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The Bridge Builder

First Baptist Church-Bridge City
invites ALL ladies to our

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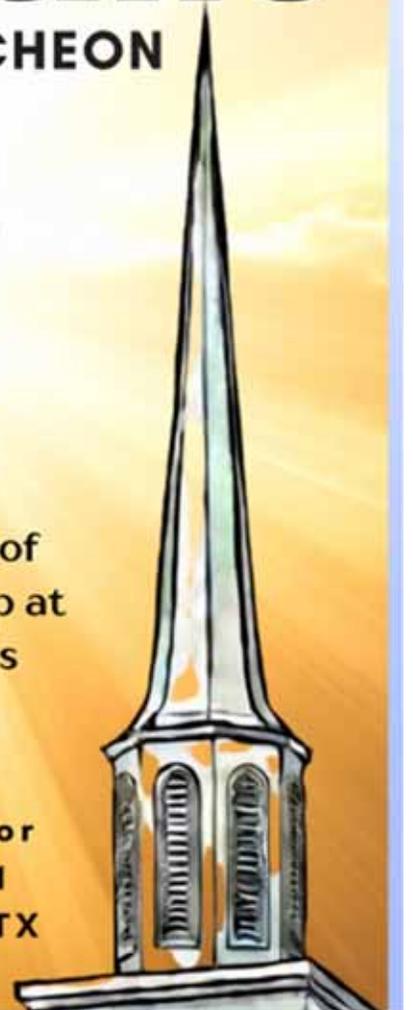
LUNCHEON

FEBRUARY 28
11:00AM

Speaker: Ramona Hargrave
Theme: "Our Temple"

Make plans to enjoy this time of
great food and sweet fellowship at
our annual gathering of ladies

Sign Up in Sunday School or
FBC Office (409)735-3581
200 West Round Bunch, BCTX



BK'S KORNER

The other day I was in Walgreens picking up a prescription. It wasn't very crowded. I saw a little boy playing in the store. He was on the toy isle just playing up a storm. I used to be that little boy. I remember this one time when I found a boat that I wanted. It was perfect, it was just right the size, and it was made of plastic so it would float in the tub. Anyhow, mom said I could get it, there was a catch, I had to pay for it out of my own allowance money. I saved and saved. Finally, I had enough money. We went down to the store and I was prepared to buy it. At the last minute I changed my mind. I bought an umbrella! That's right an umbrella. You see, my sister was also going to buy something. She chose an umbrella. It was peer pressure! Can you imagine a boy deciding to buy an umbrella instead of a boat? Neither can I.

We are all subject to pressure from other people. Nowhere is it greater than with our young people. I am very proud of the young man who came forward on Sunday. Let's start using pressure in reverse. Let's start pressuring people in reverse. Let's let people know that it is ok to serve Christ!

Remember to pray for renewal and revival in our Church. We need it now more than ever. However, in Christ we can be assured that we are victorious! In Christ we do have the victory! People need to see that and now that.

Pray!
Pray for our entire community!

Prayer and Blessings.
BK ><

YOUTH MINISTER'S UPDATE

Church Family,
This past week, Pastor Keith's message from **2 Corinthians 2:14** was a powerful reminder that, in Christ, we do not share the gospel from a place of fear or uncertainty—we share from a place of victory. Because of what Jesus has already accomplished, we are able to confidently represent Him wherever we go. Scripture tells us that God leads us in triumph in Christ and spreads the fragrance of the knowledge of Him through us. What an incredible picture of how our lives can point others to Jesus.

This truth is especially important for our students to understand. As they grow in their faith, we want them to see that sharing the gospel is not about having all the right words or being perfect. Instead, it flows from the victory we already have in Christ. When we live with that confidence, our lives naturally become a testimony of His work in us.

I also want to share an important announcement for the summer. **Youth Summer Camp** will be held **June 22–26**, and the cost this year will be **\$320 per student**. Camp is always a meaningful time for our students to grow in their faith, build friendships, and step away from distractions to focus on what God is doing in their lives.

To help make camp accessible for as many students as possible, we will have several **fundraising opportunities** coming up soon. More details will be shared in the coming weeks, and we would greatly appreciate your prayers and support as we prepare.

Thank you for continuing to invest in the lives of our students. It is a blessing to serve alongside a church family that encourages the next generation to follow Christ and share the hope we have in Him.

In Christ,
Cody

BRIDGE CITY/ORANGEFIELD MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE

This month we are collecting the following:

Shaving Cream

for the Bridge City/Orangefield Ministerial Alliance. We will have containers placed around the building for these donations.

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Clayton Ray

MUSIC MOMENTS

Hey Y'all, as we continue to prepare the songs for "Covered — An Easter Musical" each one of its songs touches the hearts of our singers, as well as our instrumentalists. One of the songs in particular is one known as "Because of Jesus" by Charity Gayle.

This song makes The Gospel Message plain and clear. It tells What Christ did for us at Calvary and How He continues to do it in our everyday lives. It is a declaration of faith that lifts up and encourages the believer's heart. It tells how God's Unending Grace continually sees us through day after day, moment by moment.

BECAUSE OF JESUS

By, Charity Gayle

You made a way for me to enter
into Your Holy Place forever,
And now I'm hidden,
I am COVERFED, I FOUND PEACE.
Into Your likeness You transform me
Making me Holy, like You're Holy,
No longer I who live,
But Christ Who lives in me.
Now my heart cries, "This is my Redeemer;
With my whole life, I will give You praise
All the glory to The One Who's worthy
Because of Jesus, I have been changes."

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"Because of Jesus" even lines up with BK's message from yesterday. Hebrews 1:17-19 says "That The God of our Lord Jesus, The Father of Glory, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him. The eyes of your understanding being enlightened, that you may know what is The Hope of His calling, what the riches of The Glory of His Inheritance in the saints, and what is the exceeding greatness of His Power toward us who believe, according to the working of His Mighty Power.

Because of Jesus, we have been changed.

Love, Billy & Pam

"King's Table" Youth Meals

Thank you to everyone who provided meals for the youth group's "King's Table" on Wednesday night. The meals were awesome and very much appreciated. The signup list for the first half of 2026 has been posted for anyone who wants to volunteer to bring a meal. Thank you for loving on and supporting our youth.

GOLDEN HARVEST MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday, March 10
at noon

in the
Family Life Center

Entertainment: Mike Freeman

Fried Chicken Provided
Please bring sides and desserts.

"Welcome Bag" Wish List Baptist Cancer Center

The cancer center gives patients going through treatment a "Welcome Bag". It is our privilege to provide some of the items that each bag contains. Several other churches have decided to participate with this project so we will collect items during the month of March and September.

Below is a list of some of the items needed:

Chapstick	Men/Women socks
Hand sanitizer (individual)	Individual Kleenex
Word search books	Bath Sponge Loofah
Crayons/colored pencils	Adult color books
Pocket spiral writing pad	Candy
Small travel hand lotion	

These items can be placed in the Welcome Center. Your help is very much appreciated.

LOOK AT THE RECORDS

February 29, 2026

Projected Budget Need YTD:	93,257.60
Weekly Receipts:	10,277.35
Actual Budget Receipt to Date:	72,781.31
Actual Budget Spending to Date:	64,838.71

ATTENDANCE:

Sunday School 151

WORSHIP SERVICE:

Worship 151

Nursery 5

TOTAL WORSHIP ATTENDANCE 156

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DEACON OF THE WEEK

March 1-7, 2026

Donnie Stanton	Deacon
Russell Allen	Visiting Partner

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

Sunday, March 1, 2026

9:15 Bible Study
10:30 Morning Worship Service

Monday, March 2, 2026

5:30 Men's Priority Prayer
10:00 Ladies Prayer Group

Wednesday, March 4, 2026

9:00 Buckner's Quilting
6:30 Prayer Meeting
Youth, Preteen Bible Study &
Children's Choir
Mission Kids (3rd — 6th Graders)

Thursday, March 5, 2026

1:00 Golden Harvest Games

"Come Sit By Me"



Is there an empty chair in
your class?

Is there unused space on
your pew?

We are beginning a campaign to fill those spaces.
Your department is being given a fresh class roster
that you might begin making
personal contacts.
Who have you been missing?

"Who is your one?"

Who do you know that needs a church home?

We will be excited to hear reports from each department
as we work together to reach our community.

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

7:30 — 5:30

MONDAY — THURSDAY

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