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VBS 2017 CONTINUE THE CONNECTION

Growing a garden takes planting and cultivation to yield a crop. Follow-up is the cultivation step that follows the planting done during VBS. The extra dose of "TLC" can greatly enhance the results of this great outreach effort.

You are invited to help us continue the connection!!

MAKE A CALL • WRITE A CARD • MAKE A HOME VISIT

This Sunday, July 23, 2017, 4:30PM • Room D101

THERE IS NO NEED TO RSVP.....JUST SHOW UP!!!



REGISTER NOW FOR SUPER SUMMER SINGERS 2017

July 31-August 4, 9:00am-3:00pm

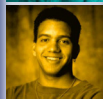
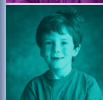
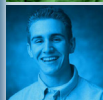
Cost is \$75.00 per student

Super Summer Singers is a summer music day camp. Children **MUST** have completed 1st grade through 6th grade. [Register online now at www.fbc-midland.org/ministries/worship/choral](http://www.fbc-midland.org/ministries/worship/choral). Come by the Music Ministry office to pick up or fill out a registration form! Call Abigail at 432.683.0618 for more info.

**Rehearsal* for SSS is Wed., July 26
from 5:45-7:00pm in D205**

***Rehearsal is not required to participate but is encouraged
to get familiar with the music.**

LOVE IS FIRST



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Dr. Darin Wood
Senior Pastor

This Sunday, July 23

8:25 a.m. & 11:05 a.m.

"Experience a Confident Ending!"

- 1 John 5:14-21

6:00 p.m.

Danny Campbell,
Portugal Mission Testimony

From the Pastor

Dear First Family,

Grace and Peace to you today! How good it is to be a family under the strength and honor of the Lord! God's goodness is displayed every time we gather as a body.

WELCOME JEREMY GENGLER AND FAMILY!

This Sunday, Jeremy Gengler, our new Minister of Students, will begin his journey with us! I know you will welcome them and make them feel as loved as you have me and my family.

RECEPTION FOR RABON BEWLEY AND DORIS McSPARRAN

While we prepare to welcome our new music pastor Aaron Hodges, we want to honor those to whom honor is due. Where would be as a church without Rabon and Doris? There are many others who have helped keep us on track Sunday to Sunday, these two have carried the load for us. We are deeply grateful for their work and will honor them on July 30. To be clear, neither is leaving or retiring, but both will find their roles adapting to the new music minister. Please plan to join us as we honor their work and service to FBC and to the Kingdom of Christ.

BIBLE READING PLAN UPDATE

How are you coming on your New Testament reading? You should be nearing the 2/3rds mark of your reading. I pray you've been as blessed as I have by this journey! I'd invite you to start now if you haven't been reading, here's a challenge - if you read three chapters a day from the Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke and John), you can read all 89 chapters in August! The key is to be engaged in reading the Bible! Put your time to work and fill your mind with the timeless Word of God!

Your pastor,

Dr Darin



FBC's Starting Point training course is now available on the FBC website at www.fbc-midland.org/starting-point

The Reach of an Open Christian Home



Keith Skaar
Missions Chair

No one is more of a product of the witness of a Christian Home than my family. Towards the end of WWII, my Dad (Irving Skaar) was a 15 year old G.I. from Brooklyn, NY, the 6th child born to Norwegian immigrants, and serving our country building barracks at a San Antonio Army Air Corps base (later renamed Lackland AFB). Each weekend, the families of Riverside Baptist Church in San Antonio would send their church bus to pick up any G.I.s who were able to obtain weekend leave. Whether my Dad was just an exceptional soldier, or his commanding officer just wanted him off the base, Dad was always the first on the bus seemingly earning leave every weekend. The Christian home he stayed in was with the Simpson Family - Berry Simpson's Grandparents' home. It was at Riverside Baptist Church in San Antonio, while staying in the home of the Simpsons, that my Dad made his public profession in Jesus Christ His Savior, followed by Baptism to join the fellowship of our Lord's Church at Riverside Baptist. The testimony to our Lord that my Dad witnessed, spending weekends in the home of the Simpson family, provided an example my Dad followed for his family. As a teenager living in Humble (NE Houston), we always had international students studying in Houston staying in our home every holiday. For almost all, the Skaar home was the first Christian home they had ever stayed in. As teenagers, our home was always open to our friends not only in high school, but we were encouraged to bring home any friend from college who didn't have a place to go for any break or holiday. Even after college, I'm surprised to find out how many of my friends stayed at the Skaar home while looking for jobs in Houston or waiting on their first paychecks to be able to afford to rent a place of their own. Today – and for the foreseeable future – our Lord has blessed Midland and the Permian Basin with the resources to be an economic cornerstone of the Petroleum Industry. The World is coming to Midland not only to work, but to learn and train in the advanced techniques necessary to commercially produce unconventional reserves. This boom has provided each of us opportunities to open our homes for those in need. One such need coming up is our local missions partner Rock the Desert.

Keith Skaar
2017 FBC Missions Chair

FBC Church Council minutes, reports, and other information are available on the website at www.fbc-midland.org/church-council or under the Resources tab on the home page.

SAVE THE DATE
AUG 6 • 11:05AM

Hollyn

will lead Worship during
FBC's Contemporary Service



CELEBRATION & APPRECIATION RECEPTION

for Doris McSparran & Rabon Bewley,
Associate Music Ministers



Next Sunday, July 30
3:00-5:00pm in the
FBC Welcome Center

Please join us as we thank
Doris McSparran and
Rabon Bewley for their
dedication and service to
our Music Ministry.

FBC 5TH SUNDAY SINGING
NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 30
IN THE WORSHIP CENTER

Come hear the FBC Student Ministry Summer Report

Don't miss this exciting evening of Worship!

TO GOD BE THE GLORY!



AUG 3-5, 2017

Visit us at the FBC tents!



Pray for FBC Direct Support Missionaries: the John Hatch in Alberta, Canada



I am John Hatch missionary/church planter on the Stoney Nakoda Indian Reserve at Morley, Alberta Canada. The Rez is 40 miles west of Calgary. There are about 5,000 people on the Reserve. I am still in the foundational stage of building relationships with people and learning the culture, however I am hoping to begin having public worship services soon.

In order to meet people and build relationships I volunteer at the Food Bank, day care, women's shelter and tutor 4th grade math at the elementary school. I'm also working with the Chief to build an Arts & Crafts workshop where people work on projects to be sold in our store to provide income for the people. Gas in Calgary is \$4/gallon (U.S.). Thank you for your support which helps me pay for gas to travel the 40 miles to the Rez every day.

Director of Food Services Position Available



NOW HIRING - Full Time Director of Food Services

This is a full-time position responsible for the food service activities of the church. The job skills required include a High School education, food service experience, advanced knowledge of food preparation, food service and food safety procedures, ability to plan and meet schedules, ability to plan, order and organize a kitchen, basic computer skills utilizing Microsoft Office Suite 7-10. Preferred skills would include experience with food service management as well as bilingual English and Spanish with reading and writing in English. This position requires regular interaction with the staff and the members of the church. For more information contact LaNell Dean 432.683.0615 or ldean@fbc-midland.org

Children's Ministry Assistant Position Available



NOW HIRING: Part-time Ministry Assistant. This position provides administrative support to our Children's Minister. Hours are Monday-Friday, 8:30AM-12:30 and 2 hours on Sunday. Applicants must have computer skills with Microsoft Word and Publisher. Computer knowledge of InDesign and Church Database desired, but not required. Position requires some secretarial duties and hands-on with Sunday morning preparation and Sunday morning functioning. For more information contact Sarah Arrambide at 432.683.0607 or sarrambide@fbc-midland.org



Letters that Lift

Dear FBC family,

Words cannot adequately describe the depth of gratitude we feel for you. We more clearly understand Paul's love for the Philippians when he said, "I thank my God each time I remember you," because of the ways you have supported us over the last 5 months. Your encouragement, prayers, cards, texts, calls, meals and financial donations have proven you to be people who live out their faith and devotion to Christ: doers of the Word, not merely hearers. You have made our joy complete by agreeing in prayer with us, loving us unconditionally, living in harmony, and intently focusing on the primacy of Christ's kingdom through it all. You have done nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but have humbly cared for our physical, emotional, and spiritual needs. We have vainly sought to express our thanks through thank you notes, but so often your gifts were anonymous or uncredited, so please accept this word of gratitude if we missed a personal expression of appreciation.

At his last appointment, Darin's oncologist expressed surprise that throughout the course of his treatment, he was able to keep all scheduled appointments and infusion dates. We immediately credited it to your prayers that kept Darin on track despite two visits to the hospital.

Thank you, church family for your demonstrative expressions of love. We will forever remember the grace you've shown us, and you have linked our hearts even more deeply to yours. We are ever more grateful to the Lord for bringing us - home - to FBC Midland.

In His love,

Darin, Julie and Josh Wood

Our Deepest Sympathies to...

Kay Merritt in the death of her mother,
Mrs. Dorothy Street.

PRESCHOOL NOW HIRING! JOIN OUR TEAM!

Two Preschool Coordinators (10 hr/wk each)



For more information call Shane Dockrey, 432.683.0627 or email sdockrey@fbc-midland.org

FBC Lost and Found

If you have lost any personal items at church over the past few months please stop by the FBC Welcome Center and check with our Lost & Found.

SENIOR ADULTS' GAME DAY

Thursday, August 3, 2-4:00pm

The AB's Solid Rock Café

Join us for fellowship, games and fun! Bring a snack to share and your favorite board or card game.



H.O.T. HONOR OUR TROOPS

FBC Senior Adults' Packing Day - August 15

Leaving the FBC Bus Barn at 12:30 p.m.

Returning to Midland by 3:30 p.m.

If you can't go with us but would like to contribute items for the care packages, please bring any of the following to Janna Boyd's office: *cheese/peanut butter crackers, Q-tips, vienna sausages, gum, baby wipes, chapstick, foot powder, shampoo, toothpaste, tooth brushes, razors, large-sized white cotton socks, trail mix, magazines (cars related, sports related, "People," "Guns & Ammo," etc.), hot chocolate*

Call Janna Boyd at 432-683-0653 for a reservation

DON'T MENTION AGE

D.M.A.

A SENIOR ADULT GROUP

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31, FH 2

Singing begins at 11:45 • \$6 Lunch begins at Noon

Reserve your space by Noon, Fri. August 25



**Lubbock Storyteller,
Annalon Gilbreath**

presenting

"Abigail, wife of David"

Call Janna Boyd at 432.683.0653 or Cindy Eoff (ceoff@fbc-midland.org) 432.683.0612 for more info.

Cookies/homemade goodies are needed for snack bags, which are delivered to MMH hospital rooms for family and friends of those hospitalized. Please put about 4 in each baggie and put the type of cookie and the date baked on the bag. They will be frozen until they are needed. Please deliver the cookies to Janna's office. Thanks! Janna Boyd & David Johnson



The FBC Library presents THE FAMILY FUN READING CHALLENGE



Dad and Mom, the FBC library will sponsor a summer reading program for the family. **Our Family Fun Reading Challenge will run through Sunday, August 13.** Stop by the FBC Library

for complete details and to sign up. The family whose name is drawn at the end of the challenge will receive a \$25 gift card to Mardel! Sign up today & join the fun!

It's Never too Late to Begin!



Our Pastor has challenged us to read the Bible through this year, and to help us accept that challenge the church is going to provide a paperback "The One Year Bible" NIV at a cost of \$5.00 each. You will be able

to see a sample at the Welcome Desk & purchase a Bible there (also during the week). Several years ago this Bible was offered to members & in one case an individual indicated, because of the challenge, they are in their 17th year in reading the Bible through.

SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:45AM

Adults

God Revealed
Psalm 19:1-14

Preschool

Paul & Barnabas Told About Jesus
(Babies - Kindergarten)
Acts 14

Children

Paul Became A Missionary
(1st - 6th grades)
Acts 13

Students

First Things First
(7th - 12th grades)
Haggai 1:2-13



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Come enjoy lunch with us in the Solid Rock Café, weekdays from 11:30am-1:30pm all year. Our staff is friendly & our menu is versatile. We look forward to serving you this summer & all through the school year!

MEN'S LUNCHEON

MONDAYS, 11:45AM-1:00PM • \$6 FOR LUNCH

July 24 - Judy Rouse, The Life Center

For more information on the Men's Luncheons, please contact Dave Percy at 432.528.4221 or see our web page: www.fbc-midland.org/men

WEDNESDAY FAMILY MEAL

Adult Meal \$6/ Hamburger \$4

Salad Bar \$3.50/ Family Plan \$23

Wednesday Family Meal service begins at 4:45pm in the Fellowship Hall. All meals include one dessert and beverage.

JULY 26

Entree: Barbecued Chicken, Pinto Beans, Cole Slaw, Tossed Green Salad, Mexican Corn Muffin

Dessert: Brownies w/ Cream Cheese Frosting

Sunday, July 16, 2017

Sunday School Attendance

♦ Main Campus	1065
♦ Mission Midland	93
♦ Media	6
TOTAL	1164

Week Day Bible Study

♦ CDC	Out for Summer
♦ CDO	Out for Summer
TOTAL BIBLE STUDIES	1164

Stewardship Report

July 16, 2017

Offering	This Week	Year to Date
First Baptist	\$ 116,573	\$ 6,713,372
Budget Requirement	\$ 134,500	\$ 6,412,336
Over/Under Budget	\$ -17,927	\$ 301,036
Hope 1:8	\$ 350	\$ 345,364

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Activities Ministry - 683.0647
Children's Ministry - 683.0609
Preschool Ministry - 683.0627
Child Development Center - 683.0638
Children's Day Out - 683.0632
Student Ministry - 683.0603
Family Ministry - 683.0612
Senior Adult Ministry - 683.0653
Media Ministry - 683.0616
Membership - 683.0616
Duplication Svcs - 683.0626
Library - 683.0625

Live and On-Demand
streaming of Sunday's
message is available at
www.fbc-midland.org

Sunday Morning Services at 8:25 a.m. & 11:05 a.m.

Childcare available for birth - 4 years

Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. (all ages)

Sunday Evening Service at 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Activities 6:00 p.m.

Service Televised weekly at 7:00 a.m. on KOSA (CBS), Channel 7
& 10:00 a.m. on MyTV, Channel 16 (or DirectTV Channel 40)
Televised services are on a one-week tape delay

Dress 'Em and Bless 'Em Annual Churchwide Mission Action Project



Each fall since 2002, the members of FBC Midland have provided new school clothes or uniforms for about 80 children in Midland Co. The names are provided by local agencies. The student needs at least one pair of pants and 2 shirts. Specific shopping information will be given. Please plan to spend at least \$60 on a younger child, and at least \$100 on an older student. Some children will have sizes for shoes and underwear, if you can add those to your gift. Shop as an individual, a family, go together with another family or as a Sunday School Department.

If you are unable to shop, but would like to help, designated funds may be given to this project, and will be used to purchase clothes for a student.

Student names and sizes will be available for pick up on tables in the Welcome Center and the Gallery on Sunday, August 6 & 13.

Please bring your package (large sack or box) to the FBC Welcome Center, with the name of your student clearly marked.

Packages are due in the Welcome Center by SUNDAY, AUGUST 20.

**Please remember to pray for this child
during the school year.**

B. H. Carroll
THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE

FALL (ALPHA) TERM 2017:

**Masters - 'The Gospel of Mark' taught by
Dr. Matt Baird. Starts Thurs. Aug. 3, 6pm-8:30pm**

**Diploma - 'How To Interpret The Bible' taught by
Dr. John Copeland. Starts Tues., Aug. 8,
6pm-8:30pm.**

All classes are taught in Room E-102.

Registration is open now! • www.bhcarroll.edu

FREE TUITION - For many applied and registered Diploma students for academic year 2017-2018, which starts August 3, tuition is Free. You must be a pastor or staff member in Midland or Ector Counties, or be a member of a local Hispanic church, or be a member of FBC Midland, or have approval of Dr. Copeland. Students will still need to pay for fees and books. This applies to diploma students only. Master's students fitting the same criteria will receive 1/2 of their tuition reimbursed. Initial application paperwork must be submitted by July 9. Registration opens July 3.

FULLY ACCREDITED!! - BH Carroll has received full accreditation from the Association of Theological Schools, regarded as the highest accreditation for a seminary. More information is available on our Facebook page or our website.

Application and Registration is online at bhcarroll.edu Auditors are welcome. All members of Hispanic churches in West Texas will have their auditor fee paid, as will members of FBC Midland.

For additional information, please contact Dr. John Copeland at copelandjiii@yahoo.com or 432.269.0151