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Celebrating a Birthday

September 12 Howard Moore
September 12 Jackson Mucha
September 13 Austine Smith
September 14 Brittany Bragg Reagan
September 14 Ann Britton
September 16 Earline Shearouse
September 17 John McMillon

Celebrating an Anniversary

September 18 Mr. & Mrs. David Thornton

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

David Traywick, Chairman
Ed Schaffer, Tommy Triplett,
David Williford

Nursery

MaryKay Schaffer
Maggie Hayes

Preschool

Tia Quattlebaum

Youth & Parent Meeting

Sunday, September 12

Right after morning worship we will discuss activities & events for this school year and next summer. Some activities for next summer will have some requirements.

OPPORTUNITIES

You're Invited to Join Us! Sunday, September 12, 2021

9:30am – Church Library Open

10:00am – Sunday School Groups

11:00am – Morning Worship featuring Baptism
(In-Person or multiple Saturday & Sunday opportunities for Church Online at FBCGC.live)

12:15pm – Youth & Parent Meeting

6:00pm – Deacons Meeting

Wednesday, September 15, 2021

7:00pm – Adult, Youth and Children Bible Studies

VITAL SIGNS

Budget Gifts Sunday\$6,083.00
Budget Gifts to Date\$6,083.00

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
- **Mailed-in Giving**
Mail your gift to the church office at:
35 Nelson Ave, Garden City, GA 31408

Sympathy

As a church family we express our deepest Christian sympathy to Marie Todd and family in the recent death of her grandson Thomas Jeffery Greenway.

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THE POWER OF A STORY

This past weekend, we started our brand-new teaching series called *The Difference Maker: Using My Every Day to Impact the Eternal*. Each week during this series, we are examining how God wants to use you and me to make a difference in people's lives for eternity by lighting the way toward Jesus.

Our first message was about the power of preparing and sharing your story with others. In case you missed it, you can catch the replay of this message online at FBCGC.live. The Difference Maker Principle from this first message was *"My testimony is a powerful tool that God will use to lead others to faith in Jesus Christ!"*

Your testimony is the story of the impact Jesus has had in your life. As we all would agree, this story is a gift that demonstrates the grace and mercy that God has shown to you. Your preparation and willingness to share that story is your gift back to the Lord. And each of us has a unique testimony that God will use to draw people to Jesus.

The three primary steps we talked about to see God use your story were:

1) **I Confirm My Story**

I know that I am following Jesus.

Before you can share your story, you have to make sure that you have a story about your relationship with Jesus. This first step is all about remembering when and how you first came to faith in Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord.

2) **I Complete My Story**

I write out and practice my story.

The next step is to think through, write out, and practice your testimony. Simply put, your story has three basic elements: A) How life was before Jesus, B) How you came to place your faith in Jesus, and C) What your life has been like since you made Him your Savior and Lord. Write it down and practice how you will share it. As 1 Peter 3:15 reminds us, we are always to be prepared to give an answer for the hope we have in Christ!

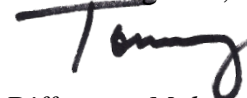
3) **I Commit My Story**

I ask God to use my story.

This is the step that requires the most faith. The "rubber meets the road" when you ask God to give you opportunities to share your story with others who don't yet know Him. Like everything else in life, your story will only be impactful when you lift it up, offer it to God, and share when He gives opportunities.

My prayer during this series (including our two-night training on Wednesdays, September 15 & 22) is that God will equip us, give us confidence, and open doors for each of us to cooperate with Him, lighting the way toward Jesus for untold numbers of people in our community. After all, that's what we've been commissioned to do!

Making a Difference Together,



P.S. This weekend we'll continue our *Difference Maker* teaching series, looking at how God wants to use your worship to make a difference. We'll also celebrate Baptism during Sunday's in-person service. Join us for that or for Church Online at FBCGC.live (multiple services on Saturday evening and all day on Sunday).

You're Invited
MIDWEEK
SPECIAL 2-NIGHT
TRAINING



the
difference
maker
SEMINAR

In-Person on
Wednesday, Sept 15 &
Wednesday, Sept 22
7:00 PM

RSVP requested but not required
to office@fbcgc.net or by
calling 912-964-1448



Join Us to Celebrate
BAPTISM
During In-Person Service
This Sunday, Sept 12

