



The HOCUS

September Edition for First Baptist Church

SYMPATHY

The family of Bill Smith, who passed away on May 2<mark>6.</mark>

The family of Richard 'Trooper' Taylor, who passed away on May 29.

Joy Bowling and Summer Bynum, in the loss of husband and father, Kenn Bowling, on July 28.

Jim Harrison and family, in the loss of his father, Nathan Harrison, on Aug. 11.

Ala Joy Davis, mother of Penni Lemmon, who passed away on August 13.

Lisa Williams and family, in the loss of her mother, Polly Ruff, who passed away on August 16.

SYMPATHY

Charles and Terri Doyle and family in the loss of their nephew, Ricky Crosby.

DECISIONS

NEW MEMBERS

Sean & Makayla Osborn West Trevor Patterson College **Cathy Young DT Cotton** Toby & Amanda Minniear DT Allen Sarah Scribner **DT Bunton** DT Lukert/Reneau Ricky & Cassandra Bonifas DT Ashcraft

DECISIONS

SALVATIONS

Ava Avitia \mathbf{DT} Roselyn Hurtado \mathbf{DT} Nick Lindsay \mathbf{DT} Benjamin Truitt \mathbf{DT} Rachel Williams Sheppard Riley Crabtree College Clara Litteken 2nd Grade Clay Ward 4th Grade

BAPTISMS

Scott Mayhew DT Riley/Miller

Financials at July 30, 2024

Over/(Under) Actual

YTD Budget YDT 2.429.114 -394.606 2.823.720

> While spending is within budget, our giving has not kept pace. Thank you for your support and we continue to pray for God's blessings.

Minute To Win It Sunday

Join us for Minute To Win It Sunday on Sunday, September 15!

- Games
- Snacks & Prizes
- Bring your friends!

Threes-Grade 5 in Life Group! For more information visit:





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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.**

a sermon series by **BOB MCCARTNEY** FOUNDATIONAL THE PILLARS ON WHICH WE STAND



A MESSAGE FROM

Pastor Bob

We have experienced a remarkable summer and beginning to our Fall semester. Our attendance in worship and LIFE group has been outstanding. Family Nights on Wednesday nights on all three campuses has record attendance as we launch into fall.

The Spirit of the Lord is moving in our student and college ministries. MSU Sunday is always special, but this year the response was an altar filled with college students praying and seeking the Lord. Our college ministry, The Bridge, has launched for the fall with great attendance.

There are so many amazing things happening that I hesitate, but feel it necessary, to give you the area where we are struggling. Your church continues to need your financial support. Summer is always a season in which we are a little behind, so this isn't alarming. However, this year we are little more behind than usual.

It takes financial resources to spread the gospel, do ministry, and maintain our facilities. None of us can do it alone, but by all of us pulling together we can see a multiplication effect. I am firmly convinced that God will provide, but I also know that He provides through His people.



Bob McCartney Senior Pastor



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 one is scheduled for <u>Sunday</u>, <u>September 15 at 12:15pm</u> in the Downtown Campus Fellowship Hall. Reservations are required. Sign up at the Events Centers, our website at www.fbcwf.org/LWP, please call Angela at 940-723-2764 ext. 2050 or email abills@fbcwf.org.



Re:Generation

We all experience brokenness in life. At Re:Generation, we believe that anyone can experience new life and freedom by working through steps of healing given to us by God through the Bible. All who are tired, broken or hurting are invited to come and recover in Jesus Christ. Join our authentic and judgement-free community at Re:Generation, new session begins Monday, September 9 at 6:15pm in the West Campus Lobby! For more information visit our website at www.fbcwf.org/regen.

New Believers Class

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 September 8, 9:45am/Sheppard, September 8, 11:00am/West and September 15, 9:30am/Downtown. Space is limited! To register, contact Sherrie Carter at scarter@fbcwf.org.



Baptism

Our next Baptism is scheduled for <u>Sunday</u>, <u>September 22</u>. If you would like to be baptized that day or would like more information on baptism, please visit our website at fbcwf.org/baptism.



Red, White & Blue Night at Awana

Join us for our Red, White & Blue night at Awana on September 11! Age 3 by September 1 through grade 5.
Wear red, white, & blue and enjoy an American snack!
Patriotic prize for everyone! For more information visit: www.facebook.com/KidZoneWF.



Texans On Mission Training

Friday Evening, OCT. 11 & Saturday, OCT. 12
For more info: 940-723-2764 or email:rpayne@fbcwf.org

Texans on Mission Training

Would you like to be prepared in the event of a disaster? Do you like to serve others? Join us for the Texans on Mission Training on Friday evening, October 11 and Saturday, October 12th! Texans on Mission will provide the training needed to help others in the event of a disaster. Some of you may even find that you will want to explore other opportunities with Texans on Mission. They literally serve all over Texas, the U.S. and sometimes even overseas. The registration fee is waived for the first 30 people who sign up for the training! Use the QR code listed above to register and enter the discount code TBM. Please email Rod Payne at rpayne@fbcwf.org or call 940-723-2764 ext. 2026 for more information.

