

Congratulations

Kira Entrekin, along with big brothers Hayden and Skyler, announce the arrival of Caleb born on August 26, 2009.
Proud grandparents are Steve & Cheryl Entrekin

Monty & Sabina Suther along with siblings Nicholas and Isabella announce the arrival of Sophia born September 18, 2009.

Joey & Luanne Sivinski announce the arrival of Wyatt born on September 23, 2009

Our Sympathy

Christian love and sympathy to:

David Smith in the death of his wife Vickie
Joy Hart in the death of her sister

Susan Thomann in the death of her sister

Jean Allman in the death of her sister, Lurene Winston

The family of Connie Eubanks in her death

Steve Entrekin in the death of his mother

Jack Cannon in the death of his sister

New Members

Samuel Reidling (Baptism)

Preston, Mary Beth, Preston, Palmer & Payton Nix (Letter)

Don Marengo (Baptism)

Eric, Rhonda & Calvin Nance (Letter)

Mark & Tiffanie Overstreet (Letter)

Madison Murphree (Baptism)

Mason Parr (Baptism)

Whitney Nichol (Letter)

Cory, Lisa & Jordan York (Letter)

Victor & Cheryl Gonzales (Letter)

Isabella Gonzales (Baptism)

Brent, Sarah Jeffrey & Bradley Moseley (Letter)

Marie Acker (Letter)

Matthew & Jennifer Spivy (Letter)

Rick & Sandelynn Davis (Letter)

Spencer Davis (Baptism)

The Great Adventure

Starts Wednesday, September 30th

FBC Rockwall

For More Info & To Sign Up

www.rockwallmensministry.org

MEN'S
FRATERNITY



...explores a man and his world beyond the everyday. The 20 session study puts the roof on the house of masculinity and creates a vision for a man's future and destiny. This study will help men rediscover the uniqueness they have as a man and discover a satisfying life focus.

October 2009



I apologize up front for using my article as a calendar but sometimes it seems necessary . . .

Once again this year we will be offering **flu shots** on Sunday morning, October 11. You can get them before and after all three services in the southwest corner of the foyer (where no one has to watch you get stuck!) on that day. These are the “regular” flu shots, not the “swine” flu shots. If you have a medicare card, they are free. If not, they cost \$20. Yes, I have let them stick, me too, and no, they won’t give you the flu—but they might keep you from getting it!

While we are on the subject of the flu—whichever kind—please know that we do everything we can to make sure that our children’s building and all that is in it stay clean. We sanitize two times a week, so I hope you won’t be afraid to bring your children. On the other hand, we do have a well child policy (you can find it on our website), so please don’t bring your sick child to church. The truth is, they probably have a better chance of getting the flu at school than they do at church.

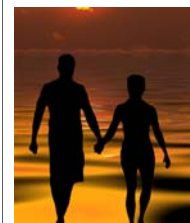
At the end of the month we will be having our annual **Fall Festival** for our children. It will be on Wednesday night, October 28, 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm Yes, we will need a boat load of candy as we provide a safe place for our kids and the neighborhood kids to enjoy themselves and stock up! Please plan now to help us with candy, and if you can, to help us that night with the event.

One final thought—we recently voted to add **Martin Jones** to our staff as a part-time “preaching/outreach intern.” Most of you will recognize Martin as the young man from England who fills in for me on occasion. Now, he will be the one who fills in for me most of the time—so that you know when I am gone Martin will be the one preaching. He will also be helping me make first contact with visitors. He already teaches in our Bible Study area and will continue to do that. I am very excited about Martin being a part of our staff. If you don’t really know him, I hope you will take the time to get to know him. You will be blessed, and our church will be blessed as he fills in for me when I need him to. Sorry, but most of the time you will still have to hear me! Sunday . . .

Steve Swofford

Flu Shots

Health Center of Helping Hands Clinic will once again offer flu shots to the First Family. Shots will be available Sunday, October 11, before and after all 3 services in the foyer of the Worship Center. Shots are \$20.00 or free with a Medicare card. Checks should be made out to HCHH.



Attention: All Married and Engaged Couples

A new marriage series will begin on Friday, October 16, in the FBC Launching Pad (children's building), starting at 7:00 pm with a potluck dinner and ending by 9:00 pm. This series, **Fireproof Your Marriage**, is based on the movie "Fireproof" with Kirk Cameron. "He Said/She Said" will be the subject for the October program. No matter how long you have been married, this program promises to be a true blessing for your marriage. For childcare, call Gay Miller at 972-771-8459 by October 9.

RISD Fair Day

All Preschool, Children, and Youth activities as well as the First Family meal are canceled Wednesday, October 7, due to Rockwall ISD Fair Day.

We Need Candy

Lots of candy is needed for our Candy Land Trunk or Treat. Please help us fill up the orange containers placed around the church with individually wrapped candy or small toy trinkets.

Name Tags

Growing is good and knowing each other’s name is better so for the month of October we are asking everyone to please wear name tags. Pick up a name tag in your Bible Study class or at the table in the office hallway.

JOY (55+)

October 22 - “Church Basement Ladies”, (a hilarious musical comedy celebrating the church basement kitchens everywhere and the wonderful, unsung women who work there) at the Eisemann Center in Richardson. Tickets are \$32.40 per person. Sign up in the church office. Last day to secure a ticket is October 4.

November 9 - Day Trip to Nakona Athletic Equipment Factory to see how baseball gloves are manufactured. Lunch and shopping in Muenster.

December 10 - “Sanders Family Christmas” (Sequel to “Smoke on the Mountain.”) Ticket price is \$10.00. There are a limited amount of tickets, and they must be purchased in the church office by October 25.

For more information or to register for any of the upcoming events contact Jesse or Linda in the church office.



2010 Budget

The 2010 proposed budget will soon be mailed to your home. The budget will be discussed during the churchwide conference Wednesday, November 18. Budget vote will be held without discussion on November 22.



Sunday, November 1

Daylight Savings Time Ends

Don’t forget to set your clock **back** one hour.

Worship Choir CD Recordings Available for Sale

“Cover the Earth with Your Glory” and “The Splendor of Christmas” CDs are available in the office hallway. Purchase one for \$12 or \$10 each for two or more. They make awesome gifts!

First Family Report

Date	Participation	Stewardship	ETV
August 23	1,289	\$52,289.61	\$4,253.02
August 30	1,337	\$53,066.75	\$3,858.00
Septemter 6	1,146	\$81,491.30	\$6,679.30
September 13	1,143	\$57,646.68	\$4,614.00
September 20	1,240	\$48,508.12	\$4,676.00
YTD required		\$2,394,874.00	
YTD received		\$2,466,420.27	\$2,646,264.05



Well Child Policies

The cold and flu season is quickly approaching. Keeping all our little ones well is on the top of our priority list here at First Baptist Church. We sanitize the rooms twice a week; however, most sicknesses are spread from child to child. Therefore, please be mindful of bringing your child to church activities if they are sick. We do have a Well Child Policy in place and you may view it anytime on our website. If your child exhibits questionable symptoms and you are not sure if they should be around other children, please use the Golden Rule (Do unto others as you would have others do unto you.) as a guide.

Thank you for your cooperation and please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns.