



Elm Grove Baptist Church  
 8180 Barksdale Boulevard  
 Bossier City, LA 71112

Address Service Requested

# White Steeple Banner

## Elm Grove Baptist Church

May 2026, Volume 27, #5

8180 Barksdale Boulevard  
 Bossier City, LA 71112  
 (318) 747-0089

[www.egbcbossier.org](http://www.egbcbossier.org)

[elmgrovebaptistbossier@gmail.com](mailto:elmgrovebaptistbossier@gmail.com)

[facebook.com/elmgrovebaptistchurch](https://facebook.com/elmgrovebaptistchurch)

Kurt Zortman, Pastor

Charles Anderson, Music/Ed Minister

Katie Dyer, Youth Minister

Halle Sarvis, Children Minister



Dear Church,

This year, as we look to the month of May, we can fix our eyes on Pentecost. This is a day of celebration that occurs fifty days after Easter and is recorded for us in Acts chapter 2. The significance of Pentecost represents both the birth of the Church and the coming of the Holy Spirit. It is on this day, Pentecost, that the Holy Spirit came to begin His full ministry in the world. We can use this time of year to deepen our devotion and worship to God the Holy Spirit. The Bible reveals many things that the Holy Spirit does in our lives today, and we can consider three of them to help guide our adoration of Him.

First, the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost represents a promise fulfilled. In John chapter 14, Jesus promised His disciples that after He left the earth, the Holy Spirit would come and be with them forever. This promise was that the Holy Spirit would be our Advocate before God and our Helper and Comforter in life.

Pentecost is a reminder that God keeps His promises and that we have access to divine help and comfort in our lives, no matter what we may be experiencing.

Second, the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost represents a power given. In Luke 24, Jesus said that when the Holy Spirit came into the world, He would clothe Christians with the power of God. This is a divine power that equips every Christian for service in the kingdom of God and sustains the believer in a life of devotion. Because of the Holy Spirit, every Christian has direct access to divine power so that whatever God calls us to do in His name, He will accomplish through us by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Finally, the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost represents a salvation guaranteed. In Ephesians 1, Paul tells us that the Holy Spirit is God's pledge—an irrevocable deposit that guarantees our redemption. Every Christian bears the divine mark of God upon their soul, which is the seal of the Holy

Spirit. This seal of the Holy Spirit reminds us that we forever belong to God and that He will complete the good work of salvation in our lives no matter what.

This year, May is our month of the Holy Spirit. He has come, and He has made His dwelling in all who believe in Jesus. His presence in our lives reminds us that God keeps His promises. Through His presence, we have special access to divine comfort, help, and power to do the work of God. The Spirit is God's pledge to us, guaranteeing that everything He has promised will come to pass in our lives. Let us be mindful of these truths and participate in what the Holy Spirit is seeking to accomplish in our lives.

Blessings,

Pastor Kurt



### MAY BIRTHDAYS

Caroline Lee	3rd
Amy Hidalgo	8th
Billy Phipps	8th
Hayley Robinson	15th
Courtlyn Ratliff	18th
Kelsey Kirby	21st
Tucker Ramsey	22nd
Gillian Kirby	23rd
Pat Simonelli	24th
Hank Rogers	28th
Frank Shelton	31st



### CHARLIE'S CHATS

Thanks to all of you who are faithful to sing in the Praise Choir each Sunday and attend choir practice on Wednesday night. We always welcome anyone who is interested in joining the Praise Choir. There's a chair just for you.



### WEEKLY EVENTS

**Sunday**  
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
 Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.

**Tuesday**  
 Women's Bible Study 11 a.m.

**Wednesday**  
 Children's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.  
 Youth Bible Study 6:30 p.m.  
 Adult Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.  
 Praise Choir Practice 6:30 p.m.



### 5th Sunday Potluck

**Sunday, May 31**  
**After Worship**

Bring your favorite covered dish

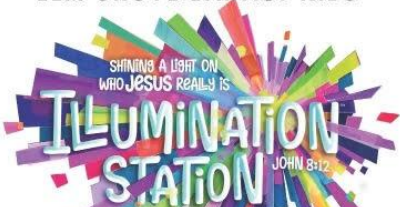
### SENIOR ADULTS MINISTRY

Fellowship  
 Saturday, May 9  
 from 12 to 2 p.m.



May 1, 2025

ELM GROVE BAPTIST KIDS



@SOUTH BOSSIER BAPTIST  
 JUNE 1ST - 5TH 6PM



SIGN UP HERE!

Make plans to attend



**June 6 @ 11 a.m.**  
**Olive Garden**  
**Youree Drive**



Join us for  
**Sunday School**  
**Sunday Morning**  
 at 9:30



SALUTING THE VETERANS  
**MEMORIAL DAY**

**MAY 25**