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For the Journey...

Thank you, Trinity Baptist Church, for all the ways you have shown appreciation to me and our ministerial staff for Pastor and Minister Appreciation month. We are blessed as a ministerial staff to serve such a gracious Faith Family. God is so good to us individually, as a team and corporately. We appreciate you and are grateful for our journey together.

We celebrate Clint Brown's 13th anniversary as our Minister of Business Administration. It was a great day when Clint, Beth Ann, Cayden and Easton chose to come and be part of TBC. Clint does a great job of handling our administration while supporting the ministries that take place through TBC. Thank you, Clint!

We have had a great turnout for a deep dive in discipleship at Midweek on Wednesday nights. It is good to see our group coming back for a meal on Wednesday nights followed by discipleship for all ages. We are going to make an adjustment for next semester moving our meal time back to 5:00 p.m. and our starting time for discipleship classes and Bible study to 6:00 p.m. We are thankful for those who committed to Bible study, Experiencing God, Bible Study leadership, Re/Engage, D-Up Kids (Wednesday Disciple Kids) and TSM (Trinity Student Ministry). Many of our spring classes will still meet for an hour and a half. The Worship Ministry will still start choir practice at 7:00 p.m. We are anticipating another great group of folks eating together and learning at Midweek in January. We already have a list and are taking sign-ups for our next Re/Engage class.

I hope that you have been encouraged as we read through Scriptures together. This month we are reading through Jeremiah and recounting Old Testament history while also hopefully transfering insights into present day culture. This past week we read in Jeremiah 23:5-6 **"The days are coming", declares the LORD, "when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, a King who will reign wisely and do what is just and right in the land. In His days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. This is the name by which He will be called, The LORD Our Righteous Savior."**

Zedekiah is the vassal king of Judah, a son of Josiah. He has been placed as king by Nebuchadnezzar and forced to pay tribute. As Jeremiah speaks to the people of Judah, he speaks of the next king who will reign. For almost 600 years there will be no king in Judah, after Zedekiah's reign, until Jesus is born. The One spoken of by Jeremiah is the LORD. Hope is on the way, though it will take several hundred years to come.

In the meantime, there were prophets who prophesied by their own opinion and not from the LORD. Jeremiah 23:28 **"Let the prophet who had a dream recount the dream, but let the one who has My word speak it faithfully. For what has straw to do with grain?"** In other words, beware of the prophet who has not stood in the presence of the LORD. Opinions do not matter when it is opposite of God's truth. There are a lot of people speaking today. Who have they been spending time with? Have they been in the presence of the LORD?

Thank you, LORD, for your Holy Word that leads us forward today.

In Christ,

Pastor John

Margie Sorrels

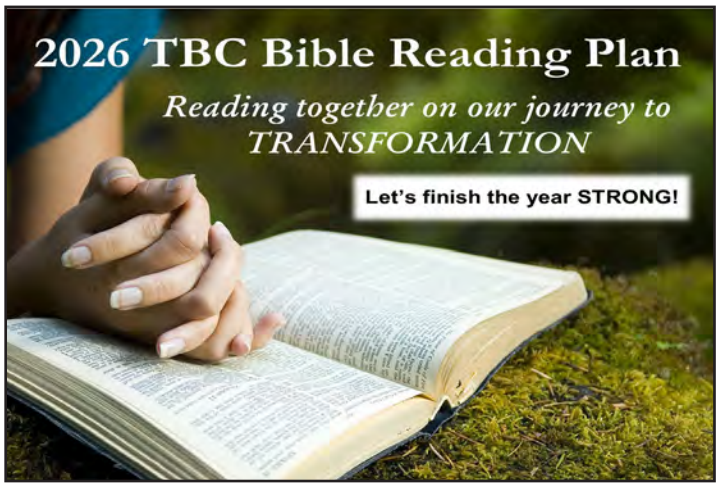
David & Lisa Hicks

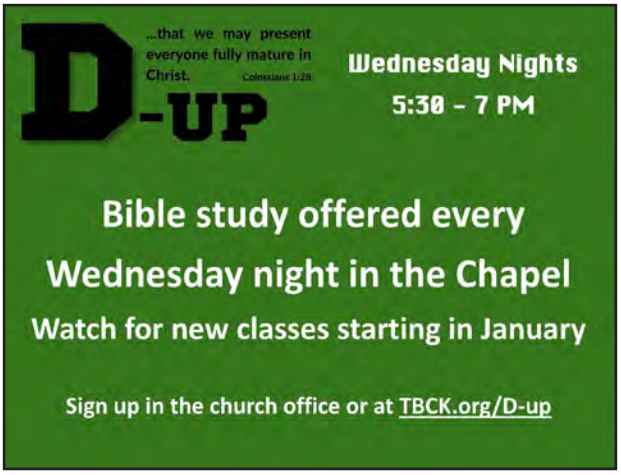
Welcome New Members!

We, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to the others."
Romans 12:5

Terry & Eugenia Garihan

Dan Womack





Adult Discipleship by JD Templeton

Though retired, "Calvin and Hobbes" remains one of my favorite comic strips. In the October 4, 1988 panel, Calvin uses a cardboard box to become the "X-387 probe" from Jupiter. Under the guise of collecting samples for scientific evaluation, he commands his mom to deposit chocolate chip cookies in his receiver slot. While this may have qualified as a psychology experiment, every mom knows this could never be classified as a scientific endeavor!

Pastor, writer and scholar Bill Hull advocates fervently for disciple making. He asks a provoking question: Can many of the activities of the American church be classified as disciple making? In our busyness are we truly producing disciple making disciples?

In his recent sermon series, Pastor John drove home the point that parents are the primary disciple makers in a child's life. Who then is discipling those parents? Who is helping disciple the grandparents as they seek to support parents? Where should this take place?

In addition to our weekly corporate worship, we have two existing frameworks to help our adult discipleship task. Our Bible study groups (both Sunday and off campus) and our Wednesday evening "D-Up" courses are prime places to engage in equipping one another to make disciples. These are meant to be more than information transmitters. If that is all we aim for, author Josh Hunt suggests we have only made "smarter sinners".

Do you see yourself as a disciple maker? If not, why not? Jesus' Great Commission in Matthew 28 calls us to make disciples, plain and simple. Re-Engage will equip you to be a disciple maker. MasterLife will equip you to be a disciple maker. A Sunday morning Bible study group will equip you to be a disciple maker. Jesus calls you to be a disciple maker; and thank goodness He gives us what we need when He gives us a job to do!

"Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; his love endures forever."
1 Chronicles 16:34

Ladies, join us for *Diva Day* in Comfort!

A Day of Fellowship & Shopping

Saturday November 7th
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Lunch at Noon
High's Café & Store
Meet at Trinity at 10 AM
to Carpool
Call the church office to sign up

Men's Bible Study
by Rick Boles

Men's Bible Study at Trinity Baptist Church this fall is studying the book of Job. The study is being taught by Dale Moreau. The study has brought a new and different view of the Book of Job. We are learning that the Book of Job is really a trial setting in which Job is being put on trial and God is the judge and ends up finding Job not guilty. This prospective of the book has been challenging yet changing us to a totally different view of the book.

The men in our Bible study are being drawn to each other with our different needs, especially health issues and we are learning that God wants us to pray for one another in regards to health issues, family issues and the need to grow spiritually.

We are praying for Dale as he continues to battle cancer and yet finds the strength from our Lord to dig into this study. We are so grateful that God is teaching us to lean on each other and Him.

Our Men's Bible Study ministers in our community in a variety of ways. Some are involved in Chainsaw Disaster Relief as we as a community continue to deal with the floods of 2025 & 2026. Others are assisting with the church, as the flood damaged the children's area, by coming in and helping to repair damage to that area. There are others who are working with TXM rebuild, helping to repair community members with homes and totally rebuilding others homes.

I think the unique approaches to helping the group dig into and participate in group Bible study by encouraging members to take part in the church's daily bible studies and the studies going on Wed night.

Student Ministry by Josh Gill

What a beautiful Fall it's becoming. While the season is changing, TSM is in full swing. On Sunday mornings in Small Groups, the youth are kicking off a 4-part series entitled Origin Story that quickly goes through the Gospel story but starts in Genesis with Creation. Wednesday night Midweek (MDWK) has almost concluded the study on Philippians as we've looked at this amazing letter Paul wrote to a church he loved deeply.

There's a lot coming up as well! On November 7 at 9am, students and members of the church will be headed over to C.A.M. in Kerrville to partake in a "local mission trip" as we put together Thanksgiving boxes to feed people in our area. Sign up by calling the church office and talking to Josh or Alycia!

On November 18 during Wednesday night Midweek (MDWK), the youth will be doing another ministry project - packing shoe boxes as part of Operation Christmas Child to send love and care to kids that normally wouldn't have the opportunity to celebrate Christmas and receive a gift.

Right after Bible Study on Sunday, November 22, 6-12th girls are invited to meet at Lift coffee shop in Ingram for some fun crafts like key chains, bracelets, and necklaces. At the same time, 6-12th guys are invited to hang out at the church for some pizza and pickleball! On December 9th during MDWK, the youth (6-12th grade) are all invited to the TSM Christmas Party 5:45-7pm in The Forge. Also, on December 16 the youth will be joining the rest of the church instead of MDWK to go Christmas Caroling.

In the middle of this busy season, I pray that you're making intentional time to stop, breathe, and be present with Jesus. He's the reason we live, move, and even breathe. May He be the one that moves us and gives us life.

Children's Ministry by Kellee Parish

As I am writing this on Tuesday, October 20th we have just moved back into our Children's area. What an amazing blessing! We have loved welcoming all our CDO children back into their rooms this morning. A huge thank you to everyone who has helped "remodel" our area and get everything back into the rooms and set up. There have been so many volunteers that have poured into Trinity Kids through these last 4 months and I am so very grateful! Words cannot adequately express my thankfulness for so many who have helped us get back up and running. It is such a beautiful, clean and open space for our precious kids. Thank you!

D-6 Disciple Kids made a thank you photo album for Texans on Missions (Mickey Lenamon and his team). The kids did a great job with that project! We also are working on some Christmas songs with hand chimes and having a really good time in Rec and Bible Study. We meet currently on Wednesdays from 5:30-7:00pm in our Children's area.

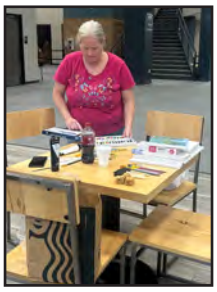
Pastor Pals will be returning this January. Be looking for the packets coming in December. Our kids work on memorizing scriptures at home and then saying them to our team at church and gain points to earn a Pizza Party with the Pastor at the end of the semester. Bible Study classes and D6 kids are also working on memorizing scripture and can say those verses for points as well. More to come…

Month in Review - October

Genesis 1 Trip

Prime-Time Potluck Dinner & Ukulele Stringalong Band

Naomi Paint Night



Ignite Women's Conference!

Sundays:
Worship 8:30, 9:45, 11:00
(All services streamed)
Bible Study-Adults 9:45
Adults/Youth/Children 11:00
Library Open 12:00
The Anchor Holds Home Group-3:00

Mondays:
GriefShare-10:00 (thru 12/7)
Flower Ministry 10:00
Pickleball 10:00
Prime-Time Game Day-Noon (1st Mon.)

Tuesdays:
Grow Young Fitness 9:00am & 6pm
Joyful Sounds 10:00
8:30 Praise Team R'rsl 6:00
9:45 Praise Band R'hrsl 7:00

Wednesdays:
Women's Bible Study-10:00 (thru 11/18)
Pickleball Noon
Brown Bag Meal 4:30
Library Open 5:15
D-Up Discipleship Classes 5:30
TSM Wednesdays 5:30
D-Up Kids 5:30

Thursdays:
Grow Young Fitness 9:00
Stitchers for Jesus 10:00 (1st Thurs.)
Men's Bible Study 10:00 (thru 11/19)
Women's Bible Study-6:00 (thru 11/19)
TBC Worship Signers R'hrsl 6:30

Fridays:
Community Prayer Time 7:00am

NOVEMBER

11/1 Christmas Choir R'hrsl-5:30
11/2 Prime-Time Game Day-Noon
11/7 TBC Golf Scramble-9:00
11/7 Diva Day in Comfort-10:00
11/7 Thanksgiving Box Packing at CAM-9:00
11/8 GriefShare Holidays-12:15
11/14 Men's Prayer B'fast-8:00
11/15-17 BGCT Convention
11/15 Church Council by email
11/15 Christmas Choir R'hrsl-5:30
11/19 CDO Parents & Pie-1:00
11/21 Thanksgiving Meal Outreach
11/22 Member Meeting-4:00
11/22 Milk & Cookies C'mas Concert-6pm
11/26-27 Church Offices/Bldgs. Closed
11/29 Christmas Choir R'hrsl-5:30
11/30 Genesis 1 Group to SA-5:00

DECEMBER

12/4 Night in Bethlehem-6:00
12/5 Night in Bethlehem-6:00
12/5 C'mas Choir R'hrsl tech run thru-9:30
12/6 Joyful Sounds & Handbell Choir C'mas Program-5:00
12/7 Prime-Time Game Day-Noon
12/11 Women's Ministry C'mas Fellowship-6pm
12/12 Christmas Worship Program-6:00
12/13 Church Council by email
12/13 Christmas Worship Program-6:00
12/16 Member Meeting-5:30
12/16 Churchwide C'mas Caroling-5:30
12/24 Christmas Eve Services-5:00 & 6:30
12/24 Church Offices/Bldgs Closed
12/25 MERRY CHRISTMAS
12/27 ONE Worship Service-11:00

JANUARY

1/1 Church Offices/Bldgs Closed
1/4 Prime-Time Game Day-Noon
1/6 Midweek Meal Begins-5:00
1/6 D-Up Classes Begin-6:00
1/6 Worship Choir Returns-7:00
1/7 CDO Spring Semester Begins
1/7 Stitchers for Jesus-10:00
1/10 Leadership Orientation-12:15
1/17 Church Council-12:15
1/24 Member Meeting-4:00
1/28 Parents, Pizza & Snowballs-5:30
1/31 New Member Luncheon-12:15