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#### Letter from our Associational Mission Strategist, Jeff Hoffman

One of the things the month of March is known for is Daylight Savings Time. Daylight Savings Time is this Sunday, March 9 at 12:01 a.m., and ends Sunday, November 9, 2025. Daylight Savings Time is the time between March and November when most Americans adjust their clocks ahead by one hour. We lose an hour in March (as opposed to gaining an hour in the fall) to make for more daylight in the summer evenings. In the Northern Hemisphere, the vernal, or spring equinox, is on March 20, marking the start of the spring season.

According to USA Today, the practice of springing the clocks ahead an hour started in 1918 as a World War I era measure but was repudiated in 1919 after farmers, a group commonly cited as a reason for the practice, rejected it. Daylight savings was reimplemented when time zones in the nation were standardized with the Uniform Time Act in 1966.

The basic premise is the concept of saving time. Americans are fascinated with the idea of time saving devices and schedules. The invention of the microwave, computer, and modern modes of travel are all examples of our flawed effort to "save" time. However, there is no such thing as "saving" time. The Bible does not say it is possible to save time. What, then, does the Bible say about time? In Ecclesiastes 3:1 the scripture says, "There is a time for all things, and a season for everything under the heavens; there is a time to be born and a time to die." Matthew 6:11 says, "Give us this day our daily bread." James 4:14 says, "Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes." Psalm 90:12, "Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom." Psalm 118:24, "This is the day which the Lord has made, we will rejoice and be glad in it." I John 2:17, "The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever." Matthew 6:34 says, "Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about its own things. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble."

In a fast paced and often overwhelming world, the concept of taking one day at a time carries great wisdom and peace.

In Scripture Savvy, the text reflects the fact that many of us get caught up in memories of the past or worries about the future. However, living in the present moment allows us to experience the fullness of God's blessings. By focusing on today, we can appreciate the gifts we have and make joyful memories with those we love. Embracing each moment can lead to a more fulfilled life, filled with gratitude and joy.

My prayer is that we would use our gift of time wisely as we seek to live out Bible verses that remind us to live in the present moment, trusting in God's provision and guidance for each day.

In His love,

Bro. Jeff



Sowing The Seeds Of The Gospel... At Home, In Our State, To Our Nation, And to the Ends of the Earth Acts 1:8

**AMS** 



Webster-Claiborne **Executive Board** Meeting Feb. 18th.



Michael Sanders, West Lake BC Pastor, (Right) baptizing a young man following a public decision to follow Christ. (Left) Passing our baptismal certificates.



Beech Springs BC Pastor Randy Brown distributes elements of the Lord's Supper @ recent worship service.



#### LOOKING AHEAD

#### March

2-8 Week of Prayer for NAM/Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

10 Christian Motorcycle Group Bible Study, MMC 6PM.

Bible Study Group Training 6PM.

#### April

3 Bienville Men's Rally, Bienville High School

8 Christian Motorcycle Group Bible Study, MMC 6PM.

14 Rolling Hills Board Meeting

Webster-Claiborne Executive Board Meeting, 10:45, MMC

22 Bienville Executive Board Meeting, FBC Castor 6PM

Flourish Ministry Assistant Conference @ North Acres 9-3

Mission & Ministry Center office hours Monday—Thursday 8:00-2:00

Updates can be found @ WCBCenter.com



Associational trailers are being used for food distribution, delivery of furniture, and fellowship at church gatherings.

Let us know if you would like to reserve them.

#### STAFF NEEDS

#### Pastor Positions:

Unity, Cotton Valley FBC, Arcadia— FT Friendship, Bienville Pilgrims Rest

Heflin North Acres, Minden–FT

#### Youth Pastor Positions:

Heflin-Youth Pastor, PT

FBC, Homer-Youth & Children's Pastor, FT

Music:

Unity, Cotton Valley-Music Minister

Bistineau-Piano Player

#### Rolling Hills Ministries

David Abernathy, Director Phone: 318-251-0065

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www.rollinghillsministries.com



## 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.

# BWC Youth Network Bienville Webster Claiborne RETHINKING EVANGELISM IN YOUTH MINISTRY



## **NEWS**

2800 Harris Rd. Minden, LA 318-927-3706 www.harrisbaptistcamp.com

#### FISH FRY & TRIVIA NIGHTS 5-7 PM TRIVIA 6PM

FRIDAY MARCH 21, 2025 FRIDAY APRIL 25, 2025 FRIDAY MAY 16, 2025 \$12 FISH PLATE \$6 10 & UNDER TRIVIA \$10 TEAM

#### 2025 CAMPS

"Just Jesus" Kidz Camp # 1, June 9 -12 (All Kidz, 2nd - 6th grade) W/Brandon Digilormo.

"Just Jesus" Kidz Camp # 2, June 16-19 (All Kidz, 2nd - 6th grade) W/Crush & Hanna.

"Just Jesus" Last Chance Kidz Camp, July 21-24 (All Kidz, 2nd - 6th grade) W/The Bubba Adventure.

Harris Xtreme Youth Camp June 30th – July 3rd (7th - 12th grade) "Just Jesus!" W/Tiny Dominguez

HARRISBAPTISTCAMP.COM

**EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION OPEN NOW!!** 

#### At Camp Harris your donations are always needed and greatly appreciated!!

Detergent Carpet Fresh Pens

Clorox Wipes All Purpose Cleaner Paper Clips
Glass Cleaner Dishwashing Liquid Staples

Toilet Paper Paint & Supplies
Paper Towels Permanent Markers

Get your church involved in our Pool Fundraiser!!

#### "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



#### LA TECH BCM

Kevin Inman, Director 318 - 255-1982 Cell: 680-0534 801 W Alabama Ave.



#### 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

#### **Bible Distribution 2025**

**Truck Stop Ministry**Love's 72

Total Bibles Distributed in 2024 is 1,191

Dixie Inn 72

GAP Farm 25

Total Bibles 98

#### **Prison Ministry**

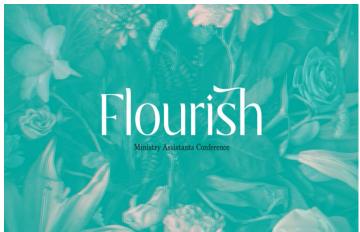
Bienville Parish Jail 50 2024 Total Bibles Distributed in Prisons 300

 Wade Correctional
 50

 BDCC
 <u>50</u>

 Total
 150

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



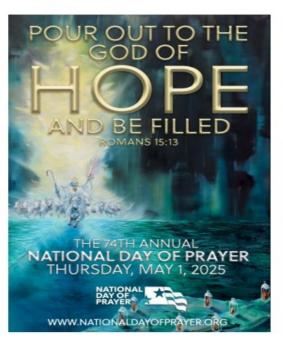
#### April 22, 2025 9:00-3:00

Ministry assistants are called by many names: Church Administrative Assistant, Church Ministry Assistant, Church Secretary and more.

A time to gather, celebrate and invest in those serving in this unique ministry. Ministry Assistants enjoy a morning of spiritual encouragement and spend the afternoon immersed in Practical Tools & Resources to enhance ministry organization and performance. Plus, there will be a session on Personal Evangelism. The afternoon will offer opportunities for veterans and those new to this ministry role. Cost is \$20 and sign up will begin soon.

## Women and Girls' Rally

"Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you will abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit."
Romans 15:13



### **Hosted by Jamestown Baptist Church**

Thursday May 1, 2025 (National Day of Prayer) 6:00 PM

Speaker: Peggy Pedroza Music: Cindy Fowler



Jamestown Baptist Church 5830 Hwy 154 Jamestown, LA

For more information and RSVP contact Bonita Hall 318-548-3040 or bkrelh@gmail.com