- Melissa Simien- Having chemo treatments for breast cancer in Florida. (Sister of Meagen McConnell)
- Pastor Mike Keahbone- Continue praying for our pastor who fell and fractured his kneecap.
- Sheila Newman- Admitted to Stillwater Creek Nursing rehab.
- Caleb Hilow- Having treatments for his Asthma (Nephew of Madelyn Corbett who lives in Worcester, Mass)
- Sharleen Belshaw- Fell and injured her head. Sharleen lives in California. (Sister of Sylvia Bevington and Barbara Marshall)
- Chong Pollock- In Rehab from a broken femur. (Mother of Terry Stringfellow)
- Evan Ranier- 14 yr. old is in need of a new kidney. (He is the great nephew of David Askew)
- Cindy Morales- Cancer has returned after two years. (Mother of Sara Morales)
- Vicki Shafer- Having hip surgery, and Ken Shafer diagnosed with pancreatic cancer (Family of Rhonda Cotton).
- Noel Ritter- Has a serious brain injury (Great niece of Barbara Moeller)
- Diane Watts- Kidney failure (Sister of Lois Nease).

ONGOING:

- Cole LaBarre- Health Issues. (Cole is the great, great nephew of Brenda Bell)
- Awanda Glover- Health issues.
- Jean & John Skinner- Health issues. (Parents of Renee Hardage)
- Randy Newman-Heart issues.
- Daymond McGaughey-Health Issues.
- David Ellsworth- Pray for heart healing and less anxiety.
- Bud Hoskins- Health Issues. (Brother of Michael Hoskins)
- Marcia & Charles Elkins- Health issues.
- Barbara Hoskins- Extreme health issues.
- Linda Toy- Diagnosed with ALS.
- Ellen Gatliff- Diagnosed with Cancer, taking chemo treatments, doing well.
- Hadley Hardage- Severe Contamination OCD and has been in a residential home for mental health since 12/1/24. (Daughter of Renee Hardage)
- Craig McDonald- Health Issues.
- Joseph & Sarah Woods- Medical needs.
- Terrie Callarman- Still taking Chemo treatments, doing well.
- Josephine Burnett- slipped out of her wheelchair.
- Helen Shoemate- Health Issues.
- Mike Finley- Continued bladder issues.
- Jodi Zerba- Prayers for her safety at home and her health.
- Linda Del Ciello- Now home.
- Shizuko Burgess- Now home recovering.
- Patti Rhea- Her esophagus has narrowed, having difficulty eating. Patti is now home recuperating.

SYMPATHY:

- To Melanie and Clint Langford and family on the passing of her grandmother, Elza Mae Queen, Thursday, September 25, 2025. Her funeral was Monday, September 29, 2025, Letitia Baptist Church officiating.
- To the Mike Newell family on the passing of his mother, Linda Pooschke, September 18, 2025. Her funeral was Monday, September 29, 2025, Becker-Rabon Funeral Home Chapel.

FLOWERS:

The sanctary flowers are given today in memory of Bonnie Jean Hoskins. Love Michael.

OKLAHOMA BAPTISTS PRAYER REQUEST

Daren & Shawna Davis, IMB, Nairobi, Kenya

- Pray more laborers will join the Davises in Sub-Saharan Africa to proclaim the Gospel and disciple believers, among the exploding population.
- Pray the Lord will make His Name known to hard-to-reach peoples in Sub-Saharan Africa.
- Ask to Lord to guide and bless the plans for a Senders Summit for African churches and conventions, that they will grow to be Great Commission churches.

NORTH AMERICAN MISSION

Christian & Laura Rowland, Church Planter, Langley Twp, British Columbia, Canada

Pray that the Lord would deepen our faith and expand our ministry. As New Song enters a new phase, join us in asking God for courage, new believers, and the multiplication of servant leaders at home.















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An Unexpectedly **Contagious Adventure**

he asked me a simple question: "What's your favorite book?" Without hesitation, to Christ right in his office, to a banker I said, "The Unexpected Adventure" by Mark Mittelberg and Lee Strobel. Keahbone smiled and said, "Mark is a friend of mine."

A few days later, I woke up to a video message from Keahbone. I hit play, church to the next level. During that and on the screen was Mark Mittelberg. Mark had recorded a personalized message to a young apologist he didn't even know at the request of his friend; that young apologist was me.

I fan-girl'd out like a Swifty! A New York Times bestselling author had just sent me a video message. Little did I know that God would open doors in my life that would eventually lead to Mark and me becoming friends.

influence on my life, and I continue to recommend them to everyone I meet. My together. He reached out to Mark, and two go-to books of Mark's are The Unex- Mark was excited about coming to Lawpected Adventure and Contagious Faith. ton to encourage and train us to become

I've watched these books propel both new and seasoned Christians to become bold proclaimers of the gospel. From a The night I met Pastor Keahbone, votech teacher turned pastor who found courage in these pages and led a student who changed the trajectory of his life to defend Christianity, these books help.

Over the last few months, Pastor has challenged us as a staff to pray and think through what could take our process, Mark's book Contagious Faith kept coming to mind. I wanted to imple- banking seminar, "In five years, you'll ment it in our student ministry somehow. be a product of the books you read and When we brought it up during a Sunday the people you surround yourself with." School teachers' meeting while searching I would love nothing more than to look for new curriculum, it quickly became a back at our church five years from now favorite

I was excited to see such overwhelming support for using this book as part of our curriculum. When I talked with Pastor, he shared the same enthusi-His books have had a tremendous asm, but he wanted more. He envisioned the whole church walking through it

fbclawton.org contagious Christians...

When I spoke with Mark last week, he said something that stuck with me. He said, "If your church takes this material seriously, your church will be full by the first of the year." You could hear the excitement in his voice. On October 26, he'll be here to kick off this journey as we grow together and reach our community. What a great opportunity to invite your friends, family, and coworkers who are ready to make a difference!

I once heard someone say at a and say, "What an unexpected adventure with contagious Christians we took!"



THE WEEKLY WORDS **BRANDON THOMPSON** STUDENT MINISTER







Join us for a 5 wk study on navigating the bases of church membership. Taught by Associate Pastor: **Troy Taylor.**





ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Sunday School 324 Morning Worship 582

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Weekly Required		\$	38,332.27
Weekly Received		\$	53,234.76
YTD Required		\$ 1	1,034,971.29
YTD Received		\$	892,609.74
YTD Percentage			86.24%

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sally Davis Retirement Celebration

Please join us in celebrating Sally Davis's retirement after 15 years of dedicated service at First Baptist Church. There will be a come-and-go reception in her honor immediately following the Worship service TODAY, Sunday, October 12.

Oklahoma Baptist Symphony

Join us for the Oklahoma Baptist Symphony TONIGHT, Sunday, October 12, 2025, at 6:00 pm.

Office Closed - October 13th

FBC, Lawton will be closed on October 13th due to Indigenous Peoples' Day

M28 Ministries

Our next day of service at M28 Ministries is scheduled for Saturday, October 18, 2025. Please e-mail Jeff Henderson at m28ministries.org if you have any questions.

Save the Date! Mission Celebration Banquet

Sunday, October 19 @ 5:00 pm, join us for our Mission Celebration Banquet. Visit our webiste to register. More information to come.

Young At Heart Luncheon

The Young At Heart luncheon will be held on Monday, October 20, 2025, at 11:00 am. Bev Little will provide a delightful organ performance.

"Home Base" Sunday School Class

Join us for a five-week study on the basics of Biblical Church Membership, taking place from October 19 to November 16 in the Choir Room. This Sunday School class is designed for new members or individuals who have joined our community within the past year. It will be taught by Troy Taylor, our Associate Pastor. There are only 50 spots available, so secure your spot today by visiting our website or mobile app.

FBC Women's Ministry Tea-Fall in Love with Missions Join us on Saturday, October 25, 2025, for tea and a selection of international food, as we learn about Lottie Moon, hear from a fascinating missionary, and receive video updates from current missionaries in the field. Please register for this event by visiting our website.

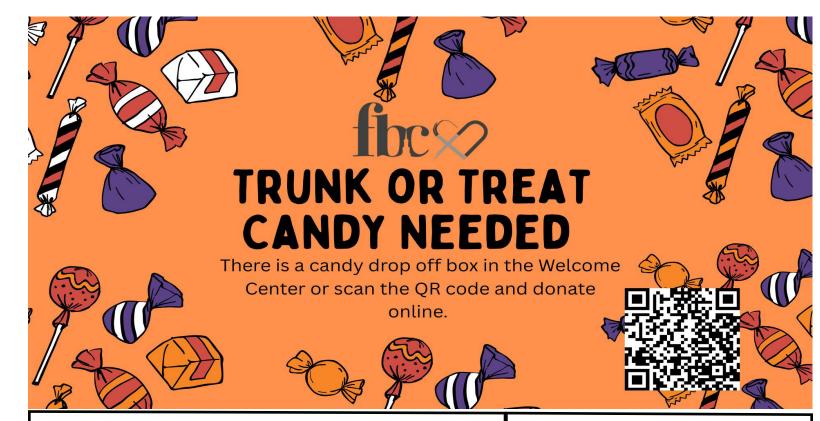
Save the Date! FBC Trunk or Treat

Registration fee is \$8.00.

Help us make Trunk or Treat a special evening! Join us Sunday, October 26, from 5:30–7:30 pm. Volunteer by providing a trunk or serving on a team—security, traffic, cleanup, or as a candy runner. Donate candy at fbclawton. org/events or drop it off in the welcome center. Your support makes this event possible!

Live Stream

We will be live streaming our worship service at 10:45 am on Sunday mornings from our website at fbclawton. org, as well as on Facebook Live and YouTube. We will be broadcasting our Morning Worship service on KSWO at 11:00 am.



WEEKLY PRAYER LIST

"Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving."
Colossians 4:2
www.fbclawton.org/connected/pray

MINISTERS:

Pray for each one of our volunteers in the worship team.
Pray for Gabby, Jeremiah, and Josiah and all their activities during this school year.

Pray for my wife and her role as an educator and mentor to so many. Pray for me and my wife's marriage, may God strengthen our relationship more and more each day.

Come join us for Living Christmas Tree Rehearsals:

Wed. October 08, 7:00-8:00 pm

Wed. October 22, 7:00-8:00 pm

Wed. October 29, 7:00-8:00 pm

Thank you for all your prayers.

Yavier Abraham Worship Pastor Xavier Abraham, Worship Pastor

MEMBERS IN ASSISTED LIVING: Morada Lawton

Sharon Fudge # Kotoko Ratliff #58

MISSIONARIES: Brady & Julie Plunk and children - Middle East Graham Taylor - Central Asia

MEMBER NOTICES: FELLOWSHIP MEAL

October 15, 2025, NO FELLOWSHIP MEAL DUE TO FALL BREAK!

Important Schedule Update for Fall Break
Fall Break is October 13–17. All weekday activities—including ESL,
Rooted Ladies, Fellowship Meal, Wednesday evening activities, and
Thread—are suspended during this week.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12

9:30am Sunday School

Preschool Extended Session 0:45am

1st - 3rd Extended Session Morning Worship

2:30pm Sally Davis -

Retirement Celebration

3:00pm Men's Gathering

6:00pm OSB - Concert

MONDAY, OCTOBER 13

Office Closed

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14

Office Hours - 5:00pm 8:30am

WEDESDAY, OCTOBER 15

Office Hours - 5:00pm 8:30am

NO EVENING ACTIVITES

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16

8:30am Office Hours - 5:00pm

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17

Office Closed

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18

Office Closed

M28 Ministries 9:00am SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

9:30am Sunday School

10:45am Preschool Extended Session

1st - 3rd Extended Session

Morning Worship

Budget/Finance Committee

2:00pm

Mtg.

3:00pm Men's Gathering

3:00pm Women's Bible Study

3:15pm Personnel Committee Mtg.

4:00pm Deacon's Meeting

Mission Banquet 5:00pm