

**God@Work in  
the Life of...**

*Gene Pargas*

*Pastor Marty:*

**Joy**

**Meet our New  
Staff Member:**

*Brent Brendle*

# Connection

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## Our Food Pantry

The Food Pantry serves those in our area who are experiencing difficult times. Your donations make a difference to them and provide an opportunity to show that God loves them.

It is easy to help! Just place non-perishable food and cleaning supplies in the Food Pantry boxes in the hallways leading to the Sanctuary. Here is a list of suggested items for donations:

- Peanut butter
- Jelly
- Cereal
- Pasta
- Spaghetti sauce
- Canned fruit
- Canned vegetables
- Tuna
- Canned chicken
- Instant mashed potatoes
- Rice
- Stuffing
- Soup
- Bath and cleaning products
- Any other non-perishable items

*"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat...  
Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers  
of mine, you did for me." [Matt. 25: 35, 40]*

**TOY** &  
**CLOTHING**  
EXCHANGE

# The JOY of the LORD happens inside the SORROW.

## You Can Have Joy!

Dear Church Family,

One of the most powerful insights I've read in a long time was in Timothy Keller's book, *Walking with God through Pain and Suffering*. In talking about pain and suffering and how it's often confusing as to why God doesn't just stop it all and why we sometimes feel such despair, he said, "The joy of the Lord happens inside the sorrow. It doesn't come after the sorrow. It doesn't come after the uncontrollable weeping. The weeping drives you into the joy; it enhances the joy; and then the joy enables you to actually feel your grief without its sinking you. In other words, you are finally emotionally healthy."

Like many of you reading this article, I've read passages of Scripture like Nehemiah 8:10, "...the joy of the Lord is your strength," or Psalm 30:5, "...joy comes with the morning," or John 15:11, "...that your joy may be full," or John 16:22, "...no one will take your joy..." or finally, James 1:2 where James is writing about severe trials and says, "Count it all joy, my brothers..."

Also, like many of you, I've often had a hard time counting my problems with joy or finding joy in the morning or experiencing the joy of the Lord as my strength. This is where Keller's insight was of great help to me. My problems or sorrow or pain can be a catalyst to push me into joy instead of a blockage to keep me from joy. The driving forces of my hurt and pain are actually opportunities to rejoice in the Lord and run to Him and complain to Him and rest in Him alone. He and He alone becomes the source of my joy and my life. That's how the joy of the Lord becomes my strength.

I'm still just a learner in this experiencing of joy, but the older I get, the more I realize the stunning reality that in this life there is no real joy (only illusions) except the joy of the Lord. Join me in finding your joy in the Lord and not in other things that will disappoint you.



*Love never fails,*

Marty



## Encouragement for the *Journey*

**“And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ.” Eph. 3:17, 18**

Have you noticed that there are some things in life that we know in our heads but haven't gotten settled in our hearts yet? For instance, most of us know that God loves us. Some of us have been singing it since we were children: “Jesus loves me; this I know.” But lately I've heard more than one person admit that they're struggling to really live like they're loved. Why do some people seem to experience it so deeply — while others feel disconnected from His love?

I'm sure there's more than one answer to that question, but I stumbled over an important clue when I was reading a familiar passage the other day, Eph. 3:17,18. The Apostle Paul is writing to his friends in Ephesus: “And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ.”

Did you catch that? I've read it many times before but never really noticed the secret: that we're never going to grasp the depth and power of God's love for us unless we're “together with all the saints.” Experiencing the scope of God's love isn't something that happens to us in isolation. It happens to us as we spend time with God's people.

Jesus left behind His church to function as His body in this world. So He meant for us to experience His love by being connected to His body. And we need a stronger connection than just coming to a service on the weekends. Every one of us needs to be part of a group of Believers who are encouraging one another, loving one another, praying for one another. It's the only way we'll ever completely experience the amazing love that the Father has for us.

I hope this season finds you deeply connecting with some of His favorite saints!



Laurie Berglund

# WELCOME

## GUEST RECEPTION

Whether you are new to our church or have been visiting for some time, our Guest Receptions are great ways to find out about FAC.

Receptions will be held after each worship service on Mar. 1/2, 15/16, and 29/30 in Room A-08. You are invited to join us!

If you have questions, contact Intern Pastor Luke Fraser, 609-953-7333, x112, or [luke@myfac.org](mailto:luke@myfac.org).

## NEXT STEPS

After attending a Reception, explore the beliefs, values, and practices of our church in a small group, conversational setting. During the month of March, Next Steps will meet on Sunday evenings, Mar. 9, 16, 23, and 30, at 6:00 p.m., at 184 Church Road, Medford.

For more information about Next Steps, contact Pastor Glenn Kantner, 609-953-7333, x106, or [glenn@myfac.org](mailto:glenn@myfac.org).



# miniChurch

## JOIN A miniChurch

When you join a miniChurch, you join others in growing and sharing Jesus together in everyday life. FAC miniChurches gather at different times and places for transformation (connecting to God), community (connecting to God's people), and mission (connecting to God's work).

*To join a miniChurch, go to [www.myfac.org/minichurch](http://www.myfac.org/minichurch), or stop by the Welcome Center.*

## miniChurch Leaders' Dessert

Mar. 14

7:00 to 8:45 p.m.

All miniChurch leaders are invited to a special evening to connect with coaches and other leaders and to hear FAC pastors talk about our exciting future with miniChurches.

*RSVP today: [www.myfac.org/mcleaders](http://www.myfac.org/mcleaders).*



DON'T GET  
LOST  
--- in the ---  
CROWD!

# Spotlight on our VOLUNTEERS



**BERNICE HALL**

*Fresh Hope Ministry*

Bernice Hall has been volunteering with the Fresh Hope ministry since it started about seven years ago. Throughout her years of involvement, Bernice has helped with childcare, served as a table leader, and currently helps coordinate the table leaders. "I was in it from the very beginning," Bernice said. "I was a single mom, and I wanted to give back."

Currently, the Fresh Hope ministry has about 12 table leaders and more than 60 women attending each meeting, which includes a meal, childcare, and a speaker who discusses a topic and her own walk with God.

The Food Pantry and Clothing Closet are also open before the meeting for the women to use. Many of the table leaders have previously participated in the Fresh Hope ministry and wish to help other women in similar situations.

Between meetings, the leadership team meets to discuss prayer requests and how they can better serve the table leaders. Bernice said, "One woman wanted to be a table leader for young moms because she felt like that hadn't been addressed before. As a result, we have started that this year."

She added, "There are so many different things our women are facing. It's really encouraging for me to see how the women grow. Some start out struggling and change within a year."



**JOE PAGANO**

*Various Ministries*

Throughout his time at Fellowship Alliance, Joe Pagano has used his gifts and talents to serve in a variety of ways. Currently, he is part of several ministries, including the Crew 318 team, Catalyst Men's Group, short-term missions, and facilities.

Joe has been attending Fellowship Alliance for ten years. After having a transplant in December 2008, he felt led to become more involved.

Joe said, "After I had a transplant, I got more serious in my Christian walk."

Joe began by getting involved with the Catalyst Men's Group, first as a member and now as a group facilitator. He has been a leader with the men's group for about a year and a half and helps to take the men through various courses and studies.

Joe also volunteers with the short-term missions teams and works with Pastor Jim Entwistle and others to ensure that everything gets put together prior to the trips.

He also volunteers with the facilities group and the Crew 318 team to help with building projects around the community. "We go out to anyone's home who needs help," Joe said. "The requests go through the Benevolent Center and then to Crew 318."

With each ministry he serves, Joe exemplifies how God is able to use everyone's talents and skills to help those in need.



**PAUL CERAK**

*High School Ministry*

Paul's heart for helping teenagers and the help that his own high school group provided to him are two of the reasons why he got involved with the high school ministry at Fellowship Alliance.

"My high school youth group played a large role in my coming to Christ," Paul said. "I got involved with Fellowship Alliance after working with high school groups at two other churches and because I have a heart for teens."

Paul volunteers as a small-group leader for sophomore boys and will remain with that group until the boys graduate. Within the small group, he mentors the boys and gets to know them individually, providing someone with whom they can talk freely. When the large group meets, Paul works to meet the kids he doesn't know who are involved with the group.

Currently, the high school ministry is organizing lessons that run for six weeks and cover various topics. Paul led lessons on the Armor of God in the fall and will be leading lessons about the Second Coming of Christ in the spring.

Paul believes that the high school ministry is a place where a seed can be planted to help students grow in their faith later in life.

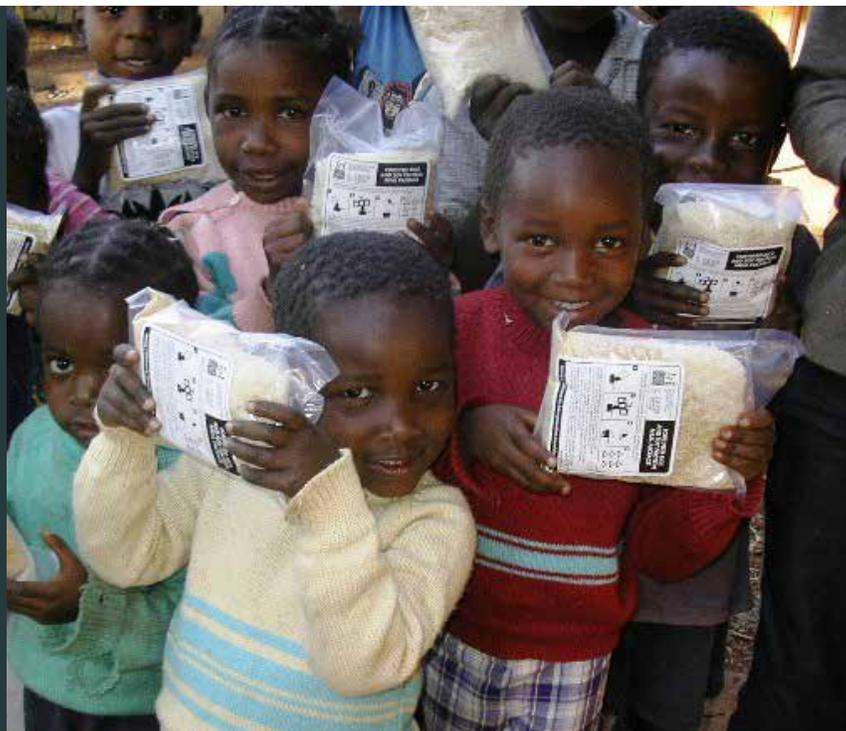
# MISSIONS & SERVICE

## We're Assisting with Local and Global Hunger Relief Projects.

Local churches will meet at FAC on April 5 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. to work in collaboration with the Just Five Project for local hunger relief and the Global Aid Network for international hunger relief.

Together, we will package small pouches of nutritional, rice-soy meals that will be shipped around the world to feed starving children. Ninety volunteers are needed, including thirty from our church, to assist in preparing 20,000 meals. This event is open to everyone — individuals, miniChurches, families, and small groups. Invite your neighbors!

To find out more or to register for this event, go to [myfac.org/serve](http://myfac.org/serve). If you have additional questions, contact Tracy LaRosa, [projects@myfac.org](mailto:projects@myfac.org).



## Women's Clothing Needed

*Fresh Hope Clothing Closet for Single Moms*

Fresh Hope is an FAC ministry for single moms. One aspect of the ministry is The Fresh Hope Clothing Closet, which is designed to offer clean, fashionable clothing and accessories for single moms. We are currently in need of donations and would appreciate your help. Please limit your donation to one large bag as the closet is located in a very small area.

## Needed Items

**WOMEN'S CLOTHING:** We request only clean, up-to-date, clothes that are in very good condition — no rips, no tears, no sweaters with pilling.

**WOMEN'S SHOES:** We request stylish, clean shoes that are not scuffed and do not have overly worn heels.

**ACCESSORIES:** These are very popular — jewelry, scarves, purses, belts, and hats.

Thank you so much for your generosity!

If you would like to volunteer to help with this ministry or arrange to donate your clothing, contact Kathy Foering, 609-458-9222 (phone and text).



Ukraine | Ben and Kristy Williams

## ◀ Our Missionaries in Ukraine **Ben and Kristy Williams**

Ben and Kristy Williams are back in Ukraine. It was great to have them with us at FAC — listening to Ben preach and seeing many individuals get to know them better.

As they returned home safely to Lviv, they found themselves in the midst of thousands of Ukrainians protesting against the Ukrainian president and the corrupt practices deeply steeped in the government. Because of this new development, the school concerts that they had hoped would come to fruition in February are on hold.

The Williams are safe, but they have a few prayer requests:

- Please pray for the Ukraine Fusion music ministry. Although the concerts are cancelled for now, they are trusting God that He will help them recruit teens for the choir. This ministry has great potential for sharing Christ with young people.
- Please pray for the summer interns and short-term teams traveling to Ukraine to help Ben and Kristy this year.
- More personally, please continue to pray for Ben and Kristy's children, Dylan and Marissa. Marissa was accepted to preschool after many doctors' visits and much paperwork. She starts on Mar. 1. Pray, too, that the children would quickly re-acclimate themselves to their environment and to the Ukrainian language.

*For current information about the Williams family and ministry, check out their blog at [benandkristy.com](http://benandkristy.com).*



FASA | Fellowship Alliance Southern Africa

## **New Ministry: FASA**

*Fellowship Alliance Southern Africa*

Informational Meeting: March 6

Fellowship Alliance Southern Africa (FASA) is a ministry that will bring discipleship and Biblical education to the children and young people of that region. We are excited about this opportunity to train spiritual leaders and to share the Gospel in schools and area churches.

We will be implementing leadership material developed by Kurt Jarvis called *The Bible Story of God* (Leadership Institute) and Biblical education material called *Chronological Bible Storying*. We will be working with pastors, churches, educators, and schools in order to develop relationships and ongoing communication.



As this ministry develops, it is anticipated that there will be two to three trips per year: spring (April), summer (August), and possibly fall (November). If you are interested in participating in one of these life-changing trips, attend the next informational meeting on Mar. 6, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., in the Chapel. The next trip is tentatively planned for August.

Another great way to stay connected with what's going on in FASA is to join the Fellowship Alliance Southern Africa group on the Hub. Just sign in on the Hub ([www.myfac.org](http://www.myfac.org)), find FASA, and join! You will be updated on all the communication and great things that are happening with this exciting new ministry.

Ministry Profile

# SOJOURN

[ For Young Adults,  
ages 18 to 24 ]



“The idea for Sojourn has been lingering in my heart and mind for more than 12 years,” shares Luke Fraser. “I didn’t know until recently that God had prepared me for this ministry long before I was even ready for it.”

Luke, who currently oversees the Sojourn Young Adult Ministry, has a special connection with young adults because he clearly remembers how God powerfully worked in his life during his early to mid-twenties. “I found myself at a crossroad — a crossroad that so many young adults find themselves presented with in one way or another. God had arranged several divine appointments for me to meet the consequences of choosing to follow my own path rather than the Lord I claimed to be subject to.”

As a young man struggling to find answers to the most basic questions of life, Luke found himself in a situation where he had to choose Christ or the world. God showed him that if he wanted to follow Christ, he needed to get a “divorce” from the world. “That may sound like strange language to some,” says Luke. “I know what I would have thought if I’d heard someone say something like that when I was in my twenties. However, getting a divorce from the world was indeed what God was calling me to understand and obey.”

Luke would have argued with anyone who dared challenge his commitment to Christ when he was younger. He later learned that his true beliefs were made evident through his actions. “What my actions showed was that I was in love with the world and not Jesus,” Luke explains.

This realization was hard for Luke to swallow. He had led people to Jesus, was the grandson of two pastors, prayed to receive Christ at age seven, was baptized at age twelve, and grew up in the church. However, the moment he took a step back and looked at where foolish pride had led him, it wasn’t hard to see that following his own path led to nothing but pain and empty, momentary pleasure. “So, in my mid-twenties I signed the divorce papers. I no longer wanted to pursue anyone but Jesus,” said Luke. “It wasn’t long at all before I saw the value of following Christ.”

The moment Luke decided to pursue nothing but Christ, his eyes were opened to a whole new world of pleasure. “It was



richer and more satisfying than anything I'd found in my relationship with the world," shares Luke. "What's even better is that I couldn't prevent it from spilling over into the lives of others even if I'd tried!"

Before long, Luke knew God was calling him to a life of ministry. He would lie awake at night dreaming of seeing Christ return. Luke realized if he wanted to see that happen, then he would have to do his part in making as many disciples as he could with whatever time God had left for him. Any other life path seemed like a wasted one for him, and he's been vigorously pursuing God's dream for his life ever since.

Now at age 35, Luke believes his radical transformation in his twenties prepared him to minister to young adults who may be at the same crossroad. "My goal is to help young adults recognize their status as temporary residents in this world and learn to detach from whatever bonds they may have with it," said Luke. "By introducing them to the fundamentals of a life with Christ, I feel confident that this is exactly what we'll start to see take shape."

Currently, 50 members between the ages of 18 to 24 are involved in the Sojourn Ministry. They meet each week in small groups for Bible study and discipleship. In addition, there is a meeting on the first Friday of each month in the Chapel for a time of worship, fellowship, study, and fun.

Sojourn is a peer-led ministry, which means young adults help others in their same age bracket to a more healthy relationship with God. The ministry is not organized with a pastor as the central figure. While Luke takes the lead as the primary teacher at the monthly large group gatherings, the small group meetings are peer-led. Luke believes it's in the context of the weekly discipleship small groups that the groundwork is laid for real transformation to take place.

One of Luke's important roles in the ministry is helping to disciple a group of 12 young adults who lead small groups. In addition to Tim VanCuren, who helps with leadership development and discipleship, those leaders currently include:

- Rachel Durdin and Maggie Lefczik, Monday nights
- Lydia and Debra Bray, Thursday nights
- Chris Rymarz and Tim Finter, Thursday nights
- Mike Rymarz and Dakota Kensinger, Thursday nights
- Leigha Ashmen and Heather Coder, Friday nights
- Jimmy Schwartz and Dan Scott, Friday nights

Leigha Ashmen says, "The large group meetings are great, but I really look forward to meeting with my small group each week. I feel like the small groups for girls and guys provide a safe haven to discuss issues they might not necessarily feel comfortable talking about or answering in a large, co-ed setting. The small groups create deeper and meaningful friendships, while also providing an environment to really dive into God's Word and build a stronger, lasting relationship with Him."

Mike Rymarz explains, "Our focus in Sojourn is on discipleship. As Christ-followers we are charged with spreading the Good News of what Christ did for us. Whether you are a new believer or have known Christ for as long as you can remember, we make it our goal to create an environment where young adults are constantly challenged but also feel welcomed and loved by an amazing leadership team."

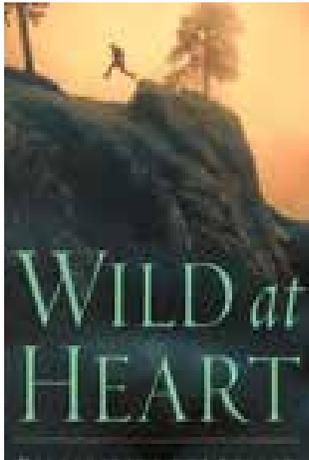
Ashlee Fraser, Luke's wife, also feels Sojourn is a fun and engaging place for young adults. "I love the relevance of the material presented in Sojourn and seeing the members get excited to learn about the topics discussed," shares Ashlee. "They are getting tough questions answered in a safe atmosphere. It's encouraging to watch young adults be engaged and hungry for more of God's Word while learning how to grow in their relationship with Jesus."

Luke believes his wife has been an essential figure in getting Sojourn up and running. "Ashlee's devotion to me, her confidence in my calling, her faith in Christ, and her loyalty to our marriage have been staples in the Sojourn ministry," says Luke. "We are equal partners in ministry. Without Ashlee's influence, I would not be all that God has called me to be."

Mike Rymarz feels honored to be surrounded by men and women who want to learn more about God. "Whether it's transitioning out of high school into college, moving into the work force, or even getting married and raising a family, these experiences can be stressful and even frightening," adds Mike. "We have several small groups that anyone can jump into and learn in a hands-on and peer-based way. If you don't feel comfortable with meeting at one of our small groups, any one of our leaders would love to meet with you and talk."

To get involved in Sojourn, contact Luke Fraser, [luke@myfac.org](mailto:luke@myfac.org) or 609-953-7333, x112.

## MEN, HAVE YOU TAKEN THE **WILD AT HEART** COURSE?



The *Wild at Heart* course is probably not like any other course you have taken. Based on the best-selling book by John Eldredge, the course challenges men to examine their roles in all aspects of their life and make radical changes. Eldredge invites men to “recover their masculine heart, defined in the image of a passionate God.”

Further, he says, “If Christian men are going to change from a pitiful, wimpy bunch of really nice guys to men who are made in the image of God, they must re-examine their preconceptions about who God is and recover their true *wild hearts*.”

Eldredge challenges Christian men to return to what he characterizes as authentic masculinity without resorting to a “macho man” mentality. He urges men to take time out and come to grips with the “secret longings” of their hearts.

Through teaching, introspection, and discussions, the *Wild at Heart* course at FAC has successfully challenged many men to move forward in their relationships with God and others.

Choose from two different times for the *Wild at Heart* course—

**SATURDAYS, BEGINNING MARCH 8, 7:30-9:00 A.M.**

(10 WEEKS) CHAPEL AND C-WING

**MONDAYS, BEGINNING MARCH 10, 7:30-9:00 P.M.**

(10 WEEKS) RED BARN

Cost: FREE! Bring your friends!

Register online at [www.myfac.org/register](http://www.myfac.org/register) and give *Wild at Heart* a try.

## TIMOTHY PROJECT

The Timothy Project is an eight-month intensive opportunity for Christ-like transformation. The Timothy Project combines experience and structure. A weekend retreat and various service projects are included.

Cost \$35.00 | Prerequisite: Completion of Catalyst Men’s Groups.

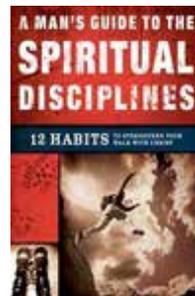
If you’ve taken *Wild at Heart*, check out these other courses, which are also available at the same times as those for *Wild at Heart*:



### WALK THE LINE (LEVEL 2)

Nothing prepares the hearts of men like walking the paths of Jesus. In this course, we will dig deeply into the life of Jesus through a study of the Book of John.

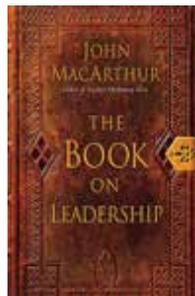
*The Book of John*  
Pre-requisite: Level 1 (*Wild at Heart*)  
Cost \$25



### SHARPENING IRON (LEVEL 3)

Spiritual strength, like surgical skill or athletic excellence, requires training and practice. This small group focuses on strengthening a man’s walk with Christ.

*A Man’s Guide to the Spiritual Disciplines*, Morley  
Pre-requisite: Level 2 | Cost \$25



### LEADERSHIP AND INFLUENCE (LEVEL 4)

This is an in-depth discussion on leadership as viewed through the life of the Apostle Paul. Beyond discussion, each man will have an opportunity to understand his influence across many areas and put what he has learned into real practice.

*The Book on Leadership*, MacArthur | Pre-requisite: Level 3  
Cost \$25

Register online at [www.myfac.org/register](http://www.myfac.org/register).

If you have questions about *Wild at Heart*, any of the other courses, or the Timothy Project, contact Pastor Erik Rebstock, 609-953-7333, x116, or [erik@myfac.org](mailto:erik@myfac.org). All courses are components of FAC’s Catalyst Men’s Groups (CMG). Note: Men, see information about the Golf Leagues, page 18.

# New Staff Profile:

## Brent Brendle



### When did you begin working at FAC?

I started working at church during the last week of January of this year.

### What is your position and what does that entail?

I have the immense pleasure to step into Pastor Ed Stiegel's role as the Director of Pastoral Care. I am grateful for the leadership and guidance Pastor Ed has had in my life. He did a wonderful job ministering to our church family and continues to support and encourage me. My role in pastoral care includes helping individuals and couples seek God through counseling and support groups. It also includes visitation to those who are sick or hurting.

**What is the most important thing to you about your job?** I get to see God work in amazing ways. I get to help others seek God through grief, trauma, difficulty, and also times of great joy.

**What do you hope to accomplish through your position?** We are so blessed to have dedicated people leading many support groups. We also have a committed and excellent team of lay counselors. Additionally, our marriage coaches help couples who desire to improve their marriages. Part of my role is to support those counselors, coaches, and leaders. I want to equip them to do this essential work. Also, I spend a lot of time counseling.

**Where are you from? Where did you go to school?** I was born and raised in Ohio. I spent most of my summers with my grandparents in Asbury Park here in New Jersey. I went to Cedarville University for a bachelor's degree in business administration and a minor in Bible. I was a bond trader and portfolio manager for a large investment firm before I felt God leading me to pursue a new path in counseling. My master's degree in Christian counseling is from Cairn University.

### When did you accept Christ as your Savior and what were the circumstances?

I was a pastor's kid and somehow always assumed I would get to

heaven as part of the "family plan." One day as I was helping my mom do the laundry, she explained to me that this was a decision I had to make for myself. She led me to Jesus right in the laundry room. I still do the laundry for my own family, and I'm reminded to thank God for saving me every time I pour in the detergent!

### Tell us about your family.

Our family is silly and messy and fun. I have been married to Beth for 22 years, and we have three boys. Sam is 13, Luke is 8, and Jake is 6. On any given day if you stop by our house, you risk taking a Nerf dart in the gut from a little guy wearing a fedora, swimming goggles, and a cape. Any of our boys will deny this if you ask them, but it's true.

### Tell us some of your favorite things.

I love going to the shore with my family and walking the boardwalk. Every summer we have a contest for the "best of the boardwalk." This year, maybe it will be the best water ice or possibly the best French fries. We're open to suggestions.

**Book (other than the Bible):** *Mere Christianity*, by C.S. Lewis;  
*Dr. Seuss's ABC*

**Movie:** *The Lord of the Rings Trilogy*; *The Princess Bride*

**Food:** I enjoy food a little too much — so much so that we live next to a pizzeria. In the summer, it is difficult to focus on mowing the yard when I can smell the sauce cooking. Beth and I like to cook together. I do the grilling; she handles the rest.

**Memory:** My most precious memories are of our three boys being born. We struggled with infertility, and when we were finally expecting our first child, Beth encouraged me to read to our baby in her tummy. Of course, after waiting six years, I was willing to read to her tummy. Immediately after each one of them was born, they responded to my voice and calmed down when I spoke to them, and their tiny hands grasped my finger. I am convinced that they recognized my voice, and it was the most amazing thing.

**Verse:** *2 Corinthians 4:7, "But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us."*

# MIDDLE SCHOOL

[For Grades 5 – 8]

## Spring Retreat

April 11-13

This retreat is a chance for students in Grades 6-8 to get away from the regular and normal things of their everyday lives and be able to encounter Christ in a different and unique way. We are extremely excited to see how God will change lives through this retreat! Space is limited so sign up as soon as possible online, [www.myfac.org/register](http://www.myfac.org/register).



Please pick up a Middle School Ministry Calendar in the Welcome Center.

For more information, contact middle school staff members, Eddie Jurimas ([eddie@myfac.org](mailto:eddie@myfac.org)) or Russ Batten ([russ@myfac.org](mailto:russ@myfac.org)).

### MIDDLE SCHOOL

#### Sunday Night Youth Groups

Level 5 for Grade 5  
Planet 678 for Grades 6-8

#### March Calendar:

**Mar. 2, 16, 23, and 30**

6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Medford Memorial Middle School,  
located at 55 Mill St., Medford

No registration required.

**Mar. 9** — Skate Night, meet at FAC at  
4:00 and return at 8:00 p.m.

#### Grapple

Grapple is a Sunday morning lesson for students in Grades 5-7. Grapple meets in the Red Barn during the 9:00 and 11:00 services. Please note: students must be dropped off at the Red Barn before the services.

#### Rock Solid

Rock Solid is a Bible study for Planet students in Grades 6-8. Rock Solid meets in the Chapel, 4:00 to 5:30 p.m., every Tuesday in March.

#### Party Skate Night

**March 9**

Register online as soon as possible,  
[www.myfac.org/register](http://www.myfac.org/register)

Party Skate Night is a Level 5 and Planet 678 combined event. Cost is \$10, which includes pizza and drink, skate rentals, photo booth pictures, and transportation to and from the Holiday Skate Center in Delanco.

This event will be packed so sign up now and get your friends to sign up, too! Check-in is at FAC at 4:00 p.m.; pick-up is at 8:00 p.m.

# HIGH SCHOOL

[FOR GRADES 9 - 12]

# YOUTH

## Lake Champion

March 28-30

Registration Deadline: March 3

Our annual spring retreat to Lake Champion is always a favorite event. The retreat center, which hosts hundreds of high school students from various youth ministries, provides the chance to make new friendships and go deeper in existing ones.

The weekend will feature challenging messages, awesome worship, tons of fun activities, times for hanging out, and great food!

The cost for the weekend is \$199. Register online ([www.myfac.org/register](http://www.myfac.org/register)) no later than Mar. 3.

More information is available in the Welcome Center. Contact Pastor Mike Williams, [mike@myfac.org](mailto:mike@myfac.org), if you have any questions.



HIGH SCHOOL

# EVENTS

## Ways you can get involved in the retreat:

**Pray:** Pray for the students and leaders going on the retreat. Pray that God would work in powerful ways during the weekend.

**Give:** We have lots of students who would love to go on this retreat but can't afford it. Please pray about making a financial donation to our scholarship fund to help make it possible for them to attend.

**Serve:** Contact Pastor Mike ([mike@myfac.org](mailto:mike@myfac.org)) about joining our awesome team of high school leaders and you can be a part of what God does in the lives of our students on amazing weekend retreats like Lake Champion!

## March Calendar

**March 3:** Insight at FAC, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.  
(Registration deadline for Lake Champion)

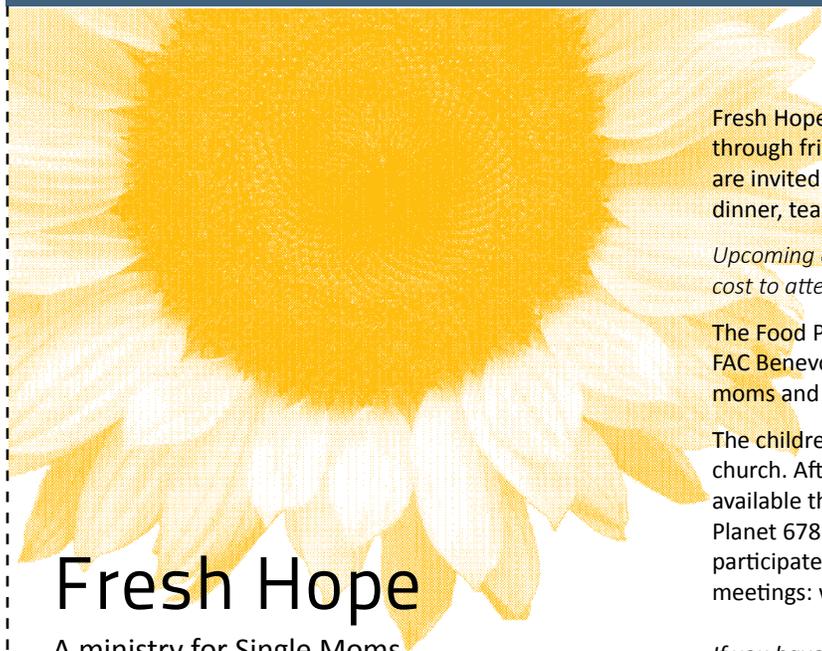
**March 10:** Insight at FAC, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

**March 17:** Insight at FAC, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

**March 24:** Insight at FAC, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

**March 28-30:** Lake Champion Retreat

**March 31:** No Insight



## Fresh Hope

A ministry for Single Moms

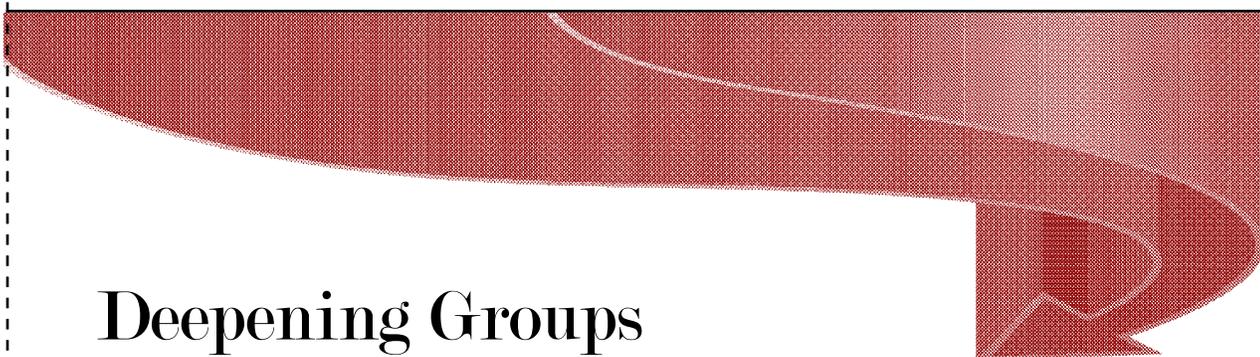
Fresh Hope is a place where single moms can connect to God's love through friendships, encouragement, and support. All single moms are invited to attend Fresh Hope from 5:00 to 8:00 in the Red Barn for dinner, teaching, fun, and encouragement.

*Upcoming dates for Fresh Hope are March 30 and May 4. There is no cost to attend.*

The Food Pantry and the Fresh Hope Clothes Closet are open in the FAC Benevolent Center from 3:45 to 4:45. Dinner is provided for the moms and their children and is served at 5:00.

The children meet in the Family Room in the main building of the church. After dinner, they attend the children's and youth programs available through FAC, including Kingdom Kids' Clubs, Level 5, and Planet 678. Childcare is provided for children who are too young to participate. Please register yourself and your children prior to the meetings: [www.myfac.org/register](http://www.myfac.org/register).

*If you have questions, contact Debbie Schneck, 609-953-7333, x125. For information about how you can donate to the Fresh Hope Clothes Closet, see page 8.*



## Deepening Groups

What is a Deepening Group?  
Who is a Deepening Group for?

A Deepening Group is basically a small group, but a small group that goes deeper.

A Deepening Group provides a consistent, accepting, long-term, safe community where participants have the opportunity for open and honest sharing, which is expected and encouraged. In this kind of community, all of your life is relevant and important to you and to the group.

In a Deepening Group you will grow deeper in your relationship with God, yourself, the group, and the world around you. You will put your faith in God who is generous, self-sacrificing, and transforming.

You'll learn that a good and beautiful life — a life worth living — consists of learning to live without anger or lust and learning to even bless those who curse you.

You'll become part of a good and beautiful community — one that is a hopeful community, a serving community, and a reconciling community.

In Deepening Groups, you will begin to heal and change your narratives about God, yourself, and the world around you so that real and lasting change into the likeness of Christ can occur.

Where do you draw this source of wholeness for your life? If you do not have a community like this, a Deepening Group could be the answer for you.

*To inquire about a Deepening Group, or if you have questions, please contact Carol Batten, [carol@myfac.org](mailto:carol@myfac.org), or Lisa Kletkewicz, [2boys4life@comcast.net](mailto:2boys4life@comcast.net).*

DON'T MISS THE FAC

# TOY & CLOTHING EXCHANGE

**Date:** Wed., April 2  
**Drop off:** 5:30 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.  
**Shopping:** 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.  
**Location:** FAC  
**Items:** Clothing, sizes Newborn to 14/16  
Children's equipment  
Toys

All items are FREE!

Please note: Children will not be permitted to attend.

## Here's how it works:

- Donations of children's clothing, equipment, or toys may be dropped off at the designated door to the Sanctuary between 5:30 and 7:15 p.m. It is very helpful if donations are sorted by size and gender.
- After donations are delivered, you may wait in the Welcome Center until the doors open for shopping.
- You may just drop, just shop, or do both!
- All adults are welcome to the exchange! However, this is a "kid-free" shopping event — no exceptions.
- You may want to bring your own shopping bag to carry home your bargains or a truck if you are in need of large items, such as a crib.
- All remaining items are donated to charity.

Hope you can make it. You won't want to miss the Exchange!

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# SERENITY SUPPORT GROUP

*For loved ones of those with substance abuse issues*

## Sharing our experiences, strength, and hope

For participants in Serenity Support, the stories are varied but pretty much all start at the same places: “Where did I go wrong?” “What did I do to make this happen?” “If only I had done things differently or not said that or not questioned why, or been a better spouse (mother, daughter, father, son).”

By getting to know others who have experienced the same situations, the participants come to understand that it is not their fault. They didn’t cause the problems, and they can’t control them. They also come to realize that abuse issues affect people from every kind of background. No matter who you are, if you are dealing with loved ones affected by substance abuse, Serenity Support can help.

Join us on Tuesday nights at 7:00 in the Red Barn. God’s Word can equip you for healing and strength.

Serenity Support provides an anonymous environment.

## Lori’s Story

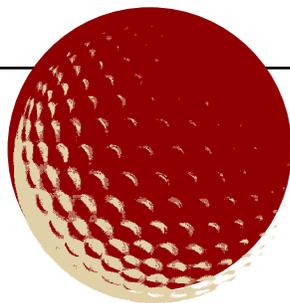
I grew up in a typical Christian home and never experienced drug or alcohol use. But like most teens, I felt a need to explore the outside world on my own where I was free to do as I pleased with no one watching. I married, had two children, and at that point my husband started to drink heavily. This experience led me to turn back to Christ and start to lean on Him again for sanity and peace.

Job pressures mounted for my husband, further driving him to alcohol and his first of two DUI citations. I then gave him an ultimatum — stop or I’m leaving with the kids. That seemed to work, and for five years he maintained his sobriety. But as is typical for an alcoholic not in a program, a sudden tragedy took him back to the bottle. With another DUI and potential loss of job, I kept my promise to keep my distance. At that point, he sought rehab and went into a 30-day program to get sober.

I supported his decision to go into out-patient therapy, and he started to practice his own recovery. He attended 90 meetings in 90 days, got a sponsor, and worked the program faithfully. His renewed sobriety and commitment to recovery gave me confidence and allowed me to get the help I needed.

My husband began to go to church with me and got involved in the music ministry. We both love our church and are very active in a number of ministries. My experience with my husband’s issues helped me when many years later my son also took a wrong turn and ended up becoming a drug addict.

This is what I’d like to share with you: No matter where you are in your journey, sharing your experiences not only helps others through their hurts, it also helps you better understand why God has put you through this. Without the pain and suffering of the situation, you don’t understand how good the good can be. Being on your knees gives you a different perspective. Today, I am thankful for the hardships the Lord has helped me through. Like the potter and the clay, He has molded me into the person I am today and He is not done yet!



## Men's Golf League

*Thursday evenings at Ramblewood Country Club*

**Practice Rounds:** Begin Mar. 13

**League Play:** Begins April 3 and continues until June 27

**Tee-off Time:** 4:45 to 5:45

**Details:** Two-man teams; no handicap required; singles welcome

**Weekly Fee:** \$20, includes nine holes with cart

**Register online:** [www.myfac.org/register](http://www.myfac.org/register) by Mar. 27

*For additional information, contact Pastor Erik Rebstock, [erikr@myfac.org](mailto:erikr@myfac.org) or 609-953-7333, x116.*

## God@Work ...

### *In the Life of* **Gene Pargas**

I grew up in an alcoholic home and experienced significant physical and emotional challenges. As a young boy, I turned to the Lord for protection as I was often afraid and alone. At ten years of age, I began reading Old and New Testament stories and distinctly recall a presence of God. This comfort drove me to spend more time in prayer in the years to come.

I attended college for two years and then enlisted in the Navy where I later graduated from college. In the Navy, I received many awards and advancements. I was named a Lay Eucharistic Minister. Although it appeared my career was moving along exceptionally well, I began to use alcohol to overcome the fear that people would know that I was not really the top performer that I appeared to be.

My career began to suffer, and I was encouraged to attend a Navy-sponsored addiction program. Initially I was in denial, but I came to realize the destruction and enrolled. It was 1986, and I was about to meet Jesus. I cried out to Him to help me to overcome my difficulties. God showed up and healed me. He removed any cravings I was experiencing, and I have not had any alcohol since 1986!

My life was enriched when I met my wife Kim. We have two beautiful children, a strong marriage, and love for God. Having spent more than 20 years in recovery programs, I developed a strong belief in God and maintained Jesus as my Savior. I tried several churches through the years in search of the opportunity to worship Him with my family in a way that was meaningful to Him. Unfortunately, I didn't connect in the way that I had hoped.

Although my family and career were going very well, I began spending too much time at work and lacked spiritually based

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relationships. I still read the Bible and prayed daily but knew something was missing. Additionally, the wounds from my father continued to resurface and affect me.

A few years ago, friends who were attending FAC asked us to participate in a home-based marriage study. They told us God placed it clearly and heavily on their heart to invite us. The group consisted of friendly Christians from FAC. I appreciated the faith that they had and were trying to build into their lives. God's hand was so evident as He placed a couple from our son's lacrosse team in the group, Erik and Linda Rebstock. They have been very instrumental in our spiritual journey.



After the group ended, my wife and I prayed to find a church and friends who were strong believers. The very next day, those same friends invited us to join their miniChurch. What a miracle! We have continued to develop loving and active relationships with our group and are now members of FAC!

God was just getting started and continued to work in our lives. My wife has believed in God for much of her life but had not accepted Christ as her personal Savior. During last year's FAC Women's Retreat, Kim asked Jesus into her heart.

We've been blessed in countless ways. I'm enrolled in ministerial studies, which will ultimately qualify me to serve in a pastoral role. God also has led me to minister to the hungry in Camden and to lead a Catalyst Men's Group.

Like many, I've carried emotional wounds from my childhood. During the initial phase with the Catalyst Men's Group while reading the *Wild at Heart* book, I experienced a cathartic event regarding my childhood. Inspired by my group members and the reading, I cried out for Him to heal me. Hours went by, but when the time of crying out to God ended, I knew I had encountered Jesus, and I felt a strengthened faith — faith that God knew me, was concerned with me, and had a plan for me. Healing had begun, and the wounds became scars that I knew would somehow serve God for His glory.

Jeremiah 29:11-14 is one of my favorite Scriptures. I don't know exactly what God has planned for me, and, believe me, challenges do come up regularly, but my faith tells me that what God has planned for me is much more joyous and interesting and vital than anything I could even think of for myself.

## Investments That Generate a Return

Jesus makes it clear that we should not value things that fade away but those that are eternal. He cautions us not to value “treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” (Matthew 6:19-21)

The world, however, encourages a different set of values. It bombards us with the notion that we should value money, sex, power, and self-esteem. It assures us that wealthy, sexy, powerful people, who think highly of themselves, live life to the fullest. God disagrees. He knows that all of these are superficial and temporary.

He wants us to invest in people whose souls will live for all eternity. “But how can we tell what we are investing in?” some might say. The answer is determined by that which gets our money, time, and energy. We just have to look at our checkbooks and daily planners to see whether we are following the investment advice of God or the world.

Jesus followed his Father’s advice because He invested His time, His energy, His very life in people. “Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people. News about him spread all over Syria, and people brought to him all who were ill with various diseases, those suffering severe pain, the demon-possessed, those having seizures, and the paralyzed, and he healed them. Large crowds from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea and the region across the Jordan followed him.” (Matthew 4:23-25)

We can see that Jesus’ ministry was threefold: He taught, He preached, He healed. Is it possible for us to have a ministry similar to that of Jesus? After all, aren’t we supposed to “deny ourselves, pick up our cross, and follow him”? The answer is “Yes, we should.”

We can all teach someone about the Kingdom of God. We can’t “teach” like the Teacher, but can’t we teach our children about God’s love for them?

We can all preach the Gospel. We can’t “preach” a sermon like the one Jesus delivered on the mount, but can’t we tell others of God’s plan to redeem us through the death of His Son, Jesus Christ.

We can all help hurting people. We can’t miraculously heal the suffering but we can point them to the One who can forgive their sins which is the root cause of all suffering.

It wasn’t just the Apostles whom Jesus meant to be “fishers of men.” He intends all Believers to invest in the lives of others so they may hear the Good News and become His followers. Jesus still wants people to hear the truth of the Gospel and become His disciples. (Matthew 28:20)

Jesus wants us to love people who don’t know the Lord, be they family members, friends, neighbors, or coworkers. He wants us to look for the opportunity to share our faith because God wants everyone to be saved. (1 Timothy 2:4) Jesus wants us to mentor and encourage fellow believers, especially our children, so their walk with the Lord is strengthened.

Satan invests all his time and energy in deceiving people about God. He uses TV and movies, books and magazines to spread his lie that God doesn’t exist. He tells us that drugs, alcohol, physical pleasure, and popularity will make us happy. We have to be alert (1 Peter 5:8) to his schemes and be willing to invest our time and energy in the same people he wants to destroy!

Will our investments be time-consuming and tiring? The answer is “Yes” because nothing of eternal value

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can be without a significant investment of our time and energy. Will we have to sacrifice? Again the answer is “Yes” because our time and energy are being spent not on ourselves but on others. Will we be rewarded for our investments? A resounding “Yes” because God promises to reward us for investments that stand the test of time.

Let us all pray that God shows in whom He wants us to invest. Be listening for His voice because it may be that God has a family member in mind or maybe someone in the neighborhood or someone at work. If we pray unceasingly, we can be assured that He will give us plenty of investment possibilities. We can also be assured that our investments will generate a return that lasts for all eternity.

# FACTS & FIGURES

	DATE	BUDGET	ACTUAL	DIFFERENCE
<b>General Fund</b>				
	1.5	\$ 59,615	\$ 72,566	\$ 12,951
	1.12	\$ 59,615	\$ 69,846	\$ 10,231
	1.19	\$ 59,615	\$ 57,730	\$ ( 1,885)
	1.26	\$ 59,615	\$ 51,128	\$ ( 8,487)
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 238,460</b>	<b>\$ 251,270</b>	<b>\$ 12,810</b>
Year-to-Date		\$ 238,460	\$ 251,270	\$ 12,810
<b>Missions Fund</b>				
	1.5	\$ 4,327	\$ 3,741	\$ ( 586)
	1.12	\$ 4,327	\$ 5,102	\$ 775
	1.19	\$ 4,327	\$ 4,259	\$ ( 68)
	1.26	\$ 4,327	\$ 3,048	\$ (1,279)
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 17,308</b>	<b>\$ 16,150</b>	<b>\$ (1,158)</b>
Year-to-Date		\$ 17,308	\$ 16,150	\$ (1,158)
<b>Benevolence Fund</b>				
	1.5		\$ 1,476	
	1.12		\$ 5,882	
	1.19		\$ 1,318	
	1.26		\$ 1,483	
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$ 10,159</b>	
Year-to-Date			\$ 10,159	
<b>Building Fund</b>				
	1.5		\$ 18,125	
	1.12		\$ 44,251	
	1.19		\$ 20,566	
	1.26		\$ 21,032	
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$ 103,974</b>	
Year-to-Date			\$ 103,974	

	DATE	ADULTS	WORKERS	CHILDREN	TOTAL
<b>Weekend Service Attendance</b>					
	1.5	1718	75	314	2107
	1.12	1980	80	405	2465
	1.19	2183	153	403	2739
	1.26	1773	93	395	2261

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# Our Vision

*We want people to hear God's call and follow it.*

# Our Mission

*We want to help people connect to God,  
to His people, and to His work.*

# Our Core Values

*Lost people matter to God.  
He wants them found.*

*~Luke 19:10*

*Prayer is the primary work of the  
people of God.*

*~Philippians 4:6,7*

*Everything we have belongs to God.  
We are only stewards.*

*~1 Chronicles 29:14*

*Knowing and obeying God's Word is  
fundamental to all true success.*

*~Joshua 1:8*

*Without the empowering of the Holy  
Spirit, we can accomplish nothing.*

*~1 Corinthians 2:4,5*