

| SYMPATHY

Lowder, on March 4.

Raton, FL.

Kay Lowder and Jay Lowder and family,

in the loss of husband and father, Jim

Kathy Drake. Matt Drake and families.

Bill Streich, Kyle Streich and family,

in the loss of brother and uncle in Boca

The family of Charlotte Johnston, who

The family of Pat McIntyre, who passed

Monthly Budget Review

**February** 

\$646.127

\$606.788

Difference \$-39.339

Virginia Knecht, on March 6.

passed away on March 11.

away on March 11.

Budget

Actual

in the loss of mother and grandmother,

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For more news and events check out our webpage at fbcwf.org/events.

# Ways to continue your giving to **First Baptist Church**

1. Online at: fbcwf.org/giving

**2.** Generosity Boxes

3. Mail in

4. Drop off at Church Office

### **Please note:**

Our Focus is printed in advance. For up to date information, check our social media and your Life Group connections.





Year-to-Date

\$8,162,470

\$7,626,233

\$-536.237

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Andrea Flores and family, in the loss of her husband, Henry Flores on March 14.

**DT** Campus

DT Mowery

3rd Grade

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DT Allen

DT Holley

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DECISIONS

**NEW MEMBERS** Jordyn Whittington Eric & Payton Cantu Cyndy Klein

SALVATIONS Phillip Stephan Jayden Sosa Phoemeah DeLara

### Golf Course. Check - in is at 7:30am and Tee Time is 8:00am. Entry fee is \$60 per person, which includes 1 golf ball, green fee, cart and lunch. Signup at any Event Center. For more information please contact, Mike Koen at 940-733-1133 or Ron Hardin at 940-781-0618.

TOURNAMENT

**FBC Golf Tournament** 

First Baptist Church Golf Tourna-

ment for church members and guests

on Thursday, May 9 at Champions

# **Zoo Sunday in Life Group**

Sunday, April 21 (Age 2-Grade 5) in your Life Group!

MAY 9

- Bring your favorite stuffed animal or picture of your pet!
- Zoo Themed Snacks & Prizes! Bring your friends!
- Check Campus times at: www.fbcwf.org

## Hype 5th Grade Event

HYPE (5th Graders only event) at the Downtown Campus! Sunday, April 14 12:15-2:15pm • Jelly Ball Blasters! Pizza - Sign up at: rb.gv/ht5hzr by Thursday, April 11!

# (m) gather • (e) connect • (e) develop • (e) serve • (m) reach

Downtown 1200 Ninth Street Wichita Falls, TX 76301

4317 Barnett Road Wichita Falls, TX 76310

West

2101 Puckett Road Wichita Falls, TX 76306





Church at Sheppard

April 1. 2024



# A MESSAGE FROM

# **Pastor Bob**

Each year our church votes on an annual budget. Our budget funds our missions, ministries, and the maintenance of our facilities. We support international missions and local ministries. We fund our age group ministries. We compensate our staff which not only includes pastors, but administrative staff, custodial, maintenance, and kitchen. We maintain large buildings on three campuses. All of that requires resources.

This year our budget is a challenging \$9.1 million dollars. This is only a 3% increase over last years budget. Nine million dollars is a very real faith step for our church. It will take all of us giving together. I want to ask you to continue your financial faithfulness to the cause of Christ through First Baptist Church. Our church is in the midst of an exciting opportunity to reach our city for Christ. We have some great plans, but doing so will require funding for new ministries. There is an urgency to get the gospel to this generation.

There is also a practical consideration. Our church is not immune to the pressures of inflation. Everything we purchase is more costly than last year and certainly before Covid. We are seeing great attendance on Sunday mornings, at Oneighty, at The Bridge and on Family Nights.

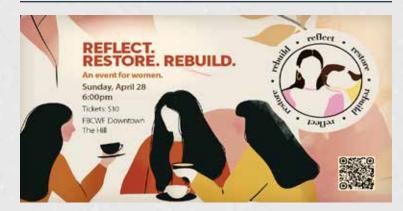
I am asking you to join me by committing to faithful, systematic, biblical giving to your church this year. Our committees and our pastors are deeply committed to being good stewards of the resources that God provides through you. Thank you for all you do for the cause of Christ through His church.

**Bob McCartney** Senior Pastor



## **Beast Feast**

Beast Feast is our yearly Men's event. This year it is scheduled for Sunday, April 14 at 5:00pm. Our guest speaker is Eddie Williams. He is the Lead Pastor of Doxa Church in the Seattle Area. He spent 5 years in the NFL, including time with the Seattle Seahawks and Cleveland Browns. The cost is \$10 per ticket and \$15 at the door. You can get your tickets at Event Centers, the Church Office or online at fbcwf.org/beastfeast. Online ticket sales will close on Sunday, April 14 at 1:00pm.



# **Reflect, Restore, Rebuild Event**

Attention all ladies! Make plans to join us for the Reflect, Restore, Rebuild Women's Event on Sunday, April 28 from 6:00 to 8:00pm at The Hill. Come enjoy an evening of good food, lively conversation, spiritual encouragement and testimonies. Cost is \$10 per person. Sign up for the event at: https://fbcwf.tpsdb.com/ OnlineReg/332. For questions, please email Jayme Wood at jayme@fbcwf.org.

# **Vacation Bible School**

Breaker Rock Beach VBS 2024 is Monday, June 24 thru Thursday, June 27 from 9:00am - Noon! For kids entering Kindergarten Fall 2024 through Grade 5 completed! Online registration begins Sunday, April 21. Sign up at fbcwf.org/vbs. Register and receive a FREE T-Shirt while supplies last! We also need volunteers! Contact Sarah Cates (Preschool), scates@fbcwf.org or Sherrie Carter (Grades 1-5), carter@fbcwf.org.

# National Day of Prayer

Lunch with the Pastor is for New and Prospective Jesus says in Matthew 18:20, "For where two or three Members to learn more about the Ministries of First are gathered together in My name, I am there among Baptist Church! Our next lunch is Sunday, April 21 at them." The National Day of Prayer is Thursday, May 2, 12:15pm in the Downtown Campus Fellowship Hall. 2024 at Noon in the Fellowship Hall. Join us as we focus Reservations are required. Sign-up at our Event Centers, on the theme for this year, 2 Samuel 22:29-31! "Lift up register at: www.fbcwf.org/LWP, contact Angela at 940the word - Light up the world." Free lunch provided on a 723-2764 ext. 2050 or email abills@fbcwf.org. Online first come, first serve basis. Email ravenius@fbcwf.org registrations end Thursday, April 18 at 5:00pm. for more information.

# **New Believers Class**

We have a New Believers Class just for boys and girls (Grades 1-5) who have recently asked Jesus to be their Savior or are asking questions about becoming a Christian. Children and parents are invited to attend this four-week class offered Sunday mornings beginning April 14, 9:30am/Downtown Campus. Please note: class space is limited! To register, contact Sherrie Carter at scarter@fbcwf.org.







## Lunch with the Pastor

# Legacy Kentucky Trip

Our Legacy Adult Trip to Kentucky for ages 60 & above will be September 23-27, 2024. Highlights of trip will include the Creation Museum and the Ark Encounter, plus more! Cost: \$1,999 per person. \$500.00 deposit to hold your reservation is due Sunday, April 21. Installments may be made in \$500 payments. Total trip balance is due is due by Sunday, July 14, 2024. For more information, please contact Angela at 940-723-2764 ext. 2050 or email abills@fbcwf.org.

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