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DECISION TEXAS

THE LONE STAR TOUR
with FRANKLIN GRAHAM



FRIENDS, FAMILY, COMMUNITY & FIREWORKS!
NO CHAIRS ALLOWED

DECISION TEXAS 2017

FRANKLIN GRAHAM WITH MUSIC BY CROWDER

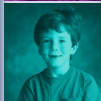
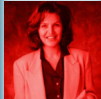
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12 | 7:30 PM

MIDLAND HORSESHOE AMPHITHEATER

FBC BUSES WILL LOAD AT THE FBC BUS BARN @ 6:30 PM,
FOR TRANSPORTATION TO & FROM THE EVENT

Learn more about the tour at DecisionTexas.com

LOVE IS FIRST



SAVE THE DATE • BASIN BAPTIST NETWORK ANNUAL MEETING

Next Sunday, October 8 at 5:30 pm

Iglesias Bautista Emmanuel • 1800 Cherry Lane

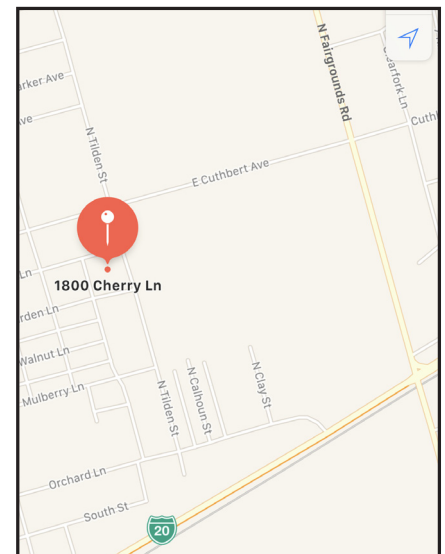


Guest Speaker: Pastor
Jesse Rincones, Executive
Director of Hispanic Baptist
Convention

5:30 Meal/Mission & Ministry Fair
6:30 Celebration, Worship &
Business Session

Please join us at Iglesias Bautista Emmanuel.

FBC will not have an evening service or
on-campus activities. FBC buses will load at
the FBC Bus Barn @ 5:15 p.m.



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Dr. Darin Wood
Senior Pastor

This Sunday, October 1

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

Dr. Gene Wilkes will be preaching
"Barnabas, Son of Encouragement"

Acts 4:36-37; 9:26-27; 11:22-26; 13:1, 2; 15:36-41

6:00 p.m.

Cory Brand will be preaching

From the Pastor

Dear First Family,

Grace and Peace today! As I write to you, we have just returned to our hotel from speaking at chapel at Dallas Baptist University. I was truly humbled by that. It's such a fine place, both in my memory and in our experience today. To tell you the truth that was one of the reasons we choose this week for vacation. It's that much closer to our destination - Disneyworld! We promised Joshua we'd go if the Lord blessed us with a clean bill of health. Here we go!

8 MONTHS

When I was diagnosed with cancer back in February, we knew this would be a year like we had never experienced before and indeed it has been. In 18 years of pastor life, I don't think I've ever gone 8 months straight without taking a Sunday off. It's a good thing for all of us to take a Sunday out. You will be blessed by Dr Gene Wilkes! He's an extraordinary man, an author (his book "Lead Like Jesus" is awesome!), and a great leader as President of B.H. Carroll Theological Institute. I know you'll welcome him warmly and show him the same kind of kindness you've always shown.

Rest assured I'll be back Monday, October 2, and back at the pulpit Sunday, October 8. In the meantime, know of my deep gratitude to each of you for the love and kindness you've shown me and my family this year. It's a privilege to be a part of this family.

Wearing mouse ears already,
Darin

GOD LOVES KIDS
LOVE IS FIRST

PARKFEST

FBC'S SAFE, FAMILY HALLOWEEN ALTERNATIVE

OCTOBER 31 • 6:00-8:00PM

FOOD • MUSIC • CANDY • JUMPERS • FACEPAINTING

Everyone's invited! Wear your costume!

Dr. Gene Wilkes will be preaching This Sunday, October 1



Dr. Gene Wilkes is the president and professor of New Testament and Leadership at B. H. Carroll Theological Institute in Irving, Texas. Dr. Wilkes embraces the Institute's mission to "equip men and women called to serve Christ in the diverse and global ministries of his church." He has authored eleven books, including *Jesus on Leadership: Timeless Wisdom on Servant Leadership* and *A New Way of Living: Practicing the Beatitudes Every Day*. Dr. Wilkes received his Ph.D. in New Testament studies and his M.Div. from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He graduated from Baylor University with a bachelor of arts in religion and Greek.

Dr. Wilkes served as senior pastor of Legacy Church in Plano, Texas, for twenty-six years prior to coming to Carroll Institute as Vice President of Development. During his local church ministry, Legacy Church transitioned to become "a mission outpost where every member is a missionary in his or her mission field."

Dr. Wilkes lives in Plano, Texas, with his wife, Kim. They have two married daughters and three grandchildren. Dr. Wilkes's hobbies include trail running, hiking, mountaineering, cycling, and golf. He summited Mount Rainier in Washington on his sixtieth birthday.

Pray for FBC Direct Support Missionaries: the Mroczko famiy in Nakuru, Kenya

His Cherished Ones operates Haven of Hope Baby Center in Kenya, East Africa. Haven of Hope is a home to abandoned and orphaned infant and toddlers. It



is our desire to offer a safe, loving home to these babies, showing them the love of Christ while they are in our temporary care, waiting to be placed in a permanent family home. The ministry of HCO extends beyond HOH to reach those in need of physical, spiritual and emotional support, specifically through our single mother's ministry, called Furaha!, and our teen/preteen boys project.



The 2017 Texas Baptist General Convention of Texas Annual Meeting is November 12-14, at the Convention Center in Waco.

If you plan to attend and would like to represent FBC Midland as a messenger, please call Susan Upham, 432.683.0604 to have your name on the list voted on in Church Conference November 26.



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

FBC Music Ministry: Open to Everyone!

The Music Ministry is looking for musicians. If you play an orchestra instrument, a band instrument, like to sing on praise teams, or like to sing in a fabulous choir, then we have a spot for you! You may look up on the platform each week and think we don't need anyone else because it looks full and all positions look filled, but that can't be further from the truth. We are always wanting as many people involved and serving as we possibly can--we are never full.



Aaron would love to talk with you and see where you fit in the music ministry the best. If you are interested, please email Aaron at ahodges@fbc-midland.org or Abigail at adavis@fbc-midland.org. The Music Ministry is excited to have more people join the team.

"Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.
Worship the Lord with gladness..." ~Psalm 100

WORSHIP

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP TEAM REHEARSALS

Orchestra, 6-7:30 p.m. • Choir, 7-8:30 p.m., Wednesdays
Meet in the Sanctuary/Choir Room

For more info contact Worship Ministry @ 432.683.0618
www.fbc-midland.org/worship

Cancer Answers/Prayer Support Quarterly Informational Meetings



This group is for anyone who has dealt with cancer as a patient, caregiver, or family member. CAPS meets quarterly with informational speakers and support. Please contact Janna Boyd for more information at 432.683.0653 or jboyd@fbc-midland.org

Let's all
pray together
at the Chapel.

everyone welcome!

Every Thursday
Noon - 1:00 pm
At the corner of
"N" Street and Louisiana
come when you can, leave when you need to.

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.

SPEAK FREEDOM TEXAS

SpeakFreedomTexas.org • [#SpeakFreedomTexas](https://twitter.com/SpeakFreedomTexas)

Join us Sunday, November 5 for

SPEAK FREEDOM SUNDAY

with Special Guest, Dr. Randel Everett,

President & Founder of 21st Century Wilberforce Initiative



TEXAS BAPTISTS



TBT Leverage exercises are accessible for all fitness levels. You will

push, pull, lift and lower your body using bodyweight, external weight, gravity and leverage. Leverage workout is 35 minutes and has 6 stations from warm-up, core and cool down. Contact TheAB to sign up or if you have any questions, 432.683.0648 or email avanderveer@fbc-midland.org. Leverage is on Tuesday/Thursday, 9:15am-10:00am and the cost is \$45 a session/month. **Join us October 3!**

FBC Artists Needed to Display Paintings



Please visit the Art Gallery near the Fellowship Hall to see the paintings of featured FBC artist, Mary Lambeth.

The art displayed on the FBC Art Wall (near the Fellowship Hall) is for any FBC artist. It is enjoyed by our entire membership. If you wish to participate by showing your paintings, please contact Janet Haney at 432.528.5717 or Doris McSparran at 432.683.0618. If you know of someone who should be showing their artwork, contact us and we will call them. This is open to artists of any age!

Sunday Morning Greeters Wanted!

Looking for a place to serve? Do you genuinely love people? Then we have a place for you! Every Sunday morning we have people who serve as FBC Greeters stationed at every main entrance to welcome our guests and our members. A smiling face and a friendly greeting is the first impression that most people receive at FBC each Sunday morning. Unfortunately we have some entrances unattended at 8:10am – 8:40am; 9:30am – 10:00am and 10:45am – 11:15am. If you have an interest to serve in this ministry area, please contact Cindy Eoff (ceoff@fbc-midland.org) at 432.683.0612



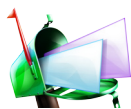
Our Deepest Sympathies to...

Lamar Coats in the death of his mother,
Mrs. Frances Coats.

John Roam in the death of his mother,
Mrs. Luella Roam.

Congratulations to...

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Wilcox who were married in the chapel. Mrs. Wilcox is the former Melissa Vassilion.



Letters that Lift

Dear First Family,

Each year you have been the biggest blessing to me. Your very generous financial support has allowed me to be on-campus, full-time without having to worry about anything. I can fully concentrate on doing ministry at UNT, TWU & UCTC. Even more, I appreciate the support I consistently receive from the Judea Team. Great news! I am fully funded for the next year--PRAISE GOD!!! Will you join me in praying for all the new students, here in Denton? Also, please be in prayer for our Leadership Team. I'm so excited to work closely with these new student leaders! God has consistently done so much through them. I love getting to be a part of that. Thank you for helping to make this possible. All my love & prayers,
Miriam Freeman

Thank you, First Baptist, for your prayers! I know God is here, in this place, because of you. I put your prayer letter on my board so I can feel the love & smile, when I pass by it. Dad passed away at Stonebridge Health Center, August 17. We had a chance to pray for Dad & ourselves, that we would one day see each other again. I know he could hear us & was able to accept Jesus. Love, *Cathy Russell*

DON'T MENTION AGE

D.M.A.

A SENIOR ADULT GROUP

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, FH 2

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

Reserve your space by Noon, Fri. October 20

**Bronson Chadwick,
Christian Illusionist**

Call Janna Boyd at 432.683.0653 or
Cindy Eoff

(ceoff@fbc-midland.org)
432.683.0612 for more info.



SENIOR ADULTS' GAME DAY

Thursday, October 5, 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.

SENIOR ADULT BIBLE STUDY PRESENTATION

THE HISTORY OF OUR MOST BELOVED HYMNS

WITH CATHY JOHNSON



PART 1 - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, ROOM E102,
4:00 - 5:30 PM

PART 2 - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, ROOM E102,
4:00 - 5:30 PM



Precious Memories Singers

New Rehearsal Day!

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19 • 10:00 A.M.
IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL 1

Call ahead to reserve your spot for a \$6 lunch, served at 11:45 a.m.
Janna may be reached @ 432.683.0653 or Cindy @ 432.683.0612

Circle 6 Fall 2017 Adult Rally
featuring Robert Burkhardt,
Branson Style Musical
Comedian



CIRCLE SIX RANCH
BAPTIST CAMP

OCTOBER 30, 2017

Leave FBC Bus Barn at 8:30am
Auction at 10:00am • Lunch at Noon
Program at 1:00pm

Bring an item for the auction! Homemade goodies
are a popular treat!



**Friday, Oct. 20 at 9:30am
in the Fellowship Hall**
Questions? Please call
Jenny Leonard @ 432.853.1890

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 yrs) 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.

OMEGA HANDBELLS NEEDS YOU!



If you can read music and you would like a fun and exciting way to participate in worship, then Omega bells is the place for you. We meet on Tuesday mornings from 10:00 to 11:00 in Room E-111. Call Sharon Hyde, 432.683.6547, if you need any additional information.

SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:45AM

Adults

Stewardship of Talents, Giftedness & Experiences
1 Samuel 9-13; Luke 5:1-11

Preschool

Isaac was Kind (Babies - Kindergarten)
Genesis 26:12-33



Children

King Saul (1st - 6th grades)
1 Samuel 9-15



Students

Equipped for Battle (7th - 12th grades)
Ephesians 6:10-20



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KINGDOM WOMEN
Connecting women who seek first His kingdom



WMU Prayer Lunch

Monday, October 2, 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

September 25 - Dean Rippetoe

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.

OCTOBER 4

Entree: Brisket, Pinto Beans, Potato Salad, Tossed Green Salad, Mexican Corn Muffin

Dessert: Banana Pudding

Sunday, September 24, 2017

Sunday School Attendance

◆ Main Campus	1074
◆ Mission Midland	101
◆ Media	6
TOTAL	1181

Week Day Bible Study

◆ CDC	124
◆ CDO	139
TOTAL BIBLE STUDIES	1444

Stewardship Report

September 24, 2017

Offering	This Week	Year to Date
First Baptist.....	\$ 126,713	\$ 8,038,117
Budget Requirement.....	\$ 134,500	\$ 7,757,336
Over/Under Budget.....	\$ -7,787	\$ 280,781
Hope 1:8	\$ 9,125	\$ 447,739
Mary Hill Davis.....	\$ 3,254	\$ 18,033

First Christmas

This year, FBC will produce an advent guide for our family to use in preparing our hearts for Christmas, and we'd love to include some of your stories! Please share your testimony of God's provision, faithfulness, goodness, mercy, etc., and return to the church office or enter your submission online at fbc-midland.org/advent2017

My situation:

And then God changed everything when He:

My name: _____

In case we have questions, please give a phone number or email address:

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- Administrative Office - 683.0616
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- 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
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- 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

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 1-2 lb. dry pinto beans, canned tuna
- Grades 11-12, College 1-2 lb. dry pinto beans, canned tomato sauce
- GAP, Bartholomew 1-2 lb. dry rice, 1 lb. flour
- Andrew, Daniel, David 1 lb. sugar, canned pork 'n beans
- Song of Solomon, Philip, Rachel ... 1 lb. sugar, 1-2 lb. dry rice, canned tuna
- Thomas, Isaac, Peter, Samuel dry milk (10 pack boxes), meaty soups
- Simon, Stephen, John, 1 lb. sugar, liquid cooking oil, canned tomatoes
- James, Barnabas dry milk (10 pack boxes), cooking oil
- Ezekiel, Eden dry macaroni, meaty soups, macaroni & cheese boxes
- Gabriel, Silent Friends 1-2 lb. dry rice, 1-2 lb. dry pinto beans, canned tomato sauce
- Marcos, Compass, Grace dry milk (10 pack boxes), 1-2 lb. dry pinto beans
- Nehemiah macaroni & cheese boxes, canned tuna, cooking oil
- Joseph, Luke, Jordan, As One 1 lb. flour, 1 lb. corn meal, canned tomatoes



B. H. Carroll
THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE

REGISTRATION IS OPEN

I & II Thessalonians - Master's Class: Dr. Matt Baird
THURSDAYS 6:00-8:40pm in Room E-102
Classes begin September 28 and last for eight weeks

Introduction to the New Testament - Diploma Class:
Dr. David Evans

TUESDAYS 6:00-8:40pm in Room E-102
Classes begin October 3 and last for eight weeks

'ACTS' With Dr. Darin Wood - Save the dates: Thursdays
January 11- March 8, 2018

Auditors may attend FREE

Contact : Dr. John Copeland 432.269.0151 or go online to
www.bhcarroll.edu for more info

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, **NO** 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.

