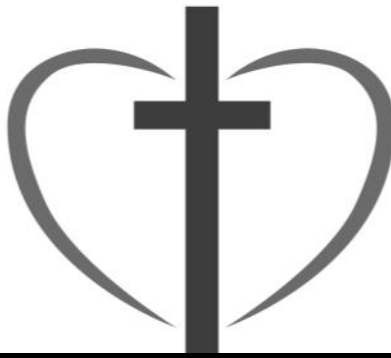


Temple Baptist Church



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For the past several months, Pastor John has been developing a sermon series on the Book of Philippians. I am excited to let you know that this new series will begin September 20. He and I will be sharing the preaching responsibilities through this series.

The new series is called “Separate but Connected” and will be focusing in on the struggle that Paul was experiencing while he wrote the letter to the church of Philippi. You see, this church was one of Paul’s most supportive churches during his missionary endeavors.

At the time this letter was written, Paul was in prison in the city of Rome. The Philippians had been a great encouragement to Paul, so Paul wrote this letter to be an encouragement to them. He encouraged them to continue to grow in their faith by practicing the virtues of love and service to others. He encouraged them to “press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus” (3:14).

In a time when real connections are difficult to maintain, our hope in this series is to help each of us to stay connected! We need to consistently do the work of staying connected to God through His Word. We need to stay connected to the church as a whole. And we need to endeavor to stay connected with one another as individuals.

We will be providing you with a tool to help

you stay connected to God and His Word. Three days each week (Tues, Thurs, & Sat), we want to encourage you to spend some time in the Book of Philippians for yourself. This is an opportunity for you to “Recharge in the Word” multiple times each week.

Each of these “Recharge” studies will include Bible reading and reflection (sometimes as a devotional

thought and sometimes as inductive questions). We will also encourage you to SOAP journal in each of these “Recharge” studies. Journaling your thoughts and insights about your study is a outstanding way to ensure growth in your daily walk with the Lord. That’s what Paul encouraged the believers in Philippi to do, and that is what we are encouraging you to do as well.



ENGAGING THE COMMUNITY



John O'Connor, Pastor of Community Engagement

Our new Community Groups are going to kick off this month. Be sure to sign up for a group either online or at the church. If you have any questions about the sign up, give us a call at the church office and we'll get you connected.

Connections are not so easy to come by these days. But God wants us to connect with Him and with each other. In Hebrews 10:24-25, the Bible says, "let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another..."

Community Groups are an excellent way to make this happen. Don't forget to join a group! Meetings will begin the week of September 13.

Another way that we want to help you stay connected is by a new church app called "Church by Ministry One." This is in association with our online giving company EasyTithe. Please feel free to search in your App Store for the app above. Inside the app, search for "Temple Baptist Rogers" and use your EasyTithe login to access it. You don't have to have an EasyTithe login to use the app—only if you would like to do online giving.



Senior Adult Ministry

Ron Fields, Pastor of Senior Adults and Care Ministries

Passwords! The younger generation seems to navigate them quite well. For we who are older it is a jungle! In our electronic world we need an iCloud password, an Apple password, a password for opening phone, computer, iPad.

My phone notified me that suspicious activity occurred on my email account, therefore my account was suspended. A new password was required. After six times in a one month period I came up with a password that has now survived for three months!

I lost my file containing passwords to strategic banking accounts and had to go through the ordeal of changing them.

Frustrating? Very. Aren't you glad access to our heavenly Father does not require memory calisthenics or extensive record-keeping?

Hebrews 9:12 "...by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us." Romans 5:2 "By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in the hope of the glory of God." Ephesians 3:12 "In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him."

Have you talked with the Father today?

The app will integrate your online giving with the ability to receive the "Recharge in the Word" devos via push notifications, get important announcements from the church, submit prayer requests for the staff and/or prayer chain, sign up for events and even watch past worship services.

Be watching social media for more information and links to download the app! We'll be rolling it out in the next week or so.

ASSOCIATION OF BAPTIST STUDENTS MINISTRY UPDATE



As you probably know, Bro. Warren Dugas retired from this ministry at the end of the school year last year after more than four decades of service. We are grateful for his faithfulness to this ministry all these years! The 2019-2020 school year was spent looking for the right man to “fill his shoes.”

We are pleased to inform you that the ABS Board of Directors has hired a new Ministry Team Leader for the U of A – ABS. Stuart Estes of Springdale has been chosen to lead this ministry into the future! Stuart and his wife, Hanna, are both recent graduates from the University of Arkansas and have served as youth leaders at Round Mountain Baptist Church in Fayetteville the last few years. It is exciting to hear how God has moved in hearts and circumstances to bring Stuart to desire this ministry opportunity as well as guide the board to hire him as the man for this unique missionary endeavor.

I hope you noticed the last two words of that paragraph—“missionary endeavor.” The student body at the university is made up of students from 38 states in the US and at least 47 countries around the world. We have an opportunity to reach all these geographic locations by impacting an individual student with the gospel of Jesus Christ. For this reason, the board is encouraging Bro Stuart to look at this ministry more as a missionary endeavor.

I am certain that each one reading this has felt the impact of the Coronavirus pandemic. This certainly holds true for the ABS ministry. Much of the funding for this ministry over the past several years has been generated through parking revenues from Razorback football and basketball games. This revenue slowed to a trickle last year because of poor performances and Covid-19. At this point, there is no guarantee that we will have any parking revenue.

For this reason—similar to what a missionary would do—Bro Stuart will be coming here on September 13 to share about this ministry. We will also take up an offering for the ministry. Please pray about how you can help.

SUNDAY MORNING CHILDREN’S MINISTRY

We are soooooo excited to let you know that starting next Sunday, September 13, we will be starting “KIDZ TIME” during the second worship service. Parents, you can start dropping off your kids at 10:10 each Sunday morning. You’ll need to go through the Health Screening at the main entrance first. Then you will be directed to the east breezeway door to drop off your



kids in the Education Building. Once services are over, the KIDZ TIME staff will bring the kids into the auditorium to meet up with their parents. Please rest assured that we are taking all necessary precautions for your child’s health and well-being. KIDZ TIME is for children ages 2 - 6th grade. The nursery will also be available for any who have children under 2 years old.

ORDINATION — Service —

You are cordially invited to witness/
participate in the ordination service for

Derrick Austin Bremer

Sunday, October 11th
at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.



- Sept 4 **BMA of the Ozarks**—Green Forest
- Sept 13 **UArk ABS Ministry Presentation**
 Stuart Estes, Min Team Leader
 Speaking in both services.
- Sept 13 **KIDZ TIME Begins**—10:30 AM
- Sept 13* **Sunday Community Groups:**
 Ron Simpson—East Rogers
 John/Laura O'Connor—Alpha
- Sept 16* **Wednesday Community Groups:**
 Tim Dabney—Temple Church
 Wade Allen—Central Rogers
- Sept 17* **Thursday Community Group:**
 Wade Allen—Zoom Online
- Sept 27 **Annual Business Meeting**
 4:00—5:00 PM
- Oct 11 **Ordination—Derrick Bremer**
 3:00 pm—Area Churches Invited

* This denotes the start date for weekly meetings.



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