Monthly REST

A NEWSLETTER FOR THE SHADY SHORES BAPTIST CHURCH FAMILY

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Welcome to our Newsletter!

In this issue:

BY THE NUMBERS & TRIVIA

CURRENT EVENTS

SSBC HAPPENINGS

ONE AND DONE & TAKEAWAYS

Our newsletter headlines our church's vision: REST!

Reaching the lost

Enabling the saved

Sending the ready

Telling the world the good news of Christ

Check the church website often!

May's website focus:

Staying Connected!

Features links to:

Online Giving

Services on YouTube

SSBC's Facebook Page



By the Numbers

- 1,458 Filled eggs set out for children to gather at our Eggstravaganza
 - 140 Water balloons filled by the Scouts for Eggstravaganza games
 - 30 Pounds of fish cooked for the fish fry (and 15 pounds of fries!)
 - 3 Giant plastic bins of fabric donated for Operation Christmas Child pencil packs
- 100+- Students served taco nachos at UNT's Baptist Student Ministry

Trivia - Who were these mothers?:

- 1. This mother was the first Biblical mother to have had divine intervention at her child's conception.
- 2. This was the mother of James and John, men who were frequently referred to as the sons of Zebedee.
- 3. This mother was the only one named in the Bible who died in childbirth.
- 4. This mother and grandmother of Timothy were complimented by Paul for having and sharing unshakable faith.





Eddie Barrett and crew provided the main course for the fish fry; Carlos Morales stepped in everywhere help was needed; Coulter Baxter handled the heavy lifting; Val Depew and Phila Tarlton were our masters of ceremonies!

Mission:

We seek to be obedient to God's will through bringing the lost in our community and around the world to Christ, through Bible-centered preaching and teaching, Godly servant leadership, and intercessory prayer.

Ongoing Events*

Shady Ladies Women's Ministry: 1st Saturday. 10am.

Mission Team VBS Meeting: 2nd Saturday. 10am. Men's Ministry Breakfast: 3rd Saturday. 9am.

Prayer group: Tuesdays. 10am. **Sunday School**: Sundays. 9:30am.

Choir: Sundays. 2:30pm in the sanctuary.

Zoom Home Bible Study: Mondays. 7:00pm. Currently studying the book of Acts. https://tinyurl.com/barnabaszoom

One Need One Deed: if you have a need, please let us know. We will connect you with someone who may be able to help. Call or e-mail the church as needed!

Sunday School Classes

Youth - studying prophets of the Old Testament Men's Group - studying spiritual disciplines Barnabas Class - studying the book of Acts 60 to Heaven Class - studying the book of Job

Upcoming Events

National Day of Prayer: May 5. Program begins at 11am at the Denton Country Courthouse. Prayer begins at noon.

Mother's Day: May 8.

Vacation Bible School: June 6 - 10

evenings. Theme: **Jerusalem Marketplace**.

All are welcome and needed!







Dear Church Family,

I am so thankful that God has called me to join you in ministry. I look forward to all that we will learn and all we will see him do as we walk together in love and unity. I know that I have only been a part of the fellowship since the beginning of April but I already feel at home.

I thought that I would take this opportunity to tell you a little about myself. I am a native Texan and have pastored four other churches within the state. I am married to my best friend, Alicia and we have shared 34 adventurous years together. We have two children. Daniel, our oldest, lives in Denton, is a member of North Point Baptist Church and works in data entry. Emily, our youngest, lives in Copperas Cove, Texas, is a member of Taylor's Valley Baptist Church and is a music teacher. We are very grateful that our two children have a strong walk with the Lord and are serving him not only in their churches but in their careers as well. As 3 John 1:4 says, "I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in the truth."

I graduated from Sam Houston State University in Huntsville, Texas. It was while in school that I met Alicia as we ministered through the Baptist Student Ministries.

Welcome Brad and Alicia Elsom!

We have been ministering together ever since. A year after graduating, God called me into ministry. In 1987 I began attending Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas where I earned a Masters in Theology. Alicia and I enjoy spending time with our kids, family and friends. We like to travel when we get the opportunity and we enjoy taking in a movie from time to time. Reading a good book is something that we both indulge in regularly. I enjoy DIY projects and woodworking and Alicia enjoys crafting.

We are both excited about all God has in store for us as we do life together with all of you at Shady Shores.



Congratulations to Teresa Crawford for her contest-winning guess of 1,500 eggs!

For those seeking the honor and fame associated with winning future guessing contests, see: "How to Win a Jellybean Guessing Contest", available at https://diggy.wordpress.com/2007/03/07/how-to-win-a-jellybean-counting-contest/



Congratulations to Emma Morales for her most beautifully decorated sugar cookie!

For those seeking the honor and fame associated with creating beautiful cookies, see: "The Wilton Method: Cookies 101", available at

https://classsearch.wilton.com/Search/CourseDetails?cs=924 - or ask Emma!



Congratulations to Kayla Nielsen for her thoughtfulness, generosity, and proactiveness for OCC boxes!

For those seeking the Lord and His guidance in engendering service and generosity see The Bible, available at https://www.biblegateway.com/For example:

- 1 Timothy 6:17-19
- Proverbs 11:24-25
- 2 Corinthians 9:6-7

One and Done

Choose an act of service or mission.

"Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others. In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus." - Philippians 2:3-5

Please consider helping with preparation for VBS this month or with serving at VBS in June (or both!).

Volunteer to help with:

- decorations and set-up
- administrative details
- registration
- crafts, preparation before or working during VBS
- taking children from station to station
- teach children or change the classroom set daily
- recreation time
- food provision or service
- pick-up and drop-off
- directing cars in the parking lot at pick-up and drop-off

Trivia Answers:

Prayer Requests:

Please continue to send prayer requests to Ed Barrett for church-wide distribution [call or text 972-741-1002].

Note: prayer requests can be placed in the offering plate in the foyer along with our tithes!

VBS Needs*

- large pots
- woven baskets
- fake plants
- burlap sacks
- small rugs
- sheets, blankets, and pillowcases (used for decorating walls and marketplace stalls neutral or striped patterns).

*Items will be returned! (There will be a spreadsheet with the collection box, along with tape and a sharpie to label and record your items so they can be returned.)

Decorating Fun

<u>Volunteers</u>: Tuesdays and Thursdays 9:30 - 12:30 beginning Tuesday May 10th.

Contact Jenna Hauge if you can help at any time; she will be at the church most days Monday through Friday. Call or text: 940-535-8642

