

February


2023

First Southern Baptist Church



Thoughts from Pastor Josh Hargett and Brennan Ward

Current Sermon Series



We Make Disciples
Who Worship, Grow &
Go

Our Winter
Worship & Ministry
Schedule

9am ~ Bible Study for All Ages
10:30am ~
Worship Service
with Children’s Church

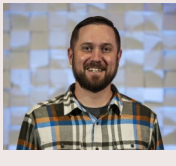
Wednesday
6—7:30 pm~ AWANA ~
(AWANA– begins Sept 7th
follows School Calendar)
6pm ~ Youth,
Pastor Josh’s Study—
Worship Center

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Your Staff  
Senior Pastor ~  
Joshua Hargett

Music Leader  
Brennan Ward

Hey Church!



Pastor Josh

Thanks for taking the time and being a part of what God is doing in our church and through our church as we seek to be For the Springs and Make Disciples who Worship, Grow and Go! This year we will begin to focus in our missions and evangelism efforts in Colorado Springs by launching a brand new local missions arm of our church called, “For the Springs”. Everything that we do ministry and missions wise for our city will fall under this umbrella. Over the next couple of years, when we get to a place of sustainability and we are reaching our city we will also launch, “From the Springs”, which will encompass our National and International missions efforts. So, what does this look like? Take a moment and check out our plan for 2023 and beyond:

If we are not intentional in our approach to reach our city, our church has failed in it’s mission and will cease to exist. The glory of God, that we as followers of Jesus have experienced, will inspire us to posture ourselves in such a way that we will be faithful to engage our city and culture with the saving knowledge of who Jesus is. While doing this, we will continue to create a “Go and tell” culture, rather than a “Come and see”.

Stage 1 - Breakdown and organize our city.

- A giant (4 x 8) Map of our city has been placed in our lobby. Each month we will add a highlighted section of our city to the map that we will intentionally pray for every time we gather. By the end of the year we will have intentionally prayed over our entire city.

- On the last Saturday of each month, we will make materials available to people from our church to be able to go to that month’s area and intentionally prayer drive/walk through the area.

- This part of our strategy is 2 fold -

1) This will become a yearly part of our church culture. We will always be a church that is intentionally praying for God to work in our city.

2) This will serve as a year of preparation as we prepare our hearts and lay the ground work for our church to engage in these areas more in 2024.

\* We MUST remember: Prayer is not only preparation for the work, Prayer is the work.

Stage 2 - Quarterly Emphases

- Each Quarter throughout the year we will have intentional demographics within our city that we will focus on and make efforts to build relationships with and engage with the gospel. Obviously, when other opportunities come up we will engage with them, this is simply a guide to help us focus.

Feb/March - LifeNetwork (Sanctity of Human Life), First Responders, Annie Armstrong

March 12 - April 9 — EASTER

April/May/June - School Employee’s, Medical Professionals

June/July — VBS

July/Aug/Sept - Sanitation Workers, Mail Delivery

Oct/Nov/Dec — Halloween Outreach, Operation Christmas Child, Crossfire Christmas, Lottie Moon

December — Christmas Outreach - Invites, Ladies Event

Stage 3 - Intentional Training Opportunities

- This will become an intentional part of our Wednesday night adult programming. Each week we will take 5-10 minutes in between our prayer time and our bible reading discussion time to be equipped and challenged to engage people with the gospel.

- Evangelism Training

- Cultural Awareness Training

- World Religion Education

Stage 4 - Special Opportunities and Events

- Last Saturday of each month - Prayer walk/Drive our section for the month

- Easter Emphasis - March 12 - April 9

- March 13-17 - FBC Ponca City OK

- March 18-23 - FBC Alma AR

- March 26 - Ramadan - Prayer Emphasis

- March 27-31 - For the Springs Week

- April 22 - Secret Church

- June 4 - LGBTQ+ - Prayer Emphasis

I’m very excited about what the coming years look like in our church as we seek to engage our city with the saving gospel of Jesus Christ. Pray with me that we will engage and that God will bless our efforts to reach our city and make disciples that worship, grow and go!

Pastor Josh

Dear FSBC family,  
Thank you so much for the beautiful retirement reception that you gave me. I was so honored by your attendance and each kind word. I was blessed by the Lord to serve Him and you as the Office Manager for the past 22 1/2 years.  
Again thank you!

Beverly Chambers



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Important Dates for February

February 11 ~ 9am Church Clean Up Day

February 12 ~ Super Bowl Party 4pm bring your favorite tailgate dish

February 26 ~ Noon Quarterly Business Meeting

Hey everyone!



Brennan Ward

Hope everyone is doing well! I have just a little bit of an update for you guys. We now have a band up on stage with us that should be there consistently from now on! I am super exited about how God has been blessing our church and specifically the music ministry. As we are going throughout this new year, I want to remind all of us how important worship really is. Worship is a time to give God the glory for what He has done. Worship can take many forms: reading, praying, and of course singing, but we can’t forget how important it is. We don’t deserve the gift that God has given us, but he gave it anyway. The song Living Hope by Phil Wickham helps remind us that He not only came to this earth, but He died and rose again so that we as sinners can have eternal life with our Savior. So don’t ever forget to have a lifestyle of worship, not just a habit, but a lifestyle. Hope everyone has had a great start to the new year! And don’t forget, it’s never too late to create a lifestyle of worship. Thanks everyone!

| February Birthdays |      |
|--------------------|------|
| Angel Wunder       | 2/01 |
| Cathey Dunn        | 2/01 |
| Shirley Hernholm   | 2/02 |
| Josh Hargett       | 2/04 |
| Debbie Privette    | 2/05 |
| Miranda Reyes      | 2/09 |
| Charles Dozeman    | 2/14 |
| Janis Loyd         | 2/24 |
| Ryan Lucero        | 2/24 |
| Michael Yearout    | 2/25 |
| Anna Mackin        | 2/27 |

Praises and Prayer Requests

Margaret Lovett ~ Recovering from Back Surgery

Donny Whitlock ~ Health

Rosie Miller ~ Health

Bill Bo Mosley ~ Health

Sunny Cabell ~ Recovering from Back Surgery

Burlin & Harriet Fayne ~ Health

Ed & Shirley Hernholm ~ Health

Hal and Margaret Seagraves ~ Health

Dorothy Merkle ~ Health

Beverly Wright ~ Health

Jeanne & Charles Ransom ~ Health

Roger & Michele Hamilton ~ Family

Morningstar/Nikki Abbett-Webb ~ Health

Ukraine ~ Peace in their country

Betsy Wade ~ Recovering from hip replacement

MIDWEEK  
Events

6 - 7 : 30 PM  
AWANA, YOUTH &  
ADULT BIBLE STUDY

BIG GAME PARTY

JOIN US FEBRUARY 12 4PM  
FOOD & FUN FOR ALL