



## From the Pastor

My first month here in San Angelo has been awesome! It's been filled with all sorts of new adventures in a new place for our family to call home. My family has been welcomed well, and the hospitality we have received here at church has been amazing!

I believe there are great things in store for FBC San Angelo. There seems to be some excitement in the air! Over the past month, we've welcomed four new members as well as had a baptism. We've had lots of discussions about what we can do to reach our community. These are all good things, yet I'm reminded that it can be easy to lose sight of what really matters in times like these. What really matters is that it is God who is at work here and not just a result of our efforts.

Let's all remember that God can accomplish more in a moment than we can in a lifetime. All our efforts will ultimately fall short if God isn't the one leading and empowering those efforts. Now is the time for us to pray for our church, pray for our community, and let God lead the way.

Would you commit to pray with me through this new season of ministry together at FBC San Angelo? Let's pray that God would equip and empower us for this great work that lies ahead!

I'm grateful and humbled to serve as your new pastor. I'm also super excited to be here! If we haven't met yet, don't hesitate to come by during the week and visit.

Y'all have a great week!

*Pastor Greg*



**Sunday, September 5  
in the atrium**

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

## Interim Appreciation Day to be Rescheduled

Due to illness in the Bush family, the Interim Appreciation Day schedule for September 5 has been postponed until a later date.

If you already have cards for Jim and Mike and would like to drop them off at the church, we would be happy to hang on to them until the event can be rescheduled.



## SEPTEMBER 12 BACK TO CHURCH FELLOWSHIP LUNCH & GIFT CARD SHOWER POSTPONED

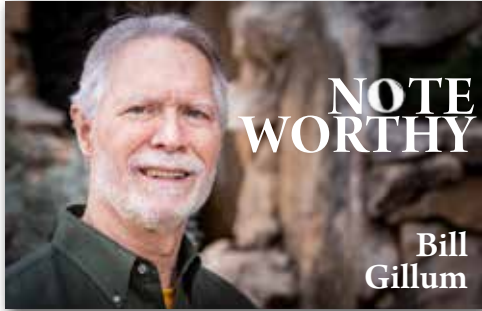
Due to continuing high and increasing numbers of Covid hospitalizations in San Angelo, the rescheduled lunch will be in October, and possibly outside when the weather will be cooler. If you already purchased a meal ticket, it will be good for the new date or you may request a refund.

We will still have Back to Church Sunday School and Worship on September 12 and encourage you to attend and invite a friend as Pastor Greg will be preaching a message of hope for all people that day!

Thank you for being patient and flexible during the current spike.

# FREE 8<sup>TH</sup>

Due to the current Covid situation, we have decided to postpone the start of Free 8<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help. We will let you know what plans are made moving forward.



What a great beginning to our late summer/fall season!! I am so excited to have Greg, Amy, and their entire family (animals included) here at FBC! He has been such a joy to get to know, and man, oh man, does he have some great insight and vision into where the Father wants to lead our church in the coming days. I am honored to be able to serve here along beside him. I hope you will give him a bit of time to settle into his new home, office, and schedule. Let's allow him to find a new rhythm to life before we bombard him too much with our ideas. Remember that he is the under-shepherd, and we are the sheep that he is called to lead!

On top of that, what a great start (or should I say restart) to our worship choir! We had 25+ at our first rehearsal this past week, and I can count off the top of my head at least 5 to 6 regular singers that were unable to be there!! I was totally blown away by the faithfulness and

excitement of our singers to get right to work. We have begun relearning and working on several anthems to be sung in the coming weeks. In addition to that, we have started Christmas preparations. I am so excited to get back in the swing of worship activities. There is still a place for you. You are always welcome to give us a try!

We live in a troubled and uncertain time today. There is much fear, anger and hopelessness in the news we hear and amongst our leaders. Let's never forget that God is in control. He is never caught unawares and all things, yes, all things He is working to bring about His Kingdom on this earth. To Him be the glory forever and ever!! As always, I look forward to worshipping with you in these next days.

### VBS Mission Offering

In Vacation Bible School each summer, our children bring in money to help support a missions offering. This year, the offering was "Pennies for Peru," which raised about \$450. This money was used to purchase new shoes for 22 children.

What a blessing to see the outcome of the generosity and love our children have for those in other countries.



**Preschool, Children & Youth Mid-Week Schedule**  
**Wednesdays, 5:00 - 6:30PM**  
**Christian Life Center (CLC)**

Dinner, worship and Bible Study for children age 4 - 5th grade and youth grades 6-12. Nursery care is provided for those whose parents are attending the adult Bible Study.

For more information regarding these activities, please contact Erin McCleer, Interim Family Life Director; Melodie Penland, Children's Director; or call the church office at 655-4101.



Back to school is officially here, which means summer has come to an end. As I reflect on summer, I can't help but smile and thank the Lord for all He did. We saw the Lord show up through VBS, a youth camp, and even kids' camp. I am sad for summer to end but excited to see how the Lord will work in our student's lives this school year.

August was filled with many activities. At the beginning of the month, Melodie and I took a group of youth to Six Flags and ended up at Aquatica SeaWorld along the way. We shared many laughs and new experiences as a group. I love seeing how close our students have become with one another. Following our San Antonio trip, we had a youth lake day and our big family lake day. Family lake day was an excellent time for families to connect and enjoy the lake together. We had great food and even sweeter fellowship. I am excited about future family events.

Stay tuned for our fall schedule by following the Reach Facebook page and Instagram page.

I truly cannot believe that the summer has come and gone so quickly! This summer at FBC was packed with fun activities for children, youth, and families. On August 25, we started Wednesday nights back for children and youth. We have not been able to meet since Covid started. We were all excited to finally meet back up and have fun all together. We started the semester with NERF and Nacho. Erin and I set up the gym with barriers to hide behind, fog machines, and LED lights. NERF wars at FBC have become a group favorite, and we enjoy doing them a few times a year. We divided the kids into two teams and played a variety of games.

Starting on September 1, the children will continue to meet in the CLC on Wednesdays. We begin with dinner together followed by Bible study and hands on activities. We will focus on the Old Testament while following "Wise" from Grow curriculum. Week one, we will learn about Solomon asking God for wisdom. In the second week, we will learn about the Ark of the Covenant being brought into the temple. In the third week, we will learn how Solomon asked God for the right words to make a wise ruling. During the final week, the lesson will be about Nehemiah asking to rebuild the Jerusalem walls. This month we will first determine **wisdom comes from God**, and that being wise also has a lot to do with **saying the right words and asking the right questions...** all of which we can ask of God, who will give them to us because **God can be trusted.**



## NERF Night Fun!



**FBC**  
**Kids Day**  
**Sunday,**  
**September 26**

Parents, bring your children, birth through 5<sup>th</sup> grade, over to the Christian Life Center after church and leave them with us until 2:00 PM! We'll feed them lunch and have games and gym time while you have time to enjoy lunch with friends.

Registration is required and the form will be coming soon.



**BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT**

**September 1**  
No FBC Birthdays

**September 2**  
Ariana Cortez  
Graeme Day  
Linda Hale  
Wills Register

**September 3**  
Lane Currie  
Sue Wallace

**September 4**  
No FBC Birthdays

**September 5**  
Mary Alice Box  
Nick Eatmon  
Doris Williams

**September 6**  
Matthew Brodnax  
Pattie Griffin

**September 7**  
Larry Skillingberg

**September 8**  
Bobbie Neiter  
Taylor Norman  
Loren Pepper  
Donnie Smith

**September 9**  
Glenda Bowman  
Matthew Haralson

**September 10**  
Melissa Shott

**September 11**  
Pat Phillip  
Stacy Pickles  
Patsy Rogers

**September 12**  
Wilma Aly  
Jo Anne Eisenbach  
Skylar Seals  
Brooke Terrill

**September 13**  
Julian Martinez

**September 14**  
Janel Howard  
McAllan West

**September 15**  
No FBC Birthdays

**September 16**  
Alexis Bakurza

**September 17**  
Sherman Clark  
J.R. Little  
Jacob Moran

**September 18**  
No FBC Birthdays

**September 19**  
No FBC Birthdays

**September 20**  
Pauline Grubbs  
Melodie Penland

**September 21**  
Diane Peacock

**September 22**  
Kelvin Truelove

**September 23**  
No FBC Birthdays

**September 24**  
Alexis Herrera  
Peggy Jordan

**September 25**  
Amber Flores  
Benjamin Hunt  
Vicki Gray  
Vonnie Sharp

**September 26**  
Dee Fritz  
Ann Hirschfelt  
Greer Willis

**September 27**  
Janice Ferrell

**September 28**  
Rebecca Bolander  
Carol Ann Bonds  
Dede Rutherford

**September 29**  
No FBC Birthdays

**September 30**  
Joe Castillo  
Sharon Hollis  
Ricky Menchaca  
Ava Mills

**August 1**  
FBC Sunday School  
Enrollment 640  
Attendance 180  
Baptist Retirement Center  
High Rise Class  
**GRAND TOTAL 180**

**August 8**  
FBC Sunday School  
Enrollment 642  
Attendance 171  
Baptist Retirement Center  
High Rise Class  
**GRAND TOTAL 171**

**August 15**  
FBC Sunday School  
Enrollment 642  
Attendance 147  
Baptist Retirement Center  
High Rise Class  
**GRAND TOTAL 147**

**August 22**  
FBC Sunday School  
Enrollment 649  
Attendance 179  
Baptist Retirement Center  
High Rise Class  
**GRAND TOTAL 179**

**August 29**  
FBC Sunday School  
Enrollment 648  
Attendance 170  
Baptist Retirement Center  
High Rise Class  
**GRAND TOTAL 170**

**Deborah Smith**  
Deborah joined FBC on Sunday, August 1 by statement.

**Lizzie Nikolauk**  
Lizzie made a profession of faith on Sunday, August 8 and joined FBC by baptism on Sunday, August 15.

**FBC WELCOMES**  
*Our New Members*

**The Breedlove Family**  
Greg, Amy, Christopher and Ellie joined FBC on Sunday, August 22 by letter from FBC Meadow.

**Terry & Jan Jeffries**  
Terry & Jan joined FBC on Sunday, August 29 by letter from FBC Lakeside in Ft. Worth.



**Terry & Jan Sims**  
Terry & Jan joined FBC on Sunday, August 29 by letter from College Baptist Church in Big Spring.

**CONGRATULATIONS**  
*We share our joy with...*

**Ruth & Charlie Millspaugh** in the birth of their great-grandson, Jace David Ussery, on August 19.

**MAILING ADDRESS**  
Please direct all church mail to:  
PO Box 2138  
San Angelo, TX 76902

# SEPTEMBER 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5 First Fellowship 8:30AM, Atrium	6  Church Office closed	7 Missions & Evangelism Committee 5:15PM, C208 Personnel Committee 5:30PM, C203	8	9	10	11
12 Back to Church Sunday!  Crossovers, 7PM McCleer home	13 Properties Committee 5:30PM, C208	14	15 Staff serves @ Neighbors Cafe	16	17	18
19	20  6PM, FP	21 WMU 10:30AM, Main St Café @ BRC  Finance Committee 5:15PM, C208	22 Deacon Council 5:15PM, C203	23	24	25
26	27 Personnel Committee 5:30PM, C208	28 Finance Committee 5:15PM, C208	29 Homebound Luncheon 11:45AM, CLC	30		

## Building/Room Abbreviations

BRC - Baptist Retirement  
Community

CLC - Christian Life Center  
FH - Fellowship Hall

FP - First Place  
HR - Hospitality Room

Sanc - Sanctuary  
LC - Lake Cabin

## STEWARDSHIP REPORT

### As of August 29, 2021

August Budget Needs	\$132,786.43
August Budget Gifts	\$99,746.75
YTD Budget Needs	\$929,505.10
YTD Tithes & Offerings	\$840,428.97
2021 Budget	\$1,380,978.79

## WITH SYMPATHY

*We express our deepest sympathy to  
those who lost loved ones:*

**Jimmy and Debbie Conn** in the death of  
her cousin, Lisa Packard.

**Ramon and Cristina Martinez and family**  
in the death of her mother, Francisca  
Sauceda.

**Craig & Melodi Terrill** and family in the death of his mother, Dela Terrill.

**Bob & Barbara Rowland** in the death of her sister-in-law, Dela Terrill.

**Roy & Jo Anne Eisenbach** in the death of his cousin, Debbie.

**Pat Phillip** in the death of her brother, Jerry Tounget.

**Tennis Phillip** in the death of his uncle, Jerry Tounget.

Family and friends of **Lois Dunlap**.

## Threads of Blessing

The Missions and Evangelism Committee shines a spotlight this month on Threads of Blessing, the ministry of FBC quilters who make and donate quilts and blankets.

Threads of Blessing is actively engaged in providing warmth and comfort to members of First Baptist Church and the community. They spent two years creating the Quilts of Valor for church members who are military veterans. Every month they make and donate four baby quilts to the Pregnancy Help Center, with labels which read, "This is given in love by FBC San Angelo. Jesus loves you." In August, they delivered 40 fleece blankets to the pre-K teachers at Bradford Elementary School for the children to use during their nap time and then take home with them at the end of the school year.

They are beginning their next project, 18 quilts for extra-long beds for Bishop Street Ranch, a residential ministry for men re-entering society after incarceration.

They meet once a month to coordinate their projects and gather their fabrics and supplies from their supply room at First Place. They cut and piece their quilt tops at home and then use the long-arm quilter at the Tom Green County Library to stitch pieced tops, batting, and backing together.

Threads of Blessing exists because these quilters take joy in using their gifts to serve others. They use donated fabrics, or they buy their own. Sometimes they accept reimbursement for fabrics and specialty items like quilt backing and batting from an account set up in the church. They are generous with their time and resources, and each quilt is an expression of love and caring.

"We love what we do," Judy Smith says. "We can financially do it, and people call us ... and we do what we do."

Faithful attenders of Threads of Blessing are Judy Auten, Carolee Campbell, Ferrell Dillard, Martha Dufresne, Linda Hale, Helen Hewell, Sue Mansfield, Sandra Nichols, Diane Peacock, Judy Smith, and Denise Weimar.

The Missions and Evangelism Committee thanks each of the quilters for "doing what they do." In the next few months, we will be telling you about other amazing groups and individuals in our church who have seen or heard about needs in the community and have brought their abilities, time, and resources to help however they can.



Making fleece blankets for Bradford Elementary



Quilts for the Pregnancy Help Center



Bishop Street Ranch Quilts

*"For I was hungry, and you gave me food, I was thirsty, and you gave me drink, I was a stranger, and you welcomed me, I was naked, and you clothed me, I was sick, and you visited me, I was in prison, and you came to me."*

*Then the righteous will answer him, saying, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?"*

*And the King will answer them, "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me." (Matthew 25:35-40)*

## Fun & Fellowship

hosted by the  
Young at Heart Ministry

**Monday, September 20**

**6:00 p.m. in First Place**

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

## Scholarship News

The following members received scholarships for the 2021-2022 school year:

**Zack Deardorff**

Howard College

**Matthew Haralson**

Angelo State University

**Ivan Medina**

Hardin Simmons University

**Loren Pepper**

Texas State University

**Hunter Schmidt**

Angelo State University



## FBC Shoebox Dedication

**Sunday, November 14**

More than 80,000 churches across the United States are involved in packing gifts for OCC. There are just as many churches worldwide handing them out. We rejoice to hear how God is using shoebox gifts around the world to grow congregations, strengthen evangelistic outreach and even plant new churches.

The pre-printed plastic shoeboxes have been ordered and will soon be available in Sunday School departments. Start your packing list today!

## Mary Hill Davis

*Week of Prayer for Texas Missions*

*September 12-19, 2020*

Woman's Missionary Union's main focus has always been and still continues to be disciples who make disciples. Mary Hill Davis provided the model. As president of WMU of Texas, Mary created organizations to teach women about mission work which led to the organization of Royal Ambassadors in 1908 and Girl's Auxiliary in 1913. These organizations continue to disciple young boys and girls through missions stories and Bible stories. Children hear about missionaries all over the world and learn to be missionaries in their own community.

Mary realized the mission field had many challenges. She saw the opportunity to alleviate some of those challenges by encouraging churches to pray and give. By helping provide financial stability for missionaries on the field, she was supporting the work of missions worldwide. She also encouraged support for pastors and retired pastors both spiritually and financially by praying for them and giving to them.

Mary saw the need to support both missions internationally and in her own state. Because of her commitment, the state missions offering became her namesake in 1935. Today, her legacy continues as the Mary Hill Davis Offering® for Texas Missions supports 80 programs and ministries across the state.

September 12-19 has been designated as the Week of Prayer for Texas Missions. The Prayer Guide will be posted on our website and each day's prayer will also be shared on our Facebook page.



## ANY & ALL LAKE DAY

The Any & All Department spent the day at Lake Buchanan on August 28, hosted by their teacher, Mike Nikolauk and his family. Swimming, hot dogs and a great time of fellowship and relaxation were enjoyed by all who attended.

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## OUR MINISTRY TEAM

Greg Breedlove, Pastor  
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



Crossovers is a class specifically for young adults who are in the "next level" of their lives. It may be college, work, military or somewhere in between.

Beginning Sunday, September 12, we will meet for Bible Study, fellowship and snacks from 5:00 - 6:30 at the home of Andy & Jeannie McCleer.

Knowing how busy you all are during this

stage of your lives, we will also plan some "hang-out" times during the week as your schedules allow.

We want all young adults to feel welcome to join us as we seek to build a community to serve God and others in our everyday lives.

For more information, contact Erin at [mcleer@fbcsanangelotx.org](mailto:mcleer@fbcsanangelotx.org) or 325-655-4101.

## 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. Kingdom Kids,  
Christian Life Center  
5:00 p.m. REACH Youth Worship & Bible  
Study, Christian Life Center  
5:30 p.m. Worship Team Rehearsal  
5:45 p.m. Mid-Week Bible Study &  
Prayer Time, Fellowship Hall  
6:45 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

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

## 300 in Sunday School!

September 12, 2021

Sunday, September 12 is Back to Church Sunday! The saying, "Better Together," really does express how important all of us as members are to each other.

Our goal in Sunday School that day is 300! Over the next two weeks, our department directors and teachers will be contacting members to attend that Sunday.

The day begins at 9:00 am with Sunday School, followed by our morning worship. Let me encourage you to plan now to attend this "Better Together: Back to Church Sunday!"

Mike O'Donnell



## 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.