

LET THE WHOLE
EARTH BE FILLED
WITH HIS

Glory

Psalms 72:19

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A Word from Bro. Marty

Acts 1:8- "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

These were the final words of Jesus before ascending back to heaven to His Father. There are a number of last-minute instructions Jesus could have shared with His followers that were gathered with Him on the hill that day. Yet, out of all the words, final instructions, Jesus gave His followers, this was it. He had just been asked the question: "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" In His response to the question, Jesus basically said, don't let your focus be on the plans the Father has for Israel in the future. Jesus was letting them know, until that day comes you have work to do. The work Jesus was referring to is what we call the Great Commission. Not only was the message of Jesus for the followers that had gathered with Him on the hill that day, His message has been handed down to us today and has clearly been revealed throughout the Bible. We have been called out to carry the Gospel message of Jesus Christ to all people and all nations.

As I sat behind my desk this afternoon, I thought about the words of the young man I had lunch with today. The young man works on the campus of Louisiana Tech as a professor. He told me that he is witnessing a passion, boldness, and willingness among college students to share the Gospel all over college campuses. Something he has never witnessed before. In having conversations with leaders in our churches and communities over the past several years I have heard stories of the boldness of young men and women in sharing the Gospel among their peers. I have witnessed over a number of years God raising up an army of young people to share the salvation of Jesus Christ with the world. Church, invest in your families and young people. God hasn't called the church to babysit. He has called us to equip and raise up soldiers of the cross that will march into battle every day carrying the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your Director of Missions.

In Christ,
Marty Black, DOM

Concord Union Baptist Association

ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, October 18, 2026

HOLMESVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

located at 301 Holmesville Road, Downsville, LA 71234

**A MEAL will be served beginning at 5 PM with the
Worship and Business at 6 PM**

**ELECT MESSENGERS ahead of this meeting and then, please, encourage your messengers to
pick up the Week of Prayer for Associational Missions materials while at the Annual Meeting.**



Praying
for Our Pastors
serving across Concord Union Baptist Association

**ORDINATION
SERVICE**
FOR
James David Miller
Sunday, Oct. 4, 2026
ORDINATION COUNCIL: 4 PM
ORDINATION SERVICE: 5 PM
RECEPTION TO FOLLOW
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
FARMERVILLE
400 NORTH MAIN STREET

***CHURCH
HOMECOMING***
Sunday, October 11, 2026
 **FELLOWSHIP
IN THE SANCTUARY 10:00 AM**
 **HOMECOMING SERVICE
DR. CLINT DAVIS 10:30 AM**
 **MEAL NOON**
 **DOWNSVILLE
BAPTIST CHURCH**
9527 Highway 145, Downs ville, LA 71234
Pastor Dr. Alan Miller

SAVE THE DATE
*155th
Anniversary*
CELEBRATION
1871 & 2026
SUNDAY OCT 18 at 2:30 pm
SHARON BAPTIST CHURCH
2769 Highway 152
Dubach, LA 71235
Please share any special family
memories, facts, or pictures you
may have by mailing them to
the above address!
Rooted in Christ; Growing in Faith!
Colossians 2: 6-7

you are invited to
REVIVAL
October 18-21, 2026
6:30 nightly
Weldon Baptist Church-Bernice, LA

Evangelist Sam Moore
and music led by The Allens

Sam Moore is a personal soul-winner and has trained several churches in personal evangelism. He has a burning passion to see lost people saved and to see the local church revived. While it is evident that Sam has the call and gift of an evangelist, because of his years of experience as a pastor, he is especially sensitive to the needs of each church he goes to.
The Allens are a dynamic group that has thrilled the hearts of millions with their harmony and message for nearly three decades. Their mission of sharing the Gospel through music has brought them from the largest stages in America to the farthest jungles of Africa.
15059 Highway 2 Alt, Bernice, LA


Circle of Love Prayer Calendar

SEPTEMBER 27 – OCTOBER 3, 2026
Emmanuel Baptist Church
Rev. Paul Watts, Pastor
1200 Farmerville Hwy., Ruston, LA 71270
Pine Grove Baptist Church
Rev. Steve Barrett, Pastor
P. O. Box 374, Bernice, LA 71222

OCTOBER 4 - 10, 2026
Simsboro Baptist Church
Dr. Jason Cole, Pastor
133 Tiger Drive, Simsboro, LA 71275
DaySpring Baptist Ministry
Rev. Kenneth Weaver, Pastor
3191 S. Vienna Street., Ruston, LA 71270

OCTOBER 11 - 17, 2026
Downsville Baptist Church, Downsville
Dr. Alan Miller, Pastor
P. O. Box 87, Downsville, LA 71234
Spencer Baptist Church, Stelington
Rev. Mickey Manning, Pastor
C/o 5764 Hwy. 143, Sterlington, LA 71280

OCTOBER 18 - 24, 2026
New Prospect Baptist Church, Dubach
Rev. Marvin Winham, Pastor
3438 Hwy. 167, Dubach, LA 71235
Calvary Baptist Church, Ruston
Rev. Andrew Bates, Pastor
5200 Hwy. 167, Ruston, LA 71270

OCTOBER 25 - 31, 2026
First Baptist Church, Marion
Rev. Bubba Hoggatt, Pastor
C/o P. O. Box 376, Marion, LA 71260
Mt. Tabor Baptist Church, Farmerville
Rev. Ben Walton, Pastor
P. O. Box 336, Farmerville, LA 71241



SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS

Lisa Allred	Angela Hoffman
Sue Ambrose	Trudy Joiner
Andrew Aswell	Donald Kimbell
Grace Avant	Rev. Bobby Kranz
Rev. Harry Brown	the Kemp family
Ty Colvin	Mike Lazenby
Rev. Greg Clark	Emmaline Lee
Courtney Cowling	Cole McKaskle
Brent Crawford	Clay Moock
Cheryl Durrett	Breck Owens
Hez Elkins	Rev. Paul Pearson
Imogene Frasier	Cameron Ray
JoAnn Grafton	Rev. Jeff Sanford
Lynda Grafton	Ann Smith
Nell Grafton	Linda Smith
Carol Hartwell	Lux Smith
	Susan Sturdivant

- 1 - *Spiritual Awakening Prayer Meeting, 2 PM at the Missions & Ministry Center. Everyone is welcome to attend.*
- 4 – *Cooperative Program Sunday*
- 9-11 – *Chauvin Mission Weekend. Pray for the “Temple BC” team serving.*
- 17 – *Hispanic Church Training, 10 AM Emmanuel BC, Ruston*
- 18 – *ANNUAL MEETING at Holmesville BC, Downsville. Meal at 5 PM; Worship and Business at 6 PM.*
- 21 – *WMU North Region Quarterly meeting at Crossroads BC, Farmerville, 10 AM*
- 22 – *WMU South Region Quarterly meeting TBA*
- 25 – *Week of Prayer for Concord Union Baptist Association*

OCTOBER 2026

PLEASANT HILL BAPTIST CHURCH Rocky Branch, LA CHURCH Revival!

COME EXPECTING GOD TO MOVE!

OCTOBER
5 & 6
MONDAY & TUESDAY
6:00 PM NIGHTLY

Special Speaker
RUBIN WEAVER

POWERFUL PREACHING
SPRIT-FILLED MUSIC
EVERYONE WELCOME!

OCTOBER
7
WEDNESDAY
6:00 PM

In Concert
Gold City

**10267 LA HWY 143
ROCKY BRANCH, LA**

**FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK!
PLEASANT HILL BAPTIST CHURCH**

You Are Invited

The North Region WMU meeting will be held at Crossroads Baptist Church on October 21 at 10 AM. Eric Schrock, a missionary from Romania will join us via teleconference. He will share about his work and will answer any questions from the audience. **We are inviting both men and women to attend and hear this missionary.** Crossroads Baptist Church is located at 9027 Hwy. 143, Farmerville, 71241.

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Missions & Ministry Center

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Monday thru Thursday; *Closed Fridays*

CONCORD UNION BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
CHURCHES WITHOUT PASTORS

Liberty BC*
Spencer BC*

New Hope BC*

Providence BC
Union Grove BC

* Interim Pastor

Church Happenings

ENTERPRISE BAPTIST CHURCH has welcomed Rev. Charles Headrick as their new pastor, effective August 9, 2026. Welcome Bro. Charles and Mrs. Lydia Headrick.

Pastors/Ministers/
Staff Needed

FIRST RUSTON (LA) seeking a full-time Men's Minister (position includes benefits). Please send resume to ed@fbcruston.org.

EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH, Ruston is seeking a full-time Church Ministry/Financial Secretary. Interested individuals should send their resume to paul@ebcruston.org.

First Baptist Church, Bernice is seeking a bi-vocational Youth Minister. Interested individuals should send resumes to fbcbernice@gmail.com or contact Rev. Reagan Colvin (318) 608-0651.

DaySpring Baptist is seeking a pianist. Please contact Bro. Kenneth Weaver (318) 243-1331, if interested.

CHILDREN'S MINISTER - Thriving Children's Ministry of First Ruston, Ruston, LA seeking God's person to lead us to the next level. Full-time position with benefits. Please send resume to ed@fbcruston.org.

New Hope Baptist Church, Choudrant is seeking a full-time Pastor. Interested individuals should send resumes to nhbcpastorsearch26@gmail.com

Simboro First Baptist Church is seeking a part-time individual to fill the Bi-vocational Minister of Music position. Resumes should be sent to the church address: 133 Tiger Drive, Simsboro, LA 71275.

Hopewell Baptist Church, Spearsville is seeking a pianist. Contact Bro. Dewayne Ramsey (318) 620-8933, if interested.

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

Calvary Baptist Church, Homer, LA is seeking a bi-vocational Pastor. Interested individuals may contact Ray Hanson (318) 475-0739 or Ronald Day (318) 245-6712 for how to submit a resume.

HOMEcoming

at

CAMP CREEK
BAPTIST CHURCH

177 Camp Creek Church Road, Spearville

NOVEMBER 1, 2026

WORSHIP: 11 AM
MEAL and FELLOWSHIP afterwards

Rev. Eddie Schexnaydre, Pastor



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