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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF PURVIS NEWSLETTER

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From the Pastor's Desk

Hey Church Family! Just a quick note from me to tell you that I love you. It is the "season" of gratitude – and I am so grateful and thankful for FBC Purvis! This church has poured out such love and kindness and thoughtfulness to my family and me – and we sincerely appreciate it. My entire family's favorite day of the week is Sunday – we cannot wait to get to church to worship, to talk and fellowship, to enjoy each other's company! The people of FBC Purvis are special – and we are so privileged to serve here! Thank you for being good to us!

Love every one of you,
Bro. Blake



Hallelujah Night Was a Big Success!


This year's Hallelujah Night was a wonderful evening for both our church and our community. We were thrilled by the tremendous turnout and grateful to welcome so many families—both familiar faces and first-time guests—onto our campus.

The night was filled with nonstop fun. Guests enjoyed delicious food, a variety of games, balloon animals, lots of candy, and a lively photo booth. The cake walk and cupcake walk kept crowds gathered and smiling, while Nerf Wars brought out excitement in kids and adults alike. The petting zoo and hay rides added something special for families of all ages to enjoy.

We are thankful for every volunteer, donor, and leader who helped make the evening run smoothly. Your service made Hallelujah Night one of our most memorable events, and we look forward to seeing how God continues to use it to connect our community to Christ's love.

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Stay Connected With the FBC Purvis App

We're excited to continue moving more of our church communication and sign-ups into the FBC Purvis App. Going forward, all event registrations will be done through the Events section in the app or on the website, or by using a QR code. You can now view the Worship Guide and Newsletter each week directly in the app or online. Once you're registered, your personal volunteer schedule will also be available in the app to help keep your serving commitments organized. The app also makes tithing and giving simple and secure, and you can access sermons anytime throughout the week. Need help getting set up? See Andrew for assistance. Download the FBC Purvis App and stay connected!



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STAFF CORNER

FROM THE SENIOR ADULT COORDINATOR

I am honored to be here at First Baptist Purvis to be serving and ministering with you as we grow in grace together. I look forward to getting to know each of you. Please know I am here for you and will be a help wherever, whenever, and however I can.

— Bro. Sean Burleson

December Happenings:

- Senior Adult Game Night 12/16, 6pm
- Senior Adult Trip to Bellingrath Gardens 12/18. We leave church at 12:30. Stops will be Buc-ees in Pass Christian, LaHacienda for dinner, and Bellingrath Gardens, Theodore, AL. Cost is \$20 for Bellingrath and bus driver's tip. Dutch treat for Buc-ees and Dinner. Sign-up using the QR Code or under Events on the App and Website.



YOUTH NEWS

November has been an amazing month! Many of our students who are involved in campus ministries have led devotions, worship, prayer groups, and bible studies! We also have a 4pm student lead Bible study on Wednesdays. They just finished working through a Dr. David Jeremiah study on 1 & 2 Timothy and Titus. Soon they will start on a 1 & 2 Corinthians study. Any and all students that are in 7th – 12th grade are invited and encouraged to attend. There are many things I have learned about students in my twelve years of student ministry. One is that they are hungry- hungry for God's word. Another is how to live out their faith in a crazy, upside-down world. Our 4pm Bible study is just one way to help grow and mature our students in their faith walk. Please continue to pray and encourage our students.

Love you, mean it, - Bro. Jo

WORSHIP MINISTRY

Join us for a special evening as our choir and orchestra present One Incredible Moment, featuring the music of Tom Fettke and the words of Max Lucado. This beautiful celebration of Christ's birth reminds us of the miraculous night when God's perfect plan came to us in the form of a Child.

Following the concert, everyone is invited to a church-wide fellowship in the Family Life Center.

—Bro. Perry

FROM THE CHILDREN'S CORNER

Hey, Church Fam!!

What another awesome month we've had in the Children's Department. We've officially recovered from our spectacular Hallelujah Night and now preparing for our big month of December!

Our RAs and GAs have been busy helping us get the float ready and stuffing our give-a-way bags we'll throw from our Christmas float on Friday, December 5th. You don't want to miss the brightest and sweetest looking Nativity Scene in the parade! Come grab you a spot on the sidewalk and we'll flash our warmest smiles and give you our best excited waves of the night!

Our Children's Choir has been rehearsing for their big debut on Sunday, December 14th during the 10:30 am worship service. Mark it on your calendars!! We're having a live Nativity scene made up of our Children's Choir while they sing songs about the most beautiful birth of our Lord and Savior.

Please continue to be in prayer for our Children's Department as our teachers pour Christ into our children. May they hear the Word, fall in love with the Word, and become the Word so they can lead others to the Word.

Much love in Christ,
Mrs. Brittany

UPCOMING EVENTS

DECEMBER 5TH @ 6PM
PURVIS CHRISTMAS PARADE

DECEMBER 6TH @ 8AM
BROTHERHOOD BREAKFAST

DECEMBER 13TH @ 10-12PM
YOUTH GIFT WRAPPING FUNDRAISER

DECEMBER 14TH @ 6PM
FIRST PURVIS CHRISTMAS MUSICAL

DECEMBER 16TH @ 6PM
SENIOR ADULT GAME NIGHT

DECEMBER 17TH @ 6PM
A CHRISTMAS NIGHT OF PRAISE

DECEMBER 21ST @ 6PM
CANDELIGHT SERVICE

MISSION SPOTLIGHT

THE ADAMS FAMILY

Cold, rainy fall weather arrived just in time to welcome a busy season of ministry. In early September, we hosted a local primary school for a field trip to the church. The children were able to see the church, hear about God's love, and learn how He created each of them to be special. A highlight was when they gathered in groups to learn about the baptismal, asking many thoughtful questions and leaving with great excitement. Please pray that families will be drawn to connect with the church through this outreach.

September closed with a joyful Ladies' Day Out, filled with antiques, coffee, and conversation—a wonderful time of fellowship and encouragement. October began with a Men's Prayer Breakfast attended by 14 men, where one of our members stepped out of his comfort zone to share his testimony. As the month continued, preparations began for our annual Harvest Celebration and dinner. With the help of a missions team from Missouri who distributed over 2,000 invitations, more than 260 people attended the Harvest Celebration, and over 100 joined the Sunday harvest dinner, including many first-time visitors. We ask you to join us in praying that the seeds planted during these events will grow.

We also celebrated the return of our daughter Adrian, who spent 10 months in Thailand serving on a mission internship with fellow missionaries Shane and Kayti Salmon and Adam and Ayla Cottrell. Please pray for her as she continues school online and seeks God's direction for her next steps. Finally, we praise God that Stacey passed her UK driving test on the first try—a major accomplishment with less than a 45% pass rate. Kevin's test is scheduled for November, so we ask for continued prayers that he too will pass successfully.



NEW MEMBERS



Wayne Anderson Jr.



Jessica, Kat, Ally, and
CaryAnn Mason



Nick Rogers



Anna Katherine
Pickett Christian



Sean & Marcie
Burleson



Michael, Sherry, and
Jaxon Dickerson