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AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- Tillie Poe - 6th

Fred Skains - 7th

Greg Fleck - 11th

Jacqueline Espinoza - 14th

Wendy Fleck - 14th

Janette Hortman - 14th

Da'Lise McKnight - 14th
- John Kaufman - 15th

Kyler Kriner - 20th

Stephanie McWhorter -20th

Larry Cantwell - 25th

Mike Fulsom - 26th

Cindy Renfro - 26th

Johnny Tedder - 26th

If you don't happen to see your name on the birthday list, contact Emily in the church office so we can update our records.

PRAYER ROOM ASSIGNMENTS

10:45 AM

- August 2nd / Karen Jones
- August 9th / Pam Kelley
- August 16th / Brenda Simmons
- August 23rd / Ashley Delgado
- August 30th / Nancy Swidersky



Dorcas Wills Memorial
Baptist Church
201 N ROBB ST
TRINITY, TX 75862



The 2026-2027 School Year
Begins On August 10th!

We would love for your student to join us each Wednesday night for a FREE meal at 5:00 PM and Bible study & activities from 6:00 - 7:00 PM. They also meet on Sundays from 6:00 - 7:00 PM.

SUNDAY SERVICES

Sunday School For All Ages / 9:15 -10:30 AM
Worship / 10:45 AM
Youth & Children's Activities
6:00 - 7:00 PM

WEDNESDAY SERVICES

Youth & Children's Meal & Activities / 5-7:00 PM
Adult Fellowship Meal / 5:00 PM
Adult Prayer Meeting / 5:45 PM

Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs. / 8AM - 4PM

AUGUST 2026
THE CONNECTION



"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9 NIV

BACK TO SCHOOL

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- August 1st
Men's Breakfast
- August 2nd
WEEM Celebration
- August 4th
Pray & Swim
- August 9th
SS Director & Teacher Training
- August 15th
OCC Project Leader Workshop
- August 16th
Deacons Meeting
- August 22nd
Family Movie Night - "David"
- August 24th
Grocery Ministry

Connection Corner every
Tuesday at 1:00 PM

WEEM CELEBRATION
Sunday, August 2nd



During the 10:45 AM
Worship Service

We hope you will make plans to join us as we celebrate with these families!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MENU FOR AUGUST

- August 5th - Loaded baked potatoes & salad
- August 12th - Spaghetti, garlic bread & salad
- August 19th - Chicken Alfredo, garlic bread & salad
- August 26th - Pizza

YEAR TO DATE

INCOME AND EXPENSES - CHURCH

YTD Tithes/Offerings: \$320,916
YTD Total Expenses: \$295,106

(Figures as of July 12th, 2026)
Matthew 6:33

GROCERY MINISTRY

The Grocery Ministry Team will be out delivering groceries to members in need in our community on Monday, August 24th. You are invited to join them at 9:00 AM at Brookshire Brothers as they pray and do some brief shopping before making their deliveries. Contact Bro. Sam for all the details!

CHILDREN'S CAMP JUNE/JULY 2026



YOUTH CAMP JULY 2026



Operation Christmas Child Project Leader Workshop

Mark your calendars and come and join us Saturday, August 15th from 1:00 - 3:00 PM in the Family Life Center as we hear a special testimony from Grace Baptist Church, Wild Peach Texas.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL REMINDER

As a reminder, we no longer have a tear-out portion of the bulletin where you can sign up for the Wednesday Night Meal. Instead, there are blue reservation slips in the pew racks. If you plan on attending the weekly meal please fill out a slip and drop it in the offering plate when it is passed. You can also contact the church office by noon on Monday's to sign up. The menu for August is printed on the front of this Newsletter.

Let me share 3 thoughts with you: 1st, God is beginning to do some awesome things at DWMBC. The church is focused on the future and not on the past. Our Mission Statement reminds us why we exist and gives us a process for moving people from being saved to being faithful followers of Jesus.

2nd: Let me give you a date to remember. On September 13, we will have a High Attendance Day in church. My prayer personally is that we will do all we can to have 175+ in attendance that day. 200 would be even better. We will have Bible Study and Worship as normal and then we will go over to the Family Life Building for a covered dish lunch. There will be no PM services. Start inviting inactive members, former members, family, friends, neighbors, shoppers, and anyone you meet to come that day. I will be preaching a message entitled, "If the Lord Had Not Been on My Side".

3rd. I really don't like to be criticized. Criticism can make my entire day gloomy. Still, when all is said and done, I have to say that I have benefited in many ways from some criticisms. Part of being a better leader comes from dealing with critics. Here are 7 lessons I have learned from critics:

#1. Not all personal criticisms are personal. I know. My statement sounds contradictory. But many personal attacks take place because the critic is having his or her own problems. A pastor friend shared this: "I once spoke with a vociferous critic on the phone who said some pretty terrible things to me and about me. Though I was restrained, I hung up the phone pretty mad. For some reason, I called him back just a few minutes later. I told him that I should have prayed for him, and that I wanted to apologize for being insensitive. He began to weep, telling me that his adult daughter was killed in an auto accident just two weeks earlier."

Everyone has needs and problems, even our critics. Maybe sometimes we really need to listen to them.

#2. A quick, emotional response usually backfires. I do better to say less than more. When I speak quickly to the critic, it usually is an emotional response that I later regret. Learning to keep quiet.

#3. Criticism helps me to become a better person and a better leader. Sometimes the remarks make me look in the mirror, and I don't always like what I see. I have also learned that I'm not helped at all if everyone agrees with me on all that I say and do. Critics help refine me as a leader. They help me to be a better person, though the process can be painful.

#4. Criticism helps me to think twice before I criticize others. I know the pain of criticism. I know the hurt that comes when a critic comes after me with an unfounded accusation. If I don't like that pain, why should I inflict it on others?

#5. "Consider the source" is a good guideline. I have learned that some people are just negative. They seem stuck in one disposition. They skip the reading of Philippians 4 because the text mandates that we "rejoice in the Lord." Learn This: Some critics should be heard. Many should not.

#6. Criticism can lead us to greater depths of prayer. I wish I were the man of prayer that I should be. But I fall very short of where I need to be. Criticism hurts me. Sometimes the pain of the criticism is more than I can handle, so I turn it over to my Lord to handle it for me. I wish I could say that I do that all the time, but I don't. Criticism drives me to pray even more fervently.

#7. Sometimes the critic is right. Yes, it's painful to be criticized. But on more occasions than I'm comfortable admitting, I've had the additional pain of learning that I needed the correction. And the Bible can be pretty straightforward about it: "Whoever loves discipline loves knowledge, but one who hates correction is stupid" (Proverbs 12:1). Criticism hurts, but it can be for our benefit. The critic can be right.

In Conclusion, here is my prayer: "God, give me the discernment to know when to listen to my critic so that I might truly learn and change". I'll be honest - I have a long way to go.
Awaiting the Shout,
Brother Bill