

# THE OPEN DOOR

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*"To the angel of the church of Philadelphia write...behold I have before thee a door having been open, which no one is able to close." Revelation 3:7-8*

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## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH MISSION TRIP

**SATURDAY  
APRIL 27TH**

**RENOVATE CHURCH  
CLEVELAND, MS**

**LEAVE FBC: 7 AM  
RETURN FBC: 6 PM**

Renovate Church has asked us to help with their Block Party on Saturday, April 27th. We will help with the setup/take down, infatables, games, and cooking. Our participation will free up the members of Renovate to build relationships with those attending the Block Party. We are also providing a gift bag to the first 50 families that come to the Block Party. If we have an abundance of people go, we will also be able to help with community surveys. Sign up outside the church office. For more information please call the church office at 601-656-1507.



Church Family,

I am incredibly thankful for the wonderful worship service we had this past Sunday. The music and the preaching were both powerful times of worship. If you have not been able to come to any of the revival services, I hope that you will be able to come this Wednesday at 6 pm in the sanctuary. Supper at 5 pm and revival will be the only activities going on Wednesday night. God is continually renewing us to become more like Him. I hope we will all continue to pray for revival to take place in our lives and the life of our church, community, and nation.

We're going to start the service a little differently this Wednesday night. We normally use the time before the service as a time of fellowship. I would like for us to use that time before the service to quietly pray in the sanctuary. Bro. Rob and the worship team will be finishing up practice as we come into the sanctuary but I hope we will all commit ourselves to prayer during those moments before the service starts. Listen to the songs being sung as they prepare for worship, meditate on Scripture, and seek His face. I am praying that God will continue to renew us and that those who do not know Him will come to know Him.

In Christ,  
Evan

**REVIVAL TONIGHT @ 6 PM**

Guest Speaker: Wayne Hudson  
Worship Leader: Rob Thomas

*Before the service between 5:30-6:00 pm, we encourage you to come to the sanctuary to quietly pray.*



welcome  
to our church family

**BY LETTER**  
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**OPPORTUNITIES**

**PRESCHOOL EXTENDED SESSION**

April 21

Older: Sam & Tiffany Blaine  
Younger: Brian & Courtney Hancock

April 28

Older: Josh & Lindsay Lewis  
Younger: Ken & Patti Robey

**DEACON OF THE WEEK**

April 21

11 am Service – Tyler Rounsaville

April 28

11 am Service – David Bailey

**HOSPITAL**

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Batson, 358



***Sanctuary Flowers***

*The flowers in the Sanctuary this Sunday are given in honor of Cindy Brown for her Birthday.*

**IN OUR Thoughts & Prayers**

*We would like to express our Christian sympathy to the family of Nora Burton.*

**INTENTIONALLY DESIGNED**

APRIL 28 | 6:30 PM | BAPTIST CENTER  
BIBLICAL TEACHING ON IDENTITY & SEXUALITY



**Guest Speaker: Dr. Evan Lenow**  
Evan is a professor of Christian Studies at MS College. He holds a PHD in Christian Ethics from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary.

All youth are invited for a night of worshipping God through song and the teaching of his word. Join us and be encouraged by the truths of his intentional design for all his creation.

***National Day***  
**of PRAYER**

Thursday, May 2 | 12 Noon  
DeWeese Memorial Park



## WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPERS



### MENU FOR APRIL 24

Tacos  
Mexican Rice  
Corn  
Jell-O & Dessert  
Kids Menu: Pizza

**Servers:** Wanda Major, Laura Thrash

**Cleanup:** Herman Alford, Gayle Luke

**Money Table:** Patti Robey

### *Senior Adult Day*

Sunday, May 5

Morning Worship Service



## CPC FUNDRAISER

Thursday, May 9 | 5:00 pm

@ Participating Restaurants



### *Parent/Child Dedication*

Sunday, May 12 | Morning Worship

If you have a baby/child who has not been dedicated, and you would like to participate in this service, please contact the church office NO Later than Monday, May 6.



Hey Y'all,

Wanted to share some info about a new camp we are attending this year! We are attending HeartSong camp at William Carey University in Hattiesburg. The dates of the camp are June 25th-28th. HeartSong is a worship and arts camp for 6-12 grade students (those who have completed 6th grade) that meets one week in the summer of each year. HS continues to expand in its mission to help our young people mature as disciples of Jesus Christ, using a variety of gifts and abilities for His glory. If your student is interested in anything to do with worship ministry or art, this is a great camp for them to attend! During the week, they will take classes from a variety of skilled teachers in the area they're interested in. Some classes include audio/visual technology, painting, drama and dance, singing and vocal, praise band, individual instruments, conducting, stage combat, and much more! So if your student doesn't enjoy singing, but likes to play an instrument - or if your student wants to learn more about audio/visual technology - and other interests, there is an opportunity for them to grow in that skill/talent and see opportunities to serve the Kingdom. We are still taking sign ups, so reach out to me today!

Austin Aultman



### *Graduate Recognition Service*

*May 19, 2024*

If you have a senior who will be graduating from high school in May and would like to participate in our Graduate Recognition Service, please let us know in the church office. The DEADLINE to get your name on the list is May 13. The Senior Breakfast will be on Sunday, May 19, at 8:30 am and the Recognition Service will be held during the morning worship service at 11:00 am.

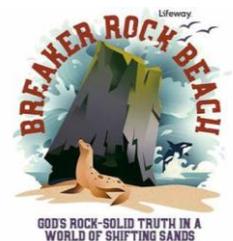
### **COLLEGE GRADUATES**

Our college graduates will be recognized in the morning worship service on May 19. If you are graduating from college, please call the church office by May 13 in order for your name to be listed in the Open Door.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JUNE 3-7 | 8:00-11:30 AM

**Volunteers are needed in all areas!!** See Mrs. Jackie or contact the church office at 601-656-1507 for more information.



## WEEK OF ACTIVITIES

### SUNDAY, APRIL 21

|                           |            |
|---------------------------|------------|
| CMC Team Meeting .....    | 8:30 a.m.  |
| Media Center .....        | 9:15 a.m.  |
| Special Prayer Time ..... | 9:30 a.m.  |
| Sunday School .....       | 9:45 a.m.  |
| Morning Worship .....     | 11:00 a.m. |
| Small Groups .....        | 5:00 p.m.  |

### MONDAY, APRIL 22

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| Revive Us Again Exercise Class..... | 8:30 a.m. |
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### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

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| Revive Us Again Exercise Class..... | 8:30 a.m. |
| Wednesday Night Supper .....        | 5:00 p.m. |
| Media Center.....                   | 5:30 p.m. |
| Children's/Preschool Choir.....     | 5:30 p.m. |
| Chancel Choir .....                 | 6:00 p.m. |
| Mission Friends.....                | 6:00 p.m. |
| Kids Blast.....                     | 6:00 p.m. |
| Youth .....                         | 6:00 p.m. |
| Prayer Meeting.....                 | 6:00 p.m. |

### FRIDAY, APRIL 26

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| Revive Us Again Exercise Class..... | 8:30 a.m.          |
| CMC Family Picnic .....             | 10:30 a.m.-12 Noon |

### SATURDAY, APRIL 27

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| FBC Mission Trip (Renovate Church) ..... | 7:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. |
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### SUNDAY, APRIL 28

|                                                         |            |
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| Church Council .....                                    | 8:30 a.m.  |
| Media Center.....                                       | 9:15 a.m.  |
| Special Prayer Time .....                               | 9:30 a.m.  |
| Sunday School .....                                     | 9:45 a.m.  |
| Preschool Musical "Here's the Church" .....             | 11:00 a.m. |
| Small Groups .....                                      | 5:00 p.m.  |
| Intentionally Designed for Youth (Baptist Center) ..... | 6:30 p.m.  |

## CHURCH STAFF

|                               |                                |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Rev. Evan Humphries .....     | Pastor                         |
| William Smith.....            | Minister of Music              |
| Austin Aultman.....           | Minister of Students           |
| Jackie Cheatham .....         | Minister of Children           |
| Laura Thrash.....             | Financial Ministry Assistant   |
| Tiffany Loper .....           | Education Ministry Assistant   |
| Tiffany Long .....            | Child Ministry Center Director |
| Michael Duke.....             | Upward Director                |
| Church Office .....           | (601)656-1507                  |
| Fax .....                     | (601)656-3664                  |
| Church Email .....            | fbphilly@netdoor.com           |
| Church Website.....           | www.fbcphilly.com              |
| Kindergarten/Child Care ..... | (601)656-5015                  |

## WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

April 14, 2024

|                                     |              |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| Budget .....                        | \$15,738.00  |
| Wee Care.....                       | \$100.00     |
| Wednesday Night Supper.....         | \$234.97     |
| B.A.L.L. ....                       | \$125.00     |
| Brotherhood .....                   | \$111.00     |
| Ruth's Promise .....                | \$75.00      |
| Bereavement.....                    | \$100.00     |
| Office Refund.....                  | \$2.00       |
| Budget Offering Given to Date ..... | \$713,195.05 |
| Over Budget .....                   | \$18,994.23  |

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| <b>WEEKLY BUDGET REQUIREMENT:</b>     | <b>\$21,036.40</b> |
| <b>BUDGET AMT. RECEIVED 04/14/24:</b> | <b>\$15,738.00</b> |

## SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

April 14, 2024

| Departments | Enrolled | Present |
|-------------|----------|---------|
| Preschool   | 39       | 28      |
| Children    | 25       | 12      |
| Youth       | 32       | 16      |
| Adults      | 294      | 126     |
| Total       | 390      | 182     |