

Fellowship Facts

Summer Edition

D. Levan Hubbard, Pastor

Summer Calendar

- May 15– VBS Workers
- May 18– Bowling at MSC
- May 24– A& M Consolidated graduation
- May 25– Timber Academy Graduation
- May 26– Recognition of graduates and lunch
- May 29–VBS Meeting after Church
- June 1– Bryan High Graduation
- June 5-7– State Meeting @ Duncanville
- June 7– WAC Fund-raising Banquet
- June 9-13– Jr. Camp
- June 16-21– Teen Camp
- June 30– Cookout and Softball 4:00 PM
- July 8-12– VBS
- July 21-25 National Convention, Memphis

Basic Training Theme For VBS

Vacation Bible School is planned for July 8-12 at 6:00-8:15 PM. There will be classes from pre-school through middle school ages. The theme will be “Basic Training”, a military theme around which everything will be built.

Come join the drill sergeants to experience Physical Training on the Obstacle Course and get rations from the commissary for snacks.

There will be a lesson time to learn about putting on the armor of God. Each session will include

a time of singing songs from the Bible School theme, Object Lessons, and application of the theme to everyday life.

Participants will be encouraged to bring an offering as the boys will compete against the girls to raise a good World Missions Offering.

There will be ways to earn Army Bucks by attending, bringing guests, pre-registering your friends, learning memory verses etc. The army bucks can be spent at the PX on Sunday evening after the closing program,

which will be at 6:00 PM. The children will be performing their songs, a final challenge will be given and certificates of completion will be given.

Pre-Registration begins soon. Enlist now and encourage your friends to do so as well.!



Summer Youth Pastor Coming

Joe Tolbert, A senior pastoral major from Free Will Baptist Bible College will be serving as Summer Youth Pastor. Joe is used frequently to preach on the College Campus, for youth camps, and various functions representing the college.

He is from South Haven, Michigan and reared in

the church where his grandfather is the pastor. By coming to Texas, Joe is looking forward to serving in another part of the country and getting some practical experience serving on the staff of the church

Joe will be in charge of youth activities for the summer as well as taking youth to the State

Meeting in Duncanville and to Youth Camp. He will also play an active role in planning and participating in Children's church, van ministry, Vacation Bible School and teaching duties.

Come and welcome Joe Tolbert beginning Sunday, May 26.

My Outlook for the Summer and reflections on the Spring

by Pastor Levan Hubbard

Reflecting on the Spring:

You ought to see our auditorium. The church approved a new paint job for the auditorium. The organ pipes, which have been disconnected for some time, have been removed and there is a fresh coat of paint on the entire auditorium. New trim around the baptistry and a new backdrop color in the baptistry along with some new decorating in the foyer and landscaping at the front of the church, make it look like a different place. Thanks to Kay Perrone for her leadership in this project. There was also a Work Day when several projects that have been needing to be accomplished were finally completed.

The improvements were ready for Easter Sunday, which was also Friend Day. There were several activities leading up to that day such as door hangers for each person to invite those on their street and Balloon outreach, where an invitation to come and meet Kermit the Frog was tied to a balloon and given to children at various location.

Vicki & I were privileged to attend a Family Life Marriage Conference in Little Rock, AR the first weekend in April. While we were looking forward to a relaxing weekend, we were kept busy attending sessions and working on projects. Not much relaxing, but it was very informative. It was nice to see our family for a day on the way up.

The FBI came to Fellowship in April. FBI stands for the "Fellowship Bible Institute". There is a two month semester of instruction in an elective subject. Bro. Luther Sanders is the guest instructor in a course on Free Will Baptist Doctrines. There is also a home-builder's class called, "Building Your Marriage." The Teens are being challenged with "The 30 Most Difficult Days of Your Life," where

projects for the week challenge and manifest their faith. The children are meeting in a youth choir with stories of "Sunday School Charlie," and Bible Memorization. These courses will continue through the month of May.

On April 26 & 27 the three Texas State Missionaries were with us for a Texas TEAM Conference. The preaching and singing were good and there was a good attitude in the services. The offerings for the two nights totaled over \$1600 and was split between the three missionary accounts. There were also \$65 of monthly commitments to the TEAM plan.

The Franklin Graham Festival, May 2-5, stirred some excitement around our town. Very seldom have I seen a community come together like the Bryan/College Station area has for this occasion. Being involved in counseling, as others in our church were, we attended every service.

It was good to meet other pastors and experience the festive mood of the services. The music was memorable and the preaching was straight to the point evangelistic. The most memorable part was at each service when the invitation was given, people from every age group were coming forward to be saved. There were over 1800 first time decisions for Christ, not including the re-dedications. Our church received eleven referrals for those in our community near our church who did not give a church preference.

Now to the Summer!

I am excited about the possibilities for the summer. With the coming of Bro. Joe Tolbert as summer youth pastor I expect to regain some ground lost when our van burned last summer coming home from

camp. Although we got a new van in September, the van ministry has not been restarted. There is typically excitement in the youth department when activities are planned and there are things to look forward to.

Summer camp is always a good experience. It is not unusual to have several attend and most of the time they come home saved.

The Vacation Bible School this year will be exciting. Though in the planning stages, I see a real possibility for success. Hope you will get on board and help make this a successful summer.

Summer is typically a down time for the church. But do you realize that summer is when most new people move into town? So keep an eye out for those moving trucks in your neighborhoods and around the city. Take them some lemonade, help them unload, build a relationship and invite them to one of the activities of the church.

We now have 3,000 new brochures. These were free in conjunction with having a church directory made by Olin Mills. These have good quality photographs with an invitation to church, times of service and a reference to the web site to get more information about the church. I hope we can set aside some time regularly this summer to just knock doors, give out brochures and get to know people in the community.

I would also like to institute an outreach to our FRANS, to use an old church growth term. This is an effort to reach your Friends, Relatives, Associates, Neighbors and Service people in your life. My plan is to challenge you to evaluate who you have influence over to bring to the Lord.

(Reflections & Outlook Cont.)

WAC Third Annual Fundraiser is June 7

The Fellowship Women Active for Christ will sponsor a Fajita Dinner and Silent Auction on Friday Evening June 7. Take outs will be available from 5:00-6:00 PM. There will then be a banquet for eat-in ticket holders at 6:30.

The speaker for the Banquet portion will be Anthony Edgmon, Missionary to Spain. There will also be a silent auction with a cut-off time for bids after the banquet meal and speaker.

Tickets are \$10 for Carry-out and Dine-in. See one of the members of the WAC to buy tickets or to see how you can help. To donate items or to solicit items for the silent auction, see Vicki Hubbard. Proceeds from the banquet and auction will go for WAC Projects, Activities and Mission support.



Texas State Meeting to Meet June 5-7

The 2002 Texas State Meeting will meet in session at the Duncanville Free Will Baptist Church June 5-7.

Youth competitive activities begin on Wednesday Morning at 8:30. There will be youth services at 2:00 PM for teens and children. There are activities on Thursday with the teens going on a service project and the children will have games, crafts

& lots of fun.

The convention begins with the Evening service on Wednesday with keynote speaker Dr. Tom Malone, Chancellor of the Free Will Baptist Bible College. Thursday brings the Pastor's conference with speakers Bobby Ferguson, Clarence Hearron and Mike Hutsell. Thursday is also the day for the Texas Women active

for Christ to meet. Bro. Malone will be speaking on Thursday evening as well. The Business Session will be Friday Morning.

(Reflections & Outlook Cont.)

My last idea I would like to share with you is the idea of having a Block Party for a back-to-school outreach for our neighborhood with entertainment, food, games etc. If you have ideas for this let me know.

I am out of space! Stay Cool!
Bro. Levan

This Year's Graduates:
Afton Wilkins
B.J. Mendez
Georgia Wallace
Todd Wallace
Ashley Stark
Charles McCoy
Heath Hubbard



Looking for activities to bring your friends to meet the church family?

How about these?

Bowling at the MSC
May 18, 6-8 PM

WAC Fundraiser, Banquet & Auction
June 7, 6:30 PM

Cookout and Softball Game
Sunday, June 30 4:00 PM

Graduates will be honored Sunday Morning May 26 with a Potluck Lunch to follow.

Congratulations 2002 Grads!

Our Mission

The Mission of Fellowship Free Will Baptist Church is to Expose, Evangelize, Educate, Enlist and Encourage Individuals for the kingdom of God, supported by the prayers and finances of God's People.

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Camp Time Coming Soon, Please Pre-Register!

Pre-Registration deadline for Westfork Camp is May 22nd. Yes, they are asking that we pre-register so that they may make plans for those who will attend.

Junior Camp for those who have completed grades 1-5 will begin Sunday June 9 and will close Thursday June 13. The Cost for Jr. Camp will be \$45 per camper.

Teen Camp for those who have completed the sixth grade through grade twelve will begin on Sunday June 16 and close on Friday June 21. The cost for Teen Camp will be \$55 per camper.

A camp form completed and signed by a parent is the first step. These need to be turned in as soon as possible. If you need a

scholarship, please make that known when you turn in your forms.

If you have friends that would be interested in going, please take a form for them and return it promptly. If forms and money are not in by the deadline, the camp fees will increase by \$10 after that date.

If you would like to give toward a Camp scholarship, please earmark your offering as such.



Come Hear The:

Haskell Cooley

Family

From Wichita, Kansas

Haskell is the former

Pianist for the

Cathedral Quartet.

*A Free Will Offering will be
taken.*

June 16 at 6:00 PM