



FSBC *Messenger*

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER | FSBC EL DORADO | JUNE 2023

Youth News

Ya'll, we have 18 teenagers and 3 adults going to camp!!! This is the most we've ever taken and could use your prayers for God to work in amazing ways!!!

Thank you so much for your support for camp through flocking and special giving. We couldn't take so many without it!!! The impact you are making for the kingdom of God is priceless!!!

We will have some activities in June for the youth to participate. June 14th will be a work night in the youth room. Dinner will be provided and work will be done! We will meet at 6:30 and hopefully finish in about an hour.

We will be having a lock-in June 30th, and will be going to All Star Sports July 12th. Prayers and help appreciated for these events!!!

Again, thank you, church, for your love and support of our youth. Many blessings to you!!

Lisa Crook,
Youth Leader

Food Pantry Shopping List

- Cereal
- Peanut Butter
- Jelly
- Rice
- Canned Vegetables
- Canned Fruit
- Canned Beans
- Canned Meat
- Pasta
- Pasta Sauce
- Mac & Cheese
- Ramen noodles
- NO DRY BEANS

Birthdays and Anniversaries

June

3rd—Kendall Lemaster
4th—Madylanne Wint
10th—Kelly Davidson, David & Christine Baca
14th—Susan Fyffe
17th—Nathanial Hill, Pastor's 5th
"Anniversary" Here
19th—David Hill
20th—Johnie Gragg
27th—Sophia Baca
28th—Brenda Sherman, Tyson & Penny
Neilsen

July

4th— Larry Herbel
5th—Mary Mehaffey, Sheila Axtell
9th—Larry Huebner
11th—D.J. Baca
15th—Kevin Tarrant Anniversary
16th—Janna Davis
17th—Larry & Kat Huebner
18th—John & Christine Brickley
24th—Cindy Rhodes
28th—John Trumpower

The Pastor's Pen

All (hands on deck) Aboard!
Greetings, Church! I love you, Church!

The most important outreach of our calendar year is upon us. Many of us can recall our childhood days at Vacation Bible School as one of the most significant events to contribute to our saving faith in Jesus Christ. We learned some great Bible stories, made some crafts that made it all the way through our childhood, sang songs we still rehearse whenever a certain Bible passage is read, and learned to believe in a Jesus who loves us. What great days those (were) ARE for the children of our city!

It has been a few years since our church has been able to host a week-long VBS. We had to succumb to a pandemic, changes in leadership, and insufficient registration. How excited we are to have a new and enthusiastic leader in Paula Moore! Her energy, bubbling from her love for Jesus and children, is contagious! Has it spread to you yet?

I hope it has. For our little church to pull off a daytime VBS we need everyone's help. We need YOUR help! This is our biggest evangelism effort all year and it will take everyone in your church working together to reach children for Jesus! So let us not offer our Lord any excuses for not doing at least one thing to help. Merely being unmotivated or unasked, busy with the affairs of this world, or not knowing how to serve are excuses I don't want to give Jesus for why I didn't help your church with this outreach. We can even find ways around having to work a 9-5 job that week to find opportunities to invest the Gospel into these kids leading up to and following June 5-9. You can walk your neighborhood and leave invites at houses where you find "kid-droppings" (bikes, toys in yard, etc.). You can spend the evenings of that week in prayer. You can visit the homes of families we come to know that week to get to know them and invite them into greater connection with God and your church. You can prepare food in advance, or donate items from our needs list.

We are part of this church together for God's purposes. God has roles for you to fill to grow it. Will you accept your ticket and get on board?



Jesus with lost people in our neighborhood.

By the way, another great way to help grow your church is to help our new visitation team call upon people. You can let Karen Drake know that you want to help make visitors feel welcomed or visit nursing homes and shut-ins or encourage those attending frequently to become more involved or trying to share

By the other way, I want to encourage you to participate in a gospel outreach to the attendees of a drag queen party being hosted in our city June 17. There will be several churches working together on this project and we need prayer warriors more than anything. There will be an organizational meeting 7 pm Thursday, June 8, at First Church of the Nazarene (1st and Taylor).

Have you ever wondered how we can know that the 66 books of the Bible are the complete scriptures? How did those books get into the canon? Why aren't other writings included? I will be leading a study of historical and philosophical reasons for why we have what we have in the Bible 6:30 Wednesday nights June 21-July 19

Operation Christmas Child Shopping list for June:

Stuffed Animals

Make sure they are **new** and will not take up too much space in a shoebox. If you have some nice, gently used stuffed animals, make sure they are **clean**.

The Deacon's Corner

In the last couple of months, our church has been blessed by observing the stirring of the Baptismal waters. Baptism, one of the ordinances of the church, is a Believer's outward expression of a changed heart inside. Though Baptism is not a requirement for salvation, we follow Jesus's example when we are baptized. It serves as a testimony of the miraculous power of the cross and the changed life of a believer who has humbly repented of sins and chosen to make Jesus Lord and Savior of his or her life. Baptism is so special to the life of the church and to the Believer who has chosen to follow Christ's example, but it should not be a rare event. As we are obedient to The Great Commission, and we share our Faith with family, coworkers, friends, and neighbors, we will see the baptistry in use on a weekly basis. Wouldn't that be exciting!

Our Deacon body serves families within our church. It has been several months since the Deacon family list has been updated. Be watching for next month's newsletter and future Sunday morning bulletins for an updated Deacon family list. The deacon body includes Rod Luehrs, John Brickley, Joe Leibbrandt, Joe Reinert, and our yokefellow is Larry Huebner. This group of men have all been called to serve and oversee a group of families within our church. It is the goal of the Deacon body to make sure every person is assimilated into our church family. Please let us know if there is anything we can help you with or an area of assistance we can provide.

Rod Luehrs
Chairman of the Deacons

Church Events

June Events

4th—Visitation Sunday
5th—9th—Vacation Bible School
11th—Potluck, "A-Team"
11th-16th—Pastor Out of Office for
SBC Annual Meeting
14th—by 9:00 am—Newsletter Items Due
14th—Youth Work Night
14th—Kitchen Work Night
15th—5:30 Facilities Team Meeting
17th—Bread of Life Food Ministry
18th—Fathers' Day
23rd—Men's Ministry Campout
24th—Christian Concert North Main Pavilion.
(Meal 5 pm, Concert 6 pm)
30th—Youth Lock-in (30th 6pm-7am July 1st)

July Events

4th & 5th—Office Closed
8th—Ladies' Tea
9th—Potluck, "A-Team (2nd Sunday)
11th-18th—Laura Out of Office
12th—Youth All Star Sports Night
14th—Men's Ministry Wind-Surge Game
16th—Visitation Sunday
17th—SCASB Executive Board
19th—by 9:00 am Newsletter Items Due
20th—5:30 Facilities Team Meeting
24th—28th Youth Camp
30th—Youth Sunday (5th Sunday)
31st-Aug 2nd—Staff Planning Retreat



June's Men's Ministry Event

Campout at El Dorado Lake June 23, 2 pm+
Big Pine camping area, lot 489

Fishing, corn hole, campfire stories, food, fun, and fellowship!
Hamburgers and hot dogs provided.
Bring a buddy! You can also bring a tent, sleeping bag, fishing tackle.
If you want to bring a camper, reserve a spot near our lot ASAP.

Operation Christmas Child

Have you ever thought about helping with Operation Christmas Child other than just in November? There are opportunities to help share about this ministry year-round. I serve as a year-round volunteer by coordinating the drop-off at our church and also as a community relations team member, which reaches out to different community groups and tries to get them involved in packing boxes.

Here are the different roles and a short description of each:

Do you jump at the chance to inspire people? Then become a **Leadership Team Member**.

Leadership Team Members build local teams of volunteers through:

- Recruiting, selecting, training, and leading volunteers.
- Shepherding and rallying team members.
- Vision casting and coordinating team operations.

Do you like to encourage people in churches? Then become a **Church Relations Team Member**.

Church Relations Team Members form relationships with local Christian congregations to:

- Inspire them to catch the Great Commission vision of Operation Christmas Child to spread the Gospel to the ends of the earth.
- Mobilize and equip them to participate or increase their participation in the project.
- Encourage them to use the project as a way to share the Gospel locally as they promote community shoebox packing involvement.

Do you have the gift of planning? Then become a **Logistics Team Member**.

Logistics Coordinators and Drop-off Locations work together to:

- Support and expand shoebox gift collection in their communities.
- Ensure an inviting and efficient

collection of shoebox gifts that serves as a Gospel witness to the community.

- Assist in goal development and growth planning for area shoebox collection efforts.

Do you love to intercede in prayer? Then become a **Prayer Team Member**.

Prayer Team Members encourage local individuals, churches, and groups to provide intercessory prayer through:

- Recruiting local prayer team members and enlisting local church support.
- Distributing ministry prayer requests among the team and other area prayer partners.
- Sharing prayer needs and promoting participation at community events, shoebox drop-off locations, churches, and other local gatherings.

Do you like to help get teams organized? Then become an **Administrative Support Team Member**.

Administrative Support Team Members use their organizational skills to:

- Manage data and resources for an Area Team.
- Field local inquiries, connecting people to the appropriate team members and project resources.
- Organize and update Area Team information, including meeting minutes, team rosters, and local volunteer contacts.

Do you enjoy meeting new people? Then become a **Community Relations Team Member**.

Community Relations Team Members are ambassadors for Operation Christmas Child in their communities to:

- Engage and equip businesses and civic organizations to become actively involved in the project.
- Speak to community groups about the project.

- Host or participate in events to spread the word about Operation Christmas Child.

Do you like to spread the word about shoebox gifts? Then become a **Media Support Team Member**.

Media Support Team Members promote the message of Operation Christmas Child in their communities by:

- Publicizing the ministry through local print and radio outlets.
- Sharing stories of local involvement and coordinating area media coverage of them.
- Providing promotional resources to encourage community participation in the project.

Do you have a heart for outreach to students? Then become a **Student Relations Team Member**.

Student Relations Team Members engage young people to participate in the project through:

- Speaking to local schools, universities, and student organizations about how to be involved in Operation Christmas Child.
 - Coordinating local student-focused project events such as ministry fairs, multimedia presentations, and packing parties.
- Encouraging local campuses, organizations, and businesses to partner with students in shoebox packing efforts

Please prayerfully consider how God would have you to give to this ministry, donating items, donating money for items to be purchased, packing your own shoebox (online or by hand), or becoming a year-round volunteer. Thank you for your generous support of OCC (Operation Christmas Child).

In Christ,
Karen Leibbrandt

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Summer Vacation

Summer has finally arrived. I know it is not officially summer until June 21, but it will feel like it soon enough. If you are like me, your thoughts are now turning to how to spend your down time. You might be going somewhere special for a time or relaxing at home. Many of you will be spending time outdoors, my favorite summer activity. Sunrise and sunsets are the most beautiful ways to start your day and end your day. I am always amazed at how AWESOME God is. If we sit still and listen, we can feel him around us. Have you ever asked yourself "Where Does God Go for His Summer Vacation?" Do you think that God would ever like to take a break from us? If you look in Psalm 139:7-10 you will see how David describes how God is everywhere. Even when we get away, God is still with us. I am glad that He is. God doesn't just "camp out" in one place or another. We should feel good that God is everywhere, all the time. We should remind ourselves that God is by our side, he is our friend and companion, and he loves us without conditions. He never takes a vacation or a day off! He is always there for us. Take time on your vacation, wherever you are going or doing, to admire all of the wonderful sights and sounds around you. Take time to thank Him for them. Remember that God is responsible for them all. Even YOU!

In His Service,
Ms. Paula



Final preparations are in full swing for our Rocky Railway VBS. We hope you can all join us.

June 5-9
9am-Noon
Transportation Available



**I can't
KEEP CALM
I'm planning
VBS!**

Just a little VBS Director humor. It's a blessing to get to work on VBS!



Congratulations to our May Prize Drawing Winners: Lane, Olivia, Braddock, Agnes, and Raylynn. These students worked hard to earn their drawing tickets. Have fun!

Important Dates:

June 5-9: Rocky Railway VBS

June 18: Father's Day

June 21: First Day of Summer

Aug. 6: Back to School Splash

Sept. 6: Wednesday Activities Begin



School's Out Bash Success!
Thanks to Pastor David, Ms. Karen, Ms. Deb, Cory, Ms. Jessica, Ms. Tina, Ms. Lisa, Ms. Janna and the Youth for helping make it a success!

Father's Day is Sunday, June 18th

Q: What treats do dads like?

A: POPsicles

Q: Why did dad want to go fishing?

A: He was hooked.

Q: What did the buffalo say to his son as he left for school?

A: Bison

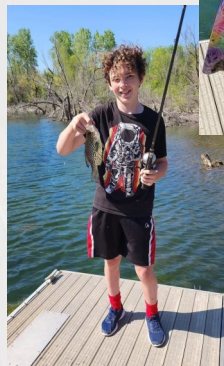
Q: What did Chewbacca get from his kids on Father's Day?

A: A plate of Chocolate Chip Wookies

The kids may have thought they were there to catch fish, and boy did they! But thanks to the Men's Ministry at FSBC, they were really being taught to be fishers of men.

"Then He said to them, 'Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men.'"

Matthew 4:19



We are so blessed to be able to spend time with your kids. Thank you for every time you make the effort to get them to one of our events. We love sharing Jesus with them. *"Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.'"* Matthew 19:14

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28	29 Memorial Day, Office Closed (NO prayer meeting)	30 Julie Hill	31	1	2	3
4 Madylanne Wint Visitation Sunday	5	6	7	8	9	10 Kelly Davidson, David & Christine Baca
11 Potluck, "A- Team"	12	13	14 Susan Fyffe • 9 am Newsletter Items Due • Youth Work Night • Kitchen Work Night	15 5:30 Facilities Team Meeting	16	17 Nathaniel Hill, Pastor's "Anniversary" Here Bread of Life Food Ministry
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25	26	27 Sophia Baca	28 Brenda Sherman, Tyson & Penny Neilsen	29	30 Youth Lock-in	

Thank You For Serving!

Date	Bus	Children's Church	Nursery	Counters
5/28	Linnie & Sheila	Paula	Janna D., Julie H.	Deb S., Diane, Penny
6/4	Deb & Sheila	Brickley	Diane G., Deb R.	Rod, Ulala, Laura
6/11	Sandy & Cory	Brickley	Johnie G., Dianna S.	Rod, Johnie, Shawn
6/18	John & Cory	Brickley	Donna G., Joe R.	Rod, Diane, Susan
6/25	Linnie & Cory	Special Guest	Janna D., Julie H.	Rod, Deb, Penny

JULY 2023

25	26	27 Sophia Baca	28 Brenda Sherman, Tyson & Penny Neilsen	29	30	1
2	3	4 Larry Herbel Independence Day <div>Office Closed</div>	5 Mary Mehaffey, Sheila Axtell	6	7	8 Ladies' Tea
9 Larry Huebner Potluck "A-Team "	10	11 D.J. Baca	12 Youth All Star Sports Night	13	14 Men's Ministry Wind-Surge Game	15 Kevin Tarrant Anniversary
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23	24 Cindy Rhodes	25	26	27	28 John Trumpower	29
<div>24th-28th—Youth Camp</div>						
30 Youth Sunday	31	1	2	3	4	5 Back to School Splash
<div>Staff Planning Retreat</div>						

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7/2	Deb & Sheila	Reinert	Diane G., John B.	Johnie G., Ulala, Shawn
7/9	Sandy & Cory	Reinert	Johnie G., Dianna S.	Johnie G., Rod, Laura
7/16	John & Cory	Reinert	Donna G., Julie H.	Johnie G., Diane, Susan
7/23	Linnie & Cory	Reinert	Janna D., John B.	Johnie G., Deb., Penny
7/30	Sheila & Cory	Paula	Diane G., Deb R.	Johnie G., Ulala, Shawn
8/6	Deb & Cory	Brickley	Johnie, Dianna S.	Deb S., Rod., Laura