

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In 20 years of leading worship services on Sundays it has only happened to me twice that I woke up not well enough to go to church. There have been a few times where I was on the edge of sickness but chose to go and regretted it as I don't think I faithfully executed my duties on those Sundays. I literally feel guilty when I'm not at church on Sundays. You can call it raisin', up-bringing, legalism, traditionalism or whatever....I just feel like I should be in church on Sunday mornings. And I LOVE every time I'm able to go to church on Sundays. There is nothing I would rather do on the Lord's Day than to be praising Him and learning about Him and doing so with my church family.

We live in a culture where we have so many options for activity. A family can get away for a weekend and find something fun to do in any direction. And that seems to be the prevailing motive behind all of our activity: to have fun. Nothing seems too far away with the efficiency of travel. Our affluence affords us to be whimsical with our weekends and we come and go with the wind.

Our Sunday morning corporate worship gatherings, for some, has been placed on a list of options with our two days off. Certainly there are times for rest and relaxation. There are times for fun and frivolity. But there is also a time for corporate worship. And the time for worship in the life of the church is weekly.

Corporate worship is when an expression of the body of Christ gathers together for worship. The membership of First Baptist Brookhaven has agreed to meet weekly on Sunday mornings for corporate worship. It is the time set aside to bring praises and offerings and to receive preaching and to respond. The purpose of corporate worship is at it's primary level to bring Glory to God. A close second is to edify the body.

When we choose something other than corporate worship for our family's weekend activity, we not only deprive them of being built up in their faith, we deprive the church of the same. Our mutual presence builds the community of faith. I miss something when I'm not at corporate. And I miss something when you are not at corporate worship.

I very much wanted to be here last week. Not because I wanted to be on stage or anything like that. I know I missed out. I was able to listen via radio, but it simply is not the same as being in the room. Let me encourage you to "be in the room". If you come to give, you will leave having got!

I want to thank Bro. Chris Layton and the Worship and Media Teams for putting everything together for last Sunday on such short notice. Pink eye comes like a thief in the night!

I love you all more than you know!
Pastor Nick

MISSION OPORTUNITIES...

Interested in Going on the Ecuador Mission Trip?

It is time to begin securing airline tickets for this summer's Ecuador trip. The trip will be July 4 - 14, 2018. If you are interested in going please contact the church office. The next informational meeting is Sunday, February 25th, at 4:00 p.m.



Agape Missions Garage Sale

March 2-3, 2018

Small donations can be brought to the bus barn on Thursdays from 11:30-1:30 and Mondays from 9:00-11:00 a.m. beginning Thursday, February 1st. For furniture pickups, please contact Brittany Sones at 601-906-8976.



STUDENT SPRING BREAK MISSION TRIP

Nashville, TN

March 9-13, 2018

Forms and registration are on our website at

fcbrookhaven.org

Cost: \$75, Deadline to register is Friday, February 23rd.



SUPER SUMMER
July 16-20, 2018 - Mississippi College
\$50 deposit is due by February 26th
Deposit can be paid online at fcbrookhaven.org

MARK YOUR CALENDARS...
Summer Camp – June 18-22, 2018
Shepherd of the Ozarks



WEEK OF HOPE

"You Matter"

Featuring: Dean Sikes

March 18th-21st - Local Schools

Night of Hope: Wednesday, March 21st
FBC Brookhaven



Help support our Student's
Spring Break Mission Trip
Sunday, February 25th
Fellowship Hall following the morning service
Dine In or Carry Out

Menu: Roast, Cream Potatoes & gravy
Carrots, Green Beans, Dessert

For Donations only

LADIES RETREAT OPPORTUNITY

ONE Conference at First Presbyterian Church, Jackson

April 13-14, 2018

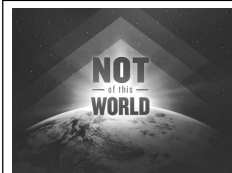
To learn to think biblically rather than emotionally, John 17

Speaker: Courtney Doctor

Lodging: Hilton Garden Inn, Madison

Cost: \$130 (half due by March 9th to reserve spot)

Only 24 spots available!



KIDS DNOW - 5-6TH GRADE

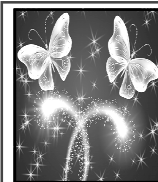
ROMANS 12:2

February 23-24, 2018

Cost: \$25

Guest speaker: Gary Permenter

Register today online at fcbrookhaven.org



Butterfly Sparkles Mother/Daughter Overnight

For moms (and mom substitutes) and their daughters in grades 1st -6th.

Camp Garaywa - April 6-7, 2018.

Deadline to register is March 23, 2018.

Register at fcbrookhaven.org, Space is limited!



SAVE THE DATE...

Kids Camp

We will be going to M4 camp.

July 7-9, 2018

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

Preschool registration for the 2018-19 school year at Wee Care is now open to children currently enrolled and to our church families. For additional information or to reserve a space for fall, please call the Wee Care office at 601-833-9699.

Wee Care offers a 2-day Preschool for two-year olds and 5-day Preschool for three and four year olds (age as of September 1st). Preschool is from 8:15 to 11:30 a.m. and follows the calendar of the Brookhaven Public Schools for holiday closings.

On Thursday, March 1st, any spaces remaining will be open to the public.

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

We have received the following and placed it on the bulletin board in the hallway by the church office:

- A thank you from Deborah Davis.
- A thank you from Debbie Acker & family.

DEACONS ON CALL

February 18-24, 2018

Bill Sones, Jr.757-1893

Jaymie Palmer823-0154

Brady Kellems.....754-0615

8 DAYS OF HOPE

Houston, TX

Depart on Sunday, March 11th after morning worship and return Friday, March 16th. Contact Larry Fisher for more details at 601-695-7337.

WEEKLY STATS FOR 2/11/2018

Sunday School Attendance: 526

On Campus: 418

Off Campus: 108

Wkly Budget Required: \$34,614.00

Wkly Budget Received: \$39,293.12

HOW CAN I BECOME A MEMBER OF FBC BROOKHAVEN?

1. Believer's Baptism: Trusting Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior and following Him in believer's baptism by immersion.
2. Transfer of Letter: Moving your membership from another Baptist church.
3. Statement of Faith: Affirming your commitment to Christ and participation in believer's baptism by immersion.

If you have any questions or if you would like more information on joining the FBC Brookhaven family, just call the church office at 601.833.5118.

FBC Activities

Sunday, February 18

- 8:00 a.m. Deacon's Meeting
- 8:30 a.m. Praise Team Rehearsal
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship
- 5:00 p.m. Legacy Worship
- 5:00 p.m. Sundays@5
- 5:00 p.m. D-Groups

Monday, February 19

- 10:30 a.m. LLL Meeting

Wednesday, February 21

- 4:45 p.m. Supper is Served
- 5:30 p.m. Mission Organizations
- 5:30 p.m. Mom Time
- 5:45 p.m. Prayer/ Business Meeting
- 6:00 p.m. Rock Solid
- 6:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 22

- 9:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study

Saturday, February 24

- 8:00 a.m. Upward Basketball

JOB OPENING Worship/Media & Education Assistant

If you are interested or know someone you would like to recommend for this full-time position, please call Ann Dunbar at our church office (601-833-5118). Resumes can be sent to:

Attn: Ann Dunbar

FBC Brookhaven

PO Box 589

Brookhaven, MS 39602-0589

or

Email: ann@fcbrookhaven.org

EXTENDED SESSION

February 18, 2018

Bed Babies - Room 102

Robyn Aker, Tawanda Smith

Creepers - Room 104

Tiffany Bass, Cristi Wolfe

Toddlers - Room 105

Mindy McBride, Lindsey Calcote

Two Year Olds

Kayla Different, Shelia Furlow

Three Year Olds

Buddy & Sheri Thibodeaux

Four Year Olds

Adam & Lisa Furlow

