

THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE



Dear Church Family,

Sometimes the clock creeps along. Try holding your breath for 60 seconds if you want to feel a minute as a millennium. Or wait for the doctor to call with the biopsy results, and a day will become a decade.

Now, reverse the scenario. Have a long to-do list before guests arrive tomorrow, and a day will rush by at unbelievable speed. And minutes will pass so quickly that they cannot even be counted.

With the quarantine, we fall into one of two camps: either you've been sent home with little to do or your whole work-a-day world has changed so drastically that you are putting in overtime, inventing new solutions to new problems.

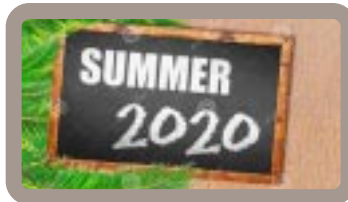
No matter in which camp you find your tent, use each day to the fullest. Find new ways to redeem the time.



Dr. Howard K. Batson

CONNECT 3

For the past school year, FBC boomers have partnered to pray for our college students. Boomers, thanks for keeping up with our students and praying for them as they study, take tests, have time challenges, and, most recently, are studying from home. Students, thank you for letting us share this year in your lives! We will relaunch this ministry in August, so if you have an interest in praying for a student, please contact Robby Barrett or Corey Stewart in the church office (373-2891), Sheri Price (467-7215), or Pat Crawford (359-1919).



As you might expect during these days, we are already having to make lots of changes to our summer calendar. With the time/duration of the pandemic still unknown, please know that our staff is working hard behind the scenes to reschedule events as possible, but still maintaining the integrity of the social distancing measures that seem to be helping our community. Many of our events away from church facilities (camps, mission trips, etc.) are also dependent upon the scheduling of outside facilities and leaders (campgrounds, parks, mission trip coordinators, etc.). We hope to share some adjusted dates in the near future. Thank you for your understanding.



CONNECT 3 PRAYER MINISTRY

SUMMER CALENDAR

FBC WORSHIP SERVICES

Worship services have temporarily moved to telecast, broadcast, and livestream only. You can participate in First Baptist worship in the following ways:

Television:

8:30 a.m. on 10TOO Cable Channel 6
10:00 a.m. on KFDA Cable Channel 12

Livestream:

8:30 a.m. on our website (www.firstamarillo.org)

Radio Broadcast:

11:00 a.m. on KIXZ-AM 940
6:00 p.m. on MIX-FM 94.1

Webpage:

A delayed replay (www.firstamarillo.org)

Our church webpage also has worship and Bible Study resources each week.

 visit us online at www.firstamarillo.org

ZOOM BIBLE STUDY CLASSES

Many of our adult Bible study classes are meeting each Sunday (or other times during the week) by Zoom. In fact, a few classes are having record attendance during these crazy days! Zoom is a great way to get together electronically, but still with a personal touch. All you need is a computer (or smartphone or tablet) with a camera and microphone. If your class needs help getting started, please contact Robby at robby@firstamarillo.org. If your class is not doing Zoom, but you want to join with another class during these days at home, contact Robby and he can get you connected to a group.

AUTO MINISTRY

Even during these days of social isolation, we still hear from those in our church and community who have transportation needs. Thank you for considering donating your old or unused vehicle for us to share. To get information about donating or receiving a vehicle through the Auto Ministry, contact Don Judd (316-1840), Gary Gilley (418-1546), or Don Babcock (376-8335).

DEACON OF THE DAY

May 3	Wayne Monroe
May 4	Steve Wiegand
May 5	James Beckham
May 6	Howard Smith
May 7	Robb Wright
May 8	Brent Womble
May 9	Paul Clark

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

This Sunday, Brad Holmes will bring a message entitled "Blind Bartimaeus" from Mark 10:46-52. Spend time preparing your heart for our Sunday morning service.



HOLY LAND TRIP!

Our trip to Israel,

May 3-12, 2021, is still on! We will join Dr. Jim Denison and archeologist Mike Fanning for a 10-day journey walking where Jesus walked. We will have an interest meeting as soon as possible with details about travel, agenda, cost, health requirements, etc. We are starting a list of participants, so email Robby Barrett with your interest (robby@firstamarillo.org).

THANK YOU, KRISTIE HALE!

First Baptist Church of Amarillo is so very grateful for the ministry of Kristie Hale! Kristie began her duties as food service coordinator in January 2002, and is retiring from that position at the end of April, after 18 years of service.

During that time, she has prepared snacks for over 90 days of Vacation Bible School, coordinated and served over 100 meals at in-town mission trips (two locations each year), helped with 18 Women's Holiday Dinners, served over 160 Heritage Fellowship meals, served over 800 Wednesday evening meals, served over 800 Tuesday Noon Bible Study meals, helped with numerous wedding and church receptions, coordinated countless funeral meals, placed over 800 food orders, placed coffee service and needed items in Sunday School classrooms weekly, provided meals for committee meetings and ministry events, coordinated food for church-wide Fun Nights and special activities, provided hundreds of meals and food items for youth DiscipleNow, and helped with so much more!

We will miss Kristie in the kitchen at FBC, but rejoice that we will still worship and serve with her and Randy as members of FBC! If you would like to say "thank you" to Kristie, feel free to send a card in care of First Baptist Church, 1208 S. Tyler, 79101, or send it directly to Kristie at 4503 Spartanburg, 79119.

Kristie, thank you for blessing our church family for over 18 years! Thank you for a ministry well done! We will miss you!

PRAYER THOUGHT

In these days of improving weather, many in our congregation are finding ways to get outdoors. If you are walking around your neighborhood, this would be a great time to incorporate prayer in your regular walk. Even if you do not know the names of your neighbors, take a moment as you walk to pray for those in the home you are passing. Pray for their safety, wellness, spiritual health, and for an opportunity to meet them and share a word with them soon. Listen for ways that God may impress on you to love and minister to those in your neighborhood. Perhaps in these days Amarillo needs First Baptist Church and the love of Christ more than ever before!





Senior Class of 2020

May 3 is the LAST DAY to turn in Scholarship Applications and Senior Pictures.

Please email applications and pictures to Bradley, Anna, or Angela, or mail to the church office, ATTN: Student Ministry.

Summer 2020

We would like to welcome Jake Chapman and Georgia Riley to our summer staff for 2020. Jake and Georgia are both students at Texas A&M and are both the Class of 2022.



Howdy! I'm *Georgia Riley*, the daughter of Shawn and Susan Riley, and I'm a sophomore Nutritional Sciences major. I am excited for this summer because it will allow me to learn more of how the church works, as well as let me give back to the church that I grew up in!

Howdy! I'm *Jake Chapman*. I am the son of Gary and JJ Chapman. I'm super excited to connect with students and have some fun this summer!!



Join Us on Zoom!

Check out our Zoom schedule at www.firstamarillo.org/kidszoom.

Next up:

Lunch with Cliff and Sarah
Friday, May 8

11:45 a.m.

You should have received a card in the mail with the Zoom meeting password. If not (or if you need us to resend it), please email Cliff (cliff@firstamarillo.org) or Sarah (sarah@firstamarillo.org).

Summer Updates

****NEW** VBS DATES**

July 27-31

Save the date and watch for more details soon!

MERGE

We received word that Panfork Baptist Camp is cancelling all summer camps and programs. Therefore, we will not be able to attend Merge this summer. Merge is one of our favorite ministry events of the year, and, while we understand Panfork's decision, we are so sad to miss camp this year.

**REMEMBER TO
PRAYFOR
OUR PASTOR
ONE MINUTE
EACH DAY
AT 1:00 P.M.**



Honoring New Babies

Until we can once again honor new babies in our church family by placing a rose in the sanctuary, we will print announcements in the *Reporter*.

•Hill Benton Hawkins, son of Joey and Caroline Hawkins, born April 25, 2020.

LADIES LEADERSHIP AND LEARNING IN JULY

A sellout crowd is expected for *You Lead: Growing Every Woman's Leadership Potential*, hosted by First Baptist Church on Friday, July 24, from 8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Cost is \$75. This one-day leadership opportunity is in conjunction with Beth Moore's *Living Proof Live* event. To register, go to <https://www.lifeway.com/en/events/you-lead> or to our church webpage, www.firstamarillo.org.

LIVING PROOF LIVE

Beth Moore is coming to Amarillo in July! Her *Living Proof Live* event will be Friday evening and Saturday morning, July 24-25, at the Cal Farley Coliseum (downtown). Individual tickets are still available at lifeway.com for this event, starting at \$75 (when bundled with the *Ladies Leadership and Learning* event on July 24).

SERVICE TIMES AT FIRST

Sunday Morning Worship 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
 Bible Study for all ages 9:45 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

- The family of Margie Blades.
- Jay Barrett in the death of his mother, Brenda Barrett, Canyon, Texas.



BRANSON AT CHRISTMAS!

November 2-7

We are still planning to enjoy a trip to Branson at Christmas. The deposit of \$75 is due May 15. If you have any questions, call Gay at 236-8934.

WALK THROUGH THE BIBLE DAILY READINGS

Sunday, May 3
 Ezra 7-8
Monday, May 4
 Ezra 9-10
Tuesday, May 5
 Nehemiah 1-2
Wednesday, May 6
 Nehemiah 3-4
Thursday, May 7
 Nehemiah 5-6
Friday, May 8
 Nehemiah 7-8
Saturday, May 9
 Nehemiah 9-10

NEW MEMBERS

By Letter or Statement to Date	72
For Baptism to Date	34
Baptized to Date	24

FINANCIAL REPORT

CULTIVATING OUR FAITH

April 26, 2020

Weekly budget requirement
 \$ 135,223.68

Weekly budget receipts
 \$ 119,632.53

Year-to-date budget requirement
 \$ 2,298,802.56

Year-to-date budget receipts
 \$ 2,407,673.82



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