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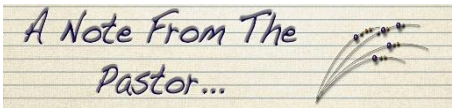
White Steeple Banner

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With the arrival of October, so also comes the season of autumn. Autumn is a time when our yards start to go dormant as the vegetation declines. This season of dormancy need not apply to God’s people in the Church. In Colossians chapter 3, Paul gives us three ways that we can fight off spiritual dormancy in our lives by being faithful in the ordinary and everyday things.

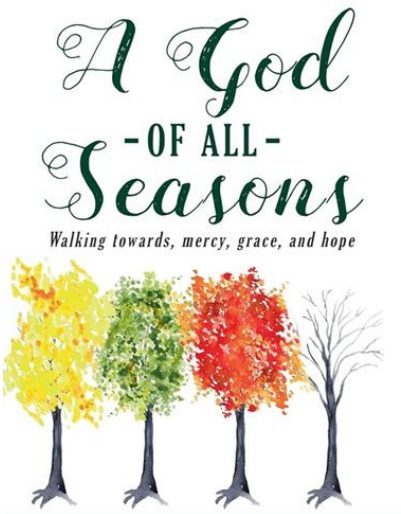
First, we can **Honor Christ in What We Do**. Paul writes, “Whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus” (Col. 3:17). Notice the breadth of that command: “whatever you do.” Christianity is not limited to what happens inside the church building. Our conversations, decisions, responsibilities, relationships, and daily activities can all be expressions of devotion to Christ. When we recognize that we represent Jesus wherever we go, even ordinary tasks take on eternal significance.

Second, we can **Serve Christ in How We Work**. Paul continues, “Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men” (Col. 3:23). Our motivation for doing our best should not depend solely on who is watching or whether our efforts are appreciated. People may overlook our work, misunderstand our motives, or fail to recognize our sacrifices. God does not. When we work with diligence and integrity, we are ultimately serving the Lord. Faithfulness means giving God our best even when no one else sees it.

Third, we can **Glorify Christ in Why We Live**. Paul reminds believers that they are “serving the Lord Christ” (Col. 3:24). This changes the purpose behind everything we do. We are not simply working, parenting, serving, encouraging, cleaning, leading, or helping. We are serving Christ through those things. The ordinary becomes meaningful when it is offered to God.

God does not measure our faithfulness by how impressive our lives appear to others. He calls us to faithfully honor Him wherever He has placed us. This month, let us not overlook the ordinary opportunities God has given in our lives. We can do them with excellence, serve others with humility, and remember whom we are ultimately serving.

Blessings,
Pastor Kurt



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Erin Lemoine	1st
Charles Anderson	2nd
Doug Elston	2nd
Emma Phipps	8th
Kerri Ponder	13th
Devon Smith	26 th



EGBC

women's ministries

EACH TUESDAY

AT 11 A.M.

SENIOR

ADULTS

MINISTRY

FELLOWSHIP

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

FROM 12 TO 2 P.M.

Northwest Louisiana

Baptist Association

Annual Meeting

Monday, October 19

South Bossier

Baptist Church

Dinner 5:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.

Preservice 6:45 p.m.

Meeting 7:00 p.m.



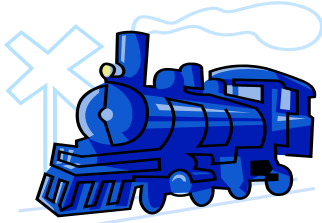
NURSERY

VOLUNTEERS

NEEDED

See Tracy Armistead

if interested!



Charlie's Chats

If you have a favorite song, old or new, let me know. There's a place on the back of the morning bulletin to request a song. We'll try our best to include it in our worship!

ELM GROVE

BAPTIST CHURCH

COME AND JOIN US FOR A

FALL

FESTIVAL

TRUNK OR TREAT • GAMES • FOOD
AND A LOT OF FUN

24 OCTOBER, 2025

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OPERATION

CHRISTMAS

CHILD

Now is the time to

pack shoeboxes that

will bring good news

and joy to boys and girls

around the world!

SEND LOVE

HOLD TRUTH

OPEN DOORS

ENCOURAGE

BRING GOSPEL

OFFER HOPE

EXCITE KIDS



WEEKLY EVENTS

Sunday	
Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship	10:45 a.m.
Tuesday	
Women's Bible Study	11:00 a.m.
Wednesday	
Youth Worship	6:30 p.m.
Prayer Meeting	6:30 p.m.
Praise Choir	6:30 p.m.

Church Council Meeting

Wednesday, October 7

5:30 p.m.

Business Meeting

Sunday, October 11

After Morning Worship

OCTOBER

Pastor

Appreciation

MONTH

Thank You

Bro. Kurt

for all you do for

our church!