MONDAY, OCTOBER 2 10:00 a.m. Strategic Planning Information Session, Great Hall 7:00 p.m. Strategic Planning Information Session, Great Hall **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3** 6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast, Poor Richard's Café 9:15 a.m. 11:00 a.m. Sunshine Singers, Choir Suite 12:00 p.m. Ladies' Prayer Lunch, The Foundry WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4 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** Spanish Bible Study, B219 7:00 p.m. UPG Ministry Team, B102 7:15 p.m. Plano PM, The Foundry Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5** 9:30 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study, B202 11:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Lunch, The Foundry 6:30 p.m. **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7** 6:00 p.m. Widow/Widowers Banguet, Great Hall **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8** 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 11:30 a.m. Agape Baptist Christian Fellowship, B218 1:30 p.m. Leadership Council Meeting, Great Hall 2:30 p.m. Casa De Restauración, The Foundry 3:00 p.m. Children's Choir, C Bldg Upstairs 3:45 p.m. 4:00 p.m. AWANA Clubs, C Bldg Upstairs Ladies' Bible Study, Gathering Hall 5:00 p.m. Student Life Groups, The Foundry Handbell Rehearsal 5:30 p.m.

CHURCH FINANCIAL REPORT: THROUGH SEPTEMBER 24

Planned giving: \$176,462 — Actual giving: \$134,323 (24%)

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Strategic Planning Team Update

As we have discussed in the past few weeks, the Lord is leading our church in an exciting direction. We are thrilled about our different ministries and FBC Plano's commitment to go out into the community. We have also discussed the role of the Properties & Facilities Strategic Planning Team (www.fbcplano.org/strategicplanning) in helping our church explore ways to overcome some of the current obstacles with our facility, so that we can maximize our resources for spreading the Gospel and serving others.

It was great to see so many of you at the two information sessions held this past Thursday. We are so thankful for you, your interest in the future of our church, your input in this process and most of all your commitment to our church family. If you were unable to attend these sessions, please join us tomorrow, October 2, at 10:00 a.m. or 7:00 p.m. in the Great Hall. The purpose of these sessions is to share detailed information about the state of our current facility, as well as the exciting options that lie before us as a church.

Tonight will be a fabulous night at First Baptist Church! You do not want to miss our Night of Prayer and Worship beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Great Hall. This special service will kick-off our Month of Prayer.

Daily prayer guides will be available for the month of October in both printed and electronic format (emailed to you each morning). If you currently receive the weekly updates from the church, then you will automatically receive the daily prayer guide email. If you have not signed up for the weekly updates from the church, please text FBCPLANO to 22828 or go to www.fbcplano.org and click the First Connect graphic link on the homepage. This will allow you to receive the daily prayer guide for the Month of Prayer and the Friday First Connect updates.

May the Lord be glorified as we seek Him and His next steps for First Baptist Church.

Welcome New Members

Don & Bridey Barber, Personal Statement Jill Gipson, Transfer of Membership Jim & Rogene LeNeveu, Transfer of Membership Charlie Mitchell, Personal Statement Linda Mitchell, Transfer of Membership Dan Tecuatl, Baptism Mena Tecuatl, Baptism

Deacon Nominations

Nominations are being accepted by the Deacon Nominating Committee through Sunday, *October 8*. Please prayerfully consider nominating individuals you believe are qualified and suited for this ministry of service to our church.

The Art of Neighboring Church-wide Emphasis

Block parties will be our follow-up and culmination to *The Art of Neighboring* emphasis. We are encouraging our Sunday School classes to host block parties as a means of reaching out and connecting with neighbors throughout the area, or partner with another class in hosting one, on *October 31*. Please contact Tommy Shumate or Kristie Osborne at 972-424-8551, tommys@fbcplano.org or kristieo@fbcplano.org.

Monthly Prayer Luncheons

Bring a sack lunch for this time of fellowship and prayer!

- Ladies Tuesday, *October 3* noon in The Foundry
- Men Thursday, October 5 11:30 a.m. in The Foundry

JVP Quilters Biennial Quilt Auction

Join us on Thursday, **October 12**, in the Fellowship Hall. Proceeds from the auction will be used to purchase materials to make donation quilts, which are distributed to several agencies in Collin County for children in crisis, as well as to veterans. "Look & Buy Now" sale held from 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Auction with Special Auctioneer will begin at 6:30 p.m. Payment methods accepted are cash or check only.

First Look

Whether you are considering membership, or just want to know more about First Baptist Plano, join us for a continental breakfast in a relaxed setting on Sunday, *October 22*, at 10:05 a.m. in the West Lobby. RSVP for First Look to Tommy Shumate (tommys@fbcplano.org/972-741-1096) or Kristie Osborne (kristieo@fbcplano.org).

Family Caregiver Symposium

- For anyone caring for a parent, spouse, partner or family member with dementia
- Friday, November 3, 2017
- Location: Richardson Civic Center, 411 W. Arapaho Rd., Richardson, TX 75080
- Register at https://caregiver-symposium.eventbrite.com
- Call 844-790-5667 with questions

Renaissance Dinner Theater Trip

Join us on Friday, **December 8**, as we travel by bus to First Baptist Gainesville for a four -course dinner and entertainment by the North Central Texas University Madrigal Singers. We will leave the church parking lot at 2:00 p.m. and return by 10:00 p.m. Cost is \$57/person. Paid reservations due in the Church Office by **November 1**.

STUDENT MINISTRY

Cards for a Cause

Plano Students are going on a mission trip to South Africa in Summer 2018. In an effort to seek your support in raising funds for the trip, there is a table in the West Lobby to view samples and order cards (\$30/box of 30 cards). Last day to order is **TODAY**.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Children's Choir

Join us on Sundays at 3:00 p.m. in the Children's Building upstairs. Registration is still open for children 4 years old - 5th grade at www.fbcplano.org/childrenschoir.