

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

of Weatherford

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Attending Regularly Serving Willingly Giving Generously Living Uprightly

July - Fellowship Month

July 11/12 - Have a small group gathering of Sunday School members for fellowship & be sure to invite a guest to join you.

July 18/19 - Entire class/department fellowship.

July 26 - All Church Fellowship at Means Park.

Pool will be open from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Homemade Ice Cream will be served at 6 p.m.
(everyone who can - bring a freezer of ice cream)



All Church Trip To Albuquerque

We still have spots available if you are interested in going to the Balloon Festival on October 8th, 9th, and 10th
(Contact John Gerber as soon as possible)

TOGETHER AGAIN !!!

For three Sundays in a row we will have one Sunday school at 9:00 a.m. and one worship service at 10:30 a.m.
July 26th - August 2nd - August 9th

Rejoice!

My theological education did not begin at Oklahoma Baptist University. It began at home, and continued at Washington Street Baptist Church. What I learned at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary built upon what I had been taught as a burr-headed boy during Sunday school and training union at the relatively small Baptist church on the south side of Hobart.

Willard Pryor and Bob Arington and Shirley Callahan and June Knight and both my parents as well as countless others invested time and energy to teach the Bible to me every week as I grew older and advanced through the system that was Sunday school. Along the way I learned the basic stories from the Bible and developed a world view that I still have today.

Most likely there were times when those teachers grew frustrated with their students. I wasn't always a preacher. Possibly they longed to be part of a Bible study class including people their own age - so as to not lose touch with their friends. Still they came and they taught and they smiled and they encouraged and they prayed and they loved. God used them to shape the next generation - myself included.

Today, local churches struggle to staff preschool and children's classes with teachers. Ours is one of those churches. I really do not understand why. I am the son of children's teachers and am married to a children's teacher. Would you consider investing your life as a teacher of children? We cannot reach young families if we do not take care of their children. We have the space, but we need the teachers. If we as the church do not shape children's world views, other forces will.

Materials are available to make teaching much simpler than it was when I was growing up. Still, the material will not operate without a teacher. This Sunday at the conclusion of morning worship you will have opportunity to commit yourself to serve in a leadership position for the new Sunday school year that begins in September. If enough of you commit yourselves to serve we will be able to impact the world for Christ. We as a church possess great potential that can be reached through leaders like you.

I love you,
Earl

Sunday School Attendance

June 28 - 545

July 5 - 450

Pre-Teen Camp 2009

Campers came home excited to share about their week at Southwest Baptist Assembly by Lake Lugert! Kell Parker wanted everyone to know how Zane, the camp pastor, encouraged them to make the Bible a part of their everyday lives. He had them repeat, "This book will keep me from sin or sin will keep me from this book". The boys and girls were challenged to give their hearts to Jesus and continue to share about Him with friends and family. They enjoyed time alone with God, morning and evening Bible study and worship time, making new friends, climbing the mountains and swimming. You know, a lot of fun "kid" time. Thanks to the kids and sponsors Doug and Jana Hale, Belinda Thacker and Randy Hacker, we had a wonderful week. Pre-teen camp is a great place for boys and girls to learn the plans God has for their lives!! Thank you church family for praying for and encouraging the boys and girls in our church!

Andrea Unruh
Camp Sponsor

Save The Date



Thank You

A very special thank you to Jeremy and each of the young people who worked replacing my fence, and all the hard work you did at my home. Also to each of the young ladies that cleaned out my flower beds and planted the new flowers for me. I am so humbled and so grateful for all that you have done for me.

God's Blessings to each of you.

All my love,
Alta Rhea Robinson



Weatherford Food Pantry

Items for July
Peanut Butter



There will be no Deacon's meeting or business meeting this month. We will have the monthly Financial Statement available in the church office on Monday - July 20th.

Remember To Pray

for our youth and sponsors at Falls Creek
July 13 - 18 (Jr. High Week)
July 20 - 25 (Sr. High Week)

Upcoming Events

July 12 Sloane Simon/Darren Markwardt Shower (Parlor) 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
July 14 Baptist Women (Parlor) 6:30 p.m.
July 16 55 & Up to Red Rock Canyon (Leave from the church at 5 p.m.)
July 18 Kristi Wienecke/Ryan Klein Shower (Parlor) 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
July 18 Doug Hale's 50's/ 60's Class Fellowship (FH) 5 p.m.

Expanding His Reach Building Campaign



Amount Given to Date - \$ 2,658,488.83