



STUDENTS
Go:21 Conference: Final payments due Sept. 15 (Conference cost is \$75)
5th Quarter with Lamar FCA: September 14, after the game in the CFLC
Driven to Thrive: New series on Wednesdays. Worship is at 6:30pm.
Connect with Student Ministry: Text @tellusmore to 81010 to receive updates from Jason.



THRIVE (18-25)
Common Ground: Wednesdays at 8pm, new series #GOALS
Cultivate: Small group Bible study on Sundays at 11am in room A 202.
Confluence Conference: September 21 - 23, cost \$100 Contact Jason for more information.
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Sun. September 23

BUGGY DAYS
CHURCH
Homecoming

Lunch is at noon. Please bring enough of the following for your family plus five more:
 A-H Vegetables, I-R Desserts, S-Z Salads

In this issue : upcoming church- wide events such as Operation Christmas Child Kickoff and Speakin' With My Deacon.





FROM THE SHEPHERD'S HEART

Garth Forster, pastor

In speaking of the need for patience amidst persecution or troubles as we serve God, the author of the **Book of Hebrews** writes in **chapter 10, verses 35-37** these words: **"So do not throw away your confidence; it will be richly rewarded. You need persevering patience so that when you have done the will of God, you will receive what He has promised. For, 'In just a little while, He that shall come will come and will not delay.'"**

Some of the greatest missionaries of history devotedly spread the Gospel of Christ and yet had to wait long periods before seeing the fruit of their efforts. **William Carey**, for example, labored 7 years before the first Hindu convert was brought to Christ in India, and **Adoniram Judson** toiled 7 years before his faithful preaching was rewarded in Burma. In **western Africa**, it was 14 years before one convert was received into the Christian church. In **New Zealand**, it took 9 years; and in **Tahiti**, it was 16 years before the first harvest of souls began.

So, in the midst of a good work, remember the words of Paul from **Galatians 6:9** which says, **"And let us not grow weary in doing what is right: for in due season we shall reap an abundant harvest, if we don't lose heart and quit!"**

We had a good month in August with an average attendance of 356 in Bible Study. Thanks to

September has, among other things, some great evening opportunities:

- **SPEAKIN' WITH MY DEACON** takes place on Sunday evening, September 9th, beginning at 6:30 P.M. in our Christian Family Life Center. We're asking our Deacons to supply finger foods while we supply the tea. Afterwards, we will have our first Deacon Meeting of the new year.

- We are also looking forward to our **BUGGY DAYS HOMECOMING** on Sunday, September 23rd. Notice that Buggy Days is a little later this year than usual. We look forward to our annual lunch together that day, and to honoring folks who have served First Baptist so well.

Come expectantly!
I love you, Garth

all those who participated in our annual **PRAYER WALK FOR SCHOOLS** on August 5th. **MIS- SION FEST** was a great event on August 12th as we heard from those who served the Lord in Texas, Louisiana, Wyoming, Honduras and the Philippines. On our **TEAM NIGHT** we gave our committees a first opportunity to meet together in the new year. And the women's worship event called **THE CANOPY** brought lots of ladies from our community together for this quarterly event.

Chairman Steven Bacon and our **STUDENT BUILDING PLANNING TEAM** look forward to making a presentation to our church soon. **Car- son Selph** and his **Design and Planning Team**, have worked tirelessly on a design for this new building. In addition, Chairperson **Kim Wall** and our **Fundraising Team** have selected a company to help us raise the needed funds. We will be making an initial presentation to our Deacons at their first Deacon's Meeting of the new year, on September 9th. Following that, we will be bringing a presentation to our entire church family in the days ahead. Please continue to pray for the vital work of all our important teams (i.e.; **Joe Andrews** and our **Prayer Team**; **Mark Smith** and our **Finance Team**; and **Ryal Siem** and our **Construction Team**).

Classes begin Sept. 16 at 5:00pm.

I'm a Christian Now!

Parents' meeting in C- 203 with **Kathy Selph Sunday, Sept. 9th at 5:00pm**
Children do not need to attend.

For new or prospective members.

DISCOVERY 101 CLASS

Sept. 30th 5:30 - 7:30pm

With Pastor Garth Forster.

SPEAKIN' WITH MY DEACON

Sun. 09/09 at 6:30P in the CFLC

UPCOMING EVENTS

Coffee and Conversation: Tuesday, Sep-tember 4 at 10:15 in the Annex. Denise Cox will be sharing future events and plans for the Women on Mission for the new year!

Church Landscape Workday: Saturday, Sept. 8, from 7am till noon. If you have any tools, please bring them. We will start working in the Memory Garden. If you have any questions please contact Mike Maynard at 770- 468- 1053.

Backpacks for the Centennial Baptist Association: We will begin collecting backpacks for the CBA. The kick off for this ministry opportunity is on Sept. 9th. You can pick up an empty backpack from church and fill it up with various school supplies. All backpacks are due back by Sunday, October 21. For more information on this ministry, go to www.centennialbaptistassociation.com

Young at Heart: September 20th, at 11am. Program will be done by Grace and Camille Mercer.

Serve at Buggy Days, September 22-23: We need workers for the Watering Hole and Comfort Care helpers. For more info and to sign up, please contact Melissa Lee at 404-205-1014.

Operation Christmas Child Kickoff: Sunday, October 14th at 6:30 pm in the CFLC!