

The Messenger



July 11, 2018



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Sunday thru Thursday * July 22-26

5:30-8:00 pm

Register online at www.fccgarland.org OR registration forms in Fellowship Hall and Church Office



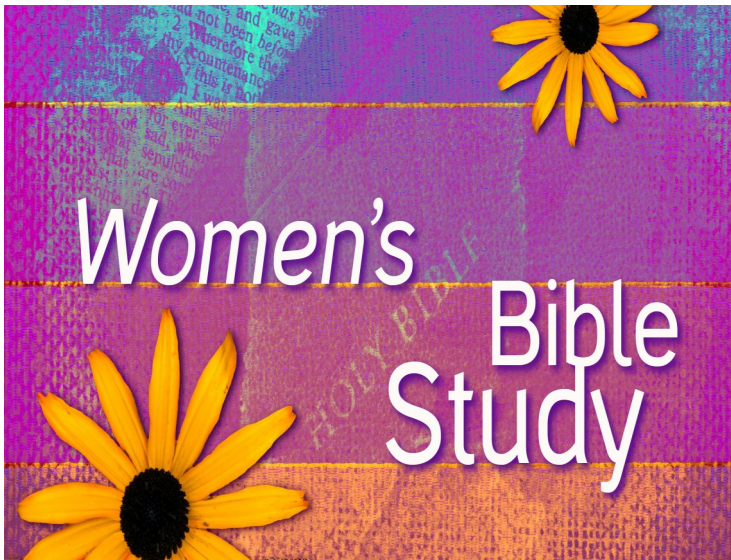
Sunday, July 15
2pm—3pm in Room 201



Sunday, July 15: Decorations; 3pm—6pm
in Room 201 (*bring your own scissors*)

Saturday, July 21: All-Church Work Day;
9am—6pm

Families & Professionals News



Families & Professionals WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Meets each Wednesday, 6:30pm
at Rev. Casey's home —
3419 Tulip Lane, Rowlett 75089.
Sheri Dacon and Rev. Casey will lead this
summer Women's Bible Study. Snacks and
drinks provided. Feel free to bring additional
food/dinner.



Rough Riders Baseball Game Family Night

Saturday, July 21, 7:05pm
\$20/ticket (includes ticket, all-you-can-eat/
drink, souvenir items, and pre- or
post-game Christian concert)

Contact: Rev. Casey

Fusion DINNER CHURCH

Saturday, July 28th, 6:30-10:00pm. We will gather at
the church for lively discussion centered around a
delicious meal. Following the example of the early
church, we share our lives and faith around filled
tables, celebrating Jesus' presence among us and
growing in our faith with one another. RSVP to Rev.
Casey Tanguay. **(childcare available)**

Fusion: a merging of spirituality into real
everyday life

There is a place for you at our table . . .





Circle of Fellowship

Wes Ferrell

Fishers of Families

Olis Lewis

God's Messengers

Pat Spradley

Shepherds

Debbie Fetzer

John Harrison

Jerry Rowell

The Grapevine

Joyce Witt Boyd

Dylan Godwin



HOME GROUP COMMUNION

Served on the first Sunday of each month by an Elder. If you would like to be served, please contact the church office.

Buy A Brick

Contact Kathleen Yant;
kyant1@aol.com; 972.496.0534 or
Eva McKannan;
patevamck@verizon.net; 972.414.1737



YOUTH GROUP

*Looking for SNACK FOOD DONATIONS
for Mission Trip*

*Deadline is July 17th; leave snacks in Donation
Center or David Ware's office*

Youth Mission Excursion at FCC Granbury * July 18-21



*** Contact David Ware to sign up ***



**FCCG
MEN'S BREAKFAST**

Saturday, August 4; 8:30am
(Fellowship Hall)

Contact: Julian Olalde
(jolalde@farmersagent.com)



- ◆ The revised FCCG By-Laws have been unanimously approved by the Board. The congregation will vote on the Board's recommendations on Sunday, July 22, 2018. Copies of the By-Laws are available for review in Fellowship Hall or upon request to the Office Administrator.
- ◆ The Board approved the Nominating Committee's composition of **Jo Brister (Chair); Jack Barger, Ben Brister, Diana Callaway, Ben Hill, Betty McCreary, Daisy Nowlin, and Rick Roeger**. If you would like to suggest a candidate for an elder, deacon, trustee and/or honorary position, please contact one of the Nominating Committee members.

Dear Church Member,

This year, First Christian Church Garland will be celebrating its 143rd anniversary. As it is with many things that endure the test of time, there is great beauty to protect and preserve, along with a host of things to replace, repair or refurbish. Over the past several months, great strides have been made to beautify the church, both inside and out, due in large part to the time, talent and generosity of church members. However, there are still areas needing critical attention. To this end, we are apprising you of those needs in the form of a **Wish List Campaign**. If you would like to contribute to the following projects, any and all donations will be appreciated.

The most **URGENT** needs are:

Air Conditioning: We need to replace older units with new units rather than continuing to make costly repairs.

Roof: We are investigating the possibility of installing a pitched roof over the existing flat roof to prevent leaks caused by standing water.

Fire Detection & Safety: It is imperative the church has the appropriate fire detection and safety equipment and can pass fire code.

Less urgent needs are:

Flooring: The carpet along the 2nd floor and the 1st floor (north side of the Sanctuary) hallways as well as in Room 201 and the Robe Rooms needs to be replaced.

New Pew Cushions: Many of the 71 pew cushions are worn and have become stained over the years.

Update to the Youth Wing: The furniture and décor in the Youth Wing is in need of a serious facelift to attract young members.

The Wish List Campaign sprang from the generosity of church members expressing an interest in providing financial assistance to support our church's greatest building needs. Because we believe that many others may also wish to support these needs, the Wish List Campaign was created. If you feel you are blessed with a beautiful building in which to worship or where you have worshipped and would like to see it maintained for the enjoyment of future generations, please consider making a donation to the Wish List Campaign. You may mail a contribution directly to Clopton & Company, LLC, ATTN: Stacey Garretson, 610 Main Street, Garland, TX 75040. If you would like to make a gift with shares of stock, there has been an account established for this type of transaction. Please contact Senior Trustee, John Harrison at 972-533-0069 or via email werfamily99@aol.com for information regarding a stock sale. **While your support to the Campaign will be greatly appreciated, please remember that your gift should be in addition to your usual giving to the church's General Fund.**

In the 8th chapter of 1 Kings, David's son, Solomon, presides over the dedication of Israel's first Temple. In his prayer of dedication, King Solomon is grateful to God for all the sacred occasions of life that will be celebrated in the Temple—worship and blessings, comings and goings. When he is finished praying, God responds: *"I have heard your prayer . . . I have consecrated this house that you have built and put my name there forever."* (1 Kings 9:3) Like Solomon, we too pray with gratitude to God for all the sacred occasions that have been and ever will be celebrated in our "House of God." As such, we give with gladness to keep this place in good repair because we know that God has also "put his name here," now and for all generations to come.



Thank you for your generosity,
The Wish List Campaign Committee

FCCG Home Group News

Wes Ferrell

Personal Life:

I was born August 18, 1921 in Cash County, Texas. I was raised on a farm in a three-room house, in Lyndon, Texas, Route 2, without any of life's luxuries that we enjoy today. Our family attended the Baptist church. I started school in New Colony and graduated at 17 years old. Early on I learned the value of money from my hardworking father who was a tenant farmer. He was very good with money and raised 3 boys. My mother had a 9th grade education and that was all the education that was available to her at that time. I earned a scholarship to what is now called East Texas Baptist University. I made the Honor Society my first year. I especially enjoyed studying English Grammar and Speech Construction.



After school, I joined the Merchant Marines and sailed on the USS WW Mills from Texas to Pennsylvania. In 1941 I joined the Marine Corp. During my time serving on Iwo Jima in the South Pacific I had an experience where the Lord intervened to save my life. Our division was at the waters edge and ready to move on a counter-attack. As I started moving deeper into the waters edge into enemy territory, I approached a concrete bunker. I approached cautiously, assisted by my Radio Operator. I looked into the bunker but saw no one. I moved 40-50 yards away from the bunker, when I heard an explosion behind me. I turned to see the bunker had been hit by a grenade. A Marine walked toward me and said "Lieutenant, didn't you see that Jap in the bunker? He was just about to fire his weapon at you." I knew that God was looking over me at that very time.

I met Martha Cole while we were both working for the FBI in the spring of 1951. We were married December 25 of the same year. We were blessed with 4 children. After two years with the FBI, I went to work for HL Hunt Law Firm. I worked for HL Hunt for 34 years serving as head of two different departments; Title Records and Oil and Gas. I was also head of the Legal Department.

Church Activities:

I remain a member of the Cooper Sunday class at First Christian Church Garland. I have served 2 terms as Deacon and 3 terms as Elder. I was honored to receive Elder Emeritus status. Martha and I were members of the original Sunshine class prior to the name change to Cooper. I have also served as Sunday School teacher.

Present:

I am currently residing at Silver Creek of Garland, 1246 Colonel Dr. Garland 75043. In my lifetime I have been blessed beyond measure. I know that these blessing have come from God. My message to my friends and family is to always love, have mercy and walk in humility with God. Faithfulness must come from the heart.

-Wes



Home Group Member *BETTYE DAVENPORT*





DWM
ICE CREAM
SOCIAL
and
LINE DANCING

Sunday, August 5th
at 5pm



SNEAKER SUNDAY *Coming Soon!*



Adult Sunday School Classes will collect new sneakers, and Youth Sunday School Classes will collect new underwear and sox. Will the Cooper Class win the AMAZING BREAKFAST again?

Please have all of your donations turned in by Sunday, August 5th

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