

THE TIDINGS

GOD'S MISSION FOR TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH IS TO LOVE HIM FULLY AND FOLLOW HIM FAITHFULLY.

The Pastor's Perspective

Dr. Reggie Bridges

While attending a worship service out in a country church one day, I heard a pastor offer a most unusual petition to God in his prayer. The congregation was experiencing some difficult financial times, so the pastor conveyed his request to the Lord in the following fashion: "Dear Lord, your Bible tells us that you own the cattle on a thousand hills. Lord, you know that we need resources here in our little church, so God we pray that you will take a few of those cattle down to the sale and auction them off so we can pay our bills. Thank you, Lord. Amen." Simple. To the point. And as far as I could tell, effective. Their financial standing improved dramatically!

It is true that we never know how God may provide for us. Ask the Apostle Paul. Sometimes, God allowed Paul to use his trade of tent-making to provide his livelihood; while at other times, he accepted the hospitality of friends. In one instance, Paul recognized that the Lord had taken care of him through a local group of believers whom he had birthed in Philippi. He was in need, and the Philippian church sent him aid. The faithful missionary made it clear that he had not asked for the help but that the Philippians had responded anyway. Indeed, the

Philippian believers had sent one of their own, Epaphroditus, to minister to Paul as well. Both financial and human capital comprised their giving campaign.

Paul reacted to the Philippian generosity with a blessing of his own: "And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus." Just as he had seen his needs met through the Philippians, he believed that God would continue to provide for them. He knew that the Lord had exhaustive resources ("the riches in glory") and that they had access to those blessings through Jesus Christ. Truly, the Son had opened the heavenly treasury and granted His people the riches of heaven itself.

You see, God not only **wants** to provide for you; He **can** provide! He owns the riches of heaven, the cattle upon a thousand hills, the unlimited resources of the earth! It is not a question of "Can He?" It is a question of "How Will He?" After all, you must remember that He is Jehovah Jireh.

Join me asking for His continued favor upon us, and let's join together in thanking Him for His provision! See you soon!

FROM THE RECORDS OF JULY 15, 2018

Worship Attendance		SS Attendance		
		'18	'17	
9 a.m. Blended Worship Service	577	Adults	446	405
9 a.m. <i>the gathering</i> Worship Service	140	Singles/Young Adults	125	120
11:15 a.m. <i>the gathering</i> Worship Service	208	College	39	31
Combined Morning Total	925	Youth	109	84
		Children	120	92
6 p.m. Evening Worship Service	123	Preschool	99	96
		Local	938	828
		Off Campus	93	93
		Total	1031	921

Sunday, July 15, 2018



Budget	\$99,439.83
Share the Light	\$1,429.00

Extended Session 7/22/18

9 a.m. Worship—Rebecca Williams, Garson Woodard, Patrick & Katie Golden, J & Blair Walpole, Stacey Casady, Alicia Ball, Dustin & Anna Alexander, Tim & Jennifer McCarthy

11:15 a.m. Worship—Candee Anderson, April Winstead, Dale & Sadel Oden, Patrick Patton

College Connection

Casey Casady

Summer will soon end. I know it is hard to accept. Go grab some ice-cream to help you through the rest of this article. Now, isn't that better? Soon school will begin. In the College Ministry, we are preparing for Beach Retreat. This will be the 15th annual Beach Retreat. Hopefully, this Beach Retreat will be one of the largest ever. Next week will be the last Freshmen Student Orientation. We hope you will join your prayers with ours and pray for these three things: Pray for God to give us great weather (He is the only one that can help with this). Pray for students to grow in their relationship with Christ or to begin a relationship with Christ. Pray for our leaders as they show the love of Christ to these students. Thanks, in advance, for your prayers. To God be the Glory.

Local Missions Opportunity The Block Party at The Springs

1601 South Barnett Springs Street

Saturday, August 18 | 4-6:30 p.m.

Join us as we love on our community through a time of food and fellowship!

Sign up in Sunday School or by calling the Church Office to serve on one of our volunteer teams for *The Block Party at The Springs*.

Volunteer Teams Still Needed: Set up & Breakdown; Bounce House; Face Painting; and Hospitality.

Contact: George Lee, IV, george@temple.life, 255-3745

Sugar for CCA

Local Mission Opportunity

We are now responsible for 75 bags of sugar each month.



Kitchen Clean Up

Thursday, July 26 | 9 a.m.-noon | Fellowship Hall Kitchen
Come and Go beginning at 9 a.m. until it is clean!

Everyone invited to help out.

Wednesday Night Activities

Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting/Bible Study
July 25 | Chapel | 6-6:45 p.m.

Wednesday Night Family Meals will resume on
Wednesday, August 1, at 5 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

Summer schedule at wednesday.temple.life



IF YOU WISH TO MAKE A MEMORIAL OR HONORARIUM DONATION AT ANYTIME, GREEN ENVELOPES ARE LOCATED AROUND THE CHURCH.

Senior Adult Summer Bible Study

August 19-22 (Sunday Night-Wednesday) | Chapel
Dr. Argile Smith

Teaching the book of 1 Peter
Everyone is invited to attend.

Launch Training for Mission Teams

This is a mandatory training for all first-time international team members.

Sunday, August 5 | 4:45 p.m. | Room 81

OR

Wednesday, August 15 | 6:45 p.m. | Room 81

Contact: Ben Jernigan, ben@temple.life, 255-3745

Our Newest Membership Candidate:



Adalyn Yesse



Steven & Lauren Roebuck
Alex & Haley



the family of Joseph Charles Queen,
grandfather of John Queen;
Son Le in the death of his father and Hana,
Melissa, and Mia Le in the death of their grandfather.

Thank You cards have been received from...

Jo Tatum, Volunteer at Life Choices
(Located on the bulletin board in the Library window)

Missions, Music, and More!

Teachers and Helpers are needed!!!

Leadership Meeting: Wednesday, August 8 | 5:15 p.m.

The Journey Place Multipurpose Room

Kick-off: Wednesday, August 15 | 5:45 p.m.

The Journey Place Multipurpose Room

Classes begin: Wednesday, August 22 | 5:45 p.m.

The Journey Place

Contact: Missions - Sally Hearn, sally@temple.life,
or Music - Jeremy Asher, jeremy@temple.life, 255-3745

Can't find your checkbook
or offering envelope?



Online giving is available!

Check out our website: giving.temple.life

Policy for Announcements

All announcements to be considered for church-wide publications are due in the Church Office by noon on Thursday prior to the week of the next publication.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Jeremy Asher

“Speak to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody with your heart to the Lord; always giving thanks for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God,”

Ephesians 5:19-20, NASB

This week is very significant for me and my family as we commemorate the first anniversary of my mom's death. As I reflect on how the Lord has led our family through the valley of the shadow of death this year, how good is the Lord to lead Dr. Reggie to preach a message on God's provision even in the darkest pit? What an absolutely perfectly-timed message for me and my family. I am sure I am not alone in needing to hear that truth from God. When I take just a moment to thank God for His provision, my heart is overwhelmed with gratitude and worship. My prayer for us is that our worship gatherings each week will be filled with jubilant songs from a grateful people who choose to sing and magnify the Lord with “psalms and hymns and spiritual songs.”

Church family, I am so grateful for each of you. Thank you for your notes and words of encouragement to me this last year. They have each been so timely and greatly treasured. You are dearly loved!

In closing, I would ask that you pray for the Associate Minister of Music search team, the search process, the candidate; and, above all, pray for the Lord to clearly speak and lead us in this endeavor. Regardless of whether you attend *the gathering* or the Blended Worship Service, this ministry position is so important to our entire church body. Pray, also, that we will listen with obedience. Have a blessed week as we seek Him together!

Back-to-School Supplies

We are collecting school supplies for needy students. Please look for item list at supplies.temple.life or around the Church.



Collection Dates: Now-July 29

Baskets will be located at each entrance.

If you would like to make a monetary donation, please note "School Supplies" on your check or envelope.

Deacons of the Week— July 22-28
Rick Rogers & Walter Scriber

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Week-at-a-Glance

School Supply Collection ~ Now-July 29
Tiny Trekker Summer Adventure Camp ~ July 23-26
Summit Kids Serve-Arlington, TX ~ July 23-25
Astros Trip ~ July 27-28

Sunday, July 22

9 a.m. - Blended Worship (Sanctuary);
the gathering Worship (GS)
10:15 a.m. - Bible Study for all ages
11:15 a.m. - *the gathering* Worship (GS);
Prayer for North American Missions (Prayer Rm)
6 p.m. - Evening Worship Service (Chapel)

Tuesday, July 24

11:45 a.m. - Jr. High Lunch with John and Game Time (FLC)

Wednesday, July 25

9 a.m. - Quilting/Sewing (FH)
5:45 p.m. - Children's Summer SONTastic (JP)
6 p.m. - Prayer Meeting/Bible Study (Chapel);
GROW Visitation - WHITE TEAM (Chapel);
temple-tech Summer Bible Study (Rm 76);
Youth Wednesday Night Worship (Youth Rm)
7 p.m. - CORPS Meeting (Rm 270)

Thursday, July 26

9 a.m. - Kitchen Clean Up (FH Kitchen)
11:45 a.m. - Sr. High Lunch with John and Game Time (FLC)

Family Life Center Hours: Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday: 8 a.m.-7 p.m.; Wednesday: 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Friday: 8 a.m.-1 p.m.
The Journey Place Free Play Hours: Monday: 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday: 2:30-5 p.m.; Friday: 8-11 a.m.
Media Center Hours: Sunday: 8:15-9 a.m.; 10:15-11:15 a.m.; Wednesday: 9 a.m.-12 p.m.; 1:30-5 p.m.
Broadcast: Sundays at 9 a.m. Channel 11 (KAQY)

Vision:
To become authentic, loving followers of Jesus,
who are experiencing life transformation through God's Word,
For the purpose of impacting our world.



TEMPLE

BAPTIST CHURCH

COME GATHER AROUND THE WORD

Core Values:

Authoritative Truth • Strengthening Worship
Authentic Community • Intentional Transformation
Hands-On Missions • Relational Evangelism
Compassionate Servanthood