



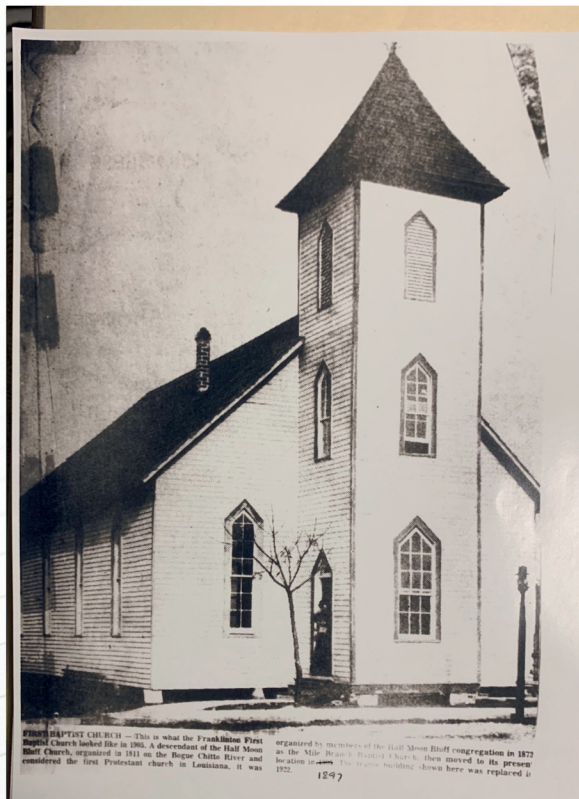
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THE BRIDGE

A FAITH FAMILY NEWSLETTER
FOR FBC FRANKLINTON



150 YEARS



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH — This is what the Franklinton First Baptist Church looked like in 1902. A descendant of the Hall Moss Bluff Church, organized in 1811 on the Bayou Chite River and considered the first Protestant church in Louisiana, it was organized by members of the Hall Moss Bluff congregation in 1877 as the Mile Road Baptist Church. They moved to its present location in 1890. The frame building shown here was repaired in 1922.

Dear First Baptist Church Family,

God has been moving in our church. We have seen people come to faith in Christ and follow the Lord in believers' baptism as well as joining our church. In addition, we are sensing a greater level of unity as we press on to reach our community with the gospel.

We are in the series of messages right now on the book of Philemon. The letter is one of the shortest books in the entire Bible, containing a most profound message on forgiveness. Forgiving other people is never easy but it is a necessary spiritual skill that enables us to grow in Christlikeness.

On October 22nd, *Fair Sunday*, we will have Team Jesus Sunday. Please wear your favorite team's color or jersey and join us for breakfast at 9:00 a.m. for food and fellowship. Then, one combined worship service will take place at 10:00 a.m. Our Sunday School classes will not meet during that Sunday. It will be an incredible time for fellowship and edification. Come join us!

I have learned just a few days ago that this year marks 150 years that First Baptist Church has been in existence. Therefore, we have decided to celebrate the 150-year anniversary of God's faithfulness to First Baptist Church of Franklinton on November 12. Bro. Paul Watts will preach our message then.

IN HIM,

Dr. Jake

Jake Roudkovski
Transitional Pastor
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TO EVERYTHING A SEASON

REV. JOEY MILLER, ASSOCIATE PASTOR OF PASTORAL CARE

TO
EVERYTHING
THERE
IS A SEASON,
A TIME
FOR EVERY
PURPOSE
UNDER
HEAVEN

—
ECCLESIASTES
3:1



THE SEASON FOR FUN AND FELLOWSHIP – Branson 2023

THE SEASON FOR THE FAIR:

We celebrated the fair by raising the fair flag and had our September 29th SAM Luncheon with Kaye Ladner as our guest speaker, sharing news of the upcoming fair. Now, let's enjoy the fall season at the Washington Parish Free Fair October 18-22. Join us on the church's front porch to watch the parade. Remember to join us at Half Moon Bluff as we sing in the church, serve coffee at Mile Branch Settlement, and serve water at the Washington Baptist Association water booth. Enjoy the fair and share the joy of Jesus!

THE SEASON FOR LAUGHTER AND MORE FUN:

Tim Lovelace will be at the FBC Covington Fall Celebration on Tuesday, October 17th. Join us for the comedy and music of one of the favorites of Dollywood as we travel down to join the celebration. Sign up and stay tuned for bus departure time.

THE SEASON FOR MINISTRY AT THE NURSING HOMES:

Let's be a blessing to the residents of Good Samaritan and Heritage Manor.

- Good Samaritan – Monday, October 2 @ 3:00 p.m.
- Heritage Manor – Monday, October 16 @ 3:00 p.m.

Enjoy the season, and remember, "The joy of the Lord is our strength."
-Bro. Joey

FBC KIDS MINISTRY

I wanted to put some dates out there even though they may seem far away – I think we all know how quickly time passes, especially at the end of the year!

Ongoing until February 1st, 2024: CentriKid Sign-Ups for Current 3rd – 6th Graders, Deposit: \$100

As much as we love going to Timber Creek for CentriKid, it is full. I have been able to secure 35 spots on the waiting list for the July 18 – 22, 2024 camp. Until then, we are booked to go to CentriKid at Louisiana Christian University (formerly Louisiana College) from July 15 – 19, 2024. I should know for sure which camp we will attend by the end of February 2024.

- Wednesday, October 18th : No Wednesday Evening Services
- Sunday, October 22nd: No Wee Worship on Sunday Morning; No Sunday Evening Services
- Wednesday, November 22nd: No Wednesday Evening Services
- Wednesday, December 13 th from 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm: “Dress” Rehearsal for The Colors of Christmas Musical for Grades 1-6 in the Sanctuary
- Sunday, December 17th, 6 pm: Joyful Noise Children’s Choir presents The Colors of Christmas
- Wednesday, December 20th: Churchwide Caroling (No regular Wednesday Evening Services)

Ministry Needs:

We are currently in need of **2 Wee Worship volunteers** to lead Wee Worship on Sunday, December 10th, and Sunday, December 17th. We need 14 additional volunteers to lead Wee Worship ONE time during 2024.

Wee Worship is offered during the 10:45 a.m. service on Sundays when volunteers are available. We ask each volunteer to serve just ONCE during a calendar year. I serve once per month. Lessons are provided. Please contact me if you can serve ONE Sunday in 2024. Volunteers must be over the age of 18 and have a current background check on file.

- Kelly McElveen

**IMPORTANT
INFO**



October Wee Worship Volunteers

Last, but certainly not least, join me in wishing a **VERY Happy October Birthday** to these FBC Kids & Leaders:

- 1st : Lori Schilling
- 8th : Kelly McElveen
- 15th : Vickie McNeal
- 22nd : No Wee Worship
- 29th : Leslie Westmoreland
- 5th: Mrs. Anita
- 8th: Mrs. Johnna
- 11th: Mrs. Brenda
- 13th: Mrs. Toni
- 14th: Henry O. & Reed J.
- 18th: Mrs. Sierra
- 21st: Mrs. Callie
- 24th: Mr. Rusty
- 26th: Mrs. Angela
- 29th: Mrs. Betty
- 31st : Madden M.

FBC YOUTH GREAT RED PUMPKIN HUNT

OCTOBER 29TH, 2023

6:00 P.M.



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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SERVICE TIMES

Sundays

Worship Services

8:15 a.m., 10:45 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

Bible Study

9:30 a.m.

Choir Practice

4:30 p.m.

Wednesdays

Half Notes/Joyful Noise

Preschool & Children

Choir Practice

5:30 p.m.

Wednesday Night Supper

5:00 p.m.

Preschool, Children,

Youth Activities

6:00 p.m.

Ladies Bible Study

6:00 p.m.

Prayer Meeting

6:00 p.m.

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

FRANKLINTON

150 Year
Anniversary
November 12, 2023



FBC Franklinton

FAIR SUNDAY

Sunday, 22 October 2023

Breakfast:
9:00 a.m.
Worship:
10:00 a.m.

Come Join us for breakfast in the
Family Life Center followed by Worship!
Wear your favorite team jersey.

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