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In February 1941, Polish priest Maximilian Kolbe was put in the infamous Auschwitz death camp for helping over 2,000 Jews escape Nazi terrorism.

At the end of July 1941, three prisoners managed to escape. The camp commander had one harsh rule in the event of an escape. Ten people would be rounded up randomly and herded into a cell where they would die of starvation and exposure as a lesson against future escape attempts.

Names were called. A Polish Jew Frandishek Gasovnachek was called. He cried, "Wait, I have a wife and children!" Kolbe stepped forward and said, "I will take his place."

Kolbe was marched into the cell with nine others where he managed to live for two weeks without food and water. The Nazi finally had to execute him by lethal injection.

His story was retold on an NBC news special several years ago. Gasovnachek, by that time 82, was shown telling this story while tears streamed down his cheeks. A mobile camera followed him around his little white house to a marble monument carefully tended with flowers. The inscription read:

IN MEMORY OF MAXIMILIAN
KOLBE
HE DIED IN MY PLACE.

Every day Gasovnachek lived since 1941, he lived with the knowledge, "I live because someone died for me." Every year on August 14 he travels to Auschwitz in memory of Kolbe.

Jesus told his disciples, "Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends" (John 15:13); then He proved it by dying on the cross for them and for us.

Every Good Friday we commemorate His death and remember His sacrifice on our behalf. He died in our place.

Every Easter Sunday, we celebrate that Jesus did not stay dead. He rose victoriously from the grave. In fact, every Sunday is a celebration of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus.

Because He lives, we have the assurance that the power of death has been broken. We have the hope that we too will one day rise again from the dead when Jesus comes again. That joy fills our heart and motivates our lives.

He is risen! He is risen, indeed!

Blessings,
Pastor Brian



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Brian Prucey	2nd
Connie Grzesiek	2nd
Wayne Lee	4th
Cameron Lee	8th
McKayla Rice	8th
Jim Middleton	9th
Andrea McAdams	10th
Michael Bond	16th
John John Fox	17th
Carlion Middleton	21st
Dennis Spearman	21st
Billie Starr	23rd
Austin Lorich	26th
Patrick Humphrey	30th

ANNIVERSARIES

Kenneth & Jennifer Lofton	13th
Pam & Bill East	14th
Joe & Flo Tyler	16th
David & Susan Barnes	26th
Jimmie & Sherry Hudson	28th
Jim & Carlion Middleton	30th



Mugs & Muffins
Sunday, April 6th
from 9 to 9:30 a.m.
(Proceeds go towards
Youth/Kid's Camp)

YOUTH D-Now
APRIL 4 - 6, 2014

**One Way
Kids Camp**

At Tall Timbers
June 9-12

For kids completing
2nd grade through 6th grade

Cost \$150

Deposit \$50 by April 27

CLEAR CAMP
YOUTH CAMP 2013

At Tall Timbers

JULY 7TH - 11TH

for students
completing 6th - 12th grade

COST \$225

\$75 deposit required by May 1



Fellowship

Friday, April 11th
from 5 - 7 p.m.



CHARLIE'S CHATS

Thanks to all of you who have
been faithful in choir practice
and singing in the choir each
Sunday.

We still have a few chairs
available in the Praise Choir –
maybe one is just for you!!
Come join us each Wednesday
at 6:30 for practice.



Children's Easter

Egg Hunt

Saturday,
April 19th

from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

fun for
Toddlers - 5th graders



Easter Sunday

at 7 a.m.

Red River Marina Pavilion

THANK YOU

During the time of sorrow we
learn how much our church
family really means to us.
Thank you so much for your
kindness and support at a
time when we needed it.

Michelle & David Lemoine



In
Sunday School
at 9:30 a.m. each
Sunday...
There's a class
just for you!

WEEKLY EVENTS

SUNDAY

Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship	10:45 a.m.

WEDNESDAY

Adult Prayer	6:30 p.m.
Youth/Children	
Bible Studies	6:30 p.m.
Praise Choir Practice	6:30 p.m.

A Note From:



Thanks to you and volunteers like
you this past collection season
was the best so far. First Baptist
Bossier is the Collection Center
for this area and 26,447
shoeboxes were delivered to the
church.

We learned from Operation
Christmas Child Headquarters
that as of 2013, the USA had
collected 7,541,468.

Internationally 9,950,000 have
been collected. Every goal has
been met and surpassed. The
Texas/Louisiana region collected
590,613 shoeboxes. Praise the
Lord!

It could not have happened
without each and every one of
you who gave time, talents and
love. Thank you so very much.
God bless you all!