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# First Baptist Church of Horizon City

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## THE ENCOURAGER

"I WAS GLAD WHEN THEY SAID TO ME,  
'LET US GO TO THE HOUSE OF THE LORD.'  
PSALM 122:1



*Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I will say, rejoice! (Philippians 4:4)*

There is always much to celebrate in the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ. Coming through the seasons of Covid-19 has helped us to get a clearer picture of the world around us. Despite continuing uncertainty in the world around us we have the strength of the Lord and the surety of His promises to us. He will never leave us comfortless or forsake us.

It is with great joy that we recognize His work to build His church. In the last two months we have been able to baptize 10 different individuals. We have had baptisms in both our English and our Spanish language congregations. We continue to have new families participate in our New Member class and have added to our church family. We usually have around 250 people total each Sunday between our three worship services and are averaging around 200 people in our Bible studies throughout the week. We have been truly blessed.

Moving toward summer we are excited about the growth in our children and youth departments. As we move toward our Vacation Bible Camp at the end of June and a youth retreat in July, it is encouraging to see the volume of individuals who are eager to serve. We will soon have new lighting in the courtyard and back of the building. A fence will soon close off the courtyard area and give a nice space that we will cover with turf once the fence is complete. We have added classes in recent months and are already using every part of the new building the Lord has allowed us to complete. Please continue to pray, as we seek God's face, that we will be obedient to His desires.



Pastor Wes

I am personally grateful to the Lord for His kindness to me following a heart attack in January. I am so thankful that my heart has returned to full function. During this season of my life, I have learned again that there are things only God can do. There is a significant work of God in my life to make this recovery possible. I have also realized that there is a part of the recovery that I own. If I don't do my part, there is no reason for God to do His part. I find this to be an axiom for our lives. In the life of our church, there is a part that only God can do, but there is a part for us as well. Thank you for doing your part. Each individual's efforts are necessary for us to accomplish what God intends.

Jesus is LORD!



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*Building for Eternity*  
#17  
*One Life at a Time*

"Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the LORD of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need."

**Malachi 3:10 (ESV)**

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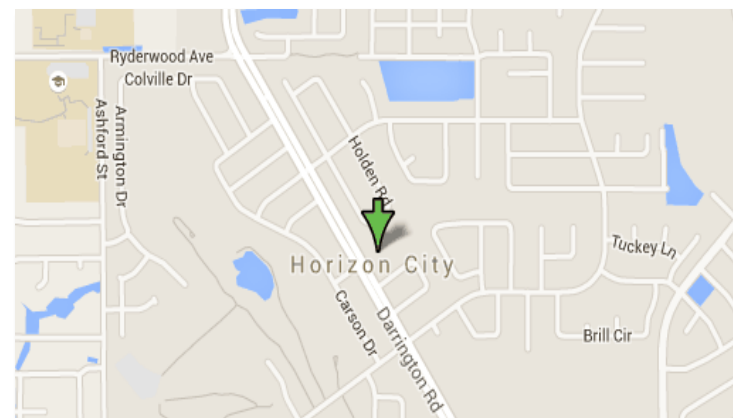
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<b>Sunday</b>	Worship Service	8:00 a.m.
	Bible Study (All Ages)	9:00 a.m.
	Worship Service	10:00 a.m.
	Youth Group (Grades 6-12)	10:00 a.m.
	Children's Church	10:00 a.m.
<b>Domingo</b>	Escuela Dominical	1:00 p.m.
	Servicio de Adoración	2:00 p.m.
<b>Lunes</b>	Estudio Bíblico	6:30 p.m.
<b>Tuesday</b>	Women's Prayer & Bible Study	6:30 p.m.
	Men's Bible Study	6:30 p.m.
<b>Wednesday</b>	Bible Study	9:30 a.m.
	Adult Bible Study	6:30 p.m.
	Youth Bible Study	6:30 p.m.
	Kingdom Kids	6:30 p.m.
<b>Jueves</b>	Estudio Biblico	6:30 p.m.



**Wes Phillips**, Pastor  
**Norman Torres**, Associate Pastor & Pastor Hispano  
**Mark Zdawczyk**, Education Director



Located in Horizon City on Darrington Rd.  
between Eastlake and Horizon Blvd.



Sunday video sermons in English are posted at  
[www.facebook.com/firstbaptisthorizon/](http://www.facebook.com/firstbaptisthorizon/)

Tomamos esta oportunidad para saludar al Pueblo de Dios, aquí en Horizon City, TX. Saludos para todos los Santos **"Gloria y Paz a vosotros"**. Les deseo salud a todos en su hogar, y manténganse en oración al Altísimo ... Les comparto un pequeño devocional: El Salmo 91 es muy adecuado para estos días durante las dificultades que estamos pasando. Léalo cuidadosamente y podrá ver la aplicación de La Palabra de Dios (de ese salmo), a su vida diaria hoy. No debemos tener miedo a la peste destructora, ni a las trampas del cazador (mire al Salmo 124:7). En cambio, nuestro refugio y morada, esta en El Señor, además Él va a dar órdenes a sus ángeles para que lo cuiden a Ud.

I take this opportunity to greet the People of God here in Horizon City, TX. Greetings to all saints: "Glory and Peace to you." I wish health to everyone in your home and keep praying to the Most High God. I share a small devotional: *Psalm 91* is very suitable for these days, during the difficulties we are going through. Read it carefully, and you will see the application of God's word from that psalm to your daily life today. We are not to be afraid of the destructive pestilence, nor of the traps of the hunter (Psalm 124:7). On the other hand, our refuge and abode are in the Lord, and He is going to give orders to His angels to take care of you.



*Tuvimos un día agradable cuando honramos a nuestras Madres y Esposas y le pedimos a Nuestro Creador que las cuide y las bendiga ricamente. Este grupo continua de crecer y todas son guerreras de Oración.*



*We had a nice day when we honored our mothers and wives and asked the Creator to take care of them and to bless them richly. These women are our prayer warriors.*

Los estudios Bíblicos de los Lunes y de los Miércoles continúan y los maestros están haciendo un gran trabajo en presentar a sus alumnos las verdades Bíblicas. Los Lunes estamos reflexionando en lo que dice Dios en Su Palabra, sobre nuestras relaciones personales con El. En los Miércoles estamos estudiando temas más importantes para El Cuerpo de Cristo, por ejemplo: estudiamos a El Espíritu Santo y su importancia en la vida del creyente, y se está haciendo un cambio para estudiar a "La Iglesia" en general para llegar a reconocerla como "un grupo llamado por Dios a apartarse del mundo y ser distinto".

The Monday and Wednesday Bible studies continue, and the teachers are doing a great job of introducing their students to Bible truths. On Mondays we are reflecting on what God says in His word about our personal relationships with Him. On Wednesdays we are studying more important topics for the Body of Christ. For example, we study the Holy Spirit and His importance in the life of the believer. Also, a shift is being made as we study "the Church" in general and fully recognize it as a group called by God to separate itself from the world and to be different from it.

Les comparto que El Señor nos está bendiciendo y les pido que continúen con el esfuerzo de obedecerle en todo. Recuerde que si confiamos en El con todo lo que somos, y no nos apoyamos en nuestro conocimiento, El enderezará nuestras pisadas. ¡QUE PROMESA! – *Su siervo, Pastor Norman Torres*

I share with you that the Lord is blessing us, and I ask you to continue in your effort to obey Him in everything. Remember that if we trust in Him with all that we are, and do not lean on our knowledge, He will direct our steps. WHAT A PROMISE!!  
– *Your Servant, Pastor Norman Torres*

First Baptist Church provides programs for children in nursery or elementary school, as well as youth programs geared to help kids develop a relationship with Jesus. The nursery program serves infants through children up to age 4. Children ages 5-11 are served through King's Kids and Children's Church, and our youth group is for those 12 years old through senior high.

We are excited to have Scott and Diana Quiroz serving as our youth directors. The Youth meet on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., for Sunday School at 9 a.m., and at 10 a.m. for Sunday worship. They also have monthly gatherings, such as going sightseeing or having a cookout.

Scott and Diana's vision for the youth is for them to know Jesus Christ, as well as what He has done for them and for all of us. They are teaching them how the church/body of Christ began and how important it is for us in our everyday lives. They desire to be godly mentors for the youth, the future leaders of the church.

The Quiroz family hopes and prays that the youth will become disciples of Jesus and share with friends and family what they learn at FBC-HC. Ultimately, they want to equip the youth with a knowledge of the word of God so that they can defend it, and themselves, against a world that has become increasingly hostile to believers in Christ. Additionally, our Wednesday night bible studies involve fun and games for the youth.

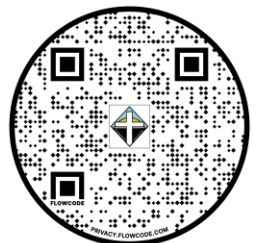


**Friday Fun Nights** occur once a month, and a **Youth Retreat** is scheduled at Bonita Park for July 15th. We would like to invite any youth (from grades 6 to 12) to come and hang out with us and see how much fun we have learning about the God who created us. We give God all glory and honor!

**1 Timothy 4:12 (NKJV):** *Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity.*

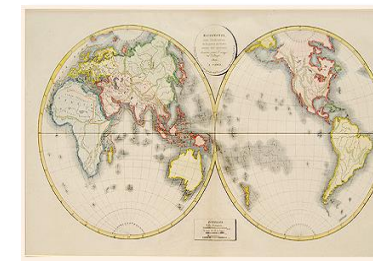
Our children are fun and creative, and we praise God for them! Children meet on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. and Sundays at 9 and 10 a.m. During this time, our nursery is staffed. Our time with the kids includes music, crafts, and Bible stories. We provide a fun and safe atmosphere with an excellent staff of teachers.

Speaking of fun, **Vacation Bible Camp (VBC)** is coming up this summer. Any child, ages 3 to 12, may attend. The theme is "Sparks Studios" and activities will involve music, crafts, recreation time, Bible stories, prizes, and more. Breakfast will be included and will start promptly at 9:00 a.m.



**Join us for Vacation Bible Camp (June 27-July 1, 9 a.m. to noon).** To register your child early, please scan the QR code, which will direct you to First Baptist Church's website. Enter the requested information and click "submit."

Thanks for entrusting us with your children! We enjoy spending time with them, as on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, when parents had a "date night" and their children had fun at church playing games, eating pizza, building bird houses, and making refrigerated magnets. We will plan more events like this one soon.



## MISSIONS!

First Baptist Church is mission-minded, and so we reach out to others locally, statewide, and internationally.

In 2021, people from our church participated in two medical trips in Guatemala. This year, we have short-term mission trips planned for this summer in Costa Rica and Kenya, and Guatemala in November. God could be calling you to attend! If you want to hear more, talk to Mark Zdawczyk.