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WORSHIP SERVICES

Saturday: 6:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

Nursery and classes are provided during every service for babies through fourth graders. Ask a greeter for directions to classes.

The Friendship Class for teens and adults with special needs meets during the 9:00 a.m. service in Room B-10.

Interpretation for the hearing impaired is available during the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

LORD, I HAVE YOU!



"If you've turned to Jesus as your Savior and Lord, you HAVE all of the Lord you need for anything you may face."

Dear Church Family,

I was singing a song the other day with a group of people. It was the one that goes like this: "Lord, I need You, O, I need You. Every hour I need You. My one defense, my righteousness, O God, how I need You." It's actually a prayer, and almost every time I've sung it, I have felt like it's truly my heart's cry to God for my admitted need for Him.

But this time as I was singing that song, I felt I didn't need to be reminded about how badly I needed the Lord. Rather, I needed to be reminded how much I "have" the Lord. So I changed the word "need" to "have" when I was singing it. That meant that when everyone else was singing "Lord, I need You." I was singing "Lord, I have You."

I was using this song to remind myself that I not only need the Lord, but according to the Scriptures, I totally HAVE the Lord. The Bible says the Lord is like my shepherd, and I am His lamb. (Psalm 23) The Bible says He is the Vine, and I am just His branch. (John 15) The Bible says "Be strong in the Lord and the strength of His might." (Ephesians 6:10)

All of these passages and many, many more are telling us that we "have" the Lord. In fact, when we are weak, He is strong. (2 Corinthians 12:10)

I'd like to remind you, like that song reminded me, that we are in great need of God, and you and I seem to feel that need all the time. But the awesome news is we "have" Him. If you've turned to Jesus as your

Savior and Lord, you HAVE all of the Lord you need for anything you may face. Yes, it's true. Even death itself is not too big of a thing for you to face.

Jesus knew we'd feel needy and weak. He knew His disciples would be puzzled and look for answers in the midst of tough situations. So right after He commissioned them to go make other disciples, He gave us all, all those who follow Him, a final promise. He said in Matthew 28:20, "And behold [or as I translate it, *You can count on one thing always*], "I am with you always to the end of the age."

You HAVE the Lord with you. He said this to them and to us today. Count on it. Stop worrying. Don't keep fretting. Rest in His presence. You HAVE the Lord. "O, how you have the Lord."

So, rejoice this day! You HAVE the Lord!

Love never fails,

Pastor Marty Berglund
Senior Pastor

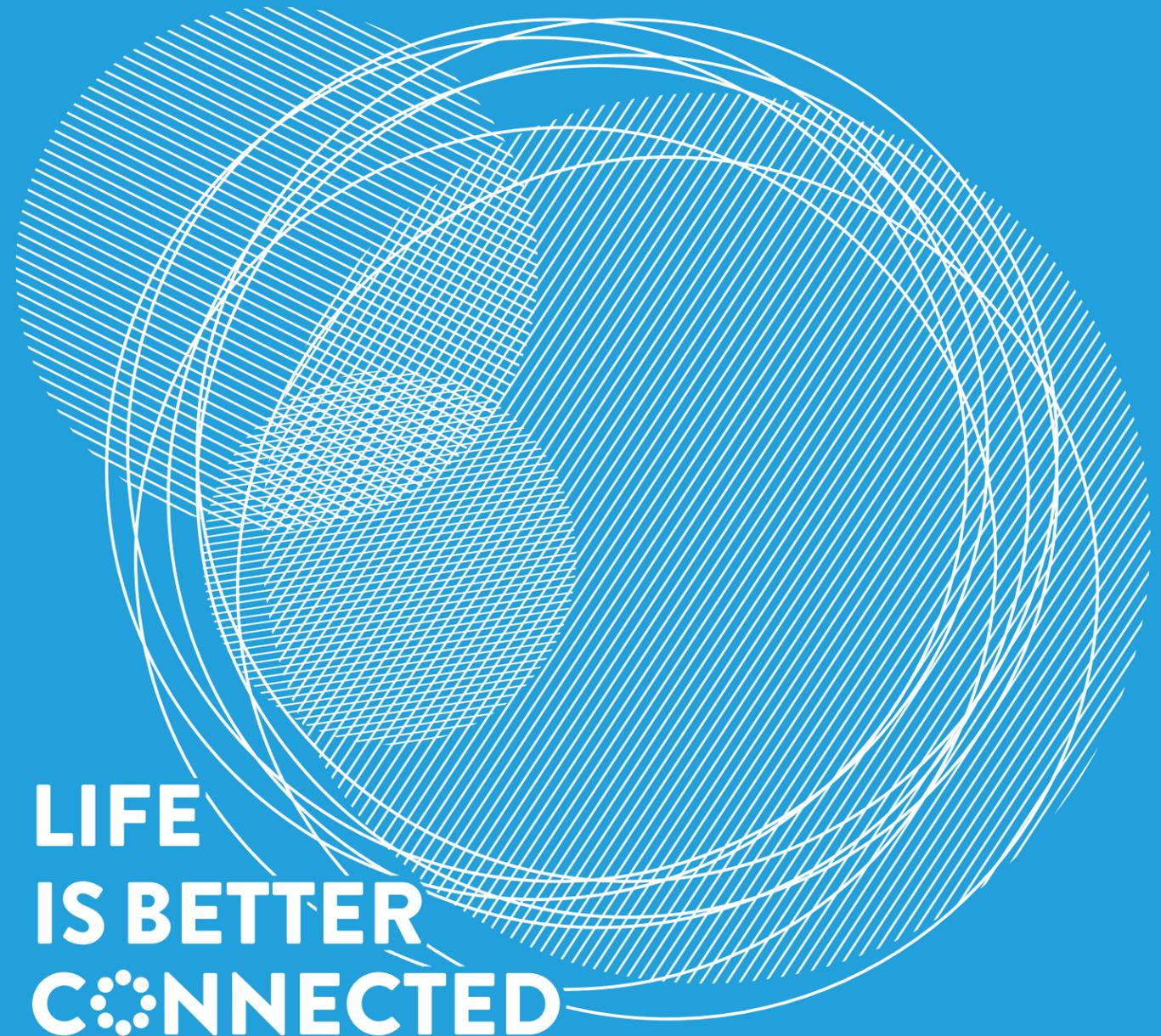


MISSED GROUPLINK?

Find an open group online!

If you missed going to GroupLink last month, you still have time this month to find a group that is open to new members. Just go to www.myfac.org/findagroup. All the instructions are there for finding a group.

Because life is better connected!



ENCOURAGEMENT FOR THE

Journey



“Church was never meant to be a hobby.”

As we prepare this fall to finally enter a new chapter in the life of our church family, I’ve been thinking a lot about the nature of the church. I recently came across this sentence in Ephesians that has stuck with me for weeks now: “The church is not peripheral to the world; the world is peripheral to the church!” I believe that. But not a lot of people in our nation believe that anymore. Our country was born with God at the center and church was a given. But with the natural erosion of time + sin, we have now become a nation that is trying to marginalize God and make a mockery of the church. Even for those who know Christ, church is often just another addition to the long list of priorities in their busy lives. You can tell that’s true because of how often they make it to church on the weekends!

That’s not how Jesus viewed the Church. It was the center of His plan for the Kingdom to gain ground against the enemy until He returns to take His throne. He intended it to be a living, breathing Body that carried on His mission after He returned to the Father. I love the way Eugene Peterson translates this truth in Ephesians 1 in *The Message*:

God is in charge of it all; has the final word on everything. And at the center of all this, Christ rules the church. The church, you see, is not peripheral to the world; the world is peripheral to the church. The church is Christ’s body, in which He speaks and acts, by which He fills everything with His presence.

Church was never meant to be a hobby. And it’s not a gas station where you stop in to get “refueled.” It’s not a place to hear good preaching and singing and go on with your normal American life. It’s not even just a place where you can find ways to serve and make good friends. Church was meant to be the center of life – because it’s the center of God’s plan for the redemption of His world.

For the past 36 years, God has blessed FAC with leaders who understand the nature of the church and have been willing to commit their lives to seeing this particular church grow and flourish. A few weeks ago, we had the privilege of gathering with most of the past and present elders and their wives for a wonderful time together as we recounted God’s faithfulness from the



past – and anticipated His goodness for the future. As we prepare to enter this new chapter of our church’s life, Marty and I wanted to be able to celebrate with some of the people who have paid for this new building. And I don’t mean just with dollars. This group has invested heavily in financial ways over the last 30+ years, but they have also invested their time, their gifts, their energies – because they believed the church was worth it.

As we shared stories around the circle that night, God was definitely the one who got all the credit for the amazing church family that we have now. But I want to give credit as well to those men and their wives who have worked, walked, prayed, wept, and served alongside Marty and our staff for all these years. They have helped to shape who Marty and I have become. And they have helped to shape the church family that you are now a part of.

God’s faithfulness is lived out through the faithfulness of His people. And that evening shared with them spurred me on to endure and remain faithful for the chapters that are coming ahead.

Laurie Berglund

Laurie welcomes your comments,
laurieb@myfac.org



Starting Point

Get connected at FAC

If you are new to FAC and would like to get more involved, Starting Point groups can help you. These groups meet in homes on various nights of the week and in different areas so you can find one that is convenient for you.

In these groups, you will make friends, learn a little more about our church, and work with our guides who will help you find the right areas of involvement for you.

You can either register online by clicking on “I’m New” on the homepage of our website, www.myfac.org, or register in person at our Guest Receptions, which are held twice a month after worship services. This month, Guest Receptions will be held on Oct. 8 and 22.

If you would like more information, contact Pastor Doug Bazigian, dougb@myfac.org, or 609-953-7333, x128.



Baby Announcement

Grandparents Ed and Debbie Jurimas and Aunt Tess and Uncle Eddie Jurimas, all staff members, are excited to announce the birth of Ashley (Jurimas) and Steve Shirley’s baby boy, Gabriel Cole Shirley. Ed and Debbie went to Germany to see the new family member on Sept. 27. They are returning on Oct. 6. Ashley and Steve are currently serving with the U.S. Military in Germany.



NEW STAFF MEMBER:

Ben Glatz



In August, we welcomed Ben Glatz to our facilities staff. Ben is no stranger to the work as he has been a volunteer in facilities since January

of 2016. Ben’s job is to assist in maintaining the cleanliness of the buildings as well as the structural integrity.

Ben grew up in Vincentown; he is a graduate of Rancocas Valley High School.

Ben accepted Christ as his Savior in December of 1998 at Teen Challenge while in treatment there. His favorite verse is I Peter 5: 10, “After you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who called you to His eternal glory in Christ, will Himself perfect, confirm, strengthen and establish you.”

His favorite worship songs are, “No Longer a Slave,” (Bethel Music) “Good, Good Father,” (Chris Tomlin) and “Just Be Held.” (Casting Crowns) His favorite Christian book is *The Screwtape Letters*, by C.S. Lewis.

Facilities Operations Manager, Ed Jurimas, said this about Ben: “Ben started volunteering on the facilities team in January 2016, and he has been such a blessing. The opportunity came for us to hire him in August, and we are grateful to have him on our staff. We are thankful for his hard work and contributions to the team.”

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Ben says, "God has been working in my life in some pretty awesome ways since becoming a staff member at FAC. I have never experienced working at a job that the leadership not only shows me respect daily, but also shares the Word of God with me. I was pretty broken when I began volunteering at FAC. I really needed some positive direction in healthy relationships in my life. I never dreamed the outcome would be so incredible. God has provided just that and so much more. I'm a much happier, calmer man and father since I became a part-time facility team member. My job here has affected not only me in a positive way, but my family as a whole. I'm finally being encouraged and taught how to be the man God always intended me to be. I really love my job and give thanks to God daily for this opportunity."

Our Food Pantry

The Food Pantry serves those in our area who are experiencing difficult times. Your donations make a difference to them and serve as an opportunity to show that God loves them. It's 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 donation:

- 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)



Fresh Hope Childcare

Help Needed One Sunday Night a Month

Can playing with puzzles, play-dough, and legos really be serving God? Yes!

We are looking for more loving adults and teens who are willing to play as they connect with our children of Fresh Hope moms. We need your help one Sunday night a month from 5:00 to 6:00. You will be blessed by these dear little ones. If you are interested or have questions, contact Sue Bartholomew, suejane@aol.com.

Shattered Dreams: New Hope

A seminar for parents of children in or considering the gay lifestyle

Date: Nov. 12

Place: Harvest USA, 715 Twining Rd., Suite 200, Dresher, PA 19025

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Cost: \$60 or \$110 per couple; includes lunch

To register, go to www.harvestusa.org. If you have questions, contact Pastor Brent Brendle, brentb@myfac.org, or 609-953-7333, x129.

We Need Your Help in Our Children's Ministries

With the many new and exciting changes coming to children's ministry this fall, we have just as many new and exciting ministry opportunities for you! In fact, in order for all

of these great things to happen, we really need your help!

Whether you are young or old, have a child in the program or not, we would love to have you join our team. Whatever your skills or strengths may be, chances are we have the perfect position for you, and we will happily work with your availability.

We need leaders, teachers, assistants, attendance takers, and greeters.

More of a technology person? We need you, too! Whether you are a technology whiz or have no experience at all and want to give it a shot, it's very easy to learn.

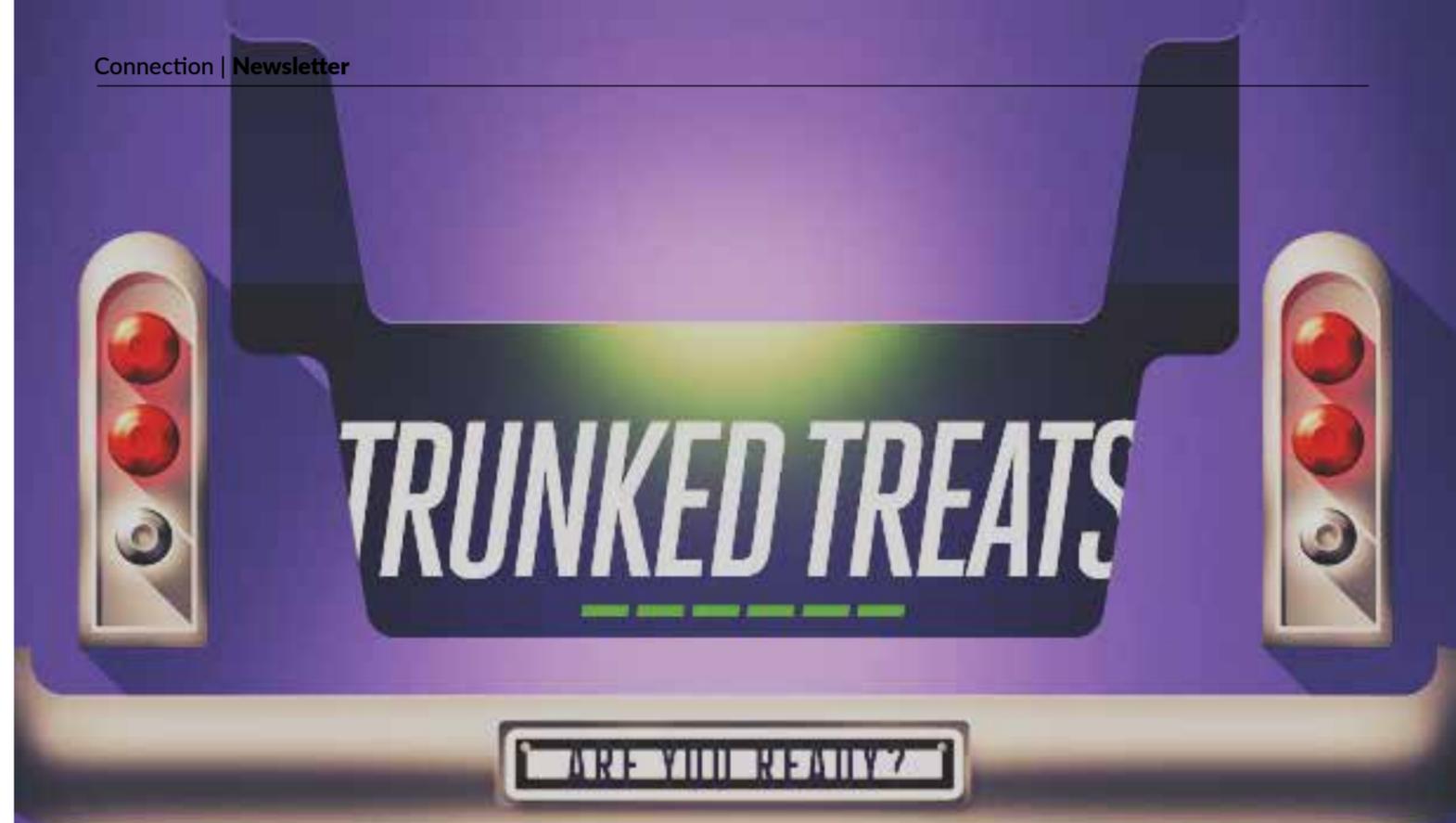
Contact Warnesia Travasso to volunteer or to ask for more information, warnesi@myfac.org, or 609-953-7333, x141.



What's Your News?

Do you have an announcement that you would like to share with the church family? Engaged? Getting married? New baby? Graduating? Let us know!

Send up to 50 words to lynn@myfac.org. Deadlines are the 5th of every month so if you want something in the November issue, please send it by Oct. 5. If possible, send a photo (JPG format) to accompany your announcement.



HOSTED BY KID BLAST

*Fri., Oct. 28,
7:00 to 9:00 p.m.,
front parking lot*

Come as early as 5:00 to tailgate!

Every year, right around Halloween, the FAC parking lot has been turned into a festive alternative to traditional trick-or-treating for our kids. Trunked Treats is the perfect opportunity to invite friends and neighbors to join you at FAC for lots of fun! Kids of all ages are invited (*through fourth grade suggested*).

We need your help!

To make this a huge success, we need as many trunks as possible. Please consider sponsoring a car (or two or three). Get your family, friends, miniChurch members, and other groups to join the fun.

Come early and decorate your cars and set up your own tailgate party! Bring your own decorations, tables, chairs, food, plates, cups, and utensils. You could also bring a grill or a crockpot if you would like!

Bring enough candy to serve 150 to 250 kids.

For more information, contact Warnesia Travasso, warnesi@myfac.org, or 609-953-7333, x141.



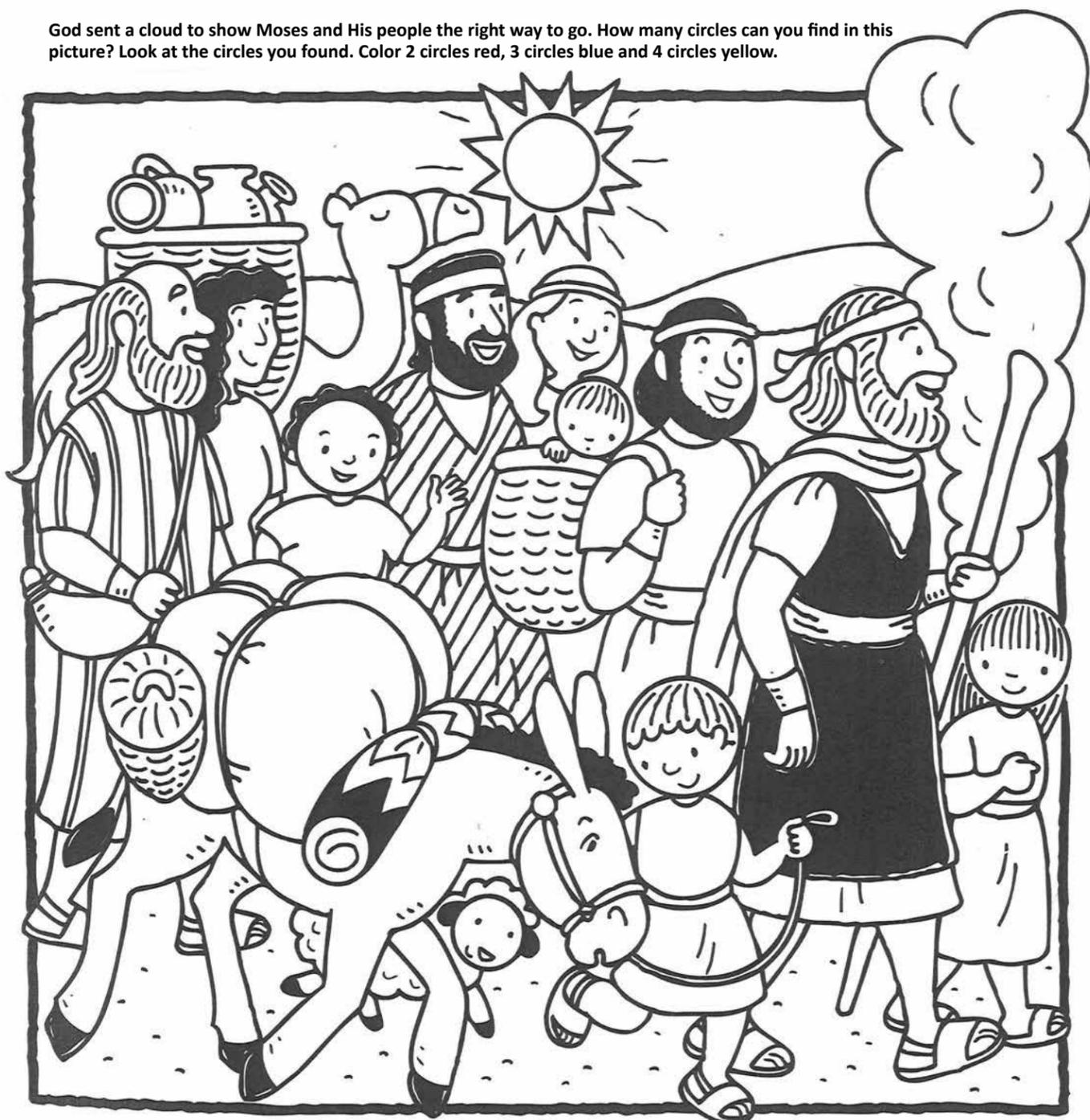
For Parents

Have you ever thought of your life as a great adventure? Adventures have exciting points, and they have low points. They are full of anticipation and emotion.

The best part is that God has a plan for our great adventure, and it is perfect. God's way may not always be easy, but it is perfect. This month we will be teaching your preschooler through the life of Moses that God's way is perfect. Take some time to open your Bible to the book of Exodus and read about Moses' great adventure.

As you are driving with your child, talk about the way you are going. Then remind your child that when we go God's way we are always going the right way because His way is perfect. You may want to give him/her some examples of how to do that and provide some suggestions for what that may look like.

God sent a cloud to show Moses and His people the right way to go. How many circles can you find in this picture? Look at the circles you found. Color 2 circles red, 3 circles blue and 4 circles yellow.



We Have a New Name!

Our children's ministries are now called Kid Blast! But the only thing that has changed is our name!

- Kid Blast nurseries and Bible study classes are held during the worship services.
- Kid Blast Clubs meet on Sunday nights at the church from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Clubs provide programs for kids ages 4 to Grade 4.

Enjoy some easy-to-make fall treats!



Caramel Corn Surprise

BY Taste of Home

Ingredients

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| 5 cups caramel corn | 1 package (10-1/2 ounces) miniature marshmallows |
| 2 cups miniature pretzels | 1/4 cup butter |
| 1 cup miniature cheddar, fish-shaped crackers | 1/4 teaspoon vanilla extract |
| 1-1/4 cups Reese's Pieces | |

Directions

1. In a large bowl, combine the caramel corn, pretzels, crackers and one cup of Reese's Pieces. In a large microwave-safe bowl, melt marshmallows and butter; add vanilla and stir until smooth. Pour over pretzel mixture; stir until well coated.
2. Press into a greased 13x9 inch pan. Sprinkle with remaining Reese's Pieces; press lightly. Let stand until set. Cut into bars. Yield: two dozen.

[Taste of Home, tasteofhome.com/caramel-corn-treats]

HEY, THAT'S FUNNY

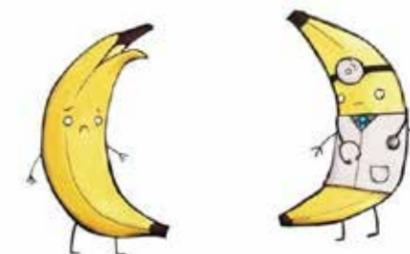
WHY DO FISH LIVE IN SALT WATER?
BECAUSE PEPPER MAKES THEM SNEEZE!

WHY ARE FISH SO SMART?
BECAUSE THEY LIVE IN SCHOOLS!

WHAT FISH ONLY SWIMS AT NIGHT?
A STARFISH!

WHAT DO YOU CALL CHEESE THAT ISN'T YOURS?
NACHO CHEESE!

WHY DID THE BANANA GO TO THE DOCTOR?



IT WASN'T PEELING WELL

MIDDLE SCHOOL GRADES 5-8

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FALL EVENTS

EVERY SUNDAY IN OCTOBER GRAPPLE BIBLE STUDY | GRADES 5-7

Held during the 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. services

Grapple Bible studies are specifically designed to apply God's Word to situations faced by middle school students. Meetings are held in the Barn. Parents should drop off their children before classes begin.

OCT. 2, 9, AND 16 — SUNDAY NIGHT LEVEL 5 & PLANET 678

Location: Medford Memorial
No sign up needed! Join us for the fun!

OCT. 23 — BOWLING NIGHT

Level 5 & Planet 678 are meeting at Medford Lanes Bowling, 665 Stokes Rd, Medford, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. **It's FREE!**

OCT. 30 — THE MIX

Planet, Level 5, & Impact Special Event to America's Keswick! *Details to the right.*



If you have questions, contact Pastor Eddie Jurimas, 609-953-7333, x104, eddie@myfac.org, or Russ Batten, 609-953-7333, x134, russ@myfac.org.



The Mix - Oct. 30

Planet, Level 5, & Impact Special Event to America's Keswick!
Grades 5-12

Cost: \$15.00
Time: Drop off at FAC at 3:00 p.m. | Pick up at FAC at 8:30 p.m.
Activities: Gymnasium games, worship, a message, indoor pool, sauna, hot tub, and dinner.

Don't miss this one! Register online at www.myfac.org/foryouth.



WANT TO JOIN THE INSIGHT WORSHIP TEAM?

Are you in high school? Do you play an instrument or sing? Would you like a chance to use your gifts within the high school ministry? We would love to have you audition for our worship team! Applications for the team can be picked up at Insight on Monday nights or by contacting Pastor Mike Williams, 609-953-7333, x108, or mike@myfac.org.

ADULTS, WE NEED VOLUNTEERS TO WORK WITH IMPACT

Interested in making a difference in the lives of high school students at our church? We'd love for you to be a part of our ministry! If you'd like to get involved with guiding students in their walk with Christ at FAC, contact Mike Williams at 609-953-7333, x108, or mike@myfac.org.



FALL EVENTS

INSIGHT CONTINUES!

Join us on Monday nights during the fall from 7:00 to 9:00 for Insight, our regular high school ministry meeting at FAC. At Insight, we hang out, have some fun, and enjoy some worship music and a message from God's Word.

Don't miss this awesome chance to spend time with other high schoolers from around the area!

NOTE: *There is no Insight meeting on Oct. 24.*

OCT. 21 TO 23 — FALL RETREAT

Where: Northbay Adventure Camp
Cost: \$165

We are heading down to Maryland for a weekend retreat. The camp has three ropes courses, two ziplines, an indoor rock



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climbing wall, a three-person giant swing, hiking trails, fishing spots, a game room, hang-out areas, a snack bar, great food, but more important, the weekend will be all about connecting with God and being challenged in your relationship with Him.

You don't want to miss this weekend!

Registration closes Mon., Oct. 3! Register at www.myfac.org/foryouth.

OCT. 30 — THE MIX

Planet, Level 5, & High School Special Event to America's Keswick! *Details on page 12.*

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IMPACT GRADES 9-12

WE CAN'T PLAN OUR LIVES, BUT GOD IS IN CONTROL



*God@Work in the Life of ...
David & Michelle Hoard*

First he had kidney failure.

Then open heart surgery. Eight months in the hospital. On a ventilator, then a tracheotomy. He was on a feeding tube and lost 100 pounds. Couldn't walk. Couldn't eat. Couldn't communicate. Told to go home and get hospice care. David Hoard should not be here. But he is!

David Hoard is a Jewish man who has found his Messiah. He says, "Being Jewish is about your culture, your background, who you are. That doesn't change."

"When I married my wife Michelle 21 years ago, she was a Christian, and I knew that. Every Easter, we would watch movies like *The Robe* about Jesus and I just started feeling uncomfortable. I mean, I believed them! I believed that Jesus was the Messiah!"

Michelle, a graduate of Liberty University, has maintained a relationship with several of her professors. After her marriage to Dave, she recalls, "We weren't going to church, and I kind of drifted away from the Lord. We stopped to visit two of those professors on the way home from a trip, and they invited us to church, Thomas Road Baptist Church. Dave really enjoyed the service, and as we were continuing our drive home, Dave looked at me and said,

'We need to find a church.' But he told me I had to find it!" she said with a smile.

After visiting three or four other churches, a friend, who had graduated from Dallas Theological Seminary, suggested Michelle try the Dallas website to find a church with one of their graduates. That led her to FAC. "When I walked in, I said 'Hmmm, I think this is the place.' Dave came with me the next Sunday, and he loved it!"

Dave still felt some conflict about being Jewish and a Believer so he requested a meeting with Pastor Marty. "Marty was great. I told him that I never wanted to say I wasn't proud of being Jewish now that I am a Believer. He said, 'Don't ever not be proud of who you are and your culture.' He put it all together for me. Marty led me through the "sinner's prayer," and I accepted Jesus as my Messiah and my Savior. He gave me a book he had written about Moses, and I read it cover to cover. It was confirmation

this was meant to be."

During a vacation in Hawaii in early 2015, Dave felt ill, but he thought it was the flu and refused to go to see a doctor. When he finally went, they discovered that his kidneys were shutting down. He started dialysis hoping that in three months they would know if it was reversible or permanent kidney failure. Then in September of 2015, Dave couldn't walk. An ambulance was called and tests showed "something on my aortic valve. I got transferred to Penn and was told I had two choices — go home with hospice and have about six months to live or have surgery with a 50/50 chance of making it through the surgery and a 75% chance of complications.

"We made our decision to at least try. If I didn't make it, I just didn't want to suffer. I asked Michelle to make the decisions. And she was incredible. Just incredible. She did everything for me. She talked to the doctors, and she did the job. She took off from work for eight months. She was there every day. Every day!"

Michelle remembers her prayers being all over the place. Mostly she prayed that Dave would have peace. She wrestled with wanting God's plan and wanting her husband cured. Dozens of people were praying, dozens of whole churches were praying. But would all these prayers change God's mind? What if this was God's plan?

Dave got an answer: "I was lying in bed looking up, and I could see angels! The room was filled with them. I never touched them, and they never spoke. But they were there. They were real. Then a window came down with an old woman in it. She told me that I was going to make it, to have the surgery. Then she was gone. But the angels stayed."

When Michelle first heard this from Dave, fear grabbed her. "I thought 'Oh, no. They are coming to take him. Run, Dave, run from the angels!' But the more I thought about it, the more I was certain they were the answer to prayer because they brought Dave great peace. I had prayed that God would let Dave know He was there. And He sent him angels."

Dave's last words to Michelle as he was going into surgery were, "God is with me. I know that He is with me!"

From then on, God miraculously provided all the support and strength they needed. Dave says, "A nurse came in and asked if she could pray for me in pre-op. I thought that was weird. She had put my name sticker on her name tag and wanted to know if it would be okay to pray. I said, 'Of course!'"

When Michelle first saw Dave after the surgery, he had about 20 tubes hooked up to him. "I was kind of prepared for what I would see, but it was not a good sight. The next morning, he was able to squeeze my hand. That was all I needed. I sat with him, prayed over him, read him Scripture verses, and talked to him. I didn't know what he could hear or was aware of, but I was there."

Another nurse "just happened" to come in and told Michelle that his own mother and sister had been in a terrible accident and his mom looked just as bad as Dave. But she pulled through and was fine. Another confirmation.

recommended reading *The Praying Life*, by Paul Miller and something that stuck with me was God answers our prayers by giving us what we would ask for if we could see what He sees."

"Prayer works. And I believe God just wasn't ready for me to go yet," says a smiling Dave.

"I don't know why God spared me. I would like to say that He's got something else for me to do but I don't know what that is — yet."

Today Dave is up and about with the aid of a walker and sometimes just a cane. The trach tube that was never to come out is out. He is driving his car. He goes to dialysis three times a week and is gaining some weight back. His goal now is to get strong enough for a kidney transplant. Donors are already lining up.

Dave has learned that God gave him an incredible wife. "My wife is incredible. She made sure I had the right doctors and if they weren't right, she threw them out! She was with me every single day, even when she was tired and worn out. So the biggest thing I have learned is about the love that she has for me."

Michelle has learned that "so many times, when things look terrible and hopeless, you can't just give up hope. You have to trust the Lord and know that He has a plan. When things looked hopeless, the right doctor would come in. Even setbacks turned out to be blessings. I'm getting a lot better at trusting, taking a step back, breathing, and praying. But most of all, I'm getting better at letting go."

Dave adds, "We can't control God. It is His plan, not ours. We can plan to have an iced tea, but we can't plan our lives. God's in control. If He decides that six months from now I'm to die, then that is the way it will be. It doesn't matter that we are Jewish or Catholic or Protestant or Muslim or whatever. It doesn't matter. Jesus is all that matters. It's not about me. It's not about Michelle. It's just about God."

"Michelle never pushed Jesus on me. She wanted me to find Him myself. And I did. I found Him. It's been incredible. God gets all the glory!"

We are David and Michelle Hoard, and God is at work in our life. •

"I was lying in bed looking up, and I could see angels! The room was filled with them. I never touched them, and they never spoke."



They took Dave off the ventilator. That lasted about 24 hours and then he went into respiratory failure. So they put him back on it and did a tracheotomy.

The head of cardiology came by and said, "He doesn't look good. He should be further along." Michelle was devastated. Within 10 minutes, Dave's surgeon "just happened" to come by and said, "He looks great. He's doing better than I anticipated." Michelle recalls, "The surgeon gave me a little push on the shoulder, just like my Dad used to, to let me know everything was going to be okay."

And then, in the midst of Michelle's confusion, another nurse "just happened" to come by and said, "Go with your surgeon's opinion. He knows the case best."

Dave was in ICU for five weeks, but God brought all the right people to visit and pray at just the right time. "God arranged all that," says Michelle. "Pastor Marty had

SUDDEN JOB LOSS LEADS TO LASTING SPIRITUAL GAIN

BY KIM HUGHEY,
GOOD \$ENSE COUNSELOR



Early on in our marriage, my husband and I viewed our finances much differently than we do now. When we were first starting out, we were both working and always had money coming in. If we wanted to buy something, there was no thinking twice about it. If it was something we needed or wanted, we just bought it.

It wasn't until we were hit hard financially that our views changed. Losing both our jobs at the same time forced us to look at things differently and start figuring out what was really necessary to survive. We quickly realized that we had way too much stuff and not enough savings.

Looking back, I'm actually glad our financial hardship happened. It really opened our eyes that we don't need stuff. Instead, we need moderation. We don't need to be rich, but we don't need to be poor either.

Back then, I wish I had known more about the Bible, which teaches the spiritual importance of seeking moderation. Proverbs 30:8-9 says, "Give me neither poverty nor riches, but give me only my daily bread. Otherwise, I may have too much and disown you and say, 'Who is the Lord?' Or I may become poor and steal, and so dishonor the name of my God."

My husband and I had too much and took it for granted. Who was the Lord to us? We didn't make Him front and center, that's for sure. But it turns out that all we need is the Lord and each other. He will provide for us no matter what.

When we both lost our jobs, it was an eye opener that we wouldn't always have money, which had become the source for our happiness and contentment. Without it, all those things we had bought simply cluttered up our house and brought no satisfaction whatsoever. What we now realize is that true contentment and happiness comes with Him. He is the One who gives us our strength and takes care of us — without the distraction of clutter in our lives.

Learn more about God's principles for managing your money with FAC's Good \$ense ministry. For more information, contact Chuck Riley, goodsense@myfac.org.

Good \$ense: Because every financial decision is a spiritual decision.

THE CARE CENTER HAS A NEW LEADER

Anne Simms is the new director of the Care Center. Anne's job encompasses managing the day-to-day operations of the Care Center, as well as training and helping the 25 Intake Representatives with whatever support they need to help them serve.

Anne also works with other churches and agencies in the area. We serve people with all kinds of needs, especially financial needs. Anne and the Intake Representatives act as a starting point for many of the other Care ministries, such as Lay Counseling, FAC Wheels, Crew 318, FAC Auto, Good \$ense, and the Food Pantry. Anne says that the service area is a 10-mile radius of FAC, but, of course, people who are active attendees of FAC and military personnel are served no matter where they live.

I want to continue with the vision that Pastor Jim had when the Benevolence Center began. To be the hands and feet of Jesus in action, using the Core Values of FAC every time we serve at the Center. Tracy Cossabone, the previous director did such an outstanding job establishing this ministry with Pastor Jim and Phil Morgan, we really hope to continue to grow the ministry by serving more people and providing more services to the needy in our hometown and surrounding communities. God has had his hand in this ministry from the start and we are very excited for the potential we see to serve others grow and broaden our services to address more needs.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Tuesdays: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Wednesdays: 10:00 to 2:00 p.m., 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

For more information about the Care Center, contact annes@myfac.org or carecenter@myfac.org.

ABOUT ANNE SIMMS



Anne grew up in Cherry Hill, but she has lived in Medford for 34 years. She and her husband Jim will have been married for 30 years in November. They have three sons: Cory (married to Leigh Ann); Benjamin (getting married to Samantha in Sept. 2017); and Lee (a freshman at Shawnee.) Anne and Jim are expecting their first grandchild in January — a girl.

When asked when Anne began attending FAC, she told us this:

"We have been attending FAC since 2014. Attending FAC, learning and applying what I hear from Pastor Marty and all our pastors, worshiping with our incredible church family, and getting plugged into a miniChurch have changed everything in our lives. I have never received so many hugs on a Sunday!

"It was the death of my mother that first brought us to FAC. My parents had no church affiliation. The funeral home recommended Pastor Don, and he did my Mom's funeral service. He invited us to come to a service. We did and everything changed! Through all my grief, serving others really helped me heal. Truly the biggest gift came out of truly the saddest time in my life. God's love just shined through, changed me, and put me on a new path. I just surrendered everything to Him. My husband and I were both baptized last March. Everything we do is for the glory of God.

"I began volunteering at the Care Center in 2014. God just really put it on my heart to serve others. I have been blessed with meeting and working together with so many wonderful friends who serve at the Center — people like Lorraine Girdali who is now my assistant. Lorraine has really taught me so much about this ministry. There is a wonderful fellowship at the Center."

Volunteers are always appreciated at the Care Center. You really get to help people when they need it the most. It is more than just one-time financial assistance, it is sharing the love of God with them. Sometimes in the midst of hardship, people forget that God truly loves them and is there with them. Our ultimate goal is to bring people to Jesus whether that is inviting them to a service or a ministry. We are a blessed church with so much to offer. We like to use the phrase "Faith, Love, and Hope" because we lead the clients who visit with our *faith*; we show them *love*; and they leave with *hope*.



CONNECTING
A new group for women

Dates & Times: Wednesdays, 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. or Thursdays, 12:30 to 2:00 p.m.

Location: Fellowship House (Suite 219), located behind the back parking lot

This month we begin a new ministry to connect women to opportunities for spiritual growth, fellowship, and service. Our desire is that you will be awakened to all that God desires for you, whether it be delving more deeply into God's Word, healing emotional and spiritual wounds, sharing life's stages with other women, or serving others here at home and around the world.

If you are new to FAC or even if you've been coming for several months or even years, the following statements may have filtered through your brain: I'm not sure which program or study is right for me; I'm not ready to sign up for a group; I'd like to get connected to other women, but I'm not sure how; I'd like my husband and children to get connected, too. At CONNECTING, we will help you navigate FAC's programs and service opportunities.

We will meet once a week. Feel free to come once or as often as you would like — it's up to you! Our ninety-minute format will include reviewing the week's sermon, discussing questions and ideas, sharing ministries and upcoming activities, and sipping some good coffee or tea. There is no need to register before Wednesday evening or Thursday afternoon. Just show up!

Let's face it, one of the advantages of attending a large church is that you can slip in the back of the Sanctuary or sit in the balcony and then slip out again, perhaps without anyone noticing you. We have greeters and Guest Receptions because we want to welcome and meet you, but sometimes what you want from the service is just to listen to the music and sermon and then depart. Yet showing up for church means that something inside of you is nudging you, prompting you to hear from God and enlarge your life. So the question will surface: what would God have me do next? How will I connect to my larger purpose?

So, come out to CONNECTING! Through conversations, fellowship, and encouragement, we will do our best to help you connect to where God wants you to be. Listen to that inner voice and then see what God will do.

If you have questions, contact Betty Ann German, 856-296-7998.



Fresh Hope for Single Moms

Oct. 23, 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Fresh Hope connects single moms to God's love through friendships, encouragement, and support. All single moms are invited to attend Fresh Hope meetings for dinner, teaching, encouragement, and fun. Fresh Hope meets one Sunday evening each month from 5:00 to 8:00.

Dinner is provided for the moms and their children. There are children's and youth groups available through the church, including KidBLAST Clubs, Level 5, and Planet 678. Childcare will be provided for those children who are too young to participate in the FAC programs. All children must be registered one week prior to the Fresh Hope meeting.

Please note: Due to new legal policies in Children's Ministry, if you have a child with special needs, we have a process in place to ensure your child's safety and best care. When you register for Fresh Hope, let us know that you have a child with special needs, and someone from our Children's Ministry will contact you.

To register, go to www.myfac.org/forwomen, or call Debbie Schneck, 609-953-7333, x125.

Fresh Hope is free for moms and children.

Clothing Donations for Fresh Hope Moms

Oct. 16 after services | Garage next to the 195 House

You can support our single moms by donating seasonal women's clothing in like-new condition to the Fresh Hope boutique.

On the third Sunday of the month, clothing donations may be brought to the garage next to the 195 House in the exit lane from the front parking lot of the church. Someone will be there to accept your donations.

Please note: We can accept women's clothing only — no men's or children's and no toys. For questions or to volunteer, contact Kathy Foering, 609-458-9222, or kfoering@comcast.net.

Deepening Group Sabbath Day

Sun., Oct. 23 | 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Join us for fellowship, fun, and relaxation. You can choose to hear a devotional, participate in a Scripture meditation, share communion and rest, and, of course, enjoy each other's company at a beautiful park.



Location

Red Bank Battlefield Park
100 Hessian Avenue
National Park, NJ 08063

Enjoy battle reenactments, Colonial demonstrators, vendors, food, and fun! Learn about the Battle of Red Bank and tour the Whitall House and visit with our hearth cookers preparing delicious fall-inspired food. Take in a spectacular sword fight and enjoy a magic show. Cheer on the Jonas Cattell Run participants at the finish line.

Directions can be found at www.myfac.org/deeevents.

Joining a Deepening Group

To connect to a group, go to www.myfac.org/forwomen. Complete the Deepening Group Participant Interest Form.

If you have questions after reading the information on the website, contact Jennifer Green, jenniferg15@verizon.net.

#momlife sponsors the...

Toy & Clothing Exchange!

Mon., Oct. 24 | Sanctuary
 Drop off: 5:30 to 7:15 p.m. or any time during the day of the event.
 Shopping: 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Items

- Children's clothing sizes newborn to 14/16 (Sorted by size, if possible)
- Maternity clothes
- Baby equipment such as cribs, pack 'n-plays, high chairs, strollers
- Children's toys, books, DVD's

Here's how it works:

- Following the times listed above, you may just drop, just shop, or do both. You don't have to bring items in order to participate!
- All adults are welcome to the Exchange — friends, grandparents, expectant mothers — but 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 need large items, such as a crib.
- All remaining items are donated to charity.

Don't miss this always-anticipated event!

Everything is FREE!

Questions? Contact Debbie Schneck, 609-953-7333, x125; debbie@myfac.org.



aWAKEN IF:TABLE

Oct. 21, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

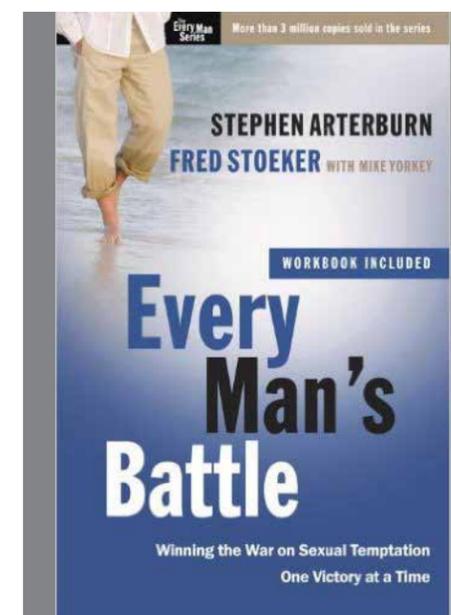
"They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts." (Acts 2:46)

The aWAKEN ministry invites you to IF:Table on the third Friday of every month. We believe the table is a place to gather women, share a simple dinner, and experience real-life stories and Christ-centered conversations.

IF:Tables are a time for a whole lot of laughter — and maybe a few tears — but time spent that leaves us with glad hearts, full hearts, and grateful hearts.

IF:Table meets at the 219 Fellowship House, and the cost is \$5.00. Please register so we can be prepared for you for dinner. Space is limited so sign up early.

Register at www.myfac.org/forwomen. Registration will close when maximum space has been reached or on Thurs., Oct. 20.



Every Man's Battle

Thursday evenings, 7:00 p.m.
Wanted: Warriors

Men, does it sometimes feel like you are all alone in a life-long battle with certain issues in your life?

Romans 8:37 says, "We are more than conquerors through Him who loved us." No wars have been won by an army of one. We can't fight the enemy alone. God has our battle plan and our spiritual armor ready for us. Join us as we embark on a mission to conquer!

The 10-week Conquer series, developed by Dr. Ted Roberts, reports a 90% success rate and a recovery period of two to five years in the areas of defeating pornography and sexual addiction. Be the conquering warrior that you were destined to be!

Contact Ed Brokhoff, 609-200-2019 or edb@myfac.org, for the location. Confidentiality and anonymity are maintained. Every Man's Battle is an FAC Care Group.



BAND OF BROTHERS

Wednesday Mornings | 6:30 to 7:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Band of Brothers is currently going through a series entitled Good Citizens. These are the topics for October:

Oct. 5 — Good Citizens: Go and Reconcile
Oct. 12 — Good Citizens: Spiritual Surgery
Oct. 19 — Good Citizens: Should I Stay or Should I Go?
Oct. 26 — Good Citizens: Nothing but the Truth

Band of Brothers is a great place to introduce friends, family, and co-workers to who God is and what His story has to do with a man's life.

There is no cost, but donations are accepted. If you have questions, contact Band of Brothers' director Michael More', dembums1@gmail.com.



FACWILD FAMILY EVENT

Family Rail to Trail Train & Bike Ride
 Date: Oct. 29

The train departs at noon from 1 Susquehanna Street in Jim Thorpe, PA 18229. The one-hour train ride runs along the river to the top of the trail. From there, we will bike back down to Jim Thorpe, which will take three to four hours. Some trip members plan to arrive in Jim Thorpe by 10:00 to have a late breakfast or snack.

Also, please take a snack in your back pack. We will stop along the way. Check the weather and dress accordingly.

If you have your own bike, the cost is \$26.88 per person. If you want to rent a bike, the cost per person is \$45.15.

Please register as soon as possible but no later than Oct. 14. Go to www.myfac.org/register.

To see more information about Pocono Biking, go to <http://poconobiking.com/specialty-trips/bike-train>.



FACWILD ULTIMATE FRISBEE

Sun., Oct. 9
 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.
 at Lenape HS near tennis courts

facWILD is inviting all men, women, and children to this Ultimate Frisbee event. Bring your friends.

Contact Tim Stine for details, timstine2133@icloud.com.



PRAY GIVE GO

MISSIONS: FASA

Southern Africa

In the middle of the Mogol River on eleven acres in Lephalale, South Africa, lies "The Island," which is encircled by water during the rainy season. The lush foliage, verdant grass, guesthouses, lodge, and patio create a space that missionaries Jesse and Meredith Sincock call "Magical Ministry Land."

At present, FAC rents this property. Everyone connected to FASA is amazed by its great potential for children's camps, youth programs, and adult conferences. It also serves as a regional base for school outreach. The goal is to build relationships there with our brothers and sisters in Christ and to reach unbelievers with the hope of the Gospel.



You're Invited!

Members of the first missions trip to The Island speak of their life-changing experiences: "seeing precious faces of children," "being captivated by the Gospel" and "boldly using the gifts God has given me." As with all missions, God's transformational work is not meant just for those who travel overseas, but for those who are called to pray, give, and serve at home.

As Believers, we are all part of a worldwide Christian community. With the many opportunities that The Island affords, God has laid a vision on the FASA leadership team for an enlarged ministry in Lephalale. With this vision comes real need: volunteers, funds for South African kitchen workers and groundskeepers, transportation maintenance, scholarships for student leaders to attend camp, and supplies. Towards this end, on Dec. 2, FASA will be holding a phenomenal fundraising banquet with great food, silent and live auctions of South African items, and entertainment. You can join the FASA adventure attending the banquet and by praying for this ministry.

- Who:** You!
- What:** FASA Banquet
- Where:** Ramblewood Country Club
- When:** Fri., Dec. 2, 7:00 to 10:00 p.m.
- Cost:** \$40/person

Tickets will be on sale throughout the month of October. They can be purchased at www.myfac.org/register, after church services in the Welcome Center, or by contacting Heather Costomiris, 609-953-7333, x115.

CONNECT WITH US! www.myfac.org/fasa

Instagrams: [fasa_fac](#) | Facebook: [FASAFac](#) | Twitter: [@facFASA](#) | Google+: [fasafac](#)

Join the FASA group on The Hub, www.myfachub.org.

LOCAL OUTREACH

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OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



PICK UP SHOEBOXES: OCT. 8/9, 15/16, AND 22/23
DEADLINE FOR RETURN: NOV. 13

Return your Shoeboxes by Sun., Nov. 8; place in bin marked "Operation Christmas Child."

Each year, millions of boys and girls around the world are introduced to the hope of the Gospel through Operation Christmas Child! The FAC Service Projects Team is partnering with Samaritans Purse to collect and distribute shoebox gifts to children in need worldwide. This is often the only Christmas gift they will ever receive.

For the weekends of Oct. 8/9, 15/16, and 22/23, team members will be in the Welcome Center providing shoeboxes that you can fill with toys, hygiene items, school supplies, and a personal note. Along with each box, children will receive a book with a presentation of the Gospel and the opportunity to enroll in a discipleship program led by volunteers and local churches.

This is a fun project for everyone — your small group or miniChurch, your co-workers, or your classmates! Completed boxes can be returned to FAC in the wooden bin marked "Operation Christmas Child." All donated boxes must be returned by Sun., Nov 13.

You can find out more about OCC at www.samaritanspurse.org/occ. If you have any questions, contact Kristen Potter, kpotter831@gmail.com.

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URBAN PROMISE

A LOCAL SERVICE PROJECT

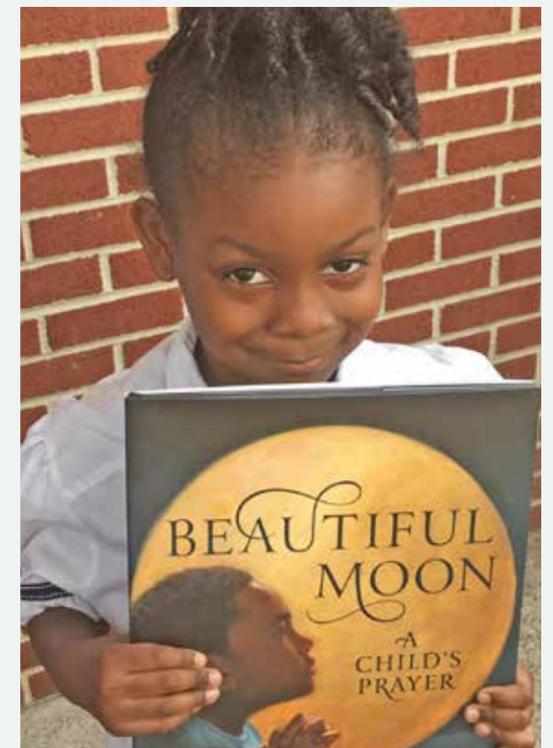
The mission of UrbanPromise (UP) since 1988 has been to equip Camden's children and young adults with the skills necessary for academic achievement, life management, spiritual growth, and Christian leadership. UP strives to fulfill this mission through after-school programs, summer camps, two schools, experiential learning, job training, and a host of other programs.

Recently, many of you donated books to UP. You can see from the photo that they were appreciated! The teachers and staff of Urban Promise said this, "We wish to thank you for your generous donations of books, magazines, and book bags for our new library. We invite you to visit any time. Come see your donation at work!"

YOU ARE INVITED TO THE UP ANNUAL BANQUET
Oct. 20, 5:30 to 9:00 p.m.

The annual banquet of UP is an evening of celebration and inspiration that includes dinner and a stirring program featuring Bruce Main, testimonies from UP youth, dance, music, and so much more. UP "promises" that you'll leave inspired by the kids and with a greater understanding of what God is doing through the ministry in Camden.

The banquet will be held at the Scottish Rite Auditorium in Collingswood. Visit their website for additional information: urbanpromiseusa.org/banquet.





DATE	BUDGET	ACTUAL	DIFFERENCE
General Fund			
8.7	\$ 69,615	\$ 66,218	\$ (3,397)
8.14	\$ 69,615	\$ 61,157	\$ (8,458)
8.21	\$ 69,615	\$ 47,279	\$ (22,336)
8.28	\$ 69,615	\$ 48,468	\$ (21,147)
Total	\$ 278,460	\$ 223,122	\$ (55,338)
Year-to-Date	\$ 2,436,525	\$1,973,218	\$ (463,307)
Missions Fund			
8.7	\$ 4,808	\$ 5,120	\$ 312
8.14	\$ 4,808	\$ 5,087	\$ 279
8.21	\$ 4,808	\$ 5,054	\$ 246
8.28	\$ 4,808	\$ 4,300	\$ (508)
Total	\$ 19,232	\$ 19,561	\$ 329
Year-to-Date	\$ 168,280	\$ 202,451	\$ 34,171
Care Fund			
8.7		\$ 3,594	
8.14		\$ 2,776	
8.21		\$ 1,737	
8.28		\$ 1,935	
Total		\$ 10,042	
Year-to-Date		\$ 108,090	
Kingdom Vision Fund			
8.7		\$ 29,595	
8.14		\$ 30,516	
8.21		\$ 22,403	
8.28		\$ 20,982	
Total		\$ 103,496	
Year-to-Date		\$ 1,021,212	

DATE	ADULTS	WORKERS	CHILDREN	TOTAL
8.7	1642	84	206	1932
8.14	1637	68	292	1997
8.21	1705	132	213	2050
8.28	1535	82	245	1862

This report is based on a 12-month, evenly distributed budget. Actual expenses fluctuate throughout the budget year. We conduct regular financial reviews to determine whether ministry expenses need to be trimmed.

PASTORAL CARE DIRECTORY



Our Pastoral Care groups offer financial, physical, and emotional support. If you need assistance, contact the Care Center, 609-975-9741, or use the contact information below.

EVERY MAN'S BATTLE

Support for men struggling with sexual sins

Meetings are held on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.

Contacts: Ed Brokhoff (Call for location.) 609-200-2019 or edb@myfac.org

HELPING HAND GRIEF SUPPORT

Support for adults who are grieving

Meetings are held on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel.

Contacts: Wanda and George Stein, 609-953-7333, x309

LAY COUNSELING

To see a lay counselor, call Toni Mendillo, 609-953-7333, 329. (Leave a message.)

LIVING THROUGH SUICIDE

For those grieving the loss of a loved one through suicide

Meetings are held on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel.

Contacts: Wanda and George Stein, 609-953-7333, x309

MARRIAGE MINISTRY

• Marriage Coaches
Coaching and education for moving and improving marriages in all different stages

Contacts: Steve and Julie Durdin, marriagematters@myfac.org, or 609-953-7333, x315. (Leave a message.)

Pre-Marriage Groups

Giving marriages a healthy start

Contacts: Mike and Tammy Mosier, 609-953-7333, x315. (Leave a message.)

MEN'S RECOVERY

For help towards God and sobriety

Meetings are held in the Barn in RB-04 on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

Contacts: Dan Mignogna and Ben Glatz, recoverymen@myfac.org, or 609-953-7333, x313 (Leave a message.)

PATH TO PURITY

For men struggling with sexual sin

Meetings are held on Tuesdays at 6:30 a.m. Call for location.

For more information, send an e-mail to purity@myfac.org, or call 609-953-7333, x311. (Leave a message.)

RELATIONSHIP RECOVERY

For men and women who are going through separation and/or divorce and for those continuing to recover.

Contact: Susan, 609-953-7333, x316, or relationshiprecovery@myfac.org.



SERENITY SUPPORT

For those with loved ones with substance abuse issues

Meetings are held on Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Barn.

Contact: Joyce, serenitysupport@myfac.org, or 609-953-7333, x314 (Leave a message.)

WINGS (WALKING IN GOD'S STRENGTH)

For families of loved ones with eating disorders

Meetings are held on the first and third Wednesdays from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., in Suite 219, the Fellowship House.

For more information, send an e-mail to janletts@comcast.net; jmiller.510@comcast.net; or janetworrell@verizon.net.

WOMEN'S REDEMPTION

For women who struggle with sexual purity

For times and location, contact puritywomen@myfac.org, or leave a message at 609-953-7333, x317.

WOMEN'S RECOVERY

For help towards God and sobriety

Meetings are held in C-12 (above the Chapel) on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

Contacts: Christine Botti and Jodi Warner, recoverywomen@myfac.org, or 609-953-7333, x313 (Leave a message.)

MINISTRIES DIRECTORY

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Adults

50+
Ed Brokhoff
609-200-2019
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Alpha
Explore the meaning of life
Dave and Judi Shoemaker
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After Alpha
Rich Janiszewski
609-413-3311
rajpaint@aol.com

Assimilation & Guest Services
Pastor Doug Bazigian, x128
doug@myfac.org

miniChurches
Rev. Dave Krilov, x105
davek@myfac.org

Sage Builders
Rev. Glenn Kantner, x106
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Ushers & Greeters
Pastor Doug Bazigian, x128
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Venture 18//23
Bryan & Lisa Russell
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Women

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Ministry Assistant
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aWAKEN
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Deepening Groups
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Fresh Hope
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#Momlife
Michele Fleckenstein
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Walking in Grace
Jill Borsky
609-760-5354
jillborsky@gmail.com

Men

Pastor Erik Rebstock, x116
erikr@myfac.org

Band of Brothers Breakfasts
Michael More'
dembums1@gmail.com.

Catalyst Men's Groups
Brian Gahman
brian.gahman@lmco.com

facWILD
Rodney Sager
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856-924-4631

Golf League
George Bradley
george.bradley@yahoo.com

Men of Iron
Bill Cariss
bcariss@holmanauto.com

Timothy Project
Rodney Sager
rsagerjr@comcast.net
856-924-4631

Velocity Men's Groups
Pastor Erik Rebstock, x116
erikr@myfac.org

Children

Warnesia Travasso, x141
warnesi@myfac.org

Kid BLAST Preschool
(Birth-Kindergarten)
• Jane Beebe, x101
jane@myfac.org
• Cathy Watson, x117
cathy@myfac.org

Kid BLAST Elementary
(Grades 1-4)
Warnesia Travasso, x141
warnesi@myfac.org

Kid BLAST Clubs
Warnesia Travasso, x141
warnesi@myfac.org

Youth

Rev. Erik Jarvis, x118
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Ministry Assistant
Pat Vickery, x132
pat@myfac.org

Middle School (Grades 5-8)
Trip hotline, x678
• Pastor Eddie Jurimas, x104
eddie@myfac.org
• Russ Batten, x134
Level 5
russ@myfac.org

High School (Grades 9-12)
Rev. Mike Williams, x108
mike@myfac.org
Trip hotline, x410

Special Needs

Warnesia Travasso, x141
warnesi@myfac.org

Friendship Bible Class
Melissa King
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SNOW Kids
Warnesia Travasso
snow@myfac.org

SNOW Den
Leah Bronczyk, x304
SNOWDen.fac@gmail.com

Other Ministries

Camp FAC
609-714-4035
info@campfac.org

Hospitality
Ed & Deb Jurimas, x127; x119
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Production
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Care Ministries

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Food Pantry
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Fresh Hope Auto
Mark McGuigan
fhauto@myfac.org

Good \$ense
Chuck Riley
goodsense@myfac.org

Hope Garden
Frank Mandy
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EMOTIONAL & SPIRITUAL SUPPORT

Pastoral Care
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brentb@myfac.org

(A complete list of support groups can be found on page 25.)

Missions & Outreach

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Our Foundation: The Cross

Perhaps the most well-known verse in the Bible is John 3:16. In a conversation between Jesus and Nicodemus, a teacher in Israel, Jesus told him that a new birth and faith in Him were required for entrance into heaven. He told him the plan of salvation: "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life."

In this one sentence is all the information you need to understand salvation. Christianity is based on the Bible as a whole, but that one sentence from Jesus is considered a summary of all that is contained in the Bible. The Old Testament prophesies about it, and all of the New Testament is built on it. Through His death on a cross, Jesus offers the forgiveness of sins, making a bridge to a Holy God.

When we choose to believe the words of John 3:16, ask forgiveness for our sins, and accept the free gift of salvation, Jesus says that we have eternal life in heaven. In this life, Jesus wants to have a relationship with us. He wants to help us live a righteous, blessed life. That does not mean that we will be perfect or that we will have everything we want. It does mean that He will be with us every day and in every situation until we meet Him in heaven.

At FAC, salvation is the foundation for everything we believe, every decision we make, and every ministry we have.

What you believe about salvation is the most important decision you will ever make. Ask any of our leaders to pray or talk with you about salvation.

Our Mission

Accepting the gift of salvation is just the beginning of life with Jesus. At FAC, we emphasize the importance of connecting to God, His people, and His work. Ephesians 2: 8-9, says, "For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, so that no one may boast." These connections, then, are not for our own merit; rather, they are a recognition of what we owe to Jesus coupled with a desire to grow in an understanding of who He is and what He wants us to do.

CONNECT TO GOD

Read the Bible regularly; start with the first four Books of the New Testament. Take time to pray. Attend worship services.

CONNECT TO GOD'S PEOPLE

Choose to participate in a Bible study at FAC. We offer groups for all ages and life situations.

CONNECT TO GOD'S WORK

Find ways to actively serve Him: work with children or youth; get involved in missions; participate in caring for people in need; be a greeter. Ask Him to show you the right area for your service. There are many opportunities to serve right at FAC.

These are the majors at FAC. Don't miss Pastor Marty's messages about The Cross. The Cross is our central focus; it's foundational. We pray that you will make it your foundation and that you will join us in our mission.