

# VISION FRAMEWORK

## First Baptist Bonham

### What is FBB Doing? (Our Mission)

We will affect **spiritual transformation** in Bonham and beyond by **going** to the world, **growing** together as the church, and **glorifying** God through worship and obedience.

### Why are we doing it? (Our Values)

- ✦ Biblical Truth
- ✦ Comprehensive Worship
- ✦ Faithful Evangelism
- ✦ Transformational Discipleship
- ✦ Ministry Excellence
- ✦ Accountable Membership

### How are we doing it? (Our Blueprint)

- ✦ **Equip** through instruction and application
- ✦ **Exult** God in corporate and individual lifestyle worship
- ✦ **Enrich** our fellow members in service, relationships, and accountability
- ✦ **Engage** our world to make disciples



### Where is God taking us?

Every successful endeavor begins with a vision and a plan to see it through to its destination. If we want to be a thriving church, we must have a plan to do it. However, we don't want just any plan; we want God's plan. Jesus Christ is the Lord of the universe and the Head of the church, so we must do what He wants in our church so that we can be found faithful to our Lord and Savior. Therefore, as First Baptist Bonham, we must be able to answer the question, "Where is God taking us?" The answer to that question will guide what we do, why we do it, how we do it, and when we are successful. In these pages, you will find what we believe to be God's framework for our mission as His church in Bonham, TX. **In short, FBB will be a catalyst for spiritual transformation in Bonham and beyond through the gospel of Jesus Christ.** By the grace of God, that is our VISION.



## The Outworking of Our Values

- Biblical Truth: The Bible is our “fixed point of reference” and it guides us toward sound beliefs and moral action. We will engage in accurate teaching, preaching and guidance.
- Comprehensive Worship: We will embrace a lifestyle of worship that goes beyond the corporate experience. In our corporate gatherings, we will be content driven and culturally engaging.
- Faithful Evangelism: We will be bold and faithful in our proclamation of the gospel. We will share a robust gospel with clarity and passion. We will facilitate opportunities for witness through friendly relationships.
- Transformational Discipleship: We will form and equip believers through instruction, application, and imitation.
- Ministry Excellence: We will strive for excellence and professionalism in what we do in service within and without the church.
- Accountable Membership: We will be active participants in the vision of the church. As members, we are expected to fellowship, give, and discipline one another.

## How do we know that we are doing it? (Our Benchmarks)

To know if we are accomplishing our vision, we will focus on three main questions:

♦ Is it starting with me? This is the question of **OWNERSHIP**. Do I believe in the vision and am I committed to it? **It starts with ME.**

♦ Am I being obedient to Jesus Christ? This is the question of **FAITHFULNESS**. If I am not being a catalyst for spiritual transformation in Bonham and beyond, then the church will never grow up or out. **It works when I am going, growing, and glorifying in obedience to Christ’s command.**

♦ Is there evidence of growth—qualitatively and quantitatively? This is the question of **GROWTH**. Evidence of growth isn’t necessarily big numbers, big budgets, or big buildings. Evidence of growth are signs of transformation like repentance, obedience, maturity and involvement in ministry. These things demonstrate that God is working in people’s lives on a day to day level.

