



Newsletter September 2021

Wednesday Prayer & Praise

Beginning September 1

Wednesday Prayer & Praise will offer opportunities for all ages to worship through music, prayer, and devotionals that will help us connect to the love and the life of Jesus Christ.

Meals

Meals will be available between 5:15-6:15 p.m. at a cost of \$5 per plate, \$20 maximum per family. A cashier will be in the Great Hall to accept payment and issue a ticket that can be redeemed for a plate in either Price Hall (youth/children/family) or the Wolf Conference Center (adults). Meals can be eaten in these serving areas, or taken to different ministry areas or classrooms. A full menu will be posted at the beginning of each month at fbcep.com/wednesday.

Preschool & Children

Dinner & Hangout

5:00-6:00 p.m. in The Underground

Kids' Choir

6:00-7:00 p.m. in The Underground

Childcare & Fun Activities

6:00-8:00 p.m. in The Children's Building

FBC Youth

Dinner & Hangout

5:00-6:00 p.m. in Price Hall

The Mix

6:00-7:30 p.m. in Price Hall

Adults

Prayer Meeting

6:00-7:00 p.m. in the Wolf Conference Center

Sanctuary Choir

6:00-7:30 p.m. in the Music Suite

Spanish Prayer & Praise

5:45-6:30 p.m. in Rooms 300 & 301

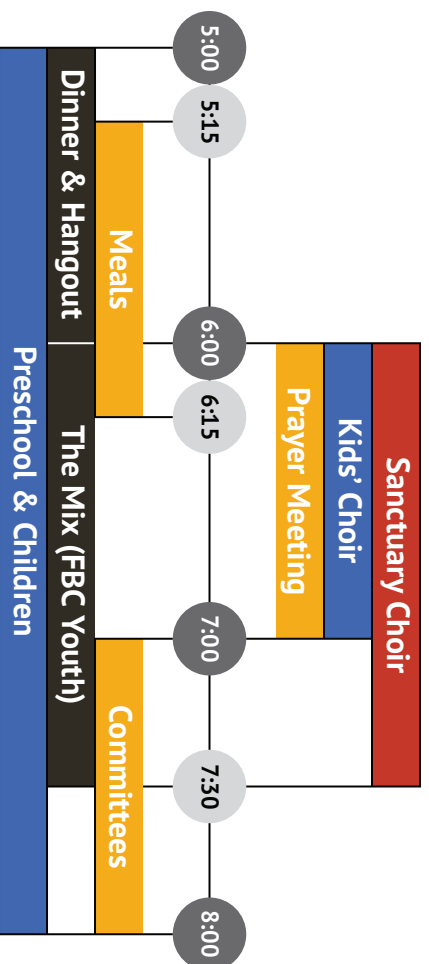
English as a Second Language

6:30-7:30 p.m. in Rooms 300 & 301

Redeeming Art Ministry (registration required)

6:00-8:00 p.m. in Room 105

Committee meetings will be held as they are scheduled after the Prayer Meeting.



Sunday Equip & Engage

Fall Session September 12-November 14, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Sunday Equip & Engage will provide engaging discipleship options for all ages that will help equip us to connect others to the love and the life of Jesus Christ. There will be a special activity in lieu of normal activities during the October Fall Break.

Preschool & Children

The Preschool & Children's Ministry will offer two Sunday classes, each eight weeks long, for children 1st-5th grade. Classes are free and no registration is required. Childcare and fun activities will be offered at the same time for children in kindergarten and younger.

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Following Jesus

- How to become a Christian and what that means.
- How to grow closer to God individually and as a church.
- Understand the meaning of some of our church practices, like Baptism and the Lord's Supper.

Knowing The Bible

- Why the Bible is a special book.
- Basic skills to study the Bible.
- How the Bible helps us make good choices.

FBC Youth



Students in grades 6-12 will be equipped to build bridges to their peers and the world around them through a variety of Bible based interactive discussions about issues affecting our lives, service projects, outreach events, and fun activities.

Adults

Registration available in the Great Hall and at fbcep.com/sunday beginning September 1.

How to Study the Bible

Participants will learn a single "tool" designed to enable them to study any Bible passage for maximum growth effect.

Character Study

Teachers: Izzy Rosario & Sherry Maxsom
Study how God used the successes and failures of ordinary people to accomplish His purpose, and how He can empower you to overcome the challenges of every day.

How to Teach the Bible

Teacher: Erick Jimenez
Come and learn the many ways in which Jesus taught His disciples as we consider the relationship between a student and teacher and the different levels of learning and teaching.

Identity • Facilitator: Jeff Huff

During session, various church leaders will share a broad overview of the history, the mission of FBC of EP. Participants will have an opportunity to discover that God is equipping each Christ follower for a particular role within His family.

Spanish Discipleship & ESL (5:00-7:30)

Facilitators: Raúl Prieto & Edgardo Martinez
Rooms 300 & 301
Vida Discipular 5:00-6:00 p.m.
Clase de Ingles 6:00-7:30 p.m.

MOM Meetup

SEPTEMBER 7 & 28

9:00-10:30 A.M.

CIMARRON PARK

PLAYGROUND

(7300 CIMARRON PARK DR.)

Calling All Moms! We will be having a Mom Meetup at the park! Come join us and bring your children for a morning of connection. We will pray, play, share, and connect. We will meet at the Cimarron Park playground on September 7 and September 28 from 9:00-10:30 a.m. Hope to see you there!
*Remember to bring your own water and snacks for your family.

JOIN US FOR THE

Going Beyond
SIMULCAST
PRISCILLA

SHIRER

Worship with Anthony Evans

LIVE @FBC SEPTEMBER 25, 2021



COST: \$30/person

8AM-3PM

(doors will open at 7:30am)

FOOD INCLUDED

REGISTER AT [FBCEP.COM/WOMEN](http://fbcep.com/women)
BY SEPTEMBER 12

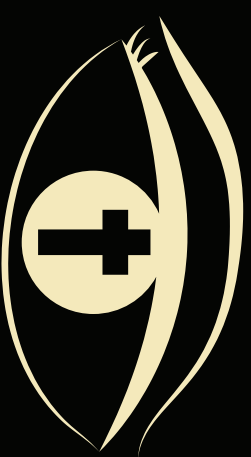
NEW BIBLE STUDY

JOURNEY SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

DREAMS SHATTERED, DREAMS FULFILLED.

Beginning September 12, 10:10 a.m.

Joseph's life was full of ups and downs. God was with him in every circumstance and taught him how to live and prosper through them all. Join us for a study of his life as told in Genesis, the book of beginnings



See, Believe, and Live Forever!
A Study on John's Gospel

Ladies' Fall Bible Study
Thursdays, 9:15-11:15 a.m.
beginning September 9

Cost: \$10/person

Registration


fbcep.com/women



Sympathy

- Janette Coon in the passing of her sister.
- Charlie Horak in the passing of his sister.
- Debbie Isuani and Clara Sandifer in the passing of their father and husband, Maxie Sandifer.
- Angela Barrera in the passing of her mother, Guadalupe Gonzalez.
- Ken Jones in the passing of his brother, David.
- Kathy Freeman in the passing of her cousin.

Congratulations

- Brooks Ballew
Born to Karah and Hunter Ballew
Big Brother Bently Ballew
- Weekly Digital Sunday Bulletin** 
- Visit fbcep.com/bulletin or use the FBC mobile app to access the weekly bulletin.

June Giving

	2020
Budgeted	\$153,900
Received	\$117,400
	2021
Budgeted	\$169,300
Received (est.)	\$230,000

Ways to Give

- Text "Give" to (915)975-7300
- Online at fbcep.com
- First Baptist Church El Paso Mobile App
- Mail Gift to:

805 Montana Ave.
Attn: Finance
El Paso, TX 79902



Congratulations ON YOUR RETIREMENT!

Rick Gum

Church Business Administrator

We are accepting love offerings to celebrate Rick's 13 1/2 years in service to FBC of EP. To contribute online, visit fbcep.com/newsletter and use the giving form provided, or fbcep.com/give and designate your gift "Love Offering for Rick Gum."

To give by check or cash, designate your gift "Love Offering for Rick Gum" and bring it to the church office or mail it to:

805 Montana Ave.
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Women on Mission in September

The WOM Meeting will be held September 7, 2021 at the church in person in room 107 at 11:00 a.m. If you plan to attend and would like a meal, please contact Martha Caldwell at marthacaldwell199@hotmail.com or call 785-375-9404.

Mission Service Project for September:

Mary Hill Davis Offering for Texas missions and missionaries. The FBC Goal is \$10,000. The Week of Prayer for Texas Missions is September 12-19.

What is the Mary Hill Davis Offering?

In 1935, the Executive Board of Woman's Missionary Union of Texas recommended a resolution that the Week of Prayer for State Missions Offering be named the "Mary Hill Davis Offering". The resolution was unanimously adopted and the offering was thus named for the woman who had led Baptist women of Texas to pray for and give to missions efforts in Texas. Today, eight-five years later, your gifts to the Mary Hill Davis Offering continue to empower state missions efforts for Texas Baptists.

Together, WMU of Texas and Texas Baptists are able to send missionaries and provide opportunities for people to hear the Gospel and find hope in Christ. The Mary Hill Davis Offering for Texas Missions is a vital part of this work, 100 percent of the money collected goes to sending missionaries, supporting missions in Texas, and sustaining WMU of Texas' ministry efforts.

Thank you for giving so generously to Buckner Shoes for Orphan Souls for a total of \$1,745. So many children will be helped.

Christian Women's Job Corps, CWJC.

The new director is Xiomara Martinez. Congratulations!!!! Xiomara has passion and

enthusiasm for women in El Paso who need a helping hand and essential skills to improve their lives. CWJC is women nurturing women and transforming lives.

CWJC provides classes that include Bible study, conversational English and computer classes, completely free of charge. Teachers, volunteers and Board members are needed. Teachers and volunteers help build the student's self-esteem, self-confidence and skills essential to success in life and work.

More classes such as money management, job applications, dress for business, and family nutrition will be added as teachers become available.

CWJC is creating a Christ-centered environment where the women of El Paso, Texas encounter the life-changing love of Christ through relationships as they become empowered to know who they are in Jesus Christ; to understand and follow God's divine purpose for their lives as they become blessings to their families and their communities. Every woman who comes to CWJC receives something, such as prayer, opportunity to participate in Bible Study or sign up for classes.

Tuesdays 9:00-11:00 am

Bible Study/ Estudio Bíblico en Español

Wednesdays 9:00-11:00 am

Conversational English

Free Childcare

Please pray for CWJC as students comes. Pray for more teachers, and volunteers. Pray that the Lord will give Xiomara wisdom, guidance, direction and compassion for CWJC and the women of El Paso. Contact Xiomara Martinez at 254-548-3421 or email, xiglo67@gmail.com to help CWJC.

Pray for Missionaries Passage:

1 Peter 2:11-17

Dear friends, I urge you, as foreigners and exiles, to abstain from sinful desires, which wage war against your soul. Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us. Submit yourselves for the LORD's sake to every human authority: whether to the emperor, as the supreme authority, or to governors, who are sent by him to punish those who do wrong and to commend those who do right. For it is God's will that by doing good you should silence the ignorant talk of foolish people. Live as free people, but do not use your freedom as a cover-up for evil; live as God's slaves. Show proper respect to everyone, love the family of believers, fear God, honor the emperor. When you travel to another place, the local customs and food seem odd. For instance, if you took a vacation to Denmark, then you might not understand the language. The surroundings would be new and the routines and norms different. Abroad, we are foreigners in a distant land. The same is true for our residence on this earth. We are not citizens of this world, only temporary residents.

Peter reminded the first-century Christians while in the temporary residence, they were to live above reproach. All Christians should obey the laws of the land, but when persecution and opposition come, our response reflects on the glory of God. Will God be glorified in the response? Or will the answer glorify the world? Will we be bold or shrink away?

With a heavenward focus, standing firm under pressure, ask God today to give strength and wisdom to missionaries and yourself as opposition mounts. Show the world that the Lord reigns.

Prayer Focus, Sub-Saharan African

Peoples: Eswatini has the highest percentage of people living with HIV in the world. The country is also affected by tuberculosis, meaning many people are coinfecting with HIV. Add alongside this mix COVID-19. Pray for Eswatini as the country deals with two pandemics, COVID-19 and HIV/AIDS. Pray for better health care for the people and greater awareness of the dangers of both pandemics.

Pray for North American Mission Board: Arizona, Johnathan Chan, Illinois, David Seaton, Marvin Shultz, Massachusetts, Steven Castello, New Jersey, Vijay Allampalli, International Mission Board, East Asian Peoples, Fred Cai, European Peoples, GB, David Burk, Cheryl Enoch, Southeast Asian Peoples, DH, Sub-Saharan African Peoples, TD, Chaplains, Volunteers, State Convention Missionaries, Retired NAMB, Matt Gaston, Margaret Hawkins, Retired IMB, Russel Fox, Earl Jolley, Lauree Moore.

Glenda Cook, Missionary in Taiwan, will be on sabbatical from March through September 2022. She is looking for a place to stay.

Please keep Pat Murtland in your prayers. Dick Murtland passed away July 8, 2021 at his home.

Thank you for your amazing faithful mission ministry. Many people are blessed by your generosity.

—Martha Caldwell, Director, WMU, and Pat Murtland, WOM Facilitator.