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Honoring Faithful Service



Each year on Veterans Day, we pause to give thanks for the men and women who have served our country with courage, sacrifice and devotion. Their willingness to defend freedom reminds us that service often comes with great cost.

As Christians, we are called to honor those who serve and to pray for veterans, active-duty military members and their families. We also remember that true peace comes from God, who is our refuge and strength.

May this day lead us to gratitude, prayer and renewed commitment to serve others with humility, courage and love.

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The Scroll

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To worship God, love others, and share Jesus.

November 2026



Into the Amazon
with Shoebox Gifts and the Gospel

In the jungles of Peru about 100 miles from the closest town, Operation Christmas Child hosted the first of many outreach events for the children of a community rife with alcohol abuse and ancestor worship. Known as the Chapra, this ethnic group lives isolated from the outside world.

Chapra boys and girls riveted their attention on the colorful posters Samaritan's Purse had brought on the weeklong journey upriver to illustrate the Gospel of Jesus Christ—a message that had only recently reached their region. The team surprised each child with their own shoebox full of toys and other fun items as well as *The Greatest Gift* Gospel booklet—the first printed resource in their language.

A Chapra father and son, Masorashi and Moises, had recently learned about Jesus Christ through a missionary. Giving their hearts to the Lord, they wanted the 31 Chapra communities around them to have that same life-changing hope. Masorashi began pastoring, but his message started to multiply exponentially when Operation Christmas Child helped him produce a Gospel resource in his own language!

One Chapra mother said the Gospel booklet helped her daughter, Kati, share the Good News with others. "She tells her friends about Jesus," the mother said.

In less than a week, Operation Christmas Child hosted 15 events in 12 Chapra communities. As a result, 1,058 children received a shoebox gift and a copy of *The Greatest Gift* in their own language. Follow-up discipleship lessons for the boys and girls are now being held in these communities.

"Having the opportunity to have the booklet *The Greatest Gift* translated into their language is something that is incredible," said a missionary partner of Operation Christmas Child who helped with the translation. "It's something that will transcend generations."

For more of the Chapra story, scan or visit **samaritanpurse.org/occ-peru**



Filled OCC Shoeboxes are due back to the church by Sunday, November 15!

Student Ministry

Hey y'all! Thank you for the continued support for our Student Ministry! I have been going back to one particular verse over the past few weeks, **Romans 8:11: "The spirit of God, who raised Jesus from the dead, lives in you. And just as God raised Christ Jesus from the dead, he will give life to your mortal bodies by the same spirit living within you."** As we look at this piece of scripture, I am reminded that we serve the same God yesterday, today, and forever. Our God doesn't change.

God bless y'all!
Dustin Aspinwall
Student Ministry Director

Dear First Baptist Family,

We are so grateful that God led us to this body of believers. Your outpouring of love during the passing of Wiley's mom was overwhelming. We love you all.

Wiley & Kim Norris

Thank You

Announcements

Connect

Connect will meet on **Sunday, November 1**, at 6:00 pm. The location will be determined. Join us as we eat and fellowship with one another. Childcare will be available in the Fellowship Hall, so we'll see you there.

New Men's Discipleship Group



We have a new Men's Discipleship Group that will begin meeting this **Wednesday, November 4**, at 6:15 pm. Mr. Lewis Banks will be leading the group. All adult men are welcome to join. We will meet in the Life Support Room behind the Fellowship Hall.

Churchwide Covered-Dish Thanksgiving Dinner



Our churchwide covered-dish Thanksgiving Dinner will be on **Wednesday, November 18**, at 6:00 pm. The church will provide the meat. We ask that you bring the sides and desserts. Come and share in this wonderful time of fellowship with our church family.

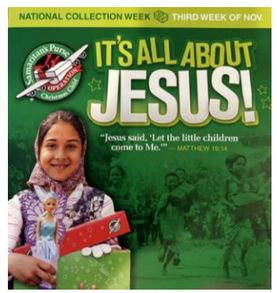
Food Box Ministry

The Food Box Ministry helps so many people in the community who need food, but they also have their souls fed with a devotion. Come and help out if you're available. Our next Food Box Ministry event is **Thursday, November 19**, at 1:30 pm.

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes Due

Operation Christmas Child is upon us once again! Shoeboxes are available throughout the church in various displays. Collection week is **November 16th–23rd** nationwide. All filled shoeboxes must be returned to the church **no later than Sunday, November 15**. Labels and other materials will be inside the boxes.

Helpful Notes:



- The ***How to Pack a Shoebox*** brochure is located inside the boxes. An envelope is attached to place your $10 donation per box. You may also mail the donation if you prefer. Be sure to read the "non-allowed items."
- **Do not tape the box!** You may place a rubber band around the box. The Processing Center must be able to open every box to get the donations out and to inspect them for "non-allowed" items.
- **Do not mark on the QR code on the label.** You may scan it to get instructions on how to pay online or **build a box online**.
- **Please return your boxes on time.** They will be taken to the collection center in Americus early on Tuesday, November 24th.
- If you prefer to build a box online, instructions are in the brochure. You can also **Follow Your Box**. Scan the QR code on the label for instructions to pay and/or follow your box.

Please see Fran Barry for questions you may have.

Terrell County Community Thanksgiving Service



The Terrell County Community Thanksgiving Service will be held on **Sunday, November 22**, at 6:00 pm. The church hosting the service will be announced soon. Come join us as our area churches worship and give thanks to the Lord together.

Thanksgiving Holiday Schedule

November 2026		
Tuesday	**Wednesday**	**Thursday**
24 **No Senior Adult Bible Study**	**25** **Office Closed** **No Evening Activities**	**26** **Thanksgiving Day - Office Closed**



The Scroll Deadline for December

If you have an article or addition for The Scroll newsletter for December, it is due to the church office by **Monday, November 16**. Putting things in The Scroll is a great way to get news, updates, announcements, and other information that is pertinent to the church body out to them. Feel free to take advantage of this important communication tool.

NOVEMBER 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Daylight Saving Time Ends Connect 6:00 pm	2	3	4 **Supper Menu:** Baked Chicken, Rice, Steamed Broccoli, Rolls, & Dessert	5	6 Kathy Phillips	7 Beck Maloney Currie Spoon
8 Veterans Day Service AM Will Barfield	9 Deacons Meeting 5:30 pm	10 Dianne Burroughs Landon Davis Phill Ingram Mickie Kennedy	11 Veterans Day **Supper Menu:** Country Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, & Dessert	12 Carole Davis	13 thank you Jesus	14
15 Business Meeting **OCC Shoeboxes Due Today**	16 *The Scroll* Deadline Lee Geer	17	18 Churchwide Thanksgiving Covered-Dish Dinner 6:00 pm	19 Food Box Ministry 1:30 pm	20 Drew Davis Teensie Roberts	21 Youth Fall Retreat to Gatlinburg, TN Sue Bryant
22 Youth Fall Retreat **Terrell Co. Community Thanksgiving Svc. 6 pm** Dan Boyd	23 Youth Fall Retreat	24 Youth Fall Retreat Ed Collier Louise Darley	25 Office Closed **No Evening Activities** Beth Collier	26 Happy Thanksgiving Office Closed	27	28 David Bell
29	30	*God is faithful in every season.*				

CHURCH EVENTS

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