

First Baptist Church
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Annual Awana
Fall Festival

October 28 at 6:00

For all Awana Kids. Non-Scary costumes are welcome. Church members, feel free to bring candy donations by the church office.

FALL FESTIVAL



THE ANCHOR

“so we do not drift away”

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LOVING GOD, LOVING YOU

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We are now a month into our focus for the year, “Revealing History.” We are examining how all of history is revealing God and His character to us, showing us who he is and how much he loves us. We realize that God has revealed Himself in two main ways, through the coming in the flesh of his son Jesus and through the scriptures. It is with that in mind that we have started as a church on a 3 year plan to read the Bible.

Everyone knows that in order to know God, you have to read the Bible. For God to be revealed, you have to step into His story and see first-hand what God is like and what He has to say. The only way to do that is to read the Bible. However, a majority of Christians have never the read the Bible in entirety, and only know small sections which they tend to repeat reading. We must learn more than this to get a big picture view of the God who created and loves us.

For years Christians have sought to read the Bible through in a year. While this provides a good general orientation to the Bible, the crush of reading almost three chapters a day can quickly become a burden and leave little time to meditate on what is said in the Word. This plan then has been designed for you to allow more time within a passage while covering the whole of the Bible. Each year has limited the daily reading to a 40-week period. This reduction from 52 to 40 weeks is here for several reasons. The biggest reason is that most people have trouble staying on track with the many interruptions that come within the year, such as family vacations and exceptionally busy periods, and oftentimes laziness. This schedule compensates for that and allows for breaks. Each of the three years are balanced with Gospel readings, Old Testament historical passages, Epistle readings, Old Testament prophets, with the remaining time in the wisdom literature. Throughout each year the reader moves through the Old Testament and the New Testament. Sprinkled throughout each year are Psalms and Proverbs readings. The result is that each year a complete cycle is made through all of the groups of books within the Bible. There is never a time when the you will be stuck in a seemingly endless section of the Bible.

We are doing a three year plan because it is most likely that it will take us that long to complete “Revealing History.” Our hope and prayer is that at the end of these three years you will be able to see you know what God is like because of how he has revealed himself to us through his word and the person of his son, Jesus. That you will also be able to say with confidence you know this because you have read the Bible and seen firsthand what God has to say to all of his creation. It is our firm belief that if you will dedicate yourself to this very doable task, that you will emerge on the other side of it a deeper and more mature believer who has learned how to walk in obedience and who has an ever deepening love for Jesus. So let’s step into the story and watch God reveal his story...

Weekly Schedule

Sunday:
SS 9:45
Worship 11:00
Choir 5:15
Small Groups 6:00

Wednesday:
Awana 6:00
Youth 6:00

Prayer List



- Spiritual Growth
- Unity as a church
- The 414 Project
- TSEASA Ministry

Memory Verse

“I do not turn aside from your rules, for you have taught me. How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth! Through your precepts I get understanding; therefore I hate every false way.”

Psalm 119:102-104



YOUTH NEWS

This month on Saturday, October 24th, the youth will be going to Alto Frio to serve the camp that has served us for many years. We will be doing various projects that need to be done to clean up the camp for the coming year. All adults and youth are welcome to come. Youth must have parent sign the permission slip and have a medical release form on file with the church. (medical release forms can be found on our website. We will have donuts before leaving, a sack lunch will be provided, but be sure to bring enough money to eat at Bush's chicken on the way home. The schedule is as follows:

- 5:30 am - 6:00 am - Arrive at church / doughnuts and OJ
- 6:00 am - depart for Alto Frio
- 8:30 am - arrive at Alto Frio
- 8:30 am - 9 am - divide into teams and receive assignment
- 9 - 11:30 - work
- 11:30 - Noon - Lunch
- Noon - 3 pm - work
- 3 pm - begin driving home
- 4 pm - 5:30 pm Dinner at Bush's chicken on the way home
- 5:30 pm - 8 pm- Drive back to FBC KC

Stewardship

	Budgeted	Received
Month:	20,409.08	38,968.05
Year:	183,6981.72	176,495.14



Thank you to Clare Kaufman, Linda Hartsfield, Pat Bomba, Mary Anna, Weigang, Charles Davis, and Nathan Jones for bringing joy and blessing to our Bluebonnet friends as you sang Gospel Songs for us at supper on Labor Day.

Bill says, "Yeah!" and "God bless you!"

Bill and Joanne Davenport

Sound Bytes

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. -1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

The above verse is quite possibly to me the most difficult verse in all of Scripture. If it hadn't been written by someone who had been beaten to within an inch of his life repeatedly, shipwrecked, threatened, jailed, in constant danger, and eventually killed I don't think I would be able to even attempt to do what it says. This verse is peaches and cream when everything in life is going as planned and God's favor is everywhere you look, but it doesn't say "give thanks only when things are splendid"; oh that it did! The problem is it actually says in all circumstances. So if you've just lost a spouse, if a financial windfall was supposed to occur and then doesn't, if you go to the doctor for a routine checkup and they tell you to have a seat and that they need to tell you about something they found. Even if you have to send your foster son who calls you Daddy back home to his birth mother...yes even then, give thanks to God.

I'll tell you, the only shot you've got at coming close to giving thanks and not cursing God for taking something from you that's "yours" is through clinging tightly to Jesus. I think that's why pray without ceasing is put directly before the command. If you're in a relationship with Jesus, you know that everything you have is from Him to begin with; you were ever only a steward. You know that His heart hurts when you hurt. You also know that scripture tells us over and over again that if you trust in Him, He will never fail you. It probably won't look like you thought it would, but in the end it brings us joy and Him the glory He deserves.

So let me tell you, rejoice always. Rejoice when things are going well, when the money does come in right on time, when the baby laughs for the first time, when the promotion comes, when the hard work pays off, when you get to have cake for dinner. But also rejoice when times are harder than you thought you would ever be able to bear. It's the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. -Selah

Announcements: Beginning Sunday, October 18 the choir will begin practicing for the annual Christmas Cantata. We would love for you to come and be a part of the singing. Practice starts at 5:15.

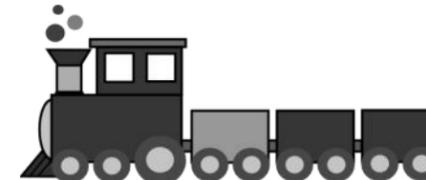


ASHER IS MOVING IN

Come to the adoption shower to celebrate with Kevin, Jolee, and the girls. We honor them with a potluck lunch and eagerly await Asher's homecoming!

Who: Everyone Invited
When: Sunday, November 1st
Time: 12:00, After Worship Service
Where: Fellowship Hall

Registered at Walmart or suggested gifts are boy toys, books, clothes 3t-4t



Sunday, Oct. 18 will be our World Hunger meal. Please stay after the Worship service for a meal. Women On Mission ask that you bring beans, soup, cornbread, or rice and a donation that will go toward ending world hunger.



Samaritan's Purse Christmas Shoebox collection week is November 16-23. If you would like to fill a box this year, we will be collecting them again. The church will provide boxes and more information will be available by the end of this month. The last day we will be able to collect the boxes is November 15 in order for us to transport them to their next destination. Thank you for participating in this great ministry!