



Gazebo Gazette



Merry Christmas from Shannon and I and all of the ABC Family. It has been a blessing serving this past year. We had a great summer with 4368 in attendance over nine weeks of camp. We recorded 200 professions of faith and total decisions of 591!

Since ABC began we have recorded 8070 professions of faith 6426 rededications and 644 have surrendered to the ministry! Numerous other lives have been touched through retreats and other events.

Our capital campaign "Further with Him" has been going well. We have surpassed \$1.2 million in cash and pledges! We have had \$565,897 given with \$639,597 remaining in pledges. 61 couples, churches or individuals have given to our campaign so far. Our debt on the Worship Center is down to \$346,859 and we plan to begin a renovation of our waste water treatment soon. Our weekends are filling up for next year and summer camps are looking good. We have had a lot of volunteers coming to help. Our annual Christmas banquet was a big success with over 125 in attendance. Many have told me they watched online. We have two mens retreats we are helping sponsor in the spring. Our Golf tournament is coming up in March. Keep us in your prayers and help us with our campaign or an end of year gift if the Lord leads you.

Thank you again for your faithful support.

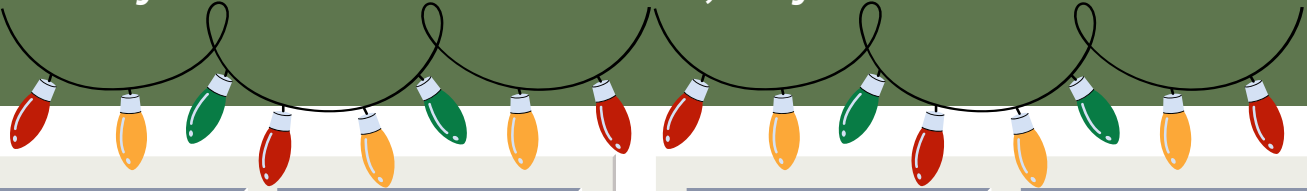
God bless,

James Newsom



Christmas Celebration at the Opry

Music by: Chad and Dawn Boudreaux, Katy James and Joe Garbarino



Recent Events at ABC



Disc Golf Tournament



SYATP Rally



FBC Lafayette Staff Planning Retreat



Campers on Mission Work Week



FCLLA State Conference



Andrew Bates sharing a devotional with Campers on Mission

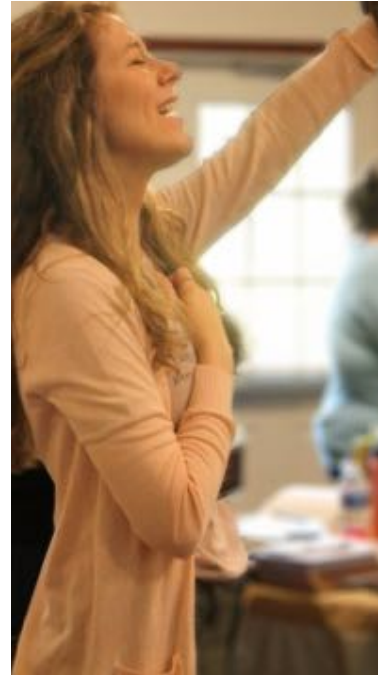


Donation of a 4 wheeler from Loewer Honda

Recent Events at ABC



Louisiana Baptist Singing Women Concert



FBC Lafayette Women's Retreat

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Surprise birthday party for board chairman Jimmy Loewer; cake made by Brodie and Erica Ardoin



2025 LOUISIANA NATIVE PLANT CONFERENCE February 14-16, 2025 Acadian Baptist Center, 1202 Academy Dr Eunice, LA 70535

FRIDAY – February 14, 2025

- 11:00 am Field Trip (Optional): Louisiana State Arboretum at Chico State Park (See page 6 for details)
- 1:00 pm Prescribed burn demonstration at the Acadian Baptist Center prairie (if weather permits)
- 3:00 pm Check in/Registration in the Chapel
- 5:00 pm Dinner in the Dining Hall
- 6:00 pm **Tammy Greer, *The Role of Native Plants in the Revitalization of Native American Cultures***
- 7:00 pm **Emily Miller, *Planting Native in Our Dynamic Coastal Zones***

SATURDAY, February 15, 2025

- 7:00-8:15 am Registration/Check-in in the Chapel; Breakfast in the Dining Hall
- 8:15-8:30 am Welcome and Opening Remarks in the Chapel
- 8:30-9:30 am **Eric Fuselier, *Using Native Plants in Phytoremediation***
- 9:30-10:30 **Johnny Armstrong and Latimore Smith, *Revealing Biodiversity, the Protection and Restoration of a North Louisiana Ecosystem***

Break

- 11:00-noon Trivia
- Business Meeting, Elections, Year-in-Review, DeFatta Award

Noon Lunch in the Dining Hall

- 1:15-2:30 pm Jen Blanchard will lead a nature walk around the grounds of ABC. Meet in front of the chapel.
- 1:15-2:30 pm Workshop – Tammy Greer. Dr. Greer will conduct a workshop in the East Room to introduce the use of native plants as pigments and dyes that can be used now, as they have been in the past, to color our world.
- 3:00 pm Plant Auction in the East Room
- 5:00 pm Dinner in the Dining Hall
- 6:00 pm Bonfire by the lake

SUNDAY, February 16, 2025

- 7:00-8:15 am Breakfast in the Dining Hall
- 9:00 am Field trips scheduled (See pages 6-8). Meet in front of the chapel or as designated.

REGISTRATION

REGISTER by January 31, 2025 by clicking [here](https://www.acadianbaptistcenter.com/registration). Cancellations must be made in writing to info@acadianbaptistcenter.com by February 7 in order to receive a full refund less a \$25 fee. Cancellations after February 7 are non-refundable. Contact Jackie Duncan for questions at jackie.duncan@acadianbaptistcenter.com or text 318-277-4731. Below is a map showing the grounds of the Acadian Baptist Center. Circled in RED are the Chapel where Check-in and Presentations are located, the Lodge, the East Room where exhibitors/vendors/silent auction/plant auction/and workshop are located. Elliott Hall is also circled in RED for those who are staying in the dormitory. The fire pit where the bonfire will be is also circled in RED. Tent camping can be anywhere beside the lake, and the bath house is available to tent campers.



2025 ACADIANA MEN'S Retreat



MAY 1-3, 2025



JESUS THE MAN
Lion · Lamb · Leader

Commuter - \$40
Overnight - \$85

Speakers - Cullen Clark & Andrew Bates
Music - Keeton Blakeney

MEN'S RETREAT 2025
Jan 31-Feb 1, 2025
@AcadianBaptistCenter

Register Here



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