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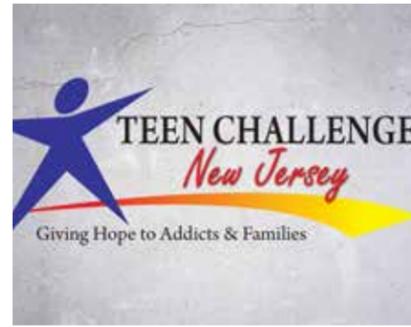
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## WORSHIP SERVICES

**Saturday: 6:00 p.m.**

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

Nursery and Kids' Bible Study (KBS) 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.

## NEW? GET CONNECTED!

### GUEST RECEPTION

Held after worship services several times a month in Room A-08, Guest Receptions are for visitors and anyone else who would like to learn more about FAC and how to get connected.

Registration is not necessary. Just join us!

### NEXT STEPS GROUPS

**May 4, Room C-02, 6:30 p.m.**

A new Next Steps group will begin Wed., May 4, and continue for two additional Wednesdays. Next Steps is a great way to learn more about the values and beliefs of FAC. This group will share a meal with Alpha before getting started.

You can register for Next Steps at [www.myfac.org/register](http://www.myfac.org/register). If you have questions, contact Pastor Glenn Kantner, [glenn@myfac.org](mailto:glenn@myfac.org), or 609-953-7333, x106.

# EXPERIENCING GOD

*“The Bible teaches that we will find our greatest joy and happiness by following God, no matter what, because that’s what we were made to do.”*

Dear Church Family,

**I**n our church, we emphasize our church vision statement: “We want people to know God’s call and follow it.” To us, that is such an important statement because God made us not for ourselves, which seems to be the common deception of our day. The truth is that God made us for Himself. This is why life often feels purposeless and meaningless when we try to live our life without God in it. **Many have expressed a feeling of emptiness before they found out they could have a relationship with God by answering His call to them.**

In Romans 10:13-15 we read these words: “. . . Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, ‘How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!’”

This is one of the passages from which our vision statement was formed. We call to God because He first calls to us.

But just answering God’s call to find meaning and purpose for our existence is not all we are to do to fully experience God. If we were made by God and for God, then we need to follow God. In other words, God has a plan for our lives and it’s not all about us. It’s about God and what the Bible calls “glorifying” God. **That means giving God recognition, credit, and honor with all your life and all you have. The Bible teaches that we will find our greatest joy and happiness by following God, no matter what, because that’s what we were made to do.**

Do you remember God said in Genesis that He made humankind in “His image and likeness”? That means He made us for a relationship with Him — a relationship that animals and birds and fish and plants and trees can’t have with Him. Because God made us like Him and for Him, we will only find our life’s plan in following Him.

Of course, that doesn’t mean we are all to be preachers or missionaries, but it does mean God wants us to connect to Him intimately and grow in our relationship with Him.

Come on with us at FAC and try to hear God and follow Him for yourself. Experiencing God is not just about performing rituals to keep Him happy with you or singing worship songs that make you feel happy with Him. Experiencing God is learning day by day to hear God through reading the Bible and talking to Him in prayer and following Him in all levels of our life. Stop just surviving. Stop just living for yourself. Stop just trying to accomplish things and find life. Hear His call and follow it.

I promise you, He is calling you right now.

Love never fails,



Pastor Marty Berglund  
Senior Pastor



Stay in touch with Marty through social media:



## New Staff Member:

Doug Ingram, Pastor of Worship Arts

**WHEN DID YOU BEGIN WORKING AT THE CHURCH?** I began working at FAC in April.

**WHERE WERE YOU WORKING PREVIOUSLY?** I previously served as the Worship Ministry Leader at Grace Fellowship in West Palm Beach, FL.

**WHAT IS YOUR POSITION AND WHAT DOES THAT ENTAIL?** I serve FAC as the Pastor of Worship Arts. I will specifically be providing oversight for all of the various aspects of the Worship Ministry at FAC.

**WHAT IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING TO YOU ABOUT YOUR JOB AND WHAT DO YOU HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH THROUGH YOUR POSITION?** The most important thing to me about my job is to help lead those in the church to encounter God in worship and to live a lifestyle of worship. I hope to develop worship leaders who will lead worship in a way that helps people experience the power and presence of God.

**WHEN DID YOU ACCEPT CHRIST AS YOUR SAVIOR AND WHAT WERE THE CIRCUMSTANCES?** Growing up in a pastor’s home, I accepted Christ as my Savior at a young age. As I got older, I came to a fuller understanding of the Gospel, which has radically changed my life.

**TELL US ABOUT YOUR FAMILY.** My wife, Abby, and I were married in 2011. Our relationship was born from a friendship that began about nine years prior. We have one daughter named Eisley who is almost a year and a half. She was born eleven weeks premature and weighed just 2lb, 13oz at birth and spent the first three months of her life in the hospital. Thankfully, by the grace of God, she is perfectly healthy and full of joy.

**TELL US ABOUT SOME OF YOUR FAVORITE THINGS:** Some of my favorite things include playing music, spending time with my family, watching sports, road trips, eating great food, and occasionally binge watching serial dramas on Netflix.

**BOOK (OTHER THAN THE BIBLE):** One book I keep coming back to time and again is Crazy Love, by Francis Chan.

**MOVIE:** The Harry Potter Collection

**FOOD:** Classic Texas BBQ

**MEMORY:** Holding my daughter for the very first time.

**VACATION SPOT:** Walt Disney World

**VERSE:** Galatians 2:20 “For I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.”

**WORSHIP SONG:** Right now, my favorite worship song is “Unbroken Praise,” by Matt Redman. This song resonates with me because it speaks to the heart of what it means to be a true worshiper of Jesus Christ. The song is derived from Psalm 86:12 which says, “I will give thanks to You, O Lord my God, with my whole heart and I will glorify your name forever.” It is a reminder that true praise acceptable to God comes from an undivided heart that is wholly surrendered to Him. My favorite line in the song says, “Let my deeds outrun my words and let my life outweigh my songs.” My prayer for the worship teams at FAC is that our worship on the stage would pale in comparison to the lives we lead off of it.

# ENCOURAGEMENT FOR THE *Journey*



*“All the things she wanted were good – beauty, food, and wisdom. But she wanted them outside of You.”*

I want to share something with you that I wrote in my journal a little while back after reading some words that Ann Voskamp wrote in *The Greatest Gift*. She was recounting the beginning of brokenness when Eve decided to step away from God. She noted that she took the fruit off of the forbidden tree because she wanted the wisdom it would give her.

I didn't remember noticing that before so I went back to Genesis 3 and sure enough: “When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and ALSO DESIRABLE FOR GAINING WISDOM, she took some and ate it.” That caught my attention because I've always thought of gaining wisdom as a positive thing. God instructs us in Proverbs to give all we've got to attain wisdom! So what was this about? After pondering that for a while, this was my response that day in my journal:

*After reading about Eve taking a piece of the forbidden fruit, I realize how much I am tempted by the same things.*

*I wish it wasn't so, but I am truly her daughter.*

*She saw that it was good for food— I'm always tempted by good food!*

*She saw that it was pleasing to the eye — I'm definitely drawn by that which is beautiful and pleases my eyes.*

*And she wanted the wisdom it would give her — I long to be wise.*

*I've never thought of that as a temptation because wisdom is good, right?*

*It's something You want us to search after.*

*But herein lies the problem.*

*She wanted wisdom that You didn't mean for her to have.*

*She wanted food that You didn't want her to eat.*

*She was drawn to beauty that You didn't create for her.*

*All the things she wanted were good — beauty, food, and wisdom.*

*But she wanted them outside of You.*

*“That's the temptation — to try to get what I think I need outside of what You've given.*

*True wisdom, true beauty, true nourishment.*

*It all comes from You.*

*You are the source of Life.*

*You ARE Life!*

I haven't nailed this life lesson by any means. None of us will this side of glory. But hopefully we're learning new ways every day to receive the amazing gifts Jesus has offered to us — and turn our backs on the things that He never meant for us to have — because He loves us so much!

*Laurie Berglund*

Laurie welcomes your comments,  
laurieb@myfac.org.



## LIFE IS BETTER CONNECTED



If you would like to get in a miniChurch or small group, go to [www.myfac.org/findagroup](http://www.myfac.org/findagroup). If you have any questions, send an e-mail to [smallgroups@myfac.org](mailto:smallgroups@myfac.org).

# NEWS & NOTES

## SNOW DEN

May 6 & 20

SNOW Den provides a place for adults with special needs to connect to God and to their friends. SNOW Den meets in the Sanctuary on select Friday nights from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. to participate in events such as bingo, karaoke, summer barbecues, bowling, pizza, and so much more! This month, SNOW Den meets on May 6 & 20.

For more information, send an e-mail to [snowden.fac@gmail.com](mailto:snowden.fac@gmail.com).

## Leader Appreciation Month for miniChurches and Small Groups

During the month of May, take an opportunity to show your leaders that you appreciate what they do for you and your group. Some ideas from Pastor Dave Krilov are thank you cards, gift cards to their favorite restaurant, a party, prayer for them at a meeting, and whatever else you might want to do for them.

## WHAT'S YOUR NEWS?

Do you have an announcement that you would like to share with your church family? Please let us know! We would love to hear about births, engagements, weddings, graduations, etc.

Send up to 75 words to [lynn@myfac.org](mailto:lynn@myfac.org). Deadline for the June newsletter is May 5. We would love to have a photo (JPG format) to accompany your announcement.

## COLLEGE AND TECHNICAL SCHOOL GRADUATES

We will be honoring our graduates in the June edition of this newsletter. We would like to include all of our graduating seniors, but we need your help. Please submit:

- Your name
- Your parents' names
- The school from which you're graduating
- Your plans (college, military, work, etc.)
- A high resolution headshot (If you do not have a scanner, contact Mari Lynne Snyder, ext. 115, or Joanne Horner, ext. 111, in Suite 195 for assistance.)

Send your picture and the above information to Lynn Guise, [lynn@myfac.org](mailto:lynn@myfac.org), by May 5. We will also feature graduates in our July newsletter. For information about high school graduates, see page 15.



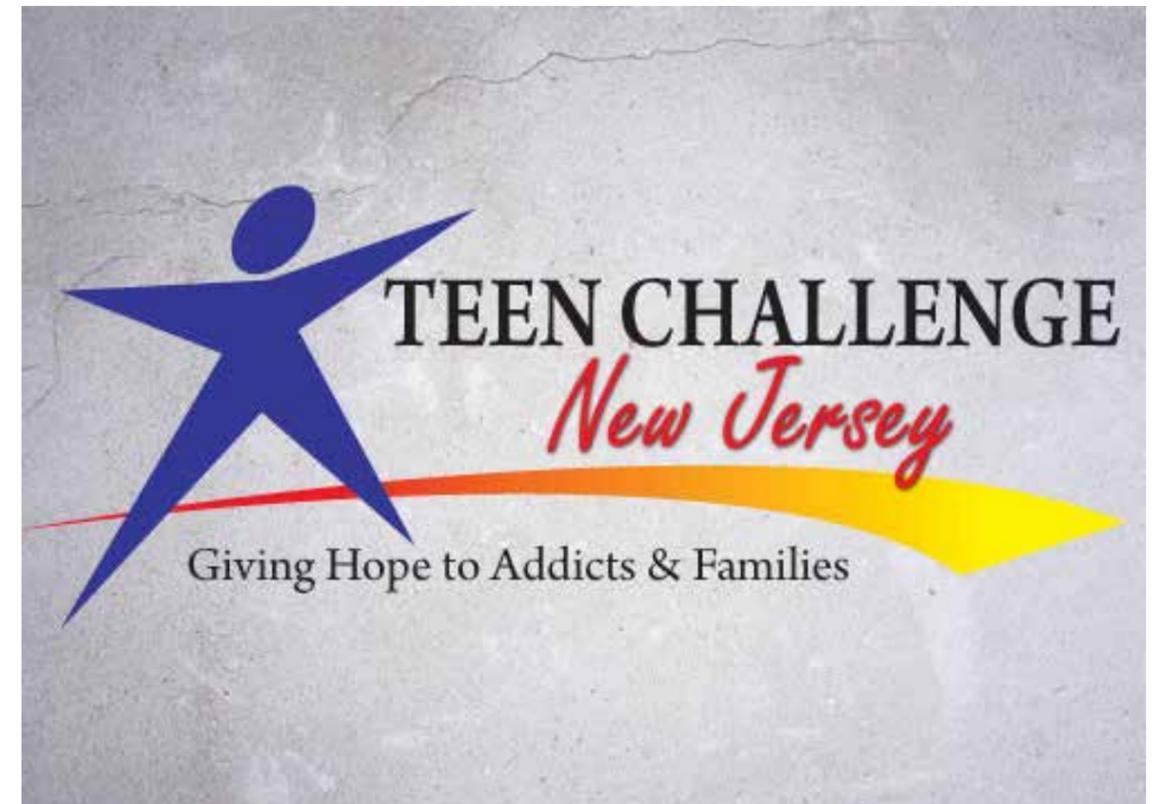
## DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE CREATIVE TEAM?

The creative team is a group of craftsmen, designers, and artists who want to use their gifts to design and implement purposeful spaces around the church campus that help connect people to God, His people, and His work.

If you are experienced and would like to be considered for the team, please contact Bethany Miller at [bethanym@myfac.org](mailto:bethanym@myfac.org) or 609-953-7333, x142.

## VOLUNTEER NEEDED FOR THE COMMUNICATIONS TEAM

If you are an experienced writer who would like to work part-time at FAC on a variety of assignments, contact Chris Rose, [chrisrose@myfac.org](mailto:chrisrose@myfac.org).



## TEEN CHALLENGE NJ MEN'S CHOIR IS COMING TO FAC!

Sun., May 15, 1:00 p.m., in the Sanctuary

The Serenity Support Group announces that it will be hosting the Teen Challenge NJ Men's Choir on Sun., May 15, at 1:00 p.m. After the program, you will have the opportunity to meet with the men and understand how you might help in their efforts. Refreshments will be served.

Established in 2007, Teen Challenge New Jersey is reaching, rescuing, and restoring young men and at-risk youth, ages 18 and older, from the grip of drug and alcohol addiction by the power of Jesus Christ.

Using Biblical values, the Teen Challenge staff works closely with residents to help them develop positive life skills that will assist them in becoming valued employees, respected neighbors, and dependable family members. Job training, education, and much more are all provided.

Teen Challenge New Jersey is a dynamic part of Teen Challenge New England & New Jersey — one of the oldest, largest, and most successful drug recovery programs of its kind in the world.



For more information, contact Joyce at [mdlkbrider@verizon.com](mailto:mdlkbrider@verizon.com).

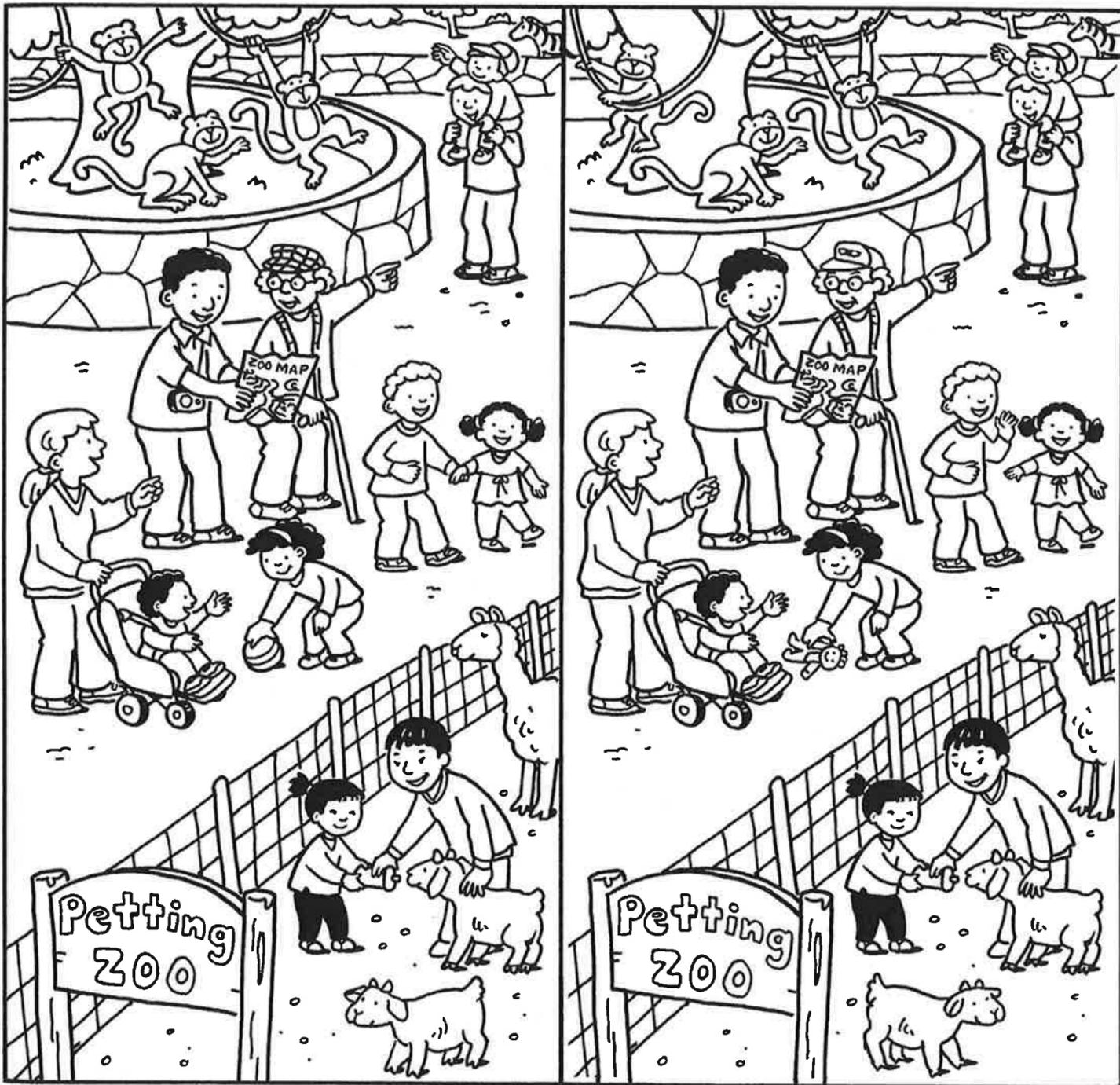
# Children's Corner

Babies through Kindergartners

This month, our preschoolers are learning they are **"Better Together."**

Our memory verse for the month of May is: "Two people are better than one. They can help each other in everything they do." (Ecclesiastes 4:9)

Have fun coloring this picture. Circle 5 things that are different. Tell a good thing someone in the picture is doing to help another.



## KBS KIDS TALK ABOUT MOM FOR MOTHER'S DAY

**My mom is the best because ...**

- She cooks for us.
- She's nice.
- She's kind to everyone.
- She makes me laugh.
- She helps me do everything!
- She always makes time for me.
- She loves me.

**My mom makes me feel loved when ...**

- She takes care of me.
- She cooks dinner for us.
- She reads books with me.
- She hugs and kisses me.

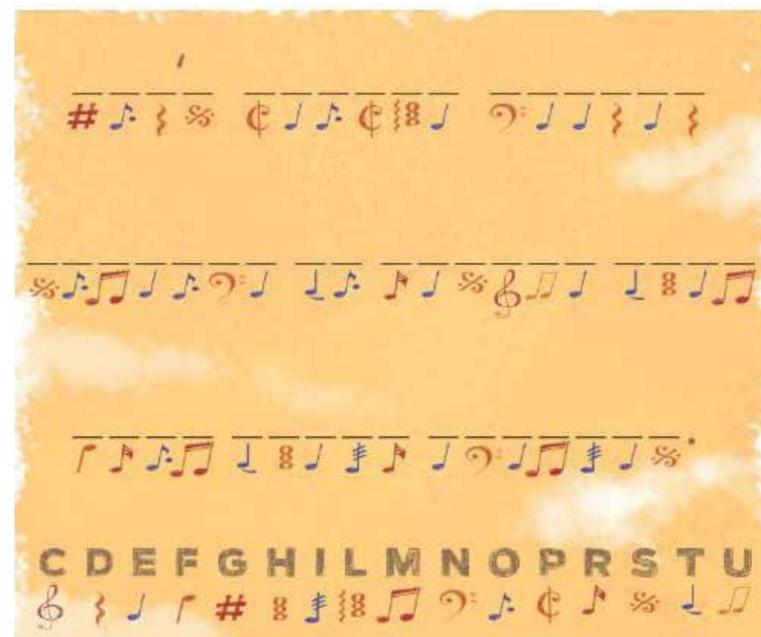
- She gives me yucky medicine when I'm sick.
- On my birthday, I get presents and cake.
- My mom does sooooo many things!

**My mom makes me laugh when ...**

- She tickles me, and she tickles me a lot!
- She does funny voices and she makes funny faces.
- Sometimes she messes up when talking fast.
- She forgets something and says, "Ooooooo, I forgot!" It's soooo funny!
- She's not really very funny. My dad is the funny one!

**I show my love for my mom when ...**

- I do what she says and try to show her that I appreciate her.
- I help her with cleaning and chores.
- I let the dog out.
- I do stuff that she likes.
- I listen to her, and I tell her the truth.
- I give her nice stuff like pretend flowers and posters I make for her.
- I make her breakfast in bed.
- I tell her that I love her ... a lot!



### Family Participation

**Family discussion starters:**

**Key Passage: Isaiah 33:22**  
**Big picture question**  
 How does God accomplish His plan?  
 God uses people for His glory and our good.

**Bible Story: Ezra and Barak**

When Israel forgot about God, God allowed Canaan to overtake them. God used a new judge, Deborah, to deliver Israel. Deborah told Barak to fight Canaan, but he would only go if Deborah went with him. Barak, his army, and Sisera defeated the Canaanites.

- Why do you think Barak wanted Deborah to go with him?
- How can we develop our own faith in God?

**Family activity**

Research how God used women in the Bible. Consider Ruth, Mary, Esther, Timothy's mother and grandmother, and others.

Learn about a care ministry to women at FAC or in your community and find out how you can get involved.

## HEY, THAT'S FUNNY!

If you have jokes, stories, or funny quotes that you would like to share, contact Warnesia, warnesiaw@myfac.org.

**What does a pencil with an eraser at each end make you think about?**

*It makes me think about what life without Jesus would be like!*

*There's no point to it!*  
 (Contributed by Steve Freudenberger)

**How does Moses make his coffee?**

*Hebrews it.*

# summer soccer

# CAMP



## Make Your Plans Now for the FAC Summer Soccer Camp

For boys and girls entering Grades 1-8

Summer Soccer Camp will be held on Monday through Thursday, July 11 to 14 for boys and girls entering Grades 1-8.

Cost is \$35. Location will be Lenape High School, 9:00 a.m. to noon. Friday, July 15 is a rain date.

### Why is FAC having Soccer Camp?

We want to see our kids have fun on the fields and to learn how to be more like Jesus as they play. We also want to give training in soccer skills.

### What does the fee include?

Cost is \$35.00 and includes a soccer ball, a camp T-shirt, and training in soccer skills — both basic and advanced. Snacks are also included.

### What will a soccer camp morning include?

Activities for each day include group games, skills training, message time, various water breaks, and scrimmaging.

Register online as soon as possible at [www.myfac.org/soccercamp](http://www.myfac.org/soccercamp). Contact Eddie Jurimas or Warnesia Travasso for more details: [eddie@myfac.org](mailto:eddie@myfac.org) or [warnesiat@myfac.org](mailto:warnesiat@myfac.org).



### Leaders Are Needed

High school students and adults are needed to help with the FAC Soccer Camp.

If you can commit to any or all of the mornings, contact Pastor Eddie Jurimas, [eddie@myfac.org](mailto:eddie@myfac.org), or Director Warnesia Travasso, [warnesiat@myfac.org](mailto:warnesiat@myfac.org).

We need your help to make our program successful again this year!

# IMPACT

## Grades 9-12

### CONNECT

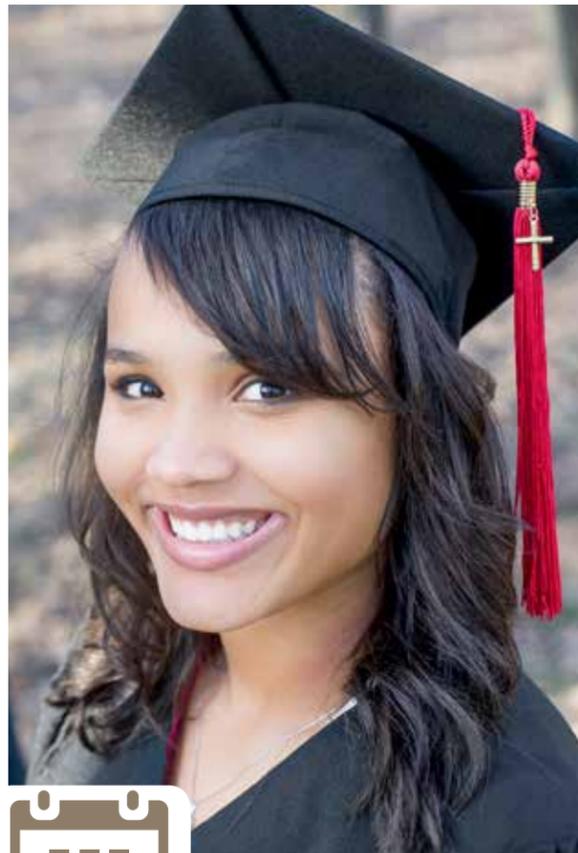
Looking for ways to connect to what is happening in the high school ministry? Check out these options:



Sign up for text updates. Go to <http://myfac.org/impact> to sign up!



Join the Impact Facebook page! Search for "Youth Impact" and click the "like" button.



## Graduation Announcements in the Newsletter

We will be honoring our graduating seniors in the June edition of this newsletter. We would like to include all of our graduating seniors, but we need your help. **Please submit:**

- Your name
- Your parents' names
- The school from which you're graduating
- Your plans (college, military, work, etc.)
- A high resolution headshot (If you do not have a scanner, you can contact Pat Vickery in the Youth Office, 609-953-7333, x132, for assistance.)

Send your picture and the above information to Lynn Guise, [lynn@myfac.org](mailto:lynn@myfac.org), by May 5. If you have questions, contact Pat Vickery in the Youth Office, 609-953-7333, x132.



## Upcoming Events

### MAY 16

**May 16 is Senior Night** and the last Insight meeting for the school year. We will honor our graduating seniors and give others the opportunity to encourage them as they take the next big step in their lives.

### MAY 22

#### Baccalaureate

On May 22, we will commission the graduating seniors. Family and friends are encouraged to join us as we pray for and encourage our graduates.

### TBA

#### Freshmen Welcome

#### Date and time to be determined

At this event to honor our incoming freshmen, we are going to build new relationships and assist them in getting connected to all of the Impact activities.

If you are graduating from eighth grade this year, this event is for you!

### JUNE 20 (TENTATIVE)

#### Summer kick-off for Insight

# GOOD \$ENSE



*God can handle your financial hardship, and with His help, so can you.*

**LAST** month's Good \$ense article touched on how stewardship — managing the money God has entrusted to us — helps us connect more with God. To become a good steward, you have to start learning and applying God's principles for managing money. So let's dig a little deeper.

Financial hardships, such as a sudden job loss or a lengthy illness or disability, tend to happen unexpectedly. For example, my husband and I struggled financially when we lost our jobs within two months of each other right before the Christmas holiday. One long month later, I had found a wonderful job, but my husband wasn't so fortunate. As much as he tried, the jobs just weren't there. Odds-and-ends jobs for him came and went, but the bills crept up pretty quickly. We had already cut out any extra luxuries to keep the debt as low as possible. However, the pile of unpaid bills kept growing. When he found the permanent job he has today, it was truly a blessing.

Most people aren't prepared for an unexpected financial hardship. I know I wasn't. So how do we deal with these interruptions? As much as we want to be the "diligent earners" God calls us to be, sometimes He puts our ability to earn on hold. In such cases, rest assured: He has a plan and He's in control.

When we learn and practice God's financial principles, we will be more prepared for life's financial uncertainties. Instead of panicking during a hardship, we can hunker down and wait out the ride, however long it may be. Knowing we were diligent earners while we were able and living our lives accordingly, we know we did all we could. Now comes the faith in Him to get us through. So let's learn how to be prepared.

Good \$ense is a great place to start. The ministry's volunteer counselors are well-versed in teaching and applying Biblical financial principles, and have a variety of financial and ministerial experience. I truly

believe He handpicked each and every one of us to help in this ministry. So let us help! The Bible says, "Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisers they succeed." (Proverbs 15:22)

Knowledge is power, and God's wisdom is the power that He wants us to have when we need it. We are not meant to go through life alone. We are all meant to guide each other and be guided when we need it. He puts people in our lives to help us or teach us when we are in need.

Everyone's situation is different. And yes, believe it or not, everyone has a situation; no one's life is perfect, especially when it comes to money. You may be just starting out and don't know where to begin. Or maybe you have massive debt to the point where you feel there is no hope.

Where God is, there is always hope, and all things are possible through Him. Whatever the situation, His principles are key to getting you through! Even though my husband and I are still in the process of paying off the debt from our own hardship, we learned a valuable lesson and are more prepared now for the unexpected. We are now able to save money and continue to pay off our debt, which is steering us in the right direction for financial freedom.

"Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and your plans will succeed." (Proverbs 16:3)

Learn how to apply Biblical financial principles to your situation with FAC's Good \$ense ministry. For more information, contact Chuck Riley at [goodsense@myfac.org](mailto:goodsense@myfac.org).

— Kimberly Hughey

Good \$ense counselor



# PASTORAL CARE GROUPS



Our Pastoral Care groups are for people who want to overcome hurt, heartaches, negative habits, and hang-ups. These groups seek to assist people in making choices that are God-directed toward Biblical wholeness, healing, forgiveness, and growth.

Pastoral Care Groups currently offered are as follows. If you are planning to attend a group for the first time, please contact the leader.

### HELPING HAND GRIEF SUPPORT

For adults who need support in their 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

If you would like to meet with a lay counselor, call 609-953-7333. (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](mailto: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 Red Barn in RB-04 on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

Contact: Dave Botti, [recoverymen@myfac.org](mailto: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](mailto: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.

For further information, leave a message for Susan at 609-953-7333, x316, or send an e-mail to [relationshiprecovery@myfac.org](mailto: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 Red Barn on Rt. 541.

For more information, contact Joyce at [serenitysupport@myfac.org](mailto:serenitysupport@myfac.org). or leave a message at 609-953-7333, x314.

### WINGS (WALKING IN GOD'S STRENGTH)

For families of loved ones with eating disorders

Meetings are held on the first and third Wednesdays of each month 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](mailto:janletts@comcast.net); [jmiller.510@comcast.net](mailto:jmiller.510@comcast.net); or [janetworrell@verizon.net](mailto:janetworrell@verizon.net).

### WOMEN'S REDEMPTION

For women who struggle with sexual purity

Meetings are confidential. For times and location, contact [puritywomen@myfac.org](mailto: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.

Contact: Christine Botti, 609-953-7333, x313 (Leave a message.); or [recoverywomen@myfac.org](mailto:recoverywomen@myfac.org)



## BAND OF BROTHERS

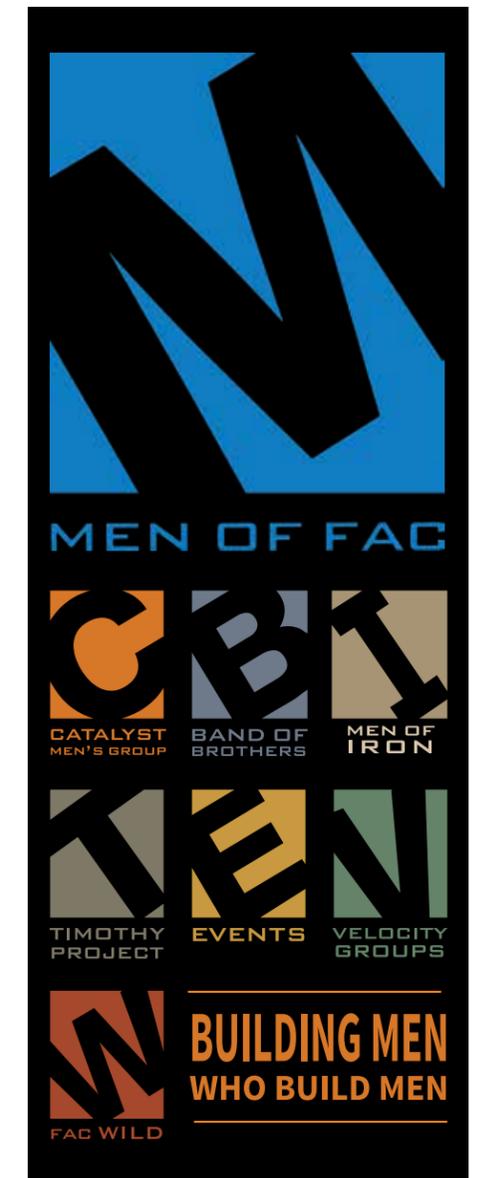
**New Series: Real Life-Because Every Man Has a Story**

**WEDNESDAY MORNINGS IN THE SANCTUARY, 6:30 TO 7:45 A.M.**

Simply put, God changes the lives of men.

During the month of May, don't miss the stories of four men and the story of the God who changed their lives forever.

No registration is necessary. Contact Michael More` for details: [dembums1@gmail.com](mailto:dembums1@gmail.com).



## SAGE BUILDERS

**For retirement-aged adults**



### May Calendar



**MAY 5**  
Lunch Bunch at 1:00 at Prospectors Call Tiny Burgess, 704-756-6774, if you would like to attend.

**MAY 12**  
Lunch at 12:30 in the Sanctuary "Becoming Vulnerable," Part 1

**MAY 19**  
Lunch at 12:30 in the Sanctuary "Becoming Vulnerable," Part 2

**MAY 26**  
Lunch at 12:30 in the Sanctuary "Talent Show: God's Gifts on Display"

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



IF:TABLE  
recipe inspiration  
BLUEBERRY SOUR CREAM MUFFINS IF

### BLUEBERRY SOUR CREAM MUFFINS BY AMY ALLERT

24 muffins

Ingredients

- 4 Eggs
- 2 cups of Sugar
- 1 cup of Vegetable Oil
- 1 t of Vanilla Extract
- 4 cups of Flour
- 2 t of Baking Powder
- 1 t of Baking Soda
- 1 t of Salt
- 2 cups of Sour Cream- I also use 1/2 vanilla yogurt
- 2 cups of Blueberries, fresh or frozen

Instructions

Preheat oven to 400.  
Grease 24 muffin cups. Beat eggs in a medium bowl, add sugar gradually while continuing to beat. Pour oil in slowly while beating. Add vanilla. Combine dry ingredients. Add alternately with sour cream to egg mixture. Gently fold in blueberries. Spoon into prepared muffin cups. Bake 20 minutes.

Find more recipes at [www.ifgathering.com/table](http://www.ifgathering.com/table).

aWAKEN women’s ministry is inviting you to join us once a month this summer for IF:Table. We believe the table is a good place to gather women, share a simple meal, and dive deep into real stories and Christ-centered conversations. This will be 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.

Sign up for one, two, three, or all four of the dinners! Space is limited so sign up early.

**When:** May 20, June 17, July 15, and Aug. 19 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

**Where:** 219 Fellowship House at FAC

**Cost:** \$5.00 for each IF:Table

Register online for each IF:Table you plan on attending. Registration will close when maximum space has been reached or the Friday prior to the date of the event.

Registration deadlines are May 13, June 10, July 8, and Aug. 12.

To register, go to [www.myfac.org/forwomen](http://www.myfac.org/forwomen).

# “EXPLORING SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINES” A TWO-DAY EVENT SPONSORED BY THE DEEPENING GROUPS MINISTRY



Guest speaker, Jan Johnson

**June 10, 2016: 6:45 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**  
**June 11, 2016: 7:45 a.m. to noon**  
**FAC Sanctuary**

An interactive life with God invites us to connect with God in intentional ways so that we open space in our lives for the worship of God. These ways are often called spiritual disciplines or exercises. They are not harsh, but grace-filled ways of responding to the presence of Christ with our lives and bodies. The purpose of the spiritual disciplines is not to produce super-Christians, but to foster intimacy with God. This two-day event will be an opportunity to hear a gifted speaker and teacher help us explore our life In Christ.

Our speaker will be Jan Johnson, the author of 21 books and many magazine articles. Everything she writes flows out of three areas: spiritual formation, partnering with God to care for the voiceless, and living with purposeful intentionality. [<http://janjohnson.org>]

Cost is \$25.00. To register for this event, go to [myfac.org/register](http://myfac.org/register).



For more information, contact Debbie Schneck, 609-953-7333, x125, or [debbie@myfac.org](mailto:debbie@myfac.org).



### Mom's Time Out Camp Dates

We have reserved Camp FAC, North side, for three Thursdays this summer for our Mom's Time Out members and their families and friends!

**Dates are:**

**June 23, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

**July 28, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

**Aug. 25, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

Camp FAC is a beautiful area in Marlton. It has a clean, beautiful lake with a great beach, surrounded by trees. There are bathrooms, picnic tables and play areas. Pack your lunches and beach toys, and you are all set for a fun day at camp! We hope to see you there!

If you have questions, contact Debbie Schneck, 609-953-7333, x125, or [debbie@myfac.org](mailto:debbie@myfac.org).



### Join a Deepening Group

Deepening Groups provide *covenant communities* for maturing Christians where you can experience:

- Communion — a deeper intimacy with the Trinity and personal intentionality in spiritual formation
- Community — participation in a Christian group that will encourage and challenge participants in the isolating society of our time
- Ministry — support and service to others as you pursue your place and purpose in the Kingdom of God

Our hope in Deepening Groups is that you follow Christ in loving obedience and lead a lifestyle of continual spiritual transformation and growth through intentional cooperation with the Holy Spirit.

**How to Join**

If you would like to connect with others who are devoted to a growing love for God and one another, go to [www.myfac.org/women](http://www.myfac.org/women). Complete the Deepening Group Participant Interest Form.

If you have questions after reading the information on the website, contact Carol Batten at [carol@myfac.org](mailto:carol@myfac.org) or Jennifer Green at [jenniferg15@verizon.net](mailto:jenniferg15@verizon.net).



**HELPING OTHER PEOPLE EAT**

The HOPE Garden team is very excited about some new changes. The Garden has moved closer to the new church building and the ministries serving people in need. HOPE Garden is now located in back of Suite 207 on Route 541. This new location will be a wonderful place to continue the four-year-old ministry of growing fresh vegetables that are given out through the FAC Food Pantry. Over the years, the HOPE Garden has grown literally tons of tomatoes, peppers, squash, eggplant, lettuce, cabbage, and herbs.

Whether you are an experienced "green thumb" or a beginner interested in learning about gardening, you will be welcomed by our great team of volunteers. Although the hard labor of moving the garden and its fences and irrigation system has been accomplished already, the biggest day of the year — the planting of this season's crop of vegetables — is still to be scheduled for mid-May. An announcement will be made on the HUB about timing so sign up as soon as you can. Families, individuals, and couples are all welcome.

If you cannot join us in the gardening activities, you can still support us with prayers for a bountiful crop of vegetables to feed those in need.

If you are interested in joining our team, sign into your account (or create one) on the HUB; click on Group Finder and type in HOPE Garden. If you have questions, contact Frank Mandy, 609-658-0661.

# GOD@WORK

## IN THE LIFE OF PETER DESTEFANO

### FROM RICHES TO RAGS TO GREAT WEALTH

Peter DeStefano



My life was going really well, or so I thought. Money was flowing in from my company, which supplied artwork for buildings and campuses of major corporations. With my profitable business, I was living the worldly bachelor lifestyle: women, drugs, and rock 'n roll.

I had bought a six-bedroom house equipped with five fireplaces, butler's and maid's quarters, and an Italianate marble ballroom. Every three years, I bought a new car in addition to the 1960 RR Silver Shadow I kept in the garage. I also provided housing for my family. Yep, I was living the high life. Money was my idol, and I worshiped and reveled at that altar. Although I had been raised a Catholic, church going was no longer part of my life. Every once in a while, I might shoot a prayer up to hopefully get an answer, but my vision of God mainly consisted of a ritualized figure to call on for forgiveness, who was then placed on a religious shelf until the next time needed. I believed God forgave me after I confessed, but I kept on sinning anyway, choosing to pursue my

own wealth and desires. Then one day, everything changed.

Due to the collapse of Wall Street and bank failures during the fraudulent investment schemes of Madoff in 2007/08, my business contracts suddenly dried up. It was as if someone had turned off a faucet with no leaks. My pride would not allow me to face up to my problems at first. I still thought I could salvage my business and property. My brother agreed to refinance my estate and then introduced me to Ryan, a mortgage broker. Looking at my financial portfolio, Ryan asked me a startling question: "Do you believe in Jesus Christ as your Savior?" This is not a typical question posed in a loan office! I can still remember the exchange

clearly. I nodded yes, and he replied, "Good. You may need Him like you've never needed Him before." Then he asked, "Do you have a church?" As a Catholic, I thought, of course I have a church, even though I had not visited in a long while. Ryan invited me to attend FAC with his family. As I listened to Pastor Marty's preaching that Sunday and on succeeding weekends, I began learning that God is not some distant, indifferent figure on a shelf, but rather a loving Father who wants a relationship with me.

The investment bank turned down the financial proposal Ryan had prepared. I had been so sure that my brother would not be refused the mortgage that I fell into despair. When I was given ninety days to vacate the premises, I still refused to believe all my money was gone. I did not tell my family, except for my brother, that my house had been foreclosed, and stubbornly, I did not seek alternative shelter. I felt broken and lonely. The night I had to leave my home, I packed up my personal belongings, along with my Shepherd puppy Bruno, stuffing clothes in the car. After curling up in the back seat, I cried out to God and cursed Him. "I can't believe you're doing this," and "What is the sense of it all?" I cried myself to sleep that cold night, asking Him "why" and pleading with Him to end my life.

But in the morning, something amazing happened. I heard birds singing, and I heard Jesus' voice speaking to me, saying, "Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap . . . yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they?" (Matthew 6:26) You are so valuable that God sent His only son to die for you. (John 3:16) You do not have to fear personal threats or difficult trials. Nothing can shake God's love from you.

I knew then it would be all right. In the light of day, I knew my life had changed. I felt relieved. God had taken me, a sinner, shaken me up and turned me around. That Sunday,

Pastor Marty's sermon, based on Gene Getz's Measure of a Man, spoke directly to me: a man is not judged by his worldliness, but by charity, by his capability to love his fellowman. Jesus saved me from a life of empty riches to a life of lasting wealth.

But my story doesn't end with my conversion — as miraculous as that is to me. The real test of value is in everyday living, how belief holds up during the wear and tear and trials of life. In February of 2012, while standing at a sink to wash my hands in a store restroom, I had a stroke, falling to the floor. I could not talk. I was not expected to walk again. As I lay in the hospital bed,

*I cried myself to sleep that cold night, asking Him "why" and pleading with Him to end my life.*

all I could do was pray. Because I believed in God's love for me, I could praise Him, asking for His will to be done. I wanted to recover, for sure, but I gave it all to Him. Pastor Erik came to see me and pray with me; other brothers from FAC came to sit with me and pray, and one day, it happened: I could move my big toe! Eventually, I regained movement in my legs until I could walk again. I could talk again. After four years, I could even drive again.

During my convalescence, staying with my mother, I asked God what He wanted me to do. I began taking online courses in Christian counseling, receiving my Master's degree with a specialty in Addiction Counseling. Today I work with drug and alcohol patients, both as a paid counselor and volunteer helper. Every Wednesday night, 7:00 p.m. in

the FAC Red Barn, I co-facilitate substance abuse meetings for men.

If you are struggling with addictions, please hear me when I say, "Praise God for He is Mighty and Saves." My life now is simple but so rich in meaning. I believe that real success in a man is in his charity. I was broken and now I am whole in Christ. I have been redeemed.

"Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me. I once was lost, but now am found, was blind but now I see." •



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Notes to the FAC Short-term

# MISSIONS TEAM TO THE PHILIPPINES



**From Johnny Macad, Director of the School**

On behalf of the New Tribes Missions (NTSM) family, thank you very much to you and each of the New Jersey team! We praise God for the additional gift of money you left for each one of us and for NTSM. We could not express in words our gratitude for your labor of love and financial sacrifices. Prayer is the only gift we could offer.

**From Ross Ginn, ROC Ministries team coordinator**

Dear Gail, Dave, Kirk, Joe, Doug, Debbie, and Ed,

Our hearts are filled with thankfulness to you and praise to our loving Heavenly Father. Thank you for all your hard work and sacrifice.

We thank the Lord for you, your church and families, and for all He has accomplished through you in the Philippines. Walking by faith in our God is an amazing experience. Sometimes there are lows and sometimes highs, not because God is inconsistent, but because we don't know all that God is doing or when. Walking by faith can be a scary experience while waiting to see what God will do.

Ed and Debbie stepped out by faith and said yes to bringing a team before there were members or finances. That seed of faith has yielded a bountiful harvest in a great team and very generous finances.

On behalf of ROC Ministries, we thank you for the significant contribution you have made in providing suitable facilities in the Philippines for training Asian Christian missionaries.

**Reflections from Doug Jones**

I'm back from a fulfilling 2 ½ weeks in the Philippines. It was an experience that I will never forget. The people of the Philippines are truly a gracious and courteous culture. While I saw plenty of substandard living conditions, it seemed that they all were content, happy, and thankful for what they have. My trip entailed a few days in the borough of Mandaluyong in Manila. My first day there, I attended a funeral of the brother of our host in the Mission Guest House. The funeral was in the "squatters" neighborhood about a 10-minute walk from where I was staying.

After a couple days to acclimate in Manila, we headed off to the Bataan region to start work on the New Tribes Missions School. The school is located about two miles off the main road in the city of San Pablo, Bataan. The road crosses a creek a few times on the way. Our work project was to install windows and screens in a 20+ dorm room building. There was electricity so only the lack of clean running water was the extent of our inconveniences — once I got the windows and screens installed in the room I stayed in! Besides the windows, our team was able to clean and paint the entrance area and several of the dorm rooms. We also were able to assist a team from Australia that was there at the same time in constructing a new home for the school's teachers.

# THE FAC WHEELS MINISTRY

Provides transportation to and from FAC

*"I was also able to spend time at the Christmas Eve service with my daughter and grandson because someone from the Wheels ministry cared enough to provide transportation for them."*



From left: John Fields, Joan Troxell, Jim Hogan, Carol Wuethrich, Helen Britt, Kelsey Hogan, and Ray Hoffman

**THE** FAC Wheels ministry began when I heard Pastor Marty say that we want people to hear God's call and follow it. I knew that God, through the Holy Spirit, was speaking directly to me. My hope from the beginning was that this ministry would help to fulfill FAC's mission to help people connect to God, His people, and His work while also meeting the vision mentioned above. We know at FAC that without the empowering of the Holy Spirit, we can accomplish nothing. (1 Corinthians 2:4, 5)

I was talking about. It is in John 14:4. I knew that this was confirmation from God. However, I was still a little nervous about meeting with Pastor Jim since I was still fairly new at FAC. I knew this was not about me, but God, calling me to do His work.

When I first presented the vision to Pastor Jim, he said, "I love it." Pastor Jim explained that starting a ministry like this would require a "champion" — a person who would be willing to devote his/her time to coordinate all that was needed in getting a new ministry up and running. Pastor Jim said he would prefer a married couple and that we would have to pray about whom God would want to lead. So I prayed about this, as Pastor Jim had suggested, and God revealed to me the person he wanted me to ask. He led me to Jim Hogan.

When I presented the calling of this ministry to Jim, he said he would have to talk to his wife Dawn and pray about it. Jim called me several days later and explained that he had recently been praying for God to reveal where He wanted him to get involved in serving others. Jim communicated to me that my calling him was the answer to his

prayer and he would volunteer to be the Wheels coordinator. I was so happy that my prayers for someone to champion this ministry were answered.

Unless you have personally experienced not being able to get to church due to transportation issues, devastating, and painful it is for widows, the homebound, single moms, wheelchair-bound, disabled, blind, etc., who can't get to church or other meetings. We, as Christians serving God, need to show people that we can, through God, make a difference.

Ultimately, I hope and pray that the Wheels ministry can provide transportation to ALPHA, Camp FAC, the Christmas Cantata, the Benevolence Center, and other events at FAC. The possibilities are endless for this ministry to show that someone does care.

I personally have received so much from the Wheels ministry. Having a ride to and from FAC has allowed me to be involved with the SNOW Friendship Class. Working with the SNOW ministry allows me to develop relationships. I was also able to spend time at the

Christmas Eve service with my daughter and grandson because someone from the Wheels ministry cared enough to provide transportation for them.

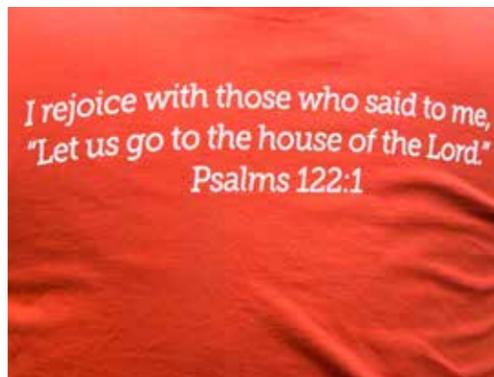
### WHAT ARE WE ASKING OF YOU?

- Pray for Wheels
- Volunteers are needed for drivers to all worship services. You can serve as little as once a month.
- Volunteers are needed for weekday drivers who can take people to the Benevolence Center.
- Let us know about your transportation needs to get to FAC, as well as the needs of others you know.

For more information, contact Jim Hogan, [facwheels@myfac.org](mailto:facwheels@myfac.org), or call 609-953-7333, x306.

*"I rejoiced with those who said to me; let us go to the house of the Lord." (Psalm 122:1)*

By Joan Troxell



# FASA'S NEW PROPERTY

## Die Eiland (The Island)

As you may have heard, FASA has been able to secure a property in the town of Lephalale, South Africa, where we can house permanent and temporary teams as well as ministry events, such as day camps, youth retreats, conferences, and much more! The property was formerly a holiday resort called *Die Eiland*. That's Afrikaans for The Island. It is situated in the middle of the Mogol River, hence the name.

Jody and Kathy Adams traveled to Lephalale last December to assess the condition of the property and to determine if it would meet the needs of the FASA ministry.

The FASA Leadership Board under the guidance of Pastor Jim Entwistle determined we would move forward with leasing the property as of Feb. 1. The March team had the privilege of being the first team to see the property, touring the facility and seeing all the potential. They broke up into small groups and prayed in various areas all over the property and ended our time there gathered in a large circle, praying a prayer of dedication to the Lord and thanking Him for this incredible resource to advance the Gospel and His Kingdom.

The Island has several houses. One is a two-story home with two very large bedrooms with bathrooms and two smaller bedrooms with a shared bathroom. On the first floor, there is a kitchen with a dining area, breakfast nook, bathroom, office/study area, and a spacious family room. In addition, there is an adjoining one bedroom apartment with a separate entrance. It has all been renovated with fresh paint, new tile floors, new bathroom fixtures, and lighting fixtures.

There are two more houses as well. Each has two bedrooms, one bathroom, an open plan kitchen, and a dining and living area with a thatched roof. They are still renovating these two homes, but they will also have new tile floors, kitchen cabinets, and bathroom and lighting fixtures. There are two motel-style buildings; one with six rooms and one with eight rooms — all with bathrooms ensuite where short-term teams will be housed.

One of our favorite spots is a great room with an adjoining patio. It has an awesome tree trunk in the center of it going up through the ceiling and has plenty of room with potential to be a dining area and/or lodge/gathering place. There is a kitchen and serving area.

The grounds have lots of grass and shade trees and space for day-camp games. There is room enough for a tent to be erected for large group training, services, etc. There is a large kitchen for any groups that come. The whole property is about 11 acres overlooking the river.

It is a true blessing from the Lord with unlimited potential for ministry. God gives us gifts to be used for His purposes, and we can't wait to see and experience all the ways that we will be able to use this property for the glory of the Lord and for furthering His Kingdom in South Africa and in the hearts of those from FAC.

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PRAY  
GIVE  
GO!



	DATE	BUDGET	ACTUAL	DIFFERENCE
<b>General Fund</b>				
	3.6	\$ 69,615	\$ 59,487	\$ ( 10,128)
	3.13	\$ 69,615	\$ 59,162	\$ ( 10,453)
	3.20	\$ 69,615	\$ 64,824	\$ ( 4,791)
	3.27	\$ 69,615	\$ 48,478	\$ ( 21,137)
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 278,460</b>	<b>\$ 231,951</b>	<b>\$ ( 46,509)</b>
Year-to-Date		\$ 904,995	\$ 715,212	\$ ( 189,783)
<b>Missions Fund</b>				
	3.6	\$ 4,808	\$ 5,310	\$ 502
	3.13	\$ 4,808	\$ 5,492	\$ 684
	3.20	\$ 4,808	\$ 5,967	\$ 1,159
	3.27	\$ 4,808	\$ 7,026	\$ 2,218
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 19,232</b>	<b>\$ 23,795</b>	<b>\$ 4,563</b>
Year-to-Date		\$ 62,504	\$ 78,513	\$ 16,009
<b>Benevolence Fund</b>				
	3.6		\$ 2,437	
	3.13		\$ 2,950	
	3.20		\$ 4,330	
	3.27		\$ 2,515	
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$ 12,232</b>	
Year-to-Date			\$ 38,433	
<b>Kingdom Vision Fund</b>				
	3.6		\$ 34,748	
	3.13		\$ 26,802	
	3.20		\$ 26,619	
	3.27		\$ 46,397	
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$ 134,566</b>	
Year-to-Date			\$ 360,857	

DATE	ADULTS	WORKERS	CHILDREN	TOTAL
3.6	1944	100	397	2441
3.13	1730	85	305	2120
3.20	1942	162	374	2478
3.27	3176	98	283	3557

*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.*



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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