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# The *Focus*

January Edition for First Baptist Church

In Home Date By: This Tuesday,  
January 2

## | SYMPATHY

The family of Yvonne Sampson, who passed away on November 19.

Blaire Miller and family, in the loss of his mother, Gail Lindsey, on November 21.

Ron Pappas and family, in the loss of his mother, Oleta Pappas on December 3.

Eddy Cannedy and family, in the loss of his sister, Harla Lindsey, on December 3.

The family of Lucky Clever, who passed away on December 6.

Kelley Noble and family, in the loss of her aunt, Lana Pierson.

## | DECISIONS

### NEW MEMBERS

Nathane Deeb

Lyndsie Avenius

Brannon & Robbin Avenius

Ryan & Miranda Sanders

Arthur Bernhardt

Caroline Sanders

Luke Sanders

Keaton Fleming

DT Bates

DT Jacobs

DT Snodgrass

2nd Grade

4th Grade

CAS MS/HS

## Happy New Year Donut Extravaganza

Join us on Sunday, January 7

(Age 2-Grade 5) in Life Group!

- A Donut to EAT, plus
- A Winter PRIZE to take home!

Campus times at: [www.fbcwf.org](http://www.fbcwf.org).

## Pajama Night at Awana

Awana returns on January 10! Wear your pajamas, slippers & robe. We'll have some yummy snacks, and when you get home, you'll already be ready for bed!

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*For more news and events check out  
our webpage at [fbcwf.org/events](http://fbcwf.org/events).*

## Ways to continue your giving to First Baptist Church

1. Online at: [fbcwf.org/giving](http://fbcwf.org/giving)
2. Generosity Boxes
3. Mail in
4. Drop off at Church Office

## Please note:

Effective Friday, January 5  
our church offices will now  
close at 1:00pm on Fridays.

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A SERMON SERIES by  
PASTOR BOB McARTNEY

## Student Life Kids Camp

Sign Up Now for Student Life KIDS CAMP for Grades 3-5. Join us June 4-7 in Mt. Lebanon Camp, Cedar Hill, TX. The cost is \$400/\$150 deposit (included in fee). Register by Sunday, January 21 to reserve your spot!

## Lottie Moon

When you give to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, your gifts go to enable gospel transformation. Please prayerfully consider what God would have you give this year!

## New Believers Class

We have a New Believers Class 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 January 14, 9:30 at the Downtown Campus. To register, contact Sherrie Carter at [scarter@fbcwf.org](mailto:scarter@fbcwf.org).



A MESSAGE FROM

**Pastor Bob**



[www.fbcwf.org/socialmedia](http://www.fbcwf.org/socialmedia)

Happy New Year!

Sometimes the speed at which time passes is breathtaking. The years seem to be clicking by much faster as I get a little older. But a new year brings new opportunities. It also is an opportunity for God to use us, His church, in amazing ways.

On Sunday, January 7, 2024 I will be preaching a vision message that I hope will set the tone for the rest of the year. Last year, I introduced Vision 2028. Vision 2028 is a five-year plan to tackle some strategic initiatives. I will be giving you an update on the progress we have made and how you can participate in the next phase.

One of the best weekends of the year is coming up for our Oneighty Student Ministry. Oneighty Weekend is February 23-25. You can register your Junior High or High School student now for this life changing event.

Oneighty Weekend is also a great weekend for adults to serve. We are in need of host homes and co-hosts who will help with transportation and food. This is one way that you can serve and see what God is doing in the lives of our students.

Bob McCartney  
Senior Pastor

## Oneighty Weekend

Oneighty Weekend is February 23-25 and is a D-Now style weekend where students stay in host homes and gather together for worship, biblical teaching and fun! During this event, we combine all campus' and resources to pull off an EPIC weekend! Cost is \$99 and you can register at [www.oneightystudents.com/weekend](http://www.oneightystudents.com/weekend).

## Lunch with the Pastor

Lunch with the Pastor is for new and prospective members to learn more about the ministries of First Baptist Church! Our next lunch will be on Sunday, February 4 at 12:15pm in the Downtown Campus Fellowship Hall. Reservations are required. Sign up at the Events Centers, our website at [www.fbcwf.org/LWP](http://www.fbcwf.org/LWP), call Angela at 940-723-2764 ext. 2050 or email [abills@fbcwf.org](mailto:abills@fbcwf.org).

## A Night of Worship & Prayer

Join us at 6:00pm on Sunday, January 7 for a time of worship through prayer, song and scripture led by our pastor Bob McCartney in our East Sanctuary! We will serve a FREE meal from Taco Casa at 5:00pm in the Fellowship Hall before our night of worship & prayer.

## Thank you Anne Harrison

Our church has been blessed these past eleven years with the leadership of Anne Harrison over our Women's Ministry. Beginning as a part time position, Anne's role quickly expanded. From weekly Bible studies, held at several locations and on several days a week, to special events which blessed not only the ladies of our church but women from throughout this area – Anne has demonstrated her love for God and for His people. It is the day to day experience, though, of women studying and living out God's word together that is her greatest passion. As she said, "The Women's Ministry pours into women who then pour into the church." Anne will be leaving her role with us to concentrate more time on her family. We wish her the very best!

## Family Night Is Back!

### Downtown Schedule

#### WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL

5:00 – 6:30 | Fellowship Hall

#### ADULT ACTIVITIES

6:30 | Men – Forged | Room 357  
6:30 | Women: Prioritizing His Kingdom  
Over Every Other | Room 358  
6:30 | Spiritual Warfare | Room 356  
6:30 | Sweeter Than Honey | Room 359  
6:30 | Revive | Chapel  
6:30 | Re/Engage (*married couples*) | Lory Hall  
\*6:15 | Divorce Care | Room 350  
\*6:15 | Grief Share | Room 354

#### Beginning January 17

6:30 | Merge (*engaged or seriously dating couples*) | Room 150

#### MUSIC ACTIVITIES

5:30 | Student Orchestra | Worship Center  
5:30 | Group Voice Class | Worship Choir Room  
6:30 | Worship Choir | Worship Choir Room  
6:30 | Worship Orchestra | Worship Center

#### CHILDREN ACTIVITIES

6:15 | Babies – Age 2 | Preschool Place  
6:15 | AWANA Ages 3 – Kindergarten | Preschool Place  
6:15 | Kids Praise & AWANA combined | Grades 1 – 5 | Kid Zone

#### ONEIGHTY ACTIVITIES

6:30 | Grades 6 – 8 | The Rock  
7:00 | Grades 9 – 12 | The Hill

#### Tuesdays

8:00 | The Bridge | College (*Begins January 23*) | The Hill



### West Schedule

#### WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL

5:15 | West Lobby



#### ADULT ACTIVITIES

6:15 | The Greatest Sermon | Worship Center  
6:15 | Financial Peace University | Room 124

#### CHILDREN ACTIVITIES

6:15 | Babies – Age 2 | Preschool Place  
6:15 | AWANA | Ages 3 – Grade 5 | AWANA Rooms

#### ONEIGHTY ACTIVITIES

6:15 | Grades 6 – 12 | Student Room

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### Church at Sheppard Schedule

#### WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL

5:15 | Sheppard Hall



#### ADULT ACTIVITIES

6:00 | The Holy Spirit with Pastor Bob | Worship Center

#### 2nd 6-weeks | Beginning February 28

6:00 | LIVE SENT | Worship Center

#### CHILDREN ACTIVITIES

6:00 | Babies – Age 2 | Preschool Place  
6:00 | AWANA | Ages 3 – Grade 5 | AWANA Rooms

#### ONEIGHTY ACTIVITIES

6:15 | Grades 6 – 12 | Sheppard Hall

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