

FEBRUARY 2010

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Dinner and a Movie

February 14, 2010

Dinner - 5:00 p.m.

Movie - 6:00 p.m.

Showing: Fireproof

Adult Dinner \$10, Children's Dinner \$5

Movies are free

Adult Menu: steak or chicken, twiced baked potatoes, salad, bread, dessert and a drink

Childcare is available starting at 5:00 p.m. for children eating pizza. Children eating at home may be dropped off at 5:45 p.m.

A Message from Pastor David

Leith Anderson has written a fascinating book entitled, Dying for Change: An Arresting Look at the New Realities Confronting Churches and Para-Church Ministries. Chapter seven specifically deals with how the church handles change. In it, he talks about barriers to change and then draws a distinction between those churches that do well in the face of change and those that do not. Churches that do not adapt to change and thereby cease to be effective at reaching people generally differ from churches that do adapt well to change and are able to reach people. He summarizes six characteristics of dying churches and the corresponding approach of growing churches.



Pastor David Leavell

Dying Churches

- Focus on the institution
- Are socially self-perpetuating
- Adhere to yesterday's innovations
- Are not inclined to take risks
- Are unwilling to experience discomfort

Growing Churches

- Focus on their purpose
- Recognize that new people are essential to the future of any organization
- Share leadership
- Know that the life of any good idea is 5 to 10 years at best
- Value innovation over stability
- Know that discomfort and pain always accompany growth

These are the basic tenets that have been revealed by the study of thousands of churches in the field of church growth. I'm excited to be a part of a church that has a passion "to know God, grow people, and go serve." At the end of the day, it really is about reaching the lost with the life giving message of Jesus! Our future is as bright as the promises of God!

I look forward to seeing you Sunday with a smile on your face, a Bible in your hands, and a friend who needs Jesus by your side.

Keep the Son in Your Eyes,
Pastor David

Connect Class



Sunday, February 14 at 9:00 a.m.
Family Life Center Lobby

If you are a new member or are considering membership, come and see how you can connect to God, others, and FBC.

Please call Beth at 873-8908 and register for the next class.

Music Ministry

Power Praise Choir

Sunday Nights in Worship Center
Rehearsal 5:00 p.m. Worship 6:00 p.m.
Ages 11 – 100. Dress Casual

Hallelujah Choir

Ages 55 and up meets on the first Thursday of each month

Preschool/Children's Choirs

Meet Sundays at 5:00 p.m. in Children's wing

State Handbell Festival

February 12 and 13

Music Training School

Spring Semester goes through week of May 3 – contact Gary McCullough for more information 873-8944

**In the Spotlight:
Jonathan Downs and the Middle School Ministry**



How did you come to the ministry?

I am not sure how to answer this question, but I guess it is like a Reese's Peanut Butter Cup, there is no wrong way to answer it. The journey into ministry was completely unexpected and eventful. I began thinking about ministry after going on a short-term mission trip with

FBC to Costa Rica, but I wanted to wait and see if it was God tugging on my heart or a spiritual high from the mission trip. Nine months later after speaking with Bro. Ray and Drew and seeking wisdom from them, I knew it was God calling me to ministry. I walked the aisle and surrendered to full-time Christian service.

What are your hopes and desires for your personal ministry?

The hopes and desires for my personal ministry are to invest my life whole-heartedly into students to teach them a Christian worldview backed by biblical principles; because they are slammed for their faith in Jesus everyday. My desire is for students to get a better chance than I did when I was their age. I want them to make an impact for Jesus in their schools, homes and extra-curricular environments outside of church.

What is an interesting and unknown fact about you?

An interesting and unknown fact about me is that I tend to not like sweet foods. For some reason sugary things are not incredibly enticing to me, though when I do eat sweets it is usually late at night while vegging out before bedtime.

What do you like to do in your free time?

What free time? Just kidding. I like to spend time with my wife because our time together is limited because of ministry and school. One thing we like to do is try random restaurants that are not "chain restaurants" and see what they are like. Also, during my free time I enjoy watching sports, especially football and basketball.

What are your favorite food, book, and movie?

Hmmm...my favorite food would have to be MEAT! I am a person that has to have meat with every meal or it is not a meal. I love Wing-Hut Wings and especially the "Honey Twang" sauce because it goes good on everything. If it were possible, I would eat at least one meal a day at Texas de Brazil. My favorite book would probably be whichever book I am reading at the time. One classic book I really like is Mere Christianity by C.S. Lewis because it was written so long ago and yet still applies today. As far as a favorite movie there are too many to name, but my favorite TV Shows are *Lost* and *24*.

What is your favorite verse?

My favorite verse is 1 Timothy 4:12, "Let no one look down on your youthfulness, but rather in speech, conduct, love, faith and purity, show yourself an example of those who believe." The reason this is my favorite verse is that it is a model of how I should live daily as it pertains to the things of God and biblical demonstration of how to be a godly example to others and not a stumbling block.

Contact Numbers

Church Office	872-2264
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Staff on Call	451-7040 (cell)
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Drew Murphy	876-3666 (res)
Brandon Burch	828-2815 (cell)
Jonathan Downs	337-0889 (cell)
Sharon Hambick	835-3501 (res)
Ian Underhile	828-2751 (cell)
John Proctor	840-4602 (res)

Sermon Series

**Sunday Morning Sermon Series:
Defining Moments**

- Feb. 7 America's Oxymoron
Matthew 5:3
- Feb. 14 Good Grief, Matthew 5:4
- Feb. 21 The Missing Link, Matthew 5:5
- Feb. 28 Happy are the Hungry
Matthew 5:6

**Sunday Evening Sermon Series:
Soul Satisfaction**

- Feb. 7 Jesus: Liar, Lunatic, or Lord
John 8:46
- Feb. 14 Dinner and a Movie
- Feb. 21 God With Us, John 14:16-17
- Feb. 28 What do you believe about Man?
Genesis 1:3

**Wednesday Sermon Series:
Pearls from the Parables**

- Feb. 3 A Parable of Justice & Judgement
- Feb. 10 A Parable of Missed Opportunity
- Feb. 17 A Parable of Faithfulness
- Feb. 24 A Parable of Preparedness

The Splendor of Easter

Adult Choir

This is a great time to join the choir as we begin working on our Easter Musical! The musical will be presented three nights this year: March 26 at 7 p.m.; March 27 and 28 at 6 p.m.

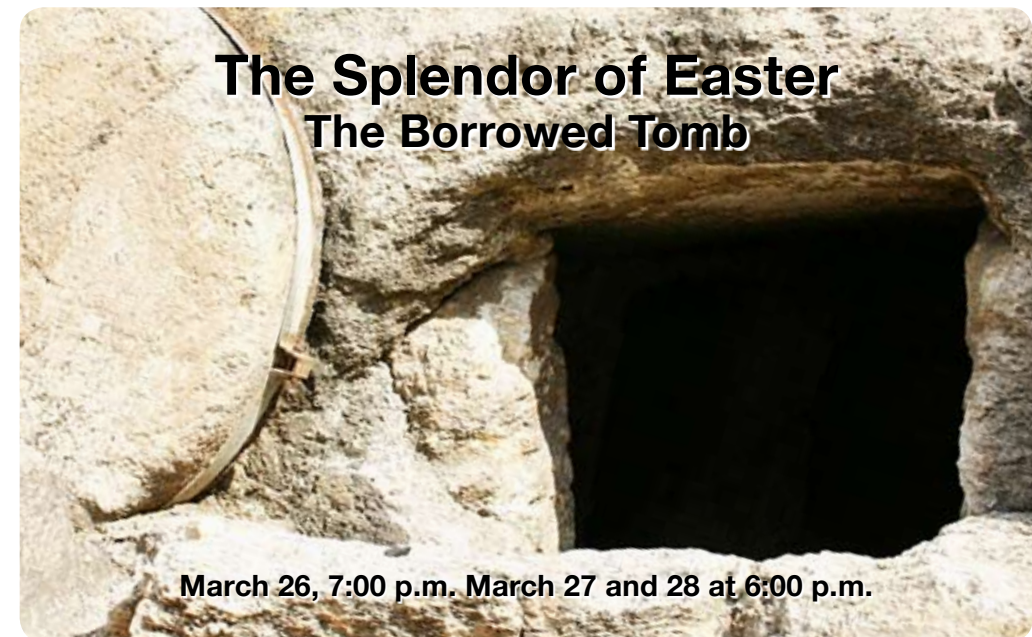
We need help on the following dates:

Saturday, March 13 from 9 a.m. – noon
Unload stage set from tractor trailer

March 15–19 from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Phase I of Easter set construction

March 22–24 from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Phase 2 of Easter set construction

Sign-up sheets available in sign-up area



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 2:00 p.m. Pictorial Directory Photos (by appointment) 6:15 p.m. GROW "G" Night	3 2:00 p.m. Pictorial Directory Photos (by appointment)	4 11:00 a.m. Hallelujah Choir 2:00 p.m. Pictorial Directory Photos (by appointment)	5 2:00 p.m. Pictorial Directory Photos (by appointment) 6:30 p.m. Emmy Maples Sunday School Fellowship	6 9:30 a.m. Pictorial Directory Photos (by appointment)
7 12:00 p.m. Altar Counselor Training and Lunch 5:00 p.m. Adult, Young Adult, and Student Ministry Super Sunday Fellowship	8 6:30 p.m. Basketball Awards Night	9 6:15 p.m. GROW "R" Night	10	11	12 State Handbell Festival	13
14 9:00 a.m. Connect Class 5:00 p.m. Dinner and Movie Night	15	16 10:30 a.m. MSBA Quarterly Senior Adult Meeting and Lunch 6:15 p.m. GROW "O" Night	17	18 12:00 p.m. Hallelujah Choir Outreach 6:00 p.m. Adult Basketball Games Begin	19	20
21	22	23 6:15 p.m. GROW "W" Night	24	25 6:00 p.m. Homeschoolers Support Group	26	27 6:30 p.m. Father/Daughter Banquet
28 12:00 p.m. Preschool Teachers Lunch						

Weekly Events

Sundays
 9:00, 10:30 a.m. Sunday School
 9:00, 10:30 a.m. Worship
 4:00 p.m. Power Praise Band
 5:00 p.m. Disciple College, Power Praise Choir and Band Rehearsal, Adult Handbells, PS/Children's Choirs
 6:00 p.m. Worship

Mondays
 9:00 a.m. Senior Adult Aerobics
 10:00 a.m. Carido Circuit Aerobics

Tuesdays
 10:00 a.m. English Second Language, Women's Bible Study, Tuesdays at FBC
 6:00 p.m. English Second Language
 6:15 p.m. FAITH / GROW

Wednesdays
 9:00 a.m. Senior Adult Aerobics
 10:00 a.m. Carido Circuit Aerobics
 4:45 p.m. Fellowship Meal
 5:30 p.m. Depression Support, Intermediate Orchestra, Prayer Team Meeting
 5:45 p.m. Adult Sunday School Teachers' Meeting
 6:15 p.m. Orchestra
 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Olympians, GoodStuf, Dive, Divorce Care, Adult Choir
 7:00 p.m. Thirst

Fellowship Meals

February 3
 Chicken Pot Pie, Green Beans

February 10
 Meat Loaf, Parslyed Potatoes, Peas and Carrots

February 17
 Bar B Que, Baked Beans, Slaw

February 24
 Mexican Fiesta
Salad Bar, Dessert, and Beverage included with meals

Super Sunday Fellowships

Adults

On Sunday night, February 7, Sunday School classes are encouraged to have class fellowships in conjunction with the big game. This is an opportunity for outreach and ministry. Devotions will be shared at halftime. For those who do not want to attend the fellowships, we will have our regular Sunday night service at 5:00 p.m.

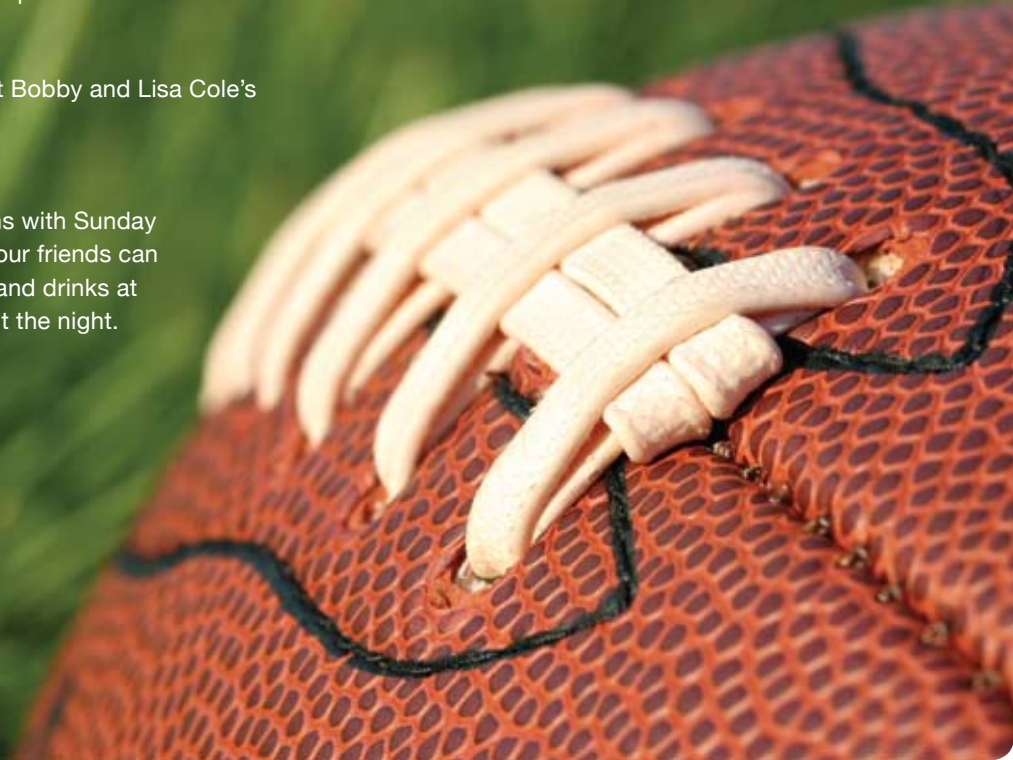
Young Adult Ministry

The YAM is having its Super Sunday Party at Bobby and Lisa Cole's house February 7, at 5:00 p.m.

Student Ministry

We are watching the big game on big screens with Sunday School classes. Anyone in your grade and your friends can come to the Super Sunday party. Free food and drinks at each place. Games will be played throughout the night.

6th Grade - the Brown's house
7 & 8th Grade - the Beyer's house
9 & 10th Grade - the Boy's Ranch
11 & 12th Grade - the Boatwright's house



Student Ministry

Father/Daughter Banquet

Saturday, February 27 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. The banquet is in the Student Wing of FBC (Boardwalk). Any student or college-aged girl and their father/guardian may attend.

Guest Speaker: Dr. Tim Seal and daughter
Menu: Grilled Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Salad, Cheesecake

Cost: \$5 per person
Pictures will be taken for \$1
Dress is formal

Get your tickets at the ticket booth by the Children's Wing in the front lobby.

Women's Ministry

Women on Mission

The next meeting will be February 4 at 9:30 a.m. in A-255.

Recreation Ministry

Basketball Awards Night

February 8 at 6:30 p.m. in the Worship Center for all basketball players ages 4 to 10 and for all cheerleaders.

Baseball, Softball and T-ball

Registration is the month of February for boys and girls ages 4 to adult. Games are during the week and on Saturdays. Call the church office for more information.

It's NOT too late...

We are still taking registration forms for adult basketball and volleyball.

We still have room for girls ages 12 - 18 to play volleyball.

See John Proctor or Katie Thomas to register.

Special Needs

There will be an Adult Special Needs Outreach on February 13, 9:00 a.m. – noon in the Family Life Center.

Missions

The North American Mission Board prints a monthly magazine entitled *On Mission* that is now available to you free of charge. It is a great resource for information and inspiration involving our Southern Baptist Missionaries in Kingdom Growth in North America. There are missionary stories, outreach ideas and examples that can help motivate all of us to reach our community for Christ. If you are interested in receiving this free magazine, log on to www.onmission.com and click "subscribe" or call 1-888-239-3990.

Congratulations

John and Ainslie Garrett and family on the birth of their daughter, Greta Grace

Krista Beaver on the adoption of her grandson Arron Thomas Beaver by her son and daughter-in-law Marvin and Jessica Beaver

Sympathy

June Rickman and family in the death of June's husband, Dennis

Dennis, Janet Brookins and family in the death of his mother, Lenny Brookins Proctor

Bob, Doris Hill and family in the death of their daughter-in-law, Cindy Hill

Joe Braswell and family in the death of his mother, Aileen Braswell

Farrel, Bonnie Vincent and family in the death of her brother, Ron Helgeson

Chris, Rhonda Michael and family in the death of his mother, Beatrice Michael

Dalmas, Betty Starnes and family in the death of her sister-in-law, Louise McKee

Chuck, Karen Armour and family in the death of his mother, Angie Armour

Thank You

I want to thank you for your recent gift to the Ranch through your mission offering. I am grateful that the Boy's Ranch can count on churches like FBC Millington to help us impact the lives of hurting families with the gospel of Jesus Christ. May God continue to richly bless your church!

Troy Styers - TBCH Campus Director

My dear church family, thank you for your cards, visits, and mainly your prayers for me as I suffered from a blood clot in my lung. It has given me an opportunity to "Be still and know" that nothing happens to me without God's permission. Again He has taught me that nothing is more important than my relationship with God. I thank my husband who has been by my side every single day. I continue to covet your prayers. I love you dearly because of Him.

Sarah Berthelson

Praying for a New Christian

The Apostle Paul once wrote to Timothy, "I constantly remember you in my prayers" (2 Tim. 1:3). Although Timothy was not a new Christian at the time these words were penned, it is probable that Paul had steadfastly prayed for his spiritual son over the years. As we seek to help new believers grow, we need to beseech our heavenly Father on their behalf. Here are some key areas and Bible verses to pray for a new believer:

Assurance of Salvation

Understanding the assurance of salvation is important. This key concept shapes our view of God and how we stand before Him. Pray that a new believer will gain a firm understanding of their secure position in Jesus Christ (1 Jn. 5:13).

Purity

Many times Satan will tempt new believers materially or sexually. He tries to trip them as they are getting off the starting blocks in the Christian life. Pray that a new believer will resist and flee temptation, while developing a desire for purity (Eph. 5:3).

Love for God

Jesus said that the greatest commandment is to "love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind" (Matt. 22:37). Pray that a new believer will have a sincere love for God that will grow and consume his heart.

Love for others

The second greatest commandment, Jesus said, is to "love your neighbor as yourself" (Matt 22:39). Not only are we obeying God when we love others, but we become an irresistible light in an increasingly dark world. Pray that a new believer will be filled with godly love for others that reaches out with compassion.

A Heart for God's Word

As Christians, our working manual is God's written Word in the Bible. God uses His Word to teach, guide, correct, and encourage us. Pray that a new believer will be a man or woman whose life is built on the principles in God's Word, and whose heart is daily refreshed in its life-giving springs (Jer. 15:16).

Spiritual Gifts and Abilities

When God calls us into His family, He uniquely equips each of us to function as a vital part of His body of believers. Pray that new believers will come to recognize their spiritual gifts and abilities and desire to use them for God's glory (1 Cor. 12:7-11).

Sensitivity to the Holy Spirit

As Christians, we each have the Holy Spirit living within, and it's important that we learn to recognize and obey the Spirit's prompting in our daily lives. Pray that a new believer will become sensitive to the leading of God's Spirit in his life (1 Cor. 2: 10-12).

Growth in Faith

Paul states that "faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see" (Heb. 11:1). Pray that new believers will grow in their trust of God and the reality of eternity.

-Doug Wendel, Lubbock, Texas

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The Christmas Store

The Preschool and Children's Ministries would like to thank all of you who participated with the Christmas Store this year. Many of you were very generous by purchasing toys and clothes for these families in need. Many of you also donated your time to organize the items and help make the afternoon a pleasant experience for these families. About 100 guests came to the church on the morning of December 20 for the Christmas Store. One young lady was saved and baptized that day as a result of this ministry. Two others that we know of also committed their lives to Christ during the interviewing process. These 30 families were overjoyed by the amount of things that they received and by our interest in them and their needs. Thank you for being such a generous church. Your involvement helped people to know Christ and to be blessed by His church.

"Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you?' When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you? The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.'" Matthew 25:34-40

First Stats

	Worship	Sunday School	Disciple College
December 20	2,173	1,471	N/A
December 27	1,882	1,208	N/A
January 3	2,235	1,353	515
January 10	2,237	1472	728

Giving

Budget	\$	379,099.75
Harvest Offering		62,573.65
Missions		21,377.53
Other		23,646.47
Total	\$	486,697.40

Building Loan Balance

As of January 28, 2009	\$	6,874,243.18
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Decisions

Baptism

Michelle Tucker	Larry Whitworth
Lynn Simcox	James Wade Jr.

Letter

Allan Smith	James Evans
Elizabeth Evans	Ariel Dagastino
Alexandra Dagastino	Wendell Faught
Paula Faught	Allison Faught
Caitlyn Grace Faught	David Black
LaVonne Black	

Profession of Faith

Kevin Reeves	Brenda Reeves
McKayla Lovelace	Terry Reyes
Britney Davis	Nicole Garrison
Jennifer Scott	

Statement of Faith

Donna Faye Grice	Al Carruth
Peggy Carruth	Daniel Turbeville

Recommitment

Robert Shaw



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