

*Pearl River Baptist Association
August 2024 Financial Report*

Beginning Balance	\$203,324.00	8/1/2024		
Church Contributions:				
	<u>Month</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>
Bethel	1,014.25	13,364.02	New Life BC	70.85
Carriere FBC	0.00	200.00	New Palestine	1,710.52
Central	730.30	8,640.91	Nicholson FBC	250.00
Corinth	0.00	1,829.74	Oak Hill	677.94
Comerstone	0.00	0.00	Olive	720.00
Crane Creek	436.27	8,582.55	Ozona FBC	0.00
Derby	0.00	1,807.74	Picayune FBC	2,066.08
Emmanuel Baptist	50.00	450.00	Pine Grove	1,107.16
Faith Memorial	65.00	715.00	Poplarville FBC	1,000.00
Flattop Unity	201.42	1,027.00	Rolling Hills	1,914.61
Fords Creek	525.00	5,048.92	Roseland Park	2,432.12
Goodyear	421.89	6,117.08	Shiloh	0.00
Gumpond	0.00	902.62	Springhill	466.75
Harmony	50.00	1,469.54	Steep Hollow	1,000.00
Hickory Grove	0.00	0.00	The Beginnings	0.00
Hillcrest	402.61	2,958.54	Union	1,332.65
Journey	0.00	0.00	Unity	25.00
Juniper Grove	655.32	8,150.11	West Poplarville	0.00
Mill Creek	0.00	2,791.35	West Union	0.00
New Henleyfield	160.95	2,319.10	White Sand	0.00
Total Church Contributions			\$ 19,486.69	225,465.42
Subsidy from MB Baptist Convention Board			\$ 125.00	
Total Monthly Receipts			\$ 19,611.69	

Disbursements:				
01-Leader Labs	0.00	22-Evangelism/Promotions	0.00	
02-Media	0.00	23-Church Planting/Revitalization	12.95	
03-Ministry to Church Staff	42.24	24-Grounds/Building/Maint.	193.44	
04-PRC BSU	0.00	25-Disaster Relief	0.00	
05-Ministry to Children	294.48	26-Office Copier Lease	241.23	
06-Mission Groups (Hosted by PRBA)	0.00	27-Community Events	0.00	
07-Ministry to Singles	0.00	28-Office Supplies	606.99	
08-Ministry to Senior Adults	294.48	29-Postage	200.40	
09-Ministry to Youth	294.48	30-Utilities	710.52	
10-Deacons & Wives	0.00	31-Insurance	0.00	
11-Family Ministry	0.00	32-Computer Support	0.00	
12-Bible Drills/Bible Clubs	0.00	33-Staff Salary & Benefits	7,682.80	
13-Discipleship	0.00	39-Conventions & Conferences	0.00	
14-Women's Conference	0.00	41-Convention Ministry Assistants	0.00	
15-Missionary in Residence	0.00	43-FICA	185.64	
17-Partnership Missions	0.00	45-Christmas Bonuses	0.00	
18-WMU/Women's Ministry	0.00	46-Maintenance/Custodian Wages	574.00	
19-Prison Ministry	0.00	47-Family Counselor	0.00	
20-RA's Events	0.00	50-Annuity	810.00	
21-Annual Meetings	0.00	51-Expense & Mileage Reimburse	1,192.60	

Total Disbursement — \$ 13,336.25
Ending Balance — 7/31/2024 \$209,599.44

DESIGNATED FUND BALANCE				
Christmas Donations	1,975.64	Mission Trip	9,253.70	
Church Planting	61,584.74	Chaplain	1,000.00	
Counseling Fees	160.00	Prison Ministry	4,941.77	
Disaster Relief	11,919.52	Property Development	32,062.76	
Emergency Fund	25,000.00	Special Events	7,686.36	
Evangelism	10,183.83	WMU/Women's Ministry	3,527.60	
Lodge/LCC Rental/Deposits	25,082.57	Women's Conference	2,186.99	
Mission Scholarships	19,202.64	Youth Fund	2,000.00	
Total Designated Fund Balance				\$ 217,768.12

Property Development Funds Received this Month: \$ 0.00

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****Closed Fridays****

October 2024 - Pastor Appreciation Month

- 5 Women's Leadership Summit, 9-11:30, LCC
- 7 Ministers meeting, 10:30, LCC
- 11-12 Set Apart Seminar - A Journey in Christian Holiness,
Fri 9 am - Sat 6:15 pm, New Henleyfield
- 14 **Associational Fall Meeting, 6:30, Picayune First**
- 24 Small Church Youth Ministry Workshop, 6:00-8:15 pm,
FBC Wiggins
- 29-30 MS Baptist Convention, FBC Jackson

November 2024

- 3 Daylight Saving Time ends (fall back)
- 7 Ministers meeting, travel time - TBD, NOBTS Chapel
- 7 Facilities and Operations meeting, 6:30 pm, Association
office
- 16 BBQ Festival and Competition, Association property
(see separate announcement for details)
- 27-29 Thanksgiving break, **office closed**

The Pearl



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Abortion is one of the most prevalent political issues going on right now. However, for Christians it is a biblical issue, and it should be dealt with through the lens of Scripture. I was saddened to see the way it was discussed on the national stage during the "debate" when the candidates spoke of this abomination as if it is an accepted thing in our society. The issue has been clouded over with dishonest statements about healthcare and women's rights. Therefore, I think it is necessary and honest to put out this reminder for Christians to consider the sanctity and value of life that God has given to his creation. Christians must consider everything we do through the lens of Scripture. It is our standard and therefore it must determine our decisions. Every decision from our vote to our dinner choice is related to our worldview. Do we believe that God is the Creator of all life? Do we believe that He has put life into the womb and that babies are human beings from conception forward? If your answer is yes, then you know to terminate a pregnancy at any point is murder.

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Scripture also reminds us that the same God who forbids murder offers grace and forgiveness to those who have had an abortion. Praise God there is mercy at the cross of Christ, but woe to this nation, as we have become a culture that is offering our souls to the god of Molech, the Canaanite deity associated with the practice of child sacrifice. Our culture has sanctioned and celebrated almost every form of sexual sin regardless of the consequences. Here is what God had to say to Moses about these things, "You shall not give any of your children to offer them to Molech, and so profane the name of your God: I am the LORD. You shall not lie with a male as with a woman; it is an abomination. And you shall not lie with any animal and so make yourself unclean with it, neither shall any woman give herself to an animal to lie with it: it is perversion" (Lev.18:21-23). While we are not the nation of Israel, as believers, we are to be a set-apart people in the midst of a crooked generation. This issue of abortion should be settled firmly in the heart and mind of every believer. And as we approach the vote this November, we must let the Holy Spirit guide us in wisdom and discernment. Though we are left in the familiar situation of weighing the lesser of two evils, let us do so with wisdom and insight from the word of God, knowing our hope is never set on a human being, but our hope is in the Lord. - Let's keep making disciple-making disciples and see South Mississippi become known for the name of Jesus Christ, Bro. T

Set-Apart Seminar: A Journey in Christian Holiness -Oct 11-12 We are excited to announce this associational leadership training event that will be hosted by **New Henleyfield Baptist Church**. Pastors, this training is for you and a handful of your church leaders to dive deep into the doctrine of sanctification. We will get started on Friday Oct. 11 at 6:30PM for the first session and then Saturday from 9:00 until 6:15pm. We will provide snacks and lunch on Saturday. Donations are appreciated to cover the cost of lunch. Please let me or the office know if you plan to attend.

Click the QR code to register



ATTENTION ACP CONTACT PERSON:
ACPs were due September 15. Please get your ACP turned in ASAP! I need your info to put in the book of reports for the annual meeting.
Contact me for help: 601-798-2372 or prbapta@gmail.com

Don't forget our **Associational Fall Business Meeting** on October 14, 2024 at FBC Picayune starting at 6:30. Send your messengers to represent your church as we celebrate God's faithfulness in the previous year and look forward to what He will accomplish in the future!



It's not too late to give to the Margaret Lackey state missions offering! Go to www.margaretlackey.com for more information.

Women's Ministry
Gretta Holloway - 559-593-0379

As the fiscal year for Pearl River Baptist Association winds to a close, I have been thinking back over the events of our first full year of Women's Ministry and I am in awe of what God has done! He has been faithful to give us a clear vision for PRBA Women's Ministry and He has prospered our efforts to follow His vision. I have been so encouraged to hear testimonies of women in our churches who, through the support of PRBA Women's Ministry, have found their niche in service, discovered new motivation and confidence in leading women, experienced a deeper connection with God and with the women of their church, or found the courage to start a women's Bible study. I have been excited to see the development of true community and partnership among our women's groups and a growing desire to impact lives in our community with the message of Hope in Jesus.

My sincerest thanks to each of you who have supported Associational Women's Ministry with your participation and sharing of your gifts and talents. May God continue to lead us, challenge us, grow us, and use us to magnify the Name of Jesus in Pearl River County! For His glory!

REMINDER: **Women's Leadership Summit, Lee Conference Center, Saturday, October 5, 9-11:30am.** If you have not registered but would like to attend, contact Gretta directly.



Saturday, Nov. 16 – 2nd Annual PRBA BBQ festival & competition - We will have the three categories of smoked meats (Beef Brisket, Pork Ribs, & Chicken). Every church is invited to participate. This is a gathering for your church to come out and enjoy your Association property. Bring a fishing pole, bring some lawn chairs, if your church has a praise team that would like to play music, then email me to sign up for a slot. We will sell tickets for \$10 BBQ plates to continue helping our renovation projects on the property. Email prbabbq@gmail.com for more information, entrance fees, and contest rules. Click the QR code to register.



Church Staff Openings

Call the association office for more info

Union Baptist Church is seeking a **full time custodian** and a **part time audiovisual lead & primary website administrator**. Applications are available in the church office. Office hours are Monday-Thursday 8-4. Applicants can also email resumes to lisa.goss@ubcnet.org.

Gumpond BC is looking for a volunteer music leader.

Pearl Submissions

If you would like to submit an article for the Pearl, please submit it to prbapta@gmail.com by the **12th** to be put in the next edition. If I don't receive it by that date, I can't promise that I'll be able to fit it in. Also, if you notice any corrections that need to be made in the Pearl or if there is address correction, please let me know.

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October

Anniversaries:
11 Nathan & Cali Sims

Birthdays:

- 1 Angela Skinner
- 2 Deadra Neary
- 6 Ken Rhodes
- 10 Jason Skinner
- 20 Clyde Sellers
- 21 Dan Young
- 25 Alicia Kimball
- 25 Scott Kimball