



pastor's **PEN**

Dear Lakeview Family,

Last week I addressed the issue that all of us sometimes face – spiritual dryness. One of the ways we fight the good fight of faith (1 Timothy 6:12) over this struggle is by availing ourselves to the ordinary means of grace.

Of course, a central means of grace with regard to our individual spiritual disciplines is prayerful time in the Word of God. Today, I would like to offer you some ways to help make your time in the Word more productive.

In the 1930's and 40's, British and Australian evangelical leaders produced a booklet entitled *Quiet Time: A Practical Guide for Daily Devotions*, first published by InterVarsity Press in the United States in 1945. Perhaps the most practical part of this 30-page booklet is a summary of some of the prayer disciplines of George Mueller, a well-known German Baptist minister and founder of orphanages, who lived in England. Mueller had questions he asked of a biblical text that the Bible reader could easily turn into a prayer as well:

Is there any example for me to follow?
Is there any command for me to obey?
Is there any error for me to avoid?
Is there any sin for me to forsake?
Is there any promise for me to claim?
Is there any new thought about God himself?

These questions are helpful and may I add this, drawn from a principle I borrow from author Bryan Chapell: "what is the mutual human condition (what Chapell calls the 'Fallen Condition Focus') that I share with those to or about whom the text was written that requires the grace of the passage for me to glorify and enjoy God."

To put it another way: what spiritual concern(s) does the text address? What spiritual concerns do I share in common with those to (or about) whom the text was written?

By identifying that "mutual condition" we share with the original audience, it helps us determine why the text was written, not just for biblical times, but also for our time.

Once we determine that mutual condition, we should remember that God expects us to act on the problems/sins his Spirit reveals. After all, God has revealed to us His Word for "teaching, reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness" (2 Timothy 3:16).

Hope this helps!

Love and Gratitude,
Pastor Brian

SPRING 2026 LIFE CLASSES

Please see the upcoming Life Class offerings for the Spring 2026 term, beginning Sunday, January 25th:

PARENTING 101

This class provides faithful and practical tools for raising children to know and love God. It is designed for new, expectant, and future parents, as well as those seeking a refresher. The series includes a two-week bonus session following spring break focused on relationships with adult children.

- Leader: Tim Keeter (Association of Certified Biblical Counselors certified)
- Time: 4:45 PM
- Location: Room N109

SPIRITUAL WARFARE: STEPS TO FREEDOM IN CHRIST

This six-week course explores the steps to attaining spiritual freedom.

- Leader: Bob Brownfield (Former IMB missionary and current deacon)
- Time: 4:45 PM
- Location: N104

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY, CHRISTIAN FAITH, AND MISSION

This group will discuss Andrew T. Walker's book, *Liberty for All: Defending Everyone's Religious Freedom in a Pluralistic Age*.

- Leader: Mike DeBoer (Professor at Faulkner Law School)
- Time: 4:45 PM
- Location: N108

GRIEF SHARE

GriefShare is a support group for those navigating the loss of a loved one. The class offers materials and encouragement facilitated by those who have walked similar journeys of sorrow and hope.

- Leaders: Tommy and Karen Parten, Stacy Schuessler, and Cliff Knight
- Time: 4:30 PM
- Location: N103



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RE/GEN ON-MISSION: ORLANDO, FL

1ST REGISTRATION & DEPOSIT DUE SUN. FEB. 8TH

The cost for this year's Re/Gen On-Mission Trip to Orlando, FL (May 29th – June 3rd) is \$240 per student. The \$120 deposit and the first online registration is due on or before Sunday, February 8th. The remaining balance (\$120) and the second online registration can be completed between March 1st and March 22nd.

Letters have been mailed to Re/Gen parents for more information concerning registration, payments, and trip details. Registration and more info can also be found at www.lbcmusic.org.



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NEWS

THANK YOU!

Thank you for praying for Fuel Weekend! We had a wonderful weekend as we learned more about the holiness of God and the call for believers to be holy as He is holy. Our fellowship with one another was sweet and encouraging! We are grateful for all of the volunteers that made this weekend possible!





children's CHATTER

CILDREN'S CATECHISM

FEBRUARY 2nd, 9th, 16th, and 23rd

In our Catechism class, Pastor Brian instructs children about the foundations of our Christian faith. Families may attend more than once. Topics in this class include salvation, baptism, Lord's Supper, and Christian growth.

Our next session will begin on Monday, February 2nd. The class will meet on Monday afternoons (typically in February and August) for four weeks from 4:00 – 5:00 PM in room W208 – 209.

We ask that a parent, grandparent, or guardian stay and attend the class with their child. Childcare is available for preschool siblings upon request.

To register your child or for more information about the class, please email Jennifer at jvail@lakeviewbaptist.org and/or click [here](#) to visit our website.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

March 15th: Scripture Memory Deadline

April 26th: Scripture Memory Banquet

May 17th: Rising 1st Grade Meet & Greet

May 24th: Promotion Day

June 22nd–26th: Vacation Bible School — Answers in Genesis

“Emerald Crossing” (Registration opens online early April.)

NEAR HIS HEART
dinner

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6

with special guests
GREG & MARY JANE MEYER

Volunteers Still Needed!
[Click here to register!](#)

(Participant registration closes soon)



cliff's notes ON FAMILY MINISTRY

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

The caregiver support group will meet on Thursday, February 5th, from 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM at Lakeview in room N208. This group exists to encourage, inform, and offer ideas of services available to anyone who might be responsible for being a caregiver of a loved one. Their needs may be dementia, failing health, handicap or special needs. We will be talking about advanced directives, power of attorney, guardianship, and conservatorship in this month's meeting. Kristy Butler brings great experience, wisdom, compassion and help to the table for anyone in need of support.



FOOD PANTRY – JANUARY REPORT

Households fed	84
Total pounds of food distributed	4,482
Average pounds per household	54
Average \$ per household	\$7.65



fellowship MEAL

SERVING MEALS 4:45 UNTIL 5:35 PM; CLEARING TABLES AT 5:45 PM.

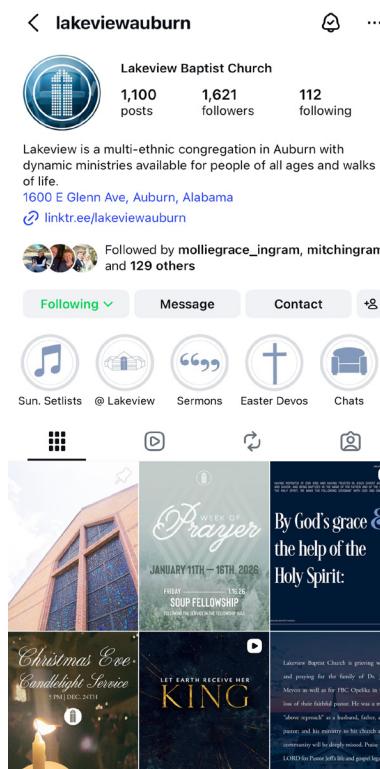
JANUARY 28

Hamburgers, Baked Beans,
California Blend Veggies, Salad, Apple Crisp

FEBRUARY 4

Chicken Parmesan, Pasta & Sauce,
Green Beans, Garlic Bread, Salad, Oreo Dessert

Fellowship Meals are open to everyone and cost \$5 per person with a \$20 cap per family. Cash or Check only. **Menu subject to change.**



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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.

REMEMBER IN *prayer*

ARBOR LAKE

Nancy Brownfield
Emaleen Fagen
Jennifer Hood
Joe Waller

THE PHOENIX AT OPELIKA

Jerry Clark
Judy Clark
Charles Knause
Jerry Knause
Dick Lane

AT HOME

Matthew Baker
Daniel Benjamin
Matt Beth
Alice Chambliss
Dennis Clark
Jane Parker
Janice Powers
Matthew Richardson
Lottie Sides
Jackie Sneed
Larry Swango
Ilze West
Joe Youngblood

BILL NICHOLS STATE VETERANS HOME

Ira Hayes

CAMELLIA PLACE

Barbara Blankenship

Susan Lazenby

CANTERBURY HEALTH CARE FACILITY

Dean Baker

EASE HOUSE

Anne Dodge

MONARCH ESTATES

Bill Thornton

JANUARY 25 ATTENDANCE

MORNING SERVICE ————— 1,189

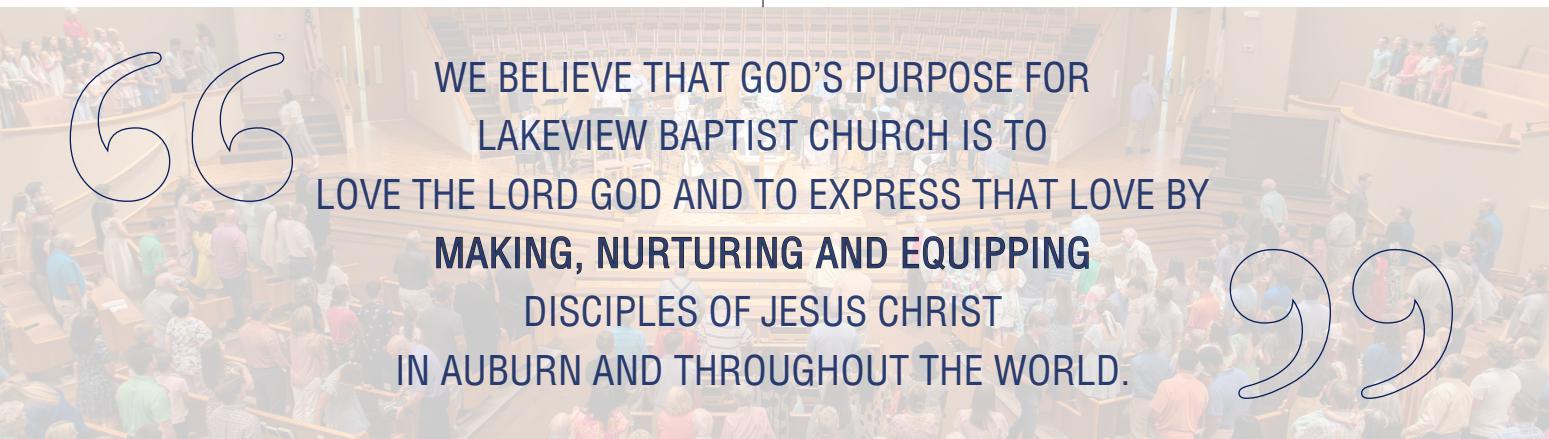
EVENING SERVICE ————— 472

JANUARY 25 GIVING

BUDGET ————— \$63,484.28

RESTRICTED ————— \$14,299.39

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