

Dear Lexington Baptist Family,

Our church is in the midst of a truly incredible month focusing on prayer. Last week, we had a dedicated time of prayer for our families, and tomorrow, we'll shift our focus to pray for our nation. Each week will lead us to September 27th with our Prayer Commitment Sunday where individuals can commit to serve on 1 of 5 prayer teams – intercessory prayer ministry, ministers' prayer partners, prayer walking, global missions prayer ministry, and children's prayer team. Just as other ministries at LBC have evolved in the last 6 months, our prayer ministry has creatively reimagined ways to be inclusive of people in every situation and to provide opportunities to pray from home. You can find more information at our website at lexingtonbaptist.org/prayer.

The Lord is doing a supernatural work in and through the people of River District Church over in West Columbia. Each week, we hear more and more stories of newly created Bible studies, people sharing (and responding!) to the gospel, and families connecting to the church for the very first time. Renovations are nearing completion, and the building updates are reflective of the church's renewed energy and sense of purpose.

At LBC, we are continuously looking for ways to engage with the people of our community as well. One way we accomplish that goal is through our English as a Second Language – ESL – ministry. Each year, we host dozens of international men and women on our campus. They receive free English lessons, and we have an opportunity to build relationships with them over time and share the good news of the gospel. Classes will begin on Wednesday, September 16th at 6:30 pm. Learn more at lexingtonbaptist.org/ESL.

Finally, our weekday preschool – Lexington Baptist Preschool – resumed classes this past week welcoming 160 kids and 35 staff members to our campus. Hearing laughter on the playground, seeing kids sit in circles in their classrooms, watching parents give hugs at drop-off, and listening to books being read were all even more exciting after a very long 6 months away. A few spots still remain, and you can contact Sabrina at shooker@lexingtonbaptist.org to enroll.

We'll see you tomorrow morning for worship – either online or on-campus. **Remember, next Sunday, we'll kick off our new schedule with Worship Services at 9 and 11 am and Sunday School for all ages at 10 am.**



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