

# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

of Weatherford

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**It's Friday - But Sunday Is Coming !!!**

## Falls Creek Cabin Cleaning This Saturday, June 4th

Will leave the church parking lot at 8:00 a.m.

Help get our cabin ready for this summer. Repairs have already been made. This trip involves cleaning only. Contact the church office if you will be able to help.

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL BEGINS ON MONDAY!!!!!!

If you would be interested in bringing a snack for the teachers, please contact Sue Mingus @ 772-5038



## Vacation Bible School



**\*\* Kindergarten thru 5th grade \*\***  
**\*\* Must have completed Kindergarten \*\***

**June 6 - 10 9:00 a.m. - Noon**  
(transportation available upon request, call 772-2771)

## Rejoice

“Many of these people just wouldn’t feel comfortable in a traditional church.”

The article I was reading described the unique features of a church start that included a “come as you are” approach to worship. I paused and thought. Our church emphasizes a “come as you are” approach to worship. Every Sunday I see men in jeans and men in suits. I see women in slacks and women in dresses and women in jeans. I never really think about what people are wearing. I have never seen anyone asked to leave because their attire didn’t measure up. Everyone who comes to FBC should feel comfortable.

We can make them feel even more comfortable. Try sitting in the middle of a pew in the sanctuary. See who comes to join you. Guests will not feel comfortable when they have to crawl over several people to get a seat. Make sure your Sunday school class has extra seats for guests. They just don’t feel comfortable when they are squished in the corner after all the regulars have grabbed their spots. Smile at everyone. Offer to help those people who have that “where do I need to go” look in their eyes. Speak to people in the parking lot and offer to guide them to wherever they need to go. Tell them where the restrooms are. Take them to the commons area for coffee and snacks. Introduce them to some other people.

We have about fifteen minutes to make a good impression on people when they show up at church. They could care less what style of clothes you are wearing. They are impressed with the expression on your face and the kindness of your words. If we want more people to go to heaven, we will certainly welcome people when they come to church.

I personally enjoy the wide variety of people who make up the kingdom of God. I am glad to count as my friends those who ride motorcycles and those who ride horses and those who sell merchandise and those who pour concrete and those who teach school and, yes, even those who cheer for the OSU Cowboys. If everyone was like me, everyone would be in love with Nancy.

We should become all things to all people in order to reach as many as possible for Christ. However - once we are reached for Christ we should unite as those who march under the common banner of “Sinner Saved by Grace.” I don’t care what you ride, and I don’t care what you wear. I do care Who you follow.

Let’s follow Jesus together!  
Earl

## Baseball, Apple Pie, and something else...

There are supposed to be things in our lives that bring back old memories that cause you to sit back and enjoy life. One of these American icons is baseball, another is apple pie, and I can’t remember what the third thing is. The probable reason for me not remembering what the third icon is: I would just as soon forget the first two. I would rather watch paint dry than attend a baseball game, and even though my wife makes the best apple pie in the country, I would rather have a piece of coconut cream any day. It seems like the third thing is either a car or a hotdog. (In some cases these two things are interchangeable.)

Regardless of my opinion of our national past time, it is time for us once again to venture to OKC and attend a Redhawks game. I have purchased 45 tickets right behind home plate. These tickets will be in the church office and are FREE for just \$20.00. This will insure you a seat on the bus, a way into the game, and whether or not you enjoy yourself is up to you.

When does all this excitement take place you ask? It will begin on June 13, at 4:00 p.m., when we leave from the church parking lot. We will board a chartered bus and go to Bricktown, where we will eat dinner (where you would like to eat) and then attend the ballgame. I might add that my birthday is June 14 and that this trip should in no way be considered any part of my birthday celebration.

Please get your tickets in the office. This is for members of the 55 and UP group as well as other church member regardless of age. I will have to admit that even though baseball is not one of my favorite things, I enjoy the Christian fellowship and getting to be with other people. I like watching people even more than I like watching paint dry so I guess I will find plenty to do. If you have never gone with us to a ballgame, please consider marking this on your calendar. You will have a great time and who knows there might be coconut cream pie somewhere.

John

## Christianity, Cults, and Religions

Beginning on June 15th at 6:00 p.m.  
Fellowship Hall

Six Sessions:

- Definitions, Discernment, and Defending the Faith  
Six key elements
- Essential Christian Doctrine  
Key beliefs of Christianity
- Jehovah’s Witnesses  
History, founder, practices, beliefs, & do’s and don’ts
- Mormonism  
History, founder, practices, beliefs, & do’s and don’ts
- Eastern Spirituality: Hinduism, Buddhism, & New Age
- Islam  
History, founder, practices, beliefs, & do’s and don’ts

## Summer Dates of Interest

Vacation Bible School June 6 - 10  
Super Summer June 13 - 17  
Pre-Teen Camp June 20 - 23  
GA Camp July 5 - July 8  
Falls Creek (Jr. High) July 11 - July 16  
Falls Creek (Sr. High) July 18 - July 23

## Tornado Relief Offering

All money received will be divided equally between:

- FBC Piedmont
- FBC Newcastle
- Forrest Park, Joplin, MO

The three churches will distribute money to those in need.

Sunday School  
Attendance  
May Avg.  
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