



The Baptist Bulletin

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Never Alone

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I swam competitively in high school. Every single time I stepped up on the starting block at the start of a race or relay, I would feel my heart would rise into my throat for a second. I had to take a moment and remind myself that I had been in that same place before. Maybe at a different pool, but at the exact same place. I would take a deep breath and focus on the task at hand. I would swim the race and give my best attempt to win. My senior year I sprained my ankle towards the end of the season. My starts and flip turns were different because I couldn't jump or push off with both feet. I felt like no one else understood my disadvantages or had walked that path. Of course, that was not true. But in the moment it felt that way.

Sometimes we feel like no one understands what we are going through in our lives. Whether it be physical pain, mental struggles, grief, tiredness, frustration or any of the many other issues that plague our lives. We feel weak. We feel unable to do well in what we desire to. At times we become stuck in the idea that no one could know how we are feeling and hurting.

That is not true. The author of the book of Hebrews stated: *For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.*

The high priest is Jesus. He knows the reality of what we struggle with in life, because He lived life here on the earth and went through struggles as well. Jesus knew what it was to be hungry, thirsty, tired, frustrated, angry, joyful, rejected, alone, abandoned, and victorious. Jesus was fully human, therefore He knew the reality of every human emotion and feeling. He knew the hurt that other humans cause in life as well.

Jesus was sinned against. He didn't return hurt with more hurt. He did what we can't do. He gave His life as a ransom for many. He lived for, to die for, to redeem sinners. He understands the reality of temptation. He understands the brokenness of sin. For He was surrounded by it, but He never participated in sin.

Because this truth, we are never alone. No matter how alone we may feel, Jesus knows exactly what we are going through. He knows it so well that He gave His life up for us. Remember, that you are never alone.

Missionaries of the Month—Paul & Janet Harkness (Awana)

We are continuing preparations for the July Awana Connect meetings in the High Plains.

Prayer needs for this week:

-The July Awana Connect meetings are in place. Pray as we prep for those meetings.

-Awana Basics Training events are being scheduled in August. Pray for the finalization of dates, times, and locations.

-Pray for churches planning for their summer children's ministries and for Awana this fall.



Birthdays ~ ~ ~

Helen Johnson	June 2
Holly Ballmer	June 2
Titus Coleman	June 5
Kailynn Mercer	June 14
Gracie White	June 16
Steve Linegar	June 22

Anniversaries ~ ~ ~

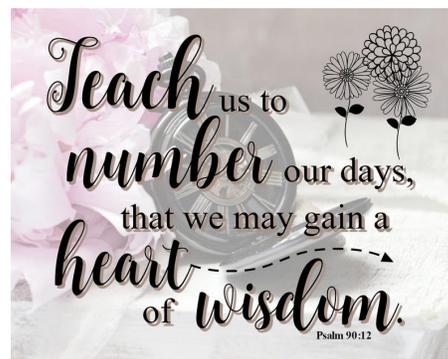
Bob & Marla Fattig	June 1
Aaron & Sara Coleman	June 2
Dick & Jody Nelson	June 10
Greg & Julie Czochara	June 12
Ken & Kelli Beck	June 18

Financial Report ~ ~ ~

Budget for the Year: \$140,112.96
Fiscal Year ends 2/28/22

Offerings Received for 3 months:
\$38,639.50

Expenditures Paid for 3 months:
\$31,925.00





Coming to First Baptist July 11-15th

Society is in the midst of great cultural confusion. The church and family are under attack and our children and youth are constantly challenged by opposing worldviews and moral decay. Evolution is presented as “scientific fact” virtually everywhere, causing young and old alike to question Biblical values and faith. Alpha Omega Institute exists to provide solid answers to the real questions students and adults are asking.

AOI is a worldwide educational outreach dedicated to strengthening Christians and reaching others by teaching the truth about science, exposing the problems of evolutionary worldviews, and defending the accuracy of the Bible beginning with the Creation Account in Genesis.

AOI helps people of all ages:

- **Discover** answers to questions about evolution, creation, and the Bible.
- **Understand** the foundational importance of Genesis to Christian doctrine.
- **Recognize** evolutionary bias and its effects on society.
- **Stand firm** and defend their faith with boldness, gentleness, and confidence.

Creation Seminar Sunday morning July 11th from 9:45 a.m. to 12 p.m. This is a fast-paced, informative, and entertaining program *for the whole family*, well-illustrated with high-quality visuals. They cover a wide variety of Biblical and scientific evidence designed to help people of all ages stand firm on the truth of God’s Word. Our programs are presented in an understandable and non-abrasive way which encourages even those who disagree to look at the issues and examine the evidence themselves.

Vacation Bible School July 11—15 from 6-9 p.m. for the entire family. Children’s VBS programs are fun and educational. PowerPoint presentations, crafts, demonstrations, puppet shows, and hands-on science activities all combine to help children understand the truth of Creation and the problems with evolution. These programs are specifically designed for children ages 5-12, but are often integrated into programs *for the entire family*.

VOLUNTEERS are needed for the nightly VBS. Please sign up at the Welcome Center!

AOI does the teaching, but our church provides the support. As with regular VBS, we need helpers for games, snacks, nursery & preschool, helpers for the crafts they provide, and group leaders to move with the kids from one activity to the next & assist with the memory verses.

Please join us in making this a great outreach to our community!



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MONTHLY SCHEDULE

June 6 Christian Ed meeting—12:00 pm
 June 7 Elder Board—8 pm
 June 8 Management Finance—7 pm
 June 18-26 Pastor on vacation
 June 20 Fathers Day
 June 27 Fellowship Outreach—12:00 pm

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday Worship Service—9:45 am
 Sunday School—11:00 am
 Thurs Town Small Group—6:30 pm
 Sat Country Small Group—7 pm

Nebraskaland Days Family Night

Monday, June 21st
6-8 pm

Fairgrounds in North Platte

Kim Baxter, musician will perform at 6 pm . There will be ice cream & cookies, fun jumps, games face-painting, etc. during this time.

Christian Gaylord will share what the Lord is doing with his life after football at UNL..

Rascal Martinez will entertain with his unique American-style music around 7 pm

Small Groups Begin Meeting in Homes in June

Town Group will meet Thursday, June 10th at 6:30 p.m. at the Ballmer's (1020 19th) They will be going through "The Invisible War" by Chip Ingram this summer.

Country Group will meet Saturday, June 12th at 7 pm at Mick & Cor Peterson's. They will be going through the book "Be Wise" on 1st Corinthians by Warren Weirsbe this summer.

