

FBC NEWSLETTER

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Focus on: Brenda Adcock Scholarship

Last month Brianna Hendricks and Emily Heathershaw were blessed as the first recipients of the Brenda Adcock Scholarship. Tom Adcock and Suzanne Hartzog presented the award which is given to young ladies who



Tom Adcock & Suzanne Hartzog with scholarship winners, Brianna Hendricks and Emily Heathershaw

have completed all of the requirements and are graduating from the Acteens.

Previously the Acteens gave a Louise Coates Scholarship, but this year the Acteens leaders voted unanimously to create the scholarship in Brenda's honor because of her dedication to the



A Word from Our Pastor

It is hard to believe that we are nearly half-way through 2023. As we are entering the summer months it is more important than ever that we are faithful in prayer. Please be praying for SMAAC, the Sunpower Student Worship Conference, VBS, Youth Camp, and our Honduras and Nepal mission works.

As you pray, remember the leaders of all of these events, as well as all the people who work behind the scenes. Most of all, pray for a harvest during these outreach times. As we seek the Lord together, He honors our prayers and grows us as individuals and as believers.

Have courage for the summer and trust in the Lord for miracles to happen.

Pastor Stan

Acteens during her lifetime.

Brenda was a member of the Acteens for six years and a leader for over twenty. Not only was Brenda dedicated to ministry in the Acteens, she also served faithfully in the choir and church history ministries.

Her daughter,

Suzanne Hartzog, is following in her footsteps: Suzanne also participated in Acteens during



The Brenda Adcock Scholarship

7th - 12th grades and now serves by leading us in worship every Sunday as a member of the praside team, plus lots of other ministry as well.

“This scholarship is special to me,” Suzanne shared, “because it allows my mother’s legacy to live on. She devoted much of her life to teaching teens about the call to missions. It was special to her and she loved the girls like they were her own. Acteens was a place that allowed her to grow as a believer and she used Acteens to help grow her girls into stronger believers too.”

Brianna and Emily are certainly great examples of just that kind of growth from their years with Acteens and are grateful recipients of the scholarship in Miss Brenda’s honor.

Laura Kitchen

Music Notes

June will be a busy month for many FBC ministries...and the Worship Ministry is no exception!

I’d like to invite everyone to our Family and Friends Night for Summer Music and Arts Camp (SMAAC).

Friday, June 16 at 6:00pm. Around 150

kids will be presenting an exciting, interactive game show/musical focusing on the parables of Jesus. (Pastor Stan’s teaching on parables last week was a great set-up for it!) In addition, our SMAAC Jr. preschool kids will be sharing some fun songs they have learned. Some of our art and photography classes will have their work on display as well.

We will have a full room of community families (around 80% of SMAAC kids are from outside our church family).

Please come welcome them and be a part of this remarkable night! Dozens of volunteers are working hard to prepare for Summer Music and Arts Camp. Please pray that God will bless their efforts and work in an amazing way!

Pastor Andrew



Missions & Media: Reaching the Air Force & Agriculture Community

It’s time we join the Air Force and start farming!

Stan and I have had numerous conversations over the past three years regarding First Baptist, its loving family, and its devotion and commitment to missions. Our conversation most always includes Crestview’s geographical position: sandwiched between Agriculture and Air Force. We both agree these two demographics are ripe for harvest. We simply need to plant,

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water and harvest.

Eglin AFB is the largest military base (land mass) in the free world. Just a few years ago, the 7th Special Forces



Group relocated to Eglin's Duke Field area.

And just a few years before that Highway 85 & I-10 hosted only Day's Tire, Huddle House and an Exxon gas station. Look at it now! Traffic! National brand stores! Chick-Fil-A!

Baker has changed. Fields we used to hunt on are now aviation communities and developed subdivisions. Though Baker has changed, agriculture is still at the heart of the region.

Time flies! Everything changes over time. We must always remember, "the time is now..."

Please join us in prayer as we continue to seek His invitation, direction and method by which to reach both our Agriculture and Air Force communities. We are properly suited, perfectly positioned and purposely devoted to make a difference for His Kingdom, right here at home.

"Missions is God finding those whose hearts are right with Him and placing them where they can make a difference for His kingdom." (Blackaby)

Pastor Chuck

The Family Focus: Summer Ministry

Summer is finally here! And for our children's ministry, things are just starting to get ramped up. We have lots of activities to keep your children and grandchildren busy this summer.

First, on Wednesday evening we will have a BLAST with your kids! We will have food and games as well as going through a lesson series entitled, "Why Should I Believe the Bible is True?" This will meet weekly throughout the summer from 6-7pm except for the weeks of SMAAC and VBS.

Then, as I just mentioned, we will have Summer Music and Arts Camp June 12th-16th. This camp already has over 200 children signed up for it! It is going to be an incredible week.

VBS will be July 9th-13th and registration is now open for it online.

Towards the end of the summer, we will have our annual SPLASH event with water balloons, water slides, buckets of water...just all things water! It is going to be a great summer of ministry here at First Baptist.

You may ask, "How can I be involved in the children's ministry?" Well, thanks for asking! Here are a couple of ways we could use your help: First and foremost, please pray that through all of these fun events, God would be glorified in what we do and

that children will come to know Him as their Lord and Savior. Second, I know that SMAAC still needs some volunteers to be group guides, VBS needs volunteers to be group guides and to help with registration, and we desperately need helpers in the children's Sunday School Department. Would you



Mitch Buckelew, one of our many VBS volunteers last summer!

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Student Ministry Updates

As May is coming to a close, we are shifting our focus from the school year into our Summer schedule. The summer is such a busy time for our church, and this holds true for the student ministry as well. We have a few events this summer, paired with our camp and Sonpower, the student worship conference.



FBC Youth volunteers at SMAAC 2022

One of my favorite parts about the busyness of the summer is watching our students be able to serve in various ministries. Whether this is at SMAAC or VBS, there are so many opportunities for our students to serve throughout the church this summer. I hope you join us in the many fun summer activities that are happening, and if you feel called, to serve in a ministry this summer!

Pastor Dallas

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please pray and ask the Lord how He would want you to serve? Volunteer sign-ups are online for both SMAAC and VBS at fbcew.org/events and please contact me if you are interested in helping with Sunday School.

I'm looking forward to all that we have planned this summer! Can't wait to see the children come to know, love and serve the Lord!

Beth Hendricks

Our Service Times

- Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30am (in person)
- Live Online: 10:30am @ fbcew.org
- On the radio: Sundays @ 11:00am WAAZ-FM 104.7/WJSB-AM 1050 (sermon only)
- Sunday school: 9:00am
- Wednesday Evening Bible Study : 6:00pm (in person & online @ fbcew.org)
- Plus, Worship Choir, Acteens, and more (see website for starting times)

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