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Legacy Sunday

Closing One Door, Opening Another

Date: Sunday, September 7

Details: It's not just the end of an era, it's the beginning of a new legacy at First Baptist Garland. Join us for our last Sunday morning services in our current worship center. We will give thanks for the past as we reflect on decades of faith, worship, and transformation ... and step boldly into the next chapter. Services include The Lord's Supper.

THE
Legacy
CONTINUES

Bible Skills and Drills

For Children in Grades 1-5

Date: Sundays, Beginning September 7

Time: 4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

Location: 2nd Floor-Kids Zone

Details: Children are invited to join us for Bible Skills and Drills. A fun time of Bible memory, games, competition and more.

Contact: Sarah Wyatt, 469-429-2576, or sarahw@fbcgarland.org



50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration

Date: Sunday, August 31

Time: 8:45 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Worship Services

Location: Worship Center

Details: If your wedding anniversary falls between January 1 and December 31, 1975, we would like to recognize you in both morning services. Please let us know if this is your memorable year so we can celebrate you!

Contact: Terri Carter, 469-429-2579, or terric@fbcgarland.org



Deeper Discipleship Classes

Dive In, Soul Sisters, and Paul & Timothy

Date: Starting Sunday, September 7

Time: 4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Location: Dive In (Rm. 330), Soul Sisters (Mainstage), Paul & Timothy (Rm. 350)

Details: Students will learn about creating and maintaining a deeper relationship with God through small groups or one-on-one mentorship.

Register: fbcgarland.org/deeper Registration deadline is August 10

Contact: Alyson Davidson, 972-276-7194, x284, or alysond@fbcgarland.org

FBC Garland Music Academy

Date: September-early November

Cost: \$24 per 30 minute lesson, paid monthly

Details: Private lessons in voice, guitar, piano, and drums are offered. For more information, visit fbcgarland.org/music-academy.

Contact: Clay Mobley, 972-276-7194, x294, or claym@fbcgarland.org





Jack E. Schmid Institute

Open Session

Date: Tuesday, August 5

Time: 6:30 p.m.–8:00 p.m.

Location: MAC 283

Details: This session, “Sinners Prayer and Follow-up Discipleship,” led by Luis Rey and Cheryl Mize, is open to anyone who would like to attend. A class description is available on the church events calendar at fbcgarland.org/events.

Contact: Shannon Fears, 469-429-2397, or shannonf@fbcgarland.org

Jack E. Schmid Institute

Interest Meeting For Fall Session

Date: Monday, August 11

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: Parlor

Details: Perhaps you've wondered if God has a ministry calling just for you. Regardless of your age, The Institute can help you determine what it may be. If you are interested in the Jack E. Schmid Institute of Church Leadership, join us to learn details. Classes begin Tuesday, August 26.

Register: fbcgarland.org/theinstitute

Contact: Shannon Fears, 972-276-7194, x225, or shannonf@fbcgarland.org

Memory Support Group

Date: Monday, August 25

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: MAC 283

Details: Join us for a special support and education group to assist those who care for individuals affected by memory loss. This month, we will discuss “How Do We Handle Those Moments That Are the Most Unpredictable?”

Register: fbcgarland.org/help-care

Contact: Terri Carter, 972-276-7194, x239, or terric@fbcgarland.org

Friendship House

Tom Thumb Good Neighbor Program

To link your Tom Thumb rewards to Friendship House, please speak to customer service and give them our ID number of 7184. A percentage of each purchase made goes to Friendship House. *Thanks!*

Howdy Party: Welcome, 6th Graders! For Grades 6–12

Date: Wednesday, August 6

Time: 6:15 p.m.–8:15 p.m.

Location: Main Stage

Details: New students and their families are invited to join current students and staff for a party in their honor. Meet new people and make connections, enjoy a special snack, and grab free Student Ministry swag. We can't wait to meet you!

Contact: Alyson Davidson, 972-276-7194, x284, or alysond@fbcgarland.org



Pacesetters

Date: Monday, August 18

Time: 11:30 a.m. (12:15 p.m. online)

Location: MAC Fellowship Hall

Details: We welcome back a favorite, Luis Rey. He is a gifted performer who is sure to bless and encourage us. Chef Greg will provide lunch, and you are welcome to bring a dessert to share. *We are unable to live-stream this event.*

Contact: Terri Carter, 469-429-2579, or terric@fbcgarland.org



GriefShare



Date: Begins Sunday, September 7

Time: 2:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m.

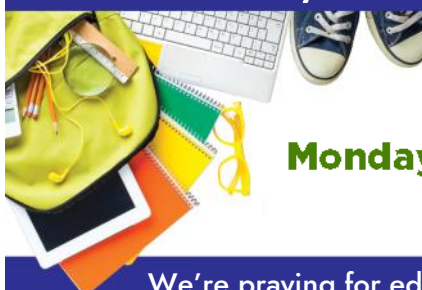
Location: MAC 285 (new location) and Online

Details: It may be hard for you to feel optimistic about the future right now. If you have lost a loved one, we are here to walk with you through this difficult time. Join us for this weekly study.

Register: fbcgarland.org/griefshare

Contact: Terri Carter, 972-276-7194, x239, or terric@fbcgarland.org

First Day of Classes



Monday, August 11

We're praying for educators,
administrators, parents, and students.

Save the Date to Celebrate!

Join us on September 14 for our first Sunday morning worship services in Fellowship Hall. Our trams will be circulating the Red, Yellow, and Orange Parking Lots to transport you to the McDonald Activity Center.

Volunteers Needed for Church Medical Team

Did you know our church has a team of volunteer responders who assist the ill and injured on Sundays? If you have compassion, hands-on patient care experience, and a couple of free hours one Sunday morning each month, we need you. Please contact Dennis Neal at dennison@fbcgarland.org



New Members

Congratulations to:

New Members 6/29/25

Baptism

Cristian Barrios
Courtney Calton
Laura Estupinan
Natalia Estupinan
Julio Garcia
Samantha Garcia
Omar Gutierrez
Merlin Ibarra
Miriam Lopez
David Martinez
Laura Medina
Andres Montana
Jennevie Moreno
Lina Munguia
Roberto Munguia
Juan Osorto
Cristian Perez
Charlotte Ray
Jackelin Rosas
Rosa Salazar

Baptism cont'd

Douglas Torres
Sira Torres
Joshua Yaquian

Letter

Noelene Birkelo
Stephen Schutter

Statement

Audra Villanueva
Joe Villanueva

New Members

7/6/25

No new members

New Members

7/13/25

Sunday School

Stephen Capehart
Hayden Dhane
Brenda Duke
Liz Melito

Baptism

Andrew Harney
Nolan Harney
Scott Johnson

Letter

Becky Reary

New Members

7/20/25

Letter

Craig Brown
Sharon Brown

New Members

7/27/25

No new members

Rose and David Ackerman on the birth of their grandson, Liam Everett Ackerman.

Heather and Oseas Albuquerque on the birth of their granddaughter, Juniper Kalyani Rose Albuquerque. Great grandmother is Charlotte Greenhaw.



Brother Greg, Lisa, Camden, and First Baptist Church express sympathy to:


Cathy and Bob Gharis; Victoria and Joseph Gharis in the loss of Cathy's mother, Mary Margaret Lemley.

Kristi Morrow in the loss of her husband, Kyle Morrow.

Becky and Bill Allen in the loss of Bill's mother, Esther Moore.

The family and friends of Sylvia Mitchell.



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Stewardship					
Annual Goal	\$6,752,000	\$6,752,000	\$6,752,000	\$6,752,000	\$6,752,000
Budget Req. TD	\$5,064,000	\$5,193,846	\$5,323,692	\$5,453,538	\$5,583,385
Given This Year	\$4,831,210	\$5,004,823	\$5,103,812	\$5,267,514	\$5,357,342