

First Baptist Church News

Loving Christ by

September



TIME TO “GO”

As September rolls around, many new things begin. School starts back in full force, Friday night football, Saturday afternoon college games, the Dallas Cowboy saga, Sunday School class promotion and on and on. As Texas Baptist, September is also the start of new physical year for many organizations and churches. It is this month that has been chose to emphasize Mary Hill Davis offering.

Mary Hill Davis was the leader of the WMU for many years in the early 1900's. Her emphasis and stress upon financial and prayer support for missions is legendary. One of the things she is noted for saying is this “You cannot hope to touch your neighbor's heart with anything less than your

own.” What a great sentiment. This statement captures the heart of missions. If we hope to reach any it must involve our heart being given.

I know that we collect and offering every September for emphasis on Texas missions. Often this seems so formal and impersonal. The funds raised through this offering are used in Texas for various mission efforts. Included in these efforts are evangelical outreach to our college campuses, Hispanic populations and thousands effected by natural disaster each year. The list of missions in Texas is way to long to list. But think about the following statement:

Did you know...

- The Texas population is expected to increase by

22.5% this decade; 34% from international migration

- Approximately 421 different people groups are represented in Texas
- Over 300 languages are spoken in Texas
- Over 500,000 Muslims and 1 million Hindus and Buddhists reside in Texas
- Approximately 200 Islamic mosques, 100 Hindu temples and 150 Buddhist temples are located in Texas
- An average of 82,000 international students attend Texas universities yearly
- Pluralism and relativism reign

I hope that you will consider and pray about giving to the Mary Hill Davis offering this year. Missions truly do begin at home. But I would also challenge us as a church

to something more. Missions is about more than giving a check – it is about giving your heart. As we pray for our mission efforts and missionaries in Texas this month, will you pray that our neighbors in Dublin see our heart? Will you pray that our hearts be given to our fellow Dublinites? Our world, better yet, our community, needs to see the compassion and love that Jesus has for them and they need to see it in us. We have a wonderful church fellowship and sweet spirit in this place! It is time that our neighbors see and experience that as well!

September is the time of new starts. There is no better time than now to make mission and emphasis in our hearts as well as our congregation.

- Bro. Weldon

CAMINO AL REINO

For the month of August and September “Camino al Reino” had few plans put together. For August 31st the youth will go bowling to celebrate 5mg Ministries – some of the youth have been participating by giving a short bible message to the Spanish ministry every Sunday for almost 2 years now and in appreciation we will be taking them Bowling in Granbury. September 6th & 7th we will have our men’s retreat in Glen Rose. So far 12 men have signed up for this retreat. Please continue to pray while the ministry is growing and with that we need our Lord to send us leaders.

Our worship group “Enok” will be participating in “Dublin Kitchen Sink Music Festival” on September 1st. We will take this chance to uplift our Lord and Savior.

- Escobar Family



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**Office Closed
September 2nd**

*Office closed in observance of
Labor Day.*

**Puddle Begins
September 4th**

Now at 5:30PM.

**Joint Service, Luncheon &
Lord's Supper
September 8th**

*Join us for food, fun and
fellowship!*

**Mary Hill Davis
September 8th—15th**
*Mary Hill Davis Offering and
Week of Prayer.*

**Ladies Bunco Night
September 16th**

6PM; Fellowship Hall

KINGDOM KIDS PRESCHOOL

Whewwwww am I glad to have August behind us in hopes of finding cooler temperatures, and a new school year starting to be settled in. August brought us lots of fun, such as going to chapel in the Sanctuary for the first time! I'm not sure who was more excited about that, me, Weldon, or the kids! It was absolutely magical to watch their pure hearts learn about the gospel in the Lords house. The end of August brought new staff and new child faces. We still have spots if you know of anyone needing care. Our after school program has started, and we could be more excited to expand our ministry.

With September comes exciting new things! Myself, and our KKP parents are so excited that you have extended your Wednesday night Puddle group to our age groups. I cannot wait to see how this ministry impacts our fellow students and their families. I pray this month brings peace to all our students and staff, and for everyone's learning experiences to thrive. Each day brings new challenges, but I am so thankful the lord placed me here to take them on with all of you.

– Ashley Garrett



KKP CHAPEL TIME



KINGDOM THREADS & SERVE

Some days the line blurs between the two programs. Today was such a day:

We were able to give away a washer and dryer to a grandmother who has recently accepted the responsibility of three grandchildren when her dryer died and she had the added expense and work of going to a laundry mat: no spring chicken herself with back problems she was so discouraged. Her sister and brother in law came by and picked it up and installed it for her.

Then a woman who needed a bed that I didn't have yet was in the parking lot when I got the call that a man could deliver it in ten minutes. The bed went from his pickup to her pickup with almost no help from us and they both went away happy. He had worked for a similar program like ours in another city so I invited him to come join us when they

get settled in their new home here.

Kathy was busy all month signing up families for help with getting socks and underwear for their kids. Donna and Alexis put in a hard day shopping for over 300 packages of sock and underwear to serve 141 children and 46 families. The youth group assembled the packages and families came on August 28th to pick them up. Additionally, we assisted Miss Nurse Theresa with packages of underwear for kids who have "accidents" at school.

Wednesday August 21st was the first day of school and some moms came by to shop without kids and others stopped by to donate bags of outgrown kid's clothes. One new foster parent was there looking for clothes for the teens just placed in their home. Another parent was looking for size 6T for their

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daughter who was growing so fast they couldn't keep her in clothes.

We loaded up four boxes of "onesies" and other children's clothes up to 4T to deliver to Choices Clinic for their boutique. We are so blessed to be able to share our abundance with other organizations.

We ended the day in a search for a volunteer's car keys. Since our efforts were fruitless we prayed and asked God for wisdom and kept on searching and God showed us where they had fallen. It is so good to have a God to rely on when we have a need, when we need help, in our need and our abundance.

- Wilma Earles



YOUTH NEWS

How can it be that school is already underway and summer is over?? It seems summers go so fast and the school year can last forever. Oh well, we can't really do anything about time and how it speeds past.

Youth activities will be back in full swing in September. We have taken some time this summer to spend with family and friends, relaxing and enjoying time together and having some extra fun. Now it is time to get back together and spend some time in Bible study and learning activities. We are discussing the schedule we will be following this school year. We hope to get the details worked out and get a fresh start after Labor Day with a new and improved schedule. I usually hate "new and improved", I'm, evidently, not good with change! We are working to make our Wednesday night schedule

more friendly to the youth. More on this when we get it all working, we may have some tweaking to do as the year goes on.

As always, our youth are very involved in sports, cheer, band, and drill team. They are always a positive influence in all they participate in. We talk a lot about how it is important to be a role model for our friends, as well as how the younger kids are watching, even when the youth might not even know them, and it is so necessary to be that Christian person leading the way, not just at church, but in all the things. We never know how we might influence someone and we always pray it is in a positive way!

A great way to influence our friends in coming up soon. See You At The Pole is rapidly approaching on September 25th. This is where youth and adults meet around the flag pole

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in front of the school to pray for their friends, teachers and school. Starting the day off with prayers is a perfect way to ensure God has his hand over all the activities going on in this world. Please keep this date in mind and take a few minutes around 7-7:30 that morning to join these youth in praying for a successful school year for everyone involved.

The youth helped with the annual sock and underwear event our Kingdom Threads hosts each year. They are the official packing team; readying, sorting and packaging the socks and underwear to go out to the individual families. It is always a crazy, but fun time when we do this. Everyone is talking, laughing, there might be some throwing of items, and just strange conversations about the reasons one style of underwear is better than

another. It is always interesting and fun. Our tradition is to go eat pizza and reward ourselves when we get the job done. Pizza is great!! Fun fact: If you purchase more than 300 items at one time at Walmart, the register will automatically total you out at 300 items and start a new purchase receipt, just saying!!

Again, we thank you for all your prayers, patience, and support for the youth. Your influence on the youth is not lost at all. They are watching you and learning how a Christian man or woman does things for the Lord. We appreciate all you do for us!!

- Donna Riley





Worship Schedule

Sunday

Prayer Group 8:00 AM

Bible Study 9:15 AM

Worship 10:30 AM

Adult Bible Study 5:00 PM


Wednesday

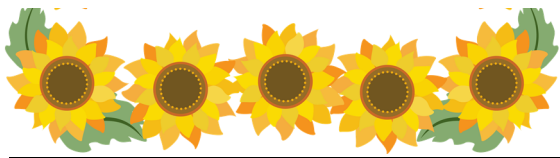
Kingdom Threads 9:00 AM - Noon

Brown Bag Lunch 12:00 PM

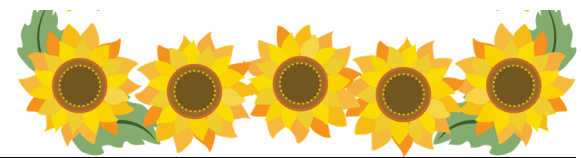
Prayer Group 5:00 PM

Children's Ministry 5:30 PM





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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2 OFFICE CLOSED	3	4 Puddle Begins Gary Stone	5 Vicky Stone	6	7
8 Joint Service, Luncheon & Lord's Supper ♥ Willis & Cindy Grisham Lenora Bray Bradley Black	9 ♥ Weldon & Susan Branham Liberty Turner Elias Valades	10 ♥ Red & Wilma Earles Willis Grisham Andrea Enriquez	11	12	13 Weldon Whitehead Jeff Timmons	14 ♥ Robert & Kate Bowen Laura Valades
15 Ann Keese Dennis Shumate Dwayne Joslin Kline Jones	16 Ladies Bunco Night	17	18 Mary Yantis Dortha Turley	19 Chance Turner	20 Dawn Turney Angela Prim	21 Paula Maxwell
22	23	24 ♥ Ancel & Gaye Yarbrough	25 Jeff Weaver	26	27 ♥ Dennis & Connie Reed	28
29 Teresa Ramirez	30	Be a sunflower! Stand strong and follow the SON!				