

## CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The Church Council of First Baptist Church of Midland, Texas met for its regular meeting on Monday, February 17, 2020. Members present: Toni Redman, Scott Daw, Michelle Cobb, Randy Cotton, Tom Hanna, Dr. Richard Jolly, Patrick Mayers, Clark Moreland, April Paris, Kim Ortega, Jason Sims, Jayna Hobby and Randy Thornton. Staff members present: Larry Grimes.

Chairman Jason Sims called the meeting to order at 7:07PM. He asked for prayer requests. Prayer was offered by Dr. Richard Jolly.

**The minutes from the January 20, 2019 Council meeting were approved.**

### REPORTS

#### **Business Administrator Report - Larry Grimes**

Mr. Grimes presented the resume for Student Pastor candidate John-David Culbertson. Mr. Grimes reported that the Personnel Committee met with him and unanimously approved calling him as Student Pastor. Jason Sims reported that the Personnel Committee was impressed with John-David. The candidate also previously met with a group of adults and youth. All members of the group that met with him initially unanimously recommended him for the position. Mr. Grimes reported that the initial meeting with Mr. Culbertson demonstrated his ability to relate with and connect to students.

Mr. Sims stated that in the past, the Church Council has voted to support the decision of the Personnel Committee. The target date for a view to a call is March 22<sup>nd</sup>. **Patrick Mayer made a motion to endorse the Personnel Committee's recommendation to bring John-David Culbertson as the Student Pastor candidate in view of a call on March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Tom Hanna seconded the motion. The Church Council will be given time to review the references and resume and an email vote will be taken on Thursday, February 20<sup>th</sup>.**

#### **Deacons - Randy Cotton**

Mr. Cotton reported that the deacons cooked burgers for IMPACT weekend. Mr. Cotton is working to schedule a meeting with Craig Yenser and others to begin praying for Midland schools.

### Committee Reports

#### **Chairman's Report - Jason Sims**

The next Church Conference is scheduled for Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> immediately following CRASE Training. The next Prayer Meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup>. The next Church Council meeting is scheduled for March 16<sup>th</sup>.

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Mr. Sims asked committee members to review the Ministerial reports. (See attached report.)

### **Family Ministry – Ginger Schantz**

April Paris reported that the Family Ministry Committee met and reviewed future plans and events for the family ministry. Cory Brand and Katy Little were in attendance. The committee is currently making plans for VBS and summer camps, as well as training.

### **Finance Committee – Tom Hanna**

Tom Hanna presented the January Financial Report. Year to Date receipts totaled \$3,755,765. January receipts were \$518,796. Mr. Hanna reported that we have been blessed with increased receipts and decreased expenses resulting in an operating gain of \$1,455,512 for the year. The General Fund Balance is \$2,138,986 and Total Church Assets are \$11,50,815.

**A motion to accept the monthly financial report passed unanimously.**

Campus Royalties discussion was deferred.

### **General Nominating – Randy Thornton**

No report.

### **Maintenance and Expansion – Richard Jolly**

Richard Jolly reported Jim Hanson has been busy with projects funded by last year's surplus funds. A Hall, three rooms around Jam Room, rooms in B Hall and roof have been completed. They are currently working on ceilings in the kitchen. The floor was completed in the prayer room last week. Parts for the air handlers have been ordered and work on the Sanctuary is set to be done late March, early April. The contingency plan is to hold worship services in the Fellowship Hall for 1-2 weeks.

The subcommittee met and made recommendations to the Maintenance and Expansion Committee. Recommendations included the sale of the storage building on Louisiana as well as the Counseling Center.

A meeting is scheduled with the City of Midland on March 3<sup>rd</sup> regarding work scheduled on Garfield Street. Discussion may include the parking spaces that are on Garfield Street.

The committee commended Jim Hanson's work and ministry at First Baptist.

### **Membership – Ralph Lea**

April Paris reported that the reception for Robbie Boyd is Sunday, March 1 from 2:30 – 3:30 in the Fellowship Hall. The committee is currently working on an Information Desk that will

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provide a point of contact for visitors. The desk will be manned by church members and will have pamphlets available with information on ministries in the church. Ms. Paris shared a story about her recent experience as a visitor in a large church and the importance of signage and greeters. Ms. Paris encouraged council members to get involved and recommend friends that may be interested in serving in this ministry. The plan is to kick off this ministry on March 1<sup>st</sup>.

The Council reviewed the additions and losses to the membership. The additions to the church totaled 2 in January (2 by baptism; 0 by letter), with 7 membership losses (1 by death; 5 by letter and 1 to another denomination). The additions will be voted on at the January Church Conference. Total active resident members are 3619. **A motion to accept the membership report passed unanimously.**

### **Missions – Fred Nobles**

Keith Skaar provided an email with the report from the Missions Committee.

Two mission partners provided update on their ministries to the larger Mission Committee as well as in the Ends of the Earth Sub-committee.

Stephen and Ruth Hale provided an update off all the work being done by Mission Aviation Fellowship in the Congo. They not only provide flights for western Missionaries throughout the Congo, but routinely provide medical supplies to interior hospitals as well as emergency transportation from the interior to larger cities. MAF is also partnering with the Congolese Church to provide air transportation to indigenous Congolese Missionaries that have answered our Lord's call to pick up the work of western Missionaries in taking the gospel to the interior. Stephen and Ruth have two small children and are expecting their third in March. Both Stephen and Ruth are children of IMB Missionaries.

Brian Crisman was recently promoted to Executive Director of Heart of Bride Ministries. Brian has spent most of his career as a worship leader but has been familiar with the work of HOB for its entire existence and worked for HOB for the past 5 years. We heard updates on our partnership with the boy's school in Haiti (150+ students K-12<sup>th</sup> grade) and continued indigenous pastoral training to the association of churches that are involved in maintaining that school. We discussed possible additional partnerships with HOB in India as well. Brian and our own Greg West are heading to review the Haiti work today through the rest of the week.

### **Personnel – Jason Sims**

Jason Sims reported that the bulk of the meeting was spent meeting with and discussion on John-David Culbertson. Kelly O'Brien has resigned.

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### **Safety and Security Committee – Patrick Mayers**

Patrick Mayers reported that the Safety and Security Committee will meet on Wednesday, February 24<sup>th</sup>. CRASE training is scheduled for Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 4:30 in the Fellowship Hall.

Mr. Mayers has been in communication with Midland Police Department about touring the building. When training day for the Police Department is scheduled, FBC will invite officers to walk around and become familiar with facility.

Wes Lewis and Mr. Mayers are coordinating with security teams from other churches, including the Messianic Jewish Temple and True Lite Christian Fellowship. They are considering holding a training for security volunteers for other churches.

Subcommittees are working on governance documents.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 18, 2020.

### **Transportation – Scott Daw**

Mr. Daw reported that the committee did not meet. An email vote was taken to approve the purchase of a golf cart. The golf cart has arrived and is being used.

### **New Business**

None discussed.

### **Old Business**

None Discussed.

Patrick Mayer closed the meeting in prayer, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:02 PM.

Kim Ortega, Secretary, 2019-20

Date Approved

**Ministers Monthly Report to Church Council**  
**March 16, 2020**

**Darin Wood**  
**Senior Pastor**

Grace and Peace today! May God bless and guide us in the days He has blessed us with!

February was a different sort of month for me. I spent half of it away from home. Later in the year, I'll bring a report about our time spent in Israel on a Sunday night. I'll also be printing notes and pictures from our time in upcoming Banners. Thanks for allowing me the privilege and luxury of leading our people on this wonderful journey. I can't speak for all on this trip, but I'll say for me this was as transformative a trip as I've ever had.

A brief note on the Banner – what I would've told you had I been present at the Feb Council meeting. There were some who were disappointed in our choice to go to every other week for the Banner. Right before the Feb 9<sup>th</sup>, 8:25 service, a dear church member confided in me of his concerns and I'm glad he did. Thus, during the Sunday School hour that day, I went up and down the E and D hallways meeting the classes most affected by the change. It was the right choice. I was able to hear their concerns first-hand and I'm glad I did. I believe they were able to better understand our plans for the new Banner and why we felt like this was a good choice for us. Hopefully, the changes to the Banner will bring clarity and understanding in forging stronger relationships.

As a church, our mission is to make disciples, not converts. Those two couldn't be further apart. Converts attend. Disciples are family. Please pray with me as we continue to pursue our mission to engage people further.

May God's grace guide us as we prepare for Easter,

Darin

**Larry Grimes**  
**Business Administrator**

Dr. Wood and I set up for a potential Student Pastor to meet with a group of adult volunteers and students to receive feedback on their view of him as a candidate. The group was unanimous in moving forward to next steps. Therefore, he was invited to interview with the Personnel Committee in the February meeting and again had a unanimous vote to call him after the interview. Church Council was then given his information and after they had a couple of days to review the information, unanimously voted to support the recommendation of the Personnel Committee. Therefore, he is scheduled to come on March 22<sup>nd</sup> weekend in view of a call to be our new Student Pastor. Now that we have a vacancy in the position of Associate Pastor of Pastoral Care, James Ervin is going to take up the slack for hospital and home visits in the interim with the support of other staff as needed. Recommendations for filling the position should be discussed in Personnel in March.

Denise Beckham continues to work with the Membership Committee to implement an information desk in the Welcome Center. The first training for initial volunteers was held on March 1<sup>st</sup>. Training included new information web page designed for easier access to ministry information, CCB training to help in loading new information into system, training on new computer to be mounted on desk for information center, and introduction to new flyers and folders on all the main ministries of the church. Volunteers are still needed, and additional training will be held in March. If you would be willing to volunteer to help staff the desk, please contact me or Denise.

“Out of the Darkness”, study was unable to start until the second Wednesday in February due to the closings regarding the snow day. There were 31 who signed up for the class on depression and anxiety, but we only averaged 12. Those who attended seemed to be helped by the information and expressed their appreciation for the church having a class on this type of issue.

C.R.A.S.E. training was held for the second time during February. While attendance wasn't quite as high as the first training, last August, there were still over 150 who attended. The Safety and Security Committee continues to lead out in this significant ministry at the church, which includes a lot of behind the scenes planning and implementing. The committee continues to look at upgrades in the camera and door systems and growing the gatekeeper numbers to cover observing Sundays and other times of significant attendance.

CDC can no longer use the playground in the basement on bad weather days due to the fire marshal shutting it down. Therefore, we found an area off the Jam room that could be turned into an indoor playground. The renovations and setup were finished in February and now the CDC and church has a new indoor playground to use on bad weather days for preschoolers.

## February 2020 - Church Council Report

	<b>Feb. 2020</b>		Year to Date 9/1/19- 2/29/20	2.2019 Avg. Attend
<b>Sunday School</b>	Avg. Enrollment	Avg. Attend.	Avg. Attend	
55+ Adult	797	412	407	438
Adult & Family	466	197	197	214
Singles	149	42	48	50
Student/College	255	122	109	106
Children	249	126	114	114
Preschool	439	153	137	144
<b>Main Campus Total</b>	<b>2354</b>	<b>1051</b>	<b>1011</b>	<b>1064</b>
Mission Midland		101	101	108
Child Development Center	115	115	115	115
CDO Enrollment	136	136	136	136
<b>Total</b>	<b>2605</b>	<b>1403</b>	<b>1363</b>	<b>1423</b>
			<b>Year to Date</b>	
		<b>Month</b>	<b>9/1/19- 2/29/20</b>	
<b>Sunday School members joined the church</b>		6	28	
<b>Total visitors recorded</b>		164	964	

### **Aaron Hodges** **Minister of Music**

The Music Ministry is still working hard at our preparations for Palm Sunday and Easter. We are only a few weeks away. Just a reminder, Palm Sunday and Easter will be two identical services each Sunday morning. On Palm Sunday, Dr. D and the Choir and Orchestra will take us on a journey from the Triumphal Entrance to the Cross. We will end the service by observing the Lord's Supper. Easter will be an incredible opportunity to invite everyone you know to celebrate the Risen Savior! The Adult Choir and Orchestra and the Rooted Student Choir will be leading worship on Easter Sunday morning.

All Children's and Preschool choirs are working hard on getting ready for the end of the year events! The Children's choirs will be leading worship on the first Sunday in May and then presenting a program that evening.

The handbell choir had a great Saturday this month where they joined with other bell choirs to learn and play together. This day culminated in a handbell concert with all the choirs led by the weekend clinician.

We had a month full of special events in worship. It was a wonderful month. Looking forward to March and seeing what God is going to do!

## **James Ervin**

### **Senior Adult Minister**

#### Sunday School

- Visit in a different department or class each Sunday – continue to develop relationships and work with leadership for future planning
- Taught SS for the Grace Department February 2
- Working with the Andrew Department to find new leadership. The Vanderlands are moving in the summer of 2020.

#### Hospital and Homebound Visitation

- Launched HomeTouch Ministry – effort to involve more of the church at large in ministering to our Homebound members.
- Visit at the hospital, rehab centers, and homes of older people.

#### Trips and Events

- Sponsored a trip to Abilene for the Gaither Vocal Band. 39 people participated
- Assisted with the Golden Anniversary Celebration; coordinated transportation for the Chapmans
- Planned and promoted DMA with the help of our planning team. Dr Gary Dyer was our guest. We had 125 people present.

#### Senior Adult Choir

- The ministry of this choir is expanding. We sang at Ashton Lodge on February 20.
- We sang for the 11:05 am Traditional Service on February 23

#### Senior Adult Planning Team

- Met with a sub-planning group to plan for future trips. We developed a survey for people to gather input of this age group.

#### New Members

- I had the pleasure of meeting Lena Nichols and assisting her in joining our church fellowship. She is a senior adult who lives at Manor Park. Her testimony of faith was a blessing to me.

- I met with Steve and Debi Dyer who wanted to join our church. I heard their testimony of faith in Christ, and they joined our church during that visit. I am continuing to follow-up to make sure they are involved in a SS class.

#### Grandparenting Matters

- This 11 week class on leaving a legacy for your grandchildren continues. We are averaging about 24 each week.

## **Cory Brand** **Minister to Families**

### CCB:

I have continued training individuals on more in-depth use of CCB, including managing groups and setting up schedules for volunteers.

### Communio:

Preparations are underway for an upcoming 2-day training between the Communio team and our marriage mentors, SS leadership, family ministry committee, and staff. We will look at the relationship surveys that were collected last month and begin to understand an overall vision for the impact that marriage ministry could have on our church and community. (Communio is a partnering ministry/organization whose desire is to equip churches to strengthen families and communities through data-informed, full-circle relationship ministry.)

### Marriage Events:

ReEngage was February 7<sup>th</sup>. We had a great night of fun and fellowship with 38 couples, many of whom had never attended before. We also are preparing for a 'Drive-Thru' Date event later in the spring. This will be offered in connection with a Parents Night Out. More details to come!

Plans are continuing for two different community-wide events next fall. (We will have a light-hearted fun marriage event on September 17<sup>th</sup>, with a conference following on October 8<sup>th</sup>.) Partial funding has been approved through IMPACT Midland. The events have been presented to the Family Ministry Committee, who will be integrally involved in the planning and details leading up to the fall. Planning committees are being formed to help with the various aspects of putting these events together.

Amy and I were blessed to serve at the Golden Marriage banquet on February 8<sup>th</sup>, with many other staff members.

### Discipleship Class:

I continued a course called 'The Smart Stepfamily' in February on Wednesday evenings. I only have one couple attending, but that couple has continued to become more engaged in church since beginning the course. They attended SS each Sunday in February and attended our ReEngage Date Night!

#### MOPS:

On February 21<sup>st</sup>, I participated in a 'Husbands Panel' for the MOPS meeting, as well as the 'Newlywed Game' with Amy. This was a fun event and a great opportunity to connect with young parents in our community.

#### Family Ministry Committee:

The Family Ministry Committee met together on February 9<sup>th</sup>. In addition to reviewing specific ministry happenings, I was able to share more about the upcoming marriage events for our community this fall and the upcoming Communion luncheon. Many plan to attend.

#### Premarital Counseling:

I am meeting each Tuesday evening with a young couple to help them prepare for their upcoming marriage.

#### B.H. Carroll:

I continue coursework toward my Masters in Counseling, and completed a course this term on personality theories in counseling. I am still waiting on my final grade but have registered for another class called 'Baptist Heritage,' which begins March 9<sup>th</sup>.

## **Katy Little**

### **Interim Student Pastor**

February was a short but eventful month for Student Ministry. In the month of February:

- Sunday Night Aux, Challengers, Bible Drill, and Rooted Student Choir continued and flourished.
- Wednesday Night Midpoint was led by a variety of speakers. Cohen Hodges shared his testimony and taught in a way that many students responded to. Sheldon Kinnison began a new study called Grow Up: Studies from the Book of James. The Reconcile Student Band continues to work hard practicing and leading our students in worship every week.
- IMPACT Weekend was fantastic! The theme for the weekend was Prodigal: Coming Home. We focused on our relationship with God as our Father who wants all of His Prodigals to come home to Him. Our speaker was Dylan Manley, the Student Pastor at FBC Denton. Our band was led by Angie Eddy. We had a phenomenal number of adult volunteers leading small groups, hosting students in their homes, cooking, serving, helping with registration, and available for anything and everything. A large group of deacons came and cooked hamburgers for everyone on Saturday night. We had three churches join in with us this year: Fannin Terrace Baptist Church, The Orchard Church, and Livingway Foursquare Church.

We are excited about the Student Minister Candidate who will come in view of a call on March 21-22.

#### Coming Soon:

May 17: Graduation Recognition Sunday

June 1-4: Vacation Bible School

June 6-13: Student Ministry Mission Trip  
June 15-20: Fuge Camp at Glorieta  
June 22-26: Day Camp 1  
July 6-10: Super Summer at Hardin Simmons – Apply Now!  
July 20-24: Day Camp 2  
July 27-31: Camp Paisano  
& Super Summer Singers Camp

## **Sarah Arrambide**

### **Minister of Children’s Education**

It is a joy and a privilege to serve at FBC! Please keep the Children’s Ministry in your prayers. February was a busy month in the Children’s Ministry! Sunday School The second floor “A” hallway is the place to be on Sunday mornings. We have some of the most dedicated, creative, nurturing, loving teaches in the building. I am amazed how many of them take the time during the week to connect with the children in their classroom. They take their role as Sunday School teacher very seriously! You can walk our hallway any given Sunday and see creative teaching going on. Our kids have a hunger to learn more and more about God’s Word. Please pray for them, their parents and our teachers. We also hosted a “Hot Cocoa Bar” on February 7th. It was very well received by all!!! On the weekend of February 21st and 22nd, we hosted the “Passport2Purity” overnight event for moms and their daughters. At this event fifth and sixth grade girls learned more about how God created them to be women and how he has a perfect plan for them. The importance of remaining pure until marriage was greatly emphasized as well. Shane Dockrey did a fantastic job of leading the group.

#### **Prayer Lessons**

Darrell and Barbara Dunton continue to teach about prayer in each classroom. It has been exciting to see our kiddos feeling more comfortable about praying in public and realizing the importance of prayer. These kids are the future prayer warriors of FBC!! Many thanks to Darrell and Barbara for a job well done. We love them!

#### **Bible Drill**

Our Bible Drillers, led by Shane Dockrey and her team are doing a great job of working with an incredible group of kids who are passionate about putting God’s Word in their hearts. They are getting ready for some upcoming competitions.

#### **GA Sweetheart Banquet**

The GA Banquet was a great success! Around 60 girls and their dates were present. A huge shout out to Hillary Lovell for her leadership and to the student led praise band for leading us in worship.

VBS – Concrete and Cranes – June 1-4

VBS planning is in full swing! Many have already said “YES” to VBS but we need more people to step up. God is at work.

Camp in the City – June 29-July 3 We are bringing church camp to FBC!! Kindergartners through fifth graders will get the full camp experience without leaving town.

Thanks again for your support, love, prayers and encouragement, and thanks for ALL you do for the Lord and the body of Christ!

## **Amy Brand**

### **Minister of Preschool Education**

February has been a great month, and God has been doing some amazing things, both at FBC and in our community!

I continued teaching ‘Parental Guidance Required’ on Wednesday nights in February. We finished the class at the end of the month, with 17 class participants throughout our 6-week course. Of those 17, 9 were not connected to FBC...although 2 of them have started visiting now. Multiple class members expressed interest in upcoming classes, too!

Cory and I led ReEngage date night on February 7<sup>th</sup>. This night is always so much fun, and we had 4 couples attend who are not connected in other ways to our congregation. Our message that evening was on communication...specifically listening to your spouse. It was a well-attended evening and a great time of fellowship and growth together.

We also were blessed to be able to serve at the Golden Marriage banquet the following night, February 8<sup>th</sup>. We are always blessed and encouraged by those who have modeled healthy and committed relationships for us!

Cory and I were able to be a part of a MOPS meeting on February 21<sup>st</sup>, where he was part of a husband panel and then we were in a ‘Newlywed Game!’ It was fun, but we especially enjoyed having the opportunity to speak into young marriages.

The Family Ministry Committee met on February 9<sup>th</sup>. We had a chance to share what is happening in our various ministries, and especially focused on marriage outreaches to our community that will be happening this fall!

We had our first meeting with our VBS coordinators February 10<sup>th</sup>. This is such a tremendous group of ladies who come together to dream and plan as we strive to be effective in reaching our community for Christ. We’ll continue to meet this spring to finalize all of the details necessary and to train volunteers. I am so thankful for this team!

Parents Night Out was February 28<sup>th</sup>, and we had a full house! The kids enjoyed a pajama party (complete with pizza and popcorn) while parents enjoyed a night out together. This is such a well-received ministry to our young parents!

I have continued to spend every spare moment this month dreaming about and planning toward Messy Family and Grand Camp, two ministries that will occur this summer after VBS. This will be our second year of Messy Family and our first of Grand Camp. (Messy Family is on Wednesday nights and includes all members of families participating in active worship, Bible studies, family discussions, and messy games! Grand Camp will be a 3-morning 'day camp' for Grandparents and Preschoolers June 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>.) I am so excited about what God has in store for families this summer!

As always, let me know if you have any questions about anything in this report, or just anything about the Preschool Ministry in general! I am so thankful to serve the little ones and their families at FBC, and love being a part of a church that loves families just as much as I do

## **Bryan Pinson**

### **Minister of Missions**

#### **Future Missions Ministry Events:**

- March 7<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> – Spring Break Costa Rica Mission Trip
- March 15 – Mission Committee Mtg, Partner Brian Colbath, Camp Director at Circle 6
- April 19 – Missions Comm Mtg
- May 31-June 5 -- Alex and Indhira Fleming, A Better City Church, will be our missionaries in residence for VBS
- July 11<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> – Toronto Mission Trip with the Flemings (above) and an IMB missionary

#### **Missions Ministry Priorities**

- Unreached People Groups
- Indigenous Pastoral Training
- Reproducible Church Planting

#### **Missions Metro**

Julie and I had the wonderful opportunity to go to a conference with about 50 mission pastors. We heard reports from North American Mission Board and International Mission Board and several other organizations. Thank you for the opportunity to hear best practices, develop relationships with other missions' pastors and their churches, and continue growing in ministry knowledge and skills.

#### **Mission Partner Visits**

- 2/7 Sastry Meesala – Nobles Scholarship Recipient and recent Phd in Missions and Church Planting who plans to go back to India to continue church planting ministry.
- 2/12-13 Caleb & Courtney Groteluschen, Capstone Church, Helena, MT led Wed Bible Study and visited with FBC Staff and Judea Mission Team for lunch following day
- 2/15-16 Stephen Hale Family, Mission Aviation Fellowship met with and Brian Crisman, Heart of the Bride

## Benevolence Report – February 2020

Assistance Description	Amount	# Helped
Electric	\$ 2,229.73	8
Gas/Propane	\$ 475.00	1
Water	\$ 1,800.00	3
Rent	\$ 12,267.03	14
Prescription/Medical	\$ -	
Gasoline/Transportation	\$ -	
Furniture	\$ -	
Miscellaneous	\$ 99.99	1
<b>Monthly Total</b>	<b>\$ 16,871.75</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>Fiscal Year Total</b>	<b>\$ 46,502.83</b>	<b>78</b>
Professions of Faith this month: <u>1</u>		
Total to date: This year we have assisted <b>78</b> people financially and have seen <b>4</b> people come to know Christ as Lord and Savior		

### John Elliott Minister of Activities

- Our Upward basketball season came to a close. We had 42 teams, 404 kids, practiced Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 5-9 pm. Games were held at MCA from 8:00-2:00 and 8:00-6:30pm at the A.B. every Saturday. We have over a 1,000 people that come through our building on Saturday's. Our last game was played February 29<sup>th</sup> and we wrapped up our season on Sunday night March 1st with our celebration service.
- This year in Upward Basketball we had an amazing thing happen! We had 88 salvations! We are now working on a Follow-Up Plan with these families... not only to answer questions they may have, but also to invite them to our church!
- The Activities Ministry organized a Men's Ski Trip to Breckenridge, Colorado March 25-29. Twelve men are going on this trip. There will be fellowship and incredible bible study every night led by David Johnson. The skiing will be great, but it won't hold a candle to the bible study.
- We are also busy getting ready for summer camps. I have hired 4 REC Team Members and I am speaking to small Texas cities getting ready for our team to head their way in 3 months.

Here's what else is going on at the AB...

- The AB is open M-F 8:00 AM to 9:00 PM and on Saturdays 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM and for Sunday School on Sunday mornings... this is 90 hours per week.
- The Solid Rock Café is open Monday - Friday at the AB (about 60 people a day)
- Business Men's Basketball on Tuesday and Thursday (about 10 men)
- The cardio/weight room (40 people per day)
- Senior Adult Fitness on MWF (8 people)

## **Mary Schultz**

### **Child Development Center Director**

On February 3<sup>rd</sup>, the CDC opened enrollment to the public for the 2020-2021 school year. Within an hour of the start of registration, our kindergarten and PreK four-year-old classes were full. By the end of the month, we had a long wait list for those classes and only 5 spots available in our three-year-old classes. We felt so honored by the interest in our little school!

Our staff gathered on the evening of February 10<sup>th</sup> for a monthly meeting. With the overwhelming response to open enrollment, we were reminded, once again, to provide our students with the best experience possible in early education. The staff was trained in how to provide small group guided reading lessons appropriate for preschoolers and kindergarteners.

We invited the CDC parents to our annual Pastries with Parents on February 12<sup>th</sup>. The children and their families enjoyed pastries, juice, coffee and a Valentine's Day theme. The Kissing Booth provided a sweet photo opportunity for the kiddos and their parents!

Valentine's Day Parties were Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. The students exchanged Valentine cards, and our CDC parents provided sweets and treats.

On February 20, class pictures were taken. What a wonderful symbol of the classroom family!

During our chapel time this month, the children learned how Jesus stilled the storm and how he fed the 5000. The students marveled at the miracles Jesus performed.

## **Jim Hansen**

### **Director of Maintenance**

#### **MAINTENANCE AND CUSTODIAL REPORT:**

##### **MAINTENANCE:**

- Playground in Room B209 completed
- Elevator Inspected & Passed – all four elevators
- Refurbish Women's Restroom by Admin Offices
- Worship Center wall lights change to LED

- AB Playground - change lights to LED
- West side roof repair of red tile
- A Hall Rooms & B Hall Rooms – carpet replaced 1<sup>st</sup> floor
- Paint A Hall and B Hall on second floor
- Paint A Hall rooms and B Hall rooms on second floor
- Install two sump pumps in main basement
- Daily work orders

CUSTODIAL:

- Disinfected CDC , Preschool and Children’s rooms
- Clean carpet in parlor
- Daily set up and cleaning
- Events for February

2.	Rooted Student Choir
3.	CDO Staff Meeting
	Staff Meeting in Parlor
4.	CDO
	M.A.R.Y. Mentoring
	Handbell Rehearsal
	ASK
	Sonshiners
5.	CBS
	Children’s Choir
	Grandparenting Matters
	GA’s and RA’s
6.	Benevolence Crosscheck Meeting
	Midland Retired Teachers
	ESL
7.	CDC Pastries with Parents
	Re-Engage
9.	Lord’s Supper
	AUX Sunday Night Students
10.	Deacons meeting
11.	ASK
12.	Midpoint Students Wednesdays
	Parental Guidance Required
	Mission Friends
13.	Golden Marriage Celebration Dinner
14.	Impact Weekend
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16.	Missions Team Meeting
17.	Personnel and Church Council Meeting

18.	M.A.R.Y. Mentoring
	Handbell Rehearsal
19.	CBS
	The Smart Stepfamily
	Through the Darkness
20.	ESL
21.	M.O.P.S.
22.	Handbell Festival
23.	Winter CRASE Training
	Church Conference
24.	M.O.P.S. Leadership Meeting
25.	CDO
	ASK
26.	Moms in Prayer
	Children's Choir
27.	DMA
28.	Parent's Night Out
	GA Sweetheart Banquet
29.	Women's Winter Brunch