



# The Banner

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**Send Good News  
and Great Joy!**



**Deadline  
is this Sunday!**

## Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Gifts

Operation Christmas Child brings joy and hope to children in desperate situations, worldwide, through gift-filled boxes and the Good News of God's love. Boxes for packing are located in the Welcome Center, Chapel Foyer, north end Art Wall area and Fish Tank entrance. Please return your packed OCC shoe boxes to the Welcome Center fireplace this Sunday, November 12. For more information, please call 432.683.0623 or email [cjacobs@fbc-midland.org](mailto:cjacobs@fbc-midland.org)

LOVE IS FIRST

## THE LORD'S SUPPER

WILL BE OBSERVED DURING  
ALL MORNING SERVICES,  
THIS SUNDAY,  
NOVEMBER 12, IN THE  
WORSHIP CENTER & CHAPEL



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

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Midland, TX 79701  
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Dr. Darin Wood  
Senior Pastor

## This Sunday, November 12

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

"God's Home Design"  
Dr. Darin Wood

6:00 p.m.

Chad Clark will be preaching

## From the Pastor

Dear First Family,

Grace and Peace today to each of us. Our God is good, even in the face of what we saw at FBC Sutherland Springs. He's as good as He was 10 minutes before the events of yesterday happened. Jesus warned us about moments like this when he said "The thief comes to steal, kill and destroy..." (John 10:10). I'm so glad he didn't stop there. Jesus finished that thought by saying "BUT I have come that you might have life in abundance." There's the distinction. Whereas one is about death and destitution, only Jesus brings life. Let me encourage you to spend some time with Psalm 22 and Psalm 46. In moments like this, those two chapters have brought me considerable comfort. I believe they will to you as well. Pray for our brothers and sisters there in Sutherland Springs.

First Family, you need to know we have a Safety and Security Committee who oversees our facilities and protection plans. While it isn't something we talk about publicly, we have plans in place to guide us in the event a disaster befalls us as well. It's a difficult question to ask, but my friend John Crowder, pastor of FBC West, TX tells me how he WISHES they would have had a plan before the disaster there.

### DAVID JOHNSON

When David came to see me about retiring, it was June. We were just finishing the last staff search. Like many of you, I was sad to hear it. His service here is irreplaceable. His heart for people and his wisdom have made his service here a joy to all of us. You simply don't replace a heart like his. I know you'll join me in praying for this new chapter of his life and for the future he has. Your personnel committee has already begun the process of finding someone to fill David's role. We'll honor David's service with a reception on Nov 19th, the same day as our annual Thanksgiving fellowship meal.

### THE ANNUAL MEETING

Following this Sunday morning, I'll be slipping off to Waco for the annual meeting of the Baptist General Convention of Texas. We contribute 10% of our budget

to the Cooperative Program and much of that money is administered through the direction of this gathering. Pray for the wisdom of the Lord to guide this meeting. I'll be back in the office Wednesday morning.

Praying Psalm 103 for each of us,  
Darin

## RETIREMENT RECEPTION

Celebrating David Johnson,  
Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care



Sunday, November 19,  
2:00-4:00pm

in the Welcome Center

Please join us as we celebrate  
David & his faithful service  
as our Associate Pastor for  
Pastoral Care.



## WHITE HARVEST CELEBRATION

Next Sunday, November 19 at 5:00-6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall • \$6/person or \$23/family

MENU: Turkey, Cornbread Dressing, Giblet Gravy, Green Beans, Honey Wheat Roll,  
Cranberry Sauce, Pecan or Pumpkin Pie

### WHITE HARVEST FOOD BASKETS

If you have your food boxes packed, please bring them to the White Harvest Celebration and leave them at the north entrance or in the Fellowship Hall. : Boxes for packing and instructions will be located at the Art Wall, Welcome Center and Chapel foyer beginning this Sunday, November 12.

# HAPPY THANKSGIVING

THE FBC OFFICES, SOLID ROCK CAFE,  
ACTIVITIES BUILDING & MISSIONS  
OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FOR THE  
THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

# NOVEMBER 23 & 24

THERE WILL BE NO ON-CAMPUS  
EVENING ACTIVITIES WED., NOV. 22

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





## WORSHIP CONCERT

**Thursday, November 16  
7:00 p.m., Worship Center**

The Singing Men of West Texas comprised primarily of ministers of music, pastors, other church or associational staff members, and laymen actively involved in the music ministry of their churches who love to offer worship and praise to the Savior through singing and music. Come worship with FBC's own Jerry Hoover, Aaron Hodges & the other inspiring men of West Texas!

### Missions Ministry: RAs of the Week

Thank you to 4th Grade RA's for packing our Food to Kids bags. These bags will be delivered to Sam Houston and Lamar Elementary.



**Friday, Nov. 17 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! We 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

**PRESCHOOL NOW HIRING! JOIN OUR TEAM!**

**Ministry Assistant (25 hr/wk)**

For more information call Shane Dockrey, 432.683.0627 or email [sdockrey@fbc-midland.org](mailto:sdockrey@fbc-midland.org)



**TUTORS  
NEEDED!**

**1 to 1**

FOCUSED LEARNING

A MINISTRY OF FBC SERVING SAN JACINTO JR. HIGH

1 TO 1 is a free after school tutoring program that was started in 2014 for Midland High School and has quickly grown to four MISD schools. In the Spring of 2017, FBC launched the program for San Jacinto Junior High. In order to help students in need, we need volunteer tutors, greeters and snack providers. Subjects include Math, English/Writing, Science, Social Studies and Spanish.

**Tuesdays, 4:05 - 5:30 p.m. • San Jacinto Junior High**

For more information, contact Melissa Ware 432-638-1073 or [melissasware@gmail.com](mailto:melissasware@gmail.com)

### Korean War Veteran's Luncheon



All military veterans who served in Korea are invited to a Veteran's Luncheon 11:30am-1:30pm, Saturday, November 11 at the Midland Korean Baptist Church, 5001 Sinclair in Midland. This includes Korean War veterans and any other servicemen or women who went to Korea. RSVP to Pastor Koo, 432.413.9593

*THE  
Story  
OF  
Christmas*

*Presented by  
FBC CHOIR & ORCHESTRA*

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2017  
6:00 P.M. - FBC WORSHIP CENTER  
FREE TO THE PUBLIC**

*Three on a String*



**Tuesday,  
December 5  
6:00 p.m.  
Fellowship Hall  
FBC's 55+ Adults  
Tickets \$12/person**

Tickets will be available on Sundays in Sunday School Depts. During the week they will be available in the Welcome Center or the offices of Cindy Eoff and Janna Boyd.

Tickets will be on sale until Sunday, November 26

## Our Deepest Sympathies to...

The Turnbow family in the death of their father,  
Landon Turnbow.

Joyce Freeman in the death of her sister,  
Kristy Mitchell.

Loretta McCain in the death of her brother,  
Donal Bird.

George Dunton in the death of his wife,  
Marilyn Dunton. And to Darrell and Derek Dunton in  
the death of their mother.

Judy Canon in the death of her mother,  
Mrs. Dorothy Tisdale.



## Letters that Lift

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for all of your prayers, cards, visits, and flowers during the past three months while I was experiencing several health issues. God is so good as he worked and continues to work through his children to bring joy and support to me. I am thankful and may God bless each and everyone of you!

*Joyce Freeman*

We would like to express our gratitude to all of you who showed your love during the loss of my brother, Larry Potter. Your prayers, e-mails, donations, and attendance at his celebration of life service were so appreciated. We felt your love! Thank you so very much,  
*Dan and Marquita Potter*

Dear Ones,

October was Staff Appreciation Month. Our Staff at FBC is wonderful in every way--from the outside to the inside, & all the way to the pulpit. Our Staff exemplifies the gifts of the Spirit. God bless you all & your families for sharing yourselves with us. Love in Jesus,  
*Linday Flynt*

First Baptist Friends,

Thank you for your note of prayers for Ann Robey. We are so appreciative of the loving, healing words & thoughts you have sent our way. As you know, Ann was a strong, loving woman of faith. Although we miss her, it is a blessing for all of us to have her close to Our Father, read to provide us all love & support. We so appreciate your thoughts.  
*The Robey Family*

DON'T MENTION AGE

# D.M.A.

A SENIOR ADULT GROUP

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, FH 2**

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

**Reserve your space by Noon, Fri. November 10**

**Cathy & David Johnson,  
"Hymns & Humor w/ David"**

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



## H.O.T.

**HONOR OUR TROOPS**

**FBC Senior Adults' Packing Day - Dec. 11**

**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**



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 Boyd's office.

*Precious Memories Singers*  
**CHRISTMAS CAROL SING-A-LONG**

**MANOR PARK - HELEN GREATHOUSE BUILDING**

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28 AT 10:00AM**

**MEET THERE AT 9:45 OR CATCH FBC BUS AT 9:20 (BUS BARN)**

*Come Sing with Us!*

**For more info, Janna Boyd may be reached @ 432.683.0653**



# B. H. Carroll

THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE

## Acts - Dr. Darin Wood

Thursdays 6:00—8:40 p.m. in Room E-102. Classes begin January 11 & end March 1.

## Old Testament Introduction - Dr. John Copeland

Tuesdays 6:00—8:40 p.m. in Room E-102. Classes begin January 9 & end February 27.

Please contact Dr. John Copeland 432.269.0151 for more information.

*FBC members may audit at no charge.*

## 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.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:45AM

### Adults

Various Studies  
SS Depts.

### Preschool

Elijah Prayed to God  
(Babies - Kindergarten)  
1 Kings 18:1-2, 41-46; James 5:17-18



### Children

God Protected Elijah  
(1<sup>st</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grades)  
1 Kings 19:1-8



### Students

John the Baptist:  
Single-Minded Focus  
(7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grades)  
John 1:26-34; 3:26-30



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## MEN'S LUNCHEON

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

November 13 - Steven Porterfield, "Ministry"

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](http://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.

## NOVEMBER 15

Entree: Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Green Beans, Tossed Green Salad, White Dinner Roll

Dessert: Pumpkin Delight

## Sunday, November 5, 2017

Sunday School Attendance

♦ Main Campus .....	1155
♦ Mission Midland .....	102
♦ Media .....	6
TOTAL .....	1263

Week Day Bible Study

♦ CDC .....	124
♦ CDO .....	139
TOTAL BIBLE STUDIES .....	1526

## Stewardship Report

November 5, 2017

Offering	This Week	Year to Date
First Baptist.....	\$ 230,792	\$ 840,393
Budget Requirement.....	\$ 136,000	\$ 816,000
Over/Under Budget.....	\$ 94,792	\$ 24,393
Hope 1:8.....	\$ 855	\$ 10,920

*Budget numbers adjusted to reflect the actual increase in budget along with a 53 Sunday fiscal year.*

## End of Month Report

October 2017

Offering	This Week	Year to Date
First Baptist.....	\$ 609,602	\$ 609,602
Budget Requirement.....	\$ 680,000	\$ 680,000
Over/Under Budget.....	\$ -70,398	\$ -70,398
Hope 1:8.....	\$ 10,065	\$ 10,065

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MIDLAND

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## FBC DIRECTORY

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Music & Worship Ministry - 683.0618  
Administrative Office - 683.0616  
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](http://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

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

### The Holidays are Quickly Approaching

#### Operation Christmas Child

Shoe boxes available now!

Return this Sunday, November 12

#### White Harvest Food Boxes

Available for pick up this Sunday, November 12

Return Sunday, November 19 - December 3

#### White Harvest Celebration

Sunday, November 19

#### Christmas Store Volunteer Registration

Sunday, November 12 - Wednesday,

November 29

#### FBC Children's Choir Program

#### & Christmas Store Toy Ingathering

Sunday Evening service, December 3

#### Christmas Store Set-Up

Saturday, December 9

#### FBC Adult Choir Program

December 10

#### Christmas Store Event

Tuesday, December 12 - Thursday, December 14

#### FBC Family Christmas Dinner

December 13

#### FBC's Living Nativity

Tuesday, December 12 - Thursday, December 14



**Keep your eye on *The Banner*! More details to come...**

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



### 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](http://www.fbc-midland.org/worship)

### 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.