



Help Needed at the Connection Center!

We are looking for one or two people to man the Connection Center on Sunday mornings beginning at 8:45 a.m. and after the worship service. See Trey Smart if you are interested in serving in this way.

We Are Getting Ready for VBS & Your Help Is Needed!

VBS is June 7-11, 9 a.m.-12 noon
4 Year Olds-Middle School!

Register at the church website throughout the month of May!

Adult & Student Volunteers needed on May 26 at 6 p.m. for publicity distribution to east Lawton homes!

Volunteers are also needed to help in the Bible Study Tent each day. We have needs in almost every age-group so see Kevin, Linda or Trey to volunteer!

Please Note: Our Texting Service Number Has Changed

1-833-FBE-TEXT (1-833-323-8398)

This takes the place of the short code. Add the number to your contacts to identify it. If you have subscribed to our texting service, you do need to take action. This texting service is used to send out updates and changes to our schedule. To subscribe, text FBEINFO to the above number. If you desire information about other specific ministries you may text the following to the above number: *fbestudents* (student ministry), *fbchildren* (children's ministry), *fbchleader* (Connection Hour leaders), *fbemen* (men's ministry), *fbewomen* (women's ministry).



Mother's Day Offering

This offering goes to Oklahoma Baptist Homes for Children and Baptist Village Communities. Both ministries play vital roles in our state in caring for children and senior adults. To make a gift use any offering envelope and mark it "Mother's Day" - or go online, select "Other Offering" and put Mother's Day in the memo field.

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Lawton, OK 73501
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OUR SERVICES

Sunday
9:00 a.m.: Connection Hour
10:30 a.m.: Worship
Wednesdays
6:00 p.m.: Power Up/Power Up Friends
6:00 p.m.: Wednesday Live!
6:00 p.m.: Adult Prayer Meeting
6:00 p.m.: Adult Bible Studies

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

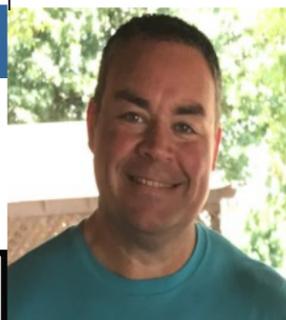
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Students

Sunday, May 16— Senior Day—
Breakfast at 9:00 am in The Bunker.
All seniors will be recognized during
Worship service. Watch for more info.



MEMPHIS MISSION TRIP
Mission Trip - June 19-25



Tim Martin
Minister to Students

Memphis Mission Trip Training
Wednesday, May 26, 5:00 pm
Wednesday, June 2, 5:00 pm
Wednesday, June 9, 5:00 pm
These meetings are before Wednesday
Night LIVE Summer Style.

Time to CELEBRATE!
Don't miss this.....
END OF SCHOOL PARTY !!!
Wednesday, May 19
6:00—8:00 pm
The Bunker
Food, Fun and Games !!!

Falls Creek
July 19-24



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CONNECTING PEOPLE TO JESUS,
HIS COMMUNITY, AND HIS MISSION!

3302 SE Lee Blvd., Lawton, OK

April 27, 2021

Recognizing and Honoring Our Mothers

Sunday, May 9, 10:30 a.m.



Children & Families



Kevin Slough
Pastor to Children & Families



July 9-12



In Davis, Oklahoma

Cost: \$150

This mission adventure camp is for kids who have completed 3rd-5th grades.

Mandatory Parent's meeting

11:45 a.m. May 16 (in the choir room)

Registration fee includes travel, lodging for 3 nights, meals, T-shirt and \$10 concession band.

Registration forms are in the office and at the Children's Bulletin Board.



https://www.facebook.com/FirstEastChildren/https://twitter.com/FBE_Children

From the Pastor

It is so good to see many coming back to worship with us. This has been a tough year but I believe the days ahead hold some great times for us. Let me encourage you to look around. There are so many that are hurting and lonely. The greatest gift we can give them is to introduce them to Jesus. If you don't feel confident sharing the gospel invite them into your home then to church. Pray that God will give you an awareness of people who need Jesus.

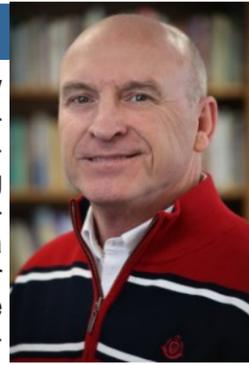
This Sunday is Senior Adult Day. It is a time to recognize those who have provided the way for us. Many of these are ones that helped relocate our church to this building. We are very grateful to them for all their sacri-

fices. Also, this Sunday we will be recognizing Jim & Elaine McGuire. Jim has served on staff for over 20 years. He is our Senior Adult Pastor and a valuable asset God has given to FBE. Let me encourage you to bring a card and put a love gift inside to say "thank you" for all their work here at FBE.

We will be taking a trip to Israel February 21-March 2, 2022. We have 24 who have already paid their deposit and now have 6 spaces left as we are limited to 30 people. I hope you will come and join us for this trip of a lifetime. You can get a brochure at the Connection Center or the office. Call if you have any questions.

Mother's Day is May 9th. We will be taking the annual Mother's Day offering which goes to support the Oklahoma Baptist Homes for Children and the Baptist Village Communities (for senior adults). You can mark any offering envelope "Mother's Day" to give to this offering.

Bro. Doug



Doug Passmore
Pastor

Education

Preschool: Where Things Get Started for People

Ask most people that know about how learning takes place and they will tell you it begins in the life of a baby. Some people say that we learn most of what we know between the ages of birth and five years old.

At church we understand that preschoolers can learn. We strive to teach them concepts from God's word that one day will help them come to saving faith in Jesus! But, who is the "we"? Currently, our church is short leaders in our preschool. Specifically, we have no leaders to care for Toddlers and Three-Year-Olds. We need additional leaders to help with Babies/Creepers and Pre-K.

An investment in the lives of preschoolers is priceless - particularly when the day comes you see one of them baptized! Teaching preschoolers is not easy. Ministering to families with preschoolers can be challenging, but if we are going to impact lives it is an imperative. If you would be interested in talking about our opportunities, see Linda Dillingham or myself.



Sunday, May 23,
11:35 a.m.

All leaders (directors and teachers) in Connection Hour will meet for our quarterly rally to receive information, encouragement and your summer literature. Everyone needs to be present!



Trey Smart
Minister of Education

Connection Hour is our primary strategy to connect people to Jesus, His truth, His mission and His community.

For Your Information



Harry Ross
Minister of Music

CHOIR PERFORMANCE FOR ALL ADULT SINGERS!!

I'm thrilled to announce a special project for ALL of our adult singers! Beginning Wednesday, May 5 we'll rehearse for a special performance on Sunday, May 23. This choir will be for ALL of our Adult singers, and I mean ALL: both men and women! We'll meet for three Wednesday nights beginning May 5, from 6:15-7:15 in the auditorium. Then on Sunday morning, May 23, we will perform two songs in our morning worship service. Childcare is provided and we hope many of you will participate.

ALSO: If you would like to listen to many of the songs we sing on Sunday mornings, we have created a playlist on Spotify. You can download the Free App on your device and then search for "FBE Worship Music," to hear many of the songs we'll be singing.

Music



Zach Foley
Minister of Outreach & Mobilization

Ministry Outside Sundays

This past weekend a handful of us gathered for Secret Church, where the topic was the great imbalance of missions. Currently in the world there are 3.2 billion people who are unreached. This means that if nothing changes, 3.2 billion people will live and die without ever hearing about Jesus. The result is that they will plunge into an eternal hell where they will be tormented forever and ever. When I talk with Christians about this reality, I often get the response, "Well, God just has not called me to go to another country". However my question is this: define called. If calling means that God strikes you with a blinding light and utters His thunderous voice from heaven, then I would agree with them. In fact, I can count on one hand how many people He has actually done that for. But, isn't the opposite side of that true as well? Has God hit us with a blinding light and thundering voice saying to stay exactly where we are and keep on doing what we are doing? As Christians isn't our purpose to make the gospel known? Does it take an audible voice to tell us we need to move to another country, when if we simply look around the world we see incredible physical and spiritual needs? What if I told you that your greatest opportunity to make disciples is *somewhere else*? Think about it. According to 2 Thessalonians 2, a great falling away has to happen. That can only happen where the gospel *already is*. At the same time, according to Revelation 5, there will be men from *every* tribe and tongue in heaven. This means that God is guaranteeing a harvest among these 3.2 billion if we would just go.

So, what's it going to be? A nice, leisurely life here, or a life spent that yields eternal riches? You get to decide. Let's leverage our lives here, as well as around the globe for the good news of King Jesus.



Honoring Jim McGuire!

Sunday, May 2

We will be expressing appreciation to Bro. Jim and Elaine for over 20 years of ministry at First Baptist East as our part-time associate pastor. Be sure to bring a card, write a note and enclose a gift to honor them! We will be recognizing them at the end of the service!

May 2
10:30 a.m.

We will be recognizing all our senior adults during our worship service and then all senior adults are invited to a special luncheon in their honor immediately following the worship service in our Fellowship Hall. Thank you Senior Adults for your contributions to the ministry of FBE!



Online Study Opportunities Available!

Our church has two different opportunities available for you to participate in individual studies through a couple of different websites. Right Now Media has bible study content for adults, children's shows and content for students. If you do not have an account, call the church office with your email address and we will get you added.

The other service is through Grace Ministries. You can go to their website at www.grace101.org and click library at the top. It will ask you for a password and user name and both are firsteas. Then click on any of the studies you might be interested in. One of the top studies is Crisis 101, but there are others available. Now is the perfect time to take advantage of these opportunities!

With Sympathy...

The pastor and church family extend Christian sympathy to the family of **Teddy Tucker** on his death, to **Debora Livingston** on the death of her husband; to **Jean Smith** on the death of her cousin.

Thank you...

A thank you note has been received from **Dina & Keith Paxton** and **Jane & Roger Snider**.

Memorial Contributions

We have received a memorial contribution to the Ann Beadles' Falls Creek Fund from the Adult 2 Connection Hour Department in memory of **Gail Lowry's** husband.

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CHURCH GOAL: \$10,000
TOTAL GIVEN: 9,388



Order VBS Shirts Now!

Pick up an order envelope and place your order by May 12. Shirts available for both kids and adults and adult leaders! Don't miss out!

Monthly Recap

Average Attendance 4/7-4/28	
Connection Hour Average Attendance	285
Monthly Giving 3/29-4/28	140,918
Monthly Budget Requirements	\$ 117,507
Year to Date Budget Receipts	\$ 472,123
BFHG 3/29-4/28	\$ 2,875
BFHG Year to date	\$ 6,415
Additions 4/7-4/28	3
By Baptism	3
By Letter	0
By Watchcare/Statement	0



Wednesdays

Serving from 5 to 5:45 p.m.

Text Holly at (580) 695-2595 to make or cancel a reservation.

Adults: \$4; Children 5th grade and under: \$2

May 5: Baked Potato Bar

May 12: Chicken Tenders

May 19: Hamburgers

NOTE: May 19 is the final Wednesday evening meal until we resume in August.

May Magazines

Be sure to pick up copies of our monthly magazines (Home Life, Parenting Teens, Parent Life) at the Connection Center or in the church office.