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7 Letters #1

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## Ephesus...the Church of Lost Love Revelation 2:1-7

Just as passion in marriage can wane, our passion for the Savior and one another can wane...grow cold if not properly nourished. The church at Ephesus lost their first love...how can we keep that from happening in our lives...in our church?

### ➤ the BACKGROUND of...

↳ the LETTERS to the SEVEN CHURCHES

↳ the EPHESIAN CHURCH

### ➤ the WORDS of CHRIST to the CHURCH at EPHESUS

↳ APPROVAL...2:2-3,6

→ a \_\_\_\_\_ CHURCH

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↳ ACCUSATION...LOST LOVE...2:4

↳ ADMONITION...2:5

→ \_\_\_\_\_

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→ \_\_\_\_\_

↳ PROMISE...2:7

➤ the \_\_\_\_\_ of the CHURCH is to \_\_\_\_\_!

### CORE VALUES

SURRENDER

COMMUNITY

MISSION



### GIVING IS A PART OF WORSHIP:

We do not pass an offering plate during the service. Boxes are located in the hallways for those who wish to serve by giving.



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WELCOME TO TBC... HERE'S WHAT'S NEW:

### **TBC FOOD DRIVE**

Our food drive has begun! Each year, our drive collects non-perishable food for families in need in our community. This year, we're collecting for 40+ families.

Bring non-perishable donations to the bins around the church or the Outback

### **FALL SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES**

Our Children's Ministry is still in need of **13** Sunday School leaders this fall!

**9:30** ... Preschool: 2, Elementary: 2; His Kids (special needs): 2

**11:00** ... Preschool: 4, Elementary: 1; His Kids (special needs): 2

*To sign up pick up the handout from the Currents Rack or email Julie Martin at [tbonejbird@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tbonejbird@sbcglobal.net)*

### **DIVORCE CARE FOR WOMEN**

This class for women meets on Sundays mornings at 11am in Room 204.

For more information, contact Sharon@2thetopllc.com.

### **LIFE CHAIN**

Life Chain is a peaceful & prayerful public witness of pro-life Americans standing for one hour (2-3pm) praying for our Nation and for an end to abortion. To participate, meet TODAY at 1:45pm at 1 of 3 locations: the Chick-fil-A across from Temple Mall, Immanuel Baptist Church, or Christ the King Catholic Church in Belton.

### **INTIMATE ENCOUNTERS**

This fall study on making good marriages great begins TODAY at 11:00am in Room 301. *Pick up a handout from the Currents Rack for more info.*

### **LEADERS FOR OVERFLOW HIGH SCHOOL NEEDED**

Leaders & interns needed for Overflow HS. You will love serving students at this pivotal age! Contact HS Pastor Dave Tate at 254-493-1161 or [davet@tbcweb.org](mailto:davet@tbcweb.org).

### **NEWLY ENGAGED OR CONSIDERING MARRIAGE?**

Preparing for Marriage is an 8-week class that will be held every Sunday starting Oct. 11th at 11am in Room 201. Contact Martha at [marthag@tbcweb.org](mailto:marthag@tbcweb.org) to RSVP.

### **SERVICE OPPORTUNITY**

Helping Hands is hosting the welcoming booth for the Silo Farms Pumpkin Patch and is looking for volunteers each weekend in October. At least 2 volunteers per shift will be needed from 9:30-5:00 with three shifts: 9:30-12, 12-2:30, and 2:30-5:00. If interested, go to the For the City link on our homepage or contact Allyn Testroet at 254-613-4586.

### **PASTOR TO WOMEN**

Beth Mackey, TBC's Pastor to Women, will be retiring Dec 31. Please pray with the leadership team that the Lord will raise up the next lady who will serve in that role. A job description is posted on our website under Women's Ministries. If you or someone you would recommend desires to be considered for this role, please have resumes sent to Jackie Morgan at [jackiem@tbcweb.org](mailto:jackiem@tbcweb.org).

### **TBCERS NEED RIDE TO CHURCH**

Two TBCers, a senior woman & her son, are needing a ride from Belton to church on Sundays. Contact Cookie in the church office if you're available to help: 778-3233.

3205 OAKVIEW DRIVE, TEMPLE TX 76502 - [TEMPLEBIBLECHURCH.ORG](http://TEMPLEBIBLECHURCH.ORG) - 778-3233



**THE GRID** is a 6 week study on God's heart for the nations. It is an excellent opportunity to hear from experts on why and how TBC takes the gospel to the nations.

**When:** Oct 4th—Nov 15th (Sundays) 6:00pm-8:15pm

**Where:** TBC Room 301

**Yes, I want to sign-up!**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Register as:** ☐ Individual (\$20/person) ☐ Couple (\$10/person)

☐ Small Group (\$10/person)      \*Can pay at the first class\*

**Childcare:** ☐ Yes    Name/Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Please place in the offering box or register online:  
[www.templebiblechurch.org](http://www.templebiblechurch.org) and click THE GRID link



# Intimate Encounters

Marriage Enrichment Training

**8-Week Study**

**@ 11:00am in Room 301**

**Introductory Class**

**on**

**SUNDAY,  
OCTOBER 4TH**



***Joe and Colleen Palmer, Teachers***

Joe and Colleen have been married for 45 years and have 3 grown children and 6 grandchildren. They have taught these principles to hundreds of couples since 1993 at TBC and at workshops around Texas.

Joe is an Assistant Superintendent with Temple ISD.

Colleen is the Facilitator of Generations - Studies for Women at TBC and a mentor, teacher, and prayer warrior.

**Opportunities  
To Serve in  
Children's  
Ministries**

# giving

*Back this fall...*

**Check the area you would like to serve  
on Sunday mornings beginning  
NOW through May!**

**Our Needs:**

**Nursery:**

☐ 8:15 ☐ 9:30 ☐ 11:00

**Preschool**

☐ 8:15 ☐ 9:30 ☐ 11:00

**Elementary** ☐ 9:30 ☐ 11:00

**HisKids Special Needs** ☐ 9:30 ☐ 11:00

☐ Nurse @ 9:30 ☐ Nurse @ 11:00

☐ Family Night (Wednesday) kitchen help,  
3-5:30 pm

**Yes, I am interested in volunteering!**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please place in the offering box or return  
to the Children's Ministries Info Desk**



# *Grace for Today*

We are a support group for families of those living with mental illness. We want to come alongside you and offer understanding, information, and a listening heart for the unique challenges of lives affected by mental illness.

**First Meeting  
August 10, 2015  
7:00-8:30 p.m.**

*Meeting on the second Monday of each month  
at Temple Bible Church in Room 105.*

Contact Gina Ferrara (254) 541-6240 or  
[gina119f@gmail.com](mailto:gina119f@gmail.com) for more info