



UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY 26, 2020
VISION SUNDAY

Join us for our regular morning worship as we cast the vision for Pioneer Drive.

FEBRUARY 20, 2020
LEADERSHIP DINNER

This is an opportunity for our church leaders to gather, learn about different giving options and commit early to the campaign. If you are interested in making an early commitment and would like to be included in this dinner, please contact the Church Office.

FEBRUARY 21, 2020
SENIOR ADULT LUNCH

This is an opportunity for our Primetimers to gather, learn about different giving options and commit early to the campaign. If you are interested in making an early commitment and would like to be included in this lunch, please contact the Church Office.

MARCH 1, 2020
COMMITMENT DAY

Join us for this exciting day of worship as we make our commitments to the Pioneer Possibility Project.

MARCH 22, 2020
CELEBRATION SUNDAY/FIRST FRUITS OFFERING

Gather with us as we praise and worship God on this special day of celebration! We will receive our "first fruits" offering for the three-year giving period.



DEAR PIONEER FAMILY,



During this special worship service on Sunday, January 26, you will learn more about our building program and our Pioneer Possibility campaign.

IF IT WAS AT ALL POSSIBLE, I WOULD NOT BE SENDING YOU THIS LETTER. INSTEAD I WOULD SIT DOWN WITH EACH OF YOU TO SHARE SOME OF THE EXCITING RECENT EVENTS AT PIONEER DRIVE BAPTIST CHURCH. IN DOING SO, I KNOW YOU WOULD SENSE, AS I HAVE, THAT GOD IS LEADING HIS CHURCH AS WE ARE WALKING TOGETHER IN HIS GRACE.

The ministries of Pioneer Drive are a blessing to our church body and to families and individuals beyond our congregation. God continues to bring new children, youth, college students and adults to be a part of our Sunday School and worship services. People are trusting Christ and being baptized. Yet, just as with the early church in the Book of Acts, with growth there comes challenges. Since our current monthly offerings must be used for our ministry and operating budget, we must now focus on a strategy to maintain the positive mission, vision and ministry of Pioneer Drive.

Pioneer Possibility is the name chosen for our stewardship campaign. We believe that with God leading us, this ministry will meet the financial needs of our church. As part of Pioneer Possibility, every household is asked to prayerfully consider making a sacrificial commitment—over and above our ongoing tithes and offerings—to be given over the next three years. These additional gifts will completely fund the renovations and expansion of our adult Sunday School space and help our discipleship ministry move forward. Pioneer Possibility is an important step toward our future and your involvement directly impacts its success.

Let me encourage your attendance in worship on Sunday, January 26. During this special worship service, you will learn more about our building program and our Pioneer Possibility campaign. We will discuss the importance of church-wide prayer during this crucial time and we will share timely information about our church and its future ministry.

These are exciting days of decision for Pioneer Drive. Let us commit to seek and act in accordance with God's will. Let us march forward together in faith for His glory.

Grace to you,

Pastor Stan

Pastor Stan Allcorn

SERVING THE ABILENE COMMUNITY SINCE 1954

1954 – Three acres of land were given by Thomas E. Roberts, a member of First Baptist Church of Abilene, the sponsoring church; Reverend S. B. Hughes, the pastor-builder, sent by the Baptist General Convention of Texas; and approximately 70 men and women established Pioneer Drive Baptist Church, first called Elmwood West Baptist Mission.

1957 – Sunday School wing built

1962 – Educational Building built

1968 – New (current) Sanctuary built

1970 – Child Development Center opened

1974 – Activities/Educational Building built

1982 – First Easter Pageant

1983 – Balcony added to the Sanctuary

1987 – New Children's Building built

2005 – *the gathering* worship service began

2006 – Allen Room built

2007 – Arise and Build campaign completed: The Conference Center, Skybridge, Café, and Office Suite



OUR NEXT STEPS ARE FILLED WITH POSSIBILITY...

OPPORTUNITY

We have an opportunity to lay a foundation for the next fifty plus years of faithfulness. At Pioneer Drive, we are dedicated to the education of God's truth and Word. We engage in passionate, corporate celebration. In these acts of worship, individual transformation occurs. And when lives are changed, families and communities are changed in radical multiplication of God's love and grace. We have an attitude of collaboration that allows for our blessings to bless others.

UNITY

Despite our best intentions, our Sunday morning geography and traffic patterns have created two unique worshipping congregations. Moving forward, we will reintegrate our multigenerational fellowship in one shared space. In one shared space, we re-invite our diverse neighbors into a space of safety and sanctuary. Intentionally designed spaces allow us to collaborate with civic, academic, cultural, and economic leaders in our community. We innovate for the Big Country. We are a regional church and our spaces reflect God's love for people in this area.

LEGACY

When we are gone, we will be remembered as disciple-making disciples through our spiritual children and grandchildren. We have a well-established history of participating in the learner-leader-learner cycle. We grow and develop visionary influencers and continue to amplify this process. Rundown and unkept facilities will prohibit our ability to reach the generations who follow. We need modern spaces and innovative servants. The people who carry this out need compassionate and courageous hearts. These virtues compel them to big faith and God-sized risks.

DESTINY

It's there in our name. We are pioneers. This is who God has called us to be. It's what He's called us to do. Are we going to respond in faith, or will we be the generation that wanders in the wilderness, wiped from the memory of history because of fear and inaction? God returns us to shared callings.

