



# LaCrosse Baptist Church Newsletter

## January - March 2021

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### **From the Pastor's heart:**

Once again its a joy to share some information that would highlight the life and happenings of La Crosse Baptist Church so far in 2021. Even though I am in my 10th month of ministry here I continue to feel a fresh vision for glorifying God as we worship and grow together and as we reach out to our community. I have learned a lot, discovered a lot and continue to be challenged by the Holy Spirit.

January was highlighted by our praise, prayer and testimony time we had on January 23rd. This was a time when several churches joined us in a wonderful time of hearing some very special music by some talented musicians, hearing many praise reports as well as being blessed by some inspiring testimonies. All those who attended were greatly blessed and uplifted by the Holy Spirit's moving in the worship experience, During January we also managed to have printed some beautiful blue brochures which gives the plan of salvation as well as information about the church. We are already starting to pass these out in our community outreach. We believe this will be an excellent outreach tool The Lord also blessed us with another spirit filled, moving Lord's Supper observance on January 31st.



As a church we always have to expect the unexpected. On February 5th I found out that I had the Covid virus and a very short time later my wife tested positive. I believe because of the prayers of so many, God brought us through that time with only mild symptoms. We appreciate so much the outreach of love, care and compassion from our church family. It certainly made a difficult time more bearable. We continue to be blessed by a



very active, involved and thorough prayer ministry. Pat Stroud does a wonderful job keeping us informed and involved in prayer needs. I believe the Lord has also blessed us with some strong spirit filled worship services. I also praise the Lord for some spirit filled, harmonious council and business meetings.

We strive to always keep our focus outward and our attention and commitment stayed on honoring and glorifying God through all our efforts. We had another strong visitation time in March with many contacts made in the La Crosse community. We thank the Lord for the wonderful opportunity of joining other churches in an Easter Sunrise service. We continue to plan for joint prayer meetings with other churches as well as times of singing and praising God together.

### **As We Serve Together, Pastor Howard Adams**

#### **Brother Pastors,**

I want to extend a special invitation for you and your congregation to gather as a community of churches on May 6th at the flag pole in front of the town hall in La Crosse at 12:00. We will be observing the National Day of Prayer locally. I'm asking several pastors to say prayers for such items as the virus, first responders, the levels of government, the schools and other areas. Please let me know if you can come and about how many may be coming from your church. You may reach me at 850-445-4135; Howard Adams, Pastor of La Crosse Baptist Church.

**WHAT'S COMING UP** - always check the bulletin for updates

#### **Ron Huffmier Visit**

May 2, our missionary, Ron Huffmier, serving in Brazil, will be visiting LaCrosse Baptist to update us on the activities of their mission and how God is working in their lives and the lives of Brazilians through their mission.

We will have dinner on the grounds that day to give everyone an opportunity to fellowship with Ron and each other.

**Church Council** - Meets the 2nd Sunday of each month at 4:30 pm.

**Business Meeting** - Third Sunday following the Morning Worship Services

**National Day of Prayer** - Thursday, May 6th at 12:00 noon, there will be a prayer session for all of the LaCrosse community. Other churches are invited to attend and participate in offering prayers for our First Responders, all levels of Government, our schools, etc. If anyone has questions, call Pastor Howard Adams at 1-850-445-4135.