

The Messenger

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from the Pastor

The month of July is always a time of preparation for us at First Baptist Church. We are selecting and training new leaders for our various ministries so that they can launch afresh in August as a new school year begins. We will be selecting men to rotate onto our deacon body. I have a great sense of expectation about what God is going to do in us and through us, and I trust you do as well. Because we are a college town, we have a well-developed capacity for hope at the beginning of a new season. Previous losses are a distant memory; the new stat sheets are empty—pure potential. How much more is the gospel a message of new beginnings! The Apostle Paul says it best, in Christ “the old has passed away; behold, the new has come” (2 Cor 5:17)

Part of the excitement moving forward is the arrival of Dr. Timothy Gibson and his family. His presence has made an immediate impact in our education ministry. The gifts and skills he brings are beautifully suited to our needs and opportunities. Check out the announcement from Timothy inside on the calendar page about training for our Sunday School teachers that will take place Sunday, July 17. If you are a part of this ministry, don't miss out. Are you ready for a great new beginning?

Bro. Eric

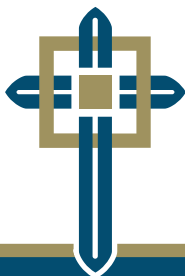
XYZ Senior Adult Program and Lunch

Tuesday, July 12 at 11 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Singing hymns led by Tom Barrett. Following will be a program given by Judge Henry Lackey, 3rd Judicial District in Mississippi from Calhoun City, "Humorous stories of his Judgeship."

A high attendance event, door prize given to the one who brings the most friends.

The meal will be catered by "The Blake of Oxford," gratis. Invite a friend and join us.



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STUDENT NEWS


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Super Summer July 11-15

Trip to Incredible Pizza July 30

DNow Aug. 5-6

CHILDREN'S NEWS

 FirstBaptistOxfordChildrensMinistry
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We are planning a movie night for 3rd-6th graders this month to watch *The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*. Details to come!

Employment Opportunities at Weekday Education:

Lead teacher for our three year old room for the upcoming school year. Hours are 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Two full time assistant teachers for our infant and two year old rooms for the upcoming school year. Hours are 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Part-time administrative assistant
Hours are 2:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Contact Ms. Linda Glaze, Director, at 234-3517 to apply.

MISSIONS UPDATE

There are still a few spots left to help with **VBS at Live Oak Church, July 24-27**. If you feel lead to help, please contact Ben Hellums 662-587-9088.

Please continue to pray for Will Pate and Garrett Reed. They are in Oaxaca helping Jeff and Leisa.

If you are interested in being part of the **Oaxaca Medical Team, Oct. 22-29** please contact Mike Tomes 662-701-0084.

Then after they fasted, prayed, and laid hands on them, they sent them off.—Act 13:3

Mike Tomes, Mission Committee

Our Family

Sunday school attendance

June 5 - 590 June 19 - 448
June 12 - 496

Budget for June 1-19, 2016

Budget	\$118,168.24
Building	\$3,867.13
Designated	\$7,486.24
Total	\$129,521.61
Building Fund to date	\$5,792,117.86

New Members in June

Donna & Ernie Lane; Brooke & Timothy Gibson; Craig, Neeli, Katelynn & Caxton Kirkendall; Nathanael Walker

July Deacons of the Week

- June 26- July 2** Todd Johnson, Walter Locke, Rick Mize
- July 3-9** Breese Quinn, Jim Vinson, Hank Addy
- July 10-16** Bobby Clanton, Derrell Doss, Jeff Evans
- July 17-23** Brad Golmon, Victor Newell, Brian Harvey
- July 24-30** Larry Little, Mark Moore, Mike Quarles
- July 31- Aug. 6** Dan Reed, Chris Riley, Brodie Burns

Our Sympathies

To Mr. Craig Gordon & family in the loss of his father, Judge Marcus Gordon.

To Mrs. Angela Barrett & family in the loss of her father, Mr. Ken Horn.

To Sylvia Tropp, Pamela Peterson, Rodney Moorhead, Kent Moorhead & their family in the loss of their father, Dr. Sylvester Moorhead.

To Mr. James Butler & family in the loss of his wife, Mrs. Peggy Butler.

To Mrs. Beth Rasberry & family in the loss of her mother, Mrs. Peggy Butler.

Library & Media Center

NEW ADULT BOOKS:

The Atonement by Beverly Lewis
Jesus Speaks by Steven K. Scott
The Valley of the Dry Bones by Jerry Jenkins

NEW DVDs: Adults: *Risen*
Children: *VeggieTales Puppies and Guppies*

JULY 3

8:30 a.m. Worship Service
9:45 a.m. Bible Study classes
11 a.m. Worship Service

JULY 4 *Independence Day*

Church office closed.

JULY 6

Noon Prayer Meeting

JULY 7

5:30 p.m. Grief Share in the old church office building

JULY 10

8:30 a.m. Worship Service
9:45 a.m. Bible Study classes
11 a.m. Worship Service

JULY 12

11 a.m. XYZ Program & Luncheon

JULY 13

Noon Prayer Meeting

JULY 14

5:30 p.m. Grief Share in the old church office building

JULY 17

8:30 a.m. Worship Service
9:45 a.m. Bible Study classes
11 a.m. Worship Service
5 p.m. Fellowship Meal
5:45 p.m. Sunday School Leadership Training

JULY 20

Noon Prayer Meeting

JULY 21

5:30 p.m. Grief Share in the old church office building

JULY 24

8:30 a.m. Worship Service
9:45 a.m. Bible Study classes
11 a.m. Worship Service

JULY 27

Noon Prayer Meeting

JULY 28

5:30 p.m. Grief Share in the old church office building

JULY 31

8:30 a.m. Worship Service – Lord's Supper
9:45 a.m. Bible Study classes
11 a.m. Worship Service – Lord's Supper

Sunday School Leadership Training • Sunday, July 17

5 p.m. Meal in the Fellowship Hall
5:45-7:30 p.m. Specialized training for each age group*



Church,

We are excited to be holding our annual training session for Sunday School leaders and teachers (and for anyone interested in exploring the possibility of serving in such a role). We are blessed to have expert trainers in various divisions coming to encourage and better equip us as educators.

This time serves as an opportunity for all of us to learn and grow together. It is a time dedicated to making sure we teach for life transformation rather than just for information transmission — for the new teacher, as well as for the seasoned veteran.

As your Education Pastor, I pray that you will make every effort to attend this meaningful event in our church. Please know how remarkably grateful I am for the investment you make in our Sunday School program, as well as for the advancement of Christ's Kingdom!

John 6:27,

Timothy Gibson

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