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# Lighthouse

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News

## A Lighthouse to our Community

### Pastor

Edgar L. Evans

### Music Minister

Roland Smith

### Children's Minister

Tammy Fletcher

### Interim Youth Minister

Rob Fleshman

## Our Services

### Sunday

Bible Study-all ages	9:45AM
Morning Worship	11:00AM

### Wednesday

Intake Meal	5:15PM
Prayer Meeting	6:00PM
Adult Bible Study & Ministries	6:00PM
Mission Friends	6:00PM
Children's Ministry	6:00PM
Cooper Student Ministries	6:00PM
Choir Practice	7:00PM

## Bible Club

We will only be meeting once a month on the first Wednesday of every month. We are asking Sunday School classes to volunteer to make cookies or donate some kind of small snack. Please let Lacon or Devon know which month your class can do! Our first meeting had about 80-90 students!

Devon 318-663-3351, Lacon 208-3992.

## Homecoming Services

On Sunday, October 27th we will have Homecoming Services at Cooper Baptist Church. We will have Sunday School at 9:45AM just like we do every Sunday.

Following Sunday school we will have a time of Worship with the gospel group The Stanley's leading us. Brother Edgar Evans will bring the message for Homecoming. We will have a time of fellowship following the service in the FLC. If you can you are asked to bring a dish to share with the church for our Homecoming Meal.

# Pastor's COLUMN

1 Corinthians 16:1-2, "16 Now concerning the collection for the saints, as I have given orders to the churches of Galatia, so you must do also: 2 On the first day of the week let each one of you lay something aside, storing up as he may prosper, that there be no collections when I come."

Malachi 3:10, "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

## **Our Testimony of Tithing**

Alycia and I began tithing early in our marriage way before I became a pastor. We were both very young living from payday to payday. At that time I didn't know anything about the inner workings of the churches we were members of at the different duty stations we lived at. All we knew was that they were Southern Baptist that supported the great mission work thru the co-operative program. These churches also preached the whole counsel of God. We were giving to the Lord Jesus from grateful hearts and working every day and raising a family in the military like most young families that we associated with. Our 10 percent of our income and the offerings we gave was probably not even close to other church member's abundance but we were sacrificing just as much as anybody else. At that time I didn't know but I do know now that in Heaven's eyes it is about equal sacrifices and not equal gifts in giving. The Lord also looks at the motive of the heart. Well, many years have passed and any financial blunders thru the years were not the Lord's fault but mine. Yet, someway and somehow God has always taken care of us from leaving a good career in the USAF and going into the ministry with a family, to resigning a church pastorate without any place to go. Faith plus beans and rice! Still one of my favorite meals! There may come a time in these latter days that all Christians (not just the ones in Islamic countries) may have to choose between your money (and all possessions) and your walk with the Lord Jesus. I believe that Alycia and I have already made our hearts ready if need be for that decision about 30 years ago when we decided to give back to the Lord 10 percent and offerings when we didn't have much to start with but the Lord provided. Today we are very grateful of His blessings. If we could go back 30 years and redo some things we probably would. And if we could go back, we promise you we would never change the decision about tithing.

This is our personal testimony about tithing to the Lord from a heart that loves Him above everything else and our testimony of tithing in support of the church family that we are active members of. It is also our testimony of giving support to thousands of Southern Baptist missionaries. These missionaries are called by the Lord Jesus, highly qualified; seminary trained (at least a Master's Degree), and approved by a local church. We thru the local Southern Baptist Church have helped support thousands of these missionaries in these years we have tithed. May the Lord Jesus allow us many more years! I only share this so that you my brothers and sisters know that your pastor does not encourage you to do something that I'm not doing myself and have been doing for years. I do leave you with a question. What testimony do you have before your church family and before our Lord in giving? It is not too late if you do not have a testimony of giving. With faith and repentance I know our Savior is gracious beyond what we can ask or think.

Love "in Christ,"

Bro. Evans

Cooper Baptist Church

# Fall Fest

Hayrides

Food

Games

Cake Walk

Face Painting

Family Fun &  
More



October 30th, 2019 - 5:30PM - 7:30PM

At Cooper Baptist Church - 853 Cooper Church Rd. Leesville LA  
337-537-3735 - [cooperbaptist.org](http://cooperbaptist.org)





## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD (AGES 2-14) THROUGH THE YEAR

JANUARY:	Hats, scarves, gloves, socks, underwear, slippers, pajamas, etc.
FEBRUARY:	Combs, brushes, washcloths, soap, clippers, sponges, toothbrushes, deodorant, etc. ( <b>Hygiene Items – no liquids</b> )
MARCH:	Thread, jewelry making items, etc. ( <b>Craft Items</b> )
APRIL:	Stuffed animals, barbies, small dolls, etc.
MAY:	Cards, dice, pick up sticks, jacks, slinky, etc. ( <b>Games</b> )
JUNE:	Sunglasses, watches, hair bows, rings, necklaces, flip flops, chap stick, etc.
JULY:	Toys, cars, etc.
AUGUST:	Pencils, sharpeners, pens, colors, markers, scissors, coloring book, etc. ( <b>School Supplies</b> )
SEPTEMBER:	Clothing items for kids
OCTOBER:	Envelope with \$9.00 – shipping cost per box

WATCH FOR SALES!!!



### Do Not Include

Candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food; seeds; fruit rolls or other fruit snacks; drink mixes (powdered or liquid); liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.



# The Stanleys



## In Concert

**When:** October 27th 2019

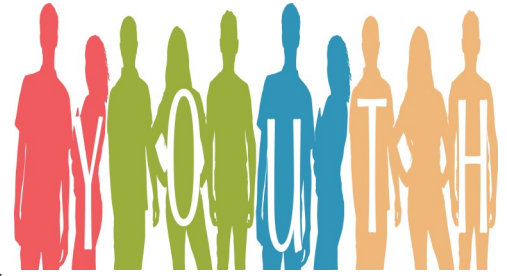
**Where:** Cooper Baptist Church

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**Time:** 11AM. They will be leading us in  
Worship for Homecoming.

For more Info call: 936-414-6266 or 936-635-1244

# YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS



Join us at 5:30 each Wednesday in October as we enjoy time together over a meal, some fun games AND continuing in our study of, Samson: The Weak, Strong Man!

The teens will be going to the Corn Maze (C&M Farms) near Dry Creek on Saturday, Oct 19th! Tons of Fall fun for everyone, including a run through the corn maze after dark! We will be leaving from the church at 4pm and we need to know who is going by Sunday, Oct 13th to purchase advance tickets and arrange transportation!

Dear Choir,

Thank you for being an active participant in our Revival Services last month!

During the month of October, we will continue practicing on Wednesday nights at 7:00PM in preparation for future choir specials. On October 27th, the Stanley's will be leading worship during our Homecoming Service. We will also be preparing for our

Christmas Program very soon!

Thanks again for all you do! God bless you and your families!

Love in Christ,

Bro. Roland P. Smith



# Children's Ministry

Wednesday, October 30<sup>th</sup> will be our Fall Fest in the Family Worship Center. It will begin at 5:30 p.m. and end at 7:30 p.m.

Please help by setting up a booth after Homecoming on Sunday before Fall Fest and by sending in candy to pass out at Fall Fest. The candy collector will be in foyer to put candy in.

Begin now thinking how you will decorate and prepare your Fall Fest area. We have plenty of games to pick from. See Ms. Tammy to sign up!

See you in Sunday School!

The Children's Ministry Team



5 Harrison Fletcher  
 6 Nancy Bailey  
 7 Roland Smith  
 7 Tammy Cyer  
 8 Thor Benson  
 9 Terry Green  
 9 Michael Harris  
 13 Martha Clark  
 13 Josh Peek  
 14 William Hundsdorfer  
 16 Ruth Henry  
 18 Dan Baker  
 18 Alberta Dunfee  
 18 Rhonda St. Andrie  
 19 Doug Roshong  
 19 Carson Lambert  
 20 Randy Benson  
 20 Lane Cook  
 22 Erik Coplin  
 24 Mary Ann Prater  
 25 Gregory Green  
 26 Harry Cart  
 26 Regan Moore  
 26 Elisabeth Highsmith

Summer Atkins  
 30 Huey Howell

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### Children's Church Schedule

**October 6th:** Alycia Evans & Christina Wheeler  
**October 13th:** Tonya McKee & Anita Jeane  
**October 20th:** Dana Donaldson & Lacon Eaves  
**October 27th:** Tammy Fletcher & Pat Bradford

### Nurse Schedule

**October 6th:** Ronnie Redmond  
**October 13th:** Irma Ruth Blackwell  
**October 20th:** Jean Midkiff  
**October 27th:** Lynda Garman

### Parking Lot Security

**Sept. 29th - Oct. 5th:** Phillip Fletcher  
**October 6th - 12th:** Ronnie Redmond  
**October 13th - 19th:** Jody Littleton  
**October 20th - 26th:** Harry Mugrage  
**Oct. 27th - Nov. 2nd:** Trey Lawrence

### Deacons for October

Bob Henry: 353-1531  
 Dan Atchison: 392-0748

# OCTOBER



## Angel Store

We are currently working out the details of a community Christmas project. Details will be coming soon.