# First Baptist Church, Brady, Texas

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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

**GO** - by taking the gospel message to Brady and beyond

## **June 2020** newsletter

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## Bro. Jeff Quattlebaum to come in view of Jesus sees you! a call on June 27 and 28

by George Matula, PSC Chair

Bro. Jeff Quattlebaum is scheduled to be here June 27<sup>th</sup> and 28th in view of a call to be our pastor. On Saturday the 27<sup>th</sup> there will be an opportunity for everyone to meet him and his wife Misty and hear their testimony, call to service, and ask questions. From 5:00 to 6:00 P.M. we will meet in the sanctuary for this part of the program. Afterwards light refreshments will be served in the fellowship hall and there will be time to visit. Social distancing will be practiced in both the sanctuary and fellowship hall. No tables or chairs will be set up in the fellowship hall to help maintain distancing.

On Sunday June 28<sup>th</sup>, Bro Jeff will deliver the sermon. After the service we will call a business meeting to order and conduct the vote by secret ballot. Members who are reluctant or unable to attend can watch the live streamed service on Facebook and cast their vote by calling the church office. Secrecy of their vote will be maintained by having the church secretary answer the phone and verify that they are a church member. Without revealing the person's name, she will hand the phone to a Search Committee member to record the person's vote.

Continue to be in prayer for the Search Committee and the man and his family that God has chosen to be our pastor and spiritual leader.

Search Committee members: Pete Barrera, Jeanagayle Behrens, Tony Groves, George Matula, Farion Morton, Joyce Scott, and Betty Smith.

## Ministries updates

Music: We have officially started coming back to church and the services are going great. We have loved seeing smiling faces back at church. The praise team has been sharing new music with the congregation every Sunday morning. We will continue to introduce new Praise and Worship music as new music is being released. We appreciate all the positive feedback. We want to thank Carol Bedwell for stepping in and playing the piano for us these past few weeks. I know that this past month has not been easy. I also know that for some, it has been a stressful time. We have been praying for each of you every week. We love our church family and can't wait to see everyone back at church. We look forward to gathering together in the house of the Lord. (from Karen Behrens)

1 John 4:7 Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.

Missions: As for the Missions Team, we have been sheltering in place like everyone else. However, good things are still going on. Even though we have not reached our Annie Armstrong Mission Offering goal of \$2,000 we have given \$1,040 which I think is pretty good. The Haven is now open again so we can resume bringing items to church to contribute to that ministry. Our Bible Study at the apartments has not started back yet, nor have our parenting classes with Christian Woman's Job Corps. The VBS plans at the apartments are also on hold for now. Bobby Williams plans to take a load of things to the Mexican border on June 10 so bring your contributions to the church.

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My grandmother on my mom's side hated to have her picture taken. Not just a dislike and unappreciative look if you pointed a camera at her. It was the kind of dislike that resulted in cuss words, name-calling, and her running out of the room.

Never really understood why - but that was her. Many of us may feel the same about portraits of ourselves. We can be our own worst critic. But we all have a need to be

I think this is why we do like to look at photographs. We like to see people, especially those we know, care for, and love. We cherish the old photos of loved ones who have passed or of our children when they were younger. We want to see them as they were and as they

This is why social media is so popular. It gives us a chance to see and to be seen if we so desire. The photo provides a window into the life of another.

It is easy to feel lost or isolated in a shut-down, social distancing world. Like opening a photo album and finding no pictures.

When Jesus called Philip and Nathanael to be His disciples, Nathanael asked Jesus a question. "How do you know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you." (John 1:47-51).

This is the truth I want us all to remember: Jesus sees you. The Savior is very aware of all you feel and face this very moment. Let this truth give you courage today. The God of the universe sees you and He knows you. Run to Him today. Let His Word be a photo album to His life - so you will "see greater things."

See you Sunday! —Bro. Lee

- **Food Pantry numbers** from May: 67 families served, 118 individuals, 24 under 18, 59 from 19-64, 35 over 65
- June Food Pantry will be Friday morning, June 12, drive-through only.
- June radio spots will be done by George Matula (1-5), Jeanagayle Behrens (8-12), Betty Smith (15-19), and Kay Holloway (22-26).
- Deacons on call in June are Jerry Caraway (792-8671 and Farion Morton (792-6596).

#### June birthdays:

—George Matula 9—Whitney Gainer, Karen Behrens 11—Terry Bean 13—Addyson Wilton 15—Alma Lyon 14—Shirley Nelson 19—Jason Behrens 20—Bro. Bill Butts

22—Joyce Scott 23—Madison Lyon, Denise Owens

25—Cynthia Reeves 26—Daniel Gainer

The Association Navajo Mission Trip and my own Navajo trip for the summer have been called off. I do ask special prayers for the whole Navajo Nation. They are suffering badly from this virus. Many have no running water or electricity so hand washing often is not possible. There are more cases than the few hospitals can take care of. Thankfully the head of the Navajo Nation is a Christian, and he is doing his best to meet the needs of his people. Find your own mission wherever you are and you will be blessed. (from Betty Smith)

> Welcome new members! by statement: Jonathan Stebnicki by letter: Jennifer Adams

## 2020 Graduates in the FBC Family

## Walker Bauer

son of Welman and Becky Bauer grandson of Judye Oden Brady High School

## Cooper Bean

son of Terry and Shelly Bean Ballinger High School

## Gavin Behrens

son of Jean Behrens grandson of Jackie and Jeanagayle Behrens Eagle Christian Academy, Waco

## Carson Brandenberger

son of Carl Max and Kathy Brandenberger Texax A&M University, College Station

## Ethan Couvillion

son of Jeremy and Melanie Couvillion grandson of Farion and Laurie Morton Mason Junior High School

## Kassidi Lawson

daughter of Christina and Jeremy Lawson granddaughter of Farion and Laurie Morton Brownwood High School

## **Garrett Mitchell**

son of Troy and Michelle Mitchell grandson of Dave and Peggy Edmiston great-grandson of Joyce Scott Bremond High School, near College Station

## Abigail Quintanilla

daughter of Mark and Crystal Quintanilla, granddaughter of Gary and Judy Mitzel Mountain Range High School, Westminster, CO

Congratulations to all!

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



Remember to pray.

Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need. Hebrews 4:16

- All health care workers: local, state, and national leaders; school administrators, teachers, and staff,; and missionaries
- All who have the Covid-19 virus
- our church staff, ministries, future pastor
- our members in the nursing homes and our homebound members
- the lost and unchurched in our community
- Brady children & youth
- the Pastor Search Committee
- the Navajo Nation

Wyatt & Francisca Anderson Mary Ballew Holden Bedwell Amelia Britteon **Doris Collins** Melanie Couvillion Sherry Cox Glen Douglas Fayrene Easley Marsha Gainer Charlie and Maria Garcia Tony, Janis, & Holly Groves Nita Groves Roy Guthrie Betty Henderson Curtis and Genna Jennings Jennifer Jordan Jerry Jordan Rex Joslin Janie Lowery

Mike Lowery

Nelda Martin Gary and Judy Mitzel Ericka Moore Louise Morrow Alisa Morton Lois Patton James & Anna Richards Betty Sargent Mike and Tanzee Shedd Edith Slaughter Madison Slaughter Kathy Stanley Staci Seiler Jack and Susan Turk Misty Urban Becky Weber Megan Wall Mackie Jo Walters Gene Walton Kenneth & Claudette Young

In military: Jon Bradshaw Brandon Haymon David Hernandez Jose Lopez Moses Marmoleio Jennifer McAnally Concho Moore Brandon Pfannenstiel Jace Telford Joseph Telford Jonathan Torres Wes Stark Justin Williams Ricky Williams, Jr.

We extend sympathy to the family of Herbert Donop and to the families of all those lost in the Covid-19 pandem-

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# First Baptist Church Brady, Texas

Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. Hebrews 11:1

Godly Impressions: On May 4, the board of directors for Godly Impressions voted to officially remain closed throughout the summer months. A tentative opening date of Sept. 1 has been set. We are hoping to have a simplified version of our preschool graduation some time in August. We will also begin the registration process that month.

Most importantly, we will continue to trust the Lord's guidance as we move forward. Blessings and stay safe!

In His service, Holly Stewart, Director

Congratulations to *Randy and Carol Bedwell*, who celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary on May 22!

The **Children's Team** is working on a program that will meet guidelines for safe and responsible activities. As our usual programs have been placed on hold, we will be looking for ways to accommodate today's needs. Your prayers and suggestions are greatly valued.

Marsha Gainer, Children's Team Lead