



# WED NIGHT SUPPER

5:00 pm

### August 24

King Ranch Casserole  
Pinto Beans  
Green Salad  
Sopapilla Cheesecake

### August 31

Chili Dogs\Frito Pie  
Chips  
Ice Cream  
Floats

**\$5 per adult.**

Ages 0 - 18 eat free.

To go plates are for shut ins only.

Please sign up by Tuesday at noon

by calling the church office

409-384-2527, or [fbcj@fbcjasper.tx.com](mailto:fbcj@fbcjasper.tx.com)

or using this QR code



### Pack a shoebox in memory or in honor of a loved one!

Simply fill out the form on the OCC table.

- Check if it is in 'memory of' or 'in honor of'
- Your name
- How you would like the acknowledgement signed
- How many boxes you would like packed
- Paper clip a check to the form and
- Put it in the shoebox on the table

We will take care of packing online and print out the acknowledgments for you. Remember shoeboxes packed online primarily go to the hard-to-reach nations! Thank you for supporting Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry!



What comes out is ETERNAL!



Keith Hilderbrand	Aug 23
Todd Knight	Aug 23
Becky Chamberlain	Aug 27
Lauren Penney	Aug 30
Richard Chamberlain	Sep 01
Matthew Powers	Sep 02
Kamden Coker	Sep 06
Laura McMillon	Sep 11

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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.



# The Compass

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You are invited to  
**First Baptist Women's Ministry**  
**Kick-Off**  
Saturday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am  
Lunch will be provided  
Door Prizes  
And great Fellowship!  
Please RSVP by August 20<sup>th</sup>  
Text Cindy at 281-635-7678  
or scan the QR code and tell us the number attending and if you will need childcare.



## Church Events

- **August 21st** - Sunday School @ 9:15am, Morning Worship @ 10:30am, Blood Drive in Family Life Center @ 2pm, Deacons Meeting @ 4pm, Evening Worship, Youth and Children's @ 5pm
- **August 24th** - Supper @ 5pm, Business Meeting, Prayer Meeting/Bible Study, Youth & Children's Bible Study @ 6pm, Choir Practice @ 7pm
- **August 25th** - Senior Adult Movie @ 1pm in Choir Room
- **August 27th** - Women's Ministry Kick-off @ 11am in the Family Life Center
- **August 28th** - Sunday School @ 9:15am, Morning Worship @ 10:30am, Missions Committee Meeting @ 4pm, Youth and Children's @ 5pm, Choir Christmas Listening Party @ 6pm
- **August 31st** - Supper @ 5pm, Prayer Meeting/Bible Study, Youth & Children's Bible Study @ 6pm, Choir Practice @ 7pm
- **September 2nd** - Esther, Joy & Hope Class Fellowship @ 11am

## I've Been Thinking...

Dear Church Family,

I think it is quite clear from the scripture that Jesus expected His followers to become a whole new kind of people. Before Jesus and before the coming of the Holy Spirit, there had never been a group like the followers of "the way" (see Acts 9:2). They formed a new body, a new people of God, a new God family. The New Testament sometimes used the idea of "fellowship" (see 1 John 1:7) to describe this new "God family."

We know that it is vitally important for us as the people of God to experience this fellowship. It is necessary, if we are going to grow to be the followers of Christ that God wants, for us to find more and deeper ways to share this God life. We do not yet know all the ways we will find this fellowship, and we certainly don't have them all in place – but we are working on it.

On multiple occasions I have shared with you that I think one way to share life is in small groups. (There are many other ways, such as Sunday School.) I have been a part of small groups like this in the past and they often "spurred [me] on to love and good works" (Hebrews 10:24). Slowly for the past year we have been preparing for small (mostly meeting in homes) groups. We have (during worship) looked at the idea from a biblical perspective. A few people have been studying the process with me so that we could learn how we would like to do small groups. Many people in the church have been thinking about this and praying for it. Well, . . .finally the launch is growing near.

In September I will be writing and talking and explaining about small groups. You will learn about the way we plan to operate them in our church. And, around the beginning of October, you will have an opportunity, if you feel so led, to join a small group. Small groups will not work for everyone. Joining a group will not be a test of anyone's spirituality. But they will give us one more opportunity to share life (koinonia). That seems to me to be a good thing!

I can hardly wait . . .

Brother Donnie



Senior Adults  
are going  
out to eat  
September 15th  
Meet at the  
church @ 5 pm

## A Note from Bro. Woody

**Christmas Music  
Listening Party**  
Sunday, August 28  
following the  
**Evening Worship Service  
in the Family Life Center**  
If you would be interested  
in singing with us for Christmas,  
we invite you to listen to  
**"Noel...Born is the King" with us!!**



**Senior Adult Afternoon  
at the Movies**  
Thursday, August 25 at 1:00 pm  
in the Choir Room

## A Page from Jim's Journal

Hello Church,

I wanted to write and ask for your help in this upcoming school year. Sunday morning worship is a sweet time for our church to come together. Though our students are continuously invited and encouraged to join us, a majority stick to participating on Sunday evenings and Wednesday evenings. This lack of participation deprives all of us of the blessing of worship towards Jesus with all generations and the opportunities for relationships to form that could result in discipleship. This email is not exploring why this happens. Rather, I'd like to ask your help to be a part of changing this trend.

Since the start of 2020 we began to use Sunday evenings (off and on) as an opportunity to disciple students through teaching "practical life skills" they would need to know as a college student or young adult. We would have a different adult from the church host every Sunday night, either at their house or at the church and they would teach a valuable skill or service opportunity to the students. We want our students to become part of this church body and learn how they can contribute. They are also lacking in some basic life skills due to home situations, and you can contribute by teaching them a skill.

Some examples of nights hosted: fishing and they learned about being fishers of men, one night the kids learned the importance of hospitality, basic electrical safety, writing proper thank you notes, how to use a compass, making biscuits, an Operation Christmas Child packing party, how to grill.

Some things in addition to life skills that you can do is host a night where we teach the students how to serve in some easily forgotten areas. How to honor and love our shut ins, nursing home opportunities, bringing meals to a family in need, etc.

The possibilities are endless and the time spent together builds relationships. Relationships built gives you the opportunity to check on these students, invite them to church, have them sit with you, invite them to lunch afterwards, etc. It's common to think teenagers do not want this but they really do! Most crave a family relationship because they lack one at home. Even if they have a loving family, they need us to be spiritual parents and grandparents in their lives. Volunteering your time and skills on a Sunday evening is a practical and beneficial way for us to begin bridging the gap.

Here are some things involved with hosting:

1. The meeting time is 5 PM to 7 PM on Sunday evenings.
2. We can meet at your house (the students enjoy going different places) or do it at the church (sometimes this is more practical)
3. Share a life-skill or service opportunity with the students that particularly interests you
4. Share your testimony or tie in the life skill with bible teaching

I prefer the host to share or partner with someone who can share. It helps build the relationship with students and allows them to know more of who you are. However I am always good to share or tie it into a biblical lesson if you need me to. So please don't shy away from hosting because speaking makes you nervous. I'll do that if you need me to.

We eat! This can be whatever you want it to be. It can be as simple as pizza, hot dogs, or nachos. Just like teaching, you can partner up with someone to do the food or handle it yourself. Please do not let this scare you away either. **I'll handle food if you need me to.**

As student pastor I am in the unique position of experiencing the joys of multiple generations. I absolutely love our students, and I absolutely love our church (people). I want you and our students to experience a multi-generational fellowship and I know this will be a helpful tool in getting us there. Please consider sharing a life skill you are passionate about with our students in this upcoming school year. Please call me at 409-3825425 or email me at [jslaton@fbcjaspertx.com](mailto:jslaton@fbcjaspertx.com) if you would like to sign up. Thank you so much!

- Jim

*thank you*

*Jasper Retired Teachers really appreciate the meal we were invited to along with all teachers. It was great to see all of our old friends. You all made us feel so welcome.  
Thank you!*

*Jasper Retired Teacher Association*



**Good News...  
Great Joy!**  
Pack A Box & Impact A Life!

**We will be collecting different items for shoeboxes each month. Stop by the table in foyer and pick up a list of suggested items.**

**For the month of August,  
we will collect school supplies.**