

December 31, 2018

Dear Parents,

2018 has been a great year in the Youth ministry at First Baptist Church! We have seen God do amazing things that have resulted in growth spiritually, numerically, in baptisms, in student leadership, and adult leadership. I am so thankful for each one of the students, volunteers, and families that we have served with over the last year.

As we look to 2019, one thing I want to improve is communication with families. This book you are holding is a result of that desire. Within these pages, you will find a plethora of information to help you and your student(s) be engaged in 2019. In general, this book includes:

1. The Youth Calendar for 2019
2. Information on Bible Studies and Themes for the Semester
3. Information on the Weekly Ministries of the Youth
4. Information on Special Events or Activities of the Youth
5. Every Trip Form you will need for 2019

This booklet will also be available for download on the First Baptist Church Website, [www.fbcsweetwater.org/youth.html](http://www.fbcsweetwater.org/youth.html).

As you flip through this book, feel free to let me know what other things would be helpful for a similar book in 2020! Thank you for all you do to support the students and ministries of First Baptist Church.

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**Worship...Grow...Serve**



# Spring Calendar

## January

- 6 Sunday Morning Class @ 9:15am
- 9 Leader Fellowship & Training @ 6:00pm
- 13 Sunday Morning Class @ 9:15am
- 16 213MS Begins @ 6:00pm - "The Story Continues"
- 20 Guys Study and Girls Study @ 9:15am
- 20 213HS @ 6:00pm "1 Corinthians 13"
- 23 213MS @ 6:00pm
- 27 Guys Study and Girls Study @ 9:15am
- 27 213HS @ 6:00pm
- 30 213MS @ 6:00pm

## February

- 9:15am Guys Study and Girls Study 3
- 6:00pm 213HS 3
- 6:00pm 213MS 6
- 213HS Fellowship 9
- 9:15am Guys Study and Girls Study 10
- 6:00pm 213MS 13
- 9:15am Guys Study and Girls Study 17
- 6:00pm 213MS 20
- 9:15am Guys Study and Girls Study 24
- 6:00pm 213MS 27

## March

- 3 Guys Study and Girls Study @ 9:15am
- 6 Ash Wednesday Service @ 6:00pm
- 9 Summer Camp Garage Sale from 8:00am - Noon
- 10 Sunday Morning Class @ 9:15am (First Sunday of Lent)
- 13 No 213MS (Spring Break)
- 17 Sunday Morning Class @ 9:15am
- 17 213HS Lenten Study @ 6:00pm "Love Does"
- 20 Night of Worship @ Municipal Auditorium @ 6:00pm
- 24 Sunday Morning Class @ 9:15am
- 24 213HS Lenten Study @ 6:00pm
- 27 213MS @ 6:00pm
- 31 Sunday Morning Class @ 9:15am
- 31 213HS Lenten Study @ 6:00pm

## April

- 6:00pm 213MS 3
- 9:15am Sunday Morning Class 7
- 6:00pm 213HS Lenten Study 7
- 6:00pm Block Party 10
- 9:15am Sunday Morning Class 14
- 6:00pm 213HS Lenten Study 14
- 6:00pm 213MS 17
- 6:00pm Tenebrae Service 19
- 10:00am Easter Sunday Worship 21
- 6:00pm 213MS 24
- 9:15am Sunday Morning Class 28

# Sunday Morning Classes

One way that youth grow spiritually and relationally at First Baptist is through being a part of a Sunday Morning Class. Sunday Morning Classes meet at 9:15am and are divided by the grade a student attends in school. The High School class is facilitated by Darrell Doggett and Robert Eaker. The Middle School class is facilitated by Mollie Brock and Stacy Hamilton.

During even numbered years, the classes go through the Old Testament and during odd numbered years, they go through the New Testament. The curriculum used is written by a team at First Baptist and is called *The Story of God*. The goal of the curriculum is to tell the stories of the Old and New Testaments, allowing students to develop an understanding of the story of God that is created through the entire work of Scripture. *The Story of God* is made up of 24 Units and each lesson follows the same format:

1. *The Story* - Reading the story as a group and using fact based questions to reinforce the story.
2. *The Story Retold* - A new way to approach the story using multiple intelligences, like music, activity, journaling, etc.
3. *The Story and Me* - Reinforcement of the unit through Scripture memorization.

## Guy's Study

During the Spring, we divide Sunday morning classes by gender and invite guest teachers to lead the gender specific study. This year, the guys will be going through the study, *GodQuest: Discover the God Your Heart is Searching For* by Sean McDowell.

About the study, "According to a recent Barna study, 43% of Americans believe all religions teach the same lessons--and all those religions eventually lead to God and heaven. *GodQuest* is a study that answers the most critical challenges teens face on their spiritual journey using the imagery of signposts." The Signposts in *GodQuest* are:

1. *The Quest* - What you believe determines where you go in life.
2. *The Beginning* - What you believe about creation determines how you view yourself and life.
3. *The Word* - What you believe about the Bible determines how you live your life.
4. *The Question* - What you believe about God's goodness defines your relationship with Him.
5. *The King* - What you believe about Jesus' identity determines your path in life.
6. *The Path* - The path you follow in your spiritual journey determines your destination.

## Girl's Study

During the Spring, we divide Sunday morning classes by gender and invite guest teachers to lead the gender specific study. This year, the girls will be going through the study, *We Saved You a Seat: Finding and Keeping Lasting Friendships* by Lisa-Jo Baker.

About the study, "In a culture where friendship is measured in follows, likes, mentions, and snaps, and being "unfriended" is a very real worry, girls often think they need to have it all together--the pressure for perfection creates distance instead of real, authentic relationships. *We Saved You A Seat* takes girls deeper into Scripture to learn how to create, invest in, and keep up lifelong friendships. Jesus is the role model for our friendships and Scripture is the foundation."

Over the course of seven sessions, girls will learn that true friendship takes:

1. Showing up and being willing to go first
2. Being vulnerable and knowing that real friendship is messy
3. Encouraging rather than competing
4. The desire for connection over perfection
5. Forgiveness
6. Knowing when to walk away
7. Action

# 213MiddleSchool

The primary ministry for Middle School (6th-8th Grades) students at First Baptist happens on Wednesday nights at 6:00pm. Wednesday nights are simple in format and developed around a semester theme that is engaged through Worship, Story, and Conversation. Stacy Hamilton and Michael Thomas lead the students in Worship, along with several students. The story is told in the large group time, and reinforced in small groups led by High School leaders and journaling. Randa Riddle and Stephanie Sanders also serve in the Wednesday Night ministry.

The theme for the Spring is *The Story Continues* and will move through several lives of Old Testament characters like Abraham, Moses, Daniel, and others with several lessons focused on each character.

# 213HighSchool

The primary ministry for High School (9th-12th Grades) students at First Baptist happens on Sunday nights at 6:00pm. Sunday nights are discipleship oriented and developed through conversation around the table. Stacy and Tique Hamilton meet with the High School students and help facilitate the conversation.

The Spring semester is broken into two studies for 2019. The semester begins with a three week study on 1 Corinthians 13.

In between the two studies, there will be a fellowship trip to Abilene for a movie at the Paramount and coffee afterwards at Monks Coffee Shop. That night, the Paramount is showing the 1959 Cary Grant film *North By Northwest*.

After a short break, Sunday Nights will resume during the Season of Lent. The High School students will do a special study over the book *Love Does* by Bob Goff. The sessions of *Love Does* include:

1. I'm With You
2. Free to Fail
3. Audacious Love
4. Be Not Afraid
5. Follow Me

# Spring Special Events

## Leader Training

January 9 at 6:00pm, the Wednesday Night Leadership Team meets for fellowship over a meal in Room 301. After the meal, we will spend time together with training specific to the Spring Semester and organizing the Third Floor to prepare to kickoff the next week. The fellowship, training, and organizing will last about an hour and a half.

## Ash Wednesday

March 6, 213MiddleSchool will not meet in the regular format. We will meet in the Worship Center for a special Ash Wednesday Service as we begin the Season of Lent as a Church Family. The Season of Lent begins a 40 day walk to Holy Week, the Cross, and the Resurrection of Easter Sunday. The Ash Wednesday Service begins at 6:00pm.

## Garage Sale

March 9 from 8:00am-Noon, Youth are invited to be a part of the Garage Sale that helps send students to Summer Camp. We will also be selling food at the Garage Sale as people drive by to the Rattlesnake Roundup. Students who help with the Garage Sale by organizing/setting up or by working the Garage Sale will earn money towards Summer Camp.

## Night of Worship

March 20, 213MiddleSchool will not meet at First Baptist. The Sweetwater Youth Ministerial Alliance will be hosting a Night of Worship for the Youth of Sweetwater at the Municipal Auditorium. The Youth of First Baptist will participate in the Night of Worship that begins at 6:00pm and lasts about two hours. Buses will not run for Youth this night.

## Block Party

April 10 at 6:00pm, the Student Ministries of First Baptist Church will have a Block Party on the Parking Lot. The Block Party will have games, music, food, and prizes.

The Block Party theme is Space Cowboys. Come dressed for the theme and celebrate with us as we look forward to the Summer!

## Tenebrae

April 19 is the Friday of Holy Week and we will have a special Worship Service called a Tenebrae Service. We will gather with the Family of First Baptist in the Worship Center and walk with Jesus to the Cross. A Tenebrae Service is characterized by gradual extinguishing of candles, and leaving the service in total darkness. The service will begin at 6:00pm.

## Easter Sunday

April 21 is Easter Sunday when we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus and the empty tomb! This Sunday, there will be no Sunday Morning Classes. This Easter Sunday, Worship will begin 30 minutes earlier at 10:00am, instead of our normal 10:30am Worship time.

Easter Sunday Worship will be a special time as the Worship Choir will present a musical that moves us through the events of Holy Week to the power of the Empty Tomb.

Everyone goes to Church on Easter, so invite someone to Worship at First on Easter Sunday!

# Summer Calendar

## May

- 1 Identity Weekend Forms Due
- 1 213MS @ 6:00pm
- 5 Sunday Morning Class @ 9:15am (Senior Sunday)
- 8 Leadership Trip Forms Due
- 8 213MS @ 6:00pm
- 12 Sunday Morning Class @ 9:15am (Mother's Day)
- 15 Summer Camp Forms Due
- 15 Final 213MS @ 6:00pm
- 17 Identity Weekend (Friday-Sunday)
- 19 Sunday Morning Class @ 9:15am
- 26 Sunday Morning Class @ 9:15am
- 29 FBC Summer Kickoff Pool Party & Gaga Ball Tournament

## June

- 9:15am Sunday Morning Class 2
- Leadership Trip (Sunday-Wednesday) 2
- 9:15am Sunday Morning Class 9
- Youth Camp (Wednesday-Sunday) 12
- 9:15am Sunday Morning Class (Father's Day) 16
- 9:15am Sunday Morning Class 23
- P3 Sunday 23
- P3 (Praise-n-Party-n-the-Park: Monday-Thursday) 24
- High School Pilgrimage Forms Due 30
- 9:15am Sunday Morning Class 30

## July

- 7 Sunday Morning Class @ 9:15am
- 7 FBC Softball Signups Begin (14 years old and older)
- 10 FBC Family Night at the Pool
- 14 Sunday Morning Class @ 9:15am
- 21 Sunday Morning Class @ 9:15am
- 21 High School Pilgrimage (Sunday-Friday)
- 28 Sunday Morning Class @ 9:15am

## August

- 9:15am Sunday Morning Class 4
- 9:15am Sunday Morning Class 11
- 9:15am Sunday Morning Class 18
- 11:30am Leadership Training 18
- 5:30pm Wednesday Night Life Transformation Party 21
- 9:15am Kickoff Sunday 25
- 6:30pm Wednesday Night Life Launch Party 28

# Summer Special Events

## Senior Sunday

May 5 we celebrate our graduating Seniors in Worship and through a fellowship meal. During Worship at 10:30am we will recognize our Seniors and have a special time of prayer for them. After Worship, Seniors and their families are invited to a meal in their honor in Room 301.

## Summer Kickoff

School is out and we want to kickoff the summer right. We will meet at Newman Park on May 29 at 5:00pm for our annual Gaga Ball Tournament, followed by a cookout and swim at the City Pool. The party concludes at 8:00pm when the pool closes.

## P3

P3 stands for Praise-n-Party-n-the-Park and is First Baptist's yearly ministry in the City Parks. June 24-27 we take Bible Study, games, music, puppets and more to the neighborhoods. This year, the theme is *P3 Investigates* and will be in 5-6 parks around Sweetwater. You can help serve at a P3 by signing up with Lisa Eaker, our Children's Minister.

## FBC Softball

In 2018, we brought home the trophy for the Church League Softball and we are excited to play again in 2019.

You must be 14 or older to play. The games are on Monday nights in August, September, and October. The cost is \$20 which covers your Team Shirt and Player Fee.

## FBC Pool Night

July 10, First Baptist Church rents out the City Pool and has a cookout from 6:00pm - 8:00pm. This night is for members of First and their guests. Bring your family for a night of food, family, and fellowship.

## Leader Training

Leadership Development is an important part of the Youth Ministry at First Baptist. Leading into each semester of 213MiddleSchool, our student leadership meets for training and fellowship. Training begins right after Worship on August 18 and is mandatory for student leaders as we hold leadership as a high accountability position in the Youth Ministry.

## WNL Parties

August 21 at 5:30pm, the Student Leadership meets in Room 301 to decorate and transform the Third Floor for the Fall Semester of 213MiddleSchool. We have pizza and work for a couple hours together.

August 28 at 6:30pm, we launch Wednesday Night Life with a Block Party that introduces our theme for the semester.

## Kickoff Sunday

August 25 brings new faces to the Youth Ministry and Sunday Morning Classes. The new 6th Grade students will officially become a part of the Youth Ministry and we introduce them to the Youth with breakfast and Bible Study on the Third Floor. Kickoff Sunday begins at 9:15am and we rely heavily on the students to help the 6th graders feel welcome.



# Identity Weekend

## Vision

Identity Weekend Guy's Retreat began in the Spring of 2018. The goal of the retreat is to create a space for teenage guys to spend time in nature with adult men from First. Together they camp out, cook out, experience creation, and spend time in Scripture. Identity Weekend is intended to help young men find and develop their identity in Jesus.

Students do not have to be experienced in the outdoors, because we have men that will mentor them over the weekend. All students need to prepare for is coming to Identity ready to experience God through Creation and Scripture.

## At A Glance

### Who

*Guys 6th-12th Grades*

### Date

May 17-19

### Location

*Hordes Creek - Coleman, TX*

### Cost

\$25

### Required Forms

*First Baptist Release  
Medical Form*

### Forms Due

*May 1*

# Leadership Trip

## Vision

Leadership Development is a large part of spiritual development in the Youth Ministry at First. We believe you are never too young to begin developing as a leader for the Kingdom of God.

The Leadership Trip is open to all students, regardless of age, but there are specific requirements leading up to the Trip. There are several essays that must be completed and turned in by May 8. The first step in leadership is portraying responsibility by turning in the forms and essays on time. No forms or essays will be accepted after May 8.

Leadership Trip is a series of stops to hear from leaders on the topic of leadership. This year we will go East and hear from some great leaders about how we can grow as leaders.

## At A Glance

### Who

*6th-12th Grades*

### Date

June 2-5

### Location

*Various Stops East of Sweetwater*

### Cost

\$25

### Required Forms

*First Baptist Release & Medical Form  
"What Is Leadership" Essay  
"How I Lead" Essay*

### Forms Due

*May 8*

# Identity Weekend

## What to Bring

- ✓ Clothes for Recreation
- ✓ Casual Clothes for 3 days
- ✓ Sleep Clothes
- ✓ Swimsuit
- ✓ Tennis Shoes for Games
- ✓ Bedding (Sleeping Bag, Pillow, etc.)
- ✓ Towel
- ✓ Personal Hygiene Items (Soap, Deodorant, Toothbrush, Toothpaste, etc.)
- ✓ Camping Items
- ✓ Snacks
- ✓ Bible & Pen
- ✓ Release Form
- ✓ Medical Form

***\*Cell Phones and electronics are allowed,  
unless they become a distraction!***

**Leave:** Friday, May 17, from First Baptist @ 5:00pm

**Return:** Sunday, May 19, for Worship @ 10:30am

**Contact:** Tique Hamilton – 325-665-9704



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I \_\_\_\_\_ of the city of \_\_\_\_\_,  
(Parent or Guardian ... Please Print)

state of Texas, hereby affirm that my child \_\_\_\_\_  
(Child's Name ... Please Print)

shall be participating on the following date(s) May 17-19, 2019 in

Identity Weekend Guy's Retreat hereinafter referred to as "the Activity".

I certify that I am cognizant of the inherent dangers associated with participation in the Activity and with the fact that participating in the Activity may take place outside of, or off of, church premises.

I understand and agree that neither the First Baptist Church, nor its trustees, representatives, instructors or agents may be held liable in any way for any occurrence in connection with my child's participating in the Activity which may result in injury, harm or other damages to me or my family.

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I further state that I am of lawful age and legally competent to sign this affirmation and release; that I understand the terms herein are contractual and not a mere recital; and that I signed this document of my own free act and volition. I further state and acknowledge that I have fully informed myself of the contents of this affirmation and release by reading it before I have signed it.

I have executed this affirmation and release on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_

**MEDICAL INFORMATION AND RELEASE**

In the event that my minor child, \_\_\_\_\_, has need of medical attention, I do hereby give my permission for the staff and sponsors of the First Baptist Church Sweetwater, TX, to seek such help including emergency surgery if the particular medical emergency warrants. I understand that every effort will be made to contact me or my alternate responsible party prior to emergency surgical procedures, unless the particular situation does not allow due to the threat of loss of life.

Minor's name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/legal guardian name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone numbers where you can be reached during this time: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate person to contact in case of emergency if parent can't be reached:  
Name, relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Name, relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**INSURANCE INFORMATION**

[Please attach a copy of the front and back of your child's insurance card]

Child's Doctor: \_\_\_\_\_ Doctor's Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**MEDICAL HISTORY/KNOWN ALLERGIES TO FOOD, DRUGS, BEE STINGS, ETC.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(If more space is needed please use back of sheet)

List all medicine currently taking and dosage schedule:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I AGREE TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS STATED ABOVE.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Guardian Date

# Leadership Trip

## What to Bring

- ☑ Clothes for Recreation
- ☑ Casual Clothes for 3 days
- ☑ Sleep Clothes
- ☑ Swimsuit
- ☑ Towel
- ☑ Personal Hygiene Items (Soap, Deodorant, Toothbrush, Toothpaste, etc.)
- ☑ Snacks
- ☑ Bible & Pen
- ☑ Release Form
- ☑ Medical Form
- ☑ Spending Money
- ☑ “What is Leadership” 300 Word Essay Due May 8
- ☑ “How I Lead” 300 Word Essay Due May 8

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**Leave:** Sunday, June 2, from First Baptist @ 1:00pm

**Return:** Wednesday, June 5, to First Baptist @ 4:00pm

**Contact:** Tique Hamilton – 325-665-9704





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Leadership Trip hereinafter referred to as "the Activity".

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Child's Doctor: \_\_\_\_\_ Doctor's Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**MEDICAL HISTORY/KNOWN ALLERGIES TO FOOD, DRUGS, BEE STINGS, ETC.**

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(If more space is needed please use back of sheet)

List all medicine currently taking and dosage schedule:  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Parent/Guardian Date



# Youth Camp

## Vision

Youth Camp is for all youth and is a week of retreat to study God's Word, spend time growing with others, and retreat from the regular schedule of life. Each year, we attend Horizon Camp at Lake Brownwood for several reasons. Horizon Camps facilitates Youth Ministers coming together to plan the theme of Camp so that it meets the needs of the local Youth Ministries. With engaging Camp Pastors and Worship Leaders, Horizon Camp facilitates Worship in a way that captures students hearts and minds. At First, Youth Camp is a way students develop spiritually and as leaders.

## At A Glance

**Who**

*6th-12th Grades*

**Date**

*June 12-16*

**Location**

*Lake Brownwood*

**Cost**

*\$189*

**Required Forms**

*First Baptist Release*

*HOTBE Release*

*HOTBE Medical Form*

**Forms Due**

*May 15*

# High School Pilgrimage

## Vision

The Pilgrimage is an experience meant to help students connect with God and each other by removing distractions and spending time in Creation.

Due to the intense focus on relational development with God, along with the physical nature of the hiking, the Pilgrimage is limited to students who have completed 9th-12th Grades.

In attending the Pilgrimage, students should:

1. Be focused on seeking God.
2. Be willing to give up all distractions during the trip.
3. Understand that the Pilgrimage involves physical activity.
4. Be comfortable with a schedule that is not clock oriented, but individual oriented.

## At A Glance

**Who**

*Completed 9th-12th Grades*

**Date**

*July 21-26*

**Location**

*Colorado*

**Cost**

*\$75*

**Required Forms**

*First Baptist Release*

*Medical Form*

**Forms Due**

*June 30*

# Youth Camp

## What to Bring

- Clothes for 3 Days Recreation
- Casual Clothes for 5 days of camp
- Sleep Clothes
- Swimsuit
- Tennis Shoes for Intramural Games
- Bedding (Sleeping Bag, Pillow, etc)
- 2 Towels (Bathing & Water Activities)
- Personal Hygiene Items (Soap, Deodorant, Toothbrush, Toothpaste, etc.)
- Bible & Pen
- Spending Money (Optional)

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## Camp Schedule

### First Day

Load for Camp @ FBC	10:00AM
Orientation Celebration	3:15PM
Dinner	6:00
Bible Study	6:45
Worship	8:00
Church Group Time	9:00
Horizon Block Party	10:00

### Middle Days

Breakfast	8:00AM
Morning Conversation	9:30
Bible Study	10:15
Small Group Conversation	11:00
Lunch	11:55
Celebration	1:15PM
Intramural Games	2:00
Free Time	3:00
Dinner	6:00
Worship	7:30
Church Group Time	9:00
Horizon Block Party	10:00

### Last Day

Breakfast	8:30AM
Morning Conversation	9:00
Closing Celebration	9:30
Leave for Sweetwater	10:15

**Contact:** Tique Hamilton – 325-665-9704

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_



# HEART of TEXAS BAPTIST CAMP



ACT JUSTLY ♥ LOVE MERCY ♥ WALK HUMBLY WITH YOUR GOD

## RELEASE OF LIABILITY FORM

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Complete both pages of this form (*Health Statement & Release of Liability*) and submit at registration. If bringing any medications (*prescription or not*) to a 3 night (*or longer*) stay, make an extra copy of the completed 'Health Statement Form' to place in a large zip-lock along with all medications to turn in at registration. Print legibly in dark ink. These forms are mandatory for attendance/participation.

**LEGAL NOTICE:** All adults (*18 and older*) attending a youth or children's camp (*duration of 3 or more nights*) must have a **Criminal Background Check** and **Sex Offender Background Check** performed prior to arrival on camp. Results must be presented on arrival. In addition, all adults having any contact with minors at camp must pass an approved **Child Protection Training** program and exam on recognizing and preventing child abuse. Results of this training/testing must be presented upon arrival.

### PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

Participant Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Completed: \_\_\_\_\_ T-Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  Check if you do NOT want to receive camp e-mails  
Church/Group Attending with: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Attendance: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Relation to Participant: \_\_\_\_\_

### PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN INFORMATION

*Complete only if participant is under 18 years of age*

Parent/Legal Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relation to Participant: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  Check if you do NOT want to receive camp e-mails

### STATEMENT OF PARTICIPATION, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

**1. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF INHERENT RISKS:** I certify that I am aware of the inherent risks associated with the various indoor and outdoor camp activities, as well as the inherent risks of being on camp property. Heart of Texas Baptist Camp takes all reasonable precautions to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience. However, parts of the experience, by their nature, can be physically demanding and include varying levels of stress and anxiety, not all of which can be foreseen. I acknowledge the decision to participate in any camp activity at any level is at all times completely up to the individuals choice. As the parent/legal guardian, I give the participant named above permission to participate in any and all camp activities. Further, in consideration for Heart of Texas Baptist Camp agreeing to accept the person named above as a participant in camp activities, I hereby personally assume all the risks in connection with my, or my child's, participation in any and all events at Heart of Texas Baptist Camp.

**2. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY & LIMITATIONS OF INSURANCE COVERAGE:** In the event that the participant named above is injured during camp activities or treated for illness contracted on camp property, I acknowledge that the participants family/personal health and accident insurance will act as primary provider. The camps medical insurance policy will only act as a secondary provider for injuries or illnesses that occur on camp premises. I understand that, beyond these limitations, the costs and associated expenses incurred in connection with medical services rendered in response to said injury or illness are my responsibility to cover.

**3. RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT:** I agree to release and hold harmless the Heart of Texas Baptist Camp, it's trustees, employees, agents and representatives for any injury, harm, or other damage by any occurrence in connection with participation in camp activities in any form or fashion. I further agree to release and hold harmless the Heart of Texas Baptist Camp, it's trustees, employees, agents and representatives from any claim by me, my family, estate, heirs or assigns out of my, or my child's, participation in activities at Heart of Texas Baptist Camp.

**4. PRE-AUTHORIZATION FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT:** I hereby authorize any medical and/or surgical treatment (including but not limited to hospital care)

to be rendered to the participant named above, as needed in the judgement of the treating physician (who is chosen by the Heart of Texas Baptist Camp Director) or any employee working under him/her, as circumstances require. I further authorize the Heart of Texas Baptist Camp nurse, health staff, camp management, camp staff, activity facilitators, volunteers and/or event leaders to render emergency rescues, CPR, and/or first aid emergency care as deemed necessary within the scope of their training. I further authorize the designated camp nurse, or qualified health supervisor, to administer medications as prescribed and programmed on the 'Medication Dosage & Frequency Chart,' completed by the parent or guardian on the 'Health Statement Form.'

**5. NON-PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS:** I give permission to the camp nurse, health supervisor, and/or health center staff to administer non-prescription, over-the-counter medications to the participant named above based on symptoms (not a diagnosis). For example (but not limited to); Tylenol or ibuprofen for mild fever or pain; Benadryl or Claritin for allergy symptoms; Pepto-Bismol for diarrhea; cortisone cream for bug bites; calamine for poison ivy; and so on

**6. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR DAMAGES:** I agree that I am financially responsible for any damage to camp property caused by the participant named above; including any acts of graffiti, vandalism or destruction of property.

**7. CONSENT TO ADDRESS DISCIPLINARY PROBLEMS:** The above named participant agrees to obey and observe all camp rules, dress codes, procedures, schedules, and curfews. As well as fully cooperate with adult leadership, camp staff, camp facilitators and other campers. I agree that, if in the judgement of the adult leadership and/or camp staff, the above named participant becomes a discipline problem, that participant may be sent home at my expense and that I will forfeit all camp fees paid.

**8. USE OF PARTICIPANT PHOTOGRAPH/VIDEO FOR PROMOTIONAL PURPOSES:** I agree and consent that the above named participant photographs, and/or videos, may be used for promotional purposes for publicity material by Heart of Texas Baptist Camp and/or program leadership.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read, understand and will adhere to the information set forth above, including the Release and Hold Harmless Agreement.

Participant Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature (*if participant is under 18*) \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_



## HEALTH STATEMENT FORM

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Complete both pages of this form (*Health Statement & Release of Liability*) and submit at registration. If bringing any medications (*prescription or not*) to a 3 night (*or longer*) stay, make an extra copy of the completed 'Health Statement Form' to place in a large zip-lock along with all medications to turn in at registration. Print legibly in dark ink. These forms are mandatory for attendance/participation.

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### PARTICIPANT GENERAL HEALTH INFORMATION

Participant Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Church/Group Attending with: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Attendance: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ to \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_  
 Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Relation to Participant: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Emergency Contact Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 List any health concern/issue that would be relevant to an attending physician in the case of an emergency: \_\_\_\_\_

List any chronic or reoccurring illnesses or diseases: \_\_\_\_\_

List any food, medicine, insect, plant or any other significant allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

List any pre-existing injuries which occurred BEFORE attending camp: \_\_\_\_\_

Write a general assessment of the participants health: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check all current immunizations for the participant. *It is requested that you attach a current shot record.*

Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis Date of last tetanus shot: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_  Polio  Measles/Mumps/Rubella  Tuberculosis  Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
 I have chosen to not have my child immunized: (*Parent/Guardian Signature*) \_\_\_\_\_

### PARTICIPANT INSURANCE INFORMATION

Insured Member's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Member ID: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Health Insurance Provider: \_\_\_\_\_ Group ID: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Health Insurance Provider Phone Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Primary Care Physician: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

*It is requested that you attach a photocopy of your current Health/Accident Insurance Card.*

### MEDICAL POLICY AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR CAMP ATTENDANCE

- All medications (Rx or over-the-counter) must be labeled with patients name and in original container. Check expiration dates. No expired medications will be given.
- All prescription and non-prescription medications must be presented to the camp health personnel upon arrival to camp.
- All medications must be stored and dispensed from the camp health station (except EpiPens or emergency inhalers). Campers are not allowed to keep or self-administer any medication in accordance with Texas Department of State Health Services regulations.
- Diabetics must bring a copy of their Diabetes Management Plan.
- Non-prescription medications, such as vitamin supplements or pain relievers, will be given only according to the age and dosage restrictions and instructions listed on the package unless a doctor's order is provided.
- EpiPens or emergency inhalers may be kept with the camper (please send an extra one to be kept in the health station). Camp health personnel must be notified immediately when a camper uses an EpiPen. If asthma symptoms are not completely relieved the camper must be brought to the health center for evaluation.
- List any medical problem, medical alert, allergy, or other relevant health concern/issue under 'Participant General Health Information.'

### MEDICATION DOSAGE AND FREQUENCY CHART

**INSTRUCTIONS:** List all medications, dosage and frequency on the chart below. Print an extra copy of this chart to add additional medications. Place all medications *and an extra copy of this page* in a large zip-lock with the participants name and church/group written in permanent marker on the outside of the bag.

Name of Medication	Dosage	Frequency / Time(s)	Comments
1)			
2)			
3)			
4)			

By signing below, I acknowledge that the information listed on this form is correct and current and that the above named participant is physically capable to be present on camp and participate in any and all camp activities.

Participant Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_  
 Parent/Legal Guardian Signature (*if participant is under 18*) \_\_\_\_\_



## CAMPER MEDICATION CHECKLIST

This page is for your information only. Review it and keep for reference. Do not submit this page with your registration.

### MEDICATION CHECKLIST FOR CAMP ATTENDANCE

#### ALL medications at camp must meet these criteria - prescription (Rx) & over-the-counter

- Leave the medication in the original container. The labeled patient's name and dosage instructions should be clearly visible. No medications will be given unless they are in original containers per 'Texas Department of State Health Services' rules.
- The Heart of Texas Camp 'Health Statement & Release Form' must be fully completed for each camper and signed by the parent/legal guardian to be turned in at registration.
- Place an **extra copy** of the fully completed 'Health Statement Form' in a large zip-lock bag, along with the medication (*in its original container*). The outside of the zip-lock bag should be labeled with the patient's name and church group, and brought to registration on the first day of camp. Each camper that brings medication should have their own labeled zip-lock.
- All medications at camp will be given to the Camp Medical Staff, who will secure all medications in the Health Center. Medications will be administered as per Rx label by the Medical Staff. No medications (*including adult sponsors*) can be left in any bunkhouse. The Camp Health Center is stocked with a variety of over-the-counter medications and can be given as per the parent's authorization.

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- ⇒ Can my child keep their epi-pen and inhaler? Yes
- ⇒ What if my child forgets to come take their medication? Unless the medication is vital, we will not hunt for your child to take the medication. It is up to the camper to come to the Camp Health Center to take their medication. If you are concerned about this, please talk to the adult counselor who will be with your child and ask them to help.
- ⇒ If my child is sick, will they be sent home or to the doctor? Our camp health professional will make a recommendation to the adult counselor and will attempt to call the parent. If the camper has fever, or is contagious, they cannot stay at camp. Please do not send your child to camp if they are sick.
- ⇒ What about head lice? Please do not send your child to camp if they have head lice. They will be sent home if head lice are found. Some church groups will check the campers before they arrive at camp to avoid problems later. If head lice are found at camp, we must immediately isolate the camper and their belongings as it is highly contagious. We will treat the bed and area to keep it from spreading further. This will be done with sensitivity and respect to the campers.
- ⇒ Can I send my child's medication in a pill box organizer separated by days? No. Each medication must be in the original container with the camper's name and dosage instructions.
- ⇒ What if I cannot find my child's immunization record? We need to know if the immunizations are up-to-date. We do not have to have the exact dates if you do not know.
- ⇒ My child is a diabetic. Can he/she keep their insulin? The Health Center has a refrigerator and can keep the insulin for each camper. The camper may monitor and administer their own insulin as they are used to doing. Any kind of emergency insulin may stay with the camper.

**Note:** Many health problems at camp are caused from too much sun and not enough water. Please make your child aware of the importance of sunscreen and keeping hydrated.





# High School Pilgrimage

## What to Bring

- ☑ Sleeping Bag
- ☑ Pillow
- ☑ Tent (Let Tique know if you have one)
- ☑ Flashlight
- ☑ Sunglasses, Hat
- ☑ Hiking Shoes
- ☑ Clothes for 4 Days of Hiking
- ☑ Snacks
- ☑ Drinks w/Electrolytes (Gatorade/Smart Water/ Etc.)
- ☑ Bible, Pen
- ☑ Sunscreen, Bug Spray
- ☑ Towel
- ☑ Soap, Shampoo, Deodorant
- ☑ Toothpaste, Toothbrush
- ☑ Pajamas
- ☑ Release Form
- ☑ Medical Form

## Schedule

### Sunday, July 21

- 12:00pm** Load at FBC
- 12:30** Leave for Pilgrimage
- Evening** Setup Campsites  
Eat Supper  
Devotional

### Monday - Thursday

- Morning** Hike  
Breakfast  
Hike/Devotional
- Afternoon** Lunch  
Free Time
- Evening** Supper  
Hike/Exploration  
Settle In for the Night

### Friday, July 26

- Morning** Breakfast
- Tear Down and Leave
- Evening** Arrive at FBC

***\*\*The Pilgrimage includes hikes at a high altitude that can be up to ten miles and take an entire day. Please prayerfully consider your ability to participate in such strenuous activities.\*\****

## What is a Pilgrimage?

A Pilgrimage is a Journey. In the context of High School Ministry at First Baptist Church, the Pilgrimage is an annual journey to a remote location focused on: 1. Seeking God, 2. Experiencing God, 3. Building Community.

The goal of many religious Pilgrimages is to journey to a religious place to find God. The goal of the High School Pilgrimage is to intentionally journey together in creation understanding that all creation is sacred space and, by removing distractions, we are better able to experience our Creator. The Pilgrimage is not some mystical experience, but an opportunity to connect with God in a new and fresh way as a part of our Faith Journeys.



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I \_\_\_\_\_ of the city of \_\_\_\_\_,  
(Parent or Guardian ... Please Print)

state of Texas, hereby affirm that my child \_\_\_\_\_  
(Child's Name ... Please Print)

shall be participating on the following date(s) July 21-26, 2019 in  
High School Pilgrimage hereinafter referred to as "the Activity".

I certify that I am cognizant of the inherent dangers associated with participation in the Activity and with the fact that participating in the Activity may take place outside of, or off of, church premises.

I understand and agree that neither the First Baptist Church, nor its trustees, representatives, instructors or agents may be held liable in any way for any occurrence in connection with my child's participating in the Activity which may result in injury, harm or other damages to me or my family.

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I further state that I am of lawful age and legally competent to sign this affirmation and release; that I understand the terms herein are contractual and not a mere recital; and that I signed this document of my own free act and volition. I further state and acknowledge that I have fully informed myself of the contents of this affirmation and release by reading it before I have signed it.

I have executed this affirmation and release on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_

**MEDICAL INFORMATION AND RELEASE**

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Minor's name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/legal guardian name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone numbers where you can be reached during this time:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Alternate person to contact in case of emergency if parent can't be reached:  
Name, relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Name, relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**INSURANCE INFORMATION**

[Please attach a copy of the front and back of your child's insurance card]

Child's Doctor: \_\_\_\_\_ Doctor's Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**MEDICAL HISTORY/KNOWN ALLERGIES TO FOOD, DRUGS, BEE STINGS, ETC.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(If more space is needed please use back of sheet)

List all medicine currently taking and dosage schedule:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I AGREE TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS STATED ABOVE.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Guardian Date

# Fall Calendar

## September

- 1 Sunday Morning Class @ 9:15am
- 4 213MS Begins @ 6:00pm - "Ekklesia"
- 8 Sunday Morning Class @ 9:15am
- 8 213HS @ 6:00pm
- 11 213MS Begins @ 6:00pm
- 15 Sunday Morning Class @ 9:15am
- 15 213HS @ 6:00pm
- 18 Cherished Weekend Forms Due
- 18 213MS @ 6:00pm
- 22 Sunday Morning Class @ 9:15am
- 22 213HS @ 6:00pm
- 25 See You at the Pole @ 7:00am
- 25 213MS @ 6:00pm
- 29 Sunday Morning Class @ 9:15am
- 29 213HS @ 6:00pm

## October

- 6:00pm 213MS 2
- Cherished Weekend (Friday-Sunday) 4
- 9:15am Sunday Morning Class 6
- 6:30pm Fields of Faith 9
- 9:15am Sunday Morning Class 13
- 6:00pm 213HS 13
- 6:00pm 213MS 16
- 9:15am Sunday Morning Class 20
- 6:00pm 213HS 20
- 6:00pm 213MS 23
- 9:15am Sunday Morning Class 27
- 6:00pm 213HS 27
- 5:30pm Fall Festival 30

## November

- 3 Sunday Morning Class @ 9:15am
- 3 213HS @ 6:00pm
- 6 213MS @ 6:00pm
- 10 Sunday Morning Class @ 9:15am
- 10 213HS @ 6:00pm
- 13 213MS @ 6:00pm
- 17 Sunday Morning Class @ 9:15am
- 17 213HS @ 6:00pm
- 20 Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Packing Party @ 6:00pm
- 24 Sunday Morning Class @ 9:15am
- 24 213HS @ 6:00pm

## December

- 9:15am Sunday Morning Class (First Sunday of Advent) 1
- 6:00pm 213HS 1
- 6:00pm 213MS 4
- 9:15am Sunday Morning Class (Second Sunday of Advent) 8
- 6:00pm Final 213MS 11
- 9:15am Sunday Morning Class (Third Sunday of Advent) 15
- 9:15am Sunday Morning Class (Fourth Sunday of Advent) 22
- 6:00pm Candlelight Christmas Eve Service 24
- 9:15am Sunday Morning Class 29

# 213MiddleSchool

The primary ministry for Middle School (6th-8th Grades) students at First Baptist happens on Wednesday nights at 6:00pm. Wednesday nights are simple in format and developed around a semester theme that is engaged through Worship, Story, and Conversation. Stacy Hamilton and Michael Thomas lead the students in Worship, along with several students. The story is told in the large group time, and reinforced in small groups led by High School leaders and journaling. Randa Riddle and Stephanie Sanders also serve in the Wednesday Night ministry.

The theme for the Fall is *Ekklesia* and will focus on the Good News as it is spread to the Churches of the New Testament through Acts and the letters of Paul and John.

# 213HighSchool

The primary ministry for High School (9th-12th Grades) students at First Baptist happens on Sunday nights at 6:00pm. Sunday nights are discipleship oriented and developed through conversation around the table. Stacy and Tique Hamilton meet with the High School students and help facilitate the conversation.

The Fall Semester is planned out by High School students as to what we study together. High School students lead the Bible Study each Sunday night and facilitate the conversation around the table.

Throughout the semester, community is developed through study of Scripture, but also through fellowships. The fellowships are planned by the students during our first meeting of the semester.

# Sunday Morning Classes

During the Summer, Sunday Morning Classes meet as a large group and teachers rotate facilitating through the Summer. During the Fall, Classes continue to move through the New Testament, but are again divided by grade. Darrell Doggett and Robert Eaker lead the High School students, while Mollie Brock and Stacy Hamilton lead the Middle School students.

# Cherished Weekend

## Vision

Cherished Weekend Girl's Retreat began in the Fall of 2016. The goal of the retreat is to create a space for teenage girls to spend time in retreat with adult women from First. Together they camp out, cook out, experience creation, and spend time in Scripture. Cherished Weekend is intended to help young women understand they are created in God's Image and Cherished by God.

Guest leaders walk through the weekend with the girls, leading them in Scripture study and conversations on relevant topics for teenage girls.

## At A Glance

### Who

*Girls 6th-12th Grades*

### Date

October 4-6

### Location

*Abilene State Park*

### Cost

\$50

### Required Forms

*First Baptist Release  
Medical Form*

### Forms Due

*September 18*

# SYATP & Fields of Faith

## SYATP

### What

*See You At The Pole is a time for students to pray for their families, friends, schools, and the country*

### Who

*6th-12th Grade Students*

### Date

September 25

### Location

*School Flagpoles*

### Time

*7:00am*

## Fields of Faith

### What

*Fields of Faith is a time of Testimonies, Worship, and Scripture with students from the surrounding area*

### Who

*6th-12th Grade Students*

### Date

October 9

### Location

*The Mustang Bowl*

### Time

*6:30pm*

# Cherished Weekend

## What to Bring

- ✓ Clothes for Recreation
- ✓ Casual Clothes for 3 days
- ✓ Sleep Clothes
- ✓ Tennis Shoes for Games
- ✓ Bedding (Sleeping Bag, Pillow, etc.)
- ✓ Towel
- ✓ Personal Hygiene Items (Soap, Deodorant, Toothbrush, Toothpaste, etc.)
- ✓ Snacks
- ✓ Bible & Pen
- ✓ Release Form
- ✓ Medical Form

***\*Cell Phones and electronics are allowed,  
unless they become a distraction!***

**Leave:** Friday, October 4, from First Baptist @ 5:00pm

**Return:** Sunday, October 6, for Worship @ 10:30am

**Contact:** Tique Hamilton – 325-665-9704





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state of Texas, hereby affirm that my child \_\_\_\_\_  
(Child's Name ... Please Print)

shall be participating on the following date(s) October 4-6, 2019 in

Cherished Weekend Girls Retreat hereinafter referred to as "the Activity".

I certify that I am cognizant of the inherent dangers associated with participation in the Activity and with the fact that participating in the Activity may take place outside of, or off of, church premises.

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\_\_\_\_\_

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# Fall Special Events

## SYATP

See You At The Pole is at 7:00am on September 25 at the school flagpoles. This is a time to gather with other Christian students and pray for families, friends, schools, and the country. SYATP is student led and one way that students at First can express their Kingdom leadership in their schools.

## Fields of Faith

Fields of Faith was started in Sweetwater in 2011. October 9 the gates of The Mustang Bowl open at 6:30pm. Hotdogs are served, t-shirts are sold, testimonies are given, followed by Worship and a Speaker. First Baptist students are an integral part in making Fields of Faith a success for God's Kingdom.

## Fall Festival

The Fall Festival is hosted at the Nolan County Coliseum each year. On October 30 from 5:30pm-7:30pm, churches and businesses create a safe place for families with games and trunk-or-treats. Youth of First are invited to create a booth or volunteer to help run a booth for the evening.

## OCC Packing Party

As a Relay Center for Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry, First Baptist is deeply connected with the ministry of Samaritan's Purse. In 2018, the Youth at First packed 25 shoeboxes to carry the Good News around the world. This year, the Church will pack shoeboxes with items we collect all year on November 20 at 6:00pm.

## Advent

Advent is a special Season that we come together and celebrate the Birth of Jesus. Advent is made up of the 4 Sundays preceding Christmas. As a Youth Ministry, we celebrate Advent during Sunday Morning Class as a large group. In 2019, our theme will focus on the Characters of Christmas.

## Christmas Eve

On December 24 at 6:00pm, First Baptist celebrates the Birth of Jesus in a special Worship Service. The Christmas Eve Worship Service is one of the most popular and special services we have each year. Bring your family and be a part of this special Worship experience.



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\_\_\_\_\_ hereinafter referred to as "the Activity".

I certify that I am cognizant of the inherent dangers associated with participation in the Activity and with the fact that participating in the Activity may take place outside of, or off of, church premises.

I understand and agree that neither the First Baptist Church, nor its trustees, representatives, instructors or agents may be held liable in any way for any occurrence in connection with my child's participating in the Activity which may result in injury, harm or other damages to me or my family.

As a part of the consideration for being allowed to enroll and participate in the Activity, I hereby personally assume all risks in connection with my child's participation in the Activity. I further release the First Baptist Church, its trustees, instructors, agents and representatives for any injury or damage which may befall my child while my child is enrolled in or participating in the Activity. I further agree to save and hold harmless the First Baptist Church, its trustees, instructors, agents and representatives from any claim by me or my family, estate, heirs or assigns arising out of my child's enrollment and participation in the Activity. I also authorize the First Baptist Church to render or obtain such emergency medical care or treatment as may be necessary should any injury, harm or accident occur to my child while participating in the Activity.

I further state that I am of lawful age and legally competent to sign this affirmation and release; that I understand the terms herein are contractual and not a mere recital; and that I signed this document of my own free act and volition. I further state and acknowledge that I have fully informed myself of the contents of this affirmation and release by reading it before I have signed it.

I have executed this affirmation and release on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_

**MEDICAL INFORMATION AND RELEASE**

In the event that my minor child, \_\_\_\_\_, has need of medical attention, I do hereby give my permission for the staff and sponsors of the First Baptist Church Sweetwater, TX, to seek such help including emergency surgery if the particular medical emergency warrants. I understand that every effort will be made to contact me or my alternate responsible party prior to emergency surgical procedures, unless the particular situation does not allow due to the threat of loss of life.

Minor's name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/legal guardian name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone numbers where you can be reached during this time: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate person to contact in case of emergency if parent can't be reached:  
Name, relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Name, relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**INSURANCE INFORMATION**

[Please attach a copy of the front and back of your child's insurance card]

Child's Doctor: \_\_\_\_\_ Doctor's Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**MEDICAL HISTORY/KNOWN ALLERGIES TO FOOD, DRUGS, BEE STINGS, ETC.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(If more space is needed please use back of sheet)

List all medicine currently taking and dosage schedule:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I AGREE TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS STATED ABOVE.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Guardian Date