



# The Bridge Builder

## Multi-generational Camp Experience Adult One Day Bible Study with the Pastor June 1, 2017

One Day Retreat (East Texas Baptist Encampment)  
Study the Book of James  
Participate with children/youth at points  
Eat lunch and dinner at the camp  
Leave FBCBC at 8:00 am and return at 8:00 pm  
Contact office to register

Let's get ready for  
**Summer Camp 2017!**



May 31st - June 2nd

Come join the fun at  
East Texas Baptist  
Encampment

2nd thru  
12th Grade!

For more information see  
Aaron Little or Chris Bailey

## PASTOR'S PARAGRAPH . . .

Dear Church Family,

We are in the beginning process of installing our safety corridor for our nursery and children's wing. Soon we will be constructing the walls to convert our choir room into Sunday school space for children and Senior Adults. The choir will be moving to the external rooms by the Prayer Room, the vacated children's space. These enhancements will require some time and inconvenience while underway and in the moving things from space to space. No one likes the disruption, but let's focus on the end. We will be poised to provide rooms which limit the walking needed to attend Sunday School and the worship service for Senior Adults. We will have a secured safety area for our nursery, children and Mother's Day Out. We will have a more functional space for the choir to use and grow into. We will open up space for new classes. All of this is so we can effectively deliver the Gospel to Bridge City. Pray for the project and seek out how you can be a part.

Sunday we continue our sermon series, "All in the Family", by looking at 1 Corinthians 3:10-23. Paul has previously reminded us that we are "God's building" and are to be servants of God glorifying God not ourselves. Our salvation is the beginning point and the foundation on which we proceed in Christ. Jesus and his death, burial, and resurrection is our foundation. Upon this foundation, after salvation, we build our life. There is no opting out of the building process. We who are saved by grace through Jesus Christ are building something. Those who go deeper into "Christ crucified" by applying it across the spectrum of their life build with gold, silver, and precious stones. Those who do not apply "Christ crucified" to their life are building with wood, hay, and straw. What we build is promised to be put to the test of fire.

Our straw, earthly and selfish desires, may stand and look good from afar, but the fire will reveal its true value. We all have straw men built, but we are called to build a life which glorifies God and points to Christ. We must look honestly at whether we are living "Christ crucified" and repent of our failings and allow God to transform us. Are you ready to take down the straw man? Are you ready to build Christ into your life?

Also, don't miss our unique multi-generational camp. Plan to attend our Adult One Day Retreat where we will study the whole Book of James together. Make sure you call and register your attendance. The church van will be available. FBCBC is where the "impossible" is a living reality every day. Invite others to join with you in living out the "impossible" at FBCBC.

Your Pastor,  
Douglas Shows  
I Corinthians 3:18

## CHILDREN'S DIRECTOR

# 29 DAYS OF PRAYER

For Church Camp & VBS

### May 28

Pray for the sponsors helping with the students and children during camp. Pray for wisdom, strength and patience.

### May 29

Pray for good weather during camp and VBS so that we can enjoy our outdoor activities.

### May 30

Pray for traveling grace as we head to camp, and for the drivers and those involved in helping us get there safely.

### May 31

Pray for the Leaders, for wisdom that they can clearly and effectively communicate Bible truths to the students and children.

### June 1

Ask God to help the students and children to understand that they are each unique, and that He has a special plan just for them.

### June 2

Pray for traveling grace as we return home, and that the lessons and experiences at camp stay with them and help them grow in Christ.

### June 3

Pray for God to prepare the hearts of the community to respond well and for new prospects to be discovered during VBS.

*"Brothers & sisters, pray for us that the message of the Lord may spread rapidly and be honored, just as it was with you."*  
2 Thessalonians 3:1

## CHILDREN'S DIRECTOR

I am so excited about the next 29 days of prayer for Camp and VBS! I sincerely hope you will join with us in lifting up these two incredible opportunities for our students and children!

The children have been practicing VBS music and are excited about the giant Pep Rally it will be, celebrating God's Victories! VBS will be June 11-16 @ 6-8:30 p.m. We are in search of several leaders, including a music leader for the K-1<sup>st</sup> graders and a Bible Story teacher for that age as well. There are other positions still open, so please pray about how God is leading you to help during that week. June 4<sup>th</sup> we will have another VBS meeting. This is the Sunday before VBS starts. If we were not able to make it to the first meeting, please try to be here for this one! We will meet at 4:30 in the Children's Choir room... Hope to see you there!

This summer is full of fun events that will keep the kids busy, as well as help them know God a little better. If you haven't gotten a copy of the summer schedule, let me know! I will have some in the foyer of the Sanctuary this Sunday, and in the Children's Choir room.

That the next generation may know!

Chris

## YOUTH NEWS . . .

Summer Fun!

We are getting very close to kicking off our summer activities! Most students have already completed their school year as they have worked hard to be exempt from their final exams! Graduation for BCISD is this weekend, I am very proud of all of our students who have persevered! Some will head straight into the work field some to college or tech school to continue their education. It is our desire to be a continued resource for them as they continue to minister in their mission fields!

Our Multi-Generational Church Camp is just a few days away! Pastor Doug, Chris, and I will be very busy over the coming days preparing age appropriate lessons. There will be something for everyone. Children and students 2<sup>nd</sup> grade-12<sup>th</sup> grade will be leaving FBC Wednesday morning May 31st and adults will follow Thursday morning June 1st. We hope that you will be able to participate! If there are reasons as to why you will be not able to go, there is still a way you can have a major impact by participating in our 29 days of prayer program. You can find information regarding the 29 days of prayer by collecting the insert in our church bulletin on Sunday morning or calling the church office and requesting information!

Finally, I would like to take just a few personal moments to thank all of you for your encouragement, gifts, and prayers that you have provided over the past few weeks regarding my participation in commencement at Liberty University. It has been a very tough journey that I have been able to complete thanks to the support of my family, church family, friends, and most of all God!

Be Intentional,  
Aaron

### SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED

Scholarship Committee  
is accepting  
applications.

Applications can be picked up at  
First Baptist Church office  
Deadline is May 31, 2017

## Thank You

*The Family of Robert Theriot wishes to thank you for the kindness and love shown to us during this time of loss. Thanks goes to my friends who prepared the food, cleaned the Sanctuary, ran the sound, sang and to Bro. Doug for his wonderful message. The plant is beautiful and the cards were uplifting. It is great to be a part of a loving family like FBC. Please keep us in your prayers as we move forward.*

*God Bless*

*Velma Theriot & Family*

*Dear Church Family, I apologize for my tardiness in sending you this thank-you. I've been moving into a new home over the past three weeks and this remiss is one of a multitude. I appreciate so much the beautiful framed picture from the Personnel Committee. The picture is beautiful, the scripture message is awesome; but above all, I am touched by the love that is represented by the picture. In addition, thanks to so many of you for the sweet, precious sentiments written in cards or related verbally. I will always treasure these in my heart. Above all, thank-you for the opportunity to serve God by serving you these past four years. It was indeed a blessing and a privilege to serve as your Interim Music Director. To God Be the Glory, Always, Suzonne*



**JUNE 11-15 FROM 6 - 8:30 P.M.**  
**SEE CHRIS BAILEY OR LYNN RICHARD FOR MORE INFO!**

