

The Messenger

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AWANA
Wednesday Nights
beginning September 2
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

AWANA is a fun and interactive children's program with a focus on learning God's word and missions. AWANA is for children, 3 years old to 5th grade.

In AWANA children learn and memorize scripture, cooperate with other children through games and activities, participate in mission projects, and worship together during the opening session.

AWANA meets Wednesday nights, from September through May,
6:00 pm—7:30 pm.

Text AWANA to 843-762-0244 to
register your child for the new year

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Perspectives

Pastor Tom

THE MINISTRY OF PRAYER

Way back in 2025 our JIBC family and friends joined in a city -wide prayer ministry. We joined literally thousands of other Jesus followers from dozens of denominations to “PRAY CHARLESTON, 2025” The goal was ambitious but attainable: to pray for the Holy City every minute of every day for the entire year of 2025. You may remember that our JIBC family took the 10th of every month as our day to provide 24-hour prayer coverage. I think the final number was 168 of us covering the tenth of all 12 months. Every minute of every hour of the 10th of every month was covered. We provided equipping sermons, videos of prayer basics and helps for anyone willing but not sure what to do. By the way, those prayer videos can still be seen on our web site.

When 2025 ended, we did not want to end our city- wide prayer ministry. So, we took the prayer ministry in a different direction. Instead of praying on the 19th of every month, we asked if you would include a “Pray Charleston” time in your regular time alone with God.

The first major prayer emphasis was for Charleston’s leadership. We prayed for mayors, police chiefs, fire chiefs, first responders. Anyone serving the public and potentially in harms way. We prayed for them. I received the most interesting comments like “Why would I pray for a politician I did not vote for and do not care for?” My answer...then you should pray twice for that one!

The next area of focused prayer was the church. We prayed to evangelize the lost, make disciples, strengthen families, grow healthy Connection Groups, prayers for students and their friendships and for those who volunteer and serve. We always try to include ”Who is your one?” The one person close to you but far from God.

Now, this past Sunday, September 6, we introduced another prayer focus. A prayer brochure has been prepared to help us focus on praying for our schools. We will pray for students, teachers, administrators, our homes, homeschoolers, the classrooms, the campuses and our universities. We asked that you particularly pray for the schools where you children attend and the schools you pass every day. The brochures were handed out on Sunday, September 6. They will be available for several months to come. It is always a good time to pray for our schools, public, private and home!

Thank you for being a praying church. It is a ministry and mission we can all participate in and one we are all called to do.

See you Sunday, Good Lord willing!

Pastor Tom



Save the date for a baby shower to welcome Pastor Logan and Lily’s sweet little girl, Ruth

Saturday, October 24 in the Fellowship Hall
More details will be coming soon

No matter what your hurt, habit, or hang up might be we have a group that is ready to help you find freedom, acceptance, and accountability. Join us every Sunday evening.

5:30 PM Dinner 6:30 PM Worship 7:00 PM Groups

Celebrate Recovery is for **EVERYONE**

Shopping Addiction
Church Hurt
Abandonment
Abuse
Alcohol
Anger
Anxiety
Betrayal
Codependency
Depression



Trauma
Social Media
Divorce
Drugs
Dysfunction
Eating Disorders
Finances
Gambling
Grief/Loss
Low Self Esteem



Trust Issues
Over Spending
People Pleasing
Perfectionism
Pornography
Pride
PTSD
Shame
Stress
Workaholic



James Island Outreach needs our help!
Can you help us stock their shelves with jelly and pancake syrup?

You can leave your donation in
front of the church office.



Prayer Requests

Family and Friends

- Myrtle Maull
- Jada Benton
- David Hall
- Mel Bell
- Debbie McLawhorn
- Eric Heitman
- Carollee Simmons
- Anna Gaskins
- Austyn, Caroline (Koch)
- Niccolls and Katie
- Alston Pauls
- Bubba & Stella Burnham
- Rett Iler
- Carolyn Benton
- Claudia Freeman
- Kohen Amelsberg
- Lisa Ross
- Greta McKelvey
- Edith Doyle
- Sharon McLemore
- Lynda Rhodes
- Grady Maynor
- Charles & April Moore
- Ferris Williams
- Judy Darnell
- Ken Farris

Mission/Ministry Prayer

- Romania Mission Trip: Aug 11-27
- Jordan Mission Trip: Sept 3-12
- Slavic Church
- Ukraine
- Weekday Preschool
- Recovery Ministry
- James Island Outreach
- Opportunity House
- Luz Y Verdad
- Charles and Judy Dillon: Carpenter's House Global
- John and Yi Ling Pittman: Asia
- Pastor Marius & Cristina Moisin: Romania



*Our condolences to Debbie Jones and family
in the death of her mother, Edith McLemore,
who passed away September 6, 2026.*





The Church at Riverland Terrace

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Ongoing Events

Sundays

- 9:00a Worship Service
10:00a Sunday Connection Groups
for all ages
11:00a Worship Service
Luz Y Verdad (Hispanic Church)
Zion Church (Slavic Church)
Preschool & Children's
Worship
5:30p Celebrate Recovery
6:00p Youth Group

Monday—Friday (August—May)

- 9:00a - JIBC Day School
12:00p

Wednesday (September—May)

- 5:15p Family Fellowship Dinner
6:00p AWANA (3k—5th grade)
6:00p Adult Discipleship Options



How to Give to JIBC

Give in person

Give online at
jamesislandbaptist.com or
Text the word GIVE to
843-762-0244

Mail your contribution to
James Island Baptist Church

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A Look At The Numbers...

Projected budget through July 2026:	\$588,309
Actual received through July 2026: <i>Actual Tithes & Offerings</i> <i>Insurance Proceeds</i>	\$915,294 \$598,188 \$317,106
2026 weekly budget requirement:	\$19,610
This week's budget receipts: 8/30/26	\$16,882

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER



— What's on the Menu? —

Wednesday, September 16, 2026 Dinner is served from 5:15—6:15 pm

Sweet & sour chicken and pork, wild rice,
green beans, salad, roll and dessert

Adults & Teens \$5 each, Children \$3 each
Takeouts available after 6 pm for \$8 each

There are so many great things happening at JIBC
and we don't want you to miss out! You can stay
connected several ways:



The Church Website: www.JamesIslandBaptist.com

The Church App: Download the church app from your app store. Search "James Island Baptist SC".

Social Media Facebook @jibclife Instagram jamesislandbaptist

The Messenger: In addition to receiving a hard copy, you can view it on the website or the church app. If you'd like to receive an emailed copy, please contact neale@jamesislandbaptist.com.