

Bayou Vista Baptist Church  
411 Field Rd.  
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Our Fall Festival was a huge success. Thank you to everyone who had a part in putting on this event. It was a blessing to see so many families on our church campus. Join me in praying that we see them again. I am extremely proud of our youth that volunteered their time.

I am really excited about YEC (Youth Evangelism Conference) this year. It will be November 19-20 at the Rapides Coliseum in Alexandria, LA. The cost is \$75 and you also need to bring money for 3 meals (2 suppers and a lunch). We will leave after morning church on the 19<sup>th</sup> and we will return after the concert on Monday night. We will be staying at the Home2Suites in Alexandria. If you haven't signed up yet it is not too late. I know that this is an awesome opportunity to grow in your faith.

I hope to See you on Sunday.

Love in Christ,  
Bro. Paul



Anna Green  
Hailey Meadows  
Kaleb Meadows  
Mia Meadows  
Zoe Meadows  
Leroy Walker

We are participating in the GCBA coat drive again this year. The cost per coat is \$30.00. November 30th will be the deadline to give.



Sunday School classes please turn in your Christmas parties to the church office so they can be put on the calendar.



**OUR RECORD SPEAKS:**

Tithes & Offerings	\$24,622.92
Designated	2,706.00
Total	\$27,328.92
SS Average	95
AM Worship Average	139
PM Worship Average	60



Shantel Guidroz, Frank Foshee,  
Jeannette Bergeron, Matthew Hoosier,  
Jere Moffett, Esteban Hernandez,  
Whitley Berry, Ray Smith, Madge Dubuc,  
Jason Berry, Emma Soileau,  
Gary Steelman, Logan Crochet

**GEORGIA BARNETTE STATE MISSIONS OFFERING**  
Church Goal: \$4,500.00  
Amount Collected: \$4,500.00

**THE BAYOU ENCOURAGER**  
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**Samaritan's Purse OPERATION Christmas Child**  
**PACKING PARTY!**  
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH  
At 6:00 pm in the FLC



East St. Mary Ministerial Alliance  
*Thanksgiving Service*

Sunday, November 12th  
6:00 pm  
At Bethel Pentecostal Fellowship  
(101 Tiffany Drive, Patterson)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19TH  
AT 6:00 PM  
*Church Family*  
**Thanksgiving Dinner**

Please help us restock our food pantry. You will find a list of needed items in the office.

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



# NOVEMBER 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<b>1</b> 5:30 Kitchen Committee Meeting 5:45 Children's Choir 6:30 RA's/GA's, Mission Friends, Youth Bible Study, Prayer Meeting	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> 6:00 Operation Christmas Child Packing Party	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 9:00 Ladies Bible Study	<b>8</b> Regular Schedule	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	
<b>12</b> 6:00 Ministerial Alliance Thanksgiving Service at Bethel Pentecostal	<b>13</b> 6:00 Finance Committee Meeting to Discuss 2024 Budget	<b>14</b> 9:00 Ladies Bible Study	<b>15</b> Regular Schedule	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b> 6:00 Church-Wide Thanksgiving Meal  YOUTH EVANGELISM CONFERENCE IN ALEXANDRIA	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> NO SERVICES  CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	<b>23</b> 	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b> 4:45 Deacons Meeting 7:00 Finance Committee Meeting	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 9:00 Ladies Bible Study	<b>29</b> Regular Schedule 6:30 Monthly Business Meeting	<b>30</b>		

What a great day we had for the Fall Festival! Your cooperation, flexibility and positive attitudes won the day! Reaching our community will never be accomplished without the approach you are taking and it means the world to me that desire to honor the Lord in our efforts. It will take some time but you will see continued progress toward the fulfillment of this goal. Thank you again to everyone that served! And a very special thank you to those that worked so hard in preparing for this day! Let's look to the future with great expectation!

Progress on the children's building is not going near as fast as I had desired it to, I will give the church a report the moment I know anything related to progress! As many of you know we are being dropped by our insurance in January of next year, this puts us in a situation of shopping for a new provider which you all know the challenges in South Louisiana. Please join me in praying that we can find good coverage at a fair price. Many churches are going without insurance but I feel we have far more equity than these churches do. We have too much equity not to do everything in our power to insure.

Kinda hard to believe Thanksgiving is just around the corner, and then my favorite....Christmas! What a wonderful time of the year! As we approach the holidays the adjusted office hours will be printed in the calendar beside this article. If on any of these occasions an emergency were to arise please feel free to call me on my cell phone or Facebook message me. Please begin discussing your small group Christmas party and let the office know so I can swing by and fellowship with you!

Thank you again for your dedication to the fulfillment of the Great Commission, get some rest we ain't done yet!!

Serving Him with you,  
Eric