



First Baptist Church of Seabrook Newsletter  
December 2021 / January 2022

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## A Message from the Pastor

This is the last newsletter article that I'll write for 2021. I am not mad about that! 2021 has been an extremely difficult year for all of us. I am happy to put this year behind us!

Putting this year behind us a very biblical thing to do, as well. The apostle Paul has some very good advice for us to follow in Philippians 3:13-14... <sup>13</sup>Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, <sup>14</sup>I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

There are two parts to his advice: forgetting and reaching.

Forgetting does not mean acting as if 2021 didn't happen. It did. We laid to rest 15 church members since February 2020 and family members and friends, too! We will not forget them. And in their memory and in their honor, we will continue to live!

Reaching, pressing toward the goal, is the second part of Paul's advice. His encouragement to reach and to press is not without direction. It isn't just keeping ourselves busy, so we don't think about last year. No! We are to reach forward towards the future and press toward the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus! What does that mean? It means we are to be the church!

We've learned many things in the past year. One of the lessons I've learned is that there has never been a time when our world needed the church more!

We have the gospel, the Good News, that the whole world needs to hear. We have the only answer to all the issues in the world, faith in Jesus Christ!

We have the command to love one another and to love our enemies.

We have the command to care for the poor, the widows, the hungry, the fatherless, and to steward all creation.

The world needs YOU to be the church!

Let's reach, let's press forward together and impact the world for Jesus!

Let's forget those things that are behind and honor those who have passed by living for Jesus!

*Jan Clark, Martha Frink, Brenda Johnson, Alice Joy Brown, Stacey Shoop, Dave Stanton, Mike King, Don Lilja, Bill Slater, Scott Apley, Norma Keeler, Carole Cast, Josephine Lenox, Jacob Gamble, Robert Wilk.*

God bless and Merry Christmas!  
Pastor Rob

## December/January Calendar

### Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions

#### November 28 to December 05

- Week of Prayer for Lottie Moon Offering

#### Sunday, December 05

- Lord's Supper Services

#### Saturday, December 04

- Community Garden Workday

#### Saturday, December 11

- Christmas Festival

#### Sunday, December 19

- PreK & Children's Church Christmas Parties

#### December 21 — 31

- Church Office Closed

#### Wednesday, December 22

- No Evening Service

#### Friday, December 24

- Christmas Eve Candle Light Service

#### Sunday, December 26

- Christmas Celebration Family Services

#### Monday, December 27

- No Men's Ministry Bible Study

#### Wednesday, December 29

- No Evening Service

#### Sunday, January 2

- Lord's Supper & New Year's Celebration Family Services

#### Monday, January 3

- No Men's Ministry Bible Study

#### January 3 — 4

- Take down Christmas Decorations

#### Monday, January 3

- No Men's Ministry Meeting

#### Wednesday, January 5

- No Evening Service

#### January 6 — 9

- Blast & Cast Men's Ministry—Rockport

#### Monday, January 10

- Men's Monday Night Ministry Resumes
- Hospitality Committee Recruitment and 2022 Planning Meeting

#### Wednesday, January 12

- Church Council Calendar Information Due

#### Thursday, January 20

- February Newsletter Deadline

#### Sunday, January 30

- 5th Sunday Hymn Sing Services

# Weekly Schedule

## Sunday

8:15 am.....	Adult Bible Study .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable Bldg
9:15 — 9:30 am .....	1st Adult Coffee Fellowship .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
9:15 — 10:30 am .....	1st Nursery .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
9:15 — 10:30 am .....	Children's Church .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
9:30 — 10:30 am .....	Berean Adult Fellowship .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable Bldg
9:30 — 10:30 am .....	Youth Bible Study .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable
9:30 — 10:30 am .....	1st Worship Service .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
10:45 — 11:00 am .....	2nd Adult Coffee Fellowship .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
10:45 am — 12:00 pm .....	2nd Nursery .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
10:45 am — 12:00 pm .....	Children's Church/Pre-K Church .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
11:00 am — 12:00 pm .....	2nd Worship Service .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)

## Monday **\*\*Not Meeting 12/27/21 & 1/3/22**

6:30 pm.....	Men's Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
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## Wednesday **\*\*No Evening Service 12/22/21, 12/29/21 & 1/5/22**

6:30 — 7:30 pm .....	Youth Discipleship (6th-12th grades) .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)-Portable Bldg
6:30 — 7:30 pm .....	Praise, Prayer & Bible Study .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
6:30 — 7:30 pm .....	Nursery .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)

## Thursday **\*\*Please check with Billy Crawford for Holiday Schedule**

6:30 — 8:00 pm .....	Young Adult Bible Study .....	1506 Bayport Blvd., (Hwy 146)
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**Church Office will be closed  
December 21—31, 2021**

### Regular Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday  
9:30 AM—1:30 PM

The Church office is open Tuesday through Friday, from 9:30 am - 1:30 pm. The main office phone number is 281-474-3281. If you call while the office is closed or after hours please leave a message and we will return your call as soon as possible.

## December 2021 Tellers

Dec. 05 .....	John & Cheryl Harrison and Mike & Cindy Treece
Dec. 12 .....	Mary Johnson, Kathy Slater & Pat Smartt
Dec. 19 .....	John & Cheryl Harrison
Dec. 26 .....	Michelle Hazlett and Linda Long

## January 2022 Tellers

Jan. 02 .....	John & Cheryl Harrison and Mike & Cindy Treece
Jan. 09 .....	Mary Johnson, Kathy Slater & Pat Smartt
Jan. 16 .....	<b>Volunteers Needed!!</b>
Jan. 23 .....	Michelle Hazlett and Pat Smartt
Jan. 30 .....	<b>Volunteers Needed!!</b>



*A look at the church finances...*

<b>General Funds</b>		
October 2021 Contributions .....	\$28,063.55	<i>Thank you for your faithful giving!</i>
<b>Building Fund</b>		
October 2021 Contributions .....	\$0.00	
<b>Missions Fund</b>		
October 2021 Contributions .....	\$245.00	



# Birthdays

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Sarah Smith  
 Christopher Thomas  
 Steve Mewborn  
 Sarah Seelbach  
 Barbara Sue Smith  
 Cody Stewart  
 Pastor Rob Purdy  
 Lori Forrest  
 Eileen Morse  
 Rayma Solis  
 Ronda Rabalais  
 Brennon Malone  
 Joyce Fisher-Clark  
 Bob Snow  
 Kathy Littlefield  
 D. Benjamin Woleben  
 Pat Broussard  
 Lupe Rodriguez  
 Lawrence Wall  
 Bill Woleben  
 Mary Kinsey  
 Jackson Rawls  
 Matthew Abernathy



William Williams  
 Robert Weldon Sr.  
 Azalee Treadaway  
 Mary Johnson  
 Aaric Augustine  
 Marianne van Leeuwen  
 Lisa Jobe  
 Andrea Harrington  
 Lucile Phelps  
 Betty Coker  
 Tommy Miller  
 Wayne Stewart  
 Joy Moss  
 Theresa Smith  
 Carly Wells

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Sunday, Dec. 5 & Jan. 2

OBSERVANCE OF  
**THE LORD'S SUPPER**

9:30 & 11:00 AM Service

**LOTTIE  
 MOON**

**Christmas  
 Offering**

Providing financial support for missionaries  
 as they share the gospel overseas

## Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions

**Week of Prayer: Nov. 28 — Dec. 5**

Generous giving to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering makes a massive difference in the world. Men, women, children and entire communities are transformed as a result of this offering. Your gifts enable thousands of missionaries to live among, serve and share the gospel with people who have never heard it until now.

Every December since 1888, the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering has empowered Southern Baptists' international missions work. At the beginning of this giving season, we start with a week of prayer dedicated to international missions.

Please prayerfully consider how you can give to support International missionaries and their ministries.

## Holiday Schedule Changes

Wed. Dec. 22	No Wednesday Evening Service
Fri. Dec. 24	7:00 PM Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
Mon. Dec. 27	No Men's Ministry Bible Study
Wed. Dec. 29	No Wednesday Evening Service
Mon. Jan. 03	No Men's Ministry Bible Study
Wed. Jan. 05	No Wednesday Evening Service

**Community Garden Ministry**

Garden Workday - 12/04/2021 (9:00 - 11:00 am)

**PreK & Children's Church Christmas Parties**

December 19, 2021

YOU'RE INVITED TO  
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SEABROOK'S 2ND ANNUAL

**CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL**

Live nativity, hay rides, bounce houses, hot cocoa, games, crafts, vendors, raffles & more!

**DECEMBER 11, 2021**  
1:00-5:00 PM

1506 BAYPORT BLVD, SEABROOK, TX  
WWW.FBCSEABROOK.ORG

**NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE**

12/22/21, 12/29/21, 01/05/22

**First Baptist Church of Seabrook**

**CANDLELIGHT SERVICE**

Friday, December 24, 2021  
7:00 PM

**PROVERBS**

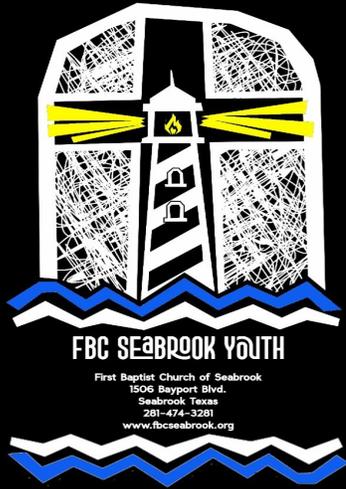
**Men's Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship Meets Every Monday**  
*(will not meet on 12/27/21 or 01/03/22 ~ resumes 01/10/22)*

6:30 pm ~ Snacks, 7:00 pm ~ Bible Study  
Dinner and fellowship immediately following bible study.

**BLAST & CAST**

MENS • MINISTRIES

Rockport Event ~ January 6—9, 2022



## YOUTH WINTER MISSION TRIP

December 25 – 30, 2021

Cost is \$600

(financial assistance available upon request)

The youth will go to the Mesquite Wind in northwestern New Mexico, the home of the Navajo People in Christ Mission. They will serve the Navajo children by holding a Vacation Bible School.

For more details contact Cory Gardner at 909-227-4429 or email at [hillbillyteacher@gmail.com](mailto:hillbillyteacher@gmail.com)

## Youth Mission Trip Fundraisers

\$3.00



VARIETY NOTEPADS

\$8.00



WALL CALENDAR

**\*\* Coffee/Latte Fundraiser Every Sunday \*\***

**\*\* Christmas TShirts & Handcrafted Family Name Ornaments, place orders before December 12<sup>th</sup> \*\***

All information is available in the foyer of the church.

# REMEMBER

## Hospitality Committee Planning and New Recruitment Meeting

Monday, January 10, 2022  
at 6:30 pm

Everyone is invited to join this fun committee and help plan fellowships and activities for the year. We are always looking for new and fresh ideas. If you have questions or suggestions please contact Mandy Stilwell at [mandy\\_stilwell@comcast.net](mailto:mandy_stilwell@comcast.net).



**INFORMATION DEADLINE**  
**Wednesday, January 12, 2022**

The Church Council will be plan for the months of February, March and April.

It is imperative that the servant leaders, administrative staff and all Ministry/Committee Leads and Directors take the time to plan for these months.

Please email [fbcaseabrook@yahoo.com](mailto:fbcaseabrook@yahoo.com) on or before the deadline.

**Deadline**  
**for February 2022**

# Newsletter Submissions

**Thursday,**  
**January 20<sup>th</sup>**

# December 2021



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 6:30-7:30 PM Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study, Youth Bible Study and Kid's Club	2 6:30 PM YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY Bible Study	3	4 9:00 - 11:00 am Community Garden Workday
Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions Week of Prayer: November 28 - December 5, 2021						
5 9:30 & 11:00 am Lord's Supper Services	6 6:30 PM Men's Monday Night Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship	7	8 6:30-7:30 PM Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study, Youth Bible Study and Kid's Club	9 6:30 PM YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY Bible Study	10 Christmas Festival	11 1:00 - 5:00 PM 2nd Annual Christmas Festival
12	13 6:30 PM Men's Monday Night Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship	14	15 6:30-7:30 PM Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study, Youth Bible Study and Kid's Club	16 6:30 PM YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY Bible Study	17	18
19 Children's & PreK Church Christmas Party	20 6:30 PM Men's Monday Night Bible Study & Dinner Fellowship	21	22 No Evening Services	23	24 7:00 PM Christmas Eve Candlelight Service	25 Merry Christmas
Church Office Closed December 20 -- January 3						
26	27 NO Men's Ministry Meeting	28	29	30	31	1 Happy New Year

# January 2022

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2 9:30 & 11:00 am Lord's Supper Services	3 NO Men's Ministry Meeting	4	5 No Evening Services	6 6:30 PM YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY Bible Study	7	8 Blast & Cast ~ Rockport ~ January 6-9
9	10 6:30 PM Hospitality Planning & Recruitment Mtg Men's Monday Night Ministry resumes	11 Church Council Calendar Info. Deadline is Jan. 12	12 6:30-7:30 PM Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study, Youth Bible Study and Kid's Club	13 6:30 PM YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY Bible Study	14	15
16	17	18 NEWSLETTER Deadline is Thursday, Jan. 20	19 6:30-7:30 PM Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study, Youth Bible Study and Kid's Club	20 6:30 PM YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY Bible Study	21	22
23	24	25	26 6:30-7:30 PM Adult Praise, Prayer & Bible Study, Youth Bible Study and Kid's Club	27 6:30 PM YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY Bible Study	28	29
30 5th Sunday Hymn Sing	31					