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"...you are the ones chosen by God, chosen for the high calling of priestly work, chosen to be a holy people, God's instruments to do his work and **speak out for HIM**, to tell others of the night-and-day difference he made for you—from nothing to something, from rejected to accepted." - 1 Peter 2:9-10 (MSG)



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Dr. Darin Wood
Senior Pastor

This Sunday, September 23

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

Pray Like Jesus Did

"God is WORTHY" - Matthew 6:9b

6:00 p.m. Service

Dr. Wood will be preaching

From the Pastor

Dear First Family,

Grace and Peace in abundance to each of you today! My prayer for you is that the blessed rain we received will refresh your souls as much as it refreshed our beloved West Texas.

AFRICA INTEREST MEETING REPORT

I don't know how many we had who came to our interest meeting on Sunday, but it was too many for E-102! Your enthusiasm for serving the Lord is awesome! For those of you who came and signed in, we'll be back in touch soon. For those who wanted to come but couldn't, please send me an email (dwood@fbc-midland.org) and I'll happily add your name to our list. It's not a commitment, but rather the first step in understanding what's planned and how you can serve the Lord through this. God is at work in this moment and I want to make sure we don't miss Him. We'll be back with more details soon.

VOMO

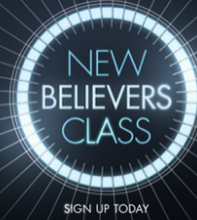
One thing that I didn't mention Sunday morning was VOMO. VOMO stands for "Volunteer Mobilization." We are using it in an attempt to help people find opportunities to serve. Too many times I've had people tell me "I would have served if I had known we were doing that." VOMO is our best effort so far to make sure everyone has the opportunity to know where they can plug in. It's free and easy to sign up – send an email to Cory Brand (cbrand@fbc-midland.org) and he'll send you an invitation. Once you sign up, you'll see every opportunity we know of to serve. Not just at FBC, but in several of our partner ministries as well.

ALLEN AND BELMA CLOUD

Sunday, I also neglected to mentioned our friends, the Clouds. For more than 25 years, Allen faithfully taught in our Sunday School. They're moving soon to be closer to family. Allen and Belma, we're going to miss you. God bless the next chapter of your journey as you walk with the Lord every step of the way.

Your pastor,

Darin



NEW BELIEVERS CLASS for Children Grades 1-6

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22
9:30AM-12:30PM, ROOM A213

Please call the FBC Children's Ministry office at 432.683.0609 to RSVP.



It is with much regret that I must retire from leading the Precept Bible Study in our church. For the past 29 years it has been my joy and privilege to use the materials by Kay Arthur (DVD's and workbooks) to bring this study to many of our members.

Thanks to all of you who have attended the classes each week; and thanks to all who helped: Sandra Rybicki and Janice Hovingh, who assisted with the electronic equipment, the kitchen ladies who provided coffee, the maintenance guys under Jim Hansen who made sure the classroom was set up, and a special thank you to Cindy Eoff who sent cards and ordered Precept materials each time we needed them.

God Bless, Gail Storrie

2 Timothy 2:15

PRAY FOR DIRECT SUPPORT MISSIONARIES:

Carmen Samaniego in El Paso & Chihuahua, Mx.



Hands of Luke Medical Ministries

At Hands of Luke Medical Ministries, we minister to underprivileged children and adults in the El Paso, TX/Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico border cities. Our main area of ministry is in Juarez, however, we also serve in El Paso.

We have a Children's Home where we provide housing for up to 80 children, ages 5 and older. We provide shelter, 3 warm meals, clothing, education and spiritual guidance, daily. There is a physician on site and a dentist who comes to provide regular teeth cleanings and dental care for the children. We also have 12 Mercy Homes where a homeless widow or single mother may come live with her children.

Hands of Luke has three Nutritional Centers in the outskirts of Juarez where we provide one meal a day to the needy children.

As part of the medical ministry, our medical clinic provides primary healthcare and medication to the patients who come seeking treatment.

Hands of Luke started a Bible Institute where we train church leaders and pastors with an average of 10 graduates per year.

FBC Greeter Ministry

Scripture tells us to "Practice Hospitality"
-Romans 12:13

Remember when you were new at FBC? We have a large building and many ministries to help people find. FBC needs you to help us in our effort to greet guests each Sunday during all hours! Everyone can do this ministry and help guests know we are glad they are here. Training will be provided. Contact Larry Grimes lgrimes@fbc-midland.org



Kids Kare Needs Special Events Team Members



FBC Kids Kare is looking for additional paid childcare workers for special events during the week and on the weekends. For more information on how you can join the Kids Kare Team, call Allison at 432.683.0611 or email aashmore@fbc-midland.org.



September 21 at 9:00 a.m. in D101-103



Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) registration is open for 2018-2019! MOPS meets on the 1st & 3rd Fridays of the month from 9-11:00AM! Contact Shanna Arnold at 254.396.4247 or shanna_arnold@hotmail.com with more questions. Visit www.fbc-midland.org/ministries/preschool/mops to get a registration form!

FBC Flower Committee Needs Volunteers

The Flower Committee is looking for a few new, willing hands and hearts who would like to serve by making smaller arrangements from the Sunday pulpit flowers. It is not a once a week obligation--maybe once a month. It's fun and no floral arranging experience is necessary! We'll show you how! And what a blessing you'll be, visiting our church members in the hospital! For more information, call Nancy Doss 432.352.8576.



FBC's Starting Point Course



Starting Point is a prerequisite to elected service, unless a member has already been elected before July 1998. Everyone interested in an FBC ministry is encouraged to complete this course.

Now available: www.fbc-midland.org/starting-point

"It Starts at Home" Class

Who is shaping what your kids believe? In these busy, hectic days we take kids to sports practices, games, music lessons, school tutoring and other activities to give our children the best opportunities for success. But what if we're missing the chance to teach them what matters most? We will explore biblical and tangible ways that parents - couples, single parents, blended families and grandparents - can build a legacy of faith for their children. ****This class is a prerequisite for baby dedication.**** Contact Amy Brand for more info: abrand@fbc-midland.org



ARE YOU IN NEED OF PRAYER?

Call the First Baptist Prayer Line @ 432.683.0683 & rest assured someone is praying for you, today.

The Smart Stepfamily: 7 Steps to a Healthy Family

This study by Ron Deal provides practical help for those entering marriage again after a loss or divorce. It will also be a help to those who are in a blended family, those contemplating marriage again, and singles contemplating marriage. Even if children are no longer in the home or are grown, the challenges of two people coming together are different than a first marriage. Join us for a practical way to live out a healthy family in a Christ-like manner. Contact Larry Grimes for more info: lgrimes@fbc-midland.org



Oilfield Christian Fellowship of the Permian Basin

September 21, 2018

11:30 am - 12:30 pm

Rock the Desert Field House
2000 FM 1788, Midland, TX 79706

FREE LUNCH - FREE BIBLE - BRING A FRIEND!

Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage, Pt. 1



Laugh and learn as you explore the underlying dynamics of male/female relationships. These life-changing marriage truths are related in a way that both challenges and conflicts, without being preachy, and confronts the harmful and destructive messages - from both the secular world and from churches - that have brought such devastation to marriages. Contact Cory Brand for more info: cbrand@fbc-midland.org



Letters that Lift

Dear First Baptist Church,
We just wanted to say "thank you"! We were at Rock the Desert & had a delicious dinner at your tent. How kind of you! We are members of First Baptist Lubbock, & really thought it was sweet you provided dinner! We loved the concert & enjoyed meeting Matthew West at your tent. If y'all ever need marriage ministry (retreats, date nights), please let us know! In Christ,
Mike & Gabi Keehum, www.themarriagedesign.com

Dear Church Family,
Thank you for the numerous cards, phone calls, & texts. You have truly ministered to my entire family & me after Dad's sudden stroke & home-going. Your prayers, love & friendship continue to sustain me. I am thankful to be part of such a wonderful church family. Thank you, also, for the gift to Buckner Children & Family services in Dad's memory. In Him,
April Paris & the family of Tex Paris

The family of Nathan Shahan, my grandson, wish to thank the First Baptist Church for the generous memorial given to Buckner Children & Family Services in his memory. We also thank you for the messages of condolence & comfort from Pastor Wood, Janna Boyd, other staff members & members of the Joseph Dept. Your kindness & thoughtfulness are appreciated very much.
Sincerely, *David Shahan, Mira Shahan, Zachary Shahan, Shannon Lynn, & myself, Rose Mary Shahan*

Thank you to each & every one of you for your prayers for our family in the death of our sister, Janice Holcomb of San Angelo, August 30. She had been sick for too long & has peace at last! May God's blessings continue on each of you. Sincerely,
Brois Worley, Francine Hasty, Dwight Robinson

Thank you for the acknowledgement gift to Buckner Children & Family Services in memory of my sister, Frances. What a sweet, loving, caring church family you are. With my deepest heartfelt appreciation,
Lou Nagy

Dear FBC Family,
On behalf of our family, we sincerely thank you for your prayers regarding my brother Bob's recent battle with cancer. The disease was both external & internal. After months of tests & treatments in Houston, the physicians have pronounced him cancer free! The gratitude & relief we have all experienced cannot be easily expressed in words. This proves, again, the power of prayer is indeed awesome & should never be discounted. Through prayer, God's grace, love & miracles, healing & answers will always be possible, as is evident in Bob's recovery. Bob & his wife, Rita, live in Yoakum, Tx. They express their heartfelt appreciation for the love & support through your prayers during this difficult time. He has been blessed, as we all have. I am grateful to be part of this loving, caring church family. To God we give the glory!
Bud Arlitt & family

DON'T MENTION AGE

D.M.A. DINNER

A SENIOR ADULT FELLOWSHIP GROUP

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, FH 2

5:00 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall

\$6 for Optional Dinner

RESERVE YOUR SPOT BY FRIDAY, SEPT. 21

From the Gaither Homecoming videos & tour

**Aaron Wilburn,
Humorist, Song Writer &
International Speaker**



Call Janna Boyd at 432.683.0653 or Cindy Eoff at 432.683.0612 for more info.

FBC Artists Needed to Display Paintings



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.

Pastoral Care Ministry: Hospital Visits



Robbie Boyd, FBC's Associate Pastor of Pastoral Care will be making hospital visits. If you or a family member are going into the hospital, please contact Susan Upham at 432.683.0604 in advance. This will ensure your name will be on our hospital list.

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

FBC's 55+ Seniors Game Day

Tuesday, October 2, 2018
2:00pm in the Solid Rock Cafe



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



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.

Reminder: 1st Sun. Food Drive is Oct. 7!

Each month, FBC collects food for the Baptist C.R.I.S.I.S. Center's food pantry. There will be boxes around the church where you may drop off your items.

11:05 a.m. Contemporary Service Needs YOU

We need good, strong vocalists to help lead worship in the 11:05 contemporary service. The following are needs that we ask of you: willing to audition, must be able to match pitch, and able to learn harmonies. You must also love Jesus and love leading His church in worship. If you are interested in being a part of this wonderful opportunity, please contact Aaron Hodges, ahodges@fbc-midland.org.



SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:45AM

Adults

True Heirs
Galatians 3:23-29; 4:1-7

Preschool

Noah & the Ark
(Babies - Kindergarten)
Genesis 6-9



Children

Cain & Abel
(1st - 6th grades)
Genesis 4:1-16



Students

Children of God
(7th - 12th grades)
Galatians 3:23; 4:7



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MEN'S LUNCHEON

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

ALWAYS A CHRISTIAN PROGRAM • FELLOWSHIP FOR ALL AGES • COME WITH A PRAYER REQUEST • PRAY WITH OTHER PRAYER WARRIORS • REJOICE IN GOD'S MIRACLES

September 24 - Capt. Jeremy Walker, Salvation Army

For more info, contact Dave Percy (432) 528-4221, or see 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.

SEPTEMBER 26

Entree: Crispy Chicken Breast, Gravy, Squash Casserole, Broccoli, Tossed Green Salad, Biscuit
Dessert: Apple Cobbler

Sunday, September 16, 2018

Sunday School Attendance

♦ Main Campus	984
♦ Mission Midland.....	100
TOTAL	1084

Week Day Bible Study

♦ Child Development Center	128
♦ Children's Day Out.....	108
TOTAL BIBLE STUDIES.....	1320

Stewardship Report

September 16, 2018

Offering	This Week	Year to Date
First Baptist.....	\$ 176,385	\$ 7,933,239
Budget Requirement.....	\$ 136,000	\$ 7,577,343
Over/Under Budget.....	\$ 40,385	\$ 355,896
Hope 1:8.....	\$ 180	\$ 62,098
Mary Hill Davis.....	\$ 6,715	\$ 12,166



FBC FINANCE OFFICE IS NOW HIRING Financial Assistant-Accountant (Full-Time)

For more information contact LaNell Dean, 432.683.0615 or email ldean@fbc-midland.org

Check out our website for complete job descriptions: fbc-midland.org/about/employment-opportunities. Also visit our Facebook page:

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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

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REGISTRATION OPENS SEPTEMBER 18!



Upward Basketball provides a positive experience for every child **1st – 6th GRADES**. Registration is \$85 per child & ends **NOVEMBER 3**. You may register at the Activities Building, or online at www.fbc-midland.org/upward. Enrollment is limited. Registration will close by grade level.

Practices begin the week of December 3. Each team practices one hour once a week and plays their games on Saturdays.

We also need your help with scholarship donations, volunteers to help with the games, and to show children and families from Midland that Jesus & FBC love them. If you feel led to help support this ministry, or for more information please call 432.683.0647 or come by the Activities Building.

B. H. Carroll
THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE

Our Emmanuel Term (Fall) classes:

Introduction to the New Testament – TBA

Classes are on Thursday evenings from 6-9pm in Room E-102. First Baptist Church Midland. beginning September 27 and last for 8 weeks. This is a live, classroom, in-residence, course offered at the Diploma level.

Leadership - Dr. Gene Wilkes, President of B. H. Carroll

Classes are offered via Zoom video-conferencing on Tuesday evenings Starting from 6:30-9:30pm, beginning October 2 and lasting 8 weeks.

You may register online at bhcarroll.edu or contact Dr. Darin Wood at 432.683.0600 for more information.

Registration for the Emmanuel Term is open now through September 26.

“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