



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
*Amarillo*

# REPORTER

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## THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE

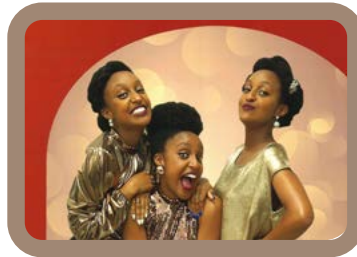


Dear Church Family,

"We should not artificially turn away from our [worries] by constantly [losing ourselves in social media] or running to the movies, or some other kind of busywork, but rather direct our cares to him who wills to bear and share all our sin and all our suffering and, therefore, all our cares. No diversion, but directing our cares. This is what to do. Jesus did not say: Look at the ostrich, how it buries its head in the desert sand and so tries to escape the fear of danger. No, he said: "Look at the birds of the air, keep your eyes open, stand up straight, and look to the heights where God makes known his grace and care." (Helmut Thielicke, *Life Can Begin Again*, p. 143).

See you Sunday.

Dr. Howard Batson, Pastor



## SOUNDS FOR THE SOUL

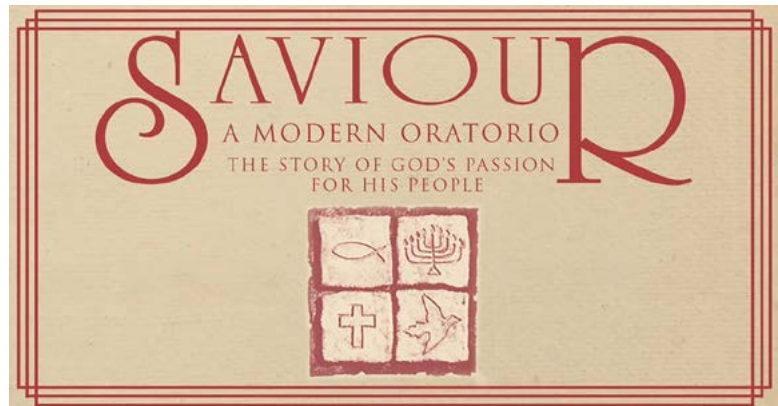
Sunday, February 23

6:00 p.m. – Sanctuary

Hosted by Amarillo Opera

Featuring sister trio, *MOIPEI*

Complimentary tickets available at second floor hallway table.



Presented by the Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra

**Sunday morning, March 2**

**8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. worship services**

**We will also observe the Lord's Supper during both services.**



## UNDIE SUNDAY INGATHERING DAY

Our Acteens are gathering new underwear of all sizes (in original package) to provide for those in our community with a need. Thank you for placing new underwear in our hallway laundry baskets by **February 23!**

visit us online at [www.firstamarillo.org](http://www.firstamarillo.org)

## NEWS AT FIRST BAPTIST

### NEW MEMBERS



Trenton Brown

*By Statement*

(also pictured is daughter, Scarlett)



### WIDOW'S MIGHT

We continue to provide basic home maintenance and repair assistance to First Baptist Church widows, widowers, and other adults in our congregation who might have specific requests on an "as needed" basis. If you would like help at your home, or would like to serve in this ministry, contact Caron Babcock or call the church office (806-373-2891).

### DEACON OF THE DAY

February 23	Mark Haase
February 24	Anson Cagle
February 25	Harvey Elms
February 26	Barry Bedwell
February 27	Randy Stewart
February 28	Delton Tatum
March 1	Joe Crowley

### PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

This Sunday, Dr. Batson will bring a message entitled "He Is God" from John 20:19-28. Spend time preparing your heart for our Sunday morning service.

### KIDS PRAISE MUSICAL: CALL OF THE KINGDOM

with Preschool Praise

Wednesday, March 5

6:15 p.m. – Sanctuary

Join us for a joyful evening of worship as our 4- and 5-year-olds and Kids Praise Choirs retell the story of Jesus through music and drama!



### LUNCH AND LEARN

Monday, February 24

12:00 noon – room 110

Tommy Hill is looking forward to teaching us technology terms, showing steps for basic computer uses, and helping us become more comfortable with technology. Your RSVP is needed by Friday, February 21; the meal costs \$5.00.

### FIELD TRIP TO WTAMU

If you have made a reservation to go on this field trip (Wednesday, February 26), remember to meet at the FLC parking lot by 7:30 a.m.! No new reservations are being taken.

### BOOMER TEXT GROUP

FBC sends out a monthly Boomer Text to keep Baby Boomers informed of upcoming events, activities, and needs. To join the text group, simply text "JOIN boomers" to 1.888.343.6351.



### WEEK OF PRAYER FOR NORTH AMERICAN

MISSIONS

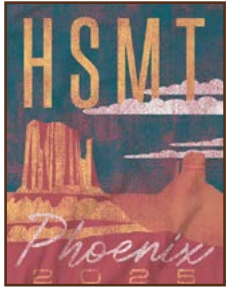
March 2-9

Please join us for the Week of Prayer Brunch in Fellowship Hall on Saturday, March 1, at 10:00 a.m. Angela Patterson will be speaking to us about making Jesus known through education. Everyone is invited to this event, hosted by the Women on Missions groups of FBC!



### TUESDAY NOON BIBLE STUDY

Robby Barrett will begin a two-week study on February 25 entitled *The Reluctants*. We will not meet during Spring Break week (March 11), and then we will enjoy studies led by Trevor Brown (beginning March 18) and Corky Holland (beginning April 15). Bible Study is from 12:15-12:45 p.m. in Fellowship Hall, and a light lunch is available at 11:45 a.m. (nominal cost). First Singers meet in the Music Suite following Tuesday Noon Bible Study.



### High School Mission Trip Trainings

Sunday, February 23

4:00-6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, February 26

8:00-9:00 p.m. (make up training)

Sunday, March 2

4:00-6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 5

8:00-9:00 p.m. (make up training)

### High School Mission Trip Parent Meeting

Sunday, March 2

5:00 p.m. – room 407

### Sunday, February 23

Youth Choir

4:30 p.m. – Music Suite

(for all those not going on the High School Mission Trip)

### Wednesday, February 26

**Acteens** (all girls 7th-12th grade)

6:00-6:45 p.m. – room 410

**Servants** (all guys 7th-12th grade)

6:00-6:45 p.m. – room 406



**PrimeTime**

6:45-8:00 p.m.

room 407

### Friday, February 28

11th Grade Pickleball and Meal

6:00-8:00 p.m. – FLC



### New Christian Class

This is a two-week class for 1st-6th graders who have accepted Christ over the past year. In the class, kids will talk more about the history of the church, learn what their role is in church, work on writing their testimony, and more! Scan the QR code to sign up.

#### Session 1

February 23 and March 2

OR

#### Session 2

March 23 and March 30



### Mark Your Calendar!

VBS – June 9-13

Merge Camp – July 14-17

### Text Group

Join our text group to receive reminders, updates, and info on events in the FBC Kids Ministry! Text "Join Kids" to 888-343-6351.

REMEMBER  
TO PRAY  
ONE MINUTE A DAY  
AT ONE O'CLOCK  
FOR OUR PASTOR



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
PRESCHOOL

### Mark Your Calendars for the Upcoming Events!

Spring Break Week

No Choir or Mission Friends

Spring Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 19

Vacation Bible School 2025

June 9-13

### MIDWAY FOR YOUNG ADULTS

6:00 p.m. – Room 302

Midway is a midweek gathering for young adults. This is a time designed to be relaxed, relational, and relevant to your life. Worship, Bible study, and small group discussion are all major components of Midway. Come grab a cup of coffee and re-charge with us soon!



(for those who are college age)

### Tuesday, February 25

Challenge Bible Study

7:00 p.m. – at the Stewart home

For more info, contact Corey.

### 2025 College Spring Break

#### Mission Trip

March 11-16

Cost: \$300

Sign up by using the QR code



## SERVICE TIMES AT FIRST

Sunday Morning Worship	8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
Bible Study for all ages	9:45 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Prayer & Praise	6:00 p.m.

## ADULT BIBLE STUDY

We offer Sunday Morning Bible Study classes for adults: co-ed classes, women's and men's classes, classes for single adults, classes by age, and classes for all ages! Classes focus on great Bible teaching, life application, building relationships and fellowship with others, caring for others, and much more. For more information, stop by the Welcome Center on Sunday mornings or contact Robby Barrett in the church office (806-373-2891).



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AND EVENTS VISIT  
[FIRSTAMARILLO.ORG](http://FIRSTAMARILLO.ORG)

## SPECIFIC, SIGNIFICANT, INTENTIONAL

February 16, 2025

Weekly budget requirement

\$ 174,266.98

Weekly budget receipts

\$ 171,654.99

Year-to-date budget requirement

\$ 1,219,868.86

Year-to-date budget receipts

\$ 1,157,390.75

## CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

•Elizabeth Brown in the death of her brother, Jerry Biddle, Pueblo, CO.

•Mary Skaggs in the death of her brother, Gilbert Flores, Dallas, TX.

## WALK THROUGH THE BIBLE DAILY READINGS

Sunday, February 23

Deuteronomy 8-11

Monday, February 24

Deuteronomy 12-16

Tuesday, February 25

Deuteronomy 17-20

Wednesday, February 26

Deuteronomy 21-26

Thursday, February 27

Deuteronomy 27-30

Friday, February 28

Deuteronomy 31-34

Saturday, March 1

Joshua 1-5

## NEW MEMBERS

By Letter or Statement to Date	48
For Baptism to Date	23
Baptized to Date	28
Watchcare	3

## WEDNESDAY MEAL

Wednesday, February 26

Grilled chicken • Mashed potatoes •  
Green beans • Salad

(catered by Youngblood's)

OR

Delicious Dozen Salad Bar

**Make reservations online or call  
the church office by Monday noon.**

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