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Church Newsletter

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A Message from the Pastor

Ephesians 5:15-16... Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil.

The political advertising has, for me at least, highlighted just how evil these days are. I'm somewhere between shocked and saddened to my core, listening to candidates lauding behaviors that the Bible clearly calls sin. And should a Christian be brave enough to make a comment beginning with the words, "The Bible says..." labels of ignorant bigot, racist or worse are quickly, and sometimes violently, attached to the Christian. Make no mistake, the days are evil.

So, what do we do? We live wise and make the most of every opportunity! When King David was assembling an army to take the Kingdom from Saul and give it to David, one particular family was noted for the understanding of the times...

1 Chronicles 12:32... from Issachar, men who understood the times and knew what Israel should do—200 chiefs, with all their relatives under their command.

Church, we need to understand our times, times that are evil, that we may live wise, not as unwise, making the most of every opportunity!!!!

So, what are some of our opportunities as a church? A new opportunity is to invite our friends with children to participate in the new Wednesday Nights Kid's Club! Or, consider being part of a Sunday School class or Wednesday evening Bible Study. Jump on a mission trip or serve during Vacation Bible School or just invite a friend to church!

Another great opportunity is the annual Chili Cook-off!! This year the event will be held on Monday the 16th of March. This is always a great time of fun and fellowship! The competition is fierce! A sign-up to enter is in the hallway of the main building.

Preparations for the April Garage sale start in March. Please see the announcements and the bulletin board for volunteer opportunities and for drop-off times. The garage sale is not only a successful fundraiser, it's a great opportunity to declutter at home!!!!

Let's end with the rest of the Ephesians 5 scripture I started with. *Ephesians 5:15-21*... Pay careful attention, then, to how you live—not as unwise people but as wise—making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So don't be foolish but understand what the Lord's will is. And don't get drunk with wine, which leads to reckless living, but be filled by the Spirit: speaking to one another in psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs, singing and making music with your heart to the Lord, giving thanks always for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, submitting to one another in the fear of Christ.

God bless,
Pastor Rob

March Calendar

Month-Long Mission Focus
Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
for North American Missions

Sunday, March 01

- Lord's Supper Services
- Community Outreach Committee Meeting

March 01 — 08

- Week of Prayer for the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

March 09 — 13

- CCISD Spring Break

Sunday, March 08

- Day Light Saving Time Begins

Friday, March 13

- Youth Pizza/Movie/Game Night

Monday, March 16

- 14th Annual Chili Cook-Off

Thursday, March 19

- Ladies Lunch Bunch

Friday, March 20

- April Newsletter Deadline

Saturday, March 21

- Neighborhood Prayer Walk

Sunday, March 22

- Sr. High Youth to teach Children's Church - 1st service
- YOUTH: Sk8ing

Sunday, March 29

- 5th Sunday Hymn Sing
- Youth Bake Sale Fundraiser

Tuesday, March 31

- Deadline to submit 2020-2021 budgets

Weekly Schedule

Sunday

8:15 am.....	Adult Bible Study	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	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	Berean Adult Fellowship	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable Bldg
9:30 — 10:30 am	Women's Sunday School Class	1909 Capri (Church Office Bldg)
9:30 — 10:30 am	Youth Bible Study	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable
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

10:00 pm.....	Women's Ministry Winter Bible Study	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
6:30 pm.....	Men's Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)

Wednesday

6:30 — 7:30 pm	Youth Discipleship (6th-12th grades)	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable Bldg
6:30 — 7:30 pm	Kid's Club Bible Study (PreK4 — 6th grade)	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
6:30 — 7:30 pm	Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study	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.

March Tellers

Mar. 01	John & Cheryl Harrison and Mike & Cindy Treece
Mar. 08	Mary Johnson, Kathy Slater, and Pat Smartt
Mar. 15	TBD
Mar. 22	Karen Broyles, Michelle Hazlett, and Linda Long
Mar. 29	Mary Johnson, Linda Long, and Pat Smart

Tithes & Offering

A look at the church finances...

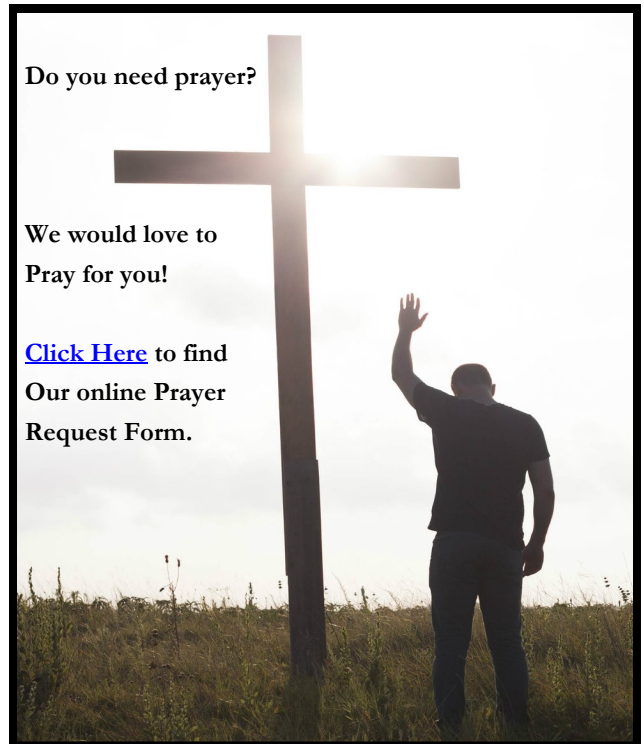
General Fund	
January 2020 Contributions	\$23,511.80
Building Fund	
January Contributions	\$2,125.45
Missions Fund	
January Contributions	\$476.15

*Thank
you for
your
faithful
giving!*

Do you need prayer?

We would love to
Pray for you!

[Click Here](#) to find
Our online Prayer
Request Form.



Birthdays

M Hunter Mayes
Phyllis Agular
B Brett Langham
Shelia Clark
C Caitlyn Cannon
Darrell DuBose
Latrena Augustine
Melissa Cameron
Michelle Fuhr
Ashley VanDerbeck
K Kris Harrington
Brandon Odell
Carolyn Herman



Linda Cowdery
Clyde Mayhew
Norman Frink
Kenneth Gunter
Linda Long
Robin Drjacha
Michelle Martinez



Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions

Month-Long Focus

Week of Prayer: March 1—8, 2020

The **North American Mission Board** (NAMB) exists to help every church take its next step in missions and encourage every believer to live on mission.

NAMB's mission field is the United States, Canada and the U.S. territories of Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, Guam and American Samoa. This region contains diverse ethnic groups, languages and religions. Approximately 269 million people in North America do not have a relationship with Jesus Christ.

Through your gifts to the **Annie Armstrong Easter Offering®** and the **Cooperative Program**, NAMB supports more than 5,000 missionaries and more than 3,800 chaplains who serve in difficult places where the gospel is often not welcome.

Vacation Bible School 2020



Mark your calendars!
June 15—19, 2020
9:00 am—3:00 pm

VBS is open to all kids going into Kindergarten through the 6th grade for the 2020/2021 school year. We will also be accepting youth volunteers (7th—12th graders) to help assist the teachers and leaders.

Registration for First Baptist Church of Seabrook members and Seabrook Residents opens on **March 2, 2020**.

Registration for all those who live outside the Seabrook community opens on April 1, 2020.

Keep checking the website www.fbcseabrook.org for continual updates. Also, please prayerfully consider volunteering as a teacher or leader this year as we always need willing hands to help. Contact Ashley VanDerbeck, VBS Director, for any questions at 281-844-4546 or fbcseabrookvbs@yahoo.com.

Sunday, March 01, 2020



OBSERVANCE OF
**THE LORD'S
SUPPER**

9:30 & 11:00 AM Service

Community Outreach Committee Meeting

Sunday, March 1, 2020

The members of the "Community Outreach Committee" will meet in the Sanctuary immediately following the second worship service on Sunday, March 1st.

If you are interested in joining the community outreach committee, PLEASE come to the meeting or email mhazlett2010@gmail.com.



R.E.F.U.G.E. Student Ministry (6th through 12th grade)

R.E.F.U.G.E. Student Ministry Jr. High and Sr. High Sunday School classes meet every Sunday, 9:30—10:30 am in the first portable building directly behind the main church building.

R.E.F.U.G.E. Student Ministry Wednesday Discipleship meets from 6:30—7:30 pm in the first portable building directly behind the main church building.



JOURNEY OF FAITH Candle Fundraiser

During the month of March, the youth will be selling Journey of Faith candles. The candles will be \$14/each. There are 8 scents to choose from and each candle comes with scripture on it. All money raised will go towards sponsoring our youth on upcoming mission trips.

Friday, March 13 ~ Youth Pizza/Movie/Game Night

The youth will meet from 5:00 — 8:00 pm to play some games, eat pizza and watch a movie. This is a great time to invite your friends.

Saturday, March 21 ~ Neighborhood Prayer Walk

This is not a youth event, this is a church event. We will meet at 9:30 am to pray together before heading out to pray with our neighbors. Our own neighborhood is the church's first mission field. Please join us in praying with and for our neighbors. There will be a sign-up sheet in the hallway

March 9—13 ~ CCISD Spring Break

Sunday, March 22 ~ Youth Lead Children's Church

The high school youth will be teaching Children's Church during the 1st worship service. Please be there by 9:15 am. The junior high school youth will meet in the classroom for Sunday School at 9:30 am.

Sunday, March 22 ~ Youth Skating

The youth will leave after 2nd service to have lunch before heading to Fun City Sk8 for an afternoon of skating. Each person will need \$12 for skating + lunch\$\$\$. If money is the only thing preventing someone from attending, please speak privately with Lori Forrest.

Sunday, March 29 ~ Bake Sale Fundraiser

The youth will host a Bake Sale Fundraiser following each service. Please stop by our table in the foyer on your way home to purchase some delicious goodies. Proceeds will support our upcoming international mission trip to Belize



Day Light Saving Time Begins

Sunday, March 8, 2020

** Spring forward 1 hour before going to bed on Saturday **



14th Annual Chili Cook-Off Monday, March 16, 2020 at 6:30 PM

EVERYONE IS INVITED to come and eat the rewards of our prize chili recipes!

CALLING ALL CHILI LOVERS...

First Baptist Church of Seabrook's 14th Annual Chili Cook-Off will be on Monday, March 16th. ALL entries are welcome! Have your homemade chili in the kitchen no later than 6:15 and judging will begin at 6:20. DO NOT put your name on your pot of chili, so judging can be impartial. Competition gets tougher each year. Who will have the best pot of chili this year?

You must sign up to enter your prize chili. The sign-up sheet will be located on the bulletin board in the hallway outside the restrooms. We also need you to bring some cornbread or crackers.



Ladies Lunch Bunch

All ladies of the church are invited!

Thursday, March 19, 2020 at 11:30 am

This month the ladies will meet for lunch at **Kirk & J's BBQ**, 5745 Bayport Blvd (Hwy 146), in Seabrook. If you want to car-pool please see Gloria before 11:00 am on the 19th. This is always a time of laughter and fellowship for the all ladies!

P.S. This is not a red hat event.



**KIDS DON'T MISS OUT ON THE BIBLE FUN!!
EVERY WEDNESDAY 6:30—7:30 PM**

All Children PreK4 through the 6th grade are invited!

We will be studying the Word, memorizing scripture, and having a blast! Parents, drop your kids off while you enjoy Worship/ Prayer and Bible Study in the Sanctuary.

PreK4 through 2nd grade will meet in the PreK Sunday School room and 3rd through 6th grade will meet in the Children's Church room.

The curriculum is entitled "Buzz" by Group. Buzz uses unique game-like activities packed with fun, surprise, and kid participation. Kids even get to come next as the lesson unfolds, and they never get bored because they never quite know what's coming next. After Vacation Bible School we will use "Kid's Quest" Curriculum.



**Deadline
for April 2020**

Newsletter Submissions

**Friday
March 20, 2020**

CHESS LEAGUE?



Billy Crawford is trying to gauge the interest of a Chess League here at church. There is a sign-up for those who might be interested in the hallway. Once we get an idea of how many will be involved an informational meeting will be scheduled. All experience levels welcome, novice to pro!!!! Billy Crawford can be reached at (956) 246-6773.

HOPE GOLF^s 2020 Top Golf Event Benefitting Anchor Point



Thursday, March 26th, 5—8 pm

For more information,
contact Genie@anchorpoint.us or call 832-632-1221



5th Sunday Hymn Sing

March 29, 2020
9:30 & 11:00 am Services

Church Budget



Budget Year: May 1, 2020 through April 30, 2021

**Deadline to Submit New Budgets
Tuesday, March 31, 2020**



Church Garage Sale

**Saturday
May 2, 2020
8am — 2pm**

VOLUNTEERS are needed before the garage sale to pick up donations, receive donations at the church, organize and price items. **VOLUNTEERS** will also be needed on the day of the garage sale from 7am until everything is cleaned up. There will be a sign-up in the hallway of the church building. Proceeds from the garage sale will benefit our Building Fund and further the renovation efforts on the Clark Center (the old Wells Fargo Bank Building).

Donations will be received towards the end of April, date to be announced. Watch for more details in the weekly announcements, bulletins and on the website... fbcseabrook.org.

For more information contact KC Broyles at 713-882-8014 or email at mail@kbroyles.com.



March 2020 Lamplight - My Great-Grandma Married a Boat Builder

Last fall we visited Uncle Wayne, brother to John's father. During our visit, John tried to fill-in some blanks by asking a bunch of questions about family members. Uncle Wayne remembered some things, but much of it was fuzzy.

After we left Uncle Wayne's we visited two cemeteries. The first one was where John's grandfather was laid to rest. In this cemetery there was a plot of ground with a brick boundary. Inside the brick boundary were several headstones with the name Harrison. One of which was John's grandfather. The others may have been a great-grandfather, great-grandmother, and possibly a great-uncle. All of whom John never met. The second cemetery was where John's paternal grandmother was laid to rest. She was all by herself in a line of graves with a small headstone that read "Gomby".

While visiting the cemeteries, John became even more curious about his family line... enter Ancestry.com. This is the website that helps people learn more about their ancestors. John had a trial subscription, but he quickly found copies of birth certificates, marriage certificates, pictures of his Gomby and a picture of the same gravesite we had visited a few days before. He also found information that indicated he has relatives out there that he's never met. John grew excited each time he found something new. What a fun way to fill in the blanks.

In the same way, the Bible fills in the blanks of genealogy. 1 Chronicles is filled with historical records from Adam to Abraham.

Adam – Seth – Enosh – Kenan – Mahalel – Jared – Enoch – Methuselah – Lamech – Noah...

Then came the flood and only eight people survived – *Noah, Noah's wife, Noah's three sons and their wives.*

Noah – Shem – Ham – Japheth... and then it branches out from there.

As you read through 1 Chronicles there is a narrowing down to one line. First, we are given the genealogy of the Japhethites (Japheth), next the Hamites (Ham), and then the Semites (Shem). After this we are given additional details about the line of Shem... *Abraham, Isaac, Jacob (Israel), Judah, and David...*

In Matthew 1:1-17 we find the genealogy of Jesus that begins with Abraham... *Isaac, Jacob, Judah, Perez, Hezron, Ram, Amminadab, Nahshon, Salmon, Boaz, Rahab, Obed, Jesse, David, Solomon, Rehoboam, Abijah, Asa, Jehoshaphat, Jehoram, Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, Hezekiah, Manasseh, Amon, Josiah, Jeconiah, Shealtiel, Zerubbabel, Abiud, Eliakim, Azor, Zadok, Akim, Eliud, Eleazer, Matthan, Jacob, Joseph...* JESUS.

You won't find many of these names on the popular baby names list, but none the less each name represents fourteen generations from Abraham to David, fourteen from David to Jeconiah, and fourteen from Jeconiah to Jesus.

That's a whole lot of Great-Grandfathers for Jesus and even more Great-Grandfathers for us. The record stands... every one of us came from one of Noah's sons (Shem, Ham or Japheth) which means that Noah is our Great-Grandfather (with an emphasis on Great). Therefore, all of us can say with full assurance that our Great-Grandma married a boat builder. We also have a Great-Grandma who married a gardener, but that's a whole different story.

Remember this... you are loved, and you are always in my prayers.

In Christ,
Cheryl



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:30 & 11:00 am Lord's Supper Services Noon Community Outreach Committee Meeting	2 10:00 AM Women's Ministry Winter Bible Study 6:30 PM Men's Monday Night Ministry, Bible Study and Dinner Fellowship	3	4 6:30-7:30 PM Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study Youth Group Bible Study (6-12 th grade) Kid's Club (PK4 - 6 th grade)	5	6	7
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22 9:15 am HS Youth to teach Children's Church Noon Youth Sk8ing 	23 10:00 AM Women's Ministry Winter Bible Study 6:30 PM Men's Monday Night Ministry, Bible Study and Dinner Fellowship	24	25 6:30-7:30 PM Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study Youth Group Bible Study (6-12 th grade) Kid's Club (PK4 - 6 th grade)	26	27	28
29 5 th Sunday  YOUTH BAKE SALE FUNDRAISER	30 10:00 AM Women's Ministry Winter Bible Study 6:30 PM Men's Monday Night Ministry, Bible Study and Dinner Fellowship	31  Deadline to submit 2020-21 budget	Regular Sunday Services 8:15-9:15 AM.....Adult Bible Study 9:15-9:30 AM.....1 st Adult Coffee Fellowship 9:15-10:30 AM.....1 st Nursery / Children's Church 9:30-10:30 AM.....Berean Adult Fellowship 9:30-10:30 AM.....Women's Sunday School Class 9:30-10:30 AM.....Youth Sunday School 9:30-10:30 AM.....1 st Worship Service 10:45-11:00 AM.....2 nd Adult Coffee Fellowship 10:45-Noon.....2 nd Nursery / Children's Church / Pre-K Church 11:00-Noon.....2 nd Worship Service			