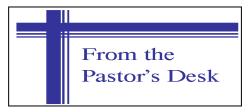


## THE MESSENGER

Discover A Place to Call Home

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Southern **Baptist** international missionaries are mostly pastors, evangelists, or church planters, but not always. Many are doctors, dentists, teachers, administrators, businesspeople, farmers, pilots, and the like. They will use their particular skills to help both people fellow Indigenous and missionaries, but they still go as Christian witnesses and Kingdom (God's) builders.

When they are appointed by the International Mission Board, they are required to undergo a year of theological training at a Southern Baptist Seminary and acquire at least twenty hours toward a (nearly) 90-hour Master of Divinity degree. I have often wondered what would be the best courses to take to have a basic but firm theological and ministry foundation?

How would you make practical applications in the local church? I am the only person active in our church who has a theological education and works full-time in ministry. I do not believe God called me to get the degree to put me on a ministry pedestal but for the practical reason of sharing it with you.

What you do in your everyday life matters to God. Whether you teach, conduct business, serve the community, practice medicine, manage a household, volunteer or whatever; all those things, in and of themselves, matter to God and serve to better our community. But people who do not know Jesus do the same. How are we different then? Just as a missionary doctor practices medicine on the mission field, you conduct your business.

But just as that missionary doctor is also a witness and kingdom builder, so are you. What do you need to know to accomplish that?

Now, let me shift my thought process... I have wondered if I were ever called to go to a remote area and teach the gospel, and I was limited to one book, what would I take? Well, Ok, obviously the bible, but which one?

Thirty-four years ago Broadman/ Holman Bible Publishers produced the "Disciple's Study Bible." I acquired a copy and used it regularly but gave it away to a friend who was doing lay ministry. Just before I moved to Burkburnett, I was able to purchase a second copy for myself but it is now out of print. A friend was searching for one and found a leather-bound addition selling on E-bay for \$500. I am not looking to sell mine as I am more interested in the spiritual treasure that lies inside. Survey of both the Old and New Testament, Systematic Theology, and the use of practical ministry tools are all available within its covers.

What do I propose? Let me teach you using this book and give you the knowledge needed to allow you to be an effective missionary at home, in your neighborhood, at work and in your off time. This study Bible was designed for the lay person and not the "ministry professional" (whatever that is) so while it will be challenging, it will not be overwhelming.

Now, when a doctor is called to the mission field, he or she will leave their practice or medical school and attend Seminary full time for a couple of semesters, but obviously you cannot do that. So when are we going to do this?

I am proposing, a least the main emphasis be on, Wednesday evening March 2. The time is already set apart, the community still gives us some leeway in not overscheduling events that would conflict and your children (if they are still at home) are already here and engaged. Let's make it a family event.

The bottom line: when you come to grips with who and what God is and how you are related to Him; when you can effectively discover biblical truth on your own (feed yourself spiritually); when you can care for your hurting neighbor, not just physically but spiritually; and when you can do it in harmony with other believers, we begin to transform our community into the image of Christ.

Our community, and world certainly need to look more like Jesus. Let us lead the way!

Pastor Mark

"They... began proclaiming the good news about the Lord Jesus. The Lord's hand was with them, and a large number who believed turned to the Lord... and for a whole year they met with the church and taught large numbers... The disciples were first called Christians (here)" (Acts 10: 20-21, 26)



For the month of January, we donated 12 birthday cake packages (36 pounds) to Grace Ministries. Thank you all who donated. I'm sure the cakes will bring a smile to people's faces.

Thank you to everyone that donated to help purchase blanket fabric. We made 9 blankets for Hospice of Wichita Falls.

We will be taking lunch to MSU BSM on March 9th. We will be asking for donations of dessert and soda soon. Thank you all so much for your support of these missions.

Thank you, Steve & Ida Jones



**Rathgeber House Report** 

Thank you to all who have donated to the Rathgeber Fund so food can be purchased for the guest meals.

If the meal is bought or homemade, it is always appreciated.

Thank you, Fran Koch 940-636-8215



Prayer Walk
February 6th at 9:15am
Meet in JLBC Fellowship Hall



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



Deacons' Meeting February 13th at 4pm

Family Business Meeting February 16th at 7pm

Church Council Meeting February 6th at 3pm



We are accepting applications for our Paid Nursery Worker Position.
Please have interested parties contact the church office.



Valentine's Candy Needed for Tower Elementary & Gateway Faculty & Staff. Bring to church office before February 10th at noon.



Bluegrove Baptist Church has 5 more mission trips to the Del Rio/Acuna area planned. Contact Rick Griffin if interested. Rick will be attending the April trip.
Feb 18-21, Mar 14-18, Apr 3-6,
May 1-4, & Jun 5-8



There was a special called Family Business Meeting held on Sunday, January 30th.

The financial reports were presented for November and December. January should end in the positive.

Our Sunday School attendance numbers are on a steady incline.

JLBC Youth Group (July 11-15) and Team Kids (July 18-22) will attend camp at Camp Chaparral. We will be doing a few fundraisers to help offset the costs.

Jennifer & Jane Naas and Amy Owens will be going on a mission trip to South Africa this summer. There are additional spots available. Contact Jennifer Naas if you are interested in going. There will also be fundraisers to help offset the cost of approximately \$2,000 for each person to go.

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# FEBRUARY 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Juli		1	2 MEAL @ 530 BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER 6 PM KIDS & YOUTH CLASS @ 6-7	3 Faith Mission 7:30 PM	4	5
SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45 WORSHIP & MESSAGE 11 AM	7	LADIES PRAYER & BLANKET GROUP	9  LIVE  MEAL @ 530  BIBLE STUDY  &  PRAYER  6 PM  KIDS & YOUTH  CLASS @ 6-7	10	11	12
SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45 WORSHIP & MESSAGE 11 AM	HAPPY Valentines	LADIES PRAYER & BLANKET GROUP	MEAL @ 530 BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER 6 PM KIDS & YOUTH CLASS @ 6-7	FAMILY BUSINESS MEETING @ 7PM ON JAN 12	18	19
SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45 WORSHIP & MESSAGE 11 AM	ARTICLES DUE  PRESIDENTS:  DAY	LADIES PRAYER & BLANKET GROUP	MEAL @ 530 BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER 6 PM KIDS & YOUTH CLASS @ 6-7	24	25	26
SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45 WORSHIP & MESSAGE 11 AM	28					

#### January 2022 Sunday School Attendance Record

January 2 0
January 9 38
January 16 0
January 23 35
January 30 44

Average Attendance: 39

Average based on 3 Sundays

#### January 2022 Financial Report

Tithes \$17,817.65
Estimated monthly budget \$14,301.00
needs for 2021 - 2022

Designated \$ 502.73



### February 2022 Deacon of the Week

Jan 31-Feb 6

Feb 7-13

Robert Ritter

Feb 14-20

Rick Griffin

Feb 21-27

Bill Lindenborn

Feb 28-Mar 6

Marvin Maherg

#### **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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