

# The Banner

The Lord is My Banner. Exodus 17:15

February 15, 2018

## First Baptist Church, Cuero

[www.fbccuero.org](http://www.fbccuero.org)

### A Note From The Pastor

Why did Jesus come to be the Messiah in the first century? Maybe He came at that time so He wouldn't have to fix all of the computer problems that we have to deal with in our day. Keeping up with all of the computer and software issues is a real bane in the ministerial world of our day. Computers are supposed to help us, but they also require a lot of our time just keeping up with all of the software issues they bring. Oh well, such is life. I suppose we could still be writing on clay tablets.

This Sunday we will observe the Lord's Supper. Let us gather and remember the Lord's Sacrifice for our salvation. Following our services we will have a lunch and our quarterly business meeting.

Next Sunday I will preach the last of the series on Experiencing God. I will speak on the well known passage from Isaiah 40:25-31 on the theme: You can have **A God Reboot**. You are never too far down that you cannot find renewal in the Lord. A day of refreshing can come.

Glenn

### Larry's Notes

#### SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY

As it stands right now, the plan for Easter Sunday is to have both services be as identical as possible, both using a "blended" format. This means that the Sanctuary Choir will be singing in both services. In order to facilitate this, we will need a little help. This is your special opportunity - please consider singing with the choir for this one Sunday. We do not expect you to sing in both services unless you really want to.

So, you're interested. Cool. Part of singing with the choir is knowing what to do. In order to help you prepare to sing with us, you can join the choir for rehearsals on the Wednesdays in March. I will do my best to schedule the Easter music from about 7:20 to about 7:40. There will also be a practice time available on Sunday afternoons in March at 5:30.

This year, Easter is April 1<sup>st</sup>, and Good Friday is March 30<sup>th</sup>.

Larry





### **Happy Valentine's Day & Ash Wednesday:**

Much like Christmas, the secular world has thoroughly latched onto Valentine's Day as a celebration of love. The LA Times has an opinion piece today giving some history of the holiday.\* The Roman Catholic church, who keeps a record of martyrs, lists two St. Valentines for the date of February 14.\*\* Both of them were beheaded. It seems fitting, then, that every once and a while Valentine's Day falls on Ash Wednesday-the day when Christians remind themselves and each other of the poetic words in Genesis 3:19: "for dust you are and to dust you will return." Ash Wednesday ushers in the season of lent, as we eagerly await Easter Sunday. Do we wait for Easter as eagerly as we wait for our valentine? Do we try to love others as well as Christ loved us?

\*"How was St. Valentine's Day transformed from a sacred event into an amorous one?" by Marilyn Yalom

<http://www.latimes.com/opinion/op-ed/la-oe-yalom-valentine-history-20180214-story.html>

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[http://www.boston-catholic-journal.com/roman-martyrology-in-english/roman-martyrology-february-in-english.htm#February\\_14th](http://www.boston-catholic-journal.com/roman-martyrology-in-english/roman-martyrology-february-in-english.htm#February_14th)

### **Camp commitment-reminder:**

Camp will be July 8-14, and cost is \$450. However, **those who commit to going to camp and turn in their \$100 deposit by March 4, will receive a \$50 discount.**

Adult sponsors have the cost of going to camp covered by the church. Begin praying about whether the Lord is leading you to come as a sponsor and connect with our youth in one of the most spiritually important weeks of the year. You can also pray about your role financially in helping our youth with camp.

### **Nom nom nom!**

Thank you to several of you who have brought food to one of our Sunday Night gatherings and several others who have committed to in the near future. If you feel like this is a way you can serve the youth and haven't yet taken the opportunity, you can contact the church, email me at [Ben@fbccuero.org](mailto:Ben@fbccuero.org) , or you can sign up at the link below:

<https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/qv29q8>

**You are also invited to share the meal with us. The more connected the youth are to adults in the church, the more likely they are to stay both now and into adulthood. You don't have to just be a caterer! D6 happens here, too.**

Grace and Peace,  
Ben Faus  
Pastor of Youth  
First Baptist Church  
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Cuero, TX 77954  
361-275-3401 (office)  
214-675-2731 (cell)

**PRAYER REQUEST**

Charles Benton	Faye Fisher
Lynda Grantham	Alicia Hannan
Flo Miller	Bertha Buch
Jo & Robert Smith	Lee Tillman
Bernice Hargrove	Betty Whitten
Pearl Kornfurehrer	Mary Simmons
Mary Bird	Sarah Bell
Devlin Bullock	Barbara Bowman



**Sunday:**  
 Worship 8:30 & 11:00 am  
 Bible Study 9:45 am  
 Youth Praise Band 4:30 pm  
 Youth (7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>) 5:30 pm  
**Adults Small Groups:**  
 The Gospel Project 6:00 pm  
 Bible Searchers 6:00 pm  
 Pastor's Class 6:00 pm  
 Bible Blast (Grades 1-3) 6:00 pm  
 Grades 4-6 6:00 pm  
 Study of Philippians 6:00 pm  
 Apologetics 6:00 pm  
**Monday:**  
 Ladies Exercise 10:00 am  
**Tuesday:**  
 Praise Band 7:00 pm  
 Children's Choir After School  
**Wednesday:**  
 Ladies Exercise 10:00 am  
 Ladies Bible Study 12:00 pm  
 TeamKID/M & M's 5:00 pm  
 Coffee & Prayer w/the Pastor 6:00 pm  
 Youth 6:00 pm  
 Sanctuary Choir 7:00 pm  
**Thursday:**  
 Women's Bible Study 9:30 am  
 (With Christ in the School of Prayer" by Andrew Murray)  
 (For more information please call Betty Afflerbach @ 361-649-8029)  
 For More Information On Classes, Please Call The Church Office @ 361-275-3401

**Stewardship**  
**February 11, 2018**

Budget Requirements .....	\$10,938.97
Budget Receipts .....	\$8,858.75
Designated Receipts .....	\$164.00
Total Approved Budget .....	\$568,826.00
Requirements Year-To-Date .....	\$65,633.82
Received Year-To-Date .....	\$53,455.96
<b>Month-to-date Expenses .....</b>	<b>\$21,939.41</b>
<b>Year-to-date Expenses .....</b>	<b>\$63,302.63</b>

**Renovation**

Week To Date Giving	\$675.00
Month To Date Giving	\$2,932.50
Year To Date Giving	\$20,351.67
Monthly Note Payment	\$11,583.95
Loan Balance	\$2,109,931.67

**GREETER SCHEDULE**

**Feb. 18, 2018**

8:15 & 9:30  
 Roy Johnson  
 Selda Johnson  
 10:45  
 Pam Anderson  
 Wallace Anderson

**Feb. 25, 2018**

8:15 & 9:30  
 John Fuqua  
 Monica Fuqua  
 10:45  
 Youth

**Deacon of the Week**  
 David Stephens



We are here to be and make real followers of Jesus Christ



**Christmas Mission**  
**Offering**  
 Given To Date:  
**\$6,702.06**

**FEBRUARY SCHEDULE**

**MEN'S BREAKFAST FEB. 17<sup>TH</sup>**



**LORD'S SUPPER FEB. 18<sup>TH</sup>**

**BUSINESS MEETING FEB. 18<sup>TH</sup>**



# February

Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> - Feb. 24<sup>th</sup>

Moses Alaniz - 18  
Brendan Zorn - 18  
Jennie Pritchett - 22  
Colin Knox - 23  
Mary Wood - 24  
Mary Heard - 24

Operation Christmas Child, Samaritans Purse is a wonderful ministry that First Baptist Church has been a part of for many many years. If you are unsure what exactly Operation Christmas Child is please go to:

<https://www.samaritanspurse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/>

This website gives some wonderful information. All year round we collect items for the shoeboxes. Every month we try and come up with something different to collect.

At this time we are collecting:



Bar of Soap



Matchbox Cars



5 x 7 Legal Pads

(Toothpaste & Candy can no longer be accepted)

**You can pack your own box!**

In the foyer is a table with some boxes and pamphlets on how and what you can box. If you need several, please call the church office 361-275-3401 and we will have boxes ready for you to pick up at your convenience.

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New Bible Studies at 6:00 p.m.

**Study of Philippians** – Maturing Christian - In the adult bible classroom across from the coffee bar

**Apologetics** – Ravi Zacharias - In the conference room



Save the Date!  
"Game On" 2018



Vacation Bible School  
June 4-8  
Mornings

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**A FRIENDLY REMINDER  
DONATIONS ARE  
NEEDED FOR THE  
SCHOLARSHIP FUND**



*First Baptist Church, Cuero, Texas*

Quarterly Business Meeting

February 18, 2018 12:30 PM

## **REGULAR QUARTERLY BUSINESS AGENDA**

### **PRAYER**

### **READING OF MINUTES**

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Ray Reese

### **REPORTS**

#### **Staff**

Pastor: Glenn Robertson

Music and Worship: Larry Cheesman

Youth: Ben Faus

**Deacons:** Zed Stewart

**Buildings & Grounds:** Donnie Caraway

**Missions Committee:** Curtis Afflerbach

**Other Committees:**

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Report on Membership Additions:**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**