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Bro. Craig Forque
Music Minister &
Associate Pastor

Bro. Sean Slate
Interim Youth Minister

July Van Driver
Terry Williams
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July Birthdays

- 1 -Jurnie Brown
- 2 – Patricia Reed
- 3 – Janet Cannon
- 3 – Mark Elliott
- 5 – Brenda Dowden
Andrew Simms
Tiffany Iber
- 6 – Joe Hunt
Eryn Grover
- 7 – Madeline Lee
Casen Defoor
- 8 – Jessica Taylor
Mia Skinner
- 10- Jerry Harvey
Lillian Nash
MacKenzie Murray
Brennon Zuniga
- 11 – Travis Hicks
- 13 – Michelle Self
- 14 – Elija McClintock
- 16 – Howard Coy
Grant Moffitt
Macel Howard
- 18 – Aaron Simms
Lillian Williams
- 19 – Perry Gremillion
- 21 – Seth Forque
Ellen Tyree
Zach Mayberry
Lauren Mayberry
John Mayo

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**July Birthdays
Continued**

- 21 – Chris Robertson
- 22 – Bunny Woods
Leonard Endris
- 23 – Bernice Dixon
- 24 – Olind Henexson
- 25 – Mack Bailey
- 26 – Rosa Giles
- 28 – London Everitt
- 29 – Robert Brown
Megan Racca
- 30 – Dixie Henexson

Deacon on Call

July 5-11, 2020

337 378 2350 (c)
337 378 5442 (h)

July 12-18, 2020

337 239 2294 (h)

July 19-25, 2020

337 208 6302 (c)
337 238 4222 (h)

July 26-August 1, 2020

337 238 9615 (h)
377 297 7733 (c)

**WE ARE OPEN FOR
IN-HOUSE WORSHIP
SERVICES
Sunday**

Sunday School for all ages 9:45 AM
Worship Service 10:45 AM Sunday morning
Evening Worship Service @ 6 PM .

Wednesday

Bible Study in the CLC @ 6 PM

FBC State of Affairs

2019 Monthly Budget Required \$41,780.00	
Received June 7, 2020	\$ 11,346.79
Received June 14, 2020	\$ 7,844.20
Received June 21, 2020	\$ 1,890.60
Received June 28, 2020	\$ 2,308.98

Sunday School Report

	6/7	6/14	6/21	6/28
Members Present	97	81	98	77
Visitors	9	8	10	6
Worship Attendance	137	86	86	87

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Bro Craig's Notes

Vacation Bible School

July 20-24, 2020



Happy Independence Day and Happy 244th Birthday to America. This 4th of July will certainly be different from any that we have experienced before. The stresses of the pandemic combined with societal unrest have our nation on its heels. May we never forget that the hope for America is Jesus. Let us as Christians be faithful in prayer and in service. Remember that NOTHING is impossible with God.

Let me take this opportunity to thank you for your patience and graciousness during this time. Things are definitely in a state of flux. By the time one decision is made, suddenly everything has changed. This can be frustrating, but thankfully, we serve the God who holds tomorrow, and we can trust Him.

It has been so good to meet physically with our church family. What a blessing to have our children back in Sunday School. I want to say a special thank you to our children's workers. You guys are so necessary during this time.

I also want to thank those who have helped in worship during the month of June. Our television and sound crew has been amazing as have been our instrumentalists, Elizabeth Cyr and Daniel Arnold, and Bro. Sean and Perry Gremillion directing. Adult Choir, you have been outstanding even when placed 6 feet apart. The Ladies Choir was a special blessing on Father's Day. In addition, the Men's Quartet composed of Jack Simms, JR, Perry Gremillion, Sean Slate, and myself, blessed us during the Favorite Hymns night. Other special were beautifully sung by Leslie Moore, Grant Blackwell, Gracyn Tuck, Crystal Rector and Hunter Edwards and Erik Willi (Hunter and Erik were in my youth group at Colyell Baptist). Thank you all for using your talents in the Lord's Service.

My family was truly humbled by the love and support poured out to our family during the wedding of our son Andrew to our new daughter-in-law, Chelsea Harrell Forque. We give special thanks to the FBC Youth Group and Parents, supervised by Daniel and Erica Arnold for serving at the reception, to Tim Cyr for working the sound, to Curtis Brumley, to Loretta Poe and Charlie and Brenda Bealer for preparing food for recording the ceremony, and to Rodney and Tammy Blackwell for a million things, as well as to anyone who helped in any way. We are blessed with a wonderful church family. Most importantly, we are blessed with an amazing God. The week after the wedding, Andrew was called to a full-time position at West-side Baptist in Natchitoches as youth Minister. We are so thankful to God for that.

As of the publication of this newsletter, the plans are to have Vacation Bible School on July 20-24. Elizabeth Cyr is our director and is doing an amazing job. Obviously, it will be a little different this year. There will be no opening session, so kids will go straight to their rooms. There will be a maximum of 8 children per room with all activities taking place in the room. Once 8 kids are registered in a class, that class will be closed for registration. Please be in prayer as we endeavor to share the light of Christ with children while keeping them safe. Thanks to all who are helping out.

Youth, remember that the youth retreat to Tickfaw State Park is July 27-31. Please see Bro. Sean for more info or to sign up.

I want to take this opportunity to express condolences to several in our church family. Christian sympathy is expressed to Judy Welch and family in the homegoing of her sister Connie, to Michelle Self and family in the homegoing of her mother, Betty Fogarty, to the family of our long-time member Joy Dean Norris in her homegoing, and to John Blackmon and family in the homegoing of his mother and step-father, Daisy and James Burgner. Please keep these precious families in your prayers.

Finally, let me issue words of welcome to our newest members. Damon Lowe has joined on promise of letter from a sister church. Conner and Baylor Dillon have previously accepted Christ as their Savior and are joining the church by Baptism. We are blessed to have all three of these men as part of the fellowship of FBC. My prayer is that we will be a wonderful church family to them.

May God bless you all more abundantly than you could ever hope or expect.

"Thank You"

The First Baptist Secretaries want to thank our church family for all the nice gifts and kind words you provided for Secretary's Day. We appreciate each and every one of you! You were very generous!



After we did our lesson on how the people sang as they rebuilt their temple, we shared our favorite praise and worship songs. Casting Crowns was a favorite by these guys, so we played it and had a little praise and worship together!
1st & 2nd Grade
Jessica Wilson, Teacher

Welcome New Members



Damon D Lowe



Conner Dillon



Baylor Dillon

Love and Condolences to:

John Blackmon & family in the death of his mother & step-father, Daisy and James Burgner.

And

Michelle and Jackie Self in the death of her mother, Betty Fogarty.



sweet
Baby Girl

PLEASE JOIN US FOR
A BABY SHOWER IN HONOR OF

Kiersten Nolen

LET'S HELP KIERSTEN & BRANDON WELCOME

Emmelynn-Faith Ann Nolen

10:00-11:30 AM | SAT | AUG 8TH

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Registry: Baby List @ Nichols