

**Pearl River Baptist Association
March 2025 Financial Report**

Beginning Balance	\$198,875.10	3/31/2025		
Church Contributions:				
	<u>Month</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>		
Bethel	995.14	6,535.54	New Life BC	<u>Month</u> 73.90 <u>Year-to-Date</u> 789.79
Carriere FBC	0.00	0.00	New Palestine	2,112.82 10,119.45
Central	947.65	5,644.95	Nicholson FBC	250.00 1,500.00
College Heights	50.00	150.00	Oak Hill	934.25 4,052.09
Corinth	0.00	1,011.66	Olive	0.00 4,091.00
Comerstone	0.00	0.00	Ozona FBC	0.00 0.00
Crane Creek	577.67	5,189.59	Picayune FBC	2,301.88 23,680.48
Derby	184.35	1,419.00	Pine Grove	997.94 8,052.31
Emmanuel Baptist	50.00	300.00	Poplarville FBC	0.00 4,000.00
Faith Memorial	65.00	325.00	Rolling Hills	0.00 3,147.74
Flattop Unity	80.55	422.83	Roseland Park	1,713.57 14,909.14
Fords Creek	0.00	2,206.50	Shiloh	0.00 0.00
Goodyear	517.82	3,602.78	Springhill	609.70 3,289.15
Gumpond	0.00	769.25	Steep Hollow	500.00 3,000.00
Harmony	210.81	406.08	The Beginnings	0.00 100.00
Hickory Grove	0.00	0.00	Union	2,992.74 11,631.87
Hillcrest	102.28	836.08	Unity	25.00 150.00
Journey	0.00	0.00	West Poplarville	0.00 125.00
Juniper Grove	1,200.68	4,227.35	West Union	0.00 5,462.86
Mill Creek	0.00	1,410.41	White Sand	0.00 0.00
New Henleyfield	156.25	1,180.61		
Total Church Contributions		\$ 17,650.00		\$133,738.51
Subsidy from MB Baptist Convention Board		\$ 125.00		
Total Monthly Receipts		\$ 17,775.00		
Disbursements:				
01-Leader Labs	585.35		22-Evangelism/Promotions	6,000.00
02-Media	0.00		23-Church Planting/Revitalization	0.00
03-Ministry to Church Staff	118.10		24-Grounds/Building/Maint.	371.70
04-PRC BSU	50.00		25-Disaster Relief	0.00
05-Ministry to Children	0.00		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	4,937.20
08-Ministry to Senior Adults	0.00		29-Postage	127.36
09-Ministry to Youth	0.00		30-Utilities	734.86
10-Deacons & Wives	0.00		31-Insurance	5,576.75
11-Family Ministry	0.00		32-Computer Support	0.00
12-Bible Drills/Bible Clubs	0.00		33-Staff Salary & Benefits	7,085.48
13-Discipleship	0.00		39-Conventions & Conferences	239.97
14-Women's Conference	146.48		41-Convention Ministry Assistants	0.00
16-Mission Support Projects	0.00		43-FICA	139.93
17-Partnership Missions	0.00		45-Christmas Bonuses	0.00
18-WMU/Women's Ministry	0.00		46-Maintenance/Custodian Wages	1,959.70
19-Prison Ministry	0.00		47-Family Counselor	0.00
20-RA's Events	0.00		50-Annuity	755.00
21-Annual Meetings	0.00		51-Expense & Mileage Reimburse	1,896.61
			Total Disbursement	\$ 31,665.72
			Ending Balance — 3/31/2025	\$ 184,984.38
DESIGNATED FUND BALANCE				
Christmas Donations	1,975.64		Mission Trip	10,160.02
Church Planting	61,584.74		Chaplain	1,000.00
Counseling Fees	160.00		Prison Ministry	4,536.21
Disaster Relief	14,488.31		Property Development	17,033.64
Emergency Fund	25,000.00		Special Events	7,460.00
Evangelism	15,683.83		WMU/Women's Ministry	3,410.52
Lodge/LCC Rental/Deposits	25,944.36		Women's Conference	3,967.09
Mission Scholarships	27,702.64		Youth Fund	2,000.00
Total Designated Fund Balance		\$ 222,107.00		

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Office Hours: Mon, Wed, & Thurs. 8:30 am - 4:30 p.m.
Tues 8:30 am - 2:30 pm
****Closed Fridays****

May 2025

- 5 Ministers Fellowship; 10:30 a.m.; Central BC
- 8 Facilities/Operations Team Meeting, 6:00 pm, LCC
- 11 Mother's Day
- 26 Memorial Day; Office Closed

June 2025

- 3 Men's Ministry Meeting; 6:30 pm; Rolling Hills BC
- 10-11 Southern Baptist Convention Annual Meeting; Dallas, TX
- 12 Financial Audit; 9:00 am; Association Office
- 15 Father's Day
- 24-28 HeartSong Youth Music and Worship Arts Camp, William Carey University

The Pearl



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It may strike you as odd at first, but it was easy for me to preach the gospel of Christ at my mom's funeral. It was easy because her life proclaimed it every day leading up to her death. I only hope a pastor will say that about my life someday... Now, just a few months later, I am reflecting on my mother's transition to be with her Lord forever. Like many, I look back with some regrets of time missed with her or time that I took for granted. As a missionary and minister, I lived most of my life away from my mother. I wrestle with time that I robbed from her and her granddaughter. However, I know she would have never changed a thing, knowing that I was following the Lord's call on my life. What stands out to me in all of this is the uneven balance of love. I never had to work to love my mom because she first loved me. Just as God designed it to be, the parent is to give unconditional love to their child, a love that is never failing, never earned, and never reciprocated in equal measure. It is a small reflection of divine agape love that teaches children what God's love is like. Being human we often fall short as parents in living out that example of godly love, but we must remember the essential nature of our role in the lives of our children. Our love carries more weight with our children's understanding of who God is than anyone else in their lives.

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Our love sets the tone for their worldview. It was my mother's love for me that instilled confidence, assurance, and faith that I could never do anything that would diminish her love for me. It was a constant and never-ceasing source of love that left me with no doubts as to where I stood with her. That is truly the gift my mother gave me that I am most grateful for because it has shaped my relationship to my heavenly Father. In large part, my testimony is one about the grace of God to give me a mother who loved Him. So, parents, God has placed you in the most important position for discipling your kids to know their God.

Some of you reading this article may not have had the grace extended to you that I had in my mother's love, but I can bear witness to the love of God that knows no limits. If you have never had that kind of love in your life then know this: "Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends" (John 15:13). Jesus Christ laid His life down to defeat your sin, and He was resurrected to set you free to eternal life. That is the greatest love that exists; He chose to love you when you were an enemy of God. If you have been redeemed by Christ then know this: There is nothing you can ever do to diminish His love for you and there is nothing you could ever do to gain His love for you. His love is eternal and forever fixed. "For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Romans 8:38-39).
-Let's keep making disciple-making disciples and see South Mississippi become known for the name of Jesus Christ, Bro. T



Champions for Christ Sports Camp June 9-13, 9:00-4:00 Grades 1-6

Students 7th grade and up are able to volunteer. Adults are welcome to volunteer. We will provide sports training for soccer, football, basketball, volleyball, baseball, softball, and cheer/dance. The morning portion is for sports (9 am-12 noon), lunch is 12-1, and the VBS is 1-4 pm.

We need your help!! The biggest need we have is volunteers. Your job would be to help coach a sport or support others coaching a sport in the morning. After lunch you will help lead a group through VBS or teach a class. We would love to have other churches join us in hosting this camp. West Union Baptist Church and PRC FCA are co-hosting this camp at PRCHS.

The cost for the camp for the kids is \$25 per person but we do secure scholarships for those kids who can't afford it.

To register as a volunteer, please click this link or scan the QR code ->
Volunteer Link: <https://form.jotform.com/243305609048152>



To register as a camper, please click this link or scan the QR code ->
Camper Link: <https://form.jotform.com/243305770476156>



Upward Soccer

With God's help, Central Baptist Church plans to launch an Upward Sports League featuring soccer later this summer and fall; registration opens on May 1. For more information, contact Pastor Kyle Jones at upward-sports-central@outlook.com

Associational Bible Drills

Our Associational Bible Drills took place on March 30. There were six churches that participated this year: **Central, Crane Creek, Juniper Grove, Roseland Park, New Palestine, and Union**. Congratulations to all our Bible Drill participants! We had 10 in the Children's Bible Drill, and 15 in the Students' Bible Drill, with a total participation of 25! Due to so many, we are unable to list them all. However, we would like to recognize the following for **perfect scores**:

Children:

Robyn Elizabeth Daniels, Juniper Grove

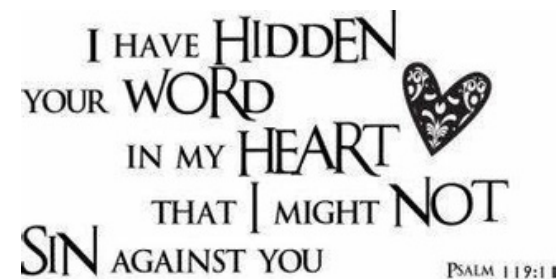
Students:

Keith Keough, New Palestine

Kiara Gowdy, Roseland Park

Addie Davis, Chanler Cuevas, and Ezra Cuevas, Crane Creek

Congratulations to them on Perfect Scores! We would also like to recognize **Zachary Kennedy** for participating in Bible Drill 9 years! Thank you to Lavonne Henley and Bro. Kyle Jones for co-directing our Association Bible Drills. Thanks so very much to the following for giving their time to help: Matty Jo Fox, Karen Myers, Carl Myers, Selena Kennedy, Hunter Williams, Austin Williams, Lisa Goss, Sandra Burke, Lisa Goss, Ben Poolson, and Tara Poolson. A big thanks to the ladies who served our delicious snacks, and especially thank you to Central Baptist, for hosting the Bible Drills! If you are interested in starting a Bible drill program in your church, please call the association office and we'll direct you to the right people to help you get started!



The **Ministers Fellowship** will be on **Monday, May 5, at 10:30 am at Central BC**. Lunch will be provided.

The **Facilities and Operations Team Meeting** will be **Thursday, May 8 at 6:00 pm in the LCC**. If you are a member of this team, we would appreciate if you could attend.

Mowing Needs

It's that time of year again! You can sign your church up for mowing the association property! Lots of dates are open! Please call the office at 601-798-2372 to schedule.



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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May

Birthdays:

13 Tammie Rigney
16 Jessie Harriel
16 Gary Killen
25 Ashley Gray
28 Braxton Devore
31 PJ Williams

Anniversaries:

21 Dr. Jeremy & PJ Williams
25 Kyle & Anna Stringer
26 Bobby & Kim Stuart
28 Clyde & Robin Sellers
28 Gretta & Louis Holloway