

# July 2017

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Pastor

## First Baptist Church of Seabrook Newsletter

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### A Message from the Pastor

As I type this we are half-way through this summer Vacation Bible School. I've been very impressed with the curriculum this year. The foundational verse for the week is as follows:

#### **Colossians 1:15-16 (NIV)**

<sup>15</sup> The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. <sup>16</sup> For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him.

This is part of one of the great Christological passages in Scripture. It speaks directly to the deity of the Son, His Lordship over all creation and His role as creator.

The lyrics of the songs used in VBS and the topics of the daily Bible Studies all lead through Creation and the Fall of man directly to Jesus as Redeemer. One song puts it this way, (with a rap beat) :

*So the One and Only Father  
gave His One and Only Son  
it's the One and Only way  
To save each and everyone*

That is the gospel! Sharing that Good News is why we do VBS. In fact, it's our purpose as a church!

Tomorrow (Thursday of VBS week) is ABC day. This is the day where the young people are presented an invitation to accept Jesus as their personal savior. They are shown the steps of Admitting you're a sinner, Believing in the Lord Jesus Christ and Confessing Him as your personal savior. There has been, and will be, much prayer over ABC day. Many of these young folks will make a decision for Jesus. Some of them will likely follow in Believer's Baptism the following Sunday. Some of them we will not see again until next year, or maybe never again.

I'd like to ask you to pray for the folks we won't see again. Pray for the kids and for their families that they will find a church to be planted in and to grow. Pray that they will have more of a relationship with Christ than just a one week VBS. Pray that the seeds that have been planted will take root!

I am so blessed to pastor a church that puts such priority on sharing the gospel through VBS. Thank you for allowing me to serve with you.

God bless,  
Pastor Rob

### July Calendar

#### **Sunday, July 2**

- Lord's Supper Services

#### **Tuesday, July 4**

- Independence Day
- Church Office Closed

#### **Friday, July 7**

- Movie Night & Hotdog Fellowship

#### **Thursday, July 20**

- August Newsletter Deadline

#### **Sunday, July 23**

- Youth to teach Children's Church (1st service)

#### **Saturday, July 29**

- Youth Service Project at the Houston Food Bank

#### **Sunday, July 30**

- 5th Sunday Hymn Sing

# Weekly Schedule

## Sunday

8:15 am.....	Adult Bible Study .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable Bldg
9:15 am.....	Berean Adult Fellowship (studying Philippians) .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable Bldg
9:15 — 9:30 am .....	1st Adult Coffee Fellowship .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
9:15 — 10:30 am .....	Youth Bible Study .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable Bldg
9:15 — 10:30 am .....	1st Nursery .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
9:15 — 10:30 am .....	Children's Church .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
9:30 — 10:30 am .....	Young Adult Bible Study .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable Bldg
9:30 — 10:30 am .....	1st Worship Service .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
10:45 — 11:00 am .....	2nd Adult Coffee Fellowship .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
10:45 am — 12:00 pm .....	2nd Nursery .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
10:45 am — 12:00 pm .....	Children's Church/Pre-K Church .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
11:00 am — 12:00 pm .....	2nd Worship Service .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
1:15 — 2:00 pm .....	Retirement Ministry Worship Service .....	Regal Estates, 500 Enterprise, League City

## Monday

6:30 pm.....Men's Ministry Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship .....

*\*\*\*ON SUMMER BREAK ~ will resume September 4th*

## Wednesday

6:30 — 7:30 pm.....Youth Discipleship (6th-12th grades) .....

Will join the Everybody Bible Study

6:30 — 7:30 pm.....Everybody Bible Study "Think Differently" .....

1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)

6:30 — 7:30 pm.....Nursery .....

1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy. 146)



### Regular Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday  
9:30 AM—1:30 PM

The Church office is open Tuesday through Friday, from 9:30 am - 1:30 pm. The main office phone number is 281-474-3281. If you call while the office is closed or after hours please leave a message and we will return your call as soon as possible. (Office will be closed on Tuesday, July 4, 2017)

## July 2017 Tellers

July 02.....John & Cheryl Harrison, Norma Keeler & Margie Minix  
 July 09.....Mary Johnson, Jackie Lally, Kathy Slater & Pat Smartt  
 July 16.....Don Cartwright, Gene & Heather Engel  
 July 23.....Karen Broyles, Michelle Hazlett & Linda Long  
 July 30.....Mary Johnson, Linda Long & Juliet Wall

[Click for Prayer Request Form](#)



## Tithes & Offering

A look at the church finances...General Funds

May 2017.....\$22,435.77

Thank you for your faithful giving!

# Birthdays

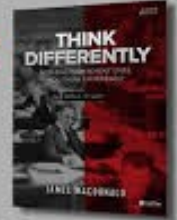
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Noah Mewborn  
Rachel Kerry  
Pete Johnson  
Farren Friedell  
Stacey Shoop  
Joe Augustine  
Cody Pettyjohn  
Bettye Boyd  
Patricia Gibson  
John Henry  
Heather Engel



## THINK DIFFERENTLY

Nothing is different until you think differently



by James Macdonald

## Everybody Bible Study

Wednesday's at 6:30 pm ~ June, July and August

Why do we lose our temper? Why do we tend to hurt those we care for most? How do families find themselves broken? The reason is often the way we think. Beyond behaviors and deeper than attitudes, thinking determines outcome more than anything else. The Book of Romans challenges us to be no longer conformed to the patterns of the world but rather to be transformed by the renewing of our minds. So much of what we are missing in life is associated with the way we process events in the world around us, draw conclusions about our circumstances, and act out of conclusions uninformed by the truth of Jesus and the gospel. In a world constantly bombarded by the fictions of a self-absorbed culture, managing our thinking becomes an even trickier proposition.

If you repeatedly find yourself in places where you don't want to go, it's your thinking that's leading you there. This 10 session Bible study by James MacDonald identifies strongholds, examines how they came to be, and offers believers a biblical path toward repentance and the renewing of their minds. God offers our only hope for victory over disposition, dysfunction, double-mindedness, and every other mental stronghold. With Him we can think differently.

### Session topics:

- July 5 Destroying the Strongholds of Your Family Dysfunction-2
- July 12 Ending Double-Mindedness
- July 19 Destroying Manufactured Strongholds
- July 26 When Strongholds Crumble
- Aug. 2 Repentance
- Aug. 9 When You Fail to Think Differently
- Aug 16 Renewing Your Mind

Sunday, July 2, 2017

## OBSERVANCE OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

9:30 & 11:00 AM Service



## 17th Anniversary

Sunday, July 2, 2017

July 2nd is the 17th Anniversary of Pastor Rob and Gerda following their call to minister here at the First Baptist Church of Seabrook. We, as a church, have been blessed and praise God for them! We are excited to see what the next 17 years might have in store for all of us!

## Movie and Hotdog Fellowship

Friday, July 7, 2017

7:00 PM

Plan to join us for a fun night of hotdogs, frito pie, popcorn, candy and a movie. There will be a sign up list in the hallway so we might know how much food to make available.



While the movie is free, the food is not. We are suggesting a minimal \$5.00 donation, remember this is a suggestion, not a requirement. These are always fun nights, please plan to attend.







## R.E.F.U.G.E. Student Ministry (6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade)

R.E.F.U.G.E. Student Ministry Sunday School meets every Sunday, 9:15—10:30 am in the #1 portable building directly behind the main church building.

R.E.F.U.G.E. Student Ministry Wednesday Activities start at 6:30 pm, ends at 7:30 pm. This month the youth will join the Everybody Bible Study in the Worship Center.

### Sunday, July 23 ~ Youth Lead Children's Church



The youth will be teaching Children's Church during the first service. This is always a fun time for the kids and an opportunity for the youth to be servants of the Lord. YOUTH please be in the children's church room no later than 9:15 am.

### Saturday, July 29 ~ Youth Service Project

The youth will be volunteering at the Houston Food Bank for the 8:00 am to noon shift. We will meet at the church at 6:30 am and leave the parking lot promptly at 6:45 am. This is always a lot of fun! **Everyone is invited to join us!** If you have never joined us, I would like to encourage you to do so. If you have, join us again!

There will be a sign-up sheet in the hallway. Everyone must be registered through the Houston Food Bank and for our shift. All of the information will be on the sign up sheet and Lori will take care of registering everyone. We hope you'll join us!!



Deadline  
for August 2017

# Newsletter Submissions

Thursday,  
July 20, 2017

## 5th Sunday Hymn Sing

Sunday, July 30, 2017  
9:30 & 11:00 am Services

5th  
Sunday  
Hymn  
Sing



THE LORD IS MY  
**STRENGTH**  
AND MY SHIELD;  
*My heart trusts*  
in Him,  
& He helps me.  
*My heart*  
*leaps for* **JOY**  
& with my song  
I **PRAISE** HIM.

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Psalm 28:7

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2  9:30 & 11:00 AM Lord's Supper Services	3	4  Happy 4th of July Church Office Closed	5 6:30 PM Everybody Bible Study "Think Differently" <b>CHANGE YOUR THINKING. CHANGE YOUR LIFE.</b>	6	7 7:00 PM Movie & Hotdog Fellowship 	8
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16  sing to the Lord for he has been good to me	17	18	19 6:30 PM Everybody Bible Study "Think Differently" <b>CHANGE YOUR THINKING. CHANGE YOUR LIFE.</b>	20  Newsletter Deadline	21	22
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