

# FBC NEWSLETTER

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## Focus on: Men's Worship Dinner with Rich Wingo

On Saturday, May 14 from 5:00 - 8:00 pm the Men's Ministry invites all men to join them for the Men's Worship Dinner with guest speaker, Rich Wingo.



Rich Wingo

Rich was recruited by Coach Paul "Bear" Bryant to play for the University of Alabama from 1974 until 1978. Rich was part of the famous "Goal Line Stand" play in the



The Goal Line Stand

1978 Sugar Bowl which allowed them to defeat Penn State and win the National Championship.

After graduating, Rich played for the Green Bay Packers for 7 years, where he earned the Packer awards as the MVP,



## A Word from Our Pastor

Hello First Baptist Family,

Our family is getting larger and that is a good thing. This month Dallas and Alex Godshall joined our staff and church family and this is an exciting time in the life of our church. Please be praying for this couple as they start their ministry at First Baptist and settle into a new area. Thank you for helping them by being an encourager through prayer and practical steps. Please introduce yourself to them and be patient as they are learning people's names and learning about our church.

Speaking of new family member, we have had a number of new people join our fellowship in the past few months. Please continue to make these brothers and sisters feel welcome in our family and encourage them as well through prayer and Christian affirmation. As the Lord continues to grow our family let us be faithful to minister and be a blessing to one another.

May the Lord's mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to you all,

Pastor Stan

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Rookie of the Year, and Man of the Year.

It was during those years as a Green Bay Packer that Rich gave his life to Christ and God began to transform his life.



Rich Wingo

At the completion of his professional football career, Rich coached the University of Alabama from 1987-1989. He went on to become an elected member of the Alabama House of Representatives where he now serves as a Republican in District 62.

Rich is married to his wife of 41 years, Cheri. They have two married sons, Jake and Luke, and three grandsons. Rich and Cheri attend and serve at First Baptist Church in Tuscaloosa.

The Men's Ministry encourages all men to come hear Rich's testimony and be inspired by God's work in his life.

Sign up at [fbcew.org/events](http://fbcew.org/events) no later than Sunday, May 8. Cost is \$15/person for the steak dinner and worship. To attend the worship only is free, but you must still register.

If you have any questions please contact Eric Kitchen ([ejkfishing@gmail.com](mailto:ejkfishing@gmail.com)) or Tomasz Bielenin ([tomasz.remax@gmail.com](mailto:tomasz.remax@gmail.com))

-Laura Kitchen

## Music Notes

### "Summer Music and Arts Camp!"

One of the highlights of last year's Summer Music and Arts Camp (SMAAC) was our church's nine-year-old violinist, Marley Williams, playing at our Instrument Petting Zoo. How awesome it was to see her using her gifts to inspire others! This summer FBC will be impacting well over 130 kids like Marley in our fourth annual SMAAC, June 13-17, 8am-noon. Some kids will discover a love for the arts and some will be encouraged to excel in it. All will hear the gospel and be challenged to love and follow Christ!



Marley Williams

There is lots of interest this year and we anticipate registrations to significantly top last year's. We have an outstanding volunteer base, but the only limitation we have in expanding our impact to more kids is the need for additional adult and youth involvement. If you have a talent in the arts and could teach a one-hour small group class in any area, please get in touch! Another big need is for adult "group guides" who hang with a small group of kids and get them where they need to go throughout the morning. No talent required! Just a love for kids. It is the group guides who make big impacts as they build relationships with our campers.

Campers and Volunteers can now register (separately) at [www.fbcew.org/events](http://www.fbcew.org/events). Camper registration will fill up quickly and close when we reach capacity, so please register soon!

Please pray that God will do great things!  
Pastor Andrew

## Missions & Media

### “Prayer...Please Answer Immediately”

How often do we expect God to answer our prayers immediately? The answer: all the time! We all know God’s timing is not our timing, and we don’t like that. A pastoral word of advice? Get used to it! Even Nepali time isn’t US time. Best I can calculate, Nepali time is, at a minimum, 1.5x our time. If they say, “We’ll be there in 1 hour,” you can bank on 1.5 to 2 hours!

Nepalis do not get in a hurry.



Waiting in Nepali traffic

I recall a prayer I prayed when I was a young teenager. I was on a 4-H campout with my older brothers and 4-H group. My dad took us to Blackwater and helped us get our tents set up. Once complete, he returned to Crestview. As the sun set and the camp fire was lit, I began to develop a degree of homesickness. I certainly did not mention my challenge to my older brothers, but I did go into my tent and shared my heart with my Father, ‘I want to go home’.

At midnight my dad came to the campsite and instructed us campers to pack up. There was severe weather approaching and we needed to go back home. I was so happy!

Twenty years later, my Father reminded me of how He answered my prayer from the tent that night.

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## The Family Focus

### “Awana Awards”

It’s hard to believe that we are already at the end of our first year of our Awana program. We have had a great year!

We have grown to a program with approximately forty children coming on a consistent basis. Some of these children are from our own church family, some are from other churches in the community, and some are just from the community.



Gwendalyn Anderson at Awana

These children have had a lot of fun, have worked hard at their Bible studies and at memorizing their verses, and they have all been shown the love of Christ through their leaders.

This month, on Wednesday, May 18th, we will be having an Awards Night for Awana at 6pm in the Sanctuary. I would like to invite each one of you to come and see what these children have accomplished. This is a great opportunity to come and welcome these families to our church and encourage these children to continue in their study of Scripture. There will be a reception in the Fellowship Hall following the program which would be a great opportunity to get to know these children and their families.

Beth Hendricks



Pastor Chuck in Nepal

God always answers our prayers and it's always on time ... His time. Sometimes our realization is delayed.

-Pastor Chuck

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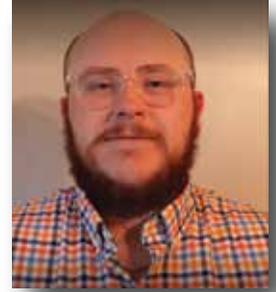
**Beth Hendricks**  
Children's Ministries Director

## Dallas Godshall

### "My Testimony"

Our new Youth and College Pastor, Dallas Godshall, will be here starting May 1. He has shared a video of his testimony with us which is available on the church website at [fbcew.org](http://fbcew.org).

Dallas shared, "My walk with Christ began in 2005 when my father was deployed to Afghanistan. At this time my mom did everything that she could ... to keep us connected in church and to pour into us as much as she could. This included a family devotion that we did every night.



Dallas Godshall

One night specifically this devotional shared the gospel very explicitly. It was at this moment that I knew I needed a Savior and that Savior was Jesus Christ. I decided to give my life to Christ that night and since then Christ has worked in me and brought me closer to Him. I can't wait to see how my faith grows and I become more mature and more like Christ while I'm here at First Baptist Crestview."

As a church family we are praying for Dallas and grateful for answered prayers that have brought him here. Please lift up Dallas and Alex our youth, and the outreach to the youth in our community.

### *Our Service Times*

- Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30am (in person)
- Live Online: 10:30am @ [fbcew.org](http://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](http://fbcew.org))
- Plus, Worship Choir, Acteens, and more (see website for starting times)

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