

*Pearl River Baptist Association
February 2025 Financial Report*

Beginning Balance \$187,984.10 2/28/2025

Church Contributions:

	Month	Year-to-Date		Month	Year-to-Date
Bethel	1,589.22	3,951.18	New Life BC	66.55	715.89
Carriere FBC	0.00	0.00	New Palestine	3,099.36	8,006.63
Central	658.50	4,897.30	Nicholson FBC	250.00	1,250.00
Corinth	330.85	1,011.66	Oak Hill	0.00	3,117.84
Cornerstone	0.00	0.00	Olive	818.00	1,091.00
Crane Creek	704.63	4,611.92	Ozona FBC	0.00	0.00
Derby	244.75	1,234.65	Picayune FBC	11,286.67	21,378.60
Emmanuel Baptist	50.00	250.00	Pine Grove	2,272.13	7,054.37
Faith Memorial	65.00	260.00	Poplarville FBC	1,000.00	4,000.00
Flattop Unity	90.99	342.28	Rolling Hills	1,048.84	3,147.74
Fords Creek	411.00	2,206.50	Roseland Park	1,533.81	13,195.57
Goodyear	457.47	3,084.96	Shiloh	0.00	0.00
Gumpound	0.00	769.25	Springhill	764.05	2,679.45
Harmony	95.27	195.27	Steep Hollow	500.00	2,500.00
Hickory Grove	0.00	0.00	The Beginnings	0.00	100.00
Hillcrest	154.05	733.80	Union	0.00	8,639.13
Journey	0.00	0.00	Unity	25.00	325.00
Juniper Grove	981.88	3,026.67	West Poplarville	0.00	125.00
Mill Creek	0.00	1,610.41	West Union	3,057.85	5,462.86
New Henleyfield	235.78	1024.36	White Sand	0.00	0.00

Total Church Contributions		\$ 27,783.80	116,688.51
Subsidy from MB Baptist Convention Board		\$ 125.00	
Coast Electric Rebate		\$ 173.94	
Total Monthly Receipts		\$ 28,082.74	

Disbursements:

01-Leader Labs	40.00	22-Evangelism/Promotions	0.00
02-Media	48.11	23-Church Planting/Revitalization	0.00
03-Ministry to Church Staff	44.29	24-Grounds/Building/Maint.	569.02
04-PRC BSU	0.00	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	1,525.70
08-Ministry to Senior Adults	0.00	29-Postage	127.70
09-Ministry to Youth	0.00	30-Utilities	642.86
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	7,085.48
13-Discipleship	0.00	39-Conventions & Conferences	0.00
14-Women's Conference	350.00	41-Convention Ministry Assistants	0.00
16-Mission Support Projects	0.00	43-FICA	139.94
17-Partnership Missions	0.00	45-Christmas Bonuses	0.00
18-WMU/Women's Ministry	0.00	46-Maintenance/Custodian Wages	495.29
19-Prison Ministry	49.91	47-Family Counselor	0.00
20-RA's Events	0.00	50-Annuity	755.00
21-Annual Meetings	0.00	51-Expense & Mileage Reimburse	901.82

Total Disbursement		\$ 17,191.74
Ending Balance — 2/28/2025		\$198,875.10

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	4,507.72
Disaster Relief	14,288.31	Property Development	17,033.64
Emergency Fund	25,000.00	Special Events	9,460.00
Evangelism	10,183.83	WMU/Women's Ministry	3,310.52
Lodge/LCC Rental/Deposits	24,489.36	Women's Conference	4946.99
Mission Scholarships	29,202.64	Youth Fund	2,000.00

Total Designated Fund Balance \$ 217,303.41

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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****

April 2025

- 5 State Bible Drills; Petal-Harvey BC
- 6 Associational Spring Worship Gathering, FBC Poplarville, 6:30 pm
- 7 Ministers Fellowship; 10:30 a.m.; Bethel BC
- 9 State Preaching Conference; 8:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.; William Carey, Hattiesburg
- 20 Easter Sunday
- 24 Ministry Assistants Luncheon, 11:00 am, LCC
- 26 Worthy mentor program informational session 9:00 am, LCC

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; Offices Closed

The Pearl



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There is something comforting and secure about life-long friendships. You know the people are always there for you and always willing to lend a hand. In the church world, we are blessed to have natural friendships that even cross over the oceans. These friendships are eternity-long. The best mission partnerships a church can have are long-term ongoing partnerships. The benefits are enumerable, but if I had to pick just one to highlight, it would be the personal relationships that develop. When a church gets to see the development of a new church and walk with them through that process, the closest example would be a parent watching their kid grow up into adulthood. Twenty-five years ago a long-term ongoing partnership developed between the churches on Pearl River County and believers in the area of Metalia, Honduras with the goal of starting a church in that community. Bro. Carl Myers is seen in the picture on the next page with Bro. Mario, who was one of the believers coordinating the work of the churches in Honduras. Our churches have seen a lot of development with this group over twenty-five years as they have sent multiple teams from construction to medical. Our churches have been a part of the whole journey to see Iglesia Bautista Jaboc come into existence.

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You can see in the picture below the church gathered together to celebrate their transition from mission status to an autonomous church body. 10 churches from their association gathered to celebrate this day as well as Bro. Carl Myers and Bro. Barry Lee who, with many of you, have invested blood, sweat, and tears in the journey of this church. They even have a pastorium that is 90% complete and a new pastor who was ordained on that special day of celebration for the church. Pray for God to develop some more long-term ongoing partnerships with eternal partners for the Gospel of Jesus Christ as we keep making disciple-making disciples and see South Mississippi become known for the name of Jesus Christ, Bro. T.



Lifewise Academy Update

In April, we hope to have 60 students. We are finishing our last 9 weeks with 5th grade and are so thankful for the opportunity to share the Gospel with Pearl River Central Elementary students. We started with 30 in September and have almost doubled our enrollment. As the first program in Mississippi, this is a huge accomplishment and a true testament to what God can do. We hope to continue into the next school year with thoughts on adding a grade. Please keep us in your prayers.

We are currently participating in a shoe drive fundraiser. We are collecting new and gently used shoes until May 13th. There are collection boxes at Roseland Park, Rolling Hills, Union, Olive, The LifeWise HQ in McNeill, Zion Hill, and the Coffee Shop in Poplarville. If your church would be interested in displaying a collection box or hosting a shoe drive for our LifeWise program, we would be so grateful. Contact Rindi Hariel at rindihariel@lifewise.org or 601-916-0483.

**Associational Spring Worship Gathering
April 6, 2025, 6:30 PM, FBC Poplarville**



Please make plans to join us for a time of worship as a body of churches. There will be no business session. Finger foods will be served after the meeting.

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

The Worthy Mentor Program is a ministry of Lifeline Children's Services designed to connect women experiencing unexpected pregnancy with churches where they can find hope in the Gospel and loving support in a faith family. Through Worthy, churches partner with their local Pregnancy Support Center to identify women in their community facing a crisis pregnancy or needing healing following an abortion. One-on-one mentoring relationships are established to offer biblical guidance, emotional support, and connection to the local church. Worthy Mentors guide women through a 10-week Bible study to explore topics such as value, identity, grief, and hope.

Pearl River County Women of Hope have the opportunity to learn more about the Worthy Mentor Program and explore the potential to start this life-changing program for women in our community. Mark your calendars for **Saturday, April 26 at 9am in the Lee Conference Center** for a Worthy Mentorship Program Informational Session. This will be a time for us to hear more about the Worthy program from Mallory Burden of Lifeline Children's Services. Sandra Burke, Director of Sav-a-Life Pregnancy Support Services of Pearl River County, will also be present to share her vision for offering Worthy Mentoring to women in our area.

Many reading this article have experienced God's grace through a time of crisis. You have a testimony to share with a woman in your town who is walking through crisis and grief. Your commitment of 10 weeks to mentor a woman could not only change her life but the life of her child as well. Please consider learning more. A headcount is required, so please let me (Gretta) know if you will be attending the Worthy Mentor Program Informational Session on April 26. Please RSVP by April 21.

Ministry Assistants Luncheon

The ministry assistants luncheon will be on **Thursday, April 24 at 11:00 am in the LCC**. Please join us for a time of food and fellowship. Be looking for a postcard soon!



Retirement Celebration
Bro. Dan Young is retiring from the pastorate! His last Sunday at Roseland Park Baptist will be March 30. They will be hosting a retirement reception immediately after the service at 12:30.

As you plan your Spring and Summer outreach, **Gideon New Testaments** are available free to churches. Contact Larry Williamson, Picayune Gideon Camp. Text 601-590-0771 or email Larry@ReflecTech.com

Mowing Needs

It's that time of year again! You can sign your church up for mowing the association property! Please call the office at 601-798-2372 to schedule. The dates available are every other weekend starting April 4.



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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Birthdays:

- 3 Yancy Wise
- 6 Dale Kuhn
- 6 Vernon Robinson
- 8 Linda Penton
- 11 Ashley Harriel
- 12 Billy Kent Smith
- 21 Paula Gantt
- 21 Nell Grice
- 22 Cali Sims
- 23 Kim Stuart
- 25 Jeffrey Lee
- 27 Dr. Shane Moore



Anniversaries:

Dr. Shane & Ashley Moore 22