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**2024-2025 Book of Reports
136th Annual Meeting**

**Jefferson Baptist Church
9135 Jefferson Hwy.
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809
Sunday, October 19, 2025**

**Dr. Tommy Middleton
Executive Director of Missions
Associational Mission Strategist**

**“The Lord will guard your going out and your coming in
From this time forth and forever.”**

Psalm 126: 5-6 NASB

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BAPTIST ASSOCIATION OF GREATER BATON ROUGE 136th ANNUAL SESSION

Jefferson Baptist Church, Baton Rouge
Rev. Kirk Jones, Moderator

Sunday, October 19, 2025
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Associational Mission Strategist

4:30 P.M. Missions & Ministries Fair
5:45 P.M. Instrumental Prelude
6:00 P.M.

- Congregational Worship..... Rev. Cullen McDaniel, Jefferson Baptist Worship Pastor
“House of the Lord”
- Congregational Worship..... Rev. Cullen McDaniel
“Thank You Jesus for the Blood”
- Welcome and Prayer..... Dr. David Goza, Pastor, Jefferson Baptist
- Introduction of Guest Speaker Dr. Jeff Iorg Rev. Kirk Jones, Moderator
- Message Dr. Jeff Iorg, President & CEO, SBC Executive Committee
- Call to Order Rev. Kirk Jones
- Constituting Motion and Order of Business Mr. Gregory Erwin, Parliamentarian
- Resolution of Appreciation..... Rev. Kirk Jones
- Approval of Minutes – Annual Meeting, October 20, 2024, Zoar Baptist (pp. 25-28)..... Rev. Kirk Jones
- Bylaws Recommendation (pp. 30-35) Rev. Kirk Jones
- Nominating Committee (p. 36)..... Rev. Preston Thompson, Chairman
- Financial Reports and 2026 BAGBR Annual Budget (pp. 39-51)..... Mr. Stephen Bearry, CPA, Treasurer
Rev. Kirk Jones
- Petitionary Letters, Credentials & Fellowship..... Rev. Craig Forque, Chairman
First Baptist Church Zachary, Associate Pastor, Rev. Scott McKenzie
- Introduction of Ministries Dr. Tommy Middleton, Director & Assoc. Mission Strategist
- Baptist Collegiate Ministry, Baton Rouge Community College Rev. Justin Woodall, Director
 - Baptist Collegiate Ministry, Nicholls University Rev. Stanley Wingard, Director
 - Baptist Collegiate Ministry, Southern University Rev. Andrew Forque, Director
 - Disaster Relief..... Rev. Steve Masters, Director
 - Granberry Counseling..... Dr. Wendy Leger, LCSW & Mrs. Abbie McCall, LPC
 - LA State Penitentiary Dr. Ricky Sharkey, Chaplain & Director, Leavell College
 - LA Correctional for Women Dr. Debi Sharkey, LA DOC Chaplain/Director Chaplaincy Services
 - Prison Discipleship Ministry
 - Seafarer Ministry Rev. Kerry Ash, Director
 - Baptist Collegiate Ministry, LSU/Recognition Rev. Blake Grundy, Director
- Congregational Worship..... Rev. Cullen McDaniel
“Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”
- Recognition of New Staff Dr. Tommy Middleton
- Current Church Plants..... Dr. Steven Beckham, Associate Mission Strategist/Multi-Ethnic/Church Planting
- Filipino Fellowship Church International, Prairieville, Rev. Nelio Liga (Sponsor: Little Prairie Baptist)
 - First Unity Baptist Church, Baton Rouge, Rev. David Brown, Jr. (Sponsor: First Antioch Baptist)
 - Foster Road Community, Baker, Rev. Marvin Parks (Sponsor: Foster Road Baptist, Baker)
 - Goodwood Community Church, Baton Rouge, Rev. Casey Williamson (Sponsor: Christ Covenant)
 - Iglesia Confraternidad, Ascension, Rev. Arturo Zapata (Sponsor: Ascension Churches)
 - Lake Church, Prairieville, Rev. Jarrett Wells (Sponsor: Fellowship Church)
 - Life Changers Church, Zachary, Rev. Sheldon Early (Sponsor: Renew Church)
 - New Day Baptist Church, Baton Rouge, Rev. Ezzie Price (Sponsor: First Community Antioch Baptist)
- Director of Missions / Associational Mission Strategist..... Dr. Tommy Middleton
- Introduction of Mission Teams..... Rev. Kirk Jones
- Adjournment and Benediction Rev. Kirk Jones

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| February 7 | Disaster Relief Training, FBC LaPlace |
| February 28 | Disaster Relief Training, FBC Lafayette |
| March 28 | Disaster Relief Training, FBC Pineville |
| April 11 | Disaster Relief Training, Temple Baptist, Ruston |

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BAGBR CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2025-2026

2025

October

October 19 **BAGBR Annual Meeting, Jefferson Baptist Church**
Guest Speaker: Dr. Jeff Iorg
October 19 **Day of Prayer for Associational Missions**
October 22 **2026 January Bible Study Preview-BAGBR, Baton Rouge**

November

November 2 Daylight Saving Time Ends
November 10-11 LBC Annual Meeting, Alexandria
November 23-24 Youth Evangelism Conference, Rapides Coliseum
November 27 Thanksgiving
November 30-Dec. 7 Week of Prayer for International Missions & Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

December

November 30-Dec. 7 Week of Prayer for International Missions & Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
December 9 BAGBR Christmas Pastor & Staff Open House, 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
December 25 Christmas

2026

January

January 1 New Year's Day
January 15 BAGBR Pastor & Staff Fellowship Luncheon
January 18 Sanctity of Human Life Sunday
January 26-27 Evangelism Conference (ECON), FBC Lafayette
January 26-27 Collegiate Evangelism Conference, FBC Lafayette

February

February 5 National Prayer Breakfast, Washington D.C.
February 7 Disaster Relief Training, FBC LaPlace
February 6-7 Collegiate Evangelism Conference, LA Christian University, Pineville
February 10 Compassion Relief Chaplain Training, District Eight Assoc Office
Natchitoches
February 13-24 Pray for South Asia Missions/Trip
February 24 State WMM Leadership Team Meeting, LBC
February 26 Transitional Pastor Training, LBC
February 28 Disaster Relief Training, FBC Lafayette

March

March 1-8 Week of Prayer for NAMB, Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
March 8 Church Bible Drills
March 8 Daylight Saving Time Begins
March 12 BAGBR Together We Guard, Dr. Faye Scott, Protecting our children in churches
March 26 Louisiana Governor's Prayer Breakfast, Crowne Plaza Executive Center in BR
March 28 Disaster Relief Training, FBC Pineville
March 29 District Bible Drill
March 30-April 3 **BAGBR Passion Week (Four Locations)**

April

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| March 30-April 3 | BAGBR Passion Week (Four Locations) |
| April 3 | Good Friday |
| April 5 | Easter |
| April 11 | Disaster Relief Training, Temple Baptist, Ruston |
| April 17-18 | Embrace Women's Conference, FBC Zachary |
| April 20-23 | Flourish Conferences, TBA |
| April 21 | State Bible Drill, Ruston |
| April 22 | Administrative Professionals' Day |
| April 23 | Compassion Relief Chaplain Summit, TBA |
| April 23 | State Bible Drill, FBC Covington |
| April 25 | State Bible Drill, Calvary Baptist, Alexandria |

May

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| May 7 | National Day of Prayer |
| May 7 | BAGBR Pastor Staff Luncheon, 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. |
| May 10 | Mother's Day |
| May 25 | Memorial Day |

June

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| June 7-10 | SBC Convention, Orlando, Florida |
| June 15-22 | Pray for Japan Missions/Trips |
| June 22-29 | Pray for Japan Missions/Trips |
| June 21 | Father's Day |

July

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| July 4 | Independence Day |
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August

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| August 1 | ReGroup South, FBC Lafayette |
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September

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| September 3 | BAGBR Pastor Staff Equipping Workshop |
| September 1-30 | Week of Prayer for Louisiana Missions and Georgia Barnette, Louisiana Mission Offering |
| September 8-22 | Prayer for Eastern Europe Missions |

October

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| October 9-10 | Ministers' Wives Retreat, Tall Timbers, Woodworth |
| October 18 | BAGBR Annual Meeting |
| October 18 | Day of Prayer for Associational Missions |
| October 19-20 | 2027 January Bible Study Previews |
| October 19-20 | Compassion Relief Chaplain Training, LBC |

November

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| November 1 | Daylight Saving Time Ends |
| November 9-10 | LBC Annual Meeting, Trinity Baptist, Lake Charles |
| November 22-23 | Youth Evangelism Conference |
| November 26 | Thanksgiving |
| November 29-Dec. 6 | Week of Prayer for International Missions & Lottie Moon Christmas Offering |

December

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| Nov.29-December 6 | Week of Prayer for International Missions & Lottie Moon Christmas Offering |
| December 10 | BAGBR Christmas Pastor & Staff Open House, 8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. |
| December 25 | Christmas |



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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LETTER TO THE ASSOCIATION 2024-2025 ANNUAL REPORT

Dr. Tommy Middleton, Executive Director/Associational Mission Strategist

Dear BAGBR Family,

I'm deeply grateful to have just completed my 14th year serving the Southern Baptist churches of Greater Baton Rouge. We are indeed blessed with a wonderful fellowship of churches, marked by a spirit of Kingdom cooperation and missional emphases.

Personally, it has been my joy to lead a team from Jefferson Baptist (Alan Hullett and myself), FBC New Roads (Jeff Vincent), First Community Antioch Baptist (Steve Beckham) for 12 days to South Asia—to engage the lost and encourage the churches in their effective ministries.

Most recently, it was my honor to lead a team from Cedarcrest (Bruce Worrell) and Redeemer (Preston Thompson) to Eastern Europe where we worked with church planters, the Baptist leadership in that country, and led a pastors and leadership conference with pastors and representatives from all major regions of the country. Thank you all for your heart for missions and desire to reach the nations.

We are grateful for the church planting efforts in our area and the remarkable progress made in just one year.

- **Lake Church** in Prairieville, sponsored by Fellowship in Ascension, has experienced significant growth to the point that space is becoming a challenge. They currently meet in the former Lake Martin Baptist Church building with Jarrett Wells serving as pastor.
- **Goodwood Community Church** in Baton Rouge, sponsored by Christ Covenant, continues to grow rapidly under the leadership of Pastor Casey Williamson. The church is meeting in the former Goodwood Baptist Church facility.
- **Foster Road Community Church** in Baker, led by Pastor Marvin Parks, is making an impact by engaging the community and reaching families in the Foster Road area while sharing the facilities with Foster Road Baptist Church.
- **Life Changers Church** in Zachary, led by Pastor Sheldon Early, has been most effective in this work and has gone through two facility expansions in the past three years to meet the needs of its growing congregation.

Looking ahead to 2026, we are putting into motion the planting of a new Korean work in South Baton Rouge to address the influx of those coming into our area from South Korea due to the new steel plant in Ascension Parish. We have identified the church planter and now need a church sponsor.

In addition, a church planter, currently serving in the military, will be retiring and relocating in this area. We are looking forward to starting a new Anglo work in South Baton Rouge. We are working at identifying an area and a sponsoring church to partner with us.

In addition to our two spring luncheons, we added an excellent equipping tool for our churches and their staffs called "Solving the People Problem." Randy Osborn from Walk Thru The Bible Ministry, was excellent in facilitating this study. We also hosted a most helpful, educational, and encouraging LOGOS training led by Dr. Archie England from NOBTS, on September 11 at BAGBR. Dr. England not only

shared great tips on how to use LOGOS software for sermon and study preparation, but also gave wonderful direction on how to effectively use AI in ministry—as a tool, not a crutch.

Our **Passion Week** services this past Easter were wonderfully successful in attendance and cooperation. We had 20 churches from four different regions actively participating:

- **Westside:** Gross Tete Baptist, FBC New Roads, Erwinville Baptist, Fordoche Baptist, Faith Baptist in Livonia
- **Central:** Zoar Baptist, Greenwell Springs Baptist, FBC Central, Fellowship Baptist, Comite Baptist
- **Baton Rouge:** Cedarcrest Baptist, FBC Baton Rouge, Jefferson Baptist, Family of Faith, Woodlawn Baptist
- **Ascension:** Fellowship Church, Dutchtown Baptist, Ascension Baptist, Oak Grove Baptist, New River Baptist

We are exploring ways to expand this ministry into new areas. If your church would like to be part of a Passion Week observance, please let me know.

We are thrilled that First Baptist Church of Zachary has petitioned BAGBR for membership in the association. I am confident that you all will welcome them, and equally confident that they will be a great addition to the ministry of our association in the greater Baton Rouge area.

Thank you for joy and honor of serving the Southern Baptist churches in our association.

In Christ, Dr. Tommy Middleton

**ASSOCIATE ASSOCIATIONAL MISSION STRATEGIST
FOR MULTI-ETHNIC WORK & CHURCH PLANTING
2024-2025 ANNUAL REPORT
Dr. Steven Beckham**

Once again, God has blessed us with another year together, giving us the opportunity to serve the churches of BAGBR. It has truly been a blessing to serve in this capacity and a joy to witness God at work in our association. There has been a unified effort working together with a keen focus on missions and ministry. Thanks for being such loyal partners with such a willingness to serve as well as reach the nations for Jesus.

Missions

This year, I have had the opportunity of joining many of our local pastors in continuing the mission that God has set before us—fulfilling the command of Jesus in reaching the lost in BAGBR as well as surrounding areas. I've also had the opportunity to engage in foreign missions with several of our BAGBR pastors and others from around the country.

- In February, I helped serve on the team that traveled to India with Dr. Tommy Middleton (BAGBR), Dr. Alan Hullett (Jefferson Baptist), Jeff Vincent (First Baptist New Roads), and many others from around the country. Together we ministered to pastors, led VBS, and hosted medical clinics for several days.
- In September, I also had the opportunity to serve on a mission team with pastors from around the country in Ethiopia.

It has truly been a joy serving both locally and abroad as God continues to bless as we engage in a unified effort of dealing with lostness, as well as being a source of encouragement to those God allows us to reach.

Strategy, Church Planting, and Revitalization

This year, we assisted with NAMB to help in the assessment of many church planters in BAGBR and across Louisiana. This also includes replant and revitalization works. We look forward to what God has in store for us as an association in the years ahead. BAGBR has also assisted in helping to provide leadership and direction for several of the new church plants and revitalization works.

- Lake Church, led by Jarrett Wells and sponsored by Fellowship Church of Prairieville, is off to a very fast start.
- Foster Road Community Church, led by Marvin Parks, is meeting at Foster Road Baptist Church.
- Goodwood Community Church, led by Casey Williamson and sponsored by Christ Covenant, is also off to a fast start.
- Life Changers, led by Sheldon Early, continues to see growth in the Zachary area.

Equipping

Both “Solving the People Problem,” led by Randy Osborne from Walk Thru The Bible Ministry, and LOGOS software training led by Dr. Archie England from NOBTS were well attended and well received. They both proved to be instrumental additions to what we already offer at BAGBR.

Seeking Admission

It is after much prayer that First Baptist Church Zachary has petitioned BAGBR for membership and will be voted on at the 2025 annual meeting. They have come ready to serve, and we believe they will prove to be a great addition to the family.

Churches Absent Pastoral Leadership

Please continue to pray for Istrouma Baptist, First Baptist Church Gramercy, Bayou Sorrel Baptist Church, and Bayou Plaquemine Baptist Church as they continue to prayerfully search for the spiritual leadership that God will provide during this season of ministry.

Thanks again for the proud privilege of serving in the role of mission strategist for BAGBR.

Blessings,
Steven Beckham



Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge Upcoming Pastor-Staff Events

December 9, 2025 8:00 AM—11:00 AM *(Note new time)*

Pastor-Staff Annual Christmas Open House at BAGBR

January 15, 2026 11:30 a.m. 11:30 AM

Pastor-Staff Fellowship at BAGBR

**ACADIAN BAPTIST CENTER
2024-2025 ANNUAL REPORT
Mr. James Newsom, Director**

The summer of 2025 was one of our best ever.

Our attendance of 4,363 was near last year's record. All nine weeks of our camps were evangelistic. We recorded 281 professions of faith, 142 rededications, 35 requests for baptism, 28 surrenders to the ministry, and 300 other decisions—for a total of 786. Camp and retreat revenue is up 10.79%. Unrestricted gifts are up 40%, and *Further with Him* capital campaign gifts are up 22.74%. Total expenses are down 1.53%.

Our staff did an amazing job working through the heat and long hours. One highlight was the volunteers who came to help. We regularly had five or six adults assist with meals, and several men came to mow each week. We used three serving lines and both dining halls for six of the weeks.

Our *Further with Him* capital campaign has surpassed its goal of \$1.85 million in cash and pledges! A grant from the Stuller Family Foundation of \$375,000 put us over the top!

Many of our youth camps were maxed out, and some churches had to be turned away. We are planning to add another 80 beds by renovating three classrooms into dorms before next summer. Afterwards, plans are to expand the back of the Worship Center to include breakout rooms for Bible study and counseling areas. The total estimate for both projects is \$1.5 million.

Our fall looks very busy, with groups scheduled most weekends. One exciting event being planned is the 50th Birthday Celebration for Acadian Baptist Center. ABC was incorporated in November 1975, and it is amazing what God has done here on these hallowed grounds. Building the lake and swimming pool, as well as adding air conditioning to the buildings, were among the first projects. In 1983, the Dining Hall East Wing was added. The Bill Prather Lodge added 32 motel-style rooms in 1997, opening up ministry to adults who wanted more private accommodations.

In the 2000s, four cabins were added to minister to pastors and their families, as well as to provide more adult housing. The bathhouse adjacent to the pool was a needed addition. Later, two property purchases brought ABC's total land area to 93 acres and added another staff house and a barn.

Our *Lighthouse for the Next Century* capital campaign helped us complete the Rev. Nathan and Jewel Robinson Dining Hall and pay off the purchase of the Ballard property. A major renovation of Elliott and Westberry Halls, along with the cabins behind the gym, completed that campaign. A few years later, the *Legacy of Worship* campaign launched the new Worship Center, which is filled with several thousand worshipers each summer.

Our latest campaign, *Further with Him*, has enabled debt reduction and wastewater treatment improvements and will finance additional housing and breakout rooms.

Our 50th Birthday Celebration will be held on Sunday, November 9, at 4:00 p.m. in the Worship Center. During this event, we will hold a groundbreaking ceremony for our new construction and name the Worship Center in honor of James Robinson and his late wife, Diana. Please help us celebrate this special occasion.



Schedule of Upcoming ABC 2025 Fall Events

September:

- 5th - 6th - Survivor Camp men/boys retreat**
- 6th - Cajun Prairie Society Meeting**
- 11th - 13th - Acadiana Women Retreat**
- 18th - 20th - Acadian Men's Retreat**

October:

- 4th - Disc Golf Tournament**
- 7th - Wild Game Supper**
- 11th ABA Reunion**
- 21st - Senior Adult Conference**
- 27th - 31st - Campers on Mission work week**

November:

- 9th - ABC celebrates 50th Birthday, 4:00 p.m.**

December:

- 2nd ABC Christmas Banquet 7:00 p.m.**



**BAPTIST COLLEGIATE
MINISTRY
LOUISIANA STATE
UNIVERSITY
2024-2025 ANNUAL REPORT
Rev. Blake Grundy, Director**

We are continually amazed at how the Lord is moving through college students here at LSU and beyond. Thank you for your faithful prayers, giving, and encouragement—your partnership is making an eternal difference.

Global & National Missions Impact

Before we jump into the excitement of this fall, we want to celebrate what God has done through missions over the past year.

• **Mexico Mission Trip (December 2024):** This past winter break, 50 students and leaders joined us for a mission trip to Mexico, where we partnered with local churches and youth groups, and even had opportunities to minister in schools. It was an incredible week of evangelism, service, and encouragement to the local body of Christ.

• **Hawaii Mission Trip (Spring Break 2025):** During spring break, a team of 19 students traveled to Hawaii to serve alongside the local BCM there. Our students helped reach students on campus through outreach events, spiritual conversations, and support for local ministry leaders. It was a beautiful example of Kingdom partnership and a powerful reminder that God is working on campuses across the world.

Collegiate Week 2025: We launched into this semester by taking 74 students to Collegiate Week, a powerful gathering where students were challenged to grow deeper in their faith and bolder in their witness. The spiritual momentum from that week set the tone for a powerful fall.

Welcome Week at LSU: Immediately following Collegiate Week, we stepped into an incredibly full and fruitful Welcome Week. Hundreds of students—many for the first time—came through BCM’s doors. Our events created space for genuine community and gospel conversations. Highlights included:

- Kahoot & Cereal Night
- Cajun Lunch – Over 400 students served!
- Trivia & Waffles
- Greek Lunch
- Freshman Fest – Attended by approximately 225 freshmen
- Hangout on Highland – About 110 students packed into my backyard
- Steak & Worship Night – Served steak and boudin to around 300 students and saw 39 spiritual decisions, including 16 first-time professions of faith in Jesus!





Weekly Ministries

Launch—Our weekly rhythm is now in full swing:

- International Dinner – Monday nights
- Free Lunch – Every Tuesday
- TNT (Thursday Night Together) – Our weekly worship gathering launched with a full house and 29 decisions for Christ, including 6 new believers!

We are seeing students come to Christ weekly—during events, in conversations, and through relationships on campus. The spiritual hunger is real, and we believe the Lord is stirring something special in this generation.

Join Us in Prayer—Please continue to pray with us for:

- A move of God on LSU’s campus and revival among this generation
- Discipleship and spiritual growth for new believers

We are so thankful for your partnership in the gospel. Your support allows us to be on mission—both on campus and around the world—helping students encounter Jesus and step into lifelong obedience to Him.



BAPTIST COLLEGIATE MINISTRY NICHOLLS STATE UNIVERSITY 2024-2025 ANNUAL REPORT Rev. Stanley Wingard, Director

God continues to do great things here at the BCM at Nicholls State University. The first part of the year (Fall 2024) saw us continue our traditional efforts to reach the campus. The BCM served a dozen lunches on campus, giving hundreds of students the opportunity to meet local churches and connect with their ministers. We also hosted several outreach dinners targeting various campus organizations—from sports teams to Greek life. These dinners resulted in many non-traditional BCM students hearing the gospel.

The BCM hosted weekly Bible studies with live music and guest speakers, all working to fulfill Paul’s mandate in Colossians 1:28–29. In addition, our students spent countless hours on campus practicing evangelism. God used these efforts to transform lives—praise God!

We also continued our Gospel Appointment methodology, in which we schedule a time to share the gospel personally with every single visitor to our ministry center. This intentional focus has been instrumental in teaching our students to be vocal about their faith and giving them practical experience in sharing this life-changing message. We were blessed to see students accept Christ and pray to receive His love!

Spring Semester Highlights—The spring semester continued this momentum, and we praise God that dozens of students remained active in discipleship. Over a dozen students joined our **Spring Break Mission Trip** to Taiwan, where we spent a week working alongside local IMB partners to share the gospel with the Taiwanese people. It was an incredible week of sharing, building relationships, and challenging our students to live out their faith more intentionally (see photo).

These students returned home at the end of the spring semester on fire for God and eager to see summer missions accomplished among the nations!



Looking Ahead—We are deeply thankful for the support of the Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge in helping us reach the lost at Nicholls. We could not do what we do without your partnership. As we look to the coming year, we're excited to welcome a new group of freshmen even as we send out an excellent class of seniors—more fully equipped to serve in local congregations. We've already been busy with Welcome Week activities and are thrilled to see new students getting connected!

Thank you again for your faithful support—both financially and through prayer. We look forward to many more years of partnership with the amazing churches of BAGBR!

2025 BAPTIST ASSOCIATION GREATER BATON ROUGE MINISTRIES

Baptist Collegiate Ministry Baton Rouge Community College
Baptist Collegiate Ministry Louisiana State University
Baptist Collegiate Ministry Southern University
Baptist Collegiate Ministry Nicholls State University
Bayou Youth Rally
Church Planting & Church Revitalization
Disaster Relief
Granberry Counseling Center
Louisiana Baptist Children's Home & Foster Care
International Missions Mobilization
Passion Week Studies, Easter
Pastoral and Staff Ministries
Prison Ministry
Seafarer Ministry

BAPTIST COLLEGIATE MINISTRY
SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY & BATON ROUGE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
2024-2025 ANNUAL REPORT
Rev. Michael Aguillard Jr., Director

We exist to reach, teach, serve, and send out students from Southern University and Baton Rouge Community College with a clear understanding of the Gospel, an awareness of God’s work in their lives, and a commitment to living on mission.

Ministry Highlights

- We worked toward these goals through a weekly Bible study on Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. at Southern University. In addition, students led three different small groups in the on-campus apartments.
- Local pastors taught at Southern’s large-group gatherings to help facilitate stronger student connections with local churches.
- I also met individually and in small groups with students throughout the week for more in-depth discipleship and study.
- We held multiple on-campus outreach events at Southern, where students boldly shared the Gospel with their peers.
- Our students attended Collegiate Week in Falls Creek, Oklahoma; the Geaux24 Missions Conference in Alexandria; and the Collegiate Evangelism Conference at Louisiana Christian University.
- Southern students also participated in a mission trip to Mexico, where they ministered to local youth and children.
- At Baton Rouge Community College (BRCC), we served lunch and held a Bible study each Tuesday from 12:00–1:00 p.m., attended by both students and staff.
- We also hosted a weekly prayer meeting on Mondays at 12:00 p.m. at BRCC.



Looking Ahead—This fall, we are continuing our large-group meetings on Thursdays at Southern University and our Bible Study Lunch on Tuesdays at BRCC.

The BCM at Southern University and BRCC is thankful for the many ministry partners and pastors we have been blessed to serve alongside. Together, we are striving to reach our campuses with the life-changing message of the Gospel.

Note: Director Michael Aguillard accepted a pastoral position in New Mexico. During the interim, Andrew Forque (FBC Zachary) will serve as the BCM Interim Director at Southern University, and Justin Woodall (Istrouma Baptist) will serve as the BCM Interim Director at Baton Rouge Community College.

**DISASTER RELIEF
2024-2025 ANNUAL REPORT
Dr. Tommy Middleton**

This has been an exceptionally quiet hurricane season for the Gulf Coast—and we are not complaining! Even so, we continue to prepare for the days when the season will once again become active. We are currently installing a generator on the annex so that, in the event of a widespread power outage, our Disaster Relief (DR) teams will be able to operate the BAGBR facility as a command center.

We are also seeking someone to serve as our Disaster Relief Coordinator. This is a volunteer position, but if you have an interest in working with churches across our area and coordinating DR efforts, we will gladly welcome your leadership.

2025 Disaster Relief Training Dates

- February 7** Disaster Relief Training, FBC LaPlace
February 28 Disaster Relief Training, FBC Lafayette
March 28 Disaster Relief Training, FBC Pineville
April 11 Disaster Relief Training, Temple Baptist, Ruston



**LOUISIANA CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTE FOR WOMEN, LCIW
CHAPEL VOLUNTEER REPORT
2024-2025 ANNUAL REPORT
Dr. Debi Sharkey, LA DOC Chaplain/Director Chaplaincy Services**

Seminary Program-The Seminary continues to be the principal tool for equipping inmates to lead and minister, resulting in personal transformation and a positive impact on the prison community.

- 14 inmates currently enrolled
- 3 graduates (December 2024)

Volunteers-Volunteers remain the backbone of faith-based programming. Their efforts are indispensable to promoting rehabilitation, spiritual growth, and emotional health.

Ministries include:

- Worship services & Bible studies
- Recovery programs & grief support
- Counseling (individual & group)
- New commit orientation
- Ministry to specialized housing (lockdown, infirmary, assisted living)

Donations (2024–25)

- Baptist Women from local churches throughout the state contributed generously to provide 600+ hygiene boxes distributed to every inmate and new commit.
 - Boxes included: soap, deodorant, shampoo, lotion, toothbrushes, toothpaste, socks, pens, devotionals
- Additional donations:
 - Religious materials & textbooks
 - Chapel office supplies
 - Holiday cards & gifts

Peer Ministers-20 inmate graduates of the Seminary are currently serving as Peer Ministers. Recognized for their dependability, integrity, and leadership, they lead several ministries including:

- Worship services
- Bible studies & recovery groups
- Ministries for seniors, mothers, and creative-arts programs
- Mentors in Certified Technical Education programs

Transitions at LCIW

- Leadership changes:
 - Chaplain Shera Gardner resigned (Jan 2025)
 - Dr. Karen Haserot briefly served, concluding in Sept 2025
 - The chaplaincy position is currently vacant.
- New facility:
 - Ribbon-cutting held Aug 2025
 - Small inmate group transitioned to test systems
 - Remaining LCIW and Tallulah inmates to relocate in September/October

**MARY'S HOUSE OF BREAD
MEETING NEEDS SHARING HOPE
2025 Mid-Year Report
Rev. Steve Bridges**

Partners in Giving,

Thank you for your continued investment in His work through Mary's House of Bread as we extend His hand and His grace to families struggling in the midst of poverty and/or unforeseen circumstances.

Operational Stability allows household enrollment to remain open, which continues to increase each week. Unfortunately, recent Baton Rouge Food Bank food supply reductions (now at 15lbs./person), will result in additional cost in 2025 for MHOB to provide adequate food for each family.

Thankfully, we continue to be blessed by one partner in giving (who wishes to remain anonymous) who graciously continues to supply additional food for distribution each month. If you know of others who are willing to provide food during this time, please let us know.

Financial Stability is maintained only through His grace. The thrift store, along with generous giving and close stewardship, continues to allow operational improvements to be made in the midst of meeting needs. Additional one-time giving allowed all main level roof replacement phases (\$50,000) to be implemented during May 2025. This brings final cost of main level roof replacement to \$60,000. The second level roof still needs to be replaced. The cost estimate is \$24k to \$25k. The higher cost is due to need to remove two levels of old roof, including the wet insulation on the cement structure, then dry the structure before installing new roof with insulation.

Safety (S), Operations Efficiency (OE), and Building Integrity (BI) improvements continued.

- S/BI – Main Level Roof Replacement Phases Complete (\$50,000)
- S/BI – Replaced cracked front window – Upgraded to safety glass to eliminate safety hazard (\$1286.50)

We are blessed beyond measure for committed volunteers and partners who live what they believe. It is only through your dedication to His Work that Mary's House of Bread continues to exist and strives to improve each individual and/or family's quality of life.

Thank you for investing in, supporting, and being a vital part in His Work to Meet Needs and Share Hope!

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call or contact me via email.

In His Service, Steven L Bridges
Mary's House of Bread, 225-328-3508 / SBridges4@cox.net

**NEW ORLEANS BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
LSP EXTENSION CENTER, ANGOLA, LA—THE JOAN HORNER CENTER
2024-2025 ANNUAL REPORT
Dr. Rick Sharkey, Director & Sr. Chaplain, LSP**

The Bible College at Angola has been very busy this year. The graduates are in high demand as faith-based programming expands across the state prison system. Angola graduates are sent to other LA state prisons to assist the development of faith-based programming. There are currently 23 missionaries functioning in ministry in state prisons.

Inmate ministry continues to be effective in reaching men with the gospel. Graduates of the Bible College have seen nearly 200 men baptized this year. The 31 inmate-pastored churches continue to fulfill the Great Commission.

The current student body consists of 50 B.A. students and 18 M.Div. students, in addition to eight graduates with a Master of Divinity degree this past year. These men have both the Master of Arts in Pastoral Ministry and the MDiv.

This semester's schedule looks like this:

B.A. Cycle

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| Field Practicum | Dr. Elizabeth McGraw |
| Christian Doctrine | Dr. Rick Sharkey |
| NT: Johannine Lit. | Dr. John Robson |
| Intro. to Preaching | Dr. Joel Williams |
| English Comp. 2 | Prof. Felecia Robinson |

M.Div. Cycle

| | |
|---------------------|------------------|
| NT Interpretation | Dr. Matt Burke |
| Death, Loss + Grief | Prof. Browning |
| Syst. Theol. 1 | Dr. Adam Harwood |

Thank you for your prayers and support of the Bible College and the churches across Angola. Moral Rehabilitation is happening at Angola through the ministry of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

**PRISON MINISTRY
2024-2025 ANNUAL REPORT**

Louisiana State Penitentiary at Angola

Camp D-We are enjoying another banner year at Camp D! On the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, we hold a two-hour, Bible-based book study. Our authors this year have included Tony Evans, Louie Giglio, and the Kendrick Brothers. We select our books based on their teachings on discipleship and their relevance to the life experiences of the men at Camp D.

Our class began the year with about 40 participants and now has an enrollment of 55. We grow gradually, according to our capacity to teach. There is usually a waiting list before each new class begins, even with the frequent turnover in the population. Some men are transferred to other camps for various reasons, including the opportunity to attend the Bible college at the main prison. With the number of men currently enrolled, I could always use additional help—if the Lord is calling someone to that task.

The return of Warden Vannoy has greatly opened doors for ministry, and we pray that this will continue. At times we are permitted to bring snacks and personal hygiene items, and we hope to host a dinner for the men in December.

As always, we are grateful to BAGBR for providing the funding needed for study materials and for the reputation built over the years that allows us the freedom to continue making disciples at Camp D.

Thank you, Pastor Mike Morris

Camp C-Volunteer Andy Granger facilitates the Fridays in Camp C.

Camp F-Volunteer Earl Rainey along with other volunteers, facilitate studies in this trustee camp. The offenders are blessed with greater freedom than the other camps.

East Baton Rouge Parish Prison-Women

*“...naked, and you clothed me; I was sick, and you visited me; I was in prison, and you came to me.”
(Matthew 25:36)*

The **True Freedom Discipleship Program** now has five faithful women who have been called to fulfill the Word of God in the women’s prison. This year has been extremely challenging as we continue to press forward despite the spiritual decline within the prisons—both among inmates and guards.

Through all the changes, there remain those within the prison walls who long to be set free spiritually, clinging to every word of God spoken to them. We typically have between 10 and 20 ladies who sign up every six weeks—women who, despite many obstacles, have a deep desire to be fed the Living Word of God. Most are very attentive and engaged in discussion during our sessions.

The program begins with an introduction and the sharing of the Gospel. Many of the ladies experience genuine repentance and salvation in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. It is truly powerful to witness tears of remorse—evidence of the Holy Spirit’s transforming work in their lives.

At the end of each six-week session, we celebrate with a simple breakfast and present certificates of attendance, along with notepads and pens. We also take time to reflect on what the Lord has spoken to them during the study. A copy of each certificate is sent to the warden’s office.

As ministers of Christ, we are truly blessed to be part of this life-changing program.

Marcelle Nipper, True Freedom Discipleship, 225-715-3900 cell

The offenders express their sincere gratitude to the Baptist Association for providing discipleship books and to the volunteers who take the time to facilitate the studies. They send their love, appreciation, and prayers of thanks for the generosity of everyone who helps make these studies possible.

The Baptist Association also extends its heartfelt thanks to all the prison staff who allow our volunteers to enter and minister to the offenders. We are deeply grateful for our dedicated volunteers who tirelessly serve in facilities throughout Louisiana.

Volunteers are needed. If you are interested, please contact the BAGBR office.

**SEAFARER MINISTRY in GONZALES
2024-2025 ANNUAL REPORT
Rev. Kerry Ash, Director**

Gonzales Seafarers' Center is a hospitality ministry of BAGBR to the merchant marines and port workers. Our bus and van allow us to transport the seamen from their ships on the Mississippi River to our center, Wal-Mart, Tanger and other local stores. Hosting at the center opens opportunities to demonstrate the love of Christ. Homemade cookies, brownies, and cakes are served with a large helping of the gospel. Most seafarers speak English, so communication is not a problem.

This year we have seen two men give their hearts to the Lord. The Saturday morning Bible study led by FBC Gonzales continues to meet, as does the English as A Second Language (ESL) class which is led by Fellowship Church in Prairieville. Other churches that have brought groups to the center or collected items are Istrouma, Zoar, Jefferson, Family of Faith, Parkview, Donaldsonville, Graceworks, New River and Napoleonville. Two churches have included us in their missions giving: FBC Gonzales and Krotz Springs. We accepted invitations to speak at Ascension, New River, Graceworks, FBC Gonzales, and Zoar.

In addition to sharing the gospel directly with nearly 300 seafarers and port workers, we provided them with 370 Bibles and over 800 tracts. We even transported washing machines, groceries, and a spare tire for a stranded motorist.

We now have a new Assistant Director and several volunteers. We are still only able to be open Monday -Thursday. We continue to get calls for help on days we are not open. CAN YOU HELP?

We ministered to seamen from 22 countries this year: Bangladesh, Bulgaria, China, Ethiopia, Georgia, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Korea, Latvia, Miramar, Pakistan, Philippines, Poland, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Turkey, Ukraine, and Yanmar.

| By the Numbers (To Seafarers) | 2017-18 | 2018-19 | 2019-20 | 2020-21 | 2021-22 | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
|---------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|---------|---------|
| 2023-2024 Ship Visits | 6 | 5 | 1 | >50 | 53 | 22 | 3 | 13 |
| Seamen Contacted | 1152 | 804 | 452 | >1000 | 895 | 1172 | 863 | 767 |
| Seamen visiting the Center | 646 | 517 | 334 | >600 | 235 | 427 | 426 | 384 |
| Gospel Presentation/# of People | 102/865 | 111/482 | 49/237 | >900 | 65/309 | 199/1011 | 74/429 | 58/292 |
| Scriptures/Gospel Tracts Given | 535/658 | 271/325 | 151/214 | >500 | 287/166 | 652/1234 | 412/394 | 368/670 |
| Jesus Videos Given | 156 | 87 | 41 | >50 | 43 | 47 | 37 | 58 |
| Courtesy Trips (One Way) | 861 | 387 | 230 | >200 | 237 | 629 | 482 | 366 |
| Transported (Courtesy Trips) | 1506 | 791 | 452 | >400 | 366 | 1148 | 819 | 733 |
| Port Workers Contacted | | | | | 128 | 150 | 157 | 190 |
| Gospel Pres. /# of Port Workers | | | | | 3-Jan | 15-Sep | 2-Feb | 2-Feb |
| Scriptures/Gospel Tracts | | | | | 8-Sep | Oct-45 | 13/38 | 5/145 |

It has been a privilege to represent BAGBR and serve our Lord and Savior by ministering to the Seafaring community.

Scenes From the Gonzales Seafarer Center



**YOUTH/STUDENT MINISTRY
2025 BAYOU YOUTH RALLY
Rev. Steve Masters, Director**

A Bayou Youth Rally was held at the Jefferson Baptist Church in January of 2025. Over four hundred youth in the 6th to 12th grade attended.

- A Bayou Youth Rally was held in September of 2025 at the Greenwell Springs Baptist Church. Over 500 youth and adult sponsors attended the rally from over 20 different churches.
- A list of full-time youth ministers (6th to 12th grade) was compiled in July of 2025. There are twenty-six full-time youth ministers in the Greater Baptist Rouge area. This is the largest number of full-time youth ministers in any metropolitan area of the state.



Churches from the Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge, the William Wallace Baptist Association, and the Eastern Baptist Association participate in the area Youth/Student ministries.



Bayou Youth Rally: Area Youth Ministers and Leaders

MINUTES
Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge
135th BAGBR Annual Meeting with Missions and Ministry Fair
Zoar Baptist Church of Central/Baton Rouge - Sunday, October 20, 2024

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| Messengers Present | 85 | Churches w/Messengers Present | 24 |
| Guests Present | 14 | Missions w/Messengers Present | 3 |
| Total Staff Present | <u>4</u> | | |
| Total Present | 103 | | |

The 135th Annual Session of the Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge was held Sunday, October 20, 2024, at Zoar Baptist Church in Central/Baton Rouge. The afternoon began at 4:30 p.m. with the Missions and Ministry Fair in the student center. It was followed by the Annual Meeting/Session in the sanctuary that began at 6:00 p.m.

Dr. Lee Rider, worship pastor of Zoar Baptist Church and the Zoar Baptist Choir and Orchestra, opened the evening session with the song “The Majesty and Glory of Your Name.” Special music was followed by the congregation singing, “How Great Thou Art.”

The pastor of Zoar Baptist Church, Reverend Clint Newsom, welcomed the messengers and guests, and then led in prayer.

Kirk Jones, pastor of Fellowship Church in Prairieville, introduced the guest speaker, Dr. David Goza, pastor of Jefferson Baptist Church of Baton Rouge and the current Louisiana Baptist Convention President.

Annual Sermon - Dr. Goza offered the annual sermon *Summing It All Up*, from 1 Corinthians 16:13-16. He led in prayer.

Moderator Mark Robinson called the meeting to order and announced that a quorum was present. He introduced Parliamentarian Michael Erickson who presented the following motions. Both motions received a second and carried.

Constituting Motion: I move that those messengers known to be duly certified by cooperating Baptist churches and those messengers coming later constitute the 135th Annual Session of the Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge.

Order of Business: I move that the printed program available to all messengers be the official order of business for the 135th Annual Session of the Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge.

Minutes – (2023-2024 *Book of Reports*, pp. 24-26)

Mark Robinson presented the minutes from the 134th Annual Session held on October 15, 2023, which was held at Istrouma Baptist Church of Baton Rouge. The minutes received a second and were approved as printed.

Nominating Committee – (2023-2024 *Book of Reports*, p. 28)

Nominating Committee Chairman Preston Thompson, pastor of Redeemer Baptist Church, presented a motion asking that the following recommendations to the Administrative Council, standing committees, and vacancies be approved. The motion carried.

Officers

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| Kirk Jones | Moderator | Fellowship Church, Prairieville |
| Mike Ferguson | Vice Moderator | Lanier Baptist, Baton Rouge |
| Stephen Beary | Treasurer | Woodlawn Baptist, Baton Rouge |
| Michael Erickson | Parliamentarian | Family of Faith, Baton Rouge |

Council Representatives

- 2027 Andrew Ogea.....First Baptist Church Baton Rouge, Baton Rouge
- 2027 Chase Permenter.....Comite Baptist, Baton Rouge
- 2027 Manuel Pigeo.....United Believers Baptist, Baton Rouge

Finance Committee

- 2026 Richard Hayden..... Redeemer Baptist, Baton Rouge
- 2027 Oren Conner Greenwell Springs Baptist, Central
- 2027 Henry Wallace.....First Baptist Krotz Springs, Krotz Springs
- 2027 Daryl PurperaFirst Baptist Central, Central

Nominating Committee

- 2025 Ezzie Price.....New Day Baptist, Baton Rouge
- 2026 Terry Swanson.....Sharon Baptist, Port Allen
- 2027 Merrick Henry..... Cane Brake Baptist, Cane Break
- 2027 Michael Hogeland Erwinville Baptist, Erwinville
- 2027 Marvin ParksGlen Oaks Baptist, Baton Rouge

Petitionary Letters Credentials & Fellowship Committee

- 2027 Shawn Branscum..... Christ Covenant, Baton Rouge
- 2027 Mike Ferguson, Jr..... Lanier Baptist, Baton Rouge
- 2027 Mark Robinson..... Grosse Tete Baptist, Grosse Tete

The term begins at the close of the Annual Meeting on October 20, 2024.

Financial (2023-2024 Book of Reports, pp. 31-43)

Treasurer Stephen Bearry gave an overview of the association’s finances. He reported that, as of December 31, 2023, the year-end budget balance was approximately (\$43,000). He noted that anticipated church contributions for the year declined by about \$35,000. To help cover part of this deficit, \$30,000 was drawn from undesignated funds.

In his September 2024 report, he stated that the association reduced the LSU BCM supplement by \$5,000, in accordance with the 2023 annual meeting decision that if contributions do not improve by midyear, the BCM supplement would be reduced. He also noted that several staff positions remained unfilled. These measures produced a small surplus by the end of September 2024, though it remains uncertain whether that surplus will continue through year-end given the budget transition. Additionally, about \$2.5 million from property sales had been placed with the Louisiana Baptist Foundation on an interim basis until a group determines how the funds will be used.

2025 Proposed Budget (2023-2024 Book of Reports, pp. 44-45)

Stephen Bearry reported that the 2025 proposed budget was approved by the BAGBR Administrative Council. Prior to this approval, the Finance Committee reviewed the budget, and churches were given the opportunity to examine it and ask questions before the annual meeting. He reminded the messengers that at the 2023 annual meeting, the Council set a goal of presenting a balanced budget in 2024. However, with church gifts declining by about \$38,000 from the previous year and insurance costs continuing to rise, achieving a balanced budget through undesignated contributions proved difficult. To address this challenge while continuing to support ministries, the Council approved the following expenditures to be funded by approximately \$85,000 in interest income from property sales: sustain funding for the LSU BCM, reserve \$9,000 for Church Planting, designate \$10,000 to assist pastors who have not yet participated in an international mission trip, and balance the budget. While acknowledging that reliance on non-recurring funds is not ideal, the Council agreed to use the interest during this transitional period.

Mark Robinson asked and received a second on the motion to accept the 2025 BAGBR Proposed Budget as printed; he allowed time for questions. The motion carried.

Petitionary Letters, Credentials, and Fellowship Committee (2023-2024 Book of Reports, p. 46)

Chairman of the Petitionary Letters, Credentials, and Fellowship Committee, Jeff Vincent (pastor of First Baptist Church of New Roads) and the committee, received and acted upon the request from Progression Church.

Motion: Upon being officially interviewed, and upon presentation of all required documents, both the Petitionary Letters, Credentials, and Fellowship Committee, and the Administrative Council recommend that Progression Church of Baton Rouge, Pastor Brian Crain, be accepted for membership into the Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge with all the responsibilities and privileges of a member church.

Progression Church, Pastor Brian Crain
BCM LSU, Baton Rouge, LA 70803

Moderator Mark Robinson: The motion is that we grant Progression Church membership into the Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge. The motion carried. Jeff Vincent prayed for Brian Crane and Progression Church.

Petitionary Letters Committee Members: Chairman Jeff Vincent, Tim Keith, Mardy Guidry, David Goza, Craig Forque, Bernell Smith, Titus White, Wes McKay

Vice Moderator Kirk Jones, pastor of Fellowship Church in Prairieville, made the following Resolution of Appreciation to Zoar Baptist Church.

“BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED: that by means of this resolution we offer our gratitude as the Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge first to God our Father and our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ who directs and empowers every godly work; then to Zoar Baptist Church, her pastor Rev. Clint Newsom and her members for their hospitality and service to the people of the Baptist Association and to all who will bring inspiration, information, and intercession during this 135th Annual Session.”

Recognition of Baptist Association Ministries – Mark Robinson recognized BAGBR Director of Missions Dr. Tommy Middleton, who recognized the following ministry leaders that were present. Each was given a few minutes to speak on their ministry. Dr. Middleton led in prayer for the ministries.

- Baptist Collegiate Ministry Southern University, Director Michael Aguillard
- Louisiana Baptist Children’s Home
 - Granberry Counseling, Licensed Clinical Social Worker Abby McCall
 - Connect 1 Child, Foster Care and Adoption Specialist Hannah Beth Neilsen
- NOBTS Extension at LCIW and LA Chaplain Debi Sharkey
- Seafarers Ministry Director, Kerry Ash

Ministry Leaders Absent: Baptist Collegiate Ministry, LSU, Director Steve Masters; Prison Discipleship Ministry, Director Derek Lindsay; Baptist Collegiate Ministry Nicholls University, Director Conan Sherlin; Disaster Relief, Director Eric LeBlanc; NOBTS Extension at Louisiana State Penitentiary, Director Ricky Sharkey

New Staff - Tommy Middleton introduced the new staff who joined churches in the association during the year. He led in prayer.

- Andrew Ogea, pastor, First Baptist Church of Baton Rouge
- Henry Wallace, pastor, First Baptist Church of Krotz Springs
- Andrew Ardoin, pastor, First Baptist Church of White Castle

Church Plants and Revitalizations – Mark Robinson recognized Dr. Steven Beckham, BAGBR Associational Mission Strategist for Multi-Ethnic Work and Church Planting who introduced the church planters that were present and led in prayer.

- Iglesia Confraternidad, Ascension – Rev. Arturo Zapata (Sponsor-Ascension Baptist churches)
- New Day Baptist Church, Baton Rouge – Rev. Ezzie Price (Sponsor-First Community Antioch Baptist, Litcher)
- First Unity Baptist, Baton Rouge—Dr. David Brown, Jr.

Absent Church Planters

- Filipino Fellowship Church Int., Prairieville – Rev. Nelio Liga (Sponsor-Little Prairie Baptist, Prairieville)
- Goodwood Community Church – Rev. Casey Williamson (Sponsor Christ Covenant Church, Baton Rouge)
- Life Changers Baptist Mission, Zachary – Rev. Sheldon Early (Sponsor Renew Church, Baton Rouge)

Tommy Middleton introduced LBC Church Planting and Revitalization Strategist Jacob Crawford, who will be serving at BAGBR one day a week.

Mark Robinson thanked the association for allowing him to serve as moderator and then introduced Incoming Moderator Kirk Jones.

Kirk Jones recognized and prayed for those participating in mission trips in the upcoming year. He then adjourned the 135th session of the Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge.

Respectfully submitted, Jan Terral

The verse for the 135th Annual Meeting was *“Those who sow in tears shall harvest with joyful shouting. One who goes here and there weeping, carrying his bag of seed, shall indeed come again with a shout of joy, bringing his sheaves with him.”* Psalm 126:5



**Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge
Upcoming Pastor-Staff Events**

December 9, 2025 8:00 AM—11:00 AM (Note new time)

Pastor-Staff Annual Christmas Open House at BAGBR

January 15, 2026 11:30 a.m. 11:30 AM

Pastor-Staff Fellowship at BAGBR

2025 CURRENT MINISTRIES SUPPORTED BY BAGBR

Ministries

Acadian Baptist Center, Eunice
Baptist Collegiate Ministry, LA State University, Baton Rouge
Baptist Collegiate Ministry, Nicholls State University, Thibodeaux
Baptist Collegiate Ministry, Southern University / BRCC, Baton Rouge
Mary's House of Bread (Sponsor Brownfields Baptist Church)
Seafarer Ministry, Gonzales

2025 LBC APPROVED MISSIONS

Church Plant / Mission

Sponsoring Church

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| Filipino Fellowship Church Int* | Little Prairie Baptist Church |
| First Unity Baptist, Baton Rouge* | First Community Antioch, Lutchter |
| Foster Road Community, Baton Rouge* | Foster Road Baptist Church, Baton Rouge |
| Goodwood Community, Baton Rouge* | Christ Covenant, Baton Rouge |
| Iglesia Confraternidad, Ascension* | Ascension Parish Churches |
| New Day Baptist, Baton Rouge* | First Community Antioch, Lutchter |
| Lake Church, Prairieville* | Fellowship Church, Prairieville |
| Life Changers Mission, Zachary* | Renew, Baton Rouge |

2026 BAGBR APPROVED MINISTRIES

Ministries

Acadia Baptist Center, Eunice
Baptist Collegiate Ministry, LA State University, Baton Rouge
Baptist Collegiate Ministry, Nicholls, Thibodeaux
Baptist Collegiate Ministry, Southern University & BRCC, Baton Rouge
Mary's House of Bread (Sponsored by Brownfields Baptist Church)
Seafarer Ministry, Gonzales

2026 LBC APPROVED MISSIONS

Church Plant / Mission

Sponsoring Church

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|---|-----------------------------------|
| First Unity Baptist, Baton Rouge* | First Community Antioch, Lutchter |
| Foster Road Community, Baton Rouge* | Foster Road Baptist, Baton Rouge |
| Goodwood Community Church, Baton Rouge* | Christ Covenant, Baton Rouge |
| Lake Martin, Prairieville* | Fellowship Church, Prairieville |
| New Day Baptist, Baton Rouge* | First Community Antioch, Lutchter |

**Supplement amount and length are dependent on the agreement.*

BYLAWS Recommended Changes

The suggested changes to the Bylaws (as printed below), have been approved by the BAGBR Administrative Council. As required, any changes to the BAGBR Bylaws must be approved by the association's messengers.

Directions for Review:

- Sections of this document that are *italicized* and highlighted in yellow are the proposed new wording. These will replace the text that appears in red with a strikethrough.
- Items highlighted in yellow (but not italicized) were added for clarification.

BYLAWS

ARTICLE ONE - NAME

The name of this association shall be BAPTIST ASSOCIATION OF GREATER BATON ROUGE, INC.

ARTICLE TWO - PURPOSE

The purpose of the Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge, hereinafter at times referred to as, "the Association," shall be to encourage spiritual awakening under the Lordship of Jesus Christ. Further, the Association shall promote Christian fellowship and cooperative activities among the affiliated churches; maintain unity of faith and practice; increase awareness of and involvement in opportunities for evangelism, missions, ministry, discipleship and training, and any other objects such as Christian education, benevolent enterprises, and social service which it may deem proper and advisable for the furtherance of the Kingdom of God.

ARTICLE THREE – MEMBERSHIP

- Section 1. Membership in the Association shall consist of cooperating churches within the Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge, Inc.
- Section 2. Cooperating churches shall be those Baptist churches who cooperate with the Southern Baptist Convention, Louisiana Baptist Convention and which are domiciled in East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana, or in outlying parishes. Cooperating churches also shall be encouraged to contribute to the work of the Association through one of several methods outlined in the Manual of Procedure.
- Section 3. Each cooperating church shall be entitled to six (6) messengers for its first fifty (50) resident members or fraction thereof, plus one (1) additional messenger for each additional fifty (50) resident members or fraction thereof, provided that no church shall be entitled to more than twenty-five (25) messengers.

The membership of church sponsored missions shall be included in the resident membership of the sponsoring church. Messengers from church sponsored missions must be approved by the sponsoring church.

Missions sponsored by the association shall be entitled to one (1) messenger for its first fifty resident members or fraction thereof, plus one (1) additional messenger for each additional fifty (50) resident members or fraction thereof.

- Section 4. Each individual messenger shall be entitled to one (1) vote at regular or special meetings of the Association.
- Section 5. Any church seeking membership in the association at any regular meeting of the Association shall send its petition at least eight (8) weeks before the next regular meeting to the Petitionary Letters, Credentials, and Fellowship Committee. They will be under watchcare until the next regular meeting, at which meeting the Petitionary Letters, Credentials, and Fellowship Committee will make a recommendation. If their membership is approved their messengers will be seated.
- After receiving a petition from a church, the Petitionary Letters, Credentials, and Fellowship Committee shall visit the church in a called assembly of that church. The committee shall explain to its members the purposes, functions, beliefs, and practices of the Association and shall examine the practices, structure, and doctrines of the church (Refer to *BAGBR Manual of Policy and Procedure-Committee Responsibilities-Petitionary Letters, Credentials and Fellowship Committee*). The church shall then, or at a later date prior to the next regular meeting, be given the opportunity to confirm, as a church, its desire for membership in the Association. The Petitionary Letters, Credentials, and Fellowship Committee may report to and seek the counsel of the Administrative Council before reporting to the Association, if desirable. In the event of the failure of the petitioning church or the Petitionary Letters, Credentials, and Fellowship Committee to act in the above manner, the Association, at its discretion, may cooperate with that church, but the final decision of membership must await the next regular meeting of the Association, and the fulfilling of the method prescribed in this section.
- Section 6. Any church may withdraw fellowship from the Association at its discretion.
- Section 7. The Association shall have no power or authority over the churches with respect to their doctrine or practice; yet should any church become unsound in doctrine or practice, the Association shall cease all connection with that church, provided they refuse all counsel and advice from the Association. The Executive Director and the Petitionary Letter, Credentials, and Fellowship Committee will counsel and advise on behalf of the Association using biblical standards and any other document outlined in the Manual of Procedure.
- Section 8. The Association may cooperate with churches where messengers have not been seated. These churches may voluntarily contribute to the association budget with the understanding that this does not obligate the Association to seat the messengers, nor will they have voice in the Association until the messengers have been seated.
- Section 9. Groups and/or individuals contemplating the organization of new Baptist churches or the relocation of existing churches are urged to act in harmony and cooperation with the Executive Director of the Association, that, by mutual consideration of all interests involved, the cause as a whole may be considered and advanced. Churches expecting denominational recognition and standing of good fellowship should grow out of cooperative harmony with that fellowship.
- Section 10. Each church has the responsibility to send a report to the Clerk when or before the body meets in the annual session. Reports shall be mailed to the Clerk by the date set by the Association.

ARTICLE FOUR - ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

- Section 1. Powers and Management - The corporate powers and management of the Corporation shall be vested in, and exercised by, an Administrative Council. The Administrative Council Chair shall be the Moderator of the Association. In addition to the officers (Moderator, Vice-Moderator/Clerk, Treasurer, Parliamentarian,) the Administrative Council shall be comprised of three representatives from each region. The total number of regional representatives shall not exceed the number required for a quorum (20 % of the member churches-see Bylaws, Article 7, Section 3). Decisions made by the Administrative Council require a simple majority of the council members (officers and regional representatives), participating, physically or electronically.
- Section 2. Term of Office – Unless otherwise stipulated in this document, the members of the Administrative Council shall be elected for a term of one (1) year from date of election or until a successor is elected and takes office. They shall be elected ~~at the semiannual associational meeting in the second quarter of the year~~ *in the annual meeting in the first quarter of the year and or a semiannual meeting in the third quarter of the year* from nominations presented by the Nominating Committee and from the floor. All persons elected ~~in the semiannual meeting in the annual meeting and or the semiannual~~ meeting shall take office after the annual meeting, except when the vacancies are filled.
- Section 3. Removal and Vacancies
- (a) Removal - Any member of the Administrative Council may be removed by the Administrative Council or the Association in any regular or special meeting, with cause and in its sole discretion.
 - (b) Vacancies - Any vacancy on the Administrative Council by death, resignation, or otherwise, may be filled by the Administrative Council from the recommendations of the Nominating Committee acting at any regular or at any special meeting called for that purpose. The Association acting at any regular or special meeting has the power to affirm or make a new appointment.
- Section 4. Meetings
- (a) Regular Meetings - The Administrative Council shall establish its own meeting schedule.
 - (b) Special Meetings - Special meetings of the Administrative Council shall be held whenever called by the Moderator or by a majority of the Administrative Council upon at least five (5) days notice by telephone, by ordinary mail, or by e-mail. A meeting may be face-to-face assembly, a teleconference, or an electronic meeting.
 - (c) Notices - Notices of the place, date, and time of all meetings of the Administrative Council shall be delivered in writing at least five (5) days prior to the meeting date. Telephonic or electronic notification in writing shall be deemed acceptable notice.
 - (d) Waiver of Meeting Notice - A meeting of the Administrative Council may be held without notice if waivers of notice signed by all of the Officers are filed with the Recording Secretary, with notation thereof entered in the minutes of the meeting.
 - (e) Video, Telephone, and Electronic Conferences - Members of the Administrative Council, or ~~of any committee~~ *any group (task force, team, or workgroup)*, designated by the Administrative Council, may take any action permitted or authorized by these Bylaws pursuant to meeting by means of video, telephone, or electronic conference by means of which all persons participating in a meeting can communicate with each other in a

meeting pursuant to this subsection shall constitute presence in person at such meeting.

Section 5. Quorum - Any meeting of the Administrative Council requires a simple majority, physically or electronically participating.

Section 6: The Administrative Council shall obtain the approval of the Association (**messengers**) in regular or special-called meetings to purchase, sell, or transfer property or funds.

The Administrative Council shall serve as the Personnel Committee of the Association and shall be responsible for drafting, studying, and periodically reviewing the Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws and Manual of Procedure of the Association. Other duties of the Administrative Council will be outlined in the Manual of Procedure.

ARTICLE FIVE - OFFICERS

The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator/Clerk, Parliamentarian, and Treasurer. They shall be elected ~~at the semiannual associational meeting in the second quarter of the year in the annual meeting and or a semiannual meeting~~ from nominations presented by the Nominating Committee and from the floor. All persons elected ~~in the semiannual meeting, and in the annual meeting and or a semiannual meeting~~ shall take office after the annual meeting, except when the vacancies are filled.

MODERATOR: The Moderator, who also shall serve as the Chair of the Administrative Council shall preside at the meetings of the Association. The term of office of the Moderator shall be limited to two (2) years in succession. Other duties will be described in the Manual of Procedure.

VICE-MODERATOR/CLERK: The Vice-Moderator/Clerk shall preside in the absence of the Moderator and assist the Moderator in carrying out all other assigned duties. The Vice-Moderator/Clerk shall perform the clerk duties of the Association. The term of office of the Vice-Moderator/Clerk shall be limited to two (2) years in succession. Other duties will be described in the Manual of Procedure.

TREASURER: The Treasurer shall be responsible for keeping all financial records and the receiving and disbursing of all monies. The Treasurer or designee shall personally present a financial report at all regular meetings. The Treasurer shall serve a term of three (3) years and may be reelected. Other duties will be described in the Manual of Procedure.

PARLIAMENTARIAN: The Parliamentarian shall be versed in Robert's Rules of Order, the Articles of Incorporation, and Bylaws of the Association. At all meetings of the Association and of the Administrative Council, the Parliamentarian shall be prepared to offer counsel regarding parliamentary procedure to the presiding officer, or to the assembly upon the request of the presiding officer of the assembly. The Parliamentarian shall serve a term of three (3) years and may be reelected. Other duties will be described in the Manual of Procedure.

ARTICLE SIX - TEAM LEADERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE ASSOCIATION

ASSOCIATION EMPLOYEES: The Administrative Council shall employ and define the job description of the Executive Director in the Manual of Procedure. The Administrative Council will determine any other position the Association needs, define the job description in the Manual of Procedure, and employ the proper person.

TEAM LEADERS: The Executive Director and other associational ministry employees shall appoint team leaders and form teams for training, ministry, and missions. These *teams* shall promote to the local churches a program of work for the Association with support from and utilizing the Louisiana Baptist Convention and Southern Baptist Convention programs. The team leaders, team members, and association ministry employees shall provide conferences, clinics, and meetings in keeping with the objectives of the Association and provide leadership in their related fields in the churches desiring such help. These teams shall be presented at the next scheduled associational meeting after their formation. Other duties of team leaders and association employees will be described in the Manual of Procedure.

ARTICLE SEVEN - MEETINGS

- Section 1. The association year shall run from September 1 to August 31, and all reports shall conform to the dates of the association year. The annual meeting shall be in the first quarter of the association year (September-November). Notice of the meeting shall be sent to the pastor and clerk of each church. An optional semiannual meeting may be held in the third quarter of the association year (March-May). The annual meeting will be the primary meeting of the Association. The date, time, and location of the meetings shall be set and changed when necessary by the Administrative Council.
- Section 2. Special meetings of the body may be called by the Moderator or the Administrative Council. All churches shall be notified at least two (2) weeks prior to date of meeting by telephone, by ordinary mail, or by e-mail. The purpose of meeting shall be stated. Notice of the meeting shall be sent to the Pastor, Clerk, and ~~Chairman of Deacons~~ *key church leader* of each church.
- Section 3. A quorum at the annual, semiannual, or special meeting of the Association shall consist of messengers from twenty (20) percent of the churches in the Association.

ARTICLE EIGHT - FINANCE

The churches are encouraged to provide sufficient funds for missions and operating expenses of the Association. ~~Cooperative Program~~ *Associational* monies may be sent to the Association and distributed by the Treasurer as authorized by the Association or the Administrative Council. The Administrative Council shall have authority to appeal to the churches for additional funds when needed.

All non-designated monies received from any source (i.e., gifts, supplements, income from property, lease, sale, royalties, etc.) shall be placed in the general fund and used as authorized by the Association or the Administrative Council.

All designated monies received from any source (i.e., gifts, supplements, income from property, lease, sale, royalties, etc.) shall be used according to their specified designation. Recommendations for the use of all remaining monies for designated purposes which exist after the specified programs, needs, etc. have been completed shall be made by the Finance-Stewardship Committee to the Administrative Council. The Administrative Council then shall designate the use of the remaining monies.

The "Fiscal Year" of the Association shall be January 1 to December 31.

ARTICLE NINE - PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the business sessions of the Association in all cases in which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these Bylaws and any special rules of order the Association may adopt.

ARTICLE TEN - AMENDMENTS

These Bylaws may be amended or repealed in ~~any annual or semiannual meeting~~ **the annual and or a semiannual meeting** of the Association by a two-thirds vote of members present and voting, provided that the amendment has been submitted in writing ~~to the messengers at the previous regular meeting,~~ **to the messengers prior to the meeting,** and provided that such changes are consistent with the Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE ELEVEN - COMMITTEES

The Bylaws may provide for such standing committees as may be deemed necessary or proper, and set forth the powers and duties of the committees. The terms of office for these committees terminate at the end of the annual meeting or when a new committee is elected. The Association acting at any regular or special meeting has the power to ~~affirm~~ **approve** or make a new appointment for any standing committee. All persons ~~affirmed approved~~ **approved** by the Association ~~in the semiannual meeting, and in the~~ **in the annual meeting and or semiannual meeting** shall take office after the annual meeting, except when the vacancies are filled.

COMMITTEES: The Administrative Council shall appoint the following standing committees:

1. Nominating Committee
2. Finance-Stewardship Committee
3. Petitionary Letters, Credentials, and Fellowship Committee

STANDING COMMITTEES: The standing committees shall be responsible for the specified duties listed below. These committees shall consist of nine (9) members unless otherwise noted. Members shall be appointed for three (3) years with one-third (1/3) of the members rotating off each year. Standing committees shall be appointed by the Administrative Council through the Moderator with one (1) member designated as committee Chair. The Executive Director and Moderator shall be ex-officio members of all committees. Committee Chair duties will be outlined in the Manual of Procedure.

FINANCE-STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE: The Finance-Stewardship Committee shall be composed of nine (9) members plus the Treasurer. The Finance-Stewardship Committee shall prepare and present a proposed detailed yearly budget for the Association. Other duties of this committee will be outlined in the Manual of Procedure.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: The Nominating Committee shall be composed of nine (9) members. Nominations for the vacancies on the Administrative Council and the standing committees shall come from the Nominating Committee and floor to the Moderator for the Administrative Council's consideration. Other duties of this Committee will be outlined in the Manual of Procedure.

PETITIONARY LETTERS, CREDENTIALS, AND FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE: The Petitionary Letters, Credentials, and Fellowship Committee shall consist of nine (9) members. The Committee shall receive and examine all letters and credentials of churches desiring membership at the annual association meeting in accordance with Article III. This Committee also functions in an advisory capacity as an impartial body upon the request of individual churches within the Association which are experiencing unresolved conflict, or upon the request of the Association to assist the church or churches involved. It also shall provide such counsel and advice to churches within the Association as is specified in Article III, Section 7. Other duties of this committee will be outlined in the Manual of Procedure.

**BAPTIST ASSOCIATION OF GREATER BATON ROUGE
RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE AND
ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL**

Term begins at the close of business on October 19, 2025.

OFFICERS/COUNCIL

| | | | |
|----------------|-----------------|------|---------------------------------|
| Kirk Jones | Moderator | 2026 | Fellowship Church, Prairieville |
| Keith Horton | Vice Moderator | 2026 | FBC Plaquemine, Plaquemine |
| Richard Hayden | Treasurer | 2026 | Redeemer Baptist, Baton Rouge |
| Gregory Erwin | Parliamentarian | 2026 | Istrouma Baptist, Baton Rouge |

COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

2028

Leigh Rogers Dutchtown Baptist, Prairieville

FINANCE COMMITTEE

2028

George Marcum..... Erwinville Baptist, Erwinville
 Bruce Worrell..... Cedarcrest Baptist, Baton Rouge
 David Brown, Jr. Greater Community Bible, Baton Rouge

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

2028

Jesse Ghoram Douglas Avenue, Baton Rouge
 Chance Fussell CrossPoint Baptist, Baton Rouge

PETITIONARY LETTERS CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

2028

Wilford Mitchell.....First Community Antioch, Litcher
 Todd Blount Redeemer Baptist, Baton Rouge

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION OF GREATER BATON ROUGE
ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

Officers 2026

Kirk Jones..... Moderator Pastor, Fellowship Church, Prairieville
Keith Horton..... Vice Moderator..... Pastor, Plaquemine FBC, Plaquemine
Richard Hayden..... Treasurer..... Redeemer Baptist, Baton Rouge
Gregory Erwin..... Parliamentarian..... Istrouma Baptist, Baton Rouge

Regional Representatives

2026

Chris DeGeorge.....2026 Pastor, Parkview Baptist, Baton Rouge
Andrew Pierce.....2026 Pastor, Immanuel Baptist, Central/Baton Rouge
Robert Lawrence2026 Pastor, Ascension Baptist, Gonzales
Toby Delahoussaye2026 Pastor, Fordoche Baptist, Fordoche

2027

Andrew Ogea2027 Pastor, First Baptist Church, Baton Rouge
Chase Permenter.....2027 Pastor, Comite Baptist, Baton Rouge
Manuel Pigeo.....2027 Pastor, United Believers Baptist, Baton Rouge

2028

Leigh Rogers2028 Dutchtown Baptist, Prairieville

STANDING COMMITTEES 2026-2028

Nominating Committee

2026

Preston Thompson..... Pastor, Redeemer Baptist, Baton Rouge
Terry Swanson Pastor, Sharon Baptist, Port Allen
Pending

2027

Merrick Henry Pastor, Cane Brake Baptist, Cane Brake
Michael Hogeland Pastor, Erwinville Baptist, Erwinville
Marvin Parks Pastor, Glen Oaks Baptist, Baton Rouge

2028

Jesse Ghoram Douglas Avenue, Baton Rouge
Chance Fussell CrossPoint Baptist, Baton Rouge

Finance-Stewardship Committee

2026

Keith Davidson..... Pastor, Courtableau Baptist, Port Barre
Melvin Beasley..... First Community Antioch Baptist, Litcher

2027

Oren Conner Pastor, Greenwell Springs Baptist, Central
Henry Wallace..... Pastor, First Baptist Krotz Springs, Krotz Springs
Daryl Purpera Pastor, First Baptist Central, Central

2028

George Marcum..... Erwinville Baptist, Erwinville
Bruce Worrell..... Cedarcrest Baptist, Baton Rouge
David Brown, Jr. Greater Community Bible, Baton Rouge

Petitionary Letters, Credentials, and Fellowship Committee

2026

Titus White..... Pastor, Grace Fellowship, Baton Rouge
Wes McKay..... Pastor, CrossPoint Baptist, Baton Rouge

2027

Shawn Branscum..... Staff, Christ Covenant, Baton Rouge
Mike Ferguson, Jr..... Pastor, Lanier Baptist, Baton Rouge
Mark Robinson..... Pastor, Grosse Tete Baptist, Grosse Tete

2028

Wilford Mitchell..... First Community Antioch, Litcher
Todd Blount Redeemer Baptist, Baton Rouge

Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge
Balance Sheet
Statement ending December 31, 2024

ASSETS

Checking

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| Capital One Operating Account | 35,512.87 |
| Capital One Payroll Account | 14,334.82 |
| Capital One Merchant Services | 4,084.14 |
| Regions Bank | 3,921.12 |
| Total Checking | <u>57,852.95</u> |

Savings

| | |
|--|-------------------------|
| Louisiana Baptist Foundation | 124,108.58 |
| Louisiana Baptist Foundation - property proceeds | 2,622,219.90 |
| Capital One MM Investment | 2,053.48 |
| Cap One MM Banking | 41,143.11 |
| Total Savings | <u>2,789,525.07</u> |

Cash on Hand

| | |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| Petty Cash - BAGBR | 325.00 |
| Total Cash On Hand | <u>325.00</u> |

2,847,703.02

NET ASSETS / DESIGNATED

| | |
|------------|---------------------|
| Net Assets | 87,141.05 |
| Designated | <u>2,760,561.97</u> |

2,847,703.02

Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge
Budget Analysis Statement Ending December 31, 2024

| | Current Month | Year to Date | 2024 Annual Budget |
|--|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| REVENUES | | | |
| Church Undesignated Contributions | 29,852.73 | 432,081.58 | 470,000.00 |
| Total Church Gifts | 29,852.73 | 432,081.58 | 470,000.00 |
| Supplementary/Other Income | | | |
| Budget Refunds BAGBR | 122.60 | 2,725.69 | 0.00 |
| Miscellaneous Income | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Cap One MM Banking | 4.62 | 70.09 | 145.00 |
| LA Bap Foundation Interest | 460.81 | 4,791.23 | 4,500.00 |
| Interest Income | 1.48 | 6.79 | 0.00 |
| Pastor Trips - interest | 0.00 | 2,000.00 | 0.00 |
| Total Supplementary /Other Income | 589.51 | 9,593.80 | 4,645.00 |
| | | | |
| Total Revenue | 30,442.24 | 441,675.38 | 474,645.00 |
| | | | |
| | Current Month | Year to Date | 2024 Annual Budget |
| EXPENSES | | | |
| Missions and Ministries | | | |
| Mission Assistance | 3,993.73 | 23,855.91 | 18,000.00 |
| Gonzales Seafarer Ministry | 1,412.07 | 16,588.85 | 19,950.00 |
| Collegiate Ministries | 5,750.00 | 79,000.00 | 84,000.00 |
| Personnel Expenses | 28,780.41 | 226,011.19 | 257,018.15 |
| Personnel Development | 235.10 | 7,000.00 | 7,000.00 |
| | 40,171.31 | 352,455.95 | 385,968.15 |
| Church Development/Operations | | | |
| Other Expenses | 3,441.46 | 14,723.72 | 17,050.00 |
| Office Operations | 5,276.05 | 33,807.37 | 59,350.00 |
| Building Operations | 3,300.43 | 29,705.04 | 27,000.00 |
| | 12,017.94 | 78,236.13 | 103,400.00 |
| | | | |
| Total Budget Expenses | 52,189.25 | 430,692.08 | 489,368.15 |
| | | | |
| Total Receipts Less Budget Expenses | (21,747.01) | 10,983.30 | (14,723.15) |

Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge
Summary of Designated Accounts
December 31, 2024

| Account Description | Beginning Balance | Restricted Expenses | Restricted Revenues | Ending Balance |
|--|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| Operating Reserve | 109,370.24 | (22,229.19) | 0.00 | 87,141.05 |
| Total Operating Reserve | 109,370.24 | (22,229.19) | 0.00 | 87,141.05 |
| Designated | | | | |
| Internally Designated | | | | |
| Missions and Ministry | 39,755.70 | 0.00 | 2,927.94 | 42,683.64 |
| Property Proceeds | 2,563,060.27 | (650.00) | 9,736.14 | 2,572,146.41 |
| Other | 9,880.85 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 9,880.85 |
| Total Internally Designated | 2,612,696.82 | (650.00) | 12,664.08 | 2,624,710.90 |
| Externally Designated | | | | |
| Missions, Ministry, BCMs | 37,165.71 | (25,713.69) | 18,818.23 | 30,270.25 |
| Prison Ministry | 80,562.72 | (1,218.02) | 756.65 | 80,101.35 |
| Seafarer Ministry | 25,133.21 | 0.00 | 346.26 | 25,479.47 |
| Total Externally Designated | 142,861.64 | (26,931.71) | 19,921.14 | 135,851.07 |
| Total Internally/Externally Designated | 2,755,558.46 | (27,581.71) | 32,585.22 | 2,760,561.97 |
| Total Reserve / Designated | 2,864,928.70 | (49,810.90) | 32,585.22 | 2,847,703.02 |

Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge
Schedule II - Summary of Designated Accounts
December 31, 2024

| <u>Account Description</u> | <u>Beginning Balance</u> | <u>Restricted Expenses</u> | <u>Restricted Revenues</u> | <u>Ending Balance</u> |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Total BAGBR Operating Reserve | 109,370.24 | (22,229.19) | 0.00 | 87,141.05 |
| Total BAGBR Operating Reserve | 109,370.24 | (22,229.19) | 0.00 | 87,141.05 |
| BAGBR Other Designated | | | | |
| 882828 Angola NOBTS/Library | 4,006.85 | (232.40) | 0.00 | 3,774.45 |
| 882830 Pastors-Staff | 1,157.12 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1,157.12 |
| 882830C Inner City Ministry | 3,655.33 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3,655.33 |
| 882831 Youth Ministry | 1,099.21 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1,099.21 |
| 882832 Prison Ministry/Discipleship | 56,679.99 | 0.00 | 75.00 | 56,754.99 |
| 882834 Hunt Prison | 16,826.14 | (471.05) | 600.00 | 16,955.09 |
| 882838 Sr. Adult Ministry | 687.57 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 687.57 |
| 882839 Mission Opps | 556.81 | 0.00 | 198.79 | 755.60 |
| 882840 West Region Fellowship | 797.55 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 797.55 |
| 882841B LCIW Prison | 3,049.74 | (514.57) | 81.65 | 2,616.82 |
| 882842 BCM Southern | 13,807.18 | (2,740.94) | 1,316.67 | 12,382.91 |
| 882845 Seafarer Ministry | 25,133.21 | 0.00 | 346.26 | 25,479.47 |
| 882847 LBC / Other Supps Ch / Miss | 0.00 | (14,425.00) | 14,425.00 | 0.00 |
| 882847A True Hope Mission (LBC) | 8,155.00 | (7,000.00) | 0.00 | 1,155.00 |
| 882847B LBC.BAGBR.Special | 1,168.51 | 0.00 | 2,500.00 | 3,668.51 |
| 882850 International Missions | 7,537.29 | 0.00 | 2,729.15 | 10,266.44 |
| 882859 Retreat Ctr Sale-2,099,795 | 2,082,133.15 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2,082,133.15 |
| 882859B Retreat Center Interest | 119,253.69 | 0.00 | 8,071.80 | 127,325.49 |
| 882860 Harry Drive Property-403,750 | 356,326.51 | (650.00) | 0.00 | 355,676.51 |
| 882860B Harry Drive Interest | 5,346.92 | 0.00 | 1,664.34 | 7,011.26 |
| 882867 BAGBR Disaster Response | 28,680.62 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 28,680.62 |
| 882873 Gov Claiborne Property | 1,498.41 | (1,547.75) | 576.56 | 527.22 |
| 882874 Hispanic Leadership | 410.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 410.00 |
| 882882 Mission Home Cedarcrest | 2,235.53 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2,235.53 |
| 882883 Block Party | 4,697.54 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4,697.54 |
| 882884 Misc.- Holding | 9,880.85 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 9,880.85 |
| 882887 Total Church Conference | 777.74 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 777.74 |
| Total BAGBR Other Designated | 2,755,558.46 | (27,581.71) | 32,585.22 | 2,760,561.97 |
| Total Designated | 2,864,928.70 | (49,810.90) | 32,585.22 | 2,847,703.02 |

Annual Undesignated Church and Mission Contributions

| | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Addis, First Baptist Church | 12,340.04 | 12,843.86 | 15,881.01 | 18,206.20 | 12,973.20 |
| Ascension Baptist Church | 17,767.00 | 19,246.00 | 16,773.00 | 1,406.00 | 1,000.00 |
| Baton Rouge First Baptist Church | 23,242.37 | 23,289.06 | 20,894.00 | 16,700.46 | 17,280.70 |
| Bayou Plaquemine Baptist, Plaq | 3,335.74 | 3,836.64 | 3,633.76 | 2,700.00 | 2,700.00 |
| Bayou Sorrel Baptist Church, Plaq | 2,792.00 | 2,501.00 | 1,025.00 | | 1,108.00 |
| Belfair Baptist Church | 2,000.00 | | 2,000.00 | | 1,000.00 |
| Bethel Baptist Worship, Morganza | 1,893.63 | 410.00 | 178.00 | | - |
| Brownfields Baptist Church | | | | | - |
| Cane Brake Baptist Church, Lottie | 2,643.76 | 1,696.91 | 1,796.55 | | - |
| Cedarcrest Baptist Church | 374.95 | 1,585.00 | 2,313.00 | 1,650.00 | 1,980.00 |
| Central First Baptist Church, BR | 1,200.00 | 1,200.00 | 1,200.00 | 1,200.00 | 1,200.00 |
| Christ Covenant Church | 6,804.00 | 6,804.00 | 6,804.00 | 6,804.00 | 5,000.00 |
| Church of Life Fellowship | 800.00 | 2,000.00 | 2,600.00 | 2,200.00 | 1,200.00 |
| Comite Baptist Church | 1,051.06 | 1,957.63 | 1,173.43 | 1,948.26 | 1,425.62 |
| Community Bible Baptist, BR | 2,450.00 | 4,200.00 | 3,500.00 | 210.00 | 111.92 |
| Courtableau Baptist Church | 2,236.00 | 860.00 | 2,192.00 | | |
| *Cross Creek Cowboy | 1,092.55 | 665.86 | | | |
| CrossPoint Baptist Church | 2,979.17 | 3,250.00 | 3,250.00 | 3,250.00 | 2,979.17 |
| Donaldsonville First Baptist Church | | | | | |
| Douglas Avenue Baptist Church | 701.00 | 1,303.00 | 1,451.00 | 1,440.00 | 1,752.00 |
| Dutchtown Baptist Church | 1,100.00 | 1,200.00 | 1,100.00 | 1,300.00 | 1,200.00 |
| Erwinville Baptist Church | 650.00 | 600.00 | 700.00 | 700.00 | 500.00 |
| Faith Baptist Church, Baker | 4,743.97 | 4,983.61 | 5,038.04 | 3,980.04 | 5,914.99 |
| Faith Baptist Church, Livonia | 2,200.00 | 2,600.00 | 2,400.00 | 2,400.00 | 2,600.00 |
| Family of Faith | 7,060.00 | 7,897.00 | 7,203.00 | 8,478.00 | 7,795.00 |
| Fellowship Church, GrSpgs. | 4,149.19 | 4,529.03 | 4,789.56 | 4,534.98 | 4,603.41 |
| Fellowship Church, Prairieville | 40,382.10 | 37,047.89 | 39,583.24 | 37,974.46 | 44,467.94 |
| *Filipino Christian Fellowship, BR | | 250.00 | 510.00 | 490.00 | 600.00 |
| *Filipino Fellowship Int, Prairieville | | 50.00 | 140.00 | 256.00 | 400.00 |
| First Community Antioch Baptist | | | 4,000.00 | 4,000.00 | 5,500.00 |
| First Unity Baptist | | | | 456.00 | 34.00 |
| Fordoche Baptist Church | 902.00 | 1,442.98 | 2,394.18 | 3,039.09 | 2,955.27 |
| Foster Road Baptist Church | 4,555.69 | 4,734.25 | 4,627.08 | 3,682.48 | 3,607.26 |
| Gethsemane Baptist | 275.00 | 300.00 | 300.00 | 300.00 | 300.00 |
| Glen Oaks Baptist Church | 1,575.00 | 700.00 | 300.00 | | 600.00 |
| God's Vineyard/New Day Church | - | 575.28 | 904.87 | 283.84 | 568.09 |
| Gonzales First Baptist Church | 10,629.22 | 8,315.04 | 9,476.63 | 10,561.71 | 9,234.43 |
| *Grace Baptist Church disbanded | - | 1,500.00 | 2,100.00 | 450.00 | - |
| Grace Community | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 | 1,375.00 |
| Graceworks, Prairieville | 2,000.00 | | | | - |
| Gramercy First Baptist Church | 2,110.49 | 3,432.00 | 2,619.00 | 2,049.00 | 2,276.00 |
| Greenwell Springs Baptist Church | 30,797.34 | 29,141.92 | 28,912.56 | 24,802.04 | 27,883.26 |
| Grosse Tete Baptist Church | 6,679.00 | 4,731.00 | 5,276.72 | 4,213.05 | 4,386.00 |
| Iglesia Confraternidad Ascension | | | | 141.34 | 250.00 |
| Immanuel Baptist Church, BR | 1,739.73 | 1,525.18 | 988.58 | 790.85 | 884.58 |

* Disbanded, Merged, Withdrew, or Membership Pending

Annual Undesignated Church and Mission Contributions

| | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Indian Mound Baptist Church | 7,127.08 | 3,633.99 | 1,300.00 | 1,200.00 | 400.00 |
| Istrouma Baptist Church | 38,341.91 | 39,670.63 | 51,606.60 | 41,795.64 | 39,689.88 |
| Istrouma Hispanic (with Istrouma) | | | | | |
| Jefferson Baptist Church | 45,050.76 | 47,929.38 | 49,468.34 | 54,375.29 | 52,667.22 |
| Jefferson Hispanic | 523.70 | 572.02 | 587.46 | 696.18 | 514.64 |
| Krotz Springs, First Baptist Church | 6,000.00 | 6,000.00 | 6,000.00 | 6,000.00 | 6,000.00 |
| Lake Martin Baptist, Prairieville | 1,309.50 | 1,222.00 | 915.00 | 568.00 | 977.00 |
| Lanier Baptist Church | 11,955.00 | 13,538.00 | 12,946.00 | 5,257.00 | 7,550.00 |
| Latanache Baptist, Batchelor | 1,920.00 | 1,995.00 | 2,375.00 | 2,499.00 | 2,345.00 |
| Life Changers Mission, Zachary | | | 150.00 | | 150.00 |
| Little Prairie Baptist, Prairieville | 784.00 | 659.00 | 878.00 | 1,101.00 | 1,374.00 |
| *Living Hope - withdrew | 6,379.31 | 5,152.70 | 2,507.93 | | |
| Louisiana Chin | | | | 2,000.00 | 4,000.00 |
| Maringouin, First Baptist Church | 349.91 | 683.61 | 296.87 | 127.60 | |
| New Beginnings | 300.00 | 275.00 | 250.00 | 200.00 | |
| New Life Church of Baton Rouge | 2,632.20 | 2,691.07 | 820.66 | 951.32 | 372.23 |
| New River Baptist Church | 1,948.19 | 1,901.99 | 1,914.56 | 2,162.13 | 2,754.07 |
| New Roads First Baptist Church | 11,538.00 | 13,769.00 | 16,267.00 | 13,145.69 | 14,860.16 |
| Oak Grove Baptist, Prairieville | 1,600.00 | 700.00 | 801.00 | 1,012.32 | 1,200.00 |
| Oakcrest Baptist Church | 1,721.97 | 1,590.42 | 234.69 | | 2,383.50 |
| Parkview Baptist Church | 33,448.70 | 31,614.10 | 31,538.70 | 30,259.40 | 32,650.70 |
| Plaquemine First Baptist Church | 17,295.59 | 21,239.55 | 25,840.42 | 28,247.10 | 15,576.08 |
| Port Allen First Baptist Church | | | | | 250.00 |
| *Progression Church | 1,398.11 | 1,242.00 | 1,551.00 | | 300.00 |
| Redeemer Baptist Church | 9,306.69 | 9,892.82 | 7,953.76 | 12,552.34 | 10,649.76 |
| Reserve, First Baptist Church | | | | | |
| *Scarlet Cord Mission | 50.00 | 100.00 | | | |
| Sharon Baptist Church | 600.00 | 600.00 | 600.00 | 550.00 | 600.00 |
| Sorrento Baptist Church | 1,676.82 | 1,724.61 | 1,506.43 | 1,678.20 | 2,762.03 |
| Stevendale Baptist Church | 2,564.00 | 2,214.00 | 2,140.00 | 2,187.43 | 1,659.06 |
| *Temple of New Life, BR (GrSpgs) | 900.00 | 600.00 | 200.00 | 400.00 | 100.00 |
| The Church at Riverbend | | | | | |
| Trinity Baptist Church | 1,257.54 | 1,059.61 | 1,050.63 | 1,089.02 | 813.58 |
| *True Hope, Plaquemine | | | | | |
| United Believers | | | | 400.00 | 300.00 |
| University Baptist Church | 2,389.29 | 2,236.72 | 1,795.81 | 2,040.25 | 713.27 |
| Vietnamese Hope Baptist Church | 1,809.03 | 796.44 | 2,233.00 | 1,752.48 | 2,048.05 |
| Westside Fellowship, Brusly | 1,667.88 | 800.00 | | 2,417.28 | 376.00 |
| White Castle, FBC-West | 958.38 | 990.12 | 946.21 | 812.83 | 1,106.84 |
| Woodlawn Baptist Church | 15,760.11 | 14,377.52 | 12,871.47 | 4,456.08 | 5,000.00 |
| Zoar Baptist Church | 39,273.16 | 37,445.70 | 39,651.15 | 42,120.69 | 40,292.67 |
| | 2,180.80 | 961.26 | 200.00 | | |
| Total Undesignated Contributions | 480,769.63 | 474,582.40 | 490,925.90 | 438,152.07 | 432,081.58 |

*Disbanded, Merged, Withdrew, or Membership Pending

Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge
Balance Sheet
Statement ending September 30, 2025

ASSETS

Checking

| | |
|-------------------------------|------------------|
| Capital One Operating Account | 33,903.67 |
| Capital One Payroll Account | 15,000.00 |
| Capital One Merchant Services | 3,886.82 |
| Regions Bank | 4,012.32 |
| Total Checking | 56,802.81 |

Savings

| | |
|--|---------------------|
| Louisiana Baptist Foundation | 185,369.23 |
| Louisiana Baptist Foundation/prop proceeds | 2,599,184.20 |
| Capital One MM Investment | 2,046.85 |
| Cap One MM Banking | 11,173.99 |
| Total Savings | 2,797,774.27 |

Cash on Hand

| | |
|---------------------------|---------------|
| Petty Cash - BAGBR | 325.00 |
| Total Cash On Hand | 325.00 |

2,854,902.08

NET ASSETS / DESIGNATED

| | |
|------------|---------------------|
| Net Assets | 75,198.98 |
| Designated | <u>2,779,703.10</u> |

2,854,902.08

**Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge
Budget Analysis Statement Ending September 30, 2025**

| | Current Month | Year to Date | 2025 Annual Budget |
|--|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| REVENUES | | | |
| Church Undesignated Contributions | 34,273.04 | 315,457.38 | 425,000.00 |
| Total Church Gifts | 34,273.04 | 315,457.38 | 425,000.00 |
| Supplementary/Other Income | | | |
| Budget Refunds BAGBR | 1.11 | 1,391.81 | 0.00 |
| Miscellaneous Income | 0.00 | 1,008.99 | 0.00 |
| Cap One/LABFound Interest | 616.16 | 3,459.41 | 4,313.00 |
| Pastor Mission Trips-from interest | 0.00 | 4,000.00 | 10,000.00 |
| Church Planting-from interest | 750.00 | 6,000.00 | 9,000.00 |
| Balance Budget-from interest | 0.00 | 0.00 | 23,540.42 |
| Total Supplementary /Other Income | 1,367.27 | 15,860.21 | 46,853.42 |
| Total Revenue | 35,640.31 | 331,317.59 | 471,853.42 |
| | | | |
| | Current | | 2025 |
| | Month | Yr to Date | Annual |
| | | | Budget |
| EXPENSES | | | |
| Missions and Ministries | | | |
| Mission Assistance | 2,261.51 | 29,734.59 | 33,000.00 |
| Gonzales Seafarer Ministry | 1,283.39 | 22,337.93 | 19,250.00 |
| Collegiate Ministries | 7,000.00 | 63,000.00 | 84,000.00 |
| Personnel Expenses | 18,765.45 | 162,800.64 | 239,203.42 |
| Other Personnel | 0.00 | 6,762.73 | 7,000.00 |
| | 29,310.35 | 284,635.89 | 382,453.42 |
| Church Development/Operations | | | |
| Other Expenses | 1,671.47 | 11,345.43 | 21,650.00 |
| Office Operations | 4,652.14 | 28,202.47 | 39,000.00 |
| Building Operations | 3,222.97 | 18,574.12 | 28,750.00 |
| | 9,546.58 | 58,122.02 | 89,400.00 |
| Total Budget Expenses | 38,856.93 | 342,757.91 | 471,853.42 |
| Total Receipts Less Budget Expenses | (3,216.62) | (11,440.32) | (0.00) |

Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge
Schedule II - Summary of Designated Accounts
September 30, 2025

| | <u>Beginning</u> <u>Balance</u> | <u>Restricted</u> <u>Expenses</u> | <u>Restricted</u> <u>Revenues</u> | <u>Ending</u> <u>Balance</u> |
|--|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Operating Reserve | 78,774.75 | (3,575.77) | 0.00 | 75,198.98 |
| Total Operating Reserve | 78,774.75 | (3,575.77) | 0.00 | 75,198.98 |
| Designated | | | | |
| Internally Designated | | | | |
| Missions and Ministry | 8,949.44 | (1,954.11) | 286.24 | 7,281.57 |
| Property Proceeds | 2,596,434.20 | (750.00) | 0.00 | 2,595,684.20 |
| Disaster Response | 26,150.14 | (314.05) | 0.00 | 25,836.09 |
| Other | 23,323.30 | (83.35) | 1,847.02 | 25,086.97 |
| Total Internally Designated | 2,654,857.08 | (3,101.51) | 2,133.26 | 2,653,888.83 |
| Externally Designated | | | | |
| BCM | 17,762.20 | (727.21) | 866.67 | 17,901.66 |
| Other | 1,154.44 | (2,235.53) | 1,125.94 | 44.85 |
| Missions, Ministry | 24,954.50 | (30,210.47) | 9,536.00 | 4,280.03 |
| Prison Ministry | 83,356.58 | (958.65) | 675.00 | 83,072.93 |
| Seafarer Ministry | 20,525.22 | (466.68) | 456.26 | 20,514.80 |
| Total Externally Designated | 147,752.94 | (34,598.54) | 12,659.87 | 125,814.27 |
| Total Internally/Externally Designated | 2,802,610.02 | (37,700.05) | 14,793.13 | 2,779,703.10 |
| Total Reserve / Designated | 2,881,384.77 | (41,275.82) | 14,793.13 | 2,854,902.08 |

Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge
Schedule II - Summary of Designated Accounts
September 30, 2025

| <u>Account Number</u> | <u>Account Description</u> | <u>Beginning Balance</u> | <u>Restricted Expenses</u> | <u>Restricted Revenues</u> | <u>Ending Balance</u> |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Total Operating Reserve | | 78,774.75 | (3,575.77) | 0.00 | 75,198.98 |
| Total BAGBR Operating Reserve | | 78,774.75 | (3,575.77) | 0.00 | 75,198.98 |
| BAGBR Other Designated | | | | | |
| 882828 | Prison Angola ~ NOBTS | 3,774.45 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3,774.45 |
| 882830 | BAGBR Pastors/Staff | 855.25 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 855.25 |
| 882830C | BAGBR Inner City Camp | 3,655.33 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3,655.33 |
| 882831 | Youth Ministry Assoc | 1,099.21 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1,099.21 |
| 882832 | Prison Min Discipleship | 63,056.62 | (706.58) | 75.00 | 62,425.04 |
| 882832W | Wade Corrections | 230.73 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 230.73 |
| 882834 | Hunt Prison | 14,466.99 | (219.86) | 600.00 | 14,847.13 |
| 882838 | BAGBR Sr. Adult Ministry | 687.57 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 687.57 |
| 882839 | Mission Opportunity - DOM | (291.15) | (83.35) | 374.50 | 0.00 |
| 882839B | Books | 451.00 | 0.00 | 129.00 | 580.00 |
| 882840 | West Region Fellowship | 797.55 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 797.55 |
| 882841B | LCIW Chaplain's | 1,827.79 | (32.21) | 0.00 | 1,795.58 |
| 882842 | BCM Southern | 17,762.20 | (727.21) | 866.67 | 17,901.66 |
| 882845 | Seafarer Ministry | 20,525.22 | (466.68) | 456.26 | 20,514.80 |
| 882847 | LBC / Other Supps Ch / Miss | 0.00 | (6,950.00) | 6,950.00 | 0.00 |
| 882847A | True Hope Mission (LBC) | 22,055.00 | (20,900.00) | 0.00 | 1,155.00 |
| 882847C | New Life Food Supplement | 833.36 | (208.33) | 0.00 | 625.03 |
| 882847E | Residency Strategy | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2,500.00 | 2,500.00 |
| 882849 | International Missions | 4,251.90 | (1,605.67) | 286.24 | 2,932.47 |
| 882849 | Haiti 2018 | 2,152.14 | (2,152.14) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 882850 F | Europe/Asia Missions | (86.00) | 0.00 | 86.00 | 0.00 |
| 882859 | BAGBR Retreat Ctr-2,099,795 | 2,082,133.15 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2,082,133.15 |
| 882859B | Retreat Interest LABF | 202,585.40 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 202,585.40 |
| 882860 | Harry Dr Prop-403,750 | 299,224.51 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 299,224.51 |
| 882860B | Harry Drive Interest | 12,491.14 | (750.00) | 0.00 | 11,741.14 |
| 882867 | Disaster Response | 26,150.14 | (314.05) | 0.00 | 25,836.09 |
| 882873 | Gov Claiborne Prop/Holding | (7,043.18) | 0.00 | 1,125.94 | (5,917.24) |
| 882874 | CCHispanic Leadership | 410.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 410.00 |
| 882882 | Mission Home Cedarcrest | 2,235.53 | (2,235.53) | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 882883 | BAGBR Block Party | 4,697.54 | (348.44) | 0.00 | 4,349.10 |
| 882884 | BAGBR Misc - Holding | 21,620.63 | 0.00 | 1,343.52 | 22,964.15 |
| Total Other Designated | | 2,802,610.02 | (37,700.05) | 14,793.13 | 2,779,703.10 |
| Total Designated | | 2,881,384.77 | (41,275.82) | 14,793.13 | 2,854,902.08 |

Undesignated Church and Mission Contributions, January-September

| | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | Jan-Sept | Jan-Sept | Jan-Sept | Jan-Sept | Jan-Sept |
| Addis, Church at | 10,095.46 | 11,089.53 | 13,453.20 | 12,973.20 | 5,052.55 |
| Ascension Baptist Church | 14,464.00 | 12,312.00 | 1,406.00 | 1,000.00 | 750.00 |
| Baton Rouge FBC | 18,300.60 | 17,654.51 | 14,501.51 | 14,779.84 | 10,588.76 |
| Bayou Plaquemine, Plaq | 3,134.00 | 2,877.16 | 2,250.00 | 2,025.00 | 2,075.00 |
| Bayou Sorrel Baptist, Plaq | 1,750.00 | 1,201.00 | - | 796.00 | 3,414.00 |
| Belfair Baptist Church, BR | - | 2,000.00 | - | - | - |
| Bethel Baptist, Morganza | 125.00 | 178.00 | - | - | - |
| Brownfields Baptist, Baker | - | - | - | - | - |
| Cane Brake Baptist, Lottie | 1,696.91 | 1,796.55 | - | - | - |
| Cedarcrest Baptist Church | 1,420.00 | 1,818.00 | 1,320.00 | 1,485.00 | 1,760.00 |
| Central FBC | 900.00 | 900.00 | 900.00 | 900.00 | 900.00 |
| Christ Covenant | 5,103.00 | 5,103.00 | 3,753.00 | 5,000.00 | 2,050.00 |
| Church of Life Fellowship | 1,800.00 | 2,000.00 | 1,800.00 | 1,050.00 | 400.00 |
| Comite Baptist Church | 1,444.35 | 937.38 | 1,433.88 | 1,070.09 | 1,930.59 |
| Community Bible Baptist, Greater | 3,150.00 | 3,150.00 | 210.00 | 86.92 | 100.00 |
| Courtableau Baptist, Port Barre | 860.00 | 2,192.00 | - | - | - |
| Cross Creek Cowboy, Zachary* | 665.86 | - | - | - | - |
| CrossPoint Baptist Church | 2,437.47 | 2,437.47 | 2,437.51 | 2,166.64 | 2,437.47 |
| Douglas Avenue Baptist | 1,152.00 | 600.00 | 600.00 | 1,752.00 | 1,660.00 |
| Dutchtown Baptist Church | 800.00 | 800.00 | 1,000.00 | 900.00 | 900.00 |
| Erwinville Baptist Church | 600.00 | 700.00 | 700.00 | 500.00 | 700.00 |
| Faith Baptist Church, Baker | 3,838.85 | 3,691.52 | 3,642.52 | 4,926.59 | 3,220.26 |
| Faith Baptist Church, Livonia | 2,000.00 | 1,800.00 | 1,800.00 | 1,800.00 | 1,600.00 |
| Family of Faith | 7,897.00 | 7,203.00 | 8,478.00 | 7,795.00 | 8,165.00 |
| Fellowship Baptist, GrSpgs. | 3,387.56 | 3,711.62 | 3,300.25 | 3,456.06 | 4,062.63 |
| Fellowship Church, Pr'ville | 28,234.17 | 29,429.61 | 30,694.02 | 34,462.33 | 27,088.03 |
| Filipino Fell Int Mission, Pr'ville | 50.00 | 180.00 | 196.00 | 320.00 | 280.00 |
| Filipino American Mission, BR | 100.00 | - | 240.00 | 300.00 | - |
| First Community Antioch Baptist | - | 4,000.00 | 4,000.00 | 5,500.00 | - |
| First Unity Baptist Church | - | - | 456.00 | 34.00 | 511.00 |
| Fordoche Baptist Church | 1,054.06 | 1,922.79 | 2,494.89 | 2,378.91 | 2,407.42 |
| Foster Road Baptist Church | 3,539.27 | 3,553.48 | 2,892.36 | 2,567.72 | 2,691.47 |
| Foster Road Community, mission | - | - | - | - | - |
| Gethsemane Baptist Church | - | 300.00 | 300.00 | 300.00 | - |
| Glen Oaks Baptist Church | 700.00 | 300.00 | - | 300.00 | - |
| God's Vineyard Baptist /New Day | 575.28 | 228.77 | 225.11 | 432.77 | 486.72 |
| Gonzales FBC | 6,301.64 | 7,617.83 | 7,020.96 | 7,016.83 | 7,341.11 |
| Grace Baptist Church* | 1,200.00 | 1,650.00 | 450.00 | - | - |
| Grace Community | 1,125.00 | 1,125.00 | 1,125.00 | 1,000.00 | 1,125.00 |
| Graceworks, Pr'ville | - | - | - | - | - |
| Gramercy FBC | 1,990.00 | 2,072.00 | 1,655.00 | 1,579.00 | 1,672.00 |
| Greenwell Springs Baptist | 21,822.16 | 19,483.77 | 18,706.14 | 19,854.78 | 25,000.11 |
| Grosse Tete Baptist Church | 3,524.00 | 3,687.00 | 3,212.05 | 3,432.00 | 3,767.00 |
| Hope Mission* | - | - | - | - | - |
| Immanuel Baptist, BR | 1,149.99 | 988.58 | 677.22 | 884.58 | 474.90 |
| Iglesia Confradid, Ascension mission | - | - | 57.00 | 100.00 | 99.08 |
| In His Hands* | 300.00 | - | - | - | - |

*Disbanded, Merged, Withdrew, or Membership Pending

Undesignated Church and Mission Contributions, January-September

| | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | Jan-Sept | Jan-Sept | Jan-Sept | Jan-Sept | Jan-Sept |
| Indian Mound Baptist | 3,333.99 | 900.00 | 900.00 | 400.00 | - |
| Istrouma Baptist (Asce&Hispanic) | 39,691.65 | 30,280.97 | 32,555.89 | 29,896.68 | 29,671.87 |
| Jefferson Baptist Church | 38,185.34 | 37,167.53 | 41,213.00 | 40,748.61 | 42,683.57 |
| Jefferson Hispanic | 390.84 | 425.14 | 526.66 | 364.14 | 333.19 |
| Krotz Springs, FBC | 4,500.00 | 4,500.00 | 4,500.00 | 4,500.00 | 4,500.00 |
| LA Chin Baptist, Baton Rouge | - | - | 2,000.00 | 2,000.00 | - |
| Lake Martin Baptist | 624.00 | 939.00 | 297.00 | 775.00 | 269.51 |
| Lake Church, Pr'ville mission | | | | | 1,905.22 |
| Lanier Baptist Church | 9,976.00 | 9,478.00 | 5,257.00 | 4,915.00 | 9,267.00 |
| Latanche Baptist, Batchelor | 1,717.00 | 1,708.00 | 1,892.00 | 1,693.00 | 1,981.00 |
| Life Changers, Zachary mission | - | - | - | 150.00 | - |
| Little Prairie Baptist, Pr'ville | 642.00 | 481.00 | 847.00 | 1,065.00 | 996.00 |
| Living Hope Fellowship* | 2,507.93 | 4,020.25 | - | - | - |
| Maringouin FBC | 203.46 | 391.13 | 127.60 | - | - |
| New Beginnings Baptist | 225.00 | 175.00 | 200.00 | - | - |
| New Life Church Baton Rouge | 686.51 | 2,194.70 | 888.67 | 330.63 | 486.93 |
| New Life Community, Zachary* | - | 37.60 | - | - | - |
| New River Baptist Church | 1,229.32 | 1,389.98 | 1,736.39 | 2,105.54 | 2,211.95 |
| New Roads FBC | 12,792.00 | 9,104.00 | 9,853.00 | 12,303.60 | 13,276.63 |
| Oak Grove Baptist Church, Pr'ville | 401.00 | 700.00 | 312.32 | 1,200.00 | 1,200.00 |
| Oakcrest Baptist Church | 234.69 | 1,252.17 | - | - | - |
| Parkview Baptist Church | 24,309.60 | 23,730.50 | 25,133.60 | 27,452.50 | 24,511.20 |
| Plaquemine FBC | 19,471.60 | 16,289.26 | 21,754.02 | 11,996.57 | 9,262.43 |
| Port Allen FBC | - | - | - | 100.00 | 450.00 |
| Progression Church | 1,476.00 | 1,192.00 | - | 300.00 | - |
| Providence Baptist Church* | - | 500.00 | - | - | - |
| Redeemer Baptist | 7,953.76 | 7,452.96 | 10,271.19 | 8,134.89 | 7,085.76 |
| Renew* | 150.00 | - | - | - | - |
| Reserve FBC | - | - | - | - | - |
| Riverbend Baptist Church | - | - | - | - | - |
| Scarlet Cord Mission, St. James* | - | 50.00 | - | - | - |
| Sharon Baptist Church | 450.00 | 450.00 | 400.00 | 450.00 | 350.00 |
| Sherwood Baptist Church* | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sorrento Baptist Church | 1,100.28 | 1,190.24 | 1,390.32 | 1,964.03 | 742.69 |
| Stevendale Baptist Church | 1,362.00 | 1,603.00 | 1,690.03 | 1,249.14 | 1,319.47 |
| Temple of New Life* | 200.00 | 300.00 | 200.00 | 100.00 | - |
| Trinity Baptist Church | 800.89 | 849.52 | 854.78 | 618.88 | 788.76 |
| True Foundation Mission, Plaq* | - | 161.26 | - | - | - |
| True Hope Mission, Plaq* | - | - | - | - | - |
| United Believers Baptist Church | - | - | 400.00 | 300.00 | 600.00 |
| University Baptist Church* | 1,435.96 | 1,748.29 | 1,624.54 | 713.27 | - |
| Vietnamese Hope Church | 2,233.00 | 796.44 | 1,752.48 | 2,048.05 | 1,309.41 |
| Westside Fellowship, Plaq | - | 800.00 | 2,417.28 | 376.00 | 668.00 |
| White Castle FBC | 740.32 | 747.88 | 677.13 | 814.96 | 1,022.01 |
| Woodlawn Baptist Church | 12,871.47 | 9,367.22 | 4,456.08 | 5,000.00 | 250.00 |
| Zoar Baptist Church | 30,646.80 | 28,292.15 | 32,065.54 | 31,008.16 | 33,604.68 |
| Total Undesignated Contributions | 381,230.04 | 363,356.76 | 345,581.14 | 339,998.91 | 315,457.38 |

**Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge
2026 Proposed Budget**

| | | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 |
|--|---------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | | Actual | Actual | Actual | Projection | Proposed |
| REVENUE | | | | | | |
| Church Contributions | | | | | | |
| 004041 | Church Gifts | 490,925.90 | 438,152.07 | 432,081.58 | 401,235.49 | 400,000.00 |
| Total Church Contributions | | 490,925.90 | 438,152.07 | 432,081.58 | 401,235.49 | 400,000.00 |
| Supplementary/Other Income | | | | | | |
| 004222 | Budget Refunds BAGBR | 3,329.19 | 2,557.92 | 2,725.69 | 1,389.64 | 0.00 |
| 004223 | Miscellaneous Income | 0.00 | 1,429.00 | 0.00 | 1,008.99 | 0.00 |
| 004224 | Cap One MM Banking | 71.34 | 71.04 | 76.88 | 37.61 | 25.00 |
| 004225 | LA Bap Found Interest/Other | 1,898.48 | 4,657.70 | 4,791.23 | 4,146.26 | 4,000.00 |
| 004226 | Other Interest | 571.84 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 004237 | Rev Reserve /PPP | 0.00 | 30,000.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 004240 | Pastor Mission Trips (interest) | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2,000.00 | 4,000.00 | 10,000.00 |
| 004241 | Church Planting (interest) | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 9,000.00 | 9,000.00 |
| 004242 | Balance Budget (interest) | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 38,494.22 | 60,478.98 |
| Total Supplementary/Other Income | | 5,870.85 | 38,715.66 | 9,593.80 | 58,076.72 | 83,503.98 |
| Total Revenue BAGBR | | 496,796.75 | 476,867.73 | 441,675.38 | 459,312.21 | 483,503.98 |
| EXPENSES | | | | | | |
| MISSIONS & MINISTRIES PROGRAM | | | | | | |
| Missions Assistance | | | | | | |
| 005002 | Supp-Mission Assistance | 1,300.00 | 1,200.00 | 1,200.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 005002B | Church Planting (interest) | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 8,250.00 | 9,000.00 |
| 005003 | False River Property | 8,700.60 | 10,588.84 | 20,855.91 | 6,671.04 | 6,500.00 |
| 005003 | False River Property Ins | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 14,483.19 | 14,500.00 |
| 005003 | False River Entergy | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3,417.43 | 3,500.00 |
| 005004 | Ministry-Mary's House | 1,800.00 | 1,800.00 | 1,800.00 | 1,800.00 | 3,600.00 |
| Total Missions Assistance | | 11,800.60 | 13,588.84 | 23,855.91 | 34,621.66 | 37,100.00 |
| Seafarer Ministry | | | | | | |
| 005030 | Utilities | 5,136.77 | 4,467.77 | 5,879.28 | 5,894.62 | 6,300.00 |
| 005031 | Maintenance | 2,000.34 | 2,069.00 | 2,219.00 | 3,290.47 | 3,500.00 |
| 005032 | Van Operations | 3,267.39 | 2,875.11 | 500.00 | 500.00 | 1,000.00 |
| 005034 | Phones | 1,994.49 | 1,907.95 | 2,436.59 | 2,445.93 | 2,500.00 |
| 005035 | Insurance (1/2) | 2,860.00 | 3,500.00 | 4,354.50 | 13,245.07 | 13,300.00 |
| Total Seafarer Ministry | | 15,258.99 | 14,819.83 | 15,389.37 | 25,376.09 | 26,600.00 |
| Collegiate Ministries | | | | | | |
| 005050 | LSU BCM | 72,999.96 | 72,999.96 | 68,000.00 | 73,000.00 | 73,000.00 |
| 005051 | Nichols BCM | 3,010.00 | 3,000.00 | 3,000.00 | 3,000.00 | 3,000.00 |
| 005052 | Southern/BRCC BCM | 4,999.92 | 8,000.00 | 8,000.00 | 8,000.00 | 8,000.00 |
| Total Collegiate Ministries | | 81,009.88 | 83,999.96 | 79,000.00 | 84,000.00 | 84,000.00 |

**Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge
2026 Proposed Budget**

| | 2022 Actual | 2023 Actual | 2024 Actual | 2025 Projection | 2026 Proposed |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| PERSONNEL EXPENSES | | | | | |
| Personnel | | | | | |
| Salaries | 247,624.79 | 219,282.09 | 171,616.59 | 184,165.82 | 189,194.37 |
| Insurance | 37,661.38 | 26,273.99 | 13,476.26 | 9,074.66 | 10,000.00 |
| Auto/Meals/Travel | 16,058.16 | 13,156.38 | 17,875.63 | 17,808.04 | 18,250.00 |
| Retirement | 12,412.79 | 11,376.28 | 8,576.28 | 8,781.95 | 9,145.67 |
| Payroll Tax/Worker's Comp | 20,267.57 | 17,549.41 | 13,466.43 | 16,112.08 | 17,813.94 |
| Total Personnel Development | 334,024.69 | 287,638.15 | 225,011.19 | 235,942.55 | 244,403.98 |
| Other Expenses | | | | | |
| 005282 Youth Ministry | 1,269.88 | 1,768.85 | 2,000.00 | 2,000.00 | 2,000.00 |
| 005284 Evangelism Ministry | 0.00 | 250.00 | 595.00 | 250.00 | 250.00 |
| 005290 Church Revitalization | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 750.00 | 750.00 |
| 005292 Regional Pastors Meetings | 2,818.26 | 2,715.51 | 2,815.31 | 2,750.00 | 2,750.00 |
| 005293 Assocl Leadership Mtgs | 2,759.23 | 4,309.87 | 4,380.44 | 4,000.00 | 4,000.00 |
| 005296 Mission Conf/Annual Events | 717.69 | 495.10 | 1,043.97 | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 |
| 005299 Pastor Staff Church | 844.62 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 005300 Acadian Baptist Center | 900.00 | 900.00 | 900.00 | 900.00 | 900.00 |
| 005315 Harry Drive Property (sold) | 5,429.76 | 6,207.29 | 989.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Pastor Mission Trips (interest) | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2,000.00 | 4,000.00 | 10,000.00 |
| Total Other Expenses | 14,739.44 | 16,646.62 | 14,723.72 | 15,650.00 | 21,650.00 |
| OPERATIONS | | | | | |
| Office Operations | | | | | |
| 005402 Bank & Service Chg/Legal | 4,973.63 | 2,379.56 | 2,960.48 | 1,750.00 | 1,750.00 |
| 005421 Postage | 1,350.19 | 1,250.00 | 424.46 | 1,427.65 | 1,500.00 |
| 005422 General Office | 6,279.81 | 3,807.42 | 5,394.41 | 5,500.00 | 5,500.00 |
| 005423 Printing Supplies / Copier | 4,357.49 | 2,876.51 | 3,753.97 | 4,000.00 | 4,000.00 |
| 005424 Equipment/Maintenance | 4,416.75 | 4,496.42 | 3,454.49 | 5,000.00 | 5,000.00 |
| 005425 New Equipment | 660.58 | 0.00 | 1,363.35 | 750.00 | 1,250.00 |
| 005426 Ins Property/Liability/Equip | 18,755.31 | 17,910.30 | 16,456.21 | 17,013.26 | 20,000.00 |
| 005429 Website | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1,500.00 |
| Total Office Operations | 40,793.76 | 32,720.21 | 33,807.37 | 35,440.91 | 40,500.00 |
| Building Operations | | | | | |
| 005621 Cleaning - Supplies | 6,169.68 | 4,978.84 | 5,886.67 | 5,781.00 | 6,250.00 |
| 005622 Utilities | 8,955.24 | 7,476.34 | 9,738.48 | 11,000.00 | 11,000.00 |
| 005624 Building- Maint- Lawn | 8,431.32 | 19,250.15 | 7,793.84 | 5,000.00 | 5,000.00 |
| 005628 Telephone | 4,574.17 | 4,215.91 | 4,391.05 | 4,500.00 | 5,000.00 |
| 005629 Building Improvements | 0.00 | 5,000.00 | 1,895.00 | 2,000.00 | 2,000.00 |
| Total Building Operations | 28,130.41 | 40,921.24 | 29,705.04 | 28,281.00 | 29,250.00 |
| TOTAL BUDGET EXPENSES | 525,757.77 | 490,334.85 | 421,492.60 | 459,312.21 | 483,503.98 |
| TOTAL RECEIPTS LESS EXPENSES | (\$28,961.02) | (\$13,467.12) | \$20,182.78 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |

Petitionary Letters, Credentials, and Fellowship Committee & Administrative Council Recommendation

On Wednesday, August 20, 2025, the Petitionary Letters and Credentials and Fellowship Committee of the Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge, along with Director of Missions Tommy Middleton and Associate Director of Missions Steven Beckham, met with Dr. Eddie Wren, Pastor of First Baptist Church of Zachary and Tommy Quinn, Associate Pastor of Worship of First Baptist of Zachary.

Upon review of the First Baptist Church Zachary (FBCZ) petitionary letter, along with their Articles of Incorporation and Annual Corporation Report filed with the Louisiana Secretary of State, and following an interview with the church's staff representatives, the members of the Petitionary Letters, Credentials and Fellowship Committee voted unanimously that the First Baptist Church of Zachary be recommended as a member church of the Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge.

The recommendation of the Petitionary Letters and Credentials Committee was presented to the BAGBR Administrative Council on September 9, 2025. The Council unanimously approved that First Baptist Church Zachary be presented to the messengers at the 2025 Annual Meeting for membership in the Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge.

Craig Forque, Chairman, BAGBR Petitionary Committee
Committee Members present: Craig Forque, Mark Robinson, David Goza, Tommy Middleton, Steve Beckham

Notice to 2025 Election of Member Church Messengers

The Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge requires each member church to elect its messengers in advance and submit their names to the association. If BAGBR does not receive your list prior to the annual meeting, the names may be submitted in writing at the registration table before the meeting begins.

Please note that a church's senior pastor is not automatically designated as a messenger. The pastor must be approved by the church and included on its official list of messengers.

If a mission is sponsored by a BAGBR member church, its resident membership is counted with that of the sponsoring church. Therefore, the mission should contact its BAGBR sponsor church to determine the number of messengers allowed. Missions without a sponsoring church should contact the association office directly to confirm their allotted number of messengers.

BYLAWS (excerpt) - ARTICLE THREE – BAGBR MEMBERSHIP

- Section 1. Membership in the Association shall consist of cooperating churches within the Baptist Association of Greater Baton Rouge, Inc.
- Section 2. Cooperating churches shall be those Baptist churches who cooperate with the Southern Baptist Convention, Louisiana Baptist Convention and which are domiciled in East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana, or in outlying parishes. Cooperating churches also shall be encouraged to contribute to the work of the Association through one of several methods outlined in the Manual of Procedure.
- Section 3. Each cooperating church shall be entitled to six (6) messengers for its first fifty (50) resident members or fraction thereof, plus one (1) additional messenger for each additional fifty (50) resident members or fraction thereof, provided that no church shall be entitled to more than twenty-five (25) messengers.
The membership of church sponsored missions shall be included in the resident membership of the sponsoring church. Messengers from church sponsored missions must be approved by the sponsoring church.
Missions sponsored by the association shall be entitled to one (1) messenger for its first fifty resident members or fraction thereof, plus one (1) additional messenger for each additional fifty (50) resident members or fraction thereof.
- Section 4. Each individual messenger shall be entitled to one (1) vote at regular or special meetings of the Association.

**LOUISIANA BAPTIST
CONVENTION
2024-2025 ANNUAL REPORTS**

STATE MISSIONS SERVICES FOR CHURCHES AND ASSOCIATIONS

EXECUTIVE TEAM

Dr. Steve Horn, Executive Director

Thankfulness was a regular sentiment of Paul as he penned letters to the churches of his day. One of my favorite passages that illustrates this is found in his letter to the church at Philippi where he writes,

"I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine making request for you all with joy, for your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ." Phil. 1:3-6

I am thankful for your church and the contribution you make to expanding God's kingdom in Louisiana. Never underestimate how God can use your congregation – no matter your size.

Not only am I thankful for your church, I'm also thankful for the impact you made as you cooperated with your sister churches across the state. On behalf of those you've impacted, allow me to say:

- Thank you from the 4,309 college students who were involved last year in one of our BCM campus ministries. This includes 94 students who professed their faith in Christ.
- Thank you from the 138 IMB missionaries who claim a Louisiana church as their sending church.
- Thank you from the 43 church plants that launched across Louisiana.
- Thank you from the 5,325 students and their adult leaders who attended YEC this year and the 108 who made professions of faith during this event.
- Thank you from the 1,364 teenagers who attended Breakaway camp at Tall Timbers and the 104 who professed faith in Jesus.
- Thank you from those you touched through our *Here for You* media outreach. There were over 7,800 views of the Gospel presentation, 389 searches for local churches, and 244 people who indicated a decision for Christ.

Unfortunately, space does not permit me to list all those you touched because like-hearted churches partnered together through the Cooperative Program. Yet we realize, just as Paul did, that our work is not done. God has begun a great work, and we are confident that He will complete that work.

I am thankful for you and your partnership in this culture of evangelism we're seeking to establish in Louisiana.

BUSINESS AND INFORMATION SERVICES TEAM

Dale D. Lingenfelter, Director

The Business and Information Services Team serves as a support group for all the work of the LBC State Missions Services. The team provides expertise in the areas of financial accounting, information technology, facilities maintenance, office services, and human resources as well as providing hosting and program services for conferences and camps through Tall Timbers. Our goal is to enhance and support the work of all LBC Teams, so they accomplish the missions and ministry goals of the Convention.

Shana Johnson serves as **Information Services** Support Manager and is responsible for the overall information technical support systems of the Convention and provides assistance to several state entities that are housed within the Baptist Building as well as Tall Timbers Baptist Conference Center campus. In cooperation with other SBC state conventions and national SBC entities, Information Services has been instrumental in developing an online database of all SBC congregations and leadership. This program has become the national database for all SBC congregations and all SBC entities, both state and national. The database consists of all information collected through the ACP each year, as well as information directly communicated to the office. All information is retained to maintain historical, statistical, and leadership information for each reporting congregation. Another facet of responsibility is training. In recent years

she has assisted staff at both Arizona and Mississippi state convention offices, helping them with on-boarding, training and administration acquiring full usage of the program. In addition, the Information Services Office is responsible for the Annual Church Profile (ACP) process for the state. Through this team's effort along with assistance from the entire State Mission Services Staff and state Associations, ACP reporting of all Louisiana Baptist congregations maintains an above average reporting percentage within the SBC network of congregations.

The LBC **Accounting Team** provides competent tax and accounting information to Louisiana Baptist churches. In addition to supporting the finances of State Missions Services, we assist with questions on Budgeting, Accounting, Payroll Taxes, and Church Accounting issues. We are here to help you! Our contact information can be found on the LBC website. In addition, consistent with prior years, the Louisiana Baptist Convention received an excellent review on our Annual Audit Report.

Tall Timbers remains committed to providing a high-quality retreat and camp experience that honors the Lord and fosters life transformation through the power of the gospel. We're excited to introduce a new lodging option, Kincaid Lodge! Tucked away at the back of our campus, Kincaid Lodge is a peaceful and inviting 1,700+ sq. ft. modern Acadian-style home, perfect for small church or business groups attending retreats or conferences. With four bedrooms and three bathrooms, it comfortably accommodates up to 14 guests. If you're looking for a more personal, cozy, and self-catered alternative to traditional lodging, consider Kincaid Lodge for your next stay at Tall Timbers.

The Business and Information Services Team considers all its various areas of support work as ministry unto the Lord. We count it a privilege to serve our Lord by serving our colleagues and Louisiana Baptists in the work of reaching Louisiana for Christ and strengthening our churches.

BAPTIST COLLEGIATE MINISTRY

Mark Robinson, Director

BCM has had another great year of ministry. A few staff members have moved on through retirement, and two directors have taken pastorates. We introduced a conference designed to help students pursue their call to full-time ministry called GEAUX. We had over 400 participants last year. We utilized laymen business owners as well as speakers to give a new training arena called "Marketplace Ministry." This event propelled us to a great spring semester. I have included some statistics from the year to give you a better picture of what the Lord is doing on campus.

IMPORTANT REQUEST: PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE A BCM ALUMNI OR KNOW ANY ALUMNS BY GOING TO WWW.LouisianaBaptists.ORG

Big Picture Campus Impact

- 4,309 students were regularly involved in campus ministry programs.
- 38,055 students engaged through outreach, tabling, and invitations.
- 3,394 international students were reached through ministry efforts.
- 253 students graduated from ministry programs.

Evangelism Highlights

- 660 students were actively involved in evangelism and outreach training.
- 94 students made professions of faith through campus ministry efforts.
- 170 non-students made professions of faith through student-led evangelism.

Discipleship & Spiritual Growth

- 1,344 students were discipled through small groups or one-on-one mentoring.
- 289 students led others in discipleship settings.

Missions Engagement

- 636 students served in local, national, or international missions.
- \$156,069 was raised in total contributions for missions' efforts.

Leadership Development

- 538 students participated in leadership training programs.
- 96 students pursued vocational ministry post-graduation.

Key Numbers to Remember

- Over 38,000 students were reached on all the campuses in Louisiana.
- A combined 264 professions of faith were celebrated (students and non-students).
- Over 1,100 students were equipped in leadership, missions, and evangelism roles.

COMMUNICATIONS TEAM

John Kyle, Director

Hopefully, you've seen it all.

The fingerprints of the Communications Team are all over almost everything you see coming from State Missions Services, also known as Louisiana Baptists.

During 2024, we worked with various teams to:

- design 116 print pieces.
- produce 59 videos.
- create and post over 900 social media posts on Instagram, Facebook, and X.

LouisianaBaptists.org, our primary website:

- welcomed over 90,000 visitors which...
- ...generated almost 311,000 page views and ...
- ...resulted in 6,856 downloads.

Louisiana Baptists media outreach, *Here for You*, is also directed and managed by the Communications Team. Inspired by Jesus' directive in Luke 14:23 to "go out to the highways and hedges and compel people to come in," Louisiana Baptists are determined to get God's truth into the hearts and homes of the estimated 2.8 million of our neighbors who do not attend church.

Last year, *Here for You* generated almost 7,900 views of the gospel presentation which resulted in 244 people indicating a decision for Christ. In addition, there were 389 searches for local churches.

We're also blessed to have 260 *Here for You* prayer partners who pray for those seeing and responding to the *Here for You* commercials.

If your community/church does not know you're behind this effort, visit LouisianaBaptists.org/hereforyou to discover ways you can inform them of your involvement and order customized resources for your church.

All of this, and more, is accomplished through your generous support of the Cooperative Program and the Georgia Barnette Louisiana Missions Offering.

Never doubt that your prayers and your gifts enable us to maximize the gospel's impact in Louisiana and beyond.

EVANGELISM AND CHURCH GROWTH TEAM

Keith Manuel, Director

This past year's Evangelism Conference, hosted by First Baptist, Covington, focused on personal revival. Next year, ECON will be January 26-27, 2026, at First Baptist, Lafayette.

Sean Keith is your Sunday School and Revitalization Strategist. Jefferson, Baton Rouge hosted last year's ReGroup and included a Spanish language track with an attendance of approximately 600. In addition, 300 people received small group training around the state. Fresh Start, our strategy for helping churches that need some form of revitalization, continues to connect with Pastors and churches. In 2026, ReGroup locations are First Baptist, Lafayette, and Temple, Ruston.

Lee Myers serves as your Youth Strategist. The Youth Evangelism Celebration (YEC) ministered to over 5,325 youth and adults. Summer camps at Tall Timbers saw an attendance of 1,345 teens gathering for worship, equipping, and fun. Over 71 students made decisions for the Lord, with 18 responding to a call to ministry. In addition to the spiritual decisions made at camps and YEC, students learned how to share their faith and returned home equipped to impact others with the Gospel. Over 6,600 students learned how to share their faith or personal testimony to share the Good News. We are praying for a great YEC, November 23-24, 2025, at the Rapides Coliseum in Alexandria.

Serving as your Children's Ministry Strategist is David Anderson. This year our children's camps at Tall Timbers had an attendance of over 1,555. We had 65 children make professions of faith and gave \$7,000 to missions. VBS training allowed approximately 425 workers to learn how to lead their congregations through the most effective evangelistic outreach across the SBC. David also assists our churches with the State Bible Drill, Childhood Education Workshops, and a statewide retreat for Children's Ministers.

Kevin Ulmer serves as your Evangelism Strategist. He works in all areas of evangelism but especially in the areas of personal and church evangelism. He had over 400 people attend the Senior Adult Luncheon at ECON. In addition, Kevin has led associational training for crusades, revivals, and evangelistic preaching workshops around the state.

The Evangelism & Church Growth Team loves to serve you by training your leaders and church members in evangelism, discipleship, and age-group ministries. Please contact us if we can assist you in any way.

MISSIONS AND MINISTRY TEAM

James Jenkins, Director

Reaching Louisiana for Jesus is the primary goal of the Missions and Ministry Team of the Louisiana Baptist Convention. Strategists on our team focus their attention on helping our churches move forward to build a culture of evangelism in Louisiana. Below you will find the reports from every area of our work.

Send Network Louisiana

Lane Corley, Carlos Schmidt, Jacob Crawford

The vision of Send Network is to reach 1% of North America's lost population through planting 11,000 new churches that each reach at least 125 people with the gospel over the next decade. For North America, that means reaching 2.75 million people.

For Louisiana, 1% of our lost population would mean reaching 29,000 people with the gospel. That means that there are at least 2.9 million people lost without Christ in our state. To achieve this goal through church planting, we are working to plant 231 new churches that each must reach 125 new people for Christ.

Currently, we have 44 church planters endorsed through Send Network Louisiana. In the past year, 12 new church plants/replants were started. Over 1,221 people have come to faith in Christ, and there have been 793 baptisms through our new works since Louisiana became a Send Network state.

A Send Network Assessment Center to assess potential Louisiana Baptist church planters was launched in the facilities of Istrouma Baptist Church, Baton Rouge, by Send Network Louisiana leaders. Annual church planter assessments will take place in April and October each year. Our goal is to assess 24 church planters annually. Our team continues to implement the Send Network strategic plan across our state. We seek to equip churches to engage communities, make disciples, and plant churches.

Church planting has helped Louisiana Baptists reach people groups including Anglo, African American, Vietnamese, Burmese, Chinese, Korean, Haitians, Eritrean, Arabic, Hispanic, and Portuguese.

Language Missions and Partnership Missions

Carlos Schmidt

In partnership with Send Network Louisiana, two traditional Hispanic Church plants were started in Franklinton and Marrero. We are still working on five new Hispanic churches in New Orleans, one Korean church in Baton Rouge, one Vietnamese church in Monroe, one Vietnamese church in New Orleans, and one Korean Church in New Orleans.

In Language church development, one Hispanic simple church evangelism training was conducted in New Orleans, one Church Administration workshop was held in Shreveport, one Multi-Generational and Multi-Linguistical workshop was held in Baton Rouge, and Regroup Espanol was held in Moss Bluff. Send Network Espanol has hosted two gatherings and has scheduled the first Hispanic Church Sending Lab for October 2025.

Partnership Missions was instrumental in mobilizing a team of 12 people to Cuba. Currently a trip to Indonesia is planned for September 2025. Current partnerships include Belarus, Brazil, Puerto Rico, Cape Bretton Island, Cuba, Canada, Honduras, Yucatan, Mexico, Indonesia, Senegal, London, Colombia, and Madrid.

Men's Ministry and Disaster Relief

Stanley L. Statham

Since our last report, Louisiana suffered a Category 1 storm in Hurricane Francine. In partnership with Oklahoma Baptist Disaster Relief 410 work orders were completed, 7,800 meals were served, and 8 professions of faith were made. We served communities in Morgan City, New Orleans, and Houma as part of the response. Louisiana Disaster Relief also served communities in North Louisiana, Central Louisiana, and Kentwood due to winter weather events and spring storms. We have deployed chainsaw teams, chaplains, quick response feeding units, asset protection, and shower trailers to various locations.

Louisiana Disaster Relief operated sites in Mount Vernon and Swainsboro, GA, Adaville and Swannanoa, NC, as well as assisting in Elizabethton and Erwin, TN as a result of Hurricane Helene. We deployed the Rolling Hills feeding unit to Clearwater, Florida, in response to Hurricane Milton, where they prepared over 51,000 meals. We also deployed a feeding team to St Louis County, MO, in response to flooding there.

The Disaster Relief Rebuild Ministry continues to grow. Our focus on the Point Aux Chenes area, which is predominantly an American Indian tribe, has resulted in a total of 8 new homes being built. We have also completed an additional 20 home and church repair projects in and around Houma and other SELA communities since the last reporting. Former IMB missionaries continue to serve as our on-site coordinators, coordinating volunteer rebuild teams.

PASTORAL LEADERSHIP MINISTRY TEAM

Ray Swift, Director

Psalm 3:3-4 has been my theme since I came to the convention in 2021. *“But you, Lord, are a shield around me, my glory, and the one who lifts up my head. I cry aloud to the Lord, and he answers me from his holy mountain.”*

As I continue my fifth year here at the convention, I have been able to better define my purpose as to LOVE, LISTEN, LEAD, and LIFT UP Louisiana Baptist pastors and churches.

It is a joy and delight to serve Louisiana pastors and churches. I continue to meet new pastors and worship in new churches, and every time I’m so thankful for the wonderful opportunities the Lord continues to allow me to have in this journey of pastoral ministry.

Believing more so today that healthy pastors produce healthy churches, I will continue to intentionally focus on pastor wellness: emotional, financial, physical, relational, and spiritual. With that focus the Lord is showing me two specific avenues/paths to make this happen. 1) Helping Louisiana Baptist pastors have a good start in their call and in their church; 2) Helping Louisiana Baptist pastors stay true to their call and to stay longer at their church as God leads so.

Pastoral Leadership Ministry provides the following resources and events:

- **Resume Services:** www.goservela.org This website helps pastors review ministry opportunities and gives churches the opportunity of posting a ministry position.
- **Pastor Search Committee training:** guides churches through a deliberate process and helps churches select the right candidate.
- **Deacon Training:** the New Testament ministry of the Deacon is a needed component for the pastor and church.
- **New Pastor/Wife fellowship:** introduction to the State Missions Services Staff, the convention entities, and the Louisiana Baptist Convention building, for fellowship with other pastors and wives.
- **Church Administration Resources:** a Louisiana Baptist website devoted to numerous forms, articles and information related to all matters of church budget/finances, security, polices, committees, and staff.

In addition, these resources are provided to Louisiana Baptist pastors and churches:

- **Pastor Appreciation month – October:** we all need encouragement from time to time, and October helps us show love and appreciation to all our pastors.
- **Pause Retreat:** weekend for pastors and wives at Tall Timbers Conference Center. A wonderful time of worship, teaching, and fellowship.
- **Shepherd’s Rest:** sabbatical for pastors to get away to refresh and renew.
- **Granberry Counseling:** we are blessed and privileged to partner with the wonderful staff and counselors at Louisiana Baptist Children’s Home & Family Ministers for this service.
- **Sexual Abuse Response Council (SARC)** continues to provide new and updated resources to churches and individuals for all matters related to Sexual Abuse. Information is available on our website www.louisianabaptists.org/resources.
- **Singing Ministers & Singing Women:** These volunteers gather each August to prepare for concerts in local churches, detention centers, youth intervention programs, and prisons. As they share their talents, they also share their faith.

For more information visit LouisianaBaptists.org/pastors.

LOUISIANA BAPTIST MESSAGE

Will Hall, Executive Editor

Baptist Message

We celebrated our 138th birthday in 2025 as the voice of and to Louisiana Baptists and as a key source of information about matters impacting the home lives, workplaces, community engagement, and cooperative ministries of our faith community.

This past year allowed our team to conduct something of a “Nehemiah’s walk” to gauge a plan for moving forward in our ministry, specifically in developing and adding electronic products and services to complement our website and social media channels. In that regard, we began collecting email addresses from existing subscribers with the long-range goal of offering an electronic subscription to our exclusive content. Print subscribers will have free access to our website. But we will offer the option of an electronic-only subscription to those who prefer just to have digital access, at an estimated cost of \$5 per year.

In May, our trustees voted to change our printing schedule from 14 times per year (two editions in January and October) to 12 editions annually, making our newspaper a true monthly publication. This will allow our ministry to adjust to the average 20 percent price hike in the cost of goods since COVID -- without raising subscription prices.

As a tangible contribution to the LBC’s emphasis on creating a culture of evangelism, this year the *Baptist Message* began publishing a monthly series about the basics of evangelism, covering, so far, “The heart of soul winning”, “Four soul winning approaches”, “The Gospel conversation”, “Special cases”, “What now?”, “How to prepare? Pray!,” and “Reach the world from Louisiana with Technology.”

Meanwhile, we have continued to place a premium in our content on celebrating unique and substantial soul winning efforts among our congregations, reporting on:

- 2024 Send Network Louisiana church planting results: 11,748 Gospel conversations; 742 professions of faith; 361 baptisms, 2,839 in combined average worship attendance; 1,186 people enrolled in intentional discipling relationships; and \$183,000 contributed through the Cooperative Program.
- 1,316 spiritual decisions, including 602 salvations, resulting from the Livingston Parish GO TELL AMERICA Crusade, which included key Louisiana Baptist congregations, their pastors, and the associational mission strategist; and
- men’s and women’s retreats; church revivals; and personal accounts about salvations.

However, we also reported key news items such as the leadership of Louisiana Baptists in a major anti-human trafficking effort during the days ahead of Super Bowl LIX (15 missing children rescued), the Super Bowl terrorist attack in New Orleans and Louisiana Baptists’ response, the launch of a Louisiana Baptist regional compassion center (which will impact about 25,000 children each year with food, school supplies and other essentials), and the firing of a bivocational Louisiana Baptist pastor as a library technician by the East Baton Rouge Parish Library because he would not “tell a lie” when asked to use pronouns with another library employee that did not reflect her biological sex.

We also covered national news such as Johnny Hunt’s lawsuit against Southern Baptists as well as developments out of Dallas during the 2025 SBC annual meeting (including the issues of entity transparency, a constitutional amendment on women pastors, the attempt to abolish the Ethics & Religious Liberty Commission, and the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Cooperative Program). We added a focus on how Louisiana Baptists were engaged in Southern Baptist efforts, including participation in the Crossover evangelistic outreach which yielded 711 decisions for Christ, as well as a feature about the Louisiana Baptist sixth grader who won the national Royal Ambassador Pinewood Derby in Dallas, just prior to the annual meeting.

Office of Public Policy

The Office of Public Policy helped to shape the outcome of various legislative actions involving Louisiana Baptists' values and beliefs but gave priority to shepherding two measures through the lawmaking process because of their special interest to Louisiana Baptists.

Church Insurance

HB460 was signed into law as Act 461, completing the legislative process for supplemental appropriations that include payment of \$2.9 million to the Fellowship of Louisiana Churches and Non-profit Religious Organizations, the corporation established in 2023 to launch a church self-insurance program in response to the church insurance crisis in the state.

Louisiana Baptists have led the effort to launch this church self-insurance program, but it will be open to congregations of any Louisiana denomination as well as religious nonprofits.

Lawmakers who helped secure these one-time startup funds include Rep. Julie Emerson (member, First, Lafayette), chair, House Ways, and Means Committee; Gabe Firment (deacon, First, Pollock), chair, House Insurance Committee; and Jack McFarland (member, Caney Lake, Chatham), chair, House Appropriations Committee, and author of HB460.

Ministry Protections

HB371, now Act 358, ensures that churches will not face stricter regulations than the least restrictive rules applied to secular businesses. The measure was drafted largely in response to bureaucratic red tape which had prohibited Ridge Avenue Baptist Church in West Monroe from opening its children's building to outside groups (Mother's Day Out and a homeschool cooperative), each for a few hours several days each week.

RABC Pastor Jim Wolfe testified that the congregation was in "the 19th month of struggling with a situation where some officials have come in, interpreting the law as saying that the business of the church is Sunday morning and Wednesday night," (even Vacation Bible School was initially considered outside the church's occupancy permit).

The measure passed overwhelmingly in both the House and Senate.

Other Bills

The LBC OPP also gave key testimony in:

— support of SB58 (signed into law as Act 97), which creates the crime of "child grooming" in Louisiana ("the pursuit of an intimate relationship with a child under the age of seventeen ... with the specific intent to commit a sex offense"). The LBC OPP has reached out to the Louisiana District Attorneys Association, who helped to write the law, to strengthen protections for students aged 17 years and older who might be vulnerable to being groomed by a teacher, professor, or other school authority figures.

— opposition to HB636, and the recreational marijuana tax system it proposed. The LBC OPP was the lone witness against the measure, and provided evidence that: (1) estimated tax revenues likely would not materialize; (2) black markets likely would boom because of cheaper pot; (3) state emergency room visits because of pot already exceeded other drug emergencies (even though recreational pot is illegal); and, (4) Louisiana's youth (ages 12-17) already are abusing pot (ninth in the nation). HB636 lost 8-7 in the House Ways and Means Committee.

— opposition to HB22 that would have opened Concordia Parish to "video draw poker devices." The LBC OPP provided research showing that about 40 percent of Louisiana students, 6th – 12th grades, already are gambling, and that expanding gambling opportunities for adults would negatively affect young people, too. The bill was withdrawn.

— offering two key amendments that were included in SB121 (Act 469), which "requires each public school to offer mental health screenings for all students in grades K-12 during the first semester of the school year," starting in 2026-2027. In order to prevent overreach by bad actors in the system and to

ensure parents are fully informed, the LBC OPP successfully argued for (1) a ban against “metadata” (creating a database from all the individual screenings – which could be used for other purposes than aiding parents with help for their child), and (2) that parents have access to the actual questions that would be asked (to help them decide whether to allow their child to be screened).

LOUISIANA BAPTIST FOUNDATION

Jared Price, Executive Director

Thank you, Louisiana Baptists, for your ongoing partnership in ministry!

In 2020, the Foundation adopted the LBF Vision200, our strategic plan to advance the Kingdom through our ministry by \$200 million or more in 20 years or less. Specifically, this vision focuses on facilitating gifts, managing money, and providing support services that strengthen Louisiana Baptist churches and ministries. To pursue this goal, we have committed to four key objectives:

- (1) Educating and facilitating gifts;
- (2) Providing impactful ministry services;
- (3) Implementing a comprehensive marketing strategy; and
- (4) Establishing efficient internal operations.

As part of the LBF Vision200, 25% of the Foundation’s annual net income was designated for the Louisiana Baptist Convention Cooperative Program Endowment, reflecting our deep commitment to the Cooperative Program.

Now, five years in, we are pleased to report significant progress toward this goal. Since launching the LBF Vision200, the Foundation has helped educate and facilitate hundreds of gifts supporting Louisiana Baptist churches and other ministries around the globe. We continue to provide impactful ministry services, including money management, online giving, accounting, church loans, and other tools to strengthen ministry operations.

Today, our assets under management exceed \$278 million, and our short-term fund rate is the highest it’s been in years! We’ve expanded our outreach through a comprehensive marketing strategy that spans multiple platforms to better communicate our services. None of this would be possible without the dedication of our skilled and experienced team.

Thanks to your faithful partnership, Louisiana Baptists, we are grateful to report that the Foundation has advanced the Kingdom by more than \$76 million over the past five years!

As we continue to look ahead, our emphasis for 2025 has been on expanding our ChurchBiz Services initiative. This year, we’ve launched new podcasts, publications, and other practical tools to support church leaders. In partnerships with local associations, we’ve hosted ChurchBiz Bootcamps, equipping pastors and other ministry leaders with valuable training in relevant church business matters. In September, the Foundation will be hosting several ChurchBiz Conferences across the state featuring expert speakers on budgeting, accounting, insurance, and other key financial topics.

As we move forward, Louisiana Baptists, we remain deeply grateful for your partnership in ministry as we endeavor together to advance the Kingdom: one dollar at a time, one ministry at a time, one life at a time.

LOUISIANA BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME AND FAMILY MINISTRIES

Perry Hancock, PhD, President and CEO

In its 126th year of ministry Louisiana Baptist Children's Home and Family Ministries continued its mission of providing love, care, and hope in Christ for children and families in need. The Children's Home provided a positive Christian witness through its residential child and family care programs, foster care and adoption ministries, Granberry Counseling Centers, Minister Care Residential program, Women's Learning Center, Compassion for Kids, and Orphans Embrace.

The Children's Home provided ministry services for over 12,800 children, families, and individuals. Through its on-campus and off-campus residential programs, 204 children and homeless mothers were served. An additional 330 families received placement referral services.

Many children were served through Connect 1 Child, the Children's Home foster care and adoption ministry. Foster care specialists work with Louisiana Baptist churches to recruit, train, and support foster families throughout the state. Specialists also work with churches to develop foster care and adoption ministries. Several churches sponsor foster care support groups.

Granberry Counseling Centers provided professional Christian counseling for 794 individuals. Through its Minister Care program, a partnership with the Louisiana Baptist Convention Pastoral Leadership division, Granberry provided counseling for 35 Louisiana Baptist minister families.

Women's Learning Center (formerly Christian Women's Job Corps) provided educational and vocational training for 37 women. The ministry maintained its adult education certification as an official HiSET training and testing site. In 2024 the Center offered its first online courses. All courses include Bible studies for students.

Through its Compassion for Kids ministry, with the addition of the new Compassion Center, the Children's Home served over 11,500 children and family members. Items provided include diapers, toys, backpacks, school supplies, food, and other life essentials. Hundreds of Bibles and thousands of gospel tracts were distributed.

Through Compassion for Kids, the Children's Home partners with Louisiana Baptist churches and Baptist associations to provide products for their local compassion ministries. If your church or association is interested in starting a compassion ministry or expanding an existing one, contact the Compassion for Kids staff.

The Children's Home also shared God's love in word and deed through its international orphan care ministry, Orphans Embrace. Thirty-four children were served through Louisiana Reach Haiti. The ministry is sponsored by the Children's Home and several Louisiana Baptist churches.

Louisiana Baptist churches once again provided support for the Children's Home through the Cooperative Program and the Annual Children's Home Sunday Offering. Churches also met the needs of the children and families through the Fall Food Roundup, VBS offerings, and other special projects.

As a result of the support from our churches and the witness provided by the various ministries of the Home, many children and family members experienced the joy of salvation in Christ and were baptized in local churches. Many others made new commitments to the Lord. Thank you, Louisiana Baptists, for meeting needs and changing lives in Jesus' name through your Louisiana Baptist Children's Home and Family Ministries.

LOUISIANA CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

Mark Johnson, President

As Louisiana Christian University (LC) looks to the future, our direction is bold and unmistakable: **Restore. Rebuild. Reimagine.** Since stepping into the role of President on June 1, 2025, we have truly hit the ground running and would not have it any other way. These first 100 days have been marked by joy, challenge, reflection, laughter, and deep conviction that we are exactly where God has called us to be. At the start of this journey began the launch of the **P356 Tour**, a dynamic 100-day, 100-event initiative inspired by *Proverbs 3:5-6*. The tour sparked real conversations, forged meaningful partnerships, and reignited our vision across every layer of campus life and Central Louisiana. To bring the journey closer to home, we have documented a 100-day **YouTube mini-series**, offering a daily glimpse into the people, places, and purpose that shape Louisiana Christian University.

As we equip students to lead with biblical conviction and servant-hearted courage, we also invest in resourcing churches with future leaders. Now, as we continue this journey together, I invite you to take a deeper look at the incredible work happening across our campus. The updates below highlight the dedication and direction shaping our leadership teams as we pursue the bold vision to restore, rebuild, and reimagine.

Admissions are undergoing change and renewal with a regional strategy that includes school partnerships, church outreach, and camp engagement. While increasing enrollment remains a goal, we remain focused on our mission to equip students not just with their career, but also with their calling.

Student Life, led by K.B. Thomas, is being reimaged as the heartbeat of campus culture. No longer limited to dorm rooms and dining halls, the spirit of community is emerging in new and intentional ways, inviting students into deeper connection, spiritual growth, and shared purpose. Each week, the campus comes alive during chapel, where students gather to worship, reflect, and receive spiritual direction. We're listening through surveys and expanding opportunities for students to lead, participate, and belong. From new student organizations to creative events, every effort is designed with intentionality and stewardship. A strong emphasis on the **first-year experience** is helping new students find their place early, socially, spiritually, and academically. This intentional investment is a key part of our **retention strategy**, because we know that when students feel connected, supported, and valued, they are far more likely to stay and thrive.

Development is being rebuilt not just as a department, but as a ministry of relationships. We're moving beyond transactional fundraising to something far deeper: a commitment to **restoring trust, renewing friendships, and reigniting shared vision** for what this university can become when the right people come together for the right reasons. Through our *Wildcat Nation* initiative, we are reconnecting with those who have walked this journey before us and welcoming those ready to help shape what's next. Built around four key groups, **Fellow Wildcats** (our alumni), **Lady Wildcats** (generational women of influence), **Covenant Wildcats** (our church partners), and **Marketplace Wildcats** (our business and professional leaders), this approach is designed to cultivate a broad and committed base of support. Each group plays a vital role, not just in financial giving, but in prayer, encouragement, advocacy, and influence. These relationships are helping us lay the foundation for a stronger, more sustainable future, one that honors our past while boldly embracing the opportunities ahead.

Finances, under the leadership of **Evelyn Dean**, reflect the unwavering support of our churches, alumni, and monthly givers, individuals and partners who continue to believe in the mission of our institution. We have taken steps to **review and tighten our operating budget**, making difficult but necessary adjustments to align spending with our priorities. Despite these constraints, we have still found ways to **honor our faculty and staff** with modest increases, recognizing their continued faithfulness, excellence, and deep commitment to our students and mission.

Academic Affairs, led by Dr. Henry Robertson, is focused on excellence and accountability. Our teams are tracking learning outcomes and keeping a close eye on trends in student majors, using year-over-year

data to help guide future program development. Current discussions include emerging opportunities in artificial intelligence and innovations in computer science, reflecting our commitment to preparing students for the demands of tomorrow's workforce. By inviting industry leaders into the classroom, we are preparing students to step boldly from the classroom to the boardroom.

Facilities and Safety, under John Dauzat, are being upgraded across campus. Cavanaugh Hall's repairs, VAV boxes installed for climate control, and Walden Gym are undergoing safety improvements. In a major step toward campus safety, LC has installed a new emergency siren system, capable of alerting the campus to severe weather or active threats. Funded by Union Pacific Railroad Foundation and Homeland Security, the siren has passed the testing phase and will complement our RAVE text alert system. These efforts reflect LC's continued commitment to safety, stewardship, and student wellbeing, making our campus one of the safest in the state of Louisiana.

Information Technology, The IT department is actively exploring ways to enhance service and streamline support across campus. As part of this forward-looking vision, the team is considering the implementation of **semester-based technology usage surveys** to gather insight from faculty, staff, and students. These surveys, conducted twice a year, would help identify key trends and areas for improvement, ensuring that technology resources align with the needs of the LCU community. In addition, IT is researching the potential launch of a **help ticketing system** to simplify how support requests are made and managed. The system would also support service-level agreements to ensure high-priority issues are addressed efficiently. While both initiatives are still under review, they reflect a broader commitment to building a more responsive, transparent, and data-informed support system that serves the entire campus with excellence.

Marketing, under Karen Carter, is quickly becoming one of the most dynamic and forward-thinking units on campus. From engaging campaigns to data-driven strategy, the team recently earned the **2025 Best Marketing Campaign Award** from the Central Louisiana Chamber of Commerce, for the second year in a row. Whether it's driving thousands of monthly social media interactions or finding fresh ways to connect with prospective students, alumni, and partners, the Marketing team continues to position LC as a vibrant, Christ-centered institution with a compelling voice in higher education.

Denominational and Church Relations, led by David Jeffreys, plays a vital role in the life and mission of Louisiana Christian University. As a university deeply rooted in our Baptist heritage, our connection to the churches of Louisiana and the broader denomination is not simply historical, it's essential. Every church we partner with is a co-laborer in the Gospel, helping to raise up the next generation of Christ-centered leaders, pastors, missionaries, educators, and professionals. This role ensures that this connection stays strong, through visits, camps, pastor gatherings, and shared ministry opportunities.

Bookstore and Print Shop Vision. Director Laurie Meche presented a bold three-year plan to integrate the bookstore and print shop into a unified, student-focused hub. The vision includes merging operations, rebranding, and expanding student involvement through internships and real-world experiences reflecting a strategic push toward innovation, efficiency, and student success.

Athletics, led by Coach Reni Mason, is advancing with excellence, character, and a renewed focus on discipleship. With ongoing facility upgrades and community involvement, Wildcat Athletics is growing both on the field and in faith. With rising travel and operational costs, fundraising remains vital across all programs. Retention is also a key priority, as Athletics works to connect athletic persistence with graduation rates. Coach Mason continues to expand community involvement, strengthening partnerships with local schools to extend LC's reach beyond competition.

As we look to the future, my heart is filled with gratitude and unwavering hope. This is a season marked by intentionality, rooted in faith, shaped by character, and propelled by vision. None of this would be possible without the steadfast generosity and prayers of our Wildcat family. Thank you for believing in the mission of Louisiana Christian University and in the mighty work God continues to do through us.

**BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
GREATER BATON ROUGE**

Annual Church Profile (ACP)

***2024 Church and Mission Statistics**

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Directory of Churches & Missions

If your church's 2024 and/or 2025 statistics are not included in this publication, it means our office (or LBC) has not received them.

Please submit the information at your earliest convenience.

Thank you

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| Ascension, Gonzales 13432 Airline Hwy, Gonzales, LA, 70737-6603, (225) 644-0111 | Dr. Robert Lawrence |
| Bayou Plaquemine, Plaquemine 29215 Hwy 75, Plaquemine, LA 70764, (225) | |
| Bayou Sorrel, Plaquemine 33285 Bayou Sorrel Rd, Plaquemine, LA 70764 | |
| Belfair, Baton Rouge 5550 Florida Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA, 70806, (225) 355-9870 | Bro. Jon Bennett |
| Bethel Baptist Worship Center, Morganza 181 N Highway 1, Morganza, LA, 70759, (225) 933-0417 | Rev. Larry Bossier |
| Bro.wnfields, Baton Rouge 11998 Plank Rd, Baton Rouge, LA, 70811-1029, (225) 775-2500 | Rev. Steve Bridges Sr. |
| Cane Brake, Lottie 5458 La Hwy 81 E., Lottie, LA, 70756, (225) 337-2851 | Rev. Merrick Henry |
| Cedarcrest, Baton Rouge 2020 Cedarcrest Ave, Baton Rouge, LA, 70816-8217, (225) 924-5756 | Rev. Bruce Worrell |
| Christ Covenant, Baton Rouge 1700 Lee Dr, Baton Rouge, LA, 70808-3831, (225) 924-2269 | Rev. Bradley Aucoin |
| Church at Addis 6781 La Highway 1 S, Addis, LA, 70710-2026, (225) 749-3756 | Rev. Tom Shepard |
| Church of Life, Baton Rouge 6066 Evangeline St, Baton Rouge, LA, 70805-4652, (562) 481-6441 | Mr. John Anderson |

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| Courtableau, Port Barre 20035 Hwy. 190, Port Barre, LA, 70577 | Mr. Keith Davidson |
| CrossPoint, Baton Rouge 14965 Airline Hwy., Baton Rouge, LA, 70817-7304, (225) 752-2400 | Rev. Wesley McKay |
| Douglas Avenue, Baton Rouge 5265 Douglas Ave, Baton Rouge, LA, 70805-2634, (225) 355-4418 | Rev. Jesse Ghoram Jr. |
| Dutchtown, Prairieville 36495 C Braud Rd, Prairieville, LA, 70769-3138, (225) 673-6612 | Rev. Leigh Rogers |
| Erwinville, Erwinville 4436 Poydras Bayou Dr., Erwinville, LA, 70729, (225) 627-9248 | Rev. Michael Hogeland |
| Faith, Baker 15880 Plank Rd, Baker, LA, 70714-4426, (225) 775-5754 | Rev. Arnold Austin |
| Faith, Livonia 4060 Richfield Dr., Livonia, LA, 70755, (225) 240-3227 | Rev. Freddie Rodrigue |
| Family of Faith, Baton Rouge 10748 Perkins Rd, Baton Rouge, LA, 70810-1609, (225) 769-4783 | Rev. Mike Erickson |
| FBC Central, Baton Rouge 9676 Sullivan Rd, Baton Rouge, LA, 70818-5217, (225) 261-3722 | Mr. Daryl Purpera |
| Fellowship of Central, Greenwell Springs 14512 Greenwell Springs Rd, Greenwell Springs, LA, 70739-3312, (225) 261-8903 | Bro. Mardy Guidry |
| Fellowship, Prairieville 14363 LA-73, Prairieville, LA, 70737, (225) 673-4735 | Rev. Kirkland Jones |

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| Filipino Fellowship l'nati, Prairieville 40497 Highway 42, Prairieville, LA, 70769-5248, (225) 229-3858 | Rev. Nelio Liga Sr. |
| First Community Antioch, Lutcher 10860 Hwy. 3125, Lutcher, LA, 70071, (225) 869-4586 | Dr. Steven Beckham |
| First Unity, Baton Rouge 6262 McClelland Dr, Baton Rouge, LA, 70812-1416, (225) 355-6615 | Dr. David Brown Jr. |
| First, Baton Rouge 529 Convention St, Baton Rouge, LA, 70802-5621, (225) 343-0397 | Dr. Andrew Ogea |
| First, Gonzales 1217 S Burnside Ave, Gonzales, LA, 70737-4250, (225) 245-9900 | Dr. James Law Jr. |
| First, Krotz Springs 740 Front St., Krotz Springs, LA, 70750, (337) 566-3582 | Bro. Henry Wallace |
| First, Maringouin 10970 Highway 77, Maringouin, LA, 70757, (225) 806-2552 | Rev. Mark Robinson |
| First, New Roads 824 W Main St, New Roads, LA, 70760-2924, (225) 638-7541 | Rev. Jeff Vincent Jr. |
| First, Plaquemine 24525 Ory Ave, Plaquemine, LA, 70764-3959, (225) 687-2740 | Rev. Keith Horton |
| First, Port Allen 4200 Rebell Ln, Port Allen, LA, 70767-4212, (225) 344-1553 | Rev. James Pearson |
| First, Reserve 268 W 10th St, Reserve, LA, 70084-6600, (985) 536-2600 | Bro. Robert Roussel |
| First, White Castle 33940 Bowie St, White Castle, LA, 70788, (225) 545-3048 | Rev. Andrew Ardoin |

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| Fordoche, Fordoche 5555 Hwy. 77, Fordoche, LA, 70732, (225) 637-2245 | Bro. Toby Delahoussaye |
| Foster Road Community, Baton Rouge 11333 Foster Rd, Baton Rouge, LA, 70811-1214, | Rev. Marvin Parks |
| Foster Road, Baton Rouge 11333 Foster Rd, Baton Rouge, LA, 70811-1214, (225) 775-0884 | Rev. Michael Morris |
| Gethsemane, Baton Rouge 1101 Charles T Smith Dr., Baton Rouge, LA, 70802, (225) 778-7419 | Rev. Daniel Johnson |
| Glen Oaks, Baton Rouge 7200 Maplewood Dr, Baton Rouge, LA, 70812-1800, (225) 355-3352 | Rev. Marvin Parks |
| Goodwood, Baton Rouge 7125 Goodwood Ave, Baton Rouge, LA, 70806-7420, (225) 256-1381 | Rev. Casey Williamson |
| Grace Community, Baton Rouge 2538 Brightside Dr, Baton Rouge, LA, 70820-3503, | Rev. Titus White |
| Graceworks, Prairieville 16131 Highway 44, Prairieville, LA, 70769-5535, (225) 622-7805 | Rev. Bill Pruitt |
| Greater Community Bible Baptist, Baton Rouge 1729 Monte Sano Ave, Baton Rouge, LA, 70807-6142, (225) 930-4565 | Dr. David Brown Jr. |
| Greenwell Springs, Greenwell Springs 19421 Greenwell Springs Rd, Greenwell Springs, LA, 70739-5107, 2252612246 | Rev. Oren Conner |
| Grosse Tete, Grosse Tete 18285 Highway 77, Grosse Tete, LA, 70740, (225) 360-5508 | Rev. Mark Robinson |
| Iglesia Confraternidad, Prairieville 10757 Airline Hwy, Gonzales, LA, 70737, (225) 964-6578 | Rev. Luis Zapata |

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| Indian Mound, Greenwell Springs | Rev. Dwayne Rogers |
| 16755 Liberty Rd, Greenwell Springs, LA, 70739, (225) 261-8271 | |
| Istrouma, Ascension | Rev. Dwayne Pitre |
| 39258 LA-42, Prairieville, LA 70769, (225) 295-0775 | |
| Istrouma, Baton Rouge | |
| 10500 Sam Rushing Dr, Baton Rouge, LA, 70816, (225) 295-0775 | |
| Istrouma Hispanic, Baton Rouge | Dr. Guillermo Mangieri |
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| Jefferson Hispanic, Baton Rouge | Bro. Miguel Flores Olivera |
| 9135 Jefferson Hwy, Baton Rouge, LA, 70809-2440, (225) 923-0356 | |
| Jefferson, Baton Rouge | Dr. David Goza |
| 9135 Jefferson Hwy, Baton Rouge, LA, 70809-2440, (225) 923-0356 | |
| Lake Church, Prairieville | Rev. Jarrett Wells |
| 15080 Highway 431, Prairieville, LA, 70769, (225) 622-3680 | |
| Lanier, Baton Rouge | Rev. Mike Ferguson |
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| Latanache, Batchelor | Rev. Davy Kelone |
| 11520 LA Hwy. 417, Batchelor, LA, 70715-3610, (225) 492-3701 | |
| Life Changers, Zachary | Bro. Sheldon Early |
| 20499 Plank Rd, Zachary, LA, 70791-7401, (225) 301-6725 | |
| Little Prairie, Prairieville | Dr. Nathan Luce |
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| New Beginnings, Baker 5825 Groom Rd, Baker, LA, 70714-4323, (225) 636-6692 | Rev. McArthur Greensberry |
| New Day, Baton Rouge 8767 Gov Claiborne Dr, Baton Rouge, LA, 70811-2504, (225) 265-2711 | Rev. Ezzie Price Jr. |
| New Life, Baton Rouge 365 Staring Lane, Baton Rouge, LA 70810, (225) 766-4103 | |
| New River, St Amant 45270 Highway 429, Saint Amant, LA, 70774-4514, (225) 675-8767 | Rev. Craig Forque |
| Oak Grove, Prairieville 17450 Old Jefferson Hwy, Prairieville, LA, 70769-4017, (225) 673-6998 | Rev. Cody Thomas |
| Parkview, Baton Rouge 11795 Jefferson Hwy, Baton Rouge, LA, 70816-6216, (225) 293-2820 | Dr. Chris DeGeorge |
| Progression, Baton Rouge 3800 Highland Rd., Baton Rouge, LA, 70810, (225) 435-9765 | Rev. Brian Crain |
| Redeemer, Baton Rouge 14140 S Harrells Ferry Rd, Baton Rouge, LA, 70816-2648, (225) 753-4273 | Rev. Preston Thompson |
| Riverbend, Baton Rouge 25837 Kendalwood Rd, Baton Rouge, LA, 70817-8558, (225) 751-5109 | Bro. Trae Norsworthy |
| Sharon, Port Allen 9433 Section Rd, Port Allen, LA, 70767-5118, (225) 627-2145 | Bro. Terry Swanson |
| Sorrento, Sorrento 8275 Main St, Sorrento, LA, 70778, (225) 290-0163 | Rev. Terry Simoneaux |

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| Trinity, Baton Rouge 7125 Goodwood Ave, Baton Rouge, LA, 70806-7420, (225) 928-3165 | Rev. Dale Crawford |
| True Hope, Plaquemine *Pending 24915 Highway 1 S, Plaquemine, LA, 70764-4127, (225) 685-7769 | Rev. Kevin Snaril |
| United Believers, Baton Rouge 8837 Greenwell Springs Rd, Baton Rouge, LA, 70814-2710, (225) 478-4377 | Rev. Manuel Pigeo III |
| Vietnamese Hope, Baton Rouge 7133 Greenwell Springs Rd, Baton Rouge, LA, 70805-7443, (225) 938-7305 | Rev. Vinh Nguyen |
| Westside Community, Addis 57945 Trosclair St, Plaquemine, LA, 70764-2335, | Rev. Dana Trahan |
| Woodlawn, Baton Rouge 5805 Jones Creek Rd, Baton Rouge, LA, 70817-3010, (225) 753-1667 | Dr. Lewis Richerson |
| Zoar, Baton Rouge 11848 Hooper Rd, Baton Rouge, LA, 70818-3901, (225) 261-3434 | Rev. Clint Newsom |



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| Ascension, Gonzales | 2024 | 8 | 14 | 711 | 741 | 313 | 158 | 84 | \$787,070 | \$665 |
| Bayou Plaquemine, Plaquemine | 2024 | 1 | 0 | 57 | 87 | 15 | 14 | 87 | \$94,696 | \$2,700 |
| Bayou Sorrel, Plaquemine | 2024 | 0 | 0 | 33 | 33 | 10 | 14 | 0 | \$60,835 | \$397 |
| Belfair, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 15 | 0 | 400 | 400 | 60 | 60 | 0 | \$470,000 | \$0 |
| Bethel Baptist Worship Center, Morganza | 2024 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 14 | 10 | 10 | 0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Brownfields, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 0 | 0 | 34 | 38 | 18 | 16 | 10 | \$81,218 | \$0 |
| Cane Brake, Lottie | 2024 | 1 | 0 | 40 | 60 | 14 | 8 | 0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Cedarcrest, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 3 | 10 | 70 | 70 | 40 | 24 | 0 | \$37,500 | \$3,685 |
| Christ Covenant, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 0 | 0 | 250 | 250 | 50 | 50 | 0 | \$922,848 | \$5,000 |
| Church at Addis | 2024 | 41 | 17 | 699 | 801 | 525 | 205 | 299 | \$874,143 | \$24,663 |
| Church of Life, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 0 | 14 | 20 | 164 | 52 | 30 | 0 | \$78,882 | \$1,950 |
| Comite, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 6 | 2 | 254 | 348 | 151 | 69 | 85 | \$288,972 | \$3,211 |
| Community Bible Baptist, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 5 | 7 | 514 | 180 | 20 | 58 | 82 | \$195,944 | \$192 |
| Confraternidad, Prairieville | 2024 | 10 | 0 | 39 | 50 | 47 | 52 | 42 | \$21,397 | \$222 |
| Courtableau, Port Barre | 2024 | 1 | 0 | 20 | 45 | 10 | 10 | 0 | \$25,000 | \$0 |
| CrossPoint, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 1 | 8 | 133 | 133 | 116 | 92 | 89 | \$489,778 | \$17,801 |
| Douglas Avenue, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 7 | 0 | 16 | 62 | 35 | 30 | 0 | \$7,722 | \$0 |
| Dutchtown, Prairieville | 2024 | 7 | 2 | 147 | 162 | 99 | 54 | 34 | \$221,602 | \$600 |
| Erwinville, Erwinville | 2024 | 4 | 1 | 156 | 228 | 22 | 22 | 54 | \$78,453 | \$10,436 |
| Faith, Baker | 2024 | 2 | 9 | 92 | 102 | 28 | 17 | 0 | \$138,487 | \$5,001 |
| Faith, Livonia | 2024 | 7 | 10 | 285 | 390 | 25 | 25 | 0 | \$84,271 | \$250 |
| Family of Faith, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 0 | 0 | 94 | 94 | 55 | 55 | 0 | \$0 | \$15,590 |
| FBC Central, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 9 | 0 | 126 | 384 | 54 | 54 | 60 | \$179,918 | \$0 |
| Fellowship of Central, Greenwell Springs | 2024 | 6 | 5 | 295 | 325 | 110 | 85 | 75 | \$356,521 | \$1,326 |
| Fellowship, Prairieville | 2024 | 112 | 143 | 1,098 | 1,098 | 951 | 951 | 299 | \$2,301,975 | \$150,259 |
| Filipino Fellowship In'natl, Prairieville | 2024 | 0 | 3 | 14 | 23 | 29 | 13 | 25 | \$27,188 | \$880 |

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| First Community Antioch, Lutchter | 2024 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$9,000 |
| First Unity, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 0 | 0 | 26 | 26 | 1 | 50 | 40 | \$67,000 | \$165 |
| First, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 3 | 13 | 207 | 412 | 174 | 137 | 0 | \$800,163 | \$48,265 |
| First, Gonzales | 2024 | 13 | 7 | 277 | 288 | 343 | 212 | 90 | \$1,069,215 | \$1,200 |
| First, Gramercy | 2024 | 1 | 0 | 18 | 130 | 13 | 10 | 0 | \$77,648 | \$4,635 |
| First, Krotz Springs | 2024 | 6 | 1 | 298 | 552 | 59 | 18 | 206 | \$191,747 | \$17,169 |
| First, Maringouin | 2024 | 0 | 4 | 20 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$1,525 | \$0 |
| First, New Roads | 2024 | 19 | 5 | 220 | 573 | 172 | 160 | 98 | \$451,549 | \$46,787 |
| First, Plaquemine | 2024 | 8 | 4 | 113 | 270 | 130 | 242 | 110 | \$252,789 | \$971 |
| First, Port Allen | 2024 | 5 | 3 | 142 | 335 | 56 | 56 | 70 | \$143,439 | \$50 |
| First, Reserve | 2024 | 0 | 0 | 35 | 35 | 15 | 15 | 0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| First, White Castle | 2024 | 0 | 0 | 34 | 37 | 9 | 7 | 0 | \$55,919 | \$5,446 |
| Fordoche, Fordoche | 2024 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$4,675 |
| Foster Road, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 1 | 0 | 80 | 96 | 44 | 21 | 0 | \$167,860 | \$13,421 |
| Foster Road Community, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Gethsemane, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 10 | 0 | 110 | 110 | 45 | 45 | 70 | \$60,000 | \$0 |
| Glen Oaks, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 16 | 15 | 180 | 180 | 97 | 55 | 0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Greenwell Springs, Greenwell Springs | 2024 | 11 | 20 | 1,327 | 1,547 | 707 | 397 | 388 | \$1,746,199 | \$36,048 |
| Grosse Tete, Grosse Tete | 2024 | 4 | 0 | 114 | 196 | 49 | 49 | 38 | \$111,023 | \$2,493 |
| Immanuel, Central | 2024 | 0 | 0 | 40 | 60 | 25 | 25 | 40 | \$122,000 | \$1,378 |
| Indian Mound, Greenwell Springs | 2024 | 0 | 5 | 48 | 55 | 29 | 35 | 20 | \$120,103 | \$2,040 |
| Istrouma, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 109 | 73 | 3,934 | 4,997 | 2,744 | 1,690 | 1,024 | \$5,514,488 | \$392,346 |
| Jefferson Hispanic, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 2 | 4 | 60 | 90 | 43 | 20 | 15 | \$31,268 | \$3,215 |
| Jefferson, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 37 | 63 | 1,604 | 1,888 | 546 | 546 | 261 | \$2,690,997 | \$269,154 |
| Lake Martin, Prairieville | 2024 | 1 | 0 | 10 | 77 | 5 | 4 | 0 | \$50,824 | \$2,683 |

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| Lanier, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 2 | 5 | 100 | 200 | 126 | 75 | 125 | \$168,991 | \$3,885 |
| Latanache, Batchelor | 2024 | 2 | 0 | 112 | 157 | 22 | 22 | 50 | \$90,693 | \$0 |
| Life Changers, Zachary | 2024 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$175 |
| Little Prairie, Prairieville | 2024 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 35 | 12 | 10 | 0 | \$0 | \$3,182 |
| New Beginnings, Baker | 2024 | 3 | 0 | 25 | 65 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$16,598 | \$25 |
| New Day/God's Vineyard, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 1 | 1 | 33 | 33 | 7 | 7 | 0 | \$13,068 | \$2,367 |
| New Life Church, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$1,036 |
| New River, St Amant | 2024 | 15 | 13 | 135 | 597 | 60 | 60 | 61 | \$252,510 | \$25,148 |
| Oak Grove, Prairieville | 2024 | 0 | 0 | 266 | 300 | 43 | 43 | 45 | \$0 | \$10 |
| Oakcrest, Baton Rouge <small>disbanded</small> | 2024 | 0 | 0 | 35 | 60 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$24,266 | \$0 |
| Parkview, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 7 | 10 | 315 | 315 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$1,612,127 | \$80,475 |
| Progression, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$2,000 |
| Redeemer, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$10,416 |
| Sharon, Port Allen | 2024 | 5 | 0 | 254 | 522 | 30 | 16 | 34 | \$112,702 | \$1,100 |
| Sorrento, Sorrento | 2024 | 0 | 0 | 110 | 120 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$50,000 | \$0 |
| Stevendale, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 0 | 0 | 35 | 35 | 15 | 15 | 20 | \$0 | \$7,018 |
| Trinity, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 1 | 0 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 0 | \$60,000 | \$326 |
| United Believers, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 2 | 4 | 187 | 225 | 72 | 72 | 68 | \$313,936 | \$350 |
| University, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 0 | 0 | 200 | 350 | 75 | 75 | 0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Vietnamese Hope, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 6 | 3 | 120 | 125 | 61 | 90 | 20 | \$148,043 | \$10,923 |
| Westside Community, Addis | 2024 | 1 | 0 | 21 | 73 | 32 | 32 | 28 | \$62,617 | \$1,877 |
| Woodlawn, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$6,000 |
| Zoar, Baton Rouge | 2024 | 27 | 20 | 2,202 | 3,139 | 1,206 | 480 | 285 | \$2,261,245 | \$13,201 |

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| Ascension, Gonzales | 2025 | 5 | 9 | 699 | 732 | 242 | 150 | 107 | \$730,883 | \$1,554 |
| Bayou Plaquemine, Plaquemine | 2025 | 0 | 2 | 84 | 85 | 17 | 10 | 77 | \$75,111 | \$2,750 |
| Bayou Sorrel, Plaquemine | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$1,888 |
| Brownfields, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 34 | 38 | 19 | 16 | 0 | \$85,000 | \$0 |
| Cedarcrest, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$2,790 |
| Christ Covenant, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 6 | 0 | 275 | 278 | 100 | 0 | 0 | \$1,085,000 | \$12,601 |
| Church at Addis | 2025 | 34 | 10 | 677 | 771 | 483 | 168 | 223 | \$670,473 | \$5,165 |
| Church of Life, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 10 | 18 | 22 | 184 | 78 | 30 | 0 | \$10,772 | \$850 |
| Comite, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 1 | 2 | 252 | 332 | 153 | 63 | 84 | \$311,369 | \$4,063 |
| Community Bible Baptist, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 5 | 5 | 168 | 169 | 44 | 0 | 92 | \$159,151 | \$150 |
| Confraternidad, Prairieville | 2025 | 4 | 4 | 38 | 38 | 5 | 28 | 32 | \$0 | \$695 |
| Courtableau, Port Barre | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| CrossPoint, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$15,200 |
| Douglas Avenue, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 9 | 0 | 8 | 105 | 25 | 30 | 0 | \$6,800 | \$0 |
| Dutchtown, Prairieville | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$100 |
| Erwinville, Erwinville | 2025 | 4 | 2 | 162 | 234 | 6 | 24 | 50 | \$115,554 | \$10,624 |
| Faith, Baker | 2025 | 0 | 1 | 89 | 97 | 21 | 13 | 14 | \$121,984 | \$4,528 |
| Faith, Livonia | 2025 | 4 | 1 | 290 | 394 | 40 | 25 | 90 | \$73,315 | \$250 |
| Family of Faith, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$16,330 |
| FBC Central, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Fellowship of Central, Greenwell Spgs | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$2,081 |
| Fellowship, Prairieville | 2025 | 115 | 172 | 1,202 | 1,202 | 1,098 | 420 | 235 | \$2,382,256 | \$139,602 |
| Filipino Fellowship I'nati, Prairieville | 2025 | 0 | 2 | 14 | 23 | 18 | 10 | 0 | \$0 | \$720 |
| First Community Antioch, Lutchter | 2025 | 10 | 0 | 250 | 300 | 115 | 115 | 131 | \$18,500 | \$0 |
| First Unity, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$511 |

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| First, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 6 | 9 | 214 | 401 | 182 | 185 | 49 | \$886,814 | \$54,095 |
| First, Gonzales | 2025 | 11 | 3 | 269 | 278 | 414 | 242 | 102 | \$1,085,815 | \$1,200 |
| First, Gramercy | 2025 | 0 | 2 | 20 | 132 | 13 | 13 | 0 | \$70,263 | \$5,634 |
| First, Krotz Springs | 2025 | 6 | 0 | 303 | 557 | 57 | 17 | 195 | \$199,042 | \$17,944 |
| First, Maringouin | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 20 | 11 | 10 | 11 | \$419 | \$0 |
| First, New Roads | 2025 | 20 | 7 | 250 | 600 | 177 | 160 | 99 | \$501,489 | \$43,975 |
| First, Plaquemine | 2025 | 3 | 0 | 97 | 256 | 111 | 68 | 111 | \$268,787 | \$453 |
| First, Port Allen | 2025 | 7 | 1 | 150 | 340 | 84 | 21 | 90 | \$6,072 | \$600 |
| First, Reserve | 2025 | 1 | 5 | 35 | 35 | 12 | 15 | 0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| First, White Castle | 2025 | 0 | 3 | 34 | 40 | 11 | 11 | 0 | \$77,487 | \$7,283 |
| Fordoche, Fordoche | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$5,194 |
| Foster Road, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 3 | 0 | 89 | 107 | 36 | 18 | 0 | \$167,605 | \$14,239 |
| Foster Road Community, Baton Rouge | 2025 | | | | | | | | | |
| Glen Oaks, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 14 | 25 | 160 | 160 | 81 | 55 | 0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Greenwell Springs, Greenwell Springs | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$40,951 |
| Grosse Tete, Grosse Tete | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$2,160 |
| Immanuel, Central | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$475 |
| Indian Mound, Greenwell Springs | 2025 | 5 | 0 | 48 | 55 | 28 | 28 | 29 | \$126,470 | \$1,500 |
| Istrouma, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 100 | 42 | 3,976 | 5,038 | 2,717 | 1,455 | 1,090 | \$5,766,050 | \$386,901 |
| Jefferson Hispanic, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$1,778 |
| Jefferson, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 37 | 67 | 1,677 | 1,961 | 543 | 543 | 276 | \$2,730,113 | \$266,619 |
| Lake Church, Prairieville | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$8,884 |
| Lake Martin, Prairieville (merged) | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$202 |
| Lanier, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$13,349 |
| Latanache, Batchelor | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$0 |

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| Little Prairie, Prairieville | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$3,980 |
| Louisiana Chin, Gonzales | 2025 | 135 | 35 | 130 | 170 | 60 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| New Day/God's Vineyard, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 37 | 37 | 10 | 7 | 0 | \$14,668 | \$2,842 |
| New Life Church, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$1,633 |
| New River, St Amant | 2025 | 6 | 6 | 142 | 600 | 59 | 59 | 91 | \$265,935 | \$29,020 |
| Oak Grove, Prairieville | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Parkview, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$79,923 |
| Progression, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$2,166 |
| Redeemer, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$9,601 |
| Sharon, Port Allen | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$1,300 |
| Sorrento, Sorrento | 2025 | 7 | 0 | 70 | 125 | 28 | 25 | 0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Stevendale, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$6,839 |
| Trinity, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 0 | \$55,000 | \$331 |
| True Hope, Plaquemine | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$450 |
| United Believers, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 7 | 11 | 205 | 243 | 95 | 82 | 73 | \$292,403 | \$600 |
| University, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Vietnamese Hope, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 8 | 5 | 132 | 155 | 78 | 70 | 15 | \$36,703 | \$3,059 |
| Westside Community, Addis | 2025 | 3 | 0 | 21 | 94 | 24 | 24 | 24 | \$89,842 | \$3,340 |
| Zoar, Baton Rouge | 2025 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$13,512 |



