

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

of Weatherford

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

The Church Office & Family Life Center



will be closed for Labor Day
on Monday
September 5th

Sunday School Promotion
is September 4th

Orchestra Rehearsal

Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.

We are looking for new members.

Especially need woodwinds and percussion,
but anyone is welcome.

Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

New members are always welcome.

Rejoice

Nancy calls it her "celebration dress." She found the colorful piece of clothing on the day after she received a good report from Dr. Wierda at the M.D. Anderson Cancer Center. On Monday she left the leukemia center with much less blood but much more hope. Neither of us could keep from smiling. As an act of mercy in response to prayer, God enabled Nancy to remain at a favorable level in her various counts. Her "condition," as the nurse practitioner referred to it, was very treatable with available drugs if that time came. Thank you to all who have been praying for us.

Back to the celebration. After the doctor told us we could go home, we were left in Houston for a couple more days before our flight back to Oklahoma. We enjoyed eating out, shopping, walking, and living. When we entered an elevator - complete with elevator music - Nancy always took the opportunity to do a little happy dance to the tune of the day. Being a Baptist preacher, I don't dance. Nancy was raised First Christian.

We met one couple from Arkansas as we waited on the shuttle on Monday evening. Before the shuttle arrived we visited enough that we ended up enjoying supper together at The Black Walnut. Their journey had been long and challenging, but God had been faithful. We shared about life in general and God's grace in particular. We also ate some really good food.

We visited in passing with many others from all over the world. A teenaged girl from Denmark wore a ball cap on her slick scalp and a smile on her radiant face. A lady from Alabama with Melanoma, whom we met the first night, enquired about Nancy and promised to pray for her. One sweet lady told Nancy how much she liked her hair cut, then followed with, "Is it real? Even if it's not, I still like it." We were overwhelmed by the positive attitudes of people who were facing major challenges in life.

We returned with more determination than ever to make the most of every day God makes available to us. Sure, I wish it would cool off and rain. But hot, dry weather will not keep me from smiling. Neither will the stock market or the political leaders or the final score in any game. Time is short and life is precious and God is faithful. I didn't return from Houston with a celebration dress (thankfully), but I did return with a joy-filled heart.

Rejoice!

Earl

New Friends in Hong Kong

We were prepared to teach 2 and 3 years olds "Saddle Ridge Ranch" VBS on our Mission trip. I wasn't prepared to have my heart stolen by eight precious American children. Their parents were attending a retreat/conference in Hong Kong. My new friends, Adaya, Katherine, Elliot, Elijah, Judah, Issac, Olivia, and Lauren came with some hesitation but lots of excited faces followed when they saw the room. Our hotel room, on the 10th floor, had been turned into a typical preschool classroom. We had the learning centers ready to go. Homeliving was the night stand, turned into the stove top, complete with the proper kitchen equipment. The bed was for the babies and dress up. The area by the window, overlooking a fire station, was the blocks, cars, and farm animal space. We had puzzles, books, and art projects. A blow-up play pool, with fishing poles, took center stage in the middle of the floor. The children were excited to have "school" and had asked their parents if they would have, "American teachers that spoke English." Some of the words they used were definitely not English but soon changed to words we understood. Some of the children knew each other but all made friends fast and made lots of memories together. We had lots to do for three days! We sang songs, played games, had American snacks (a real treat because a box of graham crackers costs \$8.00 in Hong Kong), took naps, and built lots of tall buildings together. They experienced all we had to offer, and we enjoyed one another's company. In a short time we all became one happy family. My new friends will forever hold a special place in my heart!

Thank you church family for supporting my trip to Hong Kong with your words of encouragement, financial support and prayers. Please continue to pray for the children and their families who serve as Missionaries in East Asia.

God Bless Them!!!

Andrea

September Magazines are Here

We purchase the following magazines and make them available in the northwest lobby, outside the church office.

They are free and available as long as they last.

HomeLife, ParentLife, Mature Living, Living with Teenagers, Journey, Stand Firm, and Open Windows.

Recycle Sunday School Materials

Please put used Sunday School materials in the plastic boxes in FLC supply room and also outside Pete's office.

Thank you for helping with this mission project.



New First Family



Danny and Ginger Caldwell

Danny, Sarah, Rebekah, and Joshua Caldwell

Upcoming Events

Sept 4	Sunday School Promotion	
Sept 5	Labor Day - - - Church Office and Family Life Center Closed	
Sept 6	55 & Up Council Meeting (Choir Room)	
Sept 7	Meal : Salisbury Steak	4:45 p.m.
Sept 11	Deacons' Meeting	7:00 p.m.
Sept 13	Women on Mission (South Commons Area)	7:00 p.m.

Sunday School Attendance

August Avg.

619



Weatherford Food Pantry

Items for September
Hot or Cold Cereal

Please place items outside of Pete's office

