

## ATTENDANCE RECORDS

	Feb. 21	Feb. 28
Local Bible Study Enr.	489	489
Sunday Bible Study Att.	240	264
Adults	158	171
Youth	19	20
Children/Preteen	14	20
Preschool	34	37
Nursing Home Res.	15	16
Morning Worship Service		
Traditional	213	192
Contemporary	90	105
Extended Session	33	40
Children's Church	16	16

## LADIES BOOK REVIEW

Thursday, March 11 - 7:00 p.m.

*Angels Everywhere* by Debbie Macomber  
At the home of Ruth Wilson

Celebrate life, love, and the holiday spirit with three unforgettable heavenly helpers — the irrepressible angels Shirley, Goodness, and Mercy — as they work their inspiring, poignant, and sometimes hilarious magic on hearts in need.

## EXTENDED SESSION WORKERS

### March 7

<b>Traditional</b>	
June Strange	Norma Reed
Kim McMillen	Leslie Wilson
<b>Contemporary</b>	
Mary Buel	Gene Taylor
Liz & Steve Suffron	Bill Shelton
Maddie Early	

### March 14

<b>Traditional</b>	
Sara Arispe	Paula Barker
Dana & Matt Higgins	
<b>Contemporary</b>	
Cristina Dressler	Edward Trapani
Karla Reese	Connie Fair, Sr.
Kelsey Ezell	Tracy Snyder

## USHERS

### Sunday, March 7

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

### Sunday, March 14

C. Peterson, Lindsay, Austin, Champion,  
P. Petersen, Marbach

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# Benbrook Baptist Beacon



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... Loving Others  
... Serving Both*

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*Daylight Saving Time Begins...*

March 14 is Time Change Sunday.  
Remember to set your clocks forward  
one hour before going to bed  
on Saturday night.



## Discovering Church Membership

Class

Sunday, March 28

3-5:00 p.m.

in the Conference Room

For all new members and prospective members.  
Come discover what it means to be a member of  
FBC Benbrook.



Contact the church office  
or email [sstorey@fbcbenbrook.org](mailto:sstorey@fbcbenbrook.org) to make your reservations.

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## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

### By Baptism:

Margaret Clark

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## FINANCIAL NEWS

	<u>Feb. 21</u>	<u>Feb. 28</u>
Budget Offerings	12,198.12	13,904.36
Designated Off.	350.00	963.00
Weekly Budget		\$14,140.61

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## PROJECT LINUS

Project Linus is a nationwide, respected quilt charity for sick and needy infants and children in Tarrant and Parker Counties. We deliver over 1000 quilts each quarter, and about 22,000 as of the last of 2009 have been delivered all together.

On the last Saturday of each month (except December), we hold an assembly-line meeting from 1-4:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of FBCB. All are welcome. At each meeting we bring completed tops and matching backs. They are stitched together with the batting and tacked. We especially urge people with children over 7 to bring them to learn to quilt and teach them about community service.

Our earnest and profound thanks go to the church, our faithful set-up couple - the Buels, and to all of our wonderful volunteers. This is a large effort and needs many helping hands. We gratefully accept donations of cotton fabric (over 40" only), thread, quilt pins, stamps, cash and especially 40"x44" finished cotton quilts or 40"x44" tops and matching backs. For more information, please call Susan Buckner at 817-249-1276.

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## ANGEL FOOD ORDERS FOR MARCH

Menus and order forms are available on the back table in the sanctuary. Deadline for ordering is March 14th.

## *The Pastor's Pen*

Most of us come into adulthood with a distorted vision of a healthy love relationship. Our models of love often come from songs, books, friends, movies, and television, which depict love as fast blooming, overwhelming, intense, romantic, and requited. But, these models display only one stage of love, the very first stage, which is heavily influenced by infatuation caused by chemistry. Good marriages contain many more elements than just chemistry, yet the lovers in the books and movies never get us far enough into the story to see them. We don't know whether the lovers stayed together long enough to determine if they were compatible or committed enough to stay the long term. We seen an hour and a half of two people enduring misunderstanding and frustration, and then going romantically off into the sunset. We never get to see what happens next.

These images of love leave us with serious misconceptions, such as: passion equals love, my lover should meet all my needs, once love dies you can't get it back, chemistry is all that matters, love conquers all, when things get tough it means you have the wrong partner, my lover should make me happy, once in love you stay on a high forever, and love is a feeling and you either have it or you don't.

These are all lies, or at best, gross misunderstandings of the true nature of love. The chemistry plays out. You eventually come off the high of infatuation. But that does not mean that love is dead. Not at all. In fact, it may be just beginning. It looks dead only because our expectations lead us to misunderstand the way love grows.

(Want to know more? Then check out "I Promise" by Gary Smalley. It's in our church library.)

*Todd*

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## GUDTYME4 SCHEDULE

**Saturday, March 27, 2:00 p.m.**

Bethesda Gardens

## APPLES OF GOLD

*A six-week mentoring program for women*

*Based on Proverbs 25:11 and Titus 2:3-5*

The purpose of this program is to nurture young women in the Bible and to develop relational, cooking, and homemaking skills and to share hospitality.

Please contact Faye Roberson at 817-244-0321 or [fayeroberson@att.net](mailto:fayeroberson@att.net) if you are a young woman interested in Apples of Gold.

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## MISSION POSSIBLE

**Preteen Camp - July 29 - August 2**  
**Riverbend Retreat Center, Glen Rose**  
Camp Cost - \$185 (scholarships are available)  
Camp deposit of \$65 due April 25th  
Parent meeting - June 2nd in Preteen Room

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## WOMEN IN TOUCH

**Monday, March 22; 7:00 p.m.**  
Will be working on favors for the Spring Tea.  
Anyone who would like to help is encouraged to come.

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## MEXICO MISSION TRIP

The college group is taking a mission trip to Mexico to help with a construction project for the orphanage in Reynosa. Over the next two Sundays, we will be collecting a special offering to help purchase building materials for this project. Please mark your offering for the "Mexico Mission Trip."

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## "I Promise"

**Marriage Seminar by Dr. Gary Smalley**  
**March 12-13**

**Legacy Worship Center on Hulen Drive**  
**Cost is only \$49/couple if you register before March 8.**

**Register at <http://smalleyonlinestore.com/ipromiseseinarftworthtxmarch.aspx>**

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR EASTER ACTIVITIES

Thursday, April 1, 6:00, Maundy Thursday Service  
Sunday, April 4, 11:00, Joint Worship Service and Easter Musical

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## NEXT OPPORTUNITY FOR BAPTISM

Sunday morning, April 4 - If you are interested in being baptized, please speak with the pastor.

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*Ladies, join us for lunch and a trip to the Christian Arts Museum. . .*

**Lunch at Montgomery Street Antique Mall  
Secret Garden Tea Room**  
**Followed by Trip to Christian Arts Museum  
Saturday, March 27th**

All ladies are invited to meet at church at 10:30 to go eat lunch at the Secret Garden Tea Room. After lunch, the group will go to the Christian Arts Museum to see the life-size figures of the Last Supper. If you would like to go, RSVP to Barbara Jenkins at 817-249-3087.

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## LADIES NIGHT OUT

**Monday, March 8, 6:00 p.m.**

At the home of Faye Roberson  
(contact Erin Borghese if you would like to bring a dish - [eeborghese@yahoo.com](mailto:eeborghese@yahoo.com)).

If you would like to ride the van to Faye's home, there will be two times to leave from the church - either meet at the church to leave at 5:45 or 6:15.

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## OLD FASHIONED BED TURNING

Sisters in Stitches invite you to share your favorite quilt or quilts. Bring them, along with their story or history, to an "Old Fashioned Bed Turning" March 29 at 10:30. Join us for a salad luncheon in Fellowship Hall. Nursery reservations will be accepted. Contact:

Betty Nowlin - 817-249-2456  
Nita Crawford - 817-249-1149  
Ann Crenshaw - 817-249-3646