

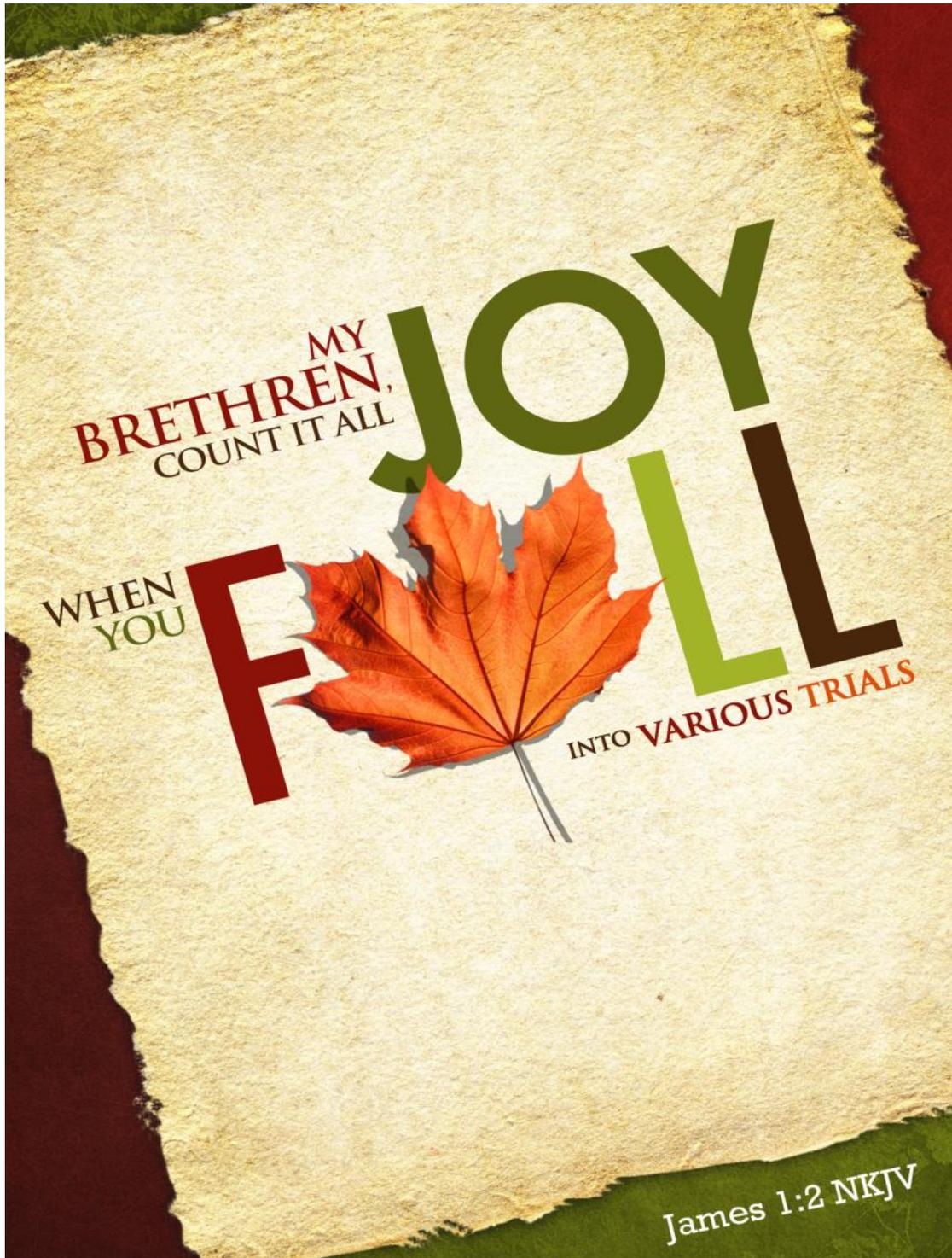
The Lighthouse

First Baptist Church, Giddings
Helping Others Say "Yes" To Jesus

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From the Pastor...

FBC Family,

It was such an incredible season of ministry these past few months. But with summer coming to a close and school starting, we have found ourselves entering into a new season. As we enter this season, I cannot help but reflect on Pastor Johnny's words from last week, "It isn't the sum thinking that makes the difference. It is the sacrificial thinking that gets God's attention." So, as we move forward, our goal is to continue as a church body with sacrificial thinking and keep God's attention. With that being said, I have some exciting news I would like to share with you on some ways we plan to accomplish this.

For starters, this October, we are launching "FBC Loves Our Community." We will leave the FBC campus and go out into these amazing communities that have shown us so much love. As a family, this will be our chance to return the favor and love on our community. We plan to do this by loving on our local EMS, Police, Sheriffs, firefighters, and nursing homes, as well as showing appreciation to our teachers, school districts, and local businesses. And we can't forget to have fun while we love our community. So there will be activities like a block party, free car wash, volunteering at the food pantry, and maybe even a free blue bell float giveaway. Then, wrap it up with our annual candy and snow cone giveaway for hundreds of local trick-or-treaters on October 31st.

Wow! Talk about sacrificial thinking, and that's just the start. On October 14th, our Men's Ministry will host our first Beast Feast, where we pray that 160 plus men, ages 12 and up, come together for fellowship, a message, door prizes, and a steak dinner. We pray transformation happens and families come to Christ through the leadership of the men in our community. I also want to add one more incredible piece to the sacrificial thinking I see FBC making soon. Our women's ministry is headed to the "You Are Conference" later this month. On September 15th and 16th, they will be in New Braunfels getting rejuvenated and spiritually filled so they

can come back prepared and ready to love our community well.

What an incredible season we have found ourselves in. We have the privilege to turn outward and give back to these communities that have given us so much. As we faithfully walk through this upcoming season, I would like to take a moment to remind us of the commandment Jesus gives us in John 13:34-35, "Just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." Allow this scripture to speak into your life as we set out as a family of Christ followers and love people one person/life at a time.

Pastor Colton



**FREE FRESH FOOD
FOR FAMILIES
& HOPE**

**September 22nd
9:00 a.m.**

Volunteers Needed




FBC Women's Ministry

Join us!!!

You Are Conference
SEPT 15-16

Contact Ali Loyett: (979) 716-8398 for more details

NEW BRANFELLS, TX
Registration is underway!

Want to attend what to do next?
- Buy your conference Ticket - scan QR code.
- Let us know you are attending.
- Reserve Lodging with FBC or personally. (FBC housing deadline is 8/14, contact Ali for information)

September 15 - 16, 2023



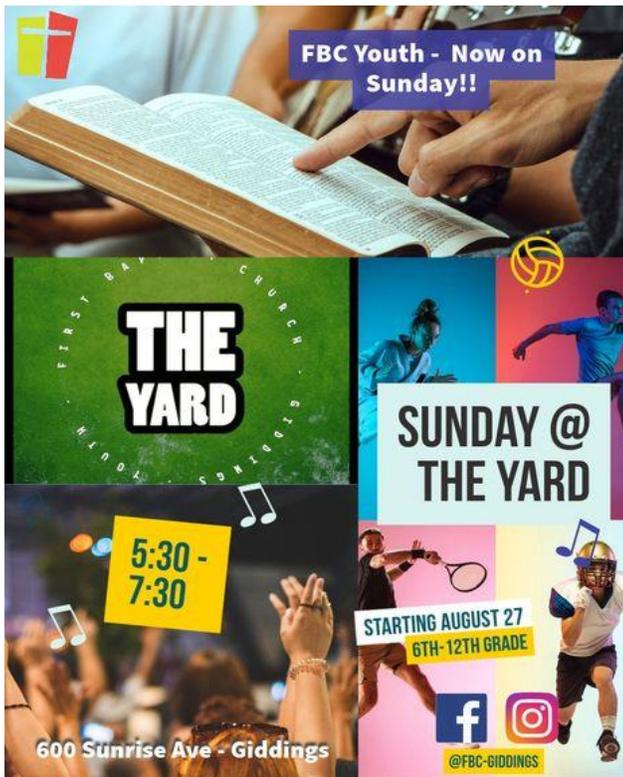
FBC KIDS
DISCIPLESHIP STARTS HERE

KINDER - 5TH GRADE

WEDNESDAYS @ FBC
STARTING AUGUST 30

5:40 - 7:30

@FBC-GIDDINGS



FBC Youth - Now on Sunday!!

THE YARD
SUNDAY @ THE YARD

5:30 - 7:30

STARTING AUGUST 27
6TH-12TH GRADE

600 Sunrise Ave - Giddings

@FBC-GIDDINGS



RELAY FOR LIFE
American Cancer Society

Saturday, October 28th
At Veterans Park
6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

For more information see Peggy Berry at the Welcome Center



Food Pantry
Next Food Pantry

Thursday, Sept. 8th - 3:30-5:30 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 9th - 7:30-9:30 a.m.
Saturday, Sept 10th - 7:30-9:30 a.m.

Volunteers needed!

Contact # 979-540-6310
for more information

 <p>SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS</p>	Sept 1	Norma Buck	Sept 16	Sharon Buck	Sept 23	Luke Simon
	Sept 3	Lawson Cruise	Sept 17	Charlotte Conley	Sept 25	Joel Schilleci
	Sept 4	Bob Sharp		Ryleigh DeGerolami	Sept 27	Matthew DeGasperi
	Sept 5	Jaxson Jaeger		Yvonne Gillum	Sept 28	Nancy O'Toole
	Sept 6	Rebekkah Richardson	Sept 18	Trina Spray	Sept 29	Dominic Montoya
		Keisha Royal	Sept 19	Matthew DeGerolami	Sept 30	James Barnett
	Sept 9	Madelynn Meads		Billy Gable, Jr.		
	Sept 10	Vance Bradford	Sept 21	Kaylee Lind		
	Sept 15	Josh Namken	Sept 22	Dentyn Blasig		

Missionaries We Support Monthly

Go Drill	Mission: Dignity
Tejas Ministries	FIRM
BGCT	FCA
Giddings Area Food Pantry	

Monthly Giving Needs: \$27,300.00
Weekly Giving Needs: \$6,300.00

Total August giving

\$29,608.00

First Baptist Church Deacons

John Booth	Mike Jatzlau
Vance Bradford	Warren Jatzlau
Tim Cruise	Marty Lindner
Billy Gillum	Michael Thamez
Billy Higgins	

Retired Deacons at FBC

Bob Sharp

Wednesday Night Kid's Menu

September 6 - Chicken Nuggets-tater tots

September 13 - Sloppy Joes

September 20 - King Ranch Chicken

September 27 - Nachos with Taco meat

READING THE BIBLE TOGETHER

Our church body is reading through the Bible together each day. Learn with us. Join the journey.

Week of September 4

<input type="checkbox"/> Monday	John 3
<input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday	John 4
<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday	John 5
<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday	John 6
<input type="checkbox"/> Friday	John 7

Week of September 25

<input type="checkbox"/> Monday	John 18
<input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday	John 19
<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday	John 20
<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday	John 21
<input type="checkbox"/> Friday	Acts 1

Week of September 11

<input type="checkbox"/> Monday	John 8
<input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday	John 9
<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday	John 10
<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday	John 11
<input type="checkbox"/> Friday	John 12

Week of September 18

<input type="checkbox"/> Monday	John 13
<input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday	John 14
<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday	John 15
<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday	John 16
<input type="checkbox"/> Friday	John 17