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GIVE - by meeting real needs in our community
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GO - by taking the gospel message to Brady and beyond

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Bro. Jeff Quattlebaum called as pastor!

by George Matula, PSC Chair

What a wonderful weekend at FBC Brady on June 27th and 28th. Bro. Jeff Quattlebaum came in view of a call to become our pastor. His wife Misty and children Regan and Sam were with him along with his friend Richard. On Saturday we had an introductory meeting for them. Bro Jeff and Misty gave their testimony, told us about themselves, and answered questions from our members. Wow, I didn't know our members had so many questions in them. Afterwards we retired to the fellowship hall for light snacks and a time to visit. Thanks so much for the Search Committee members and spouses for putting this together.

Sunday morning we had great music from our praise team and Bro. Jeff preached an inspiring sermon on Jesus' hands. At the close of the service we entered into a business meeting to vote on acceptance of Bro. Jeff as our pastor. Voting was conducted by secret ballot and members unable to attend in person were able to watch the service on Facebook and cast their vote by phone. Bro. Jeff was approved by a vote of 96%. This weekend turned out better than I imagined or ever could have hoped for. Thanks so much to our church members, our team, and especially our God.

Bro. Lee will continue to minister to us until Bro. Jeff and his family can relocate. As a church we owe a great deal to Bro. Lee for leading us through the Intentional Interim Process and Search Process. Thanks, Bro. Lee. You shall forever be a part of FBC Brady!

Search Committee members: Pete Barrera, Jeanagayle Behrens, Tony Groves, George Matula, Farion Morton, Joyce Scott, and Betty Smith.

Ministries updates

Godly Impressions Preschool is closed for the summer. The board will meet on July 7 to discuss a possible reopening on August 3. —*from Holly Stewart*

The **Children's Team** is looking forward to working with our new pastor. We will be starting a new B.A.M. Program as our children go back to school. A sign up sheet will be provided next month for anyone who would like to help on Wednesday nights. We hope to plan a sign-up party for B.A.M in August. VBS is still under discussion. The recent spike in the coronavirus has us considering alternate venues and dates. Your thoughts and prayers are greatly appreciated. —*from Marsha Gainer*

From Karen Behrens and the Music Team—What a blessing June has been. It has been great to see people in church again. The praise team has enjoyed bringing music to everyone and we will continue to do so unless things change with the COVID-19. This past Sunday we had an amazing Sunday. Brother Jeff came and preached an awesome service and the music went right along with his service like it was a God thing. It is so amazing how God will put a song on my heart and it just fits perfectly with the service. July is approaching and as more praise team members come back to church we will be adding them back to our worship service. We hope everyone is enjoying our new worship songs. We will continue these songs so the congregation gets used to singing them.

3 John 1:2 Beloved, I pray that all may go well with you and that you may be in good health, as it goes well with your soul.

CONGRATULATIONS FBC on the calling of your next pastor. And CONGRATULATIONS to Jeff, Misty, Reagan, and Sam. What a great day!! *by Lee Floyd, Interim pastor*

The journey to this point has been a long one, at times a hard one, but most importantly a necessary and productive one. As a church, you have done the work needed to find healing, make necessary changes, and put yourself in a position to be used by God in the community of Brady, TX. You and your new pastor can turn a corner toward the hope God has for you individually and corporately as a body. Good days are ahead for FBC.

But remember, this is not the time to coast or to sit back and watch. You must continue to engage and be available for what God wants to do in and through you at FBC. Here are some things to think about:

Pray - We say this all the time and it is an obvious response for believers. But may I challenge you to intercede for your new pastor, his family, and your church daily. Pray for a moving of the Spirit in the church and in the community. Pray for the Quattlebaums and their transition to Brady (moving is not easy, leaving a community you are invested in will be difficult.) Pray God gives them strength and grace for this journey.

Be patient - (You have been so good at this.) The transition will take some time. It will take time for Jeff and the family to get their bearings for all the 'new' coming their way. Show them grace, give them your support, and offer encouragement regularly. Be patient with the 'new' coming your way. New leadership brings new ideas and thinking. This will be a time of adjustment and learning for everyone - be patient with each other.

Be available - COVID-19 continues to impact daily life in some fashion. I am afraid it will for a while longer. But as you are able, make yourself available. The family will need help getting settled and started in Brady. Take steps to anticipate what their needs may be and step out to meet them. Be creative. And remember, the work of taking the gospel to Brady, TX is done through the people of God. **THAT IS YOU!** Be ready to be part of that mission.

Welcome, Quattlebaums and FBC Brady to the next chapter in your journey!!

See you soon,
Lee

Missions is not dead. As we leave our church parking lot every Sunday we see the sign that reminds us "You are now entering the mission field." For each of us that can mean different things. During these trying times, missions still goes on.

Remember missionaries are still in foreign countries around the world, suffering with this covid virus. They are working at trying to feed the hungry, physically and spiritually.

For us here at FBC we continue to collect items for The Haven, give out food in our community on the 2nd Friday of the month, and raise money for Missions. We raised \$1,795.00 for the Annie Armstrong Mission Offering. Praise be to God for that.

I encourage each of us to find our mission and look for ways to serve our God. —*from Betty Smith*

Welcome, Bro. Jeff, Misty, Regan, and Sam Quattlebaum!

Bro. Jeff was born on June 6, 1981, in Athens, Texas. He and his wife Misty married in 2002. They are both graduates of Howard Payne University and have two children, Regan Elizabeth who is 15 and Samuel Ryan who is 11.

Bro. Jeff has a BS in History with a minor in Practical Ministry earned in 2004 at Howard Payne. In 2018 he earned a MA in Theology and Ministry also from Howard Payne. Bro Jeff was licensed to preach by FBC Athens on October 10, 1999, and ordained by Bois D' Arc Baptist Church on June 11, 2017.

He is currently the Associate Pastor at Bois D' Arc Baptist Church and has served in that position since December 2017. He has also been the Youth Pastor since September 2016. While he and his family attended First Baptist Athens, he served on the board of directors of the Treehouse Preschool from 2008 to 2013. He served as chairman of the board in 2012 and 2013. This preschool ministers to 200 children. While at FBC Athens he also served on the church leadership team 2012 - 2016 and on the budget committee 2015 – 2016.

Besides Bro. Jeff's church work and involvement, he has taught social studies at Cayuga High School from August 2006 to present. He has been highly involved in activities at the school and has been sponsor of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes for the last 3 years. He teaches a Bible study class in his classroom at lunch and according to the teacher next door, his room is full most days.

Misty Quattlebaum currently works for the Texas Department of Family Services as an Adult Protective Services case worker. Both she and Bro. Jeff sing in the praise team at their church. Both Regan and Samuel are into sports. Regan is sad that the virus cut short their softball season.



We welcome you with open arms and glad hearts! Welcome to Central Texas, to Brady, and to the First Baptist Church family. We have been praying for you for a long time. We pray that the Lord will guide you in each step of this transition and into new service in His kingdom.

A Tribute to Doris Collins

July 29, 2020

I send my condolences to FBC-Brady in the loss of one of their true faithful servants from the 1980's. In my research for the history of the church to celebrate their heritage in May of 2019, I found that Doris Collins was the Church Secretary in 1987. When the church celebrated 100 years of faithful ministries, they buried a time capsule listing many historic special moments in the church. Bro. Ray Ash was the pastor, Doris was the secretary, Claudette Young was the bookkeeper, Deryl Bishop was the organist, and Norma Ridout was the pianist.

I was blessed for 15 years to know and serve with Doris. I loved her like a relative. I admired her love for her family and for her wisdom in church decisions. She shared wonderful tales of the years past. For me, she was the epitome of FBC-Brady. After my husband died and went to heaven, I adopted a new "Motto:" I say, "Won't heaven be fun!" Now I've added another reason to say, "Won't heaven be fun!"

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- **Food Pantry numbers** from June: 61 adult boxes, 7 children's boxes; 60 adults 64 and under; 31 adults 65 and over; 12 children 18 and under
- **July Food Pantry** will be Friday morning, July 10, drive-through only.
- **July radio spots** will be done by Jason Behrens (29-3), Pat Matula (6-10), Judy Mitzel (13-17), Bobbie Williams (20-24), and Joyce Scott (27-31).
- **Deacons on call in July** are Bobby Williams (456-4735 or 597-7573) and Virgil Middleton (456-7284 or 597-2629).

July birthdays:

1—Misty Urban	6—Gage Behrens
9—Carole Ramsey	12—Pete Barrera, Linda Torres
13—Claudette Young, Amy Tetens	
14—Payton Brandenberger	15—Frieda Chew
22—Velma Hendley, Colton Lyon	
23—Janet Guthrie	28—Alexa Bean
30—Becky Bauer	

Prayer unlocked the past and will open the future at First Baptist Church Brady.



Remember to pray.

If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, even there Your hand will guide me, Your right hand will hold me fast.
Psalm 139:9-10

- Bro. Jeff Quattlebaum, Misty, Regan, and Sam
- All health care workers; local, state, and national leaders; school administrators, teachers, and staff; and missionaries
- All who have the Covid-19 virus
- our church staff and ministries
- our members in the nursing homes and our homebound members
- the lost and unchurched in our community
- Brady children & youth
- the Pastor Search Committee
- the Navajo Nation

Wyatt & Francisca Anderson
Mary Ballew
Holden Bedwell
Amelia Britteon
Melanie Couvillion
Sherry Cox
Glen Douglas
Fayrene Easley
Barbara Fields
Marsha Gainer
Charlie and Maria Garcia
Tony, Janis, & Holly Groves
Nita Groves
Roy Guthrie
Betty Henderson
Curtis and Genna Jennings
Jennifer Jordan
Jerry Jordan
Rex Joslin
Janie Lowery
Nelda Martin
Jennifer McAnally

Gary and Judy Mitzel
Ericka Moore
Louise Morrow
Brandolyn Paradise
Lois Patton
Norma Ridout
James & Anna Richards
Betty Sargent
Staci Seiler
Mike and Tanzee Shedd
Edith Slaughter
Madison Slaughter
Kathy Stanley
Staci Seiler
Jack and Susan Turk
Misty Urban
Becky Weber
Megan Wall
Mackie Jo Walters
Gene Walton
Kenneth & Claudette Young

In military:
Jon Bradshaw
Brandon Haymon
David Hernandez
Jose Lopez
Moses Marmolejo
Jennifer McAnally
Concho Moore
Brandon Pfannenstiel
Jace Telford
Joseph Telford
Jonathan Torres
Wes Stark
Justin Williams
Ricky Williams, Jr.

We extend sympathy to the family of Doris Collins and to the families of all those lost in the Covid-19 pandemic.

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My sheep listen to My voice; I know them, and they follow Me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of My hand.
John 10-27-28

Birth Announcement
Jameson Robert Torres
Born May 20, 2020 in Fort Worth
7 lbs. 18 inches
Parents: Gregory and Shelly Torres
Grandparents: Raymond and Linda Torres
Anniversaries
Kenneth and Mary Ann Wilton celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on May 23. They were married in Houston in 1970.
Travis and Pat Gary celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on June 4. They were married in Brady in 1960.
Congratulations to all!

The **Nominating Committee** will do some preliminary work this month on nominations for service on committees and teams in 2020-2021. Please be thinking and praying about where you would like to serve. The current Nominating Committee is Becky Martin (Chair), Bobby Williams, Jerry Caraway, Jason Behrens, Oralia Barrera, Farion Morton, Janis Groves, and Pat Matula.

Note from Becky: New members in May were Jonathan Stebnicki and Jennifer Adams. I mistakenly had Jonathan's name wrong in the print edition of the June newsletter. Sorry! Welcome, Jonathan and Jennifer!