

The 360

The view from around Parker County, the Parker Baptist Association and beyond. . .

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February



Calendar of Events

February

16-17 7 Habits of Highly Effective People, Part 2
9-3:30pm each day

March

9 Vital Church-Kingdom Vision 9-11:30am

12-16 Spring Break

26 Executive Board Mtg
Noon

April

20 Building Powerful Ministry Teams
8:30-4pm

21 Vacation Bible School
Clinic at Lakeshore Drive 8:30-Noon

2012 Half-day Seminar Half-day discussion of a specific component of Church Vitality for church leaders.

**March 9: Vital Church –
Kingdom Vision**

Time: 9:00am – 11:30am

Cost: Free

**Place: Parker Baptist Association
118 E. Park, Weatherford**

Baptist Student Ministries

of Weatherford College

The semester has begun and we are excited about what can happen. Our first *Refuel* of the semester went well. We are looking forward to our first *Summit* on Thursday's at 7pm. The Leadership team is all back and ready to find ways to plug in, sharing the love of God to our community of students on the campus at WC. I checked with the campus and found out there are over 5,090 students enrolled this semester. Our campus includes Granbury, Wise County, Mineral Wells and the main campus in Weatherford.

Some of the events we are planning include:

1. Passing out candy during the first week of the semester.
2. Prayer-walking campus on a regular basis.
3. Dorm events over the Semester
4. Abide (information on the right)
5. Discovery Weekend (Feb. 17-19)
6. Spring Break Mission Trip to Vermont.

Please be praying for these ministry opportunities over this semester. Also, on the right is a listing of the Leadership Team for the Spring semester. Please pray for these students as they lead out and be your missionary on our campus. We are honored to be your co-laborer for the gospel at Weatherford College.

abide



January 27-28, 2012
Highland Lakes Baptist Camp
\$45 per person

Abide is an unscheduled prayer experience for college students, high school seniors, and adults who work with college students. Abide is designed to be a time of retreat. There is a opening session on Friday night and a closing session Saturday afternoon. Everything in between is up to you. There will be various "Abide Encounters" to help you pray and connect with God. Sit by the water. Spend some time next to the bonfire. Sleep. Listen to the quiet. Pray for your campus and the world. Enjoy the cool weather. Take a walk by yourself. Have coffee with a friend.

Leadership Team - Spring 2012

Matthew Gasset
Luke Sessum
Laura Moore
Bethany Miller
Branden Smith
Barrett Monk

Mark Nelson
BSM Director

Pray...

Pray for God to be glorified through
the ministry
Of churches in Parker County.

Join us in praying weekly for Parker Association churches once each quarter:

January 30 - February 5: Eureka, Fellowship, Friendship, Garner
February 6 - 12: Greenwood, Harmony, Hilltop
February 13 - 19: Horseshoe Bend-FBC, Lakeshore Drive, Lighthouse
February 20 - 26: Midway, Millsap-FBC, New Hope-Boyd
February 27 - March 4: New Hope-Weatherford, Neuvo Jerusalem, North Side
March 5 - 11: Oak Ridge, Parker County Cowboy, Poolville-FBC
March 12 - 18: Primera Bautista, Saddle Up Cowboy
March 19 - 25: Shady Grove, Silver Creek, Soda Springs
March 26 - April 1: Spring Creek, Walnut Creek, Weatherford-FBC
April 2 - 8: West Parkway, Whitt, Willow Park-FBC, Zion Hill
April 9 - 15: Aledo-FBC, Baker, Ballew Springs, Bethel
April 16 - 22: Beulah, Brazos Trail Cowboy, Brock-FBC, Calvary
April 23 - 29: Center Point, Central, Christway, Clear Fork
April 30 - May 6: Community, Crossroads, Dennis-FBC, Emmanuel

Continue to pray for our pastorless churches:

Central

Emmanuel

Church News

Twenty-fifth Anniversary Celebration

New Hope Baptist Church of Weatherford will be celebrating **25** years of service in the community. The service will take place on Sunday, February 19 at 3:30 pm. Everyone is invited.

9:45 am - Sunday School 11:00am - Morning Worship

Lunch will be served immediately after morning worship

3:30 pm - 25th Church Anniversary worship service

We want to thank the entire community for your continued support and prayers. We love you.

The New Hope Baptist Church Family
107 S Bowie Dr, 817-596-9801
Pastor-Curtis Jefferson, Jr.

Equip...

Equipping healthy leaders and healthy churches to introduce people to Jesus Christ, help them grow in a relationship with Christ, and to meet people's needs in



Few aspects of ministry are more exciting and fulfilling than seeing God work powerfully through a group of people. But on the other hand, some of us realize we need some help to create a team environment of vision, direction, trust and good communication.

Just getting people together doesn't solve the problem. The answer is to build a team focused on God's purposes and filled with His heart.

Building Powerful Ministry Teams® is a biblically-based team development process. This workshop utilizes hands-on learning tools, multimedia presentations and interactive exercises that stimulate learning and application. This material addresses six characteristics of God-honoring teams:

Friday, April 20, 2012

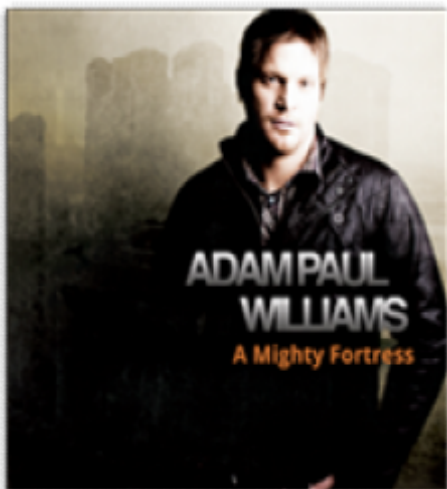
8:30am – 4:00pm

Cost: \$10, includes lunch

Parker Baptist Association

118 E. Park Ave.

Weatherford, TX



First Baptist Church Dennis is announcing *Adam Paul Williams* in concert on Sunday, February 12 at 7pm.

Everyone is invited.

The church is located at 7600 FM 1189 in Dennis, next to the Reserve at Sugar Tree.

The church's phone number and website are 817.613.9295 - www.fbcdennis.org.

Serve...

Strategically meeting needs in
Parker County and throughout the world as
witnesses for Christ.

Loving this weather! Hope everyone is healthy and happy as we continue with this “horrible winter weather” --- at present it is 74°. Whew! Lots of respiratory problems going around, however. I hope you are all safe.

We are beginning to gear up for our **MISSION FAIR** to be held early spring. (Exact date will be issued in the next “360”). It will be exciting and informative. Please plan on attending.

In the meantime – have a great Valentine’s Day!

Barbara Shepard

817.565.9733

Freedom House

February

Mission Action Project

Sponsored by WMU



Items needed are:

Personal Hygiene - hair brush, comb, toothpaste and toothbrush, soap, deodorant, hand lotion, shampoo

Paper Goods - Paper towels, Toilet Paper
Diapers (all sizes), kleenix

Cleaning Supplies - Lysol, Clorox & Lysol wipes

Please bring all items collected to the Association Office by March 2, 2012

Thank you, WMU Leadership Team

Share...

Creating multiple partnerships through which churches can share the gospel of Christ.

Family.
Friends.
Neighbors.
Coworkers.

Divorce
*Someone You Know
Is Hurting.*

First Baptist Church, Weatherford **Offering *DivorceCare***

This is a 13-week program/support group and seminar for individuals who are separated or divorced. It begins Tuesday night, February 7 from 7 - 8:30pm in room 104E of the east educational building. Anyone interested may call the church office at 817.594545 7 for more details.

Also, a Grief Support Group will begin its 5-week seminar beginning Wednesday, February 1st from 6 - 7pm in room 105E in the East Educational Building. The continuing grief support group will determine the dates and time for their group before conclusion of the seminar. Anyone interested may call the church office



Greetings from Vermont,

After two weeks of planing and a full night of preparing our meeting place, our Christmas Eve service went off without a hitch. All in all we had 18 people in attendance, four of them being first-time guests. We pray that our next event will have even more people in attendance.

After all the planning for our service, we were glad to settle down for Christmas at home with just the family. Everyone had a great day, especially Katie who celebrated her 2nd birthday! We were so exhausted that we didn't even open her presents until the 26th. I am following up the Christmas holiday with 7 straight days teaching kids how to ski at Stowe Mountain Resort. We will all be glad to get back to our regular schedule next week.

This week we host our first of two preview services for Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University. We have run an ad in 3 local papers for this week and the next. We are also listed in 'Classes' section of the paper and we have put up flyers around town. **Pray that people will be drawn to attend this class. Pray also that this class may help us to find another family or two to join us in the work in Waterbury.**

Thank you again for praying for us,

Brian, Allison, Nathanael and Katie Conyers

Along the Journey...

Whenever I mention the word, “FAFSA,” in the presence of people who know what I’m referring to they almost immediately roll their eyes and shake their heads. For those of you who have not yet had the joy of experiencing the FAFSA, the letters stand for Free Application for Federal Student Aid.

This is the magic form that colleges use as a baseline for determining financial aid for students. The “Free” part refers to the fact that you do not have to pay a monetary fee to apply. But you do pay a price in terms of time and aggravation. By the time you finish, almost every statistic about your life is on paper; and almost might mean that you accidentally skipped a question.

Since our daughter is graduating from high school this year we are fully absorbed into the application, financial aid, college visit cycle. Even though I have made a conscious effort to enjoy every stage of her life, I enter into this phase like most parents do; wondering where does the time go. And the closer it gets, the more time seems to be rushing by.

Hearing the word, “FAFSA,” is somewhat like hearing the word “procedure” from your doctor. You know that this is routine for him (or her), but for you there is going to be much more involved than the simple word suggests.

In order to fill out the FAFSA you must first complete your income tax return, which is only slightly less complicated than the FAFSA form. Accuracy is essential because all of these forms are cross-checked against one another. Ministerially speaking, I made something under what Mitt Romney made last year.

Once the tax return is complete you transfer that data onto the FAFSA form along with a multitude of other details about your financial life.

Financial Aid counselors use this infor-

mation to create a Student Aid Report (SAR) which indicates the Expected Family Contribution (EFC) that they believe you are able to make toward your child’s education. Seriously, they call it a contribution.

Schools try to make up the difference between the cost of the college and your EFC through financial aid. If it does not balance out, then you have to figure out a way to increase your contribution. In the end, the free form always winds up costing you something.

Which makes me reflect upon the joy of God’s grace. It is new every morning. God has an infinite supply that he lavishes freely upon all who believe. And it requires no forms, pin numbers, or waiting in line.

John Thielepape

Below is an update on the condition of former DOM Bob Tremaine from his wife. Please note the current address:

Took Bob to the doctor on Monday. He said the time had come that Bob needs to go into a memory care facility. He referred us to Autumn Leaves Living, a beautiful center begun by a Christian couple 11 years ago. They have Day Care, Respite Care and Residential Care. He is in Respite Care and can stay up to 30 days. We can't do Residential because of the cost factor but this gives me time to find a good place that cooperates with our Medicare Preferred plan. Pray for wisdom and provision.

His address is 514 Central Park Dr., Arlington, Tx. 76014. I know he would love to hear from you.

*Love ya,
Glenda*

Parker Baptist Association exists through the cooperation of its member churches to glorify God by resourcing churches in their efforts to introduce people to Jesus, to help people have a life-changing experience with Jesus, and to meet people’s needs in Jesus’ name.



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2012 Vacation Bible School
Curriculum to be shown at the
April 21st Clinic at Lakeshore Drive.



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