

The Witness

“....and you shall be my WITNESSES both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth.”
Acts 1:8

The Newsletter of First Baptist Church, Dewitt, AR—The Church On-Mission

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AN EAGLE'S PERSPECTIVE



As I look at the calendar of events that took place in April and the calendar of events that is scheduled for May - I do not see much difference! COVID 19 has changed our normal activity tremendously.

We would normally honor our Senior's on the first Sunday in May. We only have one this year, Hallie Horton, daughter of Tim and Jerri Lynn Horton. We are so proud of her for this milestone in her life. She will have stories to tell for the rest of her life about the year she graduated from High School.

We would normally honor our mothers on Mother's Day some special way and have Baby Dedication. This year, we can say that we love our mother's, are so grateful for our mothers, and pray they have a great Mother's Day. Many people honor their mother's by going to church with them on Mother's Day so let me encourage you to go see your mother if possible, tune in to our FaceBook Live page, and be at church with your mother! You can even cook her some lunch!

We would normally have an OCC taco lunch in May - that will be rescheduled.

We have a new normal and when we reopen for Sunday worship, we will have a new normal again. It will not be just like it was before. We will be using precautions for the purpose of remaining healthy. We will be careful about how we interact with people.

As of right now, our TENTATIVE date of worship here at First Baptist will be on Sunday, May 17th. On that day and the 24th, we will just have a worship service. No Sunday School. No Children's Church. No Nursery. Just a time of worship! We will ask you to continue practicing some social distancing. We will be careful about how we do our greeting (waving to one another). We will be careful about how we do our offering (usher holding plate at the door instead of passing the plate). We will be careful about how we do the Mystery Box (using the front pew and steps to keep children spread out). We will be careful, but we will worship our Lord together! If this date changes due to government recommendation, we will let you know. I cannot tell you how excited I will be when we can all worship in the Lord's House together again!

Let me say thank you to Tammy, Kevin, Matt & Jeanie Cade for their faithfulness in helping keep our worship services on FaceBook Live. It takes more than one to make this happen! Please keep all of us in your prayers.

Our VBS was scheduled for the first week in June. Due to the COCID 19, it will be postponed, possibly cancelled. This is sad for me to say because VBS is always a great time at our church. Again, we will keep you updated when new dates are planned.

I want to say thank you for your continued financial support of the church during this pandemic. It takes all of us faithfully doing our part to carry out the work of the Lord.

Remember - May 17 TENTATIVE day of worship at First Baptist Church!

Praise God for family - and our church family. We love you and deeply appreciate you very much.

A BIT OF HUMOR:

This is for all you teachers out there:

The dinner guests were sitting around the table discussing life. One man, a CEO, decided to explain the problem with education. He argued: "What's a kid going to learn from someone who decided his best option in life was to become a teacher?" He reminded the other dinner guests that it's true what they say about teachers: "Those who can: do. Those who can't: teach." To corroborate, he said to another guest: "You're a teacher, Susan," he said. "Be honest. What do you make?" Susan, who had a reputation of honesty and frankness, replied, "You want to know what I make? I make kids work harder than they ever thought they could. I can make a C+ feel like the Congressional Medal of Honor and an A- feel like a slap in the face if the student did not do his or her very best. "I can make kids sit through 40 minutes of study hall in absolute silence. I can make parents tremble in fear when I call home. You want to know what else I make?" "I make kids wonder. I make them question. I make them criticize. I make them apologize and mean it. I make them write. I make them read, read, read. I make them spell 'definitely' and 'beautiful' over and over again, until they will never misspell either one of those words again. I make them show all their work in math and hide it all on their final drafts in English. I elevate them to experience music and art and joy in the performance, so their lives are rich, full of kindness and culture, and they take pride in themselves and their accomplishments. I make them understand that if you have the brains, then follow your heart...and if someone ever tries to judge you by what you make, you pay them no attention." "You want to know what I make? I make a difference. And what do you make?" -*Thank you teachers for making a difference, even during a shut down*

Remember, I Love You All !

Bro. Jimmy



Our High School Graduate

Hallie Elizabeth Horton is the daughter of Timmy and Jerri Lyn Horton and the granddaughter of David Horton. Hallie plans to attend the University of AR at Jonesboro to study Veterinary Science & Equine Management. She aspires to

become a large animal veterinarian. She has always had a connection with animals and has had this goal in mind since she was a young child. She enjoys painting, playing the piano, spending time with friends, her animals, and barrel racing. Since we are not having a senior day lunch this year, you may drop off gifts/cards for her at the church.



Our church custodian is in need of newspapers to clean windows with. If you happen to have any laying around you would like to get rid of, she would sure appreciate them. You may drop your donations off at the church office. THANK YOU!!



Our College Graduate

Hannah Lauren Gantt is the daughter of Bro. Kevin and Paula Gantt. Hannah graduated from the University of Southern Mississippi with a Bachelors degree in Library Information Science. CONGRATULATIONS Hannah!!



May 2020



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 For the month of May we will be collecting: Toothbrushes, Washcloths, Soap, Combs, & Brushes					1	2
3	4	5	6	7 National Day of Prayer	8	9
10 	11	12	13	14	15	16
17 Tentative Back To Church Day	18	18	20	21	22	23
24	25 	26	27	28	29	30
31	The Church Office Will be Closed					



Darby Wallace—3rd

Brad Hearn—9th

Mitch Miller—14th

Randy Briggs—15th

Miller Endsley—22nd

Blake Mitchell—26th

Alison West—28th



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