

TOGETHER.

PRAYING FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY AND BEYOND

WEEKLY PRAYER.



Rylee Woessner
MINISTER TO CHILDREN

- Pray for every child who walks through our doors, thatPray for every child who walks through our doors, that hearts would be open and lives would be changed by the truth of the Gospel.
- Pray for **Pioneer Park Elementary**; for the students, teachers, staff and families throughout this school year.
- Pray for the **Unleashed Kids Ministry** where our kids know they are part of the Church right now.
- Pray that our kids would be doers of the Word, not simply hearers, ~ James 1:22.
- Pray that our kids would have courage to live on mission in their schools, homes, team, and friendships.
- Pray that God would unleash this generation to know His Word, love His Word, and do what it says.
- Pray for the Lord to raise up volunteers to fill every need.
- Pray that the Lord will help us to get out of the way for His work and will to be done. hearts would be open and lives would be changed by the truth of the Gospel.

MISSIONS

A SPECIAL OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD THANK YOU

In July, FBC Lawton welcomed Christy Mardini, a former Operation Christmas Child shoebox recipient, for a special Full Circle event.

Following her visit, Christy shared this note with our church family.

“Dear FBC Family,

Thank you so much for your arm welcome, hospitality, and thoughtful gift! I truly enjoyed being with your church family. May the Lord continue to bless you abundantly!

Love in Him, Christy Mardini”



ATTENDANCE REPORT

August 23, 2026

BUDGET REPORT

August 23, 2026

SUNDAY SCHOOL	356	WEEKLY REQUIRED	\$40,316.00	YTD REQUIRED	\$846,636.00
MORNING WORSHIP	839	WEEKLY RECEIVED	\$46,970.10	YTD RECEIVED	\$770,356.59
				YTD %	90.99%

MEMBER REQUESTS

- **Awanda Glover** - Health Issues
- **Barbara Hoskin** - Extreme Health Issues
- **Carolyn Youngstedt**- In Wilkins Rehab, Duncan, OK
- **Cary McCoy** - Health Issues
- **Cole LaBarre** - Health Issues (Great, great nephew of Brenda Bell)
- **David Ellsworth** - Heart healing & anxiety
- **Daymond McGaughey** - Health Issues
- **Ellen Gatliff** - Continuing chemo treatments and doing well.
- **Hadley Hardage** - Health Issues (Daughter of Renee Hardage)
- **Helen Shoemate** - Health Issues
- **Jean & John Skinner** - Health Issues (Parents of Renee Hardage)
- **Jeff Mees** - Ongoing chemo treatments.
- **JoAnn Alford**- Health Issues (Mother of Penny Rich)
- **Jodi Zerba** - Health & Home Safety
- **Joseph & Sarah Wood** - Health Issues
- **Kassie Wear**- Health Issues
- **Ken & Vicki Shafer** - Health Issues (Family of Rhonda Cotton)
- **Melissa Simien** - Continuing treatments for Breast Cancer (Sister of Maegan McConnell)
- **Mike Finley** - Health Issues
- **Noel Ritter** - Has a serious brain injury (Great niece of Barbara Moeller)
- **Pat Foster** - Health Issues
- **Patti Rhea** - Health Issues
- **Phyllis Scott** - Health Issues
- **Randy Meadors** - Ongoing chemo treatments for Pancreatic Cancer (Brother of Robbie Meadors)
- **Robin Hardy** - Health Issues
- **Sherry Allen**- Healing from Gall Bladder Surgery (Friend of Norma Wells)
- **Wayne Pamplin**- Diagnosed with cancer; Chemo going well. (Brother of Judy Holland)

SICK MEMBERS

- **Betty Selvey**- In McMahon-Tomlinson Rehab, Room 22B
- **Bill Malone**- Home; Recovering
- **Dorothy Cooper**- Rehab for broken shoulder.
- **Evan Ranier**- In need of a new kidney (Great nephew of David Askew)
- **Lorrie Barnes**- MHS Teacher diagnosed with Stage 4 pancreatic cancer.
- **Mark Johnson**- Treatment and healing for a torn retina
- **Mia Foster**- Undergoing extensive tests for a health concern (Granddaughter of Tom & Brenda Bell’s close friends)
- **Randy Dewbre**- In the hospital with a broken sternum caused by a car accident; had a stroke while in the hospital. (Neighbor of Tom & Brenda Bell).
- **Reed Johnson**- Continued prayers for eye healing.
- **Rev. Mike Franklin**- Had a double lung transplant and is now recovering. (Brother of Debbie Evans)

SYMPATHY

To Joe and Edna Jackson and family on the passing of his brother, **Dennis Jackson**, Monday, Augst 24th, 2026 in Arkoma, OK. Arrrangements are pending.

To the family of **Melissa Nichols** on her passing, August 19th, 2026. Her Celebration of Life was 10:00am, Tuesday, August 25th 2026 at the First Baptist Church Worship Center.

To Kristy Huskey and daughters on the passing of her husband and their father, **Robert “Butch” Huskey**, Friday, August 14, 2026. His funeral was Saturday, August 22nd, 2026 in the First Baptist Church Worship Center.

MEMBERS IN ASSISTED LIVING: BROOKRIDGE

- Georgianna Anderson #26
- Chlorcia Farmer #57
- Nancy Smith #54

MEMBERS IN MISSION:

- Brady & Julie Plunk & Family - Middle East
- Graham Taylor- Central Asia

OKLAHOMA BAPTIST REQUESTS: *Central Asian Peoples*

- Pray that followers of Jesus throughout Central Asia will love one another well, reflecting Jesus’s sacrificial love as a witness to the unsaved people around them.
- Pray God would make bold the new believers in Central Asia as they try to live out their faith in adverse and many times dangerous circumstances.
- Pray God would protect and provide for missionaries serving there.

NORTH AMERICAN MISSION REQUESTS *Rafael & Genavieve Bricci, Church Planters, Evangel English Church of Troy, Troy, MI*

- Pray for this young congregation to grow in their fear of the Lord and hunger for Him.
- Pray for us to see an abundance of baptisms and life-long commitments to serving Jesus Christ.

WELCOME.

THERE’S A PLACE FOR YOU.
COME FIND YOUR SEAT.



FBC LAWTON NEWSLETTER

AUGUST 30, 2026



SCAN TO CONNECT
Everything FBC Lawton.
One scan away.

Connect Card.
Events.
Online Giving.
Prayer Requests.
Social Media.

THIS WEEK.

AT FBC LAWTON

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30

9:30AM Sunday School
10:45AM Morning Service & Worship
11:30AM OBI Blood Drive
6:00PM Christmas Preview Night

MONDAY, AUGUST 31

8:30AM Office Open - 5:00PM

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

8:30AM Office Open - 5:00PM
9:30AM Rooted Women's Bible Study

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

8:30AM Office Open - 5:00PM
4:45PM Fellowship Meals
6:00PM Thread
Worship Choir Practice
Embrace Grace
Kids & Students Midweek

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

8:30AM Office Open - 5:00PM

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

Office Closed

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Office Closed

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

9:30AM Sunday School
10:45AM Morning Service
Family Worship
Firstfruits Sunday

FELLOWSHIP MEAL MENU

Taco Salad, Rice, Beans, & Dessert

Adults \$5.00, Kids (5-12) \$3.00,
Families \$20.00 (five or more)

Welcome. *Every Sunday is someone's first Sunday.*

They may have driven past our building a hundred times before finally deciding to turn into the parking lot. They may be new to Lawton. They may be looking for a church home. They may be carrying questions, grief, loneliness, or a quiet hope that maybe this is where they will find what they've been searching for.

Whatever brought them through our doors, one thing is certain: *God knew they were coming.* And when they arrive, we have the privilege of welcoming them.

At FBC Lawton, hospitality isn't reserved for a special event or a team of volunteers wearing name tags. It belongs to all of us. It can look like holding a door, introducing yourself to someone you don't recognize, helping a family find where they're going, making room beside you, or simply taking the time to say, "I'm glad you're here."

Jesus modeled this kind of welcome throughout His ministry. He noticed people others overlooked. He stopped for people others passed by. He shared tables with people others avoided. Again and again, Jesus made room.

And Scripture calls us to do the same.
"Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God."
Romans 15:7

That's a different kind of hospitality. It isn't hospitality for hospitality's sake. It isn't about having the friendliest church in town, a beautiful building, good coffee, or someone stationed at every doorway. We welcome because we have been welcomed.

Before we ever made room for someone else, Christ made room for us.
That changes the way we see Sunday morning.

That means Sunday morning isn't only about where we sit, who we talk to, or what we receive. We have an opportunity to look beyond ourselves and notice who God has placed around us.

Because the person walking through our doors for the first time isn't an interruption to Sunday morning. They are part of our mission.

So this Sunday, look around.
Notice a face you don't know. Learn a name. Make room. Start a conversation. Extend an invitation.

We may never know what it took for someone to walk through those doors.
But we can make sure they know we're glad they did.

**Welcome isn't an event on our calendar.
It's who we are called to be.**



AUGUST & SEPTEMBER 2026

Upcoming.

OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW, CONNECT, AND MAKE AN IMPACT.



SEPT 8 | 10:00AM

CHURCH SAFETY CONFERENCE

Designed to equip church leaders and volunteers with practical tools for creating safer ministry environments, this free conference will cover safety teams, emergency response, handling disruptions, and best practices for protecting children and students.

Visit the Oklahoma Baptists website to register.



SEPT 13 | 5:00PM

BUSINESS CELEBRATION

Come celebrate what God is doing at FBC! Our Business Celebration is an opportunity to hear important church updates, celebrate ministry wins, and look ahead to what's next as we continue serving and growing together.

Come informed. Leave encouraged.



SEPT 14 | 11:00AM

YOUNG AT HEART LUNCHEON

Join Young at Heart for their monthly luncheon, a wonderful time of good food, great conversation, laughter, and fellowship.

This month, we're excited to welcome **ventriloquist Marlowe Adair** for a fun and entertaining performance.



SEPT 19 | 9:00AM

M28 MINISTRIES

Serve our neighbors the love of Christ at the next M28 Ministries FBC Volunteer Day!

Volunteers help welcome guests, organize the clothing ministry, serve lunch, and build meaningful relationships within our community.

FELLOWSHIP

YOUNG AT HEART SUNDAY SCHOOL BREAKFAST

Young at Heart invites you to our annual Senior Adult Sunday School Breakfast on **Sunday, September 20**, from **8:30-9:30AM** in the **Fellowship Hall**.

Come enjoy a delicious breakfast, meaningful conversation, and time spent connecting with friends before Sunday School.



MINISTRY

SEE YOU AT THE POLE

Students, join us for an incredible night of worship, encouragement, and fun for SYATP on **Wednesday, September 23rd** at **6:00PM** in the **FBC Lawton Worship Center**.

We'll welcome **Jason Mick** as our guest speaker, with live music from **Davy Thompson**.

Grab your friends and come be part of a night created just for students!

