



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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A Life Song

by ElizaBeth Sparkman, ARNP

“For thus saith the Lord God, the Holy One of Israel; In returning and rest shall ye be saved; in quietness and confidence shall be your strength.”

Isaiah 30:15

My heart is quiet this morning. Often, this is not the case. I tend to allow my mind to scamper from thought to thought; rehearsing ideas, plans, conflict, joys. But clearly, He wants me to “return and rest.” I have many times spoken the words “in quietness and confidence” is my strength. Yet too often, I fail in this regard. This morning my heart sings:

*“Be still and know that He is God
Be still and know that He is Holy
Be still oh, restless soul of mine
Bow before the Prince of Peace
Let the noise and clamor cease”*

In this song, Steven Curtis Chapman challenges us to know:

He is God
He is Holy
He is unchanging
He is faithful
He is Father

Therefore we should choose to:

Bow before Him
Ignore distractions
Consider all He has done
Be in awe
Be amazed
Rest on Him

*“Listen to the rhythm of His
unfailing heart of love
Beating for His little ones, calling
each of us to come
Be still
Be speechless”*

Christmas Choir rehearsal schedule

Tuesday nights, 6:30-7:30

Oct 9
Oct 23
Nov. (every Tuesday)
Dec 4
Dec 11
Dec 15 (Sat)
Dec 16 -

Sunday morning
presentation



A message from Bro. Lee

by Rev. Lee Floyd,

FBC Intentional Interim Pastor

Hello Friends,

I want to express my thanks to our Constitution and Bylaws Committee for their hours of work in helping the church bring this important document up to date. These changes help FBC continue to move toward a bright and hopeful future.

Our next step is an examination of our current committee structure. All our committees will be meeting on Sept. 30th for a time of evaluation and feedback. How the church is led and conducts ministry is shaped by these groups. We want to make sure our leadership structure is one helping us to do effective ministry in the days to come. This time will help us make informed and thoughtful decisions toward that end.

The Intentional Interim process takes place in steps. We want to make sure the steps we take are careful and well thought. Your Transition Team is leading us in this fashion. Pray for this team. Ask God to continue to give us wisdom, courage and discernment. And get ready! The Transition Team will need your help each step of the way.

The future is bright for FBC! But it will take a prayerful and utter dependence upon God, each of us being intentional in prayer to ask God for the help and the courage needed, and a willing heart to serve as God calls us to do so.

I am thankful for you!!!

—Lee

2018 WEEK OF PRAYER FOR TEXAS MISSIONS & THE MARY HILL DAVIS OFFERING™



Our Church Goal \$2000.00

71 am TEXAS MISSIONS WMU of Texas
MARY HILL DAVIS OFFERING™

Our giving as of 9-26-18:
\$1,787.00

Thanks to all who have given to the Mary Hill Davis Offering for State Missions. Your offering will help with God's work around Texas.

5th Sunday reminders for Sept. 30

- We will celebrate the Lord's Supper during morning worship.
- After church we will share a potluck fellowship meal in Fellowship Hall. Please bring two dishes to share.
- Under Bro. Lee's guidance and the Transition Team's help, the committees will meet to evaluate their work and suggest changes. If you are on a committee, your presence is very important.



AWANA begins a new year

The first night of AWANA, Sept. 26, was cloudy and chilly, but a good number of excited children came to get started for a new year.

Some changes this year are a slightly shortened schedule (5:30-7:00) and a snack for all groups together instead of a meal at different times. After a short opening in the sanctuary, everyone goes to Fellowship Hall for the snack. Then at 6:00 the children begin 30 minutes in AWANA classes and 30 minutes in missions organizations.

If you know children ages 4-5 through 5th grade, please invite them. Also if you would like to volunteer in any way there is a place for you.

We have reserved the LIBA Block Party Trailer for Wednesday, Oct. 31, to use during a special Trunk or Treat event for the kids. More details will follow!

Trails of Brady Bible study begins

The Missions Committee is beginning an adult Bible study at Trails of Brady Apartments. The first meeting set for September 27 had to be rescheduled.

The plan is to meet weekly on Thursdays in the Community Room at the apartment complex, time TBA.

Linda Wall will be teaching this study, with others from the church assisting.

Please pray for this outreach to our neighbors.

Keith's Konnections

by Keith Simpson, Ministry Director, Lake Ivie Baptist Association

First, let me thank all of you who participated in our Pastor/Deacon/Wife training seminar that was held this past Saturday in Eden. I heard nothing but positive comments about the event; however, if it did not meet your expectations, please let me know. Thanks to Keith Lowry, BGCT, Herb Pedersen from Dallas Baptist University, Suzie Taylor and Donna Simpson for doing a bang-up job on the break-out sessions that were held for pastors, for deacons, for pastors' wives and deacons' wives. I hope these break outs were informative, useful and something that can be applied in each life as a pastor, a deacon or a wife. Thank you again to all who chose to give of their Saturday to receive some training.

The next big event that we have planned is our Annual Meeting to be held on October 28, 2019 at Glory Road Cowboy Church in Ballinger, located at 223 CR 293, just west of Ballinger. Take Hwy 158 (towards Bronte), go approximately 4 miles, turn left on FM 3026, go approximately 1 mile, cross over FM 2111, go about ½ mile and the church will be located on your left. You will see the arena, etc. We plan on having the business session beginning at 4 p.m., followed by our break-out sessions from 4:30-5:15 and from 5:15-6:00. Our break-outs will include an update on Heaven's Gate/Hell's Flames, a Church Leadership break-out, an Apologetics workshop and How to Be a Viable Church Member workshop. After the meal at 6:00, beginning around 6:45, we will have our worship service and Dr. Delvin Atchison, Director of the Great Commission with BGCT, will challenge all our churches to fulfill the great commandment and the great commission. He is a dynamic speaker that you do NOT want to miss. (PS. If you haven't sent in your Annual Church Profile, please do so ASAP, in order that we may input all the information and get our book of reports printed. If you need help filling it out, please call Keith at 325-456-0928). Please plan to be in attendance. We should be through by 8 p.m. that night.

Also, November 4-7, FBC, Santa Anna will be hosting an ASSOCIATIONAL presentation of the Heaven's Gates/Hell's Flames. This is NOT just for FBC, Santa Anna, but we want ALL of the northern part of our association to participate in this. We need approximately 40 people to pull this off. This is also an ecumenical presentation as our desire is to build up the Kingdom of God, regardless of "denomination." Please call David McLean, pastor at FBC, Santa Anna at 325-365-0286, Colette Tabor at 325-214-5411, or Keith at 325-456-0928. The following weekend of November 11-14, FBC, Brady will also be hosting the same presentation and we need ALL the southern half of the association to help us with this as well. Contact Ryan Buck 325-805-0123, FBC, Brady at 325-597-2956 or Keith. There are both speaking and non-speaking parts if you are interested and please load up a bus full and come to either of these presentations. We also need pastors and deacons to help counsel those who come forward each night. I will be calling for pastor/deacon volunteers. Please do not hesitate to call and get more info, make plans to attend, and help us put this very important evangelical presentation on.

A couple of more notes: The Heart of Texas Baptist Camp is hosting a Senior Adult Day Camp on October 9, with lunch, presentations, worship and a great group called the McNeills providing an afternoon concert. Call the camp at 325-784-5821. Also, the Concho Valley Baptist Association in conjunction with BGCT, will be presenting an (un)Apologetics Conference at FBC, San Angelo on October 20 from 9-3 with lunch available at a minimal cost. I have emailed information to all of our churches about this event. This is a great conference that I have attended the last two times it was offered and it is a great opportunity to learn how to defend the faith.

Remember: God is not through with the church just yet, so we need to be about God's business, both in the local church and also across the association. Keep up the good work and may God bless each person and each church as you fulfill your role as a Christian.

OCTOBER, 2018

October 1st – Brady Fellowship 8:30am-
El Flamingo
October 8th – Coleman Fellowship
Breakfast – 8:30am- Hildago's
October 9th – Senior Adult Day at Heart
of Texas Baptist Encampment-
8:30AM
October 15th – Ballinger Fellowship
Breakfast -8:30a.m. –Beefmaster's
October 20th – (un)Apologetics
Workshop- First Baptist Church- San
Angelo
OCTOBER 28th – "ANNUAL MEET-
ING" 4:00pm at Glory Road Cowboy
Church, Ballinger

Blessings upon all—*Keith*

NOVEMBER, 2018

November 4th-7th Heaven's Gate/Hell's
Flames at First Baptist Church, Santa Anna
– 7:00PM
November 11th-14th Heaven's Gate/ Hell's
Flames at First Baptist Church, Brady –
7:00PM

Please continue to pray for our pastorless churches:

El Cordero, Santa Anna
First Baptist Church, Brady
First Baptist Church, Paint Rock
First Baptist Church, Winters
Millersview Baptist Church
Tennyson Baptist Church

October 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 <i>LIBA Fellowship breakfast, El Flamingo, 8:30</i>	2 Erica Gerstenburger Austin Paradise	3 Wendy Clark	4	5	6
7 <i>Transition Team meeting, 3:00 Deacons meeting, 5:00</i>	8 <i>Triple S, noon</i>	9 Susan Turk <i>Grace Class Pie Party at Brady West, 3:00 Christmas Choir, 6:30 Senior Adult Day, HOT Baptist Camp</i>	10 Samuel Torres Walker Bauer	11	12 <i>Food Pantry food distribution 9:00-12:00</i>	13
14	15 Jack Turk Logan Harper	16	17 Nelda Martin	18 Loreta Hiller Kameron Roberts	19 Benjamin Galindo Caleb Galindo	20 Apologetics Workshop, FBC San Angelo, 9:00-3:00
21 Travis Gary Becky Weber <i>Business meeting, vote on revisions to Constitution and Bylaws; Town Hall meeting to consider changes in committee structure</i>	22 <i>Triple S, 5:30</i>	23 <i>Christmas Choir, 6:30</i>	24	25 Jamie Taylor Dana Walker	26 Judy Mitzel	27
28 Dillon Roberts <i>LIBA Annual Meeting, Glory Road Cowboy Church, Ballinger, 4:00-7:00</i>	29 Geneva Joslin Susan Lohn	30	31 Gary Mitzel <i>AWANA Block Party and Trunk or Treat</i>			

Food Ministry Report

September 2018

- Adults 107
- Children: 64
- Adults over 65: 25
- Families: 109



FEED THE HUNGRY

Food distribution day for this month is October 12 from 9:00-12:00. New volunteers are always needed and welcome!

Weekly Events

Sunday

- 9:45 Sunday School
- 10:50 Morning Worship
- 6:00 Prayer meeting

Monday

- 4:00 Ladies Bible study, this month at 1011 12th St., home of Linda Wall

Wednesday

- 7:00 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast
Presbyterian Church
- 5:30-7:00 AWANA & missions organizations

Thursday

- 9:45-12:00 Food Pantry: donated food brought from Walmart, sorted, and stored
- 2:00-3:30 Dorcas quilting ministry
- Time TBA Bible study, Trails of Brady

Deacons on call in October:

George Matula
792-0430, cell 792-8611
Jim Smith
597-0740, cell 456-4921

Broadcasts on KNEL 95.3 FM

Sunday morning: recorded sermon from previous week at 11:30 AM

Weekdays: Morning Devotional at 7:45

October devotionals will be done by Joyce Scott, Misty Urban, Pat Matula, Becky Martin, and Joyce Hollingsworth. Thank you!

New contact information

Mary Ballew:
The Arbor House #112
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Waco, TX 76711
254-300-5699

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Charles & Jerry Jordan
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325-240-8312

Heaven's Gates, Hell's Flames

Please continue in prayer and preparation for this production scheduled for November 11-13 at our church. Thanks to all who have volunteered to be a part of the planning, the set-up, the performance itself, and/or the follow-up. God has a place for each of us to help.

Pray without ceasing. . .

The Lord announced the word,
and great was the company of those who proclaimed it.
Psalm 68:11

- our church
- our nation's leaders
- our members in the nursing homes
- our homebound members
- the lost and un-churched in our community
- Brady children & youth
- Our Sunday School
- Our preschool
- The drama *Heaven's Gates, Hell's Flames*
- The Transition Team
- AWANA and missions organizations

Terry & Serena Alexander
Mary Ballew
Louise Baker
Wendy Barley

Oralia Barrera
John David Bishop
Sissy Blunck
Nova Jean Cauble
Andrea Clements
Doris Collins
Melinda Cook
Sherry Cox
Sue Crow
Fayrene Easley
Charlie and Maria Garcia
Tony, Janis, & Holly Groves
Roy Guthrie
Robin Hill
Curtis and Genna Jennings
Sheldon Johnson
Vernon Jones
Charles and Jerry Jordan
Mike Lowery
Roselie Mascarenes
Michelle McCartney
Betty McMillan

Noah Palacio
Cynthia Quinn
Maria Reyes and son
Maria Rios's mother
Adam Schoren
Mike and Tanzee Shedd
Edith Slaughter
Jim & Betty Smith
Rick Stone
Jackson Tijerina
Jane Tomlinson
Jack and Susan Turk
Michael Van Meter
Megan Wall
Mackie Jo Walters
Kenneth & Claudette Young

In military:
Jon Bradshaw
Howard Brown
Brandon Haymon

Talisha Hendley
David Hernandez
Jose Lopez
Moses Marmolejo
Concho Moore
Brandon Pfannenstiel
Jace Telford
Joseph Telford
Jonathan Torres (in Kuwait)
Wes Stark
Justin Williams
Ricky Williams, Jr.

We extend sympathy to the families of Mae Elliott, Evelyn Claire Spaulding, Kay Huffman Porter, Bill Soto, Jr., Merlyn Bucy, and Katie Morris.



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*Be knit together
by strong ties of love.
Colossians 2:2*

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Deryl Bishop, Organist

The chariots of
God are tens of
thousands and
thousands of
thousands.
Psalm 68:17

Godly Impressions Preschool

We are off to a great start at Godly Impressions Preschool and Child Care! We spent September getting into our routines, meeting new friends and reading lots of Dr. Seuss books. We heard the Old Testament Bible stories about the creation and Adam and Eve. We memorized the Bible verse "A friend loves at all times," Proverbs 17:17, so the children will have God's word written in their hearts forever.

In October we will be learning about Fall on the Farm. We will hear Bible stories about Noah, Joseph, Moses, and David, and we'll memorize the verse "With God all things are possible," Mark 10:27.

If you would like to be involved in Godly Impressions in any way — by substituting, by reading to our children, through monetary donations, or some other way — please let me know. And, of course, we covet your prayers as we pour into our future generations.

In His Service,
Holly Stewart, Director
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