



May 2021 Newsletter



**SAN FELIPE
INTERSECTION**

Where Lives and Ministries Cross Paths

May 12th, 10:00 AM

FBC Sealy

707 8th St, Sealy, TX 77474

Agenda: SFBA Business, Worship & Ministry Share Time

For church leaders and STARS Network Affiliates

San Felipe Church Plants Face Challenges with Faith

by Randy Beck

The churches that make up San Felipe are a beautiful picture of uniqueness. Each paints a picture as distinctive as the individual context where they are called to do ministry. Some of our churches have a long history that extends over 100 years, while others are beginning a ministry journey with barely a handful of months and years.

The challenge of ministry shouldered this past year in each SFBA church has come in varying degrees of difficulty, yet a special blend of hardship has been encountered within our new congregations and church plants in our association. Take a glimpse at a few of our great SFBA church plants and the creative approach they are taking during these months of uncertainty.

The Grove Church, ministering in Pecan Grove for over six years, is led by Lead Pastor Lance Williams. Lance has dealt with an unsure start back in their local LCISD school following the summer. School officials were leery of an outbreak and there was a possibility that the church may no longer have a place to gather on a Sunday. Even during the February freeze, a damaged school meant they were forced to punt, so they gathered in the parking lot of their school on that Sunday.



Jon Davis leads Common Ground Community Church and was facing an unknown period of time that their KIDS school could be totally unavailable. They continued to find ways to minister in their community in creative ways with virtual groups despite losing their primary place to gather. Maintaining an online presence, like many other SFBa churches, has provided a measure of confidence in having a Plan B that can be executed on any Sunday should a change happen in the district.



Walter Junious, Founding Pastor of The Cross Church, began in 2016 in a local high school setting. God opened a door in early 2020 for a new event venue center to become their new home. This move provided some confidence of a gathering space that lacked in those early years. Walter has discovered a virtual mid-week bible study that launched in the early COVID days is still an effective method to connect with his commuting congregation, even though a facility was now available.



Liberty Church is our newest church plant within SFBA and is led by La'Juan Robinson. They found the door completely closed in trying to return to their meeting location in a school. Just this week, Liberty Church has found hope of a possible location to for worship beginning in June. The new site is near their current ministry context and neighborhoods. Over some difficult months, the Robinsons found a new way to connect beyond Sunday. As a biblical vocational planter, La'Juan is using Facebook Live weekly to reach those without a church in a platform to bring questions or wrestle with faith beyond Sunday when many often work.



I'm grateful these pastors are striving to reach their community while lacking a key resource many consider a requirement. I'm glad they're a part of our group of churches bringing the gospel into our community. *Will you join me in praying for these and other church planters around Houston who are creatively trusting God to be the church without a building for the church?*

If you want more information about these SFBA Church Plants, are considering church planting, or have an interest in collaborating to plant a local church, connect with Randy Beck, SFBA Church Planting Strategist at randy@mywaypointchurch.com to begin a conversation.



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Together


Facilitating Partnerships of SFBA Churches in building God's Kingdom Together.

May 17th, 5PM

Trinity Baptist Church
10000 Spring Green Blvd, Katy, Tx

For food reservation email jessica@sanfelipeba.org.

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led by
Dr. Randy Hatchett,
Professor of Theology at
Houston Baptist University

Indicate your interest by emailing info@sanfelipeba.org

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Vice-Moderator	Josh Guajardo, Trinity BC Katy
Clerk	Lizette Polk, Doves Nest Ministries, Rosenberg
Treasurer	Joe Bonham, FBC Rosenberg
Priority Team Facilitators	
Church Planting Team	Ken Collins, FBC Beasley
Church Strengthening Team	Matt Martin, Trinity BC, Katy
Leader Development Team	Angelo Gonzalez, Common Ground CC, Katy
STARS Network Team	Justo Robinson, CityRiseEmmanuel, Missouri City
Administrative Team Rotating Members	
2021-2022	Nate Sprinkle, Calvary Baptist Church, Rosenberg
2020-2021	Tony Ramos, Grace Fellowship, Sealy
Texas Baptist Encampment Representatives	
2021-2024	Gary Juarez, Believers Fellowship, Spring
2017-2021	Micah Mathews, Calvary BC, Rosenberg
2019-2022	Jeff Klutz, FBC Needville

Pastor & Wife Retreat

October 1-3, 2021

For all Bivocational and single
staff **SFBA churches**

Hilton NASA Clear Lake



Accommodations
include: 2 night stay
in a King room with
a Friday Night
Banquet, + 2
breakfast vouchers





Total cost per pastor is \$50

To reserve your spot click [HERE](#). For more information email info@Sanfelipeba.org.

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Student & Worship Pastor ~ FBC Sealy

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Intersection/Executive Board Dates

May 12

August 25

November 10

