Gary Ellis Retirement Dinner Tonight

After 50 years in ministry and 20 years at EFBC, Gary Ellis is retiring today as the Associate Pastor / Minister of Administration. Before taking his role as Church Administrator, he was the Minister of Education. Gary’s stated goal at EFBC has been to assist us in fulfilling our God-given vision, and he has done so with excellence. His life is a testimony to God’s faithfulness and how we should reflect that same faithfulness to everyone around us. Words that best describe Gary are: blessed, leader, thoughtful, resourceful, organized, and a good sense of humor. To our church staff and membership, he is also our encourager, teacher, and friend. Remember in prayer Gary, his wife Linda, and his entire family as they celebrate this milestone and look forward to how he will serve God in the days ahead.

Celebrate Freedom on July 4

EFBC will be dedicating a new memorial flag plaza at 11:00 AM along with hosting a Community Wide Picnic on the Grounds. Enjoy bounce houses, slip-n-slide, extreme wet obstacle course, dunk tank, ice cold watermelon, hot dogs, drinks, popcorn, cotton candy, and more.

CONNECTING to CHRIST: CROSS Outreach

EFBC’s summer semester of CROSS Outreach begins on Sunday, June 7. We will meet at 5:00 PM in Fellowship Hall.

What is CROSS Outreach? CROSS Outreach is how we fulfill the first part of our vision . . . Connecting people to Christ. Remember when you have good news, you tell everyone around you. Help us go out and give a ‘thank you for visiting’ with the guests who have visited Edmond’s First Baptist Church in worship or a church plant. When you have good news, you tell everyone around you. Help us go out and give a ‘thank you for visiting’ with the guests who have visited Edmond’s First Baptist Church in worship or a church plant. Remember this great event, which has reached hundreds of the world. Join us in praying for multiplication!

Wednesday Evenings for the Entire Family

Wednesday evenings offer a multitude of opportunities for the entire family from 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM. TOPICS are Bible studies designed to provide relevant, practical answers to questions about God and the Christian life. For more detailed information and video promos, visit FBCedmond.org/topics.

TOPICS Classes for this Wednesday, June 3

- Book of Colossians: Living Complete in Christ
  Pastor Blake is leading a series on the Book of Colossians. Learn great insights from this New Testament Letter by Paul. Meet in Fellowship Hall.

- NEW eFBCWOMEN: The Best Yes
  This study will help you be more equipped to discern the best “yes” answers for your life. Join Debbie Frank in Room C108.

- What Do I Say?
  This eight-session summer study will teach us how to engage different world views in meaningful discussions that can challenge their false assumptions and dispel Bible misconceptions. Join Clint Roberts in W103.

- Explore the Bible: The Truth Presented
  From 1 John, no one can have true fellowship with God the Father and His church without also acknowledging His incarnate Son. Join Jerry Miller in Conference Room A201.

- Life on Mission
  This five-session study is a rich but simple guide that will help lead everyday missionaries (electricians, lawyers, church planters, students, etc.) to an effective ministry within one’s own community. Join Billy Fuller in W106. Book cost $9 (optional).

- 33: The Series ... A Man and His Traps
  Beginning June 24, this study introduces a framework and a process that will help men understand what lies behind the manhood traps and beneath the heart idols that can distract them from the truth and the power of the Gospel. Join Craig Ishner in W105. Training book is $15.

Special Church Wide TOPICS on July 1

On Wednesday, July 1, all students and adults will meet in Fellowship Hall with Pastor Blake Gideon for a time of church wide prayer.

CONNECT to God - Pray: We cannot do God's work in our own strength! How can you pray for multiplication which impacts your church wide prayer. Please choose this great event, which has reached hundreds of the world. Join us in praying for multiplication!

Follow Pastor Blake on Twitter
@Blake_Gideon

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Baptism Celebration Today

Today is the day! Last week, Pastor Blake completed his series entitled “Getting Baptism Right”, and today we celebrate lives that have been transformed through faith in Christ. Baptism is a picture of the death, burial of the old life, and the resurrection of NEW LIFE in Christ. Let’s celebrate together as we witness the baptism of many...

One Day Vacation Bible School

EFBC has planned two different One Day VBS Saturdays on June 13 and July 18. This year’s theme is The Wacky World of Water. If you are interested in being a part of this great event, which has reached hundreds of children in the past few years, please contact the Children’s Ministry Office.

The first One Day event will take place on Saturday, June 13, at Pendel Park and Oak Ridge Estates. These events are for both the community and our church family. Please choose one or both dates and come join us as we experience the joy of water and look at several fun stories in the Bible that use water. Because they are water fun days, have children wear a swim suit or clothes that they can get wet.

We are still looking for several helpers. If you are available and would like to join us for these two fun days, please contact us.

The Children’s Ministry Office may be reached by contacting Charles Schefe, 405-706-0763, cschefe@FBCedmond.org or Jennifer King, 405-726-9762, jking@FBCedmond.org.

New Sermon Series

Gospel of Mark: Living To Serve Like Jesus
Jesus Christ laid aside His majesty in order to serve humanity. His death is the supreme example of His servanthood. Throughout our study in Mark, we will take an in-depth look at the servanthood of Jesus and be challenged to live the same way. Join Pastor Blake Gideon as he continues this new sermon series.

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**Wednesday Nights: Summer Club**

Summer does not officially arrive until the middle of June, but school is out and so is Club 252. But, that does not mean we don’t have anything going on Sunday, Summer Club is the hottest thing going for completed kindergarten through completed 4th grade. Every Wednesday from 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM we will have a cool new science lesson and project like new rockets, new slime, and new fun! Don’t miss a minute of this exciting Summer Club, and did we mention that we are bringing back the bugs?! (new bugs, too)!

**K-Day for Kindergarten**

K-Day is the day the Children’s Ministry welcomes the kindergarten students who will be in first grade next fall into the elementary program. This is a fun introduction to everything KIDS. The children will get to join the Wednesday program for elementary throughout the summer, as they prepare for promotion in the fall. Meet on the second floor of the Children’s Wing on Wednesday, June 3, from 1:00 PM - 7:00 PM. Sign up online at www.FBCedmond.org/kday.

**CrossTimbers Camp** (completed 3rd thru 6th Grade)

We only have a few spots remaining for the completed 3rd thru completed 6th grade summer camp on Tuesday, June 16, from 1:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Please contact Jennifer or Pastor Charles. We may be able to shift some of the kids into the completed 3rd through 5th grade camp if you have not signed up yet. Please visit www.FBCedmond.org/CrossTimbers before registration is full.

**Preteen Camp** (completed 5th thru 6th Grade)

We sold out!!! If you are still interested in attending this camp, please contact Jennifer or Pastor Charles. We may be able to secure a few more spots but will only do so if we have a person to fill the spot. This Preteen Summer Camp takes place Monday, July 27 thru Friday, July 31. The Preteen Ministry Office may be reached by contacting Charles Scheffe, 405-706-0763, cscheffe@FBCedmond.org, or Jennifer King, 405-726-9762, jking@FBCedmond.org.

**FATHERson Bowling** (All Ages)

For fathers, sons, grandfathers, grandsons, and uncles, join Jim and Josh for a casual evening of bowling and a cool devotional for boys. $5.00 per family includes two games and shoe rental per person, including any friends you bring with you! Next bowling date is Monday, June 8, 6:30 PM, at AMF Boulevard Lanes in Edmond. No RSVP required. Just show up and enjoy an evening with the guys!

**Students’ Ministry** (7th thru 12th Grade)

GIRLS/GuYS NIGHT will be on Thursday, July 16, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM. This is a night of fun time with our interns. The activities will be separated and different. More info coming soon!

**Stay Connected**

Get updates via text messages about what’s going on. Just provide your cell number to Amy Blankenship, ablankenship@FBCedmond.org. Great for parents, too!

**Men’s Ministry**

BIG BREAKFAST TUESDAY MORNING on June 2: Enjoy a BIG breakfast of bacon, eggs, biscuits, and gravy for only $2.00 per person at 8:00 AM on Tuesday morning, June 2. Meet in Fellowship Hall as guest speaker George Gorham shares “Who was Your Andrew?” Andrew was the disciple who brought others to Jesus. Who in your life brought you to Jesus? George will look at the lives of some of our Christian leaders such as John Calvin, Jonathan Edwards, George Whitefield, B.H. Carroll, Fannie J. Crosby, and Billy Graham, and explore who brought them to Christ.

**efbcWOMEN News**

“One generation will declare your works to the next and will proclaim them to the next generation.” Psalm 145:4

Visit www.FBCedmond.org/women or follow us on Facebook at Fbc Edmond-Women.

**efbcWOMEN TOPICS:**

**Women of all ages are welcome.** It’s not too late to join us for “The Best Yes” led by Debbie Frank in this six-week video-based Bible study. Lysa TerKeurst shares how to make better use of the two most powerful words, yes and no. Using Biblical teaching and practical insights, this study will help you be more equipped to discern the best “yes answers for your life. Join us in Room C108. Books are available in the Church Office for $12.

**Moms Summer Groups:**

Join us tomorrow, June 1, for our first Monday of the summer. Moms, grandmothers, children, and grandsons will gather for a time of fellowship and fun. Pack up yourself, the kids, and bring a lunch. Look for Erin Austin and Lisa Ashford when you arrive. Mark your calendars with the following dates:

- **June 1:** Meet from 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM at Fink Park in Edmond located at Second Street and Garland Godfrey Drive.
- **June 8:** Oklahoma City Zoo
- **June 15:** Mitchell Park
- **June 22:** Edmond’s Barnett Splash Pad
- **June 29:** Hafer Park

Watch for updates and more details. For more info, contact Erin Austin, 405-596-1494, or follow www.FBCedmond.org/moms.

**Sunday Morning Prayer Time:** efbcWOMEN lead a monthly prayer time the first Sunday of each month. Next Sunday, June 7, is our next opportunity to join together at 9:00 AM upstairs in Conference Room M202. Please join us to pray for our church.

**Sewing Ministry:** Our next meeting will be on Monday, June 1, at 9:30 AM in the EFBC Library. Come join the fun!

**Women On Mission:** They are taking a break over the summer. We are anticipating a very exciting fall schedule so please be looking out for more dates later.

**Questions about efbcWOMEN?** Amy Montgomery would love to hear from you. 405-657-0716. We invite you to continually check www.FBCedmond.org/women for upcoming Summer Bible Studies.

**OCCASIONS OF THE WEEK**

**SUNDAY, May 31, 2015**

8:15 AM Connection Groups (Sunday School) 
Orchestra Rehearsal
9:15 AM Bridges: Special Needs Connection Group 
Celebration Worship Service
Worship Team (birth-3rd grade)
Kids’ Church (4th & 5th grade) 
Kids’ Church (1st thru 4th grade)
11:00 AM Connection Groups (Sunday School) 
12:00 PM Cone Connection Group Luncheon 
6:00 PM Gary Elrick Retirement Dinner

**MONDAY, June 1, 2015**

9:00 AM Sewing Ministry 
10:00 AM Moms’ Summer Group 
11:00 AM Students’ Summer Supper 
12:00 PM Moms Summer Groups

**TUESDAY, June 2, 2015**

6:00 AM Men’s Tuesday Morning BIG BREAKFAST
10:00 AM Women’s Prayer Group 
4:15 PM Student Worship Arts

**WEDNESDAY, June 3, 2015**

1:00 PM K-Day
4:00 PM Men of Victory 
4:45 PM EFBC Dinner Club
5:00 PM Student Hanging Out

**MID-WEEK Activities**

**TOPICS: Adult Bible Studies**

Camus Wide
Children’s Wing, 1st Floor
**SUMMER CLUB (2 years thru kindergarten)**

Camus Wide
Children’s Wing, 1st Floor
**SUMMER CLUB (3rd thru 4th grade)**

FLYTE (5th thru 6th grade)
**ENDURANCE (7th thru 12th grade)**

New Prince Ensemble

6:00 PM One Accord Ensemble 
7:00 PM Celebration Choir 
CrossTimbers Sponsor Meeting

**THURSDAY, June 4, 2015**

**FRIDAY, June 5, 2015**

**SATURDAY, June 6, 2015**

8:00 AM Daughter’s Breakfast Meeting 
9:10 AM Single/Married Men’s Road Trip 
6:00 PM LIFE + (Adults) Food Truck Night

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