

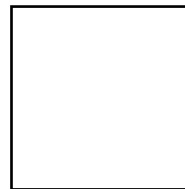
Calendar of Events

Nov. 1	6:00p	Children's Activities Pastor's Bible Study Coaches Wives Bible Study Youth Core
Nov. 2	9:00a 7:30p	Discovery School Worship Team Rehearsal
Nov. 5	8:30a 9:30a 10:45a 5:00p 6:00p 6:30p	Foundation Service Bible Study Groups Formation Service Adult Musical Rehearsal Bible Drill/Bible Buddies Youth Bible Study @ The Birtman's
Nov. 7	9:00a	Discovery School
Nov. 8	6:00p	Pastor's Bible Study Ladies Bible Study Children's Activities Coaches Wives Bible Study Youth Core Stewardship Meeting
Nov. 9	9:00a 7:30p	Discovery School Worship Team Rehearsal
Nov. 12	8:30a 9:30a 10:45a 5:00p 6:00p 6:30p	Foundation Service Bible Study Groups Formation Service Deacon's Meeting Adult Musical Rehearsal Quarterly Conference Bible Drill/Bible Buddies Youth Bible Study @ The Birtman's
Nov. 14	9:00a	Discovery School
Nov. 15	6:00p	Pastor's Bible Study Children's Activities Ladies Bible Study Coaches Wives Bible Study Youth Core
Nov. 16	9:00a 6:00p 7:30p	Discovery School Quilt Group Worship Team Rehearsal
Nov. 19	9:30a 10:45a	Bible Study Groups Fellowship of Joy
Nov. 23		Thanksgiving (Office Closed)
Nov. 24		Office Closed
Nov. 26	8:30a 9:30a 10:45a 5:00p 6:00p 6:30p	Foundation Service Bible Study Groups Formation Service Adult Musical Rehearsal Bible Drill/Bible Buddies Youth Bible Study @ The Birtman's
Nov. 28	9:00a	Discovery School
Nov. 29	6:00p	Pastor's Bible Study Children's Activities Ladies Bible Study Coaches Wives Bible Study Youth Core
Nov. 30	9:00a 7:30p	Discovery School Worship Team Rehearsal



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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF PALESTINE

NOVEMBER, 2017

CHURCH NEWSLETTER

Following Jesus, Making Disciples, Serving Others, Changing Lives



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Dear Gracious People of FBCP:

It has truly been a privilege to serve as your interim pastor this past year. You have been gracious and generous in so many ways. LeAnne and I thank you for allowing us to be a part of your lives and the life of this beautiful church family.

Our plan is to continue to worship and serve here at FBCP as members alongside you. When you do not see us we will likely be visiting family or friends or perhaps supply preaching elsewhere on occasion.

Thank you all again for your support and encouragement during our church's time of transition. We look forward with enthusiasm to the coming of our new shepherd, Pastor Tony Watson, and all the Lord plans to accomplish through the ministry of First Baptist Church of Palestine.

With our love and appreciation,
Jack and LeAnne Chelf



Tony Watson, Senior Pastor

A new chapter is beginning! To say that my family is excited about coming to be a part of First Baptist Church of Palestine would be an understatement. God has put a desire in my heart to minister to you and alongside you as your new Pastor as we seek to do Kingdom work in Palestine.

Rhonda and I are getting settled in to our new home and I'm very appreciative of this time to "de-compress" and get ready for the next era in our church's history. I look forward to getting to know each of you personally.

We will be with you on Sunday, November 5th and I'm looking forward to sharing the message that God is laying on my heart, entitled "It All Starts With a Burden", from Nehemiah 1. Invite everyone you can to come and be with us as we share some of the vision that God is revealing.

On Wednesday night, I will begin a study entitled "The Will of God is the Word of God". I invite you to come be with us as we seek to answer the age-old question, "What is God's Will?" This would be a great time to invite a friend or co-worker for a mid-week pick-me-up.

Feel free to send me a friend request on Facebook or follow me on Twitter (@tonywatsonfbc). Send me a text message and tell me your name to 214-862-1069 and I'll get you saved in my phone. I want to be available to you.

Excited for the future,
Bro. Tony Watson



FELLOWSHIP OF JOY
 Brought to you through the generosity of your deacons
November 19, 2017
“Overflowing with Thankfulness”
BIBLE STUDY AT 9:30AM
MEAL AND SERVICE AT 10:45AM
Meats provided by FBCP Deacons.
Sign up to bring a side dish in the Narthex.

Giving Report for October as of October 27th:

Ministry Budget Offering: \$32,888.62
 Designated Funds Offering: \$9,853.01
 Ministry Budget Offering YTD: \$369,844.97
 Ministry Budget Exp. YTD: \$298,471.19
 Received over expenses YTD: +71,373.78

You can give online at:
www.firstpalestine.org/giving
 or by texting the amount you would like to give (\$10) to 903-638-7067



Skip Birtman, Youth & Worship Pastor
skip@firstpalestine.org

It's a great day! Here at FBC the time has come for our new pastor to come on board. As I've mentioned to you before, I can't say thank you enough to Bro. Jack for leading us in the interim period. His leadership and encouragement has been a tremendous blessing to me and the church as a whole. "Announcement guy" will miss you Jack. Sunday, November 5th, will be Bro. Tony's first Sunday with us. Please continue to pray for him as well as his family throughout this time of transition. Brother we are excited and ready for you to be here. I believe the Lord has great things in store for us at First.

Our choir is currently working on the Christmas musical "The Arrival". It is not too late to join us for rehearsals on Sunday nights at 5 pm. We meet in the sanctuary. Maybe you are unsure about singing in public. We've got a spot for you. The performance date for the musical will be on Sunday, December 10th. Mark your calendars, and make plans to be here. It's going to be great.

As far as youth ministry goes, we are winding down another calendar year. Our Winter Retreat is set for December 1-3, and will be held at Pineywoods Baptist Encampment. It really is one of my favorite events of the entire year. Students will spend time in the word, participate in high ropes, eat decent food, and hang out with good friends. The cost is \$80. We are in need of some scholarships for a few students, so if you'd like to give towards that, we'd appreciate it. Thank you church for your support of our student ministry.

You guys are such an encouragement to our family. I love my church. Thanks so much for making it a blast to come to church. Hope you have a great week. Christmas is coming! - Skip -

Youth Events:

Winter Retreat - Pineywoods
 December 1-3 Cost: \$80
 Sign up in the youth room or on the youth page at www.firstpalestine.org

Choir Info:

Adult Christmas Musical Practice for "The Arrival"
 Sunday nights at 5 PM



QUILT GROUP
NOVEMBER 16TH @ 6:00PM



This month please bring:
\$7 Donation
 Please drop your items in the collection box located in the Narthex
Our goal is to pack 200 boxes!!
 ***Or you can give to the OCC designated fund to help pack and send boxes (be sure to write OCC and the amount on your check memo).



Quarterly Conference
November 12th @ 6:00pm
Dinner will be provided.