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Celebrating a Birthday

June 13 Betty Gordy
June 14 Rocky Dekle
June 14 Allie Moore
June 15 Yvonne Blalock
June 15 Julie Gresham
June 18 Nancy Dixon Gerrald
June 19 DeeDee Linton

Celebrating an Anniversary

June 17 Mr. & Mrs. Randall Frantz

OPPORTUNITIES

You're Invited to Join Us!

Sunday, June 13, 2021

9:30am – Church Library Open

10:00am – Sunday School Groups

11:00am – Morning Worship
(in-person or at FBCGC.live)

VBS

Sunday, June 13th – Wednesday, June 16th

5:45pm – 8:40pm

Family Night

Thursday, June 17th

6pm

VITAL SIGNS

Budget Gifts Sunday\$9,171.10
Budget Gifts to Date\$9,171.10

MULTIPLE WAYS TO GIVE:

- **In-Person on Sundays**
You can give using the offering plates at each Sunday service.
- **Online Giving**
Give easily and securely at any time on our website: www.FBCGC.net/giving
- **Text-to-Give**
Using your smartphone, text the Amount You Want to Give to [84321](tel:84321)
- **Mailed-in Giving**
Mail your gift to the church office at:
35 Nelson Ave, Garden City, GA 31408

Serving Our Church on Sunday

Ushers

(Ushers, please arrive 20 minutes before service)

Steve Britton, Gerald Ethridge,
Chris Long, Rob Mucha, Warren Oglesby,
Robert Riley, Ed Schaffer, A. J. Tovar,
Luis Tovar, Tommy Triplett

Counters

Zim Nixon, Chairman
Chuck Austin, Mike Durkin,
Corley Zittrouer

Nursery

Allie Moore & Kayley Moore

Preschool

Tia Quattlebaum

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A CANVAS FOR THE MASTER

This past weekend we began our new summer teaching series, *Character Builder: Lessons from the Men & Women of the Old Testament*, with a look at “Noah: A Picture of Faith.”

Together, through July we’re looking at different characters from God’s Word and focusing on a specific trait that He developed in their character. More importantly, we are digging into how God can develop those same character traits in us as He continues to paint the masterpieces of our lives.

Last Sunday’s message on Noah gave us a chance to briefly discuss the amazing Biblical account of Noah & the great flood. We talked about Noah’s faith and how he spent decades building an ark the length of 1½ football fields and preparing for a flood on a scale that the world had never seen before (or since). That faith led him to take God at His word and do what He said.

If you and I are going to allow God to keep painting the masterpieces of our lives with brush strokes of faith, we need to cooperate with Him in the same way. It’s unlikely that God will call you to build an ark any time soon, but who knows what profound acts of faith He has on the horizon for you, me, or our church?

To prepare ourselves and develop our “faith muscles” to respond to God’s call, I shared this weekend that we should *TAKE SMALL STEPS OF FAITH EACH DAY*. These small steps of faith help us to honor God, demonstrate His priority in our life, and allow us to be faithful in the small things to prepare for larger things.

Here are the examples I shared:

- Bible Study
- Prayer

- Acts of Kindness toward Others
- Doing What’s Right

Remember what Ephesians 2:10 says:

“For we are God’s masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago.”

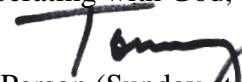
Long ago – before we ever thought about it – God planned good things for you and I to do. Every day that we wake up, He has set aside *something* for us to do that will allow Him to paint a few more strokes of faith into our lives if we’ll look for these opportunities and take advantage of them.

What’s it going to be for you today? *Maybe a phone call or text message to someone you know who is going through a tough time?* Perhaps an unexpected handwritten note to someone you haven’t seen in a while? *You could pay for the person’s food behind you in the drive thru line or grocery store.* Or at the very least, share a kind word that demonstrates God’s love to whomever He places in your path.

Here’s what I know: the more I look around with “Holy Spirit eyes,” the more opportunities I see to serve others, share God’s love, tell people about Jesus, and invite them to church. Because God laid out the plans long ago for me to do so.

Will you commit with me to open our eyes in the coming days for these opportunities and step up, in faith?

Cooperating with God,



P.S. Join us this Sunday, June 13, In-Person (Sunday at 11am) or Online at FBCGC.live (multiple services), as we look at “Deborah: A Picture of Courage”!

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ATTENTION: CHANGE IN COVID RESTRICTIONS:

Effective immediately, First Baptist Church of Garden City is removing our remaining COVID-19 restrictions to attend in-person services, events, and activities.

Along with this change, we recognize that each of us has different pre-existing conditions, health concerns, and levels of comfort, so feel free to wear a mask at any time, maintain physical distancing, and take any other precautions for your own care. We aim to create an environment where you feel safe and comfortable worshipping and growing in your faith, so you are encouraged to make wise decisions for your health and that of your family.

In addition, we still ask that you continue to consider the health of one another if you are not feeling well. If you are sick, have been running a fever, or have been diagnosed with COVID-19 (or anything potentially contagious), please stay home. Remember, weekend worship services are available at FBCGC.live.

Thank you for your patience throughout these difficult months and we ask you to join us in praying for God’s continued healing and for His powerful future here at FBC.

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Warm up your ovens!

We have an opportunity for you to provide side dishes and/or desserts for the teacher’s breakroom during VBS. For classes or those of you that don’t cook a monetary gift is welcomed. Please contact Marie



Austin at (912) 210-6823 if you would like to help.