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# BAPTIST BREEZE

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH GALVESTON, INDIANA

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## MARCH 2021

### **BOARD MEETINGS**

Deacons – Tues., March 2 @7pm  
Christian Ed. – Tues., March 9 @6pm  
Trustees – Tues., March 9 @7pm  
GBW Board – Tues., March 23 @6:30pm

### **USHERS FOR MARCH**

No scheduled ushers at this time.

*Ushers currently attending services,  
please rotate and count accordingly. Thank  
you for continuing to serve!*



### **A Breath of Fresh Prayer**

Norwegian theologian Ole Hallesby described prayer as simply letting God into our lives. God “knocks,” he said, “not only in the solemn hours of secret prayer” but “in the midst of your daily work, your daily struggles, your daily grind ... when you need him most.”

Prayer, added Hallesby, is as essential to life as air. “As impossible as it is for us to take a breath in the morning large enough to last us until noon, so impossible is it to pray in the morning in such a way as to last us until noon,” he said. “Let your prayers ascend to [God] constantly, audibly or silently, as circumstances throughout the day permit.”



### **MARCH GREETERS**

No scheduled greeters at this time.

Parking Lot Entrance:

Carport Entrance:

### **NURSERY SCHEDULE**

The nursery IS OPEN!

Please see Sheila McCloskey with any questions.





## **MARCH CELEBRATIONS**

We have some very big birthdays this month! Vera VerBryck celebrates her 65<sup>th</sup> birthday, March 5. March 9, Connie Townsend turns 75, while Al Luganbeal celebrates his 95<sup>th</sup> birthday, March 25. Let's not forget everyone's favorite prayer chain editor, who keeps FBC informed of any and all prayer concerns, Shirley Finney. Shirley turns 85, March 29.

Don't forget to check your Breeze calendar for the entire list of those celebrating their birthday or anniversary this month and wish them the best!

## **LIGHTHOUSE MINISTRY**



Lighthouse Ministry is visiting cautiously due to social distancing ordinances. The ladies will visit on a case by case basis when permitted. If you know of someone in need of a visit please contact the church office: 574-699-6243.

## **\$FINANCIAL MATTERS\$**



### **Financial Secretary's Report**

January 3	Not Counted
January 10	\$6,989.13
January 17	Not Counted
January 24	\$2,325.00
January 31	(Online Giving) \$2,520.38
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$11,834.51</b>

### **Treasurer's Report**

<b>January disbursements:</b>	<b>\$23,553.75</b>
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Print-outs of the Treasurer's full monthly report are available on the Information Center.



## **YOUTH ACTIVITIES**

**Kids in Christ** meets Sunday 6-7:30pm thru March 14, this will be the last session for the season.

**Jr/Sr High Youth Group** is EVERY Sunday 6-7:30pm. This group meets year-round.

Please encourage your youth to join in and to invite a friend!



## **MARCH NEWS**

**THE BAPTIST BREEZE** is available at both entrances and at the Welcome Center. It is also available on our church website:

[www.galvestonfbc.org](http://www.galvestonfbc.org)

Weekly bulletins can be viewed online!

**CHOIR SCHEDULE:** Thurs. @ 7pm

### **LIGHTHOUSE PRAYER MINISTRY:**

Questions, contact:

Marj McCoy 574-336-1476 or

Judy Stroud 574-699-6831

### **LADIES "PTL" BIBLE STUDY:**

Wednesdays at 9:30am

**DEADLINE** for April's edition of the BREEZE is **Mon., March 15th.**

Church Secretary email:

[sforker@galvestonfbc.org](mailto:sforker@galvestonfbc.org)

**PRAYER CHAIN** contact: Shirley

Finney @ 574-699-6394



## **MARCH FOOD COMMITTEE**

Marsha Shaw, Chr.

Marj McCoy

Suzi Johnson



students. There will be student socials, staff meetings, 1 on 1 Bible studies and group bible studies. Hoping to demonstrate the witness of Jesus in daily life.” Austin Keisling

Austin began his support in July, then continued support raising again in Indiana. “The Lord has provided \$3,250/ \$4,150 of my monthly goal. PRAISE GOD and thanks to everyone.”

### **THE HARVEST IS PLENTIFUL BUT THE LABORERS ARE FEW**

Recently Austin had the opportunity to preach at Cross Point Fellowship Church in Jasper, Indiana, on Matthew 9: 35-38.

Matthew 9:35-37

35 And Jesus went throughout all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affection. 36 when he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them because they were harnessed and helpless like sheep without a shepherd. 37 then he said to his disciples, The Harvest Is Plentiful, But The Laborers Are Few. Therefore, pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.

Please pray that Diego, Jatin, Tobie, Keith, Rishabh, Naveen, Yash, Alex, and I will be able to share the gospel with them and the seed would fall on fertile soil.

In Christ service,

Austin Keisling

God’s love and blessings to you everyone,  
GBW-Missions

Marcia Shaw

## **WHAT A BLESSING!**

Barb Grable would like to thank everyone that sent her a birthday card, her birthday is February 20. She has been very sad that she is unable to attend service. The cards truly blessed her, as she opened each one it reminded her how much she was missed and loved by her First Baptist Church family! She will forever cherish them.

“Thanks for ‘Blessing Me’ on my birthday!”

In Christian love,

Barb Grable

## **SOLES TO SOULS**

A new name on our list of missionaries at GFB is Austin Keisling. Some of you might know Austin.

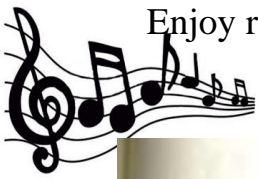
Austin attended grace college (2014-2018) running track and playing basketball. He is a member of Capitol Hill Baptist Church in Washington DC, just completing the Pastoral internship (aug.7th-dec.15) 2020.

Austin is planning to work on staff with campus outreach DC (CODC), to build relationships through sports at GW (George Washington). Because of COVID, students want in person relationships, some have shown interest in Christianity.

“I will be a part of training groups in a rec center at G.W. with basketball and weight lifting, hoping to develop relationships with



## The History of Hymns



Enjoy reading how classic hymns came about and have stood the test of time!

# The Love of God

1917

*Praise the LORD! Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever. Psalm 106:1*

**T**his hymn was written in a citrus packing house in Pasadena, California, by a German-born Christian named Frederick M. Lehman. At age four, Frederick and his family had immigrated to America, settling down in Iowa. Converted to Christ at age eleven while walking through a crabapple orchard, Frederick eventually entered the ministry and pastored churches in the Midwest. But his greatest love was gospel music, and he compiled five songbooks and published hundreds of songs.

In 1917, his finances had gone sour, and he found himself working in a packing factory in Pasadena, moving thirty tons of lemons and oranges a day. One morning as he arrived at work, a song was forming in his mind. He had been thinking about the limitlessness of God's love, and during breaks he sat on an empty lemon crate and jotted down words with a stubby pencil.

Arriving home that evening, he went to the old upright piano and began putting notes to his words. He finally had a melody and two stanzas, but almost all gospel songs of that era had at least three stanzas. At length, he thought of some lines he had recently heard in a sermon:

*Could we with ink the ocean fill and were the skies of parchment made,  
Were every stalk on earth a quill, and every man a scribe by trade,  
To write the love of God above would drain the ocean dry,  
Nor could the scroll contain the whole though stretched from sky to sky.*

That verse perfectly formed the third stanza, but who had written it? As Frederick heard the story, it was composed on the wall of an insane asylum by an unknown inmate. Perhaps someone did find it there, but we now know the words originally came from the pen of an eleventh-century Jewish poet in Germany named Meir Ben Isaac Nehorai.

Frederick lived the rest of his life in California, writing a number of hymns before his death in 1953. One of his most popular gospel songs, now outdated and forgotten, was based on the wonder of a new-fangled invention that was sweeping over America. It was called "The Royal Telephone."

*Central's never "busy," always on the line;  
You may hear from heaven almost any time . . . .  
Telephone to glory, O what joy divine!  
I can feel the current moving on the line . . . .*