grounds, and even visit the Gift Shop. Cost: \$15 All You Can Eat. We accept personal checks, cash, and can most major credit cards (credit card fee will apply).



It's Football season!! Our church and Siloam BC are teaming up and hosting a tailgating spot for three Many High School home games. The spot will be near the field house and facing the field. Join us at 5 PM. On September 6th we will have pizza and Siloam is bringing bottled water and Little Debbie snacks. The other dates are September 20th and November 8th. Bring a lawn chair as well as a friend and join us for tailgating.

We only have 6 Sundays left open in the year for flowers for the Sanctuary. These dates include September 1st, September 8th, September 29th, October 6th, November 3rd, and November 10th. Please contact the church office so we can schedule you for a 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, mailing address, anniversary date, etc.) so we can update records. Your help in making sure our records are correct is appreciated.



Thank you! We can't express how extremely grateful we are for the time you spent with us and your generosity to our new family. Words cannot express how thankful we are for generosity and kindness. We were able to use the money gifted by you all to help with the move and make the transition smooth for Lily. Such a blessing! May the Lord bless you all.

Thank you for it all! Irvin, Kaitlyn, and Lily

Ways to Give Your Tithes & Offerings

- Place in offering plate as you enter or exit the Sanctuary on Sundays.
- Mail to Church (P.O. Box 239, Many, LA 71449).
- Come by the church during office hours.
- Log on to www.fbcmany.org/giving or Text FBCMANY to 73256.

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



1 Heath Barnhill, Alivia Roark
 2 Ed Clevenger
 6 Keaton Booker, Kayden Booker, Ann Wright, Haley McCarty

7 Rocky Wright
 9 Drew Payne
 10 Austin Payne
 14 Mary Byles
 16 Wesley Fredieu
 19 Dorothy Alford

23 Scott Lites, Kalei Alford
 25 Charles Richey
 30 Jeff Cummings, Eric Savell, Andrea Payne

Members in Service :

	Greeters	Deacon of the Week
9/1	Nancy Wright, Cathy Kelly	Don Burkett
9/8	Kathy & Danny Warmack	Phillip Roark
9/15	Phyllis Horton, Shirley Salley	Mark Jordan
9/22	Shirley Salley, Delores Geoghagan, and Rocky Wright	Danny Warmack
9/29	Phyllis Horton, Gary & Ramona Moore	Mike Collier

Bulletin & Newsletter Deadlines

Bulletin for 9/1 = Thursday 8/29 @ 9 AM
 Bulletin for 9/8 = Thursday 9/5 @ 9 AM
 Bulletin for 9/15 = Thursday 9/12 @ 9 AM
 Bulletin for 9/22 = Thursday 9/19 @ 9 AM
 Bulletin for 9/29 = Thursday 9/26 @ 9 AM
 Newsletter for Oct.. = Thursday 9/26 @ 9 AM
To have announcements to be placed in publications, have them to Karen or Phyllis by these deadlines.

Emergency Contact Numbers

First Baptist Church of Many
 Church Office = (318)256-5655
 M – F from 8 AM – 4 PM
AFTER HOURS CONTACTS:
 Karen Sepulvado = (318)508-1138
 Phyllis Horton = (318)602-5062

Deacon Counters for September – Phillip Roark & Danny Warmack

Vital Statistics

Financial August 2024	
Monthly Budget Needs:	\$ 26,100.97
Gifts Received:	\$ 27,626.38
Budget Needs Exceeded:	\$ 1525.51



Look Ahead at Upcoming Activities in October:

- Tuesday, October 1st - Budget & Finance Planning Meeting @ 6 PM
- Thursday, October 3rd – Ladies Book Club @ 2 PM
- Sunday, October 6th – Lord’s Supper
- Sunday, October 13th – Church Council Meeting @ 4 PM
- Sunday, October 13th – Finance Committee Meeting @ 5 PM
- Tuesday, October 15th – WMU Meeting @ 9:30 AM
- Wednesday, October 16th – Business Meeting @ 6 PM
- Saturday, October 19th – Many 1st BC Outreach Event at Town of Many Fall Festival

Back to Church SUNDAY

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH
MANY FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School 9:30 AM
 Worship Service 10:30 AM

WHO WILL YOU INVITE?



Interim Pastor – Rev. Mark Robinson
 Church & Financial Secretary – Karen Sepulvado
 Church Secretary – Phyllis Horton