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First Baptist Church Newsletter

May 1, 2024

Fresh Expressions

A group called Fresh Expressions (FX) directed our leadership retreat. Their diagram on the next page shows the FX Journey, demonstrating how churches might influence their communities.

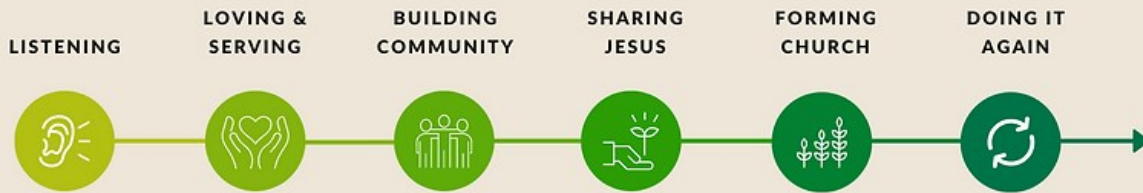
- The journey begins by going out of the building and listening to people express their interests or felt needs (i.e. food, shelter, sports, cars, tutoring, friendship, safety, and etc.).
- This process moves to lovingly exploring how we might help meet those needs, or enjoy those interests together.
- A group of people forms naturally out of this listening and loving process, creating a bond or sense of community.
- Over time questions arise about why we would do these things with our community, providing opportunities to share the faith and go deeper with Jesus.
- The end result of this process is a new little church forms around our shared interests and/or serving.
- This new church is not an end in itself but only the seed from which the same process is repeated over and over again.

We had a wonderful week. Thank you for giving us this opportunity to learn and grow.

Together with you,

Les

THE FRESH EXPRESSIONS
Journey

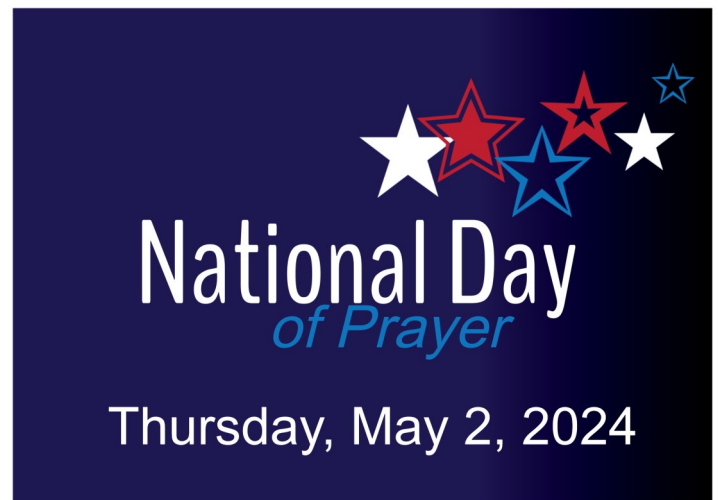


Please pray for Cathy and family in the passing of Ed Jambora. A service will be held this Saturday.

Stewardship

April 21, 2024

General Budget	\$26,745.00
Building Maintenance	\$65.00
Missions	\$40.00
Deacons	\$1,300.00
Youth/College	\$52.00
Total	\$28,202.00



Kids' Time
Ruth Ann Monroe
Chris McFarren

Teachers for Sunday
May 5, 2024

LOL
Remain in service



Birthdays

5th Kobi Isch
 15th Karen West
 19th Linda Isch
 22nd Jackson Collins
 Logan Zoll

24th Betty Bynum
 26th Judy Wanner
 27th Ciera Hiester

May 2024

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

			1 Adventure Kids & Youth Bible Study 6:00 p.m.	2 Men's Bible Study 8:00 a.m. Christian Ed. Meeting 6:30 p.m.	3	4
5	6	7	8 Adventure Kids & Youth Bible Study 6:00 p.m.	9 Men's Bible Study 8:00 a.m.	10	11
12  Happy Mother's Day!	13	14	15 Deacon Meeting 6:30 p.m.	16 Men's Bible Study 8:00 a.m.	17	18
19 All-Church Lunch & Honor Graduates	20 Trustee Meeting 5:00 p.m.	21	22	23 Men's Bible Study 8:00 a.m.	24	25
26	27	28	29	30 Men's Bible Study 8:00 a.m.	31	

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Sunday

Adult Sunday School 9:00 a.m.

Worship Service 10:15 a.m.

Kids' Time 10:10 a.m.

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