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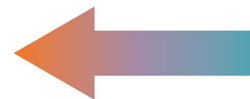
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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK BY DR. MARK CROSBY

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Well, I think it is safe to say, we will never forget the year 2020. The changes, the frustrations, and the election will be forever etched into our memory. The pandemic, the hurricanes, and the division so many experienced will be talked about for years to come. The question many are asking is what will we see in 2021?

Will things get better, or is it possible things could get worse. Will we see better days or darker days? There is a principle I try (most of the time) to live by and that is to only focus on what I have control over. When I only focus on what I have control over it seems that I am not as anxious, frustrated or aggravated.

When I focus on what I have control over, I also begin to see what my purpose is during the situation. (To warn, encourage, help, counsel, teach, analyze, etc.)

So in 2021, to move forward I/we need to ask the question, whom will I serve; what will I focus on; what goal will I strive to reach; what

risk am I willing to take; and what do I want to accomplish, finish, and celebrate. These are things we can all focus on and have some control over. If we focus on these things then we will be able to face this new year with some hope, joy, and purpose.



Whatever happens in 2021, I know God is not surprised by it and will use it for His glory and purpose as He prepares this world for the return of His Son. In the meantime I want us all to dream, pray, pursue, believe and look up, knowing we serve an awesome God, who has brought us through so much and who will give us the opportunity to do great things for Him and expect great things from Him.

So join us in January for a new series “**Moving Forward in a New Year**” as we discover God’s purpose for our lives for such a time as this.

Hope to see you Sunday

Mark C.

THRIVE BY FAITH STORCK

Back in early November Chris, Lauren and I went on a long road trip to Pennsylvania to see family. On our way home, we stopped in Gatlinburg and decided to drive up into the mountains to go for a hike. Let me tell you this Louisiana girl isn't meant to do a hike that is completely on an incline. About halfway to our destination, I told Chris and Lauren that I was done and they could complete the hike without me. I began to make my way back to our starting point and it was so peaceful. The only sound I could hear was the sound of leaves falling from the trees. I used that time to think of what I wanted for my life in the year 2021. My word for 2020 was NO, and well 2020 showed me what that word really meant. I thought about the word that I would want for my life in 2021, and God so clearly showed it to me. **THRIVE**. I'm not sure I felt like I thrived in 2020, but boy did I survive.

Being the musical girl that I am, of course everything has to have a song attached to it. When the word THRIVE was given to me, this song immediately popped into my head. The following lyrics just stuck out to me as I was in the mountains.

Into Your Word we're digging deep
To know our Father's heart

Into the world we're reaching out
To show them who You are

So living water flowing through
God we thirst for more of You
Fill our hearts and flood our souls
With one desire

Just to know You and
To make You known
We lift Your name on High
Shine like the sun make darkness run and hide
We know we were made for so much more
Than ordinary lives
It's time for us to more than just survive
We were made to thrive

The group Casting Crowns really captured the word thrive for me. I want more than to just survive. Y'all, I want to thrive. I don't want to thrive just in my life, but I want the children that we have the privilege of ministering to at Live Oak to thrive.

Each and every week, I want the children that we teach to learn more about God as we dig deep into the Bible, learning the truths that help us to more than just survive. I want the children to learn so much about the Bible that when the world is just downright scary for them, that they can do more than survive. I want them to know how God's word says they can thrive.

I want the ministry that the Lord has blessed me to be a part of to thrive. I want the children in our care at Live Oak to thrive. I want the people that make up our church to thrive.

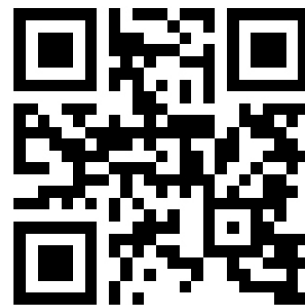


I can't wait to see what great things the Lord has in store for us in children's ministry in 2021 as we thrive.



WE NEED YOUR HELP

We are in the process of switching over to a new system in children's ministry and need to make sure we have current information. If you have a child that attends our church, newborn through third grade, please scan the QR code and fill out the form. Thank you in advance for making sure we have accurate information so that we can safely take care of your children.



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NEW MEMBERS CL SS

Have you been visiting Live Oak Church for some time? Would you like to join?

We have a New Members Class for all who are considering Church Membership. This class meets on Sunday mornings at 8:45 in Room #16. There you will encounter life changing truths and learn more about Live Oak Church.

Our New Members Class is led by myself, your Adult Education Pastor. This class will begin the first Sunday of each month and end the fourth Sunday. Our New Member Class has been well received. It starts over each month rotating the same content for others seeking church membership. There are opportunities to make up missed sessions.

Upon completion of our New Members Class you will receive a Certificate of Completion along with a New Member's Packet welcoming you into our Live Oak Family! Come join us.

SENIOR ADULTS BY LANDRA REED

SENIOR
ADULT

Rejoice, the Lord is King! May the Christ of Christmas bring joy to your heart and peace to your soul.

Merry Christmas everyone! This Christmas is like no other Christmas before. The one thing that remains the same is the precious gift we were given by God many many years ago. The birth of our Lord Jesus Christ is still to this day the greatest gift ever given! So let us rejoice in His Holy Name...Emmanuel, Messiah, Lord, Teacher, Savior, Counselor, Jesus Christ. May His light shine upon each and everyone of you this holiday season and fill you with glad tidings of comfort and joy.

Our next get together will be on Tuesday, January 12th, at 11:00am. We will meet at Papi's in Watson to celebrate the new year. Please sign up at the Information Desk.



MEN'S MINISTRY BY SAM LOBELLO



Men's Prayer Breakfast

Saturday, January 9th
7:30 AM

Conference Room

Men's Steak Dinner Fellowship

Tuesday, January 12, 6:30pm

Children's Church Area

Cost: \$15

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WOMEN'S MINISTRY BY JEANETTE CLARK & MALLORY WILLIAMS

Women's Ministry



It has been a pretty productive December for the Women's Ministry! Mrs. Jan Tate's Monday night Bible study group brought over 40 sets of pajamas for the residents of Harvest Manor nursing home! Well done ladies!

Don't forget that the Women's Bible study group meets every Monday night at 6:30 pm. Come join us even if we are mid-study or if you cannot attend every week! We would love to have you for any amount of time you can attend. When one study concludes, another begins, so there is always new material being taught from God's Word.

The Women's Gingerbread Fellowship was a success! We had good company, laughter, and good food! Thank you to everyone that helped and to those who came to fellowship! We learned about God's intimate creation of us, His children, and how He molds us as the Potter.



A new Jennifer Rothschild Bible Study will be launched on Monday, January 18 at 6:30 PM in the Chapel. The topic of this study is *Hosea: Unfailing Love Changes Everything*. Please be on the lookout for new and exciting things to come!

Peaceful wishes for this Christmas season as we remember the birth of Jesus Christ.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE BORN IN JANUARY

January 1st

Layne Barnum
Mona May
Ronald Brocksmith
Jason Antle
Blake Johnson
Brandon Jolie
Tyler Milano
Rachael Alexander
Trish Tonquis
Jordan Worboys
Shaina Young
Kaitlyn Couvillion
Mika Bauer

January 2nd

Alyssa Holden
Olivier Chenier
Adrena Devall
Megan McDowell
Tommy Bergeron
Tyler Vickers

January 3rd

Joshua Hetrick
Jennifer Breaux
William Simpson
Rosa Mae Hill
Lilah Melton
Callie Campbell
Billy Tholborn
Peyton McCalla
Lucas Gates
Faith Gates
Presley Tarver
Addison Knight
Tarin Milano
Will Peake
Geryson Wilknsn

January 4th

Bert Achord
Paul Kimble
Jace Johnson, IV
Alex Shaw
Stacy Easley
Lucille Martin
Yvonne Trcalek
Katie Devenney
Carolyn Hatcher
Frank Rizzi
Michael Mckey
John Curtis

January 5th

Alexis Venable
Blaire Alexander
Samantha Osburn
Georgia Papizan

January 6th

Jesse Keesler
Ben Parker
Kyle Salpietra
Wendi Lemoine
Lara Gardner
Stacey Lovette

January 7th

Harper Risher
Tim Truax
Jackie Guillory
Jodi McCleary
J.C. Fresina
Sarah Mestepey
Sylar Boyette
Dylan Doiga
Valarie Aucoin

January 8th

Christian Shaw
Bryce McClendon
Hailey Knight

January 9th

Scott Landry
Adrienne Crumholt
Jennifer Lemoine

January 10th

Adam Stoltz
Brandon Smith
Alexander Jumonville

Parker Watts
Micah Hooge
Charlotte Sullivan
Jaci Bergeron

January 11th

Brenda Comeaux

January 12th

Donald Tyler
Gail Williams
Leighton Rhodes
Rachel Roussel
Caitlin Rush
Rileigh Gill
Linda Holdman

January 13th

E.S. Dunnam
Ella Snellgrove

Bret Lott

Leighton Thomas
Reba Lockhart
Owen Bowan
Logan Fossett
Wanetta Riegling
Jezebel Hebert

January 14th

Gabriel Ridgell
James Clark
Trish Crnko
Lane Mestepey
Jason McKenzie
Meagan Stansbury
Matt McCumsey
Denver Robinson

January 15th

Kim McClure
Jacob Thomas
Connor Dawson
Renee Hood
Carl Griffin
Leah Stewart
Jacob Thomas
Kimberly Grimes LeBright
Maggie Justice
Jo Lynn Hegwood

January 16th

Kelli Nolan
Dale Clark
Jessica Plana
Tyler Corkern
Ronald Lemoine

Lexi Brewer
Melissa Giering
Olivia Duhon
Bryce Martin
David Brignac
Rene Chedraui

January 17th

Tess Schollan
Lois Wiese
Rhonda Goudeau
Joey Brewer
Casey Long
Gabriella Klug
Joshua Durum

January 18th

Jim Otken
Terri Baker
James McClure

Tyler Linder
Sharon Rogillio
January 19th
Claire Findley
Rance Attaway
Robbie Hancock
Brandi Smart
Ally Frelich
Roseanne Erwin
Megan Lathrop
January 20th
Jaden Lawdermilt
Hillary Hicks
Bailey Bryant
Rye Ledet
Noah Ledet
Emma Stanton
Kennedy Roblin
Trey Ladut
Matthew Desrosiers
Jeremy Stanley
Macaelyn Desrosiers
Emma Catalano
Regan Marquez
Damon Bossom
Braxton Couvillion
Cara Marquez
Abby Steele
Amelia Catalano
Steve Easley
Rainey Price
Dylan Schroeder
Holly Wilson
Ethan Clark
Breanna Allen
Holly Wilson
Ethan Bousquet
Madelyn Muse
Devin Gilliland
Kailey Bauer
Audrey Ferrand
Isabella Muse
Breana Gilliland
Izzy Kohler
January 21st
Jackson Arms
Isabella Champlin
Elijah Armstrong
Annie Belcher
Brody Bailey
Sydney Lawson

Linkin Tarver
Gracie Lawson
Renea Risher
Katie McKay
Eddie Hood
Molly Spring
Jackson Dougay
Andy Rowe
Cassidy Newman
Janae Delisle
Noah Rodriguez
Charles Wascom
Joey Fontaine
Samuel Woods
Olivia Chenier
Samuel Coniglio
Noah Beckman
January 22nd
Laura Rayburn
Patsy Martin
January 23rd
Jodi Rushing
Laurie Brian
Joy Lewis
January 24th
Allyson Williams
Alexis Stokely
Erica Wilson
Mary McCleary
Annabelle Caine
Cade Delafosse
John Aguillard
Nicholas Easterly
Leo Perry Seaman
Rachel Chavers
January 25th
Bethany Alexander
Gavin Ladut
Charlene Fugler
Shirley King
Coralee Davis
Jessica Bailey
Noah Long
Cinder Boudreaux
January 26th
Alyssa Padgett
Lauren Sibley
Kaden Tucker
Isaac Ross
Clinton Villagnez
McKenna Cook

Madelyn Taylor
Gwen Marionneaux
Beaux Hodges
Darlene Landry
Clinton Villagomez
January 27th
Jennifer Blouin
Joseph Thames
Taysha Anderson
James Lemoine
Tasha Young
January 28th
Bryan Robinson
Holly Fortado
Dottie Kimble
Janet Williamson
Kara Smith
Ashley Santiago
Tim Oxley
Kayla Laird
January 29th
Terrilee Haley
Michelle Scivicque
January 30th
Emily Loper
Harper Fresina
Larissa Prejean
Jared Pratt
Breanna Allen
Mary Stebbing
Carlisle Ruff
Caroline Fernon
January 31st
Wanda Walls
Mia Carroll
Mary Owenby
Brittane McGowan
Jamie Robertson
Judy Cunningham
Hope Alessi
Brayden Martin
Emma Alessi

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*"Where there is no guidance, the people fall, but there is wisdom
in a multitude of counselors." - Proverbs 11:14*

January 2021 | Calendar of Events

A TIME AND A PLACE FOR EVERYONE

For more information about groups and events visit www.loumc.org or call (225) 664-4801

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY

8:00 AM Worship Service
 8:45 AM Children's Sunday School
 8:45 AM Co-Ed Sunday School Classes:
 Pastor Mark Crosby - Chapel
 Bob Morrison - Conference Room
 Dickie Davis - FLC
 8:45 AM Senior Adults Sunday School Classes:
 Beverly Thames - Room #2
 9:30 AM Men's Sunday School Class:
 Robert Poole - Conference Room
 9:30 AM Children's Church
 9:30 AM Worship Service - In-person & Livestream
 11:00 AM Children's Church
 11:00 AM Worship Service - In-person & Livestream

MONDAY

Every other Monday afternoon - Worship Team Devotional - Online
 6:30 PM Women's Deeper Life
 6:30 PM Men's Deeper Life
 6:30 PM Men's Home Bible Study - Robert Poole's House

TUESDAY

12:00p Lunchtime Devotional - Online

WEDNESDAY

9:30 AM Worship Wednesday - Online
 6:00 - 7:15 PM Kingdom Kidz - Completed Kindergarten through 3th Grade
 6:00 - 7:30 PM Axis 456 - 4th, 5th and 6th Grade
 6:00 - 7:30 PM 78Jump - Junior High
 6:00 - 7:30 PM FocalPoint912 - High School

THURSDAY

12:00p Lunchtime Devotional - Online
 6:00 PM Men's Play and Pray Basketball - FLC
 7:00 PM Refuge - Room #2
 7:00 PM Mid Week Worship - Chapel

FRIDAY

5:30 AM Iron Man Study - Conference Room
 6:00 PM Adult Co-ed Bible Study - Conference Room

ADULT EVENTS

NEW MEMBER'S CLASS

8:45 AM in Room #16
 4 Week class that restarts the first Sunday of every month.
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FAMILY EVENTS

Stay tuned for upcoming events!

MEET OUR TEAM

Coming together from a wide variety of backgrounds and experiences, our skilled team of pastors and ministry professionals are the backbone of Live Oak. Their ideas and leadership help shape the direction and mission of our organization as we continue to grow.

PASTORAL



Dr. Mark Crosby
Senior Pastor



Rev. David Orges
Executive Pastor



Rev. Dickie Davis
Associate Pastor



Rev. Tommy
Bergeron
Director of
Pastoral Care



Rev. Stephen
Hebert
Minister of
Pastoral Care

FINANCE



Jim Otken
Treasurer

ADULT MINISTRY



Rev. Sam LoBello
Director of Adult
Ministries

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



Trish Graves
Children's
Ministry Director



Faith Storck
Children's
Ministry Assistant

NURSERY



Ila Clark
Mother's Day Out
Director



Austyn Chopin
Nursery Director

WORSHIP



Rev. Trent Barnett
Director of
Worship Ministries



Seth Doiga
Music Director



Rev. David Easley
Assistant Music
Director



Danny Wilson
Audio Engineer

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Assistant



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