



The Vision
Newsletter of
First Baptist Church
September 21, 2015

It's On My heart,

I just came in from vacation a couple of days ago. I had a great time hunting Colorado with some of our men. I must confess it was hard to get started again with my work routine. However, as I started putting the first sermon together in our new series, a study of the Gospel of John, I got more and more into it and more and more excited about what is ahead in the preaching arena. I am calling this study, "Jesus, The Ultimate Life Changer" which if you were here this past Sunday, this was also the title of the first sermon to introduce the books.

John's Gospel is of course one of the first books of the Bible we encourage a lost person or a new Christian to read. It is the most different of all the other gospels. It is written by Jesus' best friend, John. John, in the gospel account is trying to convince others of Jesus' deity. Think about that! None of my close friends that know me the best, would ever call me God. Yet Jesus' best friend, the man who knew him best called Him God. No wonder he is the ultimate life changer. It is a powerful book as we will discover together in the coming weeks.

Hope to see you Sunday as we do this journey through John's gospel together.

Blessings,

Brother Gary



Make sure your student is apart
of this epic Wednesday night on
September 30th!

For more info contact Steve



JOY GROUP RETREAT!!

October 1-3

Cost: \$50

(but we will make it FREE if you can't afford it – JUST SIGN UP!)

Come and join us for worship, fellowship time, and enjoying the outdoors in beautiful Oakridge Christian Camp and Retreat Center in Anadarko.

Sign up DEADLINE: September 27! (don't miss out!!)



Children's Choir has started!

Any child from 4 years old (as of September 1) through the 6th grade can join us. We meet in the choir room before going to age appropriate choirs. Don't let your child miss out on the joy of leading others in worship this Fall!

“The Big Feed”

We will be taking a team to Harlingen, TX to work with *The Way of The Cross Ministries*, December 26th - 30th. Our involvement will be with their ministry known as *The Big Feed*. Each year this organization works with the Pastors from Matamoros, Mexico to feed and share the Gospel with 7,000 to 8,000 people on one day. This will be a great opportunity to be involved in touching and changing lives.

At the 2014 Big Feed, there were over 6,000 people fed. That means they prepared 3,000 lbs. of chicken. This year they are expecting to feed over 7,000. In addition to feeding this multitude, there are hundreds of game stations set up for the kids. Every hour the shofar is sounded and the Gospel is shared.

Passports are a requirement for this mission trip. The cost is \$275.00. This will cover the meals, transportation and lodging. A \$75.00 non-refundable deposit is due by October 1st. The remainder is due by December 21st.

(Sign up on bulletin board)



Itinerary:

- 12/26 - travel day
- 12/27 - orientation & training
- 12/28 - travel to Matamoros - set-up
- 12/29 - “The Big Feed”
- 12/30 - travel day



BAPTIST MISSION CENTER

September is our month to bring food to the Baptist Mission Center. There is a list of food donations in each blue bag on the table in the foyer. Please return the blue bags to the office after you are finished. For more information contact Mark or Becky Carnell.

****Women's Ministry is collecting coffee for the troops. Please bring it to the office. Contact Mecca Lovick with questions.****

**The American Red Cross
Partner Shelter Training
October 10th 9:00am to
11:30am. Sign up on
bulletin board.**



**We are in need of Candy and Booth
Volunteers for Fall Festival on October
31st from 12-2pm. Please bring your
candy to the office. If you are interested in
volunteering your time
contact the office.**

Weekly Activities

Sunday

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
Children's Church
5:00 p.m. FBC Study "U"
5:00 p.m. Children's Choir
6:30 p.m. Evening Worship

Wednesday

- 5:30 p.m. Fellowship Meal
6:15 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer
6:20 p.m. AWANA Clubs
6:30 p.m. "Elevate" (youth)
7:00 p.m. Worship Choir

THE RECORD

September 6, 2015

Offering:\$30,477.67
SS Attendance:289

September 13, 2015

Offering:\$20,657.57
SS Attendance:334



New Members:
Chris Adamson

Keith and Kristyn Getty in Concert
Saturday, September 26 – 7pm
at Southern Hills BC, OKC
tickets: \$5!! (see Lyndall)

(writers of "In Christ Alone", "By Faith",
"Speak, O Lord", "The Power of the Cross"
and many other songs we sing at FBC!)





October

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3
4 <i>FBC Study U 5pm</i>	5 GROW	6	7	8	9	10 <i>Red Cross Training 9-11:30am</i>
11 Deacons Meeting 5pm <i>FBC Study U 5pm</i>	12 GROW	13	14 Business Meeting	15	16	17
18 <i>FBC Study U 5pm</i>	19 GROW	20	21	22	23	24
25 <i>FBC Study U 5pm</i>	26 GROW	27	28	29	30	31 <i>FALL FESTIVAL 12-2PM JOY Clinton Trip</i>

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