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Sowing The Seeds Of The Gospel...

At Home, In Our State, To Our Nation,

And to the Ends of the Earth

Acts 1:8

A Newsletter for Bienville and Webster-Claiborne Baptist Associations

# **PARTNERSHIPMISSIONS**

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As Fall approaches, we are reminded by our American calendar this is a season of thanksgiving. The Bible also reminds us that there is a season, and a time to every purpose under heaven (Ecclesiastes 3:1). But the Word of God also says that we need to be constantly in an attitude of thanksgiving.

It is helpful to me to make a list of things for which I am grateful. Somehow the action of writing it down in black and white is another way that helps me focus on gratitude. I encourage you to do the same. At the top of the list is our freedom we have to live in America. What a gift God has given us to live in the United States of America. We enjoy freedoms daily that we often take for granted. As I think on these freedoms and blessings, I am especially grateful for our military and law enforcement agencies that protect us 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Also, the freedom to vote during an election. As we pray for the election by expressing gratitude for this freedom, we also need to thank God for His sovereignty and for the fact He is on His throne. No matter the outcome of the election or what takes place on the world stage, God is working out His redemptive plan for the world. As believers working together for Kingdom purposes, we would do well to keep at the forefront of our mind the second coming of Jesus Christ. As we thank God for the coming of Christ, it will permeate our thoughts and the direction of our lives. As we embrace the assurance He is in control and that He is coming again, our humble gratitude is the proper stance.

One of my all-time favorite passages comes to my mind, 1 Thessalonians 5:17-18. It says, "Pray without ceasing. In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you. Know of my prayers for you as we enter this season of gratitude and that I am praying when He comes again, He will find us faithful.

In His love, Bro. Jeff AMS

Shane Rummel & son. Shane is the new BWC Youth Network Leader and is also the youth leader @ FBC Haynesville.



Bistineau BC Gospel Ordination Service. Steve Beard, Pastor Calvary, Homer, presenting an Ordination Certificate to Scott & Sarah Carter



Jeff delivered 2 cases of bibles to Bayou Dorcheat Correctional Center, Bienville Parish Jail, and Wade Correctional this month. Pictured is the BDCC Worship Center (right).



Randy Ward loading up!! We are going to have to order more bibles!!



#### **STAFF NEEDS**

Unity, Cotton Valley—Music Minister, Pastor FBC Doyline—Pastor, Bi-Vo Pilgrims Rest—Pastor
Heflin—Youth Pastor, PT, Pastor
Emmanuel, Minden—Music Minister
FBC, Arcadia—Pastor, FT
North Acres, Minden—Pastor, FT
Friendship, Bienville—Pastor
FBC, Homer—Youth & Children's Minister, FT

Welcome to the new Pastor of Alabama BC, Tony Walton!!!!

Welcome to the new Interim Pastor of Heflin BC, Brandon Digilormo.

## "Kingdom Builders"

if interested in using your carpentry skills in ministry. Call or text Randy Ray 318-312-0884 or email at rray1.ch@gmail.com

Don't forget about our Party Trailer

Call the office at 318-377-3005

to reserve.

# Now Enrolling Rolling Hills Hi-Set Program

( Formerly GED ) is in Minden at the Associational Office.

Classes will be held Mon-Wed 3:30-6:30. Contact Chelsea to register at 318-251-0065 or go to the Rolling Hills Ministries link on their website. The start up date will be posted once registration is complete.

## Amy Butler Counseling

Christian Counseling Service Amy Kitchens Butler, LPC, LMFT amybutlercounseling@gmail.com For appointments 318-480-8182



Missions & Ministry Center 1408 Sibley Rd. Minden, LA 71055

#### Randy Ward, Truck-Stop Chaplain Bible Distribution 2024 20,000 bibles distributed and counting!!!



## **Bible Distribution**

Dixie Inn 353

Total Bibles 691

If you would like to donate funds for this ministry, call us at the Mission Center.

# UPDATES CAN BE FOUND @ WCBCENTER.COM

#### NOVEMBER

- **4** Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer, FBC Homer, 10 AM lunch served after. RSVP 318-927-3596 All are welcome.
- 7 Camp Harris Board of Directors Meeting
- 10 Barry Joyner, DOM Concord Union, Retirement Reception, 4:00PM Temple BC, Ruston.

11-12 LBC Pastor Conference & Annual Meeting, Broadmoor

#### **DECEMBER**

- 4 LA Tech BCM Advisory Board Meeting
- 13 Pastors & Wives Appreciation Christmas Banquet Camp Harris 6PM With guest speaker Dennis Swanberg.

## Pray for LBC Disaster Relief Volunteers

Mission & Ministry Center office hours Monday—Thursday 8:00-4:00



We can help your students participate with other groups and share ideas with youth leaders.

# West Lake, Doyline November 17

See BWC Youth Network on Facebook for schedules and events.

Shane Rummell, BWC Youth Network Leader

Insurance Crisis: Please lead your church to take action to help Louisiana Baptists and other non-profits who are facing this crisis.

Many of you have experienced the recent insurance problems facing our state. Camp Harris, Associational office, and several churches had their insurance canceled last year and scrambled to find someone to write us. Many more will experience the same soon. As a result there is basically only one carrier in the state that provides church coverage and their rates are spiraling upward. The deductions and costs for the new policies are making many to question if they can afford insurance.

Due to this crisis, Dr. Horn, our Louisiana Baptist Director, initiated an effort with other denominations and other non-profit institutions to petition the state of Louisiana to allow an alternative. This alternative was granted and we have a year to get information together to design a self funded program. Gallagher insurance that specialize in non-profits is being used to gather information.

Please help your fellow churches to gather data. By submitting data you are not making a commitment or signing up for anything. The information will be used to build information that will make it possible for alternative policies to be offered to non-profits. To gather this information a simple request form is available. You have the option to go to your present carrier to get the information or to give permission to Gallagher to get it for you. Even if you don't think you need an alternative insurance right now, please submit the information anyway. Our crisis is only going to get worse and one day you may want that alternative.

You can go to this site for the form. We can make a copy of the form if you need. <a href="https://louisianabaptists.org/insurance">https://louisianabaptists.org/insurance</a>.