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This Sunday, August 6

8:25 a.m. & 11:05 a.m. "Fear: My Constant Shadow" - Exodus 3-4

6:00 p.m. "Star Quest: The Search for Stolen Scriptures" Super Summer Singers' Musical Presentation

Dr. Darin Wood Senior Pastor

From the Pastor

Dear First Family,

Grace and Peace today! As I write you, it's raining! I love the sound of hearing the rain fall and the smell it leaves in the air! It seems especially appropriate to thank God for the rain in August! I didn't know it could rain in the desert in August! God's blessings are poured out on us when we least expect it. I took time this morning to thank the Lord for his kindness and grace toward us. Let me invite you to do the same.

WELCOME THE HODGES FAMILY

Our new Minister of Music Aaron Hodges arrived this week. He and his family will be with us Sunday morning to begin our journey together. I know you'll make them feel as welcome here as you've made me and my family feel. Pray for them with the transition to West Texas. Join us at 8:25 Sunday as we welcome Aaron, Malia and their children!

ROCK THE DESERT WEEKEND

As you've likely heard, the annual Christian concert Rock the Desert is this weekend, beginning on Thursday and continuing until Saturday. I want to ask you to pray for the work of that ministry. We're partnering with the event with two tents at the event itself. Several FBC members have also opened their homes to youth groups from outside the Midland area, allowing them to stay in their homes for the weekend. We'll celebrate what God has done Sunday morning. Our 11:05 contemporary service will welcome recording artist Hollyn. Pray for the many First family volunteers who will serve at Rock the Desert.

SUPER SUMMER SINGERS

I would be remiss if I didn't remind you to join us Sunday evening for Super Summer Singers! As I write you, they're working hard, preparing for Sunday night.

BIBLE READING PLAN

We're down to the last month of our three months walk through the New Testament. I've been praying for us to finish well as we draw close to the end of the summer and our reading. If you've fallen behind, don't worry about it - just keep reading. If you haven't started, let me remind you - read 3 chapters a day and you'll read all the way through the New Testament in 90 days. Perhaps you'd rather listen to it. Youversion. com allows you that privilege. You can choose from several version to listen to. We've been listening to The Message. Generally speaking, our three chapters a take takes about 15-20 minutes. Make time for it - you'll be glad you did.

Blessings to you this week,

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ALL CHURCH WELCOME RECEPTION to celebrate our New Ministers

Next Sunday, August 13 3:00-5:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall





Please join us as we welcome Cory Brand, Family Minister, Jeremy Gengler, Student Pastor, & Aaron Hodges, Minister of Music

THE LORD'S SUPPER WILL BE CELEBRATED DURING ALL 3 MORNING SERVICES, NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 13

Join us for this special time of reflection and remembrance of our Lord and the sacrifices He made.



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

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Pray for FBC Direct Support Missionaries: David & Cindy DeShan in Russia



Focusing on Russia and those of the former Soviet Union, over the past 23 years, AGAPE has worked to promote all aspects of health. AGAPE serves

the homeless, elderly, and immigrant communities in Moscow and sends medical teams to the remote, isolated villages scattered throughout Russia. AGAPE always partners with like-minded local health care providers and churches. With 174 people groups in Russia alone, 86 of which are still considered unreached by the Joshua Project, we are thankful for First Baptist Church and your desire to partner with us in reaching the unreached over the past 10 years!



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

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 Idean@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 handson with Sunday morning preparation and Sunday morning functioning. For more information contact Sarah Arrambide at 432.683.0607 or sarrambide@ fbc-midland.org



Financial Peace University is Coming back to FBC September 17

Taught by Jason Sims. This incredible Dave Ramsey course will be offered during your Sunday School hour. If you'd like to reserve your spot now, contact Cindy Eoff at 432.683.0612 or ceoff@fbc-midland. org. More details to come.

H. Carroll 2017 (ALPHA)

Fall Term

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. Course descriptions and syllabi are available on the center table in the church Welcome Centers.

FREE TUITION - For many applied and registered Diploma students for academic year 2017-2018, which starts August 3, tuition is Free. Students will still need to pay for fees and books. This applies to diploma students only.Master's students who are members of FBC Midland or pastors/staff in the local area will receive 1/2 of their tuition reimbursed.

FULLY ACCREDITED !! - BH Carroll has received full accreditation from the Association of Theological Schools.

Auditors are welcome in either Diploma or Master's classes and are registered when they show up for class. Credit - seeking students apply and register on-line at bhcarroll.edu For additional information, please contact Dr. John Copeland at copelandjiii@ yahoo.com or 432.269.0151. Appointments are by request. Registration is open now! www.bhcarroll.edu

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

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.



Letters that Lift

For everything you do, I want to thank you, starting with those who are faithful in the

parking lots each Sunday, warm greeters & ushers who offer warm greetings, lightening our hearts & spirits. Thank you to all who have made phone calls, visits, sent flowers & blessed us beyond measure. Oh how I thank God for all of you & all you do! A special "thank you" for the donation to Buckner Children & Family Services for the donation made in my brother's name: Dick Greer. I do praise God FOR ALL of you! Monzelle Bailey

Dear First Baptist Family,

Thank you so very much for your prayers, phone calls, visits, & hugs as you shared in the recent passing of my mom, Dorothy Street. Our family of faith has made her lengthy illness & passing easier, & we thank you. We pray God's best blessings as you continue in service to Him. Love,

Kav Merritt & family

Our Deepest Sympathies to...

Clifton Platte in the death of his mother. Mrs. Clifton Matthies.

Curtis Ware in the death of his father. James Thomas.

Carisse Burwell in the death of her father, Curtis Brown.



Friday, Sept. 15 at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall Questions? Please call Shanna Arnold @ 254.396.4247

Please keep MOPS in your prayers all year long!



Our Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) ministry is growing, but we need

your help! Once school begins, we will need volunteers to share God's love with our little ones (newborn to 5 vrs) for 2-4 hours/month while we reach out and share the ministry with even more local mothers. Can you help us? If so, please contact Ashleigh Murphey at 254.716.2037 or at mopsmoppetts@gmail.com.

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

SENIOR SINGLE L'ADIES' L'UNCHEOI

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20 at NOON FELLOWSHIP HALL 1&2 FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH MIDLAND





PLEASE R.S.V.P BY AUGUST || TO CINDY EOFF, 432,683,0612 JANNA BOYD, 432.683.0653

MOSTED BY THE FBC DEACONS



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



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.

Would you give one hour a week to help a student at Sam Houston Elementary School? Call Bill Burchard to volunteer with Sam Houston Trail Partners 432.684.4635



Jail Ministry Needs Ladies to Volunteer



The Jail Ministry is looking for ladies to help hold Sunday School at the local jail from 8:45-10:30 Sunday Mornings. Female volunteers

would not have to go every week and would always have a partner with them. If you want to help or have questions, call Louise Goode at 432.683.0656 and leave a message.



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!

Bereavement Meal Ministry

When a church member experiences the death of a loved-one, one of the ways FBC ministers to the family is by offering to prepare a meal for the them on the day of the funeral. We have a wonderful group of volunteers who set up for the meal, serve the family, then clean up afterward. We always need more workers! If you would like to volunteer and receive training, or just want more information about this ministry, please contact Susan Upham at 432.683.0604

SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:45AM

Adults

The Confession Psalm 51:1-17

Preschool

Paul taught in Athens (Babies - Kindergarten) Acts 17:16-34

Children

Paul taught in Athens (1st - 6th grades) Acts 17:16-34

Students

The Gift of Grace (7th - 12th grades) 2 Corinthians 12:2-10



The Banner is a publication of the First Baptist Church in Midland, Texas. Deadline for submission of articles is Friday prior to publication of the next

issue. To ensure the printing of your article, we recommend you first submit your article to the appropriate ministry area for review. The Banner is edited and produced by Kate Dominguez and Jim Cawthon. Please advise the Membership Office at 432.683.0616 for any change in your mailing address or phone number.







WMU Prayer Lunch Monday, August 7, 2017 11:30am to 1:00pm in D100/102

Hear the latest prayer requests and praises from our FBC Missionaries and Ministries, and enjoy sweet fellowship (\$6 lunch is optional).

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

August 7 - J.C. Whitaker, Testimony

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

WEDNESDAY FAMILY I

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.

GUST 16

Entree: Chicken Tenders, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Tossed Green Salad, Biscuit, Gravy

Dessert: Peach Cobbler w/ Vanilla Ice Cream

Stewardship Report July 30, 2017

Offering 1	This Week	Year to Date	
First Baptist\$	5 199,123	\$ 7,047,541	
Budget Requirement\$	5 134,500	\$ 6,681,336	
Over/Under Budget\$	64,623	\$ 366,205	
Hope 1:8\$	6 469	\$ 347,433	

Stewardship Report July 2017 End of Month Report

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Offering	Monthly	Yea	r to Date
First Baptist\$	744,999	\$ 7	,048,041
Budget Requirement\$	672,500	\$6	681,336
Over/Under Budget\$	72,499	\$	366,705
Hope 1:8\$	19,891	\$	347,433



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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

1st Sunday Food Drive

A reminder! We are still collecting food for the Baptist C.R.I.S.I.S. Center on the 1st Sunday of each month. There will be boxes around the church where you can drop off your items. If you need more information, please call the Missions Office at 683.0650 or 683.0623

Preschool macaroni & cheese boxes, canned tuna Grades 1-4 meaty soups, canned pork 'n beans Grades 5-6 1 lb. corn meal, canned tomatoes Grades 7-10, Compass		
Andrew, Daniel, David		
Thomas, Isaac, Peter, Samuel dry milk (10 pack boxes), meaty soups		
Simon, Stephen, John,		
Ezekiel, Eden dry macaroni, meaty soups, macaroni & cheese boxes		
Gabriel, Silent Friends		
Nehemiah macaroni & cheese boxes, canned tuna, cooking oil Joseph, Luke, Jordan, As One 1 lb. flour, 1 lb. corn meal, canned tomatoes		

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.

Scholarship for Children with Autism

The Brotherhood and the Royal Ambassadors encourage FBC families to collect clean slick & colored paper that can be brought to FBC & deposited in MARC containers located around FBC. Accepted recycle items: newspaper, copy paper, magazines,



completed Sunday School lesson quarterlies, worship guides & outlines, junk mail (opened or unopened), used envelopes, telephone books & semi-confidential documents, etc. Please, <u>NO</u> cardboard, Styrofoam or Christmas paper. PLEASE BAG ALL SHREDDED MATERIALS! Questions? Call Dr. Gene Spires, 432.682.8401. Please do not call church office. **LOCATIONS OF MARC CONTAINERS:** North doors at Fellowship Hall, Valet Parking entrance on Garfield, in the Art Gallery.