

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast, Poor Richard's Café
9:00 a.m. JVP Quilters, Fellowship Hall
9:15 a.m. ESL, B209
11:00 a.m. Sunshine Singers

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

4:45 p.m. Wednesday Night Meal, Great Hall
6:00 p.m. Preschool/Children Aftercare, D104
6:15 p.m. Wednesday Night Bible Study, Great Hall
Goliath Must Fall Bible Study, B205
The Homework Room, D122
6:45 p.m. Orchestra Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. Spanish Bible Study, B219
UPG Ministry Team, B102
7:15 p.m. Plano PM, The Foundry
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

9:30 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study, B201
6:30 p.m. ESL, B211

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

8:00 a.m. Love Where You Live, FBC Parking Lot

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship, Sanctuary
10:05 a.m. Bible Study (all ages)
11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship, Great Hall
Arabic Baptist Church of Dallas, Chapel
Forest Community Baptist Church, The Foundry
Agape Baptist Christian Fellowship, B218
Casa De Restauración, The Foundry
Missions Committee Meeting, B201
Childcare, C102
4:00 p.m. AWANA Clubs, C Bldg Upstairs
Ladies' Bible Study, Gathering Hall
5:00 p.m. Stewardship-Finance Committee Meeting, Conference Room
Student Life Groups, The Foundry
Deacon's Meeting, Fellowship Hall
5:30 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal

CHURCH FINANCIAL REPORT: THROUGH SEPTEMBER 3

Planned giving: \$45,640 — Actual giving: \$39,196 (14%)

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Preliminary Strategic Planning Team Update

Last week we introduced the purpose, composition and future plans of the Properties and Facilities Strategic Planning Team. This information along with future updates can be found online at www.fbcplano.org/strategicplanning. This week attention will be focused on the need for strategic planning at this time. When the team began meeting in November of 2016, they quickly identified several key needs for our current facility. They are as follows:

1. Updated children's areas with vision that far exceeds paint and carpet.
2. Updated and specifically designed student areas.
3. A central meeting area that can connect the church in a seamless and dynamic way, that allows easy access to the entire facility.
4. Better accessibility to the building from the parking lot, and better accessibility once inside the building for those who have difficulty with mobility, and for parents of young children.
5. Lower maintenance costs to re-direct dollars to ministry. Our facility currently requires around \$200,000 of maintenance costs over and above the cost of newer structures, with costs increasing annually.
6. It is vitally important to attract more visitors. This issue is not a facilities issue alone but there is a strong sense that our current facility does not help us in this regard.

This is only a summary of the most pressing needs identified by the team. Next week we will take a deeper look into trends that have caused church leadership to take a thoughtful look at the current property and facility.

Sunday Afternoon Ladies' Bible Study

Made to Crave: Satisfying Your Deepest Desire With God, Not Food by Lisa Terkkeurst, a seven-session video-based series facilitated by Sarah Hickox and Joy Weber, begins **TODAY** at 4:00-5:30 p.m. in the Gathering Hall (during the Awana Clubs time).

Thursday Morning Ladies' Bible Study

Rebuild, A Study in Nehemiah, a nine-week study facilitated by Judy Cleveland, begins **September 14** at 9:30-11:00 in B201. Workbooks available at the first session for \$15. Childcare *by reservation only*; call the Children's Ministry Office at 972-424-8551 x135.

Mother-Daughter Retreat

Join us for a weekend packed with opportunities to connect with one another, enjoy fun activities, and create special memories. Contact Tommy Shumate for more information. **Turn in registration receipt to the Church Office to be reimbursed for travel mileage and \$25/person toward the cost of the retreat registration.**

Who: Mothers and Daughters (1st-8th grade)

When: **September 22-23**

Where: Riverbend Retreat Center (Glen Rose, TX)

Cost: \$65/person for registration, lodging, 2 meals, and 4 activities

Registration: www.riverbend.camp/mother-daughter-retreat

Committee Orientation Night

All new and returning committee members are asked to attend this meeting **TODAY** at 6:30 p.m. in the Great Hall.

UT Dallas Student Luncheon

We will be hosting a luncheon on the campus of the University of Texas at Dallas, 800 West Campbell Road, in conjunction with the UTD Baptist Student Ministry, on Tuesday, **September 19**, at 11:30 a.m. The food will already be provided; we need volunteers to greet and visit with the students. To volunteer at this event, please contact Tommy Shumate or Kristie Osborne at 972-424-8551, or email tommys@fbcplano.org or kristieo@fbcplano.org.

The Art of Neighboring Church-wide Emphasis

The Art of Neighboring, including the book, online videos, and group study guide of the same name, is a church-wide emphasis/study we will be offering for adult and student Sunday School classes **September 24 through October 29**. Additionally, Pastor Craig will be following this in his preaching series. As the culmination to this emphasis, we are encouraging our Sunday School classes to host block parties to connect with our neighbors throughout the area.

Friendship Club (55+)

Join us on Tuesday, **September 26**, in the Great Hall for games at 10:00 a.m. and lunch at noon, followed by vocalist/pianist Doc Gibbs. Call 972-424-8551 or stop by the Church Office to make your reservation. Also, CVS Pharmacy in Allen will be offering flu shots onsite (free with Medicare card/\$25 without Medicare card).

Additional Sunday Morning Greeters Needed

One of our efforts to reach out to the community is our greeters service on Sunday mornings. Currently, our two greeting periods are 9:50-10:20 a.m. and 10:50-11:15 a.m. Teams are set up on a rotation basis. Get involved in this strategic ministry by contacting Tommy Shumate or Kristie Osborne at 972-424-8551, or email tommys@fbcplano.org or kristieo@fbcplano.org.

STUDENT MINISTRY

Cards for a Cause

Plano Students are going on a mission trip to South Africa in Summer 2018. As a way of seeking your support to raise funds for the trip, there is a table in the West Lobby beginning **TODAY** to view samples and order cards (each box of 30 cards/\$30).

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

The Homework Room

Now open on Wednesday evenings from 6:15-8:00 p.m. in D122 for elementary students (K-5th grade). Children must be signed in and signed out by an adult.

Children's Choir Registration

Children's Choir (for children 4 years old through 5th grade) begins on Sunday, **September 24**, at 3:00 p.m. Register at www.fbcplano.org/childrensmusic.