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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 for individuals with special needs 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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IDENTIFY WITH JESUS

Dear Church Family,

How do you identify yourself? That's a huge question being asked throughout our culture. Are you a Republican or a Democrat? Are you a conservative or a liberal? Are you gay or straight? Are you white or black? Are you pro-life or pro-choice? The categories we've developed for identifying ourselves seem to be endless. Plus, a lot of people seem to be very anxious not to be identified with what they are not. Nor are they willing even to be kind to those who identify themselves contrary to their own identity.

Just the other day, I heard someone say they hate our church because we are all bigots and homophobes. But they've never been to our church, investigated our doctrine, or spent time reading anything taught by Jesus, the One whom we follow.

But such feelings are not new to followers of Jesus. Such misunderstandings were common in Jesus' day, too. Such accusations and even lies were so common and prevalent that Jesus was even falsely accused, convicted of things He didn't do, and then crucified on a cross. After that, you can read through the rest of the New Testament record and see how thousands more were hated and falsely accused in New Testament times. This has also been the case in the rest of church history from when the church began (recorded in Acts 2) up until today.

Jesus predicted this kind of trouble and promised in John 16:33 to be with us through it all: "I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."

In our church this year, we've been trying to identify ourselves afresh and new as Jesus Followers — not just church goers. So we decided to make the main thing of Jesus the main thing in our church, and we made "Jesus" the word of the year for 2019. That means we will attempt to focus all our attention on Jesus' teaching, miracles, and life. Very few people deny that Jesus was the most incredible person in human history. No one is like Jesus. He even claimed to be God in the flesh and that His death on the cross was a death like no other. Jesus' death and resurrection not only proved His claims, but purchased our salvation from eternal separation from God for which we (no matter how good we are) were all headed. That's why many people, prophets, and even angels have declared Jesus is their "Savior."

In our church, especially during this month when we celebrate Jesus' death and resurrection, we need to focus on Jesus and ask the big question we started with: "How do you identify yourself?" The Bible declares very clearly that someday we will all stand before God and have to answer the question, "What did you do with Jesus?" At FAC, we want to invite everyone to identify with Jesus. He loves us, and the most important thing you and I can do is to identify Jesus as our Savior and Lord. All else is very secondary to our identity in Christ.

So, what are you doing with Jesus? That answer is the most important thing about your identity.

Love never fails,
Senior Pastor Marty Berglund



NEWS & NOTES

CAMP FAC

We're already starting to plan for another exciting season at Camp FAC, and you can help. Rakes and tools provided; just bring a pair of gloves. Tentative dates for grounds clean-up are April 13 and 27 and May 4 and 11. To be informed about clean-up days, follow us on Facebook. If you have questions, contact Christina Dutcher, suntina8@aol.com, 609-560-4447.

SNOW DEN

SNOW Den for teens and adults with special needs will meet this month on Fri., April 5, 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.

CARE CENTER & FOOD PANTRY

The Care Center and Food Pantry exist to help those in need with short-term assistance and food. Contact the Care Center for information about how to apply, 609-975-9741, or carecenter@myfac.org. The Center and Pantry are open on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

You can help by donating non-perishable items: peanut butter, jelly, pasta, tomato or spaghetti sauce, canned fruit and vegetables, beans, tuna, soup, stuffing or mashed potatoes, rice, cereal, toilet tissue, paper towels, and cleaning products. Collection bins are located in the Atrium and in the Welcome Center.

HOPE GARDEN

Clean-up Day is April 13 (Rain date: April 20)

Vegetables given out to those in need through the FAC Food Pantry are grown in the FAC HOPE Garden located next to the Care Center! Last year, more than 1500 pounds of tomatoes, squash, peppers, and cucumbers were distributed. **We also need volunteers to help prepare the ground for planting on May 11.** If you can help, sign up on the HUB or contact Frank Mandy at frankrmandy@gmail.com.

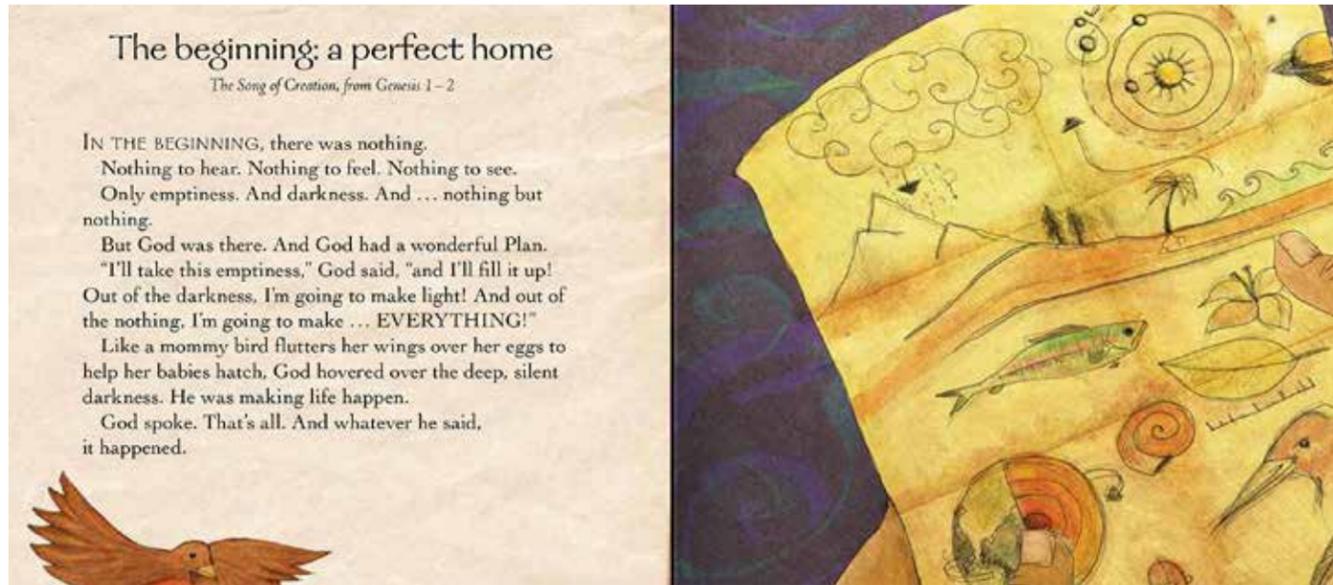


Easter 2019
April 20 & 21

Saturday | 6:00 p.m.
Sunday | 8:30, 10:00, & 11:30 a.m.

"The angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay.'"

-Matthew 28: 5, 6 (NIV)



ENCOURAGEMENT FOR THE *Journey*

Recently, I encouraged you to begin including Jesus in all your conversations with yourself. I have lots of conversations in my head all day long so I'm guessing that you do, too! For me, getting connected to Jesus means re-directing all that head talk into prayers focused toward Him.

But besides talking to Him more, if I'm going to learn to fix my eyes on Jesus, that means learning to take time to listen to Him. Because no one, including Jesus, appreciates a one-sided relationship! And the best place to hear Him speak is in the Word He lovingly left for us. Hopefully, you're already taking some time every morning to do that before your day begins.

I wanted to do a little something different this year to help me focus on Jesus in fresh ways when I read. So I've decided to go through the storybook that I bought for our grandkids several years ago! Sally Lloyd-Jones wrote what has come to be my favorite Bible storybook for kids. It's entitled, *"The Jesus Storybook Bible: Every Story Whispers His Name."* [See excerpt in the graphic above.]

Before she launches into Genesis, she talks a little bit about what the Bible actually is. She explains how some people believe that it's just a book of rules, telling you what should and shouldn't do. But she says, "The Bible isn't mainly about you and what you should be doing. It's about God and what He has done."

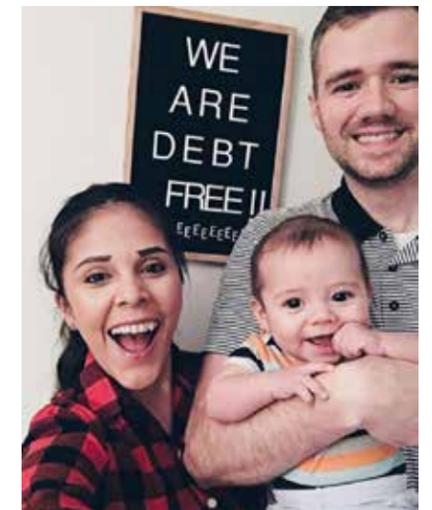
She goes on to say that the Bible is most of all a Story. It has lots of little stories in it, but they all tell one Big Story. And at the center of this one Big Story is one very little baby. And when we really understand the Big Story, we'll be able to see that every little story whispers the name of that baby — Jesus. As we celebrate Easter, it's easy to see Jesus in the glory of the resurrection. But every story in the Bible points to Jesus — the central character in this good news we call the Gospel.

So I'm trying to read the Bible with a bit of a different lens this year, hoping to read between the lines and see where Jesus' name is whispered on each page.

And if it takes reading a children's Bible to accomplish that, then so be it! If you haven't read it yet, I would encourage you to do that, too. And then when you're done, you can share it with one of the beautiful children in your life whom Jesus wants to know!

— Laurie Berglund

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



MANAGE YOUR FINANCES GOD'S WAY

Attend Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University (FPU)

Dave Ramsey teaches methods of managing your financial blessings using Biblically based principals. FPU has helped more than five million families get out of debt, save wisely, give generously, and learn the tools needed to become good stewards of God's financial blessings.

Location: FAC Fellowship Center, Room A7/A9
Dates: Tuesday Evenings, April 9 to June 4
Time: 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.
Cost: \$129.00 per individual/couple, plus S&H

Sign up at www.myfac.org/events. Register early to ensure that your materials arrive on time for the first class.

For more information, contact Ray Zirilli at faithandfinances@myfac.org.

[This workshop is sponsored by FAC's Faith and Finances Ministry.]

OUR NEW EXECUTIVE PASTOR

ERIK REBSTOCK



COMMENTS FROM PASTOR MARTY

Erik Rebstock has served as the leader of our Men's Ministry for 12 years. During that time, he has raised up many men in our church to become leaders in their family, at FAC, at work, and in their community. Even some of our present elders were greatly encouraged and challenged by Erik's ministry.

As our new Executive Pastor, Erik has been very well received by our staff and elders. Erik says he has been greatly humbled by taking on his new role. Brian Snyder and I who have worked together for more than 20 years have been helping Erik learn the ropes, and we are very encouraged by his humble servant attitude.

Erik is helping our staff clarify our new Core Values, Vision Statement, and Mission Statement, which have been in the process of revision for more than a year and bathed in prayer every step of the way. Some of Erik's new role will be helping all our staff work together to see these new, clearer statements of who God is calling us to be become a reality.

I could go on and on with responsibilities Erik is taking on, but as his new title indicates, he will be carrying a very heavy load. So please, please pray for him as he seeks God's guidance and enablement every day.



COMMENTS FROM MATT MILLER, ELDER

At FAC, we seek to guide all men and women in our community toward the generational and eternal change that only a relationship with Jesus can provide.

Throughout his 12 years on staff at Fellowship Alliance, Erik Rebstock has had a tremendous impact on the men of FAC. While serving in his role as Men's Pastor, countless men have been developed in many leadership roles at FAC, including the role of elder. Some men who have been impacted by the Men's Ministry at FAC have gone on to full-time ministry; while others have impacted and continue to impact our local community. Even more important, numerous men in our community have been a part of generational and eternal change in their own lives as well as in the lives of their families as sons, brothers, husbands, and fathers.

As an Elder Board, we could not be more excited to welcome Erik Rebstock as our new Executive Pastor. Please join us in extending congratulations to Erik. Even more important, please join us in praying for Erik daily as he helps to lead our staff and our church toward living out God's vision and mission for FAC. Also, please also pray for Linda and their children as Erik's new role is a ministry partnership in many ways with Linda and will represent new challenges for their family.

AN INTERVIEW WITH PASTOR ERIK

WHEN DID YOUR POSITION OFFICIALLY BEGIN AND WHAT HAS BEEN YOUR CENTRAL FOCUS SINCE THEN?

Officially, the role began on Jan. 22. Since then I have been learning the ropes, engaging with the staff, learning their roles, and pouring into them.

WHAT LED YOU TO THE POSITION?

Two years ago, my wife Linda and I both sensed a change in the direction God had for our lives. Over the next 18 months, through a great deal of prayer and fasting, God made it clear that he was calling us to a higher level of leadership and to the opportunity to minister together. (As a men's pastor, there is not much room in ministry for my wife to join me.) During the past six months, we have had the privilege of watching God make a way for both to happen.

WHAT IS YOUR BIGGEST CHALLENGE? YOUR BIGGEST GOAL?

Phew, biggest challenge?! In one of our many conversations, Pastor Marty defined the role of Executive Pastor as the Chief Shepherd of the staff. I deeply appreciate that definition: my challenge

is to pour into the hearts of our staff so that they can pour into the hearts of the people in and around FAC. My biggest goal is to support Pastor Marty well as he leads the church.

HOW WILL YOU BE WORKING WITH THE MEN'S LEADERSHIP TEAM TO ENSURE THE SMOOTH RUNNING OF THAT MINISTRY?

The six men on the Men's Leadership Team, Michael Bolognone, Brian Potter, Dave Stow, Stan Schroeder, Gene Pargas, and Michael More, are excited to lead the incredible group of men's leaders. Gene Pargas will be representing the men on the FAC Adult Ministries Team, and Pastor Dave Krilov will be directly supporting them. It's new territory for us all, but it is exciting to see so many Godly leaders moving in the same direction.

HOW CAN EVERYONE PRAY FOR YOU?

Please pray for wisdom and endurance. The days have been long, but they've been terrific. Please praise God with me for an amazing staff dedicated to moving the Gospel of Christ forward through the hearts of the people.

PLEASE TELL US ABOUT YOUR FAMILY.

Linda and I have been married for almost 25 years. She works part-time as a job coach for young men and women with

special needs. Linda is especially excited to support the wives of our staff pastors.

We have four children. Erika is 19 and a nursing student at Rutgers-Camden. Max is 18 and a senior at Shawnee HS. Thomas is 16 and a sophomore at Shawnee HS. Kate is 13 and an eighth grader at Memorial Middle School. We have a puppy! Coco, a rescued dog, is 8 months old.





A MEAL, A TALK, & GOOD CONVERSATION

Alpha is a series of sessions that explore the Christian faith. Each week, a new topic is discussed. Alpha meets in the Fellowship Center on Wednesday evenings, beginning April 24, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., for 9 consecutive weeks.

WHAT HAPPENS AT ALPHA?

A catered dinner is served. It's free! After that, the group listens to a talk about a specific topic, which is then discussed in smaller groups. No question or point of view is off-limits! Here is a sample of the kinds of topics that will be discussed:

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

REGISTRATION

Alpha is for adults, 18 years of age and older. It's free, but please register online at www.myfac.org/events. More than 30 million people worldwide have attended Alpha. Give it a try!

For more information, contact Dave Shoemaker, 609-504-2745, or shoemaker23@comcast.net.



“FOLLOW” JESUS WITH AFTER ALPHA!

BEGINS TUESDAY, APRIL 23

“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 Spring 2019 session of After Alpha!

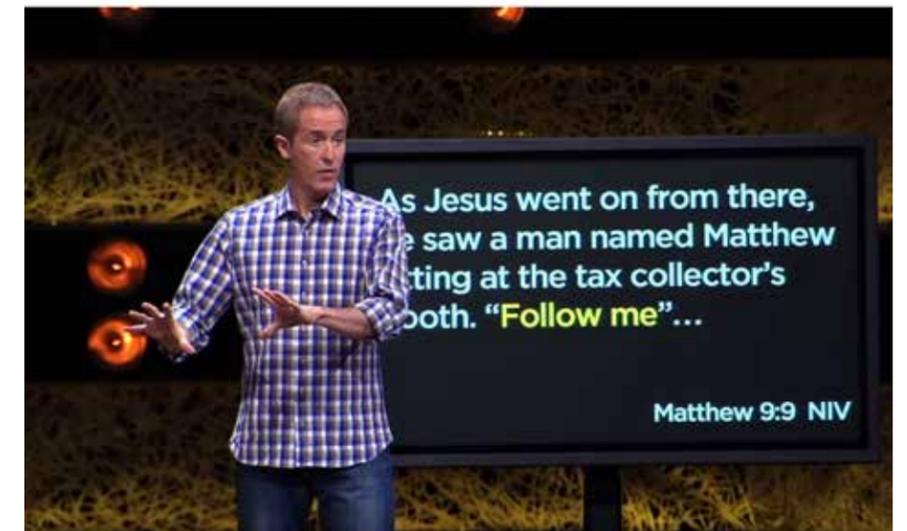
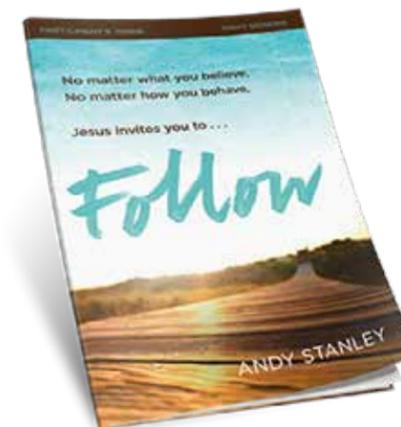
Join us as we explore Pastor Andy Stanley's “Follow” series. In this hugely popular, 8-part DVD series, we'll discover what Jesus meant when he extended His invitation to “Follow me.”

After Alpha is perfect for those who have completed the Alpha course and everyone else who wants to take his/her walk with Jesus to the next level — and have fun

doing it in a small-group discussion format.

After Alpha starts Tuesday, April 23, and runs from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Upper Room for eight consecutive weeks. Invite a friend and sign up today at www.myfac.org/events.

For more information, contact Joe Jalkiewicz, jfalkiewicz@gmail.com.





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.

CONTACT

Children's Ministry Director
Justin Wright
justinw@myfac.org

GAME CHANGER

Throughout this series, kids will see that playing on God's team makes life better, and they'll learn things they can do to be great teammates.

PRESCHOOL

NURSERY THROUGH PRE-KINDERGARTEN



Memory Verse

"When two people work together, they get more work done."
Ecclesiastes 4:9 (ERV)

PRESCHOOL LESSONS

- April 6/7** — On God's team, I listen. (*Exodus 18*)
- April 13/14** — Jesus is alive. (*Luke 22-24*)
- April 20/21** — Easter weekend; Kid Blast for ages 3 and under only
- April 27/28** — On God's team, I do not give up. (*Luke 9:1-6*)

ELEMENTARY

KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE 4



Memory Verses

"Two people are better than one. They can help each other in everything they do."
Ecclesiastes 4:9 (NIRV)

ELEMENTARY LESSONS

- April 6/7** — On God's team, players stick together. (*Daniel 3*)
- April 13/14** — Easter Eggstravaganza; Jesus is alive. (*John 19, Matthew 27, Luke 24*)
- April 20/21** — Easter weekend; no Elementary Kid Blast.
- April 27/28** — On God's team, players change the world. (*Luke 9:1-6*)



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

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

THE FORTE FAMILY



[l to r] Milania, Mario, Emmah, Shannon, & Ariana

What do you enjoy most about serving?

There is so much I enjoy about serving in the Children's Ministry! I have always loved working with children in general, but I love to see their love for Jesus and watch them learn what Jesus has done for them. My family and I love the guided series that we follow, and we have so much fun singing and dancing songs of worship along with the children. I am so thankful and feel so blessed that my family and I are able to serve in the same capacity together.

How has God stretched you through serving?

I feel like God has grown our family throughout our journey of serving. It has allowed a more open dialog within our home, and it has allowed us to spend more time together as a family while serving. He continues to soften my heart.

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

The Children's Ministry team is amazing and is always there to help if needed. The process to get started was really easy for all of us! The Series Leaders Guide makes leading the classes stress-free and easy to follow. The kids we teach really enjoy their time in the treehouse, while learning about the Bible. We would like to tell others that if you feel yourself being called like we did, we encourage you to get involved!

In which ministry do you serve? We serve in the Children's Ministry with three-year-olds on Sunday mornings.

How long have you been serving? Our family has been serving in the Children's Ministry for about a year and a half

How did you get involved in the Preschool Ministry? I have always wanted to serve within the church; I just didn't know where to start. One day after our daughter's youth class, she stated she wanted to help out in the Children's Ministry. She attended a youth training class and began serving in the Treehouse shortly after. My husband and I saw how much joy it was bringing her and felt God was calling us so we followed His call.



SENIORS IN THE CONNECTION

We will be honoring our graduating seniors in the June edition of the Connection. We would like to include all the graduating seniors, but we need your help.

Please submit:

- Name of graduate
 - Parents' names
 - The school from which you are graduating
 - Your plans after graduation (e.g., college, military, work)
- A high-resolution headshot (If you do not have a scanner, you can contact Pat Vickery in the Youth Office, 609-953-7333, x132, for assistance. Please e-mail the headshot and the above information to Lynn Guise, lynn@myfac.org, by May 5. If you have questions, contact Pat Vickery in the Youth Office, 609-953-7333, x132.



UPCOMING EVENTS

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Grades 5-8

SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP
6:00 to 8:00 p.m. | FAC | Free

April 7, 14, 28 (No Youth Group on April 21)
May 5 — Last youth group of the spring. Summer youth group begins at the end of June.

GRAPPLE BIBLE STUDY
Sundays through May 5 | Grades 5-7

Grapple meets at 9:00 and 11:00 in the Fellowship Center during the Sunday morning worship services. Grapple will not meet on April 21. The last Grapple Bible study for the spring will be held on May 5.

HIGH SCHOOL

Grades 9-12

MONDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP
7:00 to 9:00 p.m. | FAC | Free

April 1, 8, 15, 29 (No Youth Group on April 22)
May 6 — Last youth group of the spring; graduating seniors will be honored. All high school students are welcome. Summer youth group begins at the end of June.

SAVE THE DATE!
Sunday, May 19

On Sun., May 19, all high school graduates and their immediate family are invited to a special event to celebrate our seniors.



LVL 5 & Planet
FACmiddleschool

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 Jake Davies at venture1823@myfac.org.



THE AVENUE



SATURDAY, APRIL 13 | 7:30 TO 9:30 PM | 219 HOUSE

For men and women, ages 25 to 39 | Bring your favorite snack! | www.myfac.org/avenue



GROUUPS

FOSTERING COMMUNITY

INTERESTED IN JOINING A MINICHURCH?

By joining a miniChurch, you can grow closer to Jesus and others.

You can find groups that are accepting new members by going online to www.myfac.org/findagroup. Next, send an e-mail to Pastor Dave Krilov at 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," but it's easier than you think! Go to www.myfac.org/leaderapp to get started, or contact Pastor Dave Krilov if you have questions at davek@myfac.org.



COMMUNITY STUDY

April 6 | 7:45 p.m. | Chapel

Join us in building a thriving singles fellowship at FAC. We are following an insightful study by Andy Stanley. You can expect short videos, discussions, and snacks.

UNTALENT SHOW

April 20 | 7:45 P.M. | Chapel

Time again for our third annual Untalent Show. By popular demand, we welcome the return of Untalent Guy as host of the show. We invite all to share their talents or lack thereof. In the past, we have had a variety of acts from ukulele players to comics and singers.

We hope you join in and share! The Untalent Show is open to the congregation, as well as the general public.

CONTACTS

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

Men: Charles Fox, 609-458-8909



DONATIONS FOR FRESH HOPE CLOTHING BOUTIQUE

Sunday, April 7 | 10:15 to 11:15 a.m.

The Fresh Hope Clothes Boutique is collecting women's spring clothing and jewelry. Only clean, like-new, or gently used women's clothing and jewelry 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., April 14, from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

FRESH HOPE FOR SINGLE MOMS

Ice Cream Social | Sunday, April 14 | 3:00 to 4:30 p.m.

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 and support.

On Sunday, April 14, Fresh Hope will be hosting an Ice Cream Social for the moms and their children. This is a free event that will be held in The Barn.

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

ARK OF COMFORT

April 4 | 7:00 to 9:00 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

IF:TABLE

Friday, April 12 | 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.



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 is \$69.00 through March 17; regular price, \$89.00.

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BAND OF BROTHERS

Band of Brothers meets on Wednesday mornings from 6:30 to 7:45. Join us in the Fellowship Center for breakfast and a great lesson relevant to a man's life. There is no cost for breakfast! Free will offering only.

April offers the opportunity for men who are seeking God to join other men to be fed both physically and spiritually. Band of Brothers meetings offer presentations and table discussions that will encourage and challenge you — wherever you are spiritually. "Come and see!"

If you have questions about Band of Brothers, contact Michael More', bandofbrothers@myfac.org.



APRIL SCHEDULE

April 3 — "Spiritual Fitness": Are you really in shape?

April 10 — "Open Microphone": A time to share what God is doing in your life

April 17 — "One Sunday That Changed It All, the Easter story": No greater love!

April 24 — "Life Story": Every man has one. Hear how God changed a sinner into a saint.



BLEND & BLESSED LIVESTREAM EVENT!

Saturday, April 27 | 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. | The Chapel

Are you a stepparent? Whether the journey has been a breeze or you're struggling, we are here to offer you support and encouragement. Join us as we host this livestream event from Family Life.

Blended & Blessed is a one-day only livestream just for step-family couples, single parents, dating couples with kids, and others who care about blended families.

Stay for the entire simulcast or choose to attend only the events that are of interest to you. Whether or not you attend all the sessions, we urge you to plan to attend the luncheon, giving you the opportunity to connect with other blended families.

We're using tables so space is limited. Register now at www.myfac.org/events. The cost is \$10.00 per person, and financial aid is available. (No nursery provided.)

Take this step with us!

LIVING ON A PRAYER WORKSHOP

Thursday, May 23 | 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. | The Upper Room

We're often so quick to gripe and complain, throw our hands up in the air and walk away, or even to write things off as hopeless that we forget, or perhaps have never even known, the power of prayer and just how much God wants to be a part of our struggles. God created marriage! Join us as we discuss the power of prayer and guide you into a better way to pray for yourself, your spouse, and your marriage.

Register now at www.myfac.org/events. This workshop is free. Invite your family and friends. (No nursery provided)

MIX AND MINGLE PICNIC

Sunday, May 5 | 2:00 p.m. until the last couple leaves!

Are you under, or around, the age of 30 and either engaged or married for five years or less? **Come on out on May 5 to meet, connect, and have fun with other couples your age!**

You will hear about many upcoming events for young marrieds! The picnic is free, but you do need to register. After you register, you will be sent the location of the picnic. This is so that we can make sure there's enough food!

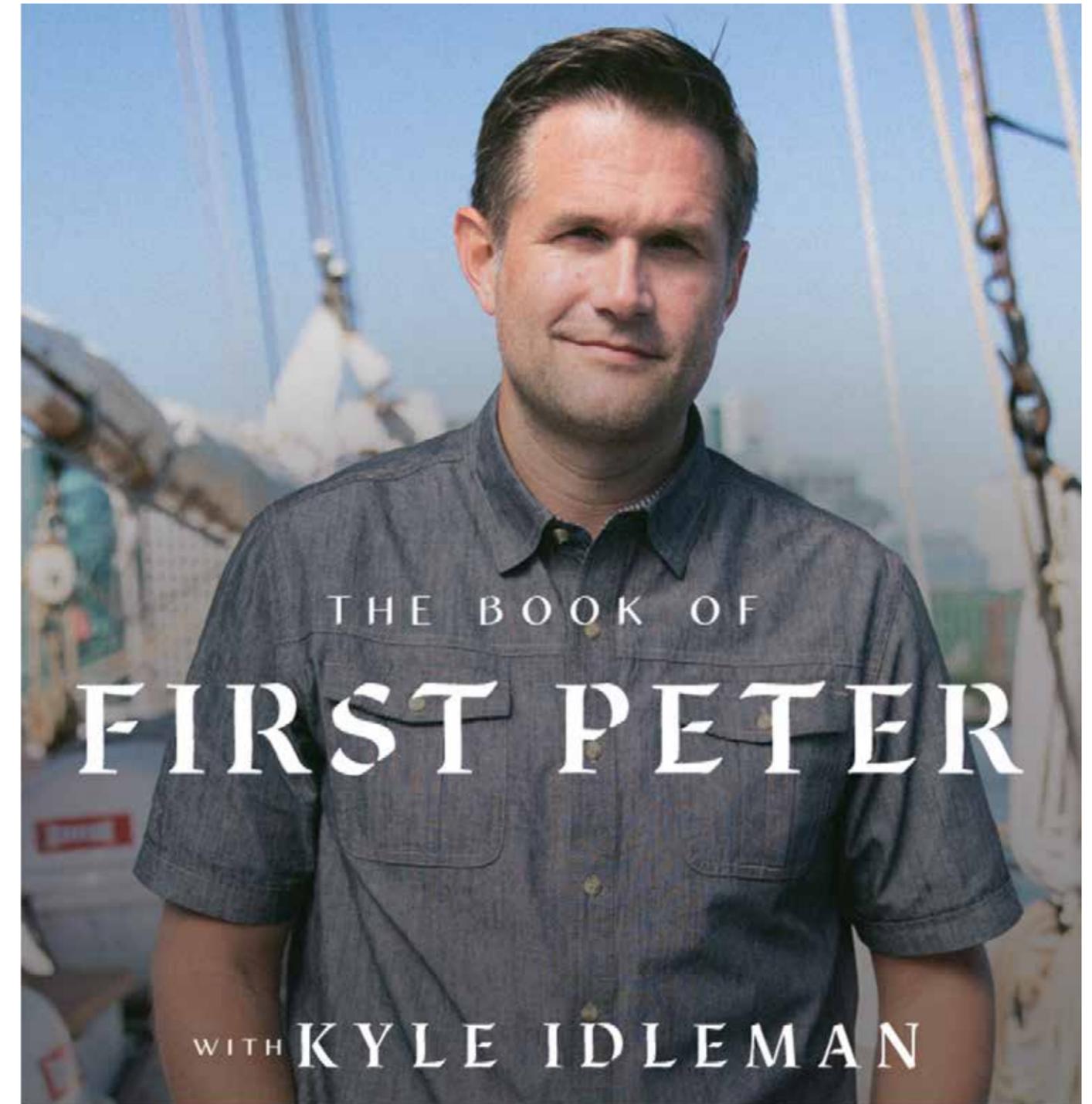
If you have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out to us at marriagematters@myfac.org.

WE WANT YOU TO JOIN THRIVE IN FIVE!

For those under or around the age of 30 who are engaged or have been married for five years or less

In September, we will be launching our second Thrive in Five group. Marriage is awesome, and the honeymoon years are among the best. Along the way, though, you are going to face hurdles, bumps and bruises, and some real challenges. Sign up now to learn more about Thrive in Five. September is months away, but space is limited to 12 couples so register as soon as possible at www.myfac.org/events.

If you have questions, send an e-mail to marriagematters@myfac.org.



SAGE Builders, Daytime

STUDY OF 1 PETER BY KYLE IDLEMAN

We would all love a trouble-free life, but everyone goes through difficult times. We may face broken relationships, discrimination, accidents, or bad health. How do we live a life full of hope when we may feel like a juicebox that has all the air being sucked out of it?

The Apostle Peter guides us into a life of hope and purpose without bitterness. We can learn from Peter about how to have great faith that will carry us through life's ups and downs.

Join us beginning Thurs., April 25, as we begin to learn from Peter. We will share lunch together at 12:30 in the Fellowship Center (suggested donation \$5.00). Then we will see a thought-provoking, 10-minute video and break into small groups to discuss the Apostle Peter's words to us.

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

SAVE THE DATE

On Thurs., May 2, at 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Center, join us for a hymn-sing and ice cream dessert. All adults are invited!



FELLOWSHIP ALLIANCE SOUTHERN AFRICA

2018 IN REVIEW ANNUAL REPORT FROM JIM WALTER, PART 2

The March issue of this newsletter included the first half of FASA's Annual Report, highlighting many of the amazing things the Lord did in South Africa in 2018. This month we have more — the remainder of the Annual Report and a word from Jody and Kathy Adams, FASA's full-time ministry directors in South Africa!

A LOOK FORWARD

This new year brings us additional opportunities to see God move as He broadens His reach through FASA. Here are just some of ways FASA is growing in 2019:



Jason Butcher

- A new full-time ministry employee, Jason Butcher, from South Africa
- Expanded trips
- Expansion of our facility rental to include the adjacent property, which includes 26 more buildings for accommodations, 3 storage trailers (one with refrigeration), 5 ablution blocks, a hall for large gatherings, expanded storage facilities, and a small store
- Our first intern
- An online store
- Additional charity events
- A South African partnership with an event planner and 5-star chef to sub-lease portions of our South African facility for special events
- Preparation of meals for our trips by the

same 5-star chef

- Partnership with a safari company for tourist opportunities

All this expansion comes with a great need for additional men and women to engage with us. We are praying for additional trip team members, donors, US-based team members, and prayer warriors. Please check out our website at www.myfasa.org for more information and to contact us.

I invite you to join one of our trips for a great mission adventure. I can promise that you will find fulfillment and significance as you invest yourself where God is moving!



Jody & Kathy Adams

A REPORT FROM JODY & KATHY ADAMS IN THE FIELD

This has been an awesome start to the new year for FASA! We want to start by giving thanks and praise to the God that never ceases to amaze us, He is faithful!

- The headmasters in all 5 schools welcomed us back and requested that come as much as we can. So we are in all 5 schools twice a week!
- In February, we held our first Truth for Youth Service and 55 kids attended.
- Forty-six learners attended a leadership conference on FASA grounds.
- The Learners Church Organization organized a once-a-month day camp in Shongoane for all the kids in the village.

This is the result of the desire of four kids who were discipled at FASA wanting to share the Gospel with the younger kids in this village. We have the privilege of assisting them with the lesson planning.

- We recently held our first discipleship group from Phegelelo. A group of 10 from each school come out one Friday a month to FASA, where we continue to develop spiritual disciplines and challenge them as followers of Christ. Most of these kids are the ones who serve as leaders at the children's camps that are held in March and June.

WE NEED HELP WITH THE CAMPS!

There are two camps in June that are for primary-age kids and one in July for high school-age teens. We ask you to pray about how you can be part of His ministry that He has placed here in Lephalale, SA. We would absolutely love to see all of you here, and it would bring so much joy to the hearts of the children that attend these camps! The hope that only Jesus can give is the only focus of these camps, and we would be thrilled if you would assist us with this precious message.

Thank you all for your prayers and your support. We could not do this without them! Jody and I and Jason and the many beautiful faces of the children that will be attending these camps hope to see you soon!

- June 13 – 25 – Kids' Day Camp
- June 21 – July 2 – Kids' Day Camp
- June 27 – July 9 – Youth Camp
- Sept. 19 – Oct. 1 – Youth Leadership Camp

Apply online at www.myfasa.org/trips.

CONNECT WITH US!

www.myfasa.org



Join the adventure with the vlog on www.myfasa.org and the FASA group on the Hub, www.myfac.ccbchurch.com. **25**

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 begins with a celebration of the Last Supper.

APRIL

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

- April 1: Prophecy Study
- April 8: Prophecy Study
- April 13: Easter Celebration Choir at America's Keswick
- April 15: Fellowship Dinner
- April 22: Prophecy Study
- April 29: Prophecy Study

For more information, contact Ed Brokhoff, 609-200-2019, edantbro@gmail.com.



LOOKING FOR WAYS TO SERVE? CHECK FAC'S REGIONAL & GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES

REGIONAL

Several opportunities exist in nearby Camden for you to serve others as well as enrich your own life and walk with God.

SEEDS OF HOPE

Host a Saturday breakfast for the homeless. Contact Amy Hill at amyhill@comcast.net.

- April 6, 9:00
- May 4, 9:00
- June 8, 9:00

SOUP TO SOUL

(Seeds of Hope) in Camden at 6:00 p.m. Contact Brooks Garrison at brookswg65@gmail.com, or Scott Alexander at scottalexander@comcast.net.

- April 13 & 27
- May 11 & 25
- June 8 & 22

URBANPROMISE

Street Leaders

The vision of UrbanPromise includes involving local teens, known as Street Leaders, in the tutoring, mentoring, and coaching of younger children in the community. FAC miniChurches, men's and women's groups are encouraged to minister to these Street Leaders by listening

to their amazing journey, serving a meal to them (25+), guiding them to make good decisions, disciple them in their growth as Christ-followers.

Available dates are April 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 22, and 25.

Contact Jennifer Giordano, 856-382-1864, jgiordano@urbanpromiseusa.org, for more details and to coordinate a date and time.

Work Groups on Saturdays and Weekdays throughout the Year

Projects usually include indoor and outdoor maintenance, yard work, cleaning, painting, and light construction.

Make a Difference Month, April

For this opportunity and for individual and corporate volunteer opportunities, contact Pamela Foxx, 856-382-1860, pfoxx@urbanpromiseusa.org.

- A youth night with an at-risk youth program (Mentoring 14 to 16-year-olds from disadvantaged families in English and leadership development)

UKRAINE

Trip One: June 23 to 30 (Kiev)

- Serve Internally Displaced Ukrainians (IDP's) through teaching English
- Assist with adult Bible teaching seminars
- Distribute and serve food for the IDP's

Trip 2: Second week of September (Lviv)

- Serve within public schools through teaching English
- Help in youth clubs
- Help with soccer and music club outreaches



For more information about missions trips, contact Pastor Suresh Thomas, suresh@myfac.org.

MISSIONS TRIPS

JORDAN

September/October 2019

Here are some possible ministries for you to consider:

- A 4- to 6-week children's camp for ages 5 through 8
- A 6-week adult English course (evenings)



FEEDING 5000 SLEEP OUT

May 4 to 5

Feeding 5000 is bringing awareness to homelessness and hunger through a special event by sleeping out under the stars.

Location: New Covenant Presbyterian Church, 240 Creek Rd., Mt. Laurel

Time: May 4, 7:00 p.m., to May 5, 7:00 a.m.

All proceeds benefit Feeding 5000, a non-profit ministry that provides assistance to the needy and homeless.

For more information, go to www.Feeding5000.us/sleepout.

THE ACABA LIFE CENTER IN JORDAN

Last week, we finished hosting registration for a two-year leadership development and English program for at-risk youth from lower-income families. We expected at least two hundred families to apply throughout the three registration days. We were surprised by 490 applicants. Our new grant only allows us to accept 80 students. We are thrilled by the community's desire for this program but are sad to have to turn down 83% of our applicants.

As we prayed for discernment for our teachers on whom to select, we looked for students who not only will be influenced by this program, but will influence others with what they learn.

— Submitted by Paul & Julie Lerews

[Note: See page 26 for preliminary information about joining a missions trip to Jordan.]



NEW COVENANT MINISTRIES

Each Saturday, New Covenant Ministries serves the poor and homeless on the streets of Camden. We are looking for individuals, families or mini-churches to serve with us.

In the words of the ministry's founder, Tommy Williams, our mission is to "feed them, clothe them, and love them to Jesus," and that's exactly what we do. We set up a food court from which we serve beverages and hot food. We provide a dozen tables with donated clothing, shoes, small household goods, or children's toys and books.

While it's wonderful to help meet people's physical needs, we know that their greatest need is spiritual. Whether through preaching on microphone, praying with a guest, or serving a bowl of hot food with a smile, we build relationships and share God's love with people who desperately need to come to Him.

If you would like more information about how you can help with New Covenant Ministries, contact Doug and Karen Dinkler at kdinkler0104@verizon.net or call 856-985-0976.



FAMILY EVENT TO SUPPORT URBAN PROMISE

2019 Pedal for Promise Saturday, May 11

Pedal for Promise is an annual event to help raise money for UrbanPromise in Camden. UrbanPromise is a community-based nonprofit organization serving 600 children and teens through after-school programs, summer camps, two private schools, teen job training, and experiential learning.

Pedal for Promise is for cyclists of all abilities and ages — from families to serious cyclists. Three options are offered: 12 miles; 30 miles; or metric century, 62 miles. Each course begins and ends at Valenzano Family Winery in Shamong and loops through scenic Burlington County. The ride offers stocked rest stops, SAG support, lunch, lawn games, and exciting fundraising incentives.

We ask every rider to commit to a fundraising goal to help us reach our total goal of \$150,000. The goal for FAC is 50 riders or more and \$5,000.

You can register for the ride in the Atrium on Sun., April 7. You can also register at www.urbanpromiseusa.org/pedal under Team FAC.

If you have questions, contact John Bahm, 609-410-1912.

THE PHILIPPINES



Ed Jurimas, Nick Valdomar, Deb Jurimas, Brie Jurimas & Ryan Zambon

Ed and Debbie and Brianna Jurimas, and Ryan Zambon joined with Nick Valdomar in the Philippines to help with practical projects for several ministries. Here is a summary of some of what they did:

BATAAN PROVINCE

In the Bataan province, we spent a week at the New Tribes School of Missions, which is where a school for teaching nationals is located. At this school, the students learn how to reach their own people with the Gospel. We were welcomed with dinner and singing — complete with motions!

The following day, we led devotions and taught another first aid class. The projects were many and varied. The main project was the repairs to the rock retaining wall that supports the bridge along the river and keeps the land and road intact along the river. Cement, rock, and time were spent on repairs. We also had the opportunity to do washing machine repairs, electrical work, installation of lighting, and repair of an exhaust fan. New ceiling boards were installed in the kitchen; painting and window repairs and many other tasks for daily life were done, such as meals, laundry, dishes (lots of them!), and restroom cleaning.

All of these things play an important part in helping the people there to be able to focus on learning the truth of the Gospel and taking it to their own people without the distractions of trying to fix these things themselves.

To God Be the Glory,
Ed & Debbie, Brianna, Ryan, and Nick



Gathering rocks for the wall repair, Bataan



Repairs in progress, Bataan



Brie and Deb Jurimas, Bataan



Medical outreach, Manila

MANILA

While in Manila we were able to connect with Bright Lights Learning Center, a school to help young adults from poor families complete their high school requirements and possibly get through college. The school is run by Alliance missionaries, Mark and Melissa Young who have an Envision ministry for those who are interested in serving in the Philippines for a few weeks or more.

The students welcomed us with traditional song and dance. Brianna and Ryan taught a basic first aid class, which was great timing since there was recently a fire in the community near the school. After the class, we conducted a medical outreach in the community that had been consumed by the fire. In partnership with a local church, which was set up as a temporary shelter for the homeless, we had a great opportunity to show God's love in the community through some basic medical care and prayers.



Repairs in school building, Bataan

DATE	BUDGET	ACTUAL	DIFFERENCE	
General Fund				
2.3	\$ 61,558	\$ 61,372	\$ (186)	
2.10	\$ 61,558	\$ 55,096	\$ (6,462)	
2.17	\$ 61,558	\$ 77,889	\$ 16,331	
2.24	\$ 61,558	\$ 49,672	\$ (11,886)	
Total	\$ 246,232	\$ 244,029	\$ (2,203)	
Year-to-Date	\$ 492,464	\$ 504,017	\$ 11,553	
Missions Fund				
2.3	\$ 4,808	\$ 4,180	\$ (628)	
2.10	\$ 4,808	\$ 5,804	\$ 996	
2.17	\$ 4,808	\$ 6,753	\$ 1,945	
2.24	\$ 4,808	\$ 3,672	\$ (1,136)	
Total	\$ 19,232	\$ 20,409	\$ (1,177)	
Year-to-Date	\$ 38,464	\$ 39,344	\$ 880	
Benevolence Fund				
2.3		\$ 1,921		
2.10		\$ 1,731		
2.17		\$ 2,401		
2.24		\$ 1,403		
Total		\$ 7,456		
Year-to-Date		\$ 17,036		
Kingdom Vision Fund				
2.3		\$ 13,791		
2.10		\$ 13,841		
2.17		\$ 14,315		
2.24		\$ 11,586		
Total		\$ 53,533		
Year-to-Date		\$ 104,810		
DATE	ADULTS	WORKERS	CHILDREN	TOTAL
2.3	1644	71	241	1956
2.10	1597	126	270	1993
2.17	1509	63	205	1777
2.24	1459	70	229	1758

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

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

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For those struggling 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.