

# FIRST EDITION

First Baptist Church

## FBC WELCOMES MISSIONARY AARON COFFEY

The Aaron Coffey family left First Baptist Church in Floresville, where Aaron served as FBC's pastor to students, in the spring of 2017, and ever since, Aaron, Ashley, and Caleb, have been serving God's people in the South American country of Belize.



Aaron is the Dean of Students at the newly-established Belize Bible College where their goal is to train Belizeans to take the gospel to their own people. Ashley has been instrumental in establishing the Toledo School of Music, where many Belizeans are being trained vocally and on pianos/keyboards. The Coffey family lives on-site at the Belize Training Center and serves alongside missionaries Bob & Rhonda Farley.

FBC is happy to welcome the Coffeys in both services on Sunday, July 1, 2018, where Aaron will be sharing all that the Lord is doing in Belize.

Please continue to pray for Aaron and his family as they furlough in the States, and also as they travel back home to Belize.

Visit [www.belizebiblecollege.com](http://www.belizebiblecollege.com) or [www.belizecenter.com](http://www.belizecenter.com) for more information.

## COUNSELING CENTER OPENS IN FLORESVILLE



As a result of a generous grant, the Children's Bereavement Center of South Texas (CBCST) has opened a branch office in Floresville. The CBCST's mission is to foster healing for grieving children and youth, their families, and the community. The center has currently expanded their scope of services, offering peer support groups, grief camps, and general counseling services to anyone, regardless of age or life circumstance. The local offices are located at 140 Paloma Drive in Floresville. Call 830-455-4840 for more information.

## WE'RE ON THE WEB!

In addition to the weekly bulletin and monthly newsletter, any schedule changes and special events will be publicized on the church's social media pages. Check out [www.fbcf.org](http://www.fbcf.org), and [www.facebook.com/firstbaptistfloresville](https://www.facebook.com/firstbaptistfloresville). You may also call the church office at 830-216-4946 during business hours. The office sends out emails with prayer requests from time to time. If you would like to be added to the distribution list, send an email to [office@fbcf.org](mailto:office@fbcf.org).

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San Antonio Missions  
Baseball Game

Thursday, July 5, 2018  
Cost is \$9.00.

Contact Matt Keller at  
[matt@fbcf.org](mailto:matt@fbcf.org) to reserve your spot.



In honor of **Independence Day,**

The church office will be closed on  
Wednesday, July 4, 2018.

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### A WORD FROM THE TREY FLEMING FAMILY—IMB MISSIONARIES TO OSAKA, JAPAN

Thank you for praying! We recently took a conversational Japanese language test. The recording has been sent to a 3rd party for evaluation. Please continue to pray that our grasp of the language continues to improve. Thank you for praying for our girls as they attend school. After the recent earthquake, we wanted to wait and see what the aftershocks were like and things have been fine.

This a picture of my friend, Taka. He recently gave his life to Jesus and is excited to learn how to follow Him. I got to meet with him this afternoon and talk through Colossians 3. Now I'm headed to Noshinomiya to meet some pastors and hopefully do some networking. Please continue praying for Japan!

Follow us on social media by searching "Fleming Fam in Japan" on both Facebook and Instagram, or visit [www.FlemingFamInJapan.com](http://www.FlemingFamInJapan.com).



~ The Fleming family—Trey, Andria, Clara, Trinity, & Bethany



Speaking to about 250 students at an assembly at Deans Community High School in Livingston, near Edinburgh.

### GOD IS AT WORK IN SCOTLAND—FROM BRADLEY DAVIS

The Church in Scotland is in need of prayer. Between 1 and 3 percent of the Scottish population are followers of Jesus Christ. The average age of church members is just under 65 years old. Churches are dying left and right; having a congregation of more than 20 people in a Sunday service is a very high number for most churches. I have been able to get into the local high school to build relationships with students. In this past school year, 8 students have given their lives to Christ. They may be the only believers in the school of 1,000 students. They have been working so hard in sharing their faith, and a few of them were trained to volunteer at the recent Will Graham Central Scotland Celebration of Hope.

Will Graham is the grandson of Billy Graham. The final numbers regarding decisions made at the crusade was 9,533 people in total attendance. Of these, 752 (8%) made decisions for Christ. One of these decisions was very special to me. The first night, one of the students from the school where I visit came. I was able to counsel him through making a decision to follow Jesus for the first time! We will continue discipling him through the summer.

Please pray:

- For struggling churches in Scotland that they make Jesus the foundation of all that they do;
- For those who made decisions at the Celebration of Hope that they will be nurtured and discipled by a local church;
- For the new believers at the school as they are discipled and are trained to disciple others;
- For the development of the church plant here, as well as others around Scotland, that we put our focus on Christ and in building His Kingdom here.

Thank you for your prayer support! I can be contacted at [bradley@theheraldstrust.org](mailto:bradley@theheraldstrust.org), and for more information about what I'm doing this summer, check out [www.theheraldstrust.org](http://www.theheraldstrust.org).



### PRETEEN CAMP

Please be in prayer for our 3rd-6th graders who will travel to Highland Lakes Camp & Conference Center on Thursday-Sunday, July 12-15, 2018. Pray for safety for the campers and adults, and pray that each child will experience the Holy Spirit in a special way as they are away from home for perhaps the first time.

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY NEWS



Women's  
Ministry

WOMEN  
OF JOY™

Greetings, Ladies! I hope everyone is enjoying “summer” officially! Praises for the rain we have received and continue to pray for more! We had a wonderful church-wide Family Game Night. As always, so much wonderful food, fun, and fellowship! I encourage everyone to try to attend our next one in a couple of months. It’s very casual, and everyone has a great opportunity to meet other members of the church and get better acquainted. It seems we only have time for hello, hug, and run on Sundays!

Ladies, we will be scheduling a “Plan and Pray” luncheon in the next few months. We have so many new faces each Sunday, and we want them to know they are all invited to join us as we plan. Details to come next month.

**WOMEN OF JOY**—I am so pleased to announce that we have a group of over 20 ladies signed up to attend this wonderful conference! The conference is not until October 5-7, 2018, but the deadline to be eligible for the group discounted rate is July 6th. The regular conference rate is \$110.00, but the early-bird rate is \$99.00. Transportation is being coordinated and several options are available. The 2018 Rescued tour will be held in San Antonio at the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center on October 5-7, 2018. If you would like to see the list of speakers and activities, please visit [www.womenofjoy.org](http://www.womenofjoy.org). If you are interested in attending, Please call me, Donna, and I will add your name to the list.

Please remember to check the bulletin board near the coffee corner outside of God’s Playhouse for more updates. If you have any questions or need more information, contact Sally Gaertner at 361-290-1068 or Donna Arispe at 210-560-9642.

## MEN'S MINISTRY

Thanks to John Long and his faithful crew who made last month’s church-wide Fish Fry a delicious success! Congratulations to the winners of the casting contest: 1st-Alex Perez, 2nd-Jim Dippary, and 3rd-Russell Dickerson. Atticus Tipton, Sophie Rodriguez, and Kenneth Kotzur all received Honorable Mention.

Men, keep a watch out for future special events. Remember, rain or shine, we will always meet together for breakfast and prayer on the last Saturday of each month. We’ll see everyone on Saturday, July 28, 2018, at 8:00 am in the Fellowship Hall.



## OPPORTUNITY FOR SERVICE WITH KAIROS MINISTRIES

Kairos Outside is an ecumenical ministry to the female family members of those incarcerated. The word KAIROS is a Greek word meaning “in the fullness of time,” or “God’s appointed time.”

The Kairos Outside ministry of San Antonio is looking for volunteers to work their next weekend event for inmates’ female family members. Volunteers must be dedicated Christians, at least 21 years old, who have a servant’s heart. Although most of the team are women, a few positions are needed for men on our kitchen support team. A third of the team needs to be volunteers who have never been involved in prison ministry. Your pastor’s signature is required on the team application, which will be sent to volunteers before the first team meeting.

The next weekend will be held at the Disciple Oaks Retreat Center in Gonzales, Texas, on November 2-4, 2018. All team members will need to attend four team meetings prior, and help with fundraising efforts.

Please contact Loyce Brickley, [loy3126@gmail.com](mailto:loy3126@gmail.com) if you feel God is prompting you to become involved in this vital ministry.



**Kairos Prison  
Ministries**

Kairos Outside  
Retreat  
November 2-4

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### SHOE DRIVE TO BENEFIT WILSON COUNTY LIBRARIES

The Wilson County Public Library is accepting donations of gently-used or new shoes until Saturday, July 14, 2018. Take the Family Challenge and donate 25 pairs! All proceeds will help fund future All-Aged Summer Reading Programs.

Contact the Sam Fore, Jr. Public Library at 830-393-7361 for more information.



### SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT

At a recent Business Meeting, First Baptist Church of Floresville (FBCF) authorized the creation of a Safety Committee. The Committee on Committees created this committee and recruited members to fill the new positions.

FBCF feels it is prudent, in light of recent events in our state and in our nation, to develop policies and procedures that, when implemented, will minimize or negate harm to our members and visitors in the unlikely event that disaster strikes.

The Safety Committee is charged with developing and implementing Safety Policy, a FBCF Safety Operating Manual, and procedures to implement the Safety Policies.

The Safety Committee has developed policies and procedures for the following unlikely scenarios:

- Medical Emergencies,
- Acts of God such as the following: tornadoes, hurricanes, floods, earthquakes, etc.
- Active Shooter.

Our initial focus is on greater monitoring of the Sanctuary, Nursery, and Family Life Center. Due to insufficient resources, we will only be able to cover Sunday School (Bible Study Hour) and second service on Sunday. We are currently working on procedures for Wednesday evening activities. We hope to have the Wednesday evening procedures developed to be implemented in the near future.

Our procedures include Greeters in the parking lots before and after service. The greeters will likely have radios to effectively and constantly communicate with the Safety Committee Chair or Vice-Chair. These radios are shock-resistant, waterproof, link with the National Weather Service, and contain flashlights in the event of a power outage.

Our future plans include purchasing and installing, in phases, fish-eye cameras at key locations along with equipment for a monitoring control center.

Our desired goal is to have in place procedures to react appropriately and quickly to minimize or negate vandalism and harm to our members and visitors.

If you are interested in receiving our current draft of the Safety Committee Operating Manual, please contact the church office.

If you have recommendations, suggestions, or specific questions, you can address them to Carter Thomas at [carter.thomas@frontier.com](mailto:carter.thomas@frontier.com) or by phone at 830-391-6872.

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# JULY 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1  *Bob Whitley	2 FV Nursing Home Worship 3pm	3	4 NO activities Office Closed  	5 S.A. Missions Baseball Game  	6	7  Deacon's Meeting 8am
8 Lord's Supper  NO 8am service   *David Arispe	9	10	11	12  Pre-Teen Camp	13	14
15  *Ron Bluff	16	17 FBC Vols @ Food Pantry 10am  	18	19 FBC Vols @ Food Pantry 10am  	20	21
22  *Darrel Dundas	23	24	25 Kids' Movie Night  	26	27 The Fun Bunch to Lunch  	28  8am MEN'S BREAKFAST
29 NO 8am worship  Fabulous Fifth Luncheon   *Danny Fenner	30	31  				

## Schedule of Events

Sunday

- 8:00—Worship Service (not on Lord's Supper/5th Sundays/Baptism)
- 9:15—Bible Study
- 10:30—Worship Service
- 3:00—VA Home (not on 2nd Sundays)
- 4:00—Student Choir Rehearsal
- 5:00—Student 1-to-1 Bible Reading
- 6:00—Monthly Movie (1st Sunday only)

Wednesday

- 5:30—Kids' Movie Night (LAST Wed of mo)
- 5:45—Praise Band Rehearsal
- 6:00—Youth IMPACT @ FLC
- 6:30—LIFE GROUPS / Prayer Meeting
- 7:30—Praise Choir Rehearsal

Weekly Activities

- Creative Hands—Quilting  
Mondays at 10:00 am
- FV Nursing Home Service  
1st Mondays @ 3:00 pm
- Ladies Bible Study  
Wednesdays at 10:00 am
- Sr. Adult Game Day  
Thursdays from 1-4 pm
- Line Exercise Classes  
Mon, Tue, & Thu from  
9:30-10:30 am

\* Deacon of the Week

## JULY BIRTHDAYS

1 Sherri Bays	4 Gary Martin, Sr.	11 JoAn Bush	21 Sandra Roemer
1 Rick Remling	5 Shaun Murray	11 Ross Klespies	22 Emily Aguilar
2 Catheryn Eichman	6 Bronson Fuller	12 Hayden Drew	22 Julie Smith
2 Destiny Rodgers	6 Barbara Trevino	14 Carleen FitzSimon	22 Thomas Welfel
2 Dalton Yeager	6 Mark Trevino	15 Greg Burkett	23 Sarah Bauer
3 Coy Baker	7 Luke Bingham	15 Mikylee Burris	24 Elisha Canady
3 Jennifer Jansky	7 Stephanie Gilchrist	15 John Trabucco	24 Benjamin Huber
3 Rose Losoya	7 Barbara Herndon	17 Marie Eckel Orth	24 Travis Purchis
3 Jennifer Varnon	8 Joyce Hurt	17 Clifton Rogers	24 David Smart
4 Mason Kotzur	9 Jerry Carnahan	19 Bobbie Wigley	24 Gary Uhlig
4 Ronald Brieden	9 Joy Rogers	19 Keely Loeffler	25 Iris Burris
	10 Kollman Street	20 Lance Embrey	25 Heather Keylich
	10 Stanford Talley	20 Julee Smith	25 Shelby Quinters
			26 Stacy Bowers
			26 Jenny Downs
			27 Bradley Perry
			28 Ann Burris
			28 Fawn Bednarz
			29 Gary Ragan
			29 John Risley
			29 Jentry Gillespie
			31 Lauryn Coston
			31 Justin Kidd
			31 Greg Parker
			31 Sophia Rodriguez



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Penny Smith, Office Manager  
Christie Davis, Office Assistant  
Marti Kelly, Church Custodian

Because He First Loved Us.



Heartfelt condolences are extended to the family of Bobbie Flowers, aunt of Christie Davis, who passed away on June 14, 2018;  
Christian sympathy is offered to the family of Joseph "Jay" Robert Kolenda, Jr., nephew of Kathy Mills, who passed away on June 18, 2018;  
Our deep condolences are offered to the family of Margie Griffin, mother of Brenda Minard and Jennifer Jansky, who passed away on June 25, 2018.



To All of You at First Baptist Church, Your kind expression of sympathy and friendship will always remain in our memories. Thank you for your thoughtfulness. Thank you for the pretty ivy and everything you did for us. We truly appreciate it.  
Love, Carleen FitzSimon family

In Grateful Appreciation, Thank you all for the prayers and visits. Thank you also for the ivy plant. It is so pretty.  
Sincerely, The Addie Wahl family

Hello Everyone! Things are going well with my rehab at home. My leg is still weak, and is hurting at times. Thank you, everyone, for the cards, calls, and prayers as I continue to heal.  
God Bless, Barbara Estes

**NEW MEMBERS**

**By Statement**  
Jerry Fewox  
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Floresville, TX 78114  
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**By Baptism**  
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Kailea Teigland  
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**Congratulations**

Congratulations to Ryan & Robin Ingram and big brother, Parker, grandparents Greg & Kelly Parker, on the arrival of a baby boy, Austin Brooks  
born May 21, 2018,  
8 lbs. 10 oz., 20 3/4 inches long.

Congratulations to William & Julie Eckel and big brother, Jackson, grandparents Ronnie & Chrystal Eckel, on the arrival of a baby boy, Benedict "Bennett" Curtis  
born June 4, 2018,  
7 lbs. 14 oz., 20 inches long.

**BUILDING HISTORY**

Original Loan Amount:  
\$ 525,000.00

June Payment Amount:  
\$ 5,000.00

Current Loan Balance:  
\$ 246,255.53

*Take from among you an offering to the Lord. Whoever is of a willing heart, let him bring it as an offering to the Lord.*

~Exodus 35:5a (NKJV)

BUDGET-AT-A-GLANCE	Actual Giving Receipts	Required to Meet Budget
May 2018	\$ 50,290.98	\$ 54,829.00
YTD for 2018	\$ 262,697.85	\$ 274,145.00

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