



Pike Wisner
Senior Pastor

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Bible Study 9:30 am
Worship 8:15 & 10:45am

Church Office Hours
8:00 am-5:00 pm
Monday - Thursday

Communicator
www.fbctyler.org
DECEMBER 3,
2019

ENJOY THE WAIT?

We have almost forgotten how to wait. Almost everything is immediate – online transactions, using an app to order your fast food prior to showing up to avoid the wait, access to movies through our smart TV’s, curbside service from online grocery orders, text messaging so we don’t have to wait on someone to check emails, and so on.

THIS WEEK AT FBC

PREPARING THE WAY FOR CHRISTMAS

Waiting
Worshipping
Witnessing

With Pastor Pike
Wednesday Nights
December 4, 11, & 18
6:15pm - 4 East

And, when we do have to wait – it can feel agonizing. A traffic light that is just too long; being put on hold when trying to sort out (of all things) your phone bill; arriving at the hospital during “quiet hours” and being asked to be seated in the waiting room until visiting hours resume; and even not hearing back quickly enough from the text you just sent.

What about waiting on God? What about when we prayerfully ask for answers, for needs to be met, or for lives to be changed, and don’t receive a quick answer? Is His delay mean spirited or meaningful; is it hurtful or hopeful? Think of the child who is forced to wait for Christmas day and the anguish that they seem to experience... but oh the joy when the gift is opened!

Isaiah 40:31

...but they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength. ESV

...but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. NIV

Our sovereign Lord has joined together waiting and hoping. Perhaps we need to learn to wait so that we can gain new strength for what lies ahead. Perhaps, we can enjoy the wait.

Join me this Wednesday night as we consider how to prepare for Christmas, through waiting!



it's a *Belong*
Cookie EXCHANGE
AND SERVICE PROJECT

come join the First Baptist Women's Ministry's fun on Sunday, December 8th at the Student Life Center 3:00-4:30pm

Questions? Nicole Wright at Nicole.Wright@cweng.net

Children's PAJAMA & PIZZA PARTY

December 6th | 6:00-8:00pm | FBC Tyler Preschool Area and Rec Center
Birth - 5th Grade • Cost: \$5 per kid up to \$25 per family
Please RSVP by December 4th at www.fbctyler.org/events



TWW Updated Reporting

**Total Goal
\$4.2 Million**

**Total Gifts Received
\$1,533,454.00**

**Total Pledges Outstanding
\$718,487.72**

**Total Pledges and Gifts
\$2,504,086.79**

DECEMBER 1, 2019

**Bible Study Attendance
446**

2019 Budget Giving

**YTD Budget
\$ 1,776,644.00**

**YTD Received
\$1,567,056.87**

**New Together We Worship
Offering Envelopes
Available this Sunday!**

COMING UP...

Noel
A Musical Worship Experience
Come and See What God Has Done
12.15.19
8:15 & 10:45 Services

christmas eve
Candlelight Service
DECEMBER 24, 2019 | 4:00PM & 6:00PM



Margaret Berzas



Gail Morgan



Wendell Cavett



Edie Feliciano

NEW MEMBERS

NAME _____

AMOUNT _____

PAYMENT ON PLEDGE

ONE-TIME GIFT

IN HONOR OF: _____

IN MEMORY OF: _____

