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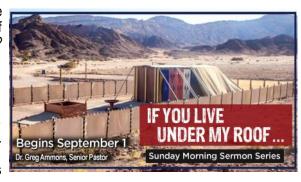
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DR. GREG AMMONS SENIOR PASTOR

Sunday Morning Sermon Series

Begins September 1

How do you live to please a holy God in the midst of our contemporary culture? This was the question facing the Israelites as they left bondage in Egypt. In the book of Leviticus, God told His people how to live in order to please Him. So much of what the Lord told the Israelites applies to us today.



On Sunday morning, September 1, Senior Pastor Dr. Greg Ammons will begin an 8-week sermon series from the book of Leviticus and detail how God wants His children to live in 2024.

20th Anniversary Celebration for Dr. Greg Ammons Sunday, September 15

Join us on Sunday, September 15, for a special 20th anniversary celebration of Senior Pastor Dr. Greg Ammons accepting the call to First Baptist Garland. During our morning services, we will honor him and thank his family for their many years of service. There will be a basket at the Welcome Center for anyone who would like to leave a card for Pastor Greg but will not be able to attend his afternoon reception.

Be sure to join us later that afternoon for a come-and-go reception in Fellowship Hall from 2:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m. We will have cupcakes and punch, and there will be a basket at the Reception Welcome Table in Fellowship Hall to leave the Pastor a card expressing your appreciation.

Special Guest, Justin Brierley The Surprising Rebirth of Belief in God

Date: Monday, September 23

Time: 6:30 p.m. Location: Worship Center

Details: Could the tide of faith be ready to come in again in our generation?

Englishman Justin Brierley is a freelance writer, speaker, and broadcaster who is passionate about creating conversations around theology and culture, showcasing an intellectually compelling case for Christianity, while taking seriously the questions and objections of skeptics. We hope you will plan to come.

Childcare: Available by reservation only for ages 4 and under by contacting

Denise Morris, 972-276-7194, x270, or denisem@fbcgarland.org

Contact: Shannon Fears, 972-276-7194, x225, or shannonf@fbcgarland.org



Rooted Young Adults

UpperRoom Worship Night

Date: Friday, September 6 Time: 6:30 p.m.—7:30 p.m.

Location: Room 350

Details: Join us for a powerful and uplifting evening

at our Upper Room Worship Night! We will discuss how to be responsible with your finances. There's no cost to attend.

Contact: Dane Hernandez, 972-276-7194, x248, or

daneh@fbcgarland.org

Pacesetters

Date: Monday, September 16 Time: 11:30 a.m. (12:15 p.m. online)

Location: MAC Fellowship Hall

Details: We welcome solo pianist Jerry Stephens. One

of his many accomplishments is 40 years as the Rehearsal Accompanist for the Dallas Symphony Chorus. Chef Greg will provide lunch, and you can bring your favorite dessert to share. If you can't join us in person, we invite you to watch online by visiting fbcgarland.org/watch-live.

Contact: Terri Carter, 972-276-7194, x239, or

terric@fbcgarland.org

Deeper Discipleship Classes

For Students in Grades 6-12

Dive In, Soul Sisters, and Paul & Timothy
Date: Begins Sunday, September 8

Time: 4:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.

Location: Dive In (330), Soul Sisters (Mainstage),

Paul & Timothy (350)

Details: Students will learn about creating and

maintaining a deeper relationship with God through small groups or one-on-one

mentorship.

Contact: Alvson Davidson, 972-276-7194, x284, or

alysond@fbcgarland.org

"See You at the Pole" 2024

Students in Grades 6-12

Date: Wednesday, September 25

Time: Check with your campus for a meeting time
Location: Around the flagpole at your school or home
SYATP is a prayer rally where students meet at

the school flag pole before school to pray for one another, your school, community, country, and the world. T-shirts are \$12 and available for

purchase by visiting **fbcgarland.org/students**.

Contact: Alyson Davidson, 972-276-5273, x284, or

alysond@fbcgarland.org

Save Your Pennies!

In October, we will share the gospel through Kid's Activity Club at local apartments. One of the planned activities uses pennies, so we need your help collecting them. Please bring your pennies to the Welcome Center during the month of September. Thank you! Contact Teresa Brown, 972-276-7194, x288, or teresab@fbcgarland.org

Fall Adult Discipleship Classes

Date: Begins Sunday, September 8

Time: 4:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.

Details: We are offering two classes for adults on

Sunday afternoons. DivorceCare, and The Prodigal Ministry. For details and to register visit tbcgarland.org/fall-2024-adult-disci

pleship-classes.

Contact: Cathy Gharis, 972-276-7194, x236, or

cathyg@fbcgarland.org

FBCG Orchestra Is Tuning Up

Date: Tuesdays, beginning September 10

Time: 6:30 p.m.–8:00 p.m.

Location: Sanctuary

Details: If you play an instrument, please consider

joining us. You'll have the time of your life!

Contact: Freida Bennett, 972-276-7194, x242, or

freidab@fbcgarland.org

Praise Singers Senior Adult Choir

How Can I Keep From Singing?

Date: Begins Monday, September 9

Time: 10:00 a.m. Location: Choir Room

Details: Come be a part of another exciting year of

singing, outings, and fun!

Contact: Freida Bennett, 972-276-7194, x242, or

freidab@fbcgarland.org

Rooted Young Adults

Kayak Crossing Outpost

Date: Saturday, September 21 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Location: 6917 Miller Rd., Rowlett, 75088

Details: Join us for kayaking/paddleboarding, followed

by lunch at Cane's. Cost is \$10. RSVP at

fbcgarland.org/young-adults

Contact: Dane Hernandez, 972-276-7194, x248, or

daneh@fbcgarland.org



GRACE Women's Ministry

Bible Studies & Ministries

Dates: Thursdays, September 12—November 21

Time: Bible Studies: 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., Refreshments & Prayer: 10:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., Ministries: 11:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m.

Location: McDonald Activity Center, 2nd floor

Details: The Bible Studies offered are *Ten Questions Christians are Asking* by David Jeremiah—led by Nancy Larkin, \$10.

Seamless by Angie Smith—led by Carol Duke, \$20. Sermon on the Mount by Jen Wilkin—led by Kimberly Knight, \$25.

The Ministries offered are Prayer Blankets, Yarn Crafters, Sonshine Ministry, & Take Care Ministry.

Details: Childcare is provided. For more information and to register online, visit **fbcgarland.org/grace**.

Contact: Sarah Ruth Arden, sarahrutha@fbcgarland.org

New Members:

New Members 8/4/24

Sunday School Ethan Godoy

Baptism Sadie Beal Carolann Day

Carolann Day Juliana Garfias Statement

Susanne Doversberger

New Members 8/11/24

Sunday School

Izzy Johnson Katie Johnson Natalie Johnson Ezeguiel Torres

Letter

Butch Kemper Jan Kemper Lacy Lane New Members 8/18/24

Letter

Greg McCormick Latonya McCormick Sheri Scoggin

New Members **8/25/24**

Sunday School

Alana Eldridge Addison Owens Courtney Owens Daniel Owens Zion Owens Baptism

Isaiah Luyeye

Letter
Ejaz Richard
Nusrat Richard
Rivkah Richard
Samuel Richard

Precept Study of 2 Thessalonians

Date: Begins Tuesday, September 10, or

Wednesday, September 11 Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m.

Time: Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m. Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m.

Location: McDonald Activity Center, Room 281

Cost: \$15 per person

Details: This coed class is led by Gay Ritchie and lasts

five weeks. Books can be purchased in the Church Office during the week or at the first class meeting.

Contact: Cathy Gharis, 972-276-7194, x236, or

cathyg@fbcgarland.org

Outdoor Fellowship Fishing & Dove Hunt

Date: Saturday, September 21

Time: Sunrise to sunset Location: Near Sulphur Springs

Details: Adults and youth age 10 and over are welcome to

participate. Visit **fbcgarland.org/mens-ministry** for additional information and to register and pay.

Contact: Cathy Gharis, 972-276-7194, x236, or

cathyg@fbcgarland.org

Brother Greg, Lisa, Camden, and First Baptist Church express sympathy to:

Belinda and Rob Benson; David Benson in the loss of Rob and David's mother. Dee Benson.

Karen and Jerry Peteet in the loss of Jerry's mother, Mary Booth.

Forrest Dillon in the loss of his mother, Jean Dillon.

The family and friends of Frances Medlin.

Deanna, Elisabeth, Michelle, Andrew, and Christian Cabal in the loss of Deanna's grandmother, Iris Piwetz.

Deanna, Elisabeth, Michelle, Andrew, and Christian Cabal in the loss of Deanna's father, James Piwetz.

GARLAND	8/4/24 Week 45	8/11/24 Week 46	8/18/24 Week 47	8/25/24 Week 48
Stewardship				
Annual Goal	\$6,500,000	\$6,500,000	\$6,500,000	\$6,500,000
Budget Req. TD	\$5,625,000	\$5,750,000	\$5,875,000	\$6,000,000
Given This Year	\$5,724,978	\$5,840,224	\$5,929,870	\$5,998,565

Mary Hill Davis Week of Prayer for Texas Missions

During the week of September 8–15, we encourage you to pray, promote, and support Texas Baptists ministries and missionaries who are serving and sharing the Gospel around the state and world. If you would like to read some of their stories, please visit cdn.txb.press/txbpress/wmu/MHDO-lmages-Files/06262024-Combined-Prayer-Guide.pdf or pick up a copy in the Welcome Center. To contribute to the Mary Hill Davis offering, you can give through the church offering or online at qive.txb.org/give/596752/#!/donation/checkout.

For questions, please contact Teresa Brown, 972-276-7194, x288, or teresab@fbcgarland.org.

Memory Support Group

Date: Monday, September 23

Time: 6:00 p.m. **Location:** Parlor

Details: Memory Support is a support and education

group to assist those who care for individuals affected by memory loss. This month we will take some time to share about how we are doing and

encourage one another.

Register: <u>fbcgarland.org/help-care</u>

Contact: Terri Carter, 972-276-7194, x239, or

terric@fbcgarland.org

FBCG Golf Tournament

Date: Monday, November 4

Time: 8:00 a.m.

Location: Firewheel Golf Park, Lakes Course

600 W Campbell Rd, Garland, 75044

Details: \$85 includes golf, breakfast, and lunch. Online

registration only.

Contact: Amber Bryant, 972-276-7194, x282, or

amberb@fbcgarland.org

CHURCH OFFICE, FRIENDSHIP HOUSE, AND MCDONALD ACTIVITY CENTER Closed September 2 for Labor Day

Visit us online at fbcgarland.org



