

SPRING FOOD DRIVE TODAY BEFORE BOTH SERVICES!

Suggested items, along with the usual pasta, peanut butter, and jelly, etc., are dry milk, pop-top cans of vegetables and soup, oil, spices, salt & pepper, tea bags, coffee, sugar, flour, tuna, crackers, cake mix, frosting, Stove Top stuffing, and dishwashing soap. Collection bins will be in all the main parking lots before the morning and evening services.

EASTER IS NEXT SUNDAY!

Invitation cards are available at the Welcome Center to invite friends and family!



ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

May 5 from 7:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.
May 6 from 7:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

Contact the radio station by Friday, May 2, if you would be interested in donating a gift basket or being a volunteer or match sponsor.



All "A" junior high teens are invited to attend the Our Time Youth Conference on May 8 & 9 at the Marion Avenue Baptist Church in Washington, Iowa. The junior highers will leave at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday from Hammond Baptist Junior High School and will return to the school late Friday night. Junior highers can sign up in Sunday school or in the Hammond Baptist Junior High School Office by Wednesday, May 7.

**ONE LIFE.
ONE FAITH.
ONE PURPOSE.**

Singles' Conference

APRIL 25 & 26, 2025
FBCHAMMOND.COM/SINGLES



Calvin Allen
GUEST SPEAKER

OFFERING TOTALS

Week of 4.06.25

Wednesday Offering	\$779.00
Church Offering	\$94,581.31
Faith Promise	\$47,152.79
FBC Trust Fund	\$1,944.32
Nehemiah Project	\$1,395.14

For special offerings, text the amount you would like to give, along with the type of offering, to 219.215.2288.

SERVICE TIMES

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

For details about upcoming services and conferences, visit us online at www.fbchammond.com.

TO REACH AND HELP SOMEONE

APRIL 13, 2025

INCREASE OUR
Faith

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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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



DISCIPLESHIP PROGRAM GRADUATION

There will be a discipleship program graduation next Sunday for those who have completed a level of the program. Please email the name of the person who was the discipler and the name of the person who was disciplined, along with the level that was completed, to includeme@fbchammond.com, or call the office at 219.932.0711 by noon this Wednesday.

DISCIPLESHIP CLASS TODAY

5:00 p.m. – West Overflow Room | Level 1, Lesson 4: “The Word of God”



DRIVERS' MEETING AFTER THE SERVICE TONIGHT

There will be an important meeting tonight following the service in the first-floor auditorium of the Youth Center for anyone who drives any type of ministry-owned vehicle and anyone who is interested in driving a vehicle for our ministry.

53rd COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES OF HYLES-ANDERSON COLLEGE

The church family is invited to attend the Commencement Exercises of Hyles-Anderson College on Friday, May 2, at 10:00 a.m. in the First Baptist Church Main Auditorium.



The music department of City Baptist School will present their Spring Concert this Saturday, April 19, at 6:00 p.m. in the CBS Cafeteria; enter through Door L. Tickets are \$10.00 each and can be purchased at the West Courtesy Counter after either service today or from any CBS student.



The Hammond Baptist High School Swordsmen baseball team invites the church family to their game this Saturday, April 19, at the Steel Yard, where the Gary Railcats play baseball. The game will begin at 3:00 p.m., and the cost is \$5 per person; tickets may be purchased after either service today at the West Courtesy Counter.



MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Tuesday, April 15:

Eastern Africa Circle – 12:30 p.m.; home of Maria Rivera; potluck lunch; childcare available upon request; contact Noel King at 708.297.0464.

Middle East Circle – 1:30 p.m.; 7862 Tanager Street, Hobart; light refreshments provided; no childcare; contact Rachel Turner at 219.314.1384.

Thursday, April 17:

Southeast Asia Circle – 6:00 p.m.; 1444 Kennedy Avenue, Schererville; potluck supper; childcare available upon request; contact Missy Cogley at 219.781.9749.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

There are three arrangements of flowers at the Welcome Center today, and they are in loving memory of:

- Dan Daniel, who went to Heaven April 2, 2018. The flowers are given by his wife and family.
- Pam Overla, who went to Heaven April 13, 2024. The flowers are given by her family.
- Sue Faber, who went to Heaven, April 20, 2024. The flowers are given by her husband and daughters.

CONCLUSION OF YOUTH BASEBALL REGISTRATION

Our FBC Youth Baseball League is open to all boys 4 years old (by April 1) through the 9th grade, and registration will conclude today! **The cost is now \$70 per player, and a deposit of \$20 will be due at registration.** To register, scan this QR code or go to the West Courtesy Counter after either service today. There are sponsorship opportunities available, and Opening Day will be Thursday, May 15.



ANNUAL DEACON ELECTION

Our annual FBC deacon election will be held this Wednesday; candidate information sheets with photos are available at the Welcome Center. FBC members 18 years old and older may vote; voting will take place from 6:00-6:50 p.m. and will be available at the Welcome Center, the Database Counter on the east side, and the Valet Parking Counter on the west side. All deacons will be needed to count ballots in the Orchestra Practice Room immediately following the service on April 16.

HBGS KINDERGARTEN ADVENTURE

Children who will be 5 years old by October 1, who are active members of FBC Hammond and who plan to enter kindergarten this fall, are invited to spend a morning with their parents at Hammond Baptist Grade School this Thursday, April 17. Plan to arrive by 9:00 a.m. and stay until around 11:00 a.m. Please register for this event by emailing gsoffice@hbaptist.com or by calling 219.322.5400, Ext. 4.

THANK YOU

- Scott Bradshaw and family would like to thank the church family for all of the prayers, texts, and many acts of kindness shown to them during his recent heart attack and open-heart surgery. God is so good to bless them with such great friends!
- Kevin Eason Sr. and family are so thankful for the generosity of God's people through prayers, meals, texts, gifts, and support shown to them during his recent surgery and recovery. They are overwhelmed with the love they have felt!
- Cynthia Harley and family are sincerely thankful to the FBC family for their expressions of love, prayers, cards, and financial support during the Homegoing of her brother, Jimmy Marshall. They are thankful to be part of a church family that is so willing to show kindness and love!

USHERS' TRAINING

Every church usher is requested to attend an Ushers' Training Class on one of the following Sundays – April 20, April 27, or May 4 – at 5:15 p.m. in the classroom on southwest side of the second floor of the Main Auditorium Building; the training during all three classes will be the same.

REMEMBER THESE IN PRAYER

FUNERALS

Please pray for Nicole Lopez and family in the loss of her father, William Sanchez. His funeral was Monday, April 7, in Cicero, Illinois.