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# SEVEN SNARES IN RELATING TO THE PERSECUTED CHURCH

The following article is adapted from an editorial appearing on the SAT7 website, **WAZALA**<sup>1</sup>. The original article was written by a contributor from the Middle East, and adapted for INcontext Ministries by Mike Burnard who has served persecuted believers across the globe for more than 25 years.



***“Last year alone, ninety three members of my congregation were killed. The threat is particularly great for those who convert to Christianity. I baptized thirteen adults secretly last year. Eleven of them were dead within a week.”***

*Canon Andrew White, speaking about his church in Baghdad, Iraq*

The Body of Christ is so much more than a local church that meets on Sundays – it is a global body built up of all those who call Him Lord and Saviour. We are called to be one, and it is only together that we make sense and that we function effectively. This, however, is easier said than done. Even when we sincerely want to be there for our brothers and sisters elsewhere in the world, the manner in which we help and the kind of help we should offer requires careful reflection.

It is clear that religious persecution is increasing in the world. A new study by the Pew Research Center<sup>2</sup> (January 2014) indicates that the number of countries with a high or very high level of social hostilities involving religion reached a six-year peak in 2012. One third of the 198 states included in the study experienced high levels of hostility on religious grounds. According to their previous report, ***74% of the world's population (nearly 5.1 billion people) live in countries where there are high levels of restrictions on religious freedom***<sup>3</sup>.

During the last two months, developments in Iraq and Syria have affected the situation of Christians in heartbreaking ways. We hear reports of extreme suffering almost every day, and the natural response is a desire to do our best to support, reach and encourage those affected. But responding to the suffering of the Persecuted Church brings a host of challenges and risks that, if not addressed, will continue to undermine our good intentions and bring more harm than blessing.

Below are some of the areas where we may be challenged to reflect on current practises and to develop more ethical positions:

## 1. DEMONISING PERSECUTION

A major obstacle to a full Biblical understanding of the divine function of persecution is a western theology that ‘demonises’, avoids and misinterprets hardship, risk, suffering and sacrifice. This attitude nullifies God’s design for the advance of His Kingdom and the making of disciples through the suffering of His saints. We really need to understand this. ***Salvation came through the cross and therefore has to be displayed through the cross.*** Persecution is not a curse.

**Colossians 1:24** captures a key principle in understanding persecution: *“And now I am happy about my sufferings for you, for by means of my physical sufferings I am helping to complete what is still lacking of Christ's sufferings on behalf of his body, the church.”*

Of this scripture, John Piper says the following: “Paul’s self understanding of his mission is this: that he is called by his suffering to complete the afflictions of Christ on the cross. That’s a design. This does not mean he atones for anybody’s sin or that Christ’s atoning death was in any way deficient. It means this. That the afflictions of Christ, acted out by Him in FULLY atoning worth are meant to be displayed and portrayed by His suffering Church for the ingathering of the nations. The one thing lacking in the sufferings of Christ Jesus is that His fully atoning love offering needs to be presented in person through missionaries to the peoples for whom He died. And Paul says, “I do this in my sufferings. In my sufferings I complete what is lacking in the sufferings of Christ.” This means that Christ intends for the Great Commission to be a presentation to the nations of the sufferings of His cross through the sufferings of His people. That is the way it will be finished. If you sign up for the Great Commission, that is what you sign up for. To put it more plainly and specifically, God designs that the suffering of His ministers and missionaries is

<sup>1</sup> [http://www.wazala.org/2014-06-testimonies-that-build-the-hearer-but-break-the-teller/?utm\\_source=July+2014+Wazala+Email&utm\\_campaign=July+2014+Wazala+Email&utm\\_medium=email](http://www.wazala.org/2014-06-testimonies-that-build-the-hearer-but-break-the-teller/?utm_source=July+2014+Wazala+Email&utm_campaign=July+2014+Wazala+Email&utm_medium=email)

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.pewforum.org/2014/01/14/religious-hostilities-reach-six-year-high/>

<sup>3</sup> <http://www.pewforum.org/2013/06/20/arab-spring-restrictions-on-religion-findings/>

one essential means in the joyful triumphant spread of the Gospel among all the peoples of the world. It is the means and the design for the Persecuted Church within the Kingdom of God, to reflect the cross to those who are longing for forgiveness and salvation.”

## 2. SENSATIONALISING PERSECUTION



There is always a subtle danger that compassion and anguish could be replaced by sensationalism – the sharing of stories in a way that provokes public interest, excitement or outrage at the expense of other factors like accuracy and integrity. While this mainly refers to the way in which media reports stories, it also relates the reason why – and manner in which – we share information within our own personal networks. It also impacts the way in which we personally pray and personally respond to the needs of the persecuted Church.

When Meriam Ibrahim<sup>4</sup> was recently sentenced to death for apostasy in Sudan, there was a global outcry that spanned cultures and nations. On one hand, this response was wonderful, but on the other, there was something sad about it. It was encouraging to see how awareness of Meriam’s situation grew, and how the global body of Christ expressed their solidarity with her and her family. Her case brought about a new wave of awareness of the persecution that many Christians face, and the global outcry helped towards securing her release on 25 June 2014. Sadly, however, the dust seemed to settle immediately after her release. The response to Meriam’s situation did not result in further action against the wider issue of Christian persecution, and few voices have been heard since in support of other prisoners like Asia Bibi<sup>5</sup> (who has spent the past four years of her life in a prison in Pakistan) and Behnam Irani<sup>6</sup> and Saeed Abedini<sup>7</sup> (who are both suffering severe torture in Iranian prisons). What made Meriam’s case different? Much had to do with the fact that she was pregnant and gave birth in prison, which played in perfectly to the global media’s sensationalist tendencies.

Was the response of the body of Christ rooted in anguish or in concern? The two emotions may seem similar, but there is a subtle yet marked difference. **Christians in the ‘free world’ are increasingly immersed in a culture that constantly draws our attentions and emotions from one thing to another, and anguish will be the difference that allows Christians to respond in a godly manner, rather than a worldly one.** The media can be accused of pursuing sensationalist stories that play on human emotions in order to generate a temporary public response, but the reality is that our human nature is drawn to the ‘big stories’ until something else claims our attention and emotion and concern. Only when we actively ask God to move us from a place of concern to a place of anguish will we be able to “pray without ceasing” (1 Thessalonians 5:17) for people like Meriam Ibrahim, Asia Bibi, Behnam Irani, Saeed Abedini and the countless, nameless other members of the body of Christ who are suffering and in need of support.

## 3. “CLICKTIVATING” PERSECUTION

“Clicktivism” – the act of engaging with a cause via online petitions or social media – is closely related to human leaning towards sensationalism and has become a conscience-soothing alternative for “activism”. Clicktivism offers **the appearance of ‘doing something’**, and is a very common modern day danger when it comes to responding to Christian persecution.

When the 200-plus schoolgirls were kidnapped from Chibok in April 2014, it drew international outrage in the early days after the news hit the global media. In a short space of time, the social media Twitter hashtag #BringBackOurGirls became a top trend among international leaders like Michelle Obama as well as numerous celebrities – by 11 May it had attracted 2.3 million tweets, and it has been described as one of the world’s biggest social media campaigns. But Boko Haram did not bring back the girls, and the unresolved kidnapping saw a massive decline on social media platforms as well as mainstream news media reports.

Dan Hodges, in an opinion piece for *The Telegraph*, comments on the problem of social media when it comes to the global response to things like the Nigerian schoolgirl kidnapping: “[Facebook and Twitter can] bring to people’s attention vital issues that would previously have been ignored, or if communicated via traditional media outlets, [would have] resulted in a giant global shrug. “That’s terrible. But what can we do?” But as we’ve seen, what Twitter and Facebook give with one hand, they take with the other. As soon as their focus shifts, so does ours. And the very nature of the medium – fast, transient, superficial – means that focus never stays in the same place for long.”

Awareness is good, and the signing of online petitions is not a bad thing. If, however, that is where the engagement of the global body of Christ stops – then it is a problem.



## 4. CONSUMING PERSECUTION



A concerning trend in the publications, conferences and media reports on persecution is that very often there is a self-centred approach that ultimately benefits the readers/listeners more than the persecuted. A significant proportion of 'persecuted news' tends to focus on personal testimonies, which is understandable since abstract numbers and analysis are rarely as engaging as human stories.

However, this brings a serious ethical challenge. The most popular stories are often ones that include supernatural accounts and heroic resolutions, and not all stories do. Publications often present these events to the reader as an encouragement or challenge to greater faith. ***This reduces reports of persecution to objects of consumption by the Western Church for our own encouragement or spiritual journey, whereas our encouragement should only be a by-product, not the main focus.*** We report stories of persecution because the body of Christ is suffering and asking for us to be with them, to help them, to pray, to lobby and to share their suffering.

This consumer attitude has also resulted in a trade that can simply be described as a "Persecuted-Route" travel industry. Countless Christians going on 'short term outreaches' to the Persecuted Church that result in little action but much 'personal growth'. Personal testimonies become more important than post-visit involvement and the strengthening of those who are at the point of death.

## 5. ROMANTICISING PERSECUTION

The same consumer-based approach to reporting stories of persecution often 'romanticises' suffering. The storyline follows like this: there is suffering but in the thick of it Christians are happy and full of faith – even though it is bad, the Church grows under persecution. Sadly, this is only true sometimes and in some places. Many Christians lose their faith or suffer to such a level that they carry the scars and pain for a lifetime. There are more incidents of churches being wiped out through persecution than those that see church growth. ***There is nothing romantic about Christians being jailed, tortured and raped.*** And those that suffer such horrendous persecution may also feel the pressure to fit their experiences into *our storyline* and what we expect of them. Their psychological suffering, doubts, questions and walking away from the faith are hardly mentioned in our reporting. This raises serious questions about how genuine our care for the people actually is, beyond their 'story'.

## 6. EMPLOYING PERSECUTION

Sadly, raising funds for the Persecuted Church has also become a lucrative 'business', with some organisations and individuals enriching themselves through the needs of those who suffer extreme hardships and suffering.

A Jewish Rabbi was once asked to comment after watching a video showing how a TV evangelist visited Nigeria to pray for the sick. Before and after praying, the evangelist took up an offering from the poor to "secure their healing". He arrived at the meeting in a helicopter, dressed in a fancy suit, and returned to his 5-star hotel after the meeting in the same fashion, just a little richer. The sick left in the same way that they arrived – destitute, poor and desperate. The only words the Rabbi said after watching the video were the following: ***"I pray to God in heaven that there will be a special place in hell for those who enrich themselves through the needs of others."***

This should be a caution for all who dare to speak on behalf of those who carry the cross of Christ. May our actions always be in service of those of whom we speak or write, and may our sharing of their suffering always be to their benefit, not ours.

## 7. 'RELATIVISING' PERSECUTION

Another problematic trend is the growing belief that while Christians are persecuted elsewhere in the world, believers suffer equally in the West too. Some suggest that it can be more difficult to be a 'faithful Christian' in the developed world with all its freedoms and wealth and social opposition than in a poor country with active persecution. Yes, it is true that Christianity is losing its privileged position in countries like the US and UK, but while Western Christians in some contexts may feel under

pressure to compromise or deny their faith, we cannot say we are persecuted or are facing the levels of hostility experienced by millions of Christians around the world.



To argue that materialism and wealth somehow make it more difficult to follow Christ than when living in circumstances of daily fear or desperate poverty is deeply problematic, both theologically and ethically. *It dismisses or diminishes the actual sufferings of our fellow believers and turns us into victims.* This results in apathy towards the suffering of the global Church and encourages us to be insular and self-obsessed. It is empirically wrong (following Christ is *not* normally difficult in the West) and ethically corrupt (they, not we, are being victimised and we are the ones in a position to help).

## CONCLUSION

These seven 'danger areas' challenge us to consider honestly how we relate to the Persecuted Church, what motivates us to share about their suffering, and the manner in which we go about speaking or writing on their behalf. They are important questions to ask, too, of the speakers, publishers and charities that bring us reports on persecution, so that we can truly stand alongside our suffering brothers and sisters with genuine anguish, prayer and action (1 Corinthians 12:26, Hebrews 13:3).

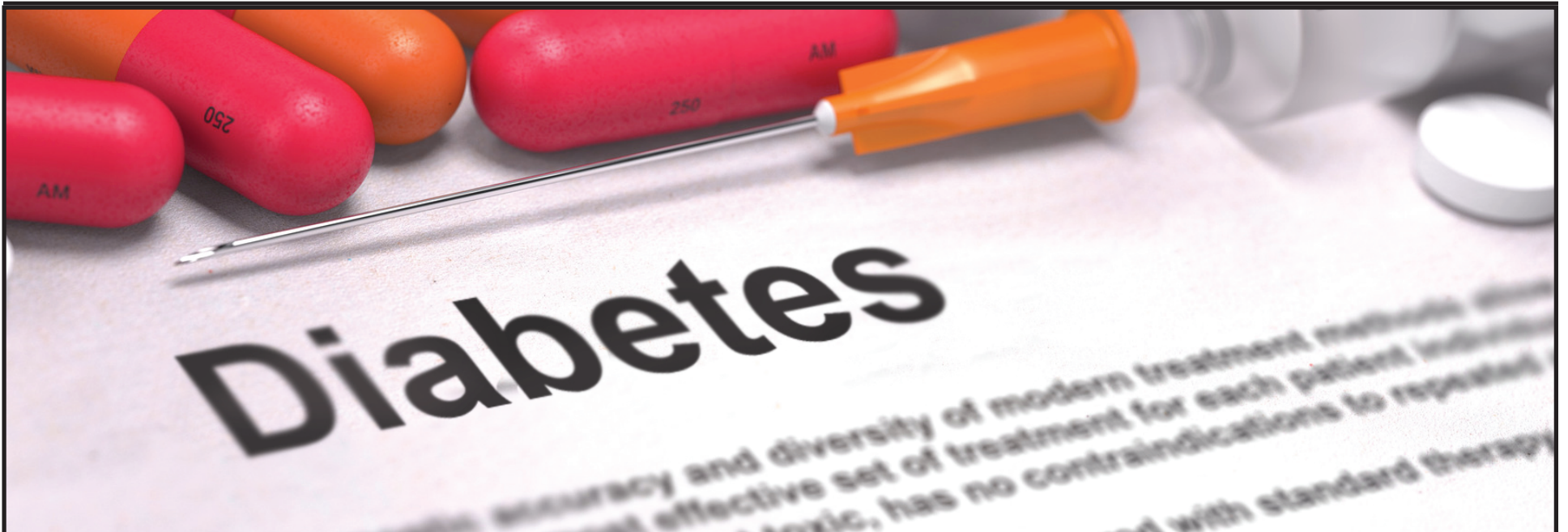


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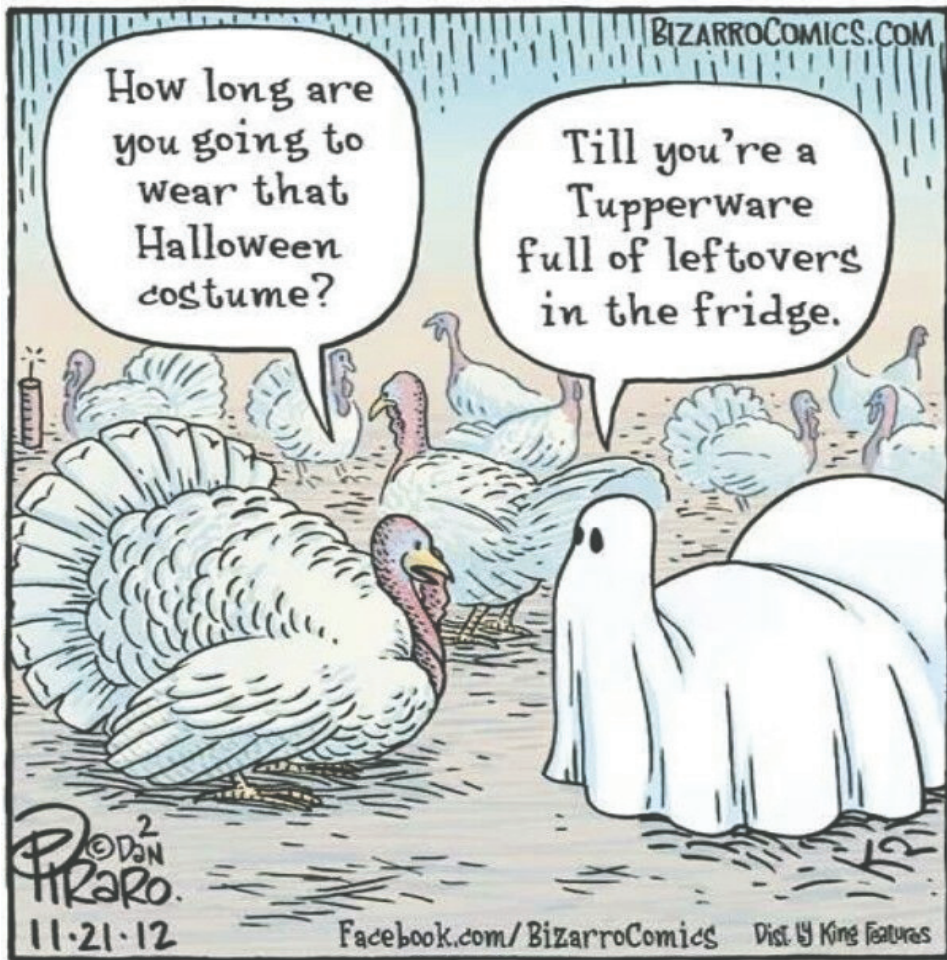
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## Defending the Faith - Linking Culture with Truth

### Thinking Clearly about Science The Origin of Life

by  
Stephen R. Patton, M.D.

Debate abounds concerning the topic of evolution. Previous articles in this column have addressed aspects of this subject such as the fossil record, by presenting scientific findings favoring miraculous creation while heavily disfavoring evolution. Another area of debate involves the subject of origins, the beginning of first life. A book-length treatment on this subject has been written in understandable terms by Fuzle Rana, PhD, and Hugh Ross, PhD, titled *Origins of Life*. These authors work through the science-faith think tank, Reasons to Believe, which advances the premise that the record of nature (science) and the Bible cannot be in conflict because they were both written by the same Author.

Evolution assumes that one animal species gave rise to more complex species through mutation of existing DNA. But how and when did the very first DNA molecule and other building blocks of life first come into existence? That's the subject of origins. Evolutionists say DNA developed by random process from inert chemicals present on the early earth. After that, somehow (always somehow), these enormously complex molecules turned into simple cells over time. But exactly what were these chemical steps? What follows are just a few of the problematic areas in science which make an evolutionary explanation of origins extremely unlikely and a special creation explanation far more plausible.

Experiments in the 1950's were done where mixtures of gasses believed to be present in the ancient earth's atmosphere were subjected to electrical currents simulating lightening. Supposedly, amino acids and other building blocks of life were formed in this manner creating a "soup" from which life "emerged". Subsequent knowledge of the early earth's actual atmospheric composition, however, has rendered such experiments irrelevant. Also, analysis of the earth's oldest rocks simply bears no chemical evidence that such a soup ever existed.

Another problem for the evolutionists is that the earth's oldest fossils of stromatolites, sheets of blue-green algae, date to about 3.5 billion years ago. These fossil remains are clearly seen in the earth's oldest rocks as fully-formed, complex cellular organisms much like they are today.

Even before then, there is chemical evidence now that life existed as long as 3.8 billion years ago. How so? Well, living organisms prefer carbon 12 to carbon 13 and when they die their biodeposits reflect this preference. Measurement now of the most ancient carbon deposits of 3.8 billion years old reflect this same preference. This helps show that life only came from life and not some lifeless "primordial soup".

Before 3.8 billion years ago, the earth was simply too hot to permit any life. So if life suddenly appeared as soon as conditions allowed, when was there time for it to emerge from inert chemicals? Well, there wasn't any time. So scientific discovery has demonstrated there wasn't any time and there wasn't any soup to explain origins from an evolutionary viewpoint. Creation is the better explanation. Science, therefore, harmonizes with the Bible as scripture says about the fifth day of creation: "Then God said, Let the waters teem with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth..." (Gen 1: 20 NASB)

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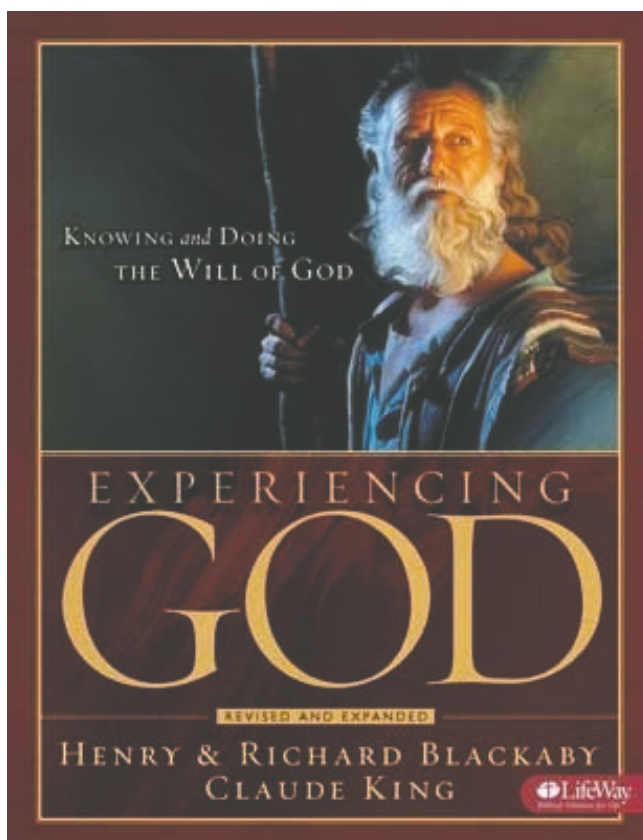




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746-2291  
Harvest Temple COGIC 1633 Benton Rd.  
742-7616  
House of Purpose Full Gospel 805 Eatman  
549-0303  
Immanuel Lutheran 2565 Airline Dr.  
(Sun) 8am, 10:45am, (Wed) 6 & 7pm  
746-7683  
Living Word Family Church 4501 Shed Rd.  
746-1793  
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](http://www.newzionbaptist.org)  
Northpoint Community Church  
4204 Airline Drive 742-9565  
Open Door Bible Church, 950 Swan Lake Rd,  
9:30 am SS; 11:00 am Worship Service  
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  
Simple Church LA Boardwalk Regal  
Theater (Sun) 9:30 and 10:30 am.  
752-2320 (Also in Shreveport)  
Stonewall Baptist 807 Eatman  
742-0807  
South Bossier Baptist 1155 Sligo Rd  
§ 9:30am, (Sun) 10:45 741-5651  
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.  
(Sun) 10:45am, 6:30pm, § at 9:30am  
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.  
918-0415  
Haughton United Methodist 215 E. McKinley  
Ave. (Sun) 11am  
949-3612

## THE BRIDGE - Building Community in Shreveport Bossier

Love Chapel United Methodist 2001 Forest  
Hills (Sun) 9 & 11am  
949-0430  
New Beginnings Community Church  
225 Mahaffey  
(Sun) 11:00am and 6:00pm Wed 6:30 pm  
393-2489  
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  
(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 Christian 6005 Youree Dr.  
865-9431 [www.bchrist.org](http://www.bchrist.org)  
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](http://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  
(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  
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church  
8895 Youree Dr. 71115  
SS 9:15 Worship 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.  
797-9402  
Hope Community Church of God  
3247 Bert Kouns SS 9:30 Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Wed 6:30 p.m. 688-4970  
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  
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 8410 Kingston Rd (Sun) 11am, (Tue) 7pm, (Wed) 6pm 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 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 North Shreve Baptist 4930 Old Mooringsport 425-2350 North Star Baptist 5304 Jewella (Sun) 11am, § 9:30am 631-1154 Northview Assembly of God 3627 N. Market St. 424-7580	Oakmont Church of God 5925 W 70th St 687-5243 Paradise Baptist Church 1706 Hollywood 636-5356 Sunday: 9:15 and 11:00 a.m. Mon- day: Bible Study 6:00 p.m. Pinecroft Baptist 8002 Jewella Ave 686-5200 Pleasant Hill Baptist 4670 Lakeshore Dr. 636-6000 Praise Temple Full Gospel Baptist Cathedral Corporate Headquarters 4725 Greenwood Road 631-5683 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. Rose Park Baptist 5560 Buncombe Rd 687-8272 Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic 4736 Lyba (Sat) 4:30pm (Sun) 9am, 11:30am. 635-2121 St Andrew Presbyterian Church 3625 N. Market 221-3357 Saint Luke's Methodist 6012 Youree 868-3613 St. Mary AME Church 1603 Rex Ave. S S 9:30am Worship 11am Wed B S 6:30. 222-3997 St. Matthias Episcopal Church 3301 St. Matthias Drive Wed., 6:00 pm, Sun., 8:00 am and 10:15 am 318-635-5354 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 - pastordblake@gmail.com St. Nicholas Orthodox Christian 9100 Youree (Sun)10:00 a.m., SS 11:30; Wed-Sat. 6:00	797-2226 Saint Paul's Episcopal 275 Southfield Rd (Sun) 8 & 10:30am, (Wed) 10am 865-8469 St. Paul Lutheran M S 4175 Lakeshore Dr. (Sun)10:00 a.m., § 9:00am 636-2310 Salvation Army 200 E. Stoner 429-7463 Shiloh Baptist 421 Webster (Sun) 11am, § 9:30am, (Wed, Thu) 6pm 635-8543 Showers of Blessing Ministries 6500 Fairfield Ave (Sun) 9:30 & 11am, 7pm, (Thu) 7pm 861-2472 Shreve City Baptist 2810 Knight St 865-5661 Shreveport Baptist Temple 288 Flournoy Lucas, Shreveport 686-5538 Shreveport Community Church 5720 Buncombe Rd 671-7100 Springs of Grace 6300 Hearne Ave (Sun) 9:30am, 10:30am. Evening 5:00pm. (Wed) 6:15 pm. 635-9723 Stoner Hill Baptist Church 1201 Cornwell Ave. Sunday 8:30, 9:30, 11:00 a.m. Wed. 6:00p.m. 221-9871 Summer Grove Baptist South Park Mall, 8924 Jewella Avenue 686-1470 Summer Grove United Methodist 9119 Dean Rd. (Sun) 9am, SS 10am, (CS) 11am, Y 4pm 686-2514 The Rock Family Center 2837 Summer Grove Dr. in Shreveport (Sun) 10:30am, (Wed) 7pm	518-8603 The Simple Church Shreveport Convention Center - 8:30, 9:30 and Tinseltown - 9:30, 10:30. 752-2320 Trinity Baptist Church 5895 Bert Kouns Ind. Loop, 71129. (Sun) 9:30am, 10:30am, 6:30 pm. Wednesday, 6:30pm. 686-2300 Trinity Heights Baptist 3820 Old Mooringsport 221-2695 United House of Prayer 2888 Lakeview Rd (Tues) 7pm, (Fri) 7pm, (Sun) 10am 424-9555 Unity of Faith Baptist Church 272 E. 78th St. SS 9:30 Worship 10:45 - Thurs. 6:00 p.m 512-5366 University Church of Christ - 2045 E. 70th St. 797-6333 Vineyard 613 Ashbourne Dr (Sun) 10:30am 868-4991 Western Hills Baptist 4153 Pines Rd 636-2408 Westview Christian 7188 Greenwood Rd 635-0356 Willow Point Baptist 5500 S. Lakeshore Dr. (Sun) 10:45am, 5pm, (Wed) 6:15pm 631-8500 Woodridge Baptist 850 E. Bert Kouns 861-3519 Word of God Ministries 6645 Industrial Loop Sun. 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.; Wed 6:30pm 364-8977 Word of Deliverance Family Life Church - 5700 W 70th Wed 6:00 Sun 10:30 Word Of Life Center 4425 Meriwether Rd, 71109 Sun. 9 & 10:45 a.m. Wed 7 p.m. 688-4411
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THE BRIDGE can be found at the following businesses:

Adam's Eye Care 1911 Benton Rd - Bossier	Consider the Lillies Florist 1500 Benton Road - Bossier	Gateway Tire and Service Center 1005 Shreveport/Barksdale Hwy Glass Services 2100 E Texas St - Bossier 1118 E. Bert Kouns - Shreveport	Kings Hwy. Exxon Car Care 760 Kings Hwy, Shreveport Kitchens, Benton, Kitchens, & Black 2120 Airline Dr - Bossier Lake Life Development Center 700 Pierre Ave - Shreveport	Pool of Siloam Medical Ministry 4140 Greenwood Road - S'port	Stormy's Car Care ( Floyd's) Broadway and Greenwood Rd.
Ainsworth Hair Color Salon 401 Hamilton Rd. Suite 118 -Bos.	Cormier Family Dentistry 5839 E. Kings Highway - S'port	Glenview Garden Retirement 4828 Medical Dr - Bossier	Lifeway Christian Store 7050 Youree-Shreveport	Ponder Power Equipment LLC 3402 Industrial Drive - Bossier	Shreveport Teen Challenge 452 Stoner in Shreveport 673-8383
Azalea Estates 516 E Flournoy Lucas Rd - S'port	Crisis Pregnancy Center 921 S'port Barksdale Hwy - S'port	Glenwood Village Tearoom 3310 Line Ave. Shreveport	Line Avenue Pharmacy 1822 Line Ave - Shreveport	Priority Medical Staffing 8660 Fern - Shreveport	The Arbor 4770 Brandon Blvd. - Bossier
Azalea's Cleaners 732 Azalea Dr. - Shreveport	Cross Lake Citgo 5785 South Lakeshore - S'port	Good Life Health Foods & Deli - 6132 Hearne Ave. Shreveport	Live Oak Retirement Community 600 E Flournoy Lucas Rd-S'port	Quality Sheet Metal 946 Linwood - Stonewall	The Glen Retirement System 403 E Flournoy Lucas Rd - S'port
Bill's Cleaners Laundry Shoe Rep 3566 Greenwood Rd - S'port	Daisy a Day Florist 1525 N. Market – Shreveport	Haughton Library 166 E. McKinley - Haughton	Louisiana Baptist University 6301 Westport Ave - Shreveport	Realty Executives, T. Calhoun 3851 Gilbert - Shreveport	The Ice House Dist. 4514 Monkhouse Dr.-Shreveport
Bossier Parish Libraries Check with your local branch	Danzell, John, MD 2500 Kings Hwy. - Shreveport	Healing Heart Counseling Center 820 Jordan St, Ste 401 S'port	The Lovewell Center - 605 Cotton St in downtown Shreveport 606-2512	Rose-Neath Funeral Home 2201 Airline Drive - Bossier	The Waterford at Shreveport 2222 E Bert Kouns Industrial - S'port
Blanchard Elderly Apartments, 231 N. Main - Blanchard	Dooley's Hairstyling 1001 Benton Rd - Bossier	Heavenly Ham 5739 Youree Drive - Shreveport	Myrick's Barber Shop 3562 Greenwood Rd. -S'port	Salvation Army 200 E. Stoner - Shreveport	Thomas Kinstrey, M.D. 2120 Bert Kouns Ind. Loop - Shreveport
Brigham's Family Dental Center 2281 Benton Rd - Bossier	Dupree Family Dental - 1945 E 70th, Suite F in Shreveport	Highland Supercenter 3001 Highland Ave. - Shreveport	SCDAA / NW LA Chapter 3658 Judson St. - Shreveport	Samaritan Counseling Services 1525 Stephens St. - S'port	Time It Lube 6828 Pines Road - Shreveport
Brookdale Bossier 2540 Beene Blvd.	Electric Supply Co., Inc. 935 Texas - Shreveport	Home and Office Storage 411 E. Bert Kouns - Shreveport	Shreveport Family Dental Care 910 Bert Kouns Ind. Loop	Saturday's Family Hair Center 2026 Airline Dr - Bossier	Tri-State Physical Therapy 2250 Hospital Dr. #120 - Bossier 1610 E Bert Kouns - Shreveport
Caddo Council on Aging 4015 Greenwood Road, S'port	Eric LeBlanc Pediatric Dentistry 2285 Benton Rd- Bossier	IM Financial 1945 E. 70th St., Suite E - S'port	Shreveport Security Solutions 1431 Wilkerson - Shreveport	S'port/Bossier Rescue Mission 2033 Texas Ave/901 McNeil. - Shreveport	24-7 Laundry 163 E. Kings Hwy
Caddo Paint 480 E. Bert Kouns Shreveport	Evergreen Presbyterian Minis- tries, 2101 Hwy 80 - Haughton	Innovative Therapies LLC 7330 Fern - Shreveport	Nicholls, Tim M.D. 2551 Greenwood Rd - Shrevepor	Shreveport Security Solutions 1431 Wilkerson - Shreveport	Vitreo-Retinal Associates 836 Olive St.-Shreveport
Caddo Parish Libraries Check with your local branch	Fairmont Apartments - Lobby 726 Cotton St, Shreveport	Jean Simpson Personel - 1318 Shreveport-Barksdale Hwy	Northwest LA Baptist Assoc. 5875 W. 70th - Shreveport	Soap Opera 1210 Airline Dr - Bossier 835 Benton Rd - Bossier 8150 Jewella - Shreveport	Walgreen Pharmacy 3555 Greenwood Rd. S'port
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	Pierremont Eye Institute 7607 Youree Dr. Shreveport, LA 71105	Southern Maid Donut Co. 3505 Hearne Ave. - Shreveport 9359 Mansfield Rd	Warren West, M.D. 7941 Youree Dr. - 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	Pines Super Center 6259 Westport Shreveport	Werntz & Associates, Inc. 2020 E. 70th - Shreveport	
Colonial Oaks Guest Care Center - 4921 Medical Dr. - Bossier	Frisk Airline Chiropractic 2159 Airline Dr. - Bossier				

## 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

**Clothing Closet:** Each Tuesday from 11:00 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.

### **Couples/Marital Counseling - Individual Counseling for Children and Adults - Family Therapy**

Bellaire Baptist Church in Bossier. FMI call 698-1604 or email [karen@bellairebaptist.org](mailto:karen@bellairebaptist.org)

**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. All are welcome! Contact Lisa Turnbull at [lturnbull@fumcshreveport.org](mailto:lturnbull@fumcshreveport.org) for more info.

**DivorceCare** begins Aug. 9 at 4:30 p.m. Room 2S, Summer Grove Baptist Church, 8924 Jewella in Shreveport (South Park Mall) 686-1470

### **Free Grocery Registration and Distribution**

New Vision Community Church-Shreveport is now an emergency food pantry for the Food Bank of NWLA. Our coverage areas are zip codes 71118, 71108 and 71109. 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. Contact 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@fumcshreveport.org](mailto:btate@fumcshreveport.org) or call 424-7771.

**GriefShare** begins Sept. 2 at 6:00 p.m. Room 2S, Summer Grove Baptist Church, 8924 Jewella in Shreveport (South Park Mall) 686-1470

### **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

**Heart for Heroes Program:** Counseling for military - individuals, couples, and families. Samaritan Counseling Center, 1525 Stephens, in Shreveport. For more information call 221-6121

### **Ministry of St. Vincent DePaul:**

Wednesdays, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon. Groceries, clothing, shoes, and household items given to those who need them. Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 4736 Lyba St. in Shreveport,

near the airport. Apply for assistance at 865-7807.

### **Mustard Seed**

Free medical care for those who can't afford it. First Saturday of each month from 9am-12 and also on Thursday from 12:00 to 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*, 3:00 869-0120  
Monday – First United Methodist Church 7:00 p.m. 424-7771

Wed - *Broadmoor Baptist*, 5:30 p.m. 868-6552

Thurs - *St James Episcopal Church* 6:30 p.m. 686-1261

### **Bossier Meeting:**

Tuesday - *Asbury United Methodist Church*, 5:30 p.m. 746-5349

### **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.

**Pink Circle of Hope Cancer Ministry for Women-** First Monday each month. Meeting: FMI contact Lisa Craft – [prayingthrough@bellsouth.net](mailto:prayingthrough@bellsouth.net) or Sandra Timmons at 453-0669

**St. Luke's Episcopal Mobile Medical Ministry** ([stlukesmedicalministry.org](http://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

## Mary's House - A Pregnancy Care Center coming to Shreveport

Training for those interested in volunteering with Mary's House is as follows:

**Orientation - a one-time class of two hours offered on the following dates in November - required for all volunteers**

November 4th and 5th from 10 a.m. - 12 noon

November 9th and 10th from 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

November 11th from 10 a.m. - 12 noon

**Peer Counseling Training - for those interested in talking with clients in person or on the phone. Four classes are required for Peer Counselors in addition to the Orientation class.**

October 26, November 2, 9, 16 from 9:30 a.m. - 12 noon

October 28, November 4, 11, 18 from 5:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

All classes will be held at 906 Margaret Place in Shreveport.

RSVP to: [maryshouse.sport@gmail.com](mailto:maryshouse.sport@gmail.com)



## Community Calendar

**State Fair of Louisiana:** October 22 – November 8. For everything you need to know about tickets, entertainment, etc. visit [www.statefairoflouisiana.com](http://www.statefairoflouisiana.com). Fairgrounds are located between Hearne and Jewella exits off 1-20 in Shreveport.

**Daylight Savings Time Ends:** Sunday, November 1 at 2:00 a.m. Set your clocks back an hour when you go to bed that Saturday night.

**Motivational Speaker Terry Holland:** Thursday, Nov 5 at 7:00 p.m. As a bull rider and member of the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association, Terry's travels have taken him across the U.S. and Canada. Join us for an interesting evening as Holland expounds on some of his experiences and through that shares his testimony and the gospel of Jesus Christ. Cross Brand Cowboy Church across from First Baptist, 201 Attaway in Blanchard. For more information call 929-2346.

**The Arts & Eats Craft and Food Fair:** Saturday, November 7th from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. 36 artists, crafters and bakers will be selling a wide variety of beautiful, gift-worthy handmade treasures. Metal work, embroidery, quilts, soap, skincare, baby items, wreaths, desserts, fried pies, handmade stationary - and so much more! Entree fee is \$1 per person with proceeds benefiting Common Ground Shreveport. <http://commongroundshreveport.com/about.html>

**The Louisiana Veterans Honor Parade:** November 8 - the last day of the State Fair. Floats, marching bands, ROTC drill teams and veterans organizations parading down the midway. Led by Brigadier General Joanne Sheridan, the parade will begin at Hirsch Memorial Coliseum and end at the Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club. Free admission and free parking will be provided for all veterans and their families. Veterans are encouraged to wear their organizational veterans' caps and t-shirts.

**Veterans Day:** November 11 – Our heart-felt gratitude goes to all those who have served and are currently serving in our United States

military.

**The Annual Fall Retreat at St. Nicholas Orthodox Church:** November 13-14. This year's speaker is Fr. Gregory Horton, from Bonner's Ferry, Idaho. He will be speaking on the topic, "Laying Aside All Earthly Cares." Presentations will be on Friday at 6:15 p.m. and Saturday at 10:45 a.m. and 12 noon, with prayer times and meals preceding and/or following the presentations. No charge to attend. For more information, visit [www.stnicholasorthodox.org](http://www.stnicholasorthodox.org) or call 318-797-2226. Located at 9100 Youree Drive.

**Free Computer Classes:** Third Thursday of each month (Nov. 19th) from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Instructors: Bernie Conradi and J C Barnett. Free and open to the public. Learn how to get around in Microsoft Windows, and get an introduction to Windows 10. Other classes include Excel and Microsoft Word. Christ Lutheran Church, 290 Idema Street in Shreveport. FMI contact [glenda@conradi.com](mailto:glenda@conradi.com).

**Thanksgiving:** November 26.

*To fellow believers, a Thanksgiving toast:  
It is true that joy is found in gratitude. That said...  
may our focus be on be on our Lord Jesus Christ, the  
author of all creation, the giver of every good and  
perfect gift, who declares, 'I and the Father are One.'  
May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of the  
Father and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with  
you all. Happy Thanksgiving!*

**Anniversary Celebration of New Visions Community Church - Shreveport:** Sunday, November 29 at 2:00 p.m. Congregation and Pastor Ron Hampton welcome special guest, Rev. Richard Jefferson of Zion Hill Baptist Church in Doyline, LA. Dinner immediately following service. 727 Flournoy Lucas Rd. FMI call 671-4258.

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The fossil record (previously discussed) disfavors evolution by documenting sudden appearance (creation), then extinction, followed by sudden appearance of more advanced creatures. It doesn't document slow, progressive change. In the same way, the scientific record disfavors the gradual development of the very first life by the absence of time and chemicals needed to bring it about by natural means. So don't be fooled about statements like, "evolution is a proven fact." It's all bluster, just chest pounding. Scientific discoveries best explain life as a miracle.

For more information please visit <http://www.facebook.com/pages/RTB-Shreveport-La-Chapter/458206870872208?ref=hl> or email [Shreveport@reasons.org](mailto:Shreveport@reasons.org)  
Dr. Patton is a Christian apologist, practicing physician in Shreveport and member of Broadmoor Baptist Church.

You just got the call.

Within the hour, you will become responsible for every need of a frightened child. All he has are the clothes on his back. And *you*.

Ready? Now....GEAUX.



Helping children in crisis get through that first difficult day and night of foster care with basic necessities and comfort items.





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SOMETHING WORTH LISTENING TO

## MONDAY - FRIDAY

*In the Morning...*

- 6:00 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 AND RYAN DOBSON
- 10:30 REVIVE OUR HEARTS- NANCY LEIGH DEMOSS
- 11:00 WALK IN THE WORD - JAMES MACDONALD
- 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 SHREVEPORT-BOSSIER RESCUE MISSION - JIM BRACKMAN
- 4:30 FOCUS ON THE FAMILY- JIM DALY
- 5:00 URBAN ALTERNATIVE - TONY EVANS
- 5:30 SIGN OFF

## SATURDAY

*In the Morning...*

- 6:00 THE CAR SHOW
- 7:00 SPIRIT OF THE OUTDOORS- JIM NEWCOMB
- 8:00 CHRISTIAN WORLDVIEW - DAVID WHEATON
- 9:00 POINT OF VIEW - KERBYANDERSON
- 11:00 EAGLE FORUM LIVE - PHYLLIS SCHLAFLY

*In the Afternoon...*

- 12:00 SPORTS SPECTRUM - NOW SPORT.ORG
- 12:30 WALK IN THE WORD - JAMES MACDONALD
- 1:00 WASHINGTON WATCH WEEKLY - TONY PERKINS
- 1:30 PRECEPTS FOR LIFE - KAY ARTHUR
- 2:00 JONATHAN PARK
- 2:30 RANGER BILL
- 3:00 ADVENTURES IN ODYSSEY
- 3:30 ROAD TO REALITY- GOSPEL FOR ASIA
- 4:00 LET MY PEOPLE THINK- RAVI ZACHARIAS
- 4:30 THE DAVE RAMSEY SHOW
- 5:30 SIGN OFF

**STREAMING AT [kbclthebridge.org](http://kbclthebridge.org) FROM 6:00 A.M. TILL MIDNIGHT**

## 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 MISSIONS
- 2:00 RANGER BILL
- 2:30 ADVENTURES IN ODYSSEY
- 3:00 FOCUS ON THE FAMILY WEEKEND
- 4:00 22210 ROAD TO REALITY- GOSPEL FOR ASIA
- 4:30 IN TOUCH - CHARLES STANLEY
- 5:00 PEACE WITH GOD - BILLY GRAHAM
- 5:30 SIGN OFF

### WEEKDAY PM STREAMING SCHEDULE

- 5:30 RENEWING YOUR MIND
- 6:00 GRACE TO YOU
- 6:30 FAMILY LIFE TODAY
- 7:00 REVIVE OUR HEARTS
- 7:30 IN TOUCH
- 8:00 PRECEPTS FOR LIFE
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- 8:00 REVIVE OUR HEARTS
- 8:30 FAMILY TALK
- 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 SHREVEPORT-BOSSIER RESCUE MISSION
- 11:30 URBAN ALTERNATIVE
- 12:00 SIGN OFF

### SATURDAY PM STREAMING SCHEDULE

- 5:30 THE DAVE RAMSEY SHOW (CONT)
- 7:30 SPORTS.ORG
- 8:00 ADVENTURES IN ODYSSEY
- 8:30 ROAD TO REALITY - GFA
- 9:00 CRESCENT PROJECT RADIO
- 9:30 LET MY PEOPLE THINK
- 10:00 POINT OF VIEW
- 12:00 SIGN OFF

### SUNDAY PM STREAMING SCHEDULE

- 5:30 GRACE TO YOU
- 6:00 LOVE WORTH FINDING
- 6:30 BREAKPOINT
- 7:00 LET MY PEOPLE THINK
- 7:00 BREAKPOINT THIS WEEK
- 7:30 WASHINGTON WATCH WEEKLY
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