

# FIRST BAPTIST LEEDS

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## A Note from the Pastor

by Dr. Steven Weems

Dear FBC Leeds Family,

Did you know that Jesus was a small group Bible study leader? It's true! Many times we think of Jesus teaching in the Temple to the Sadducees and the Pharisees or on a hillside to thousands of followers, but the vast majority of his teachings that we observe in the New Testament were done with small groups of men, sometimes only two or three, in a more intimate and personal setting. Jesus was the greatest small group leader that this world has ever seen!

So, the question is why? Why would Jesus spend so much of His time pouring into only a small group of people and not out in the public speaking to thousands upon thousands? It's simple—discipleship. Jesus was modeling for us the very thing that He commanded us to do in Matthew 28:19, "Go, therefore into all the world and make disciples!" Discipleship is something that is best done in a small group or in a one-on-one setting.

So that is why we have decided to make a pretty significant change to our Sunday night schedule at First Baptist Leeds. We are now

hosting small group Bible studies from 5:00-6:00 p.m. here on campus.

I pray that you will strongly consider joining either our co-ed small group led by myself studying the Book of James, the ladies' small group entitled Conversation Peace led by Theresa Morris, or the men's group which is studying Tony Evans' Kingdom Man series led by Chuck Parsons.

Help us as a church to be successful in making disciples of Jesus Christ!

In Him,  
Bro. Steven

February 15, 2018

Exalting the Savior,  
Evangelizing the Lost,  
Equipping the Church,

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## Senior Adults

### N.O.A.H (Never Old At Heart)

The senior adults are going to St. Vincent's East on Tuesday, February 20th to view the photography exhibit by our very own Nelda Faulkner. We will leave the church parking lot at 10:00 a.m. and will stop for lunch on the way home. Come join us; we'll have a great time! Please call the church office at 205.699.6141 to make a reservation for transportation and so we will be able to let the restaurant know how many to expect. Nelda and Harold will also be with us. We look forward to seeing everyone on February 20th!



## WOMEN OF ALL AGES

The Women's Missionary Union (WMU) along with the Sisters Abiding in Truth and Light (SALT) invite you to join all the ladies of First Baptist Leeds for a tea honoring the women of our church and the women of the Bible. This event will be a "Come and Go" as you want and will certainly be a fun time of fellowship and refreshment. Take as some time for yourself and invite a friend!

**Date:** February 25, 2018

**Time:** 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

**Where:** Fellowship Hall

**Event Organizers:** Anita Drake and Susan Whitley



## FOOD pantry

### Love God—Love Others! Help Refill our Food Pantry for 2018

During the months of January and February, our church is holding a food drive to help replenish the FBCL Food Pantry. Please consider bringing some of the following non-perishable items:

Canned meats (tuna, chicken), canned fruits, canned vegetables, canned soups, canned beans, spaghetti sauce, breakfast cereal, powdered milk, dried beans, mac n cheese, peanut butter, jelly, pasta, rice, juice boxes, laundry detergent, soap, toothpaste, and paper products.