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** **Sundays** - Sunday School 9a / Donuts & Coffee 10a / Worship 1030a & 6pm *** **Wednesdays** - Activities for the Whole Family

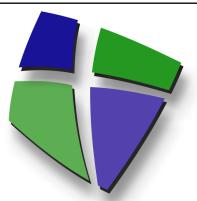
HOP							
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
			1 Office Closed	2 Free Clinic 3pm	3	4	
5** Youth Workers Mtg 12p	6 Financial Peace 6pm Young Adult Bible Study 6p	7 Women's Bible Study 10am	8*** Choir Practice 5pm Awanas 6pm Youth 6pm Adults 6pm	9 Free Clinic 3pm	10	11	
12** Children's Workers Mtg 12 Chili Cook-Off & Talent Show 5pm	Financial Peace 6pm Young Adult Bible Study 6p	14 Women's Bible Study 10am	15*** Choir Practice 5pm Awanas 6pm Youth 6pm Adults 6pm	16 WMU 1:30pm Free Clinic 3pm Properties Mtg 530pm	17	18 Deacons 8am	
19 **	Financial Peace 6pm Young Adult Bible Study 6p	21 Women's Bible Study 10am Young at Heart Potluck 1130a	22*** Choir Practice 5pm Awanas 6pm Youth 6pm Adults 6pm	23 Free Clinic 3pm	24	25	
26** Quarterly Business Mtg & Potluck 12p No PM Church	Financial Peace 6pm Young Adult Bible Study 6p	28 Women's Bible Study 10am Young at Heart TNT 5pm	29*** Choir Practice 5pm Awanas 6pm Youth 6pm Adults 6pm	30	31		



Thank you for all your kind thoughts and prayers in the passing of Jim Talbot's dad. A special thank you to the Bereavement team for providing, preparing and serving the great food. To Thomas, thank you for taking your Saturday off to run the sound system and for your Spiritual support during

the service. Sincerely, Jim and Vicki Talbot





happy birthday!

Reg Wallace	1
Jaydon Hill	6
Katie Barrowman	6
Ginger LaBlanc	6
Josh Carillo	7
Shannon Cox	9
Rick Deaver	9
Judy Asay	10
Lenora Flowers	10
Herman Drews	12
Teresa Tanner	13
Frank Barbee	13
Gina Pigsley	14
Gary Witt	15
Jim Talbot	16
Payton Kerns	18
Ann Barrowman	18
Sharon Bettes	18
Debbie Moore	18
Linda Williams	20
Faith Soeder	22
Alix Nelson	23
Lynda Caudill	26
Jeremy Watters	27
Cindy Hamm	28
Baylee Gregg	28
Tony Caudill	30

#'s at a glance

12/8

Sunday School - 214 Morning Worship - 304 Evening Worship - 102

12/15

Sunday School - 185 Morning Worship - 248 Evening Worship - 125

Budget Needs - \$696,426.00 Budget Given - \$723,100.14

Building Fund - \$25,090.59 Kitchen Fund - \$12,115.00 New Van Fund - \$9,735.00

Grove's First Baptist Church

January 2020 Proclaimer Newsletter

Twenty years ago, many of us were wondering what was going to happen to us. It was a few weeks before Y2K. Remember that? People were panicking and really getting uptight about the year 2000. Now we are twenty years beyond, and it is interesting how times have changed. Most people have probably not given much thought to it being 2020. But it will be here in a few days. Time continues to move on with or without us.

As we move into a new decade as a church, I want to share some thoughts with you. Our Long-Range Planning Committee has sent out a survey for you to respond to. I hope you will take the time and fill one out or take the survey online off our

website. It is important to hear from you as church members. The direction we take as a church in the next several years will be paramount in doing minis-

from our pastor ...

try and fulfilling our purpose as a New Testament church. Please do your part and share some thoughts and be praying for the church body as a whole. We need to catch the vision that God has for us and seek to fulfill His purpose as a church body.

Beginning Sunday, January 6th, I will be sharing some messages under the title; "Moving Forward: Going Beyond Mediocrity." I want to challenge myself and others to make a commitment towards excellence. When you were in school, were you ever tempted to be satisfied with a "C"? You know, A, B, C, D, and F. Those were the grades that we were given based on the work we did in school. The letter grade "C" was not good but not bad. It was average. I remember taking a class at NEO A&M without the textbook and managed a "C" listening to lectures and taking tests. It was not one of my finer days in college, but I did average work in the class and got an average grade. But is God satisfied with average? Is He satisfied with mediocrity or does He want His people to soar?

I am convinced after looking at Scripture that God wants us to soar like eagles and not be grounded like the turkeys. I am reminded of the famous passage in Isaiah 40:28-31. Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth does not become weary or tired. His understanding is inscrutable. He gives strength to the weary, and to him who lacks might He increases power. Though youths grow weary and tired, And vigorous young men stumble badly, yet those who wait for the Lord will gain new strength; They will mount up with wings like eagles, They will run and not get tired, They will walk and not become weary. That, my friend, is soaring language. It is not settling for the average or mediocre. It is refusing to let the majority shape your standard. It is not natural nor is it easy. But it can be done. Be prepared to have your faith stretched like a muscle and your attitudes challenged. Let's pray to God that we will not be satisfied with average or mediocre commitment to Him!

Bro. Jim

FINANCIAL PEACE CLASS
Starting Monday, January 6 at 6 pm we will begin Dave Ramsey's
Financial Peace and will be led by Dennis Gelonek.
Sign up at the Event Table.