

QUARTERLY

Winter
25-26

A Note from David Senior Pastor

Dear LCBC Family and Friends,

What an amazing year The Lord blessed us with in 2025. We have received new members, seen people saved, watched many be baptized, and we thank Him for all of them. The building renovations are moving forward, and many of you have accepted the call to assist in the completion of the work by giving above your tithes and offerings. We look forward to the church office being moved to the front of the property where the preschool area used to be. That will make it possible to complete former Adult One area and old office area for The Lord's future plans for our Children's program, for example. The most important part of this process is to do what Jesus wants us to do at LCBC and to do it the way He would do it. Our sacrifices financially can result in treasure in Heaven if we do all of this with the right motives- to glorify God. The real issue is not buildings ultimately. God can reach a lost and dying world without buildings. The greatest challenge is for us to remember that our time, talents, spiritual gifts, and treasure are all His. That is why we say things without even realizing it like, 'how will you SPEND your TIME today.' It all belongs to Him, right?

A NOTE FROM BRIAN the Associate, Youth and Young Single Adults Pastor

Youth

We have reached that time of year when everything begins to wind down as we prepare for what is next. During this time, the students will spend time in the book of Acts on Wednesday nights going through chapter by chapter and verse by verse learning from the early church and how it impacts them in today's culture. We are answering questions such as what can we learn about being a follower of Christ from those that started it all.

Kelley and I have joined the Purpose Week summer camp planning team and have been helping to prepare for this upcoming summer camp. This year's camp will be June 22-26 and more information to come in the upcoming months leading to camp. I can go ahead and let parents know that this year's camp cost will be \$325. I am also looking for 1 male adult sponsor and 1 female adult sponsor to come with us to camp and help pour into our students. Please be in prayer about this and let me know if you are willing to join and help out. All volunteers will need to be able to pass a background check and will need to complete a Child Protective Training course. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Young Single Adults

The young adults continue to meet on the second Tuesday of each month and are currently working through James Finke's book *Dear Judas*, which is a modern retelling of the C.S. Lewis' *The Screwtape Letters*. Through this journey, we are exploring the tension between good and evil along with thought-provoking apologetic elements.

On Another Note:

I am looking at expanding LCBC's Men's Ministry outside of our monthly breakfast. The Lord has placed on my heart the need to gather will fellow men in our church to provide support, prayer, fellowship, and spiritual growth. The plan is to meet off campus once a month. One of the first things that we will be diving into is Pastor J. Josh Smith's book *The Titus Ten*. In this study we will be looking onto what are the foundations for godly manhood.

"Everything in a man's life hinges on the kind of man he is. However, none of us is naturally a godly man. That is something we have to learn, pursue, and cultivate."

– Josh Smith

Please be in prayer for this opportunity to join fellow men in growing in their walk with the Lord. If you are interested, please let me know. This opportunity is also available to anyone you may know outside of our Little Cypress family.

Pastor Brian Patrick

A NOTE FROM KYLER

MUSIC & CHILDREN'S MINISTER

Hello church family! God has given us a new year to praise Him and make His name known; therefore, we need to look for every opportunity to do so.

For the music ministry, we are using new ways to praise God in His church. Starting soon, we will be looking for volunteers to be a part of a praise team here at LCBC. We have many gifted musicians and singers in our congregation, and we want to give them the opportunity to use their talents to lead others to Jesus through song. This will not take the place of the choir. Instead, the choir and the praise team will work together to lead songs on Sunday mornings. Another new way we are praising God this year is by having a playlist of songs. This playlist would be available for all to access. Additionally, the songs on this playlist will be songs used on Sunday mornings both now and in the future once they are introduced. By having a playlist available for all to access, the church body can prepare themselves for every Sunday morning by listening to and knowing the songs before so we can sing loudly, making a joyful noise to YHWH!

For our Children's/Nursery/LOVE Ministries, we have so much in the works. For starters, VBS this year will be Emerald Crossing from Answers in Genesis. Emerald Crossing will walk kids through Psalm 23 as they learn how God can guide them from anxiety to peace, from fear to hope, and more. Dates have not been decided yet but watch for them soon. We also have new curriculums that we are experimenting with to help the parents disciple their kiddos and to be good stewards of what God has given us. Additionally, we will be implementing new curriculums and strategies for our LOVE ministry! God has blessed us with people and resources both inside and outside of the church body to help build up the LOVE ministry, so we are moving forward with God's guidance. There's so much that has not been said so be watching for new and exciting information!

Your brother and fellow servant in Christ, Kyler.

A NOTE FROM KELLEY & SARAH

Women Ministry

This year, the Women's Ministry wants to encourage both spiritual growth and an increase in participation. Our goal is to approach ministry in new ways while impacting our community.

Fellowships & Events

We plan to host more home gatherings and lunch outings providing opportunities for fellowship and meaningful conversations in a comfortable setting to help deepen relationships among members.

To keep our ministry vibrant and engaging, we will have a special activity each quarter. A highlight of our calendar is a women's lake retreat, scheduled for April 24-26. This retreat will offer a chance for connection and spiritual renewal.

Bible Study opportunities for Ladies:

Sunday Morning

- Women's Sunday School Class led by Liz Turner

Sunday Night Discipleship Class

- When Daniel is complete, we'll be doing a new thing... Details coming soon.

Wednesday Study

- Answers in Genesis led by Amanda Fry starting at 6pm

CLOSING NOTE

Little Cypress Baptist is serving as the venue for the 2026 Crisis Preparation and Sustainable Living Expo. This is the 15th expo that is promoted to southeast Texas and southwest Louisiana. Because we are the venue, we have the opportunity to hand out a packet of materials including a Bible and gospel materials. We use this opportunity to meet the people and to share the good news of Jesus with them. There are a number of ways that LCBC members are involved in this event. Some are speakers on crisis preparation or sustainable living skills. Others in our church family serve as hosts for registration or for the green room to feed our guest vendors and speakers. Others help us set up, or tear down (on Saturday at 4:30 p.m.) and reset everything for Bible study and worship the next day. Some of our men take the road signs out to put a visually prominent places that will allow an expo sign to be placed there. Still others help the men's kitchen crew prepare food to sell to hungry expo attendees. The monies they make normally go to special age group events in our church. If you would like to get involved, let the pastor know. There are fliers around the church on tables that you are welcome to take for yourself or others. If you would like to have a PDF of the flier to print for distribution, let the pastor or the office know.

Yours In Christ,
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Women's Ministry