September 2019 NEWSLETTER OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH REDWATER

Keeping the Body Connected in Ministry

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"The Lord our God spoke to us in Horeb, saying: 'You have dwelt long enough at this mountain. Turn and take your journey, and go to the mountains of the Amorites, to all the neighboring places in the plain, in the mountains and in the lowland, in the South and on the seacoast, to the land of the Canaanites and to Lebanon, as far as the great river, the River Euphrates. See, I have set the land before you; go in and possess the land which the Lord swore to your fathers to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob - to give to them and their descendants after them." Deut. 1:6-8

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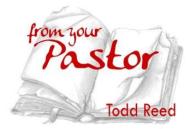


Operation Christmas Child is a project of Samaritan's Purse, an international relief organization. Their mission is to provide local partners around the world with shoeboxes filled with small toys, hygiene items, and school supplies as a means of reaching out to children in their own communities with the Good News of Jesus Christ. They ship these simple gifts outside the United States to children affected by war, poverty, natural disaster, famine, and disease; and to children living on Native American reservations in the U.S.

Shoebox gifts are a way to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to needy children around the world, and together with the local church worldwide, to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. The local ministry partners distribute your shoeboxes to children in their communities. After receiving shoebox gifts, many boys and girls are invited to enroll in The Greatest Journey, a 12-lesson discipleship program. Through the program, the local ministry partners are able to establish long-term, caring relationships with children and families by sharing the love of Jesus Christ.

Learn more about what to pack in a shoebox, how you can give and any other information by contacting Kathy Powell or go to www.samaritanspurse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child "...And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved."

Acts 2:47



Through the course of this year, God has called on us to engage in every opportunity He gives us to speak of His name. Now, we believe He is calling on us to engage as many as we can in His Church at Redwater. For that reason, we have felt led to challenge you to bring them in with the

commitment that as we grow we will do all that we can do to accommodate the crowds by offering two AM services. The marker we will look for is three consecutive weeks with 330 in the sanctuary. At that time, we will make announcements about an additional service time. The last few weeks we have been very close to that number. The Lord has presented us with a unique opportunity for growth, and now is your chance to be a part. We exist to glorify God by equipping the saints for the work of the ministry.

So now it is your turn, Church. God is calling on each of us to join Him in what He has already started. Pray that as we lift up the name of Jesus, we will not merely have more people in attendance, but that people will come to Christ in unprecedented numbers, for His name's sake.

be the Church.





September 13th

If you are interested in helping pack and/or distribute boxes please contact Connie Gregory.



ABUNDANT LIFE SENIOR ADULT CONFERENCE

September 5th | FBC Idabel | \$20 | Sign-Up in the Mission Hall Comedian Dennis Swanberg Music by Willow Creek Pastor Jeff Schreve





Students are back in school and I am praying that means that Fall weather is close! The trees will soon be stripped of their old leaves making room for new ones to grow after winter. When we strip the "me" away, God grows new "leaves" on us too! Let Him re-new you today!

Glad to see organized (semi) JOY Group events resuming this month. It is going to be a great year for Senior Adults!

I love all of you in JESUS' mighty name!

P.S. THIS COULD BE THE DAY!













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September Calendar of Events

Loaves and Fish Food Box Distribution

Date	Event	Date	Event
1 st	1st Sunday Fellowship (AM and PM)	14th	The Punches Live in Concert (6p)
2nd	Labor Day - Church Office Closed	15th	3rd Sunday Fellowship (after AM service)
3rd	JOY Group - Game Day (10a)	1 <i>7</i> th	JOY Group - Visitation (1p)
5th	Abundant Life Senior Adult Conference	22nd	Lord's Supper (PM Service)
8th	Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Adoption	24th	JOY Group - Trip TBA
10th	JOY Group - Keith Wilkerson and Potluck (10a)	29th	New Carpet Fundraiser Lunch (after AM service)