

the Connection

NEWSLETTER OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH REDWATER

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Keeping the Body Connected in Ministry

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*"Return, O Lord! How long?
And have compassion on
Your servants.
Oh, satisfy us early with Your
mercy, That we may rejoice
and be glad all our days!
Make us glad according to
the days in which You have
afflicted us, The years in
which we have seen evil.
Let Your work appear to
Your servants,
And Your glory to their
children.
And let the beauty of
the Lord our God be upon us,
And establish the work of our
hands for us; Yes, establish
the work of our hands. ."*

Psalm 90:13-17

Looking back over the past year remembering all of your "engage" stories I stand in amazement at how God chose to use one word to challenge us over and over... "ENGAGE"! It has been a huge year of change in many ways. In recent months we have been reminded that He is the One who makes "all things new".

As we now begin to walk in this new year the Lord is going to be calling us to "see". Begin praying now that in 2020, our eyes will be fixed on Him, that He will cause us to see what He sees and how He sees, to see more opportunities to engage, to see open doors to share the Gospel, and to see His hand at work everywhere.

As this becomes our daily practice we will not have to wait until the end of 2020 to see the reality of Psalm 65:1... "You crown the year with Your goodness, and Your paths drip with abundance." Let this Word guide your prayer and affect your vision in 2020, and together our lives will clearly proclaim!

"And let the beauty of the LORD our God be upon us, And establish the work of our hands for us; Yes, establish the work of our hands. "

- Psalm 90:17

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1ST SUNDAY fellowship

Beginning in January, 1st Sunday Fellowships will look a little different! Rather than us assigning homes as in the past, each Sunday School class will choose a host home for your class to meet in. Feel free to combine classes if you

like, and use this as a tool to build your class by inviting guests to join your class on First Sunday evenings! If you have any questions please feel free to call the office and ask any of our pastors. First Sundays in 2020 are as follows:

January 5

February 2

March 1

April 5

May 3

June 7

July 5

August 2

September 6

October 4

November 1

December 6




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Contact the Church Office if you have any questions!



HAPPY NEW YEAR! It's a new year to serve the Kingdom! Start it with new service in your life whether it be starting daily Bible reading or finding a place to serve at the Church house; the benefits are out of this world! If you are not sure where you can help, contact me and God will show us! I am looking forward to the ordination of 4 fine men to be added to our deacon body soon. Stay tuned!

I love every one of you in Jesus' mighty name!
Serve Him plenty in 2020!

BFG FITNESS

Tuesday and Thursday
6:15-7:15pm
FMB Gym

Third Sunday
FELLOWSHIP

Juice and snacks will be available in the Fellowship Hall after Worship Celebration on January 19. This is a time to fellowship with one another and to meet/greet any new members or visitors.



EXPERIENCING
GOD

New Class Beginning January 12th
See Bro. Corey for more info

loaves&fish 
Food Ministry of FBC Redwater
The next food box pick-up will be
January 10th
If you are interested in helping pack and/or distribute boxes please contact Connie Gregory.

JOY
Just Older Youth Group

EVENTS SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY

7	Game Day 10am in FMB	14	Program & Potluck 10am in FMB	21	Lunch & Visitation 11:30a in Office	28	Trip: Lake DeGray Lodge
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January Calendar of Events

Date	Event	Date	Event
1st	Office Closed	19th	3rd Sunday Fellowship (after AM Service) Pancake Supper (after PM Service)
6th	RISD Teacher Inservice Lunch		
7th	JOY Group - Game Day (10a)	20th	RISD Out of School
10th	Loaves and Fish Food Box Distribution	21st	JOY Group - Lunch and Visitation (11:30a)
12th	Committee Orientation	28th	JOY Group - Trip to Lake DeGray Lodge
14th	JOY Group - Program and Potluck (10a)		