

"Making a Decision"

In this space I rarely review a sermon recently preached, but the title of yesterday's sermon was "What Does God Want Me to Do?" and I think it would be helpful if I gave you the list of things I touched on at the end of that sermon (along with a little expansion). When I'm faced with a difficult question of discerning God's will for my life I include the following:

Prayer. Prayer invites God more deeply into our lives. At that "merging of the waters" my will swirls and mixes with God's will. I will never move down the stream of His providence without prayer.

Scripture. I'm yet to run across a chapter in the Bible specifically concerned with choosing a college or buying a home, but God speaks to me through His Word. He makes clear the attitudes and desires I should have. The scripture is one of the most direct ways God transforms my mind, and I need a transformed mind in order to make godly decisions.

Seek counsel. God created us to live in community. To think that I should

make a decision without talking to other believers is self-directed pride. A sound decision involves the individual and the community. I talk to three people about major decisions, and I have found that God almost always speaks to me through those people.

Make the decision. At some point I have to make the call. I can go on analyzing and talking to an endless line of people. If I do that I'm procrastinating, or looking for a certainty that is simply unrealistic. God is King, but in the end He expects me to make decisions.

Work. We often overlook this step. God's will for me is not a worm hole that I step into and immediately find myself at my destination. His will for me is a path I must walk, a gate I must strive to enter. I can't leave out the necessity of work in doing God's will.

Discerning and doing God's will is more involved than simply parroting "Thy will be done." We have a role, and these steps have helped me. I pray they help you too.

Grace,
Terry Ellis

ADULTS

New Church Directory

Our new directory will be available in two forms: an online directory accessed through a password protected link from our website, or a hard paper copy for those that would prefer that format. Every Sunday in September we will have a photographer available to take member pictures before Sunday School and after Worship, or you may submit your own color digital picture for the directory by emailing it to office@broadmoorbaptist.com.



Coupon Group

September 18, 5:30 p.m.
Church Conference Room

Come join us as we meet the first and third Thursday of each month to learn about bargains, share money-saving tips, and discover ways to help those in need.

Forum

Sundays in September
5 p.m.

Dr. Ellis will facilitate discussion, discipleship and deeper relationships relating to his sermon series on God's Will.

Free to a Good Home

The church is planning to repurpose the game room upstairs. If you are interested in the pool table, please call the church office.

Women's Book Study

Monday, September 22
6:30 p.m.

Reading and discussing *Quiet Faith: An Introvert's Guide to Spiritual Survival*.

VIPS Reading Volunteers

Broadmoor Elementary needs Reading Partners. You will be paired with a student and read 30-40 minutes once a week. Contact Pam Morgan at 753-5479 to volunteer.

Munchies & Mesh

Friday, October 10
6:30 p.m.

Join us in the Activities Hall as we learn how to make beautiful wreaths from magic mesh. Stop by the library window or the church office to see examples and get a supply list. Bring an appetizer to share.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Home From the Hospital OLOL

Leah Geheber
Roger Sullivan
Greg Edwards

Greg Edwards

Thank You

Words of sincere appreciation have been received from:
Carol Anne Stegall
Carol Wicks

In Loving Memory

Mr. Jack Hargett (Sarge) united with this church on January 9, 1972 and departed this life on September 16, 2014.

Community Mission Project

Can you saw a board? Hammer a nail? Dig a hole? Broadmoor will be building a wheel chair ramp and making other repairs to a home as part of Rebuilding Baton Rouge on **September 26, 8:30 a.m.** We need your help! Please call the church office and let us know if you can participate.



Don't forget to send in your **Promise of Giving** cards!

To Reach an
On Call Minister
call
328-3474

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER

September 24
Lasagna, Green Salad,
French Bread, Cake

CALENDAR

Thursday, September 18

10:00 A BBQ
5:30 A Coupon Group
6:45 P LLL, *Mary Poppins*

Friday, September 19

7:00 P Youth Movie Night at the Annex

Sunday, September 21

9:00 A Library Opens
9:30 A Bible Study
10:30 A Worship

Extended Teaching Care

Faye Futch, Danielle Gremillion, Angie & Emily Miller, Kendall Beasley

4:15 P Teen Ringers
5:00 P Forum, SDR
Youth Choir
5:45 P Belles & Beaux
6:00 P Youth Bible Study

Monday, September 22

6:30 P Women's Book Study

Tuesday, September 23

9:30 A Yoga
5:30 P First Place for Health

Wednesday, September 24

7:00 A Men's Prayer Breakfast
5:00 P Library Opens
Chapel Bells
5:15 P Dinner
6:00 P Children's Choirs
Youth Bible Study
Adult Prayer Time
6:20 P Adult Bible Studies
6:40 P Children's Mission Group
7:00 P Sanctuary Choir
8:30 P College Bible Study, LSU

Thursday, September 25

10:00 A BBQ

Friday, September 26

8:30 A Rebuilding Baton Rouge

YOUTH

Movie Night

Friday, September 19

7-9:30 p.m., Annex

We will watch *Mrs. Doubtfire* and eat ice cream sundaes.



Bull Riding

Friday, October 17

7-9 p.m. in the Gym

Dinner will be provided.

Fall Retreat

October 31-November 2

Camp Istrouma

Cost is \$20.

More info coming soon!

COLLEGE

College Bible Study

Wednesdays, 8:30 p.m.

Johnson Hall, Room 124
Louisiana State University

See Bobby for details.

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Holy Grill

September 29-October 3
11:30 a.m.

- 4-5 volunteers needed to serve each day
- Call the church office to sign up
- Transportation provided



Blood Drive!

Wednesday, October 1st
4-7:30 p.m.
Room 102

Please call the church office to schedule a time to help with this life saving ministry.