



# The Branch NewsLETTER

*"I am the vine, you are the branches" John 15:5*

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## HAPPY FATHER'S DAY



**Train up a child in the way  
he should go, and when he  
is old he will not depart  
from it. Proverbs 22:6 (NKJV)**

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**GAME ON!** GEARING UP FOR LIFE'S BIG GAME (2 PETER 3)

**GEAR UP!  
GET READY!  
GAME ON!**

**July 8-12 at 6-9 pm**  
**Kick-off is July 8 at 5 pm**

Grab your megaphones, lace up your cleats, and tune up your instruments. It's time to gear up for the big game! Join us for a week of preparing for life's big game at Game On! Kids will begin each day at the Pep Rally. From the Pep Rally, kids will gather at the Field House where they will be equipped to dig deep into God's Word. Kids will learn that God has given them everything they need through His divine power. Each day kids will make crafts, play fun games, enjoy tasty snacks, sing cool songs, and learn about missions.

Children age 4 through grade 6 are admitted free whether you attend Live Oak First Baptist or not.

Register at [www.liveoakfbc.org](http://www.liveoakfbc.org) or call 210-656-8200. You can pre-register at the Live Oak Park Junior Fishing Day on June 2 at 9:30 am – Noon.

## From Our Pastor

I recently addressed the topic “The Keys to Waiting.” Waiting has many connotations and produces various emotions and reactions. Sometimes we wait in fearful anxiety and at other times we wait with confident excitement and trust. The reality is waiting produces mixed emotions which are influenced by the attitude of the person waiting and the particular anticipated event or person. Isaiah reminds us that there is a positive outcome for the person who waits on the Lord. Isaiah 40:31 gives this assurance “But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles, they shall run, and not be weary, and they shall walk and not faint.”

The first key to waiting is an attitude of prayer. As Christians, we must take time each day to wait on God. In Matthew 6:6 Jesus told us to enter into our closet and shut the door. The psalmist says that he sought God evening, morning, and at noon. When we take time for God, our lives will change, and people will see Christ in us.

The second key to waiting is expecting the power and promises of the Father. Isaiah promised strength, power, and persistence to those who wait on the Lord. In Acts 1:4, one hundred twenty people waited ten days expecting to be “endued with the Holy Spirit”. We need to wait with the expectation of the supernatural work of God.

The third key to waiting is knowing with certainty the one you are waiting on. Psalm 46:10 says “Be still and know that I am God.” We can be certain that the one we wait upon is the divine who is Savior, Lord, Master, and King. While we wait, let’s wait on God. Praying with confident certainty of His power and promises. Don’t be in a hurry but allow God to speak to you.

Your Pastor,  
*Brother Donald*

## From Our Minister of Music & Education

Fanny Jane Crosby (1829–1919) is considered the most significant writer of gospel songs America has produced. Blinded at age six, she went to the New York City School for the Blind. Upon graduation, she taught there for eleven years and married a blind musician, also on the faculty.

Crosby wrote between 8500 and 9000 poems, both sacred and secular. Many were set to music by the leading gospel composers of the day. She established the Fanny Crosby Memorial Home for the Aged where she lived out her life.

This month we will sing all of her hymns that are in our hymnal. They are listed below. I hope you enjoy them!

All the Way My Saviour Leads Me  
Blessed Assurance  
Close to Thee  
He Hideth My Soul  
I Am Thine, O Lord  
Jesus Is Tenderly Calling  
Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross  
My Savior First of All  
Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior  
Praise Him! Praise Him!  
Redeemed  
Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It  
Rescue the Perishing  
Tell Me the Stories of Jesus  
To God Be the Glory  
To the Work

Please pray for our Vacation Bible School staff and the neighborhood children that we may be able to teach and reach those that God has chosen.

*Paul*



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|----------------------|--------------------|
| 5 Karen Childs       | 22 Marga Ward      |
| 9 Jo Wangerow        | 22 Jennifer Miller |
| 14 Faith White       | 23 Joseph Taylor   |
| 18 Ariel Siwecki     | 23 Makayla Young   |
| 19 Bernard De Vaughn | 25 Tristian Howard |



## Lively Oaks Meeting

June 14  
11:30 am  
Macaroni Grill  
At the Forum  
For ages 50+



Join us for lunch at Macaroni Grill located in the Forum. They serve an Italian-American menu such as pasta, pizza, chicken dishes, seafood, and salads.

We will carpool from the church at 11:30 a.m.



## WORK DAY at the CHURCH

June 23<sup>rd</sup>  
9:00 a.m.

**Join us after Men's Prayer Breakfast to spruce up the church. There will be something for everyone to do.**

## Deacon of the Week

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| June 3  | Mario Ward       |
| June 10 | Richard Filleman |
| June 17 | Ken Bean         |
| June 24 | Donnie Cox       |



## Church Library

Open on Sundays 10:30–10:50 am



### Books, DVDs, CDs, & More!

We have resources for teachers, Bible study helps, videos, fiction and non-fiction books. We also have a children's section with videos and books.

Stop by and check us out. If you need to come in at another time, call the church office at 656-8200.



If you would like to place flowers on the altar for a special occasion (anniversary, birthday, in memory, etc.) please contact Rachel at 656-8200, leave a message at the office or email to [rdorch@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rdorch@sbcglobal.net) to schedule the date. If you would like, we can order flowers for you at a cost of \$50.00, to be taken home after the morning service. Checks may be made payable to Live Oak First Baptist Church with *Altar Flowers* noted on the memo line.