

Be Transformed

SBA LIVE

October 2023

Joining God on Mission Together.



“Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a cry, ‘Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’” (Matthew 25. 1 – 4)

If you’re like me, 2023 has been an eventful year. This is the time of year that our Associational rhythm gears down due to fall and Christmas schedules. We are still working on a few events, but the pace of student summer missionary supervision, annual mission action plan budget preparation, and SMBA-led mission adventures is in the rearview mirror.

When you add Hurricane Idalia relief and recovery response, it has made for a very long and busy season in ministry and missions. Wisdom tells us that if we do not have extra oil for our lamps, they will burn out before our bridegroom arrives.

There are several truths this parable teaches me. This speaks to my preparation, perspective, and presence. To be a wise participant in this wedding celebration, I need to keep some additional oil on hand, maintain a long view of ministry, and remain stationed at my post.

Grace and peace to each of you as we finish the race of 2023 together.

Andy

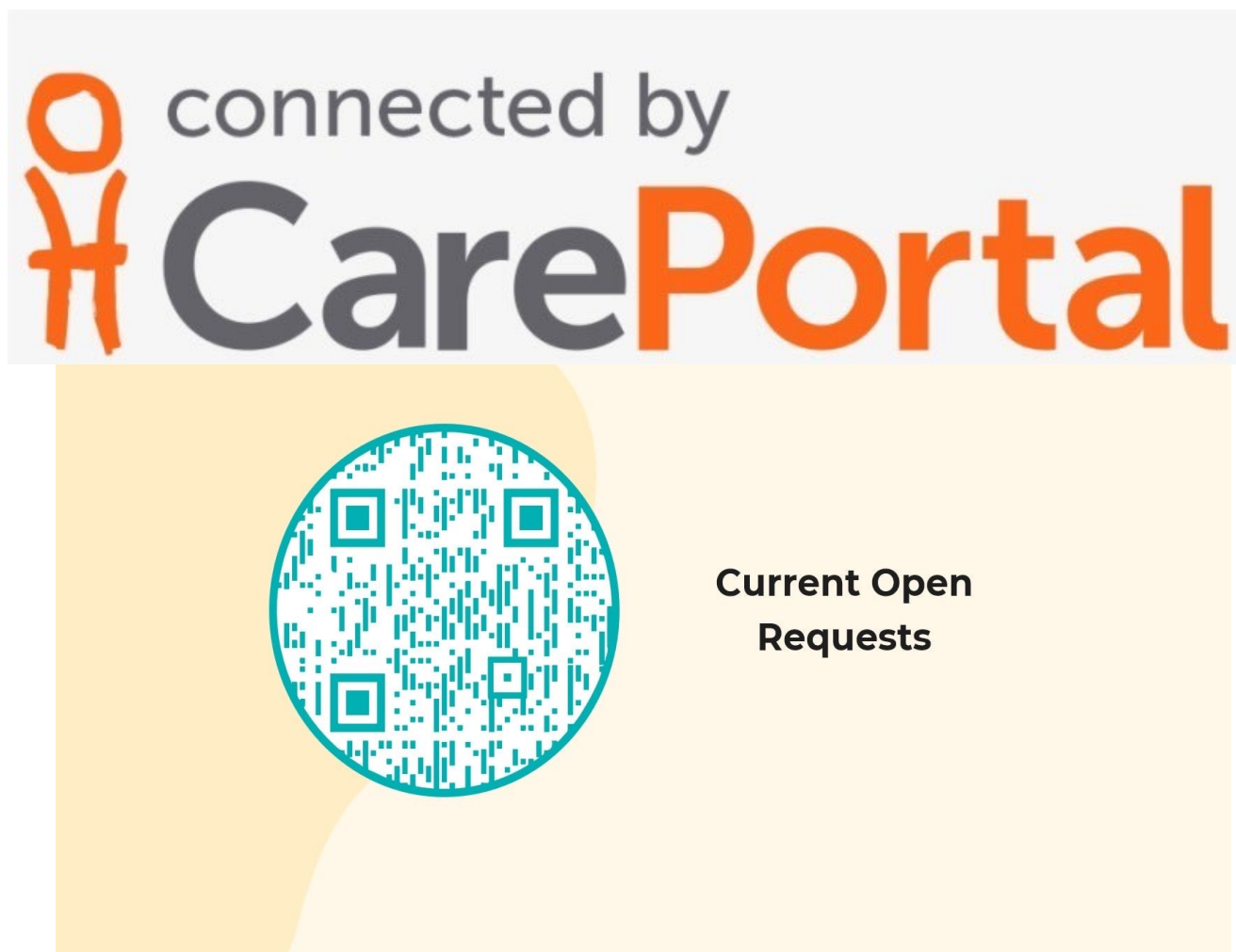
Staying connected with CarePortal

One thing about God's people in a time of need in the community, they respond to the call that God has placed on their lives and through obedience can participate in bringing about wonderful moments of connection and serving. This is what we have seen in the church through this hurricane recovery.

One thing to notice, the needs were not hard to find. When things return to normal, that might not always be the case. The church connecting software, CarePortal, shines in bringing needs right to a church, providing an opportunity to connect with a family who needs to see the love of Jesus in action. James 1:27.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please feel free to contact us!

Josh Williams – (386) 688-0547.





☐ **Summer Rehearsals:** Sun, June 11 & Sun, July 9 @ 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. in the FBC Live Oak Music Suite (location may be changed depending upon number of seats needed). All other participating SBA churches & choirs are welcome and encouraged to join us!

☐ **Joint Rehearsals:**

- ♦ Saturday, July 29 / 9:00 a.m. - Noon at Mt. Olive Baptist Church Sanctuary (3 anthems rehearsed). Light breakfast served.
- ♦ Saturday, Aug 26 / 9:00 a.m. - Noon at FBC Live Oak (location TBA; 3 anthems rehearsed). Light breakfast served.
- ♦ Saturday, Sept 30: (Light breakfast served @ FBCLO & Westwood)
 - 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. / Sopranos & Basses @ Westwood Baptist Church
 - 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. / Altos & Tenors @ FBC Live Oak
 - 11:00 - Noon / SATB sing-through @ Westwood Baptist Church

☐ **Dress Rehearsal & Soundcheck:** Sat, Oct 14 / 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. @ Suwannee County Coliseum (dress casual)

Save The Date

Community Candy Carnival

October 28th 2023
at the Suwannee County
Coliseum



Partner with us this Fall by joining us at the 2023 Community Fall Festival. This event is hosted by City & County Organizations, with support from local businesses & community Churches.

Contact the SBA Office
to register your church
by October 2nd

386-362-1110

office@sbalive.net

A Call to Prayer

Churches Crying Out to God

Sunday, Oct. 29 at 6pm

A Suwannee Baptist Association event hosted by

First Baptist Church Live Oak

fbcliveoak.org



We want to help you and cheer you on along in this incredible work. Would you join us?

Tuesday Morning Group: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays
September–May. 9:30–11:30AM. Childcare available for
newborn to Kindergarten. Homeschool room available for
moms with nursery age. Contact Melody Scott
386-590-0912.

Thursday Evening Group: 4th Thursday Evenings
September–May. 6:00–8:00PM. No childcare
available, but nursing babies are welcome.
Contact Krissy Scott **386-209-4596.**

**Find us on Facebook @ Live Oak MOPS
or www.fbcliveoak.org/MOPS**

*Live Oak MOPS and
MOMSnext meets at First
Baptist Church, Live Oak
386-362-1583*

Single Moms Community

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meets at First Baptist Church
Live Oak
386-362-1583



Motherhood is hard. We want to help you be **BRAVE!**
Come check out Single Moms Community as we learn
and have conversations about:

- *Parenting*
- *Finances*
- *Healthy Living*

You meet with other Single Moms, learn from a wise
mentor, and ask all your questions. We will have a
free meal for you at 5:30PM and activities for your
kids, too! *Be BRAVE! Say YES!*

Contact our Single Moms Community Coordinator
Mallory Bryant
at (386) 688-4047 or visit
www.fbcliveoak.org/singlemoms

Spanish Church Plant FBC, Live Oak

Wednesday 5:00 - 5:45

Prayer

Bible Study 6:00-7:00

Sunday Worship 5:30

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Ministerio en Español

**Primera Iglesia Bautista
Live Oak, Florida**

Community Feeding Ministries



* Feeding Ministry

* First Baptist Live Oak Food Ministry

* Call LOVE Inc. for an appointment.

* Volunteers needed weekly

* Mt. Gilead Food Ministry

2nd & 4th Sat 7:30 ~ 10:00

(18305 56th St. Gary Watson: 386-209-4252)

O'Brien Baptist Food Ministry

3rd Tuesday 10:00 ~ 1:00

9544 E. CR 349, O'Brien, FL

Keith Jones: 352-210-2219