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**Monday - Thursday**

**8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.**

**Friday: 8:30 am - 12:00 pm**

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*Mr. Jonathan Berry*  
*Director of Music*  
*Diane Hoyle*  
*Administrative Secretary*

**Pastor's Note**

It got me today. I did not see it coming. A long Sunday followed by two days of working at the fair booth combined with not enough sleep had done the damage. Exhaustion won. I caught myself twice nodding off in front of my computer screen as I attempted to write this Pastor's Note.

I should have seen it coming. After back to back nights of less than four hours' sleep, I should have known I was in a race I could not win. As I listened to Robin Young talking to Vince Gill about his latest album and teared up in the Food Lion parking lot as they played a few of the songs from it, I should have gotten my soup and sandwich from Chubby's, eaten my lunch, and taken a nap. I should have.

But I didn't. I did not listen to what my body was telling me. I did not pay attention to the growing number of things I let slip through the cracks. I did not do what I needed to do.

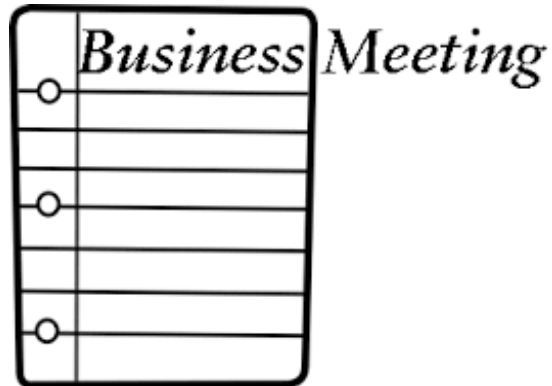
We can be like that. We can push ourselves to our breaking points. We can ignore all the signs warning us of our mistake. We can go and go, but at some point, we have to stop before the choice to stop is out of our hands. Take care. Take care of yourself. Take care of your body. We need you and your best self in God's work.

Grace and peace,  
Michael

# The Beacon

**August 15, 2019**

**"Live by faith; reach out in love; make disciples of all."**



**Quarterly Business Meeting**

Sunday, August 25, 2019

6:00 pm



The DFBC Local Missions Ministry will sponsor the annual Appreciation Lunch for the Teachers and Staff of Hallyburton Academy and Drexel Elementary Schools, Thursday, August 22 in the fellowship hall, 11:15 am - 1:00 pm. As these folks are heading back to school in the next couple of weeks, be much in prayer for a successful school year. If you would like to make a donation toward this event in memory of Margaret Church, please mark your envelope/check "Teacher Appreciation".



**Youth Program**  
Wednesdays - 6:00 pm



**Children's Program**  
Wednesdays - 6:00 pm  
This program not meeting for the  
Summer

**Gifts & Receipts**

(\$5649.52 per week needed for budget) \*

Sunday, August 4, 2019

Undesignated Gifts: \$ 7351.75

Designated Gifts: \$ 550.00

Sunday, August 11, 2019

Undesignated Gifts: \$ 3943.65

Designated Gifts: \$ 75.00

***VOTE***

We will vote on the following on Sunday, September 8th: Deacon nominations, Nominating Report, and the 2019/2020 Budget. This vote will be following the 11 am service.

**Christmas in August**

The Toy Store Ministry of the CRBA will be celebrating 25 years of ministering to families using toys at Christmas to share the Good News of Jesus. There is a collection box located near the drive-thru entrance. Please bring in your donations of toys during this month of Christmas in August.

***Prayer Concerns***  
***August, 2019***

Steven Abernathy	Sam /Janet Griffin
Neil Arney Jr.	Pat Gupton
Joe/Pauline Arseneau	Bud Harvey Family
Beatrice Baker	Thomas Holland
Greg/Kim Baker	Jane Huffman - Stone Ridge, Cary
Morris Baker	Vivian Kizer
Reba Baker - Morg. Long Term - Rm 307	Matt Matthews
Bill Berry	Barbara Miller
Joyce Boone & Family	College Pines - Rm 404
Juanita Bradford	Edith Mitchell
Jerry Bradshaw	Christine Nix - Cambridge Hse-Hildebran
Steve Brown - Grace Hosp. - Rm 650	Margaret Nunnery
Lana Buchanan	Tricia Offutt
Sam Buchanan	Evelyn Page
Naomi Buff	Lloyd Powell Jr.
Gleta Byrd	Frank Queen
Susie Campbell	Willadean Rector-The Berkley-Morganton-Rm 305
David/Linda Cassida	Mary Anne Ritchie
Winona Childres	Deanna Rose
Blair Church	Nathan Rybak
Dawn Ward Cline	Lillian Scoot
Judy Huffman Crawley	Albert Setzer
Alex Cunningham	Emily Slone
Albert Deal	Tracy Smith
Dale Deal	Renee Taylor
Hazel Dellinger	Denise White
Miranda Dempsey	Kim Williams
Donnie Dupree	Dennis Wise
Rev. Dale Faulkenbury	Don Wood
Cpt. Harrison Fletcher	Brenda Woody
Chris/Oren Frye	Elizabeth Woody
Olene Griffin	
Chase Griffin	

**On The Calendar**

**Thursday, August 22** - Teacher Appreciation lunch 11:15 am

**Sunday, August 25** - Quarterly business meeting, 6:00 pm

**VBS**

We are scheduling a one-day Bible School for Saturday, September 21st. We need your help. Please call the office to volunteer to help with this event.

**Thank You**

To My Church Family:

Words could never express to you just how much you mean to me. You have been with Jim and me, praying for healing for Jim and peace and comfort us both over the last 18 months. Those prayers were felt. As Jim has gone on to be with the Lord, you continue to show so much love. Thank you for all the many prayers, cards, visits, food, help around the house and in the yard, and so many acts of kindness. I could never name them all.

I ask you for continued prayers and support as I now travel this journey without my sweet husband.

God bless you all.

Joyce Boone

**Thank You**

To the various and sundry people who showed up to help with the Drexel Fair. Couldn't have done it without you!

**Deacon Nominations**



We are receiving Deacon nominations for the new church year. These should be in writing and submitted to the office. You may also email these to [drexelfbc@gmail.com](mailto:drexelfbc@gmail.com). Please turn in by Sunday, August 25th.

**BEACON**

The next Beacon will go out on September 1st with the September calendar. Please call the office to get your meetings / events on the calendar.