

SICK:

- Jody Sparks- His cancer is spreading like wildfire and their oncologist has scheduled his second immunotherapy. (Jody is friends of Tom Bell family).
- Evan Ranier- 14 yr. old great nephew of David Askew is in need of a new kidney.
- Cindy Morales- Cancer has returned after two years (mother of Sara Morales).
- Jerry Phelps- Has pneumonia and is in Jim Thorpe rehab.
- Tom Dunn- Having hip surgery on 4/1, Memorial Hospital.
- Craig McDonald- Heath issues.
- Audelle Owen- Broken femur.
- Brad Davis- Had heart surgery with more to come. (Friends of Karen & Wayne Bishop)
- Barbara Hoskins- Extreme Health issues.
- Vicki Shafer- Having hip surgery, and Ken Shafer diagnosed with pancreatic cancer (Family of Rhonda Cotton).
- Linda Toy- Diagnosed with ALS.
- Cheryl Donecker- Finished chemo and now starting radiation, doing better. (Cousin of Norma Wells, living in Wichita, KS)
- Noel Ritter- Has a serious brain injury (Great niece of Barbara Moeller)
- Norma Wells- Grandson has contracted a rare disease.
- Patti Rhea- Her esophagus has narrowed, having difficulty eating. Patti is now home recuperating.
- Joseph and Sarah Woods- Medical needs.

- Ellen Gatliff- Diagnosed with Cancer, now taking chemo treatments.
  - Jerry Golson- Has Congestive Heart failure (Friend of Mike Davis).
- ONGOING:**
- Cole LaBarre- Had brain surgery causing a stroke, trauma to his left side leaving him blind. Still doing therapy & speech with movement gradually coming back. Update: Not much improvement as of now. (Cole is the great, great nephew of Brenda Bell)
  - Tommy Morgan- Lost his left eye to infection and has a prosthesis and has glaucoma in his right eye and cancer. Update: Urgent need for healing on diabetic wounds and worried that infection will spread into blood stream. Needs fast healing.
  - Becky Thompson- Doing well after cancer surgery. Mother of Brandon Thompson
  - Awanda Glover- Health issues.
  - Jean & John Skinner- Health issues. (Parents of Renee Hardage)
  - Mike Finley- Has MS and has back & leg pain.
  - Randy Newman-Heart issues.
  - Mr. & Mrs. Bill Looney
  - Daymond McGaughey-Health Issues.
  - Cindy Johnson- Health Issues
  - Bud Hoskins- Health Issues. (Brother of Michael Hoskins)
  - Marcia & Charles Elkins- Health issues.
  - Evelyn Ard- Has Kidney failure and

- Dementia, lives in Georgia. (Mother of Tiffany Burris).
- David Ellsworth- Pray for heart healing and less anxiety.
  - Harold Gaches- Health Issues (Lead Pastor of FBC West)

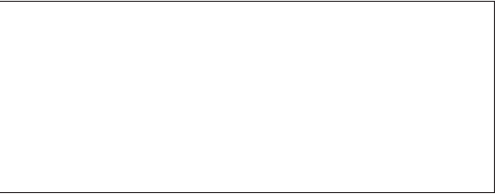
SYMPATHY:

- To Ken Couch on the passing of his brothers, Royce W. Couch, Saturday, April 12, 2025, in Cokchico, OK., and Bob L. Couch, Monday, April 14, 2025, in Cache, OK.



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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Sacrifice

What a blessing it is to worship and serve the Risen Savior and thank Him for the sacrifice He made for us. Easter Sunday is the biggest blessing. Without the death and resurrection of Jesus, none of us would be where we are today.

There was a season in my life when I went to church every Sunday by myself. Going to church alone is hard. I grew up with my family taking up an entire church pew every Sunday, and I took that for granted. However, I am thankful for this season of my life, which helped me grow as an individual in my walk with Christ and gave me a different perspective.

If you came to church this morning and you are alone...if you came to church this morning and you have never been before...if you came to church this morning and people in the church have hurt you...if you came to church this morning and you are struggling...if you came to church this morning, but it has been a while...I am so glad you are here!

I don't say that because I am a minister at the church, but I say that as your sister in Christ who has been in

your shoes. I do not know exactly why you are at church on Easter Sunday, but God does, and He sees you exactly where you are.

I pray daily for the Lord to help me get out of the way of His work and His will to be done. Honestly and selfishly, I really wanted to go to service with my family today, but the more I began to pray, the more the Lord softened my heart, and Luke 9:23 repeated in my head and heart over and over again...And he said to all, “*If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me*”. Missing service with my family today to serve in the nursery was and is a big sacrifice for me because I know what it is like not to have that opportunity, but if just one person encounters the truth of the gospel, it is so worth it!

This Easter season, I was challenged to serve sacrificially because I am reminded of the one who served sacrificially in the first place. It is not always easy to serve sacrificially and deny my own desires. Still, I know I am called to take up the cross daily-denying myself, embracing sacrifice and following Jesus wholeheartedly. I pray that you are also challenged to serve

sacrificially!

I share my heart with you not to put myself on a pedestal but to share how the Lord worked in and through my heart. I thank the Lord for a church that is Christ-led, Body-Engaged, and Gospel-Centered. Sacrificial service often goes unnoticed, but be encouraged today that the Lord sees you and knows your heart exactly where you are, too.



THE WEEKLY WORDS

RYLEE WOESSNER  
CHILDREN'S MINISTER

OKLAHOMA BAPTISTS PRAYER REQUESTS

Camp Perfect Wings

- Pray for the Camp Perfect Wings director and volunteers as they plan, prepare, and recruit buddies for camp.
- Pray for the health and safety of all campers, buddies, volunteers, and staff.
- Pray the love of God will be shown and experienced by all campers, and that they would grow in their understanding of who God is.

NORTH AMERICAN MISSION:

Trent & Lisa Davis, Chaplain, Bolling AFB, Washington, D.C.

- Pray for the Air Force Chaplain Corps to be bold in faith and courageous in service in their military community.
- Pray military members would look to God because of the love first extended by a chaplain.

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OKLAHOMA

BAPTISTS

MANDOWN

MEN'S RETREAT

APRIL 25-26, 2025

FALLS CREEK  
CONFERENCE CENTERS

ECCLESIASTES 4:9-10

CP COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

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QUARTERLY BUSINESS

CELEBRATION

SUNDAY, APRIL 27

AT 5:00PM

IN THE STUDENT CENTER

Senior Adult

Duncan Field Trip

Monday, April 28 from 10:30am-3:00pm

Please visit our website under the "Senior Adults" tab or scan the QR code for more detailed information and to register.

Jonny's

Gardentown

FLOWER SHOP

Inside Out gift & decor

GIFT SHOP

2025

Senior Sunday

May 4, 2025

REGISTER HERE

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK	
Sunday School	318
Morning Worship	634
BUDGET REPORT	
Weekly Required	\$ 38,332.27
Weekly Received	\$ 15,548.50
YTD Required	\$ 76,664.54
YTD Received	\$ 68,638.50
YTD Percentage	89.53%
Greater Glory	\$ 237,229.86
Annie Armstrong Offering	\$ 11,016.15
UPCOMING EVENTS	

**KSWO Preemptions**

Our KSWO broadcast will be preempted on April 20th (KSWO will have a recorded Easter message from Pastor Keahbone, airing from 11:00 to 11:30), May 11th, 18th.

**Building Repairs**

Repairs started Monday, March 17, to the exterior of the building. Please be patient, as there will be equipment around the church grounds. Thank you for your understanding and support as we work to improve our church's facilities for the benefit of the entire congregation.

**Men's Retreat**

Men's retreat at Falls Creek will be April 25-26, 2025. Register online at [oklahomabaptists.org/mens-retreat/](http://oklahomabaptists.org/mens-retreat/)

**Operation Christmas Child**

Come, hear! You are invited to a Celebration Event of God's work through Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. Come to Patterson Ave Baptist Church, 208 Patterson Ave, Comanche, OK, at 10am Saturday, April 26. Hear from speakers who distributed shoeboxes in Trinidad-Tobago, draw for door prizes, pray together, and enjoy lunch of pulled pork sandwiches.

**Baby Dedication**

Baby Dedication will be April 27th during the Worship Service. Please register by Wednesday, April 23rd to ensure us enough time to make gift bags and get all of your information prepared for the Worship Service! Register at [fbclawton.org/events](http://fbclawton.org/events) or the church app.

**Quarterly Business Celebration**

Our Quarterly Business Celebration will be held Sunday, April 27, 2025, at 5:00pm in the Student Center.

**Senior Adult Field Trip**

Join us for a charming field trip to Duncan on Monday, April 28th! We will be visiting Jonny's (for lunch), Gardentown, and Inside Out for the afternoon. Please visit our website under Senior Adults for more detailed information and to register.

**National Day of Prayer**

National Day of Prayer will be Thursday, May 1, 2025. The Worship Center will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for anyone who wants to use it for prayer. Also, the Oklahoma State Capitol will hold prayer time from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the 2nd-floor Rotunda. For more information, visit [getword.org](http://getword.org).

**Senior Sunday**

Mark your calendars! We will be celebrating Senior Sunday on May 4, 2025. If you have a graduating senior please invite family and friends to church as we celebrate FBC Lawton's Senior class.

**Student Auction**

You don't want to miss our student auction on Sunday, May 18th, 2025, at 5:30 pm! Registration for this event will be a simple head count. If you plan to sell an item, you will find a couple of questions on the registration you will need to fill out.

**Live Stream**

We will be live streaming our worship service at 10:45am on Sunday mornings from our website at [fbclawton.org](http://fbclawton.org), Facebook Live and YouTube. We will be broadcasting our Morning Worship service on KSWO at 11:00am.

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KIDS

Baby Dedication

APRIL 27TH

DURING THE WORSHIP SERVICE

WEEKLY PRAYER LIST

"Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving."  
Colossians 4:2

[www.fbclawton.org/connected/pray](http://www.fbclawton.org/connected/pray)

MINISTERS:

- Pray for gospel conversations to happen at school.
- Pray that students continue to grow in their faith.
- Pray for Sunday School Teachers as they share with students weekly.

-Brandon Thompson, Minister to Students

MEMBERS IN ASSISTED LIVING:

Cedarcrest  
Toshi Smith #120

MISSIONARIES:

Brady & Julie Plunk and children - Middle East  
Graham Taylor - Central Asia

- Pray that he will abide well in Christ and bear much fruit (John 15:5).
- Pray for wisdom and direction to know how to spend his time in his community
- Pray for continued opportunities to have Gospel conversations.
- Pray for Adeel, a medical student from another country who is very lonely.

Pray that he will come to know the care and love of our Heavenly Father.

MEMBER NOTICES:

Please come join us April 23, 2025, at 4:45pm for our weekly fellowship meal. Adults \$5.00, Kids (5-12) \$3.00, (under 5 free) \$20 Family Max (5 or more people). Menu: Hamburgers, Fries, Salad Bar, Ice Cream Sandwiches.



Statement of Faith-  
Tito & Chanda Linsey

SUNDAY, APRIL 20 - EASTER SUNDAY	
9:30am	Sunday School
10:45am	Preschool Extended Session
	1st -3rd Extended Session
	Morning Worship
MONDAY, APRIL 21	
8:30am	Office Hours - 5:00pm
TUESDAY, APRIL 22	
8:30am	Office Hours - 5:00pm
9:30am	Rooted Ladies
6:30pm	ESL Classes
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23	
8:30am	Office Hours - 5:00pm
9:30am	Friendship International
4:45pm	Fellowship Meal
6:00pm	PreK/KDG Midweek
	Christ-Centered Living
	Divorce Care
	Midweek Media Team
	Student's Midweek
	Worship Choir Rehearsal
	Women's Connection
	Worship Choir Rehearsal
	Men's Gathering
THURSDAY, APRIL 24	
8:30am	Office Hours - 5:00pm
FRIDAY, APRIL 25	
	Office Closed
	Men's Retreat - Falls Creek
SATURDAY, APRIL 26	
	Office Closed
	Men's Retreat - Falls Creek
SUNDAY, APRIL 27	
9:30am	Sunday School
10:45am	Preschool Extended Session
	1st -3rd Extended Session
	Morning Worship - Baby
	Dedication
12:30pm	Budget/Finance Committee
	Mtg
3:00pm	Personnel Committee Mtg
4:00pm	Deacon's Mtg.
5:00pm	Quarterly Business Celebration