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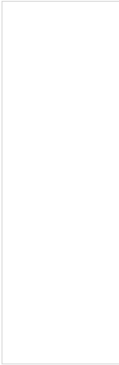
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• **GATHER IN • GROW UP • GO OUT •**

Thank You

A Thank You Card has been received from Anna Kay Holland for the Teacher's Appreciation Luncheon & a card from the family of Dorothy Taylor. You can view the card on the bulletin board by the office.



RUSSELLVILLE First Baptist Church

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

9:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship
9:30 a.m. Sunday School & Bible Study
10:30 a.m. Worship ~ Bro. Chase Dowdy

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

Office Closed for Labor Day

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

5:00 p.m. Wed. Night Meal ~ Ham Plate
6:00 p.m. Bible Study ~ Bro. Chase Dowdy
Men's Bible Study ~ Hugh Plott
Women's Bible Study ~ Sheryl Plott
Elevate Students; First Kids

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

9:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship
9:30 a.m. Sunday School & Bible Study
10:30 a.m. Worship ~ Bro. Chase Dowdy
11:30 a.m. Last Chance for Directory Pictures
4:30 p.m. Deacon's Meeting
5:00 p.m. Ordination Council
6:00 p.m. Deacon Ordination Service ~ Jayson Harper

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

10:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

TBA PrimeTimer's Gospel Singing

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

5:00 p.m. Wed. Night Meal ~ Breakfast
6:00 p.m. Bible Study ~ Bro. Chase Dowdy
Men's Bible Study ~ Hugh Plott
Women's Bible Study ~ Sheryl Plott
First Kids; Elevate Students

UPCOMING

September 17 Elevate Student Pool Party
September 24 Connect Night with ReSound at 6 p.m.
September 27 See You at the Pole Youth Rally

Budget Giving

Weekly Requirements 2023	\$13,405.23
Budget Receipts ~ August 20	\$10,542.26
Budget Receipts ~ August 27	\$14,053.00
Budget Requirements thru Aug. 27	\$469,183.05
Budget Receipts thru Aug 27	\$464,712.99



RFBCLife Giving

Chase's Chat

Often in life, we place an enormous emphasis on the things of the world. Whether it be a desire to make our way up the corporate ladder, to be the best athlete on our team, to have the perfect home, or to be wealthy, these things command our attention.

But do they have eternal significance? Will they carry on long after we're gone? The short answer is, of course, no. So why then strive for them? Why not seek after one who brings life out of death and promises us an eternity with him? To quote the missionary C.T. Studd, "Only one life, twill soon be past, only what's done for Christ will last." May we use the time we've been given to build up his kingdom, not our resumes.

Bro. Chase

New Sunday School Class—Young Married Couples

Starting September 10, at 9:30 a.m.

Meeting Above the Green Room

Led by Hugh & Sheryl Plott & Justin & Brittney Morgan

Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study

Starting October 3, at 9:30 a.m.

"Trustworthy" by Lysa Terkeurst

Memorials

In memory of **Joyce Loden** by: Jack Brewer, Larry & Beth Gilmer

In memory of **Martha Fuller** by: Wade & Judy Baker, Larry & Beth Gilmer, Royce & Rebecca Massey, Gilan Jones, Jerry & Joyce Baker

In memory of **Mark Woodruff** by: Wade & Judy Baker, Royce & Rebecca Massey

In memory of **Rose Killen** by: Jack Brewer

In memory of **Derek Morgan** by: Larry & Beth Gilmer

In memory of **Chanda Logan** by: Butch & Susan Harkness, Ruth Smith, Terry & Susan Hall

In memory of **Betty Terry** by: Butch & Susan Harkness

In memory of **Laren Durfey** by: Gary & Marynell Tapp

In memory of **Steve Hammack** by: Ruth Smith

In memory of **Dorothy Taylor** by: Wayne & Lela Ray, Andy & Deborah Gault, Willodean Davis, Butch & Susan Harkness, Jerry & Joyce Baker, Calvin & Linda Parmer, Terry & Susan Hall, Willing Worker's Sunday School Class

In memory of **Sue Hammack** by: Wayne & Lela Ray, Butch & Susan Harkness, Terry & Susan Hall

In memory of **Mark & Patty Woodruff** by: Ginny Hill

Music / Education

We have some exciting opportunities that God has opened up for us as a music ministry/education, and we would love for you to be a part of it!

Announcements:

- Adult Choir: Wednesday nights at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary! We would love to have you join us!
- Young Married Couples Class (20s-30s) will start Sept. 10, at 9:30 a.m., above the Green Room (by the kitchenette). Hugh and Sheryl Plott and Justin and Brittney Morgan will lead this class.
- Sept. 24: Connect Night with ReSound at 6:00 p.m.
- If you play an instrument or want to join our tech team, please get in touch with me at garrett@rfbclife.com!
- D-Life groups are going well! If you would like to be a part of a group, please feel free to contact me at garrett@rfbclife.com!

I read this in a Bible commentary the other day, "The essence of worshiping Christ is to regard Him with utmost love, respect, and devotion and to be willing to sacrifice to Him what is most precious." Sometimes, worship can be portrayed just as the songs that we sing. Of course, music is a gift God has given us to worship Him with, but it is not the only way we can worship The Lord. Worship is a life-style. Worship says, "Lord, I put You first in my life today, and I desire in whatever you call me to do to be obedient to You." True worship flows out of our love and devotion to Christ. I encourage you to let your love and devotion for Christ flow into serving someone today or meeting the needs of others.

May The Lord bless you, keep you, and shine His face upon you. Madison and I love you all, and we are always here for you if you need anything.

Bro. Garrett

Deacon for the Week

August 27-Sept. 2	John Payne	256-668-3823
September 3-9	Wayne Ray	256-710-8353
September 10-16	Alan Sherrill	256-810-1214
September 17-23	Greg Trapp	256-762-2821
September 24-30	Billy Witt	256-810-6559

Welcome to our newest members:

Teresa Myers

Lucas, Jessica, Olivia and Eli Cantrell

PrimeTimers / Elevate Students

**Please mark your calendars for
Dec 1-3: Walk Through Bethlehem (WTB)!**

Believe it or not, Walk Through Bethlehem is only 90 days away! Last year, neither you nor our community knew what to expect. Regardless, hundreds of you showed up to volunteer, worked hard together, and gave so much time, talent, money, and effort. You took a blind leap of faith; therefore, the entire event was ABSOLUTELY AMAZING!!!! You set the bar high, and people all over our community are already discussing and anticipating it.

Y'all, mark my word; If we show up like we did last year, give like we did last year, dream like we did last year, work together like we did last year, and give it everything we've got, this year's WTB is going to be so much more impressive and God-honoring and will reach so many more people within our community with the good news of Jesus.

Will you now choose that you are all in? Let's work together to make this year better than before!

Bro. Joel

PrimeTimer's Activities

September 12: Gospel Singing

September 18: White Water Rafting

Elevate Students Activities

September 17: Pool Party

September 27: See You at the Pole Rally



First Kids Volunteers

We need volunteers for the 2023-2024 church year.
Please go to the table by choir room to sign up to help.

The Church family extends Christian sympathy to:

Sammy & Mark Taylor in the death of their mother,
Dorothy Taylor

Ruth Smith in the death of her niece, **Chanda Logan**
Anna Faye & Aaliyah Prince in the death of their grandfather,
David Prince