

This Week @ FBC

Sunday, August 12

- 9:30 am Sunday Morning Bible Study
- 10:55 am Morning Worship Celebration
- 11:05 am Kids' Worship @ The Point
- 5 pm Atkinson LifeGroup
- 6 pm Dave Bolling Concert



Monday, August 13

- 8:15 am 1st Blessings Preschool Open House

Tuesday, August 14

- 1st Blessings Preschool First Day
- 10:30 am Keenagers' Meeting

Wednesday, August 15

- 5 pm Wednesday Evening Meal
**Hamburgers Potato Salad
Chips & Desserts**
- 5:30 pm Oneighty Student Ministry
- 6 pm Group Bible Studies
Kids' Clubhouse Friends
- 6:15 pm Worship Orchestra Rehearsal
- 6:30 pm Family Conference Meeting
- 7:15 pm Worship Choir Rehearsal

Friday, August 17

- 4 pm Student Ministry Atlanta Braves Trip

Find more info online at www.fbcfo.org

Prayer Concerns

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| Hospital | Darryl Lane | Angela Gann | Epperson |
| Joetta | Jane Hogsed | Sharon | Mary Lou |
| Roderick | Scott | Mullins | Brown |
| Louise | O'Steen | John Stewart | Nursing |
| Stinnett | Harold | Ruth & Brian | Home |
| Cindy Shipp | Parrish | Wagoner | Lila Archer |
| Home | Regeania | Tommie | Dale Kinnison |
| Priscilla | Nicholson | Brock | Eunice |
| Pennington | Bettye | Betty Phillips | Mosman |
| Steve Rosser | Dunwoody | Nell Smith | Bertha |
| Ray & Cathy | Beth | Maeriol | Pennington |
| Cox | Daughtery | Minter | Pauline |
| Luke Daniels | Dawn Emous | Wanda | Thomas |
| Wayne | Wanda | McArthur | Norma |
| Daniels | Kitchen | Ken & Betty | Carpenter |
| Darlene Lane | Pat Medearis | Goodner | |
| | Jerry Gann | Helen | |

Birthdays

- Ivey Minghini (12th)
- Wilton Dodson (14th)
- Wayne Robinson (15th)
- Brandon Malone (17th)
- Hadyn Griffin (18th)

Staff

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Love & Prayers

Our church family is lifting up Jan Rosser & her family through the death of her mother, Ms. Ann Moulton



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Upcoming

Dave Bolling in Concert

Our very own Dave Bolling will be leading us in worship this Sunday evening, 8.12, at 6 pm with a special concert. Dave has written new music that he will be sharing along with many familiar favorites. We hope you will come out and enjoy a special evening of worship with Brother Dave.

Student Pastor Candidate Confirmation

After prayerful consideration, our Personnel & Pastoral Teams are excited to introduce Pastor Patrick Everett as our Student Pastor Candidate. We invite you to come to our Family Conference Business Meeting next Wednesday at 6:30 pm for a time of discussion and confirmation. We will be meeting in our downstairs Fellowship Circle.

Worship Arts Ministry Special Concert

You are invited to a special evening of worship on Sunday, 8.26 at 6 pm in our Worship Center. Our own Worship Choir, Orchestra, and soloists will lead us in a powerful evening in God's Presence. We will be singing old favorites and new choral anthems, all designed to lead us to the Throne of God. Plan now on being with us! Invite someone who needs a personal touch from God!

Operation Christmas Child

We are excited to announce that our church campus will be a community collection center for the 2018 OCC Christmas Shoebox Ministry. The official collection week will be November 11 - 19. We invite you to be planning ahead for the shoeboxes you will pack and for how you might help in the collection process. Empty shoeboxes and other supplies will be available at our main Welcome Center desk later in August.

Aug. 8 - Aug. 15

Our Volunteers

Deacons of the Week

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| Aug. 12-18 | Aug. 19-25 |
| Tim Banister | Ronnie Born |
| Bob Johnson | Donnie Lindsay |
| Becky Pennington | Kerry Pennington |

Wednesday Meal

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| <u>August 15</u> | <u>August 22</u> |
| Betty Parrish | Marlin Paulson |
| Harold Parrish | Mary A. Paulson |
| Charles Tant | Frankie Trotter |
| Dolores Tant | Hal Jones |

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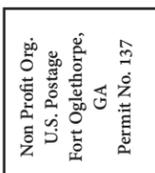
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| Aug. 12-18 | Aug. 19-25 |
| Shannon Born | Bob Rogers |
| Ken Lee | Paul Overlin |

Greeters

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| <u>August 12</u> | <u>August 19</u> |
| Harold Parrish | Lois Carlton |
| Betty Parrish | Jim Carlton |
| Marlin Paulson | Elaine Steele |

Sunday, Aug. 12 LaunchPad Next Sunday, Aug. 19

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| Babies | David White | Babies | Rob Randall |
| 1&2 yr olds | Dedee McMahan | 1&2 yr olds | Holly Randall |
| 3 yr olds | Marcy Mead | 3 yr olds | Carrie Payne |
| Welcome | Kim Flegal | Welcome | Joy Clark |
| | Marlin Paulson | | Betty Parrish |
| | Mary Anna Paulson | | Brenda Jones |
| | Laura Leath | | Laura Leath |



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Word From Our Pastor

Jason Thomas

There is power in authenticity!

Welcome back to our series on getting "smaller" in classes & small groups. Last week I wrote about how the early church continued Jesus' small group model and built strong relationships by meeting consistently together. The Apostle's teaching (consisting of the Old Testament and Jesus' oral word)

would have been their main ingredient. But as we take this next step in our series, let's consider this other powerful ingredient...

Authenticity!

Authentic means to be genuine. It means a courageous willingness to share our real feelings and struggles, always with the hope of healing and spiritual growth. It

requires a group dynamic in which there is mutual love and trust so that we can take off our "masks" and be real with each other. This kind of exposure is hard, but we read about its value in James 5:15, **"Admit your faults one to another and pray for each other so that you may be healed."**

To find authenticity within a large group, you may need to find a few trusted Christian friends within that group. But the first place to begin is by sitting under God's Word. God's Word does the real work of exposing our human weakness. **"For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing the soul, and spirits, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart"** (Heb. 4:12). Real change happens when we are honest before God and are encouraged by close Christians friends. I pray we find those relationships by getting "smaller" together. More next week! -Jason

The Sunday Report

Bible Study Attendance

11 am Worship Attendance 242

Annual Budget 570,548.16
YTD Budget Needs 32,916.24
YTD Budget Giving 33,145.08

Total Receipts for the Week: 17,533.41
Weekly Budget Giving 13,368.41
Weekly Freedom Giving 3,388.00
Weekly Missions Giving 457.00

This Sunday's Message:

The Overcome Series:
"The Hope of Finishing Well"
1 Kings 19:13-18

Next Sunday's Message:

The Overcome Series:
Conclusion & Finale

Announcements

Thank You

Laurie Brown Fasulo and her family would like to thank all of you for your love and kind expressions of sympathy on the passing of her father, Rev. Sam Brown. Your cards and prayers were felt by the entire family.

Church Council

Mark your calendar for our next Church Council Meeting on **Sunday, 8.19**, at 4 pm. We are calling our staff & ministry team leaders to this special meeting of prayer, vision, and planning. We will meet in our downstairs Fellowship Circle.

Group Rosters

Sunday School leaders, please ask everyone in class to give attention to your rough draft directory that is in your folder. Please add any missing or incorrect info in pen on the sheets. Please leave the rough draft in your class folder.

Discipleship

Jesus spoke plainly about our idle words (Matthew 12:36), yet His warning often goes unheeded. This word "idle" is defined as "careless, lazy, or useless." Jesus said that for every idle word there will be a time of accounting in our day of judgment. We would naturally expect Jesus to condemn profane and vile uses of the tongue, but idle words? Idle words are things we say carelessly, without concern for their impact on others. We can easily be unaware of what we are doing with our words. We too quickly assume that the sins of our tongue are minor sins, sins that God will overlook. Yet Jesus was fully aware of the devastating nature of our words, **for the idle words that come from our mouths give a lucid picture of the condition of our heart** (Matt. 15:17-20). James also speaks of the high power of the tongue and the direction of our life.

The Book of



Andy Atkinson

Proverbs encourages us to speak less rather than risk saying something offensive (Prov. 17:28). Often when we have nothing significant to say we are tempted to speak injurious, idle words. The more time we spend in idle chatter, the greater the likelihood that we will say things that are harmful. James wisely cautioned us to be *"swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath"* (James 1:19). We are in much less danger of saying something offensive when we are listening than when we are speaking!

Lets think carefully about the words that come from our mouth.

Christians should speak only words that build up and bring grace to others (Eph. 4:29). Do you need to speak less? Do you need to be more careful about the kind of humor you use? Ask the Spirit to help you evaluate whether your words build up others or whether they destroy and hurt others. Even this small discipline will reveal the idols of our heart.

Student Spotlight



New Student Pastor: We are excited to introduce Pastor Patrick Everett as our new Student Pastor candidate. Join us next Wednesday, 8.15, at 6:30 pm for a time of discussion and confirmation.

Braves Game August 17: We will leave at 4pm. \$10 deposit due now!

Transition from Kids Ministry: We welcome our new 6th graders to our Student Ministry!

Children's Headlines

Nichole Stookey

"From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the Lord is to be praised!" Psalm 113:3

Volunteers: We are looking for volunteers in our Kids Ministry on Sundays and Wednesdays. If you are able to serve, we have a place for you! Stop by or email Ms. Nichole at nicholes@fbcfo.org to discuss where you can plug in and help!

Clubhouse Friends: We are excited about a new Worship curriculum beginning Wednesday, 8.8! We will kick-off right at 6pm and dismiss at 7:15. Kids: Invite all of your friends to join us in a time of Worship and Celebration together!!

The Point: We will resume Kids' Worship this Sunday, 8.12, during the Morning Worship Celebration!

Worship & More...

Brad Lewis

A Powerful Scene! The beginning of Isaiah 6 gives us a glimpse of something big. Isaiah was describing how he saw the Lord *"high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple."* Isaiah 6:3 tells us that the angles shouted: *"Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory."* Wow! What a powerful response to an encounter with God!

How do you respond when you encounter God: Do you shout? Stand? Fall down? Sing? Lift your hands? Cry? Pray? Hide your face? All of these are great responses to encountering God. Neither of them are more important than others. All of them have their place in worshipping God.

If we continue to read verses 1-8 of Isaiah 6, we see that there is a progression that Isaiah went through in response

to encountering God. Isaiah cried, confessed, repented (both for himself and for the people), received a touch from God, received forgiveness, listened to God's voice, and made a life-changing commitment to Him.

May we be so dialed-in to God's Presence that we hear Him clearly. Even as Pastor Jason shared this past Sunday, may we find God in the small moments as well as the big moments, and then respond to Him as He shares Himself with us...

Worship Well!

-Brad



Women's Ministry

The Women & Men's Camp Lookout Retreat is scheduled for the weekend of 9.28-29. If you are planning to go, please notify Laura Jones or Donnie Lindsay immediately so we can get a head count. This event is for couples, singles, divorced, widows, and anyone interested. The plan is to spend one night and enjoy food, fellowship,

speakers, games, fishing, etc. We will be in the main Welcome Center this Sunday for you to stop by and ask questions and sign up. A \$20 deposit for each person is needed and the balance will be due the first week of September.

Equip Sunday

Our Fall Equip Sunday will be **Sunday August 26, 2018!** This is a great opportunity to promote our Group Ministry and focus on our mission of reaching unchurched people and making

disciples. ALL classes & groups will meet in the Worship Center from 9:30 am to 9:50 am. Please encourage all class & group members to join us during this time.

Summer Sunday Nights

We are wrapping up our special 2018 Summer Sunday Nights schedule. Check out these moments coming next: **This Sunday:** Dave Bolling Concert;

August 19: Ecuador Mission Trip Report; **August 26:** Worship Choir & Orchestra Concert.