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First Baptist Church Tulia  
*Reaching In! Reaching Up! Reaching Out!*

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## SCMA Block Party

The Swisher County Ministerial Alliance will host a block party on Friday, August 10, at 6 pm in the vacant lot north of Calvary Baptist Church on N. El Paso. There will be food, games and fellowship and free school supplies and backpacks for the students in our community who need them. All of the churches have been asked to help purchase the school supplies. Copies of the list are in the office and posted on our website. They are due back by August 6. Or - you may make a donation and someone will purchase them for you.



## Sunday In Serve

Sunday, July 29, we will take the morning to do some much needed in-house cleaning and repairs. There will also be jobs to do at the parsonage in preparation for the new pastor and family God is bringing us. We will have our regular Sunday Serve to the community in the fall.

For those of you who can't help, we will have a short service at 11 am in the chapel.

Since it is a 5th Sunday, we will also have an all-church fellowship lunch at noon. Food assignments will be in your department drawers this Sunday.

Come join in a day of working together and enjoying the fellowship of your Christian brothers and sisters!



## Pastor Search Committee

Please commit to lift up our Pastor Search Committee in prayer daily as they begin the task of looking for our next pastor. And pray for the man and his family God has already chosen for us. Committee members are Michael Clawson, Dusty George, Ben Howard, Bill Marten and Eddie Womack. The alternates are Sherella Lewis and Charlotte O'Daniel.

**Due to a scheduling conflict, the Quarterly Business Meeting will be Sunday, July 22, immediately following the morning service**

## Ministry at Prison

Our Prison Ministry is continuing their ministry to the prisoner's families visiting at the Tulia Unit. They hand out water and provide crayons and coloring pages for the children – all provided by your generosity! This is a monthly project. **They could really use some more volunteers.** If you would like to volunteer or help with the cost, please contact Bobby Vaughn or call the church office.



The state will have a **training seminar for volunteers at the Tulia Unit this Saturday, July 14**, from 9 am to 1 pm. This training is required for all volunteers. If you have more questions, please contact Bobby or the church.

*Join us this Sunday for fellowship,  
Bible study and worship.  
And . . . Bring someone with you!  
There is a place for everyone!*

*I will sing of the LORD's great love forever;  
with my mouth I will make your faithfulness  
known through all generations.*

PSALM 89:1

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## Happy Birthday

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- 19 - Rene' Simmons
- 21 - Chambre Clawson,  
Breigh Shelton
- 23 - Ginger Rucker
- 24 - Brian Gore
- 25 - Charles Lee White
- 27 - Desire' Castellon
- 28 - Christie Flinn
- 29 - Jenna Flinn, Hal Wilkerson

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## It's Our Anniversary!

July 1, 2018 marked the 127th Anniversary of First Baptist Church, Tulia! What began with a small group of Baptists in 1891, grew to 59 by 1895. They first shared the district school house with the Methodists and Presbyterians and later shared a building with the Methodists.

FBC's first church building was erected in 1906, but was destroyed by fire in 1908. A brick building was built in 1909 and dedicated debt free in 1914.



We have come a long way since then with several changes in our facilities and a total of twenty-eight pastors. But, more than that, we have continued to look beyond our walls by being involved in missions and ministries that touch lives in our community, state and around the world.

What a rich heritage! Now it is our responsibility to continue the task. As we thank God for the vision and sacrifices of our founding fathers, may we be grateful for all that He continues to bless us with today. And, may we have a renewed commitment to serve God through His Church by attending regularly, supporting financially and becoming more involved in the various ministries.

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## Resources for the Summer

With school out now, some of you may be looking for ideas to keep your kids busy for the summer. You might want to check out the resources at Right Now Media. The church has a license to view 100s of Christian videos and Bible studies through [rightnowmedia.org](http://rightnowmedia.org). It is available at no charge to all of our members who have internet connection. The resources for all ages are updated regularly. If you are interested, please email the church at [fbctulia@mprtc.com](mailto:fbctulia@mprtc.com) and we will send you an invitation to access all of the amazing resources!



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## Thank You

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Thank you so much for your kind words of sympathy in the passing of Matthew's brother. Thank you to those who helped with the travel expenses. We are blessed beyond measure because of your sweet love. *God bless you, Matthew & Gloria Veals*

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## Deacons of the Week

July 8	Dusty George	517-0712
	Brian Hill	627-7455
July 15	Ben Howard	627-7556
	Don Jackson	627-8173



*Give Unto the LORD*

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## Our Deacons

Here is a current list of our deacons. Please be in prayer for all of them.

- Joe Archer
- Mikeal Barnes
- Robert Chadwick
- Gary Eastwood
- Dusty George, Deacon Chair
- Brian Hill
- Ben Howard
- Don Jackson
- Clint Lewis
- Bill Marten
- Donnie Prater
- E.W. Riley
- Paul Swanson
- Eddie Womack

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## SCMA Fun Run/Walk



The Swisher County Ministerial Alliance is hosting a Fun Run/Walk Saturday morning, August 11, to raise funds for those in need in our community. It will begin at 7 am at Mackenzie park. Cost is \$15 and registration forms will be available in our church office soon.

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## Summer Events



July 22	Quarterly Business Meeting
July 29	In Serve Day and 5th Sunday Lunch at FBC
Aug 10	SCMA Block Party
Aug 11	SCMA Fun Run/Walk
Aug 12	All Church Picnic

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## Sympathy

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Christian love and sympathy is extended to Phyllis Powers and family in the death of her older sister.

Christian love and sympathy is extended to Nita Jobe and family in the death of her son, Steve.

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## Contact Information

We would like to make sure we have your most current contact information. Please let us know if your mailing address or e-mail address has changed. If you would be willing to share with us, we would really appreciate having your cell phone number also. Please send the current information to our church e-mail address. It is [fbctulia@mprtc.com](mailto:fbctulia@mprtc.com)

Also, if you don't already receive the newsletter on-line, would you consider it and let us know? Thanks!

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## Prayer Ministry!

Are you looking for a quiet, peaceful place to spend time with God? We have a newly decorated room dedicated to prayer. You would have an opportunity to be still before the Lord and bring your own petitions before Him. You can also lift up those requests for special prayer that have come in to our Prayer Ministry.



You may come by or call the church office at 995-3591. Someone on staff will help you find a time and show you the procedures.

"And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints." (Ephesians 6:18)

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## VISIT THE CHURCH LIBRARY



**Sunday**  
9 am & 12 pm

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## Give Us a Call

If you or a family member have an illness or need to be hospitalized for any reason, please let the church office know. The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPPA) has restricted our access to the names of patients in the hospitals, so we really have no way of knowing if you are in the hospital. We want to minister to you, but don't always know the need exists until your crisis has passed!