

UNIVERSITY

BAPTIST CHURCH

**2720 WABASH AVE.
FORT WORTH, TX 76109**
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University Baptist Church offers a welcoming community of faith where people are genuine and accept others for who they are. We are aware of our need for a Savior and support one another as we seek to be transformed by the Lord.



Our prayer is to see the power of God unleashed in our lives, our church, our community and our world so that every tongue, tribe, and nation may come to know and proclaim the saving work of Jesus Christ.





OUR KEY CONVICTIONS

- **Gospel Centered**– The central characteristic of UBC is an unwavering commitment to the Gospel. The Gospel is consistently proclaimed in the weekly services and in the lives of the members. It is a clear expectation that everyone associated with UBC has an opportunity to hear the Gospel and be encouraged to share the Gospel. 1 Corinthians 15:1-11
- **Biblically Guided**– We consult the Scriptures and submit to them in all things that we do. We pursue doctrinal integrity to the best of our ability by seeing the Word of God as authoritative and living and active. 2 Timothy 3:14-17
- **Prayer Driven**– UBC strives to be a praying church in all aspects of service. We seek to acknowledge that God leads us in all things. Consequently, prayer is essential to who we are and is a core part of our identity. Ephesians 6:18-20
- **Emphasis on Fasting**– Complements and accentuates prayer. Fasting is a physical and holistic response to help facilitate our prayers. Fasting and prayer spotlights God’s freedom that sets prisoners free, provides justice and community.
Isaiah 58

- **Familu Values**– Families are a priority for UBC. We are a church for every stage of life and a church that emphasizes the importance of family.
- **Discipleship**– Ministry efforts at UBC are anchored in the core principles of discipleship. As seen in the Great Commission, we are committed to go make disciples. We seek to take Gospel to the lost and not wait for the lost to come find us. We pray earnestly for a movement of God that leads to salvation and baptisms among the lost. We also commit to teaching our church family to obey all that He has commanded. In short, this means we are a church that makes disciples who make disciples. UBC is a missional church. We seek to be witnesses of the Gospel in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria and the ends of the earth. Over time our goal would be for UBC to be a launching pad for missional endeavors in our immediate community and around the world. Matthew 28:18-20; Psalm 67; and Acts 2:41, 47
- **Spiritual Worship**– The key theological message of worship is one that adheres to the truths found in Romans 12. Specifically, worship is much more than a weekly expression of a genre of music but a way of life. It is found in a renewed mind and offering ourselves as living sacrifices. UBC seeks to stress this truth in every capacity. Romans 12:1-2
- **Holistic Giving**– We seek to be a church that gives sacrificially, generously, and cheerfully. Rather than emphasizing a financial formula we cultivate an atmosphere where everyone is encouraged to surrender not only their finances to God but all other areas of life as well. As Paul encourages the church in Corinth, we seek to excel in faith, speech, knowledge, earnestness in love as well as the grace of giving.
- **A Loving Community**– UBC is a place for all people. We seek to love everyone who comes through those doors no matter their gender, race, age, ethnicity, socio-economic status or any other delineation by which an individual can be defined. UBC will be a place where all people can come and be well loved.
1 John 4:7-12



UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH—WHERE WE ARE

University Baptist Church (UBC) is located at 2720 Wabash Avenue, Fort Worth, TX, 76109. We are just across the street from the Texas Christian University (TCU) campus. The doors of our Sanctuary open out to the north side of the campus.



The church campus is currently comprised of:

- Sanctuary—Opened in 1974; 10,000 square feet; 800 person capacity
- Education Building—Opened in 1957 (addition 1967); 63,000 square feet
- Chapel—Opened in 1951; 4,100 square feet; 200 person capacity

The church has additional properties including four residences (close proximity to church), a vacant lot across from church parking lot, and two mission properties - Luz del Mundo (5024 Townsend) and Mision de Paz (2805 and 2813 Sappington). In addition, an apartment is rented to provide Bible study and homework tutoring at the Morningside Apartments (2900 South Freeway).

Along with being neighbors with TCU, just to the west of our campus is Alice Carlson Applied Learning Center, a Fort Worth Independent School District School of Choice elementary school (K-5). Other school campuses within a two mile radius are Kinderfrogs and Starpoint, TCU laboratory schools for Pre-K—6th Grade; Lily B. Clayton, Tanglewood, and Westcliff elementary schools; Daggett and McLean middle schools; and Paschal High School.

Demographic Information (two mile radius of UBC):

- Currently there are 53,249 persons residing in the area.
- Population is projected to grow 3.2% (1708 persons) between 2015-2020.

- The racial/ethnic diversity of the area is considered high. Among individual groups, Anglos represent 53.2% of the population and all other racial/ethnic groups make up 46.8% which is above the national average of 38%. The largest of these groups, Hispanics/Latinos accounts for 38.7% of the total population. Native-American/Others are projected to be the fastest growing group increasing by 13.4% between 2015 and 2020.
- Area household concerns which are likely to exceed the national average – finding a good church, finding spiritual teaching, achieving educational objectives, and achieving a fulfilling marriage.

UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH – WHO WE ARE

Since its beginning in 1929, University Baptist Church (UBC) has been focused on carrying out the Great Commission. 1929 marked the beginning of the Great Depression and the year UBC's charter members decided the Texas Christian University (TCU) area needed an evangelical witness. This holds true today. Consequently, the church continues to identify itself as *University Baptist Church*.

UBC DISTINCTIVES

- We are committed to the “Priesthood of Believers”—the competency of every Christian man and woman to understand Scripture, empowered by the Holy Spirit, and go directly to God in prayer.
- We are committed to supporting the ministry of both men and women equally in leadership roles throughout our congregation. We ordain both men and woman as full time ministers and deacons, as God leads them and our church.
- We are committed to mission in word and action. We seek to be in ministry with our community and our world through evangelism—sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ, and outreach—seeking to address the spiritual and physical needs of others for community transformation.
- We are committed to be in ministry to and with our immediate neighbors, including Texas Christian University students, faculty and staff.
- We are committed to being congregational in our organizational structure. The deacons of UBC are a service body ministering to the church and community.

Life change is at the heart of University Baptist Church. The gospel is powerful and each time we see it change someone we like to celebrate it and praise our Lord.

• **STAFF**

- Jerimiah Smith, Pastor
- Matt Bowen, Minister of Worship & Music
- Caroline Poe, Minister of Families and Education
- Kathy Raines, Minister of Administration
- Jennea Pilcher, Interim Youth Minister
- Mason Law, Interim College Minister
- Jenny Pope, Communications Director
- Debi Roche, Financial Accounts Director
- Tricia Ryan, Children’s Director
- April Lintz, Preschool and Early Learning Center Director
- Jana Cummings, Education Administration Assistant
- Katie Harrison, Pastoral & Worship Ministry Administration Assistant
- John Fisher, Building Engineer
- Rindo Nong, Custodian

• **DEACONS**

Composed of both men and women, the deacon body includes 39 active and 17 Life Deacons. UBC dedicates deacons as a servant group ministering to the membership, pastor, staff, programs, events, and missions of the church.

• **FINANCES**

Annual Budget October 1, 2017 - September 30, 2018

EXPENSES	
Cooperative Giving	39,878
UBC Local Missions	22,100
Pastoral Ministry	4,250
Education Ministry	93,150
Music Ministry	23,589
Support Ministry	101,225
Building & Grounds	304,200
Personnel	678,529
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	1,266,922



♦ **WORSHIP SERVICE**

Sunday, 10:30am

Sunday Worship at UBC seeks to create an atmosphere where authentic worship may be experienced. We seek to involve all people in the worship service through prayer, the reading of Scripture, the preaching of the Word, the observance of the ordinances, and, of course, corporate (everyone) singing. The preaching of God's Word is the focus of our services and is, in and of itself, an act of worship. The Bible is the primary way God has chosen to reveal himself to mankind. We desperately need to know God personally and trust his grace. Therefore, our preaching centers on God, who he is, what he is doing in the world, and how we as part of his creation can know him. Our goal in worship music is to select songs that combine biblical doctrine with powerful, affecting, poetic wording. Some of the songs we use were written three years ago, some were written more than three hundred years ago. However, our prayer is that everyone who attends University Baptist can learn from, sing, and enjoy the songs chosen.

Average annual worship attendance is recorded for the period October 1 to September 30. The averages for the prior five years and current year are:

2013 - 2014	245
2014 - 2015	248
2015 - 2016	240
2016 - 2017	302
2017 - 2018	275

• **Ministries**

There is an atmosphere of expectancy in our church. We expect our people to be engaged in meaningful ministries. Everybody is expected to use their gifts in ministry through our church to make a difference in our world.

Kid Power Camp (VBS)
Early Learning Center (ELC)
ESL (English as a Second Language classes)
Trunk or Treat
Children's Breakfast with Santa
Adopt-a-Student (College)
The Table (College dinner and Bible study)
DiscipleNow
Summer Camps - Children, Pre-teen, Youth
Safehouse (Youth midweek Bible study)
Women's & Men's Ministries



- **YOUTH MISSIONS/MINISTRY**

We want to help our students and their families belong, grow and serve so that they may glorify God as they grow into the likeness of Christ. Our youth ministry typically meets on Sunday mornings for Bible Study and Wednesday nights for our weekly gathering.

Demographics:

Sunday mornings — 27 kids (average)

Wednesday nights— 20-25 kids (average)

Middle Schools Represented: Benbrook, Southwest Christian, Covenant Classical, Applied Learning Academy, and Joshua.

High Schools Represented: Southwest Christian, Pascall, Arlington Heights, Covenant Classical, and Joshua.

- Beautiful Feet Ministries
- Presbyterian Night Shelter (PNS)
- Students Helping Seniors
- Tarrant Churches Together MLK Day of Service
- Worship Team



• COLLEGE STUDENTS' MISSIONS/MINISTRY

Summary detailing Sunday morning, Sunday evening and prayer gathering.

Demographics:

Active participants in college ministry: Approximately 20 students

UBC students away at college: Approximately 20 students

Volunteer leadership: 4 regular volunteers plus College Ministry Team (8 members)

TCU Student Demographics:

10,489 students for Fall 2017

Undergraduate: 86%

Graduate: 14%

International students: 5%

Undergrads living on campus: 48%

Fraternities & Sororities: 49% of undergraduate student population

Gender:

Female: 59%

Male: 41%

Ethnicity:

White: 69%

Hispanic: 13%

African American 5.5%

Asian: 3%

International: 5%

International Students (5%):

Vietnam: 20%

China: 13%

Mexico: 7%

Honduras, India, El Salvador, Panama, United Kingdom, Canada, and Columbia.



• **ADULTS' MISSIONS/MINISTRY**

Family Hospitality Teams: preparing/serving meals
for families at time of funeral

Stahala Fund (Food Pantry; assistance to families)

Decorating Ministry Team

Extended Session Ministry Team

Food Service Ministry Team

Library Ministry Team

Missions Ministry Team

Multi-Media Ministry Team

New Member Ministry Team

Ordinance Ministry Team

Photography & Heritage Ministry Team

Ushers Ministry Team

UBC Cares Ministry Team (homebound)

Welcome Ministry Team

Greeters



Widow's Support Group

Men's Class: Prepare meals for church twice/year

Ladies' Class: Decorating bedroom at PNS

Prepare meals for college students

• **COMMUNITY MINISTRY**

Alice Carlson Applied Learning Center (Adopt-a-School)

Christian Women's Job Corps

Hospital Volunteers

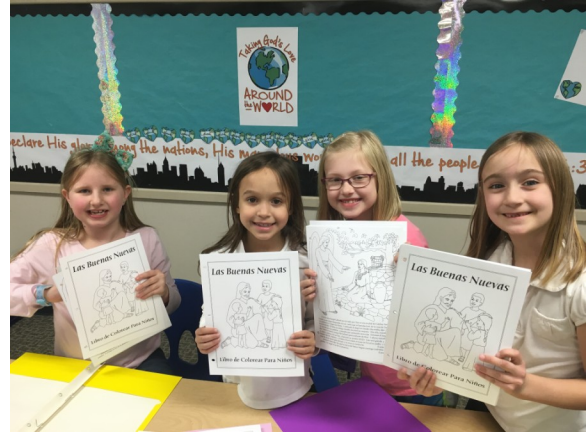
Meals on Wheels

Tarrant Baptist Association: WMU



• CHURCHWIDE MISSIONS/MINISTRY

Border Ministry (El Paso and Mexico)
Cambodia (DJD Cambodian Ministries)
Casas por Cristo (Guatemala)
Iglesia Bautista Luz del Mundo (Fort Worth)
Mision De Paz (Fort Worth)
Morningside Apartments (Fort Worth)
Thanksgiving Baskets for missions
Operation Christmas Child (Samaritan's Purse)
Christmas Gift Cards for missions
School Supplies for missions
Mission House - Food Pantry/Clothes Closet
ESL classes
Lottie Moon (IMB/SBC)
Annie Armstrong (NAM/SBC)
Mary Hill Davis (BGCT)
Croatian Bible Translation
Church Planting (McQuittys)



• CHILDREN'S MISSIONS/MINISTRY

Raised money for an oven (Casas por Cristo).
Collected boxes of crayons, put together coloring books printed in English and Spanish, and delivered them to UBC mission house and Presbyterian Night Shelter's women/children center.
Wrote messages of "God loves you" in three languages—English, Spanish, and Korean—on UBC sidewalks before Trunk-or-Treat.
Collected canned goods, filled 60 Thanksgiving baskets/bags, including handmade cards in them.
Collected money to fund some projects through World Vision catalog: Bibles, soccer balls and ducks.
Childrens Choirs assembled coloring books, wrote Bible verses, and recorded a song in Spanish to share with our friends in Guatemala.



- **EARLY LEARNING CENTER** for babies and preschoolers
Meets each Tuesday and Thursday during the school year. ELC charges a fee.

♦ **PARTNERSHIPS**

To accomplish our goal of becoming Christ's disciples, the following are voluntary external entities with whom UBC has connections. Some of these connections are ongoing, while others serve as a one-time ministry for a particular group of the church.

- Alice Carlson Applied Learning Center (UBC's Adopt-a-School with the Fort Worth ISD)
- Baptist General Convention of Texas
 - ♦ BaptistWay Press (literature)
 - ♦ Cooperative Program
- Baptist Student Ministry—TCU
- Beautiful Feet Ministries (Student Ministry participation)
- Bible League International (Croatian Bible Translation)
- Casas por Cristo
- Child Evangelism Fellowship (Good News Club)
- Cooperative Baptist Fellowship (Mission Kids curriculum)
- DJD Cambodian Ministries
- Hope Literacy (ESL Classes)
- First Baptist Church, El Paso, Texas (Border Ministry)
- Maryland-Delaware Baptist Convention (Mike McQuitty)
- Meals on Wheels
- Presbyterian Night Shelter
- Riverbend Retreat Center
- Samaritan's Purse (Operation Christmas Child)
- Southern Baptist Convention
 - ♦ IMB Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
 - ♦ LifeWay Christian Resources (children's curriculum, music literature)
 - ♦ NAMB Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
- Tarrant Baptist Association
- Tarrant Area Food Bank
- Tarrant Churches Together (MLK Day of Service—Student Ministry participation)
- World Vision (Mission Kids)

FORT WORTH—THINGS TO SEE AND DO

Fort Worth, the fifth largest city in Texas, has a growing population of over 810,000. Though an urban environment, people note it has the friendliness of a smaller town. Annual events such as the Stock Show and Rodeo, Main Street Arts Festival, Mayfest, and Fourth of July celebration bring together a diverse community. Known for “Cowboys and Culture,” some areas of interest found in our city are:

Attractions:

- Fort Worth Botanic Gardens
- Fort Worth Zoo (highly ranked nationally)
- Historic Stockyards
- Will Rogers Memorial Center-Fort Worth Stock Show and Rodeo, NRCHA Equestrian Events, Golden Gloves Tournaments
- Trinity Trails— over 40 miles of trails for biking, jogging and walking.

Culture and Entertainment:

- Bass Performance Hall (renowned opera house)
- Casa Mañana Theater
- Coyote Drive-In Theater
- Local theater groups - Amphibian, Artes de la Rosa, Circle, Fort Worth Theatre, Hip Pocket, Jubilee, Stage West
- Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra
- Texas Ballet
- Ballet Concerto

Museums:

- Amon Carter Museum of American Art
- Fort Worth Museum of Science and History (Children)
- Kimbell Art Museum
- Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth
- National Cowgirl Museum and Hall of Fame
- Sid Richardson Museum



Universities/Colleges:

Texas Christian University
Texas Wesleyan University
Texas A&M Law School
University of North Texas Health Science Center
Tarrant County Community College (South and Trinity River campuses)

Dining and Shopping:

Magnolia Street Arts District – dining, galleries and musical entertainment
West 7th Street and Montgomery Plaza – dining, shopping and musical entertainment
Sundance Square – dining, shopping and musical entertainment
University Park Village – dining and shopping

Sports:

TCU College Athletics
TWU College Athletics
Colonial National Invitational Golf Tournament
Texas Motor Speedway
Professional Sports in the Metroplex – Cowboys, Rangers, Mavericks, Stars, FC Dallas

Amusement Parks in the Metroplex:

Six Flags
Hurricane Harbor
Great Wolf Lodge
NRH2O

