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**IMPORTANT DATES FOR June**

Youth Skate Night - FLC	June 2
Back Yard Bible Club	June 6-9
Preschool Play Day	June 7
Schlitterbahn - Galveston (Youth, Children)	June 9
Back Yard Bible Club	June 13-16
Preschool - Children's Museum	June 14
Youth Mega Play @ Pt. Arthur	June 16
Sr. Adult Luncheon	June 16
Ecuador Trip	Jun 17-25
GROW Week	June 20-24
Deacons Meeting	June 26
Preschool - Movie	June 28
Youth/Adult Astros vs. Rangers	June 30

**the journey matters**

**BUDGET RECEIPTS**

Weekly Requirements.....	\$14,606.81
Budget Receipts for .....May 1.....	\$14,375.16
Budget Receipts for .....May 8.....	\$22,023.45
Budget Receipts for .....May 15.....	\$14,941.67
Budget Receipts for .....May 22.....	\$13,178.94
Budget Receipts for.....May 29.....	\$11,234.00

TAG (To All Generations) To Date ....\$584,455.04

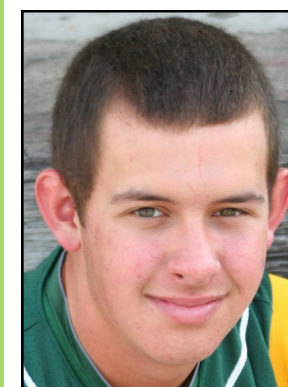
**IMPORTANT DATES FOR July**

July 3 - One Service Only	July 3
Youth Journey Camp	July 4-8
Youth Sport Connection	July 14
Deacon's Meeting	July 17
Preschool - Swim Party	July 19
Youth Laser Quest	July 20
Sr. Adult Luncheon	July 21
CentriKids	July 25-29
Preschool - Bounce Zone	July 26
Youth Dodge ball	July 28
5th Sunday Celebration	July 31

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Barry Bradley.....886-8101	Pastor
John Bickham.....746-2573	Music
Jason Fuller.....988-0268	Students
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*Seniors 2011*



Hunter Fountain



Christian Harley



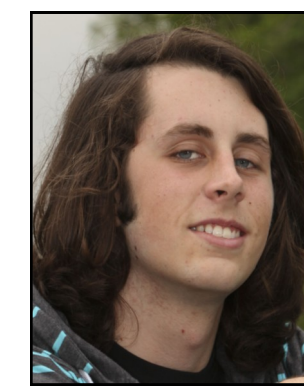
Autumn LeGault



Colby Nations



Jessica Oathoudt



Trent Rogillio

*Even a child is known by his actions, by whether his conduct is pure and right.*  
**Proverbs 20:11**



Allison Walker

**Not Pictured**

Corey Richardson  
Brandon Dodson  
Katelyn LaBry  
Rustin Thibodeaux

## First Impressions

Not long ago, I read an interesting article from Thom Rainer (head of Lifeway) called “Where Have All the Churches Gone?” He listed the Top Ten largest churches in America. They were:

1. Akron Baptist Temple, Akron, Ohio
2. Highland Park Baptist Church, Chattanooga, Tennessee
3. First Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas
4. First Baptist Church, Hammond, Indiana
5. Canton Baptist Temple, Canton, Ohio
6. Landmark Baptist Temple, Cincinnati, Ohio
7. Temple Baptist Church, Detroit, Michigan
8. First Baptist Church, Van Nuys, California
9. Thomas Road Baptist Church, Lynchburg, Virginia
10. Calvary Temple, Denver, Colorado

What’s interesting is that this list was from 1969 – just 40 years ago. Today, not a single one of these churches is on the top ten largest list! Why? His conclusion in his on-going study of America’s churches is that these churches refused to make necessary change. Change in any institution, group, or church is difficult, uncomfortable, taxing, and costly. But change is essential if any group is to remain viable and healthy.

Change is difficult for two reasons. One is the decision to change itself, it’s tough. The only ones among us who want change are babies, and they cry all the way through it. Second, is waiting on the change to be made. First Baptist Church has made the decision to change, and now we are waiting on change to happen...waiting on the construction drawings, waiting on loan appraisal, waiting on bids to come in, waiting to break ground, waiting..., waiting... Patience is in short supply in our “instant” society.

How can we wait on change effectively? As we wait, don’t forget to Pray. Prayer allows God to move obstacles that would otherwise impede our progress. Prayer also opens the resources of God to be distributed as His Spirit directs. Prayer also guides our Relocation Team leaders to make the right decisions.

As we wait, we must be busy Doing the last thing God said. We began our **To All Generations** capital campaign in November, 2009. We are half way through. Let us be faithful, even sacrificial in our giving toward our pledged goal and beyond. If you have not yet joined this effort, please begin giving today.

As we wait on relocation, let’s continue to Grow our church. We are not building a building, we are growing God’s Kingdom. That means, people to people and families to families, sharing with each one the Good News of Jesus. While we wait, are you doing your part?



### Backyard Bible Clubs

We need donations of Capri Sun drink pouches (10 per box) for our Backyard Bible Clubs. We will need 30 boxes. The dates are June 6-10, 13-17 and 27-30. Please bring to the church office.


Clubs Locations and Teams

**June 6-8 @ 6:30 pm**  
Navy Homes—CrossSection  
The Oaks Apartments—Creative Friendly

**June 13-15 @ 6:30 pm**  
Oakwood Apartments—Changing Times

**June 27-29 @ 6:30 pm**  
Location is tentatively Fox Run apartments—The Living Room

If you have not signed up to help one of these teams please feel free to join them on the days and the times mentioned above.



### Sr. Adult Luncheon

**June 16, 2011**  
**Cheddars in Port Arthur**  
**Leave at 10:30 am from church**

**You will be responsible for paying for your meal. Please let the church office know if you are planning on going.**

### Preschool Department

*Shelley Fuller has accepted the position as our new Preschool Department Director. Please be praying for Shelley as she takes on this new position.*

*We would like to thank Carol Post for the wonderful job that she did as our Preschool Department Director for the last few months. The children will miss her caring and loving spirit.*

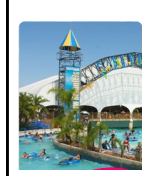
### MISSION OFFICE

#### List of Items Needed for Food Pantry in the Month of June



Spaghetti & Sauce	Macaroni & Cheese
Saltine Crackers	Oatmeal
Peanut Butter	Cookies
Canned Meats	Bars of Soap
Canned Soup	Dishwashing Liquid
Sugar	Small Detergent
Cereal	Toilet Paper

**The Missions Office is in need of plastic bags to use for groceries they give out to needy families. You may bring the bags to the church office or put them in the Missions Office container in the FLC lobby. Thank you for your support and help.**  
(Don’t forget that your empty coke cans can help out the Mission’s Office to purchase food. Please place cans in trash can in the FLC lobby.)



When: June 9 Where: **Schlitterbahn, Galveston**  
Who: Children Gr. 1-3 with parent  
Children Gr. 4 - 6  
Youth Gr. 7 - 12  
Leave: 7:45am Return 9:00pm  
Cost: \$38.00, includes lunch at Schlitterbahn  
Bring: Towel, swimsuit, sunscreen, and extra money to eat dinner on the way home.

We will provide snacks and drinks but you may also bring your own. We will have an ice chest to keep items cold. Sign up quickly because we have a limited number of spaces available.

**Other Youth events this month:**  
June 16 1-5 pm Mega Play-Pt. Arthur  
June 30 3-11:30 pm Astros vs. Rangers

**Anyone, can attend the Astros/Rangers game on June 30th. The cost is \$15.00 and we need your money in the church office no later than June 12th to order tickets.**


### Preschool Events for the Summer

<u>June 7 10am - 12 noon</u> Play Day at the church	<u>July 19 10am - 12 noon</u> Swim Party at Rogillio’s home
<u>June 14 Leave at 10am</u> Children’s Museum in Lake Charles	<u>July 26 10:30am - 12:30pm</u> Bounce Zone in Beaumont
<u>June 28 Car 2 at the movie theater</u> (Time & Location TBD)	<u>August 16 10am - 12 noon</u> Play Day at the church

For more information or to sign-up contact Shelley Fuller, 670-6436.

### Wednesday Night Menu for the Month of June

<b>June 1</b>	<b>Smothered Chicken</b>
<b>June 8</b>	<b>Muffelattas</b>
<b>June 15</b>	<b>Meatloaf w/brown gravy</b>
<b>June 22</b>	<b>Maple Walnut chicken</b>
<b>June 29</b>	<b>Salad &amp; Baked potato</b>



### SUNDAY MORNING


8:30 am	Celebration Worship
9:45 am	Connection Groups
11:00 am	First Journey Worship
11:00 am	TREK 252

### TUESDAY MORNING

6:30 am	Prayer Time With the Pastor
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### WEDNESDAY EVENING

5:15 - 6:30 pm	Meal
<b>(Adults \$4.00, Children - \$2.00, Family - \$15.00)</b>	
6:00- 6:30 pm	Revelations on Revelation
6:30 pm	Adult Choir Rehearsal
6:30 - 9:30pm	Foothold



### GROW Week (Fine Arts Camp)

**June 20-23**  
**Cost: \$30.00**  
(Completed)  
**Kindergarten - 6th grade**

GROW Fine Arts Camp is designed for children to discover the arts from a biblical perspective. Our students will explore how the arts can be used in worship. In addition to singing, our students will have the opportunity to choose from a wide variety of art classes such as drama, painting, playing instruments like the guitar and piano. The children will have fun learning what the bible says about how we can use our gifts in honoring God, but also how our talents can be used to serve others in Jesus’ name. Our Breakout Sessions will include: piano, guitar, drama, creative dance, boomwhackers (a fun children’s instrument used much like handbells,) vocals, painting(as well as other creative forms), and culinary arts. Our teachers and leaders are eager to have your children be a part of this creative learning time. You can register your child by picking up a registration form in the FLC lobby, in the church office or by going to our website at fbco.org.



### Mark Your Calendar

**Services for July 3rd**  
**9:45 am Connection Groups**  
**11:00 am One Service**

We are looking forward to Sunday July 3<sup>rd</sup> when our church family will meet together in one service to witness the musical presentation of “The Patriot Song” presented by our Celebration Choir. The song of the American Patriot echoes down the corridors of history and resounds from sea to shining sea. It has been sung by presidents and statesmen, by soldiers and farmers, by those whose names we remember and celebrate, but even more often by many whose names we don’t even know. We hope you’ll mark this day on your calendar and join us with the rest of the First Baptist family as we celebrate Independence Day with “The Patriot Song.” And if you’d like to join us, we would love to have you join us as we sing and rehearse in these next few weeks. Our rehearsals are on Wednesdays at 6:30 in the choir room across from the church offices.

### Rescheduled Deacons Meeting

**June 26th**  
**4:00 pm in Joy Department**