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This coming week is a big week for
Upward basketball including deadlines
and player evaluations!

Upward - October 2016						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
23	24	25	26	27	28	29

25: Online Registration and Early Registration Discount ends

27: Player evaluations; option 1 (between 6:00-7:30 pm)

29: Player evaluations; option 2 (between 10:30 AM-12 pm)

- Parents**, please register your Kindergarten -2nd grader online by following the links at www.fbcrecreation.com.
- Church**, please volunteer to help with evaluations by letting Wallace know or signing up online at www.fbcrecreation.com.

Happy Birthday!

Thurs Oct 20	Tues Oct 25
<u>Jeremiah 35-36:</u>	<u>Jeremiah 46-47:</u>
<u>2 Thessalonians 1</u>	<u>1 Timothy 3</u>
Susie Anthony	Barbara Bryant
Ron Holt	Ron Spann
Yadira Lara-Villegas	Anita Hunter
Oscar Argueta	Dianne Shirron
Fri Oct 21	Chris Murphy
<u>Jeremiah 37-38:</u>	Jody Baker
<u>2 Thessalonians 2</u>	Angie Freeman
Mark Meeker	John-Martin Burkland
Tammy Catlett	Justin Sprague
Sydney Bars	Avery Catlett
Sat Oct 22	Wed Oct 26
<u>Jeremiah 39-41:</u>	<u>Jeremiah 48:</u>
<u>2 Thessalonians 3</u>	<u>1 Timothy 4</u>
Jane Loomis	Donna Robertson
Kaye Park	Clark Wesson
Kaye Garrison	Summer Johnson
Shelby Bars	Liam Johnson
Sun Oct 23	Thur Oct 27
<u>Jeremiah 42-43:</u>	<u>Jeremiah 49:</u>
<u>1 Timothy 1</u>	<u>1 Timothy 5</u>
Barry Howard	Theresa Reeves
Larry Rhodes	Mark Ashford
Joey Dean	Jesse Hassstedt
Mon Oct 24	Lindsey Davis
<u>Jeremiah 44-45:</u>	
<u>1 Timothy 2</u>	
Lou Maloch	
Linda Davis	
Jerry Meadows	
Kevin Moore	
Brenda Waters	

Door Greeters - Oct 23

9:00 a.m.	Marie Colmenero, Mary Goodman, Vivian Humphrey, Dick & Dot Wilkerson, Lynn Linington, Vernon & Beverly Gingrich, Velda Holmes, Dianne Shirron, Marty Black
10:30 a.m.	Linda Green, Mary Latham, Cheryl Nichols, Judy Gerren, Janet Porter, Betty Parker
11:00 a.m.	Jason Williams, Donny Moore, Kelly Robbins
12:00 p.m.	Mike Davidson, Mike Ferguson, Don Slaton, Tommy White, Donnie Sumpter
1:00 p.m.	Richard Hawthorn, Frankie Moore, Cole Morgan
2:00 p.m.	Al Gloria, John Mark Pierce, Robert Covey, Charlie Zoll, John Slater
3:00 p.m.	Charlie Capps, Robert McAlister, Jason Smith, Larry Ingram, Jason Blankenship, Tom Gray
4:00-6:00 p.m.	Ronnie Carter
5:00-7:00 p.m.	Mick Skelton, Jim Henley, Norman Mason
6:00-8:00 p.m.	Craig Holmes, Herb Mansbridge, Glen McClain
7:00-9:00 p.m.	PS Ctr: Kim Miller, Susan Blount, Brad Wreyford, Josh & Katy Wesson
8:00-10:00 p.m.	FH Ctr: David & Gigi Bird
9:00-11:00 p.m.	Foyer Welc Ctr: Vaughn & Stephanie Treadway
10:00-12:00 p.m.	PS Ctr: Jake & Sarah Bird, Travis & Lauren Warren
11:00-1:00 a.m.	FH Ctr: Betty James, Bettye Olver
12:00-2:00 a.m.	2nd Floor Welc Ctr: Robert & Cindy Davis

Deacon Hospital Visitation

Week of Oct 24-28

Monday.....	Chuck Lane
Tuesday.....	Jim Taylor
Wednesday.....	James Allen
Thursday.....	Craig Viscardis
Friday.....	Donny Moore

Ushers - Oct 23

9:00 a.m.	Robert McAlister, Jerry Franks, Don Norman
10:30 a.m.	Mike Davidson, Mike Ferguson, Don Slaton, Tommy White, Donnie Sumpter
11:00 a.m.	Richard Hawthorn, Frankie Moore, Cole Morgan
12:00 p.m.	Al Gloria, John Mark Pierce, Robert Covey, Charlie Zoll, John Slater
1:00 p.m.	Charlie Capps, Robert McAlister, Jason Smith, Larry Ingram, Jason Blankenship, Tom Gray
2:00 p.m.	Ronnie Carter
3:00 p.m.	Mick Skelton, Jim Henley, Norman Mason
4:00-6:00 p.m.	Craig Holmes, Herb Mansbridge, Glen McClain

Safety Teams - Sunday Oct 23

8:30 a.m.	Al Gloria, John Mark Pierce, Robert Covey, Charlie Zoll, John Slater
10:15 a.m.	Charlie Capps, Robert McAlister, Jason Smith, Larry Ingram, Jason Blankenship, Tom Gray
11:00 a.m.	Ronnie Carter
12:00 p.m.	Mick Skelton, Jim Henley, Norman Mason
1:00 p.m.	Craig Holmes, Herb Mansbridge, Glen McClain

Wednesday - Oct 26

4:00-6:00 p.m.	Mick Skelton, Jim Henley, Norman Mason
6:00-8:00 p.m.	Craig Holmes, Herb Mansbridge, Glen McClain

Welcome Center Guides October

8:30 a.m.

PS Ctr:	Kim Miller, Susan Blount, Brad Wreyford, Josh & Katy Wesson
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Foyer Welc Ctr:	Vaughn & Stephanie Treadway
	10:00 a.m.
PS Ctr:	Jake & Sarah Bird, Travis & Lauren Warren
FH Ctr:	Betty James, Bettye Olver
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ATTENDANCE

Attendance October 16, 2016

Homebound TV Class *80

9:00 Connect Group 383

10:30 Connect Group 364

Total Connect Groups 747

Worship Attendance 9:00..... 445

Worship Attendance 10:30..... 626

Hispanic Worship Attend 10:45..... *39

Total Worship 1,110

Children's Worship *52

*Average



Almost every time guests come to visit us who have ministry backgrounds or livelihoods, they say the same thing. **This can't be a First Baptist Church.** Why? Because so many First Baptist churches are stuck in the past, populated primarily by senior adults, and on the decline. Their ministry goal is survive and advance and keep things the same. It blows away people who know about such things and see the way this church is healthy and growing and diverse in age and socio-economics. It further shatters their mode of thinking when I tell them that this year, the church turns 180 years old. Not many 180 year old churches have nine young families bring themselves and their babies for dedication to God, the kingdom, and the church. It is a blessed thing to be part of a church with such a rich history, vibrant present, and bright future. Thank you for your willingness to make changes, move forward, welcome people of all stripes, include a variety of people in leadership, and do what it takes to invite others, invest in people, and impact the kingdom. Sometimes I have to pinch myself to make sure I'm not dreaming that God allows me to pastor this congregation.

This is not to say we don't have room to **grow and improve**. We do. Our staff regularly evaluates where we are and where we need to be as God leads us into the future. And we all work on these things together. The Holy Spirit makes us what we are, but He invites and empowers us to be partners in the process. May God bless us as we move into our 19th decade as a church!

This Sunday we are concluding our series, **When God Crosses His Heart**. It seems like a fitting conclusion to think together about Jesus' promise to prepare a place for us in the Father's house. I trust this series has been an encouragement and a challenge. It has been for me. See you Sunday!

Your Pastor,
John

BUDGET REPORT

Ministry Fund (10-16-16)
 Weekly Receipts \$60,212
 Online Giving \$6,663
 Total Given \$66,845

All In Fund

Weekly Receipts: (10-16-16) \$33,732
 Balance of loan: (10-4-16) \$2,851,886



KATHMANDU, NEPAL

"Find out where God is working and join Him"

Exactly what Corrie and Brent are doing in India. Since we could not get religious visas to enter India they met the pastors and trainers in Nepal. Come hear their story about our newest partnership and opportunities you might have to journey to Nepal with us. God is at work there, join us.



ESL International 2016-2017

Connect Groups who are committed to provide meals for ESL Int'l. Students, Children, Teachers, and Staff
October
 20th - Sr. Ad 7 Believers
 27th - Med. Ad 4



Keenager's Thanksgiving / Christmas Luncheon

Thursday, November 10
 11:30-1:00

Cost is \$7

We will enjoy Brisket, Potato Casserole, Green Beans, Roll and Desert
 Tea, water and coffee will be served.

Special Guest Speakers
 Rodney and Diana, Missionaries

Fitness & Recreation Ministry

(All sign ups and resources are available at the Fitness/Recreation Ministry HQ.)



General Season Calendar
Recruiting and training leadership:
 Present-December

Online Registration Ends: October 25

Early Registration Discount Ends: October 25

Player Evaluations:

- Option 1: Thursday, October 27, 6:00-7:30 pm
- Option 2: Saturday, October 29, 6:30 am - 12:00 pm

First Practice

1st-2nd grades: week of January 9, 2017

Kindergarten: Saturday, January 14

First Game day: Saturday, January 28

Final Game day: Saturday, March 11

Awards Celebration: Monday, March 13



It's time to get on board for this coming season! You can and we need you to serve in some capacity. Look below for the opportunities to serve, then let Wallace know asap! Thank you for helping Invest in the children and families of our community as we seek to Impact eternity!

REQUIRED VOLUNTEERS

- Prayer Team: 100
- Kindergarten Coed: 6 head coaches/assistants
- 1st-2nd Grade Girls: 6 head coaches/assistants
- 1st-2nd Grade Boys: 8 head coaches/assistants
- Referees: 18
- Scoreboard & Concessions: to be determined
- Evaluations Helpers:
 - Pre-registration: 4
 - Late-registration: 3
 - Uniform Sizing: 6
 - Height Measuring: 6
 - Check out: 6



Join us for Sunday morning fellowship in the gym between Worship Services/Connect Groups. Here's the rotation schedule:



Oct 23: I, J, K, L
 Oct 30: M, N
 Nov 6: O, P, Q, R
 Nov 13: S, T, U

Nov 20: V, W, X, Y, Z
 Nov 27: A, B
 Dec 4: C, D, E
 Dec 11: F, G, H
 Until we all fall down, Wallace

Date Night

Friday, November 4

You may drop your kids off at 6:30 pm and pick them up by 9:30 pm.

Deadline to sign up is Sunday, October 30

Please sign up at the Children's Ministry Desk, at the Welcome Center or by calling the office, 624-3345.

Education & Outreach Ministry

Handicapped Person Couldn't Park

I learned this morning that a person in a wheelchair couldn't find a handicapped parking Sunday, so they left. We have tons of handicapped spots. Many people really need them. Can some of you who don't really need them, find it in your heart to allow some who do need it to have your spot please? And the spots with the extra wide space beside them are for wheelchair accessible vehicles, so they have room to lower their ramps. Thanks!

The New Parking Lot

The new parking lot has been graveled and rolled; so you can park on that lot on Sundays! We will no longer need the Remote Parking. Thanks to all who have helped with this in the past! We appreciate your sacrifice for others. **Hard Time Finding Parking? Ask one of our Safety Team Guys with the orange vests to help you!**

Surviving the Holidays

This video produced by DivorceCare will be shown: Sunday, October 30 at 9:00am in the DivorceCare Connect Group in room 303. Jerri Stephenson is the facilitator. Please join us or invite someone you know who needs it.



An introduction to DivorceCare will be on Sunday, Nov. 6 at 9:00am in room 303. The new cycle for this class will follow.

Proclaim Follow-up

We will forward Prospects to the appropriate age Connect Groups for you to contact them and invite them to connect! Please return a report of your contact to the office. Thanks for your important part in this process!

Connect Groups Team Meetings

Date and Time Changes:

Young Adult Team - Wednesday, Oct. 19, 6 pm, room 3023.

Single Adult Team - Wednesday, Nov. 2, 6 pm, room 114.

Interested in Serving on a Committee or Ministry Team?

Find a yellow Christian Service Survey at one of the Welcome Centers. Complete it, showing areas in which you would be interested in serving. Return it to the church office or Danny. Our Committee who gets people to serve on other committees or teams is gearing up for the new year. Pray for our process please.

Connect Groups (Sunday School)

Let's build a culture where everyone will want to come and not miss out on all the Lord has for us and our children! **Everyone needs to find a group and Connect!**

Love, Danny



First Baptist Quilters

FBC Quilters is in need of a small, lightweight (PVC) floor quilting frame. If anyone has one they would like to donate, we would greatly appreciate it! Contact Henryetta Norman at 501-627-4618



Warmest Christian sympathy is extended to Amy & AJ Johnson and family in the death of her grandfather, Thomas Dow Callahan. May God bless and comfort you.

Sharing



Thanksgiving

You Are Invited To Join

**Tom Pullig's Senior Adult 2,
Synergistic Class**

THANKSGIVING LUNCH

Thanksgiving Day

**First Baptist Church's Family Life Center
11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**



Please mark your calendar

We have updated our soldiers list and want to remind all of you to send cards or letters to these soldiers.



SSG KAY LYNN BAILEY

HSC 777 ASB
 APO AE 09330

daughter of Jack Bailey visitor to our church

FERNANDO UGARTECHEA

waiting on address

Gran-son-in-law

Rosemary Long

MR3 CARVIN, JACOB A.

55 NIMITZ DRIVE

PITI, GUAM 96915

Jacob is a proud new father and far away from home

Son of Billie Jo Carin



Wednesday Night Supper Menu October

(soup, salad, and fries always served)

19th: Baked & Fried Chicken, Potatoes, Green Beans, Hamburger, Pie

26th: Chicken Fried Steak, Potatoes, Turnip Greens, Corn, Corn Dog, Cake