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AUGUST 2023  
CHURCH  
NEWSLETTER

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Join Us

Worship With Us.....

~ Sundays ~  
Bible Study 9:30  
Service 10:45 am  
Nursery provided  
~ Wednesdays ~  
Meal 6:00  
Bible Study 6:30  
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Office Hours  
Monday to Thursday  
9:00 am to Noon & 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm  
Closed Fridays

BGCT  
Family  
Gathering  
In McAllen July 16-18



Members Attending: Pastor & Sarah Prichard, Pastor Mike & Lydia Garrett, Liz Andres, Alice Cockrell, & Winona Klacman

College Student Welcome Bags



We will be making ‘Welcome Bags’ for college students again this year. Below is a list of items we will be collecting. Items will need to be dropped off at the church by August 21st so we can get the bags packed and ready to take.

| Supplies              | Snacks                   |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Notebooks             | Granola bars             |
| Pens                  | Cookies                  |
| Sticky notes          | Candy                    |
| Ziplock bags          | Gum                      |
| Paper plates          | Crackers                 |
| Flashlight            | Apple sauce              |
| Stain remover stick   | Goldfish                 |
| Socks                 | Peanut butter            |
| Lint roller           | Mac and cheese           |
| Binder clips          | Popcorn                  |
| Small first aid kit   | Ramen or other soups     |
| Hand soap             | Coffee/cafeinated things |
| Something Unique      |                          |
| Zippered mesh bag     | Laundry bag              |
| Reusable water bottle | Deck of cards            |
| Coasters              | Dish towels              |
| USB drive             | Board games              |
| Gift Card             | Umbrella                 |

“The Convention was very inspirational and informative with the workshops we attended. The church services and speakers were very good. Had a goodtime with the church members that attended also. We laughed a lot. Thank you so much for allowing me to be one of the representatives of United Baptist.” - Winona Klacman

“We are one in the family of God! I loved the diversity in the preaching styles from Burmese, African American, Hispanic American, and White American, but all preached the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The music was wonderful, too.” - Liz Andres



Pastor's Corner

Dear Church Family,

As we have been going through the book of Mark in our Sunday morning series, we have seen a strong emphasis on Jesus' compassion. He had compassion for the crowds who hungered for real answers, for the people that came to him hurting and in need of healing, and for those who suffered at the torment of demons. Jesus looked at them and loved them. We also see his compassion for his disciples who followed, but often didn't get it. They knew he was special and worth leaving things behind for, but they failed to see him for who he truly was throughout most of his time on this earth. Yet, he was patient with them. He loved them. He walked with them through it all. In Colossians 3:12 Paul calls us to clothe ourselves with (or put on) compassion along with kindness, gentleness, humility, and patience. When we put on these attributes, we become like Christ. This isn't a task for some of God's people. It is not just for those who naturally are more meek in nature, rather, it is a call for all of God's people. Often, we do pretty good at showing compassion to those who love us back. Yet Jesus showed compassion to everyone around him. Both those who loved him back and those who turned their backs to him. We must show compassion to the lost in our community. As Jesus looked out at the crowds, he saw them as sheep without a shepherd, lost and helpless on their own. Then he went among them, taking care of needs and pointing them to the gospel. This is compassion. This is what we are called to do. My challenge for you this month is to be a people of compassion. Look for new ways to show compassion to the people in your neighborhoods and community. Show compassion to your fellow brothers and sisters in church as well as the potential brother and sisters that you meet as you go about your week. Let's be a church with open arms and open hearts!

In Christ,

Pastor Jeremy

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Ways to Get the Attention of Our Church's Neighborhood

- \*Joining a neighborhood civic organization
- \*Coach or sponsor local sports league
- \*Beginning an ongoing prayer walking emphasis
- \*Invite a neighbor to church and lunch afterward
- \*Supporting foster families

PRAYER TEAM

There are now prayer request slips. You can fill one out and place it in the offering plate or the prayer box at the back of the sanctuary. You can specify whether the prayer request goes on the church prayer list or not. Names will stay on the prayer list for two months unless we are notified they need to stay longer.

TEAM NEWS



August 2023



| Sun                                                                       | Mon                                            | Tue                               | Wed                                                                    | Thu              | Fri                                 | Sat                                                                                        |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Regular Sun A.M. Schedule<br>Bible Study ~ 9:30<br>Worship ~ 10:45        |                                                | 1                                 | 2<br>6:00 Meal<br>6:30 Bible Study<br>*Dean Cooper                     | 3                | 4<br>9:45-1:00<br>Christ's Kitchen  | 5<br>9:00 Men's Discipleship<br>10:00 Drive-up Prayer                                      |
| 6 Regular Sun A.M. Schedule<br>5:30 Agape Meal, Fellowship, Lord's Supper | 7<br>5:30 Church Council Mtg                   | 8                                 | 9<br>6:00 Sandwiches<br>6:30 Business Meeting                          | 10<br>*Eli Munoz | 11<br>9:45-1:00<br>Christ's Kitchen | 12<br>9:00 Men's Discipleship<br>10:00 Drive-up Prayer<br>*Bobby Walton                    |
| 13<br>Regular Sun A.M. Schedule                                           | 14<br>Pastor Jeremy Out of Office              | 15<br>Pastor Jeremy Out of Office | 16<br>6:00 Meal<br>6:30 Bible Study<br>Pastor Jeremy Out of Office     | 17               | 18<br>9:45-1:00<br>Christ's Kitchen | 19<br>9:00 Men's Discipleship<br>10:00 Drive-up Prayer                                     |
| 20<br>Regular Sun A.M. Schedule<br>*LaVonne Cooper                        | 21<br>5:30 Finance Committee<br>*Lydia Garrett | 22                                | 23<br>6:00 Meal<br>6:30 Bible Study<br>*Gayle Maurer                   | 24               | 25<br>9:45-1:00<br>Christ's Kitchen | 26<br>9:00 Men's Discipleship<br>10:00 Drive-up Prayer<br>*Bill Stiles<br>*Sharon Tuneberg |
| 27<br>Regular Sun A.M. Schedule                                           | 28                                             | 29                                | 30<br>6:00 Meal<br>6:30 Bible Study<br>*Mike Garrett<br>*Billie Yencer | 31               | *Birthdays<br>♥Anniversaries        |                                                                                            |

Thank you!

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for the birthday card. And thank you, Jean, for the goodies in the card! It was such a nice way to celebrate my day and felt good to be remembered on it.

Deon Hathaway

FAITH FARM

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



He replied, "Because you have so little faith. Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you." — MATTHEW 17:20 NIV

SUMMER WORDSEARCH

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WORD LIST

BARBECUE HEATWAVE LEMONADE SAND  
BASEBALL HIKING OCEAN SUMMER  
BEACH HOT PICNIC TENNIS  
CAMP HUMID POOL TRAVEL  
COOKOUT KITE SAILING WARM

Homemade GIFTS MADE EASY