

First Baptist Church Brady, Texas

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Give.
Grow.
Go.

FBC Brady is a family that exists to **GIVE - GROW - GO**
GIVE - by meeting real needs in our community
GROW - by equipping people to become authentic Christ followers
GO - by taking the gospel message to Brady and beyond



Vacation Bible School: *In the Wild*

Dates: July 7-11 (Sunday through Thursday). Thursday is Family Night.

Times: 5:30 to 8:00

Grades pre-K through 5th (completed)

Rotations include music, crafts, Bible study, snack, missions, and recreation



*VBS takes an army of volunteers.
Please help in some way if you can.
Sign-up sheets are still out.
Blessings are guaranteed.*

A Life's Song

by Beth Sparkman, Worship Leader

*"I thank my God upon every remembrance of you.
Always in every prayer of mine for you all making
request with joy, For your fellowship in the gospel
from the first day until now; being confident in this
very thing, that He which hath begun a good work in
you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ."*

Philippians 1:3-6

My husband has always been one who only says what needs to be said, when it needs saying. I'm going to try and apply that this month.

I want to thank you, each and every one, for the joy you have brought to me; for the weekly encouragement you have given Jerry and me! Thank you for the opportunity to serve you and the Lord. You have touched my heart and my life in ways you can never imagine.

Packing up the dreams God planted
In the fertile soil of you
Can't believe the hopes He's granted
Means a chapter in your life is through
But we'll keep you close as always
It won't even seem you've gone
'Cause our hearts in big and small ways
Will keep the love that keeps us strong
And friends are friends forever
If the Lord's the Lord of them
And a friend will not say never
'Cause the welcome will not end
Though it's hard to let you go
In the Father's hands we know
That a lifetime's not too long
To live as friends

Michael W. Smith

Remember our **Fifth Sunday** plans for June 30:

- Bro. Frank Banda will preach in the morning service.
- We will celebrate the Lord's Supper
- The hall will be filled with a "Connection Fair" with displays from a number of mission groups that we support as a church. Enjoy these and meet representatives as you. . .
- go to Fellowship Hall for a fellowship lunch. Meat and beans will be provided. Each family is asked to bring a salad, vegetable, or dessert.

Transition Team update

The new mission statement was approved at the June business meeting on June 23. The principles expressed will be a guide to our church in the coming months and years. We encourage everyone to memorize it.

The transition team met with the Godly Impressions Preschool board on June 23. It was a good meeting with many questions asked and answered. Both groups will work on a possible covenant to clarify this important connection.

We appreciate your prayers and patience as we get close to finishing the transition period. Details on salary, etc., will need to be worked out before the actual pastor search begins.

In His service,

*Welman Bauer, Karen Behrens, Becky Martin,
George Matula, Laurie Morton, and Joyce Scott*

One more graduate: congratulations, Laura!

From college

Laura Nazarenus, granddaughter of Bill and Wanda Burns. Masters of Occupational Therapy from North Texas graduate school in Houston



Note: The Lake Ivie Baptist Association newsletter page is unavailable for our newsletter this month as Keith is on vacation. When I get it after July 2 I will email it separately and put some copies out at church.

—Becky

Mission at Brady: making a difference

Jason Behrens and a team from our church and the community worked the first two weekends in June on a home at 601 E. 6th St. They replaced and painted siding, and replaced 10 windows to help make this home “warm and dry,” a goal of the mission.

Thank you to everyone for your hard work! This is what “meeting real needs” looks like.



Our newly formed **Church Council** has now met twice with Bro. Lee. The team leads and committee chairs have shared plans, projects, and updates, all in the interest of improved communication in our busy church.

The **Music Team** (Karen Behrens, Team Lead) is meeting monthly to coordinate the Sunday morning worship plans, planning ahead for the departure of Beth and Jerry Sparkman, Worship Leader. They will rotate the praise teams from week to week. They are offering PowerPoint and soundboard training to anyone interested in helping.

The **Finance Committee** (Jason Behrens, Chair) is researching possible upgrades to our phone and Internet services.

The **Missions Team** (Betty Smith, Team Lead) is coordinating several summer mission opportunities and ongoing ministries, including the Food Pantry, apartment ministries, and Navajo missions. Backyard Bible Club at Trails of Brady is off to a good start. Not many children have come; hopefully more will attend. But the consensus of the BBC Team is that this is worth doing for even one child.

The **Children’s Ministry Team** (Marsha Gainer, Team Lead) is currently involved with VBS preparation. They are also beginning to plan for a new version of Wednesday night children’s ministry, with a new name and new look.

The **Youth and Recreation Team** (Judy Oden, Team Lead) is working on a Youth Policy document. They presented a draft at the June business meeting for everyone to consider. They are discussing plans for youth ministry and special events.

The **Public Relations Team** (Bobby Williams, Team Lead) continues to change the sign out front, coordinate volunteers for the radio spots, recruit greeters, and will advertise VBS on the radio and in the Brady paper.

Navajo Missions 2019

Betty Smith will be in Counselor, New Mexico, July 13-19 with a mission group from Broadway Baptist in Fort Worth. Counselor is in the Check-board area, the eastern side of the Navajo Reservation. The church is Living Spring Baptist, pastored by Tom Guerrito. (Betty met him 36 years ago at Tohatchi on her second mission trip to the area.)

Betty will lead an adult Bible study and craft time while the children are in Vacation Bible School. Others will coordinate simple construction and repair projects. The group will also help set up shelves for a Food Pantry ministry.

This mission trip is led by Dan and Sandy White, who have been involved with it for many years. The pastor and his family from Broadway are also going, and several children will make the trip, a total of 23-24 people.

Betty asks for your prayers for this mission trip and also for the one from our association July 13-20 to northwest New Mexico and northeast Arizona.

Our Vacation Bible School offerings this year will go to support Navajo missions.



Ed Weber is planning a trip to the border in mid-July to deliver donations to the Frank Banda Ministry.

You can bring wearable clothing, household goods, beans and rice, etc. to the men’s Sunday School room, or make arrangements with Ed for pick up. Call him at 325-475-3471.



The **Hospitality Team** invites everyone to a
4th of July Bash
at the Family Life Center
Thursday, July 4, 6:00
Hot dogs and buns provided,
please bring the fixins’

Card games, 42,
visiting—
an FBC Family
Gathering
You’re invited!
Bring a friend!



July 2019

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
|---|---|---------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------|
| | 1 Misty Urban | 2 | 3 | 4 4th of July fellow- ship, FLC, 6:00 Amy Tetens | 5 | 6 Gage Behrens |
| 7 Guest preacher: Karl Fickling Deacons meeting, 5:00 | 8 Triple S, noon Nate Bernal | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 Food Pantry food distribution, 9:00- 12:00 Linda Torres Pete Barrera | 13 Claudette Young |
| | Vacation Bible School, 5:30-8:00 | | | Family Night | | |
| 14 Payton Branden- berger Betty Sutton | 15 Frieda Chew | 16 | 17 Backyard Bible Club at Trails Apts. 3:00-4:30 | 18 | 9 | 20 |
| 21 Business meeting, 5:00 | 22 Triple S, 5:30 Colton Lyon Velma Hendley | 23 Janet Guthrie | 24 Backyard Bible Club at Trails Apts. 3:00-4:30 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 28 Church council, 5:00 Alexa Bean | 29 Kaysen Alonzo Children's Minis- try Team meeting, 5:30 | 30 Becky Bauer | 31 Backyard Bible Club at Trails Apts. 3:00-4:30 Jaysen Owens | | | |
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Food Ministry Report

June 2019

- Adults (19-64) 92
- Children: 37
- Adults over 65: 24
- Families: 88
- Total served: 153

Food distribution day for this month is July 12 from 9:00-12:00.

Volunteers are always welcome.



FEED THE HUNGRY

Deacons on call in July:

George Matula
cell 792-8611
Bobby Williams
597-7573, cell 456-4735

Broadcasts on KNEL 95.3 FM

Sunday morning: recorded sermon from previous week at 11:30 AM

Weekdays: Morning Devotional at 7:45

July devotionals will be done by Judy Mitzel, Misty Urban, Velma Hendley, Janis Groves, and Becky Martin. Thank you!



Attention FBC artists:

We need a new logo to go with our mission statement of **Give-Grow-Go**.

This would be used on the newsletter, bulletin, website, etc.

Please submit your design to the church office.

Weekly Events

Sunday

9:45 Sunday School
10:50 Morning Worship
6:00 Prayer meeting

Monday

4:00 Ladies Bible study, this summer at the Home of Linda Wall, 1011 12th St.

Wednesday

7:00 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast
Presbyterian Church
3:00-4:30 Backyard Bible Club, Trails Apts.
(July 17, 24, and 31)

Thursday

9:45-12:00 Food Pantry: donated food brought from Walmart, sorted, and stored
2:00-3:30 Dorcas quilting ministry

Note from Doris

"Thanks" is just not a strong enough word to express my gratitude for the prayers that my church family have sent up for me.

God has truly blessed me because of them. . .

So I guess "Thanks" will have to do.

In Him,
Doris Collins

Help needed: Please pray for the reorganization of the Wednesday night children's ministry, set to begin Sept. 4.

Volunteers are needed to direct the opening gathering, teach or assist with Bible classes and missions organizations (GA's, RA's, Mission Friends), work in food service, lead recreation, and help register, sign in and sign out.

New name. New look.

Details will follow as we get closer.

But please consider helping.



Prayer unlocked the past and will open the future at First Baptist Church Brady.



Remember to pray.

- our church
 - our nation’s leaders
 - our members in the nursing homes
 - our homebound members
 - the lost and un-churched in our community
 - Brady children & youth
 - Our Sunday School
 - Our preschool
 - The Transition Team
 - Vacation Bible School and all summer missions
- Mary Ballew
Louise Baker
Sherry and Billy Barsch
- Karen Behren’s
stepfather Chuck
Amelia Britteon
RaNon Caraway
Doris Collins
Melinda Cook
Sherry Cox
Fayrene Easley
Mike Fields
Charlie and Maria Garcia
Larry Garner
Janet Gloria
Tony, Janis, & Holly Groves
Roy Guthrie
Robin Hill
Curtis and Genna Jennings
Jerry Jordan
Greg Jordan
Rex Joslin
Janie Lowery
Mike Lowery

He gives strength to the weary
and increases the power of the weak.
Isaiah 40:29

- Phil and Evelyn Martin
Michael Padgett
Jim and Cynthia Quinn
Paul Sanders
Jack Selby
Mike and Tanzee Shedd
Edith Slaughter
Madison Slaughter
Pam Speer
Jackson Tijerina
Jack and Susan Turk
Shawnte Virdell
Megan Wall
Mackie Jo Walters
Bobbie Ann Williams
Jewel Yarborough
Kenneth & Claudette Young

- In military:*
Jon Bradshaw
Howard Brown
Brandon Haymon
David Hernandez
Jose Lopez
Moses Marmolejo
Concho Moore
Brandon Pfannenstiel
Jace Telford
Joseph Telford
Jonathan Torres
Wes Stark
Justin Williams
Ricky Williams, Jr.
We extend sympathy to the families of Deryl Bishop, Dorothy Bishop, Barry Bivens, Denver Priess, Melba Slone, Clair Whitesell, and Bertha Hernandez.

The newsletter is available on the church website: fbcbrady.org. If you would like a reminder of when it is posted each month, send your email address to Becky Martin: becky@scottmartin.net. Paper copies are available at the church and can be mailed on request.

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Godly Impressions Preschool lives out FBC mission

GIVE - GROW - GO! What a great mission statement, FBC! Godly Impressions is very excited to be a part of fulfilling that mission with you.

Give — The First Baptist Church is the only full-time state licensed day care in all of McCulloch County. You are definitely *giving* by meeting real needs.

GROW — My team and I work daily to instill the love of Jesus in our students by planting seeds of Christian attitudes believing that these children will not depart from them as they *grow*.

GO — We trust that the Word of the Lord will not come back void, and that these children who have been “trained up” will *go* forth to their families, to their churches, and to the world sharing what they’ve learned at Godly Impressions.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank my board of directors for their tireless efforts and abounding support throughout this school year. And a big thank you to the Dorcas Quilters for the amazing quilts given to each graduate at our end-of-the-year program.

*In His Service,
Holly Stewart, director*

