



It has been a distinct privilege and pleasure for me to serve as your interim pastor for the last year. We rejoice in the vote to call Greg Breedlove as our new pastor. My prayer is that you give Greg and his family the same kind of support you have given me.

How can you do that, you ask? Pray, attend, and volunteer. We should lift our pastor before the throne of grace daily. This is as new for him as it is for us. Pray for divine guidance and leadership as he comes from a rural church to a “downtown” church. Attend church every

Sunday. There is no greater encouragement for a pastor than an enthusiastic congregation. Finally, volunteer. We desperately need workers in the children’s and youth ministries. We cannot just throw money at a ministry and expect it to succeed. Be willing to take responsibility and volunteer.

Again, thank you for blessing me over this last year. You know that I love you!

*Jim Bush*

“My how time flies,” goes the old saying! It seems like yesterday I started serving this great church as one of your Interim Co-Pastors. This has been a wonderful blessing to Pam and me, which I will cherish for years to come. Your support, kind words, expressions of love, and prayers have enabled me to faithfully serve you these past 10 months. Jim Bush, our other Interim Co-Pastor, has been a source of strength and a prayer warrior with me during this time. He has become a dear and trusted friend. I appreciate so much the support of our church staff and our Ministry Assistants, who helped me during this time. I look forward to our worship and service together for many more years as we continue to build the kingdom of God. The COVID pandemic was a challenging time, but God was faithful, and our people continued to work together so that we were able to withstand the effects of the virus and the fiery trials of Satan. Truly, we stood strong and persevered.

Thank you for loving our church family and your tireless faithfulness.

God Bless,  
*Mike O’Donnell*



**First Fellowship**

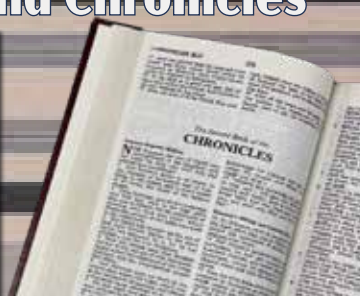
**Sunday, August 1**

Come by for coffee, donuts and an opportunity to fellowship with each other before Bible Study!

**Wednesday Night Bible Study**  
**Problem Solving in Second Chronicles**

This study, led by Jim Bush, takes a look at the people of the time, the problems they had which were similar to problems we have today, and the steps they took to solve them.

Prayer time begins at 5:45 followed by the Bible Study at 6. Come early and bring your dinner to eat while you fellowship around the table.



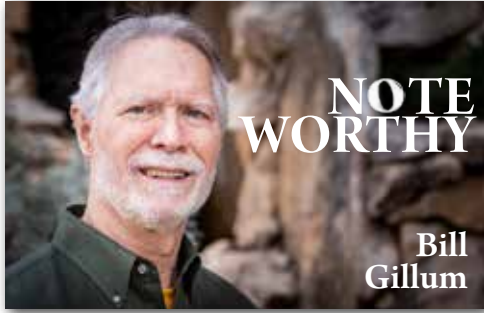
**Sunday School Directors & Teachers Meeting**

**Tuesday, August 10, 5:15 pm, Fellowship Hall**

We will discuss plans for a “Back to Sunday School” and High Attendance Day on September 12.

All directors and teachers are encouraged to attend.





July has been a great month at FBC San Angelo! We have had wonderful services and seen God move among us in extraordinary ways. The best of them all for me is the calling of Greg Breedlove as our new pastor. I have been so impressed with this remarkable man and his family. They just make everyone have a way of feeling special and important to them. Greg is so very comfortable to visit with and always seems to be genuinely interested in what you have to say. I look forward to working to make his move into this pastorate as smooth as possible for him. Pray for him and his family as they prepare to move to San Angelo, make new friends, start new schools, and begin new activities. Pray for their church in Meadow as they begin their process of finding a new shepherd.

I look forward to great days in this place of service.

What a fabulous job our adult choir did during the God and Country service earlier in July! After so many months of being unable to sing, I was concerned with who would show up and how good we would sound singing together. I should have had more faith! They were awesome! With absolutely no rehearsal, they sang powerfully and balanced perfectly. I could not have been more pleased. Thanks to everyone who showed up and helped us celebrate!

We are now ready to begin back regular Wednesday rehearsals and singing each week as a part of our worship. Please mark your calendars for Wednesday, August 18, at 6:45pm in the choir room. It has been such a long wait, and I am excited to get back together again. We invite folks who might like to try us out to come and join with us for these rehearsals. We have such a great time of singing and fellowship! I look forward to seeing you there and getting back into the swing of things.

To God be the Glory!



During the week of July 12-16, Melodie and I took 6 girls to Camp Chaparral near Wichita Falls. We had a full week of worship, great preaching, fun activities, and bonding time.

The camp theme was *Promise*, and we explored different promises/covenants God made to His people in the Old Testament. We learned that God never breaks His promises to us. Even when we don't think God is listening to us or we can't feel his presence, he is still working! God is always faithful, and he proves throughout scripture that He keeps His promises.



Last week a group of 14 children and 4 adults went to Kids Camp at Camp Chaparral. The week was full of fun activities and learning. Every morning we had breakfast together, followed by quiet time. For some of these children having a devotional time each day was a new thing. We had a morning and evening service followed by church group time. After every service, we were able to have quality time while discussing what we learned. The theme for the week was God's Promises. God is the only one who keeps all His promises. Every promise God gives us is God's love in action. His promises give us hope and peace, let us know we are loved and show us His presence in our lives.

We also enjoyed Recreation time, where each game helped the kids work together as a team. We spent the afternoons going to the lake, ziplining, swimming in the pool, playing laser tag, and making crafts. Everyone enjoyed the week, but it is so nice to be back home. I am pleased to share that two children made the decision to follow Jesus and a few shared that they wanted to commit more time to reading the Bible and praying.

A special thank you to Erin McCleer, Ivan Medina, and Daniel Penland for taking this week to love on children and share Jesus with them. I am thankful for the love and support from the children's parents and our church family. Thank you for sharing your kids with me and allowing us to grow closer to God and each other.



Laser tag was a hit and so were the water activities.



Some of our kids were literally climbing the walls!






First night SPIRIT STICK winners!





# AUGUST 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 First Fellowship 8:30AM, Atrium	2 Missions & Evangelism Committee 5:15PM, C208	3 Youth/Crossovers Trip 	4	5	6	7
8	9 Properties Committee 5:30PM, C208	10 SS Directors & Teachers Meeting 5:15PM, FH	11 Staff serves @ Neighbors Cafe Youth & Crossovers Lake Day, 4:30pm, LC	12	13	14
15	16  6PM, FP	17 Finance Committee 5:15PM, C208	18 SAISD School begins	19  Noon-4PM, FP	20	21 Family Lake Day 4:00pm, LC
22	23 Personnel Committee 5:30PM, C208	24	25 Homebound Luncheon 11:45AM, CLC Deacon Council 5:15PM, C203	26	27	28 Women of Heart 8:30AM, Harris Ave Baptist Church
29	30	31	<b>A LOOK AHEAD TO SEPTEMBER</b> <b>"High Attendance Sunday"</b> <b>and all-church fellowship</b> <b>More details coming soon!</b>			
<b>Building/Room Abbreviations</b>						
BRC - Baptist Retirement Community		CLC - Christian Life Center FH - Fellowship Hall		FP - First Place HR - Hospitality Room		Sanc - Sanctuary LC - Lake Cabin

## Connect with Us!

Our goal is to communicate with you regularly. Please keep an eye on our various communication resources. If you have not yet subscribed to at least one of these, the information follows:

- Website and Email: sign up: [www.firstsanangelo.org](http://www.firstsanangelo.org). Scroll to the bottom "Stay in Touch" to sign up for our emails
- Text: send the message @fbcsa to 81010
- Facebook: [www.facebook.com/FirstBaptistSanAngelo](http://www.facebook.com/FirstBaptistSanAngelo)
- YouTube: [www.youtube.com/c/FirstBaptistSanAngelo](http://www.youtube.com/c/FirstBaptistSanAngelo) (Adult Sunday School lessons are uploaded here!)

We will use these resources to communicate schedule changes, specific needs and other information as applicable.




# REACH YOUTH LAKE DAY

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11**  
**4:30 - 7:00 PM @THE FBC LAKE CABIN**  
**2018 WILLOW DRIVE**  
**(ON KNICKERBOCKER JUST PAST BEATY DRIVE)**

BRING YOUR FRIENDS FOR A FUN AFTERNOON AT THE LAKE...  
**DINNER WILL BE PROVIDED!**



# Fun & Fellowship

*hosted by the Young at Heart Ministry*

**Monday, August 16**  
**6:00 p.m. in First Place**

Brisket will be provided; please bring sides or desserts to share. Invite a friend, and join your church family for good fun, food & fellowship.

# FBC MISSION MOMENTS

*In our neighborhoods, in San Angelo, and around the world*

## River Mission Supplies

During the pastor search process, Greg mentioned to the committee that FBC Meadow was collecting supplies to help the Val Verde Border Humanitarian Coalition as they deal with the immigrant crisis in Del Rio. In addition, some of the supplies would be sent to an orphanage in Mexico. The PSC saw an opportunity to take part in a short-term mission effort and asked what FBC could do to help. Greg gave a list of items needed and Murf Dufresne spoke to Louise Jones, chair of the Missions/ Evangelism Committee, who gave her the go-ahead. The word went out and you gave generously. On July 27, a group from Meadow came to pick up the items and headed out for Del Rio.

Thank you to all who contributed to this ministry.



Supplies collected by FBC San Angelo and a Sam's shopping trip in Lubbock



Filling the trailer

**CHILDREN, YOUTH &  
YOUNG FAMILIES**



**SATURDAY, AUGUST 21  
4:00 - 7:00PM  
FBC LAKE CABIN  
2018 WILLOW DRIVE**

## **Family, Food & Fun**

**Dinner will be provided, so bring your family and join the fun! Wear your swimsuit or clothes that you can get wet/dirty because we have some fun water activities planned.**

**Parents, we encourage you to stay with your children and enjoy fellowship with other families.**



## **HOMEBOUND MINISTRY CELEBRATES THIRTY-ONE YEARS**

The Homebound Ministry Team was unable to gather last year to celebrate their 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary, so they made it a 31-year celebration at their meeting on May 26.

Glendene Elliott, our Minister of Education in 1990, saw the need for an organized plan to visit members who were unable to attend services. She recruited Barbara Rowland, and together they enlisted about a dozen people to be visitors. Next, they combed the church roll to locate persons to visit and requested permission to place them on the homebound roll. The first group of homebound visitors met in May 1990.

For the past thirty-one years, the group has met monthly for lunch and reports on visits, except last year when the meetings were sporadic due to the pandemic. Barbara Rowland continues her leadership, Becky Powers keeps records and e-mails updates and reminders for

meetings, and, each month, three team members volunteer to provide the meal. Visitors see their homebound friends at least once a month.

If you are interested in being a part of the Homebound Ministry, please contact Barbara at 949-6492.



**After an extended break, it's time to get the worship choir back together! We will resume our weekly rehearsals at 6:45PM on Wednesday, August 18.**

**Our goal will be to begin singing in worship right after Labor Day.**

**If you are interested in joining, contact Bill at 325.655.4101.**

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# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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## OUR MINISTRY TEAM

Jim Bush & Mike O'Donnell, Interim Pastors  
Bill Gillum, Minister of Music

Melodie Penland, Children's Director  
Erin McCleer, Family Life Director

AJ Deardorff  
Director of Broadcast Media

Janet Faulkner  
Pianist

Mac McCarson  
Financial & Senior Adult Director

Brian Thomas  
Broadcasting & Media Sound Tech

Becky Powers  
Pastor's MA/Communications Director

Joanna Sturgill  
Music Ministry Assistant

Linda Bratcher  
Organist

Martha Bailey  
Office Manager/Ministry Assistant

Roland Williams  
Building Manager

## FBC MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Live at 10:30 am on KCLL 100.1 FM; Rebroadcast at 8 am on FOX West Texas (Cable Channel 10/110)  
and at 10 am on My San Angelo, Cable Channel 141

## From Our New Pastor

I'd like to share one of the many little confirmations my family received from God about His plans for us to come to San Angelo. Early last week we arrived in San Angelo looking forward to meeting the church staff the next day and touring the facility. We found a local eatery that had lots of great online reviews! After we were seated at the restaurant it became apparent that the folks eating next to us frequented the restaurant often. They noticed one of our kids trying to hold chopsticks and leaned over to offer a little advice. When we were ordering our food, they offered some tips on which foods would be good, wanting us to have a great experience. As the meal came to an end our small talk led to me sharing why we were in San Angelo as a candidate for pastor at FBC. The husband and wife stood up to leave and asked if they could pray for us right then. For the next few moments, this man poured his heart out to God praying for our family! It was awesome!

I can't remember ever having a stranger offer to pray for me and my family like that at a restaurant before. It was a very moving experience and one that I believe was not mere coincidence, but rather just another little confirmation that God was indeed leading us on this new journey.

It was great to meet so many people over the weekend and I'm really looking forward to our first Sunday which is scheduled to be August 15.



With a 98.4% affirmative vote on Sunday, July 25, First Baptist Church called Greg Breedlove to serve as our pastor. Welcome to FBC, Greg, Amy, Christopher, Ellie, Jackson and Katie!

Have a great week!  
*Pastor Greg*

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

### SUNDAY

- 8:30 a.m. Fellowship Time (Coffee in the atrium)
- 9:00 a.m. Bible Study for all ages
- 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship Service

### WEDNESDAY

- 5:00 p.m. Mid-Week Bible Study & Prayer Time, Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 p.m. Worship Choir Rehearsal

See page 5 for the calendar of meetings and other events.

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## A New Beginning

July 25 was an exciting day at FBC as we called Greg Breedlove to serve as our pastor. God has abundantly blessed us, and there's more to come. Greg is anxious to begin God's ministry with us in San Angelo. They plan to be here permanently and ready to serve on Sunday, August 15, and the kids will begin school on August 18.

We are equally blessed to have had Jim Bush and Mike O'Donnell serve as our Interim Pastors, and we are grateful they have agreed to continue through the transition. The schedule for the next three weeks, pending any unforeseen events, will be:

- August 1 First Fellowship; Jim Bush will preach.
- August 8 Mike O'Donnell will preach.
- August 15 Morning service - Pastor Greg will lead in worship and preach.

The Wednesday Evening Bible Study will continue to be led by Jim and Mike to give Greg time to get to know our congregation.

Thank you for continuing to faithfully pray for the Breedlove family, our staff and congregation, and the transition time to come.