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DR. GREG AMMONS
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Women's Ministry Love of Life Luncheon

Date: Thursday, February 13

Time: 11:30 a.m.

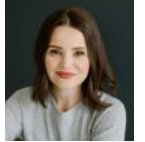
Location: Fellowship Hall

Cost: \$12

Details: Rebekah Hagan will share her powerful pro-life testimony, and Carolyn Cline will share how we can pray for and support the new downtown Garland Woman to Woman Health Center. Childcare is available for ages newborn—5 years.

Register: fbcgarland.org/womens-ministry

Contact: Sarah Ruth Arden, 469-429-2390, or sarahrutha@fbcgarland.org



Reality Apologetics Conference For Students in Grades 6–12

Date: February 21–22 (Not overnight)

Time: 4:30 p.m.–10:30 p.m. on Friday
and 7:30 a.m.–7:00 p.m. on Saturday

Location: Cottonwood Creek Church in Allen (We will travel by bus.)

Cost: \$65 (Dinner on Friday and breakfast and lunch on Saturday are provided.)

Details: At this year's Reality Student Apologetics Conference, we'll meet the challenges raised against God's Word. We'll answer the critics and respond to the attacks. We'll build a foundation for why we can trust the Bible. The confidence of Jesus can be ours as we respond to the world's challenges when we declare, "It Is Written."

Register: Registration is limited to the first 50 students who register. The last day to register is February 16. Please visit fbcgarland.org/students to register.

Contact: Alyson Davidson, 972-276-7194, x284, or alysond@fbcgarland.org



Mark Your Calendar

The Annie Armstrong Week of Prayer and Easter Offering is Sunday, March 2, through Sunday, March 9. See next month's issue of the *Connect* for the link to the North American Mission Board prayer guide and ways to give.

Volunteer Now for VBS!

Date: Monday, June 9, through
Thursday, June 12

Time: 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

Location: FBC Garland

Details: We are so excited to come together for another great week of VBS. If you are interested in serving as a volunteer, you may sign up beginning March 2 at fbcgarland.org/vbs. We look forward to you joining us for a fun week of VBS and Family Night on Thursday, June 12.

Contact: Sarah Wyatt, 469-429-2576, or sarahw@fbcgarland.org



Men's Ministry Prayer Breakfast

Date: Saturday, February 8
Time: Doors open at 9:00 a.m.
Location: Granger Rec Center, 1310 W Ave F, Garland
Details: Hear Nathan Calderon speak on discipleship and enjoy a free light breakfast. Bring a friend.
Register: fbcgarland.org/mens-ministry
Contact: Cathy Gharis, 972-276-7194, x236, or cathyg@fbcgarland.org



Rooted Young Adults Worship Night

Date: Friday, February 7
Time: 6:30 p.m.–7:30 p.m.
Location: Room 350
Details: A powerful and uplifting evening at our Young Adults UpperRoom Worship Night! Bring a friend.
Contact: Dane Hernandez, 972-276-7194, x248, or daneh@fbcgarland.org

Rooted Young Adults Football Watching Party

Date: Sunday, February 9
Time: 5:30 p.m.–9:30 p.m.
Location: Room 350
Details: Bring a dessert or appetizer. Prizes awarded for best tasting and best looking food!
Contact: Dane Hernandez, 972-276-7194, x248, or daneh@fbcgarland.org



Pacesetters

Date: Monday, February 17
Time: 11:30 a.m. (12:15 p.m. online)
Location: MAC Fellowship Hall
Details: We welcome Vickie Miller back to our stage. Her beautiful voice and sweet spirit make her a favorite among the Pacesetters crowd. Chef Greg will provide lunch, and you may bring a dessert to share. If you can't join us in person, we invite you to watch online at fbcgarland.org/watch-live.
Contact: Terri Carter, 972-276-7194, x239, or terric@fbcgarland.org



High School Spring Break Mission Trip For Students in Grades 9–12

Date: March 15–19
Cost: \$125 (includes lodging, meals, and transportation)
Location: Rio Grande Valley
Register: fbcgarland.org/students
Register by Sunday, February 23.
Contact: Alyson Davidson, 972-276-7194, x284, or alysond@fbcgarland.org

GriefShare

Date: Beginning Sunday, February 2
Time: 2:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m.
Location: Parlor and on Zoom (**Contact Terri for link**)
Details: It may be hard for you to feel optimistic about the future right now. If you have lost a loved one, we are here to walk with you through this difficult time. Join us for this weekly study.
Register: fbcgarland.org/griefshare
Contact: Terri Carter, 972-276-7194, x239, or terric@fbcgarland.org

Memory Support Group

Date: Monday, February 24
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Location: Parlor
Details: A support and education group to assist those who care for individuals affected by memory loss. David Adams with Senior Care Authority, will share how to make difficult decisions about the best care for our loved ones. The topic will be "Loving When the Going Gets Rough."
Register: fbcgarland.org/help-care
Contact: Terri Carter, 972-276-7194, x239, or terric@fbcgarland.org



Apply for College Scholarships

Date: Applications are now being accepted
Details: If you are a class of 2025 graduating senior or currently attending college, you may apply to receive scholarship money through our church for the 2025-2026 school year. In order to be considered by the Scholarship Committee, you must be a church member of FBC Garland. **The deadline to apply for a scholarship is Sunday, March 23. There will be no exceptions to the application deadline.** The Scholarship Committee will meet in April to consider all applications.
Apply: fbcgarland.org/college-scholarships
Contact: Alyson Davidson, 972-276-7194, x284, or alysond@fbcgarland.org



I Corinthians 13:7

“Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.”

New Members

Congratulations

New Members

12/22/24

Letter

Janice Tonroy
Larry Tonroy

New Members

12/29/24

No new members

New Members

1/5/25

No new members

New Members

1/12/25

Sunday School

RoseMary Rojo
Monica Saldana

New Members

1/19/25

Sunday School

Alejandra Campa
Ernesto Lopez
Rita Lopez
Lexy Lopez
Mia Lopez

New Members

1/26/25

Sunday School

Ted Williams
Brenda Williams
Adrian Olivarez
Emily Olivarez
Grayson Olivarez

Jessica and Cameron Ackerman on the birth of their son, Arthur Thanh Ackerman. Grandparents are Rose and David Ackerman.

Melissa and James Jennings on the birth of their granddaughter, Lora Lynn Chadwell.

Trisha and Gary Beavers on the birth of their grandson, Teddy Banks Beavers.

Upward Soccer

For Boys and Girls in Grades K-8

Date:

March 24-May 17

Location:

Bob Couch Sports Complex

Details:

Volunteer coaches & referees are also needed. Fill out volunteer interest form online if you would like to volunteer.

Register:

fbcgarland.org/about-upward-sports

Contact:

Amber Bryant, 972-276-7194, x282, or amberb@fbcgarland.org




Friendship House: Tom Thumb Good Neighbor Program

Some of our church family have generously linked their Tom Thumb rewards cards to Friendship House so that we receive a percentage of each purchase made. To link your rewards account and participate in this wonderful program, please speak to Tom Thumb's customer service and give them our ID number of 7184. *Thanks!*

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

Pam and Ron Hunt in the loss of Ron's mother, Mary Hunt.

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Stewardship						
Annual Goal	\$6,752,000	\$6,752,000	\$6,752,000	\$6,752,000	\$6,752,000	\$6,752,000
Budget Req. TD	\$1,558,154	\$1,688,000	\$1,817,846	\$1,947,692	\$2,077,538	\$2,207,385
Given This Year	\$1,588,301	\$1,750,199	\$1,916,144	\$2,001,308	\$2,087,957	\$2,187,041