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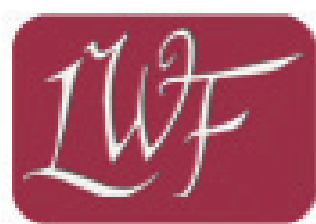
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DEVOTIONAL THOUGHT:

Fifteen college professors who taught human motivation were asked to write a concise statement on human motivation. After hours of study, they said: “What the mind attends to, it considers. What the mind does not attend to, it dismisses. What the mind attends to continually, it believes. What the mind believes, it eventually does.”

How much of the Bible have you read? More importantly, how much are you applying to your life?

Many read the Bible like a math book rather than a love story. They get the words, but they don’t get the music.

ACTION POINT:

It is not enough to simply read the Word. You must ask God to teach you. Psalm 119:18 says, “Open Thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of Thy law.” Go to Him today and ask for that.

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A Change is Gonna Come: Racial Reconciliation in Our Community

By Casey Hough

There are a lot of people in our area that are familiar with the late Sam Cooke's song, "A Change is Gonna Come." What many are not familiar with though, is the conflict that provoked the writing of that enduring civil rights anthem. While traveling through the Shreveport area in the fall of 1963, Cooke, his family, and his band attempted to lodge at a "white-only" Holiday Inn. This attempt, as one can sadly imagine during the brutal times of Jim Crow laws, was met by the refusal of the innkeepers to allow Cooke and his party to stay. Understandably, Sam was infuriated. After voicing his outrage, he and his group went to another place of lodging in town where they were met in the parking lot by the Shreveport police and arrested for "disturbing the peace." Months after his brief stay in the Shreveport jail, Sam wrote the song, "A Change is Gonna Come." While all of the lyrics are worthy of consideration, it is the refrain, "It's been a long, a long time coming, but I know, a change gon' come," that inspires hope. In a prophetic manner, Cooke sang of a time when the anti-gospel motto of Jim Crow, "Separate, but Equal" would give way to the gospel-empowered truths uttered by Martin Luther King Jr. when he said that "one day right there in Alabama little black boys and black girls will be able to join hands with little white boys and white girls as sisters and brothers."

While legislation and activism are helpful, they are ultimately powerless over the root issues that underpin the racial tensions of our community. The problem is that legislation and activism cannot change the heart. How, then, can the change of heart that Mr. Cooke sang about and that Dr. King dreamed of become a reality? Ultimately, the answer is rooted in the good news of what God the Father has done through Jesus Christ the Son. According to Ephesians 2:1-3, everyone is by nature spiritually dead because of "their disobedience and their many sins." Yet, God in His goodness did not leave us without hope. Through Jesus Christ, the Son of God, provision was made for reconciliation. This reconciliation is two-fold.

First, God's work of grace reconciles those who turn from their rebellion against God and trust fully in Jesus Christ. Our sin has separated us from God, yet in His kindness, God provided a way back to Himself through Jesus alone.

As we grow in our understanding of this reconciliation, we learn that we have not only been reconciled to God but that we can also be reconciled to one another. If one continues to read the second chapter of Ephesians, they will find that the grace that saves a person is also the grace that transforms the way they relate to others. Specifically, verse 14 states; "For Christ himself has brought peace to us. He united Jews and Gentiles into one people when, in his own body on the cross, he broke down the wall of hostility that separated us." No longer were the Jews and Gentiles in this passage to find their identity in their preferences, politics, or personal cultures. Instead, they were to find their identity in Jesus Christ, the peacemaker.

As long as people believe that they are good enough to please God on their own without the grace that is brought to them in Jesus Christ, hostility between racial groups will persist. The reason for this is because the root cause of racial tension in our society is self-righteousness. It is the false belief that says, "I am better than that person because I am wealthy or I am more educated or I am white or I am black." But once people come to see that they are not saved because of their race, their money, their education, their career, or even their good deeds, then the arrogant feelings of self-righteousness will give way to the gospel-fruit of humility that reminds us all that "God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God. Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it." The good news of Jesus Christ eliminates all grounds for boasting.

Will a "change" ever come? I believe that it will and Jesus will be at the very center of it all, saving undeserving people like you and me by His grace so that we might show the world what our Savior is like by uniting around Him and showing grace to others!

Casey Hough is the Senior Pastor of First Baptist Church of Camden, AR and writes at TheRenewedChurch.com

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Old Sam; New Sam

Sarah Ardis

You may wonder what it feels like to be a new guest coming to the Shreveport-Bossier Rescue Mission. Our guests come to our doors with nowhere else to go. They come to us broken, yearning for a better life.

They come to us alone and scared. They come to us wondering if God has forgotten about them. They come to us needing a family to love them and give them a second chance. They come to us needing HOPE.

Hope comes in many forms at the Mission and in the case of our Maintenance Assistant, Sam, hope came in the form of doing laundry.

If you were to ask Sam if God answers prayers, he would tell you a story of God doing just that. He didn't believe it when he first came to the Mission, but he most certainly does now.

Sam found himself *at a crossroad*. He was in prison and knew his alcoholism was causing destruction in his life. He decided to ask God for the strength to stop drinking. Sam was released from prison and having nowhere to go, God led him to the Shreveport-Bossier Rescue Mission. After being checked in as a new guest, Sam wanted to keep busy, so he began serving his fellow guests by doing laundry. As Sam says, "I was blessed with doing the laundry for the male guests here at the Mission." Sam did laundry for five months but knew he wanted more. As time progressed, Sam wanted to serve in a higher capacity, so he volunteered to help with construction on another Mission property.

Upon completion of the construction project, Sam felt God moving in his life through the Life Recovery ministry provided at the Mission. He felt an even greater calling. Sam felt the call to join the ministry team that gave him a second chance at life. Sam wanted to give hope and lead others to Christ just as the Mission had done for him. *And just like that*, God opened a door in the form of a job opening at the Mission as Maintenance Assistant.

Sam asked God if he should apply for the maintenance position that was open and lucky for us, he did. Soon after applying, he was interviewed by the Mission's Executive Director, Pastor Larry Otwell. During the interview process, Sam was afraid that he would not qualify for the job

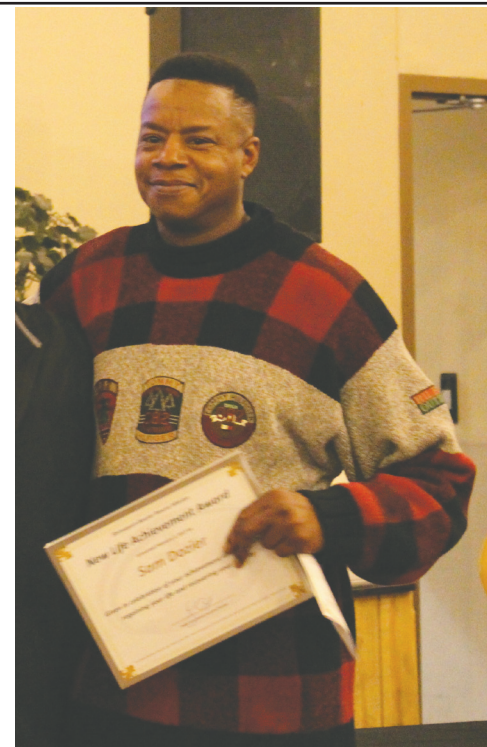
because he was a current guest in our Life Recovery Program, but Pastor Larry offered him something unexpected. Sam was given the opportunity to move into The Living Center, the Mission's transitional dormitory for male guests. He was then offered the Maintenance Assistant position and is now a current employee of the Mission. During the week, you can find Sam ministering to the men doing maintenance vocational training - giving them hands on experience that they can use when they re-enter the workforce.

Sam says, "I am happy to be closer to God and to have my new Christian

family, and I can truly say that I haven't had alcohol in two years." Sam's story is a story of answered prayers and an unflinching trust in Christ. Sam is a loved and valued employee at the Mission and a great inspiration, not only to our guests but to all our staff.

At the Mission, we encourage our guests with the scripture from Jeremiah 29:11. In this scripture it says, "For I know the plans I have for you" declared the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." We know that God has great plans in store for Sam and all our guests here at the Mission. Sam is continuing to grow even further in His walk with Christ.

Transformations like Sam's are only possible thanks to the grace of God and the generosity of our community. From the bottom of our hearts and the hearts of our guests, we say thank you! When you support the Mission with your prayers, talents and treasure, you are giving more than a meal and shelter. You are giving our guests the gift of HOPE.



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The Pool of Siloam Medical Ministry is now located in the Shreveport Dream Center (aka Highland Center) of Shreveport Community Church. The clinic is conveniently located on Olive Street between Highland Avenue and Stephens Street just south of the downtown area. Public transit is easily available. Free parking is available on Topeka Street. Our office hours are Monday - Thursday from 9:30 to 1:30. Our office number is 631-2212.

The hub of our treatment is our primary care clinic. Each patient is assessed and referred to other services in our clinic as needed. Our clinic hosts a welcoming and caring environment providing numerous services:

- Breathe Free Program: assistance with oxygen, nebulizers, CPAP machines
- Vision Clinic: prescriptions, exams,
- Diabetic Education: Nutritional guidance and exercise
- Women's Health Clinic: providing various exams as necessary
- Access to Women's Self Defense: partnering with Cynthia Loftin of Elegant Warriors
- Patient Assistance Services: prescription medications and durable equipment.



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We are excited to see what God has in store for the Pool of Siloam, as we venture into this new community of faith. We are committed to sharing the love of Jesus Christ through medical ministry.

The Pool of Siloam Medical Ministry is a self-standing, non-profit 501(c) 3 organization. We are staffed by volunteers and funded by gifts, donations, grants, awards, and in-kind donations. Financial donations to the Pool of Siloam are tax deductible.

HOSTS - Highland Open Studio Tours

Sunday: March 12 from Noon – 4:00 p.m. in Shreveport.

A grassroots venture, its mission is to give Highland neighborhood artists a market to sell their work and welcome visitors into their studios. HOSTS is a self-guided tour, so be sure to pick up a map at one of the featured locations.

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- The home gallery of Karen La Beau at 424 Dalzell St. Guest artists include Marci Hicks, Lynn Laird, Sherry Tamburo, Tori Ladd and Christena Francis.
- The whimsical workspace of Wendy Tisdale at 206 Prospect St.
- The studio of Daniel Cordell, located at 420 Merrick St.
- Suite NineISix, a clothing boutique at 2410 Line Avenue, owned by Desire Mingo.

To stay updated on HOSTS, please like the Highland Open Studio Tours Sundays page on Facebook.

The Rise of Secularism A Humanistic Worldview Part Three Dr. Stephen Patton

In recent articles I discussed Secularism as outlined in the book, *Understanding the Times, A Survey of Competing Worldviews*. Authors Jeff Myers and David Noebel list several key beliefs of this worldview:

Materialism: Only matter exists and non-material things like God or a hereafter do not. In fact, belief in spiritual things is not only wrong but dangerous.

Naturalism: Every existing thing can be explained by natural processes. Humans came to being through a natural process called evolution.

Atheism: God does not exist and the idea of such a spiritual being makes people unenlightened and slows human progress.

Secularism has essentially replaced Christianity on the continent of Europe and has heavily invaded our country's major institutions: primary public education, college education, the media, Hollywood, the courts and the list goes on. This has not been brought about by some secret conspiracy but through a bold agenda deliberately enacted over many decades.

Beyond understanding what Secularism is doing to our culture, how should Christians respond to this takeover? Don Wildman, founder and president emeritus of AFA, American Family Association, has been informing Christians since 1976 about the erosion of our Christian heritage and equipping us to engage in Christian activism. A very recent booklet, *Our Call to Faithfulness*, has collected the best of Don Wildman's essays written in the monthly AFA Journal. What follows are some of his quotes from this publication which outline the problems besetting our culture by Secularism and what he thinks our Christian response should be:

The Enemy is Us: "We have attempted to make Christianity something it is not - a vehicle to worldly success, worldly contentment, worldly happiness... We have allowed others, who don't share our view of life and are openly hostile to it, to do most of our serious thinking.... Does the Christian community have enough of what it takes to turn this tide, to stop the decay of Western civilization?"

Shall we Have Respectability at the Loss of Responsibility? "I want no part of a Christian message that does not call me to involvement, requires of me no sacrifice, takes from me no comfort, requires of me less than my best... The duty of a Christian is to be faithful, not popular or successful."

Actions Have Consequences:

"We can draw back when criticized. We can remain in our shell and refuse to get involved. Or we can do what those who went before us did: We can work to implant and maintain those old time-proven values as the norm. The decision is ours. And resting on that decision is the future of our nation."

Trust and Obey, for There's No Other Way:

"God does not require of us that which we cannot do. Often times we have no control over the outcome of the battle. But we have complete control over our response to the battle. God does not require that we be successful he only asks that we be faithful. That we can do, so if it often looks like we are losing, just remember that the battle belongs to the Lord. Our duty is to remain in it and stay faithful."

Law of Love Constrains Christians to Confront:

"It is not the role of the church to justify sin, regardless of the sin. It is the role of the church, in the name of Christ, to confront and remind sinners that God forgives when there is humility and repentance."

"We don't love people when we approve, bless, or condone a distractive, harmful, sinful lifestyle, be it homosexuality, adultery, thievery, dishonesty, greed, or any other sin."

The Truth Hurts: "As the cosmic character Pogo said, 'we have met the enemy, and he is us'... Our efforts have basically been designed to make Christianity popular and comfortable and in the process we are no longer salt and light. We have built our buildings, hosted our activities, boasted of our numbers, and sought endless ways to entice people to join our church. We have to a very large degree, turned our efforts to getting people into church instead of getting the church into people."

Christians and Culture: What role should we play? "Should we be involved in the political system to change laws and institutions so that they more closely reflect God's mind? Or should we only be concerned with changing hearts? I believe the answer is that we should be waist deep in both."

Could the United States undergo revival? It has done so before but not without calling on the name of the Lord. Psalm 85:6 says, "Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you?"

For more information please visit <http://www.facebook.com/pages/RTB-Shreveport-La-Chapter/458206870872208?ref=hl> or email Shreveport@reasons.org

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Ballet Magnificat Uses Ballet to Inspire Audiences Worldwide

Ballet Magnificat, America's premier Christian Ballet Company, takes the Gospel of Jesus to the nations, without using a single word.

Beginnings

The Jackson, Mississippi based company was founded in 1986 by professional ballet dancer Kathy Thibodeaux. Thibodeaux, best known for her Silver Medal at the 1982 International Ballet Competition, desired to use her gift of dancing to see the arts restored to the church and to minister to the widest audience possible.

Thibodeaux began with just 4 dancers. Since that time, her ministry has attracted dancers both nationally and internationally and has grown to house two professional touring companies, two international trainee programs, and a school of the arts. As of January 2017, Ballet Magnificat launched a satellite trainee program in Curitiba, Brazil.

Artistic Director of Ballet Magnificat Omega and Resident Choreographer Jiri Sebastian Voborsky moved from the Czech Republic to dance with the company in 1994.

"I came with two suitcases, only intending to visit for two weeks. Twenty-three years later, I'm still here. The work the Lord does through this ministry is undeniable," said Voborsky.

The Company

Ballet Magnificat is known in both the Christian and secular dance communities as being one of the few remaining professional dance troupes to still perform only original repertoire.

Washington Post Dance Critic and 2010 Pulitzer Prize winner, Sarah

Kaufman goes so far to praise the company as "single-handedly keeping the narrative tradition of ballet alive."

"I don't know of any other company that exclusively performs original works, most of them full-length story ballets," says Kaufman. "...The greater secular ballet world could learn from the commitment of Ballet Magnificat's dancers—and from its steady production of original material."

The company's current repertoire boasts two signature ballets. "Hiding Place," based on the book by the same title, tells the true story of Corrie Ten Boom who helped hide her Jewish neighbors in Nazi-occupied Holland. The other, "Deliver Us!," shares the story of Moses and the Exodus, paralleling it to the life of Jesus.

Currently, the troupe is also touring three other works. One being "Stratagem," based off of C.S. Lewis' novel "The Screwtape Letters," and "Face 2 Face," an original work by Voborsky that portrays the trials of living in a modern day society, but told through the lives of two ballet dancers. Their newest ballet "Light Has Come" tells the story of Jesus from birth to resurrection, all from the perspective of the angels.

The company performs an average of 200 times per year. Through the years they have not only performed throughout the United States, but have travelled to over 30 countries worldwide.

"In so many countries we visit, people would never enter a church building, but they will go to the theater. Our ministry meets them where they are at. We get to be the light of Jesus in the midst of the darkness," said Voborsky.

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Young Life is a Christian ministry that reaches out to middle school, high school and college-aged kids in all 50 of the United States as well as more than 90 countries around the world.

Young Life doesn't start with a program. It starts with adults who are concerned enough about kids to go to them, on their turf and in their culture, building bridges of authentic friendship. So Young Life leaders log many hours with kids — where they are, as they are.

We listen to their stories and learn what's important to them because we genuinely care about their joys, triumphs, heartaches and setbacks.

We believe in the power of presence. Kids' lives are dramatically influenced when caring adults come alongside them, sharing God's love with them. Because their Young Life leader believes in them, they begin to see that their lives have great worth, meaning and purpose.

This is the first step of a lifelong journey; the choices they make today, based upon God's love for them, will have an impact on future decisions — careers chosen, marriages formed and families raised — all ripples from the time when a Young Life leader took time to reach out and enter their world.

Camp — The Best Week of Their Lives

Kids consistently tell us that Young Life camp is the best week of their lives. That's a rousing (and unsolicited) endorsement! But how else would you describe a week where deep relationships are forged in the midst of mind-boggling fun and you experience and listen to what we believe is the greatest love story ever told?

Kids don't attend camp alone. Those Young Life leaders at their school attend too, allowing them to deepen those relationships through the fun and spiritual lessons experienced during that unforgettable week of camp. That bonding is so important for the future growth of the student, emotionally and spiritually.

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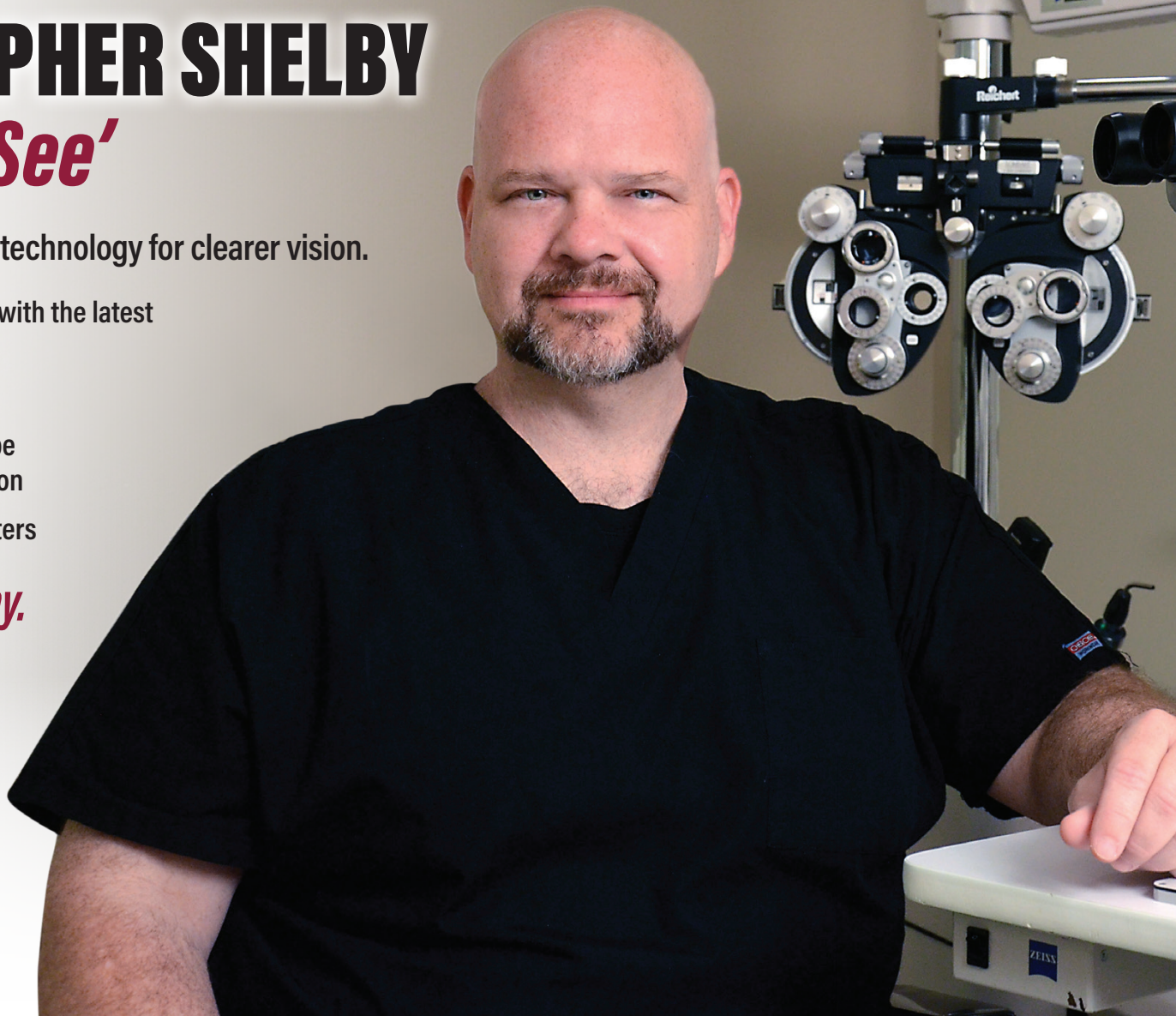
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27th Annual Worldwide Weekend of Prayer for the Addicted

CLEARWATER, Fla., Feb. 23, 2017 /Christian Newswire/ -- The weekend of April 22 - 23, 2017 has been designated as the 27th Annual "Just Pray NO!" to drugs Worldwide Weekend of Prayer and Fasting. Since April 7th, 1991 "Just Pray NO!" has united Christians from around the world in intercessory prayer on behalf of the addicted and their families.

"Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much." James 5:16

Not only is substance abuse America's number one health problem, the devastation of alcoholism and other drug addiction has impacted families and communities worldwide. Substance abuse has been directly linked to violence and sexual immorality and is a major source of income for organized crime and terrorist activities.

"For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age,

against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places." Ephesians 6:12

Make a formal commitment to join with believers in Christ from around the globe this coming April. Put on the full armor of God and fervently pray in spirit and in truth. We are seeking to enlist millions of prayer warriors from around the world to join us in battle!

We are not only praying for the release of those bound by substance abuse but also for people to be delivered from pornography, gambling, obesity and smoking. We are seeking individuals and groups which are willing to commit to pray weekly on behalf of the addicted and their families, and then join with multitudes of other committed Christians from around the world in prayer and fasting during the weekend of April 22 - 23, 2017.

If you believe that God is calling you to intercede for the addicted please contact us. To find help for addiction through prayer and Christian ministries log on to our web site: justprayno.org. To learn how groups can participate in our annual prayer event, click on "Information on the Annual Worldwide Weekend of Prayer" or email: justpray-no@aol.com.

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BREAKPOINT COMMENTARIES



Eric Metaxas

Heroin Hell SAVING YOUR KIDS FROM THE OPIATE EPIDEMIC

Elizabeth Blunt was a talented musician and athlete who attended a Christian high school and college. Gifted in foreign languages, Beth was preparing to work in international relations, perhaps in China. But she never made it. Beth died in May of an overdose of heroin laced with fentanyl—a cheap, synthetic opiate. She was not quite 23. “She never came home drunk, didn’t show signs of drug abuse,”

Beth’s mother, Lisa, said. “She used to be the sweetest girl. I don’t know what happened.”

The statistics are frightening. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, every day in the United States, an average of 78 people like Beth die of an opiate overdose, including 29 from heroin. Every year, the CDC reports, opiate overdoses kill more than 28,000 people, and heroin kills more than 10,500. That’s more than all those killed on U.S. highways.

And the problem is escalating. About 435,000 Americans in 2014 used heroin, according to the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration. That’s nearly three times the number just in 2007.

U.S. Surgeon General Vivek Murthy says drug and alcohol addiction is “a moral test for America,” with more than 20 million people embroiled in substance abuse problems. Only 10 percent of them are receiving treatment.

“We can never forget that the faces of substance use disorders are real people,” Murthy said while releasing a report on the problem. “Are we able to live up to that most fundamental obligation we have as human beings: to care for one another?”

What’s behind this hellish epidemic? One factor—heroin is a very affordable high. “Heroin is ... cheap and available just about everywhere,” reporter Dan Ponce of WGN-TV in Chicago says. “A \$10 bag can keep someone high for a day or two. Drug dealers will deliver heroin right to your front door.”



Another is the neurological effect such drugs have on the brain. The surgeon general’s report notes that repeated use changes the brain, so that it demands more to function. It’s a vicious cycle that can trap our children in addiction. And it comes straight from hell. As Screwtape said to his junior-devil colleague, Wormwood, “An ever-increasing craving for an ever diminishing pleasure is the formula.” That describes drug abuse to a T.

So now that we’re properly scared, what can we do to protect our kids from the hellish world of illegal drugs? First, pray for and with them. Second, talk with them—frankly—not only about the risks of substances like heroin, but about the joy and purpose available in Christ, which no drug can ever match. Third, really listen to them. And fourth, if necessary, get them into treatment. Come to our website for some great resources and encouragement in the fight against this scourge.

Please know that there is hope for those who have become snared by drugs. Even in addiction, where sin increases, grace can abound even more. Help is available for those who choose it. For example, the Indiana Dream Center provides recovering addicts with effective, God-centered treatment. Its facility for women, Marilyn’s House, helps residents gain life and job skills, spiritual development, and mentoring. “To be held accountable, they don’t go anywhere alone,” says Jessica Brooks, a former heroin addict who now directs the ministry. “We’re pretty radical. We really live how the Bible says. Jesus sent them out in twos, so we go out in twos.”

Heroin may be a taste of hell, but as this ministry and others show, there is hope—real hope—in Jesus Christ.

*More current numbers show the daily number of deaths to be 91. *CDC* For further reading visit <http://thepoint.breakpoint.org/bpcommentaries/breakpoint-commentaries-archive/entry/13/30178>

Who is most at risk of heroin addiction?

- People who are addicted to prescription opioid painkillers
- People who are addicted to cocaine
- People without insurance or enrolled in Medicaid
- Non-Hispanic whites
- Males
- People who are addicted to marijuana and alcohol

- People living in a large metropolitan area

- 18 to 25 year olds

Since 2010, heroin overdose death rates have more than **quadrupled**.

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Information taken from <https://www.cdc.gov/vitalsigns/pdf/2015-07-vital-signs.pdf>



Looking for a church in your area?

Benton Area:

Believer's Worship Center 6068 Hwy 3
965-2750
Benton First Baptist 201 Bellevue
965-2351
Benton Presbyterian - Church Corner of
Airline & Linton Rd. - 11:00 Sunday
747-2802
Benton United Methodist 4615 Palmetto rd
965-2273
Cypress Baptist 4701 Palmetto Rd
965-2296 (Sun) 10:45am
Elizabeth Baptist 301 Old Bellevue Rd
965-2592
Fellowship Tabernacle 4709 Palmetto Rd
(Sun) 11am, 6pm §: 9:45am
965-9324

Blanchard Area:

Church of the Nazarene 251 N. Main St.
929-2831
Cross Brand Cowboy Church -
7:00 p.m. Thursdays - 201 Attaway by the
arena. 929-4312 Pot luck every other week.
First Baptist 201 Attaway St.
(Sun) 10:30am, pm, (Wed) 6:30pm
929-2346
North Point United Methodist Church
6675 Hwy. 1
(Sun) 9:30&10:30am youth 6:30 Wed
929-2307
Westlake Baptist 8379 N. Lakeshore
929-2237

Bossier Area:

Airline Dr. Church of Christ 2125 Airline Dr.
(Sun) 10:10am & 6pm § 9am, (Wed) 7pm
746-2645
Barksdale Baptist Church 1714 Jimmie Davis
Hwy. SS 9:25 a.m., Sunday Worship Service
10:45 a.m. & 6:00p.m., Wednesday 6:30 p.m.
www.barksdalebaptist.org
742-1641.
Barksdale United Methodist Church
1465 Patricia Dr. SS 9:45 a.m. Worship 11:00
Wed. - 7:00 pm 746-4987
Bellaire Baptist 1210 Bellaire Blvd.
746-3914
Central Assembly of God 700 Hwy 80
949-0010
Central Baptist 2225 Airline Dr.
742-6153
Christview Christian 5503 Airline Dr.
(Sun) 10:40 am § 9:30 am 746-1531
Faith Temple Assembly of God
4350 Panther Dr 747-2452
Fellowship United Methodist
4750 Barksdale Blvd 746-4422
First Baptist Bossier - 2810 E. Texas.
(Sun) Small Groups 9:15, Worship 10:45
(Wed) Discipleship 6pm. 746-7940
First Christian 2205 Shed Road
746-3382
First Church of God 4601 Airline
747-2211
First United Methodist 201 John Wesley Blvd
(Sun) 8:45 am, 10:45 am; Contemporary Ser-
vice: 10:45 a.m. & Wed. 6:00 p.m.
742-3823
First Wesleyan 3200 Schuler Dr.
(Sun) 10:30am, § 9:30am (Wed) 6:30
746-6991
Greenacres Baptist 4802 Benton Rd.
(Sun) 10:45am, 6pm, § 9:45am, (Wed) 7pm
746-2291
Harvest Temple COGIC 1633 Benton Rd.
742-7616
House of Purpose Full Gospel 805 Eatman
549-0303

Immanuel Lutheran 2565 Airline Dr.
(Sun) 8am, 10:30am. Sunday school 9:15.
Website: www.immanuelbossier.org
746-2215
Living Word Family Church 4501 Shed Rd.
746-1793
Miracles Temple of Deliverance
517 Barksdale Blvd. (Sun) 12:00 noon (Tues.)
7:00 p.m. 741-3224
New Beginnings Missionary Bap.
2218 Barksdale Blvd. 752-2122
New Vision Church of God 4200 Shed Rd
742-8547
New Zion Baptist Church - 2535 Barbara
S. S. 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:45a.m. Wed. 5:30
prayer Bible Study 6:30 p.m.
746-0750 - www.newzionbaptist.org
Northpoint Community Church
4204 Airline Drive Sun 8:30, 10:30 and 12
noon. Spanish service 1:30
742-9565
Overcoming Faith 5140 Benton Rd
747-1700
Pentecostals of Bossier City 2833 Viking Dr.
Sun.10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Wed. 7:30 p.m.
742-9539
Praise Temple Full Gospel Baptist Cathedral
East Location: 1760 East Texas Street
Sundays 59' Express 8 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:00
a.m. Thurs. 7:00 p.m., Sat. 5:45 p.m.
631-5683
Revival Tabernacle Foursquare
900 Regenia St. 746-5022
Savior's House of Prayer 401 Hamilton
752-3711
Stonewall Baptist 807 Eatman
742-0807
Touching Lives Ministries 2414 Barbara Street
Trinity Presbyterian 1944 Airline Dr.
746-2951
Victory Life Center 3012 Shed Rd.
(Sun) 10:30 §9:30 (Wed) 6:30 746-4750
Waller Baptist 456 Waller Ave. 71112
Sun - 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. SS - 9:00 a.m.
Wed - 5:45 p.m. 746-2462
Fillmore Area:
Fillmore Baptist 6304 Hwy. 80
949-3220
Haughton Area:
Beulah Land Baptist Church
3179 Sligo Rd. (Sun) 9:45, 11:00 am 5:30,
6:30 pm (Wed) 6:30 pm
Cowboy Outreach and Arena of Life Church
1130 Stewart Road, Sun. 10 a.m. 949-1539
Eastwood Baptist Church
2810 US Hwy 80 - (318) 949-9433
First Baptist 105 E. Washington
949-2441
Galilee Baptist 339 Jones Rd.
949-0955
God Did It Outreach Ministries -
1335 Bellevue Rd. Sunday School..9:45am...
Morning Worship 11:00am
918-0415
Haughton United Methodist 215 E. McKinley
Ave. (Sun) 11am
949-3612
Love Chapel United Methodist 2001 Forest
Hills (Sun) 9 & 11am
949-0430
Open Road Fellowship Church, 780 Bodcau
Station Rd. Sunday 10:30 a.m.
<http://www.openroadfellowship.com/>
Pease Chapel Assembly of God
3384 Bellevue Road
949-4794
Plain Dealing
Salem Baptist Church 19620 E. LA Hwy.157
(Sun) 10:00, 11:00 am (Wed) 6:30 pm
318-349-9875
Princeton Area:
First Baptist Princeton 1298 Princeton Rd

THE BRIDGE - Building Community in Shreveport Bossier

(Sun)10:00 & 11:00 am, 6:00 pm (Wed) 7:00
949-3682
Shreveport Area:
Baptist Tabernacle / Shreveport Christian
Academy. 8501 E. Kingston Road.
686-7551
Bethel Assembly of God 5801 Bert Kouns
Loop § 9:30am (Sun) 10:30am, (Wed) 6:30pm
687-4200
Bright Star Baptist Church 3330 Meriwether
Rd. (Sun) 9:30 & 10:45 am
686-7924
Broadmoor Baptist 4110 Youree Dr.
868-6552
Broadmoor Methodist 3715 Youree Dr.
(Sun CS) 8:30 & 11am, (Wed) 5pm
861-0586
Calvary Baptist 9333 Linwood Ave.
(Sun) 8:30 & 10:40am, 6:30pm
687-4920
Catholic Center-Diocese of Shreveport
3500 Fairfield Avenue – 868-4441
Central Christian Church (DOC) 2010 Bert
Kouns (Sun) 10:45am
686-3060
Christ Center 6808 Jefferson Paige
(Sun) 10:30am (Wed) 7pm
525-9033
Christ Lutheran 290 Idema St
SS 9:00 Worship 10:30
518-8767
Christian Center of Shreveport 207 Idema
688-9250
Church at Red River 230 Flournoy Lucas Rd
Sunday 10:00 a.m. Wed. 6-8:00 p.m.
213-3600
Church of Christ/North 3401 N. Market St.
§ 9:30am, (Sun) 10:30am, 6pm
226-1305
Church on the Rock 5035 North Market
227-2902
Ellerbe Road Baptist Church
10705 Ellerbe Rd.
798-1988
Emmanuel Baptist 5850 Buncombe Rd.
686-7548
Emmanuel Christian Ministries 5700 Roberts
636-2567
Eternal Life Baptist Church
1744 Nicholson St.
Sun. 10:45 a.m. - Wed 6:00 p.m.
272-0923
Evergreen Missionary Baptist Church
3013 Fisher Street
425-3390
Faith Tabernacle 4901 Pine Hill Rd.
(Sun) 11am
227-2204
First Baptist Church Shreveport
543 Ockley Drive, Bible Study 9:15,
Worship 10:30 a.m.
www.fbcshreveport.org
(318) 865-8414
First Baptist Church Cedar Grove
6906 Henderson Ave.
SS 9:30 Worship 10:45 - Tues 6:30
865-8894
First United Methodist Head of Texas St.
424-7771
Ford Park Baptist 5755 Yarbrough Rd
631-1177
Fresh Fire International Bible
Holiday Inn Fin. Pla.
(Sun) 11 am; § 9:45
Galilee Baptist 1500 Pierre Ave.
221-2629
Gateway Church 8925 Youree Dr.
(Sun) 9 & 10:15am, (Wed) 7pm
797-6337
Glad Tidings Assembly of God
957 Kingston Rd.
688-3940

Grace Presbyterian 3201 Centenary
(Sun) 10:45am § 9:30am
344-1232
Greater Faith Christian Church 6934 Jewella
(Sun) 11:00am, (Mon) 7pm, (Wed) 7pm
621-8998
Greater Hope Baptist Church
4355 Greenwood Rd
(Sun) 9:00 am, 10:30 am, Wed 7 pm
635-9242
Greenwood Acres Full Gospel Baptist Church
7480 Greenwood Road
(Sun) 8 & 10:30am, 6pm, (Wed) 7pm
938-1885
Haynes Ave Baptist 610 Haynes, 71105
(Sun) 10:30am, 6pm, (Wed) 6pm
865-2307
H.E.L.P.S. Outreach Faith Temple
6708 Southern Ave
(Sun) 9:30 & 11:00am (Tue/Thur) 7pm
861-9010
Hearne Avenue Church of Christ - 6540
Hearne Avenue Sun. 9:45 and 11:00 a.m.
Wed. 6:00 p.m. 635-6542
Heritage Baptist 2801 Creswell
222-0868
Highland Center 520 Olive St
221-8404
Hosanna Family Worship Center
7420 St. Vincent
861-0846
HUB CHURCH
Saturdays at 5:30 pm
The Lovewell Center
605 Cotton Street.
Iglesia Bautista Ebenezer
5865 W 70th St. 671-7865
Jewell St. Missionary Baptist
2440 Darien St. 424-4655
John 3:16 Church
6035 Fairfield Ave
Sundays 8:31 and 10:16 a.m. Wed 6:01 p.m.
219-2989
Kingston Road Baptist 8900 Kingston Rd
(Sun)10:30am, 6pm, (Wed) 6:30pm
687-9885
Lake Bethlehem Baptist Church
2842 Dr Martin Luther King Dr
(318) 221-1356
Life Church 2222 Meriwether Rd.
(Sun) 10am, (Wed) 6:30pm 687-7055
Light Hill Baptist 1823 Pine Hill Rd.
222-0526
Lighthouse Baptist Church
235 Flournoy Lucas. Shreveport - Sun. 9:30
10:45 & 6:00 p.m.. Wed. 6:30 p.m.
686-2964
Linwood Baptist 1622 Midway
Sunday 9:30 and 10:30 a.m.
Thursday 6:00 p.m.
631-4467
Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church, 5340
Jewella 636-6172
Sun. 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. Wed. 11:45 a.m. and
6:00 p.m.
Mount Olive Baptist 740 Turner Lane
861-2249
New Creation Family Church 8410 Kingston,
71108 Rd (Sun) 11a.m. (Tue) 7:00 service
671-9463
New Elizabeth Missionary Baptist
2332 Jewella Avenue
(Sun) 10:45am, § 9am, (Wed) 7pm
631-8070
New Life Center 4445 Meriwether Rd.
686-8484
New Vision Community Church
Shreveport (CPP)
727 Flournoy Lucas Road
11:00 Sundays

Norris Ferry Community Church 10509 Norris Ferry Rd. (Sun) 9:00; 10:30 a.m. 349-8473	Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church Services Saturday at 4:30 p.m. and Sunday at 9:00 and 11:30 am. 635-2121	861-2472 Shreve City Baptist 2810 Knight St 865-5661	United House of Prayer 2888 Lakeview Rd (Tues) 7pm, (Fri) 7pm, (Sun) 10am 424-9555
North Highlands United Methodist 835 Poleman. 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Parlor Fellowship 11:00 a.m.traditional Worship 221-4716	St Andrew Presbyterian Church 3625 N. Market 221-3357	Shreveport Baptist Temple 288 Flournoy Lucas, Shreveport 686-5538	Unity of Faith Baptist Church 272 E. 78th St. SS 9:30 Worship 10:45 - Thurs. 6:00 p.m 512-5366
North Shreve Baptist 4930 Old Mooringsport 425-2350	St. Mary AME Church 1603 Rex Ave. 71101 S S 9:30am Worship 11am Wed B S 6:30. 222-3997	Shreveport Community Church 5720 Buncombe Rd 671-7100	University Church of Christ - 2045 E. 70th St. 797-6333
North Star Baptist 5304 Jewella (Sun) 11am, § 9:30am 631-1154	St. Matthias Episcopal Church 3301 St. Matthias Drive Wed., 6:00 pm, Sun., 8:00 am and 10:15 am 318-635-5354	Southside Baptist, 730 E Flournoy Lucas Rd. 798-6200	Western Hills Baptist 4153 Pines Rd 636-2408
Northview Assembly of God 3627 N. Market St. 424-7580	St Matthew Missionary Baptist Church 2240 David Raines Rd. Sun. 8:00, 9:15 – Worship 11:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Thurs. 8:00 a.m. Sat. Male Ministry - pastordbblake@gmail.com	Springs of Grace 6300 Hearne Ave (Sun) 9:30am, 10:30am. (Wed) 6:15 pm. 635-9723	Westview Christian 7188 Greenwood Rd, 71119 635-0356
Oakmont Church of God 5925 W 70th St 687-5243	St. Nicholas Orthodox Christian 9100 Youree, 71115 (Sun)10:00 a.m., SS 11:30; Wed 5:30 Sat. 5:00 797-2226	Stoner Hill Baptist Church 1201 Cornwell Ave. Sunday 8:30, 9:30, 11:00 a.m. Wed. 6:00p.m. 221-9871	Willow Point Baptist 5500 S. Lakeshore Dr. (Sun) 10:45am, 5pm, (Wed) 6:15pm 631-8500
Paradise Baptist Church 1706 Hollywood 636-5356 Sunday: 9:15 and 11:00 a.m. Mon- day: Bible Study 6:00 p.m.	Saint Paul’s Episcopal 275 Southfield Rd (Sun) 8 & 10:30am, (Wed) 10am 865-8469	Summer Grove Baptist South Park Mall, 8924 Jewella Avenue 686-1470	Woodridge Baptist 850 E. Bert Kouns 861-3519
Pinecroft Baptist 8002 Jewella Ave 686-5200	St. Paul Lutheran M S 4175 Lakeshore Dr. (Sun)10:00 a.m, § 9:00am 636-2310	Summer Grove United Methodist 9119 Dean Rd. SS 9:15 and W at 10:30 686-2514	Word of God Ministries 6645 Industrial Loop Sun. 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.; Wed 6:30pm 364-8977
Pleasant Hill Baptist 4670 Lakeshore Dr. 636-6000	Salvation Army 200 E. Stoner 429-7463	The Rock Family Center 2837 Summer Grove Dr. in Shreveport (Sun) 10:30am, (Wed) 7pm 518-8603	Word of Deliverance Family Life Church - 5700 W 70th Wed 6:00 Sun 10:30
Praise Temple Full Gospel Baptist Cathedral Corporate Headquarters 4725 Greenwood Road 631-5683	Shiloh Baptist 421 Webster (Sun) 11am, § 9:30am, (Wed, Thu) 6pm 635-5843	Trinity Baptist Church 5895 Bert Kouns Ind. Loop, 71129. (Sun) 9:30am, 10:30am, 6:30 pm. Wednesday, 6:30pm. 686-2300	Word Of Life Center 4425 Meriwether Rd, 71109 Sun. 9 & 10:45 a.m. Wed 7 p.m. 688-4411
The Refuge, Meeting at Savoie’s, the Cater- ing Place, SS 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Prayer meeting 5:45 Wed.	Showers of Blessing Ministries 6500 Fairfield Ave (Sun) 9:30 & 11am, 7pm, (Thu) 7pm	Trinity Heights Baptist 3820 Old Mooringsport 221-2695	
Rose Park Baptist 5560 Buncombe Rd 687-8272			

THE BRIDGE can be found at the following businesses:

Adam’s Eye Care 1911 Benton Rd - Bossier	Cormier Family Dentistry 5839 E. Kings Highway - S’port	Gateway Tire and Service Center 1005 Shreveport/Barksdale Hwy	Kitchens, Benton, Kitchens, & Black 2120 Airline Dr - Bossier	Ponder Power Equipment LLC 3402 Industrial Drive - Bossier	Shreveport Teen Challenge 452 Stoner in Shreveport 673-8383
Ainsworth Hair Color Salon 401 Hamilton Rd. Suite 118 -Bos.	Crisis Pregnancy Center 921 S’port Barksdale Hwy - S’port	Glass Services 2803 E Texas St - Bossier 1118 E. Bert Kouns - Shreveport	Lifeway Christian Store 7050 Youree-Shreveport	Quality Sheet Metal 946 Linwood - Stonewall	The Arbor 4770 Brandon Blvd. - Bossier
Azalea Estates 516 E Flournoy Lucas Rd - S’port	Cross Lake Citgo 5785 South Lakeshore - S’port	Glenview Garden Retirement 4828 Medical Dr - Bossier	Line Avenue Pharmacy 1822 Line Ave - Shreveport	Realty Executives, T. Calhoun 3851 Gilbert - Shreveport	The Glen Retirement System 403 E Flournoy Lucas Rd - S’port
Azalea’s Cleaners 732 Azalea Dr. - Shreveport	Daisy a Day Florist 1525 N. Market – Shreveport	Glenwood Village Tearoom 3310 Line Ave. Shreveport	Live Oak Retirement Community 600 E Flournoy Lucas Rd-S’port	Roger’s Corner Store 6511 Hwy. 80, Haughton	The Ice House Dist. 4514 Monkhouse Dr.-Shreveport
Bill’s Cleaners Laundry Shoe Rep 3566 Greenwood Rd - S’port	Danzell, John, MD 2500 Kings Hwy. - Shreveport	Haughton Library 166 E. McKinley - Haughton	Louisiana Baptist University 6301 Westport Ave - Shreveport	Rose-Neath Funeral Home 2201 Airline Drive - Bossier	The Waterford at Shreveport 2222 E Bert Kouns Industrial - S’port
Bossier Parish Libraries Check with your local branch	Dooley’s Hairstyling 1001 Benton Rd - Bossier	Healing Heart Counseling Center 820 Jordan St, Ste 401 S’port	The Lovewell Center - 605 Cotton St in downtown Shreveport 606-2512	Salvation Army 200 E. Stoner - Shreveport	Thomas Kinstrey, M.D. 2120 Bert Kouns Ind. Loop - Shreveport
Blanchard Elderly Apt. Complex 231 N. Main - Blanchard	Dupree Family Dental - 1945 E 70th, Suite F in Shreveport	Heavenly Ham 5739 Youree Drive - Shreveport	Myrick’s Barber Shop 3562 Greenwood Rd. -S’port	Samaritan Counseling Services 1525 Stephens St. - S’port	Time It Lube 6828 Pines Road - Shreveport
Brigham’s Family Dental Center 2281 Benton Rd - Bossier	Electric Supply Co., Inc. 935 Texas - Shreveport	Highland Supercenter 3001 Highland Ave. - Shreveport	SCDAA / NW LA Chapter 3658 Judson St. - Shreveport	Saturday’s Family Hair Center 2026 Airline Dr - Bossier	Tri-State Physical Therapy 2250 Hospital Dr. #120 - Bossier 1610 E Bert Kouns - Shreveport
Brookdale Bossier 2540 Beene Blvd.	Eric LeBlanc Pediatric Dentistry 2285 Benton Rd- Bossier	Home and Office Storage 411 E. Bert Kouns - Shreveport	Nicholls, Tim M.D. 2551 Greenwood Rd - Shrevepor	Shreveport Family Dental Care 910 Bert Kouns Ind. Loop	24-7 Laundry 163 E. Kings Hwy
Caddo Council on Aging 4015 Greenwood Road, S’port	Evergreen Presbyterian Minis- tries, 2101 Hwy 80 - Haughton	IM Financial 1945 E. 70th St., Suite E - S’port	Northwest LA Baptist Assoc. 5875 W. 70th - Shreveport	S’port/Bossier Rescue Mission 2033 Texas Ave/901 McNeil . - Shreveport	Vitreo-Retinal Associates 836 Olive St.-Shreveport
Caddo Paint 480 E. Bert Kouns Shreveport	Fairmont Apartments - Lobby 726 Cotton St, Shreveport	Innovative Therapies LLC 7330 Fern - Shreveport	Pierremont Eye Institute 7607 Youree Dr. Shreveport, LA 71105	Shreveport Security Solutions 1431 Wilkerson - Shreveport	Walgreen Pharmacy 3555 Greenwood Rd. S’port
Caddo Parish Libraries Check with your local branch	Fitness Lady, 1700 Old Minden Rd. –Suite 180, Bossier City	Jean Simpson Personel - 1318 Shreveport-Barksdale Hwy	Pool of Siloam Medical Ministry 520 Olive Street - S’port	Soap Opera 1210 Airline Dr - Bossier 835 Benton Rd - Bossier 8150 Jewella - Shreveport	Warren West, M.D. 7941 Youree Dr. - Shreveport
Chandler, John M.D. 1519 Doctors Dr. - Bossier	Foster’s Errand Expertise 222-1532 Shreveport	John McKee Pre-owned 2961 E. Texas in Bossier City	Southern Maid Donut Co. 3505 Hearne Ave. - Shreveport 9359 Mansfield Rd	Stormy’s Car Care (Floyd’s) Broadway and Greenwood Rd.	Werntz & Associates, Inc. 2020 E. 70th - Shreveport
Christian Services 1252 Sprague St Shreveport 222-1256	Fuller Center for Housing of Northwest Louisiana 4221 Linwood, Shreveport	John Milkovich, Attorney 656 Jordan - Shreveport			
Consider the Lillies Florist 1500 Benton Road - Bossier	Frisk Airline Chiropractic 2159 Airline Dr. - Bossier	Kings Hwy. Exxon Car Care 760 Kings Hwy, Shreveport			

Local Support Groups

Abortion Recovery – Unplanned Pregnancy: Help is available, free of charge. All calls are confidential. Ark-La-Tex Crisis Pregnancy Center in Shreveport. 861-4600 or hotline # 1-800-395-HELP.
Parenting Education combined with emotional support and practical assistance also available at the Ark-La-Tex Learning Center. 861-3232.

Alzheimer Support – Noon, 2nd Wednesday each month. Hunter Bldg. room 104. Lunch provided for \$7.00. FMI email Pam Crews at pcrews1@gmail.com or call 424-7771. First Methodist Church, downtown Shreveport

Celebrate Recovery

Church at Red River, Faith-based 12 Step Program. Fridays, 6:00 p.m. meal, 6:30 program. 230 Flournoy Lucas Road in Shreveport. Free childcare. 213-3600

First Baptist Bossier – Faith-based 12 Step Program. Mondays, meal at 5:30 prior to meeting at 6:00 p.m. 2810 E. Texas in Bossier. Free childcare. 746-7940

Airline Church of Christ – Faith-based 12 Step Program – Thursdays. Dinner at 5:30 prior to 6:00 meeting. 2125 Airline in Bossier. 746-2645

Bellaire Baptist Church - Faith-based, 12 Step Program. 6:30 on Wednesdays at 1210 Bellaire Blvd. in Bossier.

The Closet - Clothes Ministry

Wednesdays from 11:30 -12:30. Third Wednesday from 11:30 – 4:30. Free clothing for those in need. Open to anyone. FMI call 965-2273. Benton United Methodist Church, in Benton.

Clothing Closet: Each Tuesday from 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Airline Church of Christ, 2125 Airline in Bossier 746-2645

Clothing Room: New Elizabeth Missionary Baptist Church, 2332 Jewella in Shreveport. For more information call 631-8070.

Deaf Ministry - dDeaf Community (that's correct) exists to support the Deaf and Hard of Hearing in the Ark-La-Tex through Friday evening socials, leadership opportunities, serving in the community, worship, Bible study and more. While dDeaf Community is a ministry of First United Methodist Church, one need not be a member to participate. For more info call 424-7771.

DivorceCare Sundays, 4:30 – 5:50 p.m. Room 2S just inside of Entrance 2 near playground. Summer Grove Baptist Church, 8924 Jewella in Shreveport. FMI call 686-1470.

Free Grocery Registration and Distribution

New Vision Community Church-Shreveport

is now an emergency food pantry for the Food Bank of NWLA. Proof of government assistance, income and a valid ID are required to participate. The food distribution days are on the 3rd Saturday of each month from 12-2:00pm. Call 671-4258 FMI.

GEM'S Ministry for children with special needs: We consider it a privilege and a direct call from God to reach out to the families of these children. Contact Mrs. Billie at btate@fumeshreveport.org or call 424-7771 to find out more about this monthly early evening program.

Girlfriend Circle of Hope Cancer Ministry for Women: Encompassing all kinds of women's cancer. Contact Lisa craft at 458-9960 or at prayingthrough@bellsouth.net for more information.

God's Clothes Closet: Low cost, high quality clothing. Open every 1st & 3rd Saturday from 8:00 - 2:00 p.m.. Located at North Shreve Baptist Church, 4930 Old Morningsport Rd, in Shreveport. 318-425-2350.

GriefShare Support Group Tuesdays from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. Room 2S just inside of Entrance 2 near playground. Summer Grove Baptist Church, 8924 Jewella in Shreveport. FMI call 686-1470

GriefShare - Non-denominational support group open to anyone grieving the death of a loved one. Meeting on Sunday nights from 6:00 – 7:30. Begins January 8. FMI call 318-949-9433. Eastwood Baptist Church, 2810 Hwy 80, Haughton

GriefShare: Beginning January 9, GriefShare will meet on Monday nights from 6:00 to 8:00 in room 1308 at Broadmoor Baptist Church, 4110 Youree in Shreveport. Free and open to the public. You can join the group anytime during the 13 weeks. 868-6554

Harvest Kitchen

Free Soup Kitchen for those in need Monday - Thursday from 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. Contact:(318)746-2645
 Airline Drive Church of Christ
 2125 Airline Drive in Bossier

Louisiana Association for the Blind

Providing employment and rehabilitation services for people with vision impairment. 1714 Claiborne Avenue, Shreveport, LA 71103 - 318.698.2300

Mary's House – Pregnancy Care Center

Free pregnancy tests, free ultrasounds, free peer counseling. Visit maryshouseofla.org for more information or call 220-8009. Open Fridays 9:00 - 4:00 and Saturdays 9:00 – 12:00 noon.

Ministry of St. Vincent DePaul:

Groceries, clothing, and household items for those in need. Apply for assistance by calling 865-7807 between 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Mustard Seed

Free medical care for those who can't afford it. 2nd and 4th Thursdays from 1:00-4:00 p.m. Contact: (318)746-2645.
 Airline Drive Church of Christ; 2125 Airline Drive in Bossier

Overeaters Anonymous

Local Hotline # 318-677-4002

Shreveport Meetings:

Sunday - Broadmoor Library, 1212 Captain Shreve, 3:00 p.m. 869-0120

Monday - Adult Building at Broadmoor Presbyterian Church, 1915 Grover, 7:00 p.m. Wednesday - Room 1203-E at Broadmoor Baptist Church, 4110 Youree, 5:30 p.m. 868-6552

Overcomers Recovery Support-12 Step Program

Word of Life Center, 687-4777, 4425 Merriwether Road, Shreveport, Mondays 7:00-9:00 p.m. Building at back of church property.

Cowboy Outreach and Arena of Life Church 1130 Stewart Rd. in Haughton, 949-1539.

Souper Saturday

Servers meet at 7:30 a.m. the last Saturday of each month to deliver soup, sandwiches, fruit and a snack to area homebound residents. If you or someone you know would benefit from this service, or would like to serve, call 965-2273. Benton United Methodist Church.

St. Luke's Episcopal Mobile Medical Ministry

(stlukesmedicalministry.org) offers free health screenings for blood pressure, elevated cholesterol, and diabetes, and also clinical breast exams to uninsured and low- income individuals in Shreveport/Bossier. No appointment necessary. FMI see St. Luke's Episcopal Mobile Medical Ministry on Facebook. (318) 674-9747. If you are interested in partnering with us, call Betty Johnson, Executive Director at 424-0156 or send e-mail to office@stlukesmedicalministry.org.

Substance Abuse Counseling- Professional faith-based counseling available to individuals, families, and groups of all sizes. FMI or to schedule an appointment, call (318) 221-6121 – Samaritan Counseling Center, 525 Stephens in Shreveport.

The Table Food Ministries

3rd Wednesday of each month from 12:30-4 p.m. Monthly food distribution for those in need. Application required. FMI call 965-2273. Benton United Methodist Church.

Community Calendar

Mom's Day Out: Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. till 2:00 p.m. FMI call 742-1641. Barksdale Baptist Church, 1741 Jimmy Davis Hwy. in Bossier.

Men's Prayer Breakfast: Every Thursday morning, an informal meeting at 6:00 to share a delicious breakfast and then pray. Men, it is usually over by 7:00 a.m. so you can still make it to work on time. For more information call 929-4312. Join us at Cross Brand Cowboy Church, located at the corner of Attaway and Maple St. in Blanchard.

"Put Your Best Fork Forward" - National Nutrition Month Educational Seminar: Saturday, March 4th at 9:00 a.m. Making informed choices now helps improve health, now and in the future. Speaker, Grey Rogers, MPH, RD, LDN, CHC. Open to the public. \$3.00 tasting fee. RSVP required. Call 747-1897. Fitness Lady, 1700 Old Minden Rd. in Bossier.

The Bowling Green State University Men's Chorus in Concert: Sunday, March 5 at 4:00 p.m. The varied program spans from Renaissance music, to music by living composers, to barbershop. This 50-voice touring chorus is conducted by Tim Cloeter. Admission is free. (A free will offering will be taken.) Immanuel Lutheran Church, 2565 Airline Dr. in Bossier.

HOSTS - Highland Open Studio Tours Sunday: March 12 from Noon - 4:00 p.m. in Shreveport. See page 5.

Beast Feast: March 12 at 4:30. See ad on page 5

Youth Rummage Sale: March 18, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. They will have a selection of all sorts of stuff that you'll just have to have. Plan on being there. Barksdale Baptist Church, 1741 Jimmie Davis Highway in Bossier.

First Spring Revival: March 21-23 at 7 p.m. Guest evangelist, Reverend Dr. Robert L. Jemerson out of San Antonio, Texas. Stonewall Baptist

Church, 807 Eatman St. in Bossier City. For more information call 742-0807.

Ballet Magnificat presents "Hiding Place:" The Story of Corrie Ten Boom. March 24. See page 7.

Cowboy Play Day: March 25th at 1:00 p.m. Free admission and free entry. Four age groups: Lead line thru Adults. Obstacle course and four timed events. Ribbons: 1st - 6th. Bring your lawn chairs; it will be a fun time for participates and spectators. Concessions available. For more information call 929-2346. Co-Hosted by Cross Brand Cowboy Church & Yatasi Indian Horse Club. Event at Cross Brand Cowboy Church, located at the corner of Attaway and Maple St in Blanchard.

Bossier City Farmer's Market: Opening April 1st. Hours, 9 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. in the south parking lot of Pierre Bossier Mall. There's space for up to 200 vendors, and includes farmers with fresh fruits and vegetables, makers, hobbyists, baked goods, entrepreneurs, crafters, honey, handmade soap, artists, restaurants, food trucks with Louisiana cooking, and much more. The market will run from April 1- November 25.

"Red Carpet Event" - 7th Annual Daddy-Daughter Banquet: An area-wide event, Sunday, April 2nd from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Bossier Convention Center. Bring your daughter for a wonderful evening of dinner, dancing and a souvenir photo. Tickets are available online and during the week in the church office for \$40 per couple + \$10 per additional daughter. Deadline to purchase tickets is Tues, March 28. FMI call 746-7940 or visit firstbossier.com

Sewing classes: As a method of raising funds, the Restoration Crisis Center is offering beginner and advanced sewing lessons to the public. Classes will be held on Mondays and Fridays from 12:00 - 3:00 p.m.. Cost, \$50.00 a month. Christ Center Church, 6808 Jefferson Paige Rd. in Shreveport. For more information call 525-9000.

Forever FREE

We need more Christians involved in Reentry on a city and state level. Forever FREE is connecting Christians to help set the captives free in Christ by sharing HISStory. Please put these opportunities on your prayer list, calendar and social media and join with Forever FREE. God is opening up the doors! Become an active part of what is being done for social justice, to STOP Human Trafficking and help those who are imprisoned. If you are an interested individual, or student, we need researchers, writers, computer data entry people and speakers. To announce workshops, events, etc. through Forever FREE or if you're looking for speakers, call Jan Core, 318-458-2863, ServeOurSavior@att.net Isaiah 61:1 NIV "The Spirit of the Sovereign LORD is on me, because the LORD has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners..."

- **Coalition to End Human Trafficking in NW Louisiana Meeting:** Thursday, March 9, 1:00 p.m. Open to the public. At this meeting, learn about new resources, sharing referral information, new shelters. Get updates on local anti-trafficking information, the SPD Prostitution Diversion Program, and FREE's strategic plan for 2017. YWCA of Northwest Louisiana, 850-B Olive Street, Shreveport, LA.
- **Northwest Louisiana Reentry Coalition Meeting:** Tuesday, March 21 (and every third Tues.) at 10:00 a.m. Open to the public. Learn what is happening with: the Shreveport Police Department

Prostitution Diversion Program; Purchased; and Louisiana Baptist University Prison Ministries partnership with Exodus Prison Ministry's Bible Correspondence School (which allows inmates to earn a BA, Masters and even PhD degrees); and Proven Prison Programs like Celebrate Recovery Inside, Jobs for Life, and more. Meeting at Goodwill Job/Administration Center, 800 W. 70th St. in Shreveport.

- **Sex Trafficking – Surviving to Thriving Meeting:** Wednesday, March 29 from 10:00 a.m. till noon. Open to the public. Learn about the extent of sex trafficking in our community, and how to recognize signs and red flags. Speakers: Laurie McGehee, Shobana Powell, Brittany Pearson, and representatives from Caddo Parish Juvenile Services, and FREE Coalition. Hear from a survivor how "Purchased: Not for Sale" helps women in the sex industry and victims of sex trafficking connect with all things necessary to break free and live as God created them to live. RSVP to YWCANorthwestLA.Eventbrite.com. BHP Billiton, 1000 E. Preston in Shreveport.
- **REAL (Reentry Alliance of Louisiana) Statewide Conference:** April 25-26 at LSUS. Meet Consultant Dennis Shrantz with the Center for Justice Innovation. Shrantz was hired by Governor Edwards to help lower Louisiana's incarceration and recidivism rates. Caddo Parish is sadly, number 2 in our state on this horrific ladder of failure. LA has the most incarcerated people and highest recidivism per capita in the nation. For more information contact Patricia Williams at 318-629-5932.

PROGRAM GUIDE

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SOMETHING WORTH LISTENING TO

MONDAY - FRIDAY

In the Morning...

- 6:00 MORNING DEVOTIONAL - JIM BRACKMAN
- 6:03 RENEWING YOUR MIND - R.C. SPROUL
- 6:30 PRECEPTS FOR LIFE - KAY ARTHUR
- 6:55 MISSION NETWORK NEWS
- 7:00 FOCUS ON THE FAMILY- JIM DALY
- 7:30 IN TOUCH - CHARLES STANLEY
- 8:00 GRACE TO YOU - JOHN MACARTHUR
- 8:30 LOVE WORTH FINDING - ADRIAN ROGERS
- 9:00 JUST THINKING - RAVI ZACHARIAS
- 9:15 KEY LIFE - STEVE BROWN
- 9:30 FAMILY LIFE TODAY- DENNIS RAINEY
- 10:00 FAMILY TALK- JAMES DOBSON
- 10:30 REVIVE OUR HEARTS- NANCY LEIGH DEMOSS
- 11:00 WASHINGTON WATCH DAILY - TONY PERKINS
- 11:30 WALLBUILDERS LIVE - DAVID BARTON

In the Afternoon...

- 12:00 INSIGHT FOR LIVING - CHARLES SWINDOLL
- 12:30 TURNING POINT - DAVID JEREMIAH
- 1:00 POINT OF VIEW - KERBY ANDERSON
- 2:05 THE DAVE RAMSEY SHOW
- 4:00 JUST THINKING - RAVI ZACHARIAS
- 4:15 BARNABAS CENTER MINISTRIES - JIM BRACKMAN
- 4:30 FOCUS ON THE FAMILY- JIM DALY
- 5:00 URBAN ALTERNATIVE - TONY EVANS
- 5:30 RENEWING YOUR MIND - R,C, SPROUL
- 6:00 GRACE TO YOU - JOHN MACARTHUR
- 6:30 SIGN OFF

SUNDAY

In the Morning...

- 6:00 GRACE TO YOU - JOHN MACARTHUR
- 6:30 BREAKPOINT THIS WEEK- ERIC METAXAS
- 7:00 LOVE WORTH FINDING - ADRIAN ROGERS
- 7:30 FAMILY LIFE TODAY- DENNIS RAINEY
- 8:00 LET MY PEOPLE THINK- RAVI ZACHARIAS
- 8:30 IN TOUCH - CHARLES STANLEY
- 9:00 FOCUS ON THE FAMILY WEEKEND
- 10:00 THE FIRST WORD - FIRST BAPTIST BOSSIER
- 11:00 TURNING POINT WEEKEND
- 11:30 PRECEPTS FOR LIFE - KAY ARTHUR

In the Afternoon...

- 12:00 WASHINGTON WATCH WEEKLY - TONY PERKINS
- 12:30 CHRISTIAN WORLDVIEW - DAVID WHEATON
- 1:30 UNSHACKLED - PACIFIC GARDEN MISSION
- 2:00 RANGER BILL
- 2:30 ADVENTURES IN ODYSSEY
- 3:00 FOCUS ON THE FAMILY RADIO THEATRE
- 3:30 FOCUS ON THE FAMILY WEEKEND
- 4:30 IN TOUCH WITH CHARLES STANLEY
- 5:00 ROAD TO REALITY - K.P. YOHANNAN
- 5:30 GRACE TO YOU - JOHN MACARTHUR
- 6:00 LOVE WORTH FINDING - ADRIAN ROGERS
- 6:30 SIGN OFF

STREAMING FROM 6:00 A.M. TILL MIDNIGHT AT WWW.KBCLTHEBRIDGE.ORG

SATURDAY

In the Morning...

- 6:00 THE C.A.R. SHOW - ROGER KWAPICH
- 7:00 WASHINGTON WATCH WEEKLY - TONY PERKINS
- 8:00 CHRISTIAN WORLDVIEW - DAVID WHEATON
- 9:00 POINT OF VIEW - KERBY ANDERSON
- 11:00 WASHINGTON WATCH DAILY - TONY PERKINS

In the Afternoon...

- 12:00 WASHINGTON WATCH WEEKLY - TONY PERKINS
- 12:30 WALK IN THE WORD - JAMES MACDONALD
- 1:00 PRECEPTS FOR LIFE - KAY ARTHUR
- 1:30 MOODY RADIO THEATRE
- 2:00 FOCUS ON THE FAMILY RADIO THEATRE
- 2:30 RANGER BILL
- 3:00 ADVENTURES IN ODYSSEY
- 3:30 ROAD TO REALITY - K.P. YOHANNAN
- 4:00 LET MY PEOPLE THINK- RAVI ZACHARIAS
- 4:30 THE DAVE RAMSEY SHOW
- 6:30 SIGN OFF

WEEKDAY PM STREAMING SCHEDULE

- 6:30 FAMILY LIFE TODAY
- 7:00 REVIVE OUR HEARTS
- 7:30 IN TOUCH
- 8:00 WASHINGTON WATCH
- 9:00 WALLBUILDERS LIVE
- 9:30 LOVE WORTH FINDING
- 10:00 WALK IN THE WORD
- 10:30 TURNING POINT
- 11:00 JUST THINKING
- 11:15 BARNABAS CENTER MINISTRIES
- 11:30 URBAN ALTERNATIVE
- 12:00 SIGN OFF

SATURDAY PM STREAMING SCHEDULE

- 6:30 THE DAVE RAMSEY SHOW (CONT)
- 7:00 MOODY RADIO THEATRE
- 8:00 ADVENTURES IN ODYSSEY
- 8:30 ROAD TO REALITY - GFA
- 9:00 WASHINGTON WATCH
- 9:30 LET MY PEOPLE THINK
- 10:00 POINT OF VIEW
- 12:00 SIGN OFF

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