



2024 Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions

CHURCH GOAL: \$8,000
GIVEN TO DATE: \$3,130

This offering supports the work of over 2,900 missionaries in the United States and Canada to reach 281 million lost people through church planting, evangelism and compassion ministries, sending and leadership and missions education. We will receive this offering through the month of March! Pray about what God would have you to do to support this work in North America! You can still give through the first week of April!

MEDICAL OR SAFETY TEAM

We are in need of additional volunteers for both our Medical and our Safety Team. The medical team serves on Sunday morning, while the Safety Team serves on Sundays and Wednesdays. These teams volunteer on a rotating basis.

For more info call the numbers below:

MEDICAL: Call Brent Kephart, 580-512-7622 **SAFETY:** Call Michael Wright, 580-704-5005



Coming
April 11 & 25, 6 to 9 p.m.

This is open to young adults between the ages of 18 and 24 and their friends! It is an evening of fun, food, fellowship and Bible study. The group meets in The Bunker!

COMING SOON

May 2: National Day of Prayer
May 5: Senior Adult Day

First Baptist East Church
3302 SE Lee Blvd.
Lawton, OK 73501
580-355-6190

www.firstbaptisteast.com

OUR SERVICES

Sundays

9:00 a.m.: Connection Hour
10:30 a.m.: Worship

Wednesdays

5:00 p.m.: Meal Service
6:00 p.m.: Power Up/Power Up Friends
6:00 p.m.: Adult Discipleship
6:15 p.m.: Adult Choir
6:30 p.m.: Wednesday Live (The Bunker opens at 6 p.m.)

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Lawton, Oklahoma,
73501

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Students

Hey Church Family!

We are getting geared up for the summer! We had a great United Weekend. Thank you to all the sponsors, hosts, co-hosts, and cooks that made this weekend so awesome! I am looking forward to a great April.



Thank you for your continued giving that allows us to minister to students in Lawton!

Justin Smart, Youth Pastor

Follow us on:



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

3302 SE Lee Blvd., Lawton, OK 73501

April 1, 2024

Children & Families

What's happening?

We had a great March. We had a great turn out for the OKC Thunder Game. Be on the lookout for announcements about VBS and CrossTimbers in the next couple of months. I can't wait to see you on Sundays and Wednesdays!

Libbey McKee
Children's Director



● Power Up is happening on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 pm. This is for children grades Kindergarten through 5th grade.

● Connection Hour starts at 9:00 am on Sundays. I would love to see you there!

● Children's church is for Kindergarten through 3rd graders during service.



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April 14, 5 p.m.
A concentrated time of prayer and worship for the entire church family!

From the Pastor

This week is Easter. What a great time to fellowship with the family and to attend church. Remember Friday at 7:00 pm is our Good Friday service and then Sunday morning is our Resurrection service. I hope you will come and get the full affect of this time in Jesus' life. Be sure and invite your friends and neighbors.

As we enter into April we will be finishing up our study of James. It has been a good productive study. Be praying for God to reveal where we need to study after James is over. If you haven't been able to join us

now would be a good time. I can tell you each passage of scripture we study have been very productive for us as Christians.

Let me remind you we will be taking our offering for North America Missions this month. So if you have not had the chance to give be sure and do so this Sunday. Every penny will go to start churches in North America. By the way all the money left over from our coffee corner after our supplies are taken out will be given to this mission offering.

Looking forward to seeing you Friday at 7:00 pm and Sunday morning.

—Bro. Doug



GOSPEL SING! MAY 19 @ 6 PM

On Sunday, May 19, the Adult Choir will present our annual Gospel Sing concert with great old-fashioned Gospel music. This is always a fun evening of music and inspiration. If you would like to come and sing along with the choir, you are welcome to join us beginning Wednesday, April 3, at 6:15 in the choir room. Join us!



Music

For Your Information



**Kansas City,
Kansas
June 22-29
Cost: \$300**

Pick up a brochure at the Connection Center that gives you most of the information about this trip. We are now receiving deposits for those volunteers committed to going on this year's trip. We work with a church that has a Hispanic ministry meeting in its building. We will do a VBS there and possibly other activities. We will work through another church to minister at a senior living community. See Trey Smart if you have more questions. Our first meeting is Sunday, April 28 at 5 p.m.

If you missed giving to this trip at the Souper Bowl, you can still do so by using any envelope and marking it Kansas City.



Vacation Bible School Faculty Meeting!

Sunday, April 7, 3 p.m.

This is for all volunteers serving in VBS this summer!

You will receive important information about this year's event, plus you will receive your literature and there will be door prizes. If you have not been asked to serve, but want to serve in VBS, you can attend this meeting! We are still looking for a second music rotation leader and a second preschool recreation leader. See Trey Smart, Linda Dillingham or Libbey McKee if you can help! The associational training clinic is April 8 from 5:45 to 8:15 p.m. at Crossroads Baptist Church in Elgin.

Vacation Bible School

June 3-7, 9 a.m.-12 noon

...for ages 4 through middle school!

Our greatest outreach event of the year!

Education

All-Church Visitation

**Coming Tuesday, April 9
6:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall**

We will gather at the church to make visits, write cards and send messages to both prospects and members in our Connection Hour. Come help us follow up on Easter guests and others! This is our last visitation night until after VBS!

The spring of the year is always a great time for new beginnings! And, it is a great time to invite people to our groups on Sunday mornings at 9 a.m. In the spring time people are looking for something new or something meaningful for their lives. We have the answer! Take time over the next few weeks not only to pray for someone that is lost, but also pray about an opportunity to have a gospel conversation with them or about an opportunity to invite them to a group. Encourage anyone you invite to come to the Connection Center where they will be assisted in finding the appropriate group for them!

Age-Group Connection Hour Meetings

Children Leaders

April 3, 7:30 p.m., Room 124

Preschool Leaders

April 10, 7:30 p.m., Room 124

Youth Leaders

April 17, 7:30 p.m., Room 124

These meetings are for all teachers and directors to encourage and hold us accountable for our work.



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

For Your Information



Revive at Five! Sunday, April 14, 5 p.m.

These experiences have been special and are designed to help us spend concentrated time exploring our relationship with God. We also spend some in prayer for our church, ourselves, our nation and our world.

Join us for this unique experience of worship, prayer and inspection of our lives! Preschool and grade school child care is provided.

Don't miss this night!

Monthly Recap

Average Attendance (March thru 3-24)	
Connection Hour Average Attendance	264
Monthly Giving (March)	\$ 102,445
Monthly Budget Requirements	\$ 107,533
Year to Date Budget Receipts	\$ 255,692
BFHG (March)	\$ 1,080
BFHG Year to date	\$ 3,635
Additions (March thru 3/24)	
By Baptism	1
By Letter	
By Watchcare/Statement	0



Volunteers Needed

We are always looking for more volunteers to serve in ETC. See Linda Dillingham if you are interested.

In Sympathy...

The pastor and church family extend Christian sympathy to the family of **Fonz Chapman** in his death; to **Melanie Nordeen** in the death of her father; and, to **Mott Murphy** on the death of her uncle.



Our Newest...

Congratulations to **Tucker & Bralea McKee** on the birth of their daughter, Sunny Joy; and, to **Panya & Diane Laona** on the birth of their son Isaac



Thank You...

A thank you note has been received from Jan Purcell



A Reminder About Social Media

When you see a post on the church social media pages about coming events or Sunday activities, be sure to share it on your social media to help us get the word out!

April Magazines

Pick up copies of our monthly magazines (Home Life, Parent Life) in the south foyer near the entry.



Wednesday Night Meals

**Adults: \$5 Children: \$3
or \$25 per Household**

Reservations can be made week by week or permanently by texting:

Holly Wells at 580-695-2595.

Serving from 5 to 5:45 p.m.

April 10: Beef/Chicken Tacos

April 17: Chicken Fried Steak

April 24: Salisbury Steak

May 1: Spaghetti



We need a volunteer!

One of our van drivers will be relocating soon and we are in need of a volunteer who would be willing to pick up riders prior to Connection Hour and take them back home following the worship service. If you would be interested in serving in this way contact Libbey McKee.

Men's & Women's Retreats

WOMEN: April 19-20

MEN: April 26-27

The registration deadline for these events at Falls Creek is April 1 for the ladies and April 8 for the men. Register at the Oklahoma Baptist website. Registration is \$100 for the weekend.