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# THE MESSENGER

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Invite Everyone, Invest In People, Impact Eternity



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## WEDNESDAY

### Wednesday Night Dinner

**4:45-5:30**  
Cost: \$5 adults, \$3 kids under 12,  
\$16 max per family

### For Kids

**5:30**  
**Excite Night Jr.**  
(Birth-K) 1st Floor Tiny Town  
**Excite Night**  
(1st - 6th) 2nd Floor, Kidz Worship Area

### For Teens

**Lifecchange(rs)**  
(7th-12th) 3rd Floor, Youth Area

**5:30-7:00**  
*Lifecchange(rs) Option 1*  
**6:00-7:30**  
*Lifecchange(rs) Option 2*

Youth worship is from 6-7 with a  
recreational activity before or after.

**7:30**  
Group Dinner

### Choir & Orchestra

**Rehearsal at 6:00**  
Men and Women of any age or ability  
level are welcome to join us!

### Adult Bible Study & Small Groups

**5:30**  
**MasterBuilders**  
(Biblical Parenting) 1008

**Financial Peace University**  
Room 129

**Grief Share**  
(begins Sept. 6) Room 126

**"Finding I Am"**  
(women's study) Room 131

**6:00**  
**Mel's Men's Group**  
Room 133

**Men's Fraternity: 33 The Series**  
(begins Sept. 6) Room 3025

**Pastor John's Prayer Meeting  
& Bible Study**  
Fellowship Hall

**C.S. Lewis: The Screwtape Letters**  
(begins Sept. 6) Room 2010

**7:00**  
**The Gospel at Work**  
(begins Sept. 6) Room 226

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

<u>Thur Aug 24</u> <u>Psalms 146-150:</u> <u>Romans 14</u> Margaret Harrison Patsy Gnau Rex Turner Buddy Barnett Janada Barnett Kirk Krack Glenda Jackson Dian Masingill Shane LaDuke Brian Dunn Michael Jackson Jason Jeffery Michael Crihfield Peyton Ballard	<u>Mon Aug 28</u> <u>Proverbs 10-12:</u> <u>1 Corinthians 2</u> Mary Daniel Lynn Bennett Kay Lynch Dan LaMontagne	<u>Thur Aug 31 cont</u> Clay Allison Charlee Adams Ashley Terry Daniel Montgomery
<u>Fri Aug 25</u> <u>Proverbs 1-3:</u> <u>Romans 15</u> No birthdays	<u>Tue Aug 29</u> <u>Proverbs 13-14:</u> <u>1 Corinthians 3</u> Roy McKendree Anna Rowland Carroll Hill Tim Nichols Doug Black Karen VanZandt Jenny Ross	<u>Fri Sep 1</u> <u>Proverbs 21-23</u> <u>1 Corinthians 6</u> Kristi Huddleston Melinda Abbott Mindy Hawkins Heather Murphy Leah Avery Seth Garrett
<u>Sat Aug 26</u> <u>Proverbs 4-6:</u> <u>Romans 16</u> Mary Beth Bridges Rodney Bottoms Tina Nellum Josh Coke	<u>Wed Aug 30</u> <u>Proverbs 15-17:</u> <u>1 Corinthians 4</u> Richard Parker Velda Holmes Melanie McClain Alex Strawn Bonnie Boyett Alisha Koplen	<u>Sat Sep 2</u> <u>Proverbs 24-26:</u> <u>1 Corinthians 7</u> Karen Brown Anny Riley Cynthia Parker Karma Turner Carmen Christner Amber Koplen
<u>Sun Aug 27</u> <u>Proverbs 7-9:</u> <u>1 Corinthians 1</u> Judy Jones Elizabeth Elrod Sheila Milligan Jacob Bradshaw	<u>Thur Aug 31</u> <u>Proverbs 18-20:</u> <u>1 Corinthians 5</u> Bill McGehee Sara Douglass Faye Crumpler Mike Lowrey Judy Mattingly Tommy Shirey Christi Nation Hilda Santos	<u>Sun Sep 3</u> <u>Proverbs 27-29:</u> <u>1 Corinthians 8</u> Richard Beckwith James Bennett Wesley Morgan Justin Turpen Kimber Bennett

### SERVICE TEAMS

**Door Greeters - Aug 27**  
**9:00 a.m.** Marie Colmenero, Mary Goodman, Carol & Charles Hill, Vernon & Beverly Gingrich, Dianne Shirron, Marty Black  
**10:30 a.m.** Linda Green, Mary Latham, Cheryl Nichols, Judy Gerren, Janet Porter, Betty Parker  
**Ushers - Aug 27**  
**9:00 a.m.** Robert McAlister, Jerry Franks, Don Norman  
**Every Sunday balcony:** Mike Davidson, Mike Ferguson, Don Slaton, Tommy White, Donnie Sumpter  
**Every Sunday main floor:** Richard Hawthorn, Frankie Moore, Cole Morgan  
**10:30 a.m.** Jason Williams, Donny Moore, Kelly Robbins  
**Every Sunday balcony:** Robert Davis, Mike Ferguson, Jim Little, Ryan Smith, Mark Twyford, Glen Catlett, Jon Vitro, David Santillan  
**Every Sunday main floor:** Bill Richardson, Al Blount, Chris Brock  
**Golf Cart Drivers**  
Cart 1: Richard Beckwith, every Sunday  
Cart 2: John Mark Pierce, 1st Sunday  
Jamie Humble, 2nd Sunday  
Dwayne Gordon, 3rd Sunday  
Mickey Akins, 4th Sunday  
Jimmy Schultz, 5th Sunday & Sub

**Deacon Hospital Visitation**  
**Week of Aug 28-Sept 1**  
Monday ..... Chuck Lane  
Tuesday ..... James Bennett  
Wednesday ..... Jack Porter  
Thursday ..... Craig Viscardis  
Friday ..... Donny Moore

### SERVICE TEAMS

**Safety Teams - Sunday Aug 27**  
**8:30 a.m.** Al Gloria, John Mark Pierce, Robert Covey, Henry Brunson, Charlie Zoll, Josh Heffington, Ed Argueta  
**10:15 a.m.** Chuck Jordan, Robert McAlister, Jason Smith, Larry Ingram, Jason Blankenship, Jake Bird, Travis Warren  
**4:00-6:00 p.m.** Ronnie Carter  
**Wednesday - Aug 30**  
**4:00-6:00 p.m.** Jerry Franks, Frankie Moore, Carlos Lemus  
**6:00-8:00 p.m.** Jimmy Schultz, Herbert Gray  
**Welcome Center Guides August**  
**8:30 a.m.**  
**PS Ctr:** OPEN  
**FH Ctr:** David & Gigi Bird  
**Foyer Welc Ctr:** Kelly & Vickie Robbins  
**10:00 a.m.**  
**PS Ctr 1st Sun:** Ed & Whitney Argueta  
**2nd Sun:** Travis & Lauren Warren  
**3rd Sun:** Jake & Sarah Bird  
**4th & 5th Sun:** Jay & Jennifer Winters  
**FH Ctr:** Leo & Vonnie Ensz  
**2nd Floor Welc Ctr:** Vaughn & Stephanie Treadway

### Van Outreach Drivers

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday ..... North: Carlos Lemus, 538-1624  
..... South: Glen Catlett, 844-7565  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday... North: Roman Terlecki, 622-7735  
..... South: Mitchell McDill, 318-8333  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday ..... North: Missy Herron, 762-3749  
..... South: Duke Haight, 815-4416  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday ..... North: Bob Roling, 545-5818  
..... South: Jon Vitro, 282-2975  
5<sup>th</sup> Sunday ..... North: Bob Roling, 545-5818  
..... South: Mitchell McDill, 318-8333

## ATTENDANCE

**August 20, 2017**  
**Homebound TV Class** ..... \*80  
9:00 Connect Group .....539  
10:30 Connect Group .....426  
**Total Connect Groups** .....965  
Worship Attendance 9:00.....482  
Worship Attendance 10:30.....709  
**Total Worship** .....1,191  
\*Average

## New Members:

Ron & Beth Cleveland  
Matthew Galloway  
Cindy Kilpatrick, Elijah Adams  
Mya Wreyford

## Pastor's Message

By now most of you know that **Mike Pounders** was diagnosed with prostate cancer a few months ago. By the time you read this he will be in Atlanta undergoing treatment. The treatment is in two phases. Needless to say, he won't be in the office much for the next couple of months. He does a great job. We will miss him. He will be in Atlanta a good bit of that time. He looks forward to the opportunity to share Jesus with the people he meets there. Please keep Mike, Debbie, and their kids in your prayers. This is a challenging season for them. The prognosis is very good, but there are some hard trails to blaze before he gets there. Mike will still be able to carry on much of his work via computer and phone. He won't be completely on the bench. But he won't be in the office much. The man rarely takes time off. We want to give him the time he needs. Thank you for standing by him and his family in this time.

This Sunday we will officially welcome **Kyle Stevens** and his family onto our staff as Missionary Pastor. He hit the ground running and is already working on some church planting and strategic partnership matters. We'll put them in a foyer receiving line after the second service so you can wish them well. If you'd like to write them a prayer note in a card, you are welcome to do that. After coming off the mission field, they were starting from scratch in putting a home together. We did a shower for them in the summer to meet some of those needs. But if you missed that opportunity and would like to give, a gift card would be a nice welcome. We'll have a basket for cards. Thanks.

In light of welcoming the Stevens onto the staff, we'll be thinking **this Sunday** about the things God wants his church to be about. We learn some of that in Luke's summary of the church at the end of Acts 2. That will capture our imaginations this Sunday. See you there.

Your Pastor,  
John



Education / Outreach Ministry

Lots of Discipleship Opportunities...

Gospel at Work

Learn skills to share Christ  
Wednesdays at 7pm, Starting Sept. 6  
Room 226, Led by Kyle Stevens

C. S. Lewis - Screwtape Letters:

An Anatomy of Evil  
Come join in with this new group for an interesting study  
Wednesdays at 6pm, Starting Sept. 6  
In the Groom's Room 2010, Led by Tom Heckmann

Wallace's Men's Group

Men's Fraternity: 33 The Series: Authentic Manhood,  
A Man and His Design  
Join us on Wednesdays at 6pm in room 3025  
Sept. 6 – Oct. 11

Mel's Men's Group

Bible Study for Men  
"What is the Good News"  
Join us on Wednesdays at 6pm in room 133

John McCallum's Men's Group

Answering God  
Tuesdays, 6:30am, in room 223, starting Sept. 12

All Age Men's Connect Group

At 9:00am in room 126  
Teachers: Rich Braley, Glen McClain, Jack Porter  
Come join us!

Revealing the Mysteries of Heaven

Sundays 5:00-6:00pm, in room 131  
Teacher – Jerry Franks  
Studying through the books of the New Testament



Wednesdays At 5:30-7:00 pm, Starting  
Sept. 6 in room 126.  
Led by Neal and Rhonda Harrington



Free! Wednesdays, 5:30-7:00pm in room 129  
Led by Mike and Sharon Bridges

Get In The Picture!

Thanks to all who took pictures of their Connect Group Sunday. If you haven't yet, please do this Sunday. Then send it by email to [robin@firsthotsprings.com](mailto:robin@firsthotsprings.com).

Handwritten Notes to Prospects

We need several people who would serve in an outreach ministry by writing notes to 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> time prospects on Mondays. We think this would be a very personal way to share Christ's love to them and encourage them to come back. You must have very neat handwriting. We'd like to start on Sept. 18 at 2:00pm. If you are interested, please sign-up at the Carnival or tell me personally.

Thanks to the Women's Ministry

We appreciate you coordinating and decorating for the Come On In Carnival! Well done and thanks to all who provided Leadership.  
Love, Danny

Fitness & Recreation Ministry

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



Upward Basketball 2018

Kindergarten Coed Division  
1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Girls Division  
1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Boys Division  
Season runs January – March 2018

Your Upward Leadership Team is always seeking to improve our league. We rely on parent, coach, and referee input as we evaluate the previous season and prepare for the next season. As a result of your input and prayer, here are some of the changes for this upcoming season:

- Maximum of 8 teams in each division
- Maximum of 7 players per team
- Playing 4 on 4
- Allowing zone defense
- Increased practice time, at least for the Kindergarten division
- Increased player discount for parent coaches



Be in prayer about your place of service in the Upward ministry. You can get more information and sign up at the Come On In Carnival next week!

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Sunday morning Meet & Greet Fellowships Sundays, 10:00 am in the gym

We invite you to join us for relaxed fellowship and light snacks every Sunday in the gym between Worship Services/Connect Groups. This is one of the easiest places to get to know others. Look around, introduce yourself to someone you don't know! Also, just a reminder that we have a rotating schedule of snack providers for the Sunday Fellowships. Please provide snacks according to the first initial of your last name as scheduled below:

Aug 27: M, N  
Sep 3: O, P, Q, R  
Sep 10: S, T, U  
Sep 17: V, W, X, Y, Z  
Sep 24: A, B  
Oct 1: C, D, E  
Oct 8: F, G, H  
Oct 15: I, J, K, L

Until we all fall down, Wallace



SURRENDERING THE SECRET  
Begins September 14  
If you are one of the estimated 43% of women who have had an abortion, we invite you to attend an 8-week study designed to heal the pain you may still be carrying with you. This group a safe, supportive, and confidential place and an outreach of FBC Women's Ministry and Change Point Pregnancy Center.  
Contact Marilyn Morgan (501-520-4105) [morgan.marilyn@att.net](mailto:morgan.marilyn@att.net) or Cathy Slater (501-622-8587)

MISSIONS

PRAY  
for our Ukraine Mission trip,  
September 8-16 2017

Don Robertson, Carl Hawthorn, Donny Moore, Cynthia McCutcheon, Jenny Turner, Ann Thrash, Mary Harris, Missy Wheeler, Dana Hobbs, Deborah Wingfield, Jimmy Schultz, Gail Margis, Keith Wingfield, Danny Bryson

CHRISTMAS in August  
Help feed hungry kids in Arkansas!  
Pick up a shopping list at Collection Central and return your items during the month of August.

Collecting  
Like new clothes for Ukraine  
kidz sizes 5-15....  
and especially, warm coats!

Also need Adult size coats .....  
Drop off donations in church office by Sept. 3  
Thanks for Giving!



FBC Quilters presented a Quilt of Honor on August 3rd to Mr. Fred Randle (94), a WWII Disabled Army Sargent and a member of Merrill's Marauders. He has written a book entitled "Hell on Land, Disaster at Sea."



Want a chance to meet other women in the church that you may not know? The women's ministry invites you to "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner". You can sign up to attend a dinner with 4-6 guests at the home of a hostess or co-hostess. Each guest will arrive at the church at 5:30 and be given the address of their surprise location. Please sign up for this fun event as a guest or host by completing a card found at the Women's Ministry area or by calling the church office. **Deadline to sign up is September 6th.**  
**Guess Who's Coming To Dinner September 19 at 5:30pm**  
Childcare provided at the church

"Missionaries At Heart "

A new Sunday school class / connect group will be organizing. We will meet this **Sunday August 27, after 2nd service** in the Family Life Center. We will have a short question and answer session. This is for all ages, if you know someone that is not involved in a class or someone interested in being on mission daily, in some way, please tell them about this. Gary McKuin will be teaching. You may also call Bob Goodman for information, 501-617-4820.

BUDGET REPORT

Ministry Fund (8-20-17)

Weekly Receipts	\$49,148
Online Giving	\$7,073
Total Given	\$56,222

All In Fund

Weekly Receipts: (8-20-17)	\$10,574
Balance of loan: (7-30-17)	\$2,203,570

If you prefer to give your tithes and offerings on-line, go to our website, [firsthotsprings.com](http://firsthotsprings.com), and follow the giving prompts. Please make sure the office has your current email address.

GROUPS & CLASSES

Women on Mission

Deby Prince of the Garage Church will be the featured speaker at our regular scheduled meeting on Thursday, Aug. 24 at 10:00 AM in Room #219. Please make plans to attend and hear her enlighten us all on the Garage Church and it's mission! It will also be an opportunity to learn about Women on Mission!

Loving Threads

If you like to knit, crochet, quilt or sew, the Loving Threads Ministry may be the place for you. The purpose of our group is to use our needlework talents to share the love and comfort of Jesus Christ with others by making prayer comfort shawls and baby blankets. We meet in RM 131 on the 1st floor, at 1:00 p.m. on the FOURTH Thursday of each month. If you cannot attend the meetings, but would like to participate, call Wanda Thorp, 623-5608.

THANK YOU

Thank you notes have been received from the Sharon King and family; Ed & Liz Staton; and Carol CLark. You may view Thank you notes on the bulletin board across from the 2nd floor elevator.

Please join us for a  
*Wedding Shower*  
Honoring  
*Kevin Moore*  
(son of Donny & Gina Moore)  
&  
*Allyson Dunbar*  
Sunday, August 27, 2017  
1:30-3:00  
Room 133  
The couple is registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond  
Lowes gift cards are also desired.

Wednesday Night Supper Menu August

23rd: Pork Loin w/ Dressing, Corn, Pizza, Fries  
30th: Chicken & Dumplings, Potatoes, Green Beans, Corn Dog, Fries