

# First Baptist Church

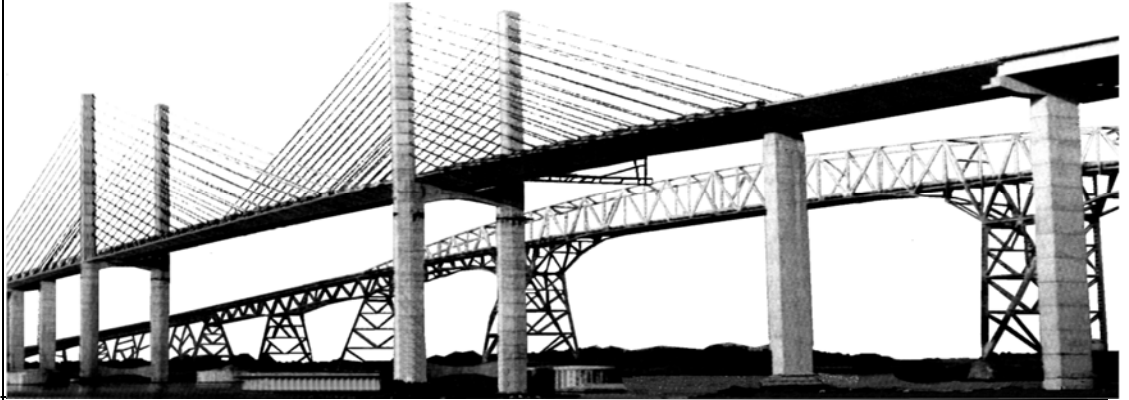
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# The Bridge Builder



Point Your  
Kids to  
JESUS!

## Vacation Bible School

June 5th—9th  
6:00 — 8:30 p.m.

VBS is for children Kindergarten through 5th grade (next school year).

### Our theme is “Sonrise National Park”

Again this year, we will collect for those in need . . .

Sunday — pennies/vegetables

Monday — nickels/fruit

Tuesday— dimes/meat

Wednesday — quarters/peanut butter

Thursday — \$1.00/box item

## PASTOR'S PARAGRAPH . . .

Dear Church Family,

We are constantly being blessed by witnessing all that God is doing within our midst. Individually, people throughout the church are experiencing the transforming work of the Gospel. The changes come in incremental steps and can easily be overlooked, but they are happening. Collectively, we are privileged to be a part of the greater works in which God is doing through the Gospel. We are sending youth on mission to Hammond, La. bearing witness of Christ through sweaty labor serving those in need. We have responded in helping those who were affected by the Sabine River flood through financial resources and helping hands. Sunday, June 5, we have the honor of welcoming the David family from Old Salem who were devastated by the flood. We have had the joy of being able to serve them in many ways during their recovery and they desire to come and introduce themselves to us. Plan to be here to see how God has been using you.

Sunday we move forward in our series "The Joy of the Gospel" by looking at Philippians 3:12-4:1. If the Gospel is of such great value, priceless, then we must continue to run the Gospel race. Paul writes noting that perfection is the goal of the race. Christ has already secured the prize for us, but we cannot abstain from the race and expect to acquire it. Striving for perfection means we run in constant failure. However, we do not focus on our past steps, but the present step to take and the future ones to come. We run not to gain for ourselves, but to demonstrate the truth of what God has declared through His son Jesus; we are being transformed by the Gospel. We cannot abandon the race just because it is difficult. When we won't run, we bring shame to the Gospel. We run knowing the prize is at hand, our imperfection and failures only triumphs the need for the Gospel. The race is not about us. The race is to display the Gospel.

Remember to continue to pray for the new staff positions and those who will be involved in seeking out God's servants. The "impossible" becomes possible when covered with the Gospel. Tell someone what's happening at FBCBC, where the "impossible" is a living reality every day.

Your Pastor,  
Douglas Shows  
Matt. 25:35-40

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



Thursday, June 9,  
We will have parent night  
at 8:00 p.m.

How Your  
Kids Will  
Enjoy It!

Parents join us in the sanctuary for our  
closing assembly.



"Got first place in Bible trivia  
by being a Noah't all!"

## Save Old Literature

The Mission Committee will be collecting used and outdated literature to give to agencies that send it to prisons and/or to organizations that distribute it all over the world. At the end of each quarter leave your old literature in the boxes that new literature comes in. These boxes will be stored in a room in Adult 4. We need all ages and all kinds, children to adults.

## YOUTH NEWS . . .

Summer has officially arrived! Which means it is time to dust off the tires of the church bus and head to camp! This year we will return to East Texas Baptist Encampment in Newton for Camp Extreme! Students and Parents note that we will meet at the Family Life Center on Thursday June 2nd at 9:15 a.m. and return home on Saturday the 4th around 1:00 p.m. Packing list and registration forms have all been given out to the participants, however if you need an additional copy they will be available in the church office or youth room during services. The cost per person is just \$75.00 . Compared to the average cost of summers camps, which is around \$250.00 per person, this is a really great deal!

We are just about set for World Changers! Currently the cost sits at about \$50.00 per participant! Many of you have given sacrificially to this trip and for that I can not thank you enough. You should have more information regarding World Changers including registration forms and such after camp!

Be Intentional,  
Aaron

### ***Sympathy***

***Bro. Doug and Amy Shows and the First Family wish to extend their sincere love and sympathy to Tanya Peterson and family in the home-going of her husband, Larry Peterson.***

## **GOLDEN HARVEST JUNE MONTHLY MEETING**

The Golden Harvest monthly luncheon will be held Monday, June 6, at 11:00 a.m.

There will no longer be a \$2 attendance donation. Bring a covered dish or dessert. The main course will be Clyda's Chicken & Dumplings!

Entertainment will be provided by Darrell Segura & Charles Hartman. They will be doing a tribute to Hank Williams.

## **Sunday School News**

**Attendance Sunday was 133. Not bad for a holiday weekend. As you can see, we have our regulars who will always be there. Now we need for that number to go up.**

**Sunday we will begin a new quarter. Our study will be in 1st Samuel. This will be very interesting and we will find many things here to help us in our Christian life.**

**See you Sunday,  
Troy**

## ***Thank You***

*Dear Church Family,  
I can't begin to thank you for all you have done for me during my long bout with surgery and recovery. Wonderful, wonderful food was brought in. The food was greatly appreciated and enjoyed by me and Marvin.*

*A special thank you to John Wood's for bringing Marvin to pick me up after surgery. A special thank you to Doris Conner for hauling me and my big wheelchair to doctors visits and to the store. She had a big job on her hands.*

*It's very hard to find words to express to Russell and Dorine for the many trips to and from Houston for surgery and doctors visits.*

*I knew there have been, and still are, many prayers for my recovery. Thank you so much.*

*Love to each and all,  
Karen DuBois*

## NURSERY WORKERS June 5, 2016

Sunday School Brittany Ernst

Worship Service Thelma Wheelis

Volunteers always needed. Please call  
Brittany Ernst at 409.313.1215.

### LOOK AT THE RECORDS

May 29, 2016

Average Weekly Needs	\$10,163.14
Sunday Receipts	\$ 8,230.00
Y-T-D Avg. Weekly Receipts	\$ 9,994.61

#### DESIGNATED RECEIPTS THIS WEEK

Debt Retirement	\$ 00.00
Retirement Y-T-D	\$803.00
Debt:	<u>\$00,000.00</u>

#### ATTENDANCE:

Sunday School	133
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#### WORSHIP SERVICE:

Celebration Service of Worship	147
Nursery	7
TOTAL AM WORSHIP ATTENDANCE	154

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

### Sunday, June 5, 2016

9:15	Sunday School
10:30	Celebration Worship Service Children's Church for 4 yr. old — 2nd grade
6:00	Vacation Bible School

### Monday, June 6, 2016

11:00	Golden Harvest Monthly Meeting
6:00	Vacation Bible School

### Tuesday, June 7, 2016

10:00	Ladies Prayer Meeting
6:00	Vacation Bible School
7:00	Men's Prayer Time

### Wednesday, June 8, 2016

6:00	Vacation Bible School
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### Thursday, June 9, 2016

6:00	Vacation Bible School
8:00	VBS Parent Night

### MINISTRY SAFE

For all people who serve in any capacity pick up your Ministry Safe application in the office as soon as possible and leave us your email. We want our church trained in sexual abuse awareness to help protect our children and students.

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#### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

8:00 — 4:30  
MONDAY — FRIDAY

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