

When was the last time you saw an act of God? Was it a pillar of fire by night and cloud by day? Or was it a finger writing on the wall? A burning bush? An earthquake? A firestorm? A voice from heaven? None of these have ever happened for me. I doubt they have for you.

Many Christians have a gnawing sense that they are missing out on God. They read the Bible and find stories like those I referenced. They then suppose that constitutes a great spiritual experience that they must seek. Now those experiences were great, but because I've never experienced those things I may start to think I'm vaguely inadequate. Sometimes I spend a lot of time waiting for God to show up in ways I have determined He must show up.

God, however, has a very independent streak. He likes to determine what He will say and how He will say it. I've discovered that His voice is often so gentle it's easy to miss.

Did I notice God speaking to me when a friend I've not heard from in a while texted me to see if I'm doing well? Did I hear His voice in the hymn I sang yesterday?

How about the church member that came by to see me for no other reason than to check on me? How about during the staff meeting this morning?

The fact is God has been talking throughout the day. I may have expected the great and glorious and missed the small and glorious. I simply believe God leaves no prayer unanswered. I willfully ignore some answers, especially when they don't align with my expectations.

The key to a warm, living relationship with God, one in which I am present to Him throughout the day, is being *aware*. I don't have to be Moses in order to be in communion with God, and He doesn't need to give me a burning bush in order to speak to me. Wherever I am, if I am *aware* I can find a reason to take off my shoes. For wherever I am, if I am *aware*, I am on holy ground.

Grace,
Terry Ellis

ADULTS

CommUNITY Concert Sunday, May 4, 4:00 p.m.

The Interfaith Federation of Greater Baton Rouge presents the 24th Annual Sounds of CommUNITY Concert to be held on Sunday, May 4, at 4:00 p.m. at Wesley United Methodist Church, 544 Government Street.

Your Help is Needed

The church library committee asks you for your suggestions for adding new materials to our church library collection. All Sunday School classes and church members are asked to list at least five titles of books and/or other resources that you would like for us to purchase for your church library. Thank you!

LLL Crawfish Boil Friday, May 16 11:30 a.m.

Crawfish, corn, potatoes, soft drinks, and cake will be provided. Please sign up in the church office so that preparations can be made for the appropriate number of people.

Writer's Workshop

Writer's Workshop will meet Tuesday, May 20. This will be the last session for the summer, restarting September 16. Plans are to remain in email contact with participants, sharing writings at their pleasure. Thus far, we have had a total attendance for our monthly sessions of 101 participants.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Home from the Hospital Charles Steele

BRG Bluebonnet Rachel Kleinpeter

Congratulations

Erin and Jon Allen on the birth of their son, Samuel Blair.

Thank You

Words of sincere appreciation have been received from The Faust Family Circe and Jeremy Bridges

Sympathy

We express our sincere sympathy to:

Des Landry on the death of her husband, Earl.

Cora Black on the death of her mother.

In Loving Memory

Mrs. Lola Faust united with this church on August 2, 1992, and departed this life on April 25, 2014.

Mrs. Mary Shirley united with this church on August 4, 1963, and departed this life on April 20, 2014.

IN HIS NAME

Deacon Ministries of Broadmoor Baptist

Helping Hands Ministry

“Have tools, will travel.” The Deacon-led Helping Hands Ministry is here to serve you! Need a light bulb changed? How about a ride to the doctor? A sink unclogged? Software downloaded? David Mullen and his Ministry Team are ready to offer their helping hands! Call the church office at 927-5454 if you—or someone you know—could benefit from this ministry.

Wednesday Night Dinner

May 7

Brisket, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Rolls, Apple Cobbler

To Reach an On Call Minister call 328-3474

Spring Blood Drive

Wednesday, May 7
4-7:30 p.m.

Sign up for a time slot in the church office.



CALENDAR

Thursday, May 1
10:00 A BBQ
11:30 A Holy Grill

Friday, May 2
11:30 A Staff Works at Holy Grill

Sunday, May 4
9:00 A Library Opens
9:15 A Bible Study
10:30 A Worship
Senior Recognition
11:30 A Senior Luncheon

Extended Teaching Care
D'Wana Chiles, William, Jennifer, &
Joseph Fishburn, Charlie Green,
M.E. & Bryan Hart.

4:15 P Teen Ringers
5:00 P Youth Parent Meeting
Youth Choir
5:45 P Belles and Beaux

Tuesday, May 6
9:30 A Yoga
6:00 P First Place, CCR

Wednesday, May 7
7:00 A Men's Prayer Breakfast
4:00 P Spring Blood Drive
5:00 P Library Opens
Chapel Bells
5:15 P Family Dinner
6:00 P Adult Prayer Time
Youth Bible Study
Children's Choirs
6:20 P Adult Bible Study
6:40 P Children's Mission
Groups
7:00 P Sanctuary Choir
Children's Ministry &
Preschool Meeting

Thursday, May 8
10:00 A BBQ

CHILDREN

**Children's Music
Camp**
June 23-27



We are looking for a few good shepherds to help with VBS this year. Please contact Bobby if you are interested in helping.

YOUTH

Youth Music Camp
June 16-20
June 23-27
Youth Passport
June 29-July 4

**Poverty Simulation
Mission Trip**
July 25-27, Waco, TX
Cost: \$25

Must have completed 8th grade. Call Dave for details and to sign up. Chaperones needed.

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Senior Recognition Sunday

May 4, 10:30 a.m.

Brock Corbett
University High
Joseph Fishburn
Brusly High School
Thomas Hannie
Catholic High
Mary Mullen
Baton Rouge High
Kirkley Norton
University High
Caitlyn O'Quin
Dutchtown High