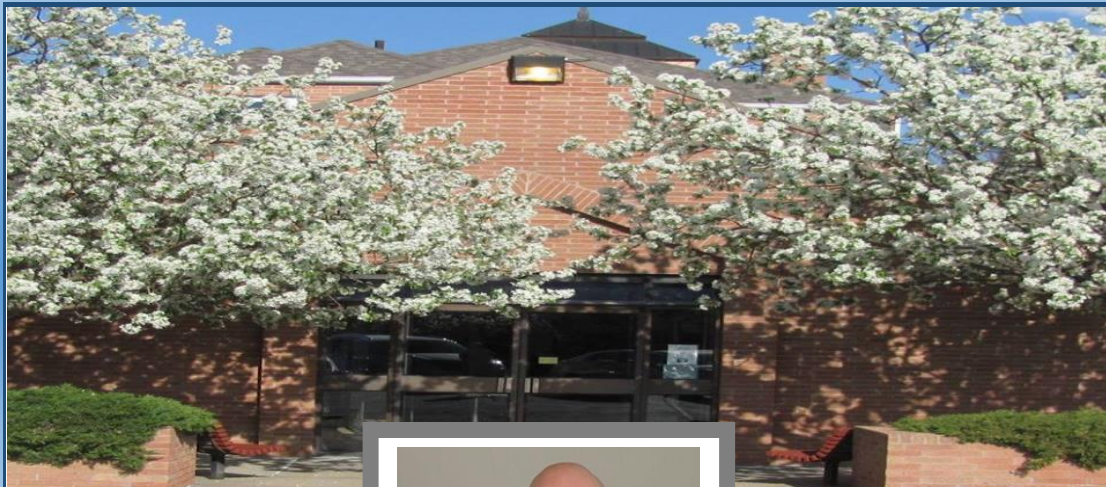
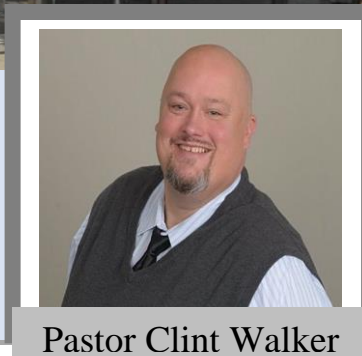


# The Home Visitor-June 2017

## North Platte First Baptist Church



North Platte First Baptist Church  
100 McDonald Road  
North Platte, NE 69101  
Worship Hours  
Sunday School 9 a.m.  
Sunday Worship 10:15 a.m.



Pastor Clint Walker

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### **WHAT IT MEANS TO BE MISSIONAL**

The term “missional” is thrown around a lot these days. Outside of the church, nearly everyone is on a “mission” to do something. Businesses have mission statements, if they are smart. Military personnel are sent on a mission when they are assigned to short term operations. And churches send missionaries to places that seem “foreign”, whether they are international or domestic in location. Now churches are told to be “missional”. What does that mean?

When we speak of churches being missional, we are talking about a change in mindset in how we do church. In certain points in many of our growing up years, churches seemed to adopt the line from the movie Field of Dreams, “If you build it they will come”. And so, congregations sought to construct buildings and create programs that would attract people to attend their congregations. There was not really a need to spend a lot of time “going out” to reach people. Perhaps, we needed to invite people to come to church with us, but really our thought was that if we opened our doors and did enough things right that people would seek us out as a church and we would grow into this beautiful local community of like-minded people called First Baptist Church.

Slowly though, our culture continued to change. Our families moved around. We went from a nation that was familiar with the Christian story and “church” to a society that many describe as “post-Christian”. At the same time, some insightful missionaries that were sent out overseas for their careers began to come back to America and Europe, and they began to observe that Europe and America looked more like the mission field than the church nation of old. Those missionaries, especially one named Leslie Newbigin, began to challenge churches to change by adopting some of the better strategies of missionaries in reaching unreached people groups. This is a helpful correction. It challenges us to return to our understanding of “church” as a people of God involved in

a movement of the Spirit in the world, instead of an institution and a building.

One of the most challenging mindset changes is that congregations must change if they are going to be missionaries in their communities is that more and more of our resources, time and energy should be focused on going out and being “externally-focused” like Jesus was. For many years, we have focused on an attractional model of church, where we developed “programs” to bring people in and “assimilate them”. The problem is, this idea is based on growing a church through marketing our “church products” to others, and less and less people are in the “market” for church stuff and a church experience.

So, more and more, we are called to go to people, meet them where they are at in their lives, and share our lives and our faith with them there. The congregation and its edifice are places of equipping and sending folks to live the gospel in the world. It will be a challenging change as we move ahead, but we have the Holy Spirit empowering us for the task.

In Christ,

Pastor Clint



**Dear First Baptist Church:**

Thank you for welcoming me into your youth group the past several years & for the past graduation ceremony you had for us.

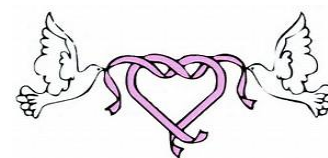
Thank you also for the devotional book “The Story” & for your continued prayers.

*Tyler Ogden*



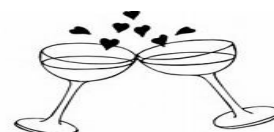
Keep your eyes and ears open for this fun time!

It will be happening during the week of June 12-17.



Traci Marsh and Adam Lucas are getting married on June 10<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. at First Baptist Church!

Reception to Follow



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Nebraska American Baptist Women's Conference

June 2-4

Moses Merrill Camp & Conference Center

### Traci Marsh Wedding

June 10<sup>th</sup>

2 p.m.

First Baptist Church

Reception to Follow

### Pastoral Relations Committee

June 11

Agape Room

7 p.m.

### Deacon Meeting

June 14

7 p.m.

### Mayor's Prayer Breakfast

June 15

7 a.m.

Harvest Christian Church

### Executive Board

June 27

7 p.m.

### Pastor Clint's Installation

August 13

\*\*During worship service



A Jericho March is what some may refer to as a prayer walk by a group or congregation. The purpose is to pray for or against something and ask God to intercede, protect, or change something.

In the book of Joshua chapter 6, we are told of the first "Jericho March." According to the Bible, the Israelites were led by Joshua into the land God promised them. They crossed the Jordan River and were instructed to conquer the land called Canaan. Jericho was the first city to be taken for the Lord. It was a city of false gods. Joshua was instructed to silently march around the walled city once a day for six days straight.

FBC will be doing Jericho Prayer Walks on June 5, 7, 12, 14, 29 and 21 at 8:15 a.m. Prayers will be that God will break down barriers between us, God, one another and community. The walks will take place around the church.

Have faith that the Lord hears every prayer because He may again call on us to bring down some walls to restore His Kingdom.



There will be three Facebook Live Bible Studies in the month of June.

June 8<sup>th</sup>: Study of Philemon

June 15<sup>th</sup>: Study of 3 John

June 22: Study of Jude

It's Easy! Just follow the steps below:

1. Add Pastor Clint as a friend on Facebook.
2. Sign on to his Facebook Live Broadcast.
3. Ask questions through comments & dialogue in real time.

## Financial Report

The following are the First Baptist Church's financial figures for April 2017.

General Fund	\$ 21,392.63
Other Missions/Special Offerings	170.00
Building Fund	2915.00
Global Missions	1926.00

*Please continue to prayerfully and generously support the ministry of our Church.*



# June 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				<b>1</b> 9:00 am <i>Ladies' Breakfast</i>  8:00 a.m. Men's <i>Breakfast</i> .  1:00 p.m. Mission <i>Quilting</i>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b> Communion  9:00 a.m. Sunday School  10:15 a.m. Worship	<b>5</b> 8:15 a.m. <i>Prayer Walk</i>  6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 8:15 a.m. <i>Prayer Walk</i>  1:00 p.m. <i>Quilting Group</i>  <i>Epicenter Service</i> <i>Project...More info</i> <i>to come</i>	<b>8</b> 8 a.m. <i>Men's Breakfast</i>  9:15 p.m. <i>Facebook Live Bible</i> <i>Studies</i> <i>(Philemon)</i>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> 2:00 p.m. <i>Traci Marsh</i> <i>Wedding</i>  <i>*Reception to follow.</i>
<b>11</b> 9:00 a.m. Sunday School  10:15 a.m.. Worship  7:00 p.m.. Pastoral Committee Meeting	<b>12</b> 8:15 a.m. <i>Prayer Walk</i>  6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts  7:00 p.m. Deacon Meeting	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 8:15 a.m. <i>Prayer Walk</i>  1:00 p.m. Quilting Group  No Epicenter	<b>15</b> 8 a.m. <i>Men's Breakfast</i>  1:00 p.m. <i>ABWM Meeting</i>  9:15 p.m. <i>Facebook Live Bible</i> <i>Studies (3 John)</i>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b> 8:30 a.m. <i>Welcome</i> <i>Coffee</i>  9:00 a.m.. Sunday School  9:15a.m.. Worship  3:00 p.m.. Worship at Centennial Care Center  <b>FATHER'S DAY</b>	<b>19</b> 8:15 a.m. <i>Prayer Walk</i>  6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> 8:15 a.m. <i>Prayer Walk</i>  1:00 Quilting Group  6:30 p.m. Epicenter Lake Night  SUMMER BEGINS!	<b>22</b> 8:00 a.m. <i>Men's Breakfast</i>  9:15 p.m. <i>Facebook Live Bible</i> <i>Studies (Jude)</i>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>5</b> 9:00 a.m. Sunday School  10:15 a.m. Worship	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 7:00 p.m. <i>Executive Board</i>	<b>28</b> 1:00 P.M.. Quilting Group  8:30 p.m. Epicenter Dark Games	<b>29</b> 8:00 a.m. <i>Men's Breakfast</i>	<b>June 18th</b> <i>Happy</i> <i>Father's</i> <i>Day!</i>	