

God Cares, We Care
About You



"Casting all your cares on Him,
because He cares about you."
1 Peter 5:7 CSB

THE OPEN DOOR

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
414 PECAN AVENUE
PHILADELPHIA, MISSISSIPPI 39350
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"To the angel of the church of Philadelphia write...behold I have before thee a door having been open, which no one is able to close." Revelation 3:7-8

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Wild Game Supper

Thursday, March 1
6:30 pm
Christian Life Center



Jimmy Primos will be our guest speaker. Besides his regular appearances on Outdoor Channel's PRIMOS TRUTH ABOUT HUNTING, Jimmy travels widely for outdoor shows and other industry events. There will be wild game dishes prepared. Please bring side dishes and desserts to go along with our meal.

Week of Prayer for North American Missions March 4 - 11



Roy & Mary Callahan will speak in our
Evening Worship Service on March 4.

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
Church Goal: \$7,500

Pastor Paragraph

In the *Preface* to the devotional book, *Come to the Lord's Table*, Claude King mentions that in the Old Testament God called His people to "solemn assembly" or "sacred assembly." These were "occasions for God's people collectively to worship Him, to repent of personal and corporate sin, to remember His special blessings on them, and to anticipate future blessings." (p. 4) In this section Claude King mentions that these times were the Sabbath, Passover, Feast of Unleavened Bread, Feast of Weeks, Feast of Trumpets, The Day of Atonement and Feast of Tabernacles. The term sacred assembly is not mentioned in the New Testament, but Jesus and His disciples observed these special feast days. The Lord's Supper was instituted by Jesus during Passover. The Lord's Supper is a time for us to confess our sins, renew our commitment to God, remember what Jesus has done for us on the cross and begin to live differently. The Lord's Supper is a time where we as Christians can participate in a sacred or solemn assembly.

The Lord's Supper should never become routine for us. Paul warned the Corinthians and us about participating in the Lord's Supper in an unworthy manner. (1 Corinthians 11:27-30) Claude King points out that many churches in the past and still some today, would have an extended period of preparation before they came to partake at the Lord's table. Some would take a day, a week or several weeks to prepare before they would partake at the Lord's table. The 28 day devotional book we made available to you on Sunday is to help us prepare for our Lord's Supper at the Cross on Maundy Thursday, March 29, from 5:00-6:30pm. Maundy Thursday is the day Jesus observed with His disciples for the first time what came to be called the Lord's Supper.

The devotional book we are using involves times of prayer as we make our lives ready for coming to the cross. May we use this devotional time as a time to pray for not only personal revival and renewal but also as a time to pray for revival and renewal for us as a church and community. You are invited to join with our Discipleship Training group for days 7, 14, 21 and 28, beginning Sunday, March 4, at 5pm in the Adult 3&4 Sunday School Department as we participate in these group devotional sessions.

Looking forward to seeing you on Sunday.

Love,
Bro. Dan

SYMPATHY

We extend our Christian sympathy to the family of Mrs. Jenelle Yates.

SYMPATHY

We extend our Christian sympathy to Sam and June Nowell and family at the death of his brother and sister-in-law, Jerry and Wanda Nowell.

OPPORTUNITIES

EXTENDED SESSION

Month of March

Brice & Ashley Richardson

LIBRARY

March 4

Kay Bates

March 11

Melva Gray

DEACON OF THE WEEK

March 4

Charley Phillips

Robert Warner

March 11

Ryan McKay

Alain Kabore'

USHERS FOR MARCH

Jeff Carter

Teddy Dyess

Jonathan Hight

Willie Jackson

Brian Jay

J. J. Johnson

Billy Sharp

Bob Turcotte

Joe Wood

SANCTUARY GREETER FOR MARCH

Joe Wood

WELCOME CENTER GREETERS FOR MARCH

Willie & Susan Jackson

Sanctuary Flowers

The flowers in the sanctuary this week are given in honor of Lavinia Nowell's birthday. They are given by her children.



Daylight Savings Time Begins Sunday, March 11

Set your clocks **FORWARD** one hour before going to bed on Saturday night, March 10.

SPRING BREAK

March 12 – 16, 2018





March 7

Catfish

French Fries/Hushpuppies

Turnip Greens/Cole Slaw

Dessert

Serve: Sandi Lewis, Pat Mioton

Clean Up: Jeremy Fuller, Suzanne Gheyri,
Harry Bates, Kay Bates

Money Table: Madeline Vuncannon

Please don't forget your
Wee Care Pledge!!



CentriKid

Blueprint – God's Design

June 23-27

Total Cost: \$215

Deposit of \$60 is due **NOW!!!**



*Mrs. Gloria Crockett
requests the honor of your presence
at the marriage of her daughter*

Nohemi Velez

daughter of the late Mr. Bobby Crockett

to

Grant Gordon

son of

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Gordon

Saturday, the third of March

Two thousand eighteen

at five o'clock in the evening

*First Baptist Church
414 Pecan Avenue
Philadelphia, Mississippi*

Reception to follow in the Christian Life Center

CLC News

Upward Basketball and Cheer was a success! We had a great season! Thanks to all those who helped in the concession stand (especially Gloria Burkes, Eunice Jones and Jane Parker). Our concession was a success each week.

Thank you to all who gave a half-time devotion. Thanks for taking out of your time to come, and to Jackie Cheatham for getting the people for half-time devotions. The Upward Program would not be a success without these people who gave of their time to come and help.

The Wild Game Supper is happening this Thursday, March 1, at 6:30 pm in the CLC. Bring a side dish or dessert and join us. Standing Firm will be singing, and Jimmy Primos will be the guest speaker.

The exercise room is open during the week, Monday – Friday from 6:00 AM to 12:00 noon; and Wednesday from 6:00 AM to 10:00 AM. Feel free to come and work out with us.

We have a Retired Men's Coffee group that meets on Tuesday mornings at 9:00. Men, come and drink coffee with them.

Our Christian Life Center is always busy. A busy church is a growing church

Gail Turner



**Sunday School Teachers/Workers
Appreciation Breakfast**

Sunday, March 4

8:45 am

Fellowship Hall

Love Took His Breath Away

Easter Musical

Sunday, March 25

6 pm

WEEK OF ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY, MARCH 4

Sunday School Teachers Appreciation Breakfast	8:45 a.m.
Media Center.....	9:30 a.m.
Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship Service.....	11:00 a.m.
Children's Bible Drill	4:00 p.m.
Youth Worship Arts.....	4:00 p.m.
Adult Discipleship Training.....	5:00 p.m.
Preschool Discipleship Training	5:00 p.m.
TeamKID (Grades 1-6).....	5:00 p.m.
Youth Discipleship Training.....	5:00 p.m.
Evening Service (Roy & Mary Callahan)	6:00 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 5

Men's Bible Study	7:00 a.m.
GROW	6:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 6

Retired Men's Coffee.....	9:00 a.m.
Good News Club.....	3:00 – 4:15 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7

Wednesday Night Supper	5:00 p.m.
Media Center.....	5:10 p.m.
Children's Choir	5:30 p.m.
Preschool Choir.....	6:00 p.m.
Chancel Choir Rehearsal.....	6:20 p.m.
Mission Friends.....	6:30 p.m.
G.A.'s and R.A.'s.....	6:30 p.m.
Youth	6:30 p.m.
Contemporary Worship.....	6:30 p.m.
Prayer & Bible Study.....	6:30 p.m.
Praise Team Practice.....	7:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, MARCH 11

NO BROTHERHOOD BREAKFAST IN MARCH

Deacons Meeting	8:30 a.m.
Media Center.....	9:30 a.m.
Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship Service.....	11:00 a.m.
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CHURCH STAFF

Dr. Dan Howard.....	Pastor
William Smith.....	Minister of Music
Clay Pope.....	Minister of Students
Jackie Cheatham.....	Minister of Children
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Jennifer Prince.....	Child Ministry Center Director
Gail Turner.....	Christian Life Center Director
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WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

February 25, 2018

Budget	\$7,545.25
Wee Care.....	\$1,464.00
Wednesday Night Supper.....	\$421.00
Upward.....	\$664.95
Children Bowling	\$170.00
Designated CLC	\$200.00
Designated.....	\$100.00
Designated.....	\$550.00
CMC Direct Deposits	\$4,805.00
CMC Deposit	\$2,755.00
Budget Requirement to date	\$484,616.30
Budget Offerings to date	\$450,527.24
Under Budget	\$34,089.06
Wee Care Given to Date.....	\$297,454.98

WEEKLY BUDGET REQUIREMENT:	\$18,638.69
BUDGET AMT. RECEIVED 02/25/18:	\$ 7,545.25

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

February 25, 2018

Departments	Enrolled	Present
Preschool	37	19
Children	48	26
Youth	34	18
Adults	324	139
Total	443	202