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WORSHIP SERVICES

Saturday: 6:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

Nurseries and classes are provided during all worship services for babies through fourth graders. Ask a greeter for directions to classes.

Interpretation for the hearing impaired is available on Sunday morning during the 11:00 service.

NEW TO FAC?

Stop by the Guest Services area after worship services. Have some coffee and snacks and find out more about FAC.

PRAYER LINE

If you have a prayer request, call 609-953-7333, x308. Share this number with your family and friends who have needs.

NEW? GET CONNECTED!

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OUR WORD OF THE YEAR IS JESUS!

That's right, our word for 2019 is the name Jesus. For several years now, I've tried to keep us focused on our mission by giving us one word for the year. Last year it was the word "develop" because we were getting into our new facility and had so much development of our staff, facility, Elder Board, and the entire church we needed to do.

For 2019, I feel that the word we need to focus on is *Jesus*. As the lead pastor, I'm the one who chooses the word of the year. I pray really hard, search the word, and seek the counsel of others before I pick a word. This year I can tell you it seemed really clear that we needed to keep our focus on Jesus.

Hebrews 12:1-2 says, "Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God."

The Hebrew Christians were being told to focus on Jesus to endure and to advance the church in their community. That's exactly what we as a church need to do. In Chapter 11, they had just been reminded of all the saints of the Old Testament and how God had used them to bring them up to this strategic point. So, with the instruction to focus on Jesus, the Hebrew Christians were building

upon all the saints of the past and being reminded they needed to keep following God's plan as He unfolded it through Christ.

It's basically the same for us at FAC. We have been in existence for almost 39 years now. The church started at my house, and throughout the past 38 years, God has raised up many powerful, Godly leaders. I get very emotional when talking about all the pastors, elders, staff, men's and women's leaders, children's and youth leaders, seniors' leaders, worship leaders, and on and on. I love these saints, and I mean it! Our church is here today in our building and with our numerous ministries because of these people who have sacrificed greatly. I thank God for each and every one of them and for all of you who serve with me to help us develop into the authentic church of Christ.

But, the entire focus they had was not on buildings or ministries, singing, or even outreach. Their focus was — as ours continues to be — on Jesus. Jesus is the true Leader of our church. He is the heart of our church. So in 2019, we will be focusing on Him in our sermons and our ministries.

Join in our quest to be simply about Jesus.

— Lead Pastor Marty Berglund



CLOSING THE GAP A CLOSER WALK WITH GOD

A Leadership Workshop

All adults are invited to a Saturday morning leadership workshop on Jan. 19, from 9:00 a.m. until noon, in the Fellowship Center. There is no charge for this workshop.

God created us to have a positive influence on the people around us; therefore, we are all leaders. We influence out of the overflow of our hearts. Many times, serving others causes our "spiritual tank" to run dry, and God can feel distant.

How can we close the gap between us and God? How can we enjoy a closer walk with Him and influence others because of that close relationship with Him? Join the conversation with Pastor Marty and other FAC staff members as we seek to grow together in a closer walk with God and together practice transformational exercises that can draw us closer to Him!

Register online, www.myfac.org/events.



When you read this page, the New Year will be getting off the ground, and we'll be shifting our focus as a church family from our one word for 2018, *develop*, to the one word that's been chosen for 2019, *Jesus*. Hopefully, we won't stop developing as we focus on Jesus this year! I know I'm continuing to think of what spiritual habits would help us *develop* in our relationship with *Jesus*.

Along these lines, I read an excellent article recently on the *Desiring God* website entitled, "Your Single Most Important Habit." The author, David Mathis, believes that one of the most important habits you can take on for your spiritual health is regular church attendance. This is how he began the article:

I do want to speak up on behalf of one weekly habit that is utterly essential to any healthy, life-giving, joy-producing Christian walk: corporate worship. And it is all too often neglected or taken very lightly. . . in our proclivity for being noncommittal. In fact, I do not think it is too strong to call corporate worship the single most important habit of the Christian life.

Obviously, hundreds of people in our FAC family faithfully join us every week for corporate worship. You're probably the ones reading this article! And I'm grateful to Jesus for all of you because you form the solid foundation for this church family, which of course is Jesus' family, His body here on earth.

But I'm surprised at how many people don't make a regular habit of gathering. Many only choose to come to the weekend service if nothing more "important" has popped up. Some are satisfied to catch it on live-stream. Live-streaming is a wonderful gift for people who are sick or disabled or live too far to attend. But live-streaming isn't church. Church is when you gather. Church is about participating, not observing. The gathering is the foundation of what makes church a family as God intended it to be.

That's why **God said in Hebrews 10:25, "Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing."** So evidently we're not the first culture that's gotten into the bad habit of "forsaking the assembling." It's been a problem forever. The problem is human — and the solution is church.

Mathis went on to address this, helping us understand that though our relationship with Jesus is personal, He didn't create us to live and worship as solitary individuals. He created us for fellowship, and He knows if we don't commit to it regularly, our hearts will drift from Him. So Mathis encourages:

*Settle it now. Make it a habit. Corporate worship is too important to revisit each weekend and wrestle, Will I go this weekend or sit this one out? If you leave it open-ended, as so many do, excuse after excuse will keep you from the storehouses of grace God loves to open in corporate worship. Over time, your soul will become dry and shallow because of it. **Neglecting to meet together will soon sow and nourish seeds of unbelief in your soul.***

As we focus on "Jesus" this year, it's good to remember that it's a false idea to think that we can be committed to Jesus without being committed to His family. So if there's only one good habit you could develop this year — for your own joy as well as the spiritual health of your family and the strengthening of FAC, then I would encourage you, urge you, nudge you to make it a habit to be part of corporate worship every week of 2019. You'll be glad you did — and so will we!

Laurie loves to receive comments! Send her an e-mail at laurieb@myfac.org.



NEWS & NOTES

BE the BRIDGE

MOVING TOWARD RACIAL RECONCILIATION

BE THE BRIDGE

Be the Bridge is a place for Christians to develop Biblical tools that empower them to be the bridge between people divided by racial and cultural differences, thereby bringing healing and transformation to communities.

We would love for you to join us in this conversation!

What: Discussions & Desserts

When: Sun., Jan. 13

Where: The Atrium

Time: 12:30 p.m. (after the 11:00 worship service)



WOMEN'S REDEMPTION GROUP

BEGINNING FEBRUARY 4 (10 WEEKS)

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. 1 John 1:7 says, "But if we walk in the light, as he [God] is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin." (ESV)

You are not alone. Let's walk in the light together and move toward forgiveness and cleansing in Christ.

For more information regarding location and time, contact puritywomen@myfac.org. This group is confidential.



PRAYER LINE

The FAC Prayer Team has a prayer line for anyone who has prayer requests. Call 609-953-7333, x308. Share this number with your family and friends who have needs.



THE FOOD PANTRY

Non-perishables for those who need our help

- Canned fruits & vegetables
- Canned tuna, soups, beans
- Boxes of mashed potatoes, stuffing, macaroni & cheese, pasta
- Tomato/spaghetti sauce
- Oatmeal & cereal
- Peanut butter & jelly
- Rice
- Snacks (pretzels, crackers)
- Toiletries and cleaning products

Drop-off bins are located in the Atrium. Every item donated is greatly appreciated!



CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Babies through Grade 4

NURSERY

HELD DURING ALL WORSHIP SERVICES

- Infants (newborns through 14 months)
- Toddlers (15 through 24 months)

PRESCHOOL & ELEMENTARY

- KID BLAST CHURCH
Age 25 months through Grade 4
Held during all worship services
- KID BLAST SUNDAY NIGHT CLUBS
Age 4 through Grade 4
6:00 p.m. at FAC

SNOW BUDDIES & RESOURCES

FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS
Babies through Grade 8

Held on Sunday mornings at 11:00
in the Fellowship Center in Rooms
B-7 and B-8.

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Children's Ministry Team: Alex Tracey, Pastor Justin Wright, Meg Preim, and Kristi Peterson

PRESCHOOL

NURSERY THROUGH PRE-KINDERGARTEN



Memory Verse

"[God] makes a promise, and then He keeps it." *Numbers 23:19 (NIRV)*

PRESCHOOL LESSONS

Jan. 5/6 — God keeps His promises. (*Genesis 17:1-22; 18:10-15; 21:1-7*)

Jan. 12/13 — God is with me. (*Ruth 1-4*)

Jan. 19/20 — God's promises are good. (*Luke 1:26-38*)

Jan. 26/27 — Good has good plans. (*2 Kings 5:1-15*)

ELEMENTARY

KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE 4



Memory Verses

"God isn't a mere human. He can't lie. He isn't a human being. He doesn't change his mind. He speaks, and then he acts. He makes a promise, and then he keeps it." *Numbers 23:19 (NIRV)*

ELEMENTARY LESSONS

Jan. 5/6 — God always keeps His promises. (*Genesis 17:1-22; 18:10-15; 21:1-7*)

Jan. 12/13 — God promises to be with me. (*Ruth 1-4*)

Jan. 19/20 — God's promises are good. (*Luke 1:26-38*)

Jan. 26/27 — God promises to work in my life. (*2 Kings 5:1-15*)



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT HUNTER RIEGER



In which ministry do you serve?

I currently serve in the Children's Ministry with Elementary Kid BLAST on Sunday mornings.

How did you get involved in Children's Ministry?

For some time, I wanted to get more involved at FAC, and after speaking to a pastor about where help was needed in the church, he suggested the Children's Ministries. I applied to serve with the Elementary Program that day.

What do you enjoy most about serving?

I enjoy getting to

create relationships with the kids, as well as being able to be a part of how they learn more each day and grow in their relationship with Jesus.

What would you like to tell others about serving in Children's Ministry?

It's a great ministry to get involved in! Everyone in the ministry is full of energy, which inspires the kids to learn more each time they show up for Kid BLAST. I highly recommend getting involved!

Interested in serving in Children's Ministries? Contact Pastor Justin Wright, justinw@myfac.org.

2019

ILLUMINATE

MULTI-CHURCH YOUTH RETREAT

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH RETREAT

February 15 to 17 | \$175 | Register Online

We are very excited to be partnering with three other churches to host our very own multi-church retreat weekend. Register online, www.myfac.org/events. The cost is \$175.00.

LIFE 2019//AWAKEN

JULY 9TH - 13TH // ORLANDO, FL

allianceyouth.com/life

LIFE 2019 AWAKEN

July 9 to 13 | World Center Marriott | Orlando, Florida | Register Online High School

The LIFE 2019 conference is a week-long gathering of thousands of Alliance youth to focus on Jesus Christ through worship, Scripture, and service.

LIFE Conferences only occur every three years. You won't want to miss it! Cost is \$1730.

UPCOMING EVENTS

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Level 5 & Planet 678 Ministries
Grades 5-8

SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP
6:00 to 8:00 p.m. | FAC | Free
Jan. 20, 27; Feb. 10, 24

(No middle school youth group on Feb. 3 and 17.)

GRAPPLE BIBLE STUDY
Sunday Mornings | Grades 5-7

Grapple kicks off for 2019 on Sun., Jan. 20. The studies are held during the 9:00 and 11:00 services in the Fellowship Center. *(Please note: Grapple will not be held on Feb. 17.)*

Grapple is designed to challenge the students to have a personal

devotion time, as well as to prepare them to transition into the main worship for attendance and service.

GAME NIGHT
March 23 | 8:00 to 10:00 p.m.
\$10 | Register Online

This event is designed as an outreach for students to invite their friends. Cost for FAC students is \$10.00. Friends do not need to register, and their cost is \$5.00, and they pay at the door. Drop off and pick up is at International Sports Center, 1 Hovtech Blvd., Mt. Laurel.



LVL 5 & Planet
FACmiddleschool



If you have questions about the youth groups, contact Pat Vickery, pat@myfac.org.

REGISTER ONLINE

Events that require registrations can be found at myfac.org/events.

UPCOMING EVENTS

HIGH SCHOOL

Impact Ministries
Grades 9-12

MONDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP
7:00 to 9:00 p.m. | FAC | Free
Jan. 21; Feb. 4, 11, 25

(No high school youth group on Jan. 28 and Feb 18.)

HIGH SCHOOL WINTER RETREAT
January 25 to 27 | \$150
Register Online

We have rented three cabins on the Spruce Lake property in Canadensis, PA.

We will focus on these highlights:

- Discipleship
- Personal Bible Study
- Group Bible Study
- Group Games/Activities
- Building relationships
- Meal preparation



Impact
FACHighschool



If you have questions about the youth groups, contact Pat Vickery, pat@myfac.org.

REGISTER ONLINE

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SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRIES

For Children, Youth, & Adults with Special Needs

SNOW BUDDIES & RESOURCES PROGRAM

SNOW Buddies & Resources for children with special needs meets on Sunday mornings at 11:00 in the Fellowship Center, Rooms B-7 and B-8.

FRIENDSHIP BIBLE CLASS

GRADE 9 THROUGH ADULTS

The Friendship Bible Class for teens and adults meets on Sunday mornings in the Worship Center during the 9:00 service.

SNOW DEN

TEENS & ADULTS

SNOW Den is a place for informal games, activities, and lots of fun.

CONTACT: SNOW@MYFAC.ORG

 **JOIN OUR GROUP ON FACEBOOK!**

To join, go to facebook.com/groups/snowFAC.

SNOW | Special Needs Outreach & Witness



SNOW DEN: FOR TEENS & ADULTS

January

SNOW Den will meet on Fri., Jan. 18, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Center.

For more information, contact Rob and Becca Eiler, snow@myfac.org, or leave a message at 609-953-7333, x304.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

The SNOW Friendship Class is a group of young adults with special needs who meet to study the Bible every Sunday morning during the 9:00 worship service. We need lots of volunteer helpers every week to make this happen — especially men! No experience or preparation is necessary. You will enjoy and learn from this amazing and fun group of people!

If you would like to learn more, send an e-mail to SNOW@myfac.org.



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT: SCOTT HOOVER

In which ministries do you serve at FAC? I currently serve as a leader in Venture, A/V for Alpha, and helper in the SNOW Friendship Class.

How long have you been serving? I have been serving at FAC in various capacities and ministries for a few years.

How did you get involved in SNOW Ministry? I got involved in SNOW by simply making myself available. I asked the Children's Director if there were any areas that needed help, and I was told that the Friendship Class on Sunday mornings was in need of help so I jumped right in.

What do you enjoy most about serving? The biggest thing I enjoy about serving is meeting new people. When I first came to FAC, I hardly knew anyone, but I wanted to meet new people. I figured a good way to do that is by getting involved through volunteering and joining small groups.

What would you like others to know about serving in SNOW Ministry? Serving in SNOW is really fun! Every time I'm in the Friendship Class, I learn something new, have many laughs, and feel God's presence more and more. Join us for a class and see what we're learning!



VENTURE

For Young Adults

Tuesday Evenings | Fellowship House | 6:30 p.m.

Venture is a community of young men and women who are building genuine relationships, influencing one another, making decisions, and facing challenges — particularly in the area of understanding God's leading.

To stay up to date with Venture, go to www.myfac.org/venture. You can also follow us on Twitter ([@venture1823](https://twitter.com/venture1823)) and on Instagram ([Venture1823](https://www.instagram.com/Venture1823)).

If you have questions, contact Bryan Russell, venture1823@myfac.org.



VENTURE1823



What to expect

When you arrive...

You will see a large room filled with more than 150 people gathering in 12 table groups. The atmosphere is “up,” fun, and engaging. Alpha is held in the Fellowship Center.

First up, there’s

Food

Each Wednesday night at Alpha, we serve a free, catered dinner that you can enjoy with new friends in your table group.

Then

Talks

Talks are based on a film series that was shot on locations around the world. A different topic designed to inspire thought and conversation is discussed each week. Topics include “Who Is Jesus?” “How Can We Have Faith?” “Why Is There Suffering?”

Followed by

Discussion

Probably the most important part of Alpha is the chance to share thoughts and ideas on the topic in a small group.

Who Attends

Adults & High Schoolers

- Adults of all ages join Alpha.
- High school students love the new Alpha series and find out they can easily discuss issues of faith with new friends.
- Millennials are intrigued by the fast-paced film series that allows them to explore their faith, while creating the perfect platform to invite friends and co-workers.

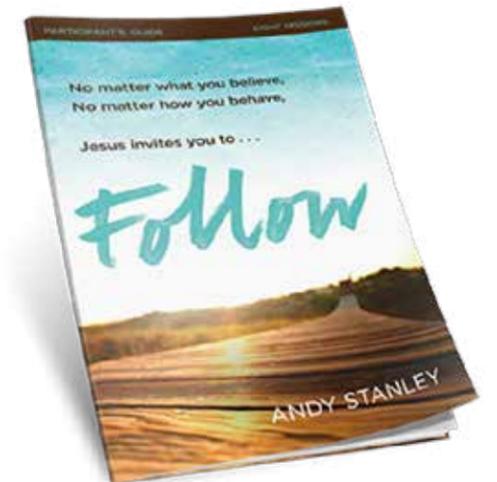
Register online at myfac.org/alpha.

Use Alpha as a tool to share your faith or as a means to further develop your own beliefs.



FOLLOW JESUS WITH AFTER ALPHA!

STARTS JANUARY 15 | 7:00 PM



“Anyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is not acquainted with the teaching about righteousness,” Paul wrote to the Hebrews. “But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil.”

Would you like to get a taste of the spiritual “solid food” Paul describes? Do you enjoy getting together with other Believers to share your thoughts on living out your Christian faith?

There’s still time to sign up for the Winter 2019 session of After Alpha!

Join us as we explore Pastor Andy Stanley’s “Follow” series. In this engaging, eight-part DVD series, we’ll discover just what Jesus meant when he extended his invitation to “Follow me.”

After Alpha starts Tues., Jan.15, and runs from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Upper Room. Invite a friend and sign up today at www.myfac.org/events. For more information, contact Joe Jalkiewicz at jjjalkiewicz@gmail.com.

After Alpha is perfect for those who have completed the Alpha course and for everyone who wants to take their walk with Jesus to the next level — and have fun doing it in a small-group discussion format.



group link

INTERESTED IN JOINING A GROUP? ATTEND GROUPLINK!

SATURDAY, JANUARY 26 | 7:30 PM | UPPER ROOM

GroupLink is the opportunity to meet people in a similar stage of life and area of town with the goal of joining a small 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?

Sometimes we think leading a group is for the “super-spiritual.” It’s easier than you think! Go to www.myfac.org/leaderapp to get started, or contact Pastor Dave Krilov at davek@myfac.org.



AWAKEN SPRING BIBLE STUDIES FOR WOMEN

aWAKEN invites all women to the spring semester of classes — classes that are designed to equip and empower women as they awaken to how God has gifted them to grow in His Kingdom. All the studies include teaching, interaction, and small-group discussions. Service opportunities are also available throughout the semester.

CLASSES BEGIN TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

- »Two Short-term Classes: Tuesdays, 9:15 to 11:15 a.m. and 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.
- »One Long-term Group: Tuesday evenings, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

CHILDCARE

Free childcare for the Tuesday morning short-term classes is provided for infants through kindergartners through the children’s program, aWAKEN Kids.

Childcare is available during the Tuesday evening short-term classes for infants through fifth graders. There is no fee for infants through kindergartners. For first through fifth graders, the fee is \$30 per child or \$50 per family.

No childcare is available for long-term groups.

REGISTRATION

The listed price below for classes will increase by \$10 on Feb. 1. Register online at myfac.org/events. Scholarships are available. Contact Debbie Schneck at 609-953-7333, x125, with questions or to request a scholarship.

CLASSES

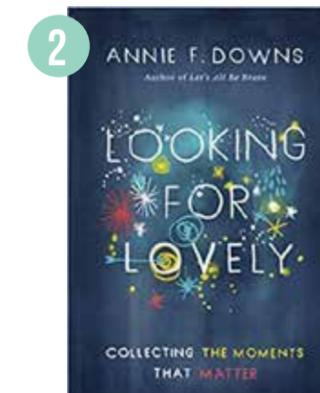


1
TUESDAY AM
ONLY (8 Sessions)

The city of ancient Corinth was much like our modern-day cities — a melting pot of cultural experiences, along with the many pitfalls of spiritual depravity. Still, Paul wrote to the church of God in Corinth, showing us that God’s church is meant to thrive in any city and any circumstance. Paul’s letter is as timely as ever.

This study will lead us through 2 Corinthians, exploring the truths of bearing treasures in jars of clay, meeting Christ through a pressing thorn, opening our hearts in the midst of hurtful relationships, and embracing the lost.

Cost: \$30.00, which includes all class materials

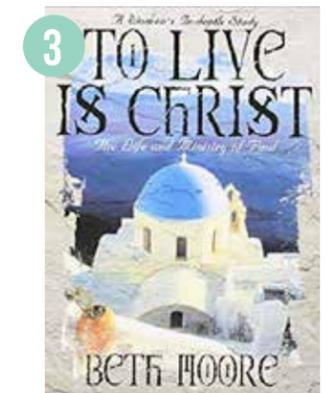


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TUESDAY PM
ONLY (7 sessions)

As Christians, we are not promised lives of ease. Often it takes just a small moment of beauty to regain hope and continue on when life is chaotic and unpredictable. Only when we learn to spot the lovely in the midst of hardship can we experience the transcendent peace of God that keeps us persevering when we want to give up.

In this seven-week study, Annie F. Downs examines the ordinary people of the Bible — fishermen, farmers, musicians, women — to discover how they sought beauty in their everyday lives to hold on to the hope of God’s perfect timing.

Cost: \$30.00, which includes all class materials



3
TUESDAY PM
Long-term Group
(18 months)

Join us as we take a look at the Apostle Paul. Through various Bible teachers, such as Beth Moore, Karen Ehman, and Tony Merida, we will look at Paul’s life and discuss applications for today. Included are specific studies of four of his Epistles: 1 & 2 Thessalonians, Ephesians, and Philippians. We will study what Paul meant when he said, “For me to live is Christ.”

This group will meet at FAC on Tuesday evenings. The cost of \$40.00 is for the first study. Three additional purchases will be required during the 18 months.

Homework: 5 days a week, 20 to 30 minutes



DONATIONS FOR FRESH HOPE CLOTHING BOUTIQUE

Sunday, January 20 | 10:15 to 11:15 a.m.

The Fresh Hope Clothes Boutique is collecting women's fall and winter clothing. Only clean, like-new, or gently used women's clothing can be accepted. Donations may be brought to the garage next to the 195 House in the exit lane from the front parking lot. Someone will be there to accept your donation. Donations are not accepted at the Care Center.

FRESH HOPE CLOTHING BOUTIQUE

The Clothing Boutique in the basement of the Care Center will be open to all single moms on Sun., Jan. 27, from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

FRESH HOPE FOR SINGLE MOMS

Sunday, January 27 | 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. | FREE

Fresh Hope is a ministry for single moms and grandmoms who are raising children under the age of 23. Fresh Hope connects single moms to God's love through friendships, encouragement, and support. Along with a dinner, there is a lesson followed by small-group discussions.

Free dinner will be provided for you and your children. At 6:00 p.m., children's and youth programs will be available, including Kid Blast Clubs, Level 5, and Planet 678. Childcare will be provided for children ages three and younger.

Note: All children must be registered one week prior to the meeting in order to have childcare. Also, when you register, let us know if you have a child with special needs.

Register at www.myfac.org/events or call Debbie Schneck, 609-953-7333, x125.

FEAR LESS

Save the Date
May 17 & 18

Walking in Grace | Women's Conference
Location: Fellowship Alliance Chapel

IF:TABLE

Friday, January 18 | 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. | \$5.00

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

The aWAKEN ministry invites you to IF:Table on the third Friday of every month. Join us for dinner and Christ-centered conversations as we share our lives with each other.

Register at www.myfac.org/events. Cost is \$5.00.

#MOMLIFE

Spring Semester Begins February 7

Ever feel like you are doing the "mom" thing all on your own? #Momlife is for mothers and led by mothers. It is a place for fun, honest sharing; lasting friendships; and spiritual and emotional enrichment. All women with children — newborns through seniors in high school — are invited to attend.

Meeting Dates for the Spring

- Feb. 7 and 21
- March 7 and 21
- April 4 and 18
- May 2 and 16

The cost to attend #Momlife is \$60.00. Childcare is provided by the Children's Ministry program, #Kidlife, for infants through kindergartners.

The deadline for registration is Tues., Jan. 29. To register, go to myfac.org/events. If you have questions, contact Debbie Schneck, 609-953-7333, x125, or debbie@myfac.org.

MENTOR MOMS

Spring Semester Begins February 19

A new semester of Mentor Moms begins on Tues., Feb. 19, and continues weekly through mid-May. For this semester, we are offering morning and evening sessions:

- Tuesday mornings, 9:15 to 11:15
- Tuesday evenings, 7:00 to 9:00

Childcare is available for both sessions.

At Mentor Moms, older moms meet with younger moms to support, encourage, and validate all that comes with being a wife and mother. 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 a large group, followed by small-group discussions.

Cost is \$25.00. Register online at myfac.org/events. If you have questions, contact Karen Cariss, kjcariss@aol.com.

ARK OF COMFORT

Next Meeting is February 7

Ark of Comfort is a safe place for women to share their journey as the primary caregiver for a loved one with Alzheimer's or another type of dementia. The next meeting will be held on Feb. 7, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., in the Fellowship House.

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MEN

BAND OF BROTHERS MEN'S BREAKFAST

Wednesday mornings | January 9, 16, 23, 30 | 6:30 a.m.

Join us for the start of our new series: In the Gap: Family. We will be taking a close, Biblical look at what it means to stand in the gap as a husband and father.

Band of Brothers takes place in the Fellowship Center from 6:30 to 7:45 a.m.

Contact Michael More` for details, bandofbrothers@myfac.org.



MEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

Friday mornings at the Medport Diner at 6:30 a.m.

This group is currently studying the topic of marriage from a Biblical perspective.

If you have questions, contact George Bradley, george.bradley@yahoo.com. No registration is needed.

Saturday mornings in The Barn | 7:30 a.m.

This group is currently discussing the book of Matthew. Digging into Scripture with other guys is a great way to add to your foundation.

If you have questions, contact Phil Morgan, philmorgan83@gmail.com. No registration is needed.

CATALYST 33

January 10 | 7:30 p.m. | Fellowship Center

New Catalyst 33 men's groups are forming now for "A Man and His Relationships." The study is dynamic and powerful and worth your time!

Catalyst 33 will be held on Thursday nights for six sessions with an optional dinner before each session.

The cost for the six sessions is \$20.00 total. Register at www.myfac.org/events.

For more information, contact Dave Stow, diggerdavid@msn.com.

ANNUAL MEN'S CONFERENCE

FEAR

THE BATTLE WITHIN

[FEBRUARY]
22 & 23

Fear exposes itself in the cracks of life. When relationships break, when your kids misbehave, when work pressures mount — fear surfaces, often in the forms of anger, withdrawal, and mistrust. Discover how to conquer fear at its root during our men's conference entitled, "Fear: The Battle Within." Enjoy speakers, fun activities, giveaways, breakout sessions, and more.

All men, ages 13 and up, are invited to attend.

SCHEDULE

Fri., Feb. 22
Optional dinner (additional fee)
5:00 to 6:30 p.m.

Conference
7:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Sat., Feb. 23
Conference
7:30 a.m. to noon
Light breakfast included

SPEAKERS

Dave MacIntyre,
Season 2 winner of History's Alone show

Cedrick Brown
Former player for the Philadelphia Eagles; lead pastor of Commitment Community Church

Ted Winsley
Pastor of The Family Church: chaplain since 2001 for the players of the Philadelphia Eagles

Marty Berglund
Lead pastor, Fellowship Alliance Chapel

REGISTRATION & COST

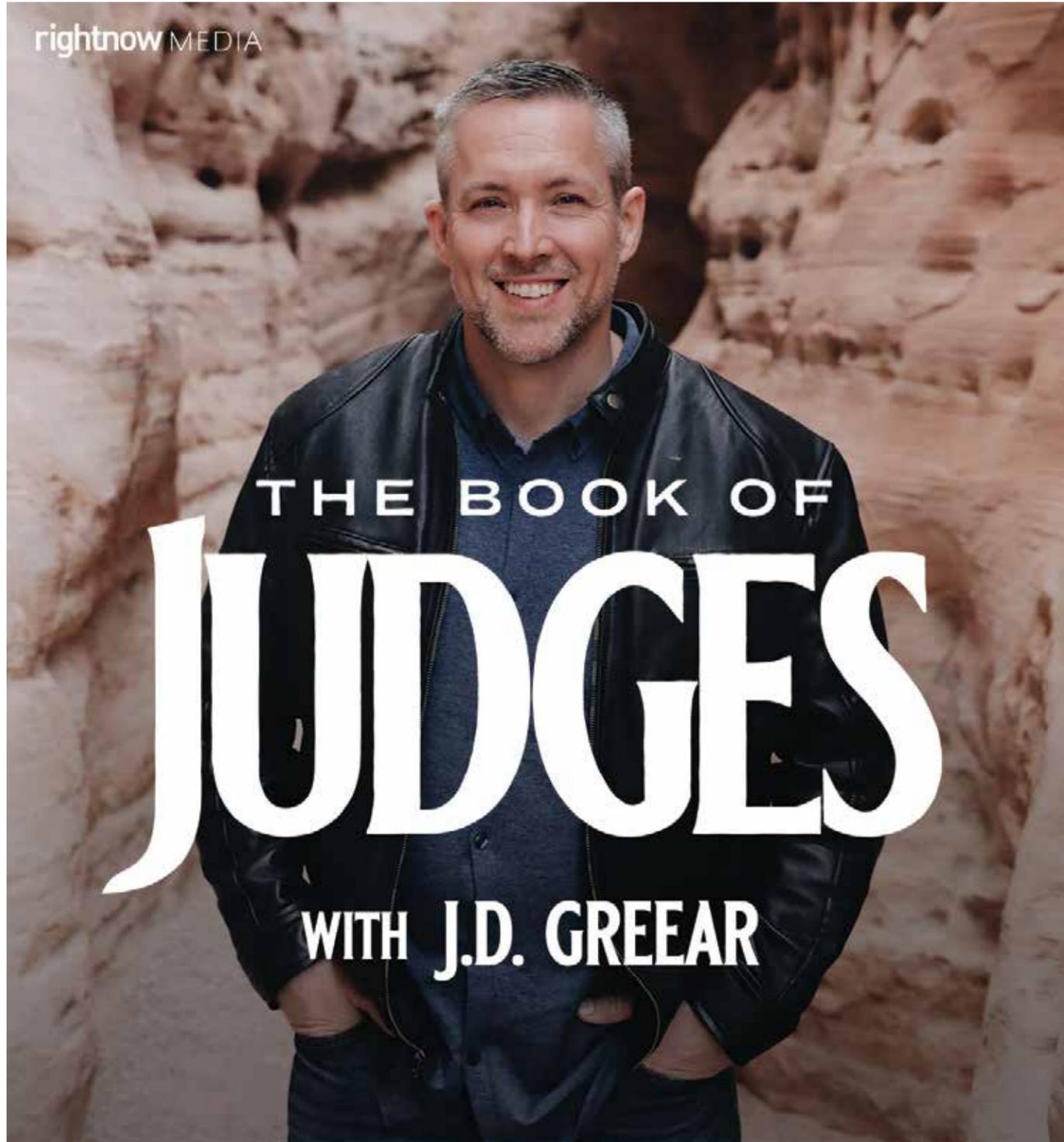
Register at www.drivenconference.org. Cost is determined by the following registration dates:

-Through Jan. 11, \$39.00
-Jan. 12 to Feb. 15, \$49.00
-Feb. 16 to 23, \$59.00

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



rightnow MEDIA



Join us beginning Jan. 10 for a character study of the judges of Israel. These incredible people and stories crack a window into the depths of the human soul. Ehud, Deborah, Barak, Gideon, and Samson are just a few of the people God used for His purposes despite their flaws. Our tendencies today mirror those of the heroes and heroines that we see in the Book of Judges. We can relate to their

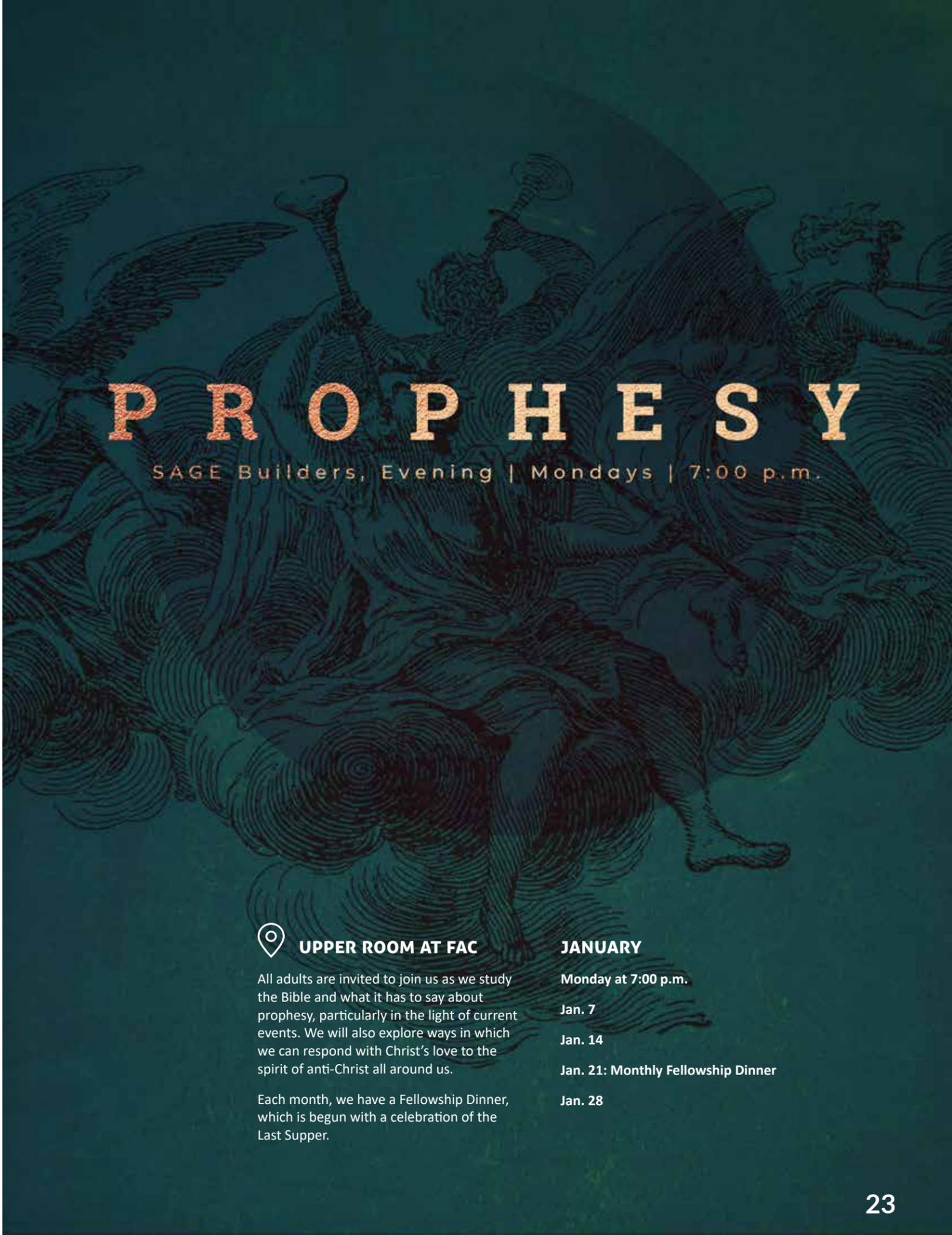
fears, failures, and struggles in trying to obey and follow God. God's faithfulness and ultimate deliverance for them will be an encouragement for us.

This 11-week study meets on the following Thursdays in January: 10, 17, and 24. We begin at 12:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Center for lunch (*suggested donation, \$5.00*). After a brief video, we will break

into small groups to discuss the characters and ways we can apply the truths to our daily life.

For more information, contact Pastor Glenn Kantner, 609-953-7333, x106 or glenn@myfac.org.

THIS STUDY IS OPEN TO ADULTS OF ALL AGES.



PROPHESY

SAGE Builders, Evening | Mondays | 7:00 p.m.



UPPER ROOM AT FAC

JANUARY

All adults are invited to join us as we study the Bible and what it has to say about prophesy, particularly in the light of current events. We will also explore ways in which we can respond with Christ's love to the spirit of anti-Christ all around us.

Monday at 7:00 p.m.

Jan. 7

Jan. 14

Jan. 21: Monthly Fellowship Dinner

Jan. 28

Each month, we have a Fellowship Dinner, which is begun with a celebration of the Last Supper.



FAC SHARES A SPIRIT OF GENEROSITY

GLOBAL

\$16,200 was donated to our global Partners towards ministries in Ukraine, the Middle East, and South Africa to assist with humanitarian and medical aid, church planting, and youth and kids' camps.

REGIONAL

\$12,500 was given to regional partners Urban Promise, Seeds of Hope, Sunday Breakfast Rescue Mission, and Feeding 5000 for their outreach to the under-privileged.

More than 200 volunteers signed up for service projects in Camden and Philadelphia with New Covenant and other partners.

Clothing, toys, and toiletries were donated to needy individuals in Camden and Philadelphia.

LOCAL

\$3000 was donated to Mt. Holly Public school for scholastic and classroom needs.

More than 150 care packages and toys were donated to Angel Tree and Fresh Hope, our ministry for single moms.

100's of canned goods and grocery supplies were donated to the FAC Care Center and Food Pantry.



"My return trip to SA, ILA 2018, was an even more amazing experience than last year. The bonds we made last year created moments of reunion with the campers that allowed us to immediately reconnect with them and share the love of Jesus on a deeper level than before. It also allowed the first year campers to become more at ease by seeing the interaction of the older learners. I love how God breaks down borders, walls and any insecurities that usually interfere with personal connections amongst His children."

— Annie, Youth Leadership Camp team member



"I found a lot of moments to be special — specifically, game time with the kids. Throughout the first days at camp, the kids would be consistently shy until we started the crazy activities, from tag to group foursquare. As soon as they were in a competitive situation and had encouragement, they really would give their all. After the game, whether they would win or lose, all the kids would try to hug me all at one time, which never worked out all too well, but it was always fun."

— Luke, Day Camp team member



"It was amazing to see God at work at the FASA camp. It was really cool just to be able to sit and talk with the kids about the Bible and teach them. They all asked really good questions and I felt like by the end, I learned a lot as well. I feel like it also helped with my leadership and teaching abilities, as there were opportunities to get up and teach a short devotional or share your testimony."

The best part for me was just looking back from start to finish and seeing how all the kids changed. They were the same kids, and they're in the same exact circumstances as when they came to the camp, but they left with this joy on their face. Even now, there's a big group chat full of the kids, and they still have this continuous faith and hope and are pursuing the gospel. It's just crazy to see how a five-day camp could have such an impact on these kids and how well they responded and stick to what they learned."

— Dominic, Youth Camp team member



Join the adventure with the vlog on www.myfasa.org and the FASA group on the Hub, www.myfac.ccbchurch.com.

DON'T JUST TAKE THEIR WORD FOR IT!

2019 MISSIONS ADVENTURE OPPORTUNITIES

God is doing amazing things in South Africa — in the lives of South Africans and in the lives of US team members! But don't just take their word for it, find out for yourself! Teams are forming for 2019 missions adventures. Is this the year for you? Team members fill all sorts of roles, such as counselors, mentors, photographers, coordinators, and more.

For more information and to start the application process, visit www.myfasa.org/trips.

TRIP DATES

- March 14 to 26: Children's Day Camp
- March 21 to April 2: Children's Day Camp
- May TBD: Young Adult Mentoring Trip
- June 13 to 25: Children's Day Camp
- June 20 to July 2: Children's Day Camp
- June 27 to July 9: Youth Camp
- Sept. 19 to Oct. 1: Youth Leadership Camp



OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES FOR FAC GROUPS

Have you ever wondered why every business and non-profit organization has a mission statement? Well, it is because the mission gives direction to where the

organization is headed. It answers the question of why we exist. The same is true for you. Your personal mission determines what you will do with

your life and how you will serve Jesus Christ. We created several opportunities for you to enrich your life and walk with God through serving others. Prayerfully consider where you will serve.

EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES! DON'T WAIT! GET THE BEST DATE NOW!

HOST A STREET LEADERS DINNER WITH URBAN PROMISE

Serve with your miniChurch or other small group to interact and mentor the street leaders of Urban Promise who are being groomed to be the future leaders who influence their world. Here are some ways you as a group can help:

- Listen to their amazing journey.
- Serve a meal as a group for the 25+ young teens to show you care.
- Guide them personally in making good decisions.
- Disciple them in their growth as Christ-followers.

Available Dates

- Jan. 31: Theme — Resolution.
- Feb. 28: Theme — True Love.
- March 14 & 28: Theme — March Madness

ASSIST SEEDS OF HOPE BY HOSTING A SATURDAY BREAKFAST FOR THE HOMELESS IN CAMDEN

- Feb. 2, 9:00 a.m.
- March 2, 9:00 a.m.
- April 6, 9:00 a.m.

ASSIST SEEDS OF HOPE WITH SOUP TO SOUL IN CAMDEN

- Jan. 12 and 26, 6:00 p.m.
- Feb. 9 and 23, 6:00 p.m.
- March 9 and 23, 6:00 p.m.



For scheduling, contact Pastor Suresh Thomas, suresht@myfac.org.

	DATE	BUDGET	ACTUAL	DIFFERENCE
General Fund				
	11.4	\$ 66,731	\$ 69,244	\$ 2,513
	11.11	\$ 66,731	\$ 60,958	\$ (5,773)
	11.18	\$ 66,731	\$ 58,179	\$ (8,552)
	11.25	\$ 66,731	\$ 50,467	\$ (16,264)
Total		\$ 266,924	\$ 238,848	\$ (28,076)
Year-to-Date		\$3,136,357	\$3,000,067	\$ (136,290)
Missions Fund				
	11.4	\$ 4,646	\$ 4,867	\$ 221
	11.11	\$ 4,646	\$ 4,705	\$ 59
	11.18	\$ 4,646	\$ 3,964	\$ (682)
	11.25	\$ 4,646	\$ 3,538	\$ (1,108)
Total		\$ 18,584	\$ 17,074	\$ (1,510)
Year-to-Date		\$ 218,362	\$ 260,035	\$ 41,673
Benevolence Fund				
	11.4		\$ 2,694	
	11.11		\$ 3,160	
	11.18		\$ 1,946	
	11.25		\$ 1,234	
Total			\$ 9,034	
Year-to-Date			\$ 116,835	
Kingdom Vision Fund				
	11.4		\$ 15,274	
	11.11		\$ 13,427	
	11.18		\$ 15,412	
	11.25		\$ 10,910	
Total			\$ 55,023	
Year-to-Date			\$ 837,036	

DATE	ADULTS	WORKERS	CHILDREN	TOTAL
11.4	1585	87	262	1934
11.11	1633	76	249	1958
11.18	1454	119	222	1795
11.25	1595	65	216	1876

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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For help towards God and
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Mondays, 7:00 p.m., Chapel

• **Living through Suicide Loss**
Mondays, 7:00 p.m., Chapel

• **Bereavement Support for Loss
Due to Substance Addiction**
Mondays, 7:00 p.m., Chapel

Path to Purity

For those struggling with
sexual sins

• MEN

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For men and women who are
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For those with loved ones with
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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.