

ATTENDANCE RECORDS

	Jan. 22	Jan. 29
Local Bible Study Enr.	487	487
Sunday Bible Study Att.	235	239
Adults	143	143
Youth	27	32
Children/Preteen	8	10
Preschool	45	42
Nursing Home Residents	12	12
Morning Worship Service		
Traditional	188	186
The Gathering	124	90
Extended Session	40	32
Children's Church	22	21

USHERS

Sunday, February 5

Jenkins, Kelly, B. Shelton, M. Johnson,
Petty, Lester

Sunday, February 12

Cox, Lindsay, Austin, Champion, P. Petersen

EXTENDED SESSION WORKERS

February 5

Traditional Service

Brittany Levoir Connie Gotcher
Tonya and Craig Hornbeck Patty Austin

The Gathering

Chris & Krista Webb Briana Atkison
Krista & Casey Gordon Heather Koenig
Rhonda and Egeene Daniels (or Endrea)

February 12

Traditional Service

Tina Crossett Serena Garciadiaz
Cindy Waller Laurie Appleton
Hannah Stevens

The Gathering

Aimee Sapp Judy Barr
Josiah Keas Krystal Hiles
Mike Keas Heather Trotter
Paula Barker Austin Hodges

Save the date. . .

WOMEN'S TEA

Saturday, April 21

10-12:00 noon - Fellowship Hall

CHURCH STAFF

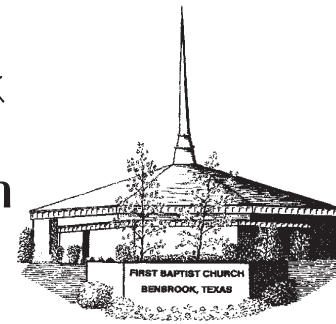
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Youth Fundraiser

Sunday, February 12

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

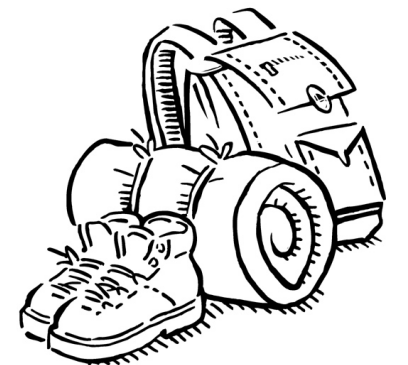
Soups - Stews - Chilies



Youth camp is right around the corner! It's a great time for the students to get away from distractions for a week and spend some time focusing on God. It is a time of life change, renewing commitments, and

making new ones. We have seen God work in amazing ways every year, and are excited about what He has in store for this year.

Part of our preparation for camp is having fundraisers that make camp more affordable for our students. We are having our first fundraiser on Sunday, Feb. 12th, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., to accommodate both services. We will be cooking up lots of delicious soups, stews, and chilies. Instead of going out to eat on February 12th, would you consider having lunch with us and making a donation towards camp? Thank you for your continued support of our youth ministry!



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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

By Letter:

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Brian Salge - 5533 Crosscreek Lane, Apt. 1089, 76109, 817-908-9880;

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Ashley Salge - 5533 Crosscreek Lane, Apt. 1089, 76109, 817-908-9881.

FINANCIAL NEWS

	<u>Jan. 22</u>	<u>Jan. 29</u>
Budget Offerings	10,278.41	12,436.00
Designated Off.	2,538.00	4,667.00
Weekly Budget		\$14,015.35
Future Seed Pledges		\$405,600.00
Future Seed Received to Date		\$113,468.55

TUESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

James: Mercy Triumphs

by Beth Moore

Begins Tuesday, February 7th

7:00 p.m. at the home of Deb Pannell

James, Jesus' own brother, started out as a skeptic. See how one glimpse of the resurrected Savior turned an unbeliever into a disciple. And, in the process, learn how you can put your own faith into action.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CHILDREN'S CHURCH

If you would like to volunteer with our children's church ministry during either the first or second service, please email Shannon at spannell@fbcbenbrook.org. The curriculum is very easy and you would only be needed once a month, whichever service you prefer.

The Pastor's Pen

What is the reward for being a good Christian?

In politics, if you do a good job, you are usually rewarded with the opportunity to run for a higher office. If you do a good job on a sport's team, you are usually rewarded with a starting position or more playing time. Success in the business world often ends up with promotions and salary increases. In almost all organizations, doing well is rewarded with more responsibility, more perks, and more pay.

So what are the rewards for doing well as a follower of Christ?

In John 15, Jesus described the rewards for bearing fruit (or doing well): to be pruned by the Father so that we can bear more fruit. Is that really a reward? According to the dictionary, to prune means "to reduce especially by eliminating superfluous matter." Does that sound rewarding to you? One website I found taught this principle about pruning grapevines: "If left unattended, grapevines can become unruly, and fruiting will be poor due to overproduction of vegetation." Best I can tell, the excess vegetation is pruned away from the vine so that the vine's energy and nutrients go towards the fruit instead of being wasted on the excess vegetation.

How different this is from the way the world rewards a job well done. The world rewards with the excess vegetation of nicer offices, more money, and better perks. The Lord rewards by removing excess vegetation so that more fruit bearing can take place. The only thing that makes this kind of pruning enduring is knowing that our excess vegetation is in the hands of the Father who knows what He is doing.

So, if you are being pruned today, rest in the love and care of your divine Vinedresser who is rewarding your fruit bearing by doing whatever it takes to make you even more fruitful. And when He decides

that the vegetation you deem essential is actually "superfluous matter," consider it an opportunity to exercise your faith and trust in the loving and wise hands of the Master Gardener.

In Christ,
Todd

VALENTINE'S DAY SOCK HOP

Tuesday, February 14

5:30-8:30 p.m. - Children's Building

For ages 3 - grade 5

\$5.00 per child or \$10.00 max per family

Bring your own sack dinner and drink

RSVP by February 10th

at spannell@fbcbenbrook.org. - limited space is available, so hurry and sign up!

Prizes for best dressed and more ❖ Games

Valentine Bingo ❖ Crafts

Dancing ❖ Cotton Candy and Popcorn

SOCK HOP SUPPLIES NEEDED

We are collecting supplies for this event: glue sticks, magnets, pink, white, and red paper, scissors, Valentine's candy and bigger prizes, and bags and bags of cotton candy. You can drop off any donations at the children's ministry desk.

LADIES BOOK REVIEW

Thursday, February 9

7:00 p.m. at the home of Barbara Jenkins

Plain Perfect by Beth Wiseman

A search for peace in Amish country proves anything but simple for a woman on the run from life...and herself. On the rolling plains of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania., Lillian Miller is searching for her grandparents' house... and so much more. After years of neglect and abuse, she's turning to a lifestyle of simplicity among the Amish to find herself.

WORKERS NEEDED FOR SOCK HOP

We are starting to recruit workers for this year's sock hop. Come help allow our parents to have a night out and enjoy doing crafts and games with our kids from 5-8:45. (Event is from 5:30-8:30). If you are interested in ministering to our young families in this way, please email Shannon at spannell@fbcbenbrook.org to let her know.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Aware - a Stonecroft Book

(Based on John 20.21)

Each Wednesday morning

9:30-11:00 a.m. - Fellowship Hall

(Cost of book is \$7.00)

UNITED WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday morning, February 19th

11:00 a.m.

(Sunday School - 10:00 a.m.)

We will be celebrating the Lord's Supper during the worship service.

LADIES NIGHT OUT

Monday, Feb. 13, 6:30 p.m.

Fellowship Hall

Bring a salad, appetizer or dessert

Results of the survey will be discussed

If you would like to keep in touch with Jana Grimsley while she is stationed in Afghanistan, her address is:

Jana Grimsley, Cpt.

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GUDTYME4 PROGRAM

Feb. 11, 2:00 p.m. - The Waterford of Fort Worth (Old Granbury Road)