

# HOMENEWS

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Louisiana Baptist Children's Home & Family Ministries is a faith-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to providing love, care, and hope in Christ to children and families in need. Established in 1899, the Children's Home is an agency of the Louisiana Baptist Convention and is governed by a 17-member board of trustees elected by the Convention to serve three-year terms on a rotating basis.

The Children's Home is recognized by the Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) as a "Foster Care Community." Approximately 80% of the children in LBCH foster homes are placed by DCFS and the other children are privately placed by a legal guardian.

The Children's Home receives no state or federal funding. Approximately 78% of all funding comes from individuals and churches. Less than 24% of funding goes to administrative costs; over 75% goes to direct ministry services. Less than 8% of funding comes from payment of services.

Our major service areas include: Residential Child Care for Children ages 5-17; Pathfinders Transitional Living for ages 18-21; HomePlace Residential Family Care for Homeless Children and Mothers; Christian Women's Job Corps of Monroe providing job and life skills training and certified HiSET preparation and testing; Granberry Counseling Centers with 11 statewide locations; Connect 1:27 Foster Care & Adoption Ministries; and Orphans Embrace International Orphan Care Mission Trips.

Our dedicated Christian ministry team strives to offer the highest quality of services. Services are provided without regard to race, gender, religion, or ability to pay. Please contact us for more information on how we may serve you or someone you know: 318.343.2244, home@lbch.org, www.LBCH.org

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## words from home...

by Dr. Perry Hancock, President & CEO

Fall is an exciting time at the Children's Home. The children enjoy playing outside, riding their bikes on campus, going to football games, and more. Fall is also exciting because our churches provide all the food our children need for the year through the Fall Food Roundup. Thank you for meeting that need. Fall is also when our staff presents annual reports to churches at their associational meetings. Hopefully, we will see many of you then. Fall is also the time of year when many choose to visit our campus for a tour. If you haven't been, we would love to show you how your support is changing lives at LBCH.

Let me tell you about another exciting time we had just a few weeks ago. When Lori\* came to LBCH, like most of our children, she had never attended church on a regular basis. She had not heard of God's great love in Christ. For the past several months, through cottage devotions and special nighttime Bible stories, Lori's cottage parents shared the Gospel.

A few weeks ago, during her cottage vacation to the new Noah's Ark exhibit, Lori asked to talk with her cottage mom. She now wanted to become a follower of Christ. Lori accepted Jesus as her Savior and Lord and shared the news with her church the next Sunday. She was baptized and is now completing a children's course for new Christians. Her cottage mom reports that every day Lori says, "I'm just so happy inside."

Thank you so much for playing such an important role in Lori's decision to follow Christ. It is through your generous support that we are able to show and share God's great love with our children.

Until I see you in church or on campus, may God bless you as you have blessed His children at your Louisiana Baptist Children's Home.

\*Name changed.



### LBCH Recognized by BBB

LBCH was recognized as a 2017 Non-Profit Award Finalist by the Better Business Bureau, Inc., serving Northeast and Central Louisiana and the Ark La Tex. The award is presented to non-profit organizations that have a positive impact in their community and surrounding areas. Dr. Perry Hancock accepted the award on behalf of LBCH.

#### • OUR MISSION •

*The mission of the Louisiana Baptist Children's Home and Family Ministries is to provide love, care, and hope in Christ for children and families in need.*

#### • OUR VALUES •

1. We value the Bible as the foundation and guide for our ministry (2 Timothy 3:16).
2. We value the worth of the Children and Families to whom we minister (Genesis 1:27).
3. We value Servant Leadership as our model for ministry (Mark 9:35).
4. We value Excellence as our standard for ministry performance (Colossians 3:17).
5. We value Personal Integrity as our ministry standard for living (Romans 12:1-2).

# Meet Ja'Liya, Jo'Aiva & Azyria...

## CAMPUS SPOTLIGHT

By Debbie Robertson, HomeNews Writer

It's early on a Saturday morning and Cenobia and her three daughters are looking forward to the weekend and their special time to relax and just be together. Weekdays are quite busy for the family. The girls attend Cypress Point where Ja'Liyah, 10, is in fourth grade; Jo'Aiva, 7, is a second grader; and 5-year-old Azyria is in kindergarten. Cenobia gets up early to help the girls get ready for school. Then she heads out for classroom time for herself, working to complete her HiSET (GED). After school, Cenobia transitions to an eight-hour shift as a CNA, a career she's enjoyed for the past five years.

Cenobia says that being a part of the HomePlace Ministry has been a tremendous blessing. She found herself in sudden need, and a friend encouraged her to talk with Susan Clark, Director of Family Care Ministries. Cenobia was invited to tour the Children's Home Campus and learn more about the special ministry for moms and children. She is thankful for Susan's encouragement and appreciative that she was given the opportunity to join the ministry immediately.

Cenobia and the girls live in Maggie's Place, the newest cottage on campus. This has provided a family environment while also giving Cenobia the opportunity to complete her degree so that she can better provide for her family. "I've always been kind of a homebody," she says. "I never knew anything like this even existed." Meeting so many new people and being a part of the Campus family have been exciting, and it's also a relief to have this time to focus on new beginnings. The family has the support of their cottage manager, while Cenobia can also network with other moms in similar situations. While the sharing of experiences is helpful to all the families in the cottage, Cenobia loves that the design of Maggie's Place also provides each family with the privacy they need and an atmosphere of more independent living.

The girls are enjoying this quiet morning at home and there's lots of happy chatter and occasional sounds of humming in the living area as they play together. They agree that Maggie's Place "is good" and they very much enjoy living there. They love the



big covered patio and the grassy area in the back where they can play. "And we have bikes!" Jo'Aiva says proudly. She and Azyria excitedly describe their bicycles and how they take good care of them, putting them away and securing them after play time. The campus offers a lot of great places to ride, to walk and just enjoy being outdoors. The girls like playing games. The living area features a big trunk with all kinds of games to choose from. Cenobia laughs, "Ja'Liyah has played them all and is really good. She remembers everything about each one, so she always wins!"

The family enjoys worshipping at North Monroe Baptist. Ja'Liyah, when asked about children's church, shares with great wisdom, "Our church has something for everybody!" The girls love their Sunday School classes and the different age-group activities. Cenobia is pleased that her Sunday School teacher is someone she gets to do life with outside of church as well. The new friendships and relationships are very special to her and to the girls. Even though the weekends and time to be with her girls are precious, Cenobia says adamantly, "I am going to church! It doesn't matter how tired I am or what else is going on. We are going to church!" Cottage manager, Kathy LaCaze says it was so moving to see Cenobia and Ja'Liyah accept Christ and be baptized together.

The girls continue to play, but occasionally join the conversation. Ja'Liyah likes reading, ELA and math. "I didn't always like math but now I do," she says. When asked what made the difference for her, she responds, "My teacher! Every time I said I didn't get it, she broke it down for me so I could understand." When she finishes school, Ja'Liyah has decided, "I want to be a CNA, just like my mom." Jo'Aiva says that her favorite subjects are reading and math. She sounds very determined as she adds, "I want to be a cop!" Like her mom and her older sister, she likes playing games and she enjoys sharing meal times with her family. Some of her favorite menu items are hamburgers, fries, green beans, nachos, chicken, sausage and pizza! All three of the girls are very personable and very affectionate, sharing lots of hugs and smiles and snuggling up close as they share.

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## PRAYER CALENDAR

Aden	October 1
Kylie	October 2
Lisa	October 3
David	October 4
Paige	October 5
Talen	October 6
Kanyen	October 7
Ebony	October 8
Laniya	October 9
Layna	October 10
Hana	October 11
Nicholas	October 12
Brylee	October 13
Stephanie	October 14
Parke	October 15
Randal	October 16
Kenny	October 17
Brady	October 18
Antonious	October 19
Anterious	October 20
Carvon	October 21
Calvin	October 22
Noah	October 23
Ellory	October 24
Gerald	October 25
Carltez	October 26
Chaniyah	October 27
Nesa	October 28
Gracie	October 29
Mya	October 30
Chy'Nesha	October 31

## Happy Birthday!

Leodis	October 2
Cindy	October 5
Laniya	October 8
Aiva	October 15
Anterious	October 15
Lisa	November 15
Mya	November 15
Jade	November 16
Taegon	November 21
Hunter	November 23
Kylie	November 29



## homebuilders...

by Marc Eichelberger  
Vice President of Development & Public Relations

### You Can Be a Hero to a Child in Need...

Heroes protect the vulnerable, restore the broken, and bring hope in desperate situations. At Louisiana Baptist Children's Home, we believe every child who has been neglected, abused, or abandoned needs a hero. Our cottage parents, social workers, counselors, and other staff are everyday heroes who point children in our care to the Ultimate Hero—Jesus Christ.

Our HopeBuilder Monthly Sponsor Program gives YOU the opportunity to be a hero to children at LBCH too!

When you become a "HopeBuilder," you join a special group of people making monthly investments in the lives of precious children, providing them with love, care, and hope in Christ.

God uses HopeBuilders to rebuild the foundation of trust and hope in the lives of children who come to us from some really hard places in life. "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future" (Jeremiah 29:11).

As a HopeBuilder, you have the satisfaction of knowing that 100% of your monthly gifts are going to meet the essential needs that directly impact the children and families we serve. These needs include food, clothing, medical care, education, and counseling.

### How It Works

Click on the GIVE NOW button at [www.lbch.org](http://www.lbch.org). Set up recurring monthly gifts (\$10 minimum) using Visa, MasterCard, Discover Card, American Express, Debit Card, or E-Check. Simply put HopeBuilder in the comment section. It's that easy!

You may also give by check. Simply put HopeBuilder on the memo line and mail to LBCH, PO Box 4196, Monroe, LA 71211.

In Psalm 10:17-18, the psalmist declares, "Lord, you know the hopes of the helpless. Surely you will hear their cries and comfort them. You will bring justice to the orphans and the oppressed..."

**Become a HopeBuilder  
Monthly Sponsor Today!**



## THANK YOU!



Twin sisters, Olivia and Rachel Green, did a food drive in their community, Hartford Place, in West Monroe, for the Children's Home. The girls collected items from their neighbors, and along with their Mom, Denise, delivered several bags of groceries to our campus. Thanks Olivia and Rachel for this wonderful expression of love and concern for the children in our care!



Camp Friendship, the summer camp for the North Central Baptist Association, hosted a boys week with Debbie Shows as camp director. Debbie invited Marc Eichelberger to come and share about the Children's Home. The boys showered LBCH with a carload of school supplies. Thanks so much for your generosity to our children!

### Obituaries:

FORMER RESIDENT  
Pam Peden



Dear Friend of Children,

Making life “as normal as possible” is one of the most important things you give to our children! Before coming into our care, their lives have been anything but normal. Listen to Bethany’s\* story:

*Life before I got here was really hard. I struggled with parents with problems with addiction and alcohol. I had to take care of my brother a lot. I really looked forward to going to school because it was kinda like an escape from my life that was so chaotic.*

*My time at the Children’s Home has been so awesome! I have so many opportunities here that I wouldn’t have had otherwise. It’s like they’ve given me hope. They’ve shown me that I can do things, that I have a chance at life, that I can be normal like other kids.*

Bethany is now a high school freshman. She was inducted into the National Junior Honor Society last year. She is becoming quite a talented flute player and is excited about playing in her high school’s marching band.

You can be a real difference-maker to children like Bethany. Your back-to-school gift will provide new clothing, school supplies, and other essential needs. But more than that, you will be giving our children the hope of being “normal” like other kids.

Please know that your prayers and support make such a difference in the lives of our children as they prepare for the upcoming school year. Thank you for caring!

For the children,

Perry Hancock, Ph.D.  
President & CEO

P.S. Please pray for our children during this new school year.

\* Name changed to protect confidentiality.

**Immediate Need!**

**Full Time  
Cottage  
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Cottage Care  
Managers  
Needed  
318.343.2244**

**Here is my Back-To-School Gift for the Children**

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www.lbch.org**

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# Children in Louisiana Need Your Help!

There is a tremendous shortage of foster and adoptive families across Louisiana.

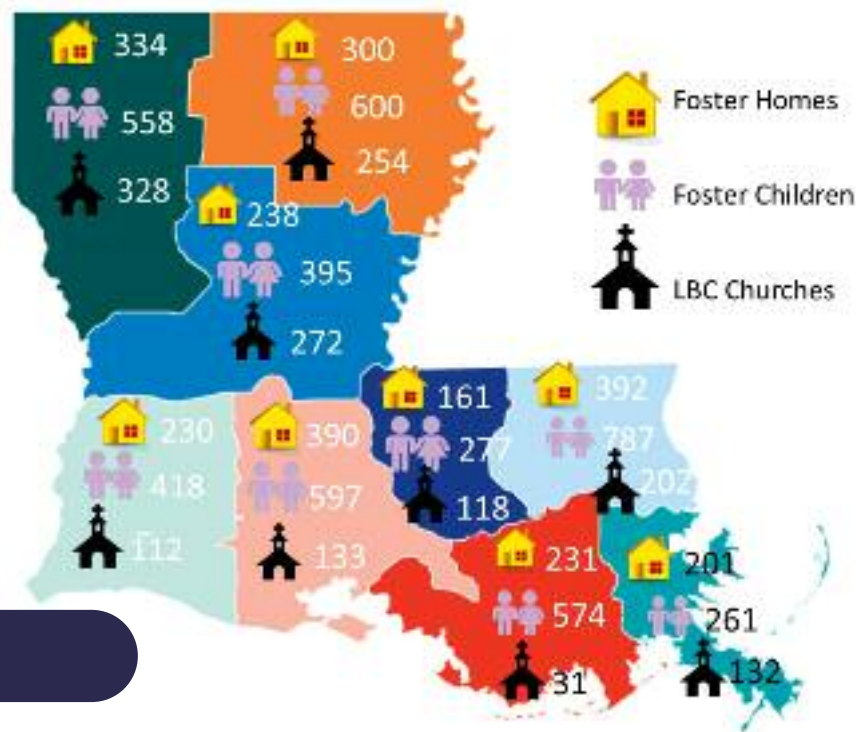


Louisiana Baptist Children's Home's Connect 1:27 Ministry partners with Louisiana Baptist families and churches to help children in need of foster care and adoption services.

Right Now There Are:

**4,467 Foster Children & ONLY 2,477 Foster Homes**

Please contact the Children's Home Foster & Adoption Specialist in your area to see how your church can answer God's call to care for Louisiana children in need.



**Goal: 200 Louisiana Baptist Foster Homes by 2020!**

## Louisiana Baptist Children's Home Foster & Adoption Specialists:



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Key Areas In Reaching Our State (KAIROS) #10 in the LBC 2020 Commission strategy includes Louisiana Baptist Children's Home & Family Ministries pursuing initiatives that reach children in distress (such as foster care & adoption strategies).

## Thankful!

HomePlace resident, Melissa, recently got her driver's license. Shortly after, she had the surprise of her life when a generous donor gave her a car! God is so faithful!



Bobby from 88.7 The Cross gave our kids some pointers during a fun day of bowling!



## Team Spirit!

Nesa, a Love Cottage resident and Neville High School Tigerette, is excited to cheer on her team this year!



## Armor of God

Our recreation workers are the best! They've been teaching our kids about wearing the armor of God!

# Granberry Counseling

*Answering God's Call to Care For 20 Years*

Granberry Counseling Centers is proud to welcome two new counselors to our team!



### Maranda Young - Winnsboro

Maranda is a Provisional Licensed Professional Counselor and a Provisional Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist. Maranda works primarily with Cognitive Behavioral Therapy and Brief Solution Focused Therapy. She is EMDR trained.



### Norman Elrod - Baton Rouge

Norman is a Counseling Student Intern. He will graduate from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary in 2018 with a Master's degree in Marriage and Family Therapy. He is under the supervision of Dr. Wendy Leger. Norman is trained to work with individuals and families in counseling models such as Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, Trauma, and Structural/Strategic Family Therapy.

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# 2017 Fall Food Roundup Pick-Up Schedule & Needs List

The schedule below lists dates and locations of pick-up points across the state.

The pick-up point will be the town's First Baptist Church unless otherwise noted.

**Please deliver food to pick up locations BEFORE date listed.**

If your church is a pick-up location, please have the building unlocked or have someone to meet the truck. **Thank you for your assistance!**

## Monday, September 11

Simsboro  
Arcadia  
Gibbsland  
Taylor  
Beech Springs  
Sibley  
First, North Acres and  
Emmanuel in Minden  
Unity and First in Cotton  
Valley  
New Sarepta  
Midway  
Central in Springhill  
Mt. Paran  
Haynesville  
Ruple  
Homer  
New Hope  
Pleasure Point in Homer  
Mt. Olive in Marsallis  
Emmanuel in Arcadia

## Monday, September 11

Quitman  
Hodge  
Dodson  
East Winnfield  
Winnfield  
Laurel Heights in Winnfield  
South Winnfield  
Atlanta  
Montgomery  
Colfax  
Boyce  
Simpson  
Flactor  
East Leesville and First in  
Leesville  
Cooper  
Anacoco  
Hornbeck  
Florien  
First and Trinity in Many  
Robeline  
Coldwater in Natchitoches

## Tuesday, September 12

Emmanuel, Westside, Trinity,  
and First in Natchitoches  
Grand Ecore  
Clarence  
Calvin  
Bethlehem

Goldonna  
Grace  
Briarwood  
Magnolia in Saline  
Friendship  
McDonald Memorial  
Ebenezer  
Jonesboro  
Weston  
Center Point  
Chatham

## Tuesday, September 12

Trinity  
Pineville  
Parkview and Emmanuel in  
Alexandria  
Paradise  
Alpine  
New Prospect in Dry Prong  
Bentley  
Dry Prong  
Linsecum  
Georgetown  
Searcy  
Jena  
Midway  
Tullos  
Urania  
Olla  
Grayson  
Columbia Heights  
Bosco

## Thursday, September 14

Zwolle  
Fellowship  
Converse  
Union Springs  
Beulah  
Magnolia  
Logansport  
Mt. Olivet  
First and Emmanuel in  
Mansfield  
Grand Cane  
Gloster  
Salem in Stonewall  
Westwood  
Providence  
Keithville  
North Keithville  
Grawood  
Summer Grove

## September 14

Marthville  
Union in Belmont  
Pleasant Hill  
Coushatta  
Fairview  
New Ebenezer  
Castor  
Ringgold  
Social Springs  
Bienville  
Bryceland

## Monday, September 18

Liberty  
Calhoun  
Choudrant  
Emmanuel, First, Temple  
and Cook in Ruston  
Dubach  
Pine Grove  
Bernice  
Spearsville  
Farmerville  
Marion  
Paron  
Sterlington

## Monday, September 18

Kentwood  
Spring Creek  
Chesborough  
Mt. Hermon  
Clifton  
Franklinton  
Hillcrest  
Bethel  
New Zion in Covington  
Enon  
Plainview  
Superior Avenue and First  
in Bogalusa  
Memorial  
Sun  
Hebron in Bush  
Evans Creek  
Northside  
Grace Memorial in Slidell  
Lacombe

## Tuesday, September 19

New Beulah  
Bethlehem in Albany  
Springfield  
Ponchatoula

Natalbany  
Woodland Park in Hammond  
Ebenezer  
Independence  
Amite  
Roseland  
Kedron  
Hillsdale  
Greensburg  
Clinton  
Wilson  
Norwood

## Tuesday, September 19

Harrisonburg  
Wallace Ridge  
Jonesville  
Sycamore  
Ridgecrest  
Ferriday  
St. Joseph  
Newellton  
Bethany

## Tuesday, September 19

Sicily Island  
Wisner  
Calvary and First in Gilbert  
Chase, First and Temple  
in Winnsboro  
Crowville  
Baskin  
Mangham  
Archibald  
Alto

## Thursday, September 21

Trinity Heights  
North Shreve  
Northwoods  
Blanchard  
Oil City  
Belcher  
Linda Lay  
Hosston  
Vivian  
Plain Dealing  
Benton  
Cypress  
First and Waller in Bossier  
Barksdale  
Eastwood  
Fillmore  
Haughton  
Koran  
Doyline

## Thursday, September 21

Lakeview  
Willow Point  
Ford Park  
Greenwood  
Emmanuel  
Rose Park B.C.  
Kingston Road  
Springs of Grace  
Shreveport First

Brookwood  
Calvary Academy  
Ellerbe Road  
Haynes Avenue  
Broadmoor  
Shreve City

## Monday, September 25

Woodlawn  
Welsh  
Jennings  
Iowa  
Moss Bluff  
Boulevard, University,  
Sale Street, and First in  
Lake Charles  
First and Westwood  
in Westlake  
Maplewood, Central and  
First in Sulphur

## Tuesday, September 26

Houston River  
Emmanuel  
Starks  
DeQuincy  
Singer  
DeRidder  
Dry Creek  
Pitkin  
Occupy No. 2  
Elizabeth

## Tuesday, September 26

Start  
Rayville  
Delhi  
Herringville  
Epps  
Walnut Grove  
Waverly  
Tallulah  
Sondheimer  
Melbourne  
Transylvania  
Lake Providence  
Kilbourne, First, Trinity and  
Lane's Ferry in Oak Grove  
Forest  
Green  
Goodwill  
New Prospect  
Mer Rouge  
Greenacres  
Faith  
Bastrop  
Cherry Ridge  
Oak Hill  
New Friendship

## Thursday, September 28

Carmel in Kolin  
Longview  
Macedonia  
Marksville  
Simmesport  
Bethel Bapt. Worship Ctr.



New Roads  
University, Christ  
Covenant and  
Jefferson in Baton  
Rouge  
Doyle  
Walker  
First and Don Avenue  
in Denham Springs  
Florida Boulevard in  
Baton Rouge

**Friday, September 29**

Baton Rouge  
Park Forest  
Oakcrest  
Lanier  
Brownsfields  
Baker  
Zachary  
Slaughter  
First and Second in  
Jackson  
Port Hudson  
St. Francisville

**Monday, October 2**

Forest Hill  
Amiable  
Glenmora  
Trinity and First in  
Oakdale  
Oberlin  
Kinder  
Indian Village  
Elton  
University  
Eunice  
North Eunice  
Chataignier  
Ville Platte  
Trinity in Turkey Creek  
Lecompte  
Kingsville  
Wayside  
Pollock

**Monday, October 2**

Beulah in Cheneyville  
Bunkie  
Opelousas  
Sunset  
First, Emmanuel and  
The Bayou in  
Lafayette  
Teche  
Rayne  
Parkerson Avenue and  
First in Crowley  
Kaplan  
Abbeville  
Erath  
Delcambre  
Trinity, First and  
Highland in New Iberia  
Jenkins Memorial

**Tuesday, October 3**

Jeanerette  
Baldwin Mission  
Little Pass  
Franklin  
Teche in Centerville  
Patterson  
Bayou Vista  
Berwick  
Morgan City  
Mulberry  
Houma  
University, First and  
Calvary in Thibodaux  
Napoleonville  
White Castle  
Plaquemine  
Addis  
Port Allen

**Tuesday, October 3**

New Light, Memorial,  
First and Emmanuel  
in Monroe First,  
Trinity, Peniel,  
Ouachita, Bethel, Mt.  
Vernon, McClendon,  
Community, New  
Chapel Hill, Highland,  
Ridge Avenue, and  
Edgewood in West  
Monroe  
Parkview, Highland  
Park, North Monroe,  
Fairbanks, Swartz,  
Calvary, Lakeshore  
and College Place in  
Monroe

**Wednesday, October 4**

Gross Tete  
Krotz Springs

**Monday, October 9**

Gretna  
Bell Chase  
Ames Blvd.  
West St. Charles  
Luling  
St. Rose Community  
Norco  
LaPlace  
Gramercy  
New River  
Gonzales  
Cross Point  
Parkview in B.R.

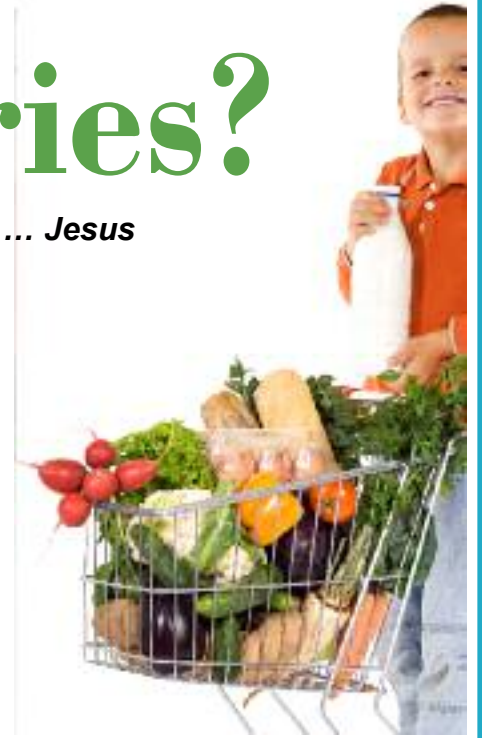
**Monday, October 9**

Kenner  
Harahan  
Rio Vista  
Metairie  
Memorial  
Pontchartrain  
Covington  
Mandeville

# Got Groceries?

*"It is more blessed to give than to receive." ... Jesus*

## 2017 FALL FOOD ROUNDUP



## Thank You Louisiana Baptists!

### NEEDS LIST

Baked Beans  
Bathroom Tissue  
BBQ Sauce  
\*Body Wash  
\*Bottled Juice  
Brownie Mix  
Cake Mixes & Icing  
Canned Chicken  
Canned Vegetables  
(Butter/Lima/Pinto/Red Beans;  
Black-Eyed/Purple Hull Peas/  
Greens)  
\*Cereal (Children's Brands)  
Chili w/o Beans  
\*Cleaning Supplies  
(Bathroom/Kitchen/Furniture  
Polish)  
Clorox Bleach & Wipes  
\*Condensed & Evaporated  
Milk  
Cookies & Cookie Mix  
\*Cooking Oil & Criso  
Shortening  
\*Corn Meal (Plain/Self-rising)  
\*Crackers (Ritz/Saltines)  
Dishwasher Detergent  
Disinfectant Spray

Dryer Sheets  
Facial Tissues  
\*Flavors (Lemon/Vanilla/Almd)  
Flour (Plain/Self-rising)  
\*Freezer Bags (Qt. & Gal.)  
\*Fruit (Canned)  
\*Gravy Mixes  
Green Chiles  
Grits (Regular/Instant)  
Hair Spray  
\*Hand Soap/Sanitizer  
Hot Sauce  
Instant Pie Filling (Choc/Van)  
Jelly/Jam (Apple/Grape/Straw)  
Jiffy Cornbread Mix  
\*Kool-Aid  
\*Laundry Detergent (Regular  
& HE-Liquid)  
\*Mayonnaise  
Muffin Mixes  
Mushrooms (Canned/Bottled)  
\*Napkins  
Oatmeal (Instant)  
\*Onion Soup Mix  
\*Pam Cooking Spray  
Paper Towels  
Pastas  
Peanut Butter (Smooth &

Crunchy)  
\*Pickles & Relish (Dill/Sweet)  
Pie Fillings (Canned)  
Popcorn  
\*Pop Tarts  
Potatoes (Boxed & Instant)  
\*Rice (Instant & Boxed Dinners)  
\*Salad Dressings  
Soups (Variety/Cream of  
Chicken/Mushroom)  
Soy & Teriyaki Sauce  
Spaghetti Sauce  
Spices (Black Pepper/Tony's/  
Garlic/Onion Powder)  
Stove Top Stuffing  
Sugar (Regular, Brown &  
Powdered)  
Syrup (Chocolate/Pancake/  
White Karo)  
Taco Seasoning  
Tea (Regular/Decaf)  
Tomatoes (Diced/Stewed/  
Rotel)  
Tomato Sauce/Paste  
\*Velvetta Cheese  
Vinegar (Apple Cider & White)  
Worcestershire Sauce  
  
\*Much Needed Items. THANKS!

*No gallon size cans please! Meals are prepared in each of our cottages, not cafeteria style.*



## Praise God!

HomePlace residents, Ja'Liya and her mom, Cenobia, accepted Christ and were baptized together at North Monroe Baptist Church!



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When the topic of sisters comes up, there's the big question, "Do you always get along with one another as well as you are right now?" Jo'Aiva responds with a big smile, "Sometimes we get along. Sometimes it's good...sometimes, it's not."

Azyria is engrossed in cooking in her little kitchen and serving cute, miniature (plastic) cupcakes with sprinkles. She is not quite as excited about school as her big sisters, so she really doesn't want to talk about that. She just shakes her head "no" at the mention of school! But she is sure about her future plans. Even though she's been busy, she has obviously been taking in and processing all of the conversations around her. She chimes in, very matter-of-factly, "I want to be a princess."

The ladies are going for haircuts later and, on this beautiful, fall Saturday, they should have some time for outdoor activities as well. Cenobia is thinking about their evening together. "I think I'm going to pick up some popcorn, and we can make that and watch movies together tonight." The family has been part of the HomePlace Ministry for about five months now. They are still a little overwhelmed, but also excited about the provisions and the opportunities with which they've been blessed. These life changes have given Cenobia confidence in herself and her abilities, and she is seeing God use this time in HomePlace to open new doors of opportunity. She shyly shares that her next goal is to become a pharmacy tech, and she is touched and a little bit tickled as her daughters share their dreams for the future. She and her family are learning that God has a plan and a purpose for each of them, and they look forward to seeing how their journey continues to unfold.

# 2017 LBCH Ministry Highlights

## LOUISIANA BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME & FAMILY MINISTRIES

Provided ministry services for over 3,600 children, families, and individuals.  
Over 130 accepted Christ as Savior!

## RESIDENTIAL CHILD & FAMILY CARE

Served 245 children and their mothers through residential ministries.

## CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S JOB CORPS

Provided 87 women with job and life skills training.

## GRANBERRY COUNSELING CENTERS

Provided professional Christian counseling for 1,254 individuals. Provided counseling for 53 Louisiana Baptist ministers and their family members through a partnership with the LBC Pastoral Leadership Team.

## LOUISIANA/HAITI PARTNERSHIP - ORPHANS EMBRACE

Forty-one Louisiana Baptist volunteers provided ministry to over 1,100 orphans and children in need through short-term mission trips to Haiti.

## CONNECT 1:27 FOSTER & ADOPTION MINISTRIES

Provided support services for 102 foster children across the state.



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## highlights from homeplace...

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*By Susan C. Clark, HomePlace Director*



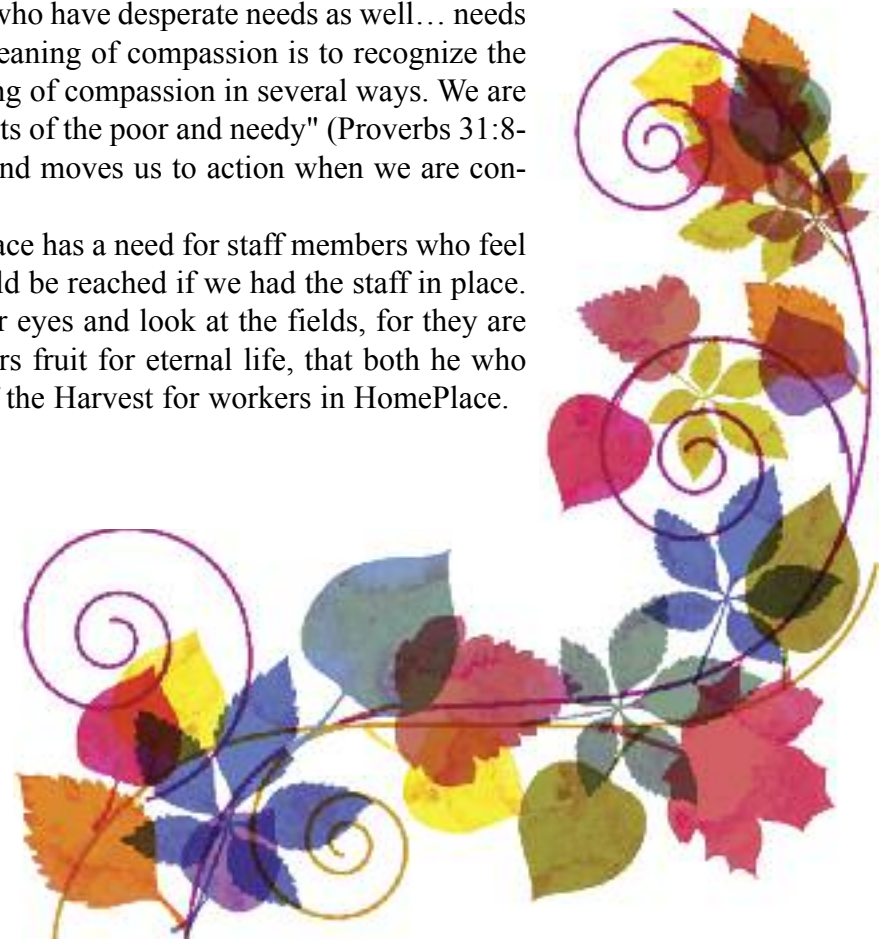
As we enter in my opinion, the most beautiful and colorful time of the year, we are reminded that there are parts of our nation that do not see the beauty in their locations and circumstances due to the catastrophic events that have unfolded in the last month. We cannot escape from the sobering reality of those who find themselves without their homes and possessions. The urgency of helping those who have been affected by such devastation is ever before us.

To see the Body of Christ unifying to help meet the needs of others is what makes this time of the year one of the most beautiful and colorful, despite what it may look like in the natural. Without a doubt, the common thread is the Lord Jesus crucified, raised to life again on the third day, ascended into heaven and Who will return one day. This is the gospel that will save our nation and will keep us strong during the toughest storms of our lives.

Jesus was moved to compassion when He saw the multitudes hungry without food, the large crowds that were in need of healings, the multitudes who were distressed like sheep without a shepherd, and the individuals that needed deliverance and salvation. Today, He still is moved to compassion when He sees our world and the needs of His creation. No way can we at HomePlace fully wrap our minds and hearts around the losses that have occurred, however, the events have made us much more sensitive to the families that God has put in our reach to help here at LBCH.

Right here at HomePlace, we are still serving the moms and children who have desperate needs as well... needs that move the heart of God, and in turn, move us to compassion. The meaning of compassion is to recognize the suffering of others, then take action to help. The Bible defines the meaning of compassion in several ways. We are to "speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves ... defend the rights of the poor and needy" (Proverbs 31:8-9, NIV). It can be a form of love that fuels acts of kindness and mercy and moves us to action when we are confronted with those who are suffering.

As we enter the most beautiful and colorful time of the year, HomePlace has a need for staff members who feel called to minister to our moms and children. So many more families could be reached if we had the staff in place. You can contact me at 318.343.2244. "Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest! And he who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, that both he who sows and he who reaps may rejoice together." Please pray to the Lord of the Harvest for workers in HomePlace.





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# JOB OPENINGS



## CAMPUS FOSTER PARENTS NEEDED!

Baptist husband/wife teams needed for Louisiana Baptist Children's Home, Monroe, LA. Full-time positions include salary, housing, life and medical insurance, annuity, paid vacation, and training. Due to responsibilities in serving the maximum number of foster children, applicants should not have children living at home under the age of 18. Please send resume to Susan Nolan at [snolan@lbch.org](mailto:snolan@lbch.org) or contact at 318.343.2244.

## COTTAGE MANAGERS NEEDED!

Baptist women needed for the Louisiana Baptist Children's Home, Monroe, LA, to serve in HomePlace, a transitional living ministry for homeless children and their mothers. Full-time position includes salary, housing, life and medical insurance, annuity, paid vacation, and training. Position requires 24-hour work schedules. Please send resume to Susan Clark at [sclark@lbch.org](mailto:sclark@lbch.org) or contact at 318.343.2244.

## 2017 Children's Home Sunday Annual Offering Top 25 Giving Churches

1. First Baptist Church, Princeton
2. Temple Baptist Church, Ruston
3. North Monroe Baptist Church, Monroe
4. Cook Baptist Church, Ruston
5. Prewitt's Chapel Baptist Church, Hornbeck
6. Lake D'Arbonne Chapel, Farmerville
7. Harmony Baptist Church, Delhi
8. First Baptist Church, Clinton
9. Bethel Baptist Church, Bastrop
10. First Baptist Church, Baton Rouge
11. Evans Creek Baptist Church, Pearl River
12. First Baptist Church, Livingston
13. First Baptist Church, Sulphur
14. South Winnfield Baptist Church, Winnfield
15. First Baptist Church, Zachary
16. McDonald Memorial Baptist Church, Jonesboro
17. CrossPoint Baptist Church, Baton Rouge
18. Paron Baptist Church, Sterlington
19. Mt. Nebo Baptist Church, Roseland
20. Woodland Hills Baptist Church, Shreveport
21. Westwood Baptist Church, Westlake
22. First Baptist Church, Rayville
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25. Alabama Baptist Church, Arcadia

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