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2024 Legislative round-up:

By Will Hall

Message executive editor

BATON ROUGE, La. (LBM) -- Louisiana Baptist lawmakers successfully championed key legislation relating to moral issues and social concerns,

most notably the restoration of the Ten Commandments to Louisiana classrooms (after being removed for about 5 decades). They also enacted some key protections for children and parental rights.

However, despite valiant

attempts by some, the legislature as a body failed to ban recreational THC, leaving children vulnerable to continued poisoning by this Schedule 1 drug because of its continued wide availability in Louisiana stores.

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Patrick Johnson received the 2024 Heart of Law Enforcement Service Before Self Award for his donation of a kidney to Mississippi high school football coach Herbert Davis. Johnson is a captain with the Ouachita Parish Sheriff's Office and a member of Cedar Crest Baptist Church, West Monroe.

Louisiana sheriff's officer gives a kidney to Mississippi coach

By Brian Blackwell

Message staff writer

WEST MONROE, La. (LBM) -- Ouachita Parish Sheriff's Office Captain Patrick Johnson has put himself in harm's way to protect and serve the public for 23 years as a law enforcement officer. But recently he risked his own health and safety to extend the life of a stranger by donating a kidney.

Johnson, a member of Cedar Crest Baptist Church, West Monroe, gifted the organ on Dec. 11, 2023. For his courageous act, Johnson was awarded the 2024 Heart of Law Enforcement

Service Before Self Award during a ceremony in Baton Rouge. The award is given each year to Louisiana law enforcement officers who have been nominated by their agencies or the public for acts of kindness they performed outside the scope of their normal duties for the previous year.

"Looking back on it, I can say Jesus was there to help me the whole way," Johnson told the *Baptist Message*. "And I see how he made me strong through the process. You don't have to look very far to see somebody in serious need that you can help. And

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Louisiana's Bowlin, Tippit inducted into SBC Evangelists Hall of Faith

By Brian Blackwell

Message staff writer

INDIANAPOLIS (LBM) -- Gary Bowlin and Sammy Tippit, two evangelists with ties to Louisiana, were recently elected to the Southern Baptist Evangelists Hall of Faith.

Bowlin is a past president of the Louisiana Conference of Southern Baptist Evangelists and Sammy Tippit is an evangelist who accepted Christ at Istrouma Baptist Church, Baton Rouge.

Bowlin, who now resides in Hattiesburg, Miss.,

and Tippit, who now lives in San Antonio, Texas, told the *Baptist Message* they are humbled that their names are included in the display hosted in the Southern Baptist Building in Nashville, Tennessee, alongside the names of so many others they have come to know during their respective evangelistic ministries.

"It's just beyond my wildest expectations to have my name listed among them," Bowlin said after the June 10 ceremony in Indianapolis, Indiana. "I've tried to be faithful to the calling God has placed



Gary Bowlin, Sammy Tippit and Jerry Drace were among six individuals inducted into the Southern Baptist Evangelists Hall of Faith during a special ceremony, June 11, during a Southern Baptist Convention Annual Meeting in Indianapolis, Indiana.

on my life, and this was a way for Him just to bless me. My peers voted me in and that means a lot."

Tippit echoed the thought.

"When I was inducted into the SBC Evangelists Hall of Faith in June, it was a marker for me of God's grace and faithfulness

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to me over six decades.”
Bowlin and Tippit were among six who were elected to the Hall of Faith. Others were Jerry Drace of Humbolt, Tennessee, and Charles Massague of Nevada, Texas. Ron Herrod of Knoxville, Tennessee, and Darrell Robinson of Conroe, Texas, were honored posthumously.

BOWLIN

A native of Liberty, Mis-

issippi, Bowlin accepted Christ when he was 11 and surrendered to God’s call to ministry 16 years later while working as a Certified Public Accountant (five years after his graduation from Louisiana State University).

Bowlin then attended New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, where he earned his Master of Divinity. During his third pastorate in a five-year period at seminary, Bowlin

sensed God calling him to evangelism.

Since then, Bowlin has preached in more than 300 revivals in Louisiana; ministered to more than 1,000 other churches through revivals, crusades, Sunday worship services and more; led more than 50 mission trips; and witnessed more than 25,000 sinners become believers through his ministry efforts. He also is an organizer for frequent group tours to Israel.

“My greatest joy in evangelism has been seeing people saved and churches

come alive,” Bowlin said.

“I’ve seen revivals change the church from doing nothing for the Lord and the community to overflowing with a passion to serve others and proclaim Jesus by the end of the services,” he said. “Before I go into each church, I pray for them to be touched by the Lord in such a way that they’ll get behind their pastor, encourage their pastor, pray for him, support him and join in the work to try to build the church to reach others for Jesus. I’ve seen

that happen, not in every circumstance, but a lot of times. I know something of a burden that pastors face, and how difficult a job they have, and to see the churches get behind the pastor because of the revival is a great thing.”

TIPPIT

A native of Baton Rouge, Tippit in 1965 turned to Jesus during an evangelistic harvest event at Istrouma Baptist and two nights later surrendered to the Gospel ministry. He later attended Louisiana College (now Louisiana Christian University) and trained for what would one day become a worldwide evangelistic ministry that began in 1970 and has included sharing the Gospel in more than 80 countries.

He continues to do the hard work of personal evangelism, Gospel conversations, and mass evangelistic events, but also is on the cutting edge of technology, using Skype to conduct evangelistic events to remote regions overseas to bring the Good News about Jesus to hundreds of thousands of lost people.

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VBS reaches seven for Christ at FBC Leesville

By Brian Blackwell
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LEESVILLE, La. (LBM) – Leaders with First Baptist Church, Leesville, changed their approach to Vacation Bible School and in the end witnessed six children and one student volunteer make decisions for Christ.

Held June 24-29, the VBS drew 69 youngsters in the mornings, a departure from previous years when the outreach was held in the evening. Children's Minister Kiersten Nolen told the *Baptist Message* that they incorporated more time for Bible study and missions and on the final day presented the Gospel during a group assembly time.

"All of our decisions were by boys and some of them have been coming to activities at our church for several months," Nolen said. "Throughout the week they heard the Gospel in the classes and by that final night decided to come forward. It was just exciting to see all the hard work of Bible school pay off for these kids who made decisions."

Once the VBS concluded, church leaders followed up with the youngsters, and three were baptized on July 7. Among those was Kacen Smith, who accepted Jesus during the large group Gospel presentation June 27.

Smith said he "felt relief" after he was baptized alongside his cousin, Damian Berrios, and classmate,



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A recent Vacation Bible School at First Baptist Church, Leesville, saw seven people turn to Christ. Once the VBS concluded, church leaders followed up with the new converts and three were baptized July 7.

John Rogers. His dad, Dustin, said he prayed for many years to Christ and to see that that his son would come See VBS, page 6



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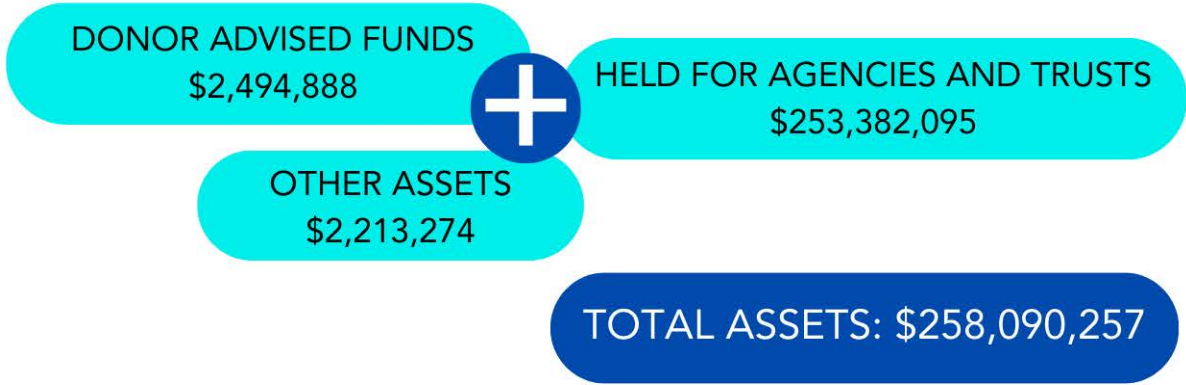
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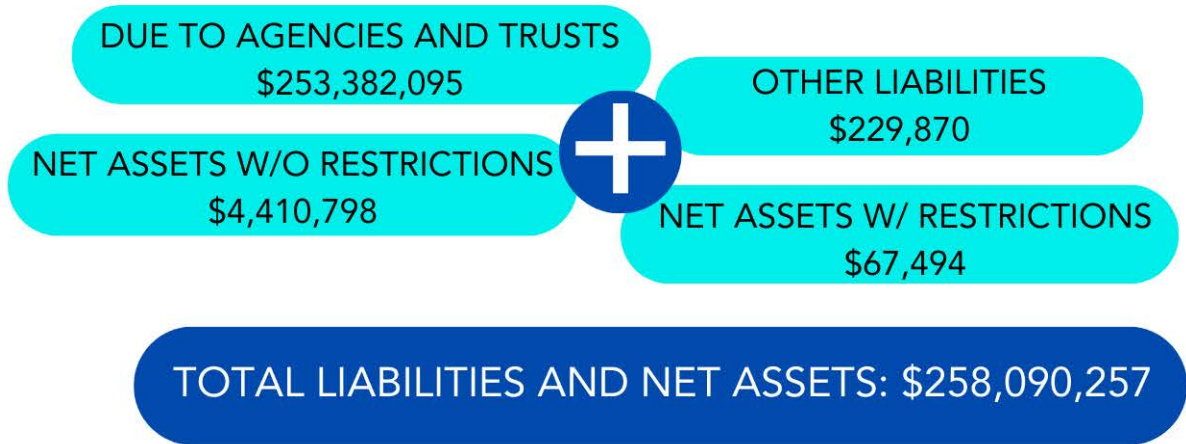
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LBC BCM VBS teams share Gospel in three states

By Brian Blackwell
Message staff writer

ALEXANDRIA, La. (LBM) – Eighteen students from the state’s Baptist Collegiate Ministries gave up most of their summer break to sow the Gospel through Vacation Bible Schools held in Louisiana, Montana and Wyoming.

Through early July, the teams reported 28 decisions for Christ.

GOLA (Go Louisiana) VBS is an LBC BCM emphasis that allows students to serve on teams who share God’s love through what is the largest evangelistic outreach (VBS) of the year for many congregations. The teams typically conduct VBS for churches with low baptisms and who could not hold such an outreach without the help of GOLA volunteers.

Three teams of six students each served at church-

es around the state, June 2-July 12; in Montana, June 2-July 22; and in Wyoming, June 2-July 28. Additionally, most of the state’s BCM directors and associate directors served as team leaders for up to a week each.

Louisiana Baptist Collegiate Ministry Team Director Mark Robinson said the experience allowed the students to gain experience working with children and churches to advance the Gospel.

“We’ve been doing GOLA VBS missions in Louisiana for 16 years now and it’s amazing to see those missionaries from those years that have gone on to lead in churches across the nation,” Robinson told the *Baptist Message*. “They are building on a call from God that was strengthened during their college years.”

All the students were commissioned to share the Gospel from GOLA Coordi-

nator and Louisiana Christian University BCM Director Brad Gill and received VBS training from Louisiana Baptist Childhood Ministry Strategist David Anderson.

“It was a great experience because the students believe in evangelism and GOLA gives them ways to serve and purposefully share their faith,” Gill said. “They teamed up with churches to help them reach their communities and conduct a VBS – something that the churches might not have been able to do on their own.”

Among the churches the students helped was Sweetwater Church, Abita Springs, in late June. They assisted nine members to hold a VBS that drew as many as 12 children to the city’s recreation center.

“As a small church plant in our third year, we would not have been able to do VBS without GOLA,” Pastor

Ken Schroeder said. “This was a good fit for us. The students really jumped in and did a fantastic job leading the VBS.”

IN THEIR WORDS

Students representing multiple schools shared their thoughts with the *Baptist Message*, but also asked not to be identified by name out of humbleness.

-- R.S. said he “had an amazing opportunity with GOLA summer missions to serve churches in Louisiana at their VBS. God was on the move this summer.”

-- M.M. said “GOLA has opened my eyes to the need for the Gospel to be spread throughout our state and country. God has used this experience to give me an even greater desire to go out and tell everyone I can about God’s love.”

-- B.H. said he was changed by “getting to tell

children about the love of Jesus each and every day. I’m so thankful to have the opportunity to teach the Gospel to children.”

-- O.D. was blessed by working “alongside other adults who are excited to teach young children about God. This experience has been such a blessing and an encouragement to me.”

-- Meanwhile, L.R. asked Louisiana Baptists to pray for the communities that were served, and she expressed appreciation “for the local church and how the Lord works among his people. I’ve been so encouraged by each church’s story and their passion to reach those in front of them with the Gospel.”

-- Finally, G.A. said, “GOLA gave me a whole new meaning and appreciation for local missions. I am living in a big mission field and don’t have to leave the country to let God use me.”

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'Louisiana Reach Haiti' leaders celebrate God's provision year after move

By Brian Blackwell
Message staff writer

CAP HAITIEN, Haiti (LBM) – One year after Louisiana Reach Haiti moved its operations from gang-ravaged Port-au-Prince to the safer city of Cap Haitien, Haiti, ministry leaders celebrated reunification of multiple Children's Village residents in their care while bracing for rising operational costs.

Since the relocation on July 4, 2023, two girls in the Children's Village have been reunited with their families, leaving 15 children in the ministry's care. Additionally, the Children's Village by the end of July plans to move into a new home after rent at their current building recently increased from \$7,500 to \$11,000.

LRH President Darrin Badon said while the situation is challenging, he is confident and grateful for God's continued provision.

"We continue to do what we have been called by God to do, which is to make any difference in Haiti, to defend the oppressed, to be a father to the fatherless," Badon told

the *Baptist Message*. "Everything there is more expensive than it was a year or two ago. Families are facing challenges in Haiti, and we are just here to meet the needs for many who have lived in fear since the gangs forced so many out of Port-au-Prince."

BACKGROUND

In 2015, a Louisiana Baptist team felt led to create a permanent presence in Haiti and partnered with Pastor Odvald Louis and his members at New Evangelical Baptist Church in Croix-Des-Bouquets. The Haitian congregation and Louisiana mission teams combined to complete a Children's Village in Croix-des-Bouquets. They also teamed up to dig a well and built a church building and school in neighboring Canaan.

However, the facilities in both cities were overtaken and vandalized by gangs in early 2022, Badon said.

LRH then refocused its ministry on multiple fronts:

— In February 2022, escalating gang violence forced the Children's Village to

relocate to the Florida House, a Florida Baptist Convention-owned home for missionaries in Port-au-Prince. The facility housed 21 children and six staff members. After more than a year at the Florida House, the gangs started closing in on this area as well.

— Meanwhile, God opened doors in New Orleans, allowing LRH leaders to help relocate Pastor Odvald Louis and his family from Haiti, which he fled after surviving an attempt on his life.

— Additionally, LRH began partnering with Connect International Church, a congregation in New Orleans that in April 2022 formed and hosted an international church (led by Haitian American Pastor Dawest Louis, a graduate of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary) that reaches out to Haitians and other nationalities; and

— On March 26, 2023, two staff members of Louisiana Reach Haiti made it safely to the ministry's Children's Village in Cap Haitien after they became trapped four weeks earlier in Port-au-Prince because of gang activity in



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Louisiana Reach Haiti continues to share the love of Christ in the country and seeks prayer and financial support to continue to meet the needs of children in their care. Among the most pressing needs are monthly sponsors for children and money to help Haitians in need of food after gang violence left them with few resources.

the area. The women left on a bus from the capital city early March 26 and took the eight-hour bus ride for a long-awaited reunion with the children and staff at the Children's Village.

PRAYERS NEEDED

Badon said that prayers and financial support are needed so they can continue to meet the needs of children

in their care, including one of the female residents that ministry leaders are hoping to reunite with her parents later this summer. Twelve children still are without sponsors, which are available for \$30 each month.

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I've seen what Jesus did for me and I just wanted to be part of this process.

"It never was 'my' kidney," he added. "I was just keeping it warm for Jesus until someone needed it."

While attending the FBI re-trainer class in the spring of 2023, Johnson learned of a kidney donation program and became

interested in becoming a donor, he explained. After much prayer, he realized he was led to participate. He researched and selected the donor program at the University of Mississippi Medical Center in Jackson. Then, after undergoing extensive testing to determine if he was a candidate for donation, he was accepted in November 2023 to

participate in the program. The transplant was performed in December, and it functioned perfectly for recipient Herbert Davis. Johnson was back on the job within two weeks, while Davis was standing beside a player for signing day that he coached during the 2023 season.

Davis, head football coach with Madison-Ridgeland Academy in Madison, Miss., had battled kidney disease for the 10 years leading up to the transplant, he shared with the *Baptist Message*. For those last five years, Davis underwent dialysis multiple times a week and had more than 25 surgeries. When he received word in November that the kidney transplant would take place, he was beyond excited.

They were part of a historic seven-way kidney swap over a four-day period between strangers. It was the largest ever in Mississippi.

"There are now words for this gift that I re-

ceived," Davis said. "It's an unbelievable blessing from him and the Lord. To be able to coach football and do dialysis is quite the challenge but I'm thankful the Lord has helped me through those trials. I am grateful for this new life."

While Johnson said he is not one who seeks the spotlight, he is passionate about organ donation. He said anyone who may be on the fence about donating should be comforted by the amount of care that the hospital invests

in the receiver, as well as the donor.

"Some people have kidney issues or know someone who does," he said. "There are a lot of people running around with healthy kidneys who probably haven't stopped to think that they could be saving a life. If we can just get the awareness out there and maybe get a few more people on board, we could save more lives. I would do it again in a heartbeat if I had to turn back time."

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finally happen was among the happiest moments of his life.

"God answers prayers," he said. "When I saw him come up out of the water, I was so pleased and was reminded that he was not only my son but now my brother in Christ. Knowing that your children have

come to Christ and will spend an eternity in heaven is so comforting."

Pastor Darin Worthington said he was thrilled to see so many children grow deeper in their faith and for 40 of the 69 children who returned the following Sunday for a family day that included worship, water slides and a lunch.

"It was such a joy to have our church full of the echoes of children celebrating Jesus loves them," he said. "Thursday was the Gospel presentation day, and I was so happy when I asked those to stand if they trusted Jesus to be their Savior. There were six that stood up to proclaim Jesus as Lord. Praise the Lord."

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Texas students help Lake Charles ‘Bounce’ back

By Brian Blackwell
Message staff writer

LAKE CHARLES, La. (LBM) – A team of 270 Texas Baptist students and adult sponsors recently spent part of their summer break serving Christ by repairing homes damaged four years ago by multiple hurricanes in Lake Charles.

From June 10-21, the teams repaired seven roofs, built five ramps, painted multiple homes and cleaned up countless yards of homeowners, and at night they participated in worship and fellowship. The project was organized by Bounce Student Disaster Recovery (a ministry of the Baptist General Convention of Texas) in partnership with Southwest Louisiana Responds (a coalition that strives to unite, empower and mobilize churches across the region to expediate long-term recovery, respond to crises and prepare for future disasters).



Brian Blackwell photo
A Bounce Student Disaster Recovery team member prepared to cut through some debris at a homesite in Lake Charles.



A student worked outside a home in Lake Charles that was damaged during multiple hurricanes in 2020. Over a two-week period the teams repaired seven roofs, built five ramps, painted multiple homes and cleaned up countless yards of homeowners, and at night they participated in worship and fellowship.

“We are delighted to be back in Lake Charles for the third year,” Bounce Director David Scott told the *Baptist Message*. “We have wonderful partners here who have done so much to assist residents with recovery efforts. We are happy that there are so many highly motivated students who are giving a portion of their summer vacation

to serve these people who have such great needs.” Scott expressed appreciation for Maplewood First Baptist Church and Mt. Olive Baptist Church in Lake Charles who housed students during the week. “They have been so gracious to open their facilities for us,” Scott said. “We

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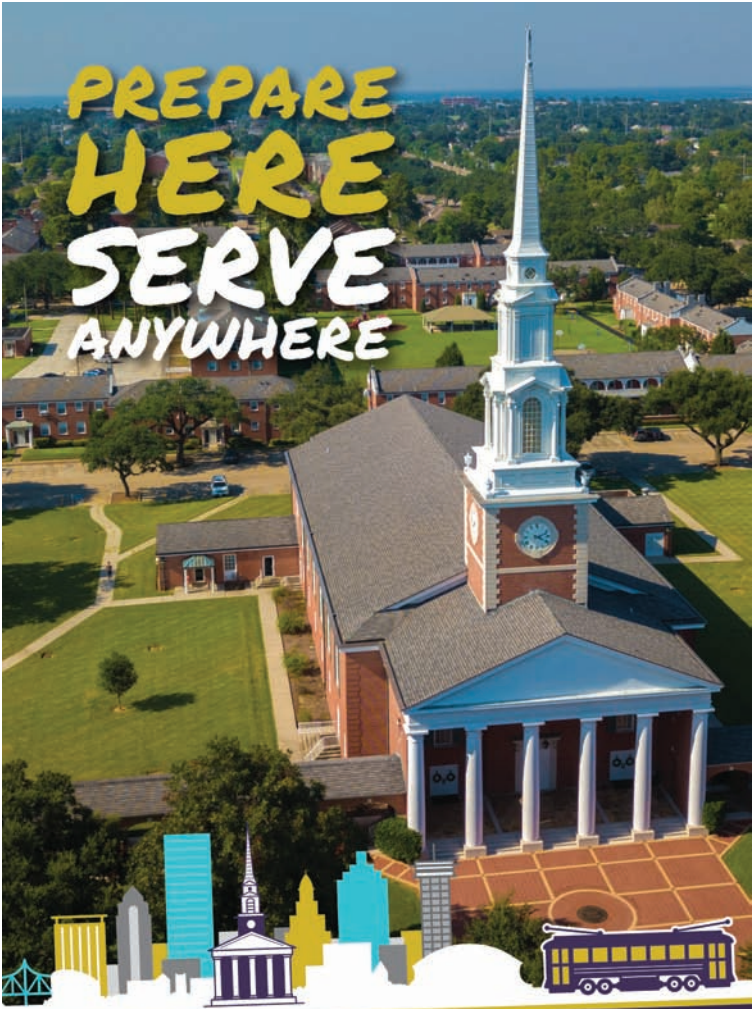
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Pastor Lloyd Whitman has been encouraged by God's faithfulness through the flood of donations, phone calls and in-person visits.

After trial by fire, New Friendship celebrates

By Brian Blackwell
Message staff writer

POLLOCK, La. (LBM) – A fire destroyed most of the facilities of New Friendship Baptist Church in February 2023, leaving the congregation of 75 seeking God's guidance for their future.

Seventeen months later, a crowd of 150 members and guests gathered to celebrate the Lord's faithfulness in the first service inside a new worship center, July 7. Construction began shortly after the church broke ground, July 2023, on the 240-seat worship center and a fellowship hall that, collectively, are 9,000 sq. ft. Both buildings also have Sunday school classrooms, two inside the worship center and five in the fellowship hall.

Looking back on the last year-and-a-half, Pastor Lloyd Whitman said



Brian Blackwell photo

New Friendship Baptist Church was filled with a crowd of 150 members and guests who celebrated the first service inside a new worship center, July 7. A fire destroyed most of its facilities in February 2023.

he has been encouraged by God's faithfulness through the flood of donations, phone calls and in-person visits. Additionally, five new converts were baptized in a lakeside service in June 2023, with additional baptisms scheduled over the coming weeks.

"After all we have gone through, it was a great time to just spend some time together in the new

house that God gave us," Whitman told the *Baptist Message*. "There were tears of happiness knowing we finally have our own place to worship.

"God moved a people who decided to work together and do whatever was needed," he continued. "In every moment, we felt the presence of the Lord.

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I AM ASHAMED ...

MaryAnne* was a school bus driver. She had a burden she couldn't keep carrying and wanted spiritual help, so she did a quick internet search on her phone while waiting for school to dismiss.

She came across one of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association's websites and connected with a volunteer.

"I am ashamed of my past sins," she admitted to the volunteer, "and I feel like I will never be able to move on."

Her life was like one of her bus routes—always going in the same direction. But in life, she never seemed to be on the right path.

Before the final bell rang, MaryAnne made her decision. She prayed for Jesus' forgiveness of her wrongdoings and committed her life to Him in the school parking lot. She was still sitting on the bus, but she had moved forward with her life.

This true story is representative of what's happening in Louisiana and beyond through *Here for You* and our partnership with the Graham organization.

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41 inmates 'set free' behind bars in Bossier Parish

By **Brian Blackwell**
Message staff writer

BOSSIER CITY, La. (LBM) — Cedric Davis entered Bossier Parish Maximum Facility in April, but just two months later the 45-year-old, convicted for simple burglary, gained a permanent reprieve from a spiritual death sentence.

"Satan left and Jesus entered into my body," an ecstatic Davis told the *Baptist Message*.

Davis responded to a Gospel invitation offered by Kyle Williams, a Louisiana Baptist evangelist from Sarepta and a religious volunteer at the prison. Davis was among 41 inmates who made decisions to follow Christ during a jail visit by a team of 25, June 29.

Throughout the morning, the volunteers visited

various dormitories to pray and share the Gospel with inmates.

Williams (a member of Willow Point Baptist Church, Shreveport) and other local ministers will follow up with the 41 inmates and disciple them during weekly visits.

"These men that made decisions are no longer bound by sin and have been forgiven of all unrighteousness," said Williams, who has visited inmates inside the prison since 2010. "For the believer, leading someone to Christ is the pinnacle. It doesn't get any better this side of Heaven. What a blessing to see men cross over from death to life."

De'Ongelo Smith, a member of Spring Hill Baptist Church, Ringgold,

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Brian Blackwell photo

Staff, board members, and guests of Louisiana Baptist Children's Home & Family Ministries gathered July 16 for a ribbon-cutting ceremony to officially open the Legacy Room. The room, in the Rucker-Austin Center on the Monroe campus, features a historical timeline that covers all four walls and includes related artifacts. Individuals who shared remarks included (L-R) Perry Hancock, LBCHFM president and CEO; City of Monroe Mayor Friday Ellis; Louisiana Supreme Court Justice Jay McCallum; LBCHFM Trustee Chairman Mike Hawkins; LBCHFM Trustee and former resident Ricky Bullock; and Louisiana Baptist Executive Director Steve Horn. The celebration coincided with the 125th anniversary of the ministry. For those interested in visiting the Legacy Room as part of campus tours, they can be scheduled by emailing mcoker@lbch.org or calling 318.343.2244. More details and a photo gallery can be found at baptistmessage.com.



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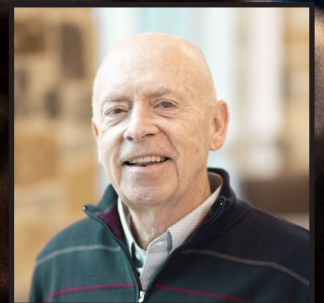
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“We saw God sup-
plying every single need
and continue to unify the
people. I’m so proud of my
people who never gave up
and are such a powerful
testimony.”

The fire began at 9 a.m.,
Feb. 16, 2023, and engulfed
the worship center, educa-
tion building and fellow-
ship hall. Fire crews from
Jena, Grant Parish, Deville
and Ruby-Kolin extin-
guished it soon after.

The parsonage, which
is across the road from
the other buildings that
burned, was not harmed.

Rather than fold, the
church pressed forward
and gathered for a tent ser-
vice on the property three
days later.

The church continued
meeting for Sunday morn-
ing worship, splitting time
between the tent and near-

by St. Edwards Catholic
Church, and assembled in
the parsonage for Sunday
school, Sunday evening
worship and Wednesday
evening Bible study.

Additionally, the church
during that time held a
tent revival service (with
pastors and praise teams
from sister churches in the
Big Creek Baptist Associa-
tion providing messages
and music each night) and
hosted children for Vaca-
tion Bible School.

Whitman, who has pas-
tored various churches for
59 years, said he has been
reminded time after time
how God can use difficul-
ties for His glory.

“The church, who are
the people, was not de-
stroyed,” Whitman said.
“They unified and said
we’re going to face this one
day at a time. God provid-



Brian Blackwell photo

In early July, New Friendship Baptist Church celebrated the completion of its new 240-seat worship center and a fellowship hall. Since the fire destroyed their facility in early 2023, the church has been encouraged by a flood of donations, phone calls and in-person visits. Additionally, five new converts were baptized in a lakeside service in June 2023.

ed everything they need,
from a place to worship
to materials to financial
needs. If any church is out
there who is going through
what we did, know that
what He did for us He will
do for you.”

Looking ahead, NFBC
will ramp up its outreach
efforts to the community.
A VBS is scheduled July
28-Aug. 1, 6-8 p.m. nightly,
and a dedication of the fa-
cilities is set for Aug. 11 at 2

p.m. Church members also
plan to conduct in-home
visits and learn how they
can better reach the com-
munity.

Whitman said prayer
has been and will continue
to be vital.

“Prayer is the key to
change our lives and we’ve
seen God do that since the
fire,” Whitman said. “We
pray ‘God, not my will, but
yours.’

“Everything we did,

we just prayed that God
would give us what we
needed and show us what
to do, and He did,” he
continued. “Prayer has
been the keynote to my life
and many others. We can’t
move on anything without
first talking to the Father.
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appreciate their partnership."

Braylon Harris, MOBA pastor and president of Southwest Louisiana Responds, said the student teams have given the hope of Christ to residents whose homes were still in disrepair from Hurricanes Delta and Laura in 2020.

"The people we serve would not recover without the labor that these volunteers provide," Harris said. "There are at least hundreds of homes that have been left untouched and in need of significant repairs. One of the homes we walked into during their time received new insulation, flooring and a roof and had just been sitting there for three years. The teams here did all of that in just one week."

"Faith is an interesting thing," he added. "It's about seeing the invisible

but is surely helped by the tangible. These repairs are living, breathing testimony of answered prayers. The residents are of deep faith who have been praying and waiting three years for miracles because they don't have resources to do this themselves. When the work is done, the smiles of those who receive, as well as the students who have worked on the homes, is priceless."

Brian Pearce, youth pastor with Kingwood First Baptist Church, Texas, during the final week of Bounce took 76 students, the most of any church that participated. This is the third year they have sent a team to work in Lake Charles.

"We got to share the love of Christ with other folks in need and be the hands and feet of Jesus," he said. "The week was a good reminder that it's

easy to forget that there are people in America or even in our own neighborhoods who are in great need and that we can meet those needs physically and spiritually."

Luke Colby, a recent

high school graduate among the KFBC student group, said he came away blessed by the grateful attitude shown by the homeowners who received a new roof.

"They were so positive and kept telling us how

blessed they were that the Lord would send people to repair their roof," he said. "I was so happy to be there to help them and serve others during the week, and I enjoyed the opportunity to serve and grow more in Christ."

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Tippit estimates that more than 1 million people have turned to Christ in his 53-year evangelistic ministry.

"As I enter this new season of ministry, the induction was a reminder that the God who led me into dangerous countries will lead us through this challenge of digital ministry," Tippit said. "He has never failed me. Great is His faithfulness. As I told those at the induction ceremony, 'I'm not finished. I'm in the beginning of a new season of ministry. God still has more for me.'"

Tippit said 1 Thessalonians 5:24 has encouraged him to stay strong in his call to share Christ.

"He has been faithful," he said. "And I want to remain faithful to all that He has given us to do."

"Even though I feel inadequate, I remember how God has led me through impossible situations in the past," he continued. "He will continue to lead me in this new season. He is creating ways for this outreach to last far beyond

my lifetime."

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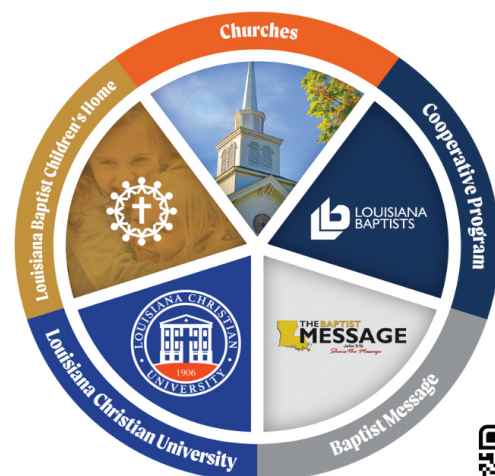
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Ten Commandments restored; 'woman defined; children protected from pronouns, but not dope

By Will Hall
Executive editor

TEN COMMANDMENTS

The Ten Commandments law, Act 676, championed by Rep. Dodie Horton, a member with First Baptist Church, Haughton, gained the most press around the country for its first-in-the-nation requirement to restore, after about a 50-year absence, the Ten Commandments to every publicly funded classroom, kindergarten through college, in Louisiana.

The law uses a version of the Ten Commandments that is adapted from the King James Bible, and it requires the 11 inches by 14 inches display to include a "context statement" about "The History of the Ten Commandments in American Public Education."

Already, four liberal political activist groups have joined litigation against the law, but Horton said the Ten Commandments are in the core of our nation's laws and that their historical significance has been acknowledged in multiple U.S. Supreme Court decisions, which were used to craft the law in anticipation that bad actors would try to challenge it in the courts.

The law asks for the displays to be paid for by public donations, and proponents estimate that about \$100,000 in gifts are needed to outfit all Louisiana schools.

SCHOOL CHAPLAINS

Act 293, authored by Sen. Mark Abraham, a member with Trinity Baptist Church, Lake Charles, did not attract much public attention, but could be significant in its impact on schools. This measure allows "Each city, parish, or other local public

school board" to "employ or accept as a volunteer a certified chaplain to provide support, services and programs for students, staff, and parents."

Abraham testified that 15 states already were engaged in similar initiatives and that two other states had passed similar legislation to begin soon, noting that there had been "a lot of success" where volunteer chaplains had been used in schools.

"In these 30,000 schools, teen pregnancies are drastically down; suicides are zero; and it [chaplain program] has been helping with mental illness – not only for the students, but also for the teachers," Abraham told the state Senate Education Committee, March 13. "There has been less teacher attrition because of chaplains in these schools."

The law requires state and federal background checks of candidates; prohibits sex offenders or child predators from serving; and provides immunity to chaplains except for any action or statement that "was maliciously, willfully, and deliberately intended to cause harm to harass or intimidate those seeking support, services and programs."

Louisiana Baptists already are discussing the possibility of holding chaplain certification sessions across the state in conjunction with the North American Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

PARENTS' RIGHTS

Horton and Rep. Raymond Crews, a member with First Baptist Church, Bossier City, successfully pushed through Acts 681 and 680, respectively. The first prohibits school

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employees from discussing LGBT matters during instructional time. The second, officially known as "The Given Name Act," requires schools to use an individual's legal name or a derivative of it and the pronouns that are consistent with a person's biological sex.

Opponents tried to tag the measures as "don't say gay" bills. But parents can choose to let their children be called by something other than their legal given name and pronouns not consistent with their biological sex. Likewise, parents may permit teachers to talk with their children about LGBT issues outside of instructional time. However, school personnel cannot introduce LGBT topics or attempt to transition a child behind parents' backs.

Last year, Horton and Crews offered similar bills and garnered supermajority votes in both chambers during the regular legislative session. However, both were vetoed by then-Gov. John Bel Edwards. During the subsequent veto override session, each was one vote shy of a two-thirds majority that would have made both laws.

PROTECTING MINORS

Rep. Kim Carver, a deacon with First Baptist Church, Covington, pushed through two key protections for children:

-- Act 656 bans social media companies from collecting data that can be used to target advertising at minors. During committee testimony, Carver said that "manipulative targeted advertising to children generated an estimated \$11 billion in advertising revenue in just one year." Importantly, his law stops any "social media platform with more than one million account holders globally that is operating in this state ... from selling sensitive personal data of a minor account holder."

-- Meanwhile, Act 216 requires all mandatory reporters ("any public or private teacher, teacher's aide, instructional aide, school principal, school staff member, school resource officer, bus driver, coach, professor, technical or vocational instructor, technical or vocational school staff member, college or university administrator, college or university staff member, social worker, probation officer, foster home parent,

group home or other child care institutional staff member, personnel of residential home facilities, a licensed or unlicensed day care provider, or any individual who provides such these services to a child in a voluntary or professional capacity") "to be offered training on the statutory requirements and responsibility of reporting child abuse and neglect."

'WOMAN' DEFINED

The "Women's Safety and Protection Act" removes any confusion about the definition of a woman and a man.

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436, the statute authored by Rep. Roger Wilder, a member with Hebron Baptist Church, Denham Springs, elucidates the biological distinctions between males and females to establish key protections for girls and women.

The law requires facili-

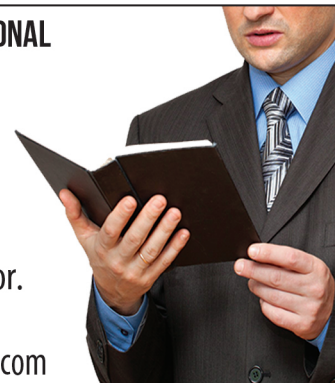
ties that are designated for biological females (dormitories, restrooms, changing rooms, domestic violence shelters, juvenile detention and correctional centers) to remain sex specific as a safeguard against sexual assault, violence and harassment by biological males.

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Legislature strengthens laws on sex trafficking, baby safe havens

By Will Hall
Executive editor

As recently as 2016, Louisiana was rated the best in the nation for combatting human trafficking. However, since 2014 when the state first began collecting human trafficking data, cases have risen from 206 to 1,743 in 2023. Moreover, recent numbers show that 86 percent of those rescued were sex trafficking victims, and 83 percent were under the age of 18 years.

With Act 586 as the legal vehicle, Sen. Stewart Cathey, a member with

First Baptist Church, West Monroe, significantly strengthened penalties for human trafficking based on a graduated scale, with the harshest punishment for those who prey on minors (persons under the age of 18 years) for commercial sex: "life imprisonment at hard labor without benefit of probation, parole, or suspension of sentence and fined not more than seventy-five thousand dollars."

These more stringent sentencing requirements could figure prominently as deterrents to sex crimes ear-

ly in 2025, when Super Bowl LIX comes to New Orleans. Sports championship events like it have been linked with surges in human trafficking for sexual activity.

NEWBORN SAFE HAVENS

Sen. Adam Bass, a member with Cypress Baptist Church, Benton, expanded access in Louisiana's safe haven program via Act 398 that allows parents to anonymously relinquish babies for adoption or foster care. Previously, a "safe haven baby box" (a climate-controlled, electronically monitored device that allows parents to anonymously surrender an "unwanted" newborn in a safe environment) was authorized to be installed "in a designated emergency care facility that is physically located inside of a licensed hospital and has an emergency department that is staffed 24 hours per day."

Bass successfully pushed to allow such newborn safety devices to be installed "in any designated emergency care facility that is staffed continuously on a 24-hour basis, seven days a week, and 365 days a year" if it meets detailed requirements for qualified personnel on duty, constant monitoring of the baby box and essential equipment on hand to ensure the newborn's safety and health.

The Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services reported that 83 babies have been rescued since 2004. The new law promises to rescue even more babies who otherwise might face abandonment in less ideal conditions.

SCHOOL & PROLIFE CHOICES

Sen. Rick Edmonds, who retired as pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Shreveport, and now serves as pastor of First Baptist Church, McComb, Mississippi, carried the banners for adoption and school choice during the 2024 legislative session:

Adoption

-- Act 332, the "Compatible with Love Empowerment Act," mandates that mothers who receive a "fetal abnormality" diagnosis for an unborn child must be informed about "resources, programs, and services for pregnant women and resources, programs, and services for infants and children born with disabilities" within 48 hours of such a diagnosis. The emphasis is to encourage and assist a mother and father to carry such a baby to term.

-- Act 515, the "Adoption Awareness Act," creates an "Adoption Awareness Program" that will "encourage the formation and

maintenance of two-parent families." The Department of Children and Family Services must hire a vendor to facilitate marketing, create a website, and provide a telephone or video hotline, with each promoting educational information about resources that encourage adoption.

-- Act 362 restricts adoption services in the state to "an adoption facilitator or an entity ... licensed in La. to assist in the adoption of children." This restriction applies even "to advertise for adoption services." It also requires these individuals and organizations to be designated as mandatory reporters of abuse.

Education

-- Act 334, "Louisiana Public Charter School Law," authorizes "school choice options for parents, teachers, and pupils," by granting operational autonomy for "innovative kinds of independent public charter schools" from the control of city and parish school boards. However, these charter schools are still accountable for their academic results which will "be analyzed, considered, and repeated or replicated if appropriate."

-- Act 91 recenters the authority for a child to participate in the "Course Choice Program" from the local school superintendent or other governing authority of a school to the student with his or her parents to make such decisions "after consultation with the person designated by the governing authority of the school."

-- Act 1, "Louisiana Giving All True Opportunity to Rise (LA GATOR) Scholarship Program" provides for educational savings

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Louisiana Baptists help foil some bad bills, fail to ban THC

By Will Hall
Executive editor

Louisiana Baptists collaborated with like-minded conservative allies to protect the state from perilous legislation that would have endangered the unborn as well as negatively impacted the general population, including pro-abortion, anti-traditional marriage and recreational marijuana bills.

Rep. Mandie Landry introduced House Bill 98 to delete the Defense of Marriage Act from the Louisiana Constitution, urging the House Civil Law and Procedure Committee that with the legalization of gay unions, the DOMA was no longer valid. Opponents to her measure, however, successfully argued that DOMA should be kept on the books while social conservatives fight to overturn Obergefell v. Hodges, the U.S. Supreme Court ruling

that legalized gay marriage. They contended that abortion bans were kept on the books for decades until social conservatives were able to overturn Roe v. Wade. Her bill was defeated by a vote of 8-5.

HB 164, authored by Rep. Delisha Boyd, offered to narrow the abortion ban in Louisiana by creating exceptions for rape (which accounts for less than 1 percent of all abortions in the United States) and incest (about 0.5 percent of abortions). Boyd used a hypothetical situation of a young girl to argue for her bill. Fortunately, prolife witnesses argued convincingly against the exceptions, with one person testifying how he was the product of rape, but his mother chose to give him life. Others shared that most victims of rape and incest reject abortion as an option (up to 85 percent); made the appeal that the baby should not be

punished for the sins of the father; and suggested that groups like Planned Parenthood would use such exceptions to advise all their clients to claim rape and incest, effectively ending the state's abortion ban. In the end, the House Administration of Criminal Justice Committee voted against the bill, 7-4.

Finally, Rep. Candace Newell proposed ending the ban on recreational marijuana (HB 649), proposing a scheme to regulate it in case it was legalized. She argued that Louisiana would be vulnerable to various outside influences if recreational marijuana was legalized without having a framework in place to regulate it. Opponents argued that her bill failed to regulate THC content which is needed because of the harm from high-potency pot products. The bill was moved favorably out of the House Judiciary

by an 8-6 vote. Fortunately, conservative lawmakers were able to defeat it on the House floor (as a substitute bill, HB 978), with 58 against the measure and 36 in favor.

DOPE DEAL MADE

Although lawmakers handedly killed a recreational pot bill, they rejected legislation (Senate Bill 237) that would have banned THC from consumable products that are being pushed in convenience stores, local grocery markets and gas stations. Instead, they legalized recreational THC in a hemp bill (HB 952).

Importantly, the issue is not marijuana (cannabis, weed, or pot) or hemp, but THC, which is the psychoactive element in both.

Moreover, the debate took place the week that news broke from sheriffs of various parishes about chil-

dren being rushed to emergency rooms after eating THC candies shared with them by classmates. Information from the governor's Drug Policy Board indicates THC poisonings have soared 645 percent in the state.

In the end, the majority of lawmakers bowed to the pressures from 1,500 hemp merchants who are seeing profits rocket from selling THC-laced edibles and drinks. Both chambers of the legislature eventually adopted an amended HB 952 (SB 237 did not come up for a final House vote, effectively killing it). The so-called restrictions in HB952 include:

-- The definition of "serving size" for THC edibles was changed from 8 mg to 5 mg (the minimum amount of THC that gets someone high). However, anyone can buy an unlimited number of

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Westside Baptist pays off \$1 million children's building note

By Brian Blackwell
Message staff writer

NATCHITOCHES, La. (LBM) – Westside Baptist Church recently celebrated the retirement of \$1 million of debt on its children's facility.

Members of the Natchitoches church rejoiced during a special note burning service, June 2, that recognized God's faithfulness to them as they paid off the loan 17 months before its due date.

"We have so many members of this church whose children and grandchildren have come through that building and learned about God's love and learned about Jesus and so they were so excited to pay that off," Pastor Steve McAlister told the Baptist Message. "We partner with the

families, see some of the kids and even parents come to Jesus and help make disciples of Christ. It's exciting because we're investing in the future of the kingdom to continue making disciples."

Those gathered for the service included WBC's Hispanic members, whose children attend Sunday school with the Anglo youngsters. Formed in 2018, the ministry to Hispanics has grown from 20 to 50 in its worship service that meets in another area of the facility on Sunday mornings.

"Whenever we have a chance to have a combined service it's a special time," McAlister said. "They too have seen their children grow up in the church, so they were excited to celebrate alongside us on this day."

Since the children's facility opened in 2011, the church has seen spiritual fruit that has included an average of two baptisms per month, many who are children or youth who have been discipled at the facility.

WBC Children's Director Elizabeth Penrod attributed the growth to a commitment by the church to invest in the younger generation.

"We have a church that just loves kids and have lots of good Sunday school teachers that have served for many, many years who share Jesus with our families," she said.

"I even have two boys who go to church here and I see how much they love our kids, which makes me grateful," she continued. "I pray the Lord continues to bring families that need to

know him and will have events that invite the community in. It's amazing to see kids that we have known since they were babies. We watch them grow up to come to know the Lord and it's a blessing."

Paying off the \$1 million note now frees up the church to use \$75,000 a year (that was allotted for paying off the loan) for ministry.

In addition to the Hispanic ministry, the church also reaches Natchitoches and beyond through Vacation Bible School; outreach to local schools; packing shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child; sewing dresses, dolls and stuffed animals for distribution to Hondurans for distribution by Baptist Medical and Dental Mission International (a non-denominational, missionary

sending organization that specializes in discipleship and short-term mission trips focused on providing medical and dental care to remote areas of Honduras, Nicaragua and Nepal); and an annual mission trip to Honduras through BMDMI.

"Westside Baptist Church exists to make disciples of Jesus Christ in Natchitoches and the nations," McAlister said. "Our vision is people who have had a personal salvation experience with Jesus, who learn from Jesus, who obey Jesus, who imitate Jesus and who make other disciples of Jesus. Our children's building has played a large role in helping accomplish our mission and vision. We're excited to see what God will do next through the blessing of having paid this building note."

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Welcome to Louisiana!

Bad Bills from page 15

servings.

-- The maximum amount of THC in a canned drink is limited to 40 mg (considered a single serving for a canned drink), and only four cans may be packaged together. But, again, anyone can buy as many four-packs as they want.

-- Gas stations have until Jan. 1, 2025, to sell all of their THC-derived products. Yet, truck stops may continue to push THC products after that date.

-- No additional bars or restaurants will be permitted to sell THC drinks. However, "Any res-

taurant or bar that holds both a Class A permit and a permit to sell consumable hemp products at retail prior to June 17, 2024, shall continue to be eligible to sell consumable hemp products at retail, and shall be eligible to renew 28 the retail consumable hemp permit annually."

Fortunately, conservatives in the U.S. Congress may come to Louisiana's rescue, with the House Agriculture Committee crafting a farm bill (Farm, Food, and National Security Act of 2024: H.R. 8467) which would "prohibit the commercial pro-

duction, sale, and distribution of certain intoxicating hemp derivatives and products."

LAGNIAPPE

The 2025 Regular Legislative Session will convene at noon on Monday, April 14, 2025, with final adjournment no later than 6 p.m. on Thursday, June 12, 2025.

Will Hall is executive editor of the Baptist Message. He also serves as the director of the LBC Office of Public Policy, which includes representing Louisiana Baptists' values and beliefs on key moral issues and social concerns to lawmakers and government officials.

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accounts to support parental choice in K-12 education, and perhaps has the most wide-ranging impact among Edmonds's legislative initiatives. Essentially, state tax dollars for education will follow the student "whether the child's best opportunities are found at a public school, charter school, private school, home study program, or at a faith-based or religious school." The program also ensures students in non-traditional

school settings may subsequently participate in the "Taylor Opportunity Program for Students" (TOPS) which provides funds for postsecondary education.

SEEKING A PASTOR

Bellevue BC in Jena, LA is seeking a full-time or bi-vocational pastor. Mail résumés to Pastor Search Chairman, 124 Meadowood Dr, Jena, LA 71342 or email to rsteale_71342@yahoo.com.

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said he encountered an inmate whom he befriended years ago. He was thankful to see such inmates now growing in their relationships with the Lord.

"This day was for the glory of God," Smith said. "I'm thankful that I was able to become a part of this alongside mighty of men of God as we got the chance just to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

"It wasn't about me or any of us," he continued. "It was all about Christ being glorified."

Bradley Huie, a member of First Baptist Church,

Haughton, said his favorite moment of the day was when he and other team members prayed over an inmate who moments earlier decided to accept Christ.

"The Great Commission

tells us that we need to make ourselves disciples and share the Word," he said. "It was encouraging to see that one inmate get his heart right and hopefully he will grow in his new life with Christ

and bring glory to God."

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ON THE MOVE

■ Emily Slay is the new Production Coordinator for the Louisiana Baptists Communications Team.

■ T.J. (wife Kaycie) Weed is the new Youth Minister at Alto Baptist Church, Alto, Louisiana. Alan Miller is the Pastor.

■ Paul (wife Sue) Perry will celebrate 50 years in the ministry, August 17 from 2-4 p.m., in Fellowship Hall at Coax Baptist Church, HWY 868, Winnsboro, La 71295. In a special services August 18, Jerry Grant will provide the music at 10 a.m. and Jim Richards was the guest preacher at 10:45 a.m. Lunch would follow after the worship service.

■ Kevin (wife Malanie) Ulmer, formerly senior pastor at First Baptist, Ferriday, has joined the LBC Evangelism/Church Growth Team as the new evangelism strategist July 1.

■ Blade (wife Lalyann) Foster is the new minister of students at Plain Dealing Baptist Church in Plain Dealing, La. from Jonesboro, Arkansas.

■ Please join us at the Webster-Clairborne & Bienville Missions and Ministry Center at Camp Harris, August 10, 11:30 a.m. to show appreciation on Randy Hales retirement (23 years) and welcome the new DOM/AMS Jeff Hoffman.

HOMEcomings/ANNIVERSIES

■ Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, Pollock: Homecoming August 4, (Sunday School) 9:45 a.m.; 10:45 a.m., Guest Speaker: John Hebert; Worship: Jonathan and Jon Gideon Causey. Potluck lunch will follow the worship service. Pastor: Jack Powell.

■ Midway Baptist Church, Converse: 89th annual Homecoming, August 8, 10 a.m. Guest Speaker and Music: Jimmy Price. There will be dinner on the grounds following the worship service. Pastor: Charles McClintock.

REVIVAL

■ First Baptist Church, Princeton: Harvest Sunday, July 28. Evangelist: Bill Britt. Pastor: Darrell Cooper.

■ Welcome Home Baptist Church, Hebert: Spring Revival 2024, July 28-31.

Evangelist: Scotty McDowell. Pastor: Jim McKeithen.

■ Bethel Baptist Church, Livingston: Revival, July 29-August 1. Evangelist: Malcolm Ellis. Pastor: James Courtney.

■ Hargrove Baptist Church, DeRidder: Revival, August 4-7. Evangelist: Scotty McDowell.

■ University Baptist Church, Thibodaux: Midweek Miracles, August 7, 6 p.m. Sonny Tucker, retired Executive Director of the Arkansas Baptist Convention; August 14, 6 p.m., Matt James, Vice President for enrollment at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary; August 21, 6 p.m., Chip Luter, senior associate pastor at Franklin Avenue Baptist Church, New Orleans; August 28, 6 p.m., David Allen, dean of the Adrian Rogers Center for Biblical Preaching at Mid-American Baptist Theological Seminary, Memphis, Tennessee. A love offering will be collected each week. Pastor: J.P. Cox.

■ Midway Baptist Church, Converse: Revival, August 8-10, 7 p.m. nightly, Guest Speaker: Dean Johnson. Pastor: Charles McClintock.

■ Elwood Baptist Church, Forest Hill: Fall Revival, August 11-14, (Sunday 10:30 a.m.) Speaker: Ferran Bertrand; Worship Josh and Valerie Dixon; Sunday evening, 6 p.m.) Speaker: Steve Speer. Worship: Josh and Valerie Dixon; Monday, 7 p.m. Speaker: Jeff James. Worship: Josh and Valerie Dixon; Tuesday, 7 p.m. Speaker Josh Dixon. Worship: Josh and Valerie Dixon. Wednesday, 7 p.m. Speaker: Brett Faulk. Worship: George Johnson and Elwood Baptist Church choir. Pastor: Michael Evans.

■ Brushy Creek Baptist Church, Merryville: Revival, August 11-14. Evangelist: Bill Britt. Pastor: Mike Streams.

■ Little Flock Baptist Church, Many: Revival, August 11-14, Evangelist: Scotty McDowell. Pastor: Ottis Branam.

■ Cypress Creek Baptist Church, Dodson: Revival, August 15-17. Evangelist: Scotty McDowell. Pastor: Jesse Henderson.

■ Gulf Coast Baptist Association, Morgan City: Unity Revival, August 18, 6 p.m. at Immanuel Baptist Church, Morgan City. Pastor: David Scott; First Baptist Church, Franklin, August 27, 6 p.m. Pastor: Chad Hebert.

■ North Shreve Baptist Church, Shreveport: Revival, August 18-21, Evangelist: Bill Britt. Pastor: Cecil Marr.

■ Richey Baptist Church, Deville: Revival, August 18-21. Evangelist: Scotty McDowell. Pastor: Grady Dodge.

■ Mount Olive Baptist Church, Winnfield: North Central Baptist Association Area Wide Unity Revival, August 21-22, 6:45 p.m. Churches included are Winnfield, Jonesboro, Clarence, Olla, Calvin, Dry Prong, Atlanta, Chatham. For more information contact 1mobcwinn@gmail.com. Pastor: Naje Johnson.

■ First Baptist Church, Marion: Revival, August 25-28. Evangelist: Scotty McDowell. Pastor: Bubba Hoggatt

■ Emmanuel Baptist Church, Ruston: Revival services, August 25-28. (Evangelist Reggie Bridges, August 25, 6 p.m. (Evangelist H.B. Charles, August 26-28, 6:30 p.m. Music: Dee Alexander. Pastor: Paul Watts.

■ Beulah Baptist Church, Many: Revival, September 1-4, Evangelist: Scotty McDowell. Pastor: Kenneth Leach Sr.

LAGNIAPPE

■ Beech Springs Baptist Church, Quitman: Ben Waites in Concert, July 28, 10:30 a.m. Pastor: Jason Womack.

■ Rose Park Baptist Church, Shreveport: Mark Trammell Quartet in concert, August 4, 10 a.m. Pastor: B.J. Maddox.

■ First West Baptist Church, West Monroe: Northeast Baptist Association Night of Worship, August 4, 6 p.m. Special Speaker: Steve Kelly, Associational Missions Strategist. Food and fellowship will follow service. For more information, call 318.322.5104. Pastor: Michael Wood.

■ Grace Baptist Church, Goldonna: Southern Plainsmen of Hornbeck in concert, August 4, 9:45 a.m. Pastor:

Myron Thompson.

■ Martin Baptist Church, Coushatta: David Vogel in Concert, August 10, 7 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. This will be a free evening of worship, encouragement and inspiration. Pastor: Richard Kaufman.

■ New Hope Baptist Church of Panchoville, DeRidder: Greg Sullivan Ministries in Concert, August 10, 6 p.m. Pastor: Eric Crochet

■ Gray's Creek Baptist Church, Denham Springs: Greg Sullivan Ministries with Ricky Atkinson in concert, August 18, 5 p.m. Pastor: Derrick Wall.

■ Morehouse Baptist Association: Unity Revival, August 18, 6 p.m., at First Baptist Church, Bastrop with Special Speaker: Casey Johnson; Bonita Road Baptist Church, Mer Rouge, August 25, 6 p.m., Special Speaker: Steven Kelly.

■ First Baptist Church, Minden: The Collingsworth Family, August 22, 7 p.m. Pastor: Leland Crawford.

■ Cedar Crest Baptist Church, West Monroe: North Louisiana Baptist Association Leadership Conference, August 22, 9 a.m.- noon. Special Speaker: Philip Robertson, Senior Pastor of Philadelphia Baptist Church. Lunch will be provided. Pastor: Greg Clark.

■ The Open Door Church, Lafayette: Church Renewal Conference, September 9-10. The event will be spon-

sored by the NAMB Replant Team and Evangeline Baptist Association. It will include in-depth Bible study, practical instruction to improve Biblical Preach and proven steps to renew your church. Cost: Free. Speakers: Mark Clifton, Sr., Joe Crider, Richard Blackaby, Jimbo Stewart, Frank Lewis, Rick Risher. Register at LouisianaBaptists.org/revive. Pastor: Jeffrey Williams.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

■ New Friendship Baptist Church, Pollock: Breaker Rock Beach Vacation Bible School, Sunday, July 28-Thursday, Aug 1, 6-8:15 p.m. Ages: 3-years old to 6th grade. Pastor: Lloyd Whitman.

■ Hodge Baptist Church, Hodge: Vacation Bible School, July 29-August 2, 9 a.m.-noon. Pastor: Keith Thomas.

■ Bonita Road Baptist Church, Mer Rouge: Shine Vacation Bible School, August 1-4, 6-8:30 p.m.



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The Scripture Crypto is a Bible verse in which one letter has been substituted for another, thus encoding the verse. To find out what the verse is, you must determine what each letter is a substitute for. An "a," for example, may stand for a "t" in this week's issue of the ScriptureCrypto. Next week, "a" could stand for a "d." Each week, each letter is different. Solve by trial and error. The answer will be given next week. Note: All numerals, such as those in the scripture reference after the verse, are spelled out.

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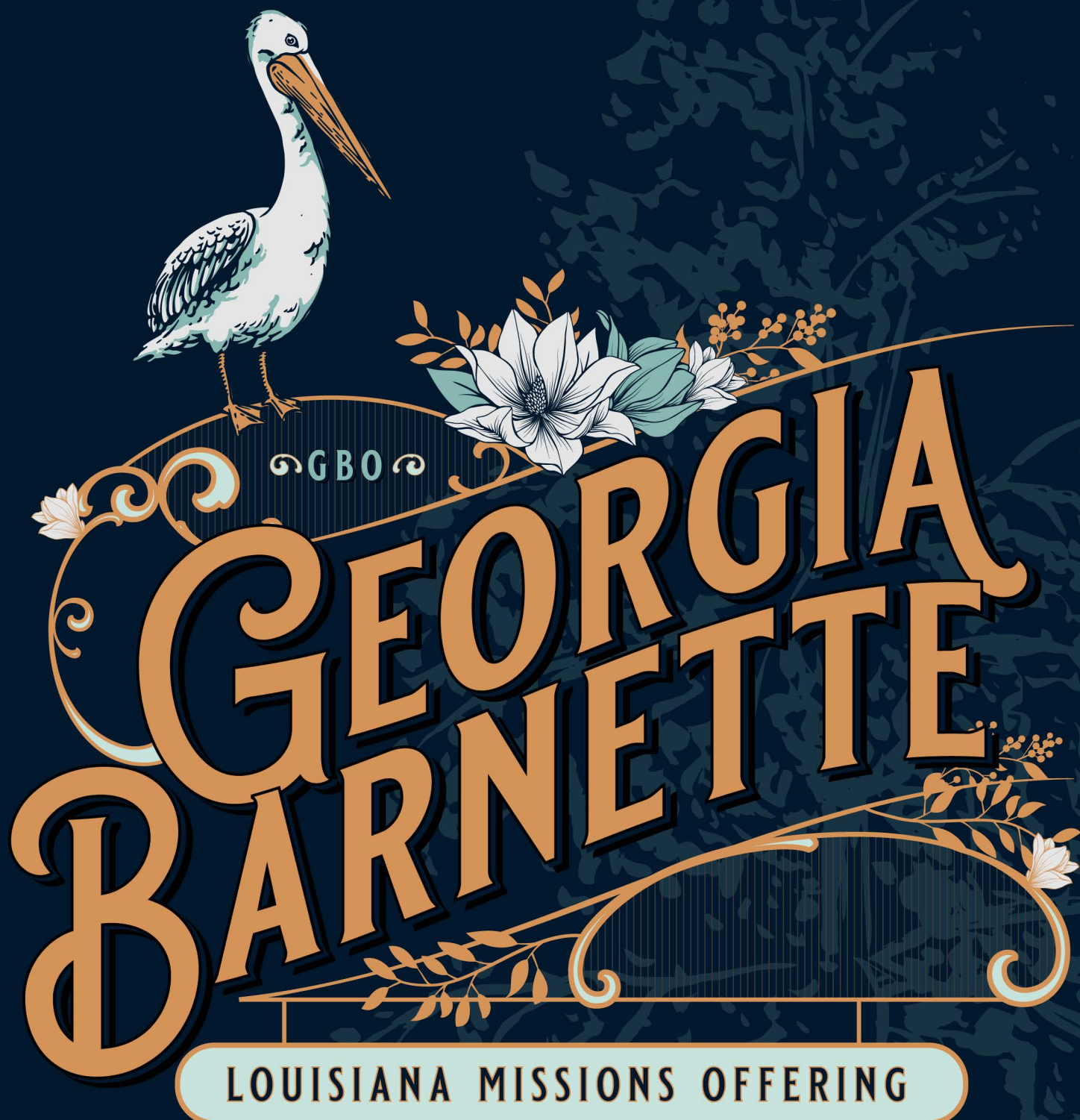
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Answer to June 20, Scripture Crypto:
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Oakcrest, Baton Rouge		
Parkview, Baton Rouge	42,105.60	6,558.86
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Starlight, Morganza		
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Trinity, Baton Rouge	157.74	150
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Little Creek, Epps		
Macedonia, Oak Grove	3,345.43	
Melbourne, Transylvania	3,440.22	
Monticello, Lake Providence		
New Hope, Lake Providence		
New Prospect, Pioneer	550	
New Zion, Oak Grove	2,869.32	
Pioneer, Pioneer	2,482.17	
Transylvania, Transylvania	3,625.31	
Trinity, Oak Grove	1,501.51	
Unity, Oak Grove	3,696.63	
Walnut Grove, Epps	1,189.86	

Beauregard Association CP 2024 LBC Causes

Arkadelphia, Pitkin	4,077.95	
Beauregard Friendship, DeRidder	2,533.20	
Beauregard Memorial, Longville	2,180.00	
Brushy Creek, Bancroft	3,500.00	150
Calvary, Merryville	12,932.67	
Cherry Grove, Dry Creek	2,000.00	
Diamond, DeRidder	2,756.60	450
Dry Creek, DeRidder	6,878.16	672.6
Emanuel Hispanic, DeRidder		
Faith, Ragley		
First, DeRidder	44,168.99	1,349.20
First, Longville	7,997.00	1,861.40
First, Merryville	4,955.46	
Gambrell, Starks	961.1	
Glade Branch, Leesville		
Good Hope, Singer	450	
Green Oak, Merryville		160
Hebron, Kinder		
Hilltop, DeRidder	150	99
Hopewell Community, DeRidder	2,308.00	277
Lone Star, Pitkin	613.35	106
Ludington, DeRidder	815.13	
Magnolia, Ragley	5,183.13	
Marlow, Leesville	325.96	
Mystic, Merryville	1,096.92	
New Life, DeRidder	11,612.90	1,743.75
Occupy Two, Pitkin	694.94	
Open Door, Ragley		
Palestine, Grant	9,428.82	250
Pilgrims Rest, Dequincy		510
Pleasant Hill, DeRidder	10,566.69	
Providence, Leesville	600	
Reeves, Reeves		

Shady Grove, Pitkin.....	400	700
Shiloh, DeRidder.....	2,760.48	
Singer, Singer.....	3,424.72	
Smyrna, DeRidder.....	792	
Sugartown, Sugartown.....	126.04	545
Temple, DeRidder.....	784	
Texas Avenue, DeRidder.....	7,250.00	
Unity, DeRidder.....	360	720
Westview, DeRidder.....	8,485.09	

Bienville Association **CP 2024** **LBC Causes**

Alabama, Arcadia.....	500	
Carolina, Saline.....		
First, Arcadia.....		19,423.67
First, Bienville.....		
First, Castor.....		
First, Gibsland.....	2,887.87	
First, Ringgold.....	4,932.00	
Friendship, Bienville.....	1,800.00	
Jamestown, Jamestown.....	5,863.30	
Magnolia, Saline.....		
Mt Lebanon, Gibsland.....	300	
Mt Olive, Quitman.....		
New Beginnings, Castor.....	252.84	
New Bethel, Arcadia.....	375	
New Ebenezer, Castor.....		12,906.33
New Ramah, Castor.....	150	
Old Saline, Castor.....		
Pine Grove, Castor.....	6,667.74	
Second Chance, Arcadia.....		
Taylor, Taylor.....	2,042.20	
Union, Quitman.....		

Big Creek Association **CP 2024** **LBC Causes**

Bentley, Bentley.....	325	
Bethel, Colfax.....	4,200.00	
Beulah, Winnfield.....		
Big Creek, Dry Prong.....	499.98	
Bob, Pollock.....		
Colfax, Colfax.....	2,308.18	
Fairfield, Dry Prong.....		470.03
First, Dry Prong.....	20,334.77	316
First, Montgomery.....	989.82	
First, Pollock.....	-	5,090.00
Georgetown, Georgetown.....		
Hargis, Montgomery.....	339.8	
Hebron, Dry Prong.....	4,152.42	
Hudson Creek, Colfax.....		
Iatt, Atlanta.....		
Liberty Christian, Colfax.....	450	
Lincecum, Pollock.....	8,130.03	
New Friendship, Pollock.....	3,197.00	
New Prospect, Dry Prong.....	18,026.77	
Northside, Montgomery.....		
Oak Grove, Bentley.....		
Pleasant Hill, Pollock.....	4,196.94	
Selma, Georgetown.....		
Sherwood, Tioga.....		
Summerfield, Colfax.....	150	
Verda, Atlanta.....		
Walnut Grove, Colfax.....		
Wayside, Pollock.....	12,067.98	12,696.99
Zion Hill Of Williana Inc, Dry Prong.....		
Zion, Georgetown.....	252.2	

Caldwell Association **CP 2024** **LBC Causes**

Banks Springs, Columbia.....		
Bellview, Columbia.....	300	
Bethany, Columbia.....		
Columbia Heights, Columbia.....		
Cross Roads, Grayson.....	150	
Fellowship, Columbia.....		
First, Columbia.....	21,457.88	
Grayson, Grayson.....	11,510.07	15.94
Hebron, Sikes.....		
Holum, Grayson.....		
Kelly, Kelly.....	25	
Mt Pleasant, Columbia.....		
Old Bethel, Clarks.....		
Palestine, Columbia.....		
Sandy Bayou, Columbia.....	1,247.11	111
Springhill, Grayson.....		

Carey Association **CP 2024** **LBC Causes**

Antioch, Vinton.....		
Bellview, Westlake.....	590.79	
Bethel Metropolitan, Lake Charles.....		
Bethel Ministries, Jennings.....	300	
Calcasieu Bethany, Lake Charles.....		
Calvary, Lake Charles.....		
Cameron First.....		
Carlyss First, Sulphur.....	600	125
Central, Sulphur.....	931	
Choupique, Sulphur.....	7,500.00	
Cornerstone, Jennings.....	2,838.69	
Crossroads, Vinton.....	1,000.00	
DeQuincy First.....	6,000.00	
East Ridge, Lake Charles.....		6,226.23
Elton First.....	757	
Emmanuel, Lake Charles.....	2,719.70	
Emmanuel, Vinton.....		
Evergreen Missionary, Lake Charles.....		
Fenton, Fenton.....		
First Sulphur.....	22,597.65	
Ford Street, Lake Charles.....	500	
Gillis First.....	1,005.79	
Grand Lake Community, Lake Charles.....		
Hackberry First.....	5,869.30	
Hayes First.....	1,976.71	
Houston River, Sulphur.....	38,045.19	
Indian Village, Kinder.....	1,350.00	

Iowa First.....		
Jennings First.....	3,511.28	24,335.87
Johnson Bayou, Cameron.....	2,278.55	
Journey Church, DeQuincy.....		
Kinder First.....		
Lake Arthur First.....	838.27	838.27
Lake Charles First.....	20,397.11	
Magnolia, Vinton.....		
Maplewood First, Sulphur.....	20,262.20	500
Memorial, Lake Charles.....		
Messiah Missionary, Lake Charles.....		
Moss Bluff First, Lake Charles.....	40,000.02	1,153.83
Mount Olive, Lake Charles.....	300	
Mount Zion, Sulphur.....		
Mt Pilgrim Baptist Church, Lake Charles.....		
New Hope, DeQuincy.....	6,071.30	
Northside, DeQuincy.....		206
Olivet, Sulphur.....	11,172.32	585
Open Gate Western Heritage, Lake Charles.....	200	
Parkview, Sulphur.....	3,000.00	
Pine Grove, DeQuincy.....	1,250.00	168
Roanoke, Roanoke.....	4,961.54	
Sale Street, Lake Charles.....	2,545.42	1,272.71
Starks First.....	9,933.00	
Sulphur Community, Sulphur.....		
Tom Hebert Road, Lake Charles.....	4,336.00	
Topsy, Lake Charles.....	3,867.00	
Trinity, Lake Charles.....	120,000.00	7,909.50
Trinity, Sulphur.....	2,500.00	
Unity, Lake Charles.....		
University, Lake Charles.....		
Vinton First.....	3,412.70	
Welsh First.....	6,563.54	
Westlake First.....	19,298.65	60
Westside, Lake Charles.....	100	605.5
Westwood, Westlake.....	4,086.10	
Woodlawn, Iowa.....	5,185.85	329

CenLa Association **CP 2024** **LBC Causes**

Alexandria Korean, Alexandria.....		
Alpine First, Pineville.....	4,249.50	
Big Island, Deville.....		
Calvary Of Gardner, Boyce.....	439.63	215.85
Calvary, Alexandria.....	150,000.00	65,345.28
Carmel, Pineville.....	973.21	
Cedar Grove, Lecompte.....	300	
Cloverdale, Alexandria.....	2,668.00	
College Drive, Pineville.....	846	300
Cornerstone, Ball.....	1,005.86	133.33
Cotile, Boyce.....	1,607.18	1,205.40
Cross Branded, Pineville.....	839.37	
Crossroads at Gardner, Boyce.....	708.81	
Emmanuel, Alexandria.....	416.68	
Esler, Pineville.....		3,424.75
Faith, Pineville.....	4,371.98	538
Family of Grace, Alexandria.....		
First Baptist Church Of Ball, Pineville.....		
First, Boyce.....	4,405.73	
First, Lecompte.....	10,723.06	
First, Pineville.....	89,554.27	1,557.00
His Church, Pineville.....	2,000.00	
Holloway, Deville.....	6,018.00	
Homewood, Alexandria.....	4,172.97	120
Hopewell, Center Point.....		
Hosanna, Pineville.....		
Journey Church, Pineville.....	2,000.00	
Kingsville, Ball.....	68,220.14	553
Lakeside, Pineville.....	3,061.74	
Lamourie, Lecompte.....		
Longview, Deville.....	9,050.36	556.91
Macedonia, Effie.....	2,370.00	
Main Street, Pineville.....	2,100.00	817.25
Mt Zion Missionary, Alexandria.....		
New Christian Life Fellowship, Alexandria.....		
Oak Grove, Cheneyville.....		
Parkview, Alexandria.....	2,597.18	898.6
Philadelphia, Deville.....	161,096.60	
Pine Grove, Ruby.....	5,522.15	
Pinehurst, Ball.....	4,601.00	
Pineville Park, Pineville.....	10,593.19	
Poland, Alexandria.....	4,056.60	
Richey, Deville.....		3,608.00
Riverview, Alexandria.....	592.8	944.78
St Clair, Boyce.....	12,267.00	
The Gathering Place West, Alexandria.....	472.37	232.67
Tioga First, Pineville.....	11,870.38	
Trinity, Pineville.....	3,300.00	
Twin Bridges, Alexandria.....		
Unity, Pineville.....	5,061.29	
Vick, Vick.....	1,217.23	1,200.00
Wilda, Boyce.....		
Wooddale, Alexandria.....	845	

Concord Union Association **CP 2024** **LBC Causes**

Antioch, Farmerville.....	35,971.00	
Bethel Hispanic, Bernice.....		
Bethel, Lillie.....	1,737.80	1,859.85
Bethlehem Hispanic, Ruston.....	3,337.29	
Beulah, Farmerville.....		
Calvary, Ruston.....	47,807.41	
Camp Creek, Spearsville.....	1,959.11	
Canaan, Spearsville.....		
Conway, Marion.....	814.16	
Cook, Ruston.....	46,908.46	1,015.00
Crestview, Farmerville.....		2,811.56
Cross Roads, Farmerville.....	4,002.08	
Culbertson, Farmerville.....	5,234.31	
DaySpring, Ruston.....	250	
Dean, Marion.....	900	
Downsville.....	5,759.51	
Emmanuel, Ruston.....	25,015.42	

Enterprise, Farmerville.....		
Evergreen, Bernice.....	523.75	
Fellowship, Dubach.....	16,127.28	
First, Bernice.....	3,211.29	
First, Choudrant.....	5,687.95	100
First, Dubach.....	7,864.39	3,005.00
First, Farmerville.....	30,301.90	
First, Marion.....	11,452.31	
First, Ruston.....	62,835.89	
First, Simsboro.....	613.03	2,219.11
First, Spearsville.....	3,853.77	
Haile, Marion.....		
Hico, Dubach.....	3,867.90	
Holmesville, Downsville.....	1,575.00	
Hopewell, Spearsville.....	100	
Iglesia Jesucristo es el Camino, Farmerville.....		
Liberty, Marion.....	4,108.78	
Litroe, Marion.....		448
Longstraw, Choudrant.....	1,902.76	
Meridian, Marion.....		
Mineral Springs, Dubach.....	5,494.76	
Mt Ararat, Downsville.....	3,466.28	
Mt Tabor, Bernice.....		
Mt Union, Spearsville.....	1,110.34	919.35
Nazareth Mission, Bernice.....	384	
New Hope, Choudrant.....	29,418.77	
New Prospect, Dubach.....	1,833.65	
Paron, Sterlington.....	8,666.07	
Pine Grove, Bernice.....	3,428.00	
Pisgah, Bernice.....	700	
Pleasant Grove, Choudrant.....		
Pleasant Hill, Farmerville.....	600	
Pleasant Hill, Ruston.....	75	
Providence, Downsville.....	1,800.36	
Rock Corner, Dubach.....	10,629.83	
Rocky Branch, Farmerville.....	500	90
Saint Rest, Dubach.....	2,268.75	200
Salem, Farmerville.....		
Sardis, Farmerville.....	900	
Sharon, Dubach.....	6,952.00	5,145.00
Shiloh, Bernice.....		
Spencer, Sterlington.....	1,500.00	
Temple, Ruston.....	165,000.00	5,795.00
Union Grove, Lillie.....	316	512
University, Ruston.....		
Weldon, Bernice.....		995.74
Zion Hill, Farmerville.....	2,400.00	600

Deer Creek Association **CP 2024** **LBC Causes**

Baskin, Baskin.....	19,952.36	400
Bayou Macon, Gilbert.....	1,345.00	
Boeuf River, Winnsboro.....	450	
Calvary, Gilbert.....		
Chase, Chase.....	5,237.28	
Coax, Winnsboro.....	5,367.60	
Crockett Point, Winnsboro.....	18,257.44	1,045.33
Eureka, Gilbert.....	1,392.16	
First, Crowville.....	17,544.93	
First, Gilbert.....	3,000.00	300
First, Winnsboro.....	8,519.45	2,705.00
First, Wisner.....	34,573.79	
Fish Bayou, Winnsboro.....	744	125
Fort Necessity, Fort Necessity.....	700	
Fort Road Oak Grove, Winnsboro.....	1,413.59	
Friendship, Baskin.....	6,045.00	
Harmony, Delhi.....		
Hill Ridge, Winnsboro.....	583	
Holly Grove, Wisner.....	2,789.71	943
Lamar, Delhi.....		766.3
Lone Cedar, Winnsboro.....		
Lone Pine, Winnsboro.....		
Magnolia, Winnsboro.....	1,255.53	
New Zion, Winnsboro.....	750	
North Central, Delhi.....		
Sardis, Winnsboro.....		
Shady Grove, Winnsboro.....		
South Central, Wisner.....		
Taylor Bayou, Winnsboro.....		
Temple, Winnsboro.....	300	
Turkey Creek, Gilbert.....	600	

Delta Association **CP 2024** **LBC Causes**

Bethany, Newellton.....	675.8	100
Bougere, Vidalia.....	500	250
Clayton, Clayton.....	1,113.00	
First, Ferriday.....	22,482.00	
First, Newellton.....	2,680.70	2,010.54
First, Vidalia.....	43,131.20	820.5
First, Waterproof.....	1,924.72	200
Flowers Landing, Newellton.....	1,283.00	
Hill Memorial, Ferriday.....	1,530.00	
Lake St John Community, Ferriday.....	718.8	
Maryland, St Joseph.....	208.46	4,022.62
Riverside, Vidalia.....		7,415.12
St Joseph, St Joseph.....	3,699.30	
Westside, Ferriday.....	500	

DeSoto Association **CP 2024** **LBC Causes**

Antioch, Mansfield.....		
Benson, Converse.....		
Beulah, Mansfield.....	5,922.18	
Calvary, Mansfield.....		
Carmel, Mansfield.....		
Cedar Hill, Grand Cane.....	50	75
Emmanuel, Mansfield.....	1,861.00	
Fellowship, Mansfield.....		
First Community, Mansfield.....	100	
First, Logansport.....	18,418.00	1,650.00
First, Mansfield.....	27,733.64	
Frierson, Frierson.....		753.3
Gloster, Gloster.....	45,259.14	



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DeSoto Association (Continued)		
Grand Cane, Grand Cane	856.6	
Hunter Magnolia, Mansfield	210	66
Kingston, Frierson	1,226.33	
Longstreet, Logansport	10,961.00	
Maple Springs, Logansport		
Mims Springs, Logansport		
Mt Olivet, Logansport	10,243.00	1,050.00
Old Union, Mansfield		
Pelican, Pelican	7,531.00	950
Salem, Stonewall	22,663.39	
Shiloh, Keatchie	6,692.00	
Southside, Mansfield		900
Wallace, Pelican	18,626.16	480.05
Wood Springs, Grand Cane	1,050.00	

Eastern Louisiana Association	CP 2024	LBC Causes
Agape, Denham Springs		
Amite, Denham Springs	1,000.00	925
Bethel, Livingston		
Carroll, Walker	1,778.63	
Central, Gonzales		
Christ's Community, Denham Springs	13,027.00	
Colyell, Livingston	15,260.51	
Don Avenue, Denham Springs	13,927.86	
Emmanuel, Denham Springs	150	
First, Denham Springs	69,130.15	
First, French Settlement	2,598.00	420
First, Head Of Island	876.35	100
First, Holden	5,243.95	
First, Livingston		8,125.00
Grace Covenant, Denham Springs	1,000.00	
Gray's Creek, Denham Springs	6,598.00	285
Greater Third Zion, Maurepas		
Hebron, Denham Springs	16,783.00	
Judson, Walker	32,995.51	750
Live Oak, Denham Springs	20,448.60	
Macedonia, Holden		
Magnolia, Holden	1,800.00	
Maurepas, Maurepas	300	
Midway, Livingston		
New Bethlehem, Denham Springs	450	
Northside, Denham Springs	5,454.05	
One Life, Denham Springs		
Pine Grove, Livingston	22,422.00	1,000.00
Red Oak, Livingston	500	1,000.00
River Of Life Worship Center, Port Vincent		
Riverside, Denham Springs		3,867.62
Salem, Walker		
Satsuma, Livingston	12,533.89	
South Walker, Denham Springs		
Southside, Denham Springs	2,844.34	600
The New Beginnings, Walker		
The Way Church, Denham Springs	750	
Victory, Walker	6,069.88	
Walker, Walker	31,637.25	
Watson, Watson	13,224.44	50

Evangeline Association	CP 2024	LBC Causes
Bethel Korean, Lafayette	250	
Calvary, Lafayette	2,994.09	110
Christ Church, Lafayette		
Church Acadiana, Lafayette	1,600.00	560
Community Chapel, Abbeville		
Community, Lafayette	4,379.87	
Coteau Holmes, Saint Martinville		
Erath, Erath	315	
Esther, Kaplan	270.65	
First Lydia, New Iberia		
First, Abbeville	450	
First, Broussard		
First, Carencro	681.57	
First, Delcambre	1,498.00	
First, Jeanerette		
First, Lafayette	416,709.20	
First, Milton		
First, New Iberia	13,091.76	20
First, Scott	788.16	
First, Youngsville	4,523.56	1,108.00
Highland Laotian, New Iberia	1,743.00	
Highland, New Iberia	72,615.07	250
Iglesia Nueva Vida, New Iberia	1,369.30	
Jehova Jireh, Lafayette	375	
Jenkins Memorial, St Martinville	3,035.46	
Kaplan, Kaplan	400	
Lafayette Korean, Lafayette	600	
Lakefront Community, St Martinville	169.09	
Lighthouse Missionary, Franklin	200	750
Loreauville, Loreauville	1,305.99	
Parks, Parks		
Redeemer City, Lafayette	1,200.00	
St James, Lafayette	50	50
Teche, Breaux Bridge	1,949.97	
The Bayou, Lafayette	7,500.00	300
The Bridge Fellowship, Breaux Bridge		
The Open Door, Lafayette	883.99	
Trinity, New Iberia	2,579.52	
Vatican, Cankton		7,155.38
Westside, New Iberia	360	
Youngsville Community, Youngsville	600	

Gulf Coast Association	CP 2024	LBC Causes
Baldwin Baptist Mission		
Bayou L'Ourse, Bayou L'Ourse		
Bayou Vista, Morgan City	8,571.36	
Belle River, Pierre Part	850.44	
Calvary Spanish, Morgan City	490	
Cypremort Point, Franklin	538.48	
First, Amelia		
First, Berwick		
First, Franklin		

First, Morgan City.....	9,183.56	
First, Patterson	1,339.98	
Immanuel, Morgan City.....	3,117.00	
Little Pass, Charenton	4,854.65	
Myette Point, Franklin	2,926.40	
Redeemed Life, Patterson.....	4,200.00	
Unity 1, Franklin.....		

LaSalle Association	CP 2024	LBC Causes
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Aimoch, Olla.....		
Bellevue, Jena.....		
Calvary Heights, Jena.....		
Crossroads, Jena	788.13	
East Jena, Jena	334.05	70
Ebenezer, Trout	3,415.79	
Fellowship, Trout	9,377.18	2,344.31
First Mt Nebo, Jena.....	4,570.99	
First, Jena.....	7,200.00	
First, Olla	8,216.00	
First, Tullos		635
First, Urania.....		
Good Pine, Jena.....		
Hurricane Creek, Jena		
Magnolia, Jena.....	120	
Midway, Jena	1,470.40	
Mt Sinai, Jena.....		
Oak Ridge, Jena		
Pine Grove, Jena		
Pinehill, Olla.....		
Pleasant Hill, Jena	1,801.78	250
Pleasant Ridge, Olla		
Pritchard, Jonesville.....	16,730.00	
Rosefield, Grayson.....	6,898.61	
Searcy, Trout.....	23,118.58	
Summerville, Olla		
Temple, Jena.....	426	
Victory, Jena.....	150	
Zenoria, Georgetown		

Louisiana Association	CP 2024	LBC Cause
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Bayou Des Glaises, Moreauville	327	
Bayou Jack, Plaquemine		
Bayou Rouge, Evergreen.....	405	
Beulah, Cheneyville	4,608.00	
Big Cane, Morrow	4,569.36	
Calvary, Bayou Chicot.....	250	50
Centerville, St Landry.....	500	
Eola, Bunkie.....	647.84	
Fifth Ward, Marksville.....	841.44	
First Lone Pine, St Landry	3,298.92	
First, Bunkie.....	4,200.00	
First, Dupont.....		
First, Melville	655.44	
First, Simmesport.....		
Grace Community Lighthouse, Krotz Springs.....	350	
Grace Community, Lettsworth.....	215	
Hessmer, Hessmer	4,522.95	1,700.00
Life Point Community, Mansura	1,250.00	
Marksville, Marksville		
Morrow, Morrow	1,891.52	
Point of Life Comm., Plaquemine	906.14	
Refuge, Echo.....		
St James, Bunkie		
St Landry, Saint Landry	636.24	
The Church at Marksville	923.01	

Madison Association	CP 2024	LBC Causes
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First Waverly, Delhi.....	8,971.74	
First, Tallulah	16,931.00	1,702.00
Mound, Tallulah	300	
New Hope, Delhi.....	4,054.24	
Parkview, Tallulah	3,992.16	
Warsaw, Delhi.....	1,949.71	
Willow Bayou, Tallulah		

Morehouse Association	CP 2024	LBC Causes
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Bethel, Bastrop.....		
Bonita Road, Bastrop	37,254.29	600
Bonita, Bonita	500	
Cherry Ridge, Bastrop.....	19,110.16	
Faith, Bastrop	4,000.00	
Fellowship, Bastrop.....		
First, Bastrop	18,899.05	2,685.75
Greenacres, Bastrop	3,662.16	
Horseshoe, Mer Rouge	1,293.00	
New Friendship, Bastrop.....		900
New Hope, Jones.....		
Oak Hill, Bastrop	3,424.96	
Oak Ridge, Oak Ridge.....		
Pine Grove, Bastrop		
Twin Oaks, Bastrop	1,427.60	

Mt. Olive Association	CP 2024	LBC Causes
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Amiable, Glenmora		
Beaver Creek, Oakdale		
Bethany, Oakdale.....		
Bethel, Glenmora		
Calcasieu, Glenmora	1,062.08	
Calvary, Forest Hill.....		
Cornerstone, Oakdale.....		
Davis Crossing, Glenmora		
Elizabeth, Elizabeth.....	2,281.00	
Elwood, Forest Hill.....	21,074.00	
Emmanuel, Oakdale.....	4,024.30	
First, Oakdale	1,164.00	
First, Pine Prairie.....	12,082.33	
Forest Hill, Forest Hill.....	1,858.60	
Freedom, Pitkin	600	
Friendship, Pine Prairie.....		
Glenmora, Glenmora.....	15,363.04	
Gospel, Glenmora	1,414.00	238

Harmony, Glenmora	4,183.00	
Hopewell, Pitkin	626	
Humble, Pitkin.....	600	
Lake Cove, Turkey Creek	450	
Lone Star, Hineston.....		
Long Leaf, Longleaf	350	
Mt Hope, Oakdale.....	6,152.57	
New Hope, Elmer		
New Sunrise, Otis		
Oak Hill Community, Oakdale.....	269.64	
Oberlin, Oberlin	2,639.00	
Occupy One, Pitkin	298.5	
Peniel, Glenmora	541	1,082.00
Pine Grove, Elizabeth		
Pine Ridge, Melder	2,400.00	
Pisgah, Forest Hill.....		465
St. Matthew, Oakdale.....		
Trinity, Oakdale.....	3,229.36	
Trinity, Turkey Creek	1,896.02	
Union Hill, Glenmora		
Westport Friendship, Pitkin.....		

Natchitoches Association	CP 2024	LBC Causes
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Ashland, Ashland		
Bay Springs, Chopin	1,615.38	
Bellwood, Provencal.....		
Briarwood, Saline		
Calvary, Natchitoches.....	4,240.37	
Central, Robeline.....		
Christian Harmony, Natchitoches.....	294.33	
Clarence, Natchitoches	3,676.00	
Coldwater, Natchitoches	600	
Creston, Saline.....		
Cross Roads, Marthaville		
Cypress, Natchitoches		
Emmanuel, Natchitoches.....	847.08	864.08
First, Marthaville	1,349.00	
First, Natchitoches.....	27,151.53	
First, Provencal.....		
First, Robeline	1,769.00	
Good Hope, Cypress		
Gorum, Gorum	627.27	
Grace, Cloutierville.....		
Grand Ecore Road, Natchitoches	135.59	
Harmony, Provencal	119.76	119.75
Kisatchie, Provencal.....		
Old Bethel, Natchitoches	397.78	
Trinity, Natchitoches.....	500	
United, Campiti	124.98	
Westside, Natchitoches.....	26,300.82	1,020.00

New Orleans Baptist Association	CP 2024	LBC Causes
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Airline, Metairie		
Arabic Bible, New Orleans	300	
Barataria, Lafitte		
Believer's Temple of Faith, New Orleans	900	
Bethlehem Missionary, Reserve		
Bridge City, Bridge City.....	1,650.00	
Bridgedale, Metairie		
Calvary Chapel of New Orleans		
Calvary Korean, New Orleans.....		
Calvary, New Orleans.....		
Canal Street:Mosaic Community, New Orleans.....	813.08	
Carrollton Avenue, New Orleans.....		
Celebration Church (SBC), Metairie.....	15,000.00	5,000.00
Centered Church, New Orleans.....	450	
Christ, Harvey		
Christian Fellowship Cathedral, New Orleans.....		
Christian Light, New Orleans.....		
Coliseum Place, River Ridge	3,000.00	1,800.00
Conexion Calvario, New Orleans.....		
Connect Church, Algiers.....	4,128.00	
Cosmopolitan Evangelistic, New Orleans		
Crescent City Rock, New Orleans	150	
Delacroix Hope, St Bernard.....	1,544.09	88
Deliverance, New Orleans		
Edgewater, New Orleans	7,291.59	276.4
Emmanuel Spanish, Kenner.....	625	
Epiphany Missionary, New Orleans	333	
Evangelistic, New Orleans		
Faith & Glory, New Orleans		
Faith Is The Victory, Harvey	1,200.00	
First Haitian, Gretna		
First Korean, Metairie		
First Spanish American, New Orleans.....	1,500.00	
First, Avondale.....	991.27	
First, Belle Chasse.....	19,394.89	152.9
First, Chalmette.....		
First, Destrehan.....		
First, Gretna	2,363.94	100
First, Harahan.....	600	
First, Kenner	30,450.00	
First, LaPlace.....	7,277.03	
First, Luling	1,250.00	692
First, Marrero	3,926.44	
First, New Orleans.....	101,533.42	491.57
First, Norco	3,399.24	
First, Venice.....		
First, Waggaman		
First, Westwego	250	
Franklin Avenue, New Orleans.....	25,000.00	
Free Mission, New Orleans	390	
Garden City, New Orleans		
Gentilly, New Orleans.....	4,000.00	
Getsemani Hispanic, New Orleans.....	590	
Good News, Destrehan.....		300
Good Shepherd Hispanic, Metairie	2,500.00	
Hahnville, Hahnville.....		
Holy Anointed House of Prayer, New Orleans.....	200	
Iglesia Bautista Bethel, Kenner		
Iglesia Bautista Horeb, Gretna	2,400.00	600

Iglesia Celebration, Metairie		
Iglesia Cristiana Filadelfia, Metairie		
Immanuel Community, New Orleans	2,916.68	333.36
Irish Channel, New Orleans	510	
Korean Agape, Marrero.....		
Lakeshore, New Orleans.....	7,333.04	
LaVina, Kenner	300	
Level Ground, New Orleans		
Living Water, La Place		
Loving Faith, Gretna		
Loving Four, New Orleans.....		
Maranatha, La Place	1,200.00	
Memorial, Metairie	8,326.39	
Metairie, Metairie	16,609.49	
New Hope Community, Kenner	450	
New Hope East Campus, New Orleans.....	825	
New Life Spanish, Marrero.....	900	
New Orleans Chinese, Kenner.....	1,200.00	
New Pilgrim, Reserve		
New Salem, New Orleans	1,200.00	
New Testament, Harvey.....	888.25	200
New Vision, St Rose.....		
Nola, New Orleans		
Parkview, Metairie	9,080.60	694.26
Pleasant Hill, New Orleans.....		
Port Sulphur, Port Sulphur.....		
Potter's Wheel, Harvey		
Poydras, Saint Bernard.....	3,744.35	50
Rio Vista, Jefferson		
Riverside, River Ridge	10,002.00	
Shiloh Christian Fellowship, New Orleans.....	250	
St Bernard, Chalmette.....		
St Rose Community, St. Rose	4,837.57	
Still Water Southeast, Marrero		
Suburban, New Orleans.....	100	
The Forest, New Orleans		
Urban Family, New Orleans		
Vietnamese, New Orleans		
Vieux Carre', New Orleans	300	
Vintage, New Orleans		
West Marrero, Marrero		
West St Charles, Boutte	4,245.00	20
Williams Boulevard, Kenner	12,500.00	

North Central Baptist Association	CP 2024	LBC Causes
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Ansley, Quitman.....		
Atlanta, Atlanta	250	2,002.38
Beech Creek, Tullos		
Beech Springs, Quitman.....	5,927.00	
Bethlehem, Winnfield.....		
Big Creek, Winnfield	200	
Calvary, Tullos	3,141.84	
Caney Lake, Chatham	1,500.00	500
Center Point, Jonesboro	2,943.87	
Corinth, Winnfield.....		
Crews New Salem, Montgomery.....		
Cypress Creek, Dodson.....		
Dodson First, Dodson		
East Winnfield, Winnfield.....	2,816.00	
Ebenezer, Jonesboro	9,954.05	
Fellowship, Quitman		
First, Calvin.....		
First, Chatham.....		
First, Jonesboro	21,977.55	4,075.00
First, Winnfield	33,073.50	
Goldonna, Goldonna.....		
Grace, Goldonna		
Hodge, Hodge		1,387.39
Hurricane Creek, Dodson		
Lakeside, Winnfield.....	2,172.00	
Laurel Heights, Winnfield.....	150	
McDonald Memorial, Jonesboro	4,360.40	
Midway Community, Jonesboro.....		
Mill Creek, Goldonna.....		
Mt Olive, Eros		
New Jerusalem, Winnfield	1,760.50	
Pleasant Hill, Winnfield		
Quitman, Quitman.....	13,216.91	
Sardis, Winnfield		
Siloam, Dodson	2,422.00	
South Winnfield, Winnfield	14,759.82	
Southside, Jonesboro		
Springhill, Jonesboro	1,681.13	
Sweetwater, Quitman	27,000.00	
Trinity, Winnfield.....		
Union Hill, Montgomery	1,242.55	
United, Winnfield	600	600
Vernon, Ruston.....		
Walnut Ridge, Quitman		
Welcome Home, Dodson.....	2,864.89	
Weston, Jonesboro	300	
Yankee Springs, Goldonna.....		
Zion Hill, Winnfield	776.24	

North Sabine Association	CP 2024	LBC Causes
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Aimwell, Zwolle	7,216.84	
Bethsadia, Many		
Calvary, Many.....	11,097.87	
Carson, Zwolle		
Cedar Grove, Robeline.....	516.75	
Emmanuel, Pleasant Hill		
Fellowship, Converse	2,658.96	664.75
First Ft Jesup, Many	291.16	
First, Converse	600	
First, Pleasant Hill.....		
First, Zwolle.....	7,969.96	1,094.15
Friendship, Many	49.85	
Lakeside, Converse		
Lakeview, Noble		
Memorial, Zwolle.....		
Midway, Converse.....	326.93	

North Sabine Association (Continued)

Mt Zion First, Many		
Noble, Noble		
Old Pisgah, Marthaville		
Pilgrims Rest, Many		
San Patricio, Converse	281.72	
Shady Grove, Noble		
Spring Ridge, Pleasant Hill	704.28	
Union Springs, Converse	992	
Union, Belmont		

Northeast Louisiana Association CP 2024 LBC Causes

Bayou Oaks, Monroe.....	300	
Berean, Monroe.....		
Bethel, West Monroe		
Bosco, Monroe		
Calvary, Monroe		
Cedar Crest, West Monroe	134,192.70	
Center Point, West Monroe		
Cheniere, West Monroe	10,637.36	
ChristWay, Monroe		
Clark Springs, Eros	4,787.05	957.4
Community, West Monroe	11,346.00	
Cypress, West Monroe	4,783.65	
Emmanuel, Monroe	1,343.78	
Fair Park, West Monroe	74,825.97	
First, Calhoun	15,790.42	208.8
First, Monroe	35,119.83	
First, Sterlington	16,899.45	
First, West Monroe	72,000.00	8,000.00
Grace, Monroe	6,109.10	
Highland Park, Monroe		
Highland, West Monroe	20,767.21	
Indian Village Community, Calhoun		
Jerusalem, Calhoun		200
Lakeshore, Monroe	17,366.63	
Liberty, Calhoun	545	
Lighthouse, Monroe		
Loch Arbor, Monroe		
McClendon, West Monroe	15,537.38	45,122.49
Memorial, Monroe		459.04
Mt Vernon, West Monroe	19,795.54	
New Chapel Hill, West Monroe	18,561.74	
New Hope, Monroe	1,500.00	355
New Light, Monroe	3,923.15	
North Hills, West Monroe	2,100.00	
North LA Cowboy Church, West Monroe	1,521.70	
North Monroe, Monroe	49,999.98	200
Northeast Hispanic, West Monroe		
Oak Grove, Eros	13,933.89	
Ouachita, West Monroe	9,000.00	20
Parkview, Monroe	9,832.00	
Pine Hills, West Monroe		
Ridge Avenue, West Monroe	4,186.45	
Riverview, West Monroe	348	
Swartz First Baptist	33,420.55	667.4
The Crossing, West Monroe	759.06	
Victory, Monroe	6,600.00	
Watson, West Monroe	2,400.00	

Northshore Baptist Association CP 2024 LBC Causes

Antioch, Tickfaw		
Bayou, Slidell	4,070.00	
Bedico, Ponchatoula	29,494.00	3,544.00
Bethlehem, Albany	4,382.95	8,434.73
Blood River, Albany	7,017.75	
Bogue Falaya, Folsom		941.23
Calvary, Slidell	5,540.51	
Christ Community, Covington		
Coburn, Hammond		
Collins Boulevard, Covington	125	90
Countryside, Tickfaw		
Covenant, Slidell	500	
Creekside, Loranger		
Cristo para Todos, Natalbany		
Cross Brand Cowboy,Loranger	350.5	244.68
Crossgate First, Robert	665	
Crossroads, Hammond	2,522.90	
Ebenezer, Hammond	7,139.98	
Emmaus, Tickfaw		
Evans Creek, Pearl River		834.73
First, Albany	5,383.87	
First, Covington	199,999.98	13,033.63
First, Folsom	12,069.96	577.07
First, Hammond	1,124.95	
First, Independence	500	
First, Madisonville	855.45	
First, Mandeville	30,000.00	
First, Pearl River	14,265.37	121.05
First, Ponchatoula	33,522.21	6,098.39
First, Slidell	32,889.00	
First, Springfield	3,513.21	
First, Tickfaw		
French Corner, Ponchatoula	2,948.82	
Grace Community, Mandeville	1,253.30	
Grace Fellowship, Tickfaw		
Grace Memorial, Slidell	42,373.00	1,772.55
Hebron, Bush	4,970.95	195
Iglesia Cristo Redentor, Mandeville	1,000.00	
Immanuel, Hammond	2,369.02	
Jerusalem, Hammond	7,837.22	790
Killian First, Springfield		
Lee Hill, Folsom		
Lee Valley, Loranger		
Life Church, Mandeville		
Lighthouse, Independence		
Loranger, Loranger	11,285.93	
Manchac, Akers		
Midway, Ponchatoula		
Millville, Ponchatoula		
Mt Calvary, Independence	309.38	

Natalbany, Natalbany	1,011.83	420
New Beginning, Bush	1,200.00	75
New Beulah, Hammond	3,886.74	1,674.09
New Hope, Independence		
New Life Community, Covington	1,659.00	
New Zion, Covington		33,062.93
Northshore, Slidell	14,585.00	
Northside, Slidell	2,026.56	
Old Zion Hill, Independence	-	11,972.47
Red Bluff, Folsom	10,671.90	
Redemption Christian Center, Hammond		
Redemption, Lacombe	17,164.14	2,939.94
Ridge Memorial, Slidell		
Springville, Livingston	2,157.84	
St James, Madisonville		
Still Water, Hammond		
SweetWater, Abita Springs	4,155.45	600
Tammany Hills, Covington	809.29	
The Bridge Church, Madisonville	1,600.00	
Thompson Road, Slidell	7,803.20	
Trinity, Hammond	13,035.00	
True Life, Slidell	300	1,000.00
Victory, Hammond		
Wardline, Hammond		
Westside, Ponchatoula	15,508.11	
Woodhaven, Tickfaw	490	
Woodland Park, Hammond		1,478.60
Woodland, Springfield		

Northwest Louisiana Association CP 2024 LBC Causes

Airline, Bossier City	18,000.00	50
Ban Suk Korean, Bossier City	3,600.00	4,000.00
Baptist Bible Fellowship, Shreveport	3,500.00	
Barksdale, Bossier City	10,025.90	
Belcher, Belcher	10,130.88	25
Bellaire, Bossier City	12,000.00	1,487.00
Belle Park, Haughton	5,030.87	
Bellevue Road, Haughton		
Bethany, Bethany	8,526.81	
Bethesda, Shreveport		
Bethsaida, Ida		
Beulah Land, Haughton		
Broadacres, Shreveport		
Broadmoor Hispanic, Shreveport		
Broadmoor, Shreveport	305,301.57	2,720.15
Brookwood, Shreveport	45,174.53	7,639.35
Caddo Prairie, Hosston	1,079.70	
Calvary, Shreveport	6,293.05	
Chinese, Shreveport	1,200.00	
Countryside, Keithville	600	
Cross Point, Benton	8,520.89	4,136.00
Cypress, Benton	159,606.00	
Eastwood, Haughton	14,000.00	
Ellerbe, Shreveport	73,095.73	2,550.00
Elm Grove, Bossier City	3,078.85	
Emmanuel, Shreveport	64,884.28	100.01
Faith Baptist Fellowship, Bossier City		
Fellowship, Benton	344.38	
Ferry Lake, Oil City	893.69	
First, Benton	7,282.00	3
First, Blanchard	23,894.20	3
First, Bossier City	200	
First, Greenwood	1,326.51	25
First, Haughton	141,194.43	16,018.04
First, Keithville	27,893.00	1,070.00
First, Oil City	500	
First, Princeton	3,345.90	
First, Shreveport	17,249.14	11,210.86
First, Vivian	18,887.50	
Ford Park, Shreveport	3,018.24	800
Freedom Church, Bossier City		
Gethsemane, Shreveport		
Gospel Light, Shreveport		
Grace Cross Lake, Shreveport	1,462.50	
Grawood, Keithville	5,757.37	100
Gray, Jefferson (TX)	1,576.70	
Hana, Bossier City	300	
Haynes Avenue, Shreveport	8,475.60	
Heritage, Shreveport		
Ida, Ida		2,006.39
Iglesia Bautista del Calvario, Shreveport	1,059.50	
Iglesia Bautista Ebenezer, Shreveport		
Kingston Road, Shreveport		
Koran, Haughton		
Lakeview, Shreveport		
Liberty, Shreveport		
Lighthouse, Shreveport		
Memorial Baptist Chapel, Elm Grove		1,000.00
Mission Point, Stonewall	4,557.00	
Mooringsport, Mooringsport	11,027.56	
Mt Gilead, Vivian		644.51
Narrow Gate, Vivian	3,495.37	
New Beginning Missionary, Bossier City		
New Bethel, Rocky Mount		
New Birth, Shreveport		430
New Elizabeth Missionary, Shreveport		
New Zion, Bossier		
Norris Ferry, Shreveport	72,969.39	
North Keithville, Keithville	2,822.59	
North Shreve, Shreveport		4,877.02
Northstar, Shreveport		
Northwoods, Shreveport		
Oak Hill, Plain Dealing	1,200.71	
Open Road Fellowship, Haughton		
Pilgrim Home, Benton		
Pinecroft, Shreveport		
Plain Dealing, Plain Dealing	13,400.12	
Praise Temple, Shreveport		
Providence Road, Shreveport	999.96	
Red River, Benton	4,570.33	
Redeemer, Keithville	350	
Rose Park, Shreveport	23,782.68	

Salem, Plain Dealing		
Shreve City, Shreveport	1,652.02	
South Bossier, Bossier City	11,225.66	
Springs of Grace, Shreveport	250	
St James Missionary, Shreveport		
Summer Grove, Shreveport	66,000.00	
The Covenant Church, Benton	1,723.20	
Tower, Mooringsport		
Trees, Vivian	6,098.42	
Trinity Heights, Shreveport	49,987.97	
United Outreach, Shreveport	300	
Western Hills, Shreveport		
Westlake, Shreveport		
Westwood, Keithville	807	
Willow Point, Shreveport	2,121.53	
Woodland Hills, Shreveport		
Woodridge, Shreveport	42,825.44	

Ouachita Association CP 2024 LBC Causes

Acme, Acme		
Aimwell, Aimwell		
Bird's Creek, Harrisonburg	1,264.96	
Dunbarton, Ferriday		
Evangeline, Wildsville	120	
Faith, Clayton	867	
First, Harrisonburg	16,346.94	
First, Jonesville		
First, Sicily Island	3,548.60	
Grace, Jonesville	1,800.00	
Lake Lilly, Jonesville	1,204.80	
Larto, Jonesville		
Lismore, Jonesville	289.06	
Monterey First, Monterey	7,453.70	
Mt Hermon, Jonesville		
New Era, Monterey	10,249.00	
New Ouachita, Enterprise	6,984.00	
Norris Hill, Sicily Island	121	
Oak Grove, Jonesville	4,201.00	
Parhams, Jonesville		
Patton, Jonesville	250	
Pine Hill, Sicily Island	1,250.00	
Pisgah, Jonesville	291.28	
Pleasant Grove, Jonesville	2,543.00	
Prosperity, Jonesville		
Ridgecrest, Ridgecrest		
Standard, Olla		
Utility, Jonesville		
Wallace Ridge, Jonesville	300	

Red River Association CP 2024 LBC Causes

Bethel, Coushatta		
Fairview, Coushatta	56,592.52	
First, Coushatta	75,824.03	
Harmon, Coushatta	200	
Hickory Grove, Coushatta	300	
Liberty, Coushatta	786	
Martin, Coushatta		
Mount Zion, Coushatta		
Open Door Fellowship, Coushatta	12,790.06	
Social Springs, Ringgold		
Springhill, Ringgold	38,003.10	
Union Hall, Coushatta		

Richland Association CP 2024 LBC Causes

Alto, Rayville	7,500.00	
Antioch, Rayville	900	
Bethel, Rayville		
Bethlehem, Mangham	154	
Boeuf River, Rayville		
Calvary, Mangham	2,942.00	
Cedar, Archibald	250	
Dunn, Delhi	2,990.00	
Eastside, Rayville		
First, Archibald	2,025.00	
First, Delhi	13,600.00	
First, Rayville	94,078.10	
Hegwood, Epps		
Holly Ridge, Rayville		
Lone Cherry, Mangham		
Mangham, Mangham	25,851.78	
New Light, Mangham	996	
Newton, Delhi		
Rayville Baptist Christian, Rayville		
Robinson, Delhi		
Start, Start	17,126.00	
Welcome Home, Hebert	1,661.87	
West New Home, Rayville	2,497.10	
Westside Of Delhi, Delhi		
Woodlawn, Rayville	3,100.54	
Zebedee, Rayville		

Sabine Association CP 2024 LBC Causes

Alford Heights, Many	2,075.00	
Antioch, Florien	1,798.00	
Beulah, Many	3,531.00	
Christian, Florien	82.97	
Ebenezer, Florien	150	
First, Florien	1,496.57	
First, Hornbeck	12,491.44	
First, Many	10,690.43	
Fisher, Fisher		
Harmony Cove, Florien	297.57	
Lakeside, Many	1,417.65	
Little Flock, Many		
Middle Creek, Florien		
Mt Carmel, Florien	11,358.93	
Oak Hill, Many		
Pine Grove, Florien	1,574.00	
Pisgah, Florien		
Plainview, Florien	1,230.75	
Pleasant Hill, Florien	1,288.28	



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Sabine Association (Continued)

Siloam, Many	1,016.18	
Toro, Florian		
Trinity, Many		
Warren, Many		
Zion Hill, Negreet	2,523.57	

Two Rivers AssociationCP 2024LBC Causes

Bethel, Kentwood	660	
Chappapeela, Amite		
Community, Greensburg		
Crossroad Fellowship, Amite		
Darlington, Greensburg		
First, Amite	12,445.80	600
First, Greensburg	3,485.44	
First, Kentwood	32,700.61	2,050.00
First, Roseland		
Friendship, Amite	1,648.80	
Grangeville, Pine Grove		
Greenlaw, Kentwood	404	
Hillsdale, Amite	1,824.70	300
Kedron, Amite	3,417.90	
Lewiston, Kentwood		
Line Creek, Kentwood	7,987.00	
Montpelier, Montpelier	2,500.00	
Mt Nebo, Roseland		
New Sharon, Husser	4,685.22	1,171.32
New Zion, Kentwood	9,068.16	800
Pleasant Hill, Pine Grove	1,300.00	
Red Bluff, Greensburg		
Spring Creek, Kentwood	19,471.61	270
Tangipahoa, Kentwood	1,609.28	
Taylor Creek, Kentwood	2,018.00	

Vernon Baptist AssociationCP 2024LBC Causes

Antioch, Slagle	750	382
Big Hammock, Leander		
Calvary, Leesville		
Canaan, Leesville	8,205.00	710
Castor, Leesville	281.26	
Cold Springs, Anacoco		
Comrade, Temple	159	
Cooper, Leesville	1,459.09	6,001.32
Crystal Springs, Anacoco		
East Leesville, Leesville	34,835.39	1,820.32
First, Anacoco	23,659.11	1,083.35
First, Leesville	15,093.00	
First, Pitkin	1,565.03	99.96
Flactor, Leesville	2,693.28	
Freedom Rest, Anacoco		
Fullerton, Pitkin		
Galilee, Evans	3,161.86	
Good Hope, Anacoco	500	
Gravel Hill, Pitkin	1,422.10	
Laurel Hill, Leesville	600	
Leesville Korean, Leesville	550	450
Mount Bethel, Leesville	300	
Mt Carmel, DeRidder	857.7	
Mt Moriah, Hineston	2,250.00	450
Mt Olive, Pitkin		
New Birth, Leesville		
Oak Forest, Leesville	600	
Old Anacoco, Leesville	3,399.88	
Pine Grove, Mora		
Pine Hill, Leesville		

Pine Land, Mora		
Pisgah, Clifton		
Pleasant View, Hornbeck		
Prewitts Chapel, Hornbeck	2,157.45	
Sandy Hill, Leesville	3,348.96	
Silver Creek, Leesville	700	
Simpson, Simpson	4,623.00	
Slagle, Slagle	1,054.35	50
South Park, Leesville		
Spanish Branch, Mora		
Sunny Hill, Leesville		

Washington AssociationCP 2024LBC Causes

Angie, Angie	14,958.98	
Bethel, Franklinton	4,883.82	224.7
Bogue Chitto Heights, Franklinton		
Bogue Chitto, Mount Hermon	7,220.00	
Bonner Creek, Franklinton	1,220.88	
Briarwood, Franklinton	3,309.25	30
Clifton, Franklinton	4,734.95	2,758.00
Cornerstone, Bogalusa		
Enon, Franklinton	10,256.04	
First, Bogalusa	13,908.17	
First, Franklinton	38,796.00	
First, Sun	480	
Hays Creek, Franklinton		130
Highland, Bogalusa	3,063.60	
Hillcrest, Franklinton	7,915.46	
Isabel, Bogalusa	637.7	
Lee's Creek, Bogalusa	14,992.45	
Main Street, Bogalusa		
Memorial, Bogalusa	5,613.52	560.59
Monroe Street, Bogalusa	2,649.00	
Mt Hermon, Mt Hermon	6,637.08	
Mt Pisgah, Mount Hermon	75	
Mt Pleasant, Bogalusa		
Nueva Vida en Cristo, Bogalusa	100.2	
Palestine, Bogalusa		
Pine First, Pine	5,522.81	
Plainview, Bogalusa	6,479.79	-
Pleasant Hill, Bogalusa		
Springhill, Franklinton	639	175
Sunlight, Franklinton	6,572.70	
Sunny Hill, Mount Hermon		
Superior Avenue, Bogalusa	15,172.89	410
Thomas Baptist, Franklinton	2,470.25	
Trinity, Franklinton	2,447.41	
Victory, Franklinton	820.18	172.67
Westside Emmanuel, Bogalusa	750	

Webster Claiborne AssociationCP 2024LBC Causes

Antioch, Minden		
Beech Springs, Minden	3,662.27	
Bistineau, Heflin	1,996.72	1,996.78
Calvary, Homer	7,549.00	
Calvary, Springhill	4,446.32	
Central, Springhill	33,602.02	
Emmanuel, Arcadia	6,088.88	
Emmanuel, Minden	7,481.00	645
FBC, Cotton Valley	2,367.40	
Fellowship, Dubberly		
First, Doyline	748.21	50
First, Haynesville	22,841.06	605
First, Homer	18,480.00	
First, Minden	50,924.86	10,859.27

First, Sibley		
Fryeburg, Dubberly	5,121.90	150
Germantown, Minden		
Hebron, Summerfield	520	100
Heflin, Heflin	12,453.09	
Holly Springs, Homer	1,279.19	500
Midway, Sarepta	602.49	
Mount Paran, Shongaloo	9,210.66	
Mt Olive, Athens	1,800.00	
New Hope, Homer		
New Sarepta, Sarepta	4,500.00	75
North Acres, Minden	18,423.36	50
Old Union, Shongaloo		
Pilgrim's Rest, Doyline		
Pleasure Point, Homer	1,074.38	
Rocky Springs, Lisbon	18,818.77	
Ruple, Haynesville	393.29	
Summerfield, Summerfield		
Temple, Springhill	150	
Union Springs, Shongaloo		
Unity, Cotton Valley	2,177.52	
West Lake, Doyline	5,664.00	

William Wallace AssociationCP 2024LBC Causes

Bethany of Baywood, Clinton		
Bluff Creek, Clinton	14,511.00	300
Eastside, Zachary	40	160
Ethel, Ethel	9,507.30	
Felician, Clinton		
First, Clinton	1,322.25	
First, Jackson	19,208.87	99.08
First, Slaughter	6,612.00	
First, St Francisville	46,389.03	1,150.00
First, Wilson	525	
First, Zachary	132,809.00	1,200.00
Galilee, Zachary	13,823.01	522
Grace, Angola		
Milldale, Zachary		
Norwood, Norwood		2,274.08
Plank Road, Slaughter		
Port Hudson, Jackson	750	
Providence 1, Ethel		
Redwood, Slaughter	3,125.00	750
Sandy Creek, Pride		
Second, Jackson	1,057.88	
Tunica Hills, Tunica		
Wakefield, Wakefield		

Other ChurchesCP 2024LBC Causes

CrossPoint, West Monroe	2,126.50	
Dixie, Sieper		225
Eastside, Ponchatoula		
Family Church, Kenner	1,800.00	
Heart of Worship, Pineville	250	
Mt Bethel, Baton Rouge		
New Covenant, Baton Rouge		
New Hope, Slidell		
Temple of New Life, East Baton Rouge		
The Church of The Highlands, Baton Rouge		
The Father's House, West Monroe		
The Refuge, Shreveport	898.23	1,796.46
Unity, Opelousas		
Victory, Plaquemine		



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