# The Messenger

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5:00—6:00 PM Wednesday Night Supper \$5/adult \$3/child

6:00—7:30 PM
Awana (Ages 3K—5th Grade)
Adult Bible Study (Room E211)
Praying for Prodigals (Room E 214)

James Island Baptist Church Staff

Pastor: Tom Brown

Associate Pastor: Kyle Hooss Worship Pastor: David Martin Student Ministry Pastor: Logan Duvall

Ministry Assistant: Neale Young

Weekday Preschool Director: Laura Holmes



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# Perspectives

## **Pastor Tom**

#### WOW! OH MY! AND WOW AGAIN!

Janie and I were humbled and wonderfully surprised at this past Sunday's Celebration. The staff and you all did a perfect job keeping everything a secret. Neale even published a "decoy" worship bulletin so I could not see the one everyone else received. What a wonderfully loving, amazingly creative and deeply touching gesture of love. Thank you all so very much.

I know I will not remember everything, but I will try. First, the recognition of my 70<sup>th</sup> birthday and Janie and my 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. It was all wonderful. Seeing the old pictures was a hoot. Who was that young black-haired man?

The interrupted sermon video, of my first sermon delivered at JIBC, was too clever. I was momentarily a little upset when it looked like the video was messing up...it was a part of the charade! Then, when Frank O came up, the water works started for me. How meaningful to have him participate in this day before he went home to Jesus.

The kind words from our Elders were humbling indeed. Then the gift of the two original pieces of art, right to my heart! The art included the "words that describe Pastor Tom" you all so graciously shared. I am sure there were some words that could not be included and had to be edited out! One piece of the art will hang in our dining room and the other here at JIBC (probably in the outer office area where anyone who cares to see it can and I can see it every day.

The TAB (Thomas Arthur Brown) Mission Fund to help send others on mission was over the top. I will put the first \$1,000 in to get that mission ball rolling. As I type this, Neale tells me the fund already has over \$10,000 in it. I am too late to be the first to give to it, but I will still gladly make the thanksgiving offering. I have a mission fund named after me. This puts me right up there with Lottie Moon and Annie Armstrong! (JK, LOL) I could not be more proud to be associated with a Kingdom Mission effort. Thank you. Now, let's keep it funded and send a bunch of people out for Jesus.

Janie and I are going to Italy this week. We will celebrate both of our 70<sup>th</sup> birthdays, our 50 years of marriage (November 29) and our 40 years at JIBC. Thank you all for the financial gift to go toward our trip. I wept again, no surprise there, and could not even speak.

The dessert reception was such a sweet idea! See what I did there? So yummy.

I thank our Lord for the privilege of serving Him at JIBC. I also thank my sweet wife, Janie. If I get any stars in my crown when I go to heaven, I am pretty sure the Angels will pluck them out and given to Janie when she gets there! Any credit I get is credit Janie gets.

Thank you all again and again. This was a most spectacular weekend! Love you all,

**Pastor Tom** 

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Vivian Browning is turning 100!

Come celebrate her on September 20

Drop in from 2-4 pm

JIBC Fellowship Hall

Please join us for a Ladies Tea Saturday, October 4 at Noon Testimonies, music and luncheon Please RSVP by texting TEA to 843-762-0244





#### Calling All Women!

Monday, September 15 we join women of area churches at the Citadel to serve a taco dinner to 150 cadets prior to their weekly BCM worship.

If you have a desire to discover the joy of missional living, plan to join us. Contact Linda Iler at 843-666-7978 for additional information.

### **Prayer Requests**

#### Family and Friends

- Myrtle Maull
- Gene Schurlknight
- Willa Mae Mincey
- Larry Alexander
- Jada Benton
- David Hall
- Mel Bell
- Debbie McLawhorn
- Eric Heitman
- Bill & Carollee Simmons
- Nancy Bryson Schwartz
- Jim Sherard
- Anna Gaskins
- Georgia Baldwin

- Austyn, Caroline (Koch) Niccolls and Katie
- Alston Pauls
- Rie Reid
- Lisa Trainor
- April Moore
- April Moore
- Brenda Lewis
- Scott Ausborne
- Tony Elliott
- Vickie Perry
- Melissa Lyerly
- \Liz Burrell
- Gloria Hunter
- Liebler Family
- Bubba & Stella Burnham

#### **Mission/Ministry Prayer**

- 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



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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)

Preschool & Children's

Worship

5:30p Celebrate Recovery

6:00p Youth Group

#### Monday—Friday (September—May)

9:00a - Riverland Terrace Day School 12:00p

#### Wednesday (September—May)

5:00p Family Fellowship Dinner 6:00p AWANA (3k—5th grade)



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A Look At The Numbers	
Projected budget through July 2025	\$579,351
Actual received through July 2025:	\$551,410
2025 weekly budget requirement:	\$19,312
This week's budget receipts: 8/31/25	\$7,773



#### Wednesday, September 17, 2025

Baked ziti, cheese toast, salad & dessert \$5 adult, \$3 per child



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.



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



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