The Vision

First Baptist Church 1301 E. 6th St. P.O. Box 426 Lamar, MO 64759

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Sunday Worship Times

Morning Worship @ 10:15 am Small Groups @ 5:30 pm

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

STAFF
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Dr. Robert Hodson, Pastor 681-0393
Steve Livingston
Worship Leader & Family Ministries
Chris Roth, Youth & Outreach Director 214-0233
Pam Caruthers, Secretary
Gina Reed Secretary

Staci King, Financial Secretary/Treasurer

Church Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 8:00 am - 12:00 pm 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm Friday 8:00 am - 12:00 pm Staff Meeting Monday 1:30 pm

FOR OCTOBER **MONDAY** October 25

Upcoming Meetings:

Tuesday, October 5th

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

Sunday, October 24th

Deacons Meeting @ 4:00 pm

Prayer Warrior Crafts

Thursday, October 14th 10:30 am

Join us as we put together gift items for our school personnel.

PRAYER WARRIORS

Teacher gifts for October need to be in the Church Office by Wednesday, October 13th for delivery on October 14th.

OCTOBER COLLISION YOUTH EVENTS

Community Youth Night @ Oakton U.M.C 6:30 –8:00 pm Meal & Joe Costley –Speaker

> Thursday, Oct. 27th @ 7:00 pm O.C.C. Shoebox Packing Party

Trunk & Treat

Saturday. October 30th 5:00 pm

We will be passing out candy to children as the families drive though under the awning in front of the church. If you'd like to donate candy or help pass out, sign up In the gathering area.

Missouri Baptist Convention Annual Meeting @ Branson

October 25th & 26th



To Know Christ and to Make Him Known



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October is Pastor Appreciation Month



October is "Pastor Appreciation Month". Every year we, as a congregation try to remember our pastors with sentimental cards, gift cards and certificates, and a little extra prayers are said on their behalf for all they do for us. These are great tokens of our appreciation and I want to encourage everyone to continue in these traditions.

Being a part of the staff for the past year, I've had the chance to have a 1st hand glimpse at what our 3 pastors are called to go above and beyond to do for our congregation and many others in the community. This is just a short list of things I am pretty sure were not in their job descriptions when they were interviewed for the positions they have filled these past years.

:Changing a tire . : 22 Phone Calls in less than 3 hours

:Car Repairs :mowing yards :Unloading moving trucks : Score board operator

: Rides to hospital/Dr. Appts. : Packing/Delivering Backpacks : Road sign installer

:Cell phone tutoring/problem solving

:House calls to elderly when they can't be reached by phone : Home repairs/ painting :Internet Roof installer in 100 degree heat : Icey parking lot attendee/ Emt's

These are just the acts of service and love that I can recall at this moment. I know there are more if I would have just kept a journal this past year. I wanted to share these RAK (Random Acts of Kindness) that I have personally witnessed these 3 pastors do with a willing heart, a humbleness and a cheerful smile on their face.

We as a congregation are so blessed to have Robb, Chris & Steve leading us each week.

None of us truly knows the amount of hours each one puts in each week,

I will not be able to mention everything these pastors have done but the great thing is... God knows! Proverbs 5:21 "The Lord sees everything you do, Wherever you go, he is watching."

Your Sister in Christ, Gina Reed

From the Pastor's Heart

Dear First Family and Friends,

As I am writing this article, there is loud vibration throughout the church, especially the south end. Yes, members, the Red Iron for the Family Life Center has arrived. Your faithfulness in giving has made it possible progress, thus far with no debt. We still have a ways to go for complete furnishings and equipment. Please continue to pray and give.

I am planning to start our FBC 101 class, Sunday morning, October 24 at 9:00 am. This fourweek class will highlight the doctrine beliefs, policies and procedures, and general information about First Baptist Family. It is open to all who wish to learn more about who we are and how to get involved in our

As we launch into our 24th year of service with you in Lamar, Denise and I want to express our appreciation and thanksgiving for your faithfulness, friendship, and support these many years. To God Be the Glory

Keeping the Main Thing, the main thing,

Pastor Robb

Looking Ahead

October 3 OCC Shoeboxes ready for Pick-Up 5:30 pm Small Groups Begin

October 5 1:15 pm YAH Council 7:00 pm Church Council

October 6 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study

October 7 1:30 pm Women's Bible Study 5:30 pm Team Meal

October 9 10:00 am-10:00 pm Godfest @ Lamar

October 10 5:30 pm Small Groups

October 11 11:30 am -5:30 pm Bloodmobile

October 12 5:00 pm YAH Meeting

October 13 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study

October 14 10:30 am Prayer Warrior Crafts 1:30 pm Women's Bible Study 5:30 pm Team Meal

October 17 10:15 am Mission Trip Offering 5:30 pm Small Groups

October 20 1:00 pm Coloring Ministry 6:30 pm Community Youth Night 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study

October 21 1:30 pm Women's Bible Study 5:30 pm Team Meal

October 24 4:00 pm Deacon's Meeting 5:30 pm Small Groups

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October 27 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study 7:00 pm Youth O.C.C. Packing party

October 28 10:00 am Pre-School Halloween Party 1:30 pm Women's Bible Study

5:30 pm Team Meal

October 30 5:00 pm Trunk or Treat

Coloring Ministry

Wed. October 20th @ 1:00 pm FBC- Sowers& Reapers Classroom

MINISTRY OF PRAYER CHURCH FAMILY

Brian Gilbert Lisa McCall

Melanie Bruffett Joleen Barnes Tim Timmons

EXTENDED CHURCH FAMILY

Dwayne Sprouls, brother of Dwight Sprouls

Lisa McCall, Daughter of Carol Hartline Jim Young, friend of David Banwart

Tom Buchanan, Rhonda Enochs, Justin Weis, friend of Anna Voorhees

Mike, friend of Paul & Laura Emery Trent Morgan, family of Ed & Brenda Onstott

Dixie McLain, sister of Sharon Ramey Traci Overman, friend of Kristi Gordon

Josie Chairez, great niece of Brenda Onstott

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Becky Howell, friend of Teresa Roberts
Nate Clement, grandson, Cheryl Tally, niece of Ivan & Denzil Voorhees
Jessica Querry, sister-in-law of Kerri Beshore
Noraleen Trout, sister of Barbara Robertson
Barbara Marti, wife of former pastor Dr. Bob Marti
Larry & Sheila Roland, Curt Roland & Eva Buchanan's parents

MILITARY /1st RESPONDER PERSONNEL

Brian Jenkins-helicopter pilot, Germany, grandson of Maxine Francis
Caleb Stevens - USAF Las Vegas, NV, son of Gary & Sheila Stevens
Richard Jones - Army, son of Dwayne & Linda Jones
Dylan Hill-Eielson Air Force base, Alaska-son in law of Darin & Jennifer Beem
Brandon Lipe - Chicago, II. grandson of Noel & Lynn Grigery
Joey Rossiter - North Carolina, grandson of Sue Hobson
Merissa Schmidt - Pentagon, granddaughter of Wanda Reno
Mark Jones - Okinawa, Japan, son of Dwayne & Linda Jones
Patrick Beetler - Camp LaJeune, NC, son of Sherry Stettler
Nathan Davis-National Guard, husband of Sarah Davis

MISSION OUTREACH

Pastoral Staff Lamar's Unchurched

Project/Building Committee Haiti Mission Trip

Small Groups

Beginning Sunday, Oct. 3rd @ 5:30 pm "Through the Eyes Of A Lion"

By Levi Lusko

A 6 week study on the power of hope in a world often filled With pain, suffering and loss. Join us for this 6 week study.

There are 3 locations to choose from:

Steve & Amanda Livingston—1805 Lakeview Drive

Dan & Tanya Potter —1152 State Route V V Golden City

Larry & Gina Reed—FBC Fellowship Hall

Music/Family Ministries

"Be Thou My Vision" is one of my favorite Hymns of all time. According to legend, when St. Patrick was a missionary in Ireland in the 5th century, King Logaire of Tara decreed that no one was allowed to light any fires until a particular Druid festival began with the lighting of a fire on Slane Hill. St. Patrick in an act of defiance, lit a fire, and, rather than execute him, the king was so impressed by his devotion that he let Patrick continue his missionary work. St. Patrick is credited for planting 200 churches and baptizing 100,000 converts, and is known as the greatest evangelist of his time. Sometime in the 8th Century, a poem was written about this event; named "Rop tú mo Baile", (Be Thou my Vision).

In 1905, Mary Elizabeth Byrne translated the poem into English, and in 1912, Eleanor Hull set the text to the traditional Irish folk song, "Slane". Christians all over the world sing this hymn as a testimony and prayer of the goodness of our Father; that at every moment of our lives, He is our vision, and the Lord of our hearts. Please take time this month to sing this song of praise. (hymnary.org)

God bless, Steve

Welcome New Members

Isabella Bishop & Jill Willoughby

Jennifer, Jordan, and Victori Rutledge



October Homebound

Juanita Johnson

YAH MEETING

Tuesday, Oct. 12th @ 5:00 pm. Soup & Chili (provided)

A-M: fritos, crackers, cheese, sour cream I N-Z: Dessert Guest Speaker: Judy Earp

Godfest in the Park

Saturday, October 9th 10:00 am -10:00 pm Testimonies & A Variety of bands. To volunteer go to FBClamar.org & click on banner.



Monday, October 11th 11:30am -5:30 pm (note time change)

FBC Fellowship Hall

Operation Christmas Child Packing Party Donations

The church family has been very generous in donating items for the Operation Christmas Child Packing Party the youth will be having in October. In order to pack 100 shoeboxes, we are still in need of a few items:

65 boxes of bandages

75 coloring books

20 hats 39 pairs of gloves

We will be collecting these items now thru Sunday, October 17 or you can donate money so that needed items can be purchased.

The packing party will not replace families and individuals filling shoeboxes. Sunday, October 3 shoeboxes will be ready to pick up so you can begin filling them with wonderful gifts of love. Please return your filled shoeboxes by Sunday, November 7.

Every shoebox that is packed provides a child the opportunity to hear about God's love for them.

Thank you so much for your donations
Throughout this year.

Averages for September, 2021

Average Attendance for September Morning Worship - 226 Sunday School - 136

 Treasurer's Report for September 2021 Business Meeting

 June
 July
 August

 Total Income:
 \$37,011.66
 \$38,431.42
 \$42,918.51

 Total Expenditures:
 49,911.12
 44,659.87
 40,959.73

\$-6,228.45

\$1,958.78

\$-12,899.46

Net Income