

BACKPACKS OF HOPE

Backpacks of Hope Ministry

The backpacks ministry will be kicking off soon for the Fall semester! Please pray for this ministry and for the students who will receive food each week.

Bags include a selection from the following items:

Applesauce, Beanie Weenies, Canned Chicken & Tuna, Canned Vegetables, Cereal, Chicken Noodle Soup, Fruit Cups (Fruit Medley, Orange Slices, Peaches), Grits, Macaroni & Cheese, Oatmeal, Peanut Butter Crackers, Pop Tarts, Pork & Beans, Pudding Cups, Raisins, Ramen Noodles, Ravioli, Spaghetti & Meatballs, Tomato Soup, Vegetable Soup

UBA Sunday School Conference

Tuesday, August 31st 7-9 PM

Lakeview Baptist Church

4602 Concord Hwy in Monroe



The conference will consist of a time of praise & worship, a time of reflection, and a time of refocusing. There will also be breakout sessions for all Divisions (Senior Pastors, Pastoral Staff, Sunday School Directors, Division Directors, Classroom Teachers).

Igniting the Hearts of Men Conference

Saturday, September 11th

8:00 AM to 5:00 PM (Doors open at 7:45 AM)

Lee Park Baptist Worship Center: 2491 Morgan Mill Road in Monroe

This event is a one-day equipping conference designed to help men deepen their relationship and strengthen their walk with Christ!

Tickets are \$39 per person (\$35 per person for groups of 10+).

Lunch is \$5 per person.

Let the Church Office know you're going by Sunday, August 29th.



August 22, 2021



At that moment, the Lord passed by. A great and mighty wind was tearing at the mountains and was shattering cliffs before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake there was a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire there was a voice, a soft whisper.

1 Kings 19:11-12

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Sunday, August 15 2021

Serve Even When Discouraged (1 Kings 19:1-5a, 11-18)

The Point: Don't let discouragement keep you from serving.

The Bible Meets Life: On May 15, 2016, 28-year-old Australian golfer Jason Day won The Players Championship tournament on the Stadium course at TPS Sawgrass in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla. He was the first wire-to-wire winner (leading in every round) at Sawgrass in sixteen years. Day's solid victory that day over the best golfers in the circuit established his number one ranking in the golf world.

But once he clinched the number one spot, Jason Day floundered. He never won again in 2016, and not at all in 2017. In 2018, he explained: "I got burned out being No. 1. It's easy to get burned out in a position that you're in the spotlight. It can be demanding at times."

Day's story sounds a lot like Elijah's in 1 Kings 19. Coming off his spectacular victory against the prophets of Baal on Mount Carmel, the prophet stumbled into deep discouragement. How God met him in that moment can inspire all of us who find ourselves burned out and ready to give up.

Live It Out: What will you do to keep discouragement at bay while you serve? Choose one of the following applications: **Pray.** Revise your prayers this week from "God, change my situation" to "God, change my perspective." **Thank.** Thank someone who has encouraged you by their perseverance to serve God through discouraging circumstances. Commit yourself to be that example for one person you know. **Recommit.** Recommit yourself to a God-given task you've been ready to quit. Make your recommitment public.

Upcoming Sunday Sermon Series

Elijah: Living Outside the Comfort Zone

Sunday, August 29 Lead Others to Serve
(1 Kings 19:19-21; 2 Kings 2:6-14)

No Doubt: Six Things We Can Know For Sure

Sunday, September 5 Sure of Forgiveness
(1 John 1:5-2:2)



Opportunities for Ministry & Service

Sunday

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Indoor Worship

10:00 AM Online Worship

Wednesday

6:30 PM Youth

6:30 PM Online Worship

Thursday

Jail Ministry

Service Attendance

Sunday, August 15

Indoor: 26

Online Reach: 120

Wednesday, August 18

Online Reach: 58 Youth: 6

Sunday School Material

The Sunday School material for the Fall quarter is now available in the Sunday School classrooms.



Monthly Budget & Offerings

Budget Needs:

\$18,566.08

August Offering

To Date: \$8,311



Prayer Requests

Eddie & Candy Anderson

Elise Byers

Kent Chapman

Brandy Eudy's Mother

Cindy French

Sam & Wanda Goodwin

Nan Helms

Renay Moore

Bob Murray

The Shauan's

Irene Welch



Pray for Afghanistan

Here are a few specific ways Afghan pastors have asked for churches to pray for them, their families & Afghanistan:

Pray for physical protection: pray for God to restrain evil & confuse the plans of the evildoers.

Physical provision: pray for their financial issues; they can't take money from the bank or ATMs.

Pray for visas: pray that they are able to get out of the country.

Spiritual provision: pray for strengthened faith, Gospel advancement & revival.

