

JUNE Birthdays & Anniversaries
of PBA churches staff and their families

Birthdays

Date	Name	Church
10	Melissa Carter	Guymon, FBC Pastor's wife
11	Todd Broadus	Boise City, FBC Secretary's husband
12	Graciela Amaya	Guymon, FHBC Pastor's wife
20	Caleb Krenzin	Guymon, FBC Family Min's son
29	Cooper Bulls	Boise City, FBC Pastor's son

Anniversaries

Date	Name	Church
5	Miguel & Lily Facio	Beaver, FHBC Pastor & wife
6	Orden & Gayla Hartley	Felt, FBC Pastor & wife
6	Mike & Jenny McReynolds	Hooker, FBC Pastor & wife
10	Jeff & Amy Bradley	Beaver, FBC Pastor & wife

If your birthday or anniversary was not included, or the date is wrong, PLEASE let me know. Gayla

CALENDAR EVENTS

(ALL DATES AT THIS POINT ARE FLUID)
Check our website, pbaok.org for updates

June	2 – Girl's Camp #'s Due 7-11 Freedom Crossroads- GBC VBS! 7-11 TH Beaver, FBC –9am- noon 14-15 SBC Convention – Nashville, TN 14-17 PBA GIRL'S CAMP- GBC 22 – Day Camp- GBC VBS! 21-25 TH Felt, FBC – 9am - noon 25-26 Wedding, Moreno/King at GBC 27-July 2- Countryside Bible Fellowship- GBC
July	5 th – OFFICE CLOSED 6 – Boy's Camp #'s Due 12-16 TH – Good News group @ GBC 19- 22 – PBA BOY'S CAMP- GBC VBS! 19-22 nd Hooker, FBC – 6-7:30pm 24 – FCA at GBC 27 – Day Camp – GBC 29- 31 – Bowles Family @ GBC
Aug	13-14 – Fellowship, BC – Men's Event – GBC VBS ! August Dates Goodwell, BC

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Gibson Baptist Camp
"GBC"
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Baptist Collegiate Ministries
"BCM"
Goodwell OK
Hispanic Ministries
Disaster Relief Feeding Unit
Missions Trailer

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Encouraging the Encouragers

JUNE 2021

Panhandle Baptist Association
Newsletter

GIBSON BAPTIST CAMP
PBA Summer Ministries

GIRL'S CAMP –

Dates June 14- 17

BOY'S CAMP –

Dates July 19-22

John 3:30 – He must

Increase; I must Decrease



VBS Day Camps –
June 22nd
July 27th

Looking Forward >>>>>>>>
WHEN IS YOUR VACATION
BIBLE SCHOOL
SCHEDULED??????????

Tom's Thoughts

A week ago Monday, we held our May Executive Board Meeting. There were several special highlights. The board accepted the resignation of our Clerk, Jeff Bradley. Jeff is retiring as Pastor of FBC Beaver, and he and his wife, Amy, will be moving down state. Upon the recommendation of our Administration team, our Administrative Assistant will be our new Recording Secretary and responsible to the tasks formerly of that of the Clerk.

We were joined and were introduced to David James Montgomery, new Worship Leader for FBC Guymon from Bogue Chitto, Mississippi. Former Pastors Paul Dixon and Wayne Moore brought their new Pastor, Cole Bryce, having moved to Forgan from Red Oak. It was a blessing to have them with us.

Aside from the usual business, there was another meaningful discussion about the planning of the 2021 Annual Meeting. The Time, Preacher and Place committee, had been able to determine two of the three. They had determined the place and preachers, however had a concern for the Time. There was a concern for the Annual meeting to be more "meaningful." In the discussion, there was an interest to increase attendance for more than the business of the meeting. They wanted to encourage more fellowship between the churches. This was recently encouraged by Oklahoma Baptists in the encouraging document, "Regather." This was from the Pastors and churches of their plans to work on the "Regathering." This is an excerpt of the document, "**The Need for Community** has been Recognized and the Opportunity for it has been Missed. Pastors have heard over and over again as people have returned to in-person gathering how much people have missed being together. A second aspect, "**Fellowship**, not only do churches need to work to regather their people, but they also need to work to rebuild their fellowship.

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This is a sincere interest of mine as a believer and as a Pastor. This past Sunday night I was reminded in a Bible Study, how fellowship is a vital element in the "making of disciples." Fellowship is an interesting word. It is a multi-task ministry of each believer. First the word speaks of "Relationship" as we are 'born-again' into a relationship with God, who in turn immerses us into a relationship with His church. God has created us to be relational. The word is also used as being in "Partnership." We are created to be co-laborers together in the church. The word also refers to "Companionship." The church is a family, with each sharing the needs of the church. Another definition of the word, Fellowship, is Stewardship. We are not owners of what God gives to us. We are managers of what we are given for our needs and for the needs of others, including the needs of the church.

When this is all considered, we see how incredibly vital it is that we as the churches in the Panhandle come together for the purpose of spending time in fellowship with the others of our family. When we do, we honor and glorify our Lord, our Creator. It is vital to remember that our ability to have fellowship is the result of the relationship with Him. The basis of our relationship is fellowship with everyone else. Let me tie this back, when we "Regather" we are a community designed to be in a Relationship with our God, and in Fellowship with His family the church. In His love... Tom

Special Words from Bro. Hugo, Pastor at Primera Iglesia Bautista Hispana in Boise City

Acts 2:41-47

41 So, those who received his word were baptized; and about three thousand people were added that day. 42 And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine, in fellowship with one another, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers. 43 And fear came to everyone; and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles. 44 All who believed were together, and had all things in common; 45 and they sold their property and their goods, and distributed it to all according to the need of each one. 46 And continuing day by day with one accord in the

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temple, and breaking bread at home, they ate together with gladness and simplicity of heart, 47 praising God, and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church every day those who were to be saved.

Through this biblical quote I want to share some thoughts this biblical passage tells us about the birth of the church where everything seemed to be pink is an expression to say that everything seemed to be easy that the church apparently did not have much difficulty to grow. The Biblical quote tells us about a massive conversion talks about the fellowship between brothers also talks about the hearts of believers to share their goods with other brothers in Christ. This is undoubtedly a magnificent figure of what the concept of the church is, we have lived that type of experience as a church for some periods. But then hard times come to church life where just to mention some things we had to deal with a pandemic that practically ended the lives of many churches and suddenly it has been very difficult to get back on track .Before the pandemic on many occasions we questioned very severely about the things we did bad so that people no longer return to the life of the church to one that is good sometimes it is good that we reflect on the things that perhaps we did not do well we have to remember that as the first verse says the Lord added to the church those who were to be saved. So even though it seems that sometimes everything is lost, we have to remember that it is God who calls and sustains his church, we are only means by which God shares the good news of the gospel. I hope this devotional of strength to those ministers who go through the same difficulties. Prayer requests is that God continues to use us for his purposes and that he again touches the hearts of the community. God bless you