FROM OUR INTERIM PASTOR...

The wheels are turning in the process of calling a new pastor for our church. At the end of our service today, the candidate's name will be announced. Why are we waiting? He needs time to tell his current church what is happening.

For a pastor who is considering a call to another church, it is a bittersweet time. There is the joy and anticipation of moving to a new place with new challenges and opportunities. And there is the sadness of leaving people for whom you have been pastor. You have helped them carry their burdens, celebrate their joys, and share their lives. There is a grief as friends are left, relationships change, and goodbyes are said. Let me ask you to clothe this whole process in prayer. You have been so faithful to do that through the last year. Please continue. Please pray for our pastoral candidate and his family. Pray for the church he will be telling of his intentions. Pray for our church as we prepare for a new leader to come our way.

These are good days for First Baptist Plano. I am excited about the things God has in store for our church. It will be different than it has ever been before, but it always is. In the Old Testament, we read about the Exodus experience of God's people from Egypt to the Promised Land. What has always struck me about that passage is that God was always out in front leading his people. He wasn't behind them pushing them, but leading. In Hebrews, Jesus is described as the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, the author and finisher of our story. He has prepared our way as a church. This is going to be exciting.

Steve

Dr. Steve Vernon, Associate Executive Director for Texas Baptists Interim Pastor



SATURDAY - April 9

Join us at 8:30 a.m. in the Gym for coffee and donuts; work will begin at 9:00 a.m. If you haven't signed up for a specific job, contact your Sunday School leadership this week. Volunteers are still needed for yard clean-up, caulking windows, spreading mulch, tree island maintenance and flower bed work at the Chapel entrance.

Come for an hour or the entire time! Late arrivers should locate Tommy Shumate, Dwayne Weaver, John Reglin or Mike Oliver when you arrive. We hope to see you there!

Welcome Guest Musician

We are pleased to welcome Scot Cameron back to First Baptist Plano this morning. Scot enjoys a musical career as a classical artist, conductor, vocal clinician and church musician. Scot and his wife, Amanda, have one son, lan. They currently live in Sugar Land, Texas, where he serves as the Associate Pastor of Worship & Arts at Sugar Land Baptist Church. Read more about Scot's music and upcoming events at www.cameronministries.com.

Committee Orientation

All new and returning committee members are asked to attend this meeting **TODAY**, 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 Wednesday, **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 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, **April 7**. Come when you can, leave when you need to! Sponsored by the Men's Ministry.

Arizona Mission Trip Giving Wall

Check out the Giving Walls outside the Sanctuary and Great Hall today! This is an opportunity for you, your family or class to take a pre-printed envelope from the wall and fill it with the denomination requested. Proceeds will benefit the Student Ministry Arizona Mission Trip and should be returned to the Church Office no later than **April 20**.

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. Please
reserve by April 17.

Rent-a-Student

Need a set of extra hands? We can help you while your donation helps a student with their summer missions trip costs. Put us to work! We specialize in babysitting, yard work, pet sitting, washing cars, etc. Contact Jeff Howard at 972-424-8551 or email jeffh@fbcplano.org to schedule your student today! (Rent-a-Student is not a charitable contribution.)

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.

Vacation Bible School - June 20-24

Gear up for an over-the-top underground adventure at *Cave Quest!* Kids 4 yrs (by June 1) - 5th grade are invited to an exciting week of being grounded 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.

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.

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SUNDAY, APRIL 3		
9:30 a.m.	Bible Study (All Ages)	
10:45 a.m.	Traditional Worship, Sanctuary; Contemporary Worship, Great Hall	
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		Agape Baptist Christian Fellowship, B219
		Forest Community Church, The Refuge
4:00 p.m.		Behold Your God, B102
4:30 p.m.		Adult Handbells, Handbell Room
5:00 p.m.		Committee Orientation Meeting, Great Hall
		Student Life Groups, The Refuge
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MONDAY, APRIL 4		D-1-14 V C-4 O#-:+-
6:00 p.m.		Behold Your God, Offsite
TUESDAY, APRIL 5		
6:30 a.m.		Men's Prayer Breakfast, Poor Richard's Café
9:00 a.m.		JVP Quilters, Fellowship Hall
		Parent's Day Out
9:30 a.m.		ESL Class, B216
I I:00 a.m.		Sunshine Singers, Choir Room
6:30 p.m.		Womens' Bible Study, Offsite
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6		
4:45 p.m.		Wednesday Night Meal, Great Hall
6:15 p.m.		Bible Study, Great Hall
0.13 p.m.		Recharge, B216
		CrossWalk for Children, C211 and D122
6:45 p.m.		Orchestra Rehearsal, Sanctuary
7:00 p.m.		Journey, The Refuge
7.00 p.m.		UPG Ministry Team, B102
7:15 p.m.		Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
THURSDAY, APRIL 7		
9:00 a.m.		Parent's Day Out
9:30 a.m.		Ladies Bible Study, B201
11:30 a.m.		Men's Prayer Lunch, The Refuge
6:00 p.m.		ESL Class, B216
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FRIDAY, APRIL 8		
4:00 p.m.		Mary Poppins Outing, Offsite
SATURDAY, APRIL9		
8:30 a.m.		I Love My Church Workday
SUNDAY, APRIL 10		
9:30 a.m.		Bible Study (All Ages)
10:45 a.m.		One Combined Worship Service, Sanctuary
11.00		Called Business Meeting, Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.		Arabic Baptist Church of Dallas, Chapel
		Agape Baptist Christian Fellowship, B219
3:00 p.m		Forest Community Church, The Refuge
3:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.		Budget Planning Meeting, B201 Behold Your God, B102
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CHURCH FINANCIAL REPORT

Planned giving through March 27: \$525,667 Actual giving through March 2: \$528,129

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