HE IS RISEN...HE IS RISEN INDEED!

The words of King Herod when told of the birth of Jesus..."kill him. There is room for only one king in this corner of the world."

The decision of the Jewish council regarding his execution...three spikes and a spear.

The talk on the streets of Jerusalem after he died...he should've stayed in the furniture business.

The number of times he prophesized he would come back to life three days after his death...three.

The number of apostles who waited at the tomb to see if he would do what he said...zero.

The official response of the Jewish leaders to the rumors of the resurrection... of course they say he is alive. They have to. What else can they say?

The actual response of the Jewish leaders to the resurrection of Jesus..."A great number of the Jewish priests believed and obeyed" (Acts 6:7).

The belief of French philosopher Voltaire...the Bible and Christianity would pass within a hundred years. Voltaire died in 1778. Christianity continues.

The pronouncement of Friedrich Nietzsche in 1882..."God is dead." The dawn of science would be the doom of faith. Science has dawned; Christianity continues.

The discovery made by every person who has tried to bury Christianity...the same as the ones made by those who tried to bury its Founder: He won't stay in the tomb.

The answer to Jesus' death and resurrection...when he died, so did your sin. When he rose, so did your hope. Your grave was changed from a final residence to temporary housing.

The reason for what Jesus did? The face in your mirror.

The verdict after two millenniums...Herod was right: there is room for only one King!¹

Tommy

Tommy Shumate Minister of Education

(¹Adapted from *He Chose the Nails* by Max Lucado)

Where Moms Connect

Connect with other moms on Wednesday, **March 30**, 6:15-7:15 p.m. in B216. You will enjoy Bible-based perspectives on matters of life and parenting. For more information, contact Julie Spitzenberger at julieandmarc@gmail.com.

Feeding the Hungry

...in our neighborhood

Bring your canned goods next Sunday, **April 3**, to the West Welcome Center. Find the food list in the kiosks and at fbcplano.org/localmissions.

Committee Orientation

All new and returning committee members are asked to attend this meeting on Sunday, **April 3**, at 5:00 p.m. in the Great Hall.

Men's Ministry Golf League

Join us at Pecan Hollow Golf Course on Tuesdays, beginning **April 5**. Tee time is 4:00 p.m. (no shotgun start). Cost includes 9 holes and cart, and will be \$24/person each time you play. Register at 972-424-8551, or you may email/text Tommy at tommys@fbcplano.org / 972-741-1096.

Recharge ... Open Your Gift

The Holy Spirit gives each Christian a spiritual gift. We invite both men and women to discover and open their spiritual gifts during a 2-part *Recharge* at 6:15 p.m. in B216. Joan Ross will begin by defining the gifts on **April 6**. On **April 20**, we will explore ways to use our specific gifts in service.

Mens' Prayer Lunch

All men are invited to a bring-your-own sack lunch in The Refuge at Noon on Thursday, **April 7**. Come when you can, leave when you need to! Sponsored by the Men's Ministry.

I Love My Church

Join us on **April 9**, at 8:30 a.m., in the Gym for coffee and donuts; work will begin at 9:00 a.m. Sign up in your Sunday School class to volunteer for yard clean-up, caulking windows, spreading mulch, tree island maintenance or flower bed work at the Chapel entrance.

Women's Luncheon

...Women of Excellence: A Family Portrait Join us on Saturday, April 23, 11:00 a.m. -1:30 p.m. to hear special guest speaker and artist, Debbie Skinner. \$15 tickets are available in the Church Office or at fbcplano.org. Childcare is available by reservation at cathyh@fbcplano.org.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Parent's Day Out

Fall registration is **now** open for infants through Pre-K on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Find more information at www.fbcplano.org/pdo.

Children's Spring Musical

Make plans to come and hear our children as they present "Big Shot" on Sunday, **April 24**, at 6:00 p.m.

CROSSWALK

Bring a friend and join us for music and missions at **CrossWalk** each Wednesday night beginning at 6:15 p.m. in the children's hallway.

Vacation Bible School - June 20-24

Gear up for a summer adventure! Kids, 4 yrs (by June 1) - 6th grade, are invited to join us for *Cave Quest*, where we will travel through Bible quests, music, KidVid Cinema, Imagination Station and Spelunker Sports. Save the date for an exciting week of grounding kids in the rock-solid foundation of God's love.

STUDENT MINISTRY

BOUNCE! Dallas, June 13-18 ...Student Disaster Recovery Cost is \$279. Today is the deadline to register.

Journey

Wednesday night Bible study at 7:00 p.m., in The Refuge. Bring a friend!

Spaghetti Dinner & Auction Coming **May I**—watch for details!

Arizona Mission Trip, July 8-16 ...Navajo Reservation Cost is \$750. Registration information is available at www.fbcplano.org/students.

MARCH 27, 2016

SUNDAY, MARCH 27 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 28 6:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 29

6:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m.

9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30

6:00 p.m. 6:15 p.m.

4:45 p.m.

6:45 p.m. 7:00 p.m.

7:15 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 31

9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 3

9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

4:00 p.m. 4:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m.

Bible Study (All Ages) Traditional Worship, Sanctuary Contemporary Worship, Great Hall Arabic Baptist Church of Dallas, Chapel Agape Baptist Christian Fellowship, B219 Forest Community Church, The Refuge No Evening Classes or Activities

Behold Your God, Offsite

Men's Prayer Breakfast, Poor Richard's Café Parent's Day Out JVP Quilters, Fellowship Hall ESL Class, B216 Friendship Club Games, The Great Hall Sunshine Singers, Choir Room Womens' Bible Study, Offsite

Wednesday Night Meal, Great Hall Building and Grounds Committee, Church Office Deacons' Meeting, B202 Bible Study, Great Hall Where Moms Connect, B216 CrossWalk for Children, C211 and D122 Orchestra Rehearsal, Sanctuary Journey, The Refuge UPG Ministry Team, B102 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

> Parent's Day Out Ladies Bible Study, B201 ESL Class, B216

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CHURCH FINANCIAL REPORT

Planned giving through March 20: \$481,664 Actual giving through March 20: \$487,223

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