

## A Message From Brother Chad

Dear Church Family,

This year's VBS was absolutely fantastic. Of course, we always have a great Bible School here at FBCCO, but this year we had the largest VBS since 2018! The number of kids here was tremendous. The Breaker Rock Beach theme was excellent. The teachers had a great message for the kids each night of Bible School. We tied and broke records for enrollment and attendance. So many people worked so hard to make our Bible School a success. Thanks to everyone who helped! Wheels are turning and plans are being made already for next year. I can't wait!

We are headed to youth camp this week at Highland Lakes Encampment for Dwell Camp. This is a camp that is sponsored by iGo Missions. We are looking forward to the week. We are taking around 35 people to youth camp. Pray that the Lord will work and move among our students and adults. We look forward to bringing you a good report. We appreciate all the fundraising support that has made it possible for us to go. I haven't gone to a youth camp in over 10 years, but I think this will be fun and special because Sawyer will be there and it will be great to experience youth camp with him. I also really love this particular group of young people that are active in our youth group. They are as spiritually mature a group as I have ever worked with. They love Jesus and they love one another. I have watched them mature in Christ over the years. I'm always amazed by their prayers, their sincerity, and their willingness to serve others and to study and learn.

In addition to camp, we have several activities planned for our youth (grades 7-12) and our pre-teen and children over the summer. Usually, our activities are sort of exclusive to the young people, but this summer I am going to have several events for the whole family.

We have a youth minister candidate coming in view of a call on June 23, next week. Jaden Brisco and his wife, Mackenzie, will be here the week leading up to the vote on Sunday. He will be preaching and sharing his testimony in the service on Sunday. He will spend time at the Refuge, with the youth on Wednesday. We will have a more low-key gathering for youth and parents (and soon to be youth and parents) on Friday night. Then we will have a reception on Saturday evening at 6 pm for the whole church to get to know the candidate and his wife. I hope we don't wear them out! Jaden is currently a bi-vocational minister and a seminary student at Southwestern Seminary. He leads worship at FBC Shamrock and works with the youth. Mackenzie is involved in the children's ministry. Jaden has worked for the past year at the Sheriff's department as a jailer and dispatcher. Prior to surrendering to ministry and starting seminary, Jaden was the band director in Shamrock. Mackenzie is also a professional educator, currently teaching at Shamrock High School. However, since they are expecting a child in August, she is hoping to stay home with the baby. Be in prayer for our church and Jaden and Mackenzie as we discern God's will.

You will notice in coming weeks and months that we will begin to focus our attention as a church toward the future. We have voted to take on a big, bold task to construct a wonderful education facility. But along with that task, we need a big, bold vision for making disciples and obeying the great commission. We want the vision for the building and the vision for the future to go hand in hand. It's time.

Thanks to your generosity, workers have been over at the parsonage constructing a room for little Ivy by putting up a wall in the living room. She has been sleeping in the living room for two years while we have served as her foster family. Since we didn't know what would happen for the longest time, we didn't know whether to try to make a room for her in the house or not. However, when adoption became the plan, the property committee decided to make her a bedroom! She is excited about having a little place of her own, and, though it isn't complete, she knows that space will soon be her room.

Ivy's adoption hearing will be at 8:30am on June 21 in the District Courtroom of the Young County Courthouse. We would love to have the courtroom filled with all the people who have loved Ivy so much for her whole life. The hearing will not last very long, but it would mean so much to us if you could be there to see her officially become Ivy Joy Edgington. We want to share that moment with our church.

I wish you knew how much I love you! It is an honor to pastor this church. See you soon.

Brother Chad



55 Alive Group's  
Branson Tip

**September 9 - 13, 2024**

If you are interested in going to Branson this fall, here is your chance. All the arrangements are made for you. For more information you can call Ronnie

Cowart at 940-564-6233.



**Youth Minister Candidate**

Jaden and Mackenzie Brisco will be coming next week in view of a call.

Jaden will spend time at the Refuge on Wednesday, June 19, with the youth.

Friday night, June 21, there will be a gathering for the youth (and soon to be youth) and their parents. The time will be announced later.

Saturday evening, June 22, we will have a reception for all the church at 6pm to meet Jaden and Mackenzie.

Sunday morning, Jaden will be preaching. Following the service we will have our bi-monthly business meeting where we will vote on calling Jaden.



Thank you to all the VBS volunteers for everything you did to help and serve this year at VBS. You are greatly appreciated for your devotion to the children of our community.

**RIVER BEND NATURE CENTER**

A trip is planned for kids who just completed the 3rd - 6th grades. Thursday, June 20, leave the church parking lot at 9am. Bring \$15 for admission and pizza.



- June 12 Harper Creel  
Rowdy Lawrence  
Audrey Rogers
- June 13 Katie Grubbs  
Crystal Simmons  
West Stephens  
Wyatt Stephens
- June 15 Deb Sandlin
- June 16 Kraig McMillan  
James Myers
- June 17 Linda Smith
- June 18 Tegan Scrogum
- June 19 Nita Hearne
- June 20 Grayson Jeter
- June 21 Josh Manninger  
Ed Wood
- June 22 Mykayla Casey  
Cooper Lane  
Ron Rogers
- June 23 Nolan Pulliam  
Justin Simmons
- June 24 Cindy Goldsmith
- June 25 Bill Little

**DEACON OF THE WEEK**

Feel free to call the deacon of the week if you need something.

- June 9 - 15  
Gunter Rodriguez 903-875-9555
- June 16 - 22  
Lonnie Wales 940-564-6033
- June 23 - 29  
Dan Vanarsdall 940-873-3040



FBCO,

I am beyond thankful for the Bible and all of the love and support that you've shown me since I came to this church in the 2nd grade. I will forever love this church for its strong foundation in the gospel and the role it plays in the community.

Beyond grateful,  
Allie Barrington

Dear First Baptist Church,

Thank you so much for the gift. I am truly touched by your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely,  
Lexi Paul

Sunday, June 23

Church Business Meeting @ Noon  
Grace Care Service @ 3:30 pm

Sunday, June 23

Preteen Camp Meeting @ 5pm  
Fellowship Hall

Note: The next newsletter will be mailed out on June 25, 2024.

**Weekly Reports**

Sunday, June 2, 2024  
Bible Study: 173  
Morning Worship: 267

Budget Weekly Needs	\$11,793.00
Budget Receipts	\$19,662.15
Designated Receipts	
Preteen Camp	140.00
Youth Camp	400.00
Love Offering	500.00
VBS Shirts	321.00
Radio Ministry	200.00
Keron Love Off.	200.00
SBTC	50.00
Onward Ever Dental	2,000.00
Food Pantry	100.00
Building Fund	300.00
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$23,873.15</b>

Budget Needs to Date: \$259,446.00  
Budget Receipts to Date: \$303,073.46

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Sunday, June 9, 2024  
Bible Study: 140  
Morning Worship: 185

Budget Receipts	\$7,448.37
Designated Receipts	
Preteen Camp	156.00
Annie Armstrong	25.00
Food Pantry	350.00
VBS T-Shirts	37.00
Youth Camp	100.00
Youth Fund	100.00
Shoebboxes	100.00
Gospel Meals	100.00
MPCH	100.00
Onward Ever	200.00
Building Fund	850.00
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$9,566.37</b>

Budget Needs to Date: \$271,239.00  
Budget Receipts to Date: \$310,521.83



**Ushers & Greeters**

**June 16** - Bob McQuerry, ch., Larry Perry, Don Mathews, Freddie Hammond, Mark Horany, David Sandlin, Reed Mankins, Kyle Turner

**June 23**—Brad Simmons, ch., Brian Hampton, Randy Behrens, Casey Pulliam, Trampas Patton, Kade Betts, Michael Blevins

**Nursery Volunteers**

**Extended Session June 16**

Babies—Mari Behrens & Chayla Powers  
Toddlers—Gena & Allie Barrington  
3's—Mindi & Laney Kimbro

**Extended Session on June 23**

Babies—Ron & Melody Rogers  
Toddlers—Molly & Russell Milmo  
3's—Tammy Montgomery & Obelea Rue

**Children's Church**

No Children's Church until September

**Sunday Morning Scripture**

**June 16**— Verma Fobbs

**June 23**— Rodney Nantz

**Sunday Youtube Mix**

**June 16**- Melissa Edgington

**June 23**—Jodee Wales

**Food Pantry Sackers**

**June 15 or 16** - Gunter Rodriguez, Brad Simmons, Rodney & Jan Simmons, Steve Stephens

**June 22 or 23** - Nedra Belew, Barbara Calvin, Bobby Wolfe, Debbie Key, Todd & Randa Betts

**Food Pantry Distribution**

**June 17**- Shannon Moses & Kids, Keith & Natalie Hill

**June 24**- Laura Dillard, Steve Stephens, Gabe Simmons

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"To Grow in our relationship with Jesus, to Serve Him together and to Share His unconditional love with others." -Mission Statement

**June 12, 2024**



## Youth Camp

June 13 - 17

Pray for our 30 youth and 5 sponsors as they go to the "Dwell" Camp at Highland Lakes Camp in Spicewood.