



FIRST LIGHT

FIRST BAPTIST COLLEGE STATION

MAY 2024

PRAYER LIST:

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A NOTE FROM PASTOR TROY

It's hard to imagine that we are already in May! What happened to the time? This is a big month for a lot of families in our church and community. May is special. It is the month of graduations. Over the coming weeks we will be celebrating the graduation of many students from FBC, both college and high school. In both instances, we are sending these students into the world. Some to school, or more school, and some into the workforce. This is both exciting and scary (especially for parents). As I think about this, I am grateful for the investment FBC makes in the lives of youth and college students. We provide an environment where students can learn to live and love like Jesus. Then, we get to deploy these students across the land. That's exciting. Let me encourage you to pray for our grads and their families in the coming weeks. Pray for those that are going off to college and ask the Lord to lead them to good and faithful Bible teaching and preaching churches. Pray for those who are entering the workforce that the Lord will use them to spread the good news of the gospel. Pray for parents who are launching their kids into the world. Pray for the churches who will receive our students, and pray for the students we will receive in a few short months.

May also means the beginning of summer! There are tons of activities and ministries you can be a part of this summer, and I encourage you to find a place to plug in and serve. With summer comes other things as well. Namely, we move to our Sunday summer schedule. Starting on May 26 we will move to our summer schedule. That means we will be moving our Sunday school time to 9:15am and will have a combined United Service at 10:30am. We did this last summer with great success and rave reviews. I love this change because it allows our church family to meet all together to worship our great God. You will be hearing lots of reminders about our schedule change, but go ahead and mark your calendars for May 26 as we start our Sunday summer schedule!

One of the things I love about our church is its generosity and graciousness. Our church cares about our staff and provides them the opportunity for a sabbatical, which is a time of rest, reflection, and renewal. I am eligible for a sabbatical this year. In conjunction with the Personnel Committee, they have approved my sabbatical, which will start later this month. My sabbatical accompanied with some additional vacation time will be from May 20-July 21 of this year. During that time, I will take time to rest and recharge. I also will be working on a writing project that I hope will benefit our church and other churches as well. In my absence, our great staff will be stepping in and up to lead the various ministries of our church. You are in more than capable hands. I am grateful for this time away and my prayer is that the Lord will use this time to prepare us for what's next at FBC. Thank you church!

Hold fast,
TROY ALLEN
SENIOR PASTOR
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BUDGET REPORT:

FINANCIAL STATS	MONTH:	YEAR:
BUDGET NEEDS:	\$169,022	\$2,028,269
BUDGET RECEIPTS:	\$155,008	\$602,234
OVER/UNDER:	(\$14,014)	(\$1,426,035)

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

SUNDAYS:

- Traditional Worship: 8:30AM
- Sunday School (All Ages): 9:45AM
- Brown Memorial Library Open: 9:45AM & 10:40AM
- Contemporary Worship: 11AM
- Youth Bible Drill: 4:30PM
- W.A.M. (3yrs-6th gr): 5:45PM
- Youth Bible Study: 6PM
- Adult Bible Study: 6PM

MONDAYS:

- Men's Prayer Time (open to all) 6:30AM

TUESDAYS:

- Ladies' Exercise Class: 9:15AM
- Quilt-n-Peace: 9:30AM
- Food Pantry: 7AM
- Ladies' Prayer Group: 6:30PM

WEDNESDAYS:

- FBC Students: 5:45PM
- Adult Bible Study: 6:30PM
- Mission Friends (Birth-K): 6:30PM
- Bible Buddies (1st-3rd): 6:30PM
- Bible Drill (4th-6th): 6:30PM
- Sanctuary Choir (adults): 6:30PM

THURSDAYS:

- Ladies' Exercise Class: 9:15AM
- Tender Warriors (Men's Bible Study): 12PM
- Men's Evening Bible Study @ Harvey Washbangers: 7:30PM



May is here - when our community changes as our college students head to other places for internships, summer jobs, study abroad programs and new jobs post-graduation. We continue to pray for all of our students as they take the Gospel with them wherever they land this summer. Meanwhile, we will continue to worship our Great God and make disciples to further His kingdom! May 5th will be our last Sunday in Hebrews as we complete our *Jesus Is Greater* sermon series. We will honor those that are mothers, those that are like mothers and those that desire to be mothers someday on May 12th; then, we will recognize our high school graduates on May 19th.

On May 26th we will remember those who gave their all so that we could live in freedom. May we each be grateful to live in a place where we can freely proclaim His Gospel message, read our Bibles and gather to worship our Great God! If you have a picture of a loved one or someone who has been a part of FBC that has served our country and has passed on, please, send me those pictures. We would love to honor them during the choir anthem on May 26th. (email is great or bring your picture to church and I can scan it and hand it right back to you - thank you so much!)

Speaking of May 26th, we will begin our summer schedule that morning. Just like last year we will have Sunday school at 9:15am and gather for our combined Worship Service at 10:30am. We will keep this schedule through August 4th.

On the evening of May 5th we will present our WAM Musical, "Joy Ride". Come join us as we cruise through the book of Philippians -- every lyric in every song is taken straight from Scripture!

As always, if you are interested in any of the groups within our Music Ministry, please, reach out to me at heather@fbccollegestation.com. Choir, Praise Team, A/V Team, Video Productions, Camera Operators, Handbells, WAM, Orchestra, Young Bells and Young Chimes - there is a place for you! See you Sunday morning ready to worship God Almighty -- He is ever faithful!

HEATHER SEIBER
MINISTER OF MUSIC
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FIRST LIGHT DEADLINE:

**MAY 24TH, 2024
BY 5PM**

***PLEASE BRING ALL
INFORMATION TO THE
OFFICE OR EMAIL IT TO
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UPCOMING:

STARTING MAY 26TH

NEW SUMMER SCHEDULE!

SUNDAY SCHOOL WILL
BEGIN @ 9:15AM &
WE WILL COMBINE TO
ONE UNITED SERVICE
STARTING @ 10:30AM



If you have a loved one or
someone who has been a part of
FBC that served our Country &
passed on, please send a photo to
Heather Seiber at
heather@fbccollegestation.com
OR stop by the church office and
we can scan it in!

We would love to honor them
during the choir anthem on May
26th!



FIRST WOMEN MONDAY MEETUPS

STARTING MONDAY,
MAY 6TH AT 12PM AT
CHICKEN SALAD CHICK!

NOTE:

ALL SUNDAY EVENING
ACTIVITIES BEGIN AT 6PM!
VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR
MORE INFO ON CLASS
LOCATIONS, CLASS
DESCRIPTIONS AND MORE!

QUESTIONS?

PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE
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FIRST COLLEGE

COLLEGE MINISTRY AT FBC COLLEGE STATION

It is hard to believe how quickly this semester has flown by! This time of year is exciting in college ministry as we honor our graduates and prepare for the summer months ahead. In a few short weeks New Student Conferences begin at Texas A&M, and we are looking forward to interacting with incoming students on campus. Would you begin praying for the class of 2028? Pray for us as we reach out and assist them in finding a biblical community when they arrive at Texas A&M in the fall.

I would like to leave you with a word of encouragement. There are many changes on the horizon for many of our folks: graduation, job opportunities, college, or grad school. With these changes can come fear and anxiety of the unknown. What if your plans change? What if something happens that takes all of the wind out of your sails?

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble, Psalm 46:1.

I was reminded of this incredible truth from Scripture this past week. Where or who do you turn to in times of despair? Do you truly trust that God is your refuge and strength? Trust in this truth for today: God is our refuge.

In Christ,

NATHAN YATES
COLLEGE MINISTER

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FBC STUDENTS
FBC COLLEGE STATION



May I ask you a question?? How did we get here so fast?!

April showers bring May flowers and the doors to summer are opening ever so slightly. In the youth ministry, our students are ready to kiss the school year goodbye and get a jump on summer vacation.

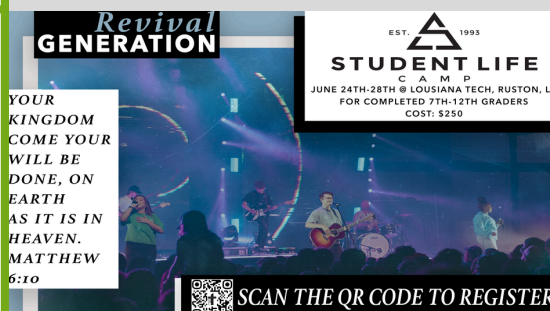
Our Hand in Hand Apologetics in April was a great time of re-thinking how we engage with the culture we live in and sharing the good news of Jesus. Apologetics and evangelism are two sides of the same coin, and faith and reason are not at odds. My prayer is that our students continue to think deeply about these things as we will be covering more of it in the future. We also had a great visit to Twin City Mission in April, and the clients living there even asked for another worship song after the sermon!! The adult volunteers and I are very proud of our students for how well they interact and share the love of Christ with those there.

Congratulations to our Youth and High School Bible Drill students that advanced to the State Bible Drill competition on May 4th at FBC Allen!

Sunday, May 19th will be our Senior Recognition Sunday. With all the hard work these students have put in over the years and the journey they are about to embark on, let's celebrate and recognize what God has done and will continue to do in their lives.

We have a few spots left for **Youth Camp** this summer happening **June 24-28**. Please begin to pray for those who will be attending camp. If you desire to give financially to help a student go to camp, please let me know.

Thank you for your love and support—always! Worry less, pray more, trust Him!



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FBC FOOD PANTRY:

OUR FOOD PANTRY BEGINS EVERY TUESDAY AT 7AM

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER, PLEASE CONTACT FRED MADDOX FOR MORE INFORMATION

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS:

**THERE IS A BASKET IN THE FOYER INSIDE ENTRANCE B FOR YOU TO PLACE ANY NON-PERISHABLE DONATIONS*



MOTHERS DAY OUT:

SCHEDULE:

MONDAY: 9AM-1:30PM
TUESDAY: 9AM-1:30PM
THURSDAY: 9AM-1:30PM
FRIDAY: 9AM-1:30PM

*REGISTRATION BASED ON CLASS AVAILABILITY

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Vacation Bible School 2024 – Breaker Rock Beach: God's Truth Never Changes will be here soon! This year our VBS will return to the evenings. The dates are June 3-6 from 6:00-8:30pm for all children who have completed Kindergarten through the 6th grade. Registration for children is already open – click [HERE](#) to register children. We still need more volunteers to staff this amazing week! Sign up to volunteer [HERE](#). Stay tuned for more details about this wonderful week, which will feature Bible study, crafts, recreation, missions, and music! Invite your friends and family!

Registration is also open for the most wonderful week of the year – First Kids Camp 2024: I'm Gonna Praise the Lord! First Kids Camp offers kids the opportunity to grow in their relationships with Jesus and others. Camp encourages kids to build friendships and create lifelong memories as they participate in Bible study, worship, recreation, and other exciting camp activities! First Kids Camp 2024 will include some special celebrations each night including our Groovy Disco Party and our special Candlelight Service in the beautiful prayer garden. This year's Bible Study will focus on how we were created to worship our great God! We will all be saying I'm Gonna Praise the Lord no matter what by the end of camp!

Camp is for all kids who have completed 3rd – 6th grades. Camp will be at Trinity Pines Conference Center from July 8-12. Cost is \$299 per child, but scholarship help is always available – just ask! Click [HERE](#) to register your child(ren) for First Kids Camp 2024.

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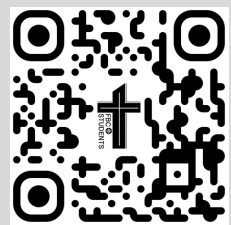
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