

Sunday, July 3, 2022

Church Family,


Today, I announce my resignation as minister of music at First Baptist Church, New Boston, Texas, effective July 24, 2022. Yesterday marked our tenth anniversary at FBC, and over the course of that time, we have grown to love so many people here, and we have enjoyed the opportunity to make music in so many ways to the glory and honor of our Lord and Savior.

This past Christmas, God began to make it clear to me in very tangible ways that He was getting ready to move us to another place of service in music. And though I was not sure specifically where that would be at that time, he has led us to Central Baptist Church in Magnolia, Arkansas.

This process did not happen without a lot of praying and a certain amount of agonizing over the right thing to do, but we now feel a peace about the Lord's leading us from New Boston and to Magnolia.

Thank you so much for your love and support of all that we have done since coming here. Even though we are not that far away, it will never be the same as being with and worshiping with the congregation of First Baptist Church, New Boston. Michele, Carter, and I cherish your continued love, prayers, and friendship.

Harold C. Smith

 **LORD'S SUPPER**—We will observe The Lord's Supper Sunday, August 7th. Will be using the prepackaged cups. For those watching online, they will be available the week prior on the hall table at the North entrance.

On the Sundays that we take the Lord's Supper we will be receiving a Benevolence offering to help meet the needs of our community as those needs arise. This offering will be over and above your normal giving to the budget for our church. Please mark your envelope "Benevolence Offering".



**In person voting:** August 7, 2022  
**Morning Worship Service**



**Absentee voting:** August 1-4, 2022  
**In the Church Office**

This will be the official Deacon Selection ballot **unless corrections/deletions/additions** are called in to the Church Office by **noon on July 20, 2022**. If you are on this list, and do not want to be considered, or if you feel your name was left off this list in error, please notify the church office by July 20th. Deacon Selection Sunday is **August 7, 2022**. Official ballots will be available prior to the Morning Worship Service. If you are unable to be here and would like to vote, please come by the Church Office the week of July 25-28, 2022 to fill out your ballot. Prayerfully consider those men you feel led to nominate to serve as Deacons for 2022-23.

**2022-2023 "Sample Ballot"**

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|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| Brian Bobbitt               | Josh Meadows         |
| Kelley Branson              | Charles Miller       |
| Roy Dale Bray               | Gary Miller          |
| Rob Carr                    | Jim Monk             |
| Bart Craytor                | Robert Morris        |
| David Daniel (Brookshire's) | James Norrell        |
| David H. Daniel             | James Odle           |
| Lynn Davis                  | David Phelps         |
| James Decker                | Dennis Raney         |
| Ben Dial                    | Tommy Richey         |
| Joe Dike                    | Elmer (Bill) Shirley |
| Jay Green                   | Bill Stephens        |
| Greg Harmon                 | Gary VanDeaver       |
| Larry Knight                | Stacey Walker        |
| Neil Koenig                 | Bill Wardlaw         |
| Jackie Laney                | Deric Weaver         |
| Eric Lum                    | Dale Whittington     |
| E Gene Marshall             | Paul Wiggins         |
| Billy McAnally              | Johnny Youngblood    |




**DEACON SELECTION SUNDAY**  
Sunday, August 7th will be Deacon Selection Sunday.

**QUALIFICATIONS FOR DEACONS**  
The Bible Specifies the qualifications for Deacons in **1 Timothy 3:8-13**. The Jerusalem congregation was responsible for selecting men to serve in the key position of a Deacon. The same is true today.  
"8 Deacons likewise must be dignified, not double-tongued, not addicted to much wine, not greedy for dishonest gain. 9 They must hold the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience. 10 And let them also be tested first, then let them serve as deacons if they prove themselves blameless. 11 Their wives likewise must be dignified, not slanderers, but sober minded, faithful in all things. 12 Let deacons each be the husband of one wife, managing their children and their own households well. 13 For those who serve well as deacons gain a good standing for themselves and also great confidence in the faith that is in Christ Jesus."

A man must meet these minimum requirements to be included on this list for election as a Deacon.

- Active resident member of the church prior to March 1, 2022
- 18 years of age or older on March 1, 2022
- Enrolled in a Sunday School Class
- Attended Sunday School within the year prior to March 1, 2022
- Given financial support to the church within the year prior to March 1, 2022

 **PIONEER DAYS GOSPEL CONCERT**  
Thursday, August 18th at 7:00 pm in the FBC sanctuary. Everyone come out and enjoy some great gospel music.

## Deacon Ministry

### Deacons Meeting

Will be announced in the bulletins.

### XYZ

The July meeting for XYZ will be held on July 13th and August 17th at 11:00.



August 7th @ 9:45 am

We will have our annual Sunday School Promotion the first Sunday in August to get all our students and preschoolers into their proper classes. Any adults wanting to change classes can do so that Sunday.



The next business meeting will be Sunday, July 31st @ 6:00 pm. Financial packets and agendas will available prior to the meeting.

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES BEGAN on July 6th.

6:30 Mission Friends, K-BAM, Youth Worship, Adult Prayer and Bible Study Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Reception Dinner for Harold Smith and family Sunday, July 24 at 6:00pm

Ballot vote for Minister of Music Search Committee Monday-Thurs., July 25-28 & Sunday, July 31

Business Meeting Sunday, July 31 at 6:00pm

Ballot vote for Deacons for 2022-23 Monday-Thurs., August 1-4 & Sunday, August 7—

Promotion Sunday & Lord's Supper Sunday, August 7



Operation Christmas Child is in full swing. We have a number of volunteers sewing dresses and shorts, had making bracelets and hacky sacks. Some are gathering up Hot Wheels, small rubber balls, small dolls, and small stuffed animals. We are collecting socks, toothbrushes, brushes, combs, washcloths and cups. We are also collecting school supplies.

We cannot thank everyone enough for the support we received in our chicken spaghetti grab n go and the hamburger grab n go. We will be having a baked potato bar lunch in August and a chili lunch in October. These meals will help pay the shipping for the shoeboxes. Dates and cost for these upcoming meals will be posted in the weekly bulletin.

If you would like to donate items, there are boxes located around the church. There is always a need for material for dresses.

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### Swimming Party, Sunday, August 7th

King's Kids will be going to Holiday Springs Water Park after church. More information closer to August 7th.

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