

Ponderings From the Pastor

It's time to get 'back to normal'

By Brad Taylor

We have minimized the number of activities and events due to the pandemic. However, it is time to begin moving beyond those restrictions. We will begin slowly implementing pre-pandemic activities again.

The first of these will be Sunday evening prayer meeting. This weekly meeting will begin again 6 p.m. Sunday, March 20 in the fellowship hall. The main focus of each meeting will be praying for the needs of our church family and friends.

Following prayer time, we will learn about a different missionary that is supported by our

church. Our time will conclude with a short devotional.

Here are more upcoming activities and events:

Noon Day Meal — We will be feeding the Baptist Collegiate Ministry students of Rogers State University at the Rogers Baptist Association office at 11 a.m. April 6.

Movie Night — On April 10, the film "Jesus" from Sight and Sound Theater will be shown.

Egg Hunt — April 17 following Morning Worship Service.

Fellowship — May 15 Fish Fry Fundraiser following Morning

Worship to raise money for Preteen Summer Day Camp.

Home Missions — May 17, Senior Breakfast for Catoosa High School Seniors. We are expecting 100 graduates.

Youth Camp — June 13-18 Falls Creek.

Vacation Bible School — June 26 -30.

Teen Day Camp — July 11-14.

Come get involved. If you have been away during the pandemic, we have been missing you!

If you are part of a committee or ministry, it's time to get busy and serve the Lord and His people.



News Notes

Children's Church needs two adults to "just be in the classroom" on the second and third Sundays. See Donna Foster if you can help.

Also, a volunteer is needed to open the Coffee Shop when Donna can't be there ... free coffee!



There Is Joy In The House Of The Lord



Submitted by Mindy Taylor

The NIV has 244 instances where joy is mentioned in some form. Do you think God loves joy? Lol!

The Worship Team is working on a new song entitled "House of the Lord" which sings about joy. Here are the lyrics to it:

We worship the God who was; We worship the God who is; We worship the God who evermore will be; He opened the prison doors; He parted the raging sea; My God, He holds the victory; (Chorus) There's joy in the house of the Lord; There's joy in the house of the Lord today; And we won't be quiet; We shout out Your praise; We sing to the God who heals; We sing to the God who saves; We sing to the God who

always makes a way; Cause He hung up on that cross; Then He rose up from that grave; My God's still rolling stones away; {Chorus}.

We have every reason to make an excuse to be negative and down because we are in this world BUT we are not OF this world. Romans 12:2 says: Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.

Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is — His good, pleasing and perfect will.

So, let's get up and get to church and shout out His praise! Because He deserves it!

March Daily Bible Reading plan to read the Bible through in 2022

The book-at-a-time Bible reading plan provides two readings for each day. The first reading alternates between Old and New Testament books, giving you three or four chapters a day. The Gospels are spread throughout the year. The second reading takes you through a chapter or so of the wisdom literature and Isaiah. Combined, these readings will take you through the entire Bible in one year. To prevent the frustration of falling behind and to provide some reflection time, each month consists of only 25 readings. You'll have several days each month to meditate more deeply on something that was significant to you in the past week, to catch up on missed readings, or to revisit favorite passages.

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March 10	<input type="checkbox"/> 22-24	<input type="checkbox"/> 17:1-14									

Or read John 1-5 each day.

March 2022

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Sat

		1 Ladena Kibbe bday	2	3	4 Adult Game Day 11am-2pm Ewomen Conference at ORU	5
6 Brian Holloway & Jonathon Treesh bdays	7 Rogers Baptist Association Annual Meeting FBC Claremore 2:30pm	8	9 Patty Ast bday	10 Crafty Ladies 10am-2pm	11 Terry Gerhard & Taylor Shepard bdays	12
13 Daylight Saving Time begins	14	15	16 Spring Break No Youth or AWANA	17	18	19
20 Evening Prayer Service begins	21	22 Sandra Henry bday	23	24 Crafty Ladies 10am-2pm	25 David Moreau bday	26 Donna Edmundson bday
27	28 Debbie Santmyer bday	29	30 Wanda Jones bday	31 Connie Jones bday		

OGBC Youth News

Submitted by Matt Shepard

In March, we look forward to getting back to some normalcy and consistency.

On Sunday, Feb. 27, following service we plan on having a blast bowling with great fellowship! Later this month, we are planning a movie at the church after service (March 27).

I've come across this quote, and it's so true: "Investing in today's youth is necessary in growing the body of Christ. Teaching young people in the church to grow in their relationship with the Lord prepares them to serve Christ in all they do. As a result, this nurtures the congregation and allows the church to flourish."

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the youth, please feel free to contact me at: ogbc.mshepard@gmail.com.

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March Sermon Calendar

March 6 — What Cannot Be Shaken
March 13 — A Faith Failure
March 20 — The Great Escape
March 27 — Following God as Our Guide Every Day

March Van Schedule

March 2 — Brittaney Day, Keith Hardison, Sharon Lee, Mike and Gail Mayfield
March 9 — Brittaney Day, Keith Hardison, Sharon Lee, Mike and Gail Mayfield
March 16 — Spring Break
March 23 — Brittaney Day, Keith Hardison, Sharon Lee, Mike and Gail Mayfield
March 30 — Brittaney Day, Keith Hardison, Sharon Lee, Mike and Gail Mayfield