

The Vision
 First Baptist Church
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The Church Office will be closed Monday,
 September 3rd in observation of Labor Day.

Sunday Worship Times

Morning Worship @ 10:15 am
 Evening Worship @ 7:00 pm (2nd, 4th, & 5th)
 Small Groups @ 5:30 pm (1st & 3rd)

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

STAFF

Church Phone..... 682-3538
 Fax Number..... 682-3539
 Church Web Site..... www.fbclamar.org
 www.facebook.com/firstbaptistchurchoflamar
 Dr. Robert Hodson, Pastor..... 681-0393
 Steve Livingston..... 225-2821
 Worship Leader & Family Ministries
 Chris Roth, Youth & Outreach Director..... 214-0233
 Belinda Shoff, Secretary
 Chastity O'Neal, Secretary
 Staci King, Financial Secretary/Treasurer

Church Office Hours
 Monday-Friday
 8:00 am - 12:00 pm
 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm
Staff Meeting
 Monday 10:00 am



**FOR SEPTEMBER
 MONDAY
 September 24th**

Lord's Supper

Sunday, September 2nd
 10:15 am Service



Upcoming Meetings:

Tuesday, September 4th

YAH Council @ 1:15 pm
 Church Council @ 7:00 pm

Sunday, September 9th

Business Meeting @ 6:00 pm

Sunday, September 23rd

Deacon's Meeting @ 6:00 pm

FBC 101 New Members Class

Beginning Sunday, September 9th
 9:00 am
 4 week class

Genesis Bells


Starts Back Up
 Sunday, September 9th
 4:30 pm
 4th, 5th, & 6th Graders
 Beginner Ringers Welcome

21st OPBA Annual Meeting

Sunday, September 16th
 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm
 Liberty Baptist Church



To Know Christ and to
 Make Him Known



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**Family Night Picnic
 &
 Homemade Ice Cream Contest**



Sunday, September 30th
 4:30 pm - 7:00 pm

Meal: Hamburger, Hot Dogs, & Chips (provided by the church)

A-Q Bring a Side Dish
 R-Z Bring a Dessert

Activities for the whole family

Dunk Tank - bring a canned/non-perishable item and dunk Pastor Robb,
 Chris Roth, and Steve Livingston

Come join us for an evening of fellowship.
 Invite your friends, neighbors, & family!



**RHEUBIN L. SOUTH
 MISSOURI MISSIONS OFFERING**

Sunday, September 23rd
 10:15 am
 Goal: \$5,000

From the Pastor's Heart

Dear First Family and Friends,

September begins our new church year. New committee members take their place of leadership and service with those already nominated and serving. Our ministries are active, many started the last week of August. One only has to observe and see the outpouring of God's Spirit and witness the testimony of God's faithfulness to His church.

As we begin this New Year, our worship emphasis is on prayer. For the next five weeks we will look at the topics; The Focus of Prayer, The Discipline of Prayer; The Posture of Prayer, The Power of Prayer, and The Purpose of Prayer. I ask you to join me in, yes, praying and seeking God's will for our church. Prayer is the catalyst to any movement of God. Focus with me as we seek God's direction and join Him in His work.

Keeping the Main Thing, the main thing,
 Pastor Robb

Looking Ahead

September 2	9:00 am New Member's Class 10:15 am Lord's Supper
September 3	Office Closed, Labor Day
September 4	1:15 pm YAH Council 7:00 pm Church Council
September 5	5:40 pm BLAST
September 9	9:00 am New Member's Class 4:30 pm Genesis Bells Begins 5:30 pm Parenting Class 6:00 pm Business Meeting 7:00 pm Evening Worship
September 12	5:40 pm BLAST 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study
September 16	9:00 am New Member's Class 3:00 pm OPBA Annual Meeting @ Liberty Baptist Church 5:30 pm Small Groups
September 18	5:00 pm YAH Meeting
September 19	5:40 pm BLAST 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study
September 20	6:00 pm Ladies Night Out
September 23	9:00 am New Members Class 10:15 am Receive MMO offering 5:30 pm Parenting Class 6:00 pm Deacon's Meeting 7:00 pm Evening Worship
September 26	See You @ the Pole 5:40 pm BLAST 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study
September 29	9:00 am God, Guns, & Grub @ Noll's
September 30	4:30 pm Family Night Picnic & Ice Cream Contest

God, Guns, & Grub
Saturday, September 29th
9:00 am - 12:30 pm
@ Donald Noll's

MINISTRY OF PRAYER CHURCH FAMILY

Dorris Westbay Beverly Ramseyer

EXTENDED CHURCH FAMILY

Earl Higgins, brother-in-law of John Lawrence
Sara Williams, sister of Jessica Stahl Kim Earl, niece of Ralph Stahl
JH Phipps, cousin of Bill Phipps Sheila Hobbs, sister of Julie Morrow
Kathy "Laepple" Sanders, sister of Carol Melton
Nancy Isehower Smith, cousin of Lynn Divine
Robert & Pansey Holt, friends of Rose Bronson
Sami Bayless, relative of Jerry Marti
Ray McMullen, uncle of James McMullen
Harold McDown, brother of Sandy McDown
Danny & Dee Walker, friends of Rose Bronson
Mike Burns, brother-in-law of Linda Bronson
Mary Woodhouse & Janis Priest, friends of Sheila Stevens

MILITARY PERSONNEL

Austin Potter - Marines, son of Dan & Tanya Potter
Cole Markunas - Marines, friend of the Sandbergs
Michael LeeMasters - son of Sam & Jolene LeeMasters
Brandon Lipe - Norfolk, VA, grandson of Noel & Lynn Grigery
A1C Nathan Sanden - Davis-Monthan AFB, Tuscon, AZ,
grandson of Dwayne & Linda Jones
Joey Rossiter - North Carolina, grandson of Sue Hobson
Merissa Schmidt - Ft. Bragg, NC, granddaughter of Wanda Reno
Landon McManis - Moody AFB, GA, grandson of Albert & Justine McManis
Mark Jones - Okinawa, Japan, son of Dwayne and Linda Jones
Patrick Beetler - Camp LaJeune, NC, son of Sherry Stettler
Lt. Cody Rossiter - Ft. Bragg, NC, grandson of Sue Hobson
Nathan Davis-National Guard, husband of Sarah Davis

MISSION OUTREACH

Pastoral Staff Missionary Tony Pitaniello Lamar's Unchurched
Building Committee

Ladies' Night Out

Thursday, September 20th

6:00 pm

Come & Go

Sandy McDown's House (1304 Crestwood Dr.)

Menu: Finger Foods

Parenting From the Tree of Life Study September Schedule

9th & 23rd

5:30 pm



Family Ministries

According to **2 Corinthians 5:17**, "If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!" The word translated "new" in this verse is the word *kainos*, which means "something just made which is unlike anything else in existence." In Christ, we are made an entirely new creation. He does not merely clean up our old selves; He makes an entirely new self. When we are in Christ, we are "partakers of the divine nature" (**2 Peter 1:4 KJV**). God Himself, in the person of His Holy Spirit, takes up residence in our hearts. If we are in Christ, we are united to Him and no longer slaves to sin (**Romans 6:5-6**); we are made alive with Him (**Ephesians 2:5**); we are conformed to His image (**Romans 8:29**); we are free from condemnation and walking not according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit (**Romans 8:1**); and we are part of the body of Christ with other believers (**Romans 12:5**). The believer now possesses a new heart (**Ezekiel 11:19**) and has been blessed "with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus" (**Ephesians 1:3**). In Christ, we are regenerat-

ed, renewed, and born again. This new creation is spiritually minded, whereas the old nature is carnally minded. The new nature fellowships with God, obeys His will, and is devoted to His service. The old nature is "dead in trespasses and sins" (**Ephesians 2:1**) and can only be made alive by a supernatural awakening, which happens when we come to Christ and are indwelt by Him. Christ gives us a completely new and holy nature. Our old life, previously dead to God because of sin, is buried, and we are raised "to walk in newness of life" with Him (**Romans 6:4**). The focus of our Small Group study this fall will be on who we are in Christ. "The Truth About Me", is the title of this study. God willing, we will learn to see ourselves as "New Creations", transformed by the will of God, by the work of Jesus Christ, and by the power of the Holy Spirit.

God Bless,
Steve



September Homebound

Junior Garringer

Small Groups Resume

Sunday, September 16th

5:30 pm

Prayer Warriors

If you would like to be a Prayer Warrior please call the Church Office at 682-3538.

YAH Meeting

Tuesday, September 18th

5:00 PM

Program: Kara Morey from Lamar Greenhouse

Meal: Baked Potato Bar/Desserts

Church will supply the baked potatoes

A-R Bring Your Favorite Dessert

S-Z Bring Your Favorite Potato Topping

"The Gospel of Mark" The Jesus We're Aching For

By Lisa Harper

Do you know that God's heart is moved by your cries for help, your shouts for joy, your unspoken worries? We know Him to be a God of unparalleled power and authority, but Mark's account of Jesus paints Him as a deeply personal and intimate God too.

Ladies, come join us on **Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm beginning September 12** as we follow Jesus through His days of early ministry all the way to the cross and as we discover what it means to be the recipients of His excessive compassion.

Books cost \$8. Sign-up through the church office by **Sunday, September 9.**

Averages for August, 2018

Average Attendance for August
Morning Worship - 281
Sunday School - 156
Evening Worship - 26

Treasurer's Report for August 2018 Business Meeting
Total Income: \$65,094.46
Total Expenditures: \$53,475.45