



# *The Challenger*

## *April 2019*

### **From the Desk of the DOM**

Exciting things are coming up in BBA later this year. Several years ago the association hosted an area-wide revival called the Texomaland Crusade. After a few years' break it was brought back five years ago at the county fairgrounds with the intent that the Crusade would be repeated this year. The years have passed quickly and it is time to get together for another season of revival, refreshing, and evangelism.

Here is the basic plan. From September 29 through October 2 our associational churches will meet at the Durant Middle School Auditorium each evening. Master's Voice, a very talented gospel music group, will be leading us in these services. Several of us from this area have had the pleasure to work with these folks and can testify to their ability and, most importantly, commitment to the Lord. They will lead in worship through music and their lead singer, Ricky Capps, will preach. As I said earlier, it will be an exciting time and we trust a time in which many hear the Lord's voice and respond.

More details are forthcoming but that does not mean that we can't begin praying and planning to attend. Pray for Master's Voice. Pray for your lost friends and family while considering ways you can bring them with you. Set the dates aside on your calendar. This is an associational event and we look forward to seeing you there.

**Tim**

Don't forget about the upcoming meeting regarding changes in registration for Falls Creek. The meeting for our area will be **Tuesday, April 2nd at FBC Ardmore at 6:30 p.m. This meeting is mandatory for each church who will be attending Falls Creek this summer for Youth Camp.**

Since this meeting is so far away, we would like to make transportation easier. FBC Durant has generously offered our association the use of their people mover and van. If you would like to travel to the meeting with us, there are 44 spots available on a first come, first served basis. There is no fee to ride along, although if you would like to donate a few dollars to offset fuel costs, it would be greatly appreciated. We will leave from FBC Durant's north parking lot at 4:30 p.m. on April 2nd and stop on the way for a quick bite to eat, so bring money for fast food. The meeting will run from 6:30-8:30 p.m., so we will be back in town around 9:30 or 10:00 p.m.

To reserve your spot, please call the BBA office.

**Streetman Rd** is in search of a Music Leader/Pianist. If you're interested in leading our services, please contact us! We would love to hear your God given talent.  
Jody Shires 580-931-3086

**FBC Colbert** is seeking a music minister. Send resumes to fbccolbert@gmail.com

**Grace Baptist** is seeking a Bi-Vo Youth Pastor. Send resumes and inquiries to lifeplus@simplynet.net

### Birthdays

Cindy Ford	Apr. 01
DeeDee Pena	Apr. 03
Robin Self	Apr. 03
Shelby Gardner	Apr. 04
Peggy Tadlock	Apr. 06
Anthony Williams	Apr. 10
Laura Stephens	Apr. 18
Vangie Wingfield	Apr. 19
Jacob Toews	Apr. 26
Monty Wood	Apr. 28

### Wedding Anniversaries

Jacob & Sharon Toews:
Apr. 07
Joey & Carrie Gosnell:
Apr. 07
Lee & Shelley Clark:
Apr. 12
Danny & Lesa Spoon:
Apr. 23
Wayland & Shawn Shirey:
Apr. 24

### Senior Adult Luncheons

**Apr. 10—Grace**  
**May 08—Streetman Road**

**Please pray for our  
pastorless churches:**  
Brown, Silo, FBC Durant,  
Achille Community, Blue



### **Upcoming Events:**

**April 7-10:** Revival @ Roberta;  
Various Speakers

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Junior Simpson

**April 12-13:** Women's Retreat @  
Falls Creek

**April 26-27:** Men's Retreat @ Falls  
Creek

### **From the BBA Prayer Team Leader**

I read from E.F. Hallock, Always in Prayer, Our times are in God's hand. God is a fact; we are a fact. Our times are in God's hand is a fact whether we realize and experience it or not. Blessed is the person that discovers this fact and lives in the reality of it from day to day. To us who walk with God, no fact is more substantial and solid. One thing we know for sure, God is trustworthy and dependable; It is imperative that we commit ourselves to His ways and discover that He has been holding our ways all the time. We all have our ups and downs that we have to deal with, knowing that our times are in God's hand is comforting. And, it is comforting to know that we can have a continuous dialogue with our heavenly Father through prayer. How is your prayer life?

**In His Grip,  
Bro. Anthony**

## What's Going on in Our Churches

### Happy Spring from the LTBRM!

We are thankful that 2 pastors stayed here in March for rejuvenation. We have mission teams coming this summer and three churches will be conducting their own church camps here. We want the grounds to be used for ministry, so this is exciting to us. There will also be several church retreats and family reunions throughout the year. We are thankful for the donation of funds to purchase a new mower. There are a lot of expenses to keeping this ministry in operation, including property insurance, utilities (we just had to have the propane tank filled), plumbing and other repairs, equipment fuel, paint, and the list continues. We already have some individuals and churches who have helped with financial support. Please pray for wisdom from the Lord as to whether you or your church should give to this ministry, either a one time gift, or a monthly or yearly gift. As God provides the funds, we will continue to make improvements to the cabins and grounds. Most importantly, please pray for ministry fruitfulness. For more information or to make reservations, contact us at 580-916-2181.



**Blessings,**

**Tammy Wood, on behalf of the Wood Family**

### OBHC Fish Fry



The Madill Baptist Home for Girls is set to host its annual Raymond Gary Fish Fry on Saturday, April 20th, starting at noon. Administrator Stephen Wiese invites everyone to join them for food, fun, and fellowship!

The event will be held at the BHG Campus in the Noble Activity Center, located at 13976 Anthony Land in Madill.

Grandpa's Neighbors will provide entertainment and a special performance will be given by sign language ministry Speechless.

There is no cost to attend, although donations are accepted. All funds raised will go toward general expenses to benefit the children in Baptist Home for Girls' care.

For more information about Baptist Home for Girls or the fish fry, please visit [www.obhc.org/BHG](http://www.obhc.org/BHG) or call 580-564-2218





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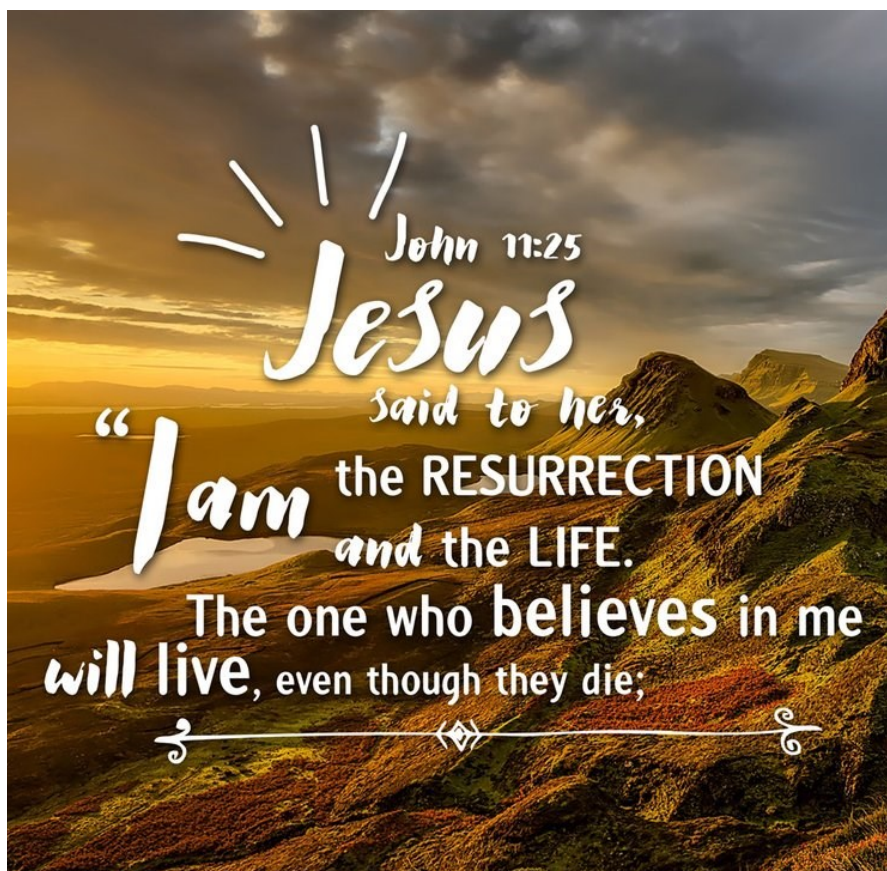
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Clerk----- Jessie Hopkins

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Office Hours: Mon. - Thurs. 8:30 - 4:30

We love to have your church's events in the Challenger. If you or your church have any announcements or news you would like to be included in next month's Challenger, please contact the BBA office before April 22nd.



April 2019						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Pastor/Staff Conf. 10:30am at BBA Office	3	4	5	6
					Falls Creek Spring Retreat Apr. 5-7	
 COOPERATIVE PROGRAM Sunday	8	9 Pastor/Staff Conf. 10:30am at BBA Office	10                      Sr. Adult Luncheon @ Grace	11	12	13
 PALM SUNDAY CELEBRATE THE KING	15 Budget & Finance Team Meeting @ 5:30	16 Pastor/Staff Conf. 10:30am at BBA Office	17	18	BGCO Women's Retreat @ Falls Creek	
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					Rewired Men's Retreat @ Falls Creek	
28	29 BBA Exec. Board @ 6 p.m., Albany	30 Pastor/Staff Conf. 10:30am at BBA Office				