

FIRST NOTES 🎵

Stay Hot for the Lord!

Summer is a fun time of year! Summer is a time of recreation, relaxation, and let us not forget vacation. But as the days grow hotter it seems as though our commitments to God grows colder. We all need rest and family time, and these things are important and should not be overlooked. But at the same time there is kingdom work that surrounds us each day. God is continually calling us all to a deeper walk, and He longs for sincere and dedicated worshippers and workers ready to answer the call. Though Summer is a fun time of year, it still needs to be a productive time of year to invest in God's kingdom. So I encourage you my brothers and sisters to stay plugged into the church throughout the Summer. Make the most of your days: serve at VBS, get plugged into a Bible Study, sing in the choir, dig deeper into God's word. Let this be a Summer to remember!

In God We Trust: Musical on June 30th 6:00pm

Mark your calendars and join us for memorable evening as celebrate God and Country, June 30th at 6:00pm, as our choir leads us in the musical, **In God We Trust**.

In Christ,
Raymond

RICHLAND CELEBRATE RECOVERY

A Parish Wide Ministry

Thursdays, FBC Rayville Gym

Dealing with HURTS, HABITS, HANG-UPS? Do you know someone else who is? Join us on Thursday nights as we grow in the knowledge of God's mercy and grace in our lives.

5:30pm Fellowship Dinner

6:30pm Large Group Meeting

7:30pm Open Share Groups

Life Issues & Chemical Dependency

8:30pm Solid Rock Cafe

Nursery Provided - Birth to 4 Years

Everyone is welcome to attend Large Group Worship at 6:30pm in the Gym.

IGNITE NEWS

Summer Schedule

I know your summer schedule is full. Summer time is a busy time of year. We have vacations, baseball, softball, basketball, cheer, summer camps, and tons of other activities.

Deuteronomy 6: 4-7 says: "Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise."

I challenge you to make this verse your theme verse for the summer! **AS YOU ARE GOING.....**teach your children about God, diligently!! There is nothing more important to teach your children and there is no better time to teach them than the present. Summer offers a lot of "as you are going." Let's take advantage of the times that God gives us to disciple our children.

WE WANT TO HELP! This summer we have activities designed to engage kids and keep them plugged in to the church and God's word. Every Wednesday night we have worship and bible study from 5:45 - 7:00. **We also have planed several Thursdays for our completed 2nd graders - 6th graders to shake up the summer.**

June 3-7 - VBS (PreK-4 - 6th)

June 13-15 - Father/Son trip to Mt. Petit Jean

June 20 - Chuck E Cheese

June 27 - Movie Day at the church

July 11 - Altitude

July 18 - Swimming

July 25 - Bowling

July 28 - August 1 - CentriKid (4 spots open)

I hope you have a wonderful summer! I'm looking forward to discipling our children "AS WE ARE GOING!"

In Christ,
Tim

IMPACT

Have you ever been stuck between a rock and a hard place? Have you ever gotten to the point where you had no where to turn? This is precisely where the Israelites were.

On one side of them, was the Red Sea, and on the other Pharaoh and his mighty army bearing down on them. The Israelites felt as though all hope was lost. They would say to Moses, "Is it because there are no graves in Egypt that you have taken us away to die in the wilderness? What have you done to us in bringing us out of Egypt? Is not this what we said to you in Egypt: 'Leave us alone that we may serve the Egyptians'? For it would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the wilderness." (Exodus 14:11-12)

The people were hopeless and Moses' reply was the answer they wished to hear, "And Moses said to the people, "Fear not, stand firm, and see the salvation of the Lord, which he will work for you today. For the Egyptians whom you see today, you shall never see again." (Exodus 14:13)

Thankfully today we know the rest of the story. The Lord would part the Red Sea allowing the Israelites to cross on dry land. Then Pharaoh and his army would be covered by the sea, allowing the Israelites to escape. The problem with the people is all they could see was what they could do. They were not able to see what God would do.

Today one of the greatest fallacies is that God will not give you something you can not handle. If we could handle it all on our own, we wouldn't need God. In fact the Lord told the Israelites to camp where they were so that He may be glorified by what He would do. The Lord is telling you today, stop trying to fix things on your own, but be still and watch Him work.

In Christ,
Randy

ONLINE GIVING

Go to our church website at www.fbcrayville.org and click on the GIVE button. After creating an account, you're able to give a donation or schedule a series of donations directly from your checking account or by using your debit or credit card.

FIRST THOUGHTS

Summer is here and there is a lot going on with First Baptist Church.

First, remember Vacation Bible School is next week! June 3rd-7th. VBS is always a highlight of the year as children love attending. Each child will learn lessons he or she will never forget and make memories that will last a lifetime. Thank you for being a church that loves children enough to sacrifice, time, energy and resources to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ with them. You will never know the impact you are making. If you are not physically laboring in VBS please labor in prayer. Neither you nor I can change a child's heart, we must depend on the Lord to convert them. Let us be diligent to call on our great God to move mightily among our children and workers next week.

Please pray for our Southern Baptist Convention. The annual meeting and pastors' conference will begin on June 9th in Birmingham, AL. Pray for God's favor and God's wisdom as we meet. There is still room for messengers if you would like to attend as a representative of First Baptist Church of Rayville. If so contact Mrs. Beth for more information.

Sprinkled through the summer are activities and camps for our students and children. Be sure to pray for them as they take time out to grow in the grace of God. Pray for Randy and Tim as they lead in their respective ministries. Pray for souls to be saved and God to be glorified.

I know you have activities planned this summer as well. I hope you have the best of summers with whatever you do and wherever you go. But when you are home I hope you will be faithful in worship and Sunday School.

May God bless you and keep you.

In love,
Dr. EW



WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY

9:00am Morning Praise and Worship
 10:10am Sunday School
 6:00pm Evening Gathering
 6:00pm Joy Explosion

MONDAY

1:30pm Helping Hands Ministry

TUESDAY

8:00am-12Noon Care & Share

WEDNESDAY

5:20pm Praise Team
 5:45pm Adult Bible Studies
 5:45pm IGNITE-Children's Activities
 5:45pm REFUGE-Student Worship
 7:00pm Sanctuary Choir

THURSDAY

6:00am Men's Prayer
 9:30am Ladies' Prayer Group
 5:30pm Richland Celebrate Recovery

FRIDAY

8:00am-Noon Care & Share

UPCOMING EVENTS

JUNE

3 - 7 Vacation Bible School
 8 Second Helpings
 9 Deacons' Meeting 5:00pm
 10 CentriFuge Camp balance due
 11-12 Southern Baptist Convention
 13-15 Father/Son Trip
 20 Chuck E Cheese (2nd - 6th grade)
 27 Movie Day at Church (2nd-6th grade)
 30 Musical "In God We Trust"

JULY

1 CentriKid Camp Balance due
 5-9 CENTRIFUGE CAMP
 11 Altitude (2nd - 6th grade)
 28-1 CENTRIFUGE CAMP



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SECOND HELPINGS

June 8th

8:00am Begin set-up & cooking
 9:00am Serve up food trays
 10:00am Begin delivery routes

If you are interested in helping with this ministry and would like more information, please contact Barry Collins at 680-5818 or Lori Morris at 366-1571.

DEACONS' MEETING

June 9, 5:00pm

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

June 16

8:00am in the Gym

**HELPING HANDS MINISTRY
 of NORTHEAST LOUISIANA
 Mondays - 1:30pm to 3:30pm
 WMU Building**

Join us at our weekly crochet circle. Visitors are welcome for fun and fellowship. If you'd like to learn to crochet, we can teach you!!

First Ray

Vacation Bible School



June 3-7/ 8:30am-12Noon
 (completed)PreK4- 6th grade

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A Study of The Revelation—Led by Dr. Eddie Wren

Wednesday, at 5:45pm

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

This month we are collecting T-Shirts for the shoeboxes. You can drop them in any of the collection boxes located in the front lobby, the Sunday school building and the church office.

				June Birthdays 🎈			
Jenny	Branch	1		Jennifer	Boles	18	
Timmie	Thames	1		Crystal	Bennett	18	
Dustin	Morris	2	Lacey	Morris	8	Kellie	Prine
Forrest	Tuckett	2	Whit	Bass	8	Emily	Abraham
Lance	Prine	2	Kathie	Lambert	10	Rhett	Gable
Christie	Herrington	2	Frank	Greer	10	Gloria	Gallman
Tyler	Heath	3	Dan	Branch	12	Ralph	Odom
Todd	Hough	3	Billy Joe	Temple	13	Brennan	Cherene
Fred	Lambert	3	Lily Grace	Sullivan	13	Janet	Brakefield
Patrick	Morris	4	Brooke	Young	13	Shelia	McDonald
Abigail	Barras	6	Heather	Davis	14	Sharon	Blaylock
Bradford	Doughty	8	Jacklyn	Branch	15	Sharon	Feltenberger
Mandi	Hollis	8	Kim	Mills	17	Renee	Crawford
Carla	Walters	8	Rayelene	McNaughton	17	Layton	Hough