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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.

SNOW BUDDIES & RESOURCES PROGRAM

CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Sunday mornings at 11:00 in the Fellowship Center

FRIENDSHIP BIBLE CLASS

GRADE 9 THROUGH ADULTS

This class meets on Sunday mornings in the Worship Center during the 9:00 service.

NEW TO FAC?

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

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Get e-mail updates from your groups, set up automatic giving, or search the church directory. **Go to myfac.ccbchurch.com.**



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WHY?

Why do we have church services every weekend? Why do we study the Bible in all our church services? Why do we support so many ministries in Mt. Holly, Camden, South Africa, Ukraine, and on and on? Why do we have to have so many ministries within our church for children, teens, youth, singles, couples, men, women, seniors, and more?

Those are all good questions to ask about our church because we need to constantly and consistently start and continue all we do by asking the question, Why? If we jump to "What?" or "How?" without asking "Why?" we end up doing lots of things without much meaning to them. It's vital to any organization to keep the Why of their existence crystal clear and in focus. The Why defines who we are and why we do what we do.

So, why all the action and interaction at FAC? The simplest answer to that question is Jesus. He is the core of the core of all we do. Believe it or not, many churches throughout the last 2,000 plus years have drifted off from that truth.

About a year ago, I read a book called *Mission Drift* by two Christian leaders, Peter Greer and Chris Horst. The subtitle is, *The unspoken crisis facing leaders, charities, and churches*. In the book, the authors warn of drifting

away from what Jesus started the church to do. They gave numerous examples of churches, missions, and Christian ministries that were once vital and thriving but now have drifted into other things. Why did this happen to them? They didn't pay attention to the main thing. The question is, "Why?"

Greer and Horst gave a great illustration in the book that goes like this: when a frying pan is taken off the stove, heat diffuses in the air, leaving the pan cooler. Unless heat is added by someone putting the frying pan back on the stove, it cools and settles back to room temperature. They said that is similar to what happens in a church. When a church begins to ignore its source of heat, it drifts away and cools off. This is why at FAC we emphasize to all of our elders, staff, and volunteer leaders the heated question, "Why are we doing what we do?" Does it relate clearly to Jesus or not? Everything we do must go back to the simplest question of "Why," or we, too, may drift away from what God has called us to do, which is to focus on Jesus and make much of Him.

— Pastor Marty Berglund



NEWS & NOTES



SNOW DEN

For Teens & Adults with Special Needs

SNOW Den will meet on Fri., Feb. 15, 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.

THE FOOD PANTRY

Non-perishables for those who need our help are much appreciated!

Canned fruits, vegetables; tuna, soups
Boxes of mashed potatoes, stuffing, pasta
Macaroni & cheese, tomato/spaghetti sauce; beans
Oatmeal, cereal; peanut butter, jelly, rice
Snacks (pretzels, crackers)
Toiletries, paper towels, and cleaning products

Drop-off bins are located in the Atrium and in the Welcome Center.

PRAYER LINE

The FAC Prayer Team has a prayer line for anyone who has prayer requests. Call 609-953-7333, x308.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you have an engagement, wedding, graduation, birth, or other family announcement you would like to share, send an e-mail and photo to Lynn Guise, lynn@myfac.org, by the 5th of the month prior to publication date.

STAFF UPDATES



After 31 years at FAC, **DONNA BERIDON** is retiring as our bookkeeper. Donna began as Pastor Marty's secretary, then worked as Pastor Dennis Episcopo's secretary, followed by her position as bookkeeper. Donna's faithful, exemplary work will be missed. Thank you, Donna, for all you have given to FAC and to the work of advancing the Kingdom.

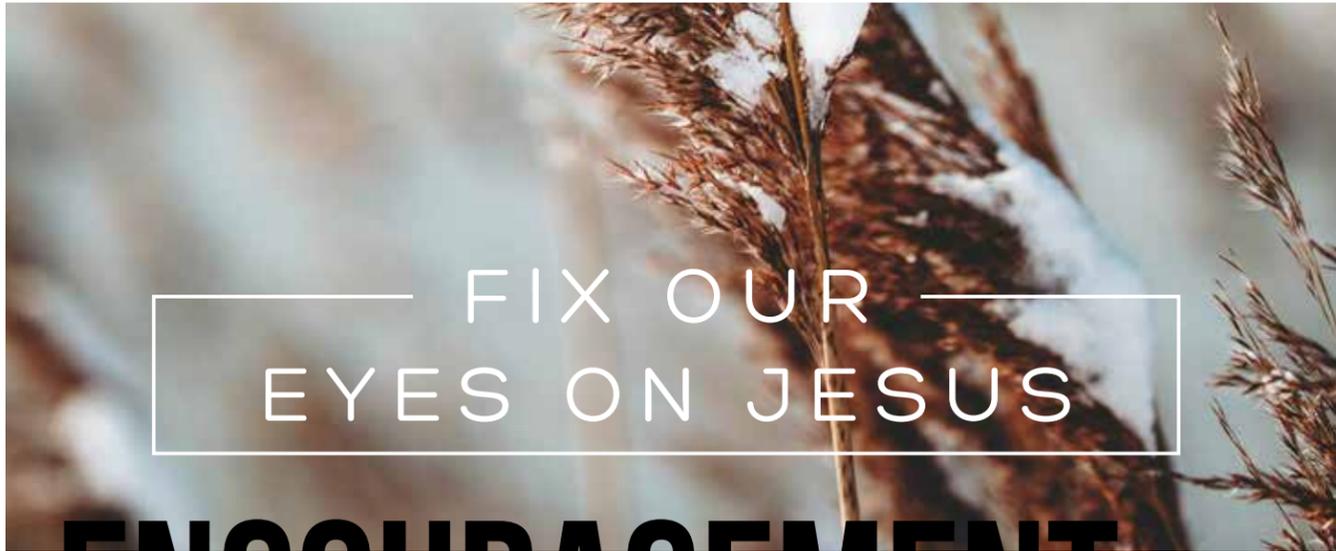
Donna's successor is **Mary Ellen Gilbert**, who has been in training with Donna. Look for more information about Mary Ellen in the March issue of this newsletter.



SUE SHULTS is leaving her position as Administrative Assistant for the Adult Ministries Team.

Sue and her family are moving to pursue a job opportunity for her husband, Dan. Although Sue has been with us for a short period of time, she will be missed by all who worked with her. May God bless you, Sue, and your family, in your new location!

Sue's replacement is **Robin Baer**. You can read more about Robin in the next issue of this newsletter.



ENCOURAGEMENT FOR THE *Journey*

As we pursue Jesus as a church family this year, I keep being reminded of the verse in Hebrews 12:2, "Let us fix our eyes on Jesus." Have you ever wondered like I have, how can I fix my eyes on someone I can't see? I believe He's here with me, but I feel like it would be so much easier to focus on Him if I could see Him! Someday we'll all be able to do that, but for now, we're still encouraged to fix our eyes on Him, and that's going to take a little focus.

One of the ways I'm learning to focus and deepen my awareness of Jesus is by reframing the constant conversation inside my head. You have one too, right?! Mine starts every morning when I wake up: What am I going to do today? How do I feel? Is anything bothering me?

Those questions reveal that I'm just thinking about me, as though I were the only person in this body. But in truth, if I have trusted Jesus as my Savior, His Word tells me that His Spirit has come to take up residence in my soul. That means that He is aware of every one of those conversations that goes on inside my brain. And because He loves me, He would love to be included in them!

So one of the best ways to focus my eyes on Jesus is to consciously include Him as my constant conversation partner. My waking thoughts could be: What should WE do today? What do YOU want? What do YOU think about this? And that can continue through the day — as I'm reading, working, meeting with people. Instead of a running

conversation with myself, which only reinforces the broken idea that I am at the center of reality. I need to choose instead to converse with Jesus about everything I see and hear and read and say.

I think Ann Voskamp might have chosen "Jesus" for her one word for 2019, too. Do you think she's been listening to Pastor Marty's sermons?! Maybe not, but this is what she wrote a couple days into the new year about her desire to focus on Jesus:

"The most important skill to have in 2019 is paying attention to Jesus [in other words: fixing your eyes on Jesus!] — nothing else is worth spending your one beautiful year on. And the soul solution that we really need is preaching Jesus to ourselves. Just be with Jesus. Listen to Jesus. Rest in Jesus. Wait for Jesus. Be loved by Jesus. Wonder over Jesus. Live through Jesus."

And I would add, talk to Jesus! He's waiting to be invited into the conversation!

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



Dear FAC family,

I'm sure you may have heard that Brian Snyder, my friend and our executive pastor for over 20 years, is moving on to take on new opportunities to which God has been leading him.

Brian and I have been discussing this decision — for him to transition from his present position — for a long time now. We believe it is the Lord behind it all. This is not just Brian's idea or mine or the Elder Board's. We all agree that this is a good move right now for him and for FAC.

Personally, I've felt for some time that Brian, who is exceptionally gifted at what he does, could be used in a greater capacity on a district level or as a consultant for other churches. He has already been making his services available to other churches for years. But now I believe that God is moving him to step into a bigger role like that full-time.

He has been discussing this possibility with the new leaders of our Metropolitan District of over 100 Alliance churches, and he has recently accepted a call from them to work at our district headquarters in North Jersey as the chief operations officer. He will begin his new job on February 4.

I am excited for him and for our district, but I don't believe anyone will miss Brian more deeply than I will. We have worked very closely together for more than 29 years, and we've known each other as friends for longer than that. I've come to depend on Brian like my right arm. We have become more like brothers than co-workers. But Brian and I believe together that God's hand is in this move.

I am so grateful that he is not going to have to relocate. He will continue living in Medford and commuting to the district office several times a week. That means Brian and Mari Lynne will be able to continue worshipping at FAC and attending their miniChurch. I think it's great that they'll be able to stay engaged at FAC while being able to help other churches in our district like he has helped us for all these years.

Please pray for Brian and Mari Lynne, as well as all our staff and the people in our church who have loved working with Brian for many years. He will be greatly missed. But I'm fully confident that God will bless and use him, as well as FAC as we move into the future that God has for us. Also be praying for Brian's new role as he provides leadership in our district in ways that will impact thousands of people in many churches.

I could never thank Brian enough for all he has given and even sacrificed for me and the people of FAC. I have been grieving and will continue to grieve this decision along with Brian. But we know the Lord is in it and will take us through it.

So please thank Brian when you see him. I know he doesn't want to be made much of, but he deserves much honor and thanks for what he has done for God and our FAC family.

Love never fails,

Pastor Marty Berglund



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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PRESCHOOL

NURSERY THROUGH PRE-KINDERGARTEN



Memory Verse

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

PRESCHOOL LESSONS

Feb. 2/3 — God makes me strong. (*2 Kings 5*)

Feb. 9/10 — God takes care of me. (*Exodus 13:17-22; 14*)

Feb. 16/17 — God loves me. (*Exodus 32:1-19, 34:1-11*)

Feb. 23/24 — Good promises heaven. (*Hebrews 11; Revelation 21:1-7 & 15-21*)

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

Feb. 2/3 — God promises to give me strength. (*2 Kings 5*)

Feb. 9/10 — God promises to fight for me. (*Exodus 13:17-22; 14*)

Feb. 16/17 — God promises to love me. (*Exodus 32:1-19; 34:1-11*)

Feb. 23/24 — God promises heaven. (*Hebrews 11*)



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

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

SARAH FRESCH



I've been serving in the children's ministry for about nine months. Primarily my role has been as a leader for preschoolers, but I've also had the opportunity to help with a few creative projects, such as displays for Trunked Treats and VBS, which have been fun.

I felt God nudging me to get involved for a couple years before I finally asked the ladies in the Tree House if they needed help. To be honest, I was afraid of feeling overwhelmed by the commitment, and I didn't feel qualified to be of any real help to such a large church. However, my experience has been the exact opposite. Knowing that I'm being used by God to impact the children and helping fulfill a need has actually given me an excitement for church that I didn't have before. Everyone has welcomed me with open arms by being extremely friendly and helpful, and it's not at all overwhelming like I had anticipated.

Getting to know the kids has been really fun, and I'm amazed at their hearts for Jesus at such a young age.

I never could have foreseen the ripple effect that God would create in my family when I decided to get involved. Shortly after I started, my husband got baptized and started helping in the safety ministry. Having the added connection of both of us serving in church has been an unexpected blessing. In a year, our family went from attending sporadically to feeling a true sense of belonging and connection.

The impact it's having on our four kids is evident as well. I can tell God is using our involvement to shape and mold their hearts and minds. It's truly been exciting to see God work in our family in such unexpected ways.

If you would like to volunteer in Children's Ministries, contact Kristi Peterson, kristip@myfac.org.

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ILLUMINATE

WINTER YOUTH RETREAT

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH RETREAT

**February 15 to 17 | \$175 | Register Online
For Grades 5-8**

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.

LIFE Conferences only occur every three years. LIFE is a gathering of the next generation Alliance family to experience God and expand His kingdom locally and globally. We seek to GLORIFY God in worship, word, and community; EXPOSE God's heart for the lost; INTRODUCE Jesus Christ into the whole life of each student; and INSPIRE students to join the global Alliance family.

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
Feb. 10, 24; March 3, 10, 17, 31

*(No middle school youth group on
Feb. 3, 17, and March 24)*

GRAPPLE BIBLE STUDY

Sunday Mornings | Grades 5-7

Grapple studies are held in the Fellowship Center during the 9:00 and 11:00 Sunday services.

(Please note: Grapple will not be held on Feb. 17.)

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
Feb. 4, 11, 25
March 4, 11, 25

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



Impact
FACHighschool



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



VENTURE1823

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) and on Instagram (Venture1823).

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



GROUPS

 FOR ALL ADULTS  FOR MEN  FOR WOMEN

INTERESTED IN JOINING A MINICHURCH TO GROW CLOSER TO JESUS WITH OTHERS?

Find groups that are open for new members by going to www.myfac.org/findagroup. Then send an e-mail to Pastor Dave, davek@myfac.org, to help you find the best miniChurch for you.

INTERESTED IN LEADING A MINICHURCH?

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 if you have questions, davek@myfac.org.



COMMUNITY STUDY

Begins February 2 | 7:45 p.m. | Chapel

Come out and help us build a thriving singles fellowship. We'll watch a short video by Andy Stanley, enjoy snacks, and try some engaging activities. We'll talk about how God uses relationships as part of our spiritual development.

BOWLING PARTY

February 16 | 7:30 p.m.

Bowlers of all levels, join us for fun and fellowship! Contact Dawn Slaton or Charles Fox for more details.

GAME NIGHT

March 16

Save the date!

CONTACTS

Women: Dawn Slaton, 856-882-6797 (text)

Men: Charles Fox: 609-458-8909

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.

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 www.myfac.org/events. Scholarships are available. Contact Debbie Schneck at 609-953-7333, x125, with questions or to request a scholarship.

CLASSES

We are excited that the writers of two of the studies, Kelly Minter and Annie Downs, will be speakers at our conference held on May 17 and 18!



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

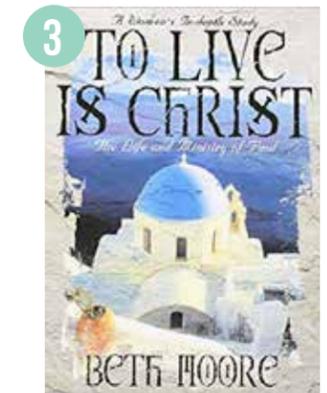


TUESDAY PM
ONLY (7 sessions)

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
Homework: 5 days, 20 to 30 minutes



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, February 17 | 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., Feb. 24, from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

FRESH HOPE FOR SINGLE MOMS

Sunday, February 24 | 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.**

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 www.myfac.org/events. If you have questions, contact **Karen Cariss, kjcariss@aol.com.**

IF:TABLE

Friday, February 15 | 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.

ARK OF COMFORT

February 7 | 7:00 p.m. | Fellowship House

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.

Contacts

Debby Pagano, 609-413-4497; debbypagano55@gmail.com
Debbie Schneck, 609-953-7333, x125; debbie@myfac.org



All items are FREE!

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

Items

- Children's clothing sizes: Newborn to 14/16 (sorted by size and gender, if possible)
- Maternity clothes
- Baby equipment (cribs, pack 'n-plays, high chairs, strollers, etc.)
- Children's toys (in working condition), books, & DVD's

Here's how it works -

- Drop off your donations any time during the day of the event up until 7:00 p.m. You don't have to donate to shop!
- Shop from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Bring your own shopping bags — or a truck if you are in need of large items.
- All items are FREE!
- All remaining items will be donated to charity.

This is a "kid-free" event. No exceptions, please.

May 17&18 | myfac.org/fearless



FEARLESS

CONFERENCE | 2019

Women everywhere move across life's stage in their homes, at their jobs, and during their times of leisure. In each of these spheres of influence, women need courage and resilience to perform at peak, sustain healthy relationships, and carry out unique responsibilities. God alone can empower you with this courage and cut the fear that holds you back.

Your stage is a world filled with opportunities. So as the curtains open, boldly step into the light. God is your Director. Follow His script and let each step of courage take you into a new adventure of fearless faith.

"Success is not final, failure is not fatal. It is the courage to continue that counts." Winston Churchill

Journey with us toward courageous faith.

Keynote Speakers – Annie F. Downs, Kelly Minter, and Dr. Amy Davis

Register online, www.myfac.org/events.

Cost: Early Bird pricing, \$69.00 through March 17; regular price, \$89.00.

#FEARLESSFAC



BAND OF BROTHERS MEN'S BREAKFAST

Wednesday mornings | 6:30 to 7:45 a.m. | Fellowship Center

A new series will begin on Wed., Feb. 6, entitled "In the Gap: Brotherhood." We will discuss what it means to stand in the gap for our friends.

For more information, contact Michael More', bandofbrothers@myfac.org.



MEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

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

If you have questions, contact George Bradley, george.bradley@yahoo.com.

No registration is needed.

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

If you have questions, contact Phil Morgan, philmorgan83@gmail.com.

No registration is needed.



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, must register by Feb. 17
(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

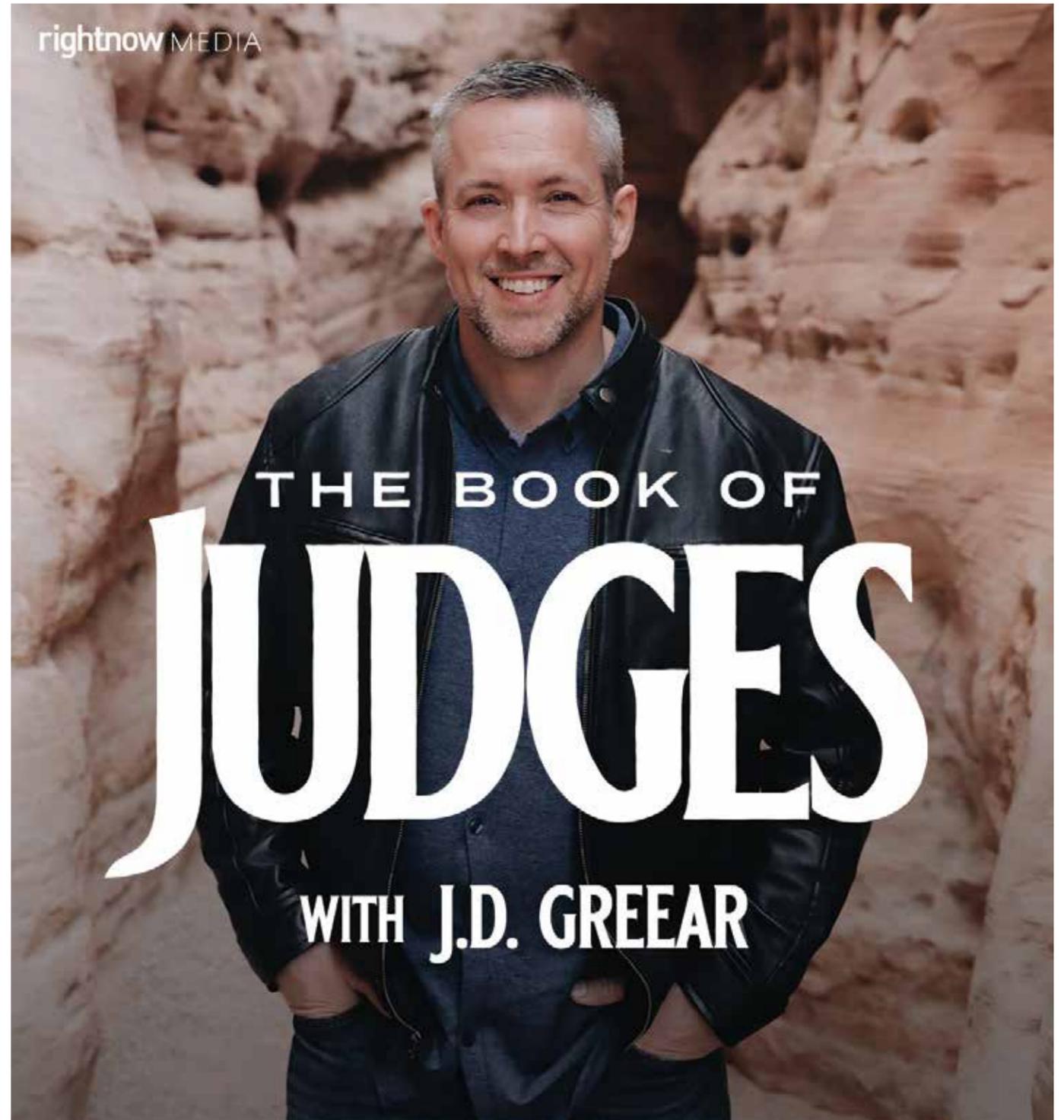
Marty Berglund
Lead pastor, Fellowship Alliance Chapel

REGISTRATION & COST

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

-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.



Join us 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 February: 14, 21, and 28. 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.



Paul and Heidi Krihak participated in and helped to lead the October 2018 FASA International Leadership Academy (ILA) Camp. To attend the ILA Camp, students have to be chosen by their school administrators. At the ILA Camp, the students experience leadership seminars, develop problem solving skills, play games, and form lasting bonds with other students and leaders. Even more important, students work through devotionals and Bible-based lessons during the ILA Camp, and for many, this is just the beginning of a transformational discipleship process!

Katlego was one of seven students in Heidi's small group. Katlego lives in Shongoane, a village outside of Lephallale, and is a freshman. This was his second year at the ILA. He was very inquisitive about God and soaked in what he could learn from the teachers and leaders of the different sessions. He shared openly during the small-group devotional time, where he listened attentively and asked very deep, insightful spiritual questions. He shared with his small group his passion to serve his community and to tell others about Jesus.

Katlego has a big heart and loves to encourage others and help lead them to Jesus. During the ILA Camp, another student was crying. Katlego took time that would have been his free time and spent it with this student, encouraging him with kind words and Scripture. The next day Katlego shared the Gospel with two students who were seeking to accept Jesus as their Savior!

In order to return to the ILA Camp each year, students are required to complete a community service project. Katlego has been hard at work not only designing his community project, but also inspiring others as they work on their projects. Students will create, implement, and present a synopsis of their projects in the spring.

It has been very meaningful for Paul and Heidi to be able to keep in contact with the students from the ILA, including Katlego, since their first FASA missions experience in the fall of 2017. For Paul and Heidi, being able to see and be part of the students' growth in their knowledge of Jesus and their relationship with Him has been such a blessing, a blessing for which they are very thankful!

Team members like Heidi and Paul fill all sorts of roles, such as counselors, mentors, photographers, coordinators, and more. Is God calling you to a missions adventure with FASA?

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

TRIP DATES

- March 14–26:** Children's Day Camp
- March 21–April 2:** Children's Day Camp
- May TBD:** Young Adult Mentoring Trip
- June 13–25:** Children's Day Camp
- June 20–July 2:** Children's Day Camp
- June 27–July 9:** Youth Camp
- September 19–October 1:** Youth Leadership Camp

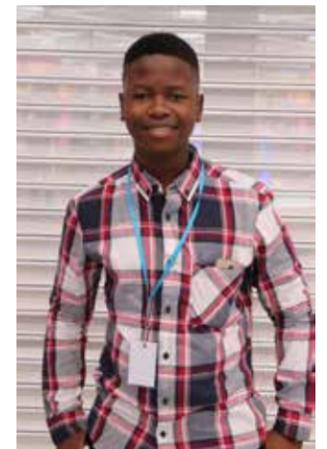


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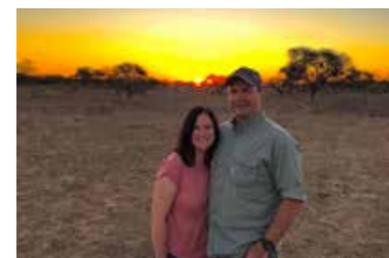
Join the adventure with the vlog on www.myfasa.org and the FASA group on the Hub, www.myfac.ccbchurch.com.



Katlego



Katlego, third from left



Paul & Heidi Krihak

PROPHECY

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

UPPER ROOM AT FAC

All adults are invited to join us as we study the Bible and what it has to say about prophecy, 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.

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

FEBRUARY

Unless noted, studies are on Monday evenings at 7:00.

Feb. 4

Feb. 11

Feb. 16: Dinner Concert at America's Keswick

Feb. 25: Fellowship Dinner



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

- 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

- 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				
	12.2	\$ 66,731	\$ 90,857	\$ 24,126
	12.9	\$ 66,731	\$ 68,159	\$ 1,428
	12.16	\$ 66,731	\$ 123,704	\$ 56,973
	12.23	\$ 66,731	\$ 107,838	\$ 41,107
	12.24		\$ 42,301	\$
	12.30	\$ 66,731	\$ 89,791	\$ 23,060
Total		\$ 333,655	\$ 522,650	\$ 146,694
Year-to-Date		\$3,470,012	\$3,522,717	\$ 52,705
Missions Fund				
	12.2	\$ 4,646	\$ 5,015	\$ 369
	12.9	\$ 4,646	\$ 5,988	\$ 1,342
	12.16	\$ 4,646	\$ 4,983	\$ 337
	12.23	\$ 4,646	\$ 4,121	\$ (525)
	12.24		\$ 2,741	\$
	12.30	\$ 4,646	\$ 4,870	\$ 224
Total		\$ 23,230	\$ 27,718	\$ 1,747
Year-to-Date		\$ 241,592	\$ 287,753	\$ 46,161
Benevolence Fund				
	12.2		\$ 2,343	
	12.9		\$ 3,026	
	12.16		\$ 1,509	
	12.23		\$ 1,069	
	12.24		\$ 895	
	12.30		\$ 2,122	
Total			\$ 10,964	
Year-to-Date			\$127,799	
Kingdom Vision Fund				
	12.2		\$ 21,033	
	12.9		\$ 14,481	
	12.16		\$ 23,400	
	12.23		\$ 17,349	
	12.24		\$ 9,979	
	12.30		\$ 64,879	
Total			\$ 151,121	
Year-to-Date			\$ 988,157	

DATE	ADULTS	WORKERS	CHILDREN	TOTAL
12.2	1424	77	219	1720
12.9	1550	67	230	1847
12.16	1466	141	177	1784
12.23	1112	62	142	1316
12.24	3796	36	30	3862
12.30	1565	81	179	1825

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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• FOR WOMEN

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- **Helping Hand Grief Support**
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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609-953-7333, x311

• WOMEN

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609-953-7333, x316

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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 God to show you the right area for your service. There are many opportunities to serve right at FAC.