

Welcome to the First Family

New Members: November 10, 2013



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***New member photography team needs volunteers.
Call the church office for more info. 210.226.0363.**

You Are Invited to A Night With An Author

Friday, December 6

Author Barbara Reaoch will lead an information session on her Christmas book of devotions, **WHY CHRISTMAS?**

This book will be a wonderful tool to help parents, grandparents and anyone who would like to have a more meaningful celebration of this special holiday in their home.

7:30 to 9:00pm in Blanchard Lounge
Dessert and Coffee

(Parents Night Out available upon reservation through Church Office)

Christmas Care & Angel Tree Deliveries

Saturday, December 14

To volunteer for a delivery team,
call Rita in the church office at 210.226.0363

Upcoming Spring Ladies Bible Studies at the church

Tuesday Mornings

9:30AM - 11:30AM starting January 14
Ruth/Esther, Led by Jean Nystrand

Wednesday Evenings

6:30PM - 8:00PM starting January 15
Resolution, Led by Julie Reger

Childcare for both by reservation.
Keep watching for details!!!

Golf Schedule for 2013

November 23 Ft. Sam 12:00 shotgun start
December (No Tournament)

Yes, Lord! Appreciation Lunch

Thank you Yes, Lord! volunteers! On October 20, FBC celebrated with our volunteers at the annual Yes, Lord! Appreciation Lunch. Our theme this year: Serving Hands, Servants' Hearts is exemplified by all of our volunteers. What an amazing group of people. What an amazing church in which we have the privilege to serve as Christ did.

Do you find yourself desiring a place to serve? Get involved in Yes, Lord! There are many opportunities and a place just for you. Learn more on the FBCSA website under Serving and Community at www.fbcса.org/yeslord.

Ceramics Resumes

Wednesdays, 9:00am - 1:00pm

Ceramics classes in West Patio
\$25.00 per semester
January - May/June - December
All skill levels
Glazes and tools are available
Qualified teacher on hand

For information contact Betty Daniel at
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Call Sharon @ 210.226.0363

First On Mission

Your Missions Committee has begun collecting trip proposals for the new year. Team Leaders... begin gathering information and enlisting team members. Trip proposals can be found on the Missions page of our website at fbcса.org/missions. Fill out proposal as complete a possible. If you anticipate needing help in enlisting members, you will need to submit your proposal ASAP.

Save the Date! FBCSA Family Retreat

January 24-26, 2014

HEB Foundation Camp, Echo Valley, Leakey, Texas
Recreation Committee also looking for volunteers for the retreat:

Lifeguard
Person (18 yrs. or older) with
First Aid/CPR certification

For information contact Sharon Whittington at
210.226.0363

HIGHLIGHTS

November 17, 2013

TODAY AT FBC

- 7:00 AM Marathon Encouragement & Cheer (River Lot)
- 11:00 AM Worship (Sanctuary)
International Worship (4 locations)
- 12:30 PM GPS (West A)
Thrive (West 262 B)
- 3:00 PM Chapel Singers (Choir Suite)
Joyful Sound (Webb 209)
- 4:00 PM A.B.L.E. (West)
- 4:30 PM Adult Handbell Rehearsal (Webb 210)
- 5:30 PM Church Conference (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:00 PM Jonathan Juedes Ordination (Sanctuary)

Bible Study

2 Peter 1:1-12

Morning Worship

"Walk This Way: Death and Discipline"

T. Don Guthrie, Preaching

5:30 PM

Church Conference (Fellowship Hall)

6:00 PM

Jonathan Juedes Ordination (Sanctuary)

{Re:Verse}
A Unique First Baptist Design for Bible Study

2 Peter 1:16 - 2:3; 3:1-18

First Baptist Church of San Antonio

THIS WEEK ...

Monday, November 18 - Sunday, November 24

- 11/18 10:00AM Wolfson House Craft Show
- 11/19 9:30 AM Women's Fall Bible Study (Webb 212/214)
- 10:00 AM Wolfson House Craft Show
- 11:45 AM WMU/WOM Luncheon (Blanchard)
- 11/20 9:00 AM Ceramics (West Patio)
- 9:30 AM Precept Women's Fall Study (Blanchard)
- 10:00 AM Wolfson House Craft Show
- 4:30 PM Library Opens (Kokernot)
- 5:00 PM Mid-Week Meal (Fellowship Hall)
- 5:45 PM Wednesday Evening Childcare
- 6:00 PM Wednesday Night Services
Music Friends Choir (Webb 201)
Music Makers Choir (Webb 203)
Young Musicians Choir (Webb 209)
Orchestra at First (Sanctuary)
Spanish Bible Study/Prayer (West)
- 6:30 PM Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
McCullough Academy (Youth Lounge)
H2H - Journey to Restoration (Kokernot 309)
- 6:45 PM Mission Friends (Webb 206)
RA's/GA's (Basement/Webb 301)
- 7:00 PM Prayer Groups
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Unity Hall)
Mid-Week in the City (4th Street Café)
- 7:01 PM Youth Home Groups
- 11/21 9:00 PM Friendship (West)
- 10:00 AM Wolfson House Craft Show
- 11:00 AM Prayer Meeting (Parlor)
- 11/22 10:00 AM Wolfson House Craft Show
- 11/23 10:00 AM Wolfson House Craft Show
- 11/24 7:00 AM Pastor/Men's Prayer Time (Conference Rm)
- 8:00 AM Pastor's Class (Webb 212)
- 9:00 AM Bible Drill (Webb 301)
- 9:25 AM Worship (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 AM LOGOS Contemporary Worship (Chapel)
Bible Study (Core, Spanish, International, Deaf)
- 11:00 AM Worship (Sanctuary)
Spanish Worship (Chapel)
International Worship (4 locations)
Bible Study (Venture)
- 12:15 PM Spanish Thanksgiving Lunch (Fellowship Hall)
- 4:00 PM A.B.L.E. (West)
- 4:30 PM Adult Handbell Rehearsal (Webb 210)
Chapel Singers (Choir Suite)
Joyful Sound (Webb 209)
- 6:00 PM Celebration of Gratitude Worship (Sanctuary)



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
SAN ANTONIO

Christmas At First

December 8

Due to popular demand, we have given out all tickets to the 5:30 PM performance. 7:15 PM are still available in Great Hall. Fortunately, we do have a waiting list. Contact barbie@fbcsa.org to get put on

this list. If you have tickets that you know you are not going to be able to use, please turn them back in to the church office.

Invitation from the International Congregations

Today

Today, with the Marathon running, we will have only one worship of the English language congregations and that is at 11:00 A.M. The International congregations invite you to take this opportunity to join one of our worship services. It will be a good opportunity to touch hearts with another culture in worship. It is quite Baptist at its core and will be familiar to you. All congregations will have a sermon presented in English on that day. The Burmese people would be honored for you to join them in worship.

The Internationals are still in need of microwaves and one of our Karen families (Heh Ku Htoo and her husband) are buying a house and are in need of a washer and a dryer.

International Worship Opportunities for the English Congregation

Today

Circle Building - Lao/Thai/Karenni - Preaching: Boun Phommachanh preaching in English and Thai with translation into Karenni

Webb 212/214 - Zomi - Preaching: Wayne Williams preaching in English with translation into Zomi

West A&B - Karen - Speaking: TJ Williams in English with translation into Karen (Karen Christian Family Day)

4th Street Café upstaging - Myanmar Congregation - Preaching: Timothy Ling Saw in Burmese with translation into English

All worship services begin at 11:00 A.M.

Weekly Report

As of Sunday, November 10, 2013

Attendance:		SS	1,226	Worship	1,577
Tithes and Offerings		Year to Date Variance			
	Week	Year to Date	Budget	Prior Year	
Unrestricted	\$145,807	\$3,264,710	\$164,710	\$262,752	
Television	\$12,617	\$363,775	\$73,775	\$116,339	
Building Fund	\$16,084	\$1,046,509			
Other restricted	\$10,851	\$104,627			
Total	\$185,359	\$4,779,621	\$238,485	\$379,091	

25th Annual Wolfson House Christmas Arts & Crafts Show

November 18 - 23

First Baptist Church cordially invites you to the Wolfson House Christmas Arts & Crafts Show

Monday - Friday, 10 am - 6 pm
Saturday, 10 am - 3 pm

10% of all proceeds go to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

Free Admission • Free Parking • Free Refreshments

WMU/WOM Luncheon

Tuesday, November 19

11:45 - 1:30, Blanchard Lounge, Cost \$5.00

How will you make a Difference this Christmas? Collection of Samaritan's Purse Christmas Shoe Boxes and Exploration of Lottie Moon Offering Projects

40 Days of Prayer

Begins November 22

Beginning Friday, November 22 (thru January 1), the congregation is invited to unite in prayer in support of leaders and Christians, near and far. On the FBCSA Blog, theeverydayprayer.com, we will teach on prayer, name a person or group and how we can pray for them. Are you willing to help? Great way to prepare for the New Year!

Youth Ministry Refuge/YP/HYPE

McCullough Academy

Bring your friends and your homework!
6:30-7:00PM Wednesdays, Youth Lounge
November 20

Home Groups

Wednesdays, 7:01PM
November 20

Girls Bible Study

Will not meet on November 21 or 28

Youth Christmas Activities

Saturday, December 14 Youth Family Party
At the Dean's, 6:00 to 9:00PM

Sunday, December 22 - A.C.T.S.
7:30 to 9:30PM

After Church to Scott's

See *The Challenge* for more info.

Chapel Singers & Joyful Sound

Rehearsal from 3:00 - 6:00 pm
Chapel Singers in Choir Suite
and Joyful Sound in Webb 209

6:00 pm Sing for the Evening Worship

New Horizons...New Hope Annual Commitment Campaign

Through the month of November

OUR GOAL: Unity and enthusiasm of our church family as we prepare for a new year of service together.

The life of the church is only as strong as its HOPE. Hope is what holds us together. It is what inspires us to serve. New opportunities and the steady growth of our church are presenting new horizons and new hope for FBC. We have dreams that were not possible a few years ago! What is your hope? For yourself, your family, our church?

Every year we ask all church members to recommit themselves by signing and turning in a commitment card. Turn yours into the offering plate, Ask Me booth or go to fbcsa.org/commitment to fill one out online.

Thank you for being a part of the FBC family at this exciting moment.

Sign Up Now For Spring 2014 Area Fellowships

Sign Up through November 24

Spring Area Fellowships will meet on Friends and Family Night in March, April, and May.

If you participated in an Area Fellowship this Fall and would like to continue in the Spring, **you must sign up again.**

Sign-up options:

- Forms in worship bulletin (put in offering plate or take to Ask Me desk or church office)
- Ask Me desk
- In Sunday School departments
- Online at the church website: www.fbcsa.org/areafellowships
- With Kappie Coffee in the church office: 210.226.0363 or Kappie@fbcsa.org

PLEASE consider signing up to host. Forty members who signed up for Fall 2013 Fellowships could not participate because there were an insufficient number of hosts.

Christmas Care

Through the month of November

Christmas Care (an FBC ministry to low-income families in the downtown area and our Internationals) goes through November and culminates with delivery of food boxes to hundreds of families on Saturday, December 14. Church families can share by bringing the following food items.

Canned Vegetables: mixed vegetables, beans, corn, peas, potatoes

Canned Meats: tuna, chicken, chili, Spam, sardines

Meat Substitutes: macaroni & cheese, dried beans, peanut butter

Staples: flour, sugar, cornmeal, rice, soup

Canned Fruits and Juices

Please bring **ONLY** items listed. Snack foods, candy, homemade items cannot be utilized.



Wednesdays, Evenings
Fellowship Hall
Bible Study:

"The Glory of God in the Church:
Expository Studies in the Book of Ephesians"

Mid - Week Meal

Service begins at 5:00 PM

New Dinner Menu: November 20

Oven Roasted Turkey & Dressing
Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans
Roll
Pumpkin Pie

Cost: \$5.00 Adults, \$3.00 Children
Credit Cards accepted

SENIOR ADULT GAMES DAY

If you enjoy getting together with friends to play dominoes, bridge, canasta, and table games, and having lunch, then Senior Adult Games Day just might be for you!

When: Last Tuesday of each month
This month's gathering is Tuesday,
November 26th, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Where: Blanchard Lounge

Cost: \$5 per person

Reservations can be made by contacting Sharon Whittington at the church office, 210.226.0363, by the Friday before the meeting date.

Celebration of Gratitude

Join us in the Chapel on Sunday, November 24 at 6:00PM for our annual guided prayer and worship experience in preparation for Thanksgiving.

Christmas at Wolfson

Open House on Sunday, December 1

12:30-5:30pm

Blessing of Esther's Garden Prayer Room at 4:00pm