



Life in the *Family*

*1 Thessalonians 5*

Sunday, November 17, 2024

**Dr. Greg Ammons, Senior Pastor**

Mark Hill, Associate Pastor,  
Minister of Music and Worship



# Orders of Worship

## 8:45 a.m. TRADITIONAL

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC ..... Jerry Stephens  
PRELUDE – “Carillon de Westminster” ..... Richard Ponder  
“O Worship the King”  
“Oh, How I Love Jesus”  
WELCOME AND PRAYER ..... Dr. Greg Ammons, Senior Pastor  
SCRIPTURE READING – Psalm 104: 33-34 ..... Sophie Hernandez  
“I’ll Sing” ..... Sanctuary Choir  
Eddie Fletcher, trumpet  
“I Will Sing the Wondrous Story”  
“He Is Lord”  
PRAYER ..... Jack Schmid, Minister to Senior Adults  
MESSAGE ..... Pastor  
Accompanists ..... Richard Ponder, Organ; Georgia Kornegay, Piano

## 11:15 a.m. CONTEMPORARY BLEND

WELCOME AND PRAYER ..... Pastor  
“House of the Lord”  
“Love of God”  
“Hymn of Heaven”  
PRAYER ..... Camden Ammons  
“Still Waters”  
MESSAGE ..... Pastor

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### First Family Christmas

Presented by the Music Ministry of FBC Garland

Date: Sunday, December 8

Time: 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Location: Worship Center

Details: Join us as we celebrate the birth of our Savior with our Sanctuary Choir, Orchestra, Children’s Choirs, Youth Choirs, Spanish-language Choir, and *Living Sacrifice* Ensemble.

Register: Visit [fbcgarland.org/music](http://fbcgarland.org/music) to register for a performance and see details.

Contact: Tamara Palmer, 972-276-7194, x241, or [tamarap@fbcgarland.org](mailto:tamarap@fbcgarland.org)



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### Welcome, Guests! We’d Like To Hear From You.

Please stop by the Welcome Center to pick up a gift from FBCG.  
Let us know about your visit by scanning the QR code at  
right or texting “connect2us” to 77411.



**Financial Giving Since New Fiscal Year  
Through Week 6**

Budget Required .....	\$779,077
Budget Received .....	\$787,350
Legacy Offering Received To Date .....	\$5,170,142

**New Deacon Candidates for 2025**

This year's Deacon candidates are Lenin Aguilar, Hieu Doan, Joshua Ezagui, Ivan Fernandez, Omar Garica, Corky Hall, Keith Montgomery, and Billy Ray Vaughan. To read detailed introductions for each of these church members, please visit [fbcgarland.org/deacons](http://fbcgarland.org/deacons). Join us for an ordination service and reception on Sunday, November 17, at 6 p.m.

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**Week of Prayer For International Missions  
and Lottie Moon Offering**



**Sunday, December 1 through Sunday, December 8**, we will have a week of prayer to prepare our hearts to give to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Daily mission stories are located on our website at [fbcgarland.org/missions](http://fbcgarland.org/missions), which will have a specific emphasis about International Missions, and the work being done through the International Mission Board. If you would like to make an offering, please designate it on your envelope or online for **Lottie Moon** at [fbcgarland.org/giving](http://fbcgarland.org/giving). 100% of the offering is used to support missionaries. Read more about the IMB and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering at [imb.org/pray/week-of-prayer/](http://imb.org/pray/week-of-prayer/). For questions, contact Teresa Brown, 972-276-7194, x288, or [teresab@fbcgarland.org](mailto:teresab@fbcgarland.org).

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**Operation Christmas Child Packing Party**



**Date:** Saturday, November 23  
**Time:** 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.  
**Location:** MAC Gym

Come and pack a shoebox ... or several. This is a family-friendly mission project, so all are welcome. If you packed a shoebox on your own, please return it to the Church Office by noon on Friday, November 22, or bring to the packing party for shipping.

**Donate:** To make an online donation, visit [fbcgarland.org/missions](http://fbcgarland.org/missions)  
**Contact:** Teresa Brown, 972-276-7194, x288, or [teresab@fbcgarland.org](mailto:teresab@fbcgarland.org)

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**Surviving the Holidays**

**Special GriefShare Seminar**

**Date:** Sunday, December 1  
**Time:** 2 p.m.–4 p.m.  
**Location:** Parlor and on Zoom (**Contact Terri for details**)

**Details:** Are you grieving or know someone who is? When grieving a loved one's death, the holiday season can be especially painful. If this is where you find yourself this Christmas, join us for our "Surviving the Holidays" seminar. Participants learn how to prepare for the holidays and even discover hope for the future.

**Contact:** Terri Carter, 972-276-7194, x239, or [terric@fbcgarland.org](mailto:terric@fbcgarland.org)

## Show Appreciation to the FBCG Staff!

Would you like to express your thanks and appreciation for our church staff? The Personnel Committee invites you to contribute cash (suggested), gift cards (up to \$25), or checks (made out to FBC Garland) to be given out at the FBCG Staff Christmas party in early December. Gifts may be given online at [fbcgarland.org/staff-gift](http://fbcgarland.org/staff-gift), mailed to the church, or dropped off at the Church Office during the month of November. (Please designate that gifts are for the Staff Christmas Party.) If you have any questions, please contact Larry Allen, Personnel Committee Chair at [318titus@gmail.com](mailto:318titus@gmail.com).

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## Women's Christmas Luncheon & Vendor Alley

**Date:** Thursday, December 5  
**Time:** 11:30 a.m.  
**Location:** Fellowship Hall  
**Cost:** \$12  
**Details:** Dr. Sue Edwards will give a message entitled, "Oust Christmas Angst: Rest in God's Shadowed Shelter."  
**Register:** [fbcgarland.org/womens-ministry](http://fbcgarland.org/womens-ministry) The deadline is December 2 at noon. Childcare is available for children ages newborn–5 years.  
**Shopping:** Visit our Vendor Alley beginning at 10:30 a.m. to shop in the MAC lobby before and after the luncheon. Items available include handmade jewelry, ornaments, baked goods, embroidery, and much more.  
**Contact:** If you are interested in decorating a table for the luncheon or have any questions, contact Sarah Ruth Arden, [sarahrutha@fbcgarland.org](mailto:sarahrutha@fbcgarland.org).



## October Parent's Night Out

**Date:** Friday, December 6  
**Time:** 6:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.  
**Location:** Preschool Ministry (first floor of Main Building)  
**Cost:** \$5 per child/\$20 family maximum  
**Details:** For children ages 3 months–Grade 5. *Pizza and snacks will be provided.*  
**Register:** [fbcgarland.org/children](http://fbcgarland.org/children) The deadline to register is Sunday, December 1.  
**Contact:** Denise Morris, 972-276-7194, x270, or [denisem@fbcgarland.org](mailto:denisem@fbcgarland.org)



## Jack E. Schmid Institute Spring Semester

**Date:** Tuesdays, beginning January 21, 2025  
**Time:** 6:30 p.m.  
**Cost:** \$200/semester  
**Details:** Perhaps you've wondered if God has a special ministry calling for you. Regardless of your age, younger or older, you are invited and encouraged to enroll in The Institute. We will help you decide what special vocational work God may have for you if help is needed. To apply for the Jack E. Schmid Institute, please scan the QR code. The application deadline is Tuesday, January 7.  
**Contact:** Shannon Fears, 972-276-7194, x225, or [shannonf@fbcgarland.org](mailto:shannonf@fbcgarland.org)



**THANK YOU**  
For Worshipping With Us Today

## Wednesday Bible Study 6:15 p.m. in the Worship Center

Join us as Senior Pastor Dr. Greg Ammons teaches verse by verse through the fascinating book of 1 Corinthians to show us a more excellent way to live. You may also watch online at [fbcgarland.org/watch](http://fbcgarland.org/watch).



## Wednesday Evening Fellowship Supper

Order/pay online between Thursday morning and the following Wednesday at noon. Dine in or carry out at the McDonald Activity Center, 5:00 p.m.–5:45 p.m.

[fbcgarland.org/fellowship-supper](http://fbcgarland.org/fellowship-supper)

## Pacesetters

**Date:** Monday, November 18

**Time:** 11:30 a.m. (12:15 p.m. online)

**Location:** MAC Fellowship Hall

**Details:** We welcome Pastor Mark Hill and friends to our stage. Their talent and contagious joy always provide a very entertaining experience. 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](http://fbcgarland.org/watch-live).

**Contact:** Terri Carter, 972-276-7194, x239, or [terric@fbcgarland.org](mailto:terric@fbcgarland.org)

## Ukrainian Refugee Christmas

This December, members of the First Baptist Church will travel to Poland and Czechia to present Christmas gifts to more than 850 Ukrainian refugee orphans and children. Your donation of \$20 will bring Christmas to one child. You may give by check or online at [fbcgarland.org/giving](http://fbcgarland.org/giving). If giving by check, please write *Ukrainian Refugee Ministry* in the memo area. If donating online, type *Ukrainian Refugee Ministry* in the Other (optional) space. *Thank you for your support!*

## DiscipleNow Weekend For Students in Grades 6–12

**Date:** January 17–19, 2025

**Time:** 6:00 p.m. on Friday–12:30 p.m. on Sunday

**Location:** First Baptist Garland & Host Homes

**Cost:** \$85

**Details:** A weekend filled with worship, Bible study, service projects, and hanging out with your brothers and sisters in Christ.

**Register:** Visit [fbcgarland.org/students](http://fbcgarland.org/students)

**Contact:** Alyson Davidson, 972-276-7194, x284, or [alysond@fbcgarland.org](mailto:alysond@fbcgarland.org)



## 5 EASY WAYS TO GIVE

**OFFERING PLATE** Offering plates available with our ushers at exits each Sunday

**WEBSITE** [fbcgarland.org/giving](http://fbcgarland.org/giving)

**CHURCH APP** Search for "fbc garland" in the Apple Store/Google Play

**TEXT** fbcgarland to 833-360-7243

**MAIL** Attn: Business Office  
801 W Ave D, Garland, TX 75040

## PRAYER REQUESTS

For membership or spiritual decisions, please text "decision" to 77411 or "pray4me" for prayer.

# Sermon Notes

Dr. Greg Ammons, Senior Pastor

*Please silence electronic devices.*

## Life in the Family

### Attitudes

1 Thessalonians 5:15–18 (ESV)

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### 1 Thessalonians 5:15–18

<sup>15</sup> See that no one repays anyone evil for evil, but always seek to do good to one another and to everyone. <sup>16</sup> Rejoice always, <sup>17</sup> pray without ceasing, <sup>18</sup> give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

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*Today's flowers are given in loving memory of*

**Paul Murphy**

*in celebration of his 87<sup>th</sup> birthday*

*by Brenda and Joshua Murphy*