

From The Pas-

I want to thank many of you who have given cards, meals, notes, and love gifts to staff in October during Staff Appreciation Month. I have been back at Faith for 16 years now and love the church far more than on the exciting day you voted for our family to come back to Faith in 2009. I was spiritually revived as a teen in this church. I met many of my lifelong and most significant relationships in this church. I began God's fulltime call into ministry as a youth minister for 11 years at this church. And if God allows, I will retire from pastoral ministry in this church. You have been friends, family, learners, and mentors to me and my family. I hope I convey just a sliver of the overwhelming love I have for you. Again, thank you! Your encouragement is wonderfully encouraging to the staff team.

I did something on my vacation that you would probably laugh at. I went with my daughter to take two of my granddaughters to see the "Gabby's Dollhouse" movie. I prepared to endure the movie while focusing on their joy. I actually found myself laughing alongside them as we stuffed popcorn, candy, and cokes down. Grandparenting has shown me the affectionate and passionate love God has for us that I never comprehended before. Though it would probably be impossible to love my grandchildren more than I do my children, the maturity of my love, the experience of life, and the transformation of learning to give rather than receive has led to an even deeper experience and richness of love. It has led me to a deeper understanding of God saying that He captures each of our tears, or He counts every hair on our heads, or He observes even our movements of standing up or lying down. Part of the reason Satan seeks to destroy God's definition and role of the family unit is because parents, siblings, spouses, children, grandparents, and grandchildren all teach and exemplify to us how God's love cherishes and even condescends to humanity by dwelling among us. I never go down on the floor, except for my grandkids, as they play, lay, sit, or stand on me. For the joy set before me I am quite certain I would die for any family member, and without hesitation for the children. I never learned God's love through receiving love from family as I now know His love through giving love to my family! Let's love God, our Lord, and the Spirit more intentionally this month! Will you give away more love to a spouse, a child, a grandchild, or a church member/spiritual sibling this month? Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things!

The more depth and experience I gain in the Scriptures through the years, the more I have realized how glorious, merciful, and unfathomable my salvation is. Before God's Spirit quickened me, I did not consider or seek His salvation. Before reading His Bible I had no clue all my thoughts and deeds of righteousness failed to meet God's standard of righteousness. Before God sent a messenger to tell me, I had no clue what salvation, relationship with God, and a new life were. And now, over 50 years later, I am still learning about God's choice and destiny for me through salvation planned before He even created the earth. Wow! I would encourage you to spend some time this month thanking God, not just for family, friends, and provisions, but for the elite status God gave us as saints, His children, and destined coheirs with His Son, Jesus! My focus on His glorious salvation softens the darkness of my own inner struggles, this world, and the spiritual warfare we engage in. I hope it refreshes your view of your marriage, home, work, and church life with other family members called to share eternity alongside you!

Isn't God good? May our Lord be the center of all our warm thoughts, expressions, and events related to Thanksgiving this month!

Press on to **EXPERIENCE FAITH! ENCOUNTER GOD...EXPERIENCE GOD TOGETHER...EMPTY SELF!** I look forward to seeing you throughout November!

Grace and love to you!

Pastor Craig

Senior Adults



Mondays — 10:15 a.m. Reception Hall

Faith Singers rehearse Mondays at 10:15 a.m. in Reception Hall. All adults 50+ are welcome to sing God's praises with this group. The choir sings Monday, November 10 at 10:30 a.m. at Rolling Meadows (The Gables), 3006 McNeil Avenue. The bus will leave the church at 10:00 a.m.

Our monthly senior adult luncheon is Monday, November 3. The menu is turkey and dressing (provided) so bring a Thanksgiving side or dessert. The program will be four of our ministerial staff. The luncheon begins at 11:30 in Fellowship Hall and everyone is welcome.

Our **Temple Builders** exercise group meets each Tuesday and Thursday at 9:00 a.m. in a new location – room 132. The FLiC walking track is open Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. Come join us as we get fit!

Thank You

Thank you from the Church Staff: During October's Staff Appreciation Month, many acts of kindness and love were shown to us, and we are deeply grateful. Thoughtfulness and consideration are such a testimony of the graciousness of our congregation. We love you and love serving the Lord with you.

Acknowledgments have been received in the Church Office from:

NANCY HARMON

ROGENE & NANCY CHADDICK

Pray for the Persecuted Church Sunday, November 2

"Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ."

—Galatians 6:2

This special time is set aside as a global prayer meeting for persecuted Christians who stand as bold witnesses in the world's most difficult and dangerous places to follow Christ. During this time, we enter into fellowship with our brothers and sisters by praying for their families, their needs and their ministries.

The reality of persecution today is sobering. An estimated 300 million plus Christians worldwide live under significant persecution, facing daily threats to their lives, livelihoods, and freedoms. These numbers represent men, women, and children who courageously

LUZ RODRIGUEZ

Note This . . .

& Church offices will be closed Thursday, November 27 to observe the Thanksgiving holiday.

& The proposed 2026 church budget will be discussed in a church conference at 12:15 p.m. Sunday, November 2 in Fellowship Hall. All members are welcome and encouraged to attend. Summary copies of the proposal are outside the Administration Office and at **E³ CENTRAL** in the Worship Center foyer. Vote on the budget will be in both morning services November 9.

& To assist parents with restless children, the Parent Room is available to your right as you sit in the Worship Center. Sound, windows into the Worship Center, and subdued lighting are available.

& Large print editions of the Sunday Sermon Notes are available at the tables on either side of the Worship Center.

& Our Faith family Wednesday fellowship suppers are each Wednesday 5:30-6:15 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Tickets are \$5/person (\$20 family maximum for immediate family members; college students \$2.00). Tickets are available each Wednesday starting at 5:15, with serving beginning at 5:30 p.m.

& Church Office hours: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday (closed Fridays).

& Our Sunday School meets each Sunday



Empty Self

Ministry Tree will be in the Worship Center Sunday, December 7 and will benefit Patsy's House Children's Advocacy Center, a non-profit that provides emergency resources to CPS caseworkers for at-risk children, and Shon and Janeene Young, Del Rio Missionaries.

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At the Operation Christmas Child packing party October 15 we packed 396 boxes for shipment. Thanks to each person who attended, each worker that helped with preparations, and each person who contributed funds or supplies for the boxes. It was a huge success. We have received the needed amount to cover the postage for these boxes.

CENTRAL DROP OFF LOCATION

We are again the central drop off location for shoeboxes November 17-24. Many volunteers will be needed. Last year we collected 17,241 shoeboxes filling 1,119 cartons from 11 counties which filled 3 and part of a 4th semi-truck. Contact Charlotte Gill (940-631-0901) if you are interested in helping.



Wednesday Adult

Equip Classes

Two new equip classes have joined with the existing Ladies' and Genesis studies. It's not too late to join them.

Holy Habits – video teaching with Derwin Gray facilitated by Brett Storseth

In this four-session series, pastor Derwin Gray explores four foundational behaviors of Christians. God calls us to a new way of living, one formed by rhythms of holiness.

Your Story Has a Villain, Identify Spiritual Warfare and Learn How to Defeat the

Enemy – video teaching by Jon Pokluda facilitated by Russell Hill and John Dooley

In this five-session series Jonathan Pokluda will help you explore the tactics of

Texas Hunger

Faith Baptist Church supports the Texas Hunger Offering. The money given goes to help feed Texas families that are in need of food. A collection box will be available Sunday, November 30 after early service and before and after late service. Please consider giving what the Lord places on your heart. Any amount is helpful. Checks should be made to Faith Baptist Church with Texas

Sympathy

Our sincere sympathy to those who have recently lost loved ones:

FAMILY OF DON BLANKENSHIP

ANGELA FLORES – uncle

RACHEL LAUER – mother

DENA HUTCHENS – brother-in-law

LUZ RODRIGUEZ – brother

Abide Women's Ministry

BIBLE STUDY – Thursdays November 6, 13 and 20 at 6:15 p.m. in room 145

GAME NIGHT – Monday, November 10 at 6:30 p.m. in the FLiC

BOOK CLUB – Sunday, November 23 at 4:00 p.m. at Frank & Joes on Kemp Blvd

Anyone interested in joining a dinner group, please contact Delynn Mabry at 940-733-6830.

For information, contact Lauren Welch at 940-631-0579, stay connected to Abide by liking them on Facebook at "Faith Baptist Church – Abide Women's Ministry" or go to

Financial Report

Budget Receipts as of October 27, 2025

Budget Goal (43 weeks)	\$1,613,287	
Budget Receipts (43 weeks)	\$1,184,413	73.42%
Budget Expenditures (43 weeks)	\$1,301,082	80.65%

Giving through text message is available! Text **FBCtxt** and the **amount** you want to give to **73256**. When you make your first contribution you will need to set up your account information, which will be saved, so that future contributions will be quick and easy. This option is available for general budget contributions only.

Online giving is available using your debit card. Go to faithwf.com and click on the online giving link. You will have the same options that are available on your offering envelope and will receive a receipt for your contribution.

Did you know that you can make your tithe and offering by using your bank's online bill pay? You can schedule your contribution check to be sent automatically to the church as a true first fruit of what the Lord has blessed you with. Just set Faith Baptist Church as a payee, enter "general budget" or your envelope number for the account number and 3001 Southwest Pkwy, Wichita Falls, TX 76308 as the address. You can then choose a regular monthly, twice monthly, or weekly schedule.

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Trust God Sunday is November 2

Each year we are encouraged to go beyond our usual giving and trust God even more in the area of our finances. If you are a tither, go beyond the tithe that day. If you are a regular giver, give beyond the usual, and if you do not give on a regular basis, consider beginning on November 2. We want to demonstrate how God can use all our gifts in advancing His kingdom's work, and you can have a part in that. Pray now about your contribution on November 2. Trust God Sunday. Let's have a great celebration of faith and trust!

Thanksgiving Praise Services November 16

Praise and Congregational Testimonies services are coming Sunday, November 16 in both worship services. Be prepared to share briefly, specifically and to give all the



Tuesday, November 11

We are deeply grateful to each



Cook-off and Talent Show

Our 4th annual church-wide Chili and Cornbread Cook-off and Talent Show is Sunday, November 9 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the FLIC. You can sign-up to bring chili, cornbread or be a part of the talent show. Sign-ups have started and you have four ways of signing up: 1 in Sunday School, 2 calling the Church Office, 3 emailing joannl@faithwf.com 4 scanning the QR code and register online. Please mark your calendars for this evening of fellowship, food, and fun! Sunday, November 2 is the deadline to sign up.



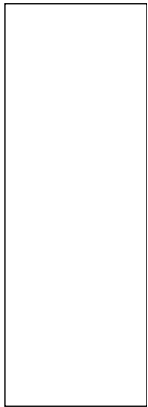
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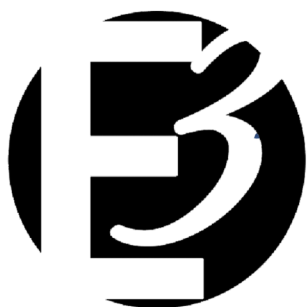


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FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH

Encounter God
MATTHEW 18:20
Experience God Together
MATTHEW 22:37-40
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