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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

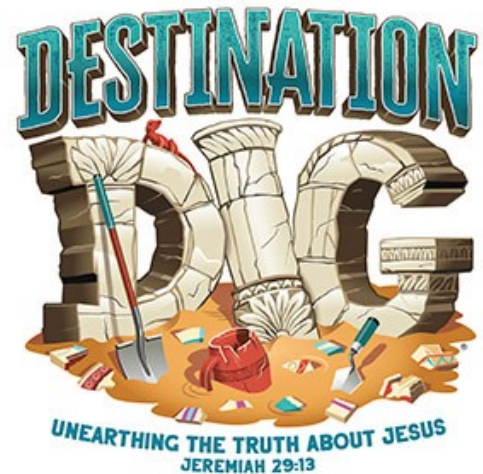
Vacation Bible School will be held June 7-11, each day from 8:30 am—Noon. Registration for VBS is open for children finishing Kindergarten through 5th grade, but **space is limited**. Click [HERE](#) to register your child.

Volunteers, please [register](#) yourselves as well. Preschool VBS is available for volunteers' children.

The theme this year is Destination Dig, where kids will unearth the truth about Jesus. Kids will unearth more than dirt as they dig up exciting evidence that proves biblical events were not just stories. As junior archaeologists, kids will explore real-life archaeological finds that have helped to uncover the truth about Jesus! Along the way, they'll discover the truth of Jeremiah 29:13, that God reveals Himself to us when we seek and search for Him with all our hearts.

Kids will experience Worship Rally, crafts, music, missions, Bible study, recreation, and snacks. Each day of Destination Dig is rooted in scripture, including fun crafts, music and recreation for all.

There will be training sessions for all volunteers held on Wednesday, June 2 and Sunday, June 6. Anyone who plans to volunteer for VBS needs to attend one of these sessions. The same information will be presented at both meetings, so you do not need to attend both, only one of the times.



**SEEK
TRUTH!
FIND
JESUS!**

Before and during VBS, you can pray specifically for these things:

- Pray that the workers have the wisdom, discernment, and boldness to share the gospel well with the kids attending VBS.
- Pray that the Lord would work on the hearts of the kids attending VBS and their families.
- Pray that VBS helps us begin a movement in our church and community of intentional discipleship of parents and entire families.

Jeremiah 29:13 "You will seek me and find me
when you seek me with all your heart."

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WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Greetings all!

I pray that everyone had a wonderful month of May! As I begin to see more of our members returning to church, it's encouraging to try to gather and fellowship!

We did have a chance to meet this past month to discuss different ideas for the Women's Ministry. During the meeting we shared our ideas for fellowships and Bible studies. So in between VBS, summer family activity, vacation and Father's Day celebration, we all agreed Wednesday evening would be a great fit. The Bible study we would like to share is "Seasons of a Woman's Life," by Lois Evans. We are very excited to share a preview of this study on June 16th, Wednesday, at 6:30 pm. We will also be providing some refreshments to better enjoy our fellowship!

Every month I ask for ideas or comments to add to the newsletter, and Denise Smart wanted to share some of her thoughts during the struggles of the stress and the problems people have had during this past year and a half.

She says some of the craziness involves hatred, violence, corruption, isolation, masks/no mask, vaccine/no vaccine. Seems like our world as we know it went down the drain fast. I feel tired and stressed all the time, while yearning for things to return to normal. This scripture comes to mind: Matthew 11:28-29 "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart and you will find rest for your souls."

Many times I have read this and thought He meant to just pray to HIM. But there is much more to it. We must come to HIM. Set aside time to be in His presence, give HIM our full attention, and allow HIM to speak to the deepest parts of us.

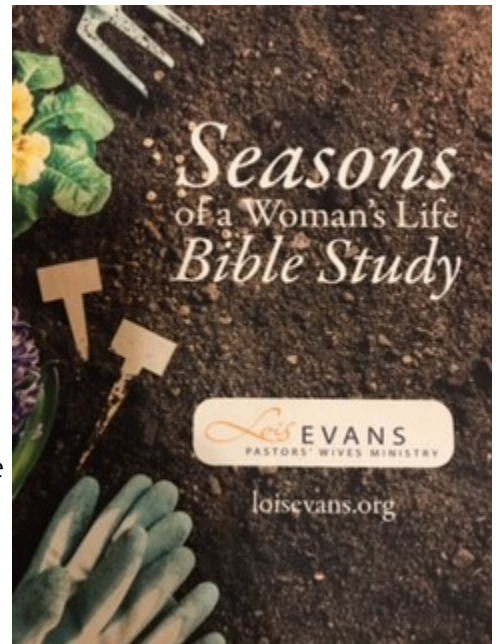
Life seems so crazy right now, but God has not gone on vacation or left us. He's here; we just need to seek HIM with our whole heart and allow HIM to refresh us in the midst of turmoil. A time of quiet reflection is not only necessary for our mental health, it is imperative we take the time for our spiritual health. Nahum 1:7 "The Lord is good, a refuge in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust Him."

Let's set aside some time to truly "come" to HIM and allow HIM to be our rest and our refuge in these trying times. Remember He is gentle and humble and cares for HIS children.

I thank Denise for sharing those thoughts and scriptures with us and believe that many of us have felt those struggles. Yes, just go to the Lord in prayer and He will renew our spirit!!

DATES TO REMEMBER June 16th, Wednesday @ 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall - Refreshments will be served.

Hope to see you on Sunday and at our June 16th Women's Ministry Kick-off! Invite someone to join you!! Have a blessed day in the LORD!



The Women of Joy Fall Tour will be held September 24-26 at the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center in San Antonio, Texas. Rates are \$109 per person or \$99 per person for groups of 10 or more. Speakers will include Jennie Allen, Charles Billingsley, Lisa Harper and more, along with a Danny Gokey concert.

Schedule of Events

Sunday

- 8:00—In-person Worship
- 9:15—Bible Study for all
- 10:30—In-person Worship and online worship through Facebook LIVE

Wednesday

- 5:30—Choir Rehearsal
- 6:30—Prayer Meeting / Youth Bible Study

Weekly Activities

- Creative Hands—Quilting Mondays at 10:00 am
- Bible Study Fellowship Tuesdays at 6:30 pm
- Line Exercise Classes Mon, Tues. & Thurs. from 9:30-10:30 am

* Deacon of the Week

June 2021



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5 8am MEN'S BREAKFAST
6 *Bobby Etheridge 10:30 am LIVE	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 *Danny Fenner 10:30 am LIVE	14	15 Southern Baptist Convention-Nashville	16	17	18	19
20 *Bob Herndon 10:30 am Father's Day	21	22	23 Business Mtg 6:30	24	25	26
27 *John Long 10:30 am LIVE	28	29	30	Students to Canyon Lake		

1 David Wallace	10 Holly Deaton	14 Linda Downs	20 Janelle Pehl
1 Scott Davis	10 Trudy Holt	14 Chris Moss	21 Becky Glenn
1 Loree Dippary	10 Lael Wilder	14 LacyJo Perez	24 Joshua Mosier
1 Laura Klespies	11 Ron Bluff	14 Ellie Burris	25 Buddy Sellers
4 Suzanne Houdmann	11 Bobby Etheridge	16 Craig Davis	27 Sarah Dundas
5 Albert Vandeaver	11 Michael Moody	16 Cyrus Gleeson	28 Darrel Dundas
8 Sue Tackitt	12 Wanda Drewett	19 Denis Gonzalez	28 Grace Lanning
9 Kevin Rylee	13 LaJuana Newnam-Leus	19 Lauren Shine	30 Winnie Talley
9 Tanja Olinick		20 Sallie Bluff	

BELIZE MINISTRY

We are so blessed to be able to partner with our dear church family at FBC! Your generous love offering to help us with relocating to Belize was such an expression of God's gracious work in your hearts.

We are settling in to our new home and beginning to learn the people and culture of Belize. Sherry is quickly making friends!

Paul will begin teaching at the Bible College in the fall semester. There is much preparation needed to teach two classes this fall. Here is a picture of some of the students and staff from this spring semester.



Paul has been able to preach twice to Yemeri Grove Christian Church, which is the church located on the campus of Belize Bible College. We are still meeting in a tent due to COVID restrictions.

Your prayers are critical to this ministry. Please begin to add our visa process to your prayer list.

We are grateful for your partnership in the mission to Belize. Your Missionaries, Paul and Sherry Sudolcan



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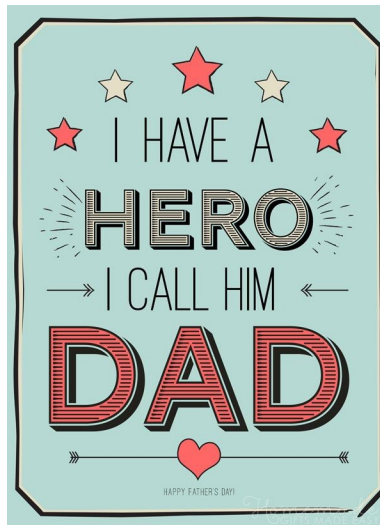
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Condolences go out to the family of Charles Schumacher, stepfather to Jason Sellers, who passed away April 23, 2021;

Deepest sympathy is extended to the family of Shirley Smith, mom to Dee Smith, who passed away April 25, 2021;

Also, condolences are extended to the Mike Whatley family on the loss of their granddaughter, Ashley, who passed away May 17, 2021.

with deepest
SYMPATHY



Father's Day is June 20, 2021

Dear Church Family,

Dee and I wish to extend our gratitude for all the prayers, cards, and kind words you expressed during the illness and passing of our mother, Shirley Smith. During times like these we realize how special and important it is to be part of a church family. I don't know how other people navigate loss without brothers and sisters in Christ by their side. You helped us during a sad time, so thank you from the bottom of our hearts. The good news is she was a Christian so she is waiting for us in Heaven.

With our love in Christ,

Dee and Penny Smith

BUILDING

HIStory

Original Loan Amount:
\$ 525,000.00

May Loan Payment:
\$ 5,000.00

Current Loan Balance:
\$ 92,797.57

"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."

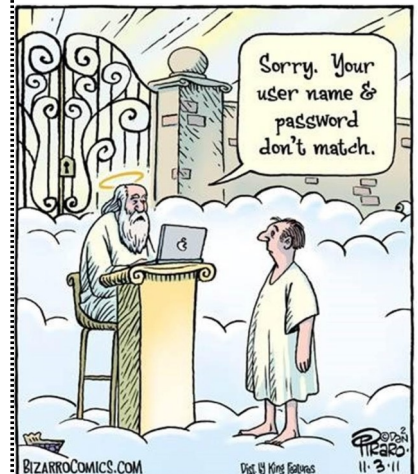
Exodus 35:5a (NKJV)

Floresville Food Pantry's Suggested Donations for the summer months

Macaroni & Cheese	Vienna Sausage	Pop Tarts
Cereal/Granola Bars	Lunchables	Peanut Butter/Jelly
Canned Chili	Hot Dogs	Canned Ravioli



The Floresville Food Pantry is partnering with *Daily Bread* ministry of San Antonio to provide food to the needy of Floresville. The Pantry is now open on Thursdays only. Clients need to arrive at 8am to sign in and wait for food distribution. A devotional time will be at 9am. Clients are asked to bring their own bags. The Pantry is located on the corner of 4th and A Street and the phone number is 830-321-1151. Volunteers and donations are always appreciated.



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GIVING**
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Online giving is an easy, convenient, and secure alternative to writing a check. Go to the church's web page, www.fbcf.org, or scan the QR code with your smart phone.

BUDGET-AT-A-GLANCE	Actual Giving Receipts	Required to Meet Budget
April 2021	\$ 57,966.40	\$ 59,329.67
YTD thru April	\$ 214,121.22	\$ 237,318.68