

**A PASSION FOR THEE AND
KNOWING GOD**

September 1, 2024

A *Passion* FOR THEE

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF HAMMOND

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Welcome to First Baptist Church! Whether you are a longtime member or a first-time visitor, we are thrilled to have you in church today! We would love to meet you in the West Overflow Room for our Visitors' Reception after the Sunday morning service. May your time with us be a blessing to you and your family!

Pastor John Wilkerson



*Monthly
Singspiration*

**TONIGHT AT 5:35
IN THE GRAND LOBBY**



**FOUNDATIONS
OF MY FAITH**

DISCIPLESHIP CLASS
at 5:00 p.m. today
in the West Overflow Room
Level 1, Lesson 2: "The Word of God"

**BABY
DEDICATION**

September 22, 2024

Fall Baby Dedication will be on Sunday, September 22. Registration will be held today through Sunday, September 15. Any baby who has not yet participated in a Baby Dedication and will be one year old or younger by September 22 is eligible for this event.

Register your child for this event by getting a form from your child's nursery, filling it out completely, and returning it to the nursery or dropping it in the mail slot east of the Grand Lobby by September 15.

ICE CREAM ON OAKLEY

TONIGHT AFTER THE SERVICE
\$1.50 PER BOWL



New Members' Class

If you are interested in learning about how to become a church member, the next classes will be September 22 at 9:45 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

WMS CIRCLE MEETING NEXT SUNDAY

Brazil Circle – September 8 at 1:00 p.m.;

FBC Building S; potluck lunch; children welcome; contact Luci Sadlowski at [REDACTED]


LATE REGISTRATION FOR FALL SEMESTER AT HYLES-ANDERSON

The deadline to register for the 2024 Fall Semester at Hyles-Anderson College will be this Friday, September 6, at 3:00 p.m.; please come to the front entrance of the college for late-registration instructions. If you have questions about registration or admissions, please contact the Academic Office at Hyles-Anderson College at 219.365.4031, Ext. 1210.




*New Girls'
Singing Group*

All FBC "A" girls in Grades 3-12 are encouraged to be a part of a three-week singing group! This group will practice for three weeks at different times throughout the year and then sing in church on the fourth week. The first practice will be Sunday, September 8, at 5:10 p.m. in the East Overflow Room; practices will also be held on September 15 & 22. This group will then sing on Sunday, September 29, during the evening service; it is important to attend all three practices in order to be able to sing in church.



Versiti
BLOOD DRIVE

Our annual FBC Blood Drive with Versiti will be held next Sunday, September 8, from 12:30-4:30 p.m. in Building T. To make an appointment, scan this QR code with your smartphone by Saturday, September 7, or sign up at the Welcome Center after any service by Wednesday, September 4; appointments will receive priority, but walk-ins are welcome.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

SINGLES' CONFERENCE IN MARION, INDIANA

- A Singles' Conference - *The Path of Life* - hosted by Lighthouse Baptist Church in Marion, Indiana, will be held Friday and Saturday, September 20 & 21, beginning at 4:00 p.m. on Friday and ending at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday.
- **The cost is \$45 per person, which includes supper on Friday and breakfast and lunch on Saturday, if registered by TODAY; the cost is \$55 per person after September 1.**
- Register online at <https://www.lbc-marion.org/singles>; contact Jonathan Adkins at 219.775.4936 with questions.

CHURCH WORKERS' SEMINAR

- A Church Workers' Seminar - *Making a Difference* - will be held at Emmanuel Baptist Church of South Haven in Valparaiso, Indiana, on Saturday, September 21, from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.; flyers are at the Welcome Center.
- Breakfast and lunch are included for \$35 until this Tuesday, September 3, and then the price will be \$45; scan this QR code to register online.



CHILDREN'S AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS

The new year for our children's after-school programs will begin Friday, September 6, and they will meet from 3:15 until 5:00 p.m. at Hammond Baptist Schools in Schererville. These programs are open to children of all FBC members; registration with payment for each club will take place at their first meeting.

Far Above Rubies (girls in 1st & 2nd Grade) meets in Room 4 of the building across from HB Grade School; the cost is \$30 per student.

Blue Denim & Lace (girls in 3rd through 5th Grade) meets in the HB Grade School cafeteria; the cost is \$30 per student.

Developing Christian Men (boys in 3rd through 5th Grade) meets in the HB Grade School gym; the cost is \$35 per student.

Far Above Rubies and *Blue Denim & Lace* programs will be hosting a free Mother/Daughter Mystery Party on Friday, September 13, at 3:15 p.m. in the HB Grade School Lunchroom. Mrs. Linda Wilkerson will be the guest speaker, and girls are asked to wear their best detective outfit (optional).

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL ENSEMBLE AUDITIONS

FBC "A" Teens in Grades 6-12 are invited to audition for our junior high and high school ensembles this Wednesday, September 4; if a teen auditioned last Wednesday, there is no need to audition again. Junior high auditions will be held in the Orchestra Practice Room, and high school auditions will be held in the Ray Boardway Choir Rehearsal Room; all auditions will begin at 6:00 p.m.

THANK YOU

Bob & Marilyn Johnson would like to thank the church family for the overwhelming amount of prayers, phone calls, texts, cards, food, money, and so many other sweet acts of kindness they have received during their recovery from a terrible car accident last month. The love of our church family has sustained and encouraged them beyond words!

REMEMBER THESE IN PRAYER

FUNERALS

Please pray for John Cotts in the loss of his sister, Charlene Whitmon, who passed away Friday, August 23. The funeral was Wednesday, August 28, in Beecher, Illinois.

FILL AMERICA *Tract Campaign*



- Our church is part of a group of independent, fundamental Baptist churches that have agreed to strive together in a concerted way to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ by placing a tract directly in the hand of an unsaved person.
- The current *Fill America* Tract Campaign began Saturday, August 31, and will continue through Saturday, September 14.
- There are *Fill America* report sheets in the pew bookracks; please take one and fill it out accurately with your full name and the amount of tracts that you physically gave to an unsaved person or otherwise distributed, and place the sheet in the offering plate or drop it in the mail slot east of the Grand Lobby.

FBC HAMMOND LADIES' CONFERENCE OCTOBER 4 & 5, 2024



MEET ME AT THE FAIR



Linda
WILKERSON
Conference Host



Heather
HEDDERMAN
Lima, Peru



Heather
HIGGINS
Langhorne, Pennsylvania



Faith
REYNOLDS
Long Beach, California

Online registration will continue through Thursday, September 26; register online by midnight on the final day to be eligible to win a \$50 shopping gift card. Registration, which includes supper on Friday, is \$40 for adult ladies and teens in Grades 6-12 and \$20 for juniors in Grades 1-5. There will be a nursery and playroom for children ages birth through five of registered FBC Hammond members.

OFFERING TOTALS

Week of 08.25.24

Wednesday Offering	\$4,978.11
Church Offering	\$96,783.73
Faith Promise	\$40,624.93
FBC Trust Fund	\$2,034.02
Nehemiah Project	\$405.75

SERVICE TIMES

Sunday School	9:45 AM
Morning Service	10:45 AM
Homebuilders Class	5:00 PM
(Building S Steven Froelke, teacher)	
Evening Service	6:00 PM
Wednesday	7:00 PM