

Order of Worship Spring Into Action

Prelude

"We Have Heard the Joyful Sound"

Call to Worship

"O For a Thousand Tongues"
Choir

Welcome and Announcements

"Oh, How Good It Is"

"Set My Soul Afire" #573

"Hear Our Praises"

Worship through Prayer

"Here Am I, Send Me" #597

"One By One" #561

Worship through Giving

"Each One, Reach One"

Choir; Soloist, Stephanie Lonsberry

Message From God's Word

Dr. Thomas Strong

Time of Commitment

"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" #305

Benediction

"O Church, Arise"

Step Into the Future: May 5th Special Offering

For years, the leadership and members of Metairie Baptist Church have been anticipating the opportunity to purchase the property on the corner of Codifer and Bonnabel which is adjacent to our current property. God has now chosen at this time to provide a way for us to do that very thing and to purchase the property. It is our time to "step into the future" and seize this opportunity for which God has provided. On May 5th, we will be participating in a special offering to help with the cost of the purchase. You are encouraged to pray about making a sacrificial gift above your tithes and offerings. This initial offering will help defray the long term cost of the property and will also demonstrate our gratefulness to God for the opportunity. We are encouraging everyone as much as possible to give to this offering. The scriptural principle is that we will all give various amounts – but it isn't the amount that matters – we are all called to make an equal sacrifice, not necessarily equal giving. Some can give more and others may not be able to do so. But would you be willing to pray earnestly about what God would have you to do as you prepare personally for May 5th – and join us as we "Step into the Future." Also, you can give throughout the years by means of a designated item in our budget for this purchase as well.

April 7, 2013		Wednesday
Sunday School:	118	Night
Worship:	160	Supper
April Stewardship		Menu:
Weekly Budget:	\$8,718	Brisket
Offering (04/07/13):	\$8,640	
Apr. Budget to Date:	\$8,718	
Apr. Offering to Date:	\$8,640	

Garage Sale

We will be having a four day garage sale on our new property at 421 Codifer. The sale will be held on Wednesday, April 17, from 3:00-7:00 pm for MBC only; Thursday-Friday, April 18-19, from 9:00 am-4:00 pm; Saturday, April 20, from 9:00 am-noon. All proceeds will go towards the purchase of the new property. We need volunteers to help man the sale, as well as, your donations of household items, toys, jewelry, furniture, etc. No clothing or shoes, please. You may sign up in Sunday school to work the sale. Contact Shirley Williams or Barbara Beck with any questions.

Seminarisians In Concert

"Songs of Hope and Healing" – an encouraging night of worship with the Seminarisians on Thursday, May 2 at 7:00 pm in our church sanctuary. Don't miss it!



Vacation Bible School

June 17-21 (Monday through Friday)
6:00-9:00 pm Nightly

If you are interested in serving in VBS, please indicate on your tab today, "VBS." You may also sign up in the Orion Foyer or online. Online registration for kids is also available at metairiebc.org. Next Sunday night at 4:15 pm will be a VBS workers' meeting for anyone interested or has already signed up. For more information, contact Melissa Moskau at 504-835-2611.

Verse of the Month: Colossians 3:1-2

"Therefore if you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on the earth.

Deacon of the Week: Rick Coogler (504-838-6061)

Please contact Rick for any ministry need or illness.