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WHAT'S HAPPENING

May Brings Thoughts on Mothers

Mothers are very important people in the world we live in. They have a big influence on all people, not just children. They teach us love, compassion, and what is important. They reflect our values and morals but, more importantly, our relationship with the Lord. Proverbs 31, which is famous for the wife of a noble character, speaks about a woman who is full of wisdom, strength, and dignity and has faithful instruction and watches over the affairs of her household. Her children arise and call her blessed! She is a woman who fears the Lord and is to be praised. Yes, the Bible says a lot about woman and mothers. So, in the month of May, I will be preaching on "Women of the Bible." May 5th will be Woman of Faith, May 12th is Three Mothers in the Bible, May 19th focuses on Women in Christ's time, and May 26th I will speak on Women in the early years of the Church. Let's look to the word and see what God says about Women and Mothers!



Pastor Brian

Memory Verse

"I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me." Galatians 2:20

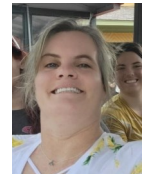
Opportunities to Serve This Month

Ministry Team Meetings

Building and Grounds Ministry Team	May 1, 6:30 pm
Discipleship Ministry Team	May 6, 6:00 pm
Worship Ministry Team	May 6, 6:00 pm
Mission & Outreach Ministry Team	May 13, 6:00 pm
Shepherding Ministry Team	May 20, 6:00 pm
Leadership Council	May 22, 6:30 pm

Meet Our New Custodian

Annie Lohan has been engaged to clean our church building. Annie shared that she loves Jesus, family, and Disney. She has been cleaning homes and commercial properties for several years and is excited to help First Baptist Church with our cleaning needs. Please welcome Annie if you see her in our building.



Vacation Bible School Training

Volunteers are encouraged to attend the training session on May 21 at 6:30 pm. at the church building.

Spare Change Sundays

Bring your spare change (and bills) to the Weaver Hall Challenge display on May 5 and 12. Your gift will be matched to help us reach our goal.

Christian Cross Festival

Volunteers are needed to make a successful Christian Cross Festival on June 8. See Chris Wilson or Jeff and Heather Borer to learn how you can help share God's love through this event.

Pastoral Search Prayer Time

All church family members are invited to join in prayer on May 8th at 6:30 p.m. at the church building to prayer for our search committee, our church family and our future pastor. Join us on the second Wednesday of each month for intentional prayer to speak to and listen to our Lord.

Happy Birthday

Jamie Bouslaugh	10 th	Heather Braun	12 th
Samuel Montalvo	15 th	Sarai Montalvo	18 th
Dylan Braun	28 th	Abraham Montalvo Sr.	30 th
Moses Montalvo	31 st		



Building Bridges at Moses Merrill Camp and Conference Center Weaver Hall Campaign Update

The Leadership Council has approved a campaign to support the updating of our shared state-wide camp ministry at Moses Merrill Camp and Conference Center. During the months of April, May, and June you will be hearing of ways you can participate in a matching funds campaign using dollars from our restricted funds interest income line as a match to each of our gifts. The Council is asking members and friends of First Baptist Church to consider giving to this cause and a match of up to \$5,000 will be made on behalf our church family. The Council will be promoting several ways to participate in this cause including "Spare Change" Sunday offerings, a freewill offering dinner, and an opportunity to visualize your gift with an envelope campaign noted for chairs and tables. Join your brothers and sisters in supporting this statewide campaign effort.

Moses Merrill Youth Camp Opportunity

Do you know a neighborhood child or maybe your own grandchild that you would like to invite to a summer camp experience? Registrations are now open for summer camps at Moses Merrill Camp and Conference Center. Scholarships are available for up to 50% of the registration fee. Please see Jill Blaylock for the application form.

Celebrate our Mothers on May 12



Carter Timm Graduation



Carter will graduate from Leigh High School on May 10, 2024 and the church family is invited to a graduation reception on Sunday, May 12, 2024 from 3:00-5:00 at Club 81 south of Norfolk.

Vacation Bible School 2024

Vacation Bible School will be held at the church building on June 2-4 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Each evening a meal will be served from 6:00-6:30. This year's theme is "Set Sail!" Participants will learn about spiritual habits from the gospels. Volunteer training is planned for May 21 at 6:30 pm. See Andrea High to volunteer to help or with any questions.



Souper Tuesday

"Faith of Our Mothers" is the theme for Souper Tuesday on May 14th at noon. Come for food, fellowship, faith, and fun! A biblical women's quiz, singing, soup, and treats await you. Indicate your attendance by signing up at the Welcome Center.

DATE CHANGE

Foster Care Closet Event

Our church family is walking alongside the organization Foster Closet of Nebraska to bring a Foster Care Closet Day to Norfolk on Saturday **JUNE 8** from 11:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.. The group will be bringing their closet of clothes and other items for foster care families to visit and meet the needs of individuals in foster care. There will be roles to serve such as greeters, check-in, department assistants, and carry-out helpers. A sign-up sheet will be on the welcome center in early May. The following is a list of ways you can participate in the Foster Closet Event:

9:00-11:00	Setup Role
11:00-1:00	Serving Role, Slot 1
1:00-3:00	Serving Role, Slot 2
4:00-6:00	Tear-Down Role

You can also donate **NEW** clothing items for boys and girls of all ages. Bring them to the church and put them on the table in room **203 near the kitchen**.

If you have items you would like included in the monthly newsletter, please contact John Blaylock at least one week prior to the first Sunday of the month.