

Guest Registration Form

Welcome to First Baptist Church
Thank You for Coming!

Today's Date: _____

Which service are you attending?

_____ 10:45 am _____ 6 pm

PLEASE PRINT

Dr./Mr./Mrs./Miss/Ms. (circle one)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

E-mail _____

Names of children living at home with age & grade:

_____ age _____ grade _____

_____ age _____ grade _____

_____ age _____ grade _____

Tell us about yourself: (circle one)

Single Married Divorced Widowed

Is this your... __1st __2nd __3rd visit?

Did you attend Sunday Bible Study? Yes No

If yes, which class? _____

Please circle your age group:

Child/Youth Grade _____ College
18-25 26-34 35-39 40-50
51-64 65-70 71 and above

What brought you to our church?

Invited by friend Drove by Church/Church Sign

His Kids Christian Learning Center Newspaper

Yellow pages Web site

Other (please explain): _____

I would like information on:

___ Becoming a baptized disciple
___ Receiving Christ as my Savior
___ Joining First Baptist Church
___ Sunday Bible Study Classes

I would like a visit from:

___ My Life Stage Pastor ___ Bible Study Leader

Please pray for the following (confidential requests should be given directly to a staff member)

First Class

Why should I become a member of a church? Is FBC the right church for me? What can I expect and what is expected of me as a member? I'm already a member, but I would like to know how God has uniquely gifted me and how I can get more involved in using my gifts for Him. If you're a guest, long-time attendee, or current member with questions like these, **First Class** is the place to find answers. On Sunday mornings, from 9:30-10:30 am, we will spend four weeks discovering answers together, getting to know each other, and give you the opportunity to join in accomplishing our mission and share in our vision. New classes are forming now so sign up today by filling out this form and dropping it in the offering plate at the end of the service or by handing it to a greeter at the door. Take the "next step" in your spiritual journey in **First Class!**

___ Yes, I would like to attend First Class.

FBC Leadership Team

Dr. Michael Wilson, Interim Pastor

Howell Simmons, Associate Pastor, Minister of Music

D.J. Noah, Life Stage 1 Pastor

Tommy Galik, Life Stage 2 Pastor

Bob Jackson, Life Stage 3 Pastor

John Merrill, Interim Youth Pastor

Georganna Pruitt, Minister of Childhood Education

Tammy Bolling, Director of His Kids Christian Learning Center (817.594.1490)

Amanda Hazard, Church Fellowship Coordinator

Janice Gilbert, Church Cook

Church offices located at:
306 Palo Pinto St., Weatherford, TX 76086
Phone: 817.594.5457 ~ Fax: 817.594.1955
Office Hours: M - T 8:30 am - 5 pm
Friday 8:30 am - 3 pm

Vital Signs - February 21, 2010

Sunday Bible Study:	379	Stewardship	
Adults:	258	Given to Budget:	
Youth:	37	\$ 11,199.86	
Children:	48	Weekly Budget Needs:	
Preschool:	36	\$ 25,730.00	
		Budget Given to Date:	
Worship AM:	391	\$ 171,938.89	
10:45 am:	310	Budget Needs to Date:	
Praise Depot:	29	\$ 205,840.00	
Childcare:	18	Given to PTP	
LOL:	34	\$ 50.00	
PM Worship:	55+	PTP Given to date:	
Adults:	43	\$ 195,921.89	
Life Groups:	n/a	Given to ROC	
Children:	12	\$ 650.00	
		ROC Given to date:	
		\$ 64,522.30	
Worship for week of: 2/22/10:		Team Contacts	
Martin Crest (2/22):	17	Visits:	10
College Park Rehab (2/22):	25	Phone calls:	31
Stepping Stone Classes (2/24):	51	Cards/Letters:	40
Youth (2/24):	34	Total contacts:	81
Children (2/24):	54	Participants:	18
Preschool (2/24):	13		

February 28: J.B. Parten

February 29: Amy Wallace

March 1: Sanford Bernhardt,
Donald French, & Natalie Wirsing

March 2: Colton Kern & Karen King

March 3: Julia Hartz, Ronnie
Martin, Anna Mask, Sherry Parker, & Carol Rohwedder

March 4: Scott Pruitt & Kathy Smith

March 5: Heather Adams, Ron Anderson, West Blevins, &
Misty Marple

March 6: Hunter Gomez, Bob Long, Delayna Richards, &
Kathryn Riebe



The GAs are collecting audio tape cassettes for the Songhai People of West Africa. You can donate new, blank, audio cassette tapes or cash! Collection Bags are available in Sunday

School Rooms. **The deadline for donations is next Sunday, March 7, 2010.**

WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES @ FIRST

Sunday, February 28

Prayer Room Open - 8:30 am-9:30 am 203E

Library Open 9 am - 9:30 am

Sunday Bible Study - 9:30 am

1st Membership Class - 9:30 am 100

Library Open - 10:15-10:45 am

Worship Service - 10:45 am Sanctuary

Prayer Room Open - 10:45 am-Noon 203E

Children's Church:

- LOL (Grades 1-6) - 10:45 am - Noon

- Praise Depot (Preschool-K) - 10:45 am PS Suite

FBC Lunch Bunch - Noon @ Whistle Hill

FLO Meeting (For Ladies Only) - 4 pm 106E

Missions Committee Meeting - 4:30 pm 101E

Youth Committee Meeting - 4:30 pm Youth Room

Noah Life Group - 5:30 pm @ DJ & Lisa's house

(3410 Cliff View Loop - 817.629.6671)

Stark Life Group - 5:30 pm @ Chuck & Kellye's house

(2217 Clear Creek Ct; 817.596.5981)

Evening Worship/Church Conference - 6 pm

Monday, March 1

Volunteer Week at the Center of Hope: March 1-4

Senior Adult Fitness - 9 am FH

Weekly Staff Meeting - 9-11 am Office

His Kids Spanish Class - 9 am 101E

Martin Crest Bible Study - 2 pm

College Park Rehab Bible Study - 3 pm

Good News Club @ Curtis Elementary - 3:30 pm

Grief Class - 6 pm 206E

Tuesday, March 2

His Kids Chapel Time - 8:30-9 am Chapel

Good News Club @ Crockett Elementary - 3:30 pm

Jr. League Practice - 6:30-8:30 pm FLC

Wednesday, March 3

Senior Adult Fitness - 9 am FH

Glory (Senior Adult Choir) - 4:15 pm Parlor

Fellowship Meal (Stackups) - 5 pm FLC

Library Open - 5:30-6 pm

Prayer Room Open - 5:30 pm 203E

Kids Ignite (grades 1-6) - 5:45-7:30 pm

Stepping Stone Discipleship Training Classes - 6-7 pm

- Prayer Meeting / Chapel

- Foundations (11 Core Truths to Build Your Life On)

6-7:00 pm 205E

- Seeing is Believing (Gospel of John) / 206E

Preschool Sparkle (ages 4-Kindergarten) - 6-7:30 pm PS Suite

Youth Downpour - 6-8 pm Youth Room

Sanctuary Choir/Band Rehearsal - 7 pm Choir Room

Men's Open Gym - 8:30 pm FLC

Thursday, March 4

His Kids Chapel Time - 8:30-9 am Chapel

Jr. League Practice - 6:30-8:30 pm FLC

Friday, March 5

Senior Adult Fitness - 9 am FH

Saturday, March 6

Men's Prayer Time - 7 am 203E

Jr. League Games - 8 am - 1 pm FLC

Breakfast/Lunch Served to Jr. League Teams - 8 am-1 pm FH

Monthly Church Conference - Tonight @ 6 pm

Agenda items include:

- A recommendation from the personnel and finance committees concerning a change in compensation for the interim pastor based upon additional workload and hours
- A recommendation from the personnel and finance committees to reallocate 2009 earned retirement compensation to salary for the life stage 2 pastor without impacting his total compensation package
- A recommendation from the Nominating Committee for the following individuals to serve on the Committee on Committees: J.B. Parten, Amber High, Cassandra Lauderdale, Mark Orr, and Walt Jorgensen

Please make plans to attend.



Love God, Love Each Other, Grow In Faith, Serve Others, Share The Truth

First Baptist Church

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Members and Guests: As a courtesy to everyone attending worship, please do not leave during the invitation. Also, don't forget to turn off your cell phones and pagers!

Message from Dr. Michael Wilson

Getting ready to come to the Lord's Table

Many people have a deep concern over the casual way modern Christians participate in the Lord's Table. Paul's warning to the Corinthians should cause us to be concerned:

Whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself. That is why many among you are weak and sick, and a number of you have fallen asleep (1 Cor. 11:27-30).

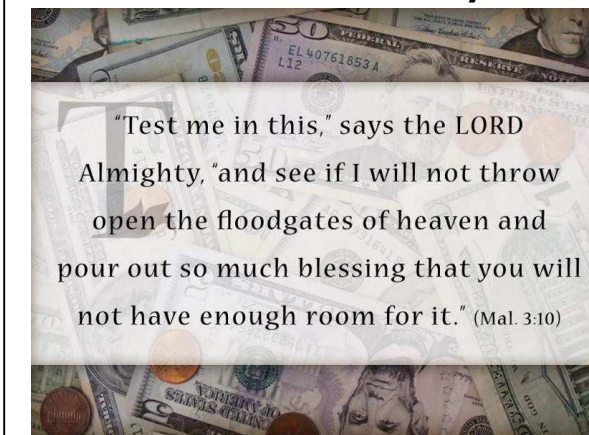
Have you ever gone to the Lord's Table to partake of the bread and juice and left the service unmoved and unchanged? I have! However, when I partake of the Supper in a casual way, I unintentionally say, "Lord, Your death on the cross wasn't that important." How grieved God must be when I care so little for the great sacrifice He paid for my salvation.

In 1897 famed author and pastor Andrew Murray of South Africa wrote a book for his congregation to help them observe the "Holy Supper" in a worthy manner. Members spent a week prior to the Supper in personal preparation using Murray's book, "The Lord's Table," as their devotional guide. The book provided prayers and meditations for the day of celebration. Then members spent the week following the celebration reflecting on the changes that should take place in their lives because of the sacrifice Christ had made for them.

Although I am not suggesting that we all read Murray's book, I am going to suggest some things from the book over the next two weeks to help us prepare our hearts for the celebration in our church on March 21st. I am convinced that if we will properly examine ourselves and participate in a worthy manner, the Lord's Table can be for us a time of renewing the New Covenant with our Lord. It will be a time to return to our first love. It will be a time for dealing with sin that has crept into our lives and relationships. It will be an invitation to reconcile any broken relationships in the Body of Christ. The result can be a clean and pure church that loves and faithfully obeys her Lord until the day comes when we sit down as a pure bride at the marriage supper of the Lamb. Such a clean church will be far more fruitful in obeying the final command of the Lord to expand His Kingdom by making disciples of the nations.

May you present your life as a worthy living sacrifice to Him. May He fill you with a new sense of wonder as His love for you.

Don't Forget: Next Sunday, March 7, is "Test The Tithe Day"



First Baptist Church welcomes Weatherford Fire Department Director, Chief George Teague, as our guest today as we honor him for being an outstanding Community Leader.



Worship Schedule: Sundays - 10:45 am & 6 pm Bible Study 9:30 am Wednesdays - 6:00 pm * Special events as scheduled

Prayer/Praise Reports

In the Hospital/Rehab

Carolyn Larson - BAS; recovering from lower leg amputation

Donny Merritt (Jim & Judy Watson's step grandson) - home on hospice

Alice Quiel - College Park Rehab

Sue Shields - Plaza Medical, CCU Rm 325; on dialysis, pacemaker surgery 2/24, pending surgery to remove gallbladder

Upcoming Surgery/Tests

Bill Moran (Susan Kern's father) - laparoscopic surgery to repair two hernias on 3/3 (lives in TN)

Martha Reeves (H.C. and Wanda Yeats daughter) tests

Prayer Concerns/Praise Reports

Billie Barker - recovering from thyroid surgery on 2/18

Carl Barker - placed on hospice care

Judy Buckland and Family - continued prayer

Tricia Epperhart (former church member and pianist for FBC) - diagnosed with breast cancer

Paul Everroad - recovering at home after hospital stay

Nona Garner (Pam Kirkland's mom) - recovering from fistula surgery on 2/18

Averie Gomez - recovering from dental surgery 2/25

Charles Hamilton - recovering from a broken shoulder / no surgery required

Janis Hudson - recovering at home

Linda McCasland - Vitamin B12 deficiency

Charles Morris - fell and has some broken vertebra

Evelyn Parker (Becky Johnston's sister) - PRAISE! Cancer is in remission

Mary Parker - broken foot

Boley Pearson - placed on hospice care

Helen Savage - recovering at home after knee replacement surgery and rehab

Mary Nell Taylor (Becky Johnston's sister) - diagnosed with kidney cancer and has pneumonia

Lana Tibbitts - diagnosed with cancer of the tongue; she will not be taking treatments

Jerry Warren - recovering from bladder removal

Jean Ann Wilkins (Tom's mother) - new cancer diagnosis

In Sympathy

Judy Moughon - loss of brother-in-law

Chemo: Charles George, Polly Ann McKaskle, Carla Odom, Joan Williams, Lynda Wood

Diagnosed with cancer: Gertrude Howard, Nita Miles, Eloise Newsome, Michelle Praytor

Nursing Home Residents: Newton Perkins, Lela Myre, Vola McGill, Gertrude Matte, Ima Dee Stevens, Dorothy Thomas, Virginia Beene, Ruth Cooksey, Charles Morris, Lorene Newberry, Mildred Woodrum, Charles & Beth Hamilton, Mary Jane Jackson

Our Homebound: Helen Beach, Louise Beadle, Helen Bellenger, Sadie Buschacher, Doris Dossey, Jane Elders, J.C. Hood, Marcy Huggins, Bertha Jones, Jim Kimsey, Reldon McClendon, Shirley McCoy, Robbie McFerrin, Imogene Pharo, Alice Quiel, Robert & Alma Stokes, Irene Warren

Our Military: Cleveland Aaron, Michael Bigelow, Kyle Bogan, Colt Bean, Mike Briggs, Michal Carter, Chuck Charlton, Robbie Edgmon, Dave Estes, Rick & Matthew Fay, Will Fowler, Randy Gilbert, Benjamin Gumpert, Joel Harney, Michelle Gill, Anthony Hwozdek, Matt Kuettel, Ethan Lawson, Terry Leek, Daniel McCraw, Ron Meredith, Joshua Moran, Gabriel Peoples, Andy Russell, George Santillan, Collin Stephens, Sterling Thibodeaux, Michael Watson, Brett Weeks, Shane Weeks, Ricky Warren, Paul Willingham, Justin Woodburn, Jason Yesuvida

PRESCHOOL/CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

*Georganna Pruitt - Minister of Childhood Education
georganna@fbcweatherford.org*

Want to help put God's Word in the hand of the Haitian people? FBC kids are supporting a team from Trinity Bible Church who will be traveling to Haiti just before spring break. You can help by donating inexpensive 4 X 6 plastic photo albums. These usually hold 36 pictures and can be found at Dollar Stores, Wal-Mart, etc. Copies of the French Bible will be inserted and then handed out on the trip. Our kids will be assembling the albums. What greater hope could there be for those affected by the tragedy of the recent earthquake? The more albums we prepare, the more Haitians who will receive God's Word. Donations needed by March 7th. Drop off in the South Foyer.

PRESCHOOL MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Sundays @ 9:30 am; Term:- August

Babies 0-12 Months	Teacher
12 - 18 Months	Teacher
18 - 24 Months	Teacher & Assistant
2 Year Olds	Teacher & Assistant
3 Year Olds	Teacher & Assistant
4 Year Olds	Substitute Assistant

Sundays @ 10:45 am, Praise Depot Preschool Worship

Teachers & Assistants to rotate once every 5 weeks.

Men Needed for Preschool Security Positions

9:00 am or 10:30 am- Once every 5 weeks

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Pre-Teen Camp	June 3 – 7
VBS	June 28 – July 2

YOUTH MINISTRY

*John Merrill - Interim Youth Pastor
john@fbcweatherford.org*

DISCIPLENOW 2010: LIVE LOVE

Be sure and plan now to be a part of DiscipleNow: Live Love! DNow will be a great weekend filled with fun, worship and Bible study as we learn what it means to truly live out our faith in Jesus Christ! The dates are April 16-18th and the cost is \$40 per student (Grades 7-12). If you have any questions, please see John!

Also, "host homes" are needed for that weekend to provide our students a place to sleep as well as study God's Word together. If you would be interested in offering your home as a place for students to grow in their relationship with Christ for this special weekend, please contact John for more details!

LIFE STAGE 1 MINISTRY

*DJ Noah - Life Stage 1 Pastor
dj@fbcweatherford.org*

MARRIAGE MENTORS PROGRAM COMING SOON!

The statistics are staggering. Marriages are doomed for divorce in one out of every two marriages, and of that 50% some are not thriving, they are just surviving. Churches that have marriage mentoring programs are able to help cut that statistic to more than 70% of marriages surviving divorce and almost half of those are thriving with biblically based support. Would you like to be involved in being a marriage mentor? Would you like to be mentored by another couple in your marriage? Marriage mentoring is couples discipleship. We are all called to disciple others. If you've been married for 3 years or 30 years you can be a marriage mentor. The same is true for some couples who have been married for 30 years, you can be mentored by a younger couple. It is called "reverse mentoring" and it is powerful. If you are interested in this ministry please contact Pastor DJ. Be a part of transforming marriages into what God intended for them to be.

LIFE STAGE 2 MINISTRY

*Tommy Galik - Life Stage 2 Pastor
tommy@fbcweatherford.org*

On Sunday, March 7th, all members of life stage 2 are invited to attend a meeting to discover new ministry possibilities and classes to disciple our life stage so that we are better prepared to serve God in our community and church. We want to seriously look at ministries that will reach those in our community who have not been reached and to look at ministries that will strengthen our own membership.

Last year we offered a divorce support group and a support group that dealt with grief. The grief support group was to have begun last Tuesday night but has been rescheduled for Tuesday, March 2.

Each Wednesday night, I am leading a study on the gospel of John in room 206E at 6 pm. Last Wednesday night we began looking at chapter 15. Our discussions have been insightful, meaningful, and encouraging. Please attend one of our sessions.

Ministry is a vital part of the church. During our devotional time last Monday morning, I shared with the staff the story of blind Bartimaeus as recorded in Mark 10:46 – 52. I shared with them the message that Jesus ministered to both his physical and spiritual needs. Both are very important for successful ministry to take place. He wanted to be healed. Jesus met him at his greatest point of need – to be healed or as some say to recover his sight that was lost in the past. He provided the ministry and the man walked away a believer in Jesus. We must always meet people where they are, not where you or I want them to be. One of my very wise and gifted life stage members asked me the other day "how did Jesus meet the Rich Young ruler where he was at?" The young ruler was legalistic and Jesus gave him the reality that legalism wouldn't get him to heaven. The Bible says Jesus looked at him and loved him then told him to sell all his goods and give to the poor. Jesus emphatically understood the cost to the young ruler. But the young ruler went away sad because he had rejected the supportive encouragement of Jesus to accept his treasure in heaven and follow Jesus. Jesus loved the man but didn't close the door on a future meeting again.

Ladies Ministry—Upcoming Events

Spring Fling "Doors of Our Lives"

March 23, 2010 @ 6:30 pm in the FLC
\$5.00 includes meal (Lasagna, Salad, Bread)

Sweet Life Café—Where Women Savor

Time with God

April 9-10, 2010
Riverbend Retreat Center @ Glen Rose, Texas
\$75.00 includes lodging, Supper, Breakfast, Lunch, transportation and Retreat materials
Registration Begins February 28, 2010

The honor of your presence is requested at the wedding ceremony of

Ms. Susan Dawn Williams

to

Mr. Conor Francis Hawley

On March 13th, two thousand ten

At five in the evening

Willow Lake Gardens

3400 Mineral Wells Highway, Weatherford, Texas

**dinner reception immediately following*

(Susan is the daughter of Armand and Diana Fisher)

Interim Audits

This past Sunday, February 21, 2010, our Church Council met and divided into eight work teams to consider the fifteen "Interim Audits." Each Sunday over the next several weeks, we will be focusing on one of the "Interim Audits." Please take a few moments to read the material related to each "audit" and respond in your own way to the questions raised by the audit. Each of you can participate in the Audit process by sending your response to the following e-mail address: audit@fbcweatherford.org

If you do not do e-mail, please send your responses to the church office at 306 Palo Pinto St, Weatherford, TX 76086.

The Direction Audit

What are we supposed to be doing? What is the Foundational Aim of the Church?

The direction audit assesses the church's mission and vision. The mission determines the ministry's direction. It answers the question, "What are we supposed to be doing?"

Answer the following questions about the church's mission and vision:

- Does our church have both a mission statement and a vision statement? If not, why not? If so, what are they?
- Are the stated mission and vision biblical?
- Are the mission and vision statements clear and memorable? How do we know?
- Does the church communicate well its mission and vision statements?
- How well is the ministry accomplishing its mission and vision?

In order to answer the above questions the following areas need to be examined:

Basic Identity

- Who are we?
- Do we have a ministry dream?
- Where are we as an organization?
- Are we on the planning incline or on the problem-solving decline of the organizational "health cycle."

Unique Contribution

- What is our unique contribution in our community?
- What is the special strength of our congregation?
- What is the distinctive nature of our ministry?

Primary Audience

- Who is our primary audience?
- Are our programs, finances, and energies focused primarily toward our church family or beyond our church?
- Does our ministry tend to select particular age, social, economic, or educational groups?
- Which new audience(s) will we try to reach?

Resource Use

- How do we use our basic resources: people, money, time, information, and physical facilities?
- Which resources do we value most? Least?

Strategic Game Plan

- How do we multiply our membership growth rate?
- How do we train our people for ministry?
- How will we influence our community?
- How will we expand our stewardship potential?
- How will we enrich our own fellowship?

The Direction Audit

You can use this space to answer the questions located to the left. They can be placed in the offering plate when passed or sent to the church office at:

306 Palo Pinto St., Weatherford, TX 76086