

First Baptist Church

Pastor's Column

For the last several decades, First Baptist Church has seen a prolonged decline. Attendance seems to have peaked in the 1960s with average Sunday School attendance in 1960 at 469. Since that time, our numbers have slowly eroded.

I am not driven by numbers in that I believe the church should water down the gospel to attract people. We must be anchored to the gospel and biblical truth in all that we do. At the same time, we must admit that if the trends continue, FBC's future is in question at some point.

I also recognize that God has to move in hearts. We can't engineer a move of God. We are wholly dependent upon Him to change hearts. At the same time, God calls us to faithfully live out the Great Commission as a church (Matthew 28:19-20). Much like God used Nehemiah at a critical point in Judah's history, so we ask the Lord to use us at a crucial point in the life of our church.

Pray for God to move in our hearts and to revive us. Pray for God's direction that we might see FBC revitalized. Our pastoral staff has been praying about this, and we've been looking at strategies to turn things around. We'll be making recommendations to the church soon about a plan for revitalization. Again, I plead with you to pray for God's direction and for Him to move in our hearts. - Bro. Lonnie



Church-Wide Fellowship

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Sunday, March 17

6:00 PM

Bring the whole family!

Food, fun, fellowship.

Meet in the church field.

THRIVE STUDENT MINISTRIES

SURGE

Wednesdays at 6:00 PM

Food, music, games and gospel message.

SMALL GROUPS

Sundays at 6:00 PM

Meet at Carol Mallory's house

(Quail Springs, 2727 E Main, #213)

The Lift Tour
March 1-2
San Antonio TX

Cost \$10 + 2 meals on own

Equip students with the necessary tools to passionately pursue Christ. Parent volunteers needed.

Refuel D-Retreat
March 13-16
Camp Eagle

Cost \$180

Discipleship breakout sessions, seminars, and worship mixed with rock climbing, archery and more. Parent volunteers needed.

Youth Ministry Lab
March 29-30
Camp Eagle

Cost \$30 + 2 meals on own

For students and adult leaders. Targeting student ministers and the volunteers who serve with them. Parent volunteers needed.



CLASSICS LUNCHEON

March 5

12:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall

Guest Speaker: Bobby Shackelford will discuss local bird watching. A Classic is anyone 50 years old or older. Call the office by noon on Thursday, February 28 to reserve your spot, 830-278-6283. Enjoy a good meal for a \$5.00 donation.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

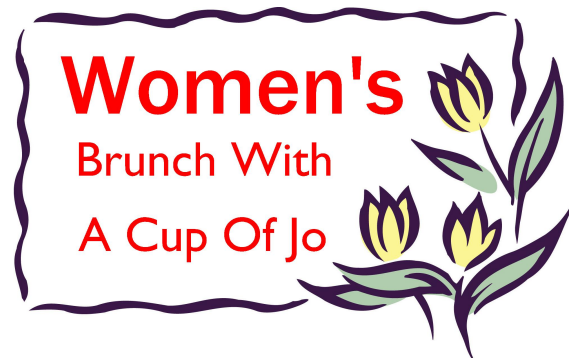
Children's Choirs

Mondays at 4:10 PM

AWANA

Wednesdays @ 6:00 PM

2-year-olds thru 8th Grade



Friday, March 23
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Fellowship Hall

Enjoy a light meal while testing your artistic skills. Jozannah Huerta will help us tap into our creative side. All supplies will be provided. Cost of event is \$30.

Please RSVP the church office at 278-6283 so she will have enough supplies. Any ladies 16-years and older invited. Childcare for kids under 16.

DEACONS OF THE MONTH

Week of March 3:

Julio Valdez: 830-486-6694
Bill Holloway: 830-278-8091
Harold Eaker: 830-278-5301

Week of March 10:

Alvis Jeffcoat: 432-270-8134
Balde Reyes: 830-278-9531
Tim Reed: 830-278-7471

Week of March 17:

Paul Kimble: 830-591-6570
Julio Valdez: 830-486-6694
Paul Stephens: 830-591-6848

Week of March 24:

Hugo Espinoza: 830-591-8711
John Carroll: 830-591-2568
David LaMascus: 830-278-6544

Monthly Worship Attendance 02/03 - 02/24..... 975
Monthly Budget Needs.....\$68,970.16
Monthly Giving 02/03 - 02/24.....\$66,616.87

MEETINGS

Mar 10 @ 4:30 pm - WMU Meeting
Mar 10 @ 5:00 pm - Deacons Meeting
Mar 19 @ 6:30 pm - GROW Meeting
Mar 24 @ 5:00 pm - Members Meeting

Dear Church Family,

I just want to say a big thank you to our church security team. I especially appreciate the men who stay in the nursery and miss out on the service to watch over our little ones. Thank you so much for your time and effort that gives us all peace of mind in the crazy times we live in.

Love - Rachel Lee

Dear First Baptist Church,

My husband and I want to thank you for your hospitality and thoughtfulness in reaching out to every US Border Patrol family during the Government Shutdown. The spaghetti meal and donations available were a blessing we were not expecting. The gift cards were an extra surprise God knew that we could use. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts to every volunteer.

Ann Marie Garza and
Antonio "Tony" Garza

First Baptist Church,

I just wanted to express gratitude and say thank you from myself and my family for the wonderful blessing bag given to us in a time of uncertainty. It was very much appreciated! Thank you all!

Sincerely,
Christy Faust and Family

Thank You
FBC Members

Library Memorials 2-1-19

- TRICIA JACOB, MARIE HORNER, and JANIE BRISCOE MARMION by Dr. Sara Bixler
- MARGARET RAINE by Winter Garden Soil and Water Conservation District #326 and by Ash Creek Baptist Church

Library Reviews 2-1-2019

Young Readers Books:

CLAP, SING, DANCE!: A Book about Praising God, a board book for young children written by Jennifer Hilton and Kristen McCurry.

Also in this Frolic First Faith Series is WE'RE BETTER TOGETHER which teaches about everyone's unique gifts which can be used to help others. (CE Hil)

Children's Books:

From the Buck Denver Asks... What's in the Bible video series four easy-to-read board books for preschoolers, GOD MADE ME, GOD MADE THE WORLD, GOD MADE THE ANIMALS, and GOD MADE NIGHT AND DAY (CE Buc)

THE GIFT THAT I CAN GIVE for Little Ones by Kathie Lee Gifford will help children understand that they can be kind and help others at any age. (CE Gif)

THE COW SAID NEIGH! By Rory Feek is a fun tale of farm animals who wish they were like other animals, teaching children to be content with how God made them. (CE Fee)

THE KISSING HAND by Audrey Penn helps reluctant young children going to school for the first time to not be afraid by using the story of Chester raccoon. (CE Pen)

JAX'S TAIL TWITCHES, When You Are Angry was created by Jocelyn Flenders, a homeschooling mother to teach children to show love and mercy instead of anger. (CE Pow)

Children's DVDs:

The Praise Baby Series consists of PRAISES AND SMILES, GOD OF WONDERS, BORN TO WORSHIP, and MY FATHER'S WORLD. Music for Baby's Spirit and Mind. These DVDs combine music with images of children, colorful animation and real world objects. Each video is about 30 minutes. (DVD CE Pra)

Adult Books:

NEW BIBLE DICTIONARY by InterVarsity Press is an updated, third edition and includes the latest research in biblical studies, ancient Near Eastern studies and archaeological finds. Teachers and Bible students will find this to be a great reference! (220.3 Int)

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