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## THE *Presbyter's Lagniappe*

Greetings again in the matchless name of Jesus.

I trust that this issue of Lagniappe finds all of you well and that you are having a very joyful holiday season.

Please allow me to begin by saying how pleased I am at the progress and accomplishments of our new section 2. Our department leaders have done a commendable job in all areas. Establishing a new section certainly has its challenges and all of you working hard together has transformed these challenges into a pleasure. The successes of your efforts are commendable.

I would also like to thank the heads of our departments for the nice articles you've prepared for this issue of Lagniappe. I've reviewed them and I am satisfied that everyone who reads them will be very pleased. Keep up the good work.

I'm also pleased to announce Brother David Hairford was elected Pastor of Galvez Pentecostal Church this past month. We welcome this church, as it becomes part of our fellowship in Section 2. I know the Hairfords covet our prayers in the days ahead, as they seek God for revival in the Galvez community.

I am looking forward to the sectional conference which will be held Tuesday, March 5th 2019 at the First Pentecostal Church of Denham Springs. It will be a great time of fellowship. I feel very confident that all of you will be pleased with our progress and the state of our finances.

We are anticipating a very prosperous year for our churches. We pray that the Holy Ghost will prepare our ministers and our churches for one of the greatest harvests of souls that we've ever witnessed. May God bless you also with a very happy holiday season.



**Rev. W.R. Johnson, Sr.**  
*Presbyter, Section 2*

I remain your servant for the advancement of the kingdom,

*W. R. Johnson*  
Section 2 Presbyter



## FROM THE SECRETARY

Last month I had the opportunity to visit Boston, MA. Being a lover of history, I could not help but to appreciate all of the sights to explore, learning about our nation's past. My children, affectionally, call me their history teacher. Another thing I couldn't help to notice was all of the road markers of the Boston Marathon. Not being very familiar, or even interested in running, I found out that people come from all over the world to view and participate in this event. It draws up to 500,000 spectators to view the race and approximately 30,000 plus athletes to run and try to conquer this world-famous course. This marathon has actually been going on for over 100 years.

I was reminded of Paul, when he spoke of fighting the fight, keeping the faith, and finishing the course. Of the thousands that start the race, there are thousands that do not finish.

Most people who quit the race stop anywhere from the 15th to 20th mile, which is the beginning of the Newton Hills. There are four hills that make up the Newton Hills. They are strategically set, where a person's glycogen levels are completely drained. It's called hitting the wall. In marathoner's verbiage, it's a place where your body's muscle is at the most depleted place of your life. The last of the four hills is called Heart Break Hill. With no glycogen, sometimes discombobulated, disoriented, and discouraged, you now have 88 feet of vertical hill that you must overcome if you are going to finish the race.

In II Timothy 3:1, Paul was warning Timothy of some things that are going to happen in the last days that could hinder us from finishing the race. It was a pretty stern warning. He called it "perilous times." There have never been times like these, ever! One of the interpretations has been that it will be "lion like times"! In other words, if there is a chance that you will ever quit, it will be during these perilous times.

Of all of the testimonials of the runners of the Boston Marathon, many of the finishers of the race say that the most exhilarating feeling that they have ever experienced was running the last mile. It's exhilarating because of all of the excited and cheering fans that are there to congratulate them as they push to finish the race! I remember reading where it says,

*"Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us."* Hebrews 12:1

Here's to finishing 2018 strong and looking to 2019 with great expectations of what the race holds for us. May you all have a blessed holiday season!

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## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Greetings in the name of the Lord! I hope everyone has many blessings going into this holiday season.

I want to personally thank all of you for your continued support of Save Our Children within our section. I look forward to working with you in 2019 as well.

In August we held our back to school section 2 Children's Rally. It was a tremendous rally with a great attendance thanks to the support of the Ministry of Section 2. A very special thank you to Pastor and Mrs. Dan Davis and the First Pentecostal Church of Baton Rouge for being wonderful hosts to such an outstanding event and coordinating the musical talent of our section 2 children. Additionally, the ministry of Rev. Micah Leclercq was enjoyed by all ages in attendance and we were blessed.

We are getting ready for our 2019 Children's Ministry kickoff Rally now which will be held Saturday, February 2, 2019, at Denham Springs Pentecostal Church hosted by Pastor & Mrs. Ray Johnson. We look forward to seeing you there.

Section Two Children's Director, Jason Paul, can be reached by email at [jaceapaul@gmail.com](mailto:jaceapaul@gmail.com) or phone at 318-613-9487.



## YOUTH MINISTRY

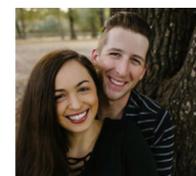
Greetings Section 2! 2018 has been a year to remember for the young people of our section.

We have had 3 powerful Section 2 youth rallies, 2 amazing weeks of youth camp, and 1 incredible Statewide Youth Rally. On top of all this, Section 2 raised over \$42,000 for Sheaves For Christ, helping to bring the Louisiana District SFC offering total to \$440,020.18, the all-time highest offering in SFC history! The year was so successful for Louisiana District Youth Ministries that Louisiana's own Bro. Andrew Cox was honored by UPCI Youth Ministries as Youth President of the Year. Pastors, we can't thank you and your churches enough for your generosity and your heart for the Kingdom.

The SFC 2018 theme was ADVANCE, and although this has been an incredible year, we are looking forward to ADVANCING God's Kingdom even further in 2019 in the youth groups of Section 2.

In 2019, Section 2 will be hosting 4 rallies, one for each quarter. These rallies, along with Statewide, youth camps, NAYC, and the countless events at our local churches, will be so impactful on our students' lives, and we can't wait to see all that God has in store!

Section Two Youth Director, Brendan Hannington, can be reached by email at [brendanlh@yahoo.com](mailto:brendanlh@yahoo.com) or on Instagram at 'brenhann'.



## LADIES MINISTRY

Ladies Conference 2019 registration begins November 15th – January 15th and is open to any Ladies from ages 13 yrs and older.

Fees for the Conference do not include food this year; however, there will be food trucks onsite or you can plan to have your meals offsite or in your cabins.

### Fee Schedule:

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| Thursday-Saturday               | \$74.00  |
| Friday-Saturday                 | \$49.00  |
| Deluxe package (Thurs-Saturday) | \$119.00 |

*The deluxe package includes special seating, T-shirt, fast pass to food trucks and 1 hour early shopping.*

There will be onsite registration but the fees will increase, so register early for these Early Bird discounts.

Here are the links to register!  
[www.ladistupc.com/events/gather-19-registration](http://www.ladistupc.com/events/gather-19-registration)  
or [www.gather19.eventbrite.com](http://www.gather19.eventbrite.com)

Section Two Ladies Ministry Director, Tonya Penalber, can be reached by email at [tonyapenalber@gmail.com](mailto:tonyapenalber@gmail.com) or phone at 985-320-4276.



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GUEST SPEAKERS:  
CYLINDA NICKEL (left)  
MELINDA POITRAS (far left)

GUEST ARTIST:  
CHARITY GAYLE (above)