

Thank you to every single one of you who helped make VBS such an awesome week!!!



Working Hand in Hand



Our 2017-2018 Mentors are getting ready for training, **Sunday, September 17th** after church. It's not too late to sign-up to be a mentor for a Finley-Oates Elementary student who needs to experience a little extra love from someone who will truly care about them. Please pray for all of our mentors as they begin their work.

Coins for Missions



During the month of September, all loose change in our weekly offering plates will go to our local food pantry, Fannin County Community Ministries which helps ensure Fannin County residents have enough to eat!

Don't forget our 2nd Sunday potluck
September 10th!

Stay after worship
for great food
& fellowship!

Who might you
get to know better
over this great meal?



Prayer Calendar

“The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective.” -James 5:16

These daily prayer focuses are meant to unite our church family in prayer! It's amazing what happens when people start praying!

- 9-1 Those recovering from natural disasters
- 9-2 Those living with persistent pain
- 9-3 The children of our church
- 9-4 Rest for all who labor
- 9-5 All those who are victims of bullying
- 9-6 Our Police
- 9-7 All Religious Leaders
- 9-8 Difficult relationships
- 9-9 Grandparents
- 9-10 The strengthening of our church family
- 9-11 The ministry of the United Methodist Women
- 9-12 Peace for those struggling with worry
- 9-13 Nurses
- 9-14 Those who are seeking direction for their lives
- 9-15 People who suffer from hunger
- 9-16 Wisdom for those making big decisions
- 9-17 All those who teach in our church
- 9-18 Finley Oates Elementary - our partner school
- 9-19 People trying to overcome addiction
- 9-20 Judges
- 9-21 Gratitude for the abundant blessings in our lives
- 9-22 Those trying to escape domestic violence
- 9-23 Grandchildren
- 9-24 Frieda & Heston who so faithfully love & serve our church
- 9-25 Healing for those who are grieving
- 9-26 Those who feel abandoned
- 9-27 College Students
- 9-28 Those anxiously awaiting medical test results
- 9-29 People who need a fresh start
- 9-30 Peace in our world



**BREAKING
NEWS**

Do you have something
we need to include
in our October newsletter?
Let us know by
Sunday, September 17th!

Caregivers Support Group

Being a caregiver is no easy task

Managing Stress

Learning the Dementias

Basics of Caregiving

Coping Skills



A good support group is so beneficial in helping you be a better caretaker. It will help you connect with people and services that can help. You will also discover the joy among the

challenges while providing emotional support and reducing stress.

Come Join Us

10:00 am - 3rd Thursday of each month

Builders Classroom



Our Administrative Council

will be meeting
the last Tuesday
of every month
at 5:30pm.

Our next meeting will be
September 26th



Partner School Corner



We Love Finley Oates Elementary!

It's not too late to pick your new **prayer partner**, but they are going fast! One way we love and support Finley Oates Elementary is by making sure every single person who works there is covered in daily prayer.

Here are some ideas for being an awesome
Finley-Oates Prayer Partner !

Use a breath prayer to pray for them by name at least once a day
(Ex) Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on (insert their name). Hasten to help them. Rescue them and save them. Do your will in their life.

Write them a short note to let them know you are thinking of them

Finley Oates Elementary School
1901 Albert Broadfoot St,
Bonham, TX 75418

Use the school calendar & pray for specific times & events

Bonham ISD Calendar http://www.bonhamisd.org/151107_2

Think about the time of day & how they might need your prayers

(Ex) first class of the day, lunch, planning period, end of the day

As things happen in your own family, think about your prayer partner's family and lift up prayers for them too

(Ex) My child is sick, so pray for the health of their family.

I'm enjoying family time, so pray for them to have good family time.

And of course...don't forget to keep collecting your box tops, hygiene products, new or gentle used clothes for Pre-K through 3rd graders, and laundry soap.

Let's strike up the bell choir again



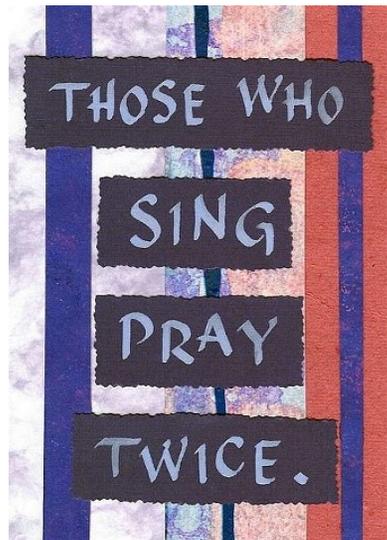
Do you miss playing the bells?
Would you like to learn how to play?
Well if you are in Junior High or older than that
let Randy or Patti know!
fumcbonham.office@gmail.com - 903-583-3314

Choir is back in session

They practice every Wednesday
Night from 6:30 to 7:30.

They would love to have new
voices join them in serving our
congregation and praising God
through music!

Maybe this is your time!



Monday, September 11th - 4:30 pm
Program presented by: Beverly Glasscock

East District United Methodist Women Annual Meeting

September 9, 2017

Wesley UMC • Sulphur Springs, Texas



Pastor Phillip R. Clay
*Featured Speaker
and Musician*



FUMC Newsletter

September 2017

Dear Church Family-

I have a bumper sticker in my office that says “Just be nice.” It was given to me by a really funny guy from one of my previous congregations, because that’s what I would tell him when he was playfully picking on somebody...usually me!

It was funny at the time, but I leave it up because it has come to mean something a little deeper to me. I tell my boys, “that’s not nice” or “be kind” when they aren’t playing well with others, but what I really mean is “be loving.” And that is what our world needs!

Our world is in desperate need of loving people, to boldly live lives of love! Love heals! Love empowers! Love makes all of us better!

Mother Teresa once said, “In this life we cannot always do great things. But we can do small things with great love.” And when we do small things with great love, it changes everything around us.

How many small things with great love can you fit into your day today? I wonder if you can beat that number tomorrow? Make it a game. See who in your family can do the most.

It will make a difference! People will notice! Some of the people you meet each day are starving for love, you just can’t see it. Let’s be the change we want to see in the world!

In Christ-
Pastor Dana



Join Pastor Dana for a in-depth study of the Bible. Together, you’ll join other dedicated disciples for a journey of faith and self-discovery.

You will grow spiritually as you study and discuss the foundational stories of the Bible and their meaning for you. This new “Disciple Fast Track” maintains the integrity and principles of the original intensive Disciple 1 study, but its modifications can better meet the needs of a hectic world. The editors made shorter videos and condensed the lessons into a weekly 75 minute session. The Old Testament will be covered in the first 12 weeks and the New testament will be covered in the second 12 weeks.

Cost is \$20 for the Old Testament and/or \$20 for the New Testament

We will meet **Wednesdays from 10 to 11:30am** beginning Wednesday, September 27th

Jeff Kennedy Memorial Scholarship



Street Taco Fundraiser

Join us for food and fun before the BHS Homecoming football game!
Park, Eat, and Walk to the Game!

5:00 - 7:30 pm
Friday, September 29, 2017
Finley-Oates Elementary Cafeteria
1901 Albert Broadfoot



Minimum Donation : \$10 adult, \$7 children 12 and under

To donate items to the Silent Auction, please contact Lori Flowers at 903-640-5730 between 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.
Scholarships are awarded in the spring to local students in honor of Jeff Kennedy.

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