

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**SEPTEMBER, 2016**

DAVID HARRIS-01  
GLEN WAGLEY-01  
JEAN HAYWORTH-02  
ELAINE GOSWICK-03  
BILLIE HARRISON-03  
BRENDA SMOCK-03  
PAIGE TOWNSON-03  
FRANCES WILKERSON-03  
CHARLES EVERS-07  
BOB PARKS-08  
NATALIE WILSON-10  
JIM KENDRICK-14  
JOSH POWER-16  
LIBERTY BLADES-17  
JERRY GIBSON-20  
JACLYN MOREHART-20  
KAREN PERRY-23  
CRISTY ALDRIDGE-24  
KAREN PERRY-24  
RUTH GREEN-24  
CRISSIE RICHARDSON-24  
C.H. PARKER-25  
LES PATTERSON-25  
SHARON ROGERS-25  
BETTY JEAN SALKINS-25  
GARY TRAMMEL-26  
KATRINA ADAMS-27  
MIKE PARRACK-30

## WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

An eight-week Bible study, with Gena, will begin Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> and end Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>.  
5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

## PRAYER CONCERNS

JACKSON MOREHART  
JIM BOB COODY  
JACK BROWN  
LINDSEY AND BLAKE JOHNSTON AND FAMILIES  
CONNIE ALLEN  
STEPHEN BUSE

## FAMILY AND FRIENDS

MELISSA TRAMMEL'S SISTER  
NANCY SWAN-Sue Barriers sister, had a stroke  
GAIL BISHOP-Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> knee replacement  
JENNIFER BROWN-diagnosed with Stage 3 breast cancer. Will begin chemo soon. Step-daughter of Kathryn Hart's sister, Sheryl.  
CORDELIA REDMAN-Mother of Barbara Collinsworth. Recovering from surgery.  
SCOTT SIEBENALER-nephew of a friend of Linda Leveridge, working with Doctors without Borders Safety concerns. He has been moved to Kenya.  
NANCY McCABE-health concerns  
WENDY FOX-health concerns  
DENISE HOLSON-recovering from double-lung transplant.  
ANGIE MORSE HOGAN-daughter of Mickie Morse Bearden  
MAVIS MITCHELL-dialysis. Sue Lodor's sister-in-law  
DENNIS LODOR  
SHEILA BREWSTER-sister-in-law of Sheila Tonne and friend of Carol Connally.  
DAVID LeFEVRE-John Connally's brother-in-law, on a transplant list for double lung transplant.  
JULIE TATE-friend of Linda Harris  
KATHY OWENS-breast cancer  
JACK ROGERS-great-great-nephew of Sue Lodor  
COBY MEINZER-cousin of Juana Ash. Diagnosed with ALS.  
BONNYE ISENHOWER-friend of Sharon Toland.

Dear Cal,

Please read this in service. Thank you to the Board of Trustees and the rest of our wonderful church family. Many of you were involved in making the recent changes in our sanctuary. Ronnie and I appreciate it so very much.

Perhaps there are some in our church family that aren't coming because of mobility issues. We can get the work out that we have "Handicapped Parking" in the sanctuary!!

And, thanks to everyone for giving up your seat!

Love,

Ronnie and Susan

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for helping with Feed My Lambs Ministry. We made over 5,000 lunches this summer. I am always amazed by the generosity and the willingness to participate in this ministry. I pray that you were blessed by blessing others. All glory to God for another successful year.

In Christ,  
April Lechner

I thank my God every time I remember you. Phil 1:3

## **BISD CONVOCATION 8-15-2016**



FUMC Breckenridge,  
Thank you so much for the use of your Christian Family Center. The meeting place was perfect and you are great hosts!

Tim Seymore

## OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

AUSTIN BURKHALTER-Scott Air Force Base, Illinois grandson of Larry and Jinger Mahan  
MICAH CLAY-Navy, Cypress, Texas-son of J.R. and Julia Clay.

NICK CORDOVA- deployed to Okinawa. Son of Ray and Merry Pendleton.

JASON GRAHAM-Fort Hood, cousin of Melissa Trammel.

ARIC HOLLY-Fort Worth Naval Air Station, son of Sherry Strickland.

ZACHARY KARL-Afghanistan. Grandson of Elaine and Bobby Goswick.

PFC DIEHLAN KEY-Fort Hood, son of Michael and Nickie Leveridge. Grandson of Mike and Rosa Leveridge.

PFC ADAM HAYWORTH-Hawaii. Son of Patti Hayworth Reid. Grandson of Jean Hayworth.

MAJOR JEFF MATSLER

ROBERT RICHARDSON-Fort Hood, son-in-law of Rick and Sharon Pendleton

Dear Church Family,

Words cannot express how grateful I am for all of the love and support shown to me during my grandmother, Hobbie Leiter's fall, sickness and recovery and passing. Pastor Cal is truly a blessing and I do not know how I would have made it without his visits and sometimes daily prayers of reassurance and affirmation. I am truly blessed to be a member of FUMC.

God bless you all.

Melissa Trammel

### September Pastor's article

You never get a second chance to make a first impression. You hear this saying so often simply because it is so true in our culture. During the month of September, I am inviting everyone to read a book about church hospitality entitled *Get Their Name* written by Bob Farr, Doug Anderson, and Kay Kotan. One of the reasons I am inviting everyone to read this book is the joy that I saw in the faces of Susan and Ronny Pendleton when they came to worship and we had created, "handicap parking in the sanctuary." This experience convinced me of the importance of creating a welcoming and caring atmosphere at our church. This book affirms this truth and offers innumerable examples and suggestions to help a church improve their

hospitality. So, at our last church council meeting, we approved a plan to improve our hospitality.

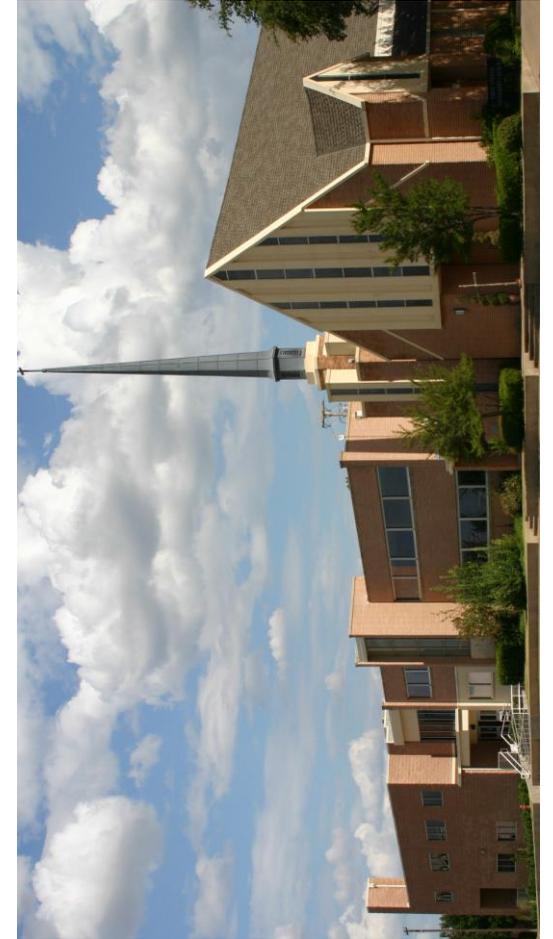
This plan began with the removal of two long back pews so that we could have a designated space for folks who are in motorized wheelchairs. No longer do we put them in the aisle making them feel in the way. You will begin to see some more changes that we believe will help improve our hospitality. We plan to replace the floor covering in the foyer of the sanctuary, as well as installing doors on the storage cabinets in the foyer. We are looking for ways to improve the lighting including installing LED bulbs and replacing worn out lights in the chancel and choir areas. We have removed some of the things in the entry way that restricted movement in order to give more space for people to visit. Perhaps the most important item we want to achieve is to create a Welcome Center in the Atrium. We envision this as a place to greet first time guests, share

important information about our church ministries, and create a pleasant place for folks to visit between worship services. We believe this will be a better place than the foyer to greet guests, show them to the nursery, get to know them, and befriend them. We don't get too many first time guests out our way, so it is crucial that we are prepared to greet them and share the love of Christ with them from the moment they drive into our parking lot to the moment they exit the door because you never get a second chance to make a good first impression. I hope you will purchase *Get Their Name* and join with us in taking our church hospitality to the next level. See you Sunday,

### SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>- 5:30 p.m.-Trustee Meeting  
Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>-10:30 a.m.-Safe Ministry Seminar  
Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>-5:15 p.m.-Finance Meeting and Church Council

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