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YOUR HELP IS NEEDED MORE THAN EVER

In July 1846, a group now known as the Donner Party stood at a critical crossroads at Fort Bridger, Wyoming. They faced a choice: stick to the established route to California or take an untested shortcut known as the Hastings Cutoff.

Choosing the untested path cost them dearly. Delayed by a month, they reached the Sierra Nevada mountains just as the winter snows began, setting off a tragic struggle for survival.

Life brings us to crossroads from time to time, and that is precisely where we stand today as a church.

The world around us has changed dramatically. Many cultural observers would describe modern America as living in a post-Christian era. Over the last century, the church has shifted from being a central, trusted pillar of community life to a place viewed by many outsiders with skepticism. Some even view the church as harmful. Isaiah spoke to a similar cultural shift in his day, writing:

> *"Woe to those who call evil good and good evil, who substitute darkness for light and light for darkness, who substitute bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter."* **— Isaiah 5:20**

While the Gospel of Jesus Christ remains timeless and unchanging, the methods we use to share it must adapt. God blessed His people with specific ministries and approaches for past generations, but we are called to reach the culture of today, not yesterday.

To reach people in 2026—and beyond—we need fresh, Spirit-led approaches.

That is why we are actively developing a new **Ministry Action Plan for 2027**. We are committed to reaching new, younger generations with the hope of Christ, and we need your voice, your prayers, and your involvement.

2027 must be a year of deep, intentional effort at First Baptist Church.

That is why our slogan for the coming year is **"ALL IN."**

As disciples who make disciples, we are dedicated to **gathering, growing, and going all for God's glory!**

In 2027, we are going **ALL IN** for the mission. Join us as we step forward into this new season together.

In Christ,
Pastor Greg

November 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Connection Groups, 9:00 AM Prayer Time, 10:15 AM Sunday Worship, 10:30 AM Choir Rehearsal, 4:30pm, CH An Hour of Prayer,6:00pm, Chapel	2	3	4 Handbell Practice, 3:30PM, Level 6, RM C-307 Wednesday's @ FBC, 6:00 PM Budget Discussion, 6:00PM, Sanctuary	5	6	7 Veteran's Day Parade, 11:00AM
8 Connection Groups, 9:00 AM Prayer Time, 10:15 AM Sunday Worship, 10:30 AM Advent Hostess Meeting, 12:00PM, CLC Choir Rehearsal, 4:30pm, CH An Hour of Prayer,6:00pm, Chapel	9 Missions & Evangelism Committee, 5:45 pm, C-208	10 Properties Committee, 5:30pm, C-208	11 Handbell Practice, 3:30, Level 6, RM C-307 Wednesday's @ FBC, 6:00 PM	12 Threads of Blessing 10:00am, FP	13	14
15 Connection Groups, 9:00 AM Prayer Time, 10:15 AM Sunday Worship, 10:30 AM Choir Rehearsal, 4:30pm, CH An Hour of Prayer,6:00pm, Chapel	16 Fun & Fellowship Game Night, 6:00 pm	17 Finance Committee, 5:15pm, C-208 Men's Fellowship Dinner, 6:00pm, Casa Ocampo	18 Homebound Meeting, 10:00am, CLC Handbell Practice, 3:30, Level 6, RM C-307 Deacon Council Meeting, 5:15PM, E-208 Wednesday's @ FBC, 6:00 PM	19	20	21 FBC Favorites Thanksgiving, 5:30PM, FH
22 Connection Groups, 9:00 AM Prayer Time, 10:15 AM Sunday Worship, 10:30 AM Choir Rehearsal, 4:30pm, CH An Hour of Prayer,6:00pm, Chapel	23 Personnel Committee, 5:30pm, C-208	24 FBC Staff @ Neighbors Men's Fellowship Dinner, 6:00pm, Casa Ocampo	25 Office Closes at 12:00PM	26 Thanksgiving Holiday	27	28
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STEWARDSHIP REPORT

As of October 26, 2026

October Budget Needs	$122,507.15
October Budget Gifts	$200,796.73
YTD Budget Needs	$1,316,951.90
YTD Tithes & Offerings	$1,066,780.77
2026 Budget	$1,592,593.00

CONNECTION GROUPS REPORT

October 04
FBC Connection Group Attendance 193

October 11
FBC Connection Group Attendance 172

October 18
FBC Connection Group Attendance 176

October 25
FBC Connection Group Attendance 174

A NOTE FROM THE FINANCE DIRECTOR

Beginning in January 2027, we will no longer be using the offering envelope service that delivers the packet of envelopes to your mailing address. The last packets will be for December 2026. To replace this service, the church staff will be preparing custom envelopes for all church members who wish to use them. Beginning November 1, there will be sign-up sheets in all the Connection Group departments for members to indicate if they wish to continue receiving offering envelopes, how many they wish to receive each month, and how they will receive the envelopes. Envelopes for the various missions offerings will also be available. Church members who do not attend Connection Groups may contact Mac McCarson at the church office (655-4101) with their offering envelope preference. These envelopes will be available around the middle of each month for the following month. For example, offering envelopes for January 2027 will be in Connection Groups on Sunday, December 13. If members wish, we will mail the envelopes during the middle week of each month for the following month. Naturally, we will continue to receive cash and checks without envelopes and will endeavor to grant contribution credit to whomever we can identify. Also, online giving is available by going to our church website and clicking on the GIVE button in the upper right-hand corner.

Thank you for your patience as we transition to this new way of providing offering envelopes.May God continue to richly bless you as you continue to give faithfully.

Mac McCarson, Financial Director



Ladies Advent by Candlelight

Tuesday, December 1 | Fellowship Hall

Doors open - 5:30 PM - Dinner - 6:00 PM - Service - 7:00 PM

Childcare available, reservations due by November 25

Join us for a beautiful evening of food, fellowship, and inspiration as we prepare our hearts for the Advent season.

To Sign Up:

Scan the QR code >> Connection Groups >> call church office

HAPPY Thanksgiving DAY

11.21 5:30PM	THANKSGIVING POTLUCK DINNER
11.25	OFFICE CLOSES AT NOON
11.26	OFFICE CLOSED - THANKSGIVING

POINSETTIA FUNDRAISER

$20 PER POINSETTIA ✸ DEDICATE POINSETTIA IN MEMORY OF LOVED ONE ✸ 80 AVAILABLE

ALL PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT OUR 2027 MISSION TO REACH YOUNG FAMILIES!

ORDER FORMS AND PAYMENT ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE ON WEDNESDAY NIGHTS, IN YOUR CONNECTION GROUPS, AND IN THE CHURCH OFFICE.

FBC Favorites Thanksgiving Potluck

Saturday, November 21 • 5:30 - 7:30 pm • Fellowship Hall

Bring your favorite side or dessert to share
We will provide the turkey!

Sign up sheets available in your Connection Group or you can call the church office, 325-655-4101.

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2027 BUDGET PRESENTATION SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4 - 6:00 PM - Sanctuary

A Special Called Business Meeting will be held to discuss the proposed 2026 budget.



Sunday, November 8 @ 11:30 am we will vote on the budget (without discussion) during the morning worship service.

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San Angelo, Texas

Ways to Give

WEBSITE:
WWW.FBCSANANGELOTX.ORG/ONLINE-GIVING

MAIL TO:
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
PO BOX 2138
SAN ANGELO, TX 76902

BANK DRAFT:
CONTACT YOUR FINANCIAL INSTITUTION TO SET UP AN AUTOMATIC PAYMENT.

IN PERSON:
OFFERINGS MAY BE BROUGHT TO THE CHURCH OFFICE, MON - THURS, 9:00 AM - 2:00PM.

PLEASE CONTACT MAC MCCARSON AT MCCARSON@FBCSANANGELOTX.ORG OR 655-4101 FOR QUESTIONS REGARDING YOUR FINANCIAL GIVING.

BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

November 1
No FBC Birthdays
November 2
Romelia Herrera
Bryan Spraggins
November 3
Don Ball
November 4
Amanda Wright
November 5
No FBC Birthdays
November 6
No FBC Birthdays
November 7
Shannon Connell
Calvin Featherston
Alan Hill
November 8
Lawrence Wilson
November 9
Skylar Jenkins
November 10
Audrey Truelove
November 11
Alex Byrd
Connor Pence
November 12
Emily Nikolauk
November 13
Russell Rosemann
November 14
Dudra Butler
November 15
No FBC Birthdays
November 16
No FBC Birthdays
November 17
Zoraya Herrera
Dale Nichols
November 18
Bessie Schenk
John Velarde
Samuel Velarde
November 19
No FBC Birthdays
November 20
Sandra Crotwell
Joshua Lloyd
Sandra Nichols
November 21
Gabe Nikolauk
November 22
June Heck
Cecilia Trejo
Michael Williams
November 23
Sandy Meeks
November 24
Billy Sanchez
November 25
Joyanna Chambliss
Sharon McDonough
Kelly McGowen
November 26
No FBC Birthdays
November 27
Diane Eudy
November 28
Steve Alvey
David Noble
Stanely Slate
November 29
No FBC Birthdays
November 30
Caleb Wright
November 31
No FBC Birthdays



GATHER. GROW. GO.

Our Mission: Disciples who make disciples by gathering, growing, and going all for God's glory!