

# NEWSLETTER MARCH 2020

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#### **SUNDAY**

7:00 - 8pm

9:30 am Sunday School 10:45 am Morning Worship 6:00 pm Evening Worship

#### WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

6:00 pm Meal, gym
6:20 - 8pm Bible Drills (1st - 6th grade), upstairs in gym
6:30 - 8pm YOUth (7th - 12th), youth building
7:00 - 8pm Nursery (Birth - 3 yrs), last room on left in nursery wing
7:00 - 8pm BLAST ( 3 yrs - K), 1st door on left in nursery wing

Adult Bible Study and Prayer, Golden Circle classroom

**Return Service Requested** 

#### A WORD FROM YOUR PASTOR

Hello everyone, and happy March!

By the time you are reading this I am hoping that we are enjoying some beautiful, warm, colorful spring weather! Also, we will officially be finished with our first ever FBC Kingdom Kickers Soccer League. I have had so much fun with our students during this time, I hope that you have as well. I want to say a special thank you to everyone that has worked hard making this year a success. To the coaches thank you for donating your time and effort each week, to the minglers (those who came to mingle with the parents) thank you for all that you did in making friends and contacts, to the silent donators God is not blind to everything that you have done, and finally to the prayer warriors thank you for lifting us up to the Lord for safety and for gospel seeds to be planted. To be honest, this has been something that I have wanted to see us do since I arrived here and seeing all of you work to make it a reality has been truly rewarding!

With that said I want to remind you of some of the things that we are going to be needing in the present and in the not so distant future. We are in need of nursery workers. We need people who can volunteer to keep watch on our little ones so that their parents can attend worship. We will be needing volunteers for V.B.S. If you have not done so already, make sure to sign up to help. If you have questions, call up to the office or meet with Melissa Hooks. God really does use things like V.B.S. to plant seeds in the hearts and minds of the students, so think of it not as an obligation but as a privilege to be part of Kingdom work here in Spurger!

I want to leave you a Scripture to ponder as we begin to move into the springtime to enjoy God's wonderful creation...

"To who then will you compare me, that I should be like him? Says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these? He who brings out their host (the stars) by number, calling them all by name; by the greatness of his might and because he is strong in power, not one is missing" (Isaiah 40:25-26 ESV)

Blessings, Bro. Cole

## E-giving now available

@ fbcspurger.org/give

## **Inspire Women's Conference**

March 06-07
East Texas Baptist Encampment, Newton

#### **Daylight Savings Time Begins**

Sunday, March 08
Don't forget to set your clocks ahead
1 hour on Saturday, March 07.

## Youth Camp BBQ Fundraiser

March 20-21

The youth ministry kindly requests donations of finances and beef briskets for the BBQ Fundraiser. If you would like to give toward the purchase of beef briskets, please mark your giving envelope "Youth Camp BBQ Fundraiser".

5th Sunday Singing and Fellowship Sunday, March 29, 6:00 p.m.

## The Telltale signs of Love from Br. Dustin White

At Hot Hearts this past month the speaker Ben Stuart presented a theme of the telltale signs of love, where he preached out of 1 John 4, and I would like to share those points with you.

The first telltale sign of love is a display of love that sends. Many of us who have pursued someone special in our lives, we understand this sign of love as gestures for our significant other. We send our love with flowers, cards or gifts to ones we are longing to care about. God has sent love in sending Jesus through his life, death and resurrection making a path to where we can have a loving relationship with God.

The second telltale sign of love is that love sacrifices. When we love someone then that someone is worth us sacrificing things for them. For many of us we will sacrifice the time we use to have all to ourselves. Before I met Jen, my wife, I was always on a golf course, ball field or basketball court. When Jen came into my life, I change my priorities of time where I was spending time with her and not nearly as much time in sports. God's sacrificed something much greater than our leisure time; he gave up His son Jesus so that we could come to God and have a personal relationship with God.

The third telltale sign of love is that loves stays. This sign of love is very evident within a marriage from my experience of what I seen in other marriages as well as my own. A marriage is made up of two imperfect people making a union before God, and since there are two imperfect people at play in this marriage then imperfections will pop up throughout the marriage. When these imperfections arises a love that will stay and work through all those issues is the love that will keep a marriage together, keep a home together. God stays with us despite all the brokenness we bring into our relationship with God. God loves you, God loves me, and God's love is a love that sends His affection, that sacrifices what he cares for and His love stays throughout all our brokenness.

#### Things to pray for

- · Wednesday Night Bible Study
- Camp Fuego 2020
- Mission Trip to Arlington, TX 2020
- Launch Retreat 2020

## March 2020

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
I Launch Retreat Sunday School 9:30 Morning Worship 10:45 Mission Team 5:00 Evening Worship 6:00 Young Adult Bible Study 7:00 home of Jennifer	2 Choir Practice 7:00 p.m.	3	Wednesday Night Ministries (see schedule above)	5	Inspire Women	7 Men's Breakfast 8:00 a.m. at Mt. Olivet n's Conference Newton
8 Daylight Savings Sunday School 9:30 Morning Worship 10:45 Youth Leadership 5:00 Evening Worship 6:00 Young Adult Bible Study 7:00 home of Jennifer	9 Choir Practice 7:00 p.m.	10	I I Wednesday Night Ministries	Deacon Meeting 6:00 p.m. Home of Jimmy Hanks	13	I4 Love Your Neighbor
Sunday School 9:30 Morning Worship 10:45 Finance Team 4:30 Business Meeting 5:00 Evening Worship 6:00 Young Adult Bible Study 7:00 home of Jennifer	16 Choir Practice 7:00 p.m.	17	18 Wednesday Night Ministries	19	20 Youth BBQ	2 I Fundraiser
Sunday School 9:30 Morning Worship 10:45 Evening Worship 6:00 Young Adult Bible Study 7:00 home of Jennifer	23 Choir Practice 7:00 p.m.	24	25 Wednesday Night Ministries	26	27	28
Sunday School 9:30 Morning Worship 10:45 Mission Arlington 5:00 5th Sunday Singing & Fellowship 6:00 Young Adult Bible Study 7:00 home of Jennifer	30  VBS Clinic @  Hillcrest, Jasper 6:00-8:30 p.m.  Choir Practice 7:00 p.m.	31				