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All-American 4th of July Celebration

Date: Saturday, July 4
Time: 6:30 p.m. (Bible Study groups not meeting)
Location: McDonald Activity Center
Details: Following Saturday worship, we'll celebrate the 250th Anniversary of America with hot dogs and apple pie. Also, make plans to enjoy fireworks at Breckinridge Park in Richardson following the event. Bring a lawn chair. Fireworks begin at 9:30 p.m.
Contact: Shannon Fears, 469-429-2397, or shannonf@fbcgarland.org



Super Soccer Sunday

Date: Sunday, July 5
Time: 3:00 p.m.–10:00 p.m.
Location: Bob Couch Sports Field on Glenbrook
Details: Join us to watch two World Cup soccer games on a 16-foot screen. We will also have other fun, family-friendly soccer activities, and a food truck. Bring your favorite lawn chair.
Contact: Amber Bryant, 972-276-7194, x282, or amberb@fbcgarland.org



ADULT VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Sunday Evening, August 2

Kickoff w/ Dr. Greg Ammons, 6 p.m.

Monday, August 3–Thursday, August 6

Variety of Guests, 9 a.m.–Noon

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A STUDY IN PHILIPPIANS

Dr. Greg Ammons will teach an overview of Philippians Sunday evening. Throughout the week we will have a different guest speaker and singer each day. With great Bible teaching and daily mini-concerts, you won't want to miss this event. Be sure to mark your calendar today. Contact: Terri Carter, 469-429-2579, or terric@fbcgarland.org

Men's Ministry Breakfast

Date: Saturday, July 11
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Location: MAC 283
Cost: Free!
Details: Men, come join us for a wonderful breakfast prepared by Greg Thurman. Invite a friend.



Register: fbcgarland.org/mens-ministry

Contact: Cathy Gharis, 469-429-2371, or cathyg@fbcgarland.org

Pray for Kids Camp

Children in Grades 3–5 are attending Kids Camp July 13–17 at Mt. Lebanon. Please pray the children and sponsors stay healthy and safe, that memories are made to last a lifetime, and, most importantly, that God calls children to Himself and strengthens the foundation of Truth in their hearts!

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!*

GRIEF SHARE[®]

Begins Sunday, September 13



Happy 250th Anniversary
GOD BLESS AMERICA

Pacesetters

Not meeting in July
Join us for Adult VBS August 2–6

Friendship House Closed

In observance of Independence Day, Friendship House is closed Thursday, July 2–Monday, July 6. They will reopen on Tuesday, July 7.

Memory Support Group

Date: Monday, July 20
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Location: MAC 283
Details: Join us for a support group designed to assist those who care for individuals affected by memory loss. We will discuss "Let Freedom Ring! Letting Go of Guilt and Finding Peace With Where You Are."

Register: fbcgarland.org/help-care

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

Built 2 Rise Volleyball Clinic



Date: Monday, July 6–Thursday, July 9
Time: 10:00 a.m.–Noon (Kindergarten–Grade 5)
1:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m. (Grades 6–8)

Location: MAC Gym

Cost: \$25

Details: For boys and girls eager to develop volleyball skills while building confidence in a faith based environment.

Register: fbcgarland.org/sport-camps

Contact: Amber Bryant, 972-276-7194, x282, or amberb@fbcgarland.org

Prayer Blanket Ministry

The Prayer Blanket Ministry makes prayer blankets for those experiencing critical illness or sorrow. It's an opportunity to be the hands and feet of Jesus and provide comfort and support for anyone walking through a difficult time. As people commit to pray, they tie a ribbon on the blanket. Our ministry volunteers pray for each recipient before it is lovingly delivered. If you know of someone who would receive encouragement from a prayer blanket, please let us know.

Contact: Cheryl Rose, womensministry@fbcgarland.org



New Members
5/31/26**Sunday School**Becky Norsworthy
Julian Stuard
Diego Stuard**New Members****6/7/26***No new members***New Members**
6/14/26**Letter**Carolyn Graves
David Graves
Britt Lenamond
Royce Lenamond**New Members****6/21/26****Sunday School**

Jamie Chronister

6/21/26 (cont'd)**Statement**Victoria Gharis
Emily Meinhart**New Members****6/28/26****Statement**Jim Bryan
Monique Bryan**Rooted Young Adults Pickleball Fellowship****Date:** Friday, July 17**Time:** 7:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.**Location:** MAC Gym**Details:** Join us for a friendly game of pickleball. We'll go to Braum's for ice cream afterward. There is no cost to attend.**Contact:** Dane Hernandez, 972-276-7194, x248, or daneh@fbcgarland.org**Student Ministry Summer Calendar****Date:** July and August**Details:** Check out our summer calendar for a full list of the fun plans we've made! A printed calendar is also posted on the Third Floor in the Student Ministry area.**Calendar:** fbcgarland.org/summer-calendar**Contact:** Alyson Davidson, 972-276-7194, x284, or alysond@fbcgarland.org**Brother Greg, Lisa, Camden, & FBCG express sympathy to:**

The family and friends of Robert Stokes.

Tommie Sue and Larry Presley in the loss of Larry's mother, Agnes Presley.

The family and friends of Mary Helen Drain.

The family and friends of Stan Rowden.

Donna Ostergard in the loss of her son, Grant Ostergard.

The family and friends of Karen Botsford.

Robert and Kylar Wilson in the loss of Robert's mother, Joellen Wilson.

Sandra May in the loss of her husband, Bruce May.

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Stewardship					
Annual Goal	\$6,859,000	\$6,859,000	\$6,859,000	\$6,859,000	\$6,859,000
Budget Required TD	\$4,616,635	\$4,748,538	\$4,880,442	\$5,012,346	\$5,144,250
Received This Year	\$4,544,159	\$4,673,194	\$4,816,981	\$4,922,844	\$5,054,446



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