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LIBERTY BAPTIST CHURCH MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Liberty Rings

Holiness in the Church

Dear Church Family,

In recent months I have written to you about the topic of holiness. First of all, we considered the matter of “Growing in Holiness” and the lifelong process of sanctification. Next, we looked at “Holy Scripture and a Holy Life” about the role of the Bible in making us more like Christ. In this article I want us to think about the importance of holiness in our church family. This is a timely subject since we are celebrating our 35th year anniversary as Liberty Baptist Church on Sunday, October 15. It is helpful to be reminded that God has called us to be a holy people.

What does it mean for the church to be holy? The word “holy” means set apart for God. The word “saints” means holy ones or those who are set apart. Our LBC family has been set apart to represent God and glorify Him through our worship and service. The word “church” means a called-out body. God has called us out from the world and unto Himself. We are God’s special people who have been redeemed by the blood of Christ to glorify Him on the earth. Here are a few texts that highlight the high and holy calling of the church:

Ephesians 5:25-27 ²⁵ *Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church, and gave Himself for her* ²⁶ *that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word,* ²⁷ *that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish.*

1 Peter 1:15-16 ¹⁵ *But as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct;* ¹⁶ *because it is written, “Be holy; for I am holy.”*

1 Peter 2:9-10 ⁹ *But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people; that you may proclaim the praises of Him*

Pastor’s Paragraph

who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light: ¹⁰ who once were not a people but are now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy.

Holiness in the church is a reality only when the individual members are living holy lives. All LBC members are called to live as saints. God expects our conduct to match up with our calling.

As we mark this special 35th anniversary of LBC let us all examine our lives and renew our commitment to holy living and service unto our holy Lord and Savior.

Thankful for you,
Pastor Stan



October Is Pastor Appreciation Month

Thank You Pastor Stan, We appreciate YOU !

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By His Grace and For His Glory

Student Ministry News



ADVENTURE CLUB

Meets on Wednesday Evenings

6:00 p.m. for students 1 1/2 yrs thru 12th Grade

We meet in the MPC Building.

Please remember to bring your BIBLE & Book

If you have any questions please see

Josh or Mary Bowman



Fall Festival and Trunkin' & Treatin'
Friday, October 20th 6:00PM



Hobo Stew and
Family Night
Friday, Nov. 10th
at 6:00p.m.

Pastor Appreciation Sunday

October 15th

There will be a display table for gifts & cards in the foyer

10 Ways YOU can minister to Our Pastor

- Be a ***faithful servant*** to Jesus Christ and our church
- ***Pray*** for Pastor Stan every day
- ***Visit*** someone in the hospital
- ***Call*** a Homebound (Shut-In) church member
- ***Smile*** a little during the sermon
- ***Support*** our church financially
- ***Defend*** our pastor against critics
- ***Listen*** and apply scripture
- Attend ***Bible Study***
- Attend ***Sunday School***

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LIBERTY BAPTIST CHURCH

Thankful, Grateful, & Blessed

Join us in celebration of Our Church's 35 years
of service in the community
& our Pastor Appreciation for his service to LBC
Sunday, October 15, 2023

Join us for a Fellowship Meal - Immediately following Worship
LBC will provide the meat, mashed potatoes, vegetable & drinks!
Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.





**Sponsor a basket
For a local family!**

In partnership with Second Harvest Food Bank and 88.3 WCQR,

Liberty Baptist Church is asking you to help us make sure our LBC Food Pantry families have wonderful Thanksgiving meal.

For a small donation of \$25, you can provide a Thanksgiving feast for a family in need.

Our goal is to feed 100 families.

Donations accepted until Nov. 15th.

Help us to share God's love with others this Thanksgiving



Recommended Resources: **LOGOS Bible App** for commentaries, studies, devotionals, and readings.



**Way of the Master
Evangelism Training & Visitation - Join Us
Each Tuesday evening @ 6:00pm
Classes for everyone**



**LBC FOOD PANTRY
Monday, October 2nd @ 12:30 pm
Drive-Thru
Volunteers please arrive at 11:45am**

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



It's time to really start gathering up those goodies for the

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

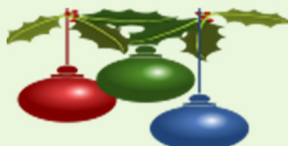
Liberty Baptist continues to serve as a drop-off location in our area.

November 13th-20th

Volunteers are needed. Please plan to participate in the OCC. For more information please contact JoAnne Hughes at the church office 423-764-5673

A small shoebox can have a big impact.

What goes into the box is fun, but what comes out of it is eternal. Be a part of changing children's lives all over the world in Jesus' Name through the power of a simple gift with Operation Christmas Child.



Do Not Include

Candy; toothpaste; gum;
used or damaged items;

scary or war-related items such as toy

guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate

or food; seeds; fruit rolls or other fruit

snacks; drink mixes (powdered or liquid);

liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins;

breakable items such as snow globes or

glass containers; aerosol cans.

This Month in Church History

826 BC – Tishrei (October) - Dedication of Temple: Tishrei 8, 826 BC, marks the day that King Solomon dedicated the First Temple. The First Temple replaced the Tabernacle as the central place of worship and sacrificed for the children of Israel and stood for over 400 years. 1 Kings 8

1492 – Columbus reaches an island in what will become known as the West Indies. His writings show he intended to bring the gospel as well as pursue his secular ends.

1517 – October 31 – Martin Luther nails a challenge to a debate on the Wittenberg church door. It consists of ninety-five statements, or theses, against the practice of indulgences—theses which he is willing to defend. **The theses will be widely distributed and precipitate the Reformation.**

1536 – William Tyndale is strangled and burned at Vilvoorde Castle (not far from Brussels) for his Protestant views and efforts to translate the Bible into English.

1635 – Roger Williams is sentenced to banishment by Massachusetts for his religious views. In exile, he will found Rhode Island on principles of “freedom of conscience” and in 1638, founded the First Baptist Church in America in Providence, RI.

1647– The Larger Westminster Catechism is completed.

1664 – Benjamin Keach is hauled before a magistrate and accused of scandalous behavior for printing a Baptist primer for children. Keach was also a signer of the 1689 London Confession of Faith.

1744 – October 5 – David Brainerd, who had been expelled from Yale for criticizing a tutor and attending a forbidden revival meeting, began missionary work with Native Americans along New Jersey's Susquehanna River. Jonathan Edwards' biography of Brainerd was very influential in promoting world missions and inspired many readers to become missionaries. That biography was an important book in the spiritual journey of William Carey. Brainerd died in October of 1747 at the age of 29 from tuberculosis.

1792 – William Carey, John Rylands, and ten other Baptist pastors form the Particular-Baptist Society for Propagating the Gospel among the Heathen which will send Carey to India. They pass around Andrew Fuller's snuff box to collect pledges for the mission.

1857 – On October 7, Spurgeon preaches to his largest congregation ever, more than twenty-three thousand (23,654), at the Crystal Palace in London.

1873 – Baptist missionary Lottie Moon arrives in China. She will say, “If I had a thousand lives, I would give them all for the women of China.”

1877 – English hymnwriter Frances Havergal writes the words to the hymn “Who Is on the Lord's Side?”

1987 – A volume of Gutenberg's original Bible is sold at auction at Christie's for \$5.39 million, one of the largest sums ever paid for a printed book. Ironically, Gutenberg had not profited from his invention of printing because his press was seized for debts.



AVOID

WARNING! FALSE TEACHER - “Pastor” Greg Locke

(founder of Global Vision Bible Church in Mount Juliet, TN; internet preacher and large social media following)

Charismatic and “deliverance ministry” associated with witches and demons;

Partners with false teachers such as Benny Hinn, Paula White & Jentzen Franklin;

Author of books that are unbiblical; Left his wife for church secretary; makes “prophesies” that do not come true; self-described “demon slayer”; no accountability to congregation or oversight by deacons, elders; false NAR theology, teaches false gospel.

[Source: Pulpit & Pen; Justin Peters, others]

October

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Judy Thomas	10/01
Riley Smith	10/03
JoAnne Hughes	10/04
Rachel Morrison	10/04
Dwayne Chafin	10/08
Karen (DeWalt) Lenkway	10/11



Diane Harr	10/13
Elias Killion	10/13
Brenda White	10/13
Chelsey Bowman	10/14
Stevan Cox	10/15
Myrna Darby	10/15
Jeremy Leonard	10/15
Anna Worley	10/15

Jerry "Doc" Davis	10/16
Jacob Leonard	10/16
Kelli Johnson	10/25
Scott Pendergrass	10/26
David Bowman	10/30

FINANCIAL UPDATE AND HARVEST OFFERING

For most of 2023 our weekly giving has not kept pace with our budget needs, but thankfully we have been able to reduce church expenses and stay under budget. During the months of October and November we are asking every LBC member to give a special "Harvest Offering" to help us "catch up." Pray about our need and your personal gift to our Harvest Offering. Please give cheerfully and generously as the Lord has prospered you, and also mark your gift as "Harvest Offering" on your tithing envelope or check.



Thankful for your prayers
and faithful
participation,
Pastor Stan

YTD Budget Giving	\$ 229,482
YTD Budget Needs	\$ 297,570
YTD Building Fund	\$ 9,002



VETERAN'S DAY RECOGNITION Sunday, Nov. 5th

We will be recognizing all veterans during the AM Worship service that day. Any new members who have served in the Armed Forces are asked to submit their name, rank and branch of service to the church office to be included in a special honorary mention in the weekly bulletin.

Thank you to all the veterans that are serving, have served, or will be serving their call to duty to protect our country and our freedom. May God bless each and everyone of you, and a special thanks to all their families that have sacrificed.



Quote: A.W. Tozer

The child of God must be completely obedient to the Word of the Lord. The driver on the highway is safe...not when he reads the signs, but when he obeys them."