

# "John Wayne, The Prophet"

Turns out, John Wayne was a prophet as well as an all-American hero. He reportedly said, "Life is hard, but it's harder when you're stupid." As with many aphorisms, I don't know if he actually said this or if it's merely attributed to him, but it certainly suits The Duke. (As a kid, I wanted to be like John Wayne when I grew up, but only made it a little past Don Knotts.)

Now I don't recommend going around labeling anyone's behavior as stupid. The word is too crass, but the sentiment certainly is true. Life can beat you up when you're walking the straight and narrow, but you don't need to invite the blows by living unwisely.

That's the constant refrain of the biblical prophets and especially the book of Proverbs. Paul also often included a section in his letters that addressed practical, daily living. Based on the deep and sound theology of the first part of his letter, how then should we live? The key is wisdom, literally a right thinking about life and how we should best live it. What does this mean for you this week?

First, we should heed God's call to be wise. The Bible clearly presents us with a kind of life that is higher and better. There is good and there is evil. A Christian should pursue and embrace the good. We must not ignore that.

And we must not use grace as an excuse to go on living in self-serving shadows. God loves us unconditionally, but in His love for us He will not leave us where He found us. He calls us to a higher life. Listen for that call. Second, understand God's intent for the wise life. God "tuned" us to operate best when we love Him, others, and ourselves. The Christian moral life is always in our spiritual and physical best interest. We have greater peace, bless others, and are generally physically healthier if we walk in the light.

John Wayne's sound and sensible reminder is always timely. We need reminding. So take a careful look at how you walk this week. Live wisely, pilgrim.

Grace,  
*Terry Ellis*

## ADULTS

### Rebuilding Baton Rouge

Friday, September 26  
8:30 a.m.

BBC will be building a wheelchair ramp and making other repairs to a home. Call the church office if you can help.

### First Place For Health

Tuesday, September 30  
5:30 p.m.

### 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 and the recipe to share with the group.

### Have You Had Your Picture Taken Yet?

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](mailto:office@broadmoorbaptist.com). Our new directory will be available in two forms; an online directory accessed through our website, or a hard paper copy for those that would prefer that format. Only one more Sunday left, so don't forget to have that picture taken!



### Holy Grill

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

4-5 volunteers needed to serve lunch each day. Please call the church office to sign up.

### 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.

### Coupon Group

October 2, 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.

## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

### Sympathy

We express our sincere sympathy to **Carolyn Cate** on the death of her sister.

### Thank You

Words of sincere appreciation have been received from:  
**Greg Edwards**

### Communion at Home

Instituted by Jesus Christ on the night before His crucifixion, communion is an integral part of the spiritual life of all believers. Participation in this ordinance is such a blessing that our deacons offer the Communion at Home Ministry. Please call the church office at 927-5454 if you or someone you know would benefit from this ministry.

### Forum

Sunday, September 28, 5 p.m.

*What Does God Want Me to Do?* We will discuss ways that help discern God's will for each of us.



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

To Reach an On Call Minister call  
**328-3474**

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER**  
October 1

Beef Tips over Rice, Green Beans, Slaw, Rolls, Cookies

## CALENDAR

**Thursday, September 25**

10:00 A BBQ

**Friday, September 26**

8:30 A Rebuilding Baton Rouge

**Sunday, September 28**

9:00 A Library Opens

9:30 A Bible Study

10:30 A Worship

*Extended Teaching Care*

Judy Averett, Angie, Nita, Thomas,  
Chris & Andrew Hannie

11:30 A Deacon Nominating  
Committee Meeting

4:15 P Teen Ringers

5:00 P Forum, SDR

Youth Choir

5:45 P Belles & Beaux

6:00 P Youth Bible Study

College Kids Supper

**Monday, September 29**

11:30 A Holy Grill

6:00 P Trustee's Meeting

**Tuesday, September 30**

9:30 A Yoga

11:30 A Holy Grill

5:30 P First Place for Health

**Wednesday, October 1**

7:00 A Men's Prayer Breakfast

11:30 A Holy Grill

4:00 P Blood Drive

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, October 2**

10:00 A BBQ

11:30 A Holy Grill

5:30 P Coupon Group

**Friday, October 3**

11:30 A Holy Grill

**Saturday, October 4**

10:00 A Stagg-Tolbert Forum,  
University Baptist

## YOUTH

### Hamster Wheel Inflatables

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.

### Fellowship Supper

Sunday, September 28  
6:00 p.m.

The college group will meet  
for supper at the Mellow  
Mushroom on Burbank Drive.

### Free to a Good Home

The church is planning to re-  
purpose the game room up-  
stairs. If you are interested in  
the pool table, please call the  
church office.

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# BLOOD DRIVE

Donate and help save a life!



4-7:30 p.m.  
Room 102

Please call the church office to schedule a time.

## Stagg-Tolbert Forum



Saturday, October 4  
10 a.m.-2p.m  
University Baptist Church

Guest Speaker:  
Dr. Burt Burleson  
Baylor University Chaplain

*"Why Am I Baptist?"*

Register at [www.cbfla.org](http://www.cbfla.org)