Celebrating a Birthday

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May 8	Mary Becton
May 8	Kelly Newman
May 9	David Thornton
May 13	Jan Blakey
May 13	Deborah Boerger
May 13	Matthew Davidson
May 13	Tommy Duke
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Steve Britton, Gerald Ethridge, Chris Long, Rob Mucha, Warren Oglesby, Robert Riley, Ed Schaffer. A. J. Tovar, Luis Tovar, Tommy Triplett

### **Counters**

Steve Britton, Chairman Larry Olliff, Chairman Joe Jackson, Rob Mucha

### **Nursery**

Laurann Mucha Autumn/Summer Brinson

### **Preschool**

Volunteer



#### **VITAL SIGNS**

Budget Gifts Sunday	\$5,336.00
Budget Gifts to Date	

## **OPPORTUNITIES**

You're Invited to Join Us! Sunday, May 8, 2022

# Mother's Day

9:30am - Breakfast Served

9:30am – Church Library Open

10:00am – Sunday School Groups

11:00am – Morning Worship with Parent/Child Dedication (In-Person or multiple Saturday & Sunday opportunities for Church Online at FBCGC.live)

### Wednesday, May 11, 2022

7:00pm – Adult, Youth and Children Bible Studies



# **Summer Serving Opportunities**



# BLOCK PARTY June 5

5:00-7:30pm

# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**June 12th-15th** 5:45-8:40pm

### VBS FAMILY NIGHT

**June 16th** 6:00pm

You can help FBC Garden City make a difference in the lives of children & families this Summer! Call Church Office or Sign-Up on your Connection Card at church. FIRST
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# **FAST TIMES AT FBC**

As I've gotten a little older, I have found myself noting how *quickly* each year seems to pass. It seems like we were just ushering in 2022, and now it's May already. In fact, as we prepare to send this newsletter, 34% of 2022 is already behind us.

One element that contributes to the feeling that time is flying by is *busyness*. I'm not talking about being busy for busy's sake, but busy doing the Lord's work. And by that definition, this is a *busy season* at FBC.

Just a few weeks ago we celebrated Jesus' Resurrection together at Easter. Then, we had our Homecoming celebration (I'm still thinking about all the great food you shared). Next Sunday is Mother's Day – featuring a special photo opp and Parent/Child Dedication. It's going to be another great Sunday!

On top of all this, we are almost exactly one month away from our annual Block Party (on Sunday, June 5th), with Vacation Bible School to follow, starting on June 12th. Our Student Ministry is scheduled to take our youth to Fuge Camp and World Changers this summer. We'll also add in a few summer Growth Groups, which you'll be hearing more about very soon, and other special gathering opportunities.

All of this adds up to a truth that I try to remind you of as often as possible:

#### God is up to something special at First Baptist Church of Garden City!

Praise the Lord for that! He's not done with us as individuals or as a church. That truth makes me want to invite you to make the most of the coming months as a part of FBC. There is a temptation in the summer

months to do a little drifting... Schools are out, schedules are different, vacations are scheduled, and there's a general change of pace for many people during the summer.

Here's my challenge to you:

#### Choose to grow your faith this summer!

There are many ways to grow your faith:

- Reserve additional time for spiritual disciplines (prayer, Bible study, fasting, solitude, etc.).
- Attend church and participate as much as possible (join us in-person whenever you're able).
- Pray for God to continue bringing growth to our church (spiritual growth & numerical growth).
- Plug into a group for spiritual growth (Sunday School Groups & Growth Groups will be available this summer).
- Volunteer to serve at FBC this summer (help with VBS, First Impressions, Worship Team, Production Team, etc.).
- Look for opportunities to share Jesus with others (invite them to church, share your testimony, or share the Gospel with them).

I am looking forward to how God will be at work this summer, in our church and through our church!

Praying for a Summer of Growth,

P.S. Join us this Sunday, May 8, for Mother's Day of FBC! We will continue our *FEAR*<*LESS* teaching series, looking at "Parenting Fearlessly." Join us In-Person if at all possible (Sunday at 11am) or tune into Church Online (multiple service times) at <u>FBCGC.live</u> if you can't make it in-person.



# Teaching Series: CHOOSING FAITH IN FRIGHTENING TIMES

Sunday, May 8: Parenting Fearlessly

# Mother's Day

May 8, 2022 Parent/Child Dedication

Photo Opp for All Attendees Before & After Mother's Day Service



**Graduate Recognition**Sunday. May 22



# MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY

Making a difference in the lives of children and their families here at FBC Garden City is a vital ministry. There are opportunities to serve during the Sunday School hour in our nursery as well as during the worship hour for nursery, preschool & children's churches. Please contact Randall, the church office or sign up on your connection card.