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Thought for the Week of August 24, 2025

**Give God what's right  
and what's left.**

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# LOVE

the Lord your God with all your **HEART**

your **SOUL**  
and your

**MIND**

Matthew  
22: 37

[Knowing-Jesus.com](http://Knowing-Jesus.com)

*Sunday, August 24, 2025*

Reaching out to the World...

... Preaching to the Unsaved...

...Teaching the Saved to Serve

**Rev. James Wheeler—Pastor**  
**Sis. Gloria Jackson, General Secretary**

# First Progressive Worship Experience

## IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE FOLLOW THE RUNDOWN

**10:00 A.M.**

### **SALUTATION** (Philippians 4:21)

- Presider : Rev. Albert Richardson  
Call attention to the screens to begin the service- (*Greet Viewers  
and live audience*)

### **INSPIRATION** (PSALM 69:30-34)

- Music Ministry
- Scripture: Deacons/Deaconess— Matthew 22:34-40 NLT
- Music Ministry

### **PROCLAMATION**

- The Word Proclaimed— Rev. James Wheeler (Matthew 22: 37-40)
- Call to Discipleship, Live Music—Rev. Johnny Billups

### **DONATIONS** (1 Cor. 16:2; 2 Cor. 9:6-7; Malachi 3:8-10)

Tithes, Offering /Prayer/ Live Music—Presider, Deacons & Ushers

### **NOTATIONS** (Acts 4:16)

Visitors/Announcements: Rev. James Wheeler

### **LIVE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **INVOCATION** (Ephesians 6:18)

Prayer: Rev. Albert Richardson

### **BENEDICTION** (Ephesians 3:20-21)

Rev. Albert Richardson

Greet and thank those in attendance: Ministers/Diacons/Deaconess

*Especially for your notes*

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**First Progressive can now be seen LIVE,**

Website: [www.firstprogressive.org](http://www.firstprogressive.org)

Click on “Sermon”.

**STREAMING** (Can be seen at anytime) **and on**

**FACEBOOK:** First Progressive MBC

### *Please Note*

First Progressive Members and Friends. Please allow the Holy Spirit to lead and guide you in displaying your “best” behavior in the House of the Lord. **Do not eat and/ or drink in the Sanctuary Do not walk and talk excessively during the preaching hour. Do not smoke “anywhere” in the building.** And, please accompany or have someone responsible accompany your child/children to the restroom.

# CHURCH NOTES

## Today

**Night Sunday School—Every Sunday at 6:00 pm**

Zoom: Meeting ID: 858 5104 9493

Passcode: 332149

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Focus Hope Distribution, due to the Labor Day Holiday,  
will be **August 29, 2025**

from 11:00 A.M - 2:00 P. M. Are you 60 or over?

See Gloria, Nan or Pat to sign up

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Please visit Facebook for our GoFund Me Page to donate to our  
community events.

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**Youth Sunday—August 31, 2025**

**Church Anniversary—September 28, 2025**

**Pastor's Anniversary—October 26, 2025**

**Communion Sunday—Every 1st Sunday 2025**



## LISTENING TO AND RECEIVING THE SERMON AUGUST 24, 2025

Messenger: \_\_\_\_\_ Rev. James Wheeler

Biblical Text: \_\_\_\_\_ Matthew 22: 37-40

Sermon Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Main Ideas of the Sermon : \_\_\_\_\_

Illustrations I want to Remember: \_\_\_\_\_

What should I do as a result of hearing this Sermon :

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### Malachi 3:8-10

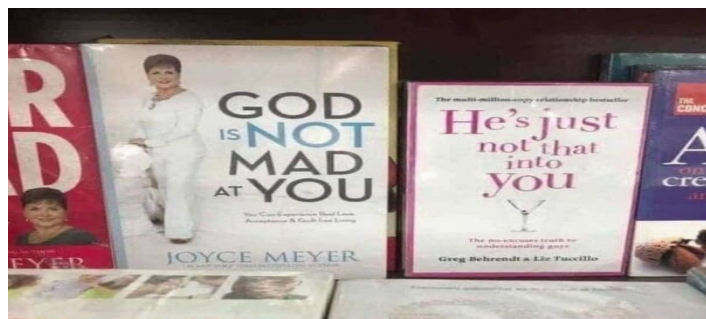
8 Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings.

9 Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation.

10 Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

## August Birthdays

LaPamala Williams	8/1	Sandra Simmons	8/24
Kelvin Simmons	8/3	Rose Pope	8/25
Ava Marie Bailey	8/6	Albert Richardson	8/25
Dionica (Dinky) Rias	8/6	Jerome Wheeler	8/25
LaShawn A. Wheeler	8/14	Travis McKinnon	8/27
James Dukes	8/15	Louise Turner	8/28
DeeJay Linebarger	8/21	Khari Williams	8/28
Brianna Kinard	8/22	Brittany Pope	8/29
Donita Pope	8/23	Jacci Glenn	8/31



## Vision, Mission & Purpose Statements

### • Vision:

First Progressive to become the Church that labors and focuses on being and remaining healthy (spiritually, financially and physically) to do the work of the Church through God's Holy Word, to be able to be a "blessing" to whoever and whatever God sends us; where sinners and saints are welcome to worship, witness and work in His Holy Name, Christ.

### • Mission:

To be a witness for Jesus; reaching out to the world in His Name; preaching, teaching and proclaiming Christ; making disciples and giving God the glory.

### • Purpose:

Worship the Lord in spirit and truth, giving God the glory and serving this present age our calling to fulfill.



Derrick "Bubba" Adams	Sis. Oleama Jones
Bro. Willie Baker	Rev. Albert Richardson
Sis. Donna Billups	Sis. Ola Ross
Bro. Thomas Causey	Bro. Jerome Russell
Bro. Edison Coleman	Sis. Sandra Simmons
Sis. Akesia Collins	Sis. Regina Shorter
Bro. Osie Dukes, Jr.	Sis. Louise Turner
Bro. James Grace	Bro. Johnny Werts
Sis. Vivian Jackson	Sis. Bertha Westbrook
Sis. Elizabeth Jefferson	Sis. Bettie Williams

For addresses and phone numbers please contact the  
Contact Committee or Church Secretary .



## To Our Guest

We, the members of First Progressive Baptist Church, thank you for choosing to worship with us today. We pray that you will be blessed by the services, which are dedicated to praising the risen Savior, Jesus Christ. Feel free to worship with us whenever you are in our area. If you do not have a church home, our prayer is that you consider uniting with us.

**God Bless You**