

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER



Begin August 10th.
Mark you Calendar!



Mark Shaw	July 25
Levi Calicott	July 26
Colin Townsend	July 29
Cyndi Ezernack	July 30
Sharon Lane	July 30
Jerry Clifton	July 31
Barry Martindale	Aug 01
Linda Elam	Aug 03
Shirley Dimmock	Aug 07
Peggy Willoughby	Aug 07



You are cordially invited to the
**2022 Operation Christmas Child
Celebration Banquet**
Friday, July 29, 2022
Dinner will be served at 6pm
Guest Speaker: Jesse Reimers
Operation Christmas Child
Regional Manager TX/LA

This will be an evening of celebrating what
God is doing in our area through the
Big Thicket Operation Christmas Child
ministry and around the world!!

There is a sign-up sheet on the OCC table in the foyer.

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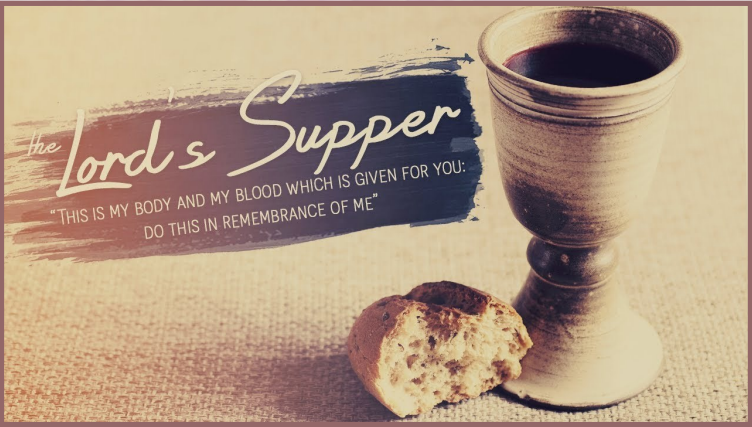
Our Vision:
To see every life in Jasper
transformed by Christ resulting in
an impact in His name felt to the
very ends of the earth.

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Church Events

- **July 24th** - Sunday School @ 9:15am, Morning Worship @ 10:30am, Youth to Lake Tejas @ 2pm, Evening Worship, Children's Discipleship @ 5pm
- **July 27th** - Prayer Meeting/Bible Study, Children's Bible Study @ 6pm, Youth Outdoor Movie @ 8pm @ Jim's house
- **July 28th** - Senior Adult Movie @ 1pm in the Choir Room
- **July 29th** - FBC Kids to Incredible Pizza, meet at the church @ 9am, Operation Christmas Child Banquet @ 6pm
- **July 31st** - Sunday School @ 9:15am, Lord's Supper, Morning Worship @ 10:30am, Nominating Committee Meeting @ 4pm, Evening Worship, Children & Youth Discipleship @ 5pm
- **August 2nd** - Teacher Appreciation Luncheon @ 11am
- **August 3rd** - Prayer Meeting/Bible Study, Children & Youth Bible Study @ 6pm
- **August 7th - Gideon Sunday** - Sunday School @ 9:15am, Morning Worship @ 10:30am, Evening Worship, Children & Youth Discipleship @ 5pm



Sunday, July 31st
During the morning worship service
10:30 a.m.

If you would like to observe the Lord's Supper with us but cannot attend the worship service in person right now, please call or email the church office. We have two options available for you: you can come by the church office and pick up the elements or our deacons can deliver them to you. If you are able to watch the service live, you can take part in the Lord's Supper at the same time in the service as everyone else. If you cannot watch the service live, please consider taking the elements between 11:00 and 11:30 a.m. on Sunday morning as that is the same time those present will be observing the Lord's Supper. Please call or email the church office by Tuesday, July 26th to get on the list. 409-384-2527 or fbcj@fbcjaspertx.com.

I've Been Thinking...

Dear Church Family,

I love preaching biblical series. Some of you will remember when we studied the theology of Genesis. That was enlightening. After Genesis we looked at salvation asking this question, “how does a person come into a right relationship with God?” There is nothing we study that is more important. For most of this year we have been taking a biblical look at our vision and our strategy; exploring how we will seek to live into our vision. These were great studies, and I am hopeful that we have all grown in our faith while we have studied these things.

We are now working our way through the first chapter of the Sermon on the Mount. Many consider the Sermon on the Mount the greatest sermon ever preached. Since it was Jesus who preached it, I have to agree. No one can or could preach like Jesus. He not only knew the Father’s mind, He also knew how to communicate with humans. The Sermon on the Mount takes the most profound faith concepts and makes them understandable.

We have finished the Beatitudes – the opening verses of the Sermon on the Mount. The surprise learning from the Beatitudes was that they tell a story – the story of a spiritual pilgrimage from broken heartedness over one’s sin to victory in the face of persecution. We are now in the second section of chapter 5 digging into these truths – “you are the salt of the earth . . . you are the light of the world;” yet to come, the way Jesus thought of the Law and the Prophets. Soon we will seek to understand Jesus’ expectations for His followers. These expectations will be challenging and our commitment to them will be life changing.

But that’s the very point. That’s why we study these scriptures. We want to understand the expectations of the Lord we follow. We want to conform our lives to His will (Romans 12:1-2). We want to experience the joy of living the Christ way. And we want to do this together as a family of faith. I hope you will join us on Sunday mornings during July and August. Let’s see what the Lord will do to us.

I can hardly wait . . .

Brother Donnie



Note from Bro. Woody

This is the confidence which we have before Him, that, if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us.
--I John 5:14--

A man was being chased by a roaring, hungry lion. Feeling the beast’s hot breath on his neck and knowing his time was short, he prayed frantically as he ran, “O Lord, please make this lion a Christian.” Within seconds, the frightened man became aware the lion had stopped. When he looked behind him, he found the lion kneeling, lips moving in obvious prayer. Greatly relieved at this turn of events, and now eager to join the newly converted lion in prayer, he approached the mighty beast. As he drew near, he heard the lion praying, “And bless, O Lord, this food for which I am exceedingly grateful.”

We often have a very specific vision of how we expect God to answer our prayers. But prayer isn’t about the fulfillment of **our** will – it’s about seeking and trusting in the fulfillment of **God’s** will. You may be carrying concerns today that you need to bring before the Lord. Maybe it’s a personal illness or a sick family member. Perhaps you’re lonely, tired, or confused about what’s happening in your life. God promises in His Word that He hears your prayers. And you can trust that He will answer them in the absolute best way possible – according to His will and your greatest good! Always, we need to ask God to help us trust in His goodness, wisdom, and love as we bring our requests before Him. We must pray that we’ll long to see His will accomplished in our lives.

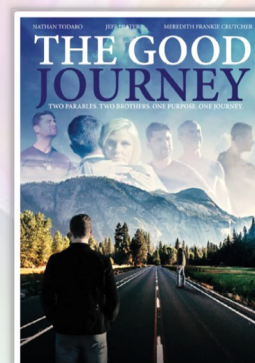
*I must tell Jesus all of my trials,
I cannot bear these burdens alone;
In my distress He kindly will help me,
He ever loves and cares for His own.*

*I must tell Jesus! I must tell Jesus!
I cannot bear my burdens alone;
I must tell Jesus! I must tell Jesus!
Jesus can help me, Jesus alone.*

You are loved,
Bro. Woody

Senior Adult Afternoon at the Movies

Thursday, July 28 at 1:00 pm
in the Choir Room



A Page from Jim’s Journal

What an amazing summer this has been! I am so grateful that God has allowed me to experience this break in school with our students. My article space is limited but I definitely wanted to share 3 of the highlights.

Vacation Bible School was a hit! I always enjoy this week of ministering to the students in our community. This week was even more special due to the fact we had a great group of students volunteering and giving their time to assist in the various areas. We had students doing skits and song motions in the opening/closing ceremony, leading games in recreation, and assisting in the different grade levels. We took these students to an Escape Room in Beaumont and ate at Willy Burger to celebrate the closing of a great week.

I was floored when I was invited to be the camp pastor at East Texas Baptist Encampment for two sessions of Alpha Kids Camp. 12 sermons, 6 days, and about 450 campers. It was a blast! But the absolute pinnacle of the week was bringing 10 of our own students to serve as the recreation team and assist the camp staff with various afternoon activities. Getting to do ministry alongside the students in our youth group for a week was a blessing to me. God has given us some truly amazing teenagers.

The last highlight I wanted to share was of our time at Mission Fuge. We brought 27 students and 6 adults to Fort Worth, Texas for a week of camp and learning to serve people. I loved seeing our group form new bonds, strengthen their friendships and trust in each other, and become vulnerable during our share times at night. Our trip had a lot of “speed bumps” in our travels to and from camp. But our group truly built some amazing memories and became of a picture of “one body” throughout the week. I am thankful. We celebrated by stopping at Medieval Times on the way home!

First Baptist, thank you for allowing me to serve in this capacity. I truly love it and am thankful for the memories that this summer has produced.



Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for your prayers, cards, phone calls, visits and food during J. D. Martin’s illness and death. Thank you for preparing and serving food for the family following the service.

*Love and appreciate you,
Marjorie Martin & family*

FBC will be hosting lunch for local teachers and staff on Tuesday, August 2nd.



DESSERTS NEEDED FOR LUNCHEON
Sign up sheet will be in the foyer or call church office.