

# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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## *"Nothing Is Impossible With God"*

### Farewell Reception for The Johnson Family

This Sunday Evening - October 2nd  
following the evening worship service  
in the Fellowship Hall

A basket will be available for cards of encouragement  
and offerings of love.

### Minister of Youth Search Committee Selection

October 9th  
During both A.M. Worship Services

Come prepared to list up to five people to serve.

You may leave names at the church office if you won't  
be present on the 9th.

## *Rejoice*

This Sunday will be Jeremy Johnson's last as the minister of youth here at FBC. Jeremy and his family are moving to Oklahoma City to serve in the Southern Hills Baptist Church. They are following God's call on their lives. We support them wholeheartedly, even though we will miss them. God's call trumps everything.

The purpose God has for any one church exceeds any one minister. The purpose God has for any one minister exceeds any one church. The church belongs to God and the ministers belong to God. He arranges them in relationships that He deems best. Ideally, all churches follow God's lead and all ministers follow God's lead. I am proud of Jeremy for hearing and heeding God's call.

This Sunday evening Jeremy will be preaching. Your presence will show your appreciation for the ministry he has had here and your support of him and his family as they move on in obedience to God's call. Following the evening service, there will be a reception in the Fellowship Hall during which you will be able to say goodbye to the Johnsons. A basket will be provided in which you can place cards of encouragement and offerings of love.

When God calls a minister to another church, He also brings a minister to replace the one who leaves. We will pursue God's minister through a search committee that the church elects. We will elect a youth minister search committee on October 9th in the a.m. worship service. After prayerful consideration, come prepared to list up to five people whom you feel will seek God's leadership as they pursue the next youth minister who will come to serve here at FBC. Those receiving the most recommendations will be asked to serve until a five-member committee is formed.

During the interim time Pete will lead the way in providing ministry to our youth. We expect parents and youth workers to be very active in all that we do. During the interim time, the Wednesday night schedule will continue as it is now - Youth worship from 6 - 7p.m. in the youth room. On Sundays we will continue with Sunday school and morning worship. Sunday evening worship at 6 will be with the adults in the Sanctuary. Our music will include youth and adult leadership. Our goal is that Sunday nights become "Family Worship" times.

The best is yet to come. You are a great church. Jeremy contributed to our Spiritual well-being even as you contributed to his Spiritual well-being. God's plan is on schedule, and we are privileged to participate with Him in His work. Life changes but God does not.

It's all about Jesus!

Earl



## *Spray Painting 201*

Several people have commented on my article concerning painting the patio furniture. They all want to know if I finished the project and how it looks. I did finish painting the patio furniture, and it looks pretty good if I do say so myself, that is until you get it in the direct sunlight and some of the green starts to show through. Since patio furniture is made to be used in direct sunlight, I guess you can judge for yourself whether or not you approve. The patio still has black footprints on it where I tried to wash off my feet with water, but the sun is fading it fast.

Since my first project was semi-successful, I decided to try my hand at it once again. This time the project was a free standing yard swing. Being the OU fan that I am, I decided that it would be red and white. Since this project was going to be for someone else, I decided to use a more expensive paint. The last paint that I used cost 99 cents and came from "Wally World." If you recall, my ability to judge the amount of paint the project called for was in question. I thought it would take 5 or 6 cans. It ended up taking 33 cans. My decision to use a more expensive paint was not totally based on the project being for someone else, it was mainly based on the fact that "Wally World" didn't have the color that I needed (surprise, surprise), and I had to buy it at another location. The 99 cent kind you just shake and spray. The more expensive kind has a funny little knob on the sprayer. I had never seen one like that and naturally thought it was something like a safety tab that needed removing. Wrong! When I messed with it, out came a stream of red spray paint all over my right arm.

I learned from my last experience that a "large" covering is needed to prevent overspray and with our Oklahoma winds it is best to paint indoors. I was shocked to find out when you lifted the tarp the dust on the floor of the garage was red. As I looked around the room, I also discovered a red John Deere lawn mower. I wasn't aware they came in that color.

After all the taping and spraying and re-taping and re-spraying, (remember this thing is red and white), I was kind of satisfied with the finished product. That is, until I found a spot on the back of the swing that needed a touch up. In my haste to grab the white paint can, please remember all cans look alike without the lid, I grabbed the red one instead. Red paint went all over the white back and not only there, but since I was just touching things up, I didn't use the proper precautions to prevent it from going everywhere. It went through the slats to the white seat also.

You may ask what I have learned from my painting experiences. I've learned that it is easier and usually much less trouble to buy something new than to try to repaint. I've also learned that you have to really work to clean up a paint mess. If we ever sell our house, something will have to be done to the garage floor because it looks like a murder was committed there. The whole garage floor will have to be painted and sealed to make it look right.

I talked in the first article about how the black spray paint covered everything. Even when I took the proper precautions with the red and white paint, it still got into everything. The only thing that is going to fix my garage floor now is a coat of paint that will cover everything. When we are so covered with sins scars, we can get a fresh coat of paint. It is much easier to ask for God's wonderful forgiveness than it is to try to cover up our sins. When we let Him come in and clean up our mess, He will do it the proper way. We can stand clean before him. How does your garage floor look?

John

## ALL CHURCH MEETING

Wednesday  
October 5th

6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

All adults and youth will meet together to discuss and plan for Youth Ministry while we are without a youth minister.