

July 31 - Last Sunday **JOIN US!**

THANK YOU, TOM, FOR 29 YEARS



Paul loved the Philippians because they were his partners when he was in need. They gave repeatedly and sacrificially. He explained the Lord would provide for their every need. Paul and the Philippians loved each other. Like the Lord, Paul gave to them first, and then they reciprocated. That is what friends do. Friendship is give and take. When we love, we give. ALWAYS. *“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son....”* Our Lord’s generosity was for the benefit of all who would trust Him. Everlasting life comes as a gift. The generosity of the Philippians, combined with Paul’s labor, subsidized his work in nearby Thessalonica and Corinth (550 miles south).

Generosity has a way of returning to the giver. Solomon wrote, *“One gives freely yet grows all the richer; another withholds what he should give, and only suffers want. Whoever brings blessing will be enriched, and one who waters will himself be watered.”* (Proverbs 11:24-25)

The last thing Paul told the Philippians was about the grace of Jesus Christ. The New Testament presents Jesus as the source of all riches: *“... which is Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.”* (Colossians 2:2-3).

After 29 years, the time has come for me to hand over the leadership to Andrew Forrest. I’m certainly no Apostle Paul, but I can understand his feelings about loving a church. Asbury has been that place for Dana and me. I can also feel the joy of handing it over to a young “Timothy” in Andrew. Let us do all in our power to ensure that we will be Andrew and Elaine’s full and complete partners. Let’s seek unity and joy like Paul, Timothy, and the Philippians enjoyed. The Lord will provide. God supplies every need. Like Paul, the last thing I’d like to say is also about the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. To God be the glory for the great grace we have received. Like Paul, let’s share it. Let’s Help Others Follow Jesus.



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APPLICATION:

Our memory verse this week is: 4:19: *And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.* Our theme is **GOD SUPPLIES**. We can grow our generosity in many ways. *“Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap.”* (Galatians 6:7)

What will you do to plant good seed by your prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness?

WAYS TO GIVE:



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Cash or Check:
Offering box or any time in the main office or the South Guest Services Desk.



MESSAGE

Philippians 4:8-13

Senior Pastor
Tom Harrison

SUNDAY MORNING



ASBURY Kids

9:30 & 11 am



ASBURY STUDENTS

9:30 am
Asbury Students Center



Discipleship Communities

8, 9:30 & 11 am
Check asburytulsa.org/communities for full listing



August 13 | 8:15 am North Entrance

What could be better than serving the Lord with family and friends? All ages and skill sets are welcome! Wear comfy clothes that will keep you cool and closed-toe shoes that you wouldn't mind getting dirty.

Register at asburytulsa.org/serve2ndSat

This month we are looking forward to working with:

- Youth at Heart : Water Fun Day at Walt Whitman Elementary
- Tulsa Dream Center
- Bridging Hunger (previously Northstar Bridge)
- Pet Food Ministry
- Homeless Mat Ministry
- Prayer Ministry



Bibles and Blessings CELEBRATION

August 14 All Three Services

We will have a Bible Blessing celebration for all children starting kindergarten this fall during the 8 am, 9:30 am and 11 am services followed by a reception in the CLC after the 9:30 and 11 services. A letter will be mailed with more information on August 1. No registration needed; just come forward when requested in the service.

For more information, contact Shanon Brown at sbrown@asburytulsa.org or 918.392.1170.



TOM'S FAREWELL WEEKEND

*Celebrating 29 Years with Pastor Tom Harrison
Enjoy Food, Laughter, Tears and Fun*

July 31

Timeline of Events

8:00 am	Traditional Worship, Mason Chapel
9:30 am	Traditional Worship, Sanctuary
10:30 am - 1:30 pm	Celebration Begins Outside/ Development Center Tours Begin
11:00 am	Modern Worship, Sanctuary
12:15 pm	Ribbon Cutting at Development Center (outside)

Pastor Tom Celebration | 10:30 am - 1:30 pm

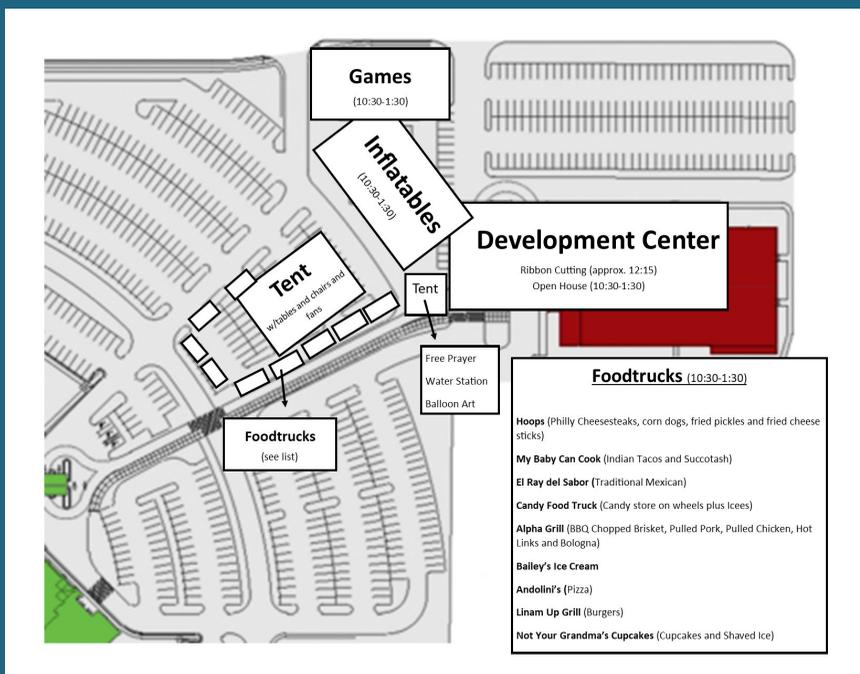
- Celebrating Pastor Tom and Dana in all three worship services – 8, 9:30 and 11 am
- Food trucks from 10:30 am – 1:30 pm – South Parking Lot.
 - Hoops (Philly Cheesesteaks, corn dogs, fried pickles and fried cheese sticks)
 - My Baby Can Cook (Indian Tacos and Succotash)
 - Candy Food Truck (Candy store on wheels plus Icees)
 - Alpha Grill (BBQ Chopped Brisket, Pulled Pork, Pulled Chicken, Hot Links and Bologna)
 - Bailey's Ice Cream
 - Andolini's (Pizza)
 - Linam Up Grill (Burgers)
 - Not Your Grandma's Cupcakes (Cupcakes and Shaved Ice)
- Cash or credit card needed for food trucks.

- Inflatables: Bounce House, slide and more.
- Games: Soccer Darts, Axe Throwing and Archery Hoverball.
- Photo opportunities: Large cutouts of Pastor Tom through the years.
- Tents, chairs and fans will be available in South Parking Lot to eat, cool off and fellowship. Also, you are welcome to sit in the air conditioning at the tables in the Main Foyer.
- There will be limited tables in the Development Center as well.



Grand Opening of Asbury Development Center | 12 pm

- At noon, Pastor Tom will walk over to the Asbury Development Center for the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony.
- Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at 12:15 pm.
- Tour through the new Asbury Development Center.
- Partners include: Asbury Theological Seminary, Blessings to Share, Building All Children, Churchcraft Consulting, Circle of Care, Good Samaritan Health Services, Influencers Tulsa and Restore Hope.





CELEBRATING 29 YEARS!

We want to bless Pastor Tom and Dana Harrison for their years of service to Asbury.

asburytulsa.org/lovetom to give.

Give \$29, \$290, \$2,900. As long as it has a “2” and a “9,” have fun with it!

Please go to asburytulsa.org/lovetom and select the Honorariums and Memorials dropdown and write in the memo line, “Harrison Love Offering.” You can also follow the same instructions when scanning the QR code located on posters at all of the entrances. Please make checks out to Asbury Church then write in the memo line, “Harrison Love Offering.” It is very important to put “Harrison Love Offering” in the memo line.

NOTE: This is not a tax-deductible donation.



A special issue of Tidings honoring Pastor Tom is available at the Guest Services Desk. One per family.

A selection of FREE Perceptions is available at the Guest Services Desk. Pick up one today.



WELCOME EVENT

On August 4 at 6 pm, we will be hosting a **WELCOME** event for the Forrest family. Come and get to know the family! You will have the opportunity to text in questions at the event.

There will be ice cream available afterwards.



Join us for **ONE** Worship Service on Sunday, August 7

Sunday, August 7 starts an exciting chapter in Asbury's history: for the first time in 29 years we're welcoming a new senior pastor! So that we can all begin this new era together, we're having **ONE** worship service that day at 10 am with our new pastor, the Rev. Andrew Forrest. We would like everyone to worship together as a church family on his first Sunday at Asbury. AsburyKids - Early Childhood for infants 6 weeks to PreK will be open, however, the following will not be meeting:

- Discipleship Communities
- Asbury Students Programming
- AsburyKids Elementary Programming

Donuts will be served from 9 -10 am and then after the service snacks will be available.



All are invited to join the Chapel Community, July 10 - 31, at 9:30 am in Mason Chapel, for a special study, “How to Do Christian Community with No Curriculum.”

You’ll learn practical ways to follow Jesus in your day-to-day life as you watch over one another in love.

Thursday Night Worship Service



August 11 | 6 pm

The most important thing you can do every week is to attend worship, which is why we believe weekly church attendance is a keystone habit that will change your life. Going to miss a Sunday? Good news!

The Thursday service is a full worship service, identical to Sunday; in terms of our preaching calendar, Thursdays precede Sundays, so Pastor Andrew will preach the same sermon on Thursday that he preaches on the subsequent Sunday. Don’t have time to change clothes between baseball practice or yardwork? Just come in whatever you’re already wearing—no excuses.



SPECIAL WEDNESDAY NIGHT TEACHING

Come for two slices of FREE pizza, cookies, tea and water in the CLC on August 17 from 5:30 - 6:30 pm. Then join us in Mason Chapel at 6:30 pm for a special night of teaching with Asbury's new senior pastor, Andrew Forrest.

As a church, we're reading through the Book of Genesis this fall. The Israelites called the first five books of their Bibles "Torah," which means teaching; they contain teaching about the world and how to live well within it. In August, we're reading through the opening 11 chapters of Genesis, chapters which form a prologue not just to the rest of the book of Genesis, but to the entire Bible that follows.

Genesis can be difficult, but it is worth it, and to get the most out of our reading, our whole church is invited to a Bible study and Q&A taught by our new senior pastor, Andrew Forrest. Bring friends!

The teaching will be available by livestream too. Child care available.



MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT

August 19-21

For all students 6-8 grades!

This year, our theme is Called. We will be diving deep into the story of Gideon from the Old Testament and applying his story to our lives today.

This will be a wonderful weekend of worship, new friends, growing closer to Jesus, and tons of fun!