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WORDS FROM HOME

Two Ladies Who Made a Difference

I want to tell you a quick story about two ladies who made a tremendous difference in the life of our church—and in the lives of children at the Louisiana Baptist Children’s Home.

One day, two wonderful ladies named Ann and Paulette called and asked if they could have a little of my time. They wanted to talk about something God had placed on their hearts. When we met, they told me they believed our church needed to do more for the Children’s Home Fall Food Roundup.



Our church had participated in the roundup for many years, but over time it had

Now, as a church staff member, whenever someone said, “We need to do more,” I usually assumed they meant, “You need to do more!” But when I asked Ann and Paulette what they had in mind, I quickly realized that was not the case. They had already begun developing a great plan to involve our entire church, along with the schools connected to our church, in supporting the Fall Food Roundup.

become a little commonplace. Our promotion and participation had gradually waned. Ann and Paulette’s renewed excitement changed all of that. Through their leadership, our collection grew from only a few boxes to well over 50 boxes in a single year.

God spoke to them, and they responded by putting His prompting into action. The story of Ann and Paulette is one of my favorites from more than 30 years of ministry. When God spoke, these two faithful ladies listened, answered His call, and got to work. Their enthusiasm energized an entire church community around providing tangible goods for the children and families served by the Louisiana Baptist Children’s Home.

I share this story for two reasons. First, I want to honor my friends Ann and Paulette and let others know how much their faithfulness and initiative meant to me. Second, I hope their example will spur each of us on to good works.

The Fall Food Roundup meets real and practical needs. I would love for you to visit our campus, tour our commissary, and see what the fruit of this ministry looks like. If your church needs ideas or encouragement—or if we can help you become more involved in this ministry opportunity—we would be glad to help.

My prayer is that God’s prompting will lead to our action, just as it did for Ann and Paulette.

Thank you for all you do to support the Louisiana Baptist Children’s Home as we provide love, care, and hope in Christ for children and families in need.



PRAYER CALENDAR...

- KaysonSeptember 1
- My’Angel.....September 2
- Faith.....September 3
- LilySeptember 4
- BentleySeptember 5
- LulaSeptember 6
- Michael.....September 7
- Miyana.....September 8
- Tiffany.....September 9
- BriannaSeptember 10
- AverySeptember 11
- Alivea.....September 12
- TravisSeptember 13
- SanaSeptember 14
- Selena.....September 15
- FlorineSeptember 16
- Elysia.....September 17
- Edrick.....September 18
- EyanSeptember 19
- Easton.....September 20
- Cassie.....September 21
- Danasia.....September 22
- Isreal.....September 23

- CariettaSeptember 24
- Camillia.....September 25
- Bryson.....September 26
- JosephSeptember 27
- ChelseaSeptember 28
- SamanthaSeptember 29
- IleshaSeptember 30



BIRTHDAYS...

- Avery.....September 17
- BriannaSeptember 22
- My’AngelSeptember 29
- MichaelOctober 4
- MiyanaOctober 4
- CariettaOctober 26
- Bentley.....October 31

• 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 •

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

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CAMPUS SPOTLIGHT:

Meet Barbara Davidson — Faith Cottage

Barbara Davidson serves as the Cottage Manager of Faith Cottage, home to the HomePlace ministry at the Louisiana Baptist Children’s Home—a place where homeless mothers and their children are given not just shelter, but a fresh start filled with hope, purpose, and unconditional love.

Barbara’s journey to this ministry was born out of a deep conviction: “No one should ever feel like they have nowhere to call home or no one to turn to for help.” That belief has become her mission. Since joining LBCH full-time in May of 2024, Barbara has been a guiding presence for mothers and children who arrive at Faith Cottage searching for stability, healing, and a new direction.

Before coming to LBCH, Barbara spent 37 years in retail, beginning as a teenage stocker at Cato’s and eventually rising to store manager under the mentorship of the late Ms. Margaret Parnell. It was Margaret who first told her, “There is nothing you can’t achieve as long as you put in the effort and believe.” Those words became a lifelong foundation that carried Barbara through roles as a manager, district and regional leader, and loss prevention expert for major retail chains. Before her move to Monroe, she served as a Community Health Worker Coordinator with Mainline Health Systems in Arkansas—an experience that strengthened her passion for supporting vulnerable families.

Barbara has already witnessed powerful transformations in her short time at Faith Cottage. She’s seen mothers regain custody of their children, secure full-time employment, move into homes of their own, and even reconcile their families. She still receives phone calls, texts, and photos from former residents—proof that the seeds of faith and hard work planted in the cottage continue to bloom long after mothers and children have left.

What brings her the greatest joy? It’s the quiet but powerful moments—when a child points to the cottage and says, “Look, Mama, there’s our home,” or when a mother’s face lights up with pride after reaching a milestone. These moments remind Barbara that what happens within the walls of Faith Cottage is much more than a temporary shelter, it’s a place of restoration.

If she could speak to every child who walks through the door, Barbara would say: “You are loved just the way you are. Jesus loves you no matter what, when, or where you are in life.” Her prayer is that every mother and child who enters Faith Cottage feels that love—that they know they are safe, valued, and seen by a God who welcomes them just as they are.

Barbara continues to hear from former residents regularly, often during weekly visits. Their stories are a reminder that when women and children are surrounded by love, structure, and the truth of the gospel, lives can truly be changed.



Here I Am. Send Me.

The Power of One Faithful “Yes.”

The Lafayette Region has more children in foster care than any other region in Louisiana. Since the Lafayette Region consists of eight predominantly rural parishes, it’s easy to wonder whether our small “yes” could really make a difference.

It’s a question that often leads us to wait...wait for bigger organizations or larger churches to step into that role, wait for the “right” time, or wait for “better-equipped” families. But what if one small step led to a big impact? I’m talking about the kind of impact that is often slow. Through steadfast faithfulness and the messy work of relationships, a congregation’s culture begins to be shaped to care for the vulnerable, as we see in James 1:27.

When we read Isaiah 6:8, we are reminded that the words, “Here am I. Send me!” are powerful not because of the location, but because of the humble obedience behind saying “yes” to God’s call.

If we serve a God who created everything from nothing, imagine what He can do with what you have been given and your “yes.”

Connect1Child has served the Lafayette Region for one year, and even in that short time, we have witnessed families open their homes and churches partner with C1C to host foster parent orientations, Connect Groups, and foster care trainings. These are just a few examples of what God can do through ordinary people who simply respond, “Here I am. Send me.”

As I met with a smaller rural church in the Lafayette Region, I asked how they became known as “The Foster Care Church.” Their answer was not a story of a big revelation, but of humility and daily obedience. The Lord had been cultivating their

hearts long before their foster care ministry began.

One staff member became aware of the local foster care need and had a vision for the church to step into it. Burdened that community partners and the state were serving vulnerable children just blocks away while they had not been a part of it, the church leaders went to the local DCFS. They apologized for being “late to the game” and asked how they could support the mission of caring for vulnerable children and families.

What followed was a relationship built over time through listening, learning, quiet obedience, and using the gifts within their church. They shared that while they do not always see the fruit of their labor, they continue in their call to faithfulness and trust that God is working behind the scenes.

A big ministry was never the goal. It simply grew from saying “yes” each day. What began with updating the DCFS visitation room and dropping off baked goods became, nearly five years later, a foster care ministry that includes Families Count parenting classes, a foster closet, a foster care wraparound team, and families opening their homes to children in foster care.

They have learned that it is often in the hard places that God strengthens His Church. Foster care ministry does not just meet a community need; it gives the entire church a shared missional purpose. This was all possible because a church said “yes,” not because they had all the answers, but because they trusted the One who calls us to walk alongside vulnerable children and families.

The question is: Where is the Lord calling you to say, “Here I am. Send me?”



Cassidy Armstrong
Foster Care Specialist

HOMEBUILDERS

When the Dinner Bell Rings

The days begin to cool after a blistering Louisiana summer; the leaves slowly start to change, and fall is just around the corner. At Louisiana Baptist Children's Home and Family Ministries, that means it is time for another year of the Fall Food Roundup.

For more than a century, Louisiana Baptist churches have worked together to help feed the children and families who call our campus home. Year after year, churches from every corner of our state collect canned goods, groceries, supplies, and financial gifts. It is always an incredible blessing to watch God's people come together to meet such a practical and important need.

If you ever have the opportunity to tour our campus, you will see one of our most treasured landmarks still standing today: our old dinner bell, hanging nearly 30 feet high in its tower.

For generations of children, that bell produced one of the most comforting sounds on campus.

Three times a day, the bell would ring, letting every child know that a meal had been prepared and was waiting for them. In the days when our children ate together in a central dining hall, they would gather at their cottages and "march" together toward the sound of the bell.

Think about what that sound must have meant to a child.

You are going to be fed. Someone has prepared a place for you. Someone cares about you.

Today, our children eat together as families in their cottages, but the message behind that old dinner bell has not changed. Through the generosity of Louisiana Baptists, children and families still know their needs matter and that they are loved.

Matt Coker
Vice President of
PR & Development



I cannot help but think of the words of Jesus in Matthew 25: "For I was hungry, and you gave Me something to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me something to drink; I was a stranger, and you invited Me in..." Jesus later says, "To the extent that you did it to one of these brothers of Mine, even the least of them, you did it to Me."

That is what makes the Fall Food Roundup about so much more than food. Every can of green beans, every box of cereal, every bag of rice, and every financial gift helps us care for a child who needs a safe and loving home, or a mother working to build a better life for her children. Some churches bring truckloads. Others bring a few boxes. But every gift matters.

The old dinner bell may no longer call our children to the dining hall three times a day, but its message still rings across our campus: There is a place for you. There is provision for you. You are cared for. You are loved.

Thank you, Louisiana Baptists, for continuing to answer the call.

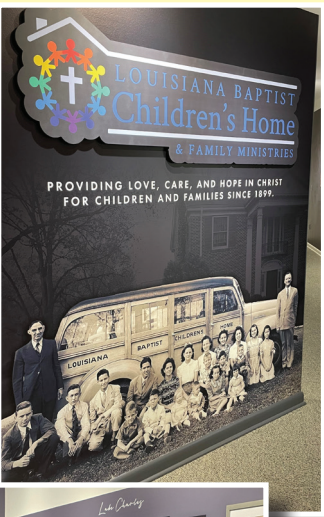


Schedule a Children's Home Campus Tour



We're always excited to invite friends to tour our campus! Tours are available for groups or individuals by appointment. We would love to show you around and let you see first-hand what God is doing at your Children's Home!

To schedule a tour contact **Matt at** mcoker@lbch.org or **318.343.2244**.



MISSIONS CAMP



We had a great time sharing about the ministries of LBCH during Missions Camp at Tall Timbers. What a great week of worship, learning about missions in our state and a whole lot of fun!

THANK YOU FRIENDS

We are so grateful for the many community groups and organizations who support the ministries of LBCH.

Left: Top Ladies of Distinction, Inc., Monroe Chapter collected school supplies for the children.

Right: Members of the Junior Beefmaster Breeders Association donated diapers, wipes, and other personal hygiene items.



Back-to-School With Confidence!



Dear Friend of Children,

Remember the excitement you felt as a child when a new school year began? New clothes. A cool backpack. Fresh school supplies. I can still remember the smell of a brand-new box of crayons and sharpened No. 2 pencils. I couldn't wait to find out who my teacher would be and reconnect with friends after summer break.

While many children look forward to beginning a new school year, the experience is often very different for the children who come to Louisiana Baptist Children's Home. Rather than anticipating new opportunities, many are carrying fears and uncertainties. Some have never had the basic supplies needed to feel prepared. Others are entering unfamiliar classrooms and communities after experiencing significant upheaval in their lives. For these children, a new school year can be a reminder of how much has changed.

For children like Macie*, that story is beginning to look very different.

Macie* has been at Louisiana Baptist Children's Home for a couple of years now. This year, she is excited about moving up to a new grade, seeing her friends, and discovering all that the year ahead holds. Because of caring people like you, Macie* can focus on being a child—learning, growing, and dreaming about the future—instead of worrying about whether she has the supplies she needs.

Because of your faithful support, children in our care can begin the school year with confidence. Along with the supplies and clothing they need, they have Christian cottage parents who pray for them, encourage them, and remind them they are loved.

Your gift today helps children like Macie focus on learning, growing, and dreaming about the future. Thank you for making a lasting difference in their lives.

With gratitude,

David Jeffreys, PhD
President and CEO

Because of your faithful support, children can
go to school with confidence!

**Name changed to protect confidentiality.*

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More Than a Box of Food

by Matt Coker

They came to the Compassion Center looking for help.

They left having heard about the hope found only in Jesus Christ.

It began like many days at the Louisiana Baptist Children’s Home and Family Ministries Compassion Center in Monroe. Families arrived to receive food and other necessities, volunteers greeted those coming through, and boxes were loaded into vehicles.

But God had something more planned for two young men who arrived that day.

Volunteer Danny Watt was sharing Gospel tracts and Bibles when he met the two men. After talking with them, Danny introduced them to Pastor Marc, who was serving with a volunteer team from First Baptist Church Avondale.

As Pastor Marc approached their vehicle, he noticed one of the young men holding the Bible Danny had given him.

“I think about this all the time,” the young man said.

When Pastor Marc asked what he meant, the young man explained that he often thought about death and eternity. He believed he would go to heaven because he had tried to live a good life.

That simple statement opened the door for Pastor Marc to share the Gospel.

He explained that none of us can be good enough to earn salvation. We have all sinned and fallen short of God’s standard. Our only hope is Jesus Christ, who died on the cross for our sins, rose again, and offers forgiveness and eternal life to all who place their faith in Him.



As Pastor Marc shared, the young man turned to his friend.

“Man, he’s making a lot of sense.”

Pastor Marc asked if he could pray with them, and both agreed. He prayed that God would open their hearts to understand the Gospel and surrender their lives to Christ.

When the prayer ended, one of the young men shared that he had surrendered his life to Jesus.

Every year, thousands of individuals and families come through the Compassion Center. They receive groceries, clothing, diapers, household necessities, and other forms of assistance. But our prayer is that they receive something far greater—the hope of Christ.

This is the heart of our 2026 theme: One Home. Eight Ministries. One Mission.

Whether God uses a cottage, a counseling office, a classroom, a foster family—or a box of food handed through a car window—our mission remains the same: providing love, care, and hope in Christ to children and families in need.

Sometimes meeting a physical need opens the door to meeting an eternal one.

And on this particular day, that door opened wide.

Serving Others Encourages Gratitude, Connection, and Purpose

Kevin Richard
Director of
Granberry Counseling
Centers



As the Fall Food Roundup begins, I am reminded of my childhood church. A collection box would be placed in the foyer, and I remember the excitement of watching my mother choose canned goods for us to bring. I walked in with pride as I placed those cans in the box, knowing that in some small way I was helping provide food for children at the Louisiana Baptist Children’s Home. Each year, that season brought a familiar sense of purpose as our church prepared to give.

As I transitioned into adulthood, I realized another season often arrives with the same predictability: Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD). As daylight hours shorten, many people experience lower moods, reduced energy, or a general sense of feeling “blah.” For some, these symptoms become significant enough to interfere with daily life. SAD is recognized as a seasonal pattern of depression, commonly associated with recurring depressive symptoms during the winter months.

Shorter days and less sunlight can affect mood, energy, sleep, and routines. Colder weather may also keep us indoors and isolated. While fall and winter bring harvests, holidays, and celebrations, for those vulnerable to depression, the season can also feel heavy and discouraging.

Common symptoms of SAD include fatigue, depressed mood, hopelessness, changes in appetite, and withdrawal from normal activities. Thankfully, there are practical ways to care for ourselves during these months:

- Seek natural light by opening the blinds and safely spending time outdoors.
- Stay physically active through walking, stretching, or another activity appropriate for you.
- Choose nutritious foods and limit processed foods that may leave you feeling sluggish.
- Make time for connection through church, Sunday School, a class, group, or simply visiting a friend.
- Write down something you are grateful for each day.
- Consider talking with a therapist. Granberry Counseling Center understands the struggle with SAD and is available to help.

- If symptoms become overwhelming, talk with your medical doctor about treatment options that may be appropriate.

Seasonal Affective Disorder is real, and Scripture reminds us that even King David experienced seasons of victory and seasons of discouragement. We are no different today.

One meaningful way to step toward connection and purpose this fall is also remarkably simple: go to the grocery store, pick up canned goods, and bring them to your church for the Fall Food Roundup.

Serving others can encourage gratitude, connection, and a renewed sense of purpose while meeting a practical need for a child. This season, especially if you know discouragement may be coming, take a step toward light, community, and service as you “fight the good fight of faith.”

GRANBERRY COUNSELING LOCATIONS:

- Alexandria (2 Locations): 318-355-1067
- Baton Rouge (2 Locations): 225-590-3233 or 25-335-6445
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- Monroe (2 Locations): 318-345-8200
- Natchitoches: 318-355-1067
- Ruston: 318-450-4660
- Winnsboro: 318-953-6939



Highlights from HomePlace

School is back, and reminders are everywhere: children shouldering backpacks, moms packing lunches, and hugging their children as they head for school. It is an exciting time as students and families grow, learn, and begin a new academic year together.

The cottage managers are ready to encourage and pray for the mothers and their children. I look forward to hearing about our families’ experiences. Some children are starting school for the first time, while others are adjusting to new schools. Each family offers a valuable perspective on this transition.

Below are the random questions and their observations:

What was the best thing about school?

- Avery (6th grade) “Seeing my friends from VBS.”
- Alivea (4th grade) “Science.”
- Eli (1st grade) “Car pick-up.”
- Elysia (4th grade) “We go on field trips.”
- Edrick (2nd grade) “Recess.”
- Eyan (1st grade) “My teacher.”
- Danasia (4th grade) “I like my three teachers.”
- Isreal (1st grade) “I like first grade.”
- Milli (kindergarten) “I like the playground, but it’s hot. My snack in the afternoon, my mom gives me a cupcake.”
- Kayson (5th grade) “We did some review and I relearned things.”

Does your mom share any “words of wisdom” with you before going to school?

- Avery (6th grade) “Have a good day!”
- Alivea (4th grade) “Be nice to your teacher and always say yes ma’am.”
- Eli (1st grade) “Be good.”
- Eyan (1st grade) “Yes. But I don’t know.”
- Danasia (4th grade) “I don’t know , maybe don’t do that or don’t do this.”
- Kayson (5th grade) “We usually have prayer. Then you better be good.”

What was your favorite thing you learned?

- Alivea (4th grader) “Science. My Science teacher makes it fun for us!”

- Eli (1st grade) “Playing outside.”
- Elysia (4th grade) “Math, we’re learning addition, subtraction and multiplication.”
- Edrick (2nd grade) “Science.”
- Danasia (4th grade) “How to subtract, add and multiply big numbers.”
- Isreal (1st grade) “I don’t know.”
- Milli (kindergarten) “Meeting friends.”
- Kayson (5th grade) “Probably learning what I forgot.”

Did you do anything brave or kind at school?

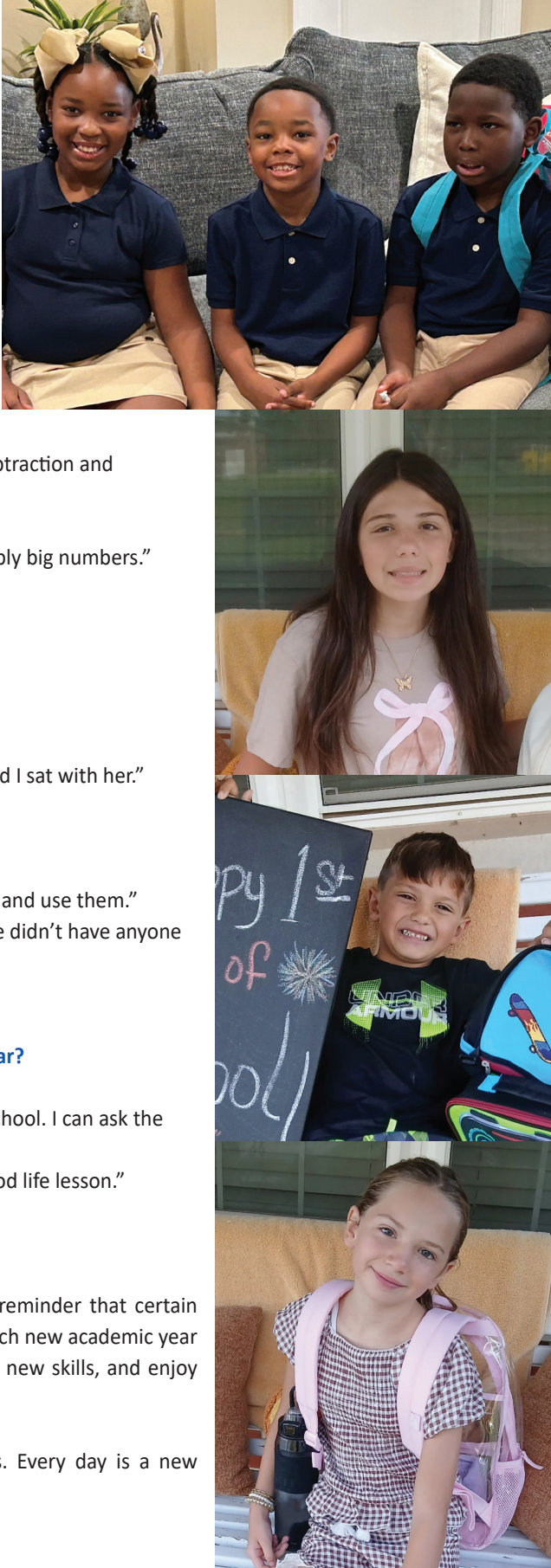
- Danasia (4th grade) “Help people pick up trash.”
- Avery (6th grade) “A girl was sitting alone at lunch and I sat with her.”
- Eyan (1st grade) “Share.”
- Kayson (5th grade) “I raised my hand to answer.”
- Eli (1st grade) “I helped someone.”
- Edrick (2nd grade) “I let someone borrow my pencils and use them.”
- Alivea (4th grade) “I played with a little girl when she didn’t have anyone to play with.”
- Elysia (4th grade) “Helped people.”

Moms what have you learned in this new school year?

- Jennifer “Learning about Kayson.”
- Carietta “Drop off lines are hard. The app from the school. I can ask the teacher anything during the day.”
- Cassie “You can’t always get what you want, it’s a good life lesson.”
- Florine “You need a good routine.”
- Brianna “Learning the new schedule.”

The children’s responses offered a thoughtful reminder that certain aspects of the school experience remain timeless. Each new academic year presents opportunities to form friendships, develop new skills, and enjoy the pleasures of the playground.

Please remember our families in your prayers. Every day is a new challenge, but your prayers make a difference.



Your Gifts Fuel Hope at the Women’s Learning Center

The Fall Food Round Up is one of the most exciting and vital events at the Louisiana Baptist Children’s Home and Family Ministries. Having had the unique privilege of being on both the giving and receiving ends of this ministry, I have seen its impact firsthand.

As followers of Jesus, we are called to meet the tangible needs of those around us. He did, and so should we. Yet, it can sometimes be difficult to know how to help in a way that truly makes a difference. The Fall Food Round Up is the perfect answer to that dilemma. Giving food and supply staples directly supports the children and families in our care. From a single can of soup to every ounce of laundry detergent, every donation has a specific place and purpose on our campus.

I especially want to share how your gifts transform lives at the Women’s Learning Center (WLC). Our ministry began with a clear mission: to help mothers in our Homeplace program gain essential employability skills. Every woman who enters Homeplace has the opportunity to work toward her high school equivalency and develop job skills, studying either at the WLC or right in her cottage. Your donations provide the daily meals and household essentials that sustain these mothers during their journey.

But the impact does not stop there. Many of our students do not live on campus; they commute from the surrounding community. How does the Fall Food Round Up provide for them?

First, every woman who attends the WLC receives a school prep bag filled with binders, notebooks, pens, and pencils. Your donations supply these items, ensuring that the cost of education is never a barrier to her success. Next, we provide snacks and water for every student, offering direct financial relief and a welcoming environment. By lifting these everyday burdens, your donations do far more than fill pantries and backpacks—they pave a clear pathway for these women to build a better future. Thank you for sharing the blessings the Lord has provided to you. Your kindness and gifts come alongside these mothers and community students, making every single step of their journey a little easier.

For more information call 318-307-7624 or email twlcmonroe@gmail.com





LOUISIANA BAPTIST CHILDREN’S HOME & FAMILY MINISTRIES

Fill Their Plates Feed Their Future

FALL FOOD ROUNDUP



2026 FALL FOOD ROUNDUP NEEDS LIST

Aluminum Foil (Large/Heavy Duty)
Baked Beans
Baking Powder/Soda/Corn Starch
Bathroom Tissue
Body Wash & Deodorant (Men/*Women)
Bottled Juice (Orange/Apple/Fruit Punch)
Cake/Brownie/Muffin Mixes/Icing
Canned Meats (Chicken/Spam/Tuna/
Viennas)
Canned Vegetables (Butter/Lima/Pinto/
Red Beans, Black-Eyed/Field/Purple
Hull Peas, Turnip Greens)
Cereal
Cheese (Parmesan & Velveeta)
Chili w/o Beans
Cleaners (Bathroom/Kitchen/Disinfectant
Spray)
Clorox Bleach & Wipes
Condensed & Evaporated Milk
Cookies & Cookie Mix
Cooking Oil
Corn Meal (Plain/Self-rising)
Crackers (Ritz/Saltines/Graham)
Dishwasher Detergent
Facial Tissue (Square boxes)
Flavors (Vanilla/Lemon)
Flour (Plain/Self-rising)
Freezer Bags (Quart/Gallon/2-Gallon)
Fruit (Canned/Snack Cups)
Gravy Mixes
Green Chiles

Grits (Regular/Instant)
Hand Soap/Sanitizer
Jelly/Jam (Apple/Grape/Strawberry)
Jiffy Cornbread Mix
Ketchup
Kool-Aid (19 oz. or Larger)
Laundry Detergent (HE-Liquid/Spray 'n
Wash/Free & Clear)
Mayonnaise
Mushrooms (Canned/Bottled)
Mustard
Oatmeal (Instant/Quick/Old Fashioned)
Pam Cooking Spray
Paper Towels & Napkins
Pastas
Peanut Butter (Smooth & Crunchy)
Pickles & Relish (Sliced/Whole/Dill/Sweet)
Pie Filling/Pudding (Instant/Chocolate/
Vanilla; Canned/Peach)
Popcorn & Pop Tarts
Potatoes (Instant & Boxed)
Rice (Instant & Boxed Dinners)
Salad Dressings (Ranch/Italian/1000
Island)
Sauces (Alfredo/BBQ/Enchilada/
Mild Salsa/Spaghetti)
Seasonings (Sloppy Joe/Taco/Tony
Chachere's)
Snack Pack Pudding
Soups (Variety/Cream of Chicken/
Mushroom/Chicken & Beef Broth/

Onion Soup Mix)
Spices (Allspice/Black Pepper/Cayenne
Pepper/Garlic/Lemon Pepper/Nutmeg/
Onion Powder/Poultry/Sage/Salt)
Stuffing (Stove Top)
Sugar (Regular/Brown/Powdered)
Syrup (Chocolate/Pancake/White Karo)
Tea (Regular/Decaf)
Tomatoes (Diced/Stewed/Rotel)
Tomato Sauce/Paste
Vinegar (Apple Cider & White)

No gallon size
cans please!

*(Meals are prepared in each of our cottages,
not cafeteria style.)*

THANK YOU!

Fall Food Roundup
Info Is
Available Online!



2026 Fall Food Roundup Pick-Up Schedule

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 on your scheduled pick-up day. THANK YOU!

Tuesday, September 8

Trinity in Pineville
Parkview in Alexandria
Homewood
Alpine
New Prospect in Dry Prong
Bentley
Dry Prong
Lincecum
Georgetown
Searcy
Jena
Midway
Tullos
Urania
Olla
Grayson
Columbia Heights
Bosco

Tuesday, September 8

Chatham
Ebenezer
Weston
Center Point
Jonesboro
McDonald Memorial
Friendship
Magnolia in Saline
Briarwood
Grace
Goldonna
Bethlehem
Calvin
Grand Ecore
Emmanuel, Trinity and First in Natchitoches

Wednesday, September 9

Coldwater in Natchitoches
Robeline
First and The Bridge in Many
Fisher
Florien
Hornbeck
Cooper
Pine Hill
East Leesville
Flactor
Simpson
Boyce
Colfax
Montgomery
Atlanta
South Winnfield
Laurel Heights in Winnfield
Winnfield
East Winnfield
Dodson
Hodge
Quitman

Wednesday, September 9

Simsboro
Arcadia
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

Thursday, September 10

Zwolle
Fellowship
Converse
Union Springs
Beulah
Hunter Magnolia
Logansport
Mt. Olivet
Mansfield
Gloster
Salem in Stonewall
Westwood
Providence Road
Keithville
Grawood
Summer Grove

Thursday, September 10

Marthaville
Union in Belmont
First and Wallace in Pelican
Coushatta
Fairview
Social Springs
First and Pleasant Grove in Ringgold
Castor
New Ebenezer

Monday, September 14

Liberty
Calhoun
Downsville
Holmesville
Choudrant
Emmanuel, Temple and Cook in Ruston
Dubach
Pine Grove
Spearsville
Farmerville
Conway
Marion
Antioch
Paron

Monday, September 14

New Zion
Kentwood
Spring Creek
Chesbrough
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

Redemption in Lacombe

Tuesday, September 15

Bethlehem in Albany
Springfield
Ponchatoula
Antioch
Natalbany
Woodland Park in Hammond
Ebenezer
Independence
Amite
Roseland
Kedron
Hillsdale
Montpelier
Greensburg
Clinton
Feliciana
Norwood

Tuesday, September 15

Harrisonburg
Wallace Ridge
Jonesville
Vidalia
Sycamore
Ferriday
St. Joseph
Newellton

Tuesday, September 15

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

Thursday, September 17

Trinity Heights
North Shreve
Northwoods
Blanchard
Oil City
Belcher
Vivian
Plain Dealing
Benton
Cypress in Benton
Bossier
Barksdale
Eastwood
Fillmore
Houghton
Doyline

Thursday, September 17

Lakeview
Ford Park
Willow Point
Greenwood
Emmanuel
Rose Park
Kingston Road
Springs of Grace
Shreveport First
Brookwood
Ellerbe Road
Haynes Avenue
Broadmoor
Cypress in South Shreveport

Monday, September 21

Woodlawn
Welsh
Westside
First and University in Lake Charles
First and Bellview in Westlake
Maplewood, Central and First in Sulphur

Monday, September 21

Start
Rayville
Delhi
Epps
Walnut Grove
Herringville
Waverly
Tallulah
Sondheimer
Melbourne
Transylvania
Lake Providence
Kilbourne
First and Lane’s Ferry in Oak Grove
Forest
Trinity and Unity in Oak Grove
Goodwill
New Prospect

Tuesday, September 22

Olivet
Starks
DeQuincy
Singer
DeRidder
Dry Creek
Palestine in Grant
Pitkin
Occupy No. 2
Elizabeth

Tuesday, September 22

New Friendship
Faith
Bastrop
Cherry Ridge
Greenacres

Wednesday, September 23

Longview
Macedonia
Marksville
Bethel Bapt. Worship Ctr.
New Roads
First and Christ Covenant in B.R.
Walker
First and Don Avenue in Denham Springs
Cedarcrest

Thursday, September 24

Greenwell Springs
Galilee
Lanier
Brownsfields
Faith in Baker
Zachary
Slaughter
Port Hudson
Jackson
St. Francisville

Monday, September 28

Lecompte
Forest Hill
Amiable
Glenmora
Trinity and First in Oakdale
Indian Village
Elton
University
North Eunice

Chataignier
Ville Platte
Trinity in Turkey Creek
Kingsville
Wayside
Pollock

Monday, September 28

Beulah in Cheneyville
Bunkie
Opelousas
Vatican in Carencro
The Bridge Fellowship
Teche
First in Lafayette
Milton
Rayne
Crowley
Kaplan
Abbeville
Erath
Delcambre
Trinity, First and Highland in New Iberia
Jenkins Memorial

Tuesday, September 29

Jeanerette
Little Pass
Franklin
Patterson
Bayou Vista
Berwick
Morgan City
Mulberry
Covenant Church
University, First and Calvary in Thibodaux
Napoleonville
White Castle
Plaquemine
Addis
Port Allen

Tuesday, September 29

New Light, Memorial, and First in Monroe
McClendon, Bethel, Ouachita, Mt. Vernon, Center Point, Community, New Chapel Hill, Fair Park, Cedar Crest, Highland and Ridge Avenue in West Monroe
Parkview, Highland Park, North Monroe, Swartz, Calvary and Lakeshore in Monroe

Wednesday, September 30

Krotz Springs

Monday, October 5

Gretna
Bell Chase
Cross Community
Marrero
Avondale
West St. Charles
Luling
Norco
LaPlace
Gramercy
New River
Gonzales
Dutchtown
Cross Point
Parkview in Baton Rouge

Monday, October 5

Kenner
Harahan
Rio Vista
Metairie
Mandeville
Covington

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