



Winfred Huff
Associate Pastor

During the pandemic there have been quite a few “new normal” practices we’ve faced. There is a sign in the visitor’s center that states: “Say No To Hugs!” That’s one of the new disciplines we are confronted with. Those words defy everything about the membership of First Baptist. Another slogan that’s been sadly adopted is: “No Handshakes. No Hugs. No Huddles.” That goes against the grain of our meeting together on the Lord’s day and other meetings. But one “new normal” that has a positive spin concerns two events that take place whenever we meet for worship—we pray and then we spray!

One of the things our senior pastor has impressed upon the congregants is the necessity to pray, and to keep on praying. Our prayers should not simply be heard in church but in our private, quiet times as we come before

the Lord. Prayer is the one link that brings us closer to God and Him closer to us. So, during the rest of this pandemic, when we assemble for worship, may each one of us pray like we’ve never prayed before. Prayer could very well be the seed planted that will bring revival.

The other thing that has become a “new normal” in our times of worship is that we spray after each service. We do this so that any germ or virus that someone may have left behind can be purged. Our men have a resolve to make sure that the worship environment is as sanitary as it can be—so they spray. The spiritual implication here is that when we teach and preach the Word of God, we are in essence “spraying” the Gospel to sin-virus sick individuals. The preaching of the cross may be foolishness to some, but to others, it’s the only message that a sin-sick world needs to hear. The next time you enter into the house of the Lord for worship, don’t forget to embrace a “new normal”—pray for the services and help spray the message of salvation.

Bro. Winfred Huff



Hello First Baptist Church of Haynesville family,

I just wanted to share for a moment what the youth has been doing lately. A few weeks ago we did a week long day camp out at Legacy Outdoor Ministries. Everyone had a blast! The youth were able to kayak, learn how to land navigate (without their phones), and shoot. We also looked at the two greatest commandments. Jesus said the most important was to "Love the Lord with all your heart, mind, soul, and strength". Then He said the second was to "Love your neighbor as yourself". Over the 5 days we looked at these two commands and discussed how unless we are obeying the first we will never truly be able to do the second.



Matt Caporale
Youth Pastor

The youth is now meeting twice a week again! If you have children from 6th -12th grade we would love for them to join us every Sunday evening at 6pm and Wed. evening at 6:30pm. We are currently working through "The Pilgrim's Progress" and discussing how relevant Christian's journey was to our Christian walk.

Lastly, Church Family, could you please take a moment and pray for our students as they get ready to start back to school. This is a very unique time and there will be a lot of things that are different. Please lift them and our teachers up in prayer. My prayer for them is that they can be light and salt as well as a beacon pointing others to Christ during this time.

Bro. Matt Caporale

We are off to a good start with our Children's Ministries! We've been having Children's Church on Sundays at 10:30AM for a little over a month now and the kids seem to be enjoying it. We are studying the Story of Moses and I hope your kids can tell you what all they have been learning. We have also started back our Sunday Evening RAs, GAs, and Mission Friends at 6:00PM during the evening Service. If you haven't brought your kids then why not start this Sunday? We started back our Wednesday Night Summer Program as well. They are playing games and having their Bible Stories while our other ministries are meeting in other areas on our campus.



**William Hurst
Family Pastor**



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I hope you are praying for our children as they are getting ready to go back to school. With all that is going on right now I am sure that school will look different, so I am asking you to be praying for your students and their teachers during this time.

The **STORY** of MOSES



Our College and Career Class has gotten off to a great start. We are now meeting on Sunday (6:00 PM) and Wednesday Evenings (6:30 PM). This is an important ministry and age group for our church. During this time many of these young adults are making decisions for themselves and we want to instill in them Biblical Values that will help steer their decision making. If you know what all is going on in our country then you know we NEED young adults who will stand on the Biblical Foundations our country was founded on. We cannot afford to lose another generation.

If you have a college aged student encourage them to come and join us for Bible Study, Fellowship, and just a good time. We will begin planning some trips and events soon so come and join in on the fun!

Bro. William Hurst



DEVELOPING A **BIBLICAL**
WORLDVIEW





John Fowler
Senior Adult Minister

It has been a long and lonely time since our last “JOY” meeting back in February. We are all really missing the good food, fun and fellowship, along with the bingo games. Lavonia and I also miss the Senior Citizen of the Month Awards. Being shut in and not having the sweet fellowship our brothers and sisters in Christ has been tough on all of us. But one fact remains the same. God is still in control and has everything in his hands.

I hope and trust you have been able to tune in to our services and Sunday School lessons on Facebook. Some of you have been able to attend our services in person on Sunday mornings, Sunday nights, and now on Wednesday night.

September 6th, the first day. The schedule of services beginning that day will be: Worship Service at 8:00am, Sunday School at 9:15am; second Worship Service at 10:30am.

Our first “JOY” Meeting will be the third Thursday in September, September 17th, at 6:00pm. The Brotherhood will be cooking our meal that night! (Fish, Hushpuppies, Slaw, and Fries) This will be for all our Senior Citizens (55 and over). All the above plans, of course, depend on the rules and regulations of the Coronavirus situation.

The Bible tells us to praise God and worship him in all situations and our prayer has been that through the period you also have matured in your Christian Walk with the Lord.

God Bless all of you. We love you!

Bro. Tubby and Lavonia



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LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!

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