

*The Vision*  
First Baptist Church  
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The Church Office will be closed Monday,  
September 1st in observation of Labor Day.

**Sunday Worship Times**  
Morning Worship @ 10:15 am

#### 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  
Pam Caruthers, Secretary  
Gina Reed, Secretary  
Staci King, Financial Secretary/Treasurer  
David Thrasher, Custodian

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



**FOR SEPTEMBER  
MONDAY  
September 22nd**

#### SEPT. HOMEBOUND

Justine McManis



#### OPBA Annual Meeting

Sunday, September 21st  
3:00 pm Dadeville FBC  
Meat, Drink & table service provided,  
please bring a salad, dessert, vegetable or bread.



Wednesday Night Children's & Youth  
Programs Resume Wed. Aug 27th  
TEAM KIDS  
K-5th grades 6:00-7:30 pm  
COLLISION YOUTH  
6th-12th grades 7:00-8:30 pm

**FBC'S & 123'S**  
Christian School

Please be in prayer for the children,  
teachers and parents, as we begin a new  
year of learning and growing in the  
Lord. Scholarships are welcome.

**MMO**

RHEUBIN L. SOUTH  
**MISSOURI MISSIONS OFFERING**

We will be receiving an offering each  
Sunday in the month of September

Our Goal: \$9,500

#### Fellowship Supper

Sun., Sept. 14th 5:30 pm  
**Please bring a Salad or Dessert to help**  
**With the meal**  
**A-N bring Salad O-Z bring Dessert**  
Business Meeting -6:00 pm



#### See You @ the Pole

Wednesday, September 24th  
7:30 am

To Know Christ and to  
Make Him Known



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#### FALL FAMILY PICNIC

**Sunday, September 28th**

**FBC FLOC Bldg.**

#### Schedule of Events

**5:30 pm Supper-Nacho Bar (provided)**

**6:00 pm Main Event: Pinewood Derby Races**

**3-Divisions- 17 & under /18 & over/ Renegade (Prizes awarded)**

**7:30 pm Dessert-Homemade Ice Cream**  
**/ desserts**

**Please bring homemade ice cream, toppings or desserts**



CORN  
HOLE  
GAMES

#### Prayer Warriors

It is once again time to sign up!  
Fill out the insert in last week's bulletin,  
drop in the offering plate or bring into  
the church office, or call 682-3538



#### *From the Pastor's Heart*

Dear First Family and Friends,


August, commonly called the "dog days of summer" is quickly coming to a close. School is back into session and by the time you read this the Lamar Free Fair is over. We start a new church year beginning in September. Basically, that means new individuals join committees and teams to carry out the ministries of the church.

I want to thank all the individuals who are serving on our committees and teams this year. You may never know how much your volunteerism will inspire the next generation, but trust me, God is using you to motivate and encourage other members. Teaching, leading, serving, we all do it to glorify God and advance His Kingdom.

Keeping the Main Thing, the main thing,  
Pastor Robb

Looking Ahead		
September	1	Labor Day-Office Closed
September	2	7:00 pm Church Council Meeting
September	3	5:30 pm Praise Team 6:00 pm <b>TEAM KIDS</b> 6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir 6:30 pm Men's Bible Study 7:15 pm Adoration & Praise Bells
September	4	5:30 pm Team Meal F.H.
September	6	8:00 am Men's Breakfast F.H.
September	10	5:30 pm Praise Team 6:00 pm Team Kids 6:30 pm Men's Bible Study 7:00 pm <b>Collision Youth</b> 7:15 pm Adoration & Praise Hand Bells
September	11	10:45 am YAH Crafters Meeting 4:30 pm Team Meal F.H.
September	13	9:00 am-Noon Pinewood Derby Car Day FBC FLOC gym
September	14	5:30 pm Fellowship Supper 6:00 pm Business Meeting
September	16	5:30 pm YAH Meeting-Taco Bar F.H.
September	17	6:30 pm Women's Fall Bible Study begins
September	18	1:30 pm Women's Fall Bible Study begins 5:30 pm Team Meal F.H.
September	21	10:15 am Lord's Supper/ Benevolence Off. 3:00 pm OPBA Annual Mtg. Dadeville FBC
September	22-25	Adult Retreat @ Baptist Hill Assembly
September	22	6:00 pm Katie's House Banquet F.H.
September	23	Meals On Wheels Delivery
	23	9:00-4:00 pm Free Day @ Adult Retreat
September	24	7:30 am See You @ the Pole All usual evening activities 6:30 pm Women's Fall Bible Study
September	25	1:30 pm Women's Fall Bible Study 5:30 pm Team Meal F.H.
September	28	4:00 pm Deacon's Meeting 5:30 pm Fall Family Picnic-Supper 6:00 pm Pinewood Derby Races 7:30 pm Homemade Ice Cream/Desserts

MINISTRY OF PRAYER CHURCH FAMILY	
Staci King	Gerald Swearingen Althea VanDeMark
Russ Bennett	Harvey Vice Bill & Jan Bowman Wayne Dingman
EXTENDED CHURCH FAMILY	
Suzanne Hill, wife of Drew Hill	Irene Vancil, mother of Pam Manitz
Doug Haile, uncle of Bob Haile	Susan Ball, sister of Oscar Bronson & Anna Voorhees
Dorma Banta, mother of Debbie Stefan	John Adams, bro in law of Susan Roland
Ryan, Laura, & Baby Nadia Moore, son & family of Rebecca & Sterling Moore	
Becky Purkey, daughter of LeeRoy & Anna Voorhees	
Ryan Danley, brother of Jimetta Thomas	
Claude Howard, cousin of Barb Phipps	Terry Hartline, husband of Carol Hartline
Lisa Mitchem, friend of Jolene LeeMasters	Karen Mosher, cousin of Stephanie Siebert
Bill Burkhardt, bro. in law of David Thrasher	
Brenda McKay, sister of Chris Sheat	Robert Rodell, cousin of Anita VanSickle
Robbie Williams, friend of Dwight Sprouls	Jerry Bunn, friend of Dick & Linda Pope
Wanda Hutson, sister of Denzil Voorhees	Vicky Sparks, friends of Sheila Stevens
Janelle Vice, daughter in law of Harvey & Lorraine Vice	
Josh Blanchard, cousin of Leena Harris	
Brett Campbell, friend of Belinda & Dayne Shoff	
Tina Walker, sister of Cindi Sprouls	
MILITARY /1st RESPONDER PERSONNEL	
Major Thomas Rossiter, Pentagon, Washington, D.C., grandson of Sue Hobson	
Amanda Dunford, Navy, Va. family of Russ & Rita Bennett	
Taylor Sheat, National Guard, nephew of Chris Sheat	
Rene Gamache-Army, husband of Jerica (Stahl) Gamache	
Brian Jenkins-Army, German, nephew of Jerald Lehman	
Caleb Stevens-USAF Las Vegas, Nv, son of Gary & Shelia Stevens	
Richard Jones - Army,-Washington	son of Linda Jones
Mark Jones - Navy-Texas	son of Linda Jones
Nathan Davis-National Guard, husband of Sarah Davis	
MISSION OUTREACH	
Pastoral Staff	Lamar's Unchurched Issues in Israel/ Haiti / Ukraine



YAH (55 & over)

Tues. Sept. 16th 5:30 pm

Meal: Taco Bar (meat provided)

A-G Dessert H-Q Taco Toppings

R-Z Bring Side Dish

Program: TBA

Averages for August 2025
Average Attendance for August
Morning Worship –241
Sunday School – 136
Treasurer's Report for July
Total Income: \$56,512.03
Total Expenditures: \$57,483.68

Youth & Outreach

Living Sacrifice

Romans 12:1-2 *Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. <sup>2</sup> Do not conform to the pattern of this world but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.*

Dear First Family,

It’s that time of year again. School is back in session. With school also comes hectic schedules and trying to get back in to the swing of new activities. Our schedule at church is also changing. I am looking forward to starting Wednesday night “Collision Youth” with our 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> graders. I want to invite all our youth to a new study we are starting called,” Every Thought Captive”. As we get ready to begin this new study, I have some questions for you about your thoughts.


Are your thoughts leading you toward transformation or conformity? Are they building you up or tearing you down? Are they drawing you closer to God or pulling you away? In our new study “ Every Thought Captive”, we will explore a topic crucial for your spiritual growth: the battle for your mind. In Romans 12:2, we read these words: “Do not be conformed to the pattern to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.” Just like molten glass, our lives are constantly being shaped and molded by the thoughts we think. In this 5 session Study you will learn to actively and intentionally challenge your thoughts. This isn’t a study on the power of positive thinking—or how you have the power to change your life—but about learning how God made your brain. He will transform your life as you learn to take every thought captive and submit it to the truth of his Word. Looking forward to seeing you all on Wednesday Nights!

To God be the Glory,

Chris Roth

Men’s Ministry Breakfast

Sat. Sept. 6th @ 8:00 am Speaker: TBA



“More Than Enough”

God’s Strength in Our Weakness

By: Christine Hoover

Have you ever felt a sense of lack? That you’re not strong enough? Not confident or courageous enough? That you simply don’t have what it takes to endure the pains and difficulties of life?

Our struggles through troubles, disappointments, and temptations aren’t disqualifiers or flaws in our design. In fact, God shows himself most powerfully through our weakness and we can call upon God’s infinite resources and rely on him.

Join us for this 8-session, verse-by-verse study on 2 Corinthians, as Christine Hoover guides us through one of Paul’s most personal letters to discover how God is the ultimate source of the strength and sufficiency we need.

There are two opportunities to participate in this study, **Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm beginning Sept.17** or **Thursday afternoons at 1:30 pm beginning Sept.18.**

**Books cost \$10.** Sign-up through the church office by **Monday, September 15.**

Donations for Operation Christmas Child Packing Parties

We continue to prepare for Operation Christmas Child Packing Parties for our youth and children that will be held in October. A goal has been set for the children and youth to pack a total of 150 shoeboxes. As we complete the collection season we still need more of the following items.

**September items: boxes of bandages, flashlights, sunglasses and bandanas**

Please bring the items to the church and put them in the tubs provided. If you would prefer to make a monetary donation, we will do the shopping for you.

Your participation in this ministry is very important for it to be successful and will allow our children and youth an opportunity to serve through a “hands-on” activity.

On Sunday, October 5, shoeboxes for individuals and families will be available so you can personally fill shoeboxes. It is our prayer that more children will have the joy of receiving a gift and an opportunity to hear the Gospel.

Serving God together,  
Operation Christmas Child at First Baptist Church Lamar