

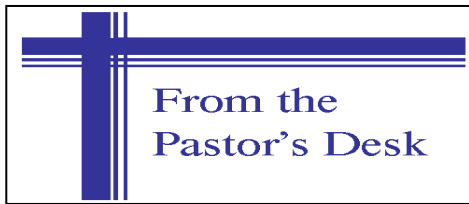


Discover A Place to Call Home

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I have never been much of a “numbers guy,” particularly when it comes to my relationship with God and the church.

When I was growing up in the church, we had offering envelopes that had a check list on the front that evaluated things like: Did I read my Bible every day? How many visits or contact did I make in a week? How much was I placing in a tithe or offering for the week?

In the old days, the sanctuary had a sign board on the walls that recorded attendance in worship, Sunday school, Discipleship Training, and total giving for the week.

We are supposed to do an annual report each year to the Southern Baptist Convention relating these types of numbers.

But a few years ago someone compared these numbers to that of “vital signs” taken when you go see a doctor, you know, height, weight, blood pressure, temperature.... They are simply superficial indicators of how you are doing in that moment. If you don’t make too much out of them but also don’t ignore them, they can be useful.

Our “God and church” can do the same thing.

Take a few minutes to rate yourself by placing the corresponding number by the line at the end of each statement.

Always = 4
Usually = 3
Sometimes = 2
Rarely = 1
Never = 0

Personal Spiritual Inventory (Disciple’s Study Bible, p. 1752)

The Discipline of Worship

I spend time with God daily. _____
I set apart Jesus as Lord in my heart. _____
I am aware of God’s discipline. _____
I am aware of God’s presence. _____
I gather with other believers weekly for worship. _____

The Discipline of Study

I read my Bible daily. _____
I study my Bible weekly. _____
I meditate and take notes. _____
I apply Scripture to my life. _____
I interact with other believers in a small group to discuss the Bible. _____

The Discipline of Prayer

I understand what it means to “pray continually.” _____
I keep a list of prayer needs for myself and others. _____
My prayers include praise, gratitude, and confession. _____

The Discipline of Fellowship

I am at peace with other Christians. _____
I know how to resolve conflict and seek reconciliation with those whom I have offended or who offend me. _____
I love my brothers and sisters in Christ, and it shows in my behavior. _____
I gather and seek a deeper relationship with my Church family. _____
I live in harmony with my family. _____

The Discipline of Witnessing

I pray for people who are far from God daily. _____
I know and can tell my story of how I came to know Jesus and what He means to me today. _____
I understand and can explain the gospel clearly and seek to do so regularly. _____
I encourage new believers in their walk with Christ. _____

The Discipline of Service

I know my spiritual gift and use it to strengthen and build up the church. _____
I give regularly, systematically, and sacrificially to the work of God through my church. _____
I seek to meet the needs of people who are less fortunate than me. _____

Now, score yourself by placing the number of times you rated yourself a 4, 3, 2, 1, or 0.

Always _____ X 4 = _____
Usually _____ X 3 = _____
Sometimes _____ X 2 = _____
Rarely _____ X 1 = _____
Never _____ X 0 = _____
Total _____

The best score you can make is 100. Let this be an end/beginning of the year evaluation. This is neither designed to make you feel pride, nor is it to make you feel guilty, but simply to evaluate where you are in the disciplines of the Faith and where you need to grow in relation to your walk with Jesus. Ask yourself, “What do I need to do to get closer to Jesus, just as you would with any other meaningful relationship.

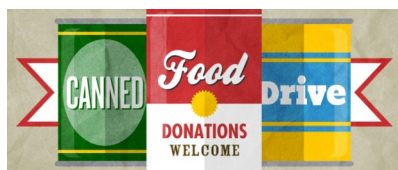
~Pastor Mark



Rathgeber House Report

Special thanks to Lacey Dulek, Jennifer & Jane Naas, Stacy Hopkins, Jessica Brinkley, Ida Jones, and Debbie & Robert Ritter for preparing and delivering an Italian dinner for the residents of Rathgeber House on Tuesday, December 15th. They were extremely grateful for the meal. If you would like to help with the January or February meal, please contact Fran Koch.

Thank you,
Fran Koch
940-636-8215



For the month of December, we collected 39bs of food. Grace Ministries' needs for January are pancake mix, syrup, and crackers. If you would like to, you can drop donations off at Ida's home, the church office, or at Grace Ministries. Grace Ministries is also in need of volunteers. Please contact the church office for more information.

We delivered 7 blankets to Pediatric Hospice and 2 blankets to the regular program in December.

Thank you all for your participation in the Evergreen Angel Tree program. It was wonderful to help the residents celebrate Christmas.

Thank you,
Steve & Ida Jones



Prayer Walk

January 10th & February 7th
10:30 am
Meet in JLBC Fellowship Hall



Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer
FaceBook Live at 6pm



Church Council Meeting
January 10th at 4pm

Deacons' Meeting
January 17 at 4pm



JLBC Youth & Children's
Sunday School

will take place during Pastor Mark's
Message each Sunday morning.
Please remember to wear a mask.



JLBC Team Kids & Youth Group will resume Wednesday Nights beginning January 6th. Dinner at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Classes from 6-7pm.



"For I know the plans
I have for you," declares
the Lord, "plans to
prosper you and not to
harm you, plans to give
you hope and a future."

JEREMIAH 29:11

PASTOR & DEACONS

Please feel free to call any of
us at any time.

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JANUARY 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3  WORSHIP MESSAGE & DEACON ORDINATION 11 AM	4	5  LADIES PRAYER & BLANKET GROUP	6  BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER 6 PM	7  7:30 PM	8	9
10  WORSHIP & MESSAGE 11 AM	11	12  LADIES PRAYER & BLANKET GROUP	13  BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER 6 PM	14	15	16
17  WORSHIP & MESSAGE 11 AM	18	19  LADIES PRAYER & BLANKET GROUP	20  BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER 6 PM	21	22	23
24/31  WORSHIP & MESSAGE 11 AM	25  ARTICLES DUE	26  LADIES PRAYER & BLANKET GROUP	27  BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER 6 PM	28	29	30

December 2020 Sunday School Attendance Record

Dec 6	0
Dec 13	0
Dec 20	32
Dec 27	19

Average Attendance: 26
Average based on 2 Sundays

December 2020 Financial Report

Tithes	\$12,357.51
Estimated monthly budget needs for 2019 - 2020	\$13,746.06
Designated	\$ 4,020.00



January 2021 Deacon of the Week

Dec 28-Jan3	Bill Lindenborn
Jan 4-10	Marvin Maherg
Jan 11-17	John Naas
Jan 18-24	Robert Ritter
Jan 25-31	Rick Griffin

Prayer Chain

If you have an e-mail address and desire to be on the prayer chain, please call the church office with your email information.

Questions? Call Jennifer @ 569-1211

We're on the web!

www.jlbcburk.com

Jan Lee Baptist Church

SUNDAY SCHOOL	ON HOLD
MORNING SERVICE	11:00 AM
ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE	ON HOLD
YOUTH & TEAM KIDS ACTIVITIES	5:30 PM

MIDWEEK RENEWAL SERVICE

PRAYER & BIBLE STUDY	6:00 PM
VIA FACEBOOK LIVE	



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