

As you read this, Christmas is only about 50 days away! It's usually a hectic time with so much going on, but according to what I have read, the native Americans in the Taos, NM area have found a way to make it a peaceful season. On their pueblo, from Dec.15 to Jan.15, they observe "The time of being still." Instead of a time of hustle and bustle, they slow down and practice some extra quiet and peace.

Hey FBCA folks! Maybe you don't need to wait until Dec.15 to slow down, spend some time with the Lord, your church family, and your relatives, and seek some extra quiet and peace. Do it now! It might mean setting the phone aside, turning the TV off, or saying "no" to some extra activities.

As we travel through November, join us each Sunday as we consider how "Blessed!" we are and as we praise Him for His blessings. Ps.35:18 says, *I will thank You in the great congregation; in the mighty throng I will praise You.* Come join with us and do that! Hey, bring somebody with you to church each of the 4 Sundays this month and introduce the Lord to them.

Start your week of Thanksgiving off right with our Church-wide Thanksgiving Lunch on Sunday, Nov.19 immediately following our morning worship service. Watch & listen for more details in the next 2 weeks! If "thanks" is something to give, then "thankful" is something to be. Are you?

Pastor Wade



UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS

• Nov. 13-14 SBTC Meeting—Euless, TX

Nov. 18 Santa's Helpers Auction—AHS

• Nov. 19 Flannel Feast—Potluck Youth Dessert Auction

• Nov. 22 No Wed Night Activities

• Nov. 23-24 Church Office Closed

• Nov. 26 Church Decorating after service

FINANCIAL UPDATE:

(11/02/2023)

Current Checkbook Bal \$66,176.42
-Designated Funds Bal. \$10,036.81
-Repair Funds Bal. \$00.00

=Total Available Funds \$56,139.61

2023 Total Giving Received \$256,083.78
2023 Total Giving Needed \$299,497.95

The Funfest was a huge success! I would like to give a big 'Thank you' to ALL who contributed and helped execute the festivities for the event. I am immensely grateful. There was a great turn out. Over 250 people showed up throughout the whole event. Now we must continue to pray that those people who are not yet involved in church or who have not come to Christ, will come through our doors and find their place in God's Kingdom and our church.

- Kaitlyn Calhoon · Children's Director / Adult Educ.





















Help Wanted!!!!!

Do you have a want to work with youth?

Do you think you have the energy?

Are you a woman?

Then I have the perfect Job for you! The student ministry needs women (1 or 2) that are willing and wanting to pour into the young women of the church. We need someone who is strong with the Lord and wants to spend time with young people, mentor, and help grow them spiritually. I need YOUR help to provide spiritual guidance to the young women of this church.

Please email me at <u>aaran043f@live.com</u> to set up a meeting with me to start the process of sharing the word with the next generation!



Come join us on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM for a night jam-packed with FUN, incredible MUSIC, GAMES, SCRIPTURE MEMORY & MISSION MOMENTS!









SANTA'S HELPERS

FAJITA DINNER & AUCTION NOVEMBER 18 @ 5:00 PM \$10 FOR DINNER · LIVE AUCTION STARTS AT 6:30 PM ALVARADO HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA