

LifeWays
**BOMERANG
EXPRESS**

Vacation Bible School

June 15-19

6:00 - 8:30 pm

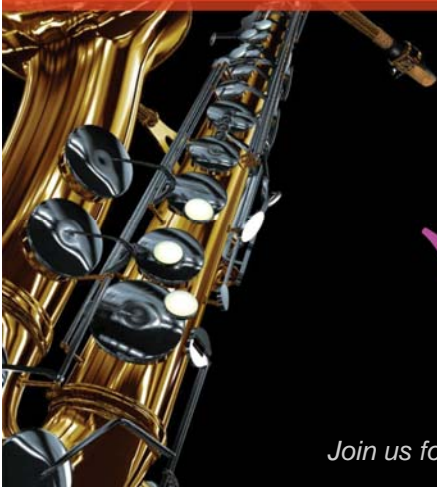
for kids who have completed Pre-K — 5th grade

G'Day Mate! We are preparing for the big Australian adventure! Are you ready? We are packing up the **SNACKS**, gathering supplies for **CRAFTS**, getting in shape for **RECREATION**, and gearing up for **BIBLE STORIES** about how huge God's love is! The kids will discover that no matter where they go or what they do in life, it all comes back to Jesus!

You may sign up online at www.firstofallon.com

It all comes back to Jesus!

1 John 4:9



NIGHT OF JAZZ

Friday, June 12

Civic Bandstand

7:00 pm

free

Join us for a simple, relaxed, family friendly, evening of great music.

Children's Ministry

Children's Music Workshop

Workshop: July 13—18, 9:00 a.m.-Noon
 Rehearsal: July 19, 4:30 p.m.
 Performance: July 19, 5:30 p.m.

For kids who have completed grades 1-5



The kids work on music, movement, props, set, and drama! For more information, or to sign up, call Ruth Offholter at 978-5854!

Kid's Camp— July 27-31

at Whispering Winds Bible Camp in St. James, Missouri

For kids who have completed grades 3-5

Pick up a flyer for more information!



Wednesday Night Summer Schedule

Children in grades 1-5 began May 27. We meet in the Fellowship Hall at 7:00 pm
 Pre-K –K will begin June 3 in room B109 at 7:00 pm.

Children's choir will resume in the fall.

WELCOME

To Those Requesting Membership

Amy Avila, Adult I Late; **Dale Covington**; **April Faulkner**, Singles III

Jason Fitzgerald, Singles III; **Leah Anderson**, Adult II

Be sure to say hello and make them feel welcome!



Upcoming Mission Trips

Alaska

Pastor Jim Hearn is our missionary partner in Wasilla, Alaska. We have a team heading there in June to assist Jim and the Settlers Bay Community Church in reaching out to their community. They are putting together a VBS for children ages 4 through 6th grade. Pray for this team as they finalize their plans. They leave for Alaska June 20.

Colorado

We also have a team going to southeast Colorado in July. They are working with mission churches in Fowler and Sugar Creek, part of the Arkansas Valley Baptist Association. The team is training this month in preparation for the trip in July. They will be conducting a VBS as well as other activities.



Buy a Bible at the Media Desk for \$4.99, and it will be sent to a Soldier.



BodyLIFE Adult Discipleship

June 24—August 5
Wednesdays at 7:00 pm

Extraordinary Women:

Understanding How to Handle the Pressure and Complexities of Life

Photography 101:

Developing Your Skills with Your Camera

Prayer:

Developing a Personal Quiet Time

The Love of Your Life:

Making a Good Marriage Even Better!

Making Change:

Transforming Your Money and Your Life

Growing Discipleship:

The Call to Follow Christ

One Grand Old Evening

EIGHT PLAYERS (MAYBE MORE)
 FOUR GRAND PIANOS (AT LEAST)
 TWO EVENINGS (THURSDAY :: JULY 2 & SUNDAY :: JULY 5)
 ONE NATION UNDER GOD

JULY 2 @ 7:00P
 JULY 5 @ 5:30P
 WWW.FIRSTOFFALLON.COM

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
JUNE	1	2 Men's Fraternity	3 5:00 pm Volleyball for students and adults	4 Men's Steak Out 6:30 pm	5 UFO Night 6:00 pm Celebrate Recovery	6
Senior Adult Tour to Kansas City						
7	8	9 Men's Fraternity	10 5:00 pm Volleyball for students and adults	11 Rascals Baseball Game	12 Celebrate Recovery 7:00 pm A Night of Jazz 8:45 pm HS Volleyball	13 Single Adult Fellowship Event
Soccer Camp (ofallonsoccercamp.com)						
14	15	16 Men's Fraternity	17 5:00 pm Volleyball for students and adults	18	19 Celebrate Recovery	20 High School Camp
Vacation Bible School 6:00—8:30 pm						
21 VBS Night at Alligator Creek	22 High School Camp	23 Men's Fraternity	24 BodyLIFE Classes Begin	25	26 Celebrate Recovery	27
Alaska Mission Trip						
28	29	30 Men's Fraternity	1 5:00 pm Volleyball for students and adults	2 One Grand Old Evening 7:00 pm	3 Celebrate Recovery	4
Alaska Mission Trip						
5 One Grand Old Evening 5:30 pm	6	7 Men's Fraternity	8 5:00 pm Volleyball for students and adults	9	10 Celebrate Recovery 8:45 pm HS Volleyball	11 Single Adult Fellowship Event
Colorado Mission Trip						
12	13	14 Men's Fraternity	15 5:00 pm Volleyball	16	17 Celebrate Recovery	18 3rd Annual Hispanic Soccer Tournament
Children's Music Workshop 9:00—noon						
Colorado Mission Trip						
19 5:30 pm Children's Music Workshop Performance	20	21 Men's Fraternity	22 5:00 pm Volleyball for students and adults	23 Senior Adults to SCC Theatre	24 Celebrate Recovery	25 Middle School Camp
College Retreat						
26 College Retreat	27	28 Men's Fraternity	29 5:00 pm Volleyball	30	31 Celebrate Recovery	JULY
Middle School Camp						

Student Ministry

Congratulations to the Senior Class of 2009!

As you head out into the world to turn it upside down, don't forget that you will be missed greatly, and that we are praying for you back home. You ARE loved! Remember . . . "only one life and it will soon be past, only what's done for Christ will last . . ."



row 1 (L to R): Kelly Dinkela, Nicole Renfro, Katelyn Cumbie, Rebecca Kindt, Jodie Gardner; row 2: Stephanie Martin, Alyssa Brooks, Dawn Kohlfield, Allison Francis, Sarah Cutler, Jessica Ferkel; row 3: Adam Smith, Kyle O'Neal, Jameson Dowler, Jacob Layer, Ryan Ebert; row 4: teacher Doug Graham, teacher Vonda Westmoreland, Andrew Turgeon, Ben Lashley, D.J. Bruno and teacher Zach Miller
Missing from the picture: Kristin Dasal, Andrew Edmonston and Josh Reeves

High School Students—check out Moonlight Volleyball Friday, June 12, July 10 and August 14 at 8:45 pm!

Summer schedule on Wednesday night begins June 3.
See you in the loft 7:00-9:00 pm!

Hispanic Ministry Headlines

News from Midwestern Baptist Seminary

Our Spanish Ministry Pastor, Patrick Regalado, was one of ten students attending the orientation for doctoral studies and critical thinking as part of the doctor of ministry in missions and leadership program taught at Midwestern Baptist Seminary. This program is now taught in Spanish, allowing these Hispanic leaders to further their education in their native language. They feel it will better prepare them to train a new generation of Hispanic leaders in a more conscientious and productive way, and it will facilitate additional Spanish resources in the language and context of the Hispanic population.



A New Seven Weeks Bible Study in Spanish

"UNA CONVERSACION APACIBLE" — A Peace Conversation
Wednesdays at 7:00 PM beginning in June.

Baptism Service — July 5, at El Shaddai Ranch in Moscow Mills
Several people will be baptized at the river, and we will be celebrating with outdoor worship services, games, recreation activities and a picnic Latino meal. Please join us if you can.



Dear Church Family,

As Julie and I begin this new adventure, we wanted to take one more opportunity to say "thank you!" If we began naming names, there wouldn't be enough room, and we'd probably accidentally omit somebody; but I will allow myself this opportunity to thank a few different groups who have blessed us in more ways than we can identify:

- if you have ever loved on my children and taught them about Jesus, thank you
- if you have served on the Finance Team during my time here, I am sorry ☺ and thank you
- if you have organized or served in childcare for any rehearsal or churchwide event the Worship & Arts Ministry has presented, thank you
- if you have ever at least tried to sway to the music or clap to the beat, thank you
- if you have been willing to learn a new song or found yourself touched by one of the "old hymns," thank you
- if you have ever allowed me the joy and privilege of a Diet Coke, Nachos, and a seat in Busch Stadium while watching Albert Pujols, thank you
- if you have a child or teach in our Academy, thank you for the privilege of allowing me to be a part of your lives and your ministry
- to the Search Team that introduced my family to O'Fallon and thus made it possible to enjoy a World Series Championship in baseball's greatest city, thank you
- to the Search Team that allowed me the opportunity to serve an extended period of time with a man I now consider one of my best friends in ministry, Dr. Tom Hufty, because you were determined to take the necessary amount of time in order to find *God's man* for First Baptist, thank you
- to Jim Caban and those that serve behind the scenes with a commitment to Jesus that is a daily example to me of servanthood, thank you
- to the students who simply tried out the whole choir and choir mission tour thang, thank you
- to Dr. Young and the staff, reaching people for Jesus is the cry of my heart; thanks for letting me do that with you; Krieger's it is!
- to the members of the Worship & Arts Staff here at First Baptist, it has been my joy to serve alongside of you, attempting to make each week and every event the worship experience our Savior deserves; thank you for your commitment to creativity, your desire for excellence, and your passion to win people for the Kingdom
- to the family I've been blessed to stand in front of every Wednesday and every Sunday for the last four years ... words aren't enough! May the Lord bless you and keep you.

Over the course of time, it will be our joy to report back all that God is doing in our lives! As I stated in our original letter, we covet your prayers as we take these steps of faith!

Again, First Baptist, thank you ... for a journey that truly has been "immeasurably more than we could have asked or imagined!"

jonathan

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Sunday Schedule

8:00 am
Adult Bible Study

9:30 am
Bible Study for all ages
Worship

11:00 am
Bible Study for all ages
Worship

Our Church Staff

Dr. Richard Young
Senior Pastor

Ron Lomax
Associate Pastor

Lee Sanders
Minister of Education

Ray Patterson
Minister of Administration

Jennifer Abercrombie
Minister to Children

Eric Farmer
Minister to Middle School Students

Patrick Regalado
Hispanic Pastor

Linda Johnson
Director of Ministry Support

Jim Caban
Director of Media Ministries

Dale Bredbenner
Director of Facilities

Christian Academy

Phone: 272-3220 metro 240-3067

Shauna Willis
Academy Principal

Dear Church Family,

Wow! What a whirlwind during the last few weeks. Juggling money between two bank accounts, separated from family, packing – trying to determine what needs to be in storage and what you need now, traveling hundreds of miles, transitioning to a new community. These are just some of the things that add to life's stress – but I wouldn't trade it for the world. Because I know God is in the midst of it all, and He has placed me and my family in an incredible church and community.

Thank you FBC for your hospitality, love, kindness, prayers and support during our transition. We are finally here together as a family and loving very much our new church family and community.

As we begin this journey together, I am so excited about the activity of God that I see all around us and the great privilege we have to join Him in His work. I truly believe FBC is on the threshold of something awesome, and I am so excited about experiencing that with you. I love Isaiah's words from Isaiah 40 and how they speak to what is possible with God:

Do you not know? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom. He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint (40:28-31).

In His Service,

Bro. Richard