



PROCLAIMER

first baptist church of el reno

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We are nearing the end of our intentional focus on community and our push to shift from acquaintances to family as the year ends. I hope you have joined us in cultivating community by memorizing scripture and taking our monthly focuses seriously. I hope you have interacted with people in our church in a deeper way than you have before. My prayer is that you are empowered to continue to do so as we move forward.

As I shared with you, there is one glaring obstacle that seems to hinder us from cultivating deep community in our church and that is our Sunday morning schedule. Our church has changed a lot over the last two years, and our two services and two small group hour schedule limits our ability to interact with each other. However, this is something we can change, and I believe we must.

After much prayer and many discussions over the last year, we will officially move to a new schedule on January 8, 2023. The new schedule will be small groups at 9:00am and service at 10:00am. We will stay in this schedule until space becomes an issue for an extended period and then we can adjust as needed.

I know change is not easy, but let's keep our minds and hearts focused on why we gather rather than how we gather. We gather to worship our king! We gather to strengthen and encourage one another! How those things happen have and always will change, but our savior and king never will, and neither will our focus.

With that said, I hope you will take advantage of our new upcoming schedule and joyfully meet and greet one another in the Lord! God is working! Let's keep our eyes fixed on Him and Him alone.



Upcoming Events & Opportunities

Lottie Moon International Missions

The Week of Prayer for International Missions is November 27 - December 3, 2022. We observe a Week of Prayer before the annual Lottie Moon Offering emphasis. Will you join your heart with others to pray for missionaries around the world who are faithfully sharing the gospel? You will be able to give to International Missions through the month of December.

The Next Step

As of November 2022, \$812,863.40 has been given this year to the Next Steps Campaign. These gifts go toward our monthly loan payments as well as advance principal payments. We are seeking to be debt-free by the end of 2022. When you give to our Next Step Offering, you are helping to achieve that goal. **December 11 will be our Special Building Offering day.**



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Serve Teams

If you are looking for a place to serve in our church, we are still needing volunteers in these Areas - **the Parking Team and the Nursery Team.** Another important area we need volunteers in is **The Shepherd House.** Fill out a form at the Welcome Desk or contact the church office @ (405) 262-5453 if you are interested.





This Month's Serve Teams

12/04/2022

Nursery Team 1

Harper Looper
Tasha Couch
Hope Fuell
Emily Smith

Parking Lot Team 1

Jeffrey Davis
Bobby Mixon
Julio Trejo

Welcome Team 1

Jason Looper
Merry Fisher
Kevin & Brandi Gibbons
N'Lisa Havener
Freda Moffat
Karen Nance
Malachi & Lyndzee
Sherman
Marshal Tullos

Bus Driver

Les & Pam Ellis

Coffee Bar

Brandon Adams

12/11/2022

Nursery Flex Team

Jessica Crain
Alissa Wells
Emercyn Looper
Donna Eisenhour
Judy Scott

Parking Lot Flex Team

Olson Johnson
Jaron McClure
Elijah Shafer
Zach Johnson

Welcome Flex Team

Jessica & Rusty
Shamblin
Shirley Goodman
Jeanne Koos
Dan & Delpha
Miklautsch
Tamara Sears
Joan Tubbs

Bus Driver

Bob Lee

Coffee Bar

Steve Smith

12/18/2022

Nursery Team 3

Pam Ellis
Heather Fairbanks
Lou Ann Mickle
Sarah Ayers
Skylar Ayers

Parking Lot Team 3

Jesse Lesperance
Harold "Pete" Petree
Aron Steffen
Will Wedman

Welcome Team 3

Angela Lesperance
Ray & Carla Apple
Bob Lee
Jessica Lee
Donna Mogg
Jim & Sandy Rankin
Angie Steffen
Erin Tinsley

Bus Driver

Paul Fuell

Coffee Bar

Rusty Shamblin

12/25/2022

Nursery Team 4

Kim Eisenhour
Dianna Spott
Scotti Charmasson
Brantlie Charmasson
Kristy Pepper

Parking Lot Team 4

Cory Charmasson
Ronnie Funck
Jason McClure
Darrin Pepper

Welcome Team 4

Cathy Knott
Christopher & Chanda
Burdine
Karen Chadwick
Judi Corwin
Cleta Mullin
Jackie Ogilvie
Robin Robinson
Bob & Debbie Stutler

Bus Driver

Nick Niles

Coffee Bar

Christopher Burdine



We believe that part of our sharing our life with God and others is evidenced in our generosity. We believe that everything we have is a gift from God and not only should we give to God with our "first fruits" (tithing) but that we should be looking to go above and beyond with our generosity. Join us on our mission by giving today. Go to fbcelreno.com/give to find out all the ways you can give!



Sunday Morning Stats

	<u>October 30</u>	<u>November 06</u>	<u>November 13</u>	<u>November 20</u>	<u>November 27</u>
Small Groups	N/A	237	213	189	191
Worship Attendance	366	361	344	309	300
Offering/Tithe	\$24,260.00	\$23,580.95	\$9,615.13	\$19,472.44	\$8,819.85
Building Fund	\$1,235.00	\$705.00	\$3,154.00	\$1,693.00	\$1,226.00



December

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					Office Closed	Parent's Night Out 4 - 8pm Fbcelreno.com/ pno
4 9am & 10:30am Sm Groups & Worship Missions Prayer Night 6:00pm	5	6 SH Open	7 10am Midweek 6:30pm Kid's Ministry Student Ministry Adult Bible Studies	8	9 Office Closed	10
8:30-9:30am Break- fast 10am Church Family Christmas Service	12	13 SH Open	14 10am Midweek 6:30pm Kid's Ministry Student Ministry Adult Bible Studies	15	16 Office Closed	17
18 10am Worship Service 6:30pm Fostercare	19	20 SH Open 6pm Dental Clinic	21 No Wed activities	22	23 Office Closed	24
25 10am Christmas Service	26 Office Closed	27 SH Closed Costa Rica Missions Trip - Jan. 3 Office Closed	28 No Wed activities Office Closed	29 Office Closed	30 Office Closed	31