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A Word from Bro. Marty

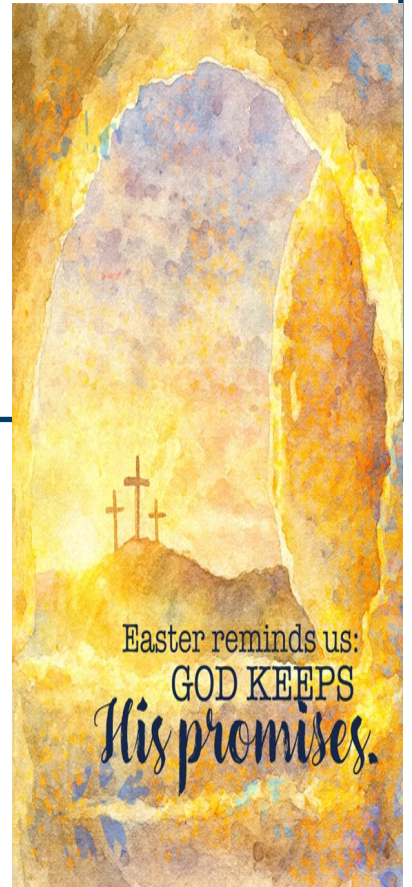
Luke 24:1-6- 1 Now on the first day of the week, very early in the morning, they, and certain other women with them, came to the tomb bringing the spices which they had prepared. 2 But they found the stone rolled away from the tomb. 3 Then they went in and did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. 4 And it happened, as they were greatly perplexed about this, that behold, two men stood by them in shining garments. 5 Then, as they were afraid and bowed their faces to the earth, they said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? 6 He is not here, but is risen!"

The message of the empty tomb is, Jesus is alive. Through His resurrection, He conquered the grave. His resurrection is proof that His sacrifice was accepted by His Father. Through the cross of Jesus, we have redemption. He paid the price for our sins; a price we could not pay. Through the resurrection of Jesus, we are given eternal life. When we place our faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, accept His sacrifice on the cross for our sins, we are saved, forgiven, and are given eternal life in heaven with Him. Our salvation is not something we earn or deserve. It's a free gift.

This upcoming Easter, we will have several thousand people enter the doors of our churches. Many of them will not have a true personal relationship with Jesus Christ that comes through salvation. Jesus is the only hope this world has for salvation. This upcoming Easter, don't get so caught up in the business of the day and the larger than normal crowds that we fail to boldly proclaim the most important message in history: There is salvation and eternal life in Christ Jesus. That's not only the message of Easter; it's the mission Jesus has given the church to carry out daily. How humbling it is to know that Jesus calls and allows us to participate in proclaiming the message of the cross and resurrection of Jesus.

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

In Christ,
Marty Black, DOM



CONCORD UNION BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING

Monday, April 20, 2026

FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH
6476 Hwy. 151, Dubach, LA 71235

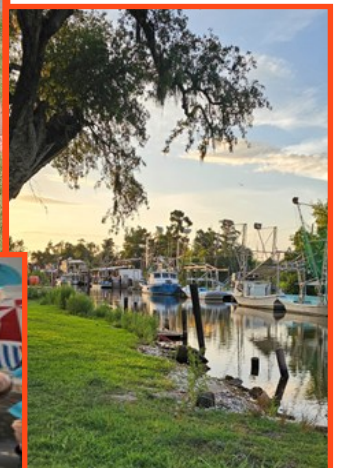
A meal will be served beginning at 5:15 PM
Worship and Business in Sanctuary at 6:30 P.M.

SOUTH LOUISIANA SUMMER MISSION TRIP INTEREST MEETING

**Thursday, April 2, 2026
6 P.M.**

at the Missions and Ministry Center

Come see what the Summer offers!



Circle of Love Prayer Calendar

March 29 - April 4, 2026

Spearsville, First Baptist - Rev. Neil Everett, Pastor
P. O. Box 85, Spearsville, LA 71277-0085
University BC - Rev. Jeff Sanford, Pastor
C/o 3175 Hwy. 167, Lot #3, Dubach, LA 71235-3027

April 5-11, 2026

Fellowship Baptist Church - Rev. Thomas Patton, Pastor
6476 Hwy. 151, Dubach, LA 71235-2264
Weldon Baptist Church - Rev. Michael Brookover, Pastor
15059 Hwy. 2, Alt., Bernice, LA 71222-3425

April 12-18, 2026

Union Grove Baptist Church - Rev. Ken Reeves, Pastor
P. O. Box 23, Lillie, LA 71256-0056
Bethlehem Hispanic Mission - Rev. Cleto Perez, Pastor
5073 Hwy. 167, Ruston, LA 71270-6948

April 19-25, 2026

Nazareth Hispanic Missions - Rev. Diego Roman, Pastor
P. O. Box 843, Bernice, LA 71222-0843
Iglesia Jesucristo es el Camino—Rev. Juan Martinez
C/o 1610 Owl Creek Rd., Farmerville, LA 71241

April 26-May 2, 2026

The Springs - Rev. George Lee, Pastor
1601 S. Barnett Springs Ave., Ruston, LA 71270
Antioch Baptist Church - Rev. Rubin Weaver, Pastor
3501 Hwy. 828, Farmerville, LA 71241-5319



2 - *Spiritual Awakening Committee Prayer Meeting, 2 p.m. at Missions & Ministry Ctr.*

2 - *South Louisiana Mission Trip interest mtg. 6 P.M. at the Missions & Ministry Center*

5 - **EASTER** 
Holy Week

10-12 - *Chauvin Mission Weekend*

11 - *Disaster Relief Training, Temple BC*

15 - *WMU North Region Quarterly Mtg., 10 AM at Mt. Union Baptist Church, Spearsville*

20 - **SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING**
Fellowship Baptist Church, Dubach
Meal served beginning at 5:15 P.M.,
Worship and Business, 6:30 P.M.

23 - *WMU South Region Quarterly Mtg., 10 AM*
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District and State Bible Drills are held during the month of April. Please pray for the youth and children who study and participate.

APRIL 2026

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS

Lisa Allred	Rev. Carol Holmes
Sue Ambrose	Jessica Jackson
Andrew Aswell	Trudy Joiner
Andy Ballard	Rev. Bobby Kranz
Mildred Brantley	Mike Lazenby
Rev. Harry Brown	Emmaline Lee
Ty Colvin	Cole McKaskle
Courtney Cowling	Rev. B.K. Miller
Brent Crawford	Clay Mook
Cheryl Durrett	Lynn Newton
Hez Elkins	Breck Owens
Imogene Frasier	Rev. Paul Pearson
JoAnn Grafton	Rev. Jeff Sanford
Lynda Grafton	Ann Smith
Nell Grafton	Linda Smith
Anna Lou Greene	Susan Sturdivant
Angela Hoffman	Rev. Jerry Whitman

Pray for our churches without pastors.

Christian Sympathy is extended to the family of **Rev. James Miller**, who passed away of March 25th.

**SAVE
the
DATE**

TOGETHER
2026
A Cooperative Listening
Tour

“It is time to think more seriously and strategically about our cooperation moving forward, specifically in our commitment to the 100-year-old plan we call the Cooperative Program.”

Thursday, May 21

“Listening Session” with Dr. Steve Horn
6 P.M. at Cook Baptist Church
2000 Cooktown Road, Ruston

**New Prospect Baptist Church calls it
“YOUNG @ HEART”**

ALL SENIORS ARE INVITED!

It will be April 21, 2026, at 10 A.M. at New Prospect BC in Dubach. We will have a devotion, play Bingo, and lunch will be served. All senior adults are invited for a great time of faith, friendship, and fellowship. Call Jan Clemons (318) 579-3050 if you have any questions.

Camp Harris Classic Golf Series

Play Golf. Impact a Camper's Life

Spring - 3 man Scramble
May 9th, 2026
MEADOWLAKE GOLF CLUB BERNICE, LA.

Fall - 4 man Scramble
Sept 26th, 2026
COUSHATTA COUNTRY CLUB, COUSHATTA, LA

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or Register Here

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Disaster Relief Training

Temple Baptist Church April 11th

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

SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 2026
7:30 A.M. until 4:00 P.M.

MORNING SESSION (Required)

Choose which training you wish to attend in the morning.
NOTE: Chainsaw/Blue Tarp and Chaplain/OSFA Training are ALL DAY (Morning and Afternoon)

BASIC INFORMATION:

First-time Attendee: \$40 includes: hat, shirt, background check, badge, and training materials.

- * Chaplain Part 1 and Part 2 \$40
- * Renewal: \$15
- * DR Shirt: \$15
- * Background Check: \$10
- * DR Hat: \$10
- * Badge: \$5
- * Cross Training FREE (previously trained and desiring to attend a new training.)

Share the Gospel and Serve the "least of these"
Matthew 25:40



Serving & Praying

GLORIFY GOD AMONG THE NATIONS



The Prayer at Valley Forge
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SEEKING HIM IN ALL GENERATIONS 1 CHRONICLES 16:24 NASB THURSDAY, MAY 7, 2026

NATIONALDAYOFPRAYER.ORG



Each month a very special group of individuals gathers on the first Thursday of the month to pray for the needs of our association. The group is called "The Spiritual Awakening Committee" but a 'committee' doesn't truly describe them — **they are prayer warriors!** They are small in number but their voices are strong. Would you consider joining them on Thursday, May 7, 2026, for the NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER prayer meeting? On such an occasion, we need more than a small number praying for our nation. Please join us May 7th at 2 PM at the Missions and Ministry Center for the National Day of Prayer emphasis.

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Missions & Ministry Center

Office Hours: 8 AM - 4 PM

Monday thru Thursday; *Closed Fridays*

**For God
so loved
the world.**
JOHN 3:16



CONCORD UNION BAPTIST ASSOCIATION CHURCHES WITHOUT PASTORS

Calvary BC
Mt. Tabor BC

Enterprise BC
New Hope BC

Liberty BC*
Spencer BC*

* *Interim Pastor*

Church Happenings

Pastors/Ministers/ Staff Needed

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

**Take a
moment
to pray for
someone
today.**



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