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## Words of Encouragement....

Philippians 1: 3-4 ➤ “Every time I think of you, I give thanks to my God. Whenever I pray, I make my requests for all of you with joy....” [NLT]

I am so thankful for each of you. I thank God for FBC Bangs and every member of this dear fellowship. I look forward to every Sunday and Wednesday when we can be together to worship the Lord, hear from His Word, and share in the fellowship of His Spirit. I love you, and love being together with you. I am honored to be your pastor and rejoice daily in that blessing.

I also want you to know how grateful I am to serve the Lord alongside of you and alongside of the staff of FBC. I hope you know what a great staff the Lord has provided us. I am truly thankful for each of them.

**Zach**, thank you for your dedication to our youth and your heart’s desire to reach people for Christ. I really appreciate the “fresh eyes” you bring to the ministry and to the work here at First Baptist. Your willingness to volunteer and your eagerness to assist me have truly been helpful and encouraging.

**Corey**, my dear brother, I so value your sensitive spirit and heart for worship. God has truly gifted you in leading others to worship Him. Every Sunday I look forward to our corporate worship because I know you have sought the Lord’s guidance and sense the Holy Spirit’s leading. You are a kindred spirit and I love serving with you here at First Baptist. You are such an encourager.

**Joy**, you truly are a “joy.” Your heart and passion for ministering to our children and wanting to see each of them follow Christ blesses me and this fellowship. I have such confidence in your heart and in your leadership with our children. The Lord has used you to build a very strong children’s ministry. With the faithfulness and kindness of **Heather** and **Sarah**, as well as the effectiveness of the Children’s Ministry Team – I and this church are truly blessed.

**Cindy**, what a gentle and kind heart you have. You are the one who really keeps things operating smoothly here at FBC. I truly value your faithfulness, dependability, and consistency. The spirit in which you serve the Lord is encouraging to everyone who comes to the office, especially me.

**Marsha**, I very much appreciate your diligence and faithfulness in assisting Cindy and the needs of the church office. Everything you do, you do with earnestness and zeal. You are always willing to go the extra mile and you have greatly helped us move forward technologically.

To each of you, I am truly thankful and so very appreciative. It is my joy and pleasure to serve with you here at FBC Bangs. And I look forward to what the Lord will continue to do in the days and years ahead.

May the Lord bless you and keep you. May He show you His kindness and be gracious to you. May He watch over you and give you peace.

**Pepper**

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## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER!

**THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED  
ON INDEPENDENCE DAY,  
MONDAY, JULY 4TH.**



- July 3rd: FAMJAM
- July 4th: Independence Day-Church Office will be closed
- July 11th-14th: Pre-Teen Camp
- July 12th: Advanced Group Luncheon
- July 17th: The Lord’s Supper
- July 20th: Deacons’ Meeting
- July 25th-30th: Youth Camp
- July 27th: Business Meeting, Maintenance Committee Meeting
- July 31st: Fifth Sunday Breakfast
- August: School Supply Drive
- August 4th: Clothes Closet OPEN
- August 7th: Missions Committee Meeting/Lunch
- August 9th: Advanced Group Luncheon
- August 14th: CMT Meeting
- August 17th: Deacons’ Meeting
- August 21st: Kids Back to School Bash
- August 22nd: Bangs ISD School begins
- August 24th: Business Meeting
- August 28th: Promotion Sunday, Back 2 Church Sunday
- August 31st: Maintenance Committee Meeting

SENIOR PASTOR:	Dr. Pepper Dill
ASSOCIATE PASTOR/YOUTH MINISTER:	Zach Tharp
MINISTER OF WORSHIP:	Corey Ash
CHILDREN’S DIRECTOR:	Joy Mitchell
OFFICE MANAGER:	Cindy Boyle
OFFICE ASSISTANT:	Marsha Zabecki

# CHILDREN'S NEWS

Join us on Sunday Nights at 6:00 pm as we hide God's Word in our Hearts. August 21<sup>st</sup>, we will test our skills and compete against the Youth in a Mighty Warrior Bible Challenge! Don't Miss it!!!

Thank you Mighty Warriors!

Thank you to all the youth, men and women of God who have prayed, served, and ministered to our children through VBS! I LOVE serving with a church family that truly believes in Loving God and Loving People! Thank you for being the hands and feet of Jesus to our children and our community! Please continue to pray that the seeds planted in their lives will continue to grow!

## SAVE THE DATES!

- ☺ July 3rd: Preteen Camp Fees are Due
- ☺ July 3rd: FAMJAM at Camp Bowie Aquatic Center 6:30-8:30 pm
- ☺ July 11th-14th: Preteen Camp at Lake Brownwood Christian Retreat  
Camp Theme: Mighty Warriors  
Focus: Prayer
- ☺ August 21st: Back 2 School Bash! 6:30 pm in the Children's Church Room
- ☺ August 28th: Promotion Sunday/Back 2 Church Sunday

If you thought VBS was Great FUN, then you should join us each week! We have a place for you to serve in our children's ministry. We currently need two helpers and two teachers for the 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade Wednesday night classes.

Please pray about where God wants you to serve in our children's ministry or in our church!

I thank God for YOU!

**Joy** ☺

## SAVE THE DATES!

July 25th-30th  
for Camp Eagle!



Church Family,

Summer is already in full gear! I wanted to let you know about some service opportunities the youth are involved in this summer and invite you to join us. On Fridays we are going to the Salvation Army to help prepare and serve meals. They told me that Fridays were their hardest days to get volunteers, so we wanted to be able to serve them by taking care of that need for the summer. Their Loaves and Fishes program serves lunch Monday-Friday from 12-1pm. We usually leave from the church at 9 am and are finished by 2 pm. Please feel free to join us in serving any Friday. We would love to have you with us and for the youth to get to know you as we serve together. Starting in July we will also be serving at Good Samaritan on Mondays. They also have a huge need for volunteers and they told me that Mondays are the hardest days to get them. I am currently waiting to hear from the director to work out a few more details, but I will keep you posted when more information is available. Please consider these opportunities to serve this summer, we would love to have you with us! Stay tuned to Facebook, the bulletin, and the announcements for more information, or contact me with any questions you may have.

"...just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." Matthew 20:28

May His grace abound,

Zach

# MISSIONS



## SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE starts August 1st!



Clothes Closet OPEN! Thursday, August 4th from 10:00am to 3:00pm.  
Bangs Food Pantry OPEN! First and Third Thursdays from 10:00am to 3:00pm.



**THINK GLOBALLY!**



**ACT LOCALLY!**

Our Medical Closet!

We have a wide variety of equipment to loan out including wheel chairs, walkers, beds, bed rails, and shower chairs.



## MUSIC NOTES



Hello, Church Family!



The choir is taking a short break from rehearsals during the summer months as we all seem to have quite a lot going on during this time. As we look toward July, I am reminded that we are certainly blessed to live in a country that was founded on the principal of liberty. We are also a country that was founded on decidedly Christian principals and moral precepts. I hope that we'll keep this in mind as we celebrate the founding of our great land!

We're going to begin rehearsals again in August. So, keep your eyes open for news about the choir kick-off party! Over the years, many of you have told me that you are interested in being in our worship choir. Well, why not make it this the year! If you have ever been in choir and want to be a part again, you could not find a better time. We will begin Christmas music while the sun is still hot! I know, hard to believe, so come and join us as we get cranked back up. You'll be glad you did!

I'm so thankful for all of our wonderful instrumentalists. We are so blessed to have so many wonderful men and women who are willing to use their talents to help us have an awesome worship experience each week. Are you using your talents? Make sure that you do.

I hope that you are having a great summer! Have a blessed and productive week! You all bless me so much!

*Soli Deo Gloria, Bro. Corey*

## BUSINESS MEETING NOTES

### APRIL 2016 MINUTES

- ◆ March 2016 minutes were approved as printed.
- ◆ Reports were accepted and new members were approved.
- ◆ Approval was given to purchase and install a new A/C unit in the Snack Bar.
- ◆ Minister of Music's retirement benefit designation was approved.
- ◆ Discussion was held pertaining to our need to employ a Wednesday night cook.

### MAY 2016 MINUTES

- ◆ April 2015 minutes were approved as printed.
- ◆ Reports were accepted, letters of transfer granted and new members were approved.
- ◆ Progress is being made on the roof project

### APRIL 2016 GENERAL FUND

Total Contributions	\$30,821.23
Weekly Average	\$7,705.31
Weekly Requirement	\$8,313.75
Fund Balance	\$13,308.15

BUILDING SAVINGS ACCOUNT BALANCE: \$155,216.52 (4/30/16)  
(Includes roof funds)

CHURCH ROOFS ACCOUNT BALANCE: \$87,841.82 (4/30/16)

GENERAL SAVINGS ACCOUNT BALANCE: \$8,264.92 (4/30/16)

### MAY 2016 GENERAL FUND

Total Contributions	\$44,639.21 (5 Sundays)
Weekly Average	\$8,927.84
Weekly Requirement	\$8,313.75
Fund Balance	\$15,000.00

BUILDING SAVINGS ACCOUNT BALANCE: \$162,323.58 (5/31/16)  
(Includes roof funds)

CHURCH ROOFS ACCOUNT BALANCE: \$93,581.82 (5/31/16)

GENERAL SAVINGS ACCOUNT BALANCE: \$8,265.64 (5/31/16)