

The Baptist Record

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH EUPORA



By serving God together, this could be a special year

This Sunday marks the beginning of our new Sunday School year. I encourage you to come and bring someone with you. Every class always has room for one more special person and that person is you!

With all of us serving together, this could be a special year. Sunday School offers us a great opportunity to grow in our Knowledge of God's Word and in our relationships with one another. Recently, a class was started for our college and career age group. Pray for them as they continue to explore the possibilities that will challenge them to grow in their relationship with Christ. A new class is beginning this Sunday for young adults. It will meet on the north end of the third floor. Help us get the word out and invite people to come. I look forward to seeing smiling faces of every age. We will have a kick-off breakfast at a later date in connection with our sanctuary dedication.

May our prayer this week be that we be drawn nearer and nearer to our Lord. May we hunger and thirst for His righteousness. May we crave for His holiness to shine through us. Our God provided for us the very best — Himself. Let us give our very best back to Him.

The church offices will be closed on Monday for Labor Day. Have a great holiday.

*In Christ's love,
Bro. Travis*

MISSION

W E D N E S D A Y S

Join First Baptist Church of Eupora this fall as we launch **MISSION: Wednesdays** for pre-K through sixth grade students on Wednesday nights beginning at 4:45 p.m. Supper is served at 5:15 p.m. for \$2 per plate. Youth are invited to join us for supper at 5:15 p.m. and student worship and bible study at 6:30 p.m. **The fun starts Sept. 4.**

MISSION: WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE...

4:45 - 5:15	Ac teens	5:45—6:15	4-6 in Bible Study	6:30—7:00	YOUTH: Bible study & worship
4:45 - 5:15	Organized games	6:15—6:45	Pre-K -K in Bible Study	6:45—7:15	4-6 in the gym
5:15 - 5:45	Supper in the FLC	6:15—6:45	1-3 grade in the gym	6:45—7:15	1-3 grade @ Bible Study
5:45—6:15	Pre-K -K in the gym	6:15—6:45	4-6 @ music	6:45—7:15	Pre-K-K @ Music
5:45—6:15	1-3 grade @ music	6:30—7:00	ADULTS: Prayer & Praise	7:15-8:15	ADULT: Choir practice

We never know the impact we may have on others...

Next Wednesday night begins our Mission: Wednesdays outreach and ministry for children. Then entire evening will be structured similar to VBS; the children will be broken into three age groups and rotate between Bible study, music, and recreation time. The response for teachers and helpers has been amazing. For those of you who have committed to reaching these

children, thank you!

It is my prayer that this time would reach our young people like never before for the Gospel of Jesus Christ. I pray that each of us would have a sense of patience, yet urgency when spending time with them. We never know what tomorrow holds, and we are commanded by Christ to share the good news of what He has done for us! If you are

not physically present to help on Wednesdays, you can still be a part of this ministry by praying for these children without ceasing.

Please keep in mind that we will never know the impact we have on others, whether it's through your prayers or your time!

*Have a blessed week,
Bro. Jason*

Step up and lead your kids to be Godly people that love God

There are a lot of people talking about Miley Cyrus and the MTV Video Music Awards this week. The whole program that was televised live was promoting homosexuality and was very risqué to say the least. This just reminds us that we live in a fallen world that is ruled by sin. People everyday in government, schools, and workplaces do the same things that these celebrities are doing on a daily basis. We watch TV and expect the lost to act like Christians. Wake up people! This is why we are to be spreading the Gospel every day with every breath.

Parents, do not overlook things that are going on in your teenagers/kids life. They are dealing with sexual sin in everyday life whether you think so or not. They

are surrounded by it! If you aren't aware of what is going on in their text messages, computer, TV shows, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and Snap Chat then you are NOT doing your job. Step up and lead your kids to be Godly people that love the Lord with all they have. Because by allowing them do whatever they want now may bring them happiness but will ultimately fail them. The culture is the way it is today because of bad parenting. Sit down with your kids and read the Bible. Because the world tells us and them that reading the Bible is a waste of time. Are you spending your time wisely with your kids?

*Blessings,
Kevin Barnette*

Why is it important for us to be kind to others? Jesus did it!

Hey everybody! I hope you've had a great week at school and I know you are looking forward to a three-day weekend!

We will not have G-Force this Sunday but will resume on Sept. 8.

As you go through this year at school, I want you to think about this question — Why is it important for us to be kind to others? Read First Thessalonians 5:15 "Make sure that nobody pays back wrong for wrong, but always try to be kind

to each other and to everyone else." Jesus spent a lot of time telling us to love other people, and He demonstrated that kind of love when He gave His life for us. Jesus was kind to so many people, including people to whom no one else would be kind.

If we are to be kind, we much choose to live for more than just ourselves. We need to consider how our words and actions will affect others. In other words, we need to

live like Jesus. Our goal should be to imitate Him in every area, including kindness. We can remind people of Jesus' love by the way we treat them.

Ask God to give you some ideas on how you can show kindness to someone this week.

Have a good weekend!

*Love,
Mrs. Anita*

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, September 1
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Morning Worship in the FLC
11:00 NO G-Force (Children's Worship grades 1-6)
4:00 Prayer Shawl Ministry
5:15 Ignite (Bible study for youth)
6:00 Evening Worship in the FLC
Monday, September 2
*** Offices closed for Labor Day
Tuesday, September 3
*** First day of PRESCHOOL
Wednesday, September 4
6:45 Men's Prayer Breakfast
9:30 Lifestyles WMU
4:45 MISSION Wednesdays
6:30 Prayer & Praise Service
6:30 Revelation (Youth Bible Study & Worship)
7:15 Adult Worship Choir Practice

You are invited to a BRIDAL SHOWER

for **HAILY HITT**
bride-elect of Chris Anderson
at 2 p.m. Sun. Sept. 1
at Waltham Baptist Church.



THANK YOU

I want to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, flowers, food, visits and phone calls after my heart surgery. Please continue to pray for a full recovery. First Baptist has been such a blessing to our family over the years. May God bless.
Louise Hill



SEPTEMBER ITEMS OF THE MONTH
**WASHCLOTHES,
SOAP & \$7 SHIPPING**
Bring your OCC donations by the church office or OCC Collection Closet TODAY!

SUNDAY SCHOOL RECORD

Adult.....	149
College/Career.....	4
Youth.....	29
Children.....	16
Preschool/Nursery.....	19
Golden Living Center.....	27
TOTAL.....	244

FINANCIAL

Weekly Bud. Rec.....	\$6,973.00
Weekly Bud. Need.....	\$10,413.35
Budget Needs to Date.....	\$354,053.90
Gifts to Date.....	\$355,575.50
Over Budget.....	\$1,521.60

BUILDING FUND

Current balance.....	\$187,310.52
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VOLUNTEERS THIS WEEK

Nursery — Stephanie Stewart
Children's Church — Carol Turner
Sanctuary Flowers — Travis & Myra Watson

CHURCH STAFF

Travis Gray—Pastor
W. S. Stewart, Sr.—Pastor Emeritus
Jason Carson—Music Minister/Assoc. Pastor
Kevin Barnette—Youth Director
Anita Russell—Children's Director
Yvonne Hitt—Financial Secretary
Marcelle Robertson—Custodian
Kathy Bailey—Librarian
Sara Hitt—Church Clerk
Gwen Sisson—Church Secretary



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Aug. 29 **Ryan Mitchell**
Aug. 29 **Kadie Carol Fancher**
Aug. 29 **Bob Tackett**
Aug. 29 **Leanne McGarr**
Sept. 1 **Henry Ross**
Sept. 1 **Lydia Cain**
Sept. 1 **CharLeigh Hunter**
Sept. 1 **Heath McLemore**
Sept. 2 **Patti Swindle**
Sept. 2 **Kenneth Wade**
Sept. 3 **Brenda F. Gary**
Sept. 3 **Matthew Castle**
Sept. 3 **Dr. Wanda Porter**