



Encounter God
MATTHEW 18:20

Experience God Together
MATTHEW 22:37-40

Empty Self
PHILIPPIANS 2:5-8

EXPERIENCE FAITH

FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH

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WICHITA FALLS, TX

Sunday, February 1

*Double
Blessing
Sunday*

**We hope for higher attendance
than usual, an even greater
spirit of warmth and fellowship
than usual, and a great
2-Sunday offering.**

From The Pastor

This month our music ministries are focusing on, preparing for, and anticipating the celebration of Palm Sunday and Easter. Our sermon series focus also shifts in the gospel of John. John 12 begins with a narrative just 6 days before the observance of Passover, during which time our Lord will suffer, die, and be resurrected from the grave! Invite family and friends. Bring a neighbor to church as we look forward to Easter.

Since the first week in October, I have been praying with Jeff White about an opportunity to submit his resume for the position of National Director of Kenya for SIM. I reminded Jeff that when he left our church staff to go to Malawi as a missionary, he told me that with the Lord's gifting, as well as the excellent equipping he had received in our church, his desire was not only to serve as a missionary but also to ultimately serve the Lord as a director of missions over an entire country. During this week Jeff, Carson, and the kids are in Kenya looking at schools, housing, and other details needed before making their decision on SIM's offer. Obviously, this decision will be life-altering and will stretch Jeff and the family spiritually and circumstantially in many ways. Pray that Jeff and Carson feel no fear, doubt, or hesitancy if God calls them, or any obligation to accept an offer based on anything other than God's perfect will, timing, and next step for their lives. I know they covet and treasure our prayers, especially this week!

The Ostermann family will arrive in the U.S. in mid-February to begin the process of establishing a Sow Hope Farms ministry in the states (similar to Farming God's Way in Uganda). Please keep them in your prayers as they explore the option of adjusting their ministry to ministering 6 months each year between Uganda and the U.S. They would love to meet with you to visit about this and to catch you up on the many wonderful things God is doing in Uganda. Clint will be updating the church on Sunday, February 22.

I love our church! God's grace has blessed us in so many ways! May we be a people of great grace, faith, and obedience as we respond to His salvation and relationship!

Press on to **EXPERIENCE FAITH! ENCOUNTER GOD...EXPERIENCE GOD TOGETHER...EMPTY SELF!** I look forward to seeing you throughout February!

Grace and love to you!
Pastor Craig

Sympathy

Our sincere sympathy to those who have recently lost loved ones:

SUE WINBURN – sister

FAMILY OF JOY WARREN

**Pray For Israel
and Ukraine**

5th Annual Bake Off/Auction

Sunday, February 22



Are you our next Best Baker? The only way we will know is if you enter the competition. Our 5th annual Faith Family Bake Off/Auction will be Sunday, February 22 at 5:30 p.m. You can register in the foyer Sundays or by calling the Church Office. You can enter more than one item. All baked goods must be homemade and may include: cakes, pies, cookies, brownies, bars and breads. Registration deadline is Sunday, February 15. You must provide 2 entries of the same item (one for eating and one for the auction). There will be a live auction and a silent auction. Proceeds from this year's Bake Off will go to support our children and youth attending summer camps and mission trips.

Abide Women's Ministry

All ladies are invited to attend

BIBLE STUDY — Thursdays, February 5, 12, 19 at 6:15 p.m. in room 145

GAME NIGHT — Monday, February 9 at 6:00 p.m. in the FLiC

BOOK CLUB — Sunday, February 15 at 4:00 p.m. at Frank & Joe's on Kemp Blvd.

FELLOWSHIP — Thursday, February 26 at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Anyone interested in joining a dinner group, please contact Delynn Mabry at 940-733-6830.

For information, contact Lauren Welch at 940-631-0579, stay connected to Abide by liking them on Facebook at "Faith Baptist Church – Abide Women's Ministry" or go to faithwf.com to see event dates and times.

Senior Adults



Mondays — 10:15 a.m.
Reception Hall

Faith Singers rehearse Mondays at 10:15 a.m. in Reception Hall. All adults 50+ are welcome to sing God's praises with this group. The choir sings Monday, February 9 at 10:30 a.m. at Elison at Lake Wellington, 5100 Kell West Boulevard. The bus will leave the church at 10:00 a.m.

Our monthly senior adult luncheon is Monday, February 2. The menu is covered dish/pot luck so bring a meat, vegetable, salad, or dessert. The program will be presented by CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates), a children's advocacy work in our city. The luncheon begins at 11:30 in Fellowship Hall and everyone is welcome.

Senior Adult Leadership Team meeting is Tuesday, February 17 at 10:30 a.m. in room 501.

Our **Temple Builders** exercise group meets each Tuesday and Thursday at 9:00 a.m. in room 132. The FLiC walking track is open Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. Come join us as we get fit!



Note This . . .

- Church conference book of reports will be available for members at the **E³ CENTRAL** desk in the Worship Center main foyer Sunday, February 8.
- The 2025 individual contribution statements will be available Sunday, February 8 outside the Administration Office. Please secure your report. We are grateful for all contributions given in 2025.
- Barry Plaxco has been selected as our Deacon Chairman along with the other current officers: Vice-Chairmen Richard Haddox; Secretary/Treasurers Russell Hill and Robert Doley.
- Coming Friday, April 24 — Adult Spring Dinner in Fellowship Hall with a musical program presented by the McNiell Family, who have been with us previously and were very well-received. Additional information will come in March.
- Large print editions of the Sunday Sermon Notes are available at the tables on either side of the Worship Center.
- Our Faith family Wednesday fellowships suppers are in the Family Life Center. Tickets are \$5/person (\$20 family maximum for immediate family members) and \$2 for college students. Tickets are available each Wednesday starting at 5:15, with serving beginning at 5:30 p.m.
- Church Office hours: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday (closed Fridays).
- Our Sunday School meets each Sunday from 9:45-10:45 a.m. Online streaming of Pastor Craig's messages are available early in the week.

Foundations Sunday - March 1

Our first opportunity for guests wanting to join Faith Baptist or just to hear more about us to participate in a Foundations Sunday will be March 1. Sign yourself up or encourage those around you who have yet to make this important commitment to a church family to sign up through the bulletin tear-off or by calling Sheryl Alexander the Church Office.

Adult Equip Classes

Adult equip classes are Wednesday evenings at 6:15. Ladies' study *Discerning the Voice of God* (Cost is \$20) led by Paula Compton in room 123; the study of *Genesis* continues with Mike Snow in Reception Hall; two new studies are the study of *James* with Kevin Thomas and Brandon O'Dell in room 124 and Louis Simpson is facilitating *Every Thought Captive* in room 122. It is not too late to join a class as we **EXPERIENCE GOD TOGETHER** in 2026!

Thank You

Acknowledgments have been received in the Church Office from:

WALTER & JUDY LEMONS
BETTY BAKER
FAMILY OF JEANIE SMITH
PATSY'S HOUSE

Due to the icy weather January 25

DNow had to be rescheduled.

Plan now to attend and bring a friend!

Registration is open.

LADIES' TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Beginning February 18
10:00-11:30 a.m. – Room 124

THE BOOK OF DANIEL

Daniel was carried into exile to a pagan culture but was able to keep his faith in God and receive many visions and dreams about the end times. Come learn about those dreams and visions and how to live in the last days. Led by Sharon Roberts.

Empty Selt

Camp Chaparral is looking for volunteers to help prepare, serve, and clean up after meals for the 400-man Navigators Conference February 19-22 at our camp near Iowa Park. You, your friends, your family, Sunday School class, youth group, or anyone else can help with this amazing opportunity to not only serve others, but to also hear about how God is working in the lives of the men from all over the world! A meal schedule is on the tables at the Worship Center prayer centers. Contact Lauryn at (940) 855-4182 ext. 5 or lauryn@campchaparral.org if you can help with one or more meals.

March Elections

Deadline to register to vote in the March 3 primary election is Monday, February 2. Registration cards are available in the Worship Center foyer Sunday morning

For the March 3 primary elections, we are encouraging our members to early vote as a church on Wednesday, February 25. The election on Tuesday, March 3 is from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Voting information will be available at a table in the Worship Center foyer the two Sundays prior to the election.

Financial Report

Budget Receipts as of January 19, 2026

Budget Goal (3 weeks)	\$ 121,308
Budget Receipts (3 weeks)	\$ 62,050
Budget Expenditures (3 weeks)	\$ 88,819

Giving through text message is available! Text **FBCtxt** and the **amount** you want to give to **73256**. When you make your first contribution you will need to set up your account information, which will be saved, so that future contributions will be quick and easy. This option is available for general budget contributions only.

Online giving is available using your debit card. Go to faithwf.com and click on the online giving link. You will have the same options that are available on your offering envelope and will receive a receipt for your contribution.

Did you know that you can make your tithe and offering by using your bank's online bill pay? You can schedule your contribution check to be sent automatically to the church as a true first fruit of what the Lord has blessed you with. Just set Faith Baptist Church as a payee, enter "general budget" or your envelope number for the account number and 3001 Southwest Pkwy, Wichita Falls, TX 76308 as the address. You can then choose a regular monthly, twice monthly, or weekly schedule.

Monthly, we mail envelope packets with an envelope for each Sunday. If you give once a month and prefer to be on a list to be mailed 12 envelopes per year, please notify the Administration Office. You can email Sheryl Alexander at sheryla@faithwf.com, or call the Church Office. It takes a couple of months for our envelope mailing service to make the change. Thank you for helping us be good stewards.



Palm Sunday and Easter

We invite you to join the Music Ministry as we rehearse for Easter. Choir rehearsals are Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. in the Choir Room. We will begin orchestra and drama rehearsals in a few weeks as well. Contact David Mace if you'd like to participate.

Tim Hawkins

Saturday, March 7 - 7:00 p.m.

Tickets \$29.75

Faith Baptist Church will host Christian comedian Tim Hawkins Saturday, March 7 at 7:00 p.m. A committed family man, Hawkins built his career poking fun at the things in his world that he finds funny, intentionally keeping his comedy clean, without sacrificing the quality of his work.

Tickets are \$29.75 and are available Sundays in the Worship Center foyer after services and in the Church Office during the week. They are also available online at timhawkins.net.

We need church members to volunteer for hosting the event and helping with merchandise, tickets, ushering, etc. Contact Sheryl Alexander (sheryla@faithwf.com) in the Church Office to volunteer. Those assigned volunteer positions will receive a complimentary ticket.