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CALENDAR

Sunday, October 20
9:30a Bible Group Ministry
10:50a Morning Worship
The Practice Kids' Breakout
4p Leadership Summit
5p Evening Devotion

Wednesday, October 23
5p Wednesday Evening Meal
6p Oneighty Students & Clubhouse Friends
Group Bible Studies

6:15p Worship Orchestra Rehearsal
Pastor's Prayer Service
7:15p Worship Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, October 27
Normal Morning Schedule
Kid's Worship @ The Point
4p Trunk N Treat Festival

Wednesday, October 30
5p Wednesday Evening Meal
Normal Wednesday Schedule

Thursday, October 31
9a FBP Fall Festival

Friday, November 1
Feed Ridgeland Band

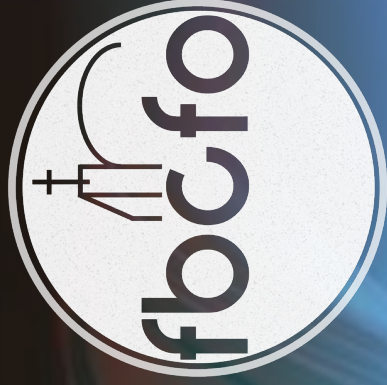
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*I pray that you may be active in sharing your
faith, so that you will have a full understanding
of every good thing we have in Christ.*
Philemon 6

October 16, 12019



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our vision

To lead people
into a life-changing
relationship with God
through personal faith
in Jesus Christ.



GATHER
in worship



GROW
in small groups



GO
into the world



sermon series



This Sunday

The Reset Series Begins:
"Meet the 'Head Coach'"

Next Sunday

The Reset Series
Continues

Christ Chapel

Items for October
Peanut Butter & Canned Veggies

SUNDAYREPORT



Bible Study Attendance	193
11 am Worship Attendance	224
Annual Budget	596,828.00
YTD Budget Needs	470,576.71
YTD Budget Giving	436,839.70
Total Receipts for the Week:	15,776.22
Weekly Budget Giving	13,265.47
Weekly Freedom Giving	1,597.50
Weekly Missions Giving	755.00

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VOLUNTEERS

deacons of the week

Oct. 20-26

John Collision
Hank Humphrey
Nolan Richardson

Oct. 27-Nov. 2

Cathy Cox
Patrice Humphrey
Joyce Rogers

wednesday kitchen

Oct. 23

James Swafford
Cliff Floyd
Jean Floyd
Sandra Mullins

Oct. 30

Donnie Lindsay
Donna Lindsay
Brenda Jones
Jean Stone



security team

Oct. 20-26

Jimmy Boyette
Bob Rogers

Oct. 27-Nov. 2

Russell Harp
Kris Kubler

Nov. 3-9

Jeff Ingram
Tom Acker

greeter team

Oct. 20

Diedra Smith
Betty Parrish
Elaine Steele

Oct. 27

Donna Lindsay
Donn Lindsay
Brenda Jones

Nov. 3

Jeff Wells
Carrie Wells
Preble McDaniel

launchpad

Sun. Oct. 20

Babies-2 yrs

Angie Davis
Madison Stookey
Brittany Stone
Lynn Tyree

3yr & 4yr olds

Sun. Oct. 27

Babies - 2 yrs

Mackie Yatooma

3yr & 4yr olds

Robert Randall
Holly Randall



Sun. Nov. 3

Ray Cox
Cathy Cox
Donna Lindsay
Donnie Lindsay

Sun. Nov. 10

Holly Trotter
Morgan Trotter
Rachel Wilson
Cathy Culver

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Trunk or Treat Festival

You are invited to experience our Trunk or Treat Festival happening Sunday, 10.27, from 4p to 6p. You will enjoy lots of candy, games, music, and hot dogs. There is still time to volunteer by signing-up in our main Welcome Center. Also, you can donate bags of wrapped candy between now and the day of the event. Invite your friends to enjoy the festival with you!

Operation Christmas Child

Once again, our church campus will be a Community Collection Center for the upcoming Christmas Shoebox Ministry. Empty shoeboxes are available in our main Welcome Center. Now is a great time to get your shoeboxes and begin gathering all of the goodies as we look forward to the November collection.

Men's Breakfast & Motorcycle Ride

Our next two Men's Breakfasts will be Saturday, 10.26 and 11.9, at 8:30a in our downstairs Gathering Circle. Come enjoy a being country breakfast and devotion. The "Sons of Thunder" will be leading a motorcycle ride immediately following each breakfast.

Spanish Classes

As we look ahead to Ecuador 2020, we're offering a class on conversational Spanish. Ms. Betsye Smith is our teacher, and the class is open to every one, and the cost is \$3.00 per class. For now, we will meet three times per month, with the exception of December, and will probably increase the meeting times after the first of the year. The meeting times are Thursdays from 6–8p. We will meet on campus in one of the classrooms near our main Welcome Center. Mark these meeting dates: 10.24, 11.7, 11.14, 11.21, 12.12, 12.19.

JASON THOMAS

lead pastor - [jasont@fbcfo.org](mailto:jason@fbcfo.org)

Get to the Point! That is exactly what James does in the letter that he wrote to the twelve tribes who had been scattered among the nations, most likely after the stoning of a deacon named Stephen. James gets to a very important point in verse 22 of chapter 1 with these words, "Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says" (James 1:22). We might wonder why James would need to tell us this, as if to think that one automatically becomes a doer of the Word upon hearing it. But there was and is a compelling need that inspired James to give us this stern warning. It encourages us to consider, "Am I living out what I am learning or am I being deceived into believing that simply hearing the Word is good enough?"

There are some settings that naturally promote more hearing than doing. When it comes to the preaching and teaching of the Word, most worship and classroom settings naturally favor the hearing. You can walk in, sit down, listen to the sermon or lesson, and walk out when the last word is spoken. The Word alone is powerful as a key ingredient to your spiritual growth. But as James has warned, there is still the need for more. What role does obedience play when it comes to experiencing true growth? Let me ask it this way: How can you really understand forgiveness or love or grace without experiencing them? You can hear them taught as subjects in a worship center or classroom, but consider the difference if you begin to practice them with a small community of fellow believers and beyond.

Maybe it is time for you and I to get to this point. We need to do as much living as learning. Let it never be said that our knowledge is greater than our obedience. Mature believers will be doers and not just listeners. -Jason



Join us Sunday, 10.20 for our next **Second Sunday Summit** as we continue to dream about greater ministry strategies for greater gospel relationships. We will continue to cast vision with these dreams in mind. It all begins at 4p in our downstairs Gathering Circle. Ministry teams will have a break out time after our large group discussion.



BRAD LEWIS

worship pastor - bradl@fbcfo.org

We Are Not Alone! I am not referring to aliens... Rather, I am referring to the fact that the Lord, the Creator of the Universe, is with us. All that is needed for us to rise above the "fray" of life has been given to us when we committed our lives to Christ.

We have the Holy Spirit abiding in us. We have the Presence of God surrounding us. We have our brothers and sisters in Christ upholding us.

Look at these declarations from God's Word:

- *'Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit,' says the Lord Almighty.* -Zechariah 4:6.
- *One man...shall chase a thousand, for the Lord your God is He who fights for you, as He promised.* -Joshua 23:10.
- *On the day I called, You answered me; You made me bold with strength in my soul.* -Psalm 138:3

The next time someone asks you how you are doing, don't give the answer you feel or the "popular" answer: *I'm making it; I'm above the ground; It's Monday; I'm barely getting by; I'd be better if my team would win...*

Rather, by faith, make the same declarations that God makes about you: *I'm God's child; I'm filled with the Holy Spirit; I am an overcomer; I am protected; I am redeemed, I am blessed...*

Worship Well!

-Brad



PATRICK EVERETT

student pastor - patrick@fbcfo.org

Xtreme Conference - The Xtreme Conference in Gatlinburg is coming this Winter, and the dates are Tuesday, 12.31 - Friday, 1.3. We had such a great time of worship, fellowship, and fun last year! We anticipate God moving in our students again. All students planning to attend: Give Miki Ingram a deposit of \$50 by 10.27.19.

180 Wednesday Worship - Our 180 Student Worship experience meets every Wednesday from 6:00 - 7:30p. There are opportunities for you to serve in this important first step into our Student Ministry. We are looking for volunteers to assist with the bus ministry, set-up, clean-up, and participation in the 180 Worship Rally. Email patrick@fbcfo.org if you would like to get involved.

Our students will be looking at "God's Will " for their lives in scripture on Wednesdays. We will be working through several passages where God states, this is His will for our lives in Christ. Pray for us as we seek His will for our teens!

"We have service opportunities for our Wednesday 180 ministry. See Patrick if you are here on Wednesdays and are looking to serve... We can help you find your place."



Oneighty is a worship service every Wednesday evening at 6 pm, that offers an experience to connect with new people who want to build Christ-centered relationships. If you would like to invest in the lives of our students, there is no better way! Contact Pastor Patrick if you are interested. We need you!

NICHOLE STOOKEY

kids ministry - nicholes@fbcfo.org



Summer Camp: If you are interested in your 3rd-6th going to camp next summer, give Nichole a \$60 deposit by November 1. Our next camp fundraising lunch will be Sunday, 11.3.

Trunk-or-Treat: We are just a few weeks out until our big Trunk-or-Treat Fall Festival on Sunday, 10.27. Sign ups are in the main Welcome Center to set up your car, and we are continuing to take candy donations for those of you who can't participate with your cars. On the day of the event, set up will be at 3pm and the festival will be from 4-6p. We will have inflatables and cokes & hotdogs! Invite all of your friends and family!



The Practice: We will have The Practice on Sunday, 10.20, and will be working on memorizing 1 John 4:7 & 8. The kids are doing an amazing job digging deep into God's Word and memorizing Scripture. Kids will be brought to the main Welcome Center at the end of the Worship Service to be picked up.



Clubhouse Friends

We are beginning a new focus called, "The Church." This will put or concentration on people reaching out and working together to serve one another. Clubhouse Friends meets each Wednesday evening from 6-7:15p in the upstairs in the Kids Ministry area.



The Point

Our next Point - Kids Worship will be on 10.27 during the Sunday Morning Service. Jesus and the Woman at the Well - **Luke 7:36-50** will be our main theme. Kids will be dismissed during the Fellowship Song and need to be picked up from the gym, immediately after the close of the Worship Service.

PRAYER REQUESTS

churchoffice@fbcfo.org

Hospital

Raymond Pendley
Mike Long
Sharon Mullins

Home

Ken Lee
Mellonie Allison
Rosemary Biggs
Tom Brewster
Priscilla Pennington
Carol Croft
Opal Hyde
Wilma Burt
George Smith
JoAnn Davis
Sheila Hall
Nell Smith
Tommie Brock

Lila Mears

Jerry Gann

Beth

Daugherty

Wanda McArthur

Helen Fisher

Susan VanWagner

Ruth Wagoner

Pat Medearis

Helen Epperson

Ken & Betty

Goodner

John Stewart

Mike Ulman

Dean Moore

Carol Whelchel

Assisted Care

Betty Phillips

Lila Archer

Joetta

Roderick

Eunice & Stephen

Mosman

Norma

Carpenter

Robbie

Fletcher

Pastoral Emergency Line - 423.708.5303

BIRTHDAYS

Harriett Murdock (17th)
Elijah Keesler (20th)
Sarah Montgomery (22nd)
Bimol Poole (22nd)
Christina Thornton (22nd)

Jeff Wright (23rd)
Ava Grell (24th)
Lynne Lance (24th)
Brad Lewis (25th)
Cheryl McCurdy (25th)
Jenny Pitts (25th)
Nancy Austin (27th)

Pat Medearis (27th)
Ryan Randall (27th)
Chloe Payne (28th)
Clarence Allison (29th)

WEDNESDAY MENU

Oct. 23 - Baked Pork Chops, Mac N Cheese, White Beans, Dessert

Oct. 30 - Chicken Cornbread Casserole, Green Beans, Mac N Cheese, Dessert

Relationships **Matter**

helping you get connected in Group Ministry

5 Things You Need to Know About Connecting Unconnected People

There are a few things I know about connecting unconnected people. While there are definitely exceptions to just about every rule... If you can think of examples counter to these five you are thinking of exceptions. Build your ministry off of the rule and not the exception.

Many times, unconnected people are one tough thing away from not being at your church. Loss of a job. Divorce or separation. A devastating diagnosis. A child in trouble.

Here are 5 more things you need to know about connecting unconnected people:

1. **Unconnected people have different appetites** and rarely respond to menu items that appeal to the core and committed. If you're finding it hard to connect beyond the usual suspects, you might need to take a careful look at the topics of studies you're offering. Does your topic connect with your true customer?
2. **Unconnected people are wary of long commitments.** When you promote a short-term study that's 13 weeks (Financial Peace, Experiencing God, some Beth Moore studies), you need to know that unconnected people hear "lifetime commitment." What's the right length? I've found that 6 weeks is just about ideal. Lyman Coleman has said many times that 6 weeks is short enough to commit to and long enough to help people begin to feel connected. Lyman's right.

-Adapted from an article by Mark Howell

(See the conclusion in our next issue of The Scoop)



Women's **Ministry**

Ladies Bowling Night - New Date in November

Tuesday, 11.19 @ 6-8 p. The cost is \$14 for 2 hours of bowling, shoe rental, 2 slices of pizza, and a drink. Contact Laura Jones ASAP at 423-605-1816 to reserve your spot.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ECUADOR 2020

Ecuador 2020 is scheduled for July 3-10. The cost of the mission trip is around \$1,500 per person, and fundraising opportunities are currently ongoing.

Thank you VERY MUCH for the support we received at the recent Craft Fair and Fundraiser Lunch to help with the trip. So far we have raised \$1,800. If you are interested in going on the trip, contact Laura Jones at 423.605.1816.

The next fundraiser event for Ecuador will be a movie night in January with the showing of the 2005 hit movie **Edge of the Spear**. Stay tuned for more information in the weeks to come.

Weekend to Remember

Family Life is hosting a weekend marriage retreat for married couples of all ages at the Chattanooga Convention Center on the weekend of 11.8-10. Contact the church office for more information.

OCC Shoebox Mission Trip

Space is limited for our yearly mission trip to the OCC Collection Center in Atlanta. This year, the trip will be Thursday, 12.5, leaving our campus at 9a and returning at 9p. Call or email churchoffice@fbcfo.org to reserve your spot for this fun and rewarding trip.