



October is here! A time for autumn leaves and cooler temperatures. I heard geese honking as I was getting in my car this morning.

Things are busy as always. Events are happening and our members are involved in all things FBC.

The Youth traveled to Pleasant Grove to participate in the annual Fields of Faith event on the 1st.

King’s Table will meet this month, as will WOW, Women on Mission and XYZ. And don’t forget about Trunk or Treat!

Wednesday night meals are in full swing with something different served every week.

Looking ahead to the end of the year, it will just get busier as we approach the holiday season.

The last day (Oct. 31st) for our Mary Hill Davis offering for Texas missions is fast approaching. The goal is \$5,000.00. The salt shaker is filling up and we hope to see it spilling over. Have you made a donation yet? Many thanks to Melissa Raney for the creative ideas she has for making our goal board interesting and fun!

Its hard to believe we are in the final quarter of 2025. It seems like it was January only yesterday. My mother told me a long time ago, the older you get the faster the years seem to go by. She was right. Most mother’s usually are. Lol.

Looking ahead November has a Weekend of Worship, our annual community Thanksgiving service, our annual Thanksgiving meal.

Then there’s the Christmas musical, the Lottie Moon offering and Christmas dinner. Time doesn’t seem to slow down when there’s so many things to do at FBC.

Hope to see you at some of these events, and especially on Sunday morning.

Paula

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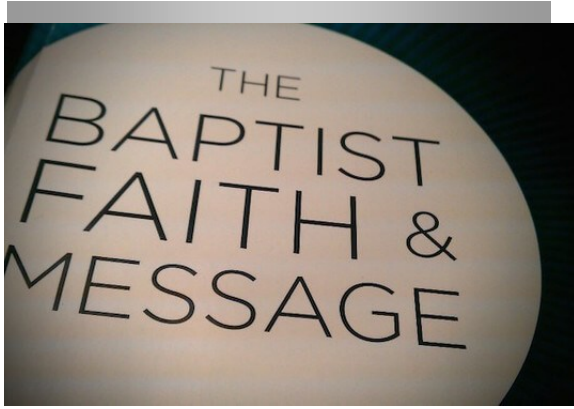
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Special points of interest

- Calendar of Events

Pastoral Ministries

Dr. Patrick Hunter



As we continue to cover our basic Baptist beliefs, we look at our understanding of God. This section has three parts, appropriate as God has three parts or expressions. We will take a couple of months to consider each part of this document. Our next section centers on the second person of the Trinity: the Holy Spirit.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday

9:25 am Worship Team Rehearsal

9:45 am Bible Study Groups

11:00 am Worship in the Morning

Tuesday

4:30 pm Bible Drill

6:00 pm Men's Bible Study

Wednesday

6:00 am Men's Bible Study

4:30 pm Children's Handbells

5:15 pm Fellowship Supper

5:45 pm Kids Worship Arts

Adult Handbells

6:15 pm Youth

6:30 pm KBAM

Mission Friends

Abundant Life

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

C. God the Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of God.

He inspired holy men of old to write the Scriptures. Through illumination He enables men to understand truth.

He exalts Christ. He convicts of sin, of righteousness and of judgment. He calls men to the Saviour, and affects regeneration. He cultivates Christian character, comforts believers, and bestows the spiritual gifts by which they serve God through His church. He seals the believer unto the day of final redemption. His presence in the Christian is the assurance of God to bring the believer into the fullness of the stature of Christ. He enlightens and empowers the believer and the church in worship, evangelism, and service.

Gen. 1:2; Judg. 14:6; Job 26:13; Psalms 51:11; 139:7; Isa. 61:1-3; Joel 2:28-32; Matt. 1:18; 3:16; 4:1; 12:28-32; 28:19; Mark 1:10,12; Luke 1:35; 4:1,18-19; 11:13; 12:12; 24:49; John 4:24; 14:16-17,26; 15:26; 16:7-14; Acts 1:8, 2:1-4, 38; 4:31; 5:3; 6:3; 7:55; 8:17,39; 10:44; 13:2; 15:28; 16:6; 19:1-6; Rom. 8:9-11,14-16,26-27; 1 Cor. 2:10-14; 3:16; 12:3-11; Gal. 4:6; Ephes. 1:13-14; 4:30; 5:18; 1 Thess. 5:19; 1 Tim. 3:16; 4:1; 2 Tim. 1:14; 3:16; Heb. 9:8,14; 2 Peter 1:21; 1 John 4:13; 5:6-7; Rev. 1:10; 22:17.

A complete copy of the full Baptist Faith & Message adopted by our church is available in the foyer. I encourage you to take time to read this as what we believe determines how we act. By knowing our essential beliefs we are more likely to live out a life pleasing to the Lord.

Youth Ministry

September was focused on back to school and back to routines in the youth department! We launched an 8-week Bible study on Wednesday nights called "Not My Jesus" by Shane Pruitt. The students are enjoying our normal worship time, followed by a short video, and boys and girls small groups to discuss the lesson for a change! Our main event of the month was Big Baptism Sunday, where 8 youth were baptized in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit to represent their salvation or rededication! We also helped build over 1,000 Operation Christmas Child boxes, and had See You at the Pole. We attended Fields of Faith at PG Hawk Stadium where an estimated 6,000+ students heard the Gospel, some for the first time. Other events this October are our annual pumpkin painting contest (October 15th), packing OCC boxes (October 22nd), and Trunk or Treat (October 29th). We are busy and blessed in FBC Youth, and thankful to the Lord for all He is doing. If you have questions or would like to get involved, please contact me. **Aaron Skinner, Student Minister**

Music Ministry

Fall is upon us!
October is a month full of
activities!

Our XYZ is busy on October
15th, stuffing boxes for OCC
ministries.....

October 20-23 is our XYZ
Branson trip.....

Children's Choir is in Full
Swing.....

Children's Handbells is in
Full Swing.....

Adult Choir is in Full
Swing.....

Adult Handbell Choir is in
Full Swing.....

Steadfast Youth Ensemble is
in Full Swing.....

God is blessing and moving
here at FBC this fall as we are
dedicated and committed to
serving Him! We have plenty

of room for you to join us this
fall and to see what blessings
God has in store for you!

"I will give thanks to the Lord
because of His righteousness;

I will sing the praises of the
name of the Lord Most High"!

Psalm 7:17

Blessings,

Chris



WOW ... 
our Second Chapter
Ministry for widows, others, and widowers

WOW Ministry

Mark that calendar - Monday,
October 13, as we gather at
12:00 p.m. in the Fellowship
Hall, to share a meal and en-
joy time with fellow brothers
and sisters in Christ.

As the new fall season unfolds, remember God's word ... "To every-
thing there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven."
Ecclesiastes 3:1.

Our ministry team (Bro. Patrick Hunter, Frank and Janet Buchanan,
David and Linda Daniel, and Craig and Julie Spears) welcomes you to
reach out if we can assist you in any way.



Abundant Life/King's Table

Join us for our Adult
Special Abilities Ministry.

Sunday School:

ABUNDANT LIFE

Sunday School Class

Fellowship, Bible Study,
Singing

The King's Table will
meet on the following
Tuesdays in August:

October 21

We meet in Fellowship
Hall from 1:00 pm - 3:00
pm.

We have devotionals,
Games, Crafts and
Fellowship.

Please call our church
office for more
information, or if you
know of a prospect for
either group.

Future Events

WEDNESDAY NIGHT
SUPPERS EVERY
WEDNESDAY

OCTOBER

FIELDS OF FAITH
TRUNK OR TREAT

NOV/DEC

CHRISTMAS
MUSICAL

CHRISTMAS DINNER

MISSIONS

MARY HILL DAVIS

\$5,000.00 goal

LOTTIE MOON

\$6,000.00

ANNIE ARMSTRONG

\$6,000.00

VBS

CENTRIKID CAMP

YOUTH CAMP

Operation Christmas Child

FBC New Boston Church Family has again supported our Shoebox Ministry in a big way! Our 4th Annual Chili Cook Off was successful with dessert auction funds, generous donations for an amount of over \$3,800.00. The Shoebox Ladies are grateful for your participation.

We just started our packing parties on Oct 7th with Kings Table (Abundant Life) packing the 5 to 9 Girls boxes of 150. October 8th, King's Kids packed 150 boxes of the 5 to 9 Boys.

Next week (October 15th) XYZ will be packing the 10 to 14 Boys & Girls for a total of 300 boxes, and the Youth will pack October 22nd 300 boxes for 2 to 4 Boys and Girls.

The ladies have put time all year in gathering items for the boxes, counting and recounting to make sure we have a good box of clothing, hygiene, school supplies and "wow" gifts.

November 18th we will deliver our boxes to our pickup center for our area at Crossway Baptist Church. Those will be loaded in 18 wheelers and sent to different processing centers. Dallas is our closest processing warehouse. We already have reservations to go December 8th to the warehouse to make sure boxes are customs ready to go to many countries

Just one box will impact at least 6 people who will learn about JESUS.

SHOEBOX LADIES



Recent New Members



Shannon Weaver



*Joseph & Allyson
Kanati*

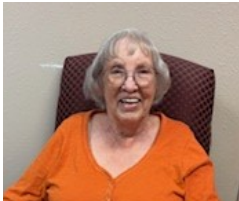


*Liza & Adranna
Woolfolk*



*Mason & Taylor
House*

Who will you invite to become part of God's family here at First Baptist?



Our Member in the Spotlight this month is Frances Forrester. She is a life long resident of Bowie County. She attended DeKalb high school.

She met her husband Charles through David and Lorita Ruff. They were married 52 years when he died in 2010.

Frances has 3 daughters, 9 grandchildren and 6 great-grand children.

She likes to quilt and crochet. She sometimes walks the halls here at FBC for exercise. Its always a pleasure to see her and visit for a moment when she's walking.

She has taught Sunday School for about 10 years and is involved in the Senior Adult activities.

Frances was baptized at Malta Baptist Church. However she says "I was restless with my faith and I had prayed for days. Then God answered me and said I wasn't His. I accepted Jesus as my Savior and was baptized again in March 1993. God has given me a new life."

She related she decided to begin reading the Bible through, just beginning in Genesis and finishing up in Revelation. She started doing this in 1993 and has continuously read the Bible from cover to cover for the next 32 years! That is surely a record! Can any of us beat it?

It was a joy and a privilege to interview her for this month's article in the Beacon.

Thank you Frances, for being our Member in the Spotlight.

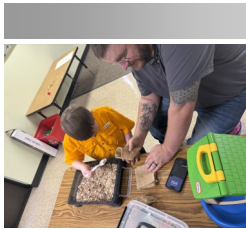
If anyone would like to be in the member spotlight, or would like to suggest/nominate someone, please let me know. Contact the church office or send me an email at

paula@fbcnewboston.com.

Until next time, Paula

Member Spotlight





Our Kingdom Builders class has been learning, growing, and thriving! We're so excited to share our group has been averaging four amazing kids on Sunday mornings! Over the past month, we've been exploring the story of Moses and how God helped the Israelites escape from Egypt. We learned about the ten plagues and celebrated when Pharaoh finally let God's people go! One of our favorite activities was building an obstacle course where the kids got to "escape Egypt" and cross the Red Sea—with a few Egyptians in playful pursuit!



We recently began learning about the Ten Commandments, and it's been such a joy to see our kids connect these lessons to their own lives. One of my favorite moments this month was during a game about putting God first. The kids drew cards with different actions and decided if each one showed worshiping God or worshiping an idol. Watching them light up as they made the connection—shouting, "We only worship God!" and dancing to the right basket—was such a beautiful reminder of how God is at work in their hearts.

Our kids are growing not just in number, but in their love for Jesus and understanding of His Word. We are so thankful for the continued love, prayers, and encouragement from our church family. Every smile, visit, and word of support helps us create a safe, fun, and inclusive space where all of God's children can learn, play, and grow in faith together.

Felicia Jones



**Next Lord's
Supper:**

October 19th

King's Kids Happenings-K-6th



We've had a fantastic start to our Wednesday Night Fall activities!

KBAM is thriving, with an average of 25-30 Kindergartners through 6th graders attending each week. We focus on a different character word each week, such as re-

sponsibility, respect, and kindness, and continue to work on our unit memory verse. Our Bible stories illustrate how biblical characters exemplified these character words and how our Kings Kids can apply these lessons to their own lives. We make learning engaging through games, videos, and various other activities. Feel free to visit us any Wednesday night!

Last month, we had the honor of hosting "**See You at The Pole**" at Crestview Elementary. We might even hold the record for serving 100 donuts the fastest! It was a privilege to be allowed into the school to start the day with prayer and teach students the importance of it. We are actively collaborating with the elementary principal to increase our presence on elementary campuses, as this is a vital mission field for us. Please pray that God blesses our efforts and that we see lives and homes transformed in our community. (See pic on page 4.)

Get ready for **Trunk or Treat** on Wednesday, October 29th! We are in great need of candy, candy, and MORE candy! You can drop off donations at the church anytime; just look for the wagons. We also need volunteers to host trunks. It's incredibly easy: simply back your car, truck, or SUV into a parking space, open your trunk, and you're ready! We provide all the candy. Your role is to hand out candy, share smiles, and show the love of Jesus to our community. Please reach out to us if you'd like to be a part of this fun night!



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