

Ushers & Greeters

September 8 -Dan Vararsdall, ch. Joe Esquivel,
Jeff Harmon, D'Heaven Moses, Eric Loggins,
BJ Kimbro, Bill Little

September 15—Lonnie Wales, ch., Bill McDaniel,
Gabe Simmons, Darrell Woolley, Gunter Rodriguez,
Kenley Lane, Rick Cox

Nursery Volunteers

Extended Session September 8

Babies—Kent & Syndal McClatchy
Toddlers—Gunter, Shannon & Natalie Rodriguez
3's— Meghan & Hayden Austin

Extended Session on September 15

Babies— Leigh Stephens & Tracy Wales
Toddlers— Ariel & Eric Loggins
3's—Terra, Shelby & Charleigh Krajca

Children's Church

September 8 - Calli & Gabe Simmons

Sunday Morning Scripture

September 8—Chuck Calvin

September 15—Lana McQuerry

Sunday Youtube Mix

September 8-Chris Krajca

September 15—Jodee Wales

Food Pantry Sackers

September 7 or 8 Produce Truck - Barbara
Calvin, Debbie Key, Bobby & Kimberly Wolfe,
Todd & Randa Betts

September 14 or 15 Gena Barrington,
Todd & Randa Betts, Oscar & Sandra Garcia

Food Pantry Distribution

September 9 Produce Truck- Doug McCutcheon
Terri & Jessica Hayter

September 16- Shannon Moses & kids,
Keith & Natalie Hill

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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

September 4, 2024



TeamKid begins September 4
6:00 - 7:00 pm for kids
K-6th grades

Deacon Election **Sunday, Sept. 8**

We will be electing 6 men to fill the vacancies. Five men to serve three year terms and one man to serve a one year term. Be in prayer for the men you will vote for. A list of adult members will be available in the foyer or pick one up early in the office.



Grief Share will begin on
Wednesday, Sept. 4 @ 6 p.m.
This is a 13 week program for anyone who has lost a loved one. Leigh Ann Stephens will be leading the group.
Meet in Jan Tyler's SS Class.

40 Days of Prayer and Fasting
We will begin our Capital Building Campaign with 40 days of Prayer and Fasting. A sign up board is at the church. Choose a day to fast & pray. Call the church if you are not able to sign up in person.

DEACON OF THE WEEK

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

September 1 - 7

Gunter Rodriguez 903-875-9555

September 8 - 14

Reed Mankins 940-235-2522

September 15 - 21

Doug McCutcheon 940-257-7390

Sunday, September 8 Agenda

Deacons' Meeting @ 8am
in Fellowship Hall

Lord's Supper @ 10:45 am

Deacon Election following the service.

Grace Care Worship 3:30 pm
Everyone is welcome to join us.

Mary Hill Davis
Week of Prayer
for State Missions
Sept. 8 - 15

Mission Offering Goal: \$3,000

Texoma Gives - September 5

The Refuge will be serving breakfast burritos starting at 6am and lunch starting at 11am. Please pray about supporting your area nonprofits!!



- September 5 Brad Green
Schelby Ming
Nicholas Pulliam
- September 6 Aden Milmo
- September 7 Aaron Grubbs
Clint Pulliam
- September 8 Sheree Schrader
- September 9 Rylan Keeter
Kent McClatchy
Michael Nash
Brenda Rogers
- September 10 LaVerne Wood
Lane Searcey
- September 11 BJ Kimbro
Kelley Hughes
- September 12 Jaden Brisco
Natalie Rounsaville
- September 13 Pam Holt
- September 16 RJ Behrens
- September 17 Diayalsi Flores
Rue Rogers
Charlotte Vaughn
- September 18 Jill Turner
- September 19 Roger Ricketts
Bobby Wolfe



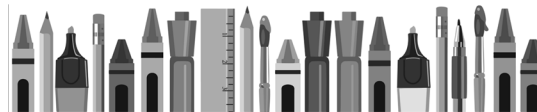
Wednesday, Sept. 25
7:00 a.m.

Saw You At the Pole
in Graham - TBA



It's a Girl

Congratulations to McKenzey & Jaden Brisco at the birth of a daughter, Nellie Lorelai. Nellie was born on Thursday, August 22 at 12:20 p.m. in Hamilton Hospital. Nellie weighed seven pounds and fourteen ounces and was twenty-one inches long.



Operation Christmas Child

Now is the time to help purchase Back-to-School items for the shoeboxes. We need: crayons, markers, pencil bags, small note-pads, small calculators, small water bottles, small games and coloring books. A tub is in the sanctuary foyer for your items.



Senior Adult Trip

55 & Alive Branson Trip

The group will be leaving on September 9 and returning on September 13.

Weekly Reports

Sunday, August 25, 2024
Bible Study: 170
Morning Worship: 255

Budget Weekly Needs	\$11,793.00
Budget Receipts	\$10,973.87
Designated Receipts	
Samaritan's Purse	2,000.00
SBTC	290.00
Building Fund	750.00
Total Receipts	\$14,013.87

Budget Needs to Date: \$400,962.00
Budget Receipts to Date: \$453,458.12

Sunday, September 1, 2024
Bible Study: 148
Morning Worship: 241

Budget Receipts	\$12,853.37
Designated Receipts	
Building Fund	450.00
Food Pantry	100.00
Total Receipts	\$13,403.37

Budget Needs to Date: \$412,755.00
Budget Receipts to Date: \$466,311.49

New Member Class

Sunday, Sept. 15

2- 3:30 p.m. in the Parlor

The class is for anyone interested in joining FBCO.

Note: The next newsletter will be mailed out on September 18, 2024.

A Message from Chad

Dear Church Family,

I hope you enjoyed a great Labor Day holiday. I enjoyed laboring in the front yard in the on and off again rain. As the temperature cooled and the raindrops fell on my head, I felt thankful for the relief from the heat, not only for myself, but for the grass. Psalm 65 tells us that God cares for the land and enriches it and ordains that water falls on it. If He cares for the grass that much, imagine how much he cares for us. As I worked in the yard, I really reflected on the service we had Sunday.

As hard as it is for us to imagine, the God of the entire universe is concerned with our church family at First Baptist Church. I think that was evident in our service on Sunday. I was certainly crestfallen when I walked in from Sunday School and saw how dismal the attendance was. I knew that several were travelling and that there was some sickness, but it took a few minutes for it to register with me that it was the Labor Day weekend. It's funny how something like low attendance in the service can really be a disappointing distraction for me right before we worship together and I stand to preach. I'm entirely grateful for the people that are there, but my mind always wonders where people are, especially when it looks like whole sections of the room are empty. Then I start to wonder if I've upset people, or if they are tired of me, or I'm even qualified to be a pastor. I mean, we had just come from an incredible Sunday School class, and in about 5 minutes I was down in the dumps.

But God was good and the service was such a blessing. Kristy Nantz shared an amazing, heartfelt testimony. Then we started singing, and the congregational singing sounded very loud and even energetic. I was so encouraged. Judy Hammond came and gave another incredible testimony about God's faithfulness. As she spoke, I heard Judy say something like "The people who are supposed to be here are here." And when she said that, I thought to myself, "You know God can fill this room up or He can empty it out, you just be faithful to do what he has called you to do, and let Him deal with the rest."

What a refreshing and life-giving privilege God has given to trust him with everything! Let us be that kind of people!

In our last business meeting the church has voted to establish an exploratory study committee to research biblical church leadership. Specifically, whether or not the Bible teaches that a New Testament teaches the concept of shared leadership at the pastoral level. This committee will study this issue and issue a report and possibly recommendations to the congregation. If you would like work on this committee, please contact the church office to be put on a list so you can be notified of the first meeting.

For our giving campaign kick-off, we have created a sign-up board for our 40 days of prayer and fasting that will begin on September 16. Please pick a day and sign-up. Multiple people may sign-up for the same day, but the goal is for at least one person to fast and pray each of the 40 days of prayer. We are seeking his will as a church as we consider our new building and our giving campaign.

This coming week we will celebrate the Lord's Supper as a church family. Please make an effort to be there. It isn't the same when you aren't there. We will be officially launching our capital campaign on the 15th with 40 days of prayer which will culminate in everyone having an opportunity to make a 3-year giving pledge, if you are led by the Lord to do so. As part of the campaign we will pray & fast, hold special classes on stewardship, and hold a 24-hour prayer vigil. We are embarking on some exciting times as we will be able to see the Lord work in amazing ways as he gets ahold of our hearts and develops us into a people of prayer, sacrifice, and commitment. Let's go!

I look forward to seeing you on Sunday!

Brother Chad

A Message from Jaden

My new baby is a little wiggler. That's what we have already taken to calling her, "The Wiggler".

Whenever she's not sleeping, all she does is "wiggle" "wiggle" "wiggle". When I hold her, she shimmies in my arms as if she could perform a gold medal dismount upon escape. She squirms, I hold on. She twists, I hold on. She contorts, and I still hold on. No matter what this little baby does, I'm going to keep her from falling.

Similarly, we are safe and secure in the grasp of our heavenly father. No matter how unfaithful we are, no matter how restless we are in the omnipotent cradle of his arms, he is still holding on to us and promises to not let us fall. Our life is secure, not because of our ability to hold on to Him, but because of His unwavering strength and love for us. Just as my daughter can trust that I'm not going to drop her, we can find peace in knowing that God will never let us go. Let your head tilt back, stop all that wiggling, unscrunch that face, and put the full weight of your faith in him.

Forever in his grip,

Jaden Brisco

Upcoming Youth Events;

September 15th- Concert in Graham. Meet at the church at 5:00. Leaving at 5:20. Eat Before.

September 22nd- Sunday Night Youth starts. 6:00-8:00pm. Still need volunteers. Talk to Jaden if interested

September 25th- Saw you at the Pole rally in Graham. More details to come...

**Youth & Adults
10th Avenue North
Concert in Graham
Sunday, September 15th
Meet at the church 5:00 pm**

**Sunday Night Youth Group
6th - 12th grades
Sunday nights beginning
Sept. 22 from 6-8pm
Jaden still needs some volunteers.**