



Good News

Acts 1:8b "...and you will be my witnesses..."

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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2008

Annual Pastors and Staff Conference

3:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m.

at the Baptist Collegiate Ministry
Rev. Joe Arnold, Director of Missions,
Bayou Baptist Association will be our
guest. This conference is open to all
pastors, church staff, and spouses.

Following the Pastors and Staff
Conference will be the
119th Annual meeting of the
Association, hosted by the
Baptist Collegiate Ministry.

6:00 p.m. Fellowship and Supper
7:00 p.m. Meeting

The BCM is located at 3800 Highland Road on the LSU Campus.

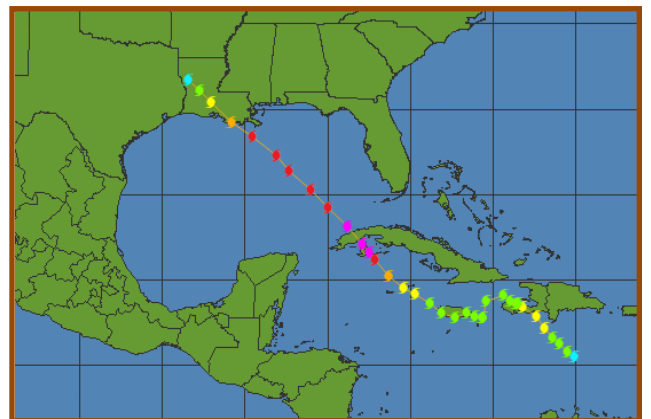
You should have received messenger notification in the mail. Please call
the Association with any questions at 225-296-3943.

RESPONDING TO HURRICANE GUSTAV



At left: volunteers
get ready to serve
hot food at
**Florida Blvd.
Baptist Church**

At right: the
projected path of
Hurricane Gustav
had Louisiana
Baptists prepared
for disaster
response work



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Pastor Red Brick and The Hurricane

Rodrick E. Conerly, Executive Director

As Pastor Red Brick went out his back door to make his way on foot across the half-mile distance from his house to the White Column Church, his mind wondered what he would see when he arrived at the church. As he crossed the backyard, he saw his garbage can, one of those wide mouthed monsters on wheels the city provides, standing upside down by the back fence. Retrieving the garbage from around it, he reached to upright the garbage can, only to be startled by what he thought was a dead possum under the can. The creature's eyes were fixed. Its mouth hung open with its tongue lolled over to one side as it lay there in the wet grass. Red nudged it with the toe of his Eddie Bauer® boot to which the possum responded by springing onto its feet and running for the cover of a downed willow tree in the corner of the yard.

"Huh," thought Red. "Those things really do play possum!"

The morning during the hurricane, as he and his wife Angel were riding out the storm at home, someone began to pound on his front door. As he opened the door, Captain Burn Side of the local fire station filled his door. Captain Burn Side was a member of White Column Church and had arrived with some disturbing news.

"Pastor," said the Captain. "I wanted to come by and let you know that we just lost the steeple off the church. As soon as the winds die down I'll get some of my men to cover the opening with a tarp to keep the rain out."

Although Angel had asked him to stay at home until the storm completely passed, Red felt that most of the wind and rain had passed. Besides, he had to see the damage to the church. As Red made his way to the church, he was amazed to see the number of trees that were down and that so few of them had damaged any homes in the neighborhood. Then, as he turned the corner toward the church, he saw that a centuries old pin oak tree had fallen across the drive of deacon Make R. Division. Enough of the tree limbs had brushed the house to damage the carport and trap the car inside. Deacon Make, in his late seventies, was going to need some help.

Red reached for his cell phone and dialed deacon Cann Dew, the head of the chainsaw team for White Column Church. Red was pleased to discover that deacon Dew was at the church with his chainsaw team working on the trees that were down on the church property. Deacon Cann said that he would get someone over to deacon Make's house within the hour.

As pastor Red Brick ended his conversation with deacon Cann, he stopped on the sidewalk, raised his head toward heaven, and prayed a prayer of thanks. He thanked God for being part of a denomination that stressed the need for the local church to be prepared to respond in times of disaster to serve the needs of the community. Under the leadership of men like deacon Cann Dew and Captain Burn Side, brother Vision Nary at the Association office, and brother Howkin I. Help at the state convention office, White Column Church had established a Disaster Response Team made up of a chainsaw unit and a feeding unit. Each unit had its own trailer and volunteers. Red felt a sense of pride realizing that his people already were responding.

Pastor Red Brick, the White Column Church, and now the entire city were going to benefit from the relationships between the local church, the local Association, the State Convention, and the agencies of the national convention. The strategy developed from the national convention level down to the local church can be summarized as follows:

1. Provide care, love, support, and assistance through counseling, guidance, and intervention to meet the needs of the whole person—emotional, spiritual, psychological, and physical.
2. Develop and implement a ministry strategy to discover and respond to human needs.
3. Organize small care groups within the church family for building personal relationships where both crisis and continuing needs are met.
4. Help persons hear and respond to God's call to Christian vocational ministry.
5. Challenge persons to make a difference in the world by using their spiritual gifts and aptitude for ministry both within the church family and beyond.
6. Provide corporate and individual opportunities to meet the needs of hurting people in the community and throughout the world with the ultimate goal of bringing them into a relationship with Jesus Christ.
7. Provide the resources for discovering ministry needs in the community.
8. Foster an environment that lessens the barriers among people so that needs can be met by caring individuals.

As Pastor Red Brick continued his walk to the church, he noticed the cat of one of his neighbors sitting on the edge of the porch surveying the damage of the hurricane. The cat seemed to notice that something was different. A lot more sunlight was filtering through the mostly bare limbs of the trees as the leaves had been stripped by the wind of the storm.

"Yes," thought Red to himself. "Things are different." His neighbors and his city had needs that were not present before the storm. Although his church was damaged, his focus was on the opportunity for the members of this church to minister to the needs of the people living in the community around the White Column Church. The privilege to serve in the name of Jesus Christ would become tiring and trying in the days to come, but the example set by the Lord Jesus calls for His church to respond so that needs may be met and lives may be transformed.

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If you would like to know how the Association can help you and your church receive training for disaster response please contact the Association office. Contact us at 225-296-3943.

New Senior Pastor at Florida Boulevard Baptist Church



Leigh Nathan Anna Caleb Randy

Reverend Randy Johnson began his senior pastorate at Florida Boulevard Baptist Church Sunday, August 17, 2008. While originally from Baton Rouge, he has ministered in Kentucky for the past 11 years. He received his undergraduate degree from LSU and will soon complete his doctorate from Southern Seminary in Kentucky. Brother Randy is joined by his wife Leigh, also a Baton Rouge native, and their three children Nathan, Anna, and Caleb. Florida Boulevard Baptist Church and the Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge are delighted to welcome the Johnsons. Please join us in praying for them and encouraging their ministry. For service and activity times, go to www.fbbc.org.

BAGBR Welcomes Dennis Allen



Reverend Dennis Allen announced his retirement from First Baptist Church of Baker in August 2008. While he hopes to enjoy time fishing and pursuing his other hobbies with his wife Peggy, Brother Dennis will be working as a part-time assistant to the Executive Director of BAGBR. Please join us in welcoming Brother Dennis to our team.



LSU BCM

Steve Masters

Our BCM had a great start to the 2008-2009 school year. We had nearly 300 in attendance at our first worship service. Over 150 different freshmen attended one or more of our Welcome Week events. LSU started back on September 8, 2008 and we had 275 students at our September 11th worship service. We have had nearly 200 students sign up to participate in weekly Bible study groups. We've had 125 students attend the two Monday Lunches we are sponsoring.

After Hurricane Gustav hit, LSU shut down for a week and our BCM students went to work. Many of them volunteered at LSU food kitchens. Many began doing chainsaw relief work. As of the middle of September, BCM students have helped do chainsaw work at over 50 different homes in Baton Rouge. Thirty-eight of our students went through chainsaw training and over 75 have helped on at least one project. We have set up five different shifts each week to continue to help people. A group of 70 to 90 BCM students from LSU Shreveport, the University of Louisiana at Monroe, and Northwestern State are coming down Saturday, September 20th to do chainsaw disaster relief work across Baton Rouge.

We are beginning to sign up students for our annual mission trips to New York and Mexico as well as our Ski Trip to Colorado. We are also planning a Transitions Mission trip to Austin, Texas during the middle of January.

Thanks for your support of our ministry!

Criminal Justice Volunteers!

Please be aware that there is one last opportunity for the compulsory training required annually for **all volunteers** who enter any state prison facility for the purpose of teaching, leading, or otherwise participating in ongoing educational training. **This does not apply to an event such as a revival.** Please take note of the last remaining date and attend the class listed below. Remember, this is a compulsory DOC rule and must be followed if you desire to serve God in this very important ministry of the Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge. Notify Jan Terral at 225-296-2943 or jan@bagbr.org when you have completed the training.

- Oct. 18th 8:00 a.m. – South Baton Rouge Church of Christ, 8725 Jefferson Hwy, Baton Rouge

DivorceCare Offered

Divorced? Separated? You don't have to go through it alone. DivorceCare is offered at Zoar Baptist Church. They meet Sundays from 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Call 225-261-3434 or go to www.divorcecarecentral.org for more information.

Zoar Baptist Church, 11848 Hooper Road, Central, LA 70818

Responding to Hurricane Gustav

When Hurricane Gustav hit the coast of LA, Southern Baptists had teams and plans to mobilize across the hard hit areas. Many churches in the Baton Rouge and surrounding areas, sprung into action assembling teams to help with chainsaw work, manning feeding stations, and providing housing for out of state volunteers. This is a very brief glimpse of what was going on at some of our churches.

Ascension Baptist Church: hosted work crews from other states, as well as provided feeding units for area residents.

Fellowship Church in Prairieville: hosted out of area volunteers and served as command center in their area.

Florida Blvd. Baptist Church: housed disaster relief teams from California to Florida; partnered with volunteers from Oklahoma to serve thousands of hot meals daily to those without electricity and food; provided chainsaw teams to assist people in the community with cleanup (trees off of houses, out of driveways, etc.), and had a laundry unit. During the storm, church housed members of Franklin Avenue Baptist Church of New Orleans as well as two nursing homes from South Louisiana.

Greenwell Springs Baptist Church: were able to house approximately 400 utility workers as they worked tirelessly to restore power throughout our area.

Istrouma Baptist Church: partnered with the Department of Health and Hospitals to house up to 100 medical personnel, with a staging area and storage for medical supplies; hosted a 25,000 Meals-a-Day Trailer provided by Louisiana Baptists and FEMA and staffed by certified volunteers as well as members of the community. Istrouma volunteers also staffed chainsaw and clean-up teams.

Parkview Baptist Church: hosted feeding units, shower units, and chain saw teams.

Woodlawn Baptist Church: set up shower units at their site.

We know there were many, many more churches who volunteered their space, time, and resources in being the hands and feet of our Lord during this time. Your Baptist Association also served to house a chain saw crew from Tennessee! Call us at the Association at 225-296-3943 if you need assistance with chainsaw work. We will forward requests to the appropriate church or team.

Damaged Churches

Churches that were damaged severely during the storm include:

Broussard Grove Baptist– lost steeple and suffered some interior damage

Florida Boulevard Baptist – extensive damage to every building

Glen Oaks Baptist– Roof damage with major interior damage

First Baptist of Plaquemine lost its roof. The sanctuary suffered total loss and the church will have to be gutted.

The Trinity Baptist Church was damaged and will take about four months to repair. They are currently meeting at Cedarcrest Baptist Church.

University Baptist– major damage to educational building

Woodlawn Baptist– lost steeple and endured some interior damage

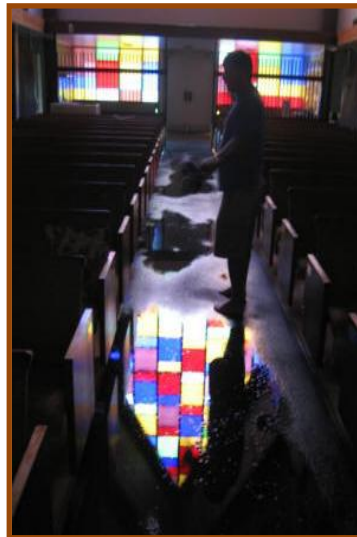
Fifteen other Baptist churches within our Association suffered damage.

At left: member Jay Hebert walks through the soaked sanctuary at **First Baptist Church of Plaquemine**

Below: roof pieces of **First Baptist Church of Plaquemine** lay on its front lawn

Bottom left: awning of **Florida Blvd. Baptist Church** lies on the ground outside the preschool building

Bottom right: Oklahoma Baptists work to prepare food for the feeding unit at **Florida Blvd. Baptist Church**



BAGBR CONTRIBUTIONS 2Q08

<i>ASSOCIATION CHURCHES</i>	<i>2Q2008</i>	<i>2008 YTD (Jan - Jun)</i>	<i>2007 YTD (Jan - Jun)</i>	<i>ASSOCIATION CHURCHES</i>	<i>2Q2008</i>	<i>2008 YTD (Jan - Jun)</i>	<i>2007 YTD (Jan - Jun)</i>
Addis, First Baptist Church	270.00	540.00	540.00	Oak Grove Baptist Church, Prairieville	1,272.83	*1,272.83	418.16
Ascension Baptist Church	2,426.23	*5062.67	4,890.74	Oakcrest Baptist Church	1,066.01	1,986.58	2,426.24
Baker, First Baptist Church	3,716.54	7,419.10	7,581.46	Park Forest Baptist Church	1,339.87	2,610.89	3,091.07
Baton Rouge, First Baptist Church	5,983.03	12,782.87	13,871.81	Parkside Baptist Church	1,646.38	*3,489.86	3,187.67
Bayou Plaquemine Baptist, Plaquemine	1,059.03	1,937.94	2,822.61	Parkview Baptist Church	12,473.62	*23,933.53	21,613.17
Bayou Sorrel Baptist Church, Plaquemine	581.78	931.35	1,234.68	Plaquemine, First Baptist Church	897.99	1,796.06	2,263.35
Bethel Baptist Worship, Morganza	60.00	*240.00	60.00	Port Allen, First Baptist Church	915.18	2,926.55	4,022.11
Broadmoor Baptist Church	0.00	0.00	0.00	Riverdale Baptist Church	1,830.99	*3,072.95	1,512.70
Brookstown Baptist Church	505.19	1,019.97	1,063.64	Sharon Baptist Church	2,236.30	*4,316.15	4,206.96
Broussard Grove Baptist Church	333.34	833.35	1,166.69	Sherwood Baptist Church	1,224.60	4,070.77	4,519.65
Brownfields Baptist Church	514.99	*962.19	959.63	Sorrento Baptist Church	536.87	1,012.62	1,019.33
Cane Brake Baptist Church, Lottie	315.53	*577.21	200.00	Southside Baptist Church	2,535.15	5,225.67	5,865.56
Cedarcrest Baptist Church	1,208.00	2,422.00	3,356.00	Starlight Baptist Church, Morganza	0.00	0.00	0.00
Central, First Baptist Church	300.00	600.00	600.00	Stevendale Baptist Church	200.00	350.00	350.00
Comite Baptist Church	1,092.71	*2274.13	2,239.10	The Church at Riverbend	0.00	0.00	150.00
Community Bible Baptist	600.00	1,500.00	1,800.00	Trinity Baptist Church	358.53	*820.85	795.35
Courtableau Baptist Church, Port Barre	212.49	*511.25	305.07	Unity Baptist Church	0.00	0.00	0.00
CrossPoint Baptist Church	1,500.00	4,500.00	4,500.00	University Baptist Church	6,165.28	*13,840.93	12,116.85
Donaldsonville, First Baptist Church	0.00	120.00	160.00	Victory Baptist Church	684.17	1,250.19	1,407.32
Douglas Avenue Baptist Church	415.00	*829.00	0.00	Vietnamese Hope Baptist Church	572.22	*1,135.99	1,014.65
Dutchtown Baptist Church	300.00	600.00	600.00	White Castle, First Baptist Church	303.11	592.26	595.91
Erwinville Baptist Church	591.47	*1175.23	1,118.03	Winbourne Avenue Baptist Church	0.00	0.00	229.52
Faith Baptist Church, Baker	317.33	1,124.41	1,730.00	Woodlawn Baptist Church	13,073.98	25,917.65	27,637.77
Faith Baptist Church, Livonia	264.99	441.65	2,473.08	Zoar Baptist Church	7,180.26	18,655.19	28,837.19
False River Baptist Church, Ventress	387.95	745.85	1,212.80	<i>ASSOCIATION MISSIONS</i>			
Fellowship Church, Central	1,244.43	*3607.62	3,156.05	Christian Fellowship Int.-Filipino	0.00	0.00	80.00
First Baptist Deaf Church	0.00	30.00	50.00	Christ Way Mission, Vacherie	40.00	113.00	117.00
Florida Boulevard Baptist Church	10,118.48	21,582.39	23,622.09	Church of the Nations	95.04	178.04	222.29
Fordoche Baptist Church	625.98	1,684.23	1,916.52	Circle Baptist Mission, Baker	100.00	*200.00	100.00
Foster Road Baptist Church	1,973.57	3,164.67	3,215.08	Community Baptist Mission, Greensbg	0.00	0.00	0.00
Friendship Baptist Church, Baker	0.00	0.00	0.00	Fellowship Church, Prairieville	2,399.26	*3329.26	2,665.66
Glen Oaks Baptist Church	270.00	*270.00	225.00	Hispanic Mission, First Baptist, Gonz.	65.07	170.79	200.39
God's Vineyard Baptist (formerly Cortana)	0.00	0.00	0.00	Grace Fellowship Baptist Church	0.00	0.00	0.00
Gonzales, First Baptist Church	800.00	1,200.00	1,800.00	Haven	284.98	*648.32	7.05
Goodwood Baptist Church	344.58	*714.63	489.60	Hispanic Mission, First Baptist, BTR	34.18	*34.18	28.39
Grace Baptist Church	0.00	0.00	605.40	La Croix Church	80.00	*148.00	0.00
Gramercy, First Baptist Church	1,131.36	*1131.36	500.00	LifeGiving	0.00	0.00	84.00
Greenwell Springs Baptist Church	8,313.00	*16,106.00	12,593.00	LifePointe	23.00	*160.25	0.00
Grosse Tete Baptist Church	831.00	*1531.00	1,400.00	New Covenant Christian Center	0.00	0.00	135.00
Hooper Road Baptist Church	0.00	0.00	60.00	North Highlands Community Baptist	0.00	0.00	50.00
Immanuel Baptist Church, Baton Rouge	1,322.00	2,226.00	2,308.00	Reserve, First Baptist Church	495.00	*1,155.00	390.15
Immanuel Baptist Church, Gonzales	177.43	*232.45	130.37	Ring Community	845.35	1,822.02	1,951.28
Indian Mound Baptist Church	1,924.54	*3560.13	3,505.29	Salvation Ministry of Jesus Christ	0.00	0.00	0.00
Istrouma Baptist Church	14,282.69	*29711.05	25,787.19	Sojourn Church	0.00	0.00	0.00
Jefferson Baptist Church	8,558.88	*20,102.28	18,202.63	Vietnamese Baptist Fellowship	0.00	0.00	0.00
Krotz Springs, First Baptist Church	450.00	900.00	900.00	Westside Fellowship, Brusly	0.00	0.00	0.00
Lake Martin Baptist Church, Prairieville	0.00	*223.05	165.00	<i>CONTRIBUTING CHURCHES</i>			
Lanier Baptist Church	3,131.09	*6130.29	4,873.60	DaySpring, St. Gabriel	250.00	*700.00	500.00
Latanche Baptist Church, Batchelor	0.00	616.00	1,509.79	Graceworks, Prairieville	0.00	0.00	1,120.00
Little Prairie Baptist Church, Prairieville	0.00	0.00	985.78	Korean Baptist Church - Burgin Dr.	600.00	600.00	600.00
Maringouin, First Baptist Church	119.50	*265.05	247.29	Mid City Baptist Fellowship	0.00	115.00	210.00
New Life Church of Baton Rouge	673.10	*1,600.61	1,326.17	Mt. Bethel Baptist Church	0.00	300.00	450.00
New River Baptist Church	304.35	*588.99	536.01	The Lord's Church, Kentwood	0.00	399.89	1,178.53
New Roads, First Baptist Church	4,886.00	*7471.00	5,204.00	Misc	100.00	*100.00	0.00
Northside Baptist Church, Plaquemine	150.00	300.00	300.00	Total Contribution Receipts	146,412.80	302,450.24	307,469.47

*denotes 2008 greater than 2007 YTD = January - June



Prayer Re-Design!?

Mary B. Smith
BAGBR Prayer Team Volunteer

Okay! Now you've gone too far! To say that prayer needs a *re-design*? That's bordering on blasphemy! Actually, it was a Prayer Room re-design that took some of the spotlight during Session 2 of the Prayer Block at Blitz on the Bayou held at Parkview Baptist Church. It was so much fun to turn the teaching over to the session participants and hear their terrific ideas.

A young couple in their mid 20s took on the Prayer Room Redesign. We all took notes. Here are some of their ideas:

Furniture: Take out the pews and add moveable chairs so people can circle up.

Lighting: Add a table with a lamp to add softer light.

Sounds: Add a CD player for music; provide headphones in case someone wants music but another person prefers silence.

Sensory: The room smells musty? Clean it really well, then add Glade Plug Ins®.

Technology: Add a digital picture frame. Load a presentation, anything that will fit on a flash drive or camera memory disk, and let it scroll across the screen as prayer prompts. Enter the names of teachers from your church, people on mission trips, pictures from the mission field, etc.

Another group utilized the beautifully framed IMB Map that is now featured in the BAGBR Prayer Room as a tool to prompt ideas on how to pray for missions, missionaries, and unreached people groups. Their ideas ranged from prayer stations in classrooms for children, teaching, and prayer tools on missions using pod casts, text messaging, and more. (Get an IMB Map at IMB.org. Please email BAGBR at baptistassociation@bagbr.org to add your missionaries to our prayer map.)

A third group really ministered to one of our senior saints who had such a burden for her church, which has no prayer ministry. The group made a poster display board that she took home. She now plans to duplicate that into a prayer station in her church with resources we gave her to motivate people to pray and minister to existing needs (these resources are available in the BAGBR Prayer Room.).

Our BAGBR Prayer Team meets only occasionally, when the needs dictate, for about an hour to plan, educate, and activate the people within our churches in prayer. It is our desire to have every church within the Association represented. Please pray about joining us. Come hear more great ideas from terrific prayers. For church assistance or to join our group, please contact BAGBR at 225-296-3943 or msmith1085@cox.net.

October 2008

- 10 – 11 **LBC Ministers' Wives' Retreat, Tall Timbers Conference Center**
- 14 **BAGBR Pastors and Staff Conference and 119th Annual Meeting, Baptist Collegiate Ministry, LSU campus**
- 21 **LBC State WMU Council Meeting, LBC**

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For further details, please visit www.lbc.org or www.bagbr.org.

Praying for Our Churches...

BAGBR churches seeking pastors include:

- Erwinville Baptist
- First Baptist Baker
- First Baptist Hispanic, BR
- First Baptist White Castle
- Latanache Baptist
- Vietnamese Hope Baptist
- False River Baptist
- First Baptist Gramercy
- First Baptist Plaquemine
- Fordoche Baptist
- The Church at River Bend

Widows in Ministry

Thursday, October 9, 2008

6:00 p.m., Room A-143 (westside parking lot)
Guest Speaker: Starr Owen (Starr Owen Studio)
"Holiday Decorations"

Thursday, November 13, 2008

6:00 p.m., Room A-143 (westside parking lot)
Visual tour of Ridgecrest

Come and bring a widow friend.

Florida Blvd. Baptist Church, 10915 Florida Blvd., Baton Rouge, 70815. Office 225-272-3740.

Please send us the schedule of your Christmas programs or specials. We will publish them in the next issue! We need the name of your church, title of program, date, time, and any specific information you would like to include. Email norma@bagbr.org or fax to 225-296-3946.

Jill Rigsby to speak at Woodlawn Baptist Church

Woodlawn Baptist Church invites you to a weekend seminar on how to raise your children to love God, love parents, and respect others as the Bible instructs. Jill Rigsby, author of "Manners of the Heart" and "Raising Respectful Children in a Disrespectful World," will lead this seminar Friday and Saturday, **October 10 and 11**. This conference begins Friday at 7:00 p.m. and again Saturday at 9:00 a.m. The cost is \$25 per couple or \$20 for individuals. For more information, call the church office at 225-753-1667 and ask for Caroline Evans.

November 2008

- 3 **LBC Baptist's Women's World Day of Prayer**
- 10 – 11 **LBC Louisiana Baptist Convention, First Baptist Church, New Orleans**
- 27 **Thanksgiving Day (BAGBR Office closes at noon Wednesday and reopens Monday December 1)**
- 30 **LBC First Day of Week of Prayer for International Missions and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering**

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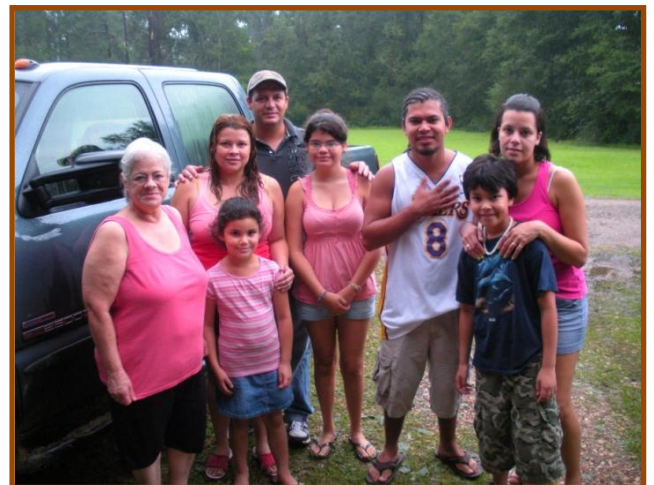
Judson Baptist Retreat Center

Eugene Morris, Coordinator

We are so thankful for the opportunity we had to host the Covenant House from New Orleans for five days before, during, and after Gustav. What a life changing experience! Our sincere thanks go to Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Myers, Mr. & Mrs. Bob Howard, Paula Payne, Dry Creek Baptist Camp, Steve, Missy, Rachel, Phillip and Joshua Myers as they all served beyond the call of duty to keep JBRC running even without electricity! Meals were cooked on a butane gas stove, bar-b-q grill, and butane fryer! We served several hot meals even without electricity...much to the amazement of our guests! Our sister camp, Dry Creek, provided a much-needed generator and even brought gasoline to run it and then returned to help clean up our grounds. Please continue to pray for us, as we reopen and minister to this community.



Clockwise: Tree falls just inches away from Morris home; Debi Morris' mother, also known as Granny Grace, holds a special guest during Hurricane Gustav; an appreciative family from New Orleans poses for a picture; Covenant House arrives at JBRC; tree fell inches away from the chapel.





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Last Good News Deadline for 2008

Dec. 08 – Jan. 09 issue: November 7

Jefferson Baptist Celebrates 50 Years

In 1957, First Baptist Church, in cooperation with the Judson Baptist Association, set out to establish mission churches. On November 16, 1958, a young preacher named Tommy French was called as a mission pastor. The group's first service was held in a cottage with 17 in Sunday School. Join us in congratulating Brother Tommy and Jefferson Baptist Church for 50 years of ministry service! Festivities will begin Saturday, November 15 with dinner on the grounds. Sunday, November 16, they will welcome special guest Dr. Paige Patterson. Former members, guests, and the community are invited. For further information, contact the church office at 225-923-0356.

*Ministry Opportunities**

Amite Baptist Church recently purchased new choir robes. They have 103 used choir robes that they would like to sell for a donation. If a church or churches can't afford a donation and need robes they will gladly give the robes to them. They have started raising funds to replace the choir room chairs (most are very shaky) and any monies received from the robes will go toward the chairs. For more information, please contact Linda Bassett via email lbasset@amitechurch.org or 225-665-2762.

Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge has an opening for a part-time clerical support person. Candidate must be computer literate, work approx. 20 hours per week, and be a team player. Please mail your resume to BAGBR, 10560 Airline Highway, Baton Rouge, LA 70816 or email jan@bagbr.org. You may also fax your resume to 225-296-3946.

Sellers Maternity Home, part of the LA Baptist Children's Home, needs volunteers for the following areas. Contact Amy Hutto at 225.261.8886.
 Clerical: one day/week or more; answer phones, type letters, file, etc. Basic computer skills are required, as well as a letter of recommendation from church/pastor.

*Ministry Opportunities Continued**

(Sellers cont'd) Paid Positions Include:
 Relief House Parent(s), single lady or couple, working approx 8 – 10 days per month. Contact Amy Hutto at 225-261-8886 or Dr. Perry Hancock at 318-343-2244 if interested.

Woodlawn Baptist Church invites all golfers to join us at our 2nd annual Mission's Golf Tournament. It will be played at the Lakes course at Pelican Point, Gonzales, Saturday, October 18, with an 8:00 a.m. shotgun start. Cost is \$100 per person in a four-man scramble format. Cost includes the round of golf, lunch, practice balls, a ditty bag, great prizes, and a free weekday round of golf at the Lakes for every participant. Call Chuck Lowman at the church office at 225-753-1667 to register yourself or your team. **Proceeds go to support local, national, and international missions.**

**Call or email us if you have a church or ministry need or opportunity! Please note that announcements will run for 2 issues, unless BAGBR is contacted with other instructions. Call Norma at the BAGBR office at 225-296-3943 or email norma@bagbr.org to update.*

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