



GARY AND CARLA SLOAN SHORT TERM MISSION OFFERING

GOAL \$4,000 \ \ Received so far \$1,704

First Baptist Church is all about going “across the street and around the world” with the Gospel. Many of you have given sacrificially to assist other church members who were God-led to go on mission trips. These short term mission trips by members of our church are a part of our ongoing strategy for carrying out the marching orders of our Lord: “Go into all the world and preach the Gospel” (Mark 16:15). The “Gary and Carla Sloan Short Term Mission Offering” is our means of funding short term mission projects.

We receive this offering to assist any member who desires to participate in a CHURCH-SPONSORED mission trip. The exact amount any person can receive depends on the availability of funds given through the “Gary and Carla Sloan Short Term Mission Offering” and the actual expenses related to the mission trip in question. In the last few years we've had groups go to Alaska, Belize, Louisiana, Mexico, Bridge City, Washington State, Grand Canyon, Peru and others. Trips are planned as we sense God's leading.

This offering will be received **through September 25**. As with all mission offerings, the giving should be **above your weekly tithe**. Please indicate on the “missions” line of your envelope what portion is designated for the “Sloan Offering”. All giving listed as “missions” in August and September will go directly into this offering.

Gary Sloan grew up in FBC Crosby. Gary and Gloria and their children, Alyssia, Rissa, Alan, and Carla, were serving as our Southern Baptist Missionaries in Mexico, when Gary and Carla tragically drowned. Gloria and the other children continued on the mission field, and maintain a close relationship with our church. Alyssia and Rissa currently attend college; Alan is in high school; and Gloria is a Global Mobilizer, teaching indigenous people how to plant churches. She is based in the MAC (Middle America and Caribbean) Region. The sacrifice this family has made is a constant reminder of the high price of reaching a lost world for Christ.

PLAN NOW FOR...



SPEAKER/TEACHER DAVID PLATT

Simulcast from The Church at Brookhills, Birmingham, Alabama

November 4, 2011 from 6:00 pm till Midnight

\$10 per person / Contact Lee Ann Lee to sign up as soon as possible (Material has to be ordered)

TOPIC: FAMILY, MARRIAGE, SEX, AND THE GOSPEL

Manhood. Womanhood. Marriage. Parenting. Singleness. Sex. Divorce. Homosexuality. Same-sex marriage. Polygamy. Pornography. Adoption. Abortion.

Cultures around the world perceive each of these issues differently. So how does God’s Word address them? We will explore how the Gospel uniquely affects our understanding of family, marriage, sex, and related (and controversial) issues that are ultimately foundational for the display of the glory of God in our lives, in the church, and in the world.



THE BUTLER SERVES

“4 G Church”

God has impressed upon me recently our church’s need for a very clear, widely understood, and easy to communicate expression of the **expectations of church membership** at First Baptist Crosby. Think about it: “What is expected of me as a member of First Crosby?” Here is what God gave me in a flash, right there in the prayer garden at the Glorieta Conference Center.

“4 G”

Well, there you have it!! “4 G” is the terminology used for the next generation of wireless communication, but for us at First Crosby, it is our statement for the “meaning of membership”.

Gathering ... if you are a member we expect you to gather for Bible study and worship every Lord’s Day you are in town and out of the hospital. Simple as that! You may do much more in gathering with God’s people, but there needs to be some kind of minimum standard and this is it. *“You should not stay away from the church meetings, as some are doing, but you should meet together and encourage one another.” - Hebrews 10:25 (NCV)*

Growing if you are a member we expect you to grow. Hopefully, you should expect to grow as well and for sure, the Lord Himself expects you to grow. You grow as you study God’s Word, build it into your life, then live it out everywhere you go. *“But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.” II Peter 3:18 (NASV)*

Giving..... if you are a member we expect you to give. We expect you to give your life to the Lord Jesus, your time and energy to the service of His eternal Kingdom, and your money to the causes of His Kingdom. Giving is the simple secret of receiving. Giving is the path of greater blessing. Your giving honors and glorifies God, blesses others, and enriches your life. *“Give, and it will be given to you... good measure--- pressed down, shaken together, and running over.” Luke 6:38 (NASV)*

Going if you are a member we expect you to go. Go across the street and around the world. Go with the Gospel. Go to tell people who have not heard and go to people who have heard and have not yet responded. *“Go into all the world and preach the Gospel.” Mark 16:15 (NASV)*

“4 G”

Gathering

Growing

Giving

Going.....Just like that!

Robin



NEWS FROM BRO. GENE

L.A.F.F. /Music /Men's Ministries

L.A.F.F. (Life After Fifty Five)



On the calendar for September:

- Sept 5 - Closed for Labor Day
- Sept 7 - Men's Breakfast, Star Café, 9a
- Sept 20 - Shut-in meals prepared and delivered
- Sept 21 - Men's Breakfast, Two Sisters Café, 9a
- Sept 29 - Adult game night, 6p

**L.A.F.F. Hawaiian Cruise
March 1 - 10, 2012**

Time is running out! If you are interested in the Hawaiian Cruise (age 55+) please call Jan Kilgore in the church office as soon as possible!



ATTENTION SINGERS!

Would you like to sing in our Christmas program?



Join us for our

"BEAT-THE-HEAT CHRISTMAS MUSIC

LISTENING / SIGHT-READ EVENT"

FBC FELLOWSHIP HALL

FRIDAY NIGHT, SEPTEMBER 9, 6:30 pm

We will have holiday snacks

Christmas music title: "Down from His Glory".

Presentation is planned for both morning services on December 18.

WORSHIP TECHS FOR SUNDAY MORNINGS

- ❖ We are still training new helpers to run the power point during our worship services. We still are looking for another helper or two for each morning worship service. You don't have to know any computer programming – just pay attention and click to the next frame.
- ❖ We are also training more helpers on the sound board. If you are interested in helping with sound, please contact me or Keith Griffin. We'll get you trained and in the rotation as soon as you're ready.
- ❖ Our videographer, Forrest Pennington, is also needs some helpers. He will train you. We normally video the 9:00 service, so if you attend that service and would be willing to give it a try, just let me know!

NEHEMIAH BROTHERS MINISTRY OF HELPERS



Our Nehemiah Brothers are available to do small upkeep type jobs in the homes of our Single Parents and our Senior Adults. Sometimes you need your gutters cleaned out, a light bulb changed, the commode keeps running, and that faucet keeps dripping. Rather than just letting these go until large repairs are needed, why not call on our Nehemiah Brothers to help out. You can call the church office (281-328-2564) and we'll get the message to the right person for the job.

(We're always looking for more men/women who have general repair skills to join us and be available to help out occasionally. If you can help, we're trying to update our list of helpers so give Bro. Gene a call!)



Heirs of Adam & Eve! (It has come to my attention that we have some women who have been helping with this ministry....that's GREAT! Volunteers to work in yards are not gender specific!!)

Just as Adam was put in the Garden of Eden to "cultivate and keep it", we help our seniors "cultivate and keep" their yards up, and work on the church property. We post yards in need of attention, from mowing to edging to gathering leaves, and have volunteers get together and knock out about two at a time. They usually work one or two days every couple weeks.



If you are on Facebook, there is a page to communicate when and where help is needed, who can help, and how:

<http://www.facebook.com/?ref=home#!/pages/Heirs-of-Adam/141152519228204?ref=ts>

If you don't do Facebook but can work with us, please call Dale Akers (281.324.1158) or Bro. Gene (281.328.2564).



KIDS STUFF
Mrs. Lee Ann



Ages 3 yrs-4th grade

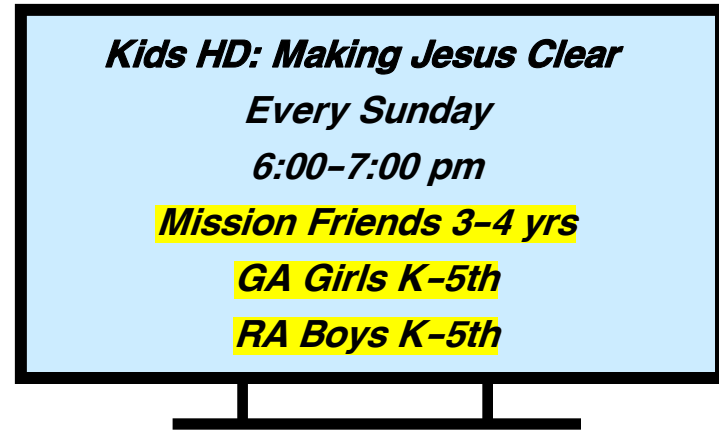
Wednesdays 6:30-7:45 pm

September

**Virtue is KNOWLEDGE
Discover something NEW
so you can be better at what you DO!**

Bring your Bible! Bring a Friend!

Where Fun and Learning never End!



GIRLS IN ACTION (GA) NEWS!
Christmas in August...and September!
Deadline extended to September 11th

The missionaries we are serving are
Bobby and Jacqueline Fuller
1103 Cherry St, freeport, TX 77541
<http://www.texasportministry.org>

Texas Port Ministry provides spiritual, social, and physical care for international seafarers and other port workers. We provide these people with transportation and share the good news about Jesus with them.

- Your gifts will help us provide Welcome Bags for seafarers and will help us purchase items we need for our ministry.
- Wal-Mart gift cards
 - bath soap (5-oz. bars)
 - men's white crew-length socks
 - disposable razors
 - toothpaste (6-8-oz. tubes)
 - toothbrushes (individually wrapped and sealed)
 - tissues (10-sheet pocket packs)
 - chewing gum (5-stick packs)
 - handmade bookmarks
 - lip balm

Bring your items to GA's on Sunday Nights! Don't forget, you earn points for wearing your GA Shirt, learning your verses, bringing your Bible and showing up!
Each month, you will be able to spend your points to "purchase" great items!



Youth News and Views

Bro. Jeff

POWER UP

PRAAYER BREAKFAST

*Wednesday mornings (school days)
at 7:45 in the fellowship hall*

*All high school and middle school students
in the Crosby district are invited!*

*Come power up your day with a (really great)
breakfast, praise songs and prayer,
then ride the church van to school!*

It's FREE!

No reservations required!

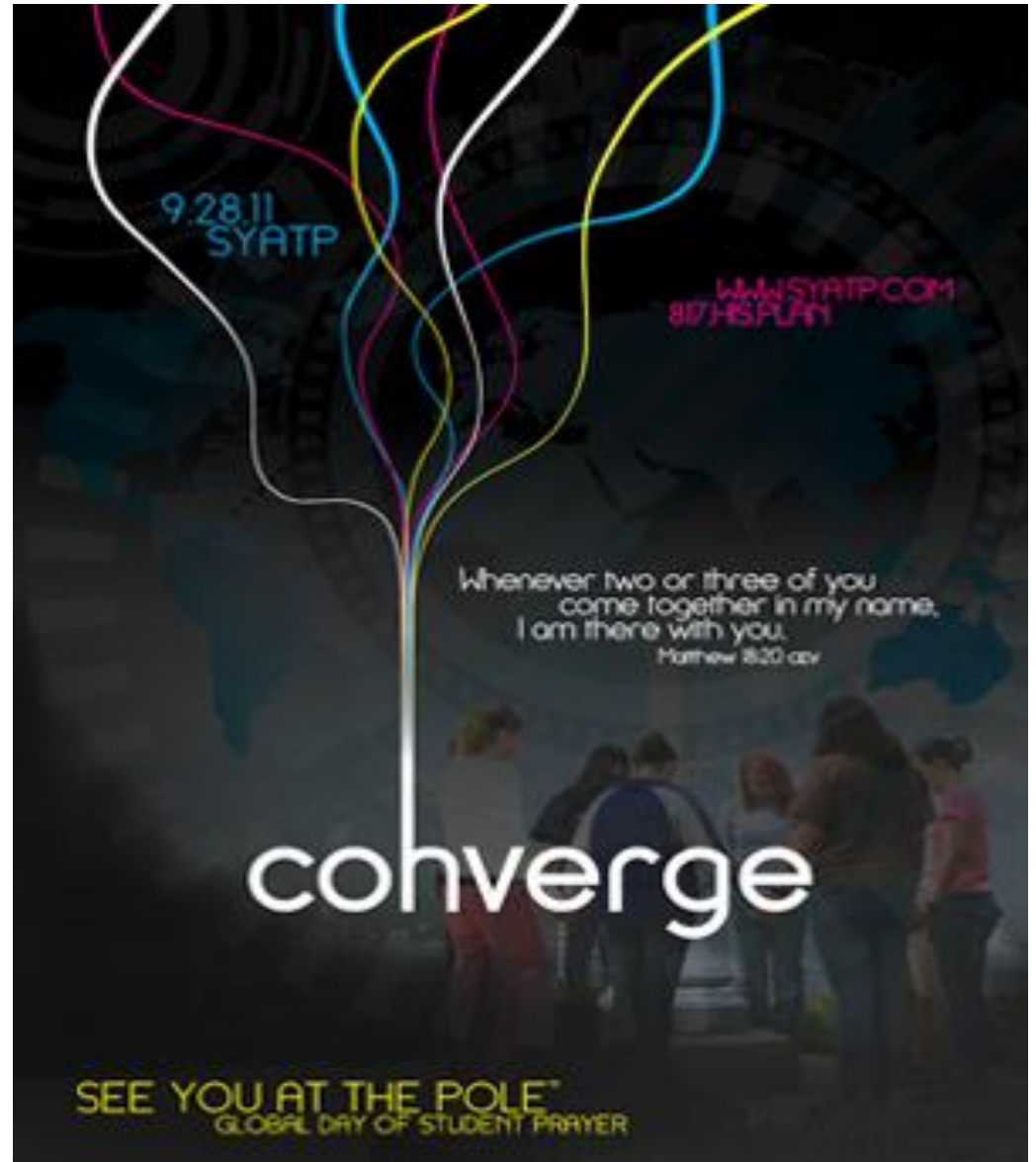
WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

6:00-7:45

"FUEL" 7th-12th grades

"Crossover" 5th-6th grades

**Recreation, Snack Shack,
Student-led Worship and Bible Study**



**SEE YOU AT THE POLE Wednesday, September 28, 2011
Annual Global Day of Student Prayer**

**The event is scheduled at schools across
the United States and in many other countries.**

**Pray for our students as they pray
for our world and its leaders!**



Ladies, do you long for a quiet place
to rest, relax, and reflect on God's love for you?

Then Seaside Escape Retreat is your answer!
More than a short rest from everyday responsibilities,
it's a joyous excursion into Bible truths that refreshes,
reinvigorates, and reconnects women with God and each other.

FBC's 2011 Ladies' Retreat



Thursday, September 22 - Saturday, September 24

Camp Allen in Navasota



See the ladies in the Welcome Center each Sunday between
morning services to register and make your \$75 payment.

Spaces are limited!!

Thursday evening will be a "get to know you" night.
Friday morning we will start the Seaside Bible Studies.



Seaside
ESCAPE



WHERE WOMEN BASK IN GOD'S PRESENCE





**All Ministry Leaders and Committee Chairpersons:
Your proposed budgets for 2012
are due to Jan no later than Monday, September 26!**

Our Church Family

Welcome our New Members:

Kylen Padgett

Jacob Pipes



**Congratulations to Jason & Kristi Davenport
on the August 11 birth of son Easton Wesley!**

**Congratulations to Rodney & Neva Lemley
on the August 18 birth of twins Preston and Price!**

Our love and prayers are with...

Mike & Becky Brown and family, on home-going of her brother in-law



Notes and Cards

During a time like this, we realize how much our family and friends mean to us. Your kind expression of sympathy will always be remembered.

The Family of June Dietrich

To my church family:

Thank you for everything you have done for me, Robby and Marissa. We are truly blessed to have a church family like this. We love each one of you!

Bonnie Smith

Church Office will be closed

LABOR DAY, SEPTEMBER 6



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*Robin Butler – Senior Pastor ★ Gene Talbot – Music/55+/Counseling ★ Jeff Holloway – Education/Youth/Administration
 Lee Ann Lee – Children/Preschool/Counseling ★ Amanda Cross – Youth Associate
 Karen Vandagriff – Staff Secretary ★ Jan Kilgore – Financial Secretary*

On the Calendar for September 2011

Sept 5	Labor Day: Church campus closed	Sept 16	CCHE Kick-off 6:30 p
Sept 7	Men's Breakfast @ Star Café, 9a	Sept 17	Monthly SS Fellowships
Sept 8	Mother's Day Out Open House, 7p	Sept 20	Shut-in Meals prepared and delivered, 10:30 a
Sept 9	Choir Christmas Event, 6:30p	Sept 21	Men's Breakfast @ Two Sisters Café, 9a
Sept 12	Handbell Rehearsals resume, 6:15p Mother's Day Out starts, 9:15a	Sept 22	Ladies' Retreat at Navasota (return 9/24)
Sept 14	Finance Committee Meeting 6p Monthly Business Meeting 6:45p	Sept 26	2012 Budget Proposals due to Jan
		Sept 28	"See You At The Pole", 7a
		Sept 29	Adult Game Night and covered dish supper

Sunday School / Worship Attendance Report

<u>7/31/11</u>		<u>8/7/11</u>		<u>8/14/11</u>		<u>8/21/11</u> (school starts tomorrow)	
Preschool	62	Preschool	46	Preschool	60	Preschool	61
Children	53	Children	56	Children	58	Children	65
Youth	62	Youth	74	Youth	72	Youth	57
Adults	285	Adults	283	Adults	301	Adults	313
Total SS	462	Total SS	459	Total SS	491	Total SS	496
Worship	485	Worship	441	Worship	434	Worship	501

Budget Giving Needed weekly: \$18,705 Needs YTD: \$ 635,977 Receipts YTD: \$ 645,570



CELEBRATE RECOVERY

Celebrate Recovery meets every Sunday 5:00-7:00 pm.

5:00-5:30	Fellowship and Snacks
5:30-6:00	Lesson or Testimony
6:00-7:00	Small Group Discussion

If you are struggling and need help through your Hurt, Hang-up or Habit,
 know that our Heavenly Father is always there!
 Come and discover what message He has for you!
 We meet in the Hospitality Classroom.

**Please help us
 save on our
 energy bills! If
 you are the
 last one out of
 a room, please
 unplug the
 coffee maker
 and turn out
 the lights!**