

PASTOR'S

P O S T S

I am happy to write to you today about our next steps in “reopening” or “returning to normal” at First Baptist Church Floydada, Texas. I was able to meet with the deacon body on Sunday, July 26 to discuss how to safely resume in-person small group gatherings. Remember while many of us are eager to return to normal, it is not safe at this time for everyone to do so. We also know that at any moment we may be required to quarantine ourselves for the safety of others. With that being said, I urge each of you who are ready to start meeting again for Sunday school or other small group gatherings to consider stepping up. I know many of you do not consider yourselves teachers but let me remind you what the Apostle Peter teaches, “But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give a reason for the hope that you have” (1 Pt 3:15). Since we began reopening to in-person gatherings on May 10th our average weekly attendance has been less than half of what we normally see. While many are still connecting with us through our online, radio, and TV broadcast it tells me that we may face some challenges returning to normal. God may very well be using this season to call the reserves into action. Through your faith you have been trained, now it is time to be tested. May God guide us to be the people He has created us to be. Each of us were created with a purpose.

Here is what to expect coming up...

August 5th at 6:30pm we will begin gathering for Wednesday Night Bible Study and Prayer in the Parlor

August 9th following AM Service we will have a churchwide business meeting.

August 16th at 7:00pm we will have a prayer walk on our local school campuses.

September 6th at 9:15am we will begin gathering for Sunday School.

**FINANCE
REPORT**

YTD given thru July 25	\$335,612.51
YTD expenses thru July 25	\$347,595.20
Given July 1-25	\$50,416.24
Given the week July 20-26	\$13,193.90

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Worship the Lord in Giving

BY MAIL: 401 S. Main

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www.fbcfloydada.org Click on give tab.



Pizza Picnic and Water Blaster Day was...a BLAST! I was exhausted when I got home and thoroughly soaked! The kids ganged up on me, Nathan, Marty and Crystal a few times! Not gonna lie...we ganged up on

them too! It was great to see some of the kids, and the children's Sunday School teachers came too! Teachers and parents were able to socialize in the shade while the kids (and a few of us bigger kids) played!

**Stay safe!
Ludustia**



If you haven't started yet, please begin praying for our schools. Pray for the students, for their teachers, their coaches, and their families. Pray especially for the school administration as they wade through these uncertain times. I keep wondering how all of this will work once school begins later this month, and I know I'm not the only one thinking these things: Will there be a major outbreak of the virus once schools open? Will we be able to adjust to the safety protocols and how will everyone manage the stress and anxiety? The important thing to remember through all of this is God's faithfulness. He is with us, even in the midst of this pandemic. He loves us and He hears our prayers, whether voiced quietly in our minds or when we cry out in distress. Would you consider committing to praying for our students, their teachers, and the administration as they prepare to face this upcoming school year? On Sunday evening, August 16th at 7:00PM, you will have the opportunity to join with others in prayer as we walk in and around both Floydada ISD campuses. Masks are highly recommended and prayer guides will be available at the front entrance of each school. This year has proven to provide many unexpected challenges, so let us seek the One who holds it all together and join together in praying for our schools, our church, and our nation.

If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land."2 Chronicles 7:14 NIV.



School Supply Drive
Supplies or donations to purchase supplies are needed by Aug. 10

Sunday School
Teacher & Nursery Helpers Needed
Sunday School will resume September 6. Teacher is needed for 1-3 grade and nursery helpers during the SS hour. See Ludustia for more info.



F.I.S.D. Drive Thru Breakfast

Wednesday, August 12
If you would like to help or for more information contact Natalie



Wednesday Night Bible Study @ 6:30 pm
Sunday School – Sunday Mornings @ 9:15 am
Worship – Sunday Mornings @ 10:30 am

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