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## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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### Pastor's Corner

We had a great service yesterday, commissioning Walter and Melanie for their **Macedonia trip** and talking about the choices we make as missionaries here at home. By the way, Melanie will be writing a column about her experiences for our newsletter publications. Be looking for her updates in our next edition. You can also keep up with Walter and Melanie on Facebook.

**Vacation Bible School** is right around the corner. Would you pray with me for two specific things? First, let's pray that children and their families come to know Jesus in a personal way. Second, let's pray for each leader, that they would form lasting relationships with people in our community. What an opportunity we have before us to show Jesus to Tulia!

Excitement is building for our **"Meet Your Neighbor Day" on June 26**. We will gather from 11am-3pm at Conner Park. Hamburgers and Hot Dogs will be served at 12:30 pm. Some of our local youth will provide music entertainment. So, what do you bring? Just bring a good attitude and a lawn chair. You may also want to bring some games with you. This is simply an informal time for us to meet and greet our neighbors around the church campus. New Fellowship and First Methodist are joining us for this event, as well.

Be watching for updates about our Children's Sunday School. We are looking into the possibility of promoting on July 4 this year. This would be a little earlier than usual, but I think we can make the

transition in an advantageous way in order to reach more kids.

Finally, let me stress how important it is to maintain our **budget** in the summer months. Yesterday, I listened to a Memorial Day sermon by Dr. George Mason from Wilshire Baptist Church in Dallas. Dr. Mason preached on a variety of ways that we can heed the call of wisdom (Proverbs 8:1-21), and he said a few things about wise giving that stopped me in my tracks. Here's a part of that message: *"We continue to do more and more with less and less. Many people in this and in every church are quite content to see the church as God's gift that costs them nothing. But a few faithful and grateful givers know the joy of heeding wisdom's cry. They cannot imagine enjoying the benefits of God's grace here without doing their share and more. And they aren't angry with those of you who aren't; they are sad for you. They want you to know and memorialize all those who have sacrificed before us to give us this church."* Let's remember what it means to carry our church along together.



**SUNDAY  
SERVE**  
SET THE DATE:  
AUGUST 1, 2010

**Happy Birthday**

- 17 - Debbie Brock, Jeff Mabry
- 19 - Chris Maynard
- 20 - Pat George
- 21 - Frances Doyal, Cherri Miller, Jean Rowell, John Vanzee
- 22 - Eddie Shelton
- 23 - Dee Ann Mahaney, Jonathan Nelson
- 24 - Bob Fulkerson, John Mark Gibson, Kara Lacey
- 25 - Nicole Gore
- 26 - Daniel Long
- 28 - Blaine Barnes, John Herring, Daniel Kinser
- 29 - Ricky Aldridge
- 30 - Rebecca Patton

**Thank You**

Thank you, Church family, for your prayers and kindness over the last many years and last few days. We are overwhelmed by your kindness during this time of the loss of my Dad. Your prayers have been felt and appreciated, your cards read and endeared. Thank you for all you do to bless our family.

*Felicia & Brian Hill  
Hannah, Tarah & Eric*

Dear FBC Family,

Thank you for recognizing the seniors Sunday. Sophomores and their parents, thank you for the wonderful breakfast. The time with Kara, Ryan, Shelbi and their families was very special. I will always remember the gifts, hugs and support. Tulia has been a great place to grow up, but I am excited about going to West Texas and becoming a neonatal nurse.

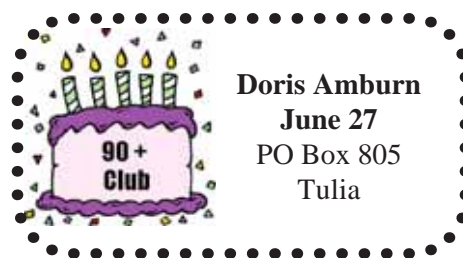
*Thank you,  
Steffanee Pond*

Thank you for all the cards and letters written by each of you and for your concern. It really touched our hearts. It will also help us heal. To each of you, God bless and thank you for caring about our family.

*God Bless,  
Dolois Palmer & family*

**Give Us a Call**


If you or a family member have an illness or need to be hospitalized for any reason, please let the church office know. We want to minister to you, but don't always know the need exists until your crisis has passed! We would rather be told several times than not know at all. Thanks!



**Sympathy**

Christian love and sympathy is extended to Erlene Barbour and family in the death of her daughter, Jimmie Sue Estes.

**VISIT THE  
CHURCH LIBRARY**  
**Sunday**  
9 am & 12 pm



**Angel Food Ministry  
Receives Award**

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Angel Food Ministries on being awarded Swisher County Station of the year. It is a blessing to have you as part of our program. Your wonderful volunteers have the ability to get things done and do them well.

*Thank you,  
RSVP Advisory Council & Staff  
Cynthia & Tina*

Sign-up for Angel Food will be Thurs. and Fri., June 10-11, from Noon to 5 pm in the Conference Room or any time online at [angelfoodministries.com](http://angelfoodministries.com)



**Tulia Community Blood Drive**  
Monday, June 7 ~ 2 to 7 pm  
Senior Citizens Building  
Call 331-8800 to schedule an appointment

**A SUMMER OF MISSIONS AT FBC**

- June 7**  
Walter Wright and Melanie Vasquez leave for Macedonia and Kosovo
- June 21-25**  
**Vacation Bible School**  
**June 26**  
"Meet Your Neighbor" Day  
Conner Park, 11am – 3 pm  
Combined outreach ministry of Crossroads, New Fellowship, FBC, and FUMC  
Hamburgers and Hot Dogs served at 12:30 pm  
Entertainment by area youth musicians and rap artists  
Special Guest: Marcus Hicks UFC Champion and Tulia native
- July 12-16**  
Youth Camp – Durango, Colorado  
Cost – \$300 for students having completed grades 6-12  
Contact Greg for more information.



**Vacation Bible School**  
June 21-25  
1:30 - 4:30 pm

**Where Can You Help?**

- Directors for this year:
- |                        |                         |
|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Babies/Toddlers & 2 yr | Pegi Russell            |
| 3, 4 & 5 yr            | Cindy Bartram           |
| Kindergarten           | Aileene Williams        |
| Crafts-Preschool       | Tara Mahannah           |
| Missions-Preschool     | Tish Murrell            |
| Music-Preschool        | Shannon Hassell         |
| 1st Grade              | Cheryl Vaughn           |
| 2nd Grade              | Mary Catherine Chadwick |
| 3rd Grade              | Sherella Lewis          |
| 4th Grade              | Cynthia Archer          |
| 5th/6th Grade          | Penny Marten            |
| Crafts 1-6             | Richelle Culifer        |
| Music 1-6              | Shannon Hassell         |
| Recreation 1-4         | Scott Burrow            |
| Library                | Betty Ellerd            |
| Kitchen                | Rena Nelson             |

Please pray for all of the children and workers who will be involved in our VBS. If God is leading you to help this year, please call either Delynn Mabry at 995-3856 or the church office at 995-3591. We need adult and youth workers - male and female. There is a place where you can work!

**Cookie Sunday is  
June 20!**

**On Promise of Letter**

NEW MEMBERS



**Bob "Butch" & Charlotte Fulkerson**  
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