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Pastor

## First Baptist Church of Seabrook Newsletter December 2024/January 2025

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# A Message from the Pastor

<sup>8</sup>And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. <sup>9</sup>And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear. <sup>10</sup>And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. <sup>11</sup>For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. <sup>12</sup>And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." <sup>13</sup>And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,

<sup>14</sup>"Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!"

Good news...great joy...all the people...a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.

What a year we have had! Individually and as a church body we have been through quite a few ups and downs in 2024. I'm guessing that 2025 is not going to be much different. And I'm Ok with that.

Every victory we experience is an opportunity to thank God for His provision. Every challenge and defeat we experience offers us an opportunity to go deep with God and rest on His unchangeable promises. He is faithful He is merciful. He is love. He is the same yesterday, today and forever.

The end of one year and the beginning of another is an excellent time to remind ourselves of what is truly important; The Good News! As we end 2024 and begin 2025 let's keep the main thing the main thing!

I'm thankful for a praying church. Let's be extra attentive in praying for each other during the Holiday season. Though a time of great joy, this time can also be very difficult for some.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of you!

God bless,  
Pastor Rob

## December/January Calendar

### Month-Long Focus Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions

- December 01 - 08**
- Week of Prayer for Lottie Moon Offering
- Sunday, December 01**
- Lord's Supper Services
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Week of Advent
- Sunday, December 08**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Week of Advent
  - Children's Pajama Party
- Tuesday, December 10**
- Mom's Meet-Up
- Saturday, December 14**
- Community Outreach 5th Annual Christmas Festival
- Sunday, December 15**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Week of Advent
  - Christmas Cantata
  - Cookies & Cocoa Fellowship
- Friday, December 20**
- Henry's 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Party
- Sunday, December 22**
- Children's Church Christmas Party
  - 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Advent
- December 23—January 03**
- Church Office Closed
- Tuesday, December 24**
- Christmas Eve Candle Light Service at 7:00 pm
- Wednesday, December 25**
- Merry Christmas
  - No Wednesday Evening Services
- Wednesday, January 01**
- No Wednesday Evening Services
- January 03 - 05**
- Blast & Cast Men's Ministry—Rockport
- Sunday, January 05**
- Lord's Supper Services
- Monday, January 06**
- Men's Ministry Bible Study Resumes
  - Hospitality Committee Recruitment & 2025 Planning Meeting at 6:30 pm
- Sunday, January 12**
- Children's Church Volunteers Quarterly Meeting & Luncheon
- Tuesday, January 14**
- Mom's Meet-Up
- Wednesday, January 15**
- Church Council Calendar Information Deadline
- Thursday, January 16**
- Men's Prayer Breakfast at Hap's Cajun at 8:30 am
- Monday, January 20**
- February Newsletter Deadline

# Weekly Schedule

## Sunday

8:15 am.....	Adult Bible Study .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
9:15 — 9:30 am .....	1st Adult Coffee Fellowship .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
9:15 — 10:30 am .....	1st Nursery .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
9:15 — 10:30 am .....	Children's Church/Pre-K Church .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
9:30 — 10:30 am .....	Berean Adult Fellowship .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
9:30 — 10:30 am .....	Women's Sunday School .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
9:30 — 10:30 am .....	Youth Bible Study .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
9:30 — 10:30 am .....	1st Worship Service .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
10:45 — 11:00 am .....	2nd Adult Coffee Fellowship .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
10:45 am — 12:00 pm .....	2nd Nursery .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
10:45 am — 12:00 pm .....	Children's Church/Pre-K Church .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
11:00 am — 12:00 pm .....	2nd Worship Service .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)

## Monday **\*\*Not Meeting 12/23 & 12/30**

6:30 pm.....	Men's Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
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## Wednesday **\*\*No Evening Service 12/25 & 01/01**

6:30 — 7:30 pm .....	Youth Discipleship (6th-12th grades) .....	1506A Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
6:30 — 7:30 pm .....	Praise, Prayer & Bible Study .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
6:30 — 7:30 pm .....	Nursery .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)



**Church Office will be closed  
December 23—January 03**

## Regular Office Hours

Tuesday - Thursday  
9:30 AM—1:30 PM

The Church office is open Tuesday through Thursday, from 9:30 am - 1:30 pm. The main office phone number is 281-474-3281. If you call while the office is closed or after hours please leave a message and we will return your call as soon as possible. NEW... we are now text friendly!

## December 2024 Tellers

Dec. 01 .....	John and Cheryl Harrison
Dec. 08 .....	Mary Johnson, Kathy Slater and Pat Smartt
Dec. 15 .....	Larry and Laurie Cooper
Dec. 22 .....	Michelle Hazlett and Linda Long
Dec. 29 .....	Volunteers Needed!!

## January 2025 Tellers

Jan. 05 .....	John and Cheryl Harrison
Jan. 12 .....	Mary Johnson, Kathy Slater and Pat Smartt
Jan. 19 .....	Larry and Laurie Cooper
Jan. 26 .....	Michelle Hazlett and Pat Smartt

## Tithes & Offering

*A look at the church finances...*

<b>General Funds</b>		
October 2024 Contributions .....	\$26,317.74	<b>Thank you for your faithful giving!</b>
<b>Building Fund</b>		
October 2024 Contributions .....	\$30.00	
<b>Missions Fund</b>		
October 2024 Contributions .....	\$3,426.00	



If you have a need for prayer, please call the church office at 281-474-3281 or use our website [fbcsea-brook.org](http://fbcsea-brook.org), scroll to the bottom of the page, and click on the "Prayer Requests" button. We are happy to pray with you!!

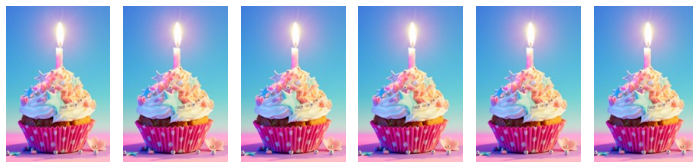
**Prayer Requests**

# Birthdays

## December

Alyssa Clark  
 Steve Mewborn  
 Christopher Thomas  
 Katie Feehan  
 Barbara Sue Smith  
 Cody Stewart  
 Pastor Rob Purdy  
 Lori Gregory  
 Eileen Morse  
 Marley Naranjo  
 Rayma Solis  
 Ronda Cannon  
 Brennon Malone  
 Joyce Fisher-Clark

Bob Snow  
 Janice Bevan  
 Douglas Brown  
 Terry Standley  
 Pat Broussard  
 Lupe Rodriguez  
 Lawrence Wall  
 Zan Sine  
 Mary Kinsey  
 Bobby Laird



Jody Clevenger  
 William Williams  
 Robert Weldon Sr.  
 Steven Balistreri Jr  
 Amie Sauers  
 Mary Johnson  
 Lisa Jobe  
 Levi Burrows  
 Andrea Harrington  
 Lucile Phelps  
 Betty Coker  
 Jace Suffron  
 Tommy Miller  
 Wayne Stewart  
 Joy Moss  
 Theresa Smith

## January



Sunday, Dec. 1 & Jan. 5  
**OBSERVANCE OF  
 THE LORD'S  
 SUPPER**  
 9:30 & 11:00 AM Service

**LOTTIE  
 MOON**

**Christmas  
 Offering**

*Providing financial support for missionaries  
 as they share the gospel overseas*

## Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions

**Week of Prayer: Dec. 1—8, 2023**

Generous giving to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering makes a massive difference in the world. Men, women, children and entire communities are transformed as a result of this offering. Your gifts enable thousands of missionaries to live among, serve and share the gospel with people who have never heard it until now.

Every December since 1888, the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering has empowered Southern Baptists' international missions work. At the beginning of this giving season, we start with a week of prayer dedicated to international missions.

Please prayerfully consider how you can give to support International missionaries and their ministries.

## Christmas Blessing Project

The Benevolence Department of FBCS will be purchasing gifts for children of families in the community struggling to make ends meet.

Here's where YOU can help... Donate! No \$\$\$ amount is too small or too large!

If you can help, please mark your offering envelope "Christmas Blessing".

## Holiday Schedule Changes

Mon. Dec. 23	No Men's Ministry Bible Study
Dec 23—Jan 3	Church Office Closed
Tues. Dec 24	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 7pm
Wed. Dec. 25	No Wednesday Evening Service
Mon. Dec. 30	No Men's Ministry Bible Study
Wed. Jan. 1	No Wednesday Evening Service



# Christmas Festival

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SEABROOK  
December 14th 2024 1:00-4:00 pm

- Live Nativity
- Petting Zoo
- Hay Rides
- Bounce Houses
- Face Painting
- Games
- Food
- Vendor Market

## Mom's Meet-Up

Tuesday, December 10, 2024 and January 14, 2025  
at 10:00 am  
Location to be determined

For information please contact April Burrows  
at 660-492-7688.

First Baptist Church of Seabrook Presents...

# MAJESTY

A MULTIGENERATIONAL WORSHIP  
EXPERIENCE FOR CHRISTMAS

Sunday, December 15, 2024  
9:30 & 11:00 am

## Children's Church Parties

Pajama PARTY Hot Cocoa & Pancakes DECEMBER 8  
Christmas Party DECEMBER 22  
@ 9:30 & 11:00 am

## Cookies & Hot Cocoa Fellowship

Sunday, December 15, 2024  
immediately following each worship service

## FBC Seabrook Youth Fundraiser

These beautiful 2023 calendars make nice and easy Christmas gifts. They are located in the foyer. **\$10.00**

WALL CALENDAR

All information is available in the foyer of the church.

## 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Party

John and Gloria Henry cordially invites everyone to join them in celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on **Friday, December 20<sup>th</sup>** from 5:00 - 8:00 pm. We start the evening with a meet and greet, dinner and fellowship will follow.

*Save the Date*

Please RSVP Gloria at 281-222-5234 via text message and include your name, number of adults, and number of children who will attend.

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# CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

Tuesday, December 24  
7:00 PM

## NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE

12/25/24 & 01/01/25

## Men's Monday Night Ministry Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship

Meets Every Monday

In person at 6:30 pm, Live Stream begins at 7:00 pm

Holiday Break, NOT meeting 12/23 & 12/30

## Hospitality Committee Planning and New Recruitment Meeting

Monday, January 6, 2025  
at 6:30 pm

Everyone is invited to join this fun committee and help plan fellowships and activities for the year. We are always looking for new and fresh ideas. If you have questions or suggestions please contact Mandy Stilwell at [mandy\\_stilwell@comcast.net](mailto:mandy_stilwell@comcast.net).



# BLAST & CAST

MENS • MINISTRIES

Rockport Event ~ January 3—5, 2025

## Quarterly Children's Ministry Teachers/Volunteers Meeting & Luncheon

Sunday, January 12, 2025

Immediately following 2nd service



**INFORMATION DEADLINE**  
**Wednesday, January 15, 2025**

The Church Council will be planning for the months of February, March and April. It is imperative that the servant leaders, administrative staff and all Ministry leads, Committee Leads and Directors take the time to plan for these months. *Please email [fbcseabrook@yahoo.com](mailto:fbcseabrook@yahoo.com).*

## Hap's Men's Monthly Prayer Breakfast

Cajun Meats & Market

Thursday, January 16, 2025 at 8:30 am

Men will gather at Hap's Cajun Meats & Market, 902 E. Main St., League City, on the third Thursday each month to eat an awesome breakfast and pray together.

Due to limited space there is a need to reserve your spot. Follow Hap's on Facebook and you should be able to make your reservation there or call 281-525-6167.

**Deadline**  
**for February 2025**

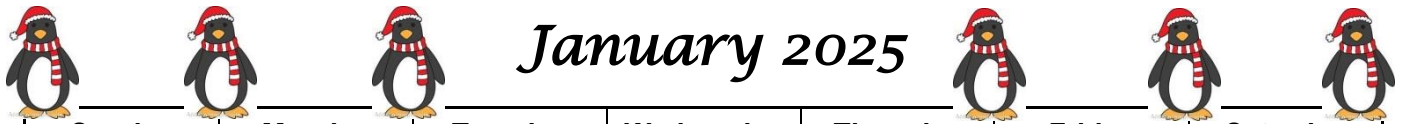
## Newsletter Submissions

**Monday,**  
**January 20<sup>th</sup>**

# December 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 <u>9:30 &amp; 11:00 am</u> Lord's Supper Services <b>NOON</b> Wedding Shower	2 <u>6:30 PM</u> Men's Monday Night Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship	3	4 <u>6:30-7:30 PM</u> Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study, Youth Bible Study and Kid's Club	5	6	7
<b>Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions</b> <b>Week of Prayer: December 1 - 8, 2024</b>						
8 <u>9:30 &amp; 11:00 am</u> Children's Church Pajama Party	9 <u>6:30 PM</u> Men's Monday Night Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship	10 <b>10:00 am</b> Mom's Meet-Up	11 <u>6:30-7:30 PM</u> Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study, Youth Bible Study and Kid's Club	12	13 	14 <b>1:00 - 4:00 PM</b> 5th Annual Christmas Festival
15 <u>9:30 &amp; 11:00 am</u> Christmas Cantata & Hot Cocoa & Cookies Fellowship	16 <u>6:30 PM</u> Men's Monday Night Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship	17	18 <u>6:30-7:30 PM</u> Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study, Youth Bible Study and Kid's Club	19	20 <u>5:00-8:00 pm</u> Henry's 50th Wedding Anniversary Party	21
22 <u>9:30 &amp; 11:00 am</u> Children's Church Christmas Parties	23 NO Men's Ministry Meeting	24  <u>7:00 PM</u> Christmas Eve Candlelight Service	25 No Evening Services	26	27	28
<b>Church Office Closed</b> <b>December 23 thru January 3</b>						
29	30 NO Men's Ministry Meeting	31				



# January 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 No Evening Services	2	3	4
<b>Blast &amp; Cast ~ Rockport ~ January 3-5</b>						
5 <u>9:30 &amp; 11:00 am</u> Lord's Supper Services	6 <u>6:30 PM</u> Hospitality Meeting Men's Monday Night Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship	7	8 <u>6:30-7:30 PM</u> Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study, Youth Bible Study and Kid's Club	9	10	11
12 <b>NOON</b> Children's Church Volunteer Meeting & Luncheon	13 <u>6:30 PM</u> Men's Monday Night Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship	14 <b>10:00 am</b> Mom's Meet-Up  Church Council Calendar Info deadline is tomorrow	15 <u>6:30-7:30 PM</u> Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study, Youth Bible Study and Kid's Club	16 <u>8:30 AM</u> Men's Prayer Breakfast Meeting at Hap's Cajun	17	18
19 February Newsletter Deadline is tomorrow	20 <u>6:30 PM</u> Men's Monday Night Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship	21	22 <u>6:30-7:30 PM</u> Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study, Youth Bible Study and Kid's Club	23	24	25
26	27 <u>6:30 PM</u> Men's Monday Night Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship	28	29 <u>6:30-7:30 PM</u> Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study, Youth Bible Study and Kid's Club	30	31	