

CONNECTION

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Above all,
Love
each other
deeply, because love
covers over a
Multitude
of sins.

1 Peter 4:8



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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.

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

The Friendship Bible Class for teens and adults with special needs meets during the 9:00 a.m. Sunday service. Location: New Worship Center in the children's area at the top of the steps.

New to FAC?

Stop by the Guest Services area for a Guest Reception, held after all worship services. Get some coffee and a donut and find out more about FAC. Five minutes is all it takes!

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Available for Android and iPhone: myFAC Mobile

WE ARE THE CHURCH!



“Sure, it’s not perfect, but it is the Lord’s Bride and all of us who know Christ belong in His Church.”

Dear Church Family,

A while back, I received this hand-written note from a 10-year-old, fourth-grade boy. It read:

“Hi, Pastor Marty: I think you are the best preacher in the world. I love how you can preach! Pastor Marty, you should listen to this powerful verse, ‘I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.’ (Philippians 4:13) Don’t forget that you have Jesus in your heart so don’t hurry or worry because God is with you even if you feel sad about something. No matter what, God is still with you. He will never leave you, and He will never change.”

Of course, I like the part where he tells me I’m the best preacher in the world, but I’d have to honestly say I like the way he quotes Scripture to me better. In fact, he even goes on to preach to the preacher about what it says! I was so impressed and encouraged that our church family is turning out such strong disciples of Christ. I’m proud of our Church and proud of this boy.

As you may know, in 2017 we are focusing on one word again. Last year, we focused on the word “Kingdom.” This year, our one word is “Church.” To me, the word “Church” was an obvious word for us to focus on for 2017 because it is our first year in our new building. I think it is the perfect time for us to re-evaluate ourselves as a church and redefine from Scripture just what we are trying to be and do as a church. So from January until Easter, we will be preaching every Sunday on an aspect of what it means to be the Church.

This is very exciting to me because Church is where my best friend in life and my actual Lord God is and reveals Himself in His Word and His people. People in church

are my friends, partners, instructors, coaches, and like family to me. I love being with them. For many, going to church is like a duty and an obligation they feel to God. But to me, church is the best part of life because it is where God is most intensely experienced and my life is most fulfilled. Christ established His Church for us to know and experience Him, and that’s what happens all the time at FAC. Sure, it’s not perfect, but it is the Lord’s Bride and all of us who know Christ belong in His Church.

God calls all of us who are Believers to commit ourselves to His Church so we can grow in our relationship with Him and His people. By really being the living Church of God on the earth, God uses us to attract others into His family.

A letter like I received from that young boy in our church just confirms to me even more how desperately we need to be the Church. So, I’m excited we will spend several weeks studying about what Church is supposed to be like according to God’s Word. And I’m excited that you are here to join with us in being the Church of Jesus Christ, the very family of God on earth.

Love never fails,

Pastor Marty Berglund
Senior Pastor



News & Notes



Starting Point

Get connected at FAC

If you are new to FAC and would like to get more involved, Starting Point groups can help you. These groups meet in homes on various nights of the week and in different areas so you can find one that is convenient for you. In these groups, you will learn more about our church and work with our guides who will help you find the right areas of involvement for you.

You can register online at www.myfac.org/events, or register in person at a Guest Reception.

For more information, contact Pastor Doug Bazigian, dougb@myfac.org, or 609-953-7333, x128.

SNOW Den

SNOW Den provides a place for adults with special needs to connect to God and to their friends. On Fri., Feb. 10, SNOW Den participants are going to Night to Shine prom! It will be a great night! See page 13 for more information.

If you have questions, send an e-mail to snowden.fac@gmail.com.

What's Your News?

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

We are planning a new page for this newsletter. It will be called "Family News," and we want to include your information. Please send up to 50 words to lynn@myfac.org. Deadlines are the 5th of every month so if you want something in the March issue, please send it by Feb. 5. We would love to have a photo (JPG format) to accompany your announcement.



FAC Wheels

Providing the "wheels" to bring people to FAC

For people in our area who don't have a car or who can't drive, our FAC Wheels ministry provides a way for them to attend worship services. We still need volunteer drivers to help for just one service each month. We have a church vehicle or you can use your own.

If you are interested in becoming part of the team or if you need service, contact Jim Hogan, facwheels@myfac.org, or 609-953-7333, x306; *Leave a message.*



CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Babies through Kindergartners

NURSERY

HELD DURING ALL WORSHIP SERVICES

- Infants (birth through 14 months)
- Toddlers (15 – 24 months)

PRESCHOOL & ELEMENTARY

- Kid Blast Church
Ages 25 months through Grade 4
Held during all worship services

- Kid Blast Clubs
Ages 4 through Grade 4
Sunday evenings, 6:00 to 8:00, in the Tree House

SNOW KIDS

FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

- 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sundays in Rooms 101 & 102 in our new Worship Center, just inside the doors of the main entrance
- Babies through Grade 5
- Provides one-on-one "SNOW buddies" as needed

ENCOURAGEMENT FOR THE *Journey*

My yoke is easy

My burden is light



AS 2017 gets underway, I'm taking time to reflect on the word that God chose for me for 2016 — "humility." I hope that this year has brought me growth in humility, but if I said that it had, that wouldn't seem humble so I'm not going to talk about it! I do know that I've learned that humility does NOT come naturally to me and that pride sneaks into every little crack left unattended in my soul. And as I look back over the year, I realize how many situations God allowed in my life that made me feel very small and very not-so-smart — which are good things if they lead me to humble myself before Him.

I'm also beginning to understand how connected humility is to faith. During times when I was struggling with my "little faith," I found it was often a result of my "big self." When I value my opinion or my read on a situation or my idea of what would be good above God's idea, then I close the door on faith. Faith requires focusing on what God thinks, what God wants, what God is able to do in a situation. Growing in faith requires humility.

The verses that God kept at the front of my mind during this year of focusing

on humility are words of Jesus that are probably very familiar to you from Matthew 11:28-30. Jesus invites all us weary ones to come to Him and learn from Him so we can find rest. And what does He want us to notice? That He is "gentle and humble of heart." At first I wondered what a humble heart could possibly have to do with "rest." But as I paid attention to what was going on in my heart during seasons of particular weariness, I found that often it was because I was trying too hard on my own — trying to fix things — trying to be right — trying to be strong. It turns out that trying hard wears you out — and there's not much humble or gentle or restful about it.

I thought about this so many times this year that I decided to hang a "visual" of this passage on my wall as a constant reminder for my forgetful soul. I bought an old farm yoke on eBay and hung it where I could constantly see it with these words emblazoned over it: "My yoke is easy. My burden is light." On the days when I would be tempted to feel overwhelmed, I would whisper these words over and over again to myself. It helped me remember that if the yoke was feeling too heavy, it might be because I was trying to pull the weight myself. I'm not big enough for that. He is.

That's why He pulls the yoke and invites me to walk next to Him. Surrendering to that takes humility.

As the old year ended, I remembered a quote from A.B. Simpson (the founder of our denomination) that I had read as 2016 began. He was writing some New Year admonitions and among them was this: "Let us not drag our burdens through the year but drop all our loads of care and be free to carry His yoke and His burden. So shall we lose our heaviest load — ourselves!" The first time I read that, I laughed out loud! For sure, the heaviest load I carry some days is me. That's why learning humility is such a gift — not just for everyone else in my life, but for me too — because it lightens my load.

— Laurie Berglund

Laurie Berglund

Laurie loves to receive your comments.
Send her a message at laurieb@myfac.org.



group link

JOIN A SMALL GROUP AT FAC!

Attend GroupLink

Date: Feb. 17 | Time: 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. | Location: Fellowship Center

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 joining a group for men or women or both. A host and plenty of volunteers will be on hand to help you navigate the process and find the right group for you!

Please register at www.myfac.org/events as soon as possible.

Interested in leading a group?

For Men: Contact Pastor Erik Rebstock, erikr@myfac.org.

For Women: Contact Carol Batten, carol@myfac.org.

For Men and Women: Contact Pastor Dave Krilov, davek@myfac.org, about leading as a married couple.

LIFE
IS BETTER
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FOR PARENTS

February is the month we set aside each year to celebrate our love for those we hold near and dear. One of the ways we can best share our love is by looking at some of the different ways Jesus shows us how much He loves us. Jesus shows His love for us by simply wanting to spend time with us. Jesus wants us to come to Him — anytime, anywhere. Jesus shows He loves us by helping us. And, Jesus loves us no matter what.

Spend some time in God’s Word this month reading the stories of Jesus’ love for us. Start in Luke 7 and read how Jesus

showered His love on those who surrounded Him. Then take a look at Luke 10:38 and see how Jesus loved His friends Mary and Martha and wanted to spend time with them. Jesus wants to be with you, too. Sit with Him and feel the warmth and power of His love for you. It’s SO BIG! And then take some time to do some of the same things Jesus did with those you love.

Jesus’ love is SO BIG! This is what we want our preschoolers to know: Jesus loves them with a love that is bigger than they can imagine!

Color in all the spaces with children in them.

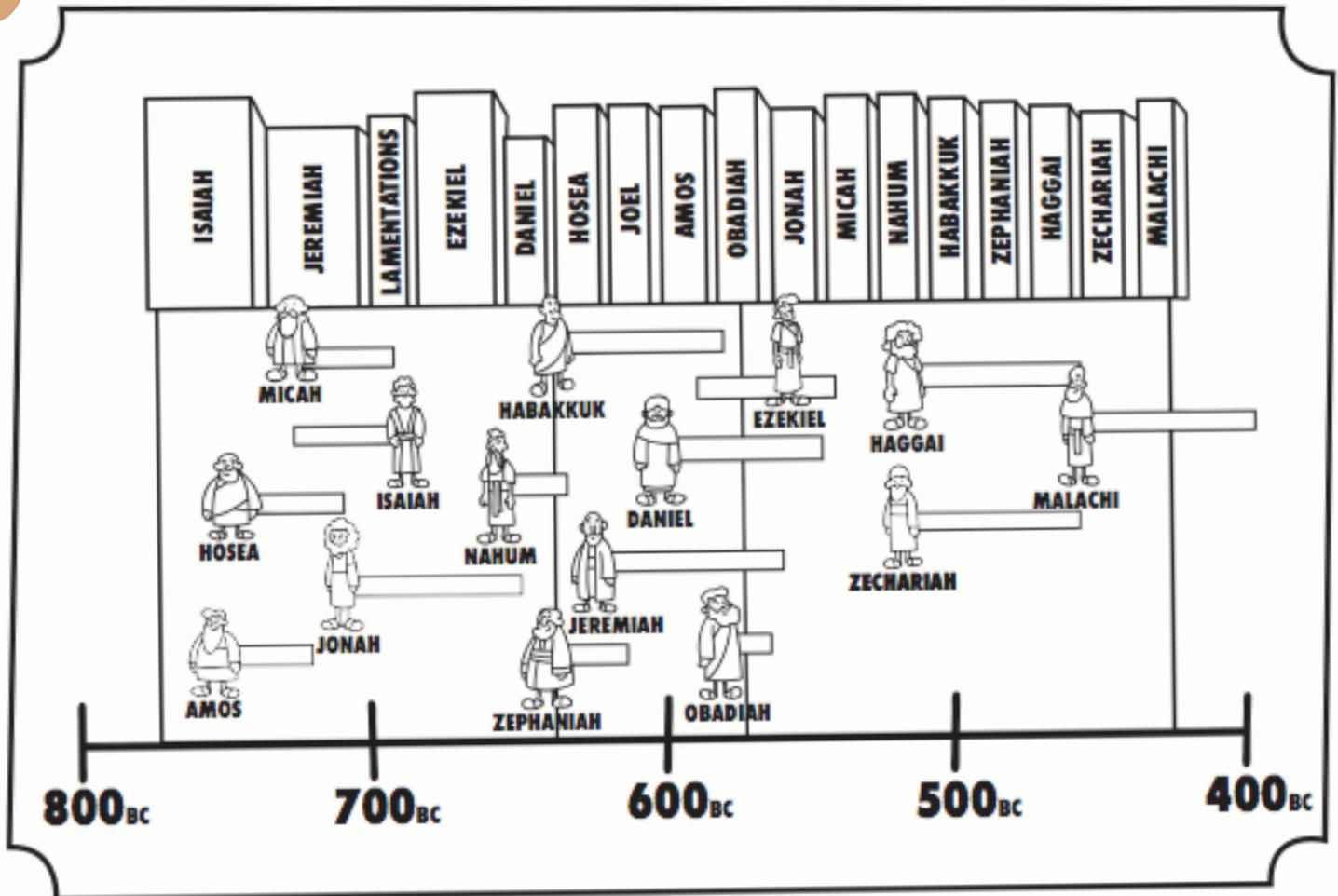


What letter did you make?

J is the first letter in Jesus’ name. Jesus loves and cares for you!

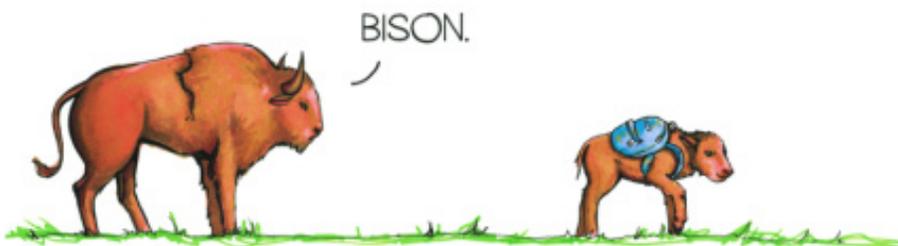
Write your name. Are any letters the same as in Jesus’ name?

Practice writing Jesus’ name. He loves you more than anyone else.



The Major & Minor Prophets

WHAT DID THE BUFFALO SAY TO HIS SON WHEN HE LEFT FOR COLLEGE?



WHAT DO YOU CALL A THIEVING ALLIGATOR?



A CROOKODILE

MIDDLE SCHOOL GRADES 5-8

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WINTER EVENTS

GRAPPLE BIBLE STUDY | GRADES 5-7

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

Grapple is a worship service geared toward the needs and interests of students in Grades 5, 6, and 7. Meetings are in the Fellowship Center.

LEVEL 5 & PLANET 678 YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS

Youth group for Grades 5 through 8 will meet at FAC from 6:00 to 8:00 on the following dates:

- Feb. 12: "Flannel Night"
- Feb. 19
- Feb. 26

There is no charge or registration for these meetings. Join us and bring your fifth-grade friends!

MARCH 5 — OPERATION FOXTROT

Planet & Level 5 Night Game! *Details to the right.*



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



OPERATION FOXTROT

Operation Foxtrot - March 5
Planet & Level 5 Night Game!
Grades 5-8

Cost: \$10.00
Time: Drop off at Camp FAC at 5:30 p.m.
Pick up at Camp FAC at 8:30 p.m.

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



LAKE CHAMPION | MARCH 31 – APRIL 2

Register online no later than Mon., Feb. 27.

Our annual spring retreat to Lake Champion in Glen Spey, NY, is always an annual favorite! Join hundreds of other high schoolers from churches across our district for an amazing weekend.

Features of the retreat will be challenging messages, awesome worship, tons of fun activities, times for hanging out, and great food!

The cost is \$199. Register online no later than Mon., Feb. 27, at www.myfac.org/events. More information is available in the Atrium of the Worship Center. Contact Pastor Mike Williams, mike@myfac.org, or 609-953-7333, x108, if you have any questions.



MONDAY NIGHT INSIGHT

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

Don't miss this chance to spend time with high schoolers from FAC and from all around the area!

February Insight dates are Feb. 6, 13, and 27 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

A SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

On Fri., Feb. 10, Insight members will be assisting at "Night to Shine," a prom for people with special needs. Time is 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Check with Mike for more information.

ADULTS: MAKE AN IMPACT

Volunteer to work with high school students!

God is doing some great things in the high school ministry, and we would love to have you be a part of it. We have lots of opportunities with many different levels of time commitment. If you would be interested in joining our team of leaders, contact Pastor Mike Williams, mike@myfac.org, or 609-953-7333, x108.



STAY CONNECTED TO IMPACT

Check out these options to stay up to date with everything that is going on in Impact:

- Sign up for text updates by sending an e-mail to Pastor Mike Williams, mike@myfac.org, asking him to add you to the list.
- Check out the high school Facebook page: "Youth Impact." Click on the "like" button.

CONNECT ON SOCIAL MEDIA



Instagram: [FACyouthImpact](#)



Twitter: [FACyouthImpact](#)



Facebook: Youth Impact: Fellowship Alliance Chapel

IMPACT GRADES 9-12



PEDAL FOR PROMISE

*May 13 – Save the Date and Register Now!
The Urban Promise “Pedal for Promise Ride”*



COME AND RIDE WITH YOUR CHURCH FAMILY!

Register online with Team FAC! Go to www.urbanpromiseusa.org. Look under News & Events, Pedal for Promise, Register for Event. You will see a block for FAC.

For more information, send an e-mail to John and Beth Bahm, beth71666@yahoo.com; or Sue Bartholomew, suejane@aol.com; or visit urbanpromiseusa.org.

NIGHT *to Shine*

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A PROM CELEBRATING THOSE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

On Fri., Feb. 10, FAC will host a prom for individuals with special needs, ages 14 and older. The event is sponsored by the Tim Tebow Foundation, which focuses on God's love.

More than 350 other churches around the world will participate in a similar event on the same day.

For information, contact Matt and Leah Bronczyk at snow@myfac.org.

aWAKEN BIBLE STUDIES FOR WOMEN

**TUESDAYS, 9:15 TO 11:15 A.M.
& 7:00 TO 9:00 P.M.**

BEGINNING FEB. 28

All women are invited to attend aWAKEN classes — classes that are designed to equip and empower women to understand the

gifts God has given them to serve in His Kingdom. All the studies include teaching, interaction, and small group discussions. Service opportunities are available.

Register at www.myfac.org/events. The registration deadline is Mon., Feb. 20. For registrations received by Jan. 31, use the Discount Code EARLYBIRD to receive a \$10.00 discount.

Childcare for the morning classes is available through True Treasures, a Children's Ministry program. It is for newborns through kindergartners, and there is no cost.

Childcare is available during the evening classes for infants through fifth graders. Cost is \$30 per child or \$50 per family.

Classes-All four classes are available in the morning and evening.

THE GOSPEL OF MARK, a study by Lisa Harper

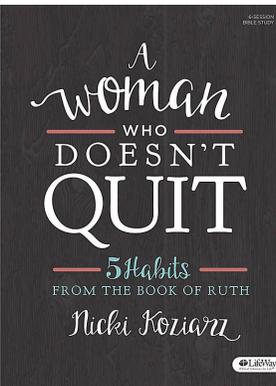
God's heart is moved by your cries for help, your shouts for joy, your unspoken worries. We know Him to be a God of unparalleled power and authority, but Mark's account of

Jesus paints Him as a deeply personal and intimate God too.

In *The Gospel of Mark: The Jesus We're Aching For*, follow Jesus through His days of early ministry all the way to the cross. It's there we discover what it means to be the recipients of His excessive compassion and the very reason for His all-consuming passion.

8 Weeks | Cost: \$35.00

Homework: 30 minutes per day/5 days a week



A WOMAN WHO DOESN'T QUIT, by Nicki Koziarz

Every woman will eventually face it: the temptation to give in and give up. But

something transformative happens when she decides to persevere in the face of difficulty and pain. A woman who refuses to quit influences her world in ways she could never have imagined.

This study focuses on the Book of Ruth, discussing five practical habits that kept Ruth's eyes on God.

7 Weeks | Cost: \$35.00

Homework: 20 minutes/5 days per week



PROPEL: PASSION BY PROPEL, by Christine Caine, Lisa Harper, Bianca Juarez Olthoff, Alli Worthington & Mercy Lokulutu

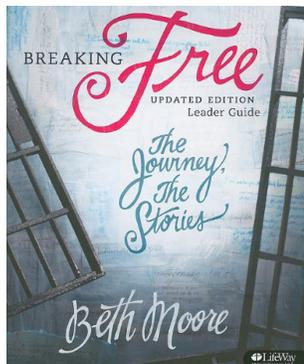
The Propel team shares their wisdom and

experience regarding leading ourselves and others in our day-to-day lives.

Whether you are a college student, a stay-at-home mom, a leader in the marketplace, your ministry, or your community, this course will help guide you as you lead in your sphere of influence. Don't miss out on this opportunity that will propel you and those around you into your God-given passion, purpose, and potential!

7 Weeks | Cost: \$35.00

Homework: 5-15 minutes/5 days per week



UPDATED: BREAKING FREE, by Beth Moore

This in-depth Bible study of Isaiah 61:1-4 points to the transforming power of Christian freedom by drawing parallels between the captive Israelites and the spiritual strongholds in our lives. First released in 1999, this updated edition includes 11 new video messages, along with updated Bible study content and testimonies from women who have found freedom from their personal captivity. No matter what life stage you're in or struggles you're going through, if where you are isn't where you want to be, don't stay there. Break free.

12 Weeks | Cost: \$40 | Homework: 45 minutes/5 days per week



Mentor Moms

Begins Feb. 21 | 9:15 to 11:15 a.m. at FAC

A new semester of Mentor Moms begins on Feb. 21 and continues on Tuesday mornings at FAC through mid-May. Childcare through our Children's Ministry program True Treasures is provided.

At Mentor Moms, older moms meet with younger moms to support, encourage, and validate all that comes with motherhood. It is an intertwining of two generations who are committed to growing in their relationships with their husbands and children using God's Word as the compass. Format is large group and small group discussions.

Cost is \$25. Register online, www.myfac.org/events. Group size is limited; register soon!

If you have questions, contact Karen Cariss, kjcariss@aol.com.

aWAKEN IF:Table

Fri., Feb. 17, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. | FAC 219 Fellowship House

The aWAKEN ministry invites you to IF:Table on the third Friday of every month. We believe the table is a place to gather women, share a simple dinner, and experience real-life stories and Christ-centered conversations. IF:Tables are a time for a whole lot of laughter — and maybe a few tears — but time spent that leaves us with glad hearts, full hearts, and grateful hearts.

Cost is \$5.00. Register at www.myfac.org/events. Space is limited so sign up as soon as possible.



Connecting

A New Ministry for Women

Upcoming dates: Feb. 1 & 2, 8 & 9, 15 & 16, 22 & 23

Time: Wednesdays, 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., or Thursdays, 12:30 to 2:00 p.m.

Place: FAC 219 Fellowship House

When you are new to FAC, navigating through all of the programs, groups, and service opportunities can feel overwhelming. A new ministry called CONNECTING has been created to help women connect to one another and to FAC. CONNECTING is the place to be for conversation, fellowship, encouragement.

Feel free to come once or often. No registration is required. Just stop by. Our 90-minute format will include reviewing the week's sermon, discussing questions and ideas, sharing FAC ministries and upcoming activities, and prayer.

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



Fresh Hope for Single Moms

Sun., Feb. 26 | 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.

All single moms are invited to attend Fresh Hope at FAC for dinner, teaching, encouragement, and fun. Dinner is provided for the moms and their children at 5:00. At 6:00, children's and youth programs are available, including Kid Blast Clubs, Level 5, and Planet 678. Childcare will be provided for children too young to participate in the FAC ministries. All children must be registered one week prior to the Fresh Hope meeting. Childcare cannot be provided without registration. Please note: Due to legal policies, if you have a child with special needs, inform us during registration. We have a process in place to ensure your child's safety and best care. Someone from our Children's Ministry will contact you.

To register, go to www.myfac.org/events. There is no cost to attend Fresh Hope.

Clothing Donations

for the Fresh Hope Boutique | Feb. 19 | 10:15 to 11:15

Support our single moms by donating seasonal women's clothing in like-new condition to the Fresh Hope Boutique. Donations may be brought to the garage next to the 195 House in the exit lane from the front parking lot. Please note: We can accept women's clothing only. For questions or to volunteer to help, contact Kathy Foering, 609-458-9222, or kfoering@comcast.net.

Fresh Hope Boutique

Volunteers Needed

To help serve our single moms, join the Fresh Hope Boutique team:

1. Host clothing donation collections approximately once a month, usually on a Sunday between services
2. Maintain and prepare the boutique for shopping, usually once a month.
3. Greet, mingle, and help shoppers.

To get involved, contact Kathy Foering, 609-458-9222.



Deepening Groups

A Deepening Group provides a covenant community to maturing Christians where you can experience:

- **Communion** – a deeper intimacy with the Trinity and personal intentionality in spiritual formation
- **Community** – being part of a Christian community that will encourage and challenge participants in the isolating society of our time
- **Ministry** – supporting and serving others as participants pursue their place and purpose in the Kingdom of God

Our hope 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.

Joining a Deepening Group

Go to www.myfac.org/women and complete the Deepening Group Participant Interest Form. If you have questions after reading the information provided on the website, contact Carol Batten at carol@myfac.org or Jennifer Green at jenniferg12@verizon.net.

"I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore, I have continued to extend faithful love to you." –Jeremiah 31:3

Created for



Walking in Grace Women's Conference
May 19 & 20 in the Worship Center



Our hearts long to be loved with an everlasting love because that's how God created us. But as we look back at what you've done, how we've treated ourselves and others, and how we've treated God, we can only wonder how this kind of love is even possible. The truth is that God loves us unconditionally. He wants us to know Him personally, love Him deeply, and love His people.

You are invited to join us at our two-day women's conference at FAC with our speaker, Lisa Harper, as she explores this kind of love and shares with us how we were *Created for Love*.

For registrations made on or prior to March 15, the price is \$59.00; after March 15, the rate is \$79.00 per person. For groups of eight or more, contact Heather Costomiris, 609-953-7333, x115, or heatherc@myfac.org.

Fees include all materials, dessert on Friday night, and lunch on Saturday. Payments must be made in full with registrations.

If you have questions, contact Debbie Schneck, 609-953-7333, x125, or debbie@myfac.org.

GUEST SPEAKER, LISA HARPER

Rarely are the terms hilarious storyteller and theological scholar used to describe the same person, but Lisa Harper is anything but stereotypical! She combines sound Scriptural exposition with relatable anecdotes and comedic wit. Lisa Harper is also a well-known author of many books, including her latest study, *The Gospel of Mark*.

REGISTER ONLINE
www.myfac.org/events

FRIDAY
FEB. 24
6:00 P.M. TO 10:30 P.M.

SATURDAY
FEB. 25
7:30 A.M. TO NOON



DRIVEN

SOUTH JERSEY REGIONAL MEN'S CONFERENCE

In February, men from all around our region will get together at FAC to discuss the questions: "Why am I so driven?" and "Where am I going?"

The conference includes dinner on Friday and breakfast on Saturday. The cost is \$40.00. Young men, ages 13 and older, are also invited.

MAIN SPEAKERS



REVEREND
MARTY BERGLUND
FELLOWSHIP ALLIANCE
CHAPEL



DOCTOR
CEDRICK BROWN
COMMITMENT
COMMUNITY CHURCH



JIM MAXIM
FOUNDER
ACTS413 MINISTRIES



PASTOR
VINCE MCDONALD
IMMANUEL BAPTIST
CHURCH



PASTOR
ERIK REBSTOCK
FELLOWSHIP ALLIANCE
CHAPEL

REGISTRATION CLOSES ON FEB. 13

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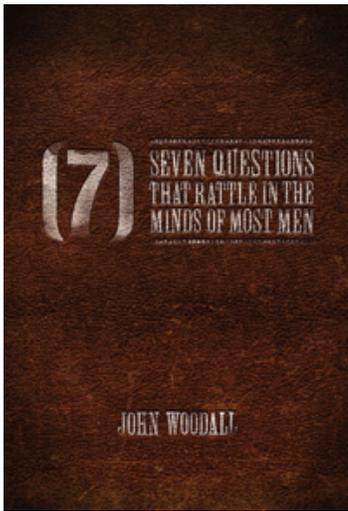
SEVEN QUESTIONS THAT RATTLE IN THE MINDS OF MOST MEN

Men's Ministry Introduces a Powerful New Study

The pressures of manhood can be enormous, and they're only intensified by the messages you receive from our culture. Sometimes it seems as though everyone wants something from you.

Does being a real man mean having a perfect family, a corner office, a luxury car, and a massive home? Or, is there something more to life — a source of deeper satisfaction? The Bible has some surprising things to say about being a man.

Seven Questions is a study from North Point Ministries that enables you to explore God's design for manhood. During the sessions, you'll be introduced to questions most men consider:



- *Where Am I?*
- *What's My Story?*
- *Who Am I?*
- *Why Am I Here?*
- *Where Am I Going?*
- *What about Women?*
- *Who are the people I Can Trust?*

The questions may seem elementary, but they elicit powerful discussions as Seven Questions invites men to *"live free and lead well."*

- Dates:** Thurs., March 2, continuing for six additional weeks
- Location:** Fellowship Center
- Time:** 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.
- Registration:** No registration is necessary. Just show up!



If you have questions, contact Men's Pastor Erik Rebstock, erikr@myfac.org.

MEN OF FAC

FAC WILD BAND OF BROTHERS MEN OF IRON

TIMOTHY PROJECT EVENTS VELOCITY GROUPS

BUILDING MEN WHO BUILD MEN

The FAC Men's Ministry is designed to build men who make a difference. Whether you're in a small group studying God's Word, enjoying camping or hiking, or attending the annual Men's Conference or Pig Roast, we want to help you grow in your relationships with Christ and those around you.

For more information, contact Pastor Erik Rebstock, 609-953-7333, x116, or erikr@myfac.org.



BAND OF BROTHERS

Weekly Men's Breakfasts



Don't miss the start this month of our newest breakfast series, "Men at the Crossroads: A Study of Matthew 7."

Band of Brothers meets every Wednesday in February in the Fellowship Center at 6:30 a.m. No registration; just show up. Bring your friends and enjoy a great catered breakfast. There is no charge, but donations are appreciated.

For further information, contact Michael More', dembums1@gmail.com.



*PRAYER IS A
POWERFUL
WEAPON*

SAGE BUILDERS

For retirement-aged men and women

Prayer Is a Powerful Weapon

Join our study of prayer based on the movie War Room. Five inspiring movie clips and lessons will impact your marriage, friendships, walk with God, and every other area of life.

When: Thursdays, Feb. 9, 16, and 23 at 12:30 p.m.

Where: Fellowship Center

Lunch is included. If you have not yet attended Sage Builders this year, please register at www.myfac.org/events.



Join the
adventure

Alpha

Alpha.org
#TryAlpha

Coming In March

Beginning on Thurs., March 9, Daytime Alpha is coming to Sage Builders! Invite your friends! Lunch is included.

Register for Daytime Alpha at www.myfac.org/events, or contact Pastor Glenn Kantner, glenn@myfac.org; 609-953-7333, x106.

Regional Missions Outreach SERVICE PROJECTS

Are you looking for ways to connect to God's work? We currently have three projects in which you can be involved. You can make a difference in our area!



Punch Hunger in the Stomach

Soup Can Drive | Ends Feb. 5

Everyone can help those who are hungry in South Jersey simply by donating a few cans of soup.

All cans will be distributed locally by the FAC Food Pantry, Soup to Soul in Camden, and Extended Hands Ministry Soup Kitchen in Mt Holly.

Imagine the impact we could have in alleviating hunger this winter in our region if we all gave a few cans of soup. Place your cans in the bins in the Fellowship Center (previous Welcome Center).

Soup to Soul, Camden

Second and fourth Saturdays

Do you have a heart for the homeless in our local community? We are looking for volunteers to join the Service Projects Team. Each night, we will need six to eight people to set up, serve, and clean up from about 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

If you have questions, contact Kristen Potter, kpotter831@gmail.com.



Artis Senior Center

Located in Evesham

Do you have a musical talent you can share with the seniors at Artis? We need several people to play their guitar or the piano on Sundays. Your service could be as little as just once a month, depending on the rotating schedule and your availability.

If music is not your talent, you can sign up to assist with crafts and games. We meet twice a month.

For more information, contact Katie Simpson, ksimpson528@gmail.com.



FELLOWSHIP ALLIANCE SOUTH AFRICA (FASA)



Connect with us! www.myfasa.org

Join the FASA group on The Hub (www.myfac.ccbchurch.com)!



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Share the Love!

In November and December, the preschool and elementary-aged students of The King’s Christian School held a Hat, Gloves, & Scarf Drive to benefit the children of South Africa!

Wait, isn’t it hot in Africa? Sure, but not everywhere in Africa! South Africa has a more temperate climate, similar to the U.S., with a definite difference in the temperature in summer and winter. Summer days in the Limpopo region of South Africa can reach a temperature of over 100 degrees, and winter days can have low temperatures into the 30s. Especially in contrast to their hotter summer, winter feels cold to South Africans!

With this in mind, the students and families of The King’s Christian School collected items for South African children. On Fri., Dec. 9, during a special chapel program, the students presented 45 hats, 60 gloves, 8 scarves, and 2 pairs of fuzzy socks to special FASA guests, Jesse and Meredith Sincock!

Jesse & Meredith, having recently returned from almost a year of serving with FASA in South Africa, accepted the items on behalf of FASA. With photos, games, songs, and testimonies, they shared what it’s like to live in South Africa, telling stories of children and youth they had met and explaining the difference the hats, gloves, scarves – and socks! – will make. They also shared about the amazing things God has done in the lives of so many people in South Africa. The same God that students in NJ love is at work in the lives of students on the other side of the world in South Africa!

You don’t have to be a student to share the love in South Africa! There are many ways to share the love of Jesus with His people in South Africa!

- » You can GO on a missions adventure.
- » You can ATTEND a Friends of FASA Gathering at FAC.
- » You can VISIT the FASA website, www.myfasa.org.
- » You can STAY connected to FASA via social media.
- » You can SUPPORT the ministry financially.
- » You can PRAY for those who serve in and are impacted by the ministry!

You can share God’s love through the FASA ministry!





God@Work: Milt Worrell

“God uses people and many different ways to help us – even things like baking soda and molasses!”

More than once the radiologist shook his head intoning, “This is not good.” The test results showed that Milt’s cancer had spread to his bones. In 2004, Milt had recuperated fully from a stroke. Several years earlier, his body had battled prostate cancer with seemingly positive results, but in April 2015, after his PSA bloodwork continued to elevate and he unexpectedly lost a lot of weight, a bone scan revealed that the previous cancer had metastasized to his bones throughout his

skeleton: shoulders, sternum, clavicle, arms, ribs, pelvis, and legs. “This is not good,” Dr. Baird said. “This is not good.”

Milt’s journey of faith had led him to know the peace that passes understanding. “It may sound strange, but I didn’t panic when I heard the diagnosis. I wasn’t afraid. God can do anything, and He gives us what we need when we need it.”

During subsequent weeks and months, Milt witnessed how God shows his goodness even when circumstances are not good. Indeed, throughout his life, Milt has seen how “God uses people and many different

ways to help us – even things like baking soda and molasses!”

As a young boy, Milt regularly attended a Methodist church and loved going. One Sunday, a new young pastor preached that in order to be saved, one must be born again. Milt wondered, “What does that mean to be born again?” Years later, after drifting away from church, Ben Grovatt, one of Milt’s close friends, shared a pamphlet called “The Four Spiritual Laws,” asking Milt if he was a Believer. Slightly indignant at the time, Milt certainly believed he was a Christian; after all, he had attended church most of his life and believed that if you

were good you would go to heaven. Yet he agreed to his friend's invitation to attend a small Baptist church in Mt. Holly. The first Sunday there, the pastor preached a familiar sermon: you must be born again in order to be saved. Milt knew the message was meant for him. Sometime later, as he drove down Stokes Road in Shamong, not far from where he now lives, he says, "All of a sudden, the truth that Jesus had died for me so that I could be saved became crystal clear. It was almost as if I could feel the nails in Christ's hands on the cross. It was so overwhelming, I started to cry and had to pull the car over." That was the moment Milt asked Jesus into his heart and became born again. He was 31 years old.

Now, decades later, his health prognosis looked grim. Shortly after the bone cancer news, Milt's miniChurch, along with several elders and Pastors Marty and Dave gathered together to lay hands on Milt, to anoint his head with oil, and to pray for healing and peace. "I was blown away. It's one of the most wonderful things I have ever experienced. Of course, I wanted to be healed, but more than that, I prayed for God's will. I also hoped that God, if it was his will, would let me sing in the annual FAC Christmas Cantata in the new church building, which was still over a year from completion."

Milt has sung bass in the church choir for almost twenty years, standing several voices over from his wife, Denise. After becoming a Christian, Milt began taking his two children to church and prayed for his wife at the time to be saved. However, the marriage broke apart. Years later, Milt left a church after a discouraging encounter. While wiring a house for the Grovatts, Cindy encouraged him to attend FAC. "FAC is not judgmental," she said.

At FAC, Milt's faith grew through prayer groups and Bible study. He also prayed that if he remarried, it would be with someone who would "take-off" with the Christian faith, a woman on fire for the Lord. When he met Denise, she was not a Christian or church-goer. One of his friends challenged him to tell her of his beliefs: "You mean you haven't told her yet!" (When he was first saved, he had shared his faith unapologetically. In fact, on one electrical job, he opened the Bible with a young man

known as Uncle Joe, and years later that man thanked Milt for being the first person to tell him about Jesus, an experience which still brings tears to Milt's eyes.) So, he cautiously talked to Denise about his faith, and before heading to Indiana on a trip, he gave her the "Four Spiritual Laws" booklet, the same truths he had been given years before. When he returned from his trip, Denise "had accepted Jesus into her heart. She had changed. I could see it." Shortly after, when together they visited his friends in Indiana, his friend remarked, "Dubbie (Milt's childhood nickname), that gal's going to pass you like you're standing still." A woman on fire.

"After being divorced for two decades, I knew Denise was/is the perfect person for me." God revealed his goodness to

"After drinking the concoction, surprisingly the pain in his sternum disappeared in three days."

Milt again and again. "There are so many rewards in following Christ. You'll never be disappointed if you do what God wants you to do. We're all sinners. We still have an old nature, and we mess up. But God shows us grace — every day."

Doctors at Sloan-Kettering suggested chemotherapy and radiation for the tumor on Milt's sternum, but Milt, a man in his seventies, decided he wanted to enjoy life as much as he could without constant hospital visits. He searched online, and on YouTube, he discovered a man with his same diagnosis. The man recommended drinking a combination of water, baking soda and molasses! "Well, what do I have to lose by trying this?" Milt thought. After drinking the concoction, surprisingly the pain in his sternum disappeared in three days.

Then in November of 2015, Milt suffered another stroke. His right hand was rendered useless. He did not lose heart but trusted God, calling on friends for prayer support. Within a month, his hand was functioning slightly; within two months, he was well enough to begin working again. Although the right hand remains weaker than before, Milt is left-handed, so he has been able to

manage at his job. A side effect of taking Lupron (a hormone which helps suppress his type of bone cancer) is weaker muscles, but at age 75, Milt still works as an electrical contractor.

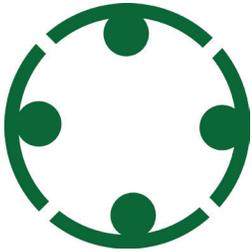
At each of his medical check-ups, bloodwork has come back "good," and Milt feels fine. A nurse friend at church remarked that with Milt's diagnosis, he should be losing weight, but he hasn't. In fact, in the almost two years since the medical pronouncement, he's gained back some pounds. Although this type of cancer is not technically curable, Milt is not even sure if any bone cancer remains. Both Milt and Denise often muse that God may have healed him when the pastors and elders laid hands on him. Milt has chosen to have no further scans to prove or disprove if

the cancer is still there; at this time, no symptoms exist.

And during four December evenings of the Christmas Cantata with rows of tables decked with desserts and choir members serving, singing, and garbed in elegant black attire, Milt stood on the platform risers, praising God and thanking Him over and over again. "I felt I was singing directly to God. What an awesome experience, lifting voices in praise." God had answered Milt's prayer to sing in the new Worship Center.

God has answered his prayers, again and again. "God can do anything. I have said this before, but as Believers, we can lay our heads on the pillow of God's sovereignty and have perfect peace. There's a stark difference between the feeling of pleasing God and the consequences of slipping away from His truth. I've learned to turn things over to Christ right away when things go awry. I want to be close to Jesus. He's my best friend. God is good. I have been saved by grace; it is a gift of God. (*Ephesians 2: 8, 9*) I will continually sing praises to bring glory to his holy name." •

PASTORAL CARE DIRECTORY



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

EVERY MAN'S BATTLE

Support for men struggling with sexual sins

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

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

HELPING HAND GRIEF SUPPORT

Support for adults who are grieving

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

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

LAY COUNSELING

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

LIVING THROUGH SUICIDE

For those grieving the loss of a loved one through suicide

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

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MARRIAGE MINISTRY

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

Contacts: Steve and Julie Durdin,
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609-953-7333, x315. (Leave a message.)

• Pre-Marriage Groups
Giving marriages a healthy start

Contacts: Mike and Tammy Mosier,
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MEN'S RECOVERY

For help towards God and sobriety

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

Contacts: Dan Mignogna and Ben Glatz,
recoverymen@myfac.org, or
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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
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RELATIONSHIP RECOVERY

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

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SERENITY SUPPORT

For those with loved ones with substance abuse issues

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

Contact: Joyce, serenitiesupport@myfac.org,
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WINGS (WALKING IN GOD'S STRENGTH)

For families of loved ones with eating disorders

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

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WOMEN'S REDEMPTION

For women who struggle with sexual purity

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WOMEN'S RECOVERY

For help towards God and sobriety

Meetings are held in C-06 on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

Contacts: Christine Botti and Jodi Warner,
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DATE	BUDGET	ACTUAL	DIFFERENCE
General Fund			
12.4	\$ 69,615	\$ 80,757	\$ 11,142
12.11	\$ 69,615	\$ 72,498	\$ 2,883
12.18	\$ 69,615	\$ 106,885	\$ 37,270
12.25	\$ 69,615	\$ 85,374	\$ 15,759
12.31		\$ 59,644	
Total	\$ 278,460	\$ 405,158	\$ 67,054
Year-to-Date	\$ 3,619,980	\$3,143,753	\$ (476,227)
Missions Fund			
12.4	\$ 4,808	\$ 6,887	\$ 2,079
12.11	\$ 4,808	\$ 5,727	\$ 919
12.18	\$ 4,808	\$ 4,813	\$ 5
12.25	\$ 4,808	\$ 7,076	\$ 2,268
12.31		\$ 4,166	\$ 4,166
Total	\$ 19,232	\$ 28,669	\$ 5,271
Year-to-Date	\$ 250,016	\$ 294,955	\$ 44,939
Care Fund			
12.4		\$ 3,466	
12.11		\$ 3,022	
12.18		\$ 14,878	
12.25		\$ 3,984	
12.31		\$ 1,166	
Total		\$ 26,516	
Year-to-Date		\$ 169,018	
Kingdom Vision Fund			
12.4		\$ 28,248	
12.11		\$ 33,224	
12.18		\$ 29,391	
12.25		\$ 65,991	
12.31		\$ 33,447	
Total		\$ 190,301	
Year-to-Date		\$ 1,686,631	

DATE	ADULTS	WORKERS	CHILDREN	TOTAL
12.4	3039	110	371	3520
12.11	2033	75	263	2371
12.18	1773	143	252	2168
12.24	4049	9	36	4094
12.25	568	6	0	574
12.31	512	16	44	572

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.



FELLOWSHIP ALLIANCE CHAPEL

Worship Center

- L1 - Worship Center
- L1 - Atrium
- L1 - Café
- L1 - Guest Services
- L1 - Family Room
- L2 - Tree House
- L2 - Nursery

Fellowship Center

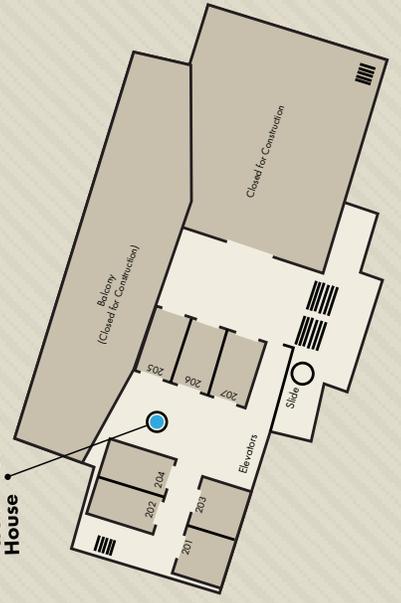
- Fellowship Center
- Chapel
- A Wing
- B Wing
- C Wing



Level 1



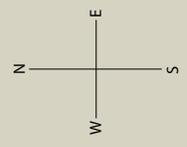
Tree House



Level 2

FELLOWSHIP ALLIANCE CHAPEL

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Our Foundation: Salvation

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 contains prophecies 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. Salvation 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.