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The Tidings



Dear Friends.

Appreciate – to grasp the nature, worth, quality, or significance of; to value or highly admire. This, according to Wester's Dictionary is what it means to appreciate. We appreciate an artist's painting, the carpenter's craftsmanship, the physician's professionalism, and the musician's skill. The list is endless of all the things that bring value and meaning to our lives.

October is set aside as the month in the church year when we specifically express our appreciation to our Pastors. They proclaim to us the word of God. They minister to us in times of need. They lead us down the straight and narrow path. They love us. They are living out the call that God has placed within them to be shepherds of His flock. They come to us at our best times and even at our worst times.

How can you show your heartfelt appreciation for your pastor this month? Attend every worship service. Come to Sunday School. Be present at Wednesday night Bible Study. Pray specifically for him and his family. Take him to lunch. Send him a card. Give him and his wife a night out. Tell him exactly why you hold him in such worth. The list is endless. Pick one. He might just need to be reminded that somebody has noticed his worth.

Bro. Barry

Concord Union

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CONCORD UNION BAPTIST ASSOCIATION. NET

Visit us online! See what is happening across our association.

Connect with our ministry partners and get reacquainted with our cooperative efforts.

And. watch for more to come!

Concord Union Baptist Association

ANNUAL MEETING MOVCALENDARS! ANNUAL MEETING Monday, October 21 hosted by

hosted by **Calvary Baptist Church, Ruston**5200 Highway 167, Ruston, LA 71270

Meal served at 5:15 p.m. followed by Worship/Business at 6:30 p.m.

Elect messengers and plan now to attend this important meeting.

JOINT WORSHIP of our churches ♂ RECEPTION

honoring

REV. BARRY J. JOYNER

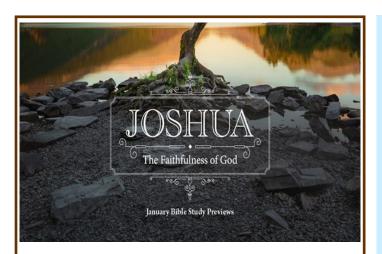
upon his retirement as Director of Missions of Concord Union Baptist Association, after almost 20 years of faithful service.

Sunday, November 10, 2024 4:00 p.m.

Temple Baptist Church
1515 South Service Road, West, Ruston, LA 71270

Worship will be held in the Sanctuary; Reception to follow in the Fellowship Hall

Directions: I-20 Service Road, South, in front of Temple Baptist Church is one-way traffic, east bound. Entrance to the church parking lot can be made via Gains Street off Tech Drive (next to Waffle House) or via Tarbutton Road Exit to South Service Road.



January Bible Study Preview for Pastors

A joint effort of Concord Union Baptist Association, Bienville Association & Webster-Claiborne Association.

Tuesday, October 22, 2024 6:00 p.m. at Camp Harris

Please RSVP to the M&M Center at (318) 255-9030.

save the Date

Friday, January 10, 2025 6 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

"Yes, it's **next year**, but we promise you don't want to miss it!"

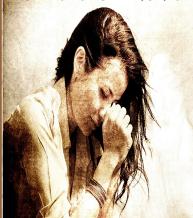
Calvary Baptist Church invites you to bring your children for a

Bible Drill One-Night Retreat

for Grades 4, 5, and 6
with well-known Bible Drill expert,
Cathy Weeks! It's going to be a great
evening of Bible drill fun and pizza.

RSVP to Sandra George at Calvary Baptist Church (318) 255-3594

THANK YOU Concord Union Churches who participated in the WMU / WOM collection event for **Women's Prison Ministry**. A total of 165 gift bags were provided and delivered from our association.



September 29 - October 5, 2024 First Baptist Church, Spearsville

Rev. Neil Everett, Pastor P. O. Box 85, Spearsville, LA 71277

October 6 - 12, 2024 **University Baptist Church**

Rev. Jeff Sanford, Pastor C/o 3175 Hwy. 167, Lot #3 Dubach, LA 71235

October 13 - 19, 2024 Fellowship Baptist Church

No Pastor 6476 Hwy. 151, Dubach, LA 71235 October 20 - 26, 2024 **Weldon Baptist Church**

No Pastor 15059 Hwy 2, Alt, Bernice, LA 71222

October 27 - November 2, 2024 **Union Grove Baptist Church**

> CTOBER 202 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Rev. Ken Reeves

P. O. Box 23, Lillie, LA 71256

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS

Lisa Allred Mary Ruth Allred Andrew Aswell Mildred Brantley Cassie Christmas Kayla Coleman Billy Grafton JoAnn Grafton Lynda Grafton Nell Grafton

Barbara Green Rev. Caroll Holmes Rev. Bobby Kranz Rev. Mickey Manning Clay Moock Veda O'Bannon Rev. Paul Pearson

Rev. Donald Reeves Rev. Jeff Sanford

Ann Smith

Rev. Jerry Whitman

Pray for our churches without pastors. **Pray for the DOM Search Committee.** 2 - Deadline for submission of printed material for the Annual Book of Reports.

- 3 Spiritual Awakening Committee Prayer meeting, 2 P.M. at the M&M Center.
- 16 WMU North Region meeting, 10 A.M. at Crossroads BC
- 21 ANNUAL MEETING hosted by Calvary Baptist Church, Ruston. Meal: 5:15 p.m. followed by Worship/Business at 6:30 p.m.
- 22 Pastor's JANUARY BIBLE STUDY preview at Camp Harris, 6:00 P.M. RSVP, please 255-9030
- 24 WMU South Region meeting, 10 A.M. at Culbertson BC

OCTOBER is the month to observe the WEEK OF PRAYER FOR BAPTIST ASSOCIATIONS. Materials will be distributed at the Annual Meeting on October 21st.

"IN THIS BUSY WORLD, some special people HAVE THE ART OF taking time for others... OF GIVING from the heart." Thank you for simply being you."

Concord Union Baptist Association:

Marty and I appreciate so much the prayers and love that has been shown to us. Bro. Barry, I thank you for the visits and phone calls, as this pain is never ending. I know that God will help us through when we find a new normal. There is a void in our family that can only be filled with God's mercy and grace. Thank you for the assistance monetarily; it has truly helped me be able to sustain us.

God Bless with love, Tina Alexander and Marty







CONCORD UNION BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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Missions & Ministry Center Office Hours: 8 AM - 4 PM Monday thru Thursday; Closed Fridays

Granberry Counseling Centers

a ministry of the Louisiana Baptist Children's Home



DENA M. MELNA, LPC

Serving Concord Union
Baptist Association
Missions & Ministry Center

Appointments are required.
SCHEDULE by calling
(318) 450-4660 or 1-877-345-7411

or via email: dena@lbch.org

CHURCHES WITHOUT PASTORS

Downsville BC Enterprise BC
First, Bernice Liberty BC*
Mineral Springs BC Mt. Ararat BC
Pleasant Hill, Farmerville
Weldon BC

Litroe BC*
Nazareth Hispanic*
Spencer BC*
Zion Hill BC

Fellowship BC

*The church has an Interim Pastor.

Church Happenings...

Rev. Trey Roberson has resigned as Pastor of Downsville Baptist Church effective September 30, 2024.

PASTORS/MINISTERS/STAFF NEEDED:

<u>Pleasant Hill Baptist Church of Rocky Branch</u> is seeking a permanent bi-vocational pastor to serve in our small community. Parsonage is included. If interested, please email resume to phbc@1026721@gmail.com or contact Bro. Gary Chapman at 318-366-0540.

First Baptist Church, Spearsville is seeking a part time Youth Minister. Please contact Bro. Neil Everett@ fbcspearsville@yahoo.com.

<u>Fellowship Baptist Church, Dubach</u> is seeking a Full Time PASTOR. Please send resume and cover letter to resumes@fellowshipbaptistchurchdubach.org.

<u>First Baptist Church, Ruston</u> is seeking a Full time YOUTH PASTOR, great opportunity leading a large youth ministry with lots of potential. Please send resume to Ed Colvin at ed@fbcruston.org or brenda@fbcruston.org.

<u>Zion Hill Baptist Church, Farmerville</u> is seeking a bi-vocational PASTOR. Resumes should be directed to Mr. David C. Farrar at 1098 Cypress Creek Road, Farmerville, LA 71241 or send via email to <u>david.farrar@dmbarron.com</u>. Mr. Farrar's cell phone is (318) 548-2559.

<u>Paron Baptist Church, West Sterlington</u> is seeking a part-time WORSHIP LEADER. Resumes may be sent to <u>paronoffice676@gmail.com</u>.

Alabama Baptist Church, Arcadia, LA is seeking a Bi-Vocational or Full Time Pastor. Resumes should be sent to Pastor Search Committee, 305 Pinecrest Road, Arcadia, Louisiana 71001.



2024 CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX MINISTRY

c/o Harlin & Karen Knight 331 Redden's Camp Road, Farmerville, LA 71241 Harlin's Cell — 318-547-1167 Karen's Cell — 318-267-4788



"Spreading the Love and Message of God One Shoebox at a Time"

The Christmas Shoebox Ministry Mission Trip is November 30-December 6. You can be a part by PRAMING, preparing SHDEBOX GIFTS, DONATING winter clothes, blankets, school supplies, bags of candy, or DONATING MONEY for fuel or \$25 buys Rour/Beans/Lard for 1 family. NOVEMBER 7 is the Deadline/Collection Date. Please deliver to Sandis Baptist Church Gym, 367 Sandis Church Rd., Farmerville, LA 71241. For full details see the E-News attachment or call the Missions & Ministry Center to request a copy of Karen's detailed letter.

P.O. Box 606 Ruston, LA 71273

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