



<b>February 15th</b>	<b>February 22nd</b>
Chili w/rice or Fritos Vegetables & Fruit Dessert	Fried Catfish Hushpuppies Tater Tot Casserole Relish Tray Dessert

\$5 person. \$2/child 12 & under.  
\$15 Family Maximum  
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@fbcjaspertx.com](mailto:fbcj@fbcjaspertx.com)  
or using this QR code



Dear Friends,  
On behalf of the people we help passing through our community, thank you for your gift to Jasper Ministerial Alliance. Your gift will enable us to continue to provide lodging, fuel for their vehicle and food when they are in need. May God reward you for your kindness.  
Father Ron Foshage



Karen Cannon	Feb 13
Larry Mathews	Feb 14
Ross Hines	Feb 15
DeAnn McBride	Feb 16
Kenny Peterson	Feb 17
Kathleen Wade	Feb 21
Meagan Fountain	Feb 23
Missy Tatum	Feb 24
Cyndi Harris	Feb 25
John L. Lowery	Feb 25
Terry Weaver	Feb 26

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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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## Church Events

- **Feb 11th** - Men's Ministry Breakfast @ 8am
- **Feb 12th** - Sunday School @ 9:15am, Morning Worship @ 10:30am, Budget & Finance Committee Meeting @ 4pm, Evening Worship, Youth & Children's Discipleship @ 5pm, Tenor/Bass Section Rehearsal @ 6pm
- **Feb 13th - Feb 15th** - Church Office closed for Staff training
- **Feb 15th** - Wednesday Night Supper @ 5pm, Prayer Meeting/Bible Study, Ladies Bible Study, Youth & Children's Bible Study @ 6pm, Choir Rehearsal @ 7pm
- **Feb 19th** - Sunday School @ 9:15am, Morning Worship @ 10:30am, India Team Meeting at 12pm, Deacons Meeting at 4pm, Evening Worship @ 5pm, Soprano Section Rehearsal @ 6pm
- **Feb 22nd** - FBCS Pancakes with Parents @ 7:30am, Wednesday Night Supper @ 5pm, Business Meeting, Prayer Meeting/Bible Study, Ladies Bible Study, Youth & Children's Bible Study @ 6pm, Choir Rehearsal @ 7pm

Love one another like I have loved you.

JOHN 13:34



## I've Been Thinking...

Dear Church Family,

I don't know about you but I like what I see happening in the life of our church. (No it's not our church it belongs to Christ) I like to see times of spirited worship. I am grateful for the study of God's word that happens in so many ways (especially Sunday School). I like the growing way we are sharing life in Christian "koinonia" especially in small home groups. It blesses me to see the ways we are being on mission with Christ. All of these (and more) are helping us to see life change (to see every life in Jasper transformed by Christ. . .) happening in people.

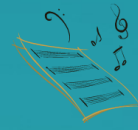
However, I think you know that it takes a big support system to enable us to worship the majestic God, share life (especially in small groups), and be on mission with Christ. The support system includes the service of deacons, the teachers of classes, the helpers in classes, the work of many committees, and the actions of multiple ministry teams. We cannot do the vision and strategy without the "oil" that lubricates the pieces. It takes all of us to be that "oil." Yes, we NEED people who will support baptism. Yes, we NEED people who will help us serve the poor of our community. Yes, we NEED people to carry the load when members die. Yes, we NEED people to service the buses; decorate the foyer; plan times of fellowship; greet people at the door; provide safety and security when we meet and so much more. We need people so guess what??? We need YOU!

Who will do these things? It must be us. There is no one else. We asked you to consider joining a ministry team last month. Very few stepped forward. Would you please back up and look at the Compass from last month again? Look at the ministry teams. PRAY! Where would God have you plug in? Now, let's take another shot at filling these teams.

It's going to take all of us.

I can hardly wait. . .

Brother Donnie



## A Note from Bro. Woody

# HILLTOP UNIVERSITY

A Spiritual Retreat for Adults 55+

East Texas Baptist University

Marshall, Texas

May 22-24, 2023

featuring

SANDI PATTY



\$189 per person until April 1

(call the church office or see Bro. Woody to sign up)

Price includes 7 meals, concert tickets and admittance to all conference events.



## Happy Years

All Seniors 55 and older are invited  
**Tuesday, February 28th**  
Games begin at 10 am in the Gym  
A catered lunch will be served at 11:30 am followed by a time of devotion.  
Call or email church office to sign up  
(409) 384-2527 or fbcjasper.tx.com

## A Page from Jim's Journal

It seems like anytime someone wants to open a jar in the house, the lid decides to be as uncooperative as possible. Those stubborn lids just don't want to budge. My family knows they can come and get help from me when they come across this problem. It's not necessarily because they think I'm strong, but because they know I am just as stubborn as the lid on that jar. I will wear it down until it twists off as a matter of pride.

That stubborn pride serves me well when I'm twisting the lids off of jars. But it doesn't do me any good when it comes to the Kingdom of God. I had spent quite a bit of time reflecting on my relationship with Christ and the ministry God has given me. I came to realize I had been trying to do all the heavy lifting by myself, or "trying to twist the lids off the jars" myself.

Our church has been given a grand vision and I came to realize how silly it is for me to depend on myself for a God sized task. I started praying the words of Matthew 9:38 every morning in my devotion time. It says, "Therefore, pray to the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest." I pray that God will not only send workers into the harvest, but that God will create more workers out of the harvest. What a difference this has made in this new year! Not only has my perception of the ministry God has given me changed, but my eyes are opened to how He is working around me. I see the people He is calling out, I notice the fires are lit in people's desire and there are positions of service that are being filled!

It is clear to me that God has always been at work. But I haven't always been able to see it because I was too busy trying to do the work myself. What a gracious God, that He would teach me this lesson over and over again. Lord Jesus, continue to send workers into the harvest. Not only that but continue to increase the harvest! What a great year we have ahead of us at First Baptist Church.

## FBC YOUTH SUPER BOWL PARTY

WATCH THE GAME | PLAY NINE-SQUARE | PLAY BOARD GAMES/CARD GAMES  
FEBRUARY 12 TH @ 5 PM IN FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH GYM  
PLEASE BRING A FINGER FOOD, APPETIZER, DRINKS, OR DESSERT TO SHARE

### Alpha Pre-Teen Camp

# FAITH CAN MOVE

## MOUNTAINS

MATTHEW 17:20  
3rd-6th graders  
June 18-21  
Deposit \$35 Camp Cost \$175

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

## A Mission Field in Need of Hope

371 million people  
350 languages in North America  
281 million are estimated to be lost

Our Church Goal: \$8,000

# CLOSED

First Baptist Church Office will be closed Monday, February 13th through Wednesday, February 15th. The secretaries will be attending CDM training.