



STUDENT MINISTRY

Bro. Aaron Sibley



The month of March has been exciting! We have had several students who have begun working in doing daily quiet times more consistently. We have seen a lot of growth in them because of that. Be in prayer for them as they continue in their faith. **We are also raising money for our Chile mission trip.** One way we are doing this is by selling catfish plates for **April 5th**. The meals will be for pickup during lunch, pickup for dinner, or sit down for dinner. If you are interested in getting some plates, they are \$10 and you can buy them from one of the people on our Chile team.



Our final small group meeting will be May 5th. **CINCO DE**

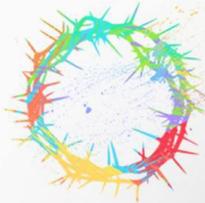
MAYO!!! The final small group will be at the Sibley house. We will have a small fire and a **HUGE** fiesta. Festivities will start at 4:30 and will be over at 7:30, but you can be dropped off or picked up anywhere during that time. Be sure to wear your best Mexican attire!!

YOU CAN SIT WITH ME!

EASTER

AT FIRST BAPTIST

APRIL 21 9:45 & 11 am
FBCYAZOO.ORG



Easter is a great time to invite someone to church! Over 80% of the unchurched have said they are willing to attend a service- if they were invited. We will have our "You Can Sit with Me" cards available, and you are also encouraged to promote through social media.

Easter is April 21st



Our quarterly Business Meeting will be held Sunday, April 28 at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

March Attendance & Offering

March 3	March 10	March 17	March 24
Sunday School 168	Sunday School 204	Sunday School 251	Sunday School 242
Worship Service 186	Worship Service 179	Worship Service 252	Worship Service 233
Budget Offering \$11,813	Budget Offering \$14,533	Budget Offering \$13,894	Budget Offering \$19,822.58

*\$16,514.73 required weekly to meet budget.

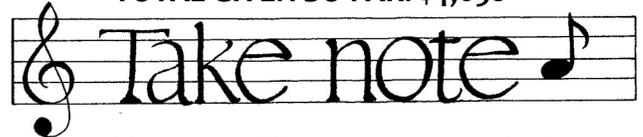


ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING

The North American Mission Board helps churches reach the lost in the US, Canada, and the US territories of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, and American Samoa. That is 363 million people, 350 languages, and more than 14 religions.

Let us give sacrificially to partner together in reaching this mission field.

TOTAL GIVEN SO FAR: \$4,650



These are exciting days for FBC Yazoo and I am looking forward to the coming weeks of our Challenge to Grow Campaign and Easter Sunday! I personally have been challenged in my own life these past few weeks and am proud to be part of a church with such a great heritage and also a vision for the future. I have been affiliated with this church in one way or the other for nearly 20 years and Sue has even longer. We are accepting the challenge to support this effort and to give financially so that generations to come will be able to *tell of the mighty acts of God to the next generation* (Psalm 145:4). It is not just a financial decision, but a spiritual decision of obedience to support the efforts of this great congregation! I look forward to worshipping together in the coming weeks and experiencing the mercy and power of the Lord.

Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. (Psalm 95:1) -Ken Hall



We will collect our 5th Sunday Local Benevolence Offering Sunday, March 31.

Gifts were received for the following designated funds:

- Benevolence Fund in Memory of Charlotte Helton
- Children's Ministry in Memory of Charlotte Helton
- Capital Campaign in Memory of Charlotte Helton
- Capital Campaign in Honor of Mary & Benton Hayman
- Capital Campaign in Memory of Dennis Worthington
- Annie Armstrong in Memory of Charlotte Helton
- Capital Campaign in Memory of Dale Crews
- Capital Campaign in Memory of Gladys McLendon
- Capital Campaign in Memory of James Springer
- Capital Campaign in Memory of Daniel Wesley Powell



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These are exciting times in the life of our church. Following a great celebration of our 175-year history and some strong revival services, we began our “Challenge to Grow” campaign. We have repeated the actions of the first-century church by gathering to pray with each other in homes. In the meantime, plans are being made for VBS and summer missions.

Each of us are constantly being challenged. In the past couple of weeks, you have been encouraged to accept the challenge in our capital campaign. As the Holy Spirit leads you, it is probable that you have been shown other challenges you need to accept. I read this quote recently, “The key to life is accepting challenges. Once someone stops doing this, he’s dead.”

In a recent meeting about our capital campaign and the facility issues we face, one person said, “the alternative is not acceptable.” That statement stuck with me because I am afraid in our personal lives, we think that the alternative to accepting spiritual challenges is acceptable. We are content to be disobedient, to ignore God’s Word, to live a life that mirrors our culture, and many other unacceptable responses to spiritual challenges.

A common sentiment in contemporary thought is a compartmentalized approach toward character. A political figure badly misbehaves in office, and his supporters sing in unison the much too familiar song that a leader’s private life has nothing to do with his job performance. It seems to be agreed by the majority of our culture that our private and public lives are separate and unlinked.

For the follower of Christ, this separation of private and public should seem absurd. We understand that we are one person, and there are no artificial divisions separating the various areas of my life. If I steal through my tax forms, I will steal anywhere. If I lie to my wife, I will lie to anyone. If I procrastinate doing a function at work that I do not par-

ticularly enjoy, I will procrastinate anytime. If I hold back from God the finances that are correctly His, I will pilfer from anyone. The moment we realize disobedience, the decision becomes a darkness that drenches the entirety of my character, for we are one person. The way we do one thing is the way we do everything.

As we enter the Easter season, we will be reminded of the failure of Peter, one of Jesus’ closest friends who denied three times that he knew Jesus. Jesus had repeatedly warned Peter of his character flaws, but Peter did not pay attention. Privately, Peter was self-reliant and it became public at the worst moments. Each time that Jesus would challenge this issue in Peter’s life, Peter ignored the warning. From Jesus’ perspective, the alternative (staying the same) was not acceptable.

Each of us would do well to accept this reality. Not one of us in unflawed and walks with impeccable character. We all walk with a limp. But what should be more alarming to us than our faults is our attitude toward our faults. If our brokenness is no longer a source of personal heartache, we have a problem. There is too much at stake for us to accept our faults as part of our composition.

In our weakness, God’s strength can be found. The Kingdom results that flow from our dependent limp are redemptive and eternal. Our church, our families, our community, and the world needs us to accept the challenges that the Lord puts before us. Whether it is to remove something from our lives or to begin something new, the alternative is not acceptable!

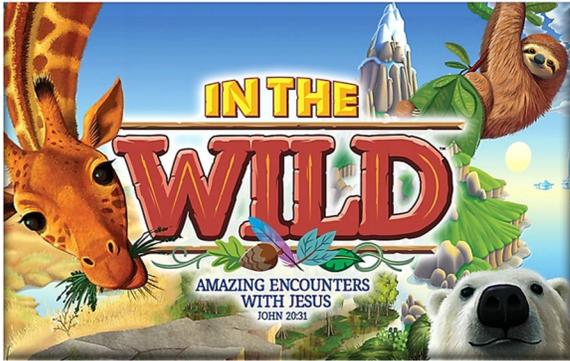
In HIM,
Bro. Clint



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Bro. John Yates

Proverbs 22:6; "Train up a child in the way they should go and when they are old they will not depart from it."



We need YOU! If you have not been contacted to help us with this years' VBS, please let us hear from you. We need people to teach, be teacher helpers, assist with crafts and snacks, daily security and people just willing to get plugged in. You could be the very one God has chosen to change a life in one child. Sign up today. A special training session will be held Tuesday, April 30! We will have supper at 5:45 followed by training in your area and will be finished by 8 p.m.
Be a part!



Easter Egg Hunt!

Saturday, April 20th at 10 am
Church Playground

Contact Jake Drennan for more details!



Important Challenge to Grow Dates:

Celebration Banquet: April 14th @ 6 p.m.
Pledge/Commitment Visitation: April 15-27
Victory Sunday: April 28



There will be a Deacons' meeting Sunday, April 14th at NOON!

Check this out!

You may not have noticed, since the work was finished before each Sunday, but we have new roofs on the Sanctuary and the Activities Building, in addition to new gutters. The gym floor has also been refinished. Thanks to our Facilities Team, led by Jimmy Phillips, for your attention to these issues. Due to your faithful giving in the past, we were able to cover these costs from our Capital Improvements Fund, with some help from our insurance company.



April 3

Baked Ham
Au Gratin Potatoes
Baked Apple Casserole
Butter Beans, Rolls, Lemon
Pound Cake

April 10

Creamy Garlic Parmesan
Chicken with
Fettuccine Noodles
Salad, Garlic Bread,
Strawberry Cake

April 17

Pork Loin, Hashbrown
Casserole, Green Beans,
Salad, Roll, Brownies

April 24

Spaghetti & Meatsauce,
Pinto Beans, Salad, Garlic
Bread, Chocolate Chip
Cookies

5:30 p.m. \$5 per person
Make your reservation!



Please remember to sign up for the Wednesday night meal, and if you sign up, please be sure you show up! We are charged according to the number we have signed up each week, so if you sign up and do not come, we have to pay for your plate. You can sign up each week using the bulletin tear-off or the Sunday School attendance sheet. If you have a standing reservation and will not be in attendance Wednesday, please notify Jessica in the office by Monday morning.

April 2019

Sunday Services

9:45 am—Sunday School
11:00 am—Worship Service
5:00 pm—Awana & Small Groups

Wednesday Services

6:00 pm—Prayer Meeting, Children's & Students Bible Study
and Ladies Bible Study
6:45 pm—Choir Practice

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5 Chile Fundraiser Catfish Dinner	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 CHALLENGE to GROW BANQUET 6 p.m.	15 PLEDGE/COMMITMENT VISITATION	16	17	18 Sr. Adult Catfish Lunch	19	20
21 Easter SUNDAY	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 VICTORY SUNDAY BUSINESS MEETING @ 6:30	29	30 VBS Training 5:45	Deacon of the week: 7— Richard Pickens, 14— Phillip Pope, 21— Paul Rice, 28— Pat Rush			

WATCH US LIVE ONLINE!

Sunday morning services are available **LIVE** online. You can watch the service by going to www.fbcyazoo.org and clicking on the "Live Stream" on our home page.



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