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FELLOWSHIP ALLIANCE CHAPEL — MEDFORD, NJ — SEPTEMBER 2016

I'll look to
the *Cross*
as my failure
is *Lost* 
in the *Light* of
your glorious grace

—Hillsong



Cut and save as a reminder of our current sermon series, "The Cross."



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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.

WHAT YOU WERE MEANT TO BE



"I feel like it is the greatest discovery in my life, and it could be yours, too."

Dear Church Family,

When I first became a Believer at 18 years old, I distinctly remember the most exciting part of it for me was that I had found what I didn't even know I had been searching for. All I was doing by praying the sinner's prayer was to get right with God. I knew I needed to have my sins forgiven, and I knew only Christ could do it. I remember the sense of freedom and joy I felt by reading God's promises about forgiveness of all my sins. (By 18 years old, I already had a lot on my conscience.)

But what began to unfold next was the big surprise I didn't expect and has become the major motivation of my life ever since that night. In short, I came to grips with what I was meant to be. I found a meaning and purpose for my existence that I didn't know existed. Since then, I've learned that all human beings have an indelible sense that their life has a purpose and they long to grasp it. But we often feel we are so far from fulfilling what we are meant to be. It is as if something has gone wrong on the way to becoming an actual person with a spouse and kids and job and friends. The human soul longs for purpose, and I found it in my relationship with God.

When I went on to college and seminary, I spent several years studying the Greek language that the New Testament was written in. I'll never forget when I discovered one Greek word that is all about "purpose." It's the word "teleios." It means "brought to its end," finished, wanting nothing necessary for completeness — perfect. I was only about 20 years old when I first came across this word in the Bible and realized it was a word used by God to call all of us to our purpose in life, which is to have a relationship with Him. You see, the Bible teaches very clearly that the reason we were made was for God to have fellowship, friendship, or a deep relationship with us; and we, as humans, broke it off and

decided we wanted our own way. The Bible calls that sin. So it's not surprising at all that in our inner being, our deepest longing is for purpose or meaning in our lives because we lost that sense of purpose when we lost our union with God because of sin.

So what I was discovering in being a Christian and in the Greek word I mentioned earlier is simply God's purpose for my being me. Have you discovered that yet? I feel like it is the greatest discovery in my life, and it could be yours, too. You can begin finding it like I did by turning to Jesus. Jesus dying on the cross for your sins opens the door for God to have the relationship with you that you were made to have. It's really hard to explain, but it's all about who you are and why you're here. Only God can reveal that to you. In Revelation 3:20, Jesus said, "Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me."

Jesus was speaking to a church when He said those words, and He was trying to tell them that they had wandered off from their purpose. He was calling them back. Maybe you've wandered off, too? I'd like to call you back. Just open the door of your life to Jesus. He promises that He will come in and that you and He can be together if you'll just ask Him. This is the first absolutely necessary step to finding what you were meant to be.

Love never fails,

Pastor Marty Berglund
Senior Pastor



group link

IT'S TIME TO GO TO GROUPLINK!

Date & Time: Sept. 23, 7:00 to 9:00
Location: Sanctuary

GroupLink is a two-hour event where you can meet people in a similar stage of life and area of town with the goal of forming a short-term group called a Plug-in Group. These groups can be either co-ed, men's, or women's; they will meet for nine weeks.

Think of these groups as "try-before-you-buy" groups that allow you to test-drive a small-group experience. A host and plenty of volunteers will be on hand to help you navigate the process of meeting others and forming a group!

Register to attend GroupLink at www.myfac.org/findagroup today!

LIFE IS BETTER CONNECTED

ENCOURAGEMENT FOR THE *Journey*



Psalm 23: "The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want."

I'm writing this as August approaches, and to be perfectly honest, I'm coming to August weary. The year that brought me here has been fuller than usual of challenges and heartaches — in my family and our church family and the world around us. Some days, it's hard to think of anything else. Those are the days when I HAVE to run back to the Word to get my worldview colored with truth.

One of the places I turn most frequently — because I've known it since I was a child — is Psalm 23: "The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want." It's the psalm I repeat to myself in the middle of the night when I can't sleep. It's the psalm I think about when I'm feeling overwhelmed. And I'm learning to deliberately and slowly say one of the things Jan Johnson taught us at the seminar this summer: "The Lord is my Shepherd; I have everything. I need!"

And the reason I have everything I need is that His "goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life." A little peek at the Hebrew reveals that the word for "follow" is "radaph." And *radaph* means a lot more than follow. It means "to chase, to pursue, to run after, to hunt down." Now we're talking! It's not just that God's goodness and love are tagging along behind me; they're chasing me down!

Ann Voskamp wrote this about that verse: "The goodness and mercy of God isn't just following after me placidly. The goodness and mercy of God pursues after me passionately. God is so bent on blessing, He

chases. And God's blessings don't pursue temporarily — but *relentlessly*. It's right there in His Word: His goodness and mercy pursue me not just some days — but 'all the days of my life.'"

So even though it seems like some days are full of sadness and brokenness, the truth is that even on those days His love is running after me. Even though it feels like the enemy is winning sometimes, the truth is that God's goodness is pursuing me. I don't usually like to think of something chasing me! But if it's goodness and love, I'll take that! And knowing that pursuit will continue all the days of my life — now that's Good News!

Laurie Berglund

Laurie welcomes your comments,
laurieb@myfac.org



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 Traverso for more information, warnesiatt@myfac.org, or 609-953-7333, x141. If you have been looking for a way to "connect to God's work," talk to Warnesia about your interests.

If you need further encouragement, here are some of our preschoolers celebrating all of the wonderful animals God created! They brought their stuffed animals to class. Irresistible, right?



FAC Choir Ministry

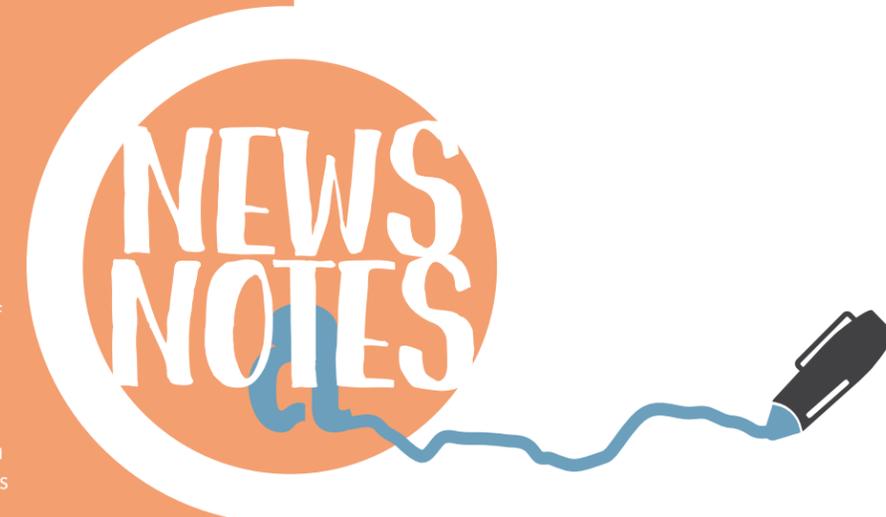
Open enrollment: Sept. 7

If you have a passion for worship and a desire to help lead the church in praise, consider joining the Fellowship Alliance Chapel Choir.

FAC choir rehearsals are more than learning notes on a page. These times are full of energy and excitement as we prepare spiritually and musically to be our best. We rehearse on Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. in the Welcome Center.

Open enrollment for the choir will be held from 7:00 to 7:30 on Sept. 7. Come by; pick up some information and see if the choir is right for you.

If you have any questions, please contact the director, Jerry Braatz at nacle100@aol.com or 609-268-8656.



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 that 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. Come and play, and you will be blessed by these dear little ones. If you are interested or have questions, contact Sue Bartholomew, suejane@aol.com.

Wedding Announcement

Benjamin Comer, son of Phil and Pam, was married on May 29 to Larissa Chiappetta, daughter of Rich and Lana Chiappetta of Medford. The couple was married at the Laurita Winery in New Egypt, NJ. Rev. Brandon Williams of Winston Salem, NC, officiated. The newlyweds reside in Eden, N.C.



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

NEW STAFF MEMBERS

We are welcoming three new staff members: Heather Costomiris, Ed Walls, and Ron Jacobs.

Heather Costomiris ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

WHERE ARE YOU FROM? WHERE DID YOU GO TO SCHOOL?

I was born in Pennsylvania but moved to Voorhees, NJ, when I was six. I went to West Chester University. I now live with my husband and children in Marlton.

WHEN DID YOU BEGIN WORKING AT THE CHURCH?

I have only been working at the church since August. However, I have been volunteering at FAC in various ministries since 2009. Those include Mom's Time Out, Women's Bible Studies, and the Care Center.

WHERE WERE YOU WORKING PREVIOUSLY?

I have been at home with my children for the last 12 years. Prior to that I was a special education teacher for children with behavioral disorders.

WHAT IS YOUR POSITION AND WHAT DOES THAT ENTAIL?

I am an administrative assistant. I assist Chris Rose in managing The HUB and everything that comes along with that. I help with registrations, weekly attendance, and maintaining and updating the database.

WHAT IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING TO YOU ABOUT YOUR JOB AND WHAT DO YOU HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH THROUGH YOUR POSITION?

The most important aspect of my job is helping to make sure that registrations and attendance run smoothly. I hope that I am able to assist in making the move to the new building as seamless as possible.

WHEN DID YOU ACCEPT CHRIST AS YOUR SAVIOR AND WHAT WERE THE CIRCUMSTANCES?

I accepted Jesus as my Savior when I was 22 years old. My mom and my dad are Jewish. My grandparents, whom I spent a great deal of time with as a child, are Methodist. When I went to college, I began spending my weekends with my grandparents, who lived just five minutes from my dorm, and I started going to church with them on Sundays. I began attending Sunday Bible studies with my grandmother, and that is where I was finally able to put the two different faiths I had grown up with together. I was finally able to see who God was and that He loves me and wants me to follow Him. I was all in at that point. While I like anybody else have had my ups and downs, I have never looked back.

TELL US ABOUT YOUR FAMILY.

My husband Jason and I have been married for 13 years. We have two children: Alex, who is 11; and Lizzie, who is 9. Jason can often be found assisting behind the scenes here at FAC. He helps out with the telephone system and the network.

TELL US ABOUT SOME OF YOUR FAVORITE THINGS:

Some of my favorite things are pretty much anything Disney but especially *Beauty and the Beast*. Another favorite is sitting by the pool reading in the summer.

Books (other than the Bible)

The Andromeda Strain, by Michael Crichton

The *Marta's Legacy* series by Francine Rivers

Memory

My top three favorite memories are my wedding day, the day my son was born, and the day my daughter came home from the NICU.

Verses

I love the book of Exodus. I love the history that is being told, and I love seeing how God, even back then, was setting the stage and preparing the way for Jesus.



Heather Costomiris



Ed Walls



Ron Jacobs

Ed Walls FACILITIES STAFF CONSTRUCTION & RENOVATIONS MANAGER

WHERE ARE YOU FROM? WHERE DID YOU GO TO SCHOOL?

I was raised in Medford. I attended St. Mary of the Lakes for Grades 1-8 and Lenape H.S. for Grades 9-12.

WHEN DID YOU BEGIN WORKING AT THE CHURCH?

I began working at FAC in July.

WHERE WERE YOU WORKING PREVIOUSLY?

I was self-employed in a construction company.

WHAT IS YOUR POSITION AND WHAT DOES THAT ENTAIL?

I assist with the construction renovations and repairs of the church and its surrounding properties.

WHEN DID YOU ACCEPT CHRIST AS YOUR SAVIOR AND WHAT WERE THE CIRCUMSTANCES?

I was raised in the Roman Catholic Church and so was a Believer at a very young age; however, I only understood a personal relationship with Jesus Christ about five years ago while attending a newly planted Assemblies of God Church in Pemberton.

TELL US ABOUT YOUR FAMILY.

My wife Marlene and I have been married for 37 years. We have two children; Chelsea, 29, and Sarah, 33. Marlene works in the business office at Tabernacle Elementary School. Chelsea is married to Anthony Felix who is an eleven-year veteran of the USAF. They are currently living in Japan and will be there for the next three years. Sarah is married to Craig Humble and is an elementary school teacher. Craig is a Princeton, NJ, police officer.

TELL US ABOUT SOME OF YOUR FAVORITE THINGS.

Book (other than the Bible)

Anything by Edgar Rice Burroughs

Movie

Princess Bride

Food

BBQ, stews, pot roast, one-pot meals

Vacation spots

Emerald Isle, NC; Avalon, NJ; Disney World, FL

Verses

Ephesians 4:29, "Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen." (NIV)

Ron Jacobs FACILITIES STAFF

WHERE ARE YOU FROM? WHERE DID YOU GO TO SCHOOL?

I attended Shawnee High School in Medford.

WHAT DOES YOUR JOB ENTAIL?

I clean, do set-ups and breakdowns, and I work on landscaping.

WHERE DID YOU WORK PREVIOUSLY?

I worked at Johnson's Farm.

WHAT IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING TO YOU ABOUT YOUR JOB?

It is important to me to be there for everyone who needs my help.

GIVE AN EXAMPLE OF WHEN YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH CHRIST HAS MADE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR LIFE.

When I started high school, most kids went out and had fun and did bad things. I have not done anything bad because of the Lord.

TELL US ABOUT SOME OF YOUR FAVORITE THINGS.

I like to play video games and physical sports like football and Frisbee.

My favorite movie is *Black Hawk Down*.

My favorite vacation spot is the beach.

Children's Corner

WHAT WE'RE STUDYING IN PRESCHOOL

This month, we are learning that we all need people we can trust with all our heart. However, there is someone we can trust even more than our closest friends. Do you know who that is? Yes, God!

We can always believe what God says. He is the One who will always keep His promises. We know His way is always best. He is the One we can always trust — even when it's hard.

The true stories of Noah, Jonah, and Naaman will help our preschoolers get to know God a little better and see that He is

completely worthy of our trust. No matter what is happening around us, we can always trust God.

Our Bible verse for this month is "Trust the Lord with all your heart." (Proverbs 3:5 NCV) You may want to remind your child of this truth when he or she becomes frightened, is facing the unknown, or is concerned about something that's happening. There is nothing better than for your children to hide God's Word in their heart.



Shower Invitation

HELP US WITH OUR TREEHOUSE IN THE NEW BUILDING

Our babies and toddlers will be enjoying a Treehouse experience in the preschool wing in the new building. We need your help to shower this space with new supplies and toys to ensure that our children will have a beautiful, fun, and safe place to stay while their parents attend the worship services.

You can participate in the shower by purchasing a gift from our registry at Babies "R" Us. We are registered under (first name) Fellowship (last name) Alliance. All large items

can be sent directly to Fellowship Alliance Chapel, 199 Church Road, Medford, NJ 08055; smaller items can be placed in the Pack 'n Play in the Welcome Center throughout the month of September.

We would really appreciate it if the smaller items were wrapped so our older preschoolers have the opportunity to help us open the gifts and experience your generosity. Be sure to add your name so we can have the children respond with thank-you notes.

If you have any questions, contact Jane Beebe, jane@myfac.org, or 609-953-7333, x101.



In our September classes, we want to teach our preschoolers that they can **ALWAYS TRUST** God. No matter where they go, what happens, or who the people are in their life, they can always, **ALWAYS** trust God.



Noah trusted God to help him take care of all the animals He sent to be on the ark. You, too, can trust God with all your heart.

- Draw an X on all the silly things in this picture. There are at least seven.
- Count the number of pairs of animals on the boat.
- Color each pair the same color.

MIDDLE SCHOOL GRADES 5-8

 Follow us on Instagram!
@Level5youth | @planet678youth

LEVEL 5 & PLANET SUNDAY NIGHT MEETINGS

Level 5 for fifth graders and Planet 678 for sixth, seventh, and eighth graders will begin again on Sept. 25. The time is 6:00 to 8:00; location is Medford Memorial Middle School.

GRAPPLE

Sunday morning Grapple classes begin on Sept. 25 and will be held each week during the 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. services in the Barn. All students in Grades 5, 6, and 7 are invited to attend.



FALL EVENTS

INSIGHT

Insight starts back up on Mon., Sept. 19!
Join us from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary for our fall kickoff.



SEE YOU AT THE POLE

The annual national day of prayer at schools, See You at the Pole, will be held on Sept. 28 before the beginning of classes. Join your fellow students for group prayers for your school and our country.

FALL RETREAT

Oct. 21 to 23

Registration for our annual fall retreat is open! Don't miss it!



To register for any of these events, go to www.myfac.org/register.

If you have questions, contact Pastor Mike Williams, 609-953-7333, x108, or mike@myfac.org.

CONNECT ON SOCIAL MEDIA

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 Facebook: Youth Impact: Fellowship Alliance Chapel

IMPACT GRADES 9-12

18 // 23

VENTURE

MAKING DECISIONS

FACING CHALLENGES

LEARNING HOW TO KNOW WHERE GOD FITS INTO ALL THAT UNCERTAINTY

For more information and to sign up for regular updates, contact Bryan and Lisa Russell at venture1823@myfac.org.

A New Ministry for Young Adults

Those of you between the ages of 18-23 are within one of the most exciting periods of your entire life. Yet each unfamiliar turn can be a big challenge when living it for the first time. The truth is, you will always find incredible value in facing those challenges in a community of friends and peers. More than just people going through the same things at the same time, they become an extension of your family.

This is exactly what Venture 18//23 is all about. Venture 18//23 is a community of young men and women “doing life” together: building genuine relationships, influencing one another, making decisions, and facing challenges.

Most important, you grow to understand where God leads in all that uncertainty.

Our official fall kickoff will take place at Bryan and Lisa Russell’s home on Fri., Sept. 9, at 7:00 p.m. After that, regular meetings will take place on Tuesdays each week. There will also be regular “community nights” on alternating days throughout the month designed for fun and friendship-building.

Whether you are staying locally or heading away for the semester, we have something for you! Venture 18//23 was designed knowing that some of you will be leaving the area for a while.

WANT TO FIND OUT MORE?

Get all of our e-mail updates by requesting to join our group on The Hub on the homepage of the church website, www.myfac.org. You are also encouraged to follow us on Twitter, [@venture1823](https://twitter.com/venture1823), and on Instagram, [Venture1823](https://www.instagram.com/Venture1823), for regular posts.

Still looking for more? *Feel free to contact Bryan and Lisa Russell at venture1823@myfac.org with any questions you may have. Join us Sept. 9 at 91 Strawberry Drive, Shamong!*

DAVE RAMSEY'S
FINANCIAL *Peace*
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Dump debt and change
YOUR FUTURE!
Your money. Your story. Your life.

Learn how to handle your money God's way. Financial Peace University has helped millions of families create a budget, get out of debt and learn to spend and save wisely. Sign up today!

Location: Fellowship Alliance Chapel

Dates: Tuesday nights, Sept. 13 through Nov. 8

Time: 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Cost: \$93 (plus shipping and handling) per individual/couple

To register, go to www.myfac.org/register. Sign up early to ensure that materials arrive before classes begin.

Registration deadline is Sept. 11.

For more information, contact Chuck Riley, goodsense@myfac.org.

ALPHA COURSE FALL SESSION

Begins Sept. 14 and runs for 10 consecutive Wednesday evenings, 6:30 - 8:30, in the Sanctuary



WHAT IS ALPHA?

Alpha is a series of informal classes that explore the basics of the Christian faith. It's a place where you can explore what you believe in a safe, open environment. For this session, we will run a new release of a series shot on locations around the world.

WHO IS IT FOR?

Alpha is for anyone who wants to investigate Christianity and find out how it relates to them. If you want to move past religion and explore what it means to have a real relationship with God, Alpha is a place where you can ask all your questions. Alpha is open to the community. Invite your friends and family and attend with them.

WHAT HAPPENS AT ALPHA?

A catered dinner is served. After that, the group listens to a talk about a specific topic which is then discussed in smaller groups.

WHAT ARE THE WEEKLY TOPICS?

Here is a sample of the kinds of topics that are discussed at Alpha:

- Is there more to life than "this"?
- Who is Jesus and why did He die?
- How can I have faith?
- Why and how should I pray?
- Why and how should I read the Bible?
- If God is good, why is there suffering?

REGISTRATION

Register online at www.myfac.org/alpha. Alpha is FREE!

Note: No childcare will be provided.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Go to www.myfac.org/alpha or contact Dave Shoemaker, 609-504-2745, or shoemaker23@comcast.net.

AFTER ALPHA

For those who have previously attended Alpha

Begins Sept. 13

Beginning on Sept. 13, After Alpha will meet at 7:00 p.m. in the Barn. If you have attended Alpha, you are welcome to attend this group.

We will view a DVD by Nicky Gumbel about the Sermon on the Mount. We will then discuss how Jesus' words apply to us today.

Register at www.myfac.org/register. For more information, contact Rich Janiszewski, 609-413-3311, or rajpaint@aol.com.



SAGE BUILDERS FOR RETIREMENT-AGED ADULTS

NEW STUDY BEGINS SEPT. 8, 12:30, IN THE SANCTUARY

In *Grace: More Than We Deserve, Greater Than We Imagine*, Max Lucado calls us to consider the abundant richness of God's offer. It's an offer to live a changed life — a call to genuine transformation and the courage to see it through.

As Believers in Christ, we claim to understand grace. From Sunday school to adulthood, we've been taught that we're saved by grace. We know the Bible verses and the sinner's prayer, but have we really taken hold of grace? Or rather, has it taken hold of us?

When we let grace in, it will rock our world and change our heart.

Grace isn't a nice idea. It's not a song lyric or a warm, fuzzy feeling. It's the radical life of Christ lived in us. Grace gives us the freedom to love the unlovable and forgive the unforgivable because we know how much we're loved, and you know how much we've been forgiven.

50+ NEW SEASON BEGINS SEPT. 12, 7:00 P.M.

Join us on Monday evenings, beginning Sept. 12, as we start a new season. We will be going through Romans verse by verse.

FALL SCHEDULE

SEPT. 8, 15, AND 22

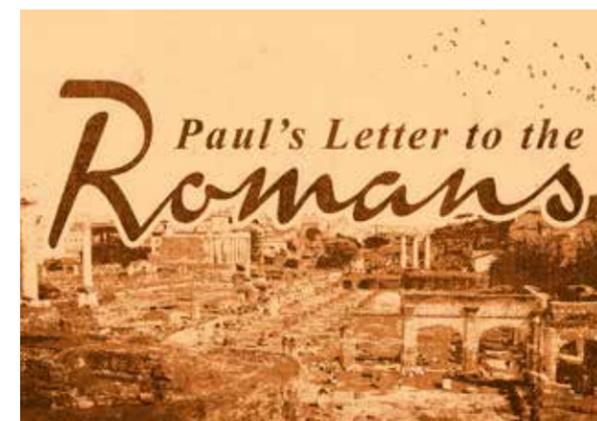
12:30 for lunch and a lesson
Sanctuary

OCT. 13, 20, AND 27

12:30 for lunch and a lesson
Sanctuary

NOV. 10 AND 17

12:30 for lunch and a lesson
Sanctuary



Romans has been called:

- Perhaps the greatest doctrinal treatise
- The definitive Gospel according to Paul
- The most comprehensive book in the New Testament
- The most profound of all literature
- A book whose impact on history is unequalled

There is no need to register. Just show up by 7:00 p.m. in Room C-03, which is across the hall from the Chapel.



If you would like more information, go to the Welcome Center counter and ask for a brochure about 50+. Or contact Ed Brokhoff, edantbro@gmail.com; 609-200-2019.

FALL AWAKEN WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

Semester begins Sept. 27 | Tuesday mornings, 9:15 to 11:15; Tuesday evenings, 7:00 to 9:00 | Registration deadline: Mon., Sept. 12*

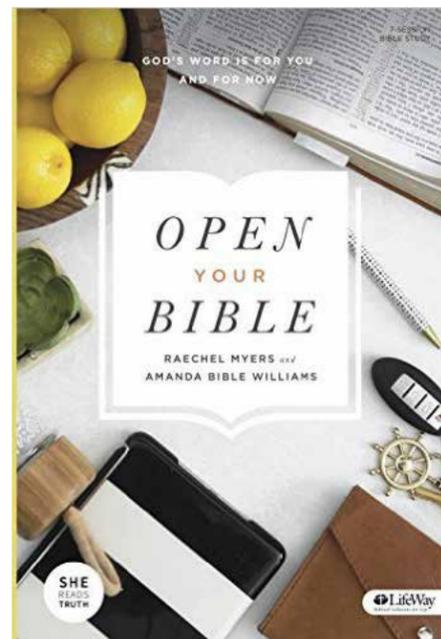
aWAKEN classes include teaching, interaction, and small group discussions. Service opportunities are also available. True Treasures, a Children's Ministry program, is available for children — babies through kindergartners — during the morning classes at no additional charge. Childcare is available during the evening classes for babies through fifth graders. There is no charge for babies through kindergartners. Fee is \$30.00 per child in Grades 1-5 or \$50 per family.

To register, go to www.myfac.org/forwomen. Scholarships are available; contact Debbie Schneck, 609-953-7333, x125.

CLASSES

*Prices listed are "early bird pricing" for registrations received by Aug. 31. After that time, there is an additional fee of \$10.00.

learning



OPEN YOUR BIBLE AM & PM (9 WEEKS)

We're all longing to hear from God, aching to know who He is, and to know His heart. The beautiful truth is that we can encounter the living God today in the pages of His Word. Whether you already open your Bible every day, have never read it before, or struggle to keep up with studying Scripture, *Open Your Bible* is a study that will leave you with a greater appreciation for the Word of God, a deeper understanding of its authority, and a stronger desire to know the Bible more fully.

Homework: 20 minutes, 5 days a week
Cost: \$25
Text: *Open Your Bible*, Raechel Myers and Amanda Bible Williams

WHAT LOVE IS PM (7 WEEKS)

This study by Kelly Minter focuses on the letters of 1, 2, and 3 John, which were written to encourage followers of Jesus to remain faithful to the Truth. We will consider the contrasting themes, such as walking in the light instead of darkness, truth versus lies, loving God more than loving the world, and the meaning of true fellowship rather than shallowness.

Homework: 20-30 minutes, 5 days a week
Cost: \$25
Text: *What Love Is*, Kelly Minter

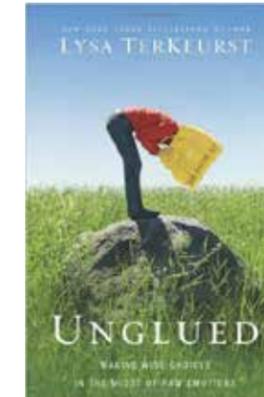


healing

FAITHFULLY FIT, UNGLUED AM (8 WEEKS)

What do we often do with our emotions? We stuff; we explode; or we react somewhere in between. Is it really possible to make emotions work for us instead of against us? Yes! Faithfully Fit will explore how we can process emotions and resolve conflicts in ways that lead to a more peaceful and healthy life. Each class will include health topics and wellness resources.

Homework: 20 minutes, 5 days a week
Cost: \$25
Text: *Unglued*, Lisa TerKeurst



living

PROPEL: PERSONAL LEADERSHIP AM & PM (8 WEEKS)

Whether you are a college student; a stay-at-home mom; or a leader at work or ministry or your community, this study will help guide you as you lead in your day-to-day sphere of influence. In *Propel*, you will discover how to develop balance, make confident decisions, have a healthy mindset, develop a full prayer life, practice self-care, and communicate effectively.

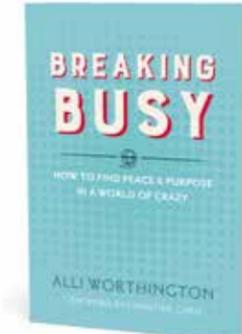
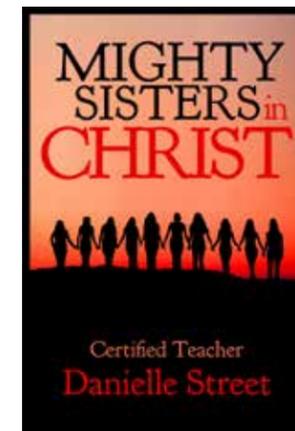
Homework: 5-15 minutes, 5 days a week
Cost: \$25
Text: *Propel*, Christine Caine, et al



MIGHTY SISTERS IN CHRIST AM (6 WEEKS)

Learning about art and creativity can help us better understand our mighty, creative God, and we can be rewarded with strength, healing, and peace. In this class, discover the joy of coloring and creating jewelry while we highlight topics such as the meaning of color in the Bible, the art of true beauty, creativity in Scripture, the beauty of abiding in Christ, and the art of developing beautiful friendships. No experience necessary!

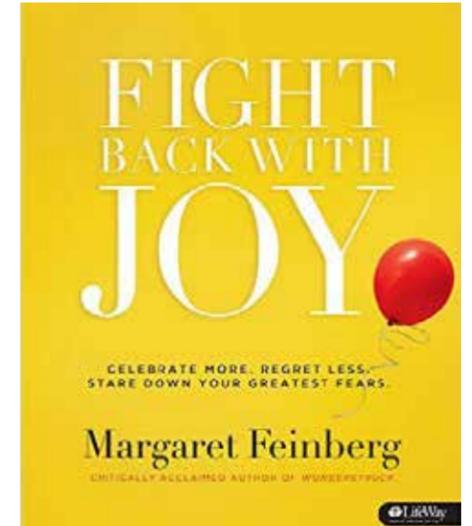
Homework: Suggested journaling
Cost: \$25
Text: *Mighty Sisters in Christ*



BREAKING BUSY PM (9 WEEKS)

In a fun, no-nonsense way, *Breaking Busy* tackles the big questions about finding happiness and God-given purpose in a society where the message is "be more, do more, and achieve more." *Breaking Busy* marries research with Biblical principles, instilling confidence that we can move from crazy busy to confident calm. Full of uproarious true stories, we'll unpack truths that dismantle common myths about happiness.

Homework: Weekly reading
Cost: \$25
Text: *Breaking Busy*, Alli Worthington



FIGHT BACK WITH JOY PM (8 WEEKS)

Learn to practice a defiant joy. Celebrate more. Regret less. Stare down your greatest fears. If you're facing challenging circumstances, God wants to empower you to fight back with joy. This class will include hands-on activities to help participants experience a mindset of joy.

Homework: 20 minutes, 5 days a week
Cost: \$25
Text: *Fight Back with Joy*, Margaret Feinberg



Mom's Time Out

Registration for Fall Semester | Deadline: Tues., Sept. 6

The leaders of Mom's Time Out have planned another great semester to encourage moms in their very important role as mothers. All women with children — babies through high schoolers — are invited to attend.

The dates for the fall semester are Sept. 15, Sept. 29, Oct. 13, Oct. 27, Nov. 3, Nov. 17, and Dec. 1. Times are 9:15 to 11:15 a.m. The cost to attend is \$55. Childcare is provided through the Children's Ministry program, Kid's Time In.

To register, go to www.myfac.org/forwomen. If you have questions, contact Debbie Schneck, 609-953-7333, x125.

Fresh Hope for Single Moms

Fall semester begins Sept. 25

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 Kids' 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.

Deepening Groups

A covenant community for maturing Christians

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A Deepening Group provides a covenant community for maturing Christians where they can experience:

-Communion

A deeper intimacy with the Trinity and personal intentionality in spiritual formation

-Community

Participation in a group that will encourage and challenge members in dealing with the increasingly isolating society of our time

-Ministry

Opportunities to support and serve others as participants pursue their place and purpose in the Kingdom of God

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

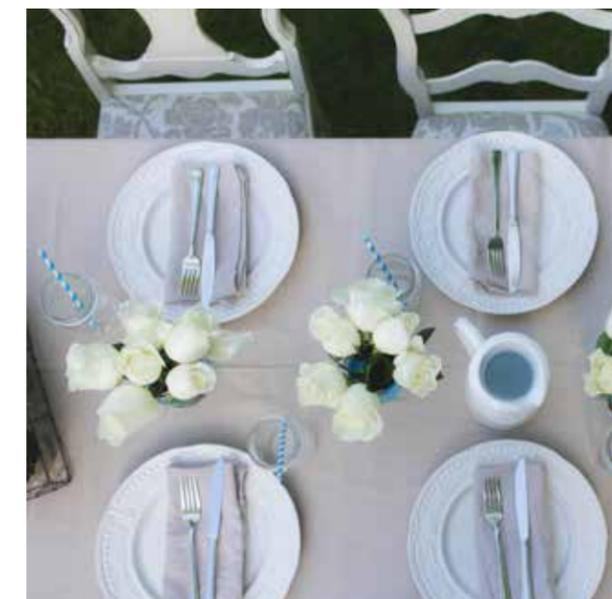
Joining a Deepening Group

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/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.

aWAKEN IF:TABLE

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



Now a Year-round Ministry

The aWAKEN summer IF:Tables were such a good experience for so many women that the aWAKEN leaders are now offering IF:Tables once a month year-round!

All women are invited to attend 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.

The date for the September IF:Table is Fri., Sept. 16, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Location is the 219 Fellowship House. Cost is \$5.00.

Space is limited so sign up early: www.myfac.org/forwomen. Registration will close when maximum space has been reached or on Thurs., Sept. 14.

IF:TABLE *recipe inspiration*



Serves 5

Ingredients

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| 2 pounds pork loin, trimmed and cut into 1 1/2 inch cubes | 2 cloves garlic, minced |
| 2 T grained mustard | 1 t salt |
| 2 T apple cider vinegar | fresh-ground black pepper |
| 4 T olive oil, divided | 2 sprigs fresh rosemary |
| 2 T honey | 5 firm, ripe peaches |

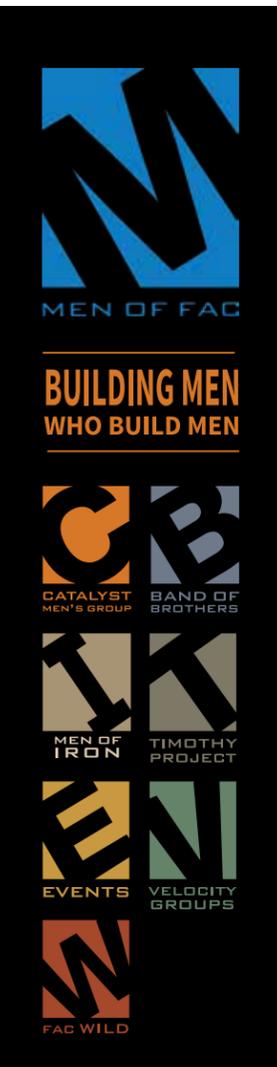
PEACH & PORK KABOBS

BY The Peach Truck Kitchen

Instructions

- Mix together mustard, vinegar, honey, garlic, salt, and two tablespoons of olive oil. Chop the fresh rosemary and add one teaspoon to the marinade.
- Once mixed, add the cubes of fresh pork and toss to combine. Cover and refrigerate for at least one hour, preferably overnight.
- Preheat your grill to medium-high. Remove the pieces of pork from the marinade and place on skewers, leaving a little space between each so they cook evenly.
- Wash and cut the peaches into quarters. Place the peaches on skewers and drizzle with remaining olive oil. Season with salt and pepper and remaining rosemary.
- Preheat your grill to medium-high and cook pork seven to eight minutes on each side until done. Grill peaches four to five minutes on each side. Arrange on a platter and serve.

Find more recipes at www.ifgathering.com/table.



BAND OF BROTHERS

Wednesday mornings, beginning Sept. 14

In the Sanctuary, 6:30 to 7:45 a.m.

Band of Brothers is beginning a new series, entitled Good Citizens. Low-key and zero-pressure, 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.

Breakfast is served. There is no cost, but donations are accepted.

If you have questions, contact Band of Brothers' director Michael More', dembums1@gmail.com.



Register online at www.myfac.org/register.

If you have questions, contact Pastor Erik Rebstock, 609-953-7333, x116, or erikr@myfac.org.

CATALYST MEN'S GROUPS

Saturday groups begin Sept. 17 and meet in the Chapel and C-wing (10 weeks)

Monday groups begin Sept. 19 and meet in the Barn (10 weeks)

Catalyst Men's Group (CMG) is a process in pursuit of becoming the man God desires. You will be challenged through teaching, introspection, small group discussions, and serving together to move forward in your relationships with God and other men.

Wild at Heart (Level 1)

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LEVEL

Deep in his heart, every man longs to be successful with what he's been given and to pursue a life that matters. Join us as we engage in a Christ-centered pursuit of what matters most.

Text: *Wild at Heart*, John Eldredge
Prerequisite: None | **Cost:** Free

2
LEVEL

Walk the Line (Level 2)

Nothing prepares the hearts of men like walking the paths of Jesus. Dig deeply into the life of Jesus through an in-depth study of the book of John.

Text: Book of John
Prerequisite: Level 1 | **Cost:** \$25.00

3
LEVEL

Sharpening Iron (Level 3)

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

Text: *A Man's Guide to the Spiritual Disciplines*, Patrick Morley
Prerequisite: Level 2 | **Cost:** \$25.00

4
LEVEL

Leadership and Influence (Level 4)

An in-depth discussion on leadership as viewed through the life of the Apostle Paul. Beyond discussion, each man will have an opportunity to understand his influence across many areas and put these ideas into real practice.

Text: *The Book on Leadership*, John MacArthur
Prerequisite: Level 3 | **Cost:** \$25.00



DIG ROAST

MEN OF ALL AGES

The seventh annual FAC Men's Pig Roast for men of all ages will be held on Sept. 18 at Camp FAC from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

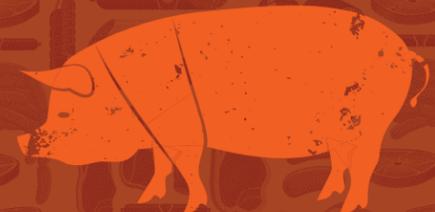
The cost is \$10 for FAC men; \$5 for guests; \$3 for boys, 12 years old and under.

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Sept. 18

7th ANNUAL ROAST

 **HELD AT Camp FAC**



PASTORAL CARE



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.

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 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.

For further information, leave a message for Susan at 609-953-7333, x316, or send an e-mail to 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.

For more information, contact Joyce at 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; jmiller.510@comcast.net; or janetworrell@verizon.net.

WOMEN'S REDEMPTION

For women who struggle with sexual purity

Meetings are confidential. 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, 609-953-7333, x313 (Leave a message.) or recoverywomen@myfac.org

CARE & SUPPORT NEWS

Women's Recovery

New study: *Crash the Chatterbox*

The Women's Recovery Group is a Christ-centered support group for those who are in recovery from substance use as well as for those who are desiring recovery. The group provides a safe and accepting environment to work on developing coping skills to live out a life of recovery, looking to God for strength, hope, and guidance.

The group is studying, *Crash the Chatterbox*, by Pastor Steven Furtick. The focus is on four key areas in which negative thoughts are most debilitating: insecurity, fear, condemnation, and discouragement. Pastor Furtick asks, "What great deeds are in danger of remaining undone in your life because of lies that were planted in your past or fears that are looming in your future?"

Learn how to live out God's truth no matter what is going on in your life or thoughts. Learn how to hear God's voice above all others. Learn how to "crash

the chatterbox" and hear God's voice above all others.

This group meets every Wednesday night from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in Room C-12. Contact Christine Botti or Jodi Warner, 609/953-7333, x312, for further information. Relationship Recovery will also be starting Total Forgiveness and Divorce Care this month.

Women's Redemption

New session begins Oct. 10

The struggle for purity is not only a man's problem. Many women who wrestle with physical and emotional temptation feel very isolated and often too ashamed to talk about it even with a close friend. The new session of the Women's Redemption Group will start on Oct. 10 and meet for eight consecutive weeks on Monday evenings at 7:30.

For location or more information, contact puritywomen@myfac.org. Confidentiality is maintained.

Men's Chemical Addiction Recovery Support Group

Conquering Chemical Dependency: A Christ-centered 12-Step Process is a program of spiritual and personal development learning about key facts contributing to our patterns of compulsive behavior so we can begin a relationship with Christ.

Conquering Chemical Dependency is true to the proven 12-Step recovery tradition while presenting basic theology and identifying Jesus Christ as our Higher Power. Our goal is to progress from the painful effects of dysfunctional behavior to recovery for the purpose of knowing, loving, and obeying God.

Other Information

- Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m., Serenity Support is studying the 12 Laws.
- Thursdays at 7:00 p.m., Every Man's Battle is studying the "Conquers" series.



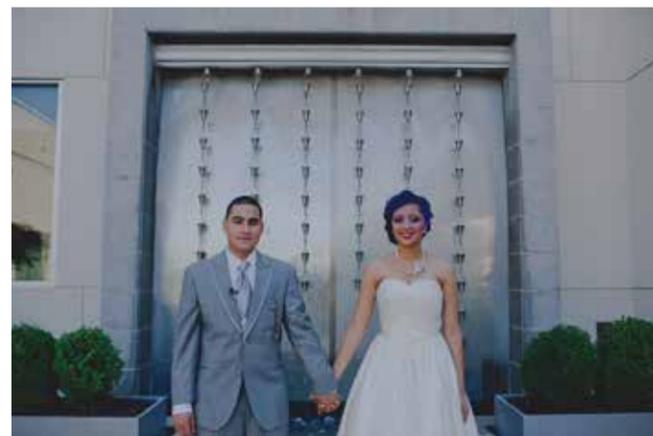
A LIFE "Altered"



GOD@WORK

IN THE LIFE OF DAMARIS DELGADO

As a child, my family moved often. When I was in middle school, we settled in South Jersey. I moved to Cherry Hill during my sophomore year where I met my future husband Angel at Cherry Hill West. We were high school sweethearts and married on June 16, 2012.



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My parents met in a Pentecostal church, but they divorced when I was five years old. I attended church on Sundays with my dad when I visited him every other weekend. My early impression of God was that He was angry and vengeful. My dad had lots of rules that he forced upon us because of his religion: only long skirts, long hair, no jewelry, no makeup, no movie theaters, no worldly music, etc. I rebelled against the rules and who I thought God was. My early perceptions of God kept me far from an intimate relationship with Christ.



God turned this around for me a few years back. I really felt Him tugging at my heart, and I turned to a Christian co-worker who openly professed her faith. She helped me go church hunting, and I eventually ended up at her home church, FAC! It was our first year of marriage, and my husband was an agnostic at the time. It was a battle for a while, but God is so faithful. The following year was amazing! We attended Alpha, got baptized, and got connected at FAC. Then, Pastor Marty and Laurie opened up their home to meet regularly as a miniChurch with 20- to 30-year-olds. This was such a blessing to us. We ultimately joined Jason and Monique Braatz's small group, which we've been attending ever since.



I must admit that I am a loner and introvert by nature and have tried living life alone on my terms. I never want to ask for help or seem weak.

This didn't turn out so well for me, especially when trials came along. I have a chronic disease, endometriosis, which in addition to causing a lot of physical and emotional pain and suffering, has also

caused infertility. We've been battling this difficult path for nearly four years. It has tested my faith in ways I never could have imagined. Going through the challenges of infertility can be very isolating. Everyone around seems to be expanding their family. To me, it seems as if they are wondering why we haven't started one of our own. Here's where my I *can't's* set in. I've been going through the I *wants* and I *can't's* a lot in the past few years, and it's so tempting to fall right back into that rut when I face another setback.

I want to be like everyone else.

I want to have a child of my own to love.

I want to be healthy again.

I can't go through this physical pain anymore.

I can't go through another surgery just to be disappointed again.

I can't go to another baby shower, smiling on the outside and crying so desperately on the inside.

I can't go on.

Pastor Marty said in a recent sermon, "Where I say 'I can't,' God says 'I can.'" I was never meant to carry this heartache on my own, and He's been putting wonderful, loving people in my life to help me carry this burden. It's through my family, miniChurch group and small-group girlfriends that I find strength and love. They've cried with me; they've brought me meals after surgery; they've sent me words of encouragement through all the medical tests and doctor visits. I've truly never felt a love like this before.

The love of Christ shines so brightly in this

church! I knew on the very first day I visited more than four years ago that this was home for me. This is my church. This is my community. This is my family. My life has forever been altered being a part of God's Kingdom community at FAC, and I pray that I am able to touch others' lives the way I've been touched by all of you. Being in the Kingdom of God means we don't have to go through life alone. There is a strong community of Believers living life right alongside us. That's what church really is about.

prayers answered in this lifetime, I know where I'll end up, and I'm so grateful that God loved me so much He would send His only Son to die for me. Going through infertility really helps me understand what a great sacrifice it was and how much He really loves us...loves me. And because of that love and His never-ending faithfulness through all the trials and tribulations, I can hope beyond a doubt and know that I truly can do all things through Christ who gives me strength. (Philippians 4:13)

I'm forever grateful to Pastor Marty and Laurie for their dedication and for letting Christ use them to do such mighty things in this community.

The God@Work Story team recorded a video called God@Work in the life of the Delgados. Please check out the video, <https://vimeo.com/channels/502297>. Go to page 2.

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My life has truly been 'altered.'
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My life has truly been "altered." I want to offer my life, my pains, my hurts, my heartache, and battle scars as a sacrifice on His altar. He's using it all to change me for the better, for a grander purpose I still cannot see or understand. I can't focus on just living for me anymore. There are so many others out there that I want to reach and help who are suffering too. Pastor Marty's sermons have given me the courage to take that leap of faith and be braver in offering my story, my testimony.

I don't quite know where God is leading me on this journey, and I'm still not over this mountain. But even if I never have my



	DATE	BUDGET	ACTUAL	DIFFERENCE
General Fund				
	7.3	\$ 69,615	\$ 52,400	\$ (17,215)
	7.10	\$ 69,615	\$ 58,457	\$ (11,158)
	7.17	\$ 69,615	\$ 62,867	\$ (6,748)
	7.24	\$ 69,615	\$ 51,663	\$ (17,952)
	7.31	\$ 69,615	\$ 56,160	\$ (13,455)
Total		\$ 348,075	\$ 281,547	\$ (66,528)
Year-to-Date		\$ 2,158,065	\$ 1,750,096	\$ (407,969)
Missions Fund				
	7.3	\$ 4,808	\$ 5,649	\$ 841
	7.10	\$ 4,808	\$ 11,271	\$ 6,463
	7.17	\$ 4,808	\$ 4,915	\$ 107
	7.24	\$ 4,808	\$ 4,219	\$ (589)
	7.31	\$ 4,808	\$ 4,679	\$ (129)
Total		\$ 24,040	\$ 30,733	\$ 6,693
Year-to-Date		\$ 149,048	\$ 182,890	\$ 33,842
Care Fund				
	7.3		\$ 3,555	
	7.10		\$ 4,320	
	7.17		\$ 2,652	
	7.24		\$ 2,870	
	7.31		\$ 5,281	
Total			\$ 18,678	
Year-to-Date			\$ 98,048	
Kingdom Vision Fund				
	7.3		\$ 23,534	
	7.10		\$ 32,449	
	7.17		\$ 23,559	
	7.24		\$ 16,195	
	7.31		\$ 24,277	
Total			\$ 120,014	
Year-to-Date			\$ 917,716	
DATE	ADULTS	WORKERS	CHILDREN	TOTAL
7.3	1731	62	204	1997
7.10	1754	55	224	2033
7.17	1764	73	220	2057
7.24	1646	84	198	1928
7.31	1632	76	215	1923

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 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.