

## Splash Day Is So Much Fun!!!



Getting wet and having fun: Cody Janson, Clayton Blount, and Jacob Cruz delight in the cool waters of the kiddie pools set up in Noel Plaza. *Splash Day* is just one of the many activities that makes our Mother's Day Out a success. Please turn to page 4 for pictures of more cute kids and information about another important outreach.



**Save The Date!**

**Saturday, August 8**

**5:00 p.m.**

**YOUTH MINISTRY  
REUNION**

**Celebrating  
Rev. Donnie Williams  
& 20 Years of  
Youth Ministry**

## Coming in August – Character Tour of the Old Testament



Terry Tamplen  
Senior Pastor

I am really looking forward to preaching a new series in August. It is a series based on the lives of several Old Testament Characters and Jesus. From them we will learn how to build character in our lives as well as instill Godly character in our children and others.

The Old Testament characters we will study are:

August 2—*Noah: A Portrait of Faith*

August 9—*Josiah: A Portrait of Influence*

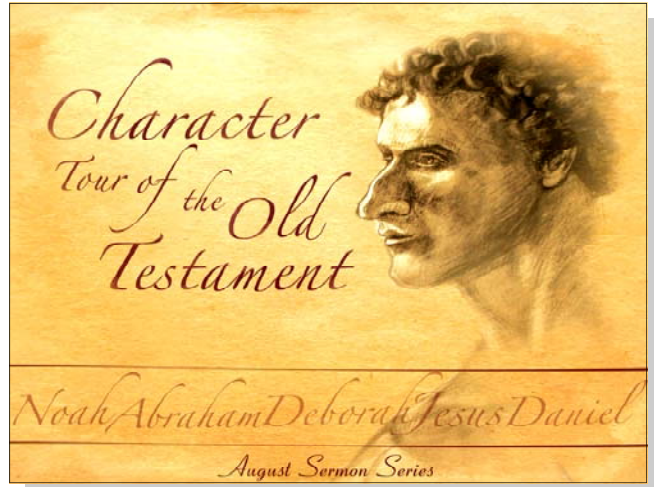
August 16—*Deborah: A Portrait of Courage*

August 23—*Abraham: A Portrait of Obedience*

August 30—*Daniel: A Portrait of Integrity*

September 6—Finally we will conclude this series over the Labor Day weekend with a look at the life of *Jesus: A Portrait of Servant Leadership*.

This is another great opportunity for us to practice our Elbow Evangelism – invite a friend, relative, associate or neighbor who does not have a church home to come with us for this series!



A new way to invite – We will soon be emailing everyone in our database an e-vite for this special sermon series. Once you receive it, you can forward it on to those as an invitation for them to join us for our **Character Tour of the Old Testament**.

Together we will move closer to the fulfillment of our vision to be a community that welcomes all people into life-changing relationships with God and others!

Terry



### SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED!

The Evangelism Committee is sponsoring a drive for school supplies for children in Odessa and Presidio. The boxes will be distributed to the Children's Clothes Closet, Food Pantry, Mission Messiah, and Presidio.

We need your help with the following supplies:

**1—Elmer's Washable School Glue 7 5/8 oz.**

**2—Elmer's Washable School Glue Sticks**

**2—Spiral Notebooks (70 count wide-ruled)**

**1—Medium Pink Beveled Eraser**

**1—5" Pointed Scissors**

**1—Filler Notebook Paper (200 count wide ruled)**

**6—#2 Yellow Pencils**

**1—School Supply Box**

**1—16 Count Crayons**

**1—Box of Kleenex**

**12" Ruler**

Bring the supplies with you when you come to church on July 26 and August 2 and leave them at the Welcome Center. The Evangelism Committee will box them up and get them ready to be delivered.



August 1  
Doris Baker

August 3  
Rene Baza  
Erin Scharlach

August 4  
Kevin Cicio  
Suzette Furst  
Bill Heggemeier  
Marlene Moss  
Quentin Overby

August 5  
Amy Dickerson

August 8  
Debbie Bailey  
Seth Tucker

August 9  
Buz Browning  
Michael Forrest  
J.B. Latimer  
Audrey Smith  
Brandyn Trainor

August 10  
Diane Lee

August 12  
Roberta Bacon  
W.S. Oats

August 13  
Dan Brazelton  
Shanna Flaherty  
Perry Grewell

August 14  
Tommy Hawkins  
Steven Meador

August 16  
Christine Findley  
Glen Larum

August 17  
Courtney Borchert  
John Standifer

August 18  
James Beard  
Kameryn Herron

August 19  
Shirley Abernethy  
Elizabeth Forsyth  
Reagan Latimer  
Camille Vincent

August 20  
Cayeleigh Drake  
Benton Overby

August 22  
Emily Scharlach  
Ric Vickery

August 23  
Clay Blount  
Dianne Jones  
Sally Holloway  
Joyce Trower

August 24  
Kim Wilkinson

August 25  
Colby Brazile

August 27  
Jennifer Blount  
Cindy Lewis  
Brett Talley

August 28  
Cyd Berry  
Paul Lucas  
Kris Riley

August 30  
Matthew Hansen  
Genie Miller  
Doris Rodolph  
Lura Sivalls

*With Sympathy to...*

... Betty Kay and Les King in the loss of Betty's mother, **Marjorie Butz**

... Evelyn Reynolds in the loss of her son, **Shane Graham**

... Jeanna, Jack, Ben and Sarah Lambert in the loss of Jeanna's father, **Dee Phillips**

... Michelle, Jeff & Denton Rea in the loss of Michelle's mother, **Karen Stevens**



**HONORARIA**

Choir Fund  
In honor of  
**Randy Talley**  
Given by  
Dorothy Simpson



Pre-Conference Mission Project Fund  
In honor of  
**Sue Wright**  
Given by  
Lynda & Bill Fowler



To the Memorial Fund  
In memory of  
**Louise Pipkin**  
Given by  
Corinne Costello

In memory of  
**Don Flowers**  
Given by:  
R. L. Brownlee  
Jane & Bill Bynum  
Shelby & Seth Flowers  
Caroline Ater Howard  
Gloria & LaDoyce Lambert

In memory of:  
**Rod Lambert**  
**Mary Lou McCoy**  
Given by  
Doris & John Mason

To the Youth Fund  
In memory of:  
**Ruff Ahders**  
**David Lee**  
Given by  
Doris & John Mason

To the Food Pantry  
In memory of  
**Marjorie Butz**  
Given by:  
Boosters SS Class  
Charles Clark  
Susan & Beth Barham

In memory of  
**Joe Burchfield**  
Given by  
Dorothy Simpson

To the Children's Clothes Closet  
In memory of  
**Don Flowers**  
Given by  
Georgene & Bob Miller

In memory of  
**Sallie Sue Young**  
Given by  
Fidelis SS Class

In memory of  
**Louise Pipkin**  
Given by  
Dorothy Simpson



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**Join Us This Sunday**

8:00 AM	Early Bible Class
9:00 AM	Traditional Worship —Sanctuary
10:00 AM	Sunday School, all ages
11:00 AM	Contemporary Worship —Fellowship Hall

First United Methodist Church, Odessa, Texas, founded in 1890, is a community of Christians who have pledged to support this church with their presence, their service, their gifts and their prayers. We dedicate ourselves to spreading God’s Word throughout our community and to providing meaningful worship experiences, fellowship, and opportunities to fulfill the teachings of Jesus Christ through a variety of ministries. As United Methodists, “our doors, our hearts and our minds are open to all those who seek God’s Grace.”

The *CULTIVATOR* is a bi-monthly publication whose exclusive purpose is to help FUMC-Odessa accomplish its Mission by communicating and “cultivating” the presence of Christ in the lives of this congregation.

**Join us for**  
*Life-Links*  
**Membership Class**  
**Sunday, July 26**  
**3:00 - 6:00 p.m.**  
(including meal)  
**Fellowship Hall**



Our 20- and 30-year-olds are hosting **Dinners of 8** throughout July and August. Couples and singles are encouraged to sign up for a night that works best for them. Our hope is that these dinners will help us to make new friends and enjoy an evening of dinner and fellowship together. If you would like to host one of the dinners, the church will provide a \$50 stipend to cover the food expenses.

**Dinners are at 6:30**  
Wed., July 22  
Sun., July 26  
Thurs., July 30  
Sun., August 2  
Wed., August 5  
Thurs., August 13  
Sun., August 16

**FUMC**  
**SOFTBALL**

**Come out & support our Co-ed Softball Team**  
*UTPB Softball Fields*

<b>Friday, July 24</b> 8:00 p.m.—Field 3 9:00 p.m.—Field 4	<b>Friday, July 31</b> 7:00 p.m.—Field 4 9:00 p.m.—Field 2
<b>Friday, August 14</b> 7:00 p.m.—Field 6 8:00 p.m.—Field 6	



To sign up for one of the nights, contact Christy at [christylewis@fumcodessa.org](mailto:christylewis@fumcodessa.org) or **337-1527**. There is a posting of the “Dinners of 8” schedule and host houses on the website [www.fumcodessa.org](http://www.fumcodessa.org) under the LIFE Together Ministry page.