

# FBC life

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Greg  
Breedlove

Pastor

Every once in a while, I walk into my favorite grocery store looking for the same items I always buy only to discover the entire place has been rearranged. What used to be a quick trip suddenly becomes frustrating. I have to relearn the layout and search for things that used to be easy to find. I do not know anyone who enjoys that.

So why do they do it?

The answer is simple. It helps them accomplish their mission. When the store rearranges the shelves, customers slow down and look around. We notice items we might have missed before and often buy more than we planned. The store's primary concern is not my comfort or convenience. It is selling groceries. If they do not sell groceries, they will not stay in business.

There is a clear lesson for us as a church.

Churches naturally develop routines and preferences. We grow comfortable with schedules, programs, and familiar ways of doing things. When something changes, it can feel unnecessary or even disruptive. But we have to remember our mission.

Our primary concern is not comfort. It is not protecting traditions for tradition's sake. Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ. That calling defines why we exist. If we are not helping people come to faith in Christ and grow in Him, then no matter how comfortable we are, we are missing the point.

Sometimes change helps us refocus on that mission. It helps us see people we may have overlooked and creates new opportunities for growth and connection. Comfort is not our calling. Faithfulness is. So as we move forward together, I want to encourage you to keep our mission at the center. Measure every adjustment by this question: Does this help us make disciples?

And be prepared for changes, because they are coming. Not for the sake of change itself, but for the sake of the gospel and the mission Christ has given us.

In Christ,  
Pastor Greg

*An Hour of Prayer*  
Beginning, Sunday, March 8 \ 6:00 PM \ Chapel

# FBC YOUTH



This past month has truly been a whirlwind of activity. We began with Impact Weekend at the end of January and are wrapping up February with the There{4} Conference for our high school girls. In between, Josh Powell and I stopped by Central High School with some Raising Cane's chicken fingers to bless students and connect with a few of ours during the school day. It was a simple gesture, but a meaningful way to be present and supportive.

On Sundays, we've continued tracing the thread of the Gospel throughout both the Old and New Testaments. It has been such a blessing to see how the Lord remains the same yesterday, today, and forever. We've watched Him establish His covenant with Abraham and keep His promise—even when Abraham and Sarah tried to take matters into their own hands with Hagar. We saw God faithfully provide a substitute sacrifice in place of Isaac, and we followed God's promise to Abraham as it continued through Jacob. In each of these stories, we've been able to clearly see how God was foreshadowing the coming of Jesus and His sacrifice on the cross for our sins.

On Wednesday nights, we've begun walking chapter by chapter through books of the Bible. This month, we started Galatians and have been learning that the Gospel does not require us to earn God's favor—salvation comes through faith alone. Because of that, we have true freedom: freedom from sin and death. But that freedom isn't a license to do whatever we want. It's a freedom meant to glorify and honor God with our lives.

Please continue to pray Psalm 78: 6-8 with me, that our youth will know who God is, that their confidence and hope will be placed in the Lord and that they will have hearts that are faithful and loyal to the Lord.

## FBC Youth Coffee Bar Fundraiser

Sundays | 9:00 – 9:30am & 10:00–10:30am | Atrium



- Drip Coffee – Free
- Aero Press – Donation
- French Press – Donation

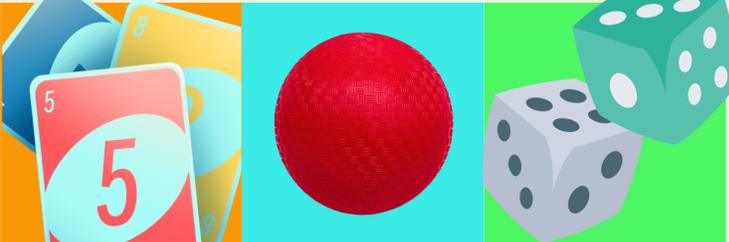
Help us support our  
FBC Youth  
Missions & Camp!



## SPRING BREAK KICKOFF

MARCH 13  
7:00PM  
CLC

## SAVE THE DATE



# FBC KIDS

This month in FBC Kids, we followed the life of Elijah and discovered powerful truths about who God is. Through drought, fire, fear, whispers, and even a chariot of fire, the kids saw that God is not distant. He is present, powerful, and personal.

**Week 1: God Provides During the Drought (1 Kings 17:2–16)**

**Big Idea:** God helps me find what I need.

We began in the middle of a drought, when food and water were scarce. The kids were surprised that God used ravens and a poor widow to provide for Elijah. We did a simple object activity showing how the widow's flour and oil never ran out, and one child said, "God can make something out of almost nothing!" They learned that even when resources feel small, God is never limited. He sees our needs and provides in His way and in His time.



**Week 2: Elijah and the Prophets of Baal (1 Kings 18:16–39)**

**Big Idea:** God hears my voice.

This week was full of excitement as we talked about Mount Carmel. The children built small altars from air-dry clay and imagined what it must have felt like to wait for fire from heaven. One child asked, "How did God do that when the altar was all wet?" This question led to a wonderful conversation about how God hears us and how powerful He is.

**Week 3: Elijah Runs Away (1 Kings 19:1–9)**

**Big Idea:** God guides me when I am scared.

After such a huge victory, the kids were surprised that Elijah ran in fear from Queen Jezebel. "Why would he be scared after that?" someone wondered. We talked about how even strong believers can feel afraid. Through a simple listening game in which kids had to follow directions without being able to see clearly, we showed how God guides us step by step, even when we feel overwhelmed. This week became known as God providing a nap and a snack for Elijah, which helped encourage him to go on.

**Week 4: The Gentle Whisper (1 Kings 19:9–18)**

**Big Idea:** God comforts me.

Using playdough to represent the wind, earthquake, and fire, the kids experienced the dramatic scene on the mountain. But they leaned in when they heard that God spoke in a gentle whisper. I played sound effects so they could experience the loud sounds. One child quietly said, "Maybe God spoke in a whisper, so Elijah had to pay attention."

**Week 5: The Chariot of Fire (2 Kings 2:1–14)**

**Big Idea:** God is always with me.

We ended with the incredible story of Elijah being taken to heaven in a whirlwind. The kids loved making their chariots of fire, flames, and all. But what stood out most was the reassurance in the room.

As we talked about Elisha continuing the work, one child said, "God never leaves the story." And that's exactly right. God was with Elijah from beginning to end, and He is with us, too.

Throughout the life of Elijah, the children saw a full picture of God's character:

- A Provider in times of need, the One true God who hears prayer, a Guide in times of fear, a Comforter in weakness, and a constant presence who never leaves. Watching them ask thoughtful questions and connect these truths to their own lives is such a joy and privilege.

Thank you for supporting FBC Kids and for praying for the next generation as they learn to trust the God who is faithful in every season.

# FBC LIFE

## BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

**March 1**  
No FBC Birthdays

**March 2**  
Landon Gray  
Maggie Kershner  
Marisol Tobias

**March 3**  
June Hopper  
Marilda Johnson  
Emilee Ponder

**March 4**  
Kendall Green  
Blaine Palmer

**March 5**  
Lois Droegemeier  
Jade Holik  
McKyna Holland

**March 6**  
Maycie Jackson  
Betty Muncy

**March 7**  
Camrion Ferguson  
James Fox  
Alma Valdez

**March 8**  
Chase Little

**March 9**  
No FBC Birthdays

**March 10**  
Helen Hewell

**March 11**  
Tennis Phillip  
Amya White

**March 12**  
Debbie Martinez  
Amanda Stone  
Kenny Wright

**March 13**  
Karen Baucom  
Ava Marburger  
Elizabeth Morgan

**March 14**  
Kassie Chambliss  
Anthony Shank  
Donna Stone

**March 15**  
Andrew Garcia  
Brad Haralson

**March 16**  
Chance Barnett  
Don Dunn

**March 17**  
Barbara Boitnott  
Vanessa Chapa  
April Deardorff  
Brett Nikolauk  
Ford Smith

**March 18**  
Madilyn Martinez  
Maggie Rainey

**March 19**  
Christopher Breedlove  
Keshia Parker

**March 20**  
J.C. Fox  
Jill Lovett  
Chapo Valdez

**March 21**  
Carol Atkins  
Glenda Willis

**March 22**  
Linda Byrd

**March 23**  
Bobbie Grimes

**March 24**  
John Burk  
Brandi West

**March 25**  
Crystal Geaslin  
Zachary Knappe  
Judy Sprayberry

**March 26**  
No FBC Birthdays

**March 27**  
Rick Williams

**March 28**  
Marcella Wade

**March 29**  
No FBC Birthdays

**March 30**  
Lynn Morrison  
Robert Williams

**March 31**  
Linda Bratcher  
Billie Halbert  
Estell Norris

## SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

**February 01**  
FBC Sunday School  
Attendance 161

**February 08**  
FBC Sunday School  
Attendance 181

**February 15**  
FBC Sunday School  
Attendance 179

**February 22**  
FBC Sunday School  
Attendance 162

## STEWARDSHIP REPORT

### As of February 23, 2026

February Budget Needs	\$122,507.15
February Budget Gifts	\$75,678.53
YTD Budget Needs	\$245,014.31
YTD Tithes & Offerings	142,864.81
2026 Budget	\$1,592,593.00

## HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

In February 2026, the Homebound Ministry Team made 47 visits, 53 phone calls, & sent 7 things in the mail! Way to go team!

This ministry team meets at 10:00 am the last Wednesday of each month. For more information, please contact Jim Benson at 325-655-4101.



Terry Jeffries will be available Sunday mornings, March 8-29, to take your family photos.

Prefer to send your own photo?  
You may email a recent family picture to  
[moon@fbcsanangelotx.org](mailto:moon@fbcsanangelotx.org).

All pictures must be received by March 30 to be included in the directory.

## Come to the "Table"



Join us for a hot meal prepared by Pam Granger!  
Wednesdays@ 5:45PM \ \$8.00 for adults.

### March 4:

Patsy's Porcupine Meatballs, Roasted Root Vegetables, Salad, Rolls, & Cookies & Cream

### March 11:

Layered Chicken Cordon Bleu, Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes, Rolls, & Lemon Lush

### March 18:

Spring Break - No Wednesday Activities

### March 25:

Lasagna, Salad, Garlic Bread, & Strawberry Shortcake

# March 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Sunday Prayer Meeting, 10:15am, HR First Steps Class, 9:00am, HR Handbells Practice, 3:30, Level 6, RM C-307 Choir Rehearsal, 4:30pm, CH	2	3	4 Wednesday's @ FBC, 5:45pm	5	6	7
8 Sunday Prayer Meeting, 10:15am, HR Handbells Practice, 3:30, Level 6, RM C-307 Choir Rehearsal, 4:30pm, CH Prayer Meeting, 6:00pm, Chapel	9 Missions & Evangelism Committee, 5:45pm, C-208	10	11 Wednesday's @ FBC, 5:45pm	12 Threads of Blessing 1:00pm, FP	13 Spring Break Kick Off, 7:00pm, CLC	14
<b>Annie Armstrong Week of Prayer (March 8-15)</b>						
15 Adult 3 Potluck Brunch Sunday Prayer Meeting, 10:15am, HR Handbells Practice, 3:30, Level 6, RM C-307 Choir Rehearsal, 4:30pm, CH Prayer Meeting, 6:00pm, Chapel	16 Senior Adult Fun & Fellowship Game Night	17 Properties Committee, 5:30pm, C-208 Men's Fellowship Dinner, 6:00pm, Casa Ocampo	18 No Wednesday Night Activities	19 FBC Women's Dinner, 6:00pm, Casa Ocampo	20 Churchwide Garage Sale, 8:00am - 2:00pm, FBC Gym	21 Churchwide Garage Sale, 8:00am - 2:00pm, FBC Gym
22 Sunday Prayer Meeting, 10:15am, HR Handbells Practice, 3:30, Level 6, RM C-307 Choir Rehearsal, 4:30pm, CH Prayer Meeting, 6:00pm, Chapel	23 Personnel Committee, 5:30pm, C-208	24 Finance Committee, 5:15pm, C-208	26 Homebound Meeting, 10:00am, CLC Deacon Council, 5:30pm, E-208 Wednesday's @ FBC, 5:45pm	26 Threads of Blessing 1:00pm, FP	27	28
29 Sunday Prayer Meeting, 10:15am, HR, FBC Kids Glow Day, 11:30am, CLC & FBC Gym Handbells Practice, 3:30, Level 6, RM C-307 Choir Rehearsal, 4:30pm, CH Prayer Meeting, 6:00pm, Chapel	30	31				

## Building/Room Abbreviations

CH - Choir Room  
CLC - Christian Life Center

FH - Fellowship Hall  
FP - First Place

HR - Hospitality Room  
HTG - Heritage Room

Sanc - Sanctuary  
LC - Lake Cabin

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)
- Instagram: [www.instagram.com/fbcsanangelo](http://www.instagram.com/fbcsanangelo)
- YouTube: [www.youtube.com/c/FirstBaptistSanAngelo](http://www.youtube.com/c/FirstBaptistSanAngelo)

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

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# ASSOCIATE PASTOR OF SENIOR ADULTS



Jim  
Benson

Associate Pastor of Senior Adults

“For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labor of love...”  
(Hebrews 6:10)

It is not always easy to be unnoticed. I learned a great deal about recognition while pastoring. I was not always able to reward someone for everything they did, but I did what I could to appreciate them for their efforts. I found that a simple acknowledgment can change someone’s entire day. It can be so easy to overlook the little things. Yet noticing those little things can be extremely impactful. It is true that in our spiritual serving, there are many moments that go unseen. Those quiet acts of service. Those private prayers. Remaining faithful when no one applauds. These are the small expressions of faith that rarely draw attention. In my ministry I discovered that that sometimes can be discouraging. But Scripture reminds us of something very comforting. God does not overlook what others may miss. He is not unrighteous to forget your work and labor of love. Faithfulness is not measured by visibility. The world may overlook what is small or quiet, but God sees the heart behind it. And what He sees, He values. If you are serving quietly without recognition, remember this. Your faith matters to God. You are seen by God.

“For without faith it is impossible to please God...He is a rewarder for those who diligently seek Him.”  
( Hebrews 11:6)

## FBC MUSIC



Josh  
Powell

Music Minister

Ahh, the lovely chime of handbells rung in harmony. What a glorious sound it is! That is, unless the bells are making... let’s say... strange sounds in the process. Sounds like ding, dong, buzzzzzzz.

When we gathered our group of handbell ringers this February, we noticed that some of our handbells didn’t sound that great. After a few years in storage, the internal parts of these bells were failing. Rubber just doesn’t last forever. In the years of storage, the bells had fallen into disrepair.

Many of our spiritual lives can be just like that.

We may have a steady habit of spending time in God’s Word, but if we miss even a day or two, we fall off track completely. Maybe our prayer times have become unfocused and feel fruitless or even pointless. The truth is: when we don’t actively pursue the disciplines of the faith, our faith becomes brittle, falling apart at the least provocation.

“But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed.” (2 Timothy 3:14)

“I hope we have people in this church that are wearing out their Bible.” – Pastor Greg Breedlove

“A Bible that’s falling apart usually belongs to someone who isn’t.” – Charles Spurgeon

The good news is that our God is in the business of making all things new. With some replacement parts and a little TLC, those handbells sound lovely and harmonious again. With some prayer, Bible study, and the help of the Holy Spirit, our Christian walk can be revitalized, reinvigorated, and made healthier and more vibrant than ever.

Don’t give up, Believer! Keep running that race.

# FBC EVENTS

FBC SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

WEAR GREEN!

NO PINCHING!

ST. PATRICK'S CELEBRATION

SATURDAY MARCH 14  
12:00-2:00PM

Christian Life Center

BAKED POTATO BAR | CAKE | DRINKS

WMU® God's mission. Our passion.

Tuesday, March 3 \ \ 10:00 am

Baptist Memorial High Rise  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

*(Lunch to follow program & prayer for missionaries)*

Guest Speakers: Melissa Morse & Kylie Brown from Momentous Home Independent Sober Living for Women.

## Ready.Set.Glow

Sunday, March 29

11:30am - 2:00pm \ \ CLC & FBC Gym

Glow in the dark games

Music

Team Activities

Devotional

FBC Kids  
SAN ANGELO, TX

it is

# FINISHED

Easter @ The Paseo

April 5 | 10:30AM | 34 W. Ave D

MARCH 20-21

CHURCHWIDE

## GARAGE SALE

FBC GYM

8 AM TO 2 PM

## MEN'S FELLOWSHIP DINNER

March 17 \ \ 6:00 PM

Casa Ocampo (1601 Pulliam St.)

FIRST BAPTIST  
San Angelo, Texas

## Women's Fellowship Dinner

Casa Ocampo \ Thursday, March 19 \ 6:00 PM

RSVP to Valerie Matthews:  
vymrdh@me.com or text 325-245-6472

RSVP is not required but helpful!

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Zach Fricke, Youth Pastor  
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Linda Bratcher  
Organist  
Michaela Zimmerman  
Pianist  
AJ Deardorff  
Director of Broadcast Media

Brian Thomas  
Media Sound Tech  
Elizabeth McElroy  
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Financial

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Wendy Moon  
Pastor's MA/Communications  
Joanna Sturgill  
Music Ministry Assistant

## 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



## Ways to Give

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IN PERSON:  
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## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday

9:00 am Bible Study for all ages  
10:15 am Prayer Meeting  
10:30 am Morning Worship  
3:00 pm Handbells Practice  
4:30 pm Choir Rehearsal  
6:00 pm Prayer Meeting

Wednesday

5:15 pm Praise Team Rehearsal  
5:45 pm Dinner  
6:00 pm Wednesdays @ FBC

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

STAFF Anniversary

Erika Gonzales 1 Year

We need candy!

Help Us Fill the Eggs!

Bring individually wrapped candy & place in carts in the atrium or by the church office