



LAKEVIEW *life*

WEEK OF AUGUST 16, 2021



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Dear Lakeview Family,

The Lord Jesus said, “I will build my church” (Matthew 16:18). Speaking of the growth of the church, Paul the apostle wrote, “I planted the (gospel) seed, Apollos watered it, but God made it grow” (1 Corinthians 3:6). Clearly, the life and health of the church is a matter of highest priority to the Lord Jesus. The church exists to glorify God by proclaiming the gospel of saving grace to all the nations. Many years ago as a church, we adopted the following statement as our defining northstar: We believe that God’s purpose for Lakeview Baptist Church is to love the Lord God and to express that love by making, nurturing and equipping disciples of Jesus Christ in Auburn and throughout the world.

Every year since 1980, at the beginning of the school year, I have preached on the state of Lakeview Baptist Church. I will do so for the final time this Sunday morning, August 22. For many years, I used a metric of attendance, financial giving and baptisms to measure the health of our Lakeview faith family. While these matters are not unimportant, some years ago I came to the conclusion that church health cannot always be measured by the above criteria.

Having served as a pastor for more than fifty years, I have given my entire adult life to the church. I have thought long and hard about how to measure the health of a church. As a result, I have developed five axioms of a healthy church. Those axioms are:

1. In a healthy church, God’s people love God; therefore, they worship him passionately.
2. In a healthy church, God’s people love God’s Word; therefore, they obey its precepts wholeheartedly.
3. In a healthy church, God’s people love one another; therefore, they live together harmoniously.
4. In a healthy church, God’s people love the lost; therefore, they proclaim the gospel faithfully.
5. In a healthy church, God’s people love the nations; therefore, they go to all the earth fearlessly.

I will use these five axioms plus the Lakeview Church Covenant as the basis of my State of Lakeview Baptist Church message on Sunday morning. I look forward to sharing with you my perspective on the life and health of Lakeview.

2 PETER: GODLY LIVING IN THE LAST DAYS

On Sunday evenings, we are journeying through the Second Letter of Peter. This Sunday, at the 6:00 PM worship hour, I will be preaching from 2 Peter 1:5-11 on “A Know So Salvation.” The Lord wants us to have full assurance of eternal salvation. This message is designed to give us clarity on this most important matter.

Until He Comes,
Al Jackson



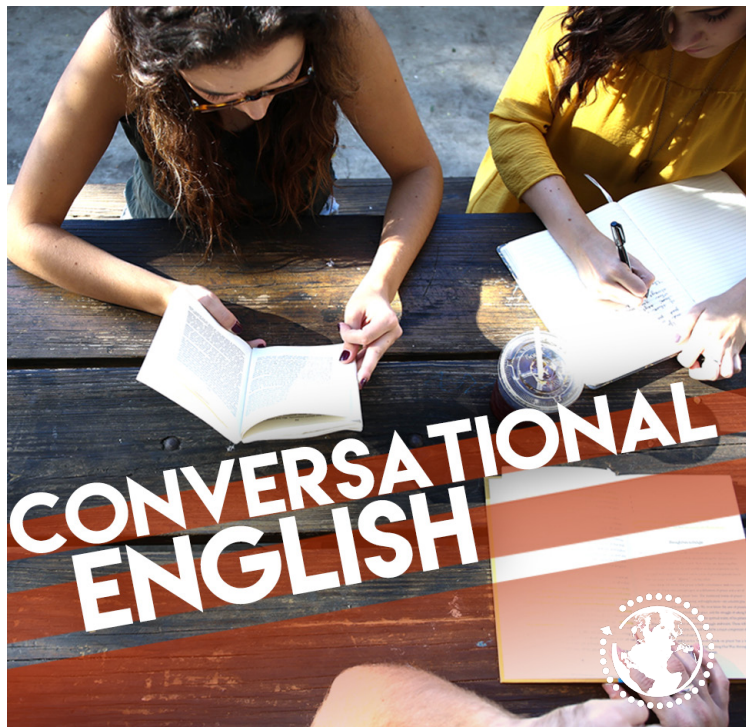
the world IN AUBURN

HELP WANTED FOREIGN MISSIONS LOCALLY

With the now current and recent COVID-19 situation, foreign mission trips have been almost impossible lately. While we hope “going” mission trips resume soon, God has given us the unique opportunity of doing “foreign missions” right here in Auburn. I met recently with local groups that minister to international AU students and learned that quite a few international students have been accepted at AU and have already obtained the necessary Visa and permission to come to Auburn. I also learned that MANY more students have applied to come to Auburn and are in various stages of obtaining Visas and acceptance at AU. Students are not the only people we are able to minister to through English lessons. There are many, many nationalities here that would love the opportunity to learn English. This increases their ability to live and work more easily here and also to learn what it means to follow Jesus.

Maybe God is calling you to do “At Home Foreign Missions.” Lakeview’s Conversational English classes will begin again on this Wednesday and we need teachers, co-teachers, children’s workers and other support personnel to make this opportunity possible. Classes will be taught here on Lakeview’s campus. We will also begin a new program in which a teacher/mentor and the prospective student will meet one-on-one once per week for one hour at the place they choose. The textbook for this new program is the Bible! What a great opportunity to share the love of Jesus with our international friends and hopefully see them accept Jesus as their personal Savior.

If you have questions or to let us know you plan to come, please give me a call in the church office Monday through Wednesday or you may leave a voice message or email me at jferguson@lakeviewbaptist.org. You may also leave a message with Marie Foshee, my assistant.



congregational CARE UPDATE

MEN AND WOMEN’S THEOLOGY GROUPS

Our men and women’s theology groups will start back Wednesdays. Our first meeting will be August 18. The men will meet Wednesday at 6:30 AM and discuss Chapter 44, “The Church: Its Nature, Its Marks, and Its Purposes”. The ladies will continue their study on Wednesdays at 7:45 AM on Chapter 20, “Satan and Demons”. Our discussion will flow from Wayne Grudem’s *Systematic Theology*, 2nd edition. Newcomers are welcome. Read and study the chapter before coming so we can have a good discussion. Check LBC mask policy before you come. I so look forward to seeing all.

THURSDAYS AT OLE TIMES COUNTRY BUFFET

All men are invited to a once-a-month lunch in the Eagle Room at Ole Times Country Buffet from 12:00-1:30. Purchase your food and come on back to the Eagle Room for some good fellowship, food and fun. We will begin Thursday, September 9. Pass on the word. Invite a friend.

NURSING HOME & ASSISTED LIVING SING-A-LONGS

Sing-a-longs will be rescheduled for now. Jann will let you know when we start again.

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SUNDAYS 6:00 PM



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CELEBRATION CHOIR & ORCHESTRA WEDNESDAYS | 6:00 PM

Join us as we begin a new season of praise leadership. We would love for you to utilize your gifts and abilities with us as we praise the Lord together. The Celebration Choir meets in the Choir Room and the Orchestra meets in the Worship Center each Wednesday evening at 6:00. Come join us!

RE/GEN YOUTH CHOIR THIS SUNDAY | 4:30 PM

Calling all 7th-12th graders to the choir room this Sunday afternoon. We'll be rehearsing prior to leading in the evening service. Hope to see you then.

AN EVENING OF SOUTHERN GOSPEL MUSIC SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 | 6:00 PM

Join us for an evening of music filled with Southern Gospel favorites featuring the Lakeview Celebration Choir and Orchestra.



HOUSING NEED

Do you have the gift of hospitality? Do you have extra space to provide lodging for a man, a couple or a family? We need housing! Bro Al has an annual Lakeview Connection meeting for former Lakeview members and interns who are in ministry. This year the connection reunion will begin with dinner on Thursday, September 2 and will end with breakfast on Saturday, September 4. While the men meet with Bro Al, any wives that come will meet with Kem. All meals and childcare will be provided at the church. If you are interested in keeping someone, please contact Gretchen at ghood@lakeviewbaptist.org or 334-887-7094.



lamb's TALE

MISS PATTY CAKE CONCERT SEPTEMBER 4 | 10:30 AM

Kids and parents are invited to join us for a Miss Patty Cake concert in the Youth Center, Saturday, September 4 at 10:30 AM. This is a great opportunity to invite a friend with young kids and join in as Miss Patty Cake sings about the love of Jesus.



LADIES BIBLE STUDIES

GOD OF DELIVERANCE (BY JEN WILKIN)

WEDNESDAYS | 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

STARTS AUGUST 25*

SUNDAYS | 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM

STARTS SEPTEMBER 12*

Workbooks are for sale online at Lifeway.com, Amazon.com, Walmart.com and other booksellers.

PRECEPT: DANIEL

WEDNESDAYS | 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Via Zoom only. Connect from home or from campus if childcare needed.

STARTS AUGUST 25*

TUESDAYS | 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

STARTS SEPTEMBER 14

Workbooks are for sale on the Precept website.

Register for all classes at www.lakeviewbaptist.org/lakeview-women. If you need help securing a workbook or have any questions, we're glad to help. Email us at lakeviewwomen@gmail.com

*Preschool childcare is available on Wednesdays and Sunday afternoons with online registration. Space is limited, so please sign up soon.

Lakeview Women

AUGUST 18

Beef Tips in Gravy, Rice, Veggies Rolls, Ice Cream Cups

AUGUST 25

Country Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Veggies, Apple Crisp

Fellowship Meals are open to everyone and cost \$4 per person with a \$20 cap per family. Cash or Check only.

**REMEMBER
IN *prayer***

MAGNOLIA PLACE

Nancy Thornton

OAK PARK

Bobby Jones

Emaleen Fagen

VALLEY PARK MANOR

Kay Gaillard

AT HOME

Matthew Baker

Daniel Benjamin

Matt Beth

Mike Cannon

Dennis Clark

Joe Denison

Billy Edens

Hugh Fellows

Rita Freeman

Ambers Hanson

Lorene Hayes

Nelda Kennedy

Sharon Newman

Renae O'Mary

Jane Parker

Matthew Richardson

Donn Rodekhor

Susan Scales

Lottie Sides

Nita Sims

Joe Youngblood

**PRAYER
MEETING**

**WEDNESDAYS @ 6:00 PM
FELLOWSHIP HALL**

Join us to pray for our country,
our community, and for one another.

AUGUST 15 ATTENDANCE

MORNING SERVICE _____ 1,042

EVENING SERVICE _____ 355

AUGUST 15 GIVING

BUDGET _____ \$176,766.71

RESTRICTED _____ \$22,021.73

REMAINDER NEEDED
THIS MONTH _____ \$83,233.29

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WE BELIEVE THAT GOD'S PURPOSE FOR
LAKEVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH IS TO
LOVE THE LORD GOD AND TO EXPRESS THAT LOVE BY
MAKING, NURTURING AND EQUIPPING
DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST
IN AUBURN AND THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.



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