

*Pearl River Baptist Association
January 2025 Financial Report*

Beginning Balance \$182,880.46 1/31/2025

Church Contributions:

	Month	Year-to-Date		Month	Year-to-Date
Bethel	0.00	3,951.18	New Life BC	331.58	649.34
Carriere FBC	0.00	0.00	New Palestine	0.00	4,907.27
Central	1,312.30	2,926.50	Nicholson FBC	250.00	1,000.00
College Heights	50.00	50.00			
Corinth	0.00	680.81	Oak Hill	630.32	3,117.84
Comerstone	0.00	0.00	Olive	957.00	3,273.00
Crane Creek	1,084.67	3,907.29	Ozona FBC	0.00	0.00
Derby	0.00	989.90	Picayune FBC	0.00	10,091.93
Emmanuel Baptist	50.00	200.00	Pine Grove	0.00	4,782.24
Faith Memorial	65.00	195.00	Poplarville FBC	0.00	3,000.00
Flattop Unity	0.00	251.29	Rolling Hills	0.00	2,098.90
Fords Creek	387.00	1,795.50	Roseland Park	4,041.63	11661.76
Goodyear	136.93	2,627.49	Shiloh	0.00	0.00
Gumpond	384.92	769.25	Springhill	0.00	1,915.40
Harmony	0.00	100.00	Steep Hollow	500.00	2,050.00
Hickory Grove	0.00	0.00	The Beginnings	0.00	100.00
Hillcrest	0.00	579.75	Union	1,934.89	8,639.13
Journey	0.00	0.00	Unity	225.00	300.00
Juniper Grove	718.00	2,044.79	West Poplarville	0.00	125.00
Mill Creek	955.97	1,610.41	West Union	3,057.85	5,462.86
New Henleyfield	214.38	788.58	White Sand	0.00	0.00

Total Church Contributions \$ 16,569.44 \$87,954.71
 Subsidy from MB Baptist Convention Board \$ 125.00
 Total Monthly Receipts \$ 16,694.44

Disbursements:

01-Leader Labs	0.00	22-Evangelism/Promotions	500.00
02-Media	87.73	23-Church Planting/Revitalization	0.00
03-Ministry to Church Staff	151.61	24-Grounds/Building/Maint.	484.60
04-PRC BSU	0.00	25-Disaster Relief	0.00
05-Ministry to Children	0.00	26-Office Copier Lease	789.28
06-Mission Groups (Hosted by FRBA)	0.00	27-Community Events	0.00
07-Ministry to Singles	0.00	28-Office Supplies	609.11
08-Ministry to Senior Adults	0.00	29-Postage	0.00
09-Ministry to Youth	10.97	30-Utilities	820.65
10-Deacons & Wives	0.00	31-Insurance	0.00
11-Family Ministry	0.00	32-Computer Support	0.00
12-Bible Drills/Bible Clubs	0.00	33-Staff Salary & Benefits	7,211.48
13-Discipleship	0.00	39-Conventions & Conferences	0.00
14-Women's Conference	0.00	41-Convention Ministry Assistants	0.00
16-Mission Support Projects	0.00	43-FICA	139.95
17-Partnership Missions	0.00	45-Christmas Bonuses	0.00
18-WMU/Women's Ministry	0.00	46-Maintenance/Custodian Wages	308.00
19-Prison Ministry	228.18	47-Family Counselor	0.00
20-RA's Events	0.00	50-Annuity	755.00
21-Annual Meetings	0.00	51-Expense & Mileage Reimburse	168.17

Total Disbursement — \$ 11,464.48
 Ending Balance — 1/31/2025 \$188,110.42

DESIGNATED FUND BALANCE

Christmas Donations	1,975.64	Mission Trip	10,152.61
Church Planting	61,584.74	Chaplain	1,000.00
Counseling Fees	160.00	Prison Ministry	4,232.72
Disaster Relief	14,288.31	Property Development	17,033.64
Emergency Fund	25,000.00	Special Events	9,460.00
Evangelism	10,183.83	WMU/Women's Ministry	3,310.52
Lodge/LCC Rental/ Deposits	6,724.90	Women's Conference	2,646.99
Mission Scholarships	29,202.64	Youth Fund	2,000.00
		Designated Other	171.00

Total Designated Fund Balance — \$ 217,000.00

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Tues 8:30 am - 2:30 pm
****Closed Fridays****

March 2025 – Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

- 1 Ladies Tea and Marketplace, 2-5 pm; FBC Picayune, The LINK
- 1 BetterMan conference, Jackson Convention Center
- 2-9 Week of prayer for North American missions
- 9 Daylight Saving Time Begins (Spring Forward)
- 10 Ministers Fellowship; 10:30 a.m.; Pine Grove BC
- 17-18 Ministry Assistants Conference and Training; Camp Garaywa
- 30 Associational Bible Drill; 2:00 p.m.; Central BC

April 2025

- 5 State Bible Drills; Petal-Harvey BC
- 6 Associational Spring Worship Gathering, FBC Poplarville, 6:30 pm
- 7 Ministers Fellowship; 10:30 a.m.; Bethel BC
- 9 State Preaching Conference; 8:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.; William Carey, Hattiesburg
- 20 Easter Sunday
- 24 Ministry Assistants Luncheon; 11:00 a.m.; LCC

The Pearl



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It is a sacred moment when the pastor stands to proclaim the Word of God. The weight of responsibility on his shoulders to present the truth of God's Word and nothing but His truth is overwhelming at times because every preacher knows we will be held to a higher accountability (James 3:1). I can testify of moments when I was physically weak, sick, and incapacitated, but God gave me the strength and carried me for the thirty minutes (or longer for some of us), to preach his Word. To give you a peak into the preacher's life, we have all had those moments when we have laid it all on the line Sunday morning and dragged ourselves back to the house literally exhausted. That is precisely why everyone in the room was captured when Bro. Arthur Lee, pastor of Shiloh Baptist, shared his story with his fellow ministers as we sat in the coffee house one morning not too long ago.

Like every pastor, Bro. Arthur pushed through the business of Sunday morning to get to that moment behind the pulpit. But this Sunday was different; during Sunday school, he started feeling what he could only describe as pain in his stomach area as if "someone was reaching inside and squeezing my insides." His first assumption was the infamous stomach bug that had been making its round through the church and community. Like every pastor, he was determined to push through and preach, even if it meant he had to stand outside to preach so he would not share his stomach bug with everyone else. He preached and went home and within 24 hours the bug was gone. Or so he thought—(continued inside)

The next Sunday the same thing happened with greater intensity and to the point where they had to take him to the hospital, this time before he could preach. After running almost every test they could run, they came up empty-handed as to a cause. Just before sending him home, the doctor decided to run one last CT scan to see if they could see anything that might be causing his pain. In the process, they found a growth mass in his left kidney. The doctor was assured that this was not the cause of the severe pain but it was no doubt a serious discovery. From everything the doctors could tell from the scans the tumor is incased within the kidney and therefore not spread anywhere else. They have now started the steps necessary to have it removed. The phantom pains that incapacitated our brother in Christ have vanished, as if it was simply the providence of God's hand forcing Bro. Arthur to go where they could discover this tumor. It reminds us that God uses all means of life to direct our paths, even pain. May Bro. Arthur's story bring praise to our Lord and God.

May He remind you of His mighty power at work in your life as you keep making disciple-making disciples to see South Mississippi become known for the name of Jesus Christ.
~Bro. T.

**Associational Spring Worship Gathering
April 6, 2025, 6:30 PM, FBC Poplarville**



Please make plans to join us for a time of worship as a body of churches. There will be no business session. Finger foods will be served after the meeting.

Associational Bible Drill

The drills for children and students will take place on Sunday, March 30 at 2:00 pm at Central Baptist, located at 20 Sones Chapel Rd, Carriere, MS 39426. Please contact Dr. Kyle Jones for more information.

As you plan your Spring and Summer outreach, **Gideon New Testaments** are available free to churches. Contact Larry Williamson, Picayune Gideon Camp. Text 601-590-0771 or email Larry@ReflecTech.com

Mowing Needs

It's that time of year again! You can sign your church up for mowing the association property! Please call the office at 601-798-2372 to schedule. The dates available are every other weekend starting April 4.



Pearl Submissions

If you would like to submit an article for the Pearl, please submit it to prbapta@gmail.com by the **12th** to be put in the next edition. If I don't receive it by that date, I can't promise that I'll be able to fit it in. Also, if you notice any corrections that need to be made in the Pearl or if there is address correction, please let me know.

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March

Birthdays:

- 4 Melissa Pearson
- 6 Jimmy Kennedy
- 7 Kyle Stringer
- 11 Renee Howard
- 12 Bro. Kipp Smith
- 17 Brynia Gilmore
- 17 Bro. David Gray
- 20 Sandy Tageant
- 26 Tyler Chisolm

Anniversaries:

- 8 Justin & Marlie Anderson
- 30 Breaux & Sandy Tageant

**Week of Prayer for North American Missionaries
March 2-9**

- Day 1: Pray for **David and Sara Gaskins**, serving in Provo, Utah
- Day 2: Pray for **Leo and Miosha Robinson**, serving in Flint, Michigan.

Days 3 and 4: Pray for **Joshua and Brittany Brown**, serving at Pillar Church of Topsail just outside Marine Corps Base Camp LeJeune.

Day 5: Pray for **Christian and Laura Rowland**, serving in Langley, British Columbia.

Day 6: Pray for **Oswaldo and Vanessa Lerma**, serving in Laredo, Texas.

Days 7 and 8: Pray for **Tyler and Ashley Martin**, serving in Bar Nunn, Wyoming.

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