

Wednesday Night Suppers

5:00 pm

May 3rd

Hot Dogs
w/Homemade Chili
Chips
Veggie/Fruit Tray
Cobbler w/Ice Cream

May 10th

Chicken Strips
Mac & Cheese
Coleslaw
Biscuits & Gravy
Coconut Cream Cake

\$5 per adult.
Ages 0 - 18 eat free.
To go plates are for shut ins only.

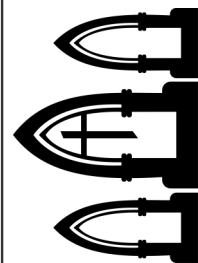
Please sign up by Tuesday at noon
by calling the church office
409-384-2527, or fbcj@fbcjasper.tx.com
or using this QR code



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Tommy Thompson	May 01
Sarah Wade	May 02
Amelia Thompson	May 03
Clifford Neal	May 04
Kathryn Penney	May 12

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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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VBS WORKERS MEETING

Sunday, May 7th
4:00 PM

Youth Room

If you plan to help with VBS in some way,
please attend this meeting.

I've Been Thinking...

Dear Church Family,

I am writing this Compass article from Israel. As you know several people from our church have gone to Israel (and a few days in Egypt) and have brought along with us several more people from Troy Knight's church in North Carolina. As you can imagine we have had a most wonderful time. We are halfway through our trip, and we are confident that the second half will be as good or better than the first half.

As I write these words I'm looking down at my tired and swollen feet. We have walked miles every day and climbed more stairs than any of us can count. But that's the price we've had to pay to experience the great blessings we have had. The blessings are too many to list here but let me tell you three. First, we sat within a stone's throw of Peter's house in Capernaum and read the story of the paralytic lowered through the roof - "Son, your sins are forgiven," Jesus said. On a hillside near where Jesus delivered the sermon on the Mount we read the Beatitudes - "Blessed are the poor in spirit for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." And today sitting on the Mount of olives in the garden of Gethsemane right beside the Church of All Nations, (surrounded by thousand-year-old olive trees), we read this prayer of Jesus, "not my will but thine be done."

Oh well, here's one more: today we saw the most probable location for the resurrection. There are two competing places. One is the Church of the Holy Sepulcher the other is the Garden Tomb. Most scholars agree that the Church is the place. The fact is we don't need to find the place. Wherever you look the tomb is empty. We are tired but that's nothing. He died and rose and that's everything.

I can't wait to tell you more.

Brother Donnie



A Note from Bro. Woody

Because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" Therefore you are no longer a slave, but a son; and if a son, then an heir through God.
--Galatians 4: 6-7 --

A little boy visiting his grandparents was given his first slingshot. He practiced in the woods, but he could never hit his target. As he came back to Grandma's backyard, he saw her pet duck. On an impulse he took aim and let it fly. The stone hit, and the duck fell dead. So, he panicked and hid the dead duck in the woodpile, only to look up and see his sister watching. After lunch that day, Grandma said, "Sally, let's wash the dishes." But Sally said, "Johnny told me he wanted to help in the kitchen today. Didn't you, Johnny?" And she whispered to him, "Remember the duck." So, Johnny did the dishes. Later Grandpa asked if the children wanted to go fishing. Grandma said, "I'm sorry, but I need Sally to help make supper." Sally smiled and said, "That's all taken care of. Johnny wants to do it." Again, she whispered, "Remember the duck." Johnny stayed while Sally went fishing. Finally, after several days of Johnny doing both his chores and Sally's, he couldn't stand it. He confessed to Grandma that he'd killed the duck. "I know, Johnny," she said, giving him a hug. "I was standing at the window and saw the whole thing. Because I love you, I forgave you. I just wondered how long you would let Sally make a slave of you."

How many of us have received forgiveness in Christ, but miss out on living in the freedom we have? Let's not live under the impression that we still have to earn our salvation. Instead, let's live in the freedom that Christ has bought us! Let's pray and ask God to help us understand the freedom we have in Christ. Then, as we grow in our freedom, we can shake off the yoke of guilt and experience the joy we're meant to have!

*I once was an outcast stranger on earth,
A sinner by choice, and an alien by birth,
But I've been adopted, my name's written down,
An heir to a mansion, a robe and a crown.
I'm a child of the King, a child of the King:
With Jesus my Savior, I'm a child of the King!*

You are loved,
Bro. Woody

A Page from Jim's Journal

"First Baptist, First Methodist, Hillcrest, and Country Church Rayburn gathered at the JYBA ballpark for worship, student testimonies, and some friendly games of kickball a week ago last Wednesday. We were all so thankful and encouraged to take part in this time together. There is nothing sweeter than Christian family getting together."

- Jim



COMMUNITY WIDE
KICKBALL
TOURNAMENT

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active
assist
teach
Teamwork
Quality
Promote
Welcome
Grow
Education
Integrate
Involve
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Thrive
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JYBL
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PLEASE JOIN US FOR
FBC'S
Family
FUN
NIGHT

SUNDAY, MAY 7TH AT 5PM-7PM

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
314 N. MAIN STREET, JASPER, TEXAS

- A short music program
performed by FBCS students

- Art Show and drawings for class art
projects (tickets to participate will be sold)

- Nachos, drinks, cotton candy,
and popcorn will be served

FBCkids
MOTHER'S DAY
BAKE SALE
May 14, 2023

COOKIES • CUPCAKES • SWEETS

Bake sale will be held immediately after our morning worship service in the Family Life Center. All the proceeds raised will help the kids to go to Alpha Pre-Teen Camp.