

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

Listening to Bill this past Sunday morning really inspired me. I am so excited about Fresh Encounter! God has been working on me in my own private life recently, as well, perhaps preparing me for a fresh encounter. In years past, churches planned revivals. They set up tents, hired the evangelist, and set the date. "Tent Revival - Sunday thru Wednesday!", the sign would say. What churches have discovered over the years is that you can't produce corporate revival by following a protocol. Simply following the methods that were successful at another church will not guarantee the presence of the Holy Spirit and revival in our church.

What we can produce, however, is individual revival based on our own confession and repentance. It will be as fresh and as powerful as the effort and energy we put into it. When was the last time you stopped what you were doing, and literally got on your face? I mean laid down on the floor face down before the almighty God and asked Him what sins in your life are separating you from Him. If you ask, He **WILL** tell you. 1 John 5:14-15. Are we willing to hear? Are we willing to ask?

Lets do it!
Stephen

MEMORIALS

A gift was given to the PreSchool Dept. in memory of Andy & Ashley Rodgers' grandmothers, Sarah Brashear and Margaret Butler.

***NEEDED: We are in need of diapers of all sizes for the Open Door Pregnancy Crisis Center in Cisco. If you can help out, please bring the diapers to the church office.**



**Old Rip Festival
FBC Prayer Booth
October 2nd**

We invite people to stop by and share their burdens, or burdens of a family member, so we can lift them up to the Father. If interested, please contact Stephen Storm in the church office.

CALENDAR

September 5 - 11, 2010

- SUNDAY:**
8:30 Early Worship
9:45 Bible Study
11:00 Late Worship
6:00 IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY - NO EVENING SERVICE - ENJOY FAMILY TIME
- MONDAY:**
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
- TUESDAY:**
7:00 Men Of Honor
Noon Prayer Time In Sanctuary
9:00 "Son Light" School
2:00 Church Staff Meeting
5:30 Weight Watchers
5:30 Church-Wide Visitation
7:00 All High School Boys Meet For Small Group Bible Study
- WEDNESDAY:**
5:45 "Gideon's Ring" Prayer Time
Noon Prayer Time In Sanctuary
5:00 Wednesday Supper
5:00 TeamKid
5:30 Prayer Meeting
6:00 Adult Ensemble
6:00 All 7th Graders Meet For Bible Study at the Church
6:45 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
7:00 8th Grade Girls Meet At the Moylan's Home
7:00 8th Grade Boys Meet At the Storms' Home
- THURSDAY:**
Noon Prayer Time In Sanctuary
- FRIDAY:**
9:00 Sr. Adults' Tone & Stretch
Noon Prayer Time In Sanctuary



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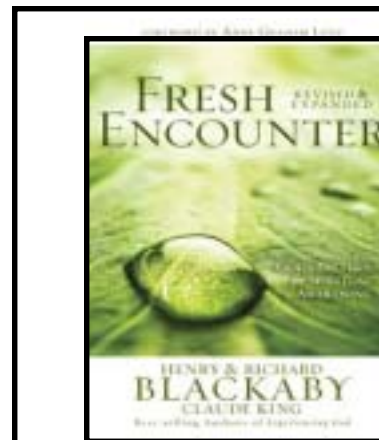
September 1, 2010



**FBC, EASTLAND
SEPT. 18, 2010
9:30 AM - 4:00 PM
(Lunch Included)**

COST: \$25

For Tickets Call The Church Office at 629-3355 or you can call 631-1216.



**Fresh Encounter
6-Week Bible Study
Sundays at 6pm
Sept. 19 - Oct. 31**

**Sign-Up TODAY In
The Church Office!**

BE WATCHING FOR MORE DETAILS!



**Son Light
School**

**"Meet The Teacher Night"
Tuesday, August 31,
6:00 - 7:00 pm**

**Community Bible Study
An In-Depth Bible
Study For All Women.
At FBC, Eastland
Beginning Wednesday,
Sept. 1st, at 10:15am
I & II Peter**

How to Contact First Baptist Church:

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Andy Rodgers, Minister to Students
Stephen Storm, Minister of Community Missions

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PASTOR'S PEN

Dr. T Shawn Brewer, Pastor



God blessed us with His presence and with an amazing day in worship. What a joy to have God add to our fellowship Debbie Johnson, Tim, Cherry, Max and Heather Moore, and Chad and Sheryl Wilson by letter and Wendy Wilson for baptism. God moved many to the altar and I know that my heart was challenged by His word to allow His word to truly examine the standards of holiness that I adopt for my life.

As we continued to walk through the word of God on Sunday, the 18th chapter of Numbers speaks to us about how we take care of those things that God has entrusted to our care. As God began the instruction to the Levites and the Priests, His direction to the separateness that Aaron and the Levites were to maintain indicates the level of holiness that God expects for His servants. In the first seven verses of the chapter, God states several times that, not only are Aaron and his sons and the Levites responsible for sins against the sanctuary, they are also to make sure that no person who was profane even came near them. How many things do we allow to touch our lives throughout the day? The Bible translators indicate that no unauthorized person was to come near the priests. God expects us to maintain a level of holiness that we are not use to obtaining. Allow God's word to so speak to your heart this week that His standards of holiness begin to become the boundaries that we place in and around our lives.

Getting to that level of holiness points out how I am supposed to take care of those whom God has placed around me to serve. Throughout the middle of the eighteenth chapter, God spoke of the gifts and offerings that were to be given to the priests and to the Levites for their support and for the support of the tabernacle. It isn't just giving to make sure the ministers have what they need, but it is giving to make sure that every single need of the tabernacle is met. We are to use the resources that God has given us to make sure that whatever ministry we undertake that is scripturally supported has the resources that it needs to succeed in bringing people to Christ, or at least presenting the Gospel to them. One interesting note is that, just because you serve, you are not removed from the responsibility to give and just because you give, you are not removed from the responsibility to serve.

Our ability to maintain this level of holiness and commitment comes from our respecting what God says is His. The tithe is God's. We are to respect it and we are to make sure that we start with the tithe. God said that first tenth was to be the best and the choicest parts of the sacrifice. Don't get in the habit of surrendering to God your leftovers. Start with God and His math will work for you.

We have a great church. God has blessed and I am looking forward to what is ahead for this great fellowship. Keep seeking the Lord as we move forward together. I am glad I am your pastor.



Pay-Off Debt Sunday

October 31, 2010

\$19,885.99

Be watching for more details!!!



TeamKid

Volunteers
We need help in the following areas:

PreSchool - Bus Riders (People to ride on the bus to assist the drivers on their bus routes) If you are interested, contact the church office.

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

David & Lauren Hatton
Carol Brittain

DEACONS ON CALL

Dale Cozart (442-1697)
Matt Jameson (629-1500)

SUNDAY REPORTS

August 29, 2010

Sunday School Attendance 415
Sunday Worship Attendance 420

General Budget \$10,410.65
Designated \$655.50
Building Fund (08/29/2010) \$778.00
BFGK (YTD) \$1,825,962.55

STUDENT MINISTRY

Andy Rodgers, Minister to Students



Next week starts something new for our youth. We will be meeting in small groups during the week. We have some awesome adult leaders who are excited about the opportunity to lead a



September 1st

Middle School Collision - 6-7:30pm

High School Collision - 7-8:30pm

September 5th

Sunday School - 9:45am

Youth Discipleship - 6pm

September 6 - 8th

Small Groups Will Begin Meeting -

group of students toward a deeper relationship with Christ. Our middle school students will be meeting on Wed nights. 7th graders will be meeting at church from 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM. 8th grade boys will be meeting at the Storms' house across from the church on Wed nights from 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM. 8th grade girls will meet Wed nights at the Moylans' home. High school girls will meet on Monday nights and high school boys will meet on Tues nights. More information will be sent out in the mail later this week.

See You At The Pole is coming up on September 22nd. SYATP is an opportunity for students to gather at the flagpole of their school and join millions of other students all across the country as they pray for their campus. We will be attending a Saw You At The Pole Rally at Mt Top Church in Cisco that night from 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM. Please join our students that day and pray for our schools.



Sunday Evening Discipleship will pick back up again this Sunday night. We will meet at 6:00 PM at the Rodgers' house.

- Andy Rodgers

MUSIC MINISTRY

Larry Wesson, Minister of Music



Again, the music of 5th Sunday was great and we had a wonderful time of worship. Thank you to all who shared their God-given talents with us, as you helped lead us in worship. Thank you, too, Camron



Cummings, for filling in for Cyndie Sunday morning at the piano. You did a great job in a last minute situation.

The Singing Men of North Central Texas Concert/Mission trip to Ukraine is now less than 7 weeks away. Rebecca and I would like to ask once again for your prayers as we prepare and as we go to the country of Ukraine, October 17-30. I will have some Prayer Partner Commitment cards in the office beginning later this week and this coming Sunday. There will be a tear-off portion that will give you directions as to how to receive daily updates (with some pictures) during our mission trip. Rebecca and I covet your prayer support as we prepare and as we travel to share the Gospel message with the people of Ukraine.



Singing as I go,
Larry

EDUC. MINISTRY

Guy Earle, Associate Pastor



Freedom!

Freedom can be defined as having liberty or independence. When we think of freedom, as far as from the biblical standpoint, Galatians 5:1 gives us a

clear picture. "Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with a yoke of bondage." Paul speaks again of our freedom in Romans 8. Let's take a look:

- Reality of our freedom. Rm.8:1a, "There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus...." God's provision for salvation came, not through Christ's teaching, or through His perfect life, but through his perfect sacrifice.
- Reason for freedom. Rm.8:2, "For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death." The reason the believer is free from the penalty, is the Spirit has replaced the law, that produced only sin and death, with a new, simple law that produces life: law of faith.
- Route to freedom. Rm.8:3 "For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, God did by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, on account of sin: He condemned sin in the flesh." What the law could not do, God Himself did. The law can condemn the sinner, but only God can condemn and destroy sin.

Keep pressing on, Guy