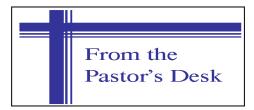


## THE MESSENGER

Discover A Place to Call Home

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I participated in an ordination council and subsequent service for the new pastor of the Korean Baptist Church this past Sunday evening. It is always a joy to be a part of something positive in our world. The service was both simple and celebrative. The congregation hosted a meal of traditional Korean foods following the service. I'm grateful that I was invited to participate.

My part in the service was to offer a brief word of encouragement and charge to the new pastor. As I prepared my remarks, my thoughts went to my own mission trip to South Korea fourteen years ago. The first church that my team and I were assigned was a unique and incredible experience that I had not witnessed before hand or since. The dynamic nature of the church and its ministry to the city was spiritually inspiring. We saw God work in a mighty and powerful way to bring people into the faith. The key to its power was prayer. The church, and by church, I mean the entire congregation of people, met at 5:00 AM every morning, seven days a week to pray. We attended this prayer meeting on our last day. The sanctuary was packed, and the people were independently, enthusiastically, and vocally engaged in lifting up their concerns to the Lord. This was their weapon" of community "secret engagement.

I was profoundly affected by that experience and it was a "highlight" in my ongoing relationship with Jesus Christ. As I attempted to describe what I witnessed, four words came to my mind. I placed them in a pattern in my mind so that I might recall them easily, and I shared them with the new pastor this Sunday. I want to share them with you again, also.

The first word is **presence**. There was no doubt of the presence of God in the lives of the individual believers and the congregation as a whole. It was palatable. This led them to a peace with God as they "sat at His feet" daily in study, prayer, and worship. They were at peace with one another and their surrounding community. And there was an inner peace they experienced as well.

The second word is **passion**. There was no doubt that these people had a "hunger and thirst" for God's righteousness. They had a genuine passion for Jesus Christ, to love and obey <u>Him</u>. That passion turned into compassion in their ministry to the people around them.

The third word is **power**. There was an indwelling of the Holy Spirit in their lives. They were filled continually by the Holy Spirit who empowered them to do what God had called them to do. They also carried the power that comes from the Great Commission, and they believed they had been authorized by God to go and make disciples, to baptize, and to teach. They had power in their calling to live as saints, set apart for God's service.

The fourth word is purpose. They fulfilled daily God's purpose for the church. They understood that they together were the church, the bride and body of Christ to their community. They worshipped and served the Lord with great humility. They were witnesses to the power and hope of the resurrection in their lives. They were growing in their knowledge of the Lord as they studied the Scriptures. They had a genuine love and respect for one another that was evident in the way they interacted. They were reaching their community for Christ through their good works and evangelistic fervor.

Interestingly enough, I only met the pastor once while we there. The team had dinner with him and his family one evening and we saw him at the church services. The hours of ministry spent during the week were completely and totally conducted by the congregation.

This Sunday is the first Sunday of the month. The prayer team meets on that day, once a month, at a reasonable time (9:15 AM) to pray over the church. I would encourage you to be there for that and follow up with Bible Study and worship.

God's will for us is to know His peace through His promised and continual presence in our lives. He wants us to have a passion for His Son, Jesus Christ and emulate Him in compassionate ministry to others. He wants us to operate in the power of His Holy Spirit and to fulfill our calling through the church to the lost world around us.

Jesus Christ is our only hope. Be Christ in our community.

Thank you for your service to the Lord and His church... Pastor Mark



### **Rathgeber House Report**

Thank you so much to Norah Bronaugh, Debbie Ritter, and Kathy Janeke for making some delicious meals for the guests. This week had many people staying there.

If you would like to contribute to a mean, please contact Fran Koch.

Thank you, Fran Koch



We collected 59 pounds of food for Grace Ministries. Thanks to all for the support of this ministry. For November, the needs are chicken broth and canned sliced pineapple.

Thank you to everyone for supporting BSM with sodas and goodies. The students really appreciate all the churches that take meals to them. We got to visit with the new director Keith and his assistants Tyler and Ashley. Please remember them in prayer. Like so many things, Covid has affected the number of students that come to BSM for discipleship.

Thanks to everyone that helped us with the blanket Ministry for Hospice. We delivered 6 blankets for the month of October.

Thank you, Steve & Ida Jones



Prayer Walk November 7th at 9:15am Meet in JLBC Fellowship Hall



Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer Meal for Everyone at 5:20pm Adult class in Fellowship Hall at 6pm Youth & Team Kids class at 6pm



Deacons' Meeting November 14th at 4 pm

Family Business Meeting November 17th at 7pm



Community Thanksgiving Service November 21st at 6pm First United Methodist Church Burkburnett



JLBC Annual Lottie Moon
Dinner & Auction
December 4th at 5:30pm
JLBC Fellowship Hall
RSVP to Church Office
You may bring donated
auction items to church office
during business hours.



JLBC is still facing a monthly financial shortage of approximately \$2,000.

The current cleaning provider is not working out. We will be looking for a new provider.

Children's Christmas
Presentation will be December
12th at 6pm.

Lottie Moon Dinner & Auction will be held on December 4th at 5:30pm. The goal for 2021 is \$3,000.

It was recommended and approved to have Darrell Brown meet with the Constitution & By-Laws Committee to update the JLBC Constitution & By-Laws.

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# **NOVEMBER 2021**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	MEAL @ 530 BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER 6 PM KIDS & YOUTH CLASS @ 6-7	Faith Mission 7:30 PM	5	6
SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45 WORSHIP & MESSAGE 11 AM	8	9 LADIES PRAYER & BLANKET GROUP	MEAL @ 530 BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER 6 PM KIDS & YOUTH CLASS @ 6-7	11	12	13
SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45 WORSHIP & MESSAGE 11 AM	15	LADIES PRAYER & BLANKET GROUP	MEAL @ 530 BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER 6 PM KIDS & YOUTH CLASS @ 6-7	18	19	20
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SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45 WORSHIP & MESSAGE 11 AM	29	LADIES PRAYER GROUP				

### October 2021 Sunday School Attendance Record

October 3 42
October 10 40
October 17 43
October 24 39
October 31 47

Average Attendance: 42

Average based on 5 Sundays

### October 2021 Financial Report

Tithes \$14,756.27
Estimated monthly budget \$14,301.00
needs for 2021 - 2022

Designated \$ 4,684.62



### November 2021 Deacon of the Week

Nov 1-7 Rick Griffin

Nov 8-14 Bill Lindenborn

Nov 15-21 Marvin Maherg

Nov 22-28 John Naas

Nov 29-Dec 5 Robert Ritter

### **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 9:45 AM MORNING SERVICE 11:00 AM ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE Resumes in Fall

### MIDWEEK RENEWAL SERVICE

MEAL 5:30 PM
PRAYER & BIBLE STUDY 6:00 PM
YOUTH & TEAM KIDS ACTIVITIES 6:00 PM



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