



BEACON

NEWS AND INFORMATION | FBC ALVARADO, TX

NOVEMBER 2020



A few years ago, a lady received in her mailbox a party invitation mailed to a former resident of her address. The larger problem was that the invitation had been mailed about 90 years earlier, and was just now being delivered by the mail system! Talk about “snail mail!”

Communication is sometimes slower than we’d like, but needs to be as accurate as possible. Trying to navigate the treacherous waters of 2020 is difficult, as is making decisions how to maximize FBCA’s ministry, fellowship, and outreach. Every 30 days we try to re-evaluate where we are, where we need to be, and how to get there safely -- all without fear. So with that in mind, let’s talk future plans.

The next few weeks are light on church activities:

- *Select committees will meet on Sun, Nov 15th -- if you are on one of these, please participate!
- *Business session / Christmas decorating, Sun, Nov 28th @5pm
- *NO Wednesday evening Church-wide Thanksgiving Meal this month, however...
- *Sun, Dec.6 is a special day of missions & fellowship, including a church-wide lunch. (Watch for details!)

For Nov. & Dec., our current schedule continues — with both a 9:15am & a 10:30am worship service.

Also Bible study opportunities continue -- adult classes offered at 9:15am & 10:30am -- children & youth classes are offered at 9:15am.

This class schedule is a temporary one and gives you an opportunity to invite new folks and get to know folks you didn’t know before!

Our Sunday emphasis right now is about being “fruitful.” How about some Outreach Ideas?!

- *Prayerwalk your neighborhood (or even one of our new neighborhoods).
- *Distribute the *Back2Church* “invite & information” cards as you walk.
- *Ask your friends / neighbors to check out our worship services on Facebook & on the church website.
- *Bring a friend to church with you!

Let’s not walk in fear, but in faith and echo David the psalmist’s words, *Salvation belongs to the Lord; Your blessings be on Your people.* (Ps.3:8)

Pastor Wade



With just a few clicks, you can pack an Operation Christmas Child shoebox gift online to help share the Good News of Jesus Christ with a boy or girl in need around the world. Simply select toys and other fun items you'd like to include from our collection, and personalize your gift with your own letter and photo. We'll pack the gift for you and send it on its way for a suggested donation of just \$25.

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Sunday Morning Bible Studies

11/1	Jesus Is Crucified	(Youth/Adults)
U26 S5	Jesus' Crucifixion	(Children)
11/8	Jesus Is Resurrected	(Youth/Adults)
U27 S1	Jesus' Resurrection	(Children)
11/15	Jesus Encounters Two Disciples	(Youth/Adults)
U27 S2	The Emmaus Disciples	(Children)
11/22	Jesus Prepares His Disciples	(Youth/Adults)
U27 S3	Jesus Appeared to the Disciples	(Children)
11/29	Jesus Commissioned His Disciples	(Youth/Adults)
U27 S4	Jesus Returned to Heaven	(Children)

FINANCIAL UPDATE: (as of 11/5/2020)

Current Checkbook Bal	\$77,119.21
Designated Funds Bal.	\$14,225.16
Total Available Funds	\$62,894.05
Current YTD Giving	\$293,665.30
YTD Giving Needed	\$337,365.87
Building Loan Balance	\$90,522.53

WE ARE SO VERY...

Thankful & grateful

FOR THOSE THAT HELPED WITH THE FAMILY FUNFEST THIS YEAR!

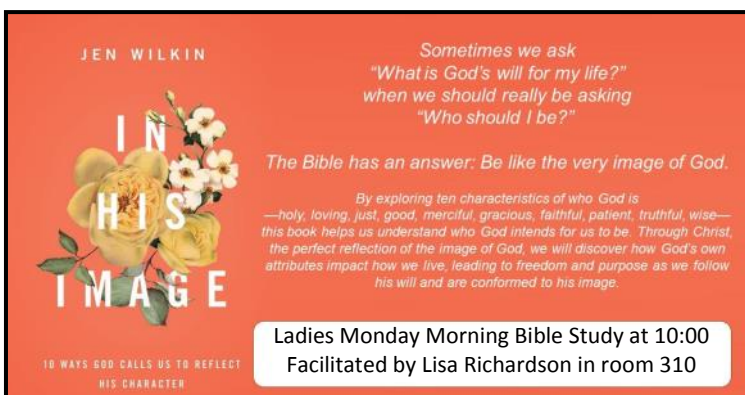
CHARLES RICE, DEBBIE LIPPARD, STEVE & EDWINA CHERRY, TOMMY DENNIS, SHANA & SAMMYE LITTLE, BOBBY SOWERS, EDDIE, BRANDI & ALLISON PRICE, KELLY & WYATT RICHARDSON, KAYLA SEPADA, LEWIS, SUZANNE, LILY & EDEN KING, ALBERT HERNANDEZ, CALEB NORMAN, JUNIOR & LILY RAYBURNE, TARA, OLIVER & OLIVIA MONROSE, BREANNA MEAD, FAITH DIXON, JACOB, NICOLE & MARISSA WHEAT, WADE & LAURA TAYLOR AND MANY OTHERS THAT PROVIDED CANDY.



Come join us for another exciting season by sharing your talents through music!

See Caleb Norman for more details!

Things may look a bit different for choir during this time, but you can still participate! Caleb has weekly Zoom choir meetings and is working on plans for a special Christmas Celebration on Sunday December 13th.



Ladies Monday Morning Bible Study at 10:00
Facilitated by Lisa Richardson in room 310

ASSOCIATE PASTOR OF STUDENTS SEARCH COMMITTEE

Please continue to PRAY for the search committee: *Lacy Barnett, Tommy Dennis, Jeff Dixon, Oliver Monrose and Kelly Richardson.*

4 WAYS TO GIVE



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