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Celebrating a Birthday

January 23 Joyce Mock
January 25 Theresa Nixon
January 27 Debbie Traywick

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

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Luis Tovar, Co-Chairman
Ed Schaffer
David Williford

Nursery

Patricia & Rachel Frantz

Preschool

Karen Walea

Current Teaching Series

UNSTOPPABLE

January 23 - Non-Stop Compassion
January 30 - Non-Stop Contribution
February 6 - Non-Stop Cooperation

OPPORTUNITIES

You're Invited to Join Us!

Sunday, January 23, 2022

9:30am – Church Library Open

10:00am – Sunday School Groups

11:00am – Morning Worship

(In-Person or multiple Saturday & Sunday opportunities for Church Online at FBCGC.live)

Wednesday, January 26, 2022

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

VITAL SIGNS

Budget Gifts Sunday\$8,599.50
Budget Gifts to Date\$21,305.00

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:
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Get Out of the Way

I was driving back from a meeting at the Police Department this morning and heard Dr. Adrian Rogers speak on a very familiar passage and quote from Jesus, but I have never heard the back story. It comes from Mark 12:10-11,

*“Have you not even read this Scripture:
‘A stone which the builders rejected,
This has become the chief cornerstone;
This came about from the Lord,
And it is marvelous in our eyes’?”*

When they were building the temple, they did not want the sound of hammers at the site of the temple. This meant that the cutting of the stones had to be done off site. After careful planning the builders would send the specifications to the stone quarry where the stone would not only be taken from but also shaped to exact specifications to be transported to the temple site. The stones would arrive on site, and it became like a jigsaw puzzle figuring out what pieces would go where. As they worked, they kept working around an odd, shaped stone. It wasn't one for the area they were working on, and it kept getting in the way. It became a stumbling block for them as they worked. Keeping in mind these were big pieces and not easily moved. They eventually got so annoyed with this piece that they drug it to the side of the cliff and rolled it off down into the valley. As work progressed, they called for the corner stone to be sent. Word came back that they had already sent it. As you have figured out, the stone that was the stumbling block was the corner stone. The most important piece had been discarded as a nuisance was really the most valued piece.

Jesus used this illustration after He had told the parable of the vine growers. When time came to collect from the vineyard workers what was owed, they rejected those who came to collect, when the son was sent, they killed the son. Jesus used this to show that He would be the corner stone that would be rejected by the religious community. The one who had come to save them would be the one they rejected.

We can look down on the religious leaders of that day, but we don't learn from history any better. We have our hopes, dreams, and plans for how we think things should be and when Jesus says something different, we are quick to try to work around Him. Yet no matter how hard we try He keeps getting in the way. Sometimes we get so busy we even forget about Him and trip over Him while trying to do good things without Him. My devotion this morning from Oswald Chambers also talked about this,

“Beware of anything that competes with your loyalty to Jesus Christ. The greatest competitor of true devotion to Jesus is the service we do for Him. It is easier to serve than to pour out our lives completely for Him. The goal of the call of God is His satisfaction, not simply that we should do something for Him. We are not sent to do battle for God, but to be used by God in His battles. Are we more devoted to service than we are to Jesus Christ Himself?”

If we are not careful the one who we say we love and devote our lives to will become a stumbling block in our lives as well. If we are not really following Him then we are really working against Him, no matter how good our deeds are or how great our intentions. This is a great reminder for us at the beginning of the year.

Randall

Contribution Records



Your 2021 contribution records are ready and can be picked up from the church office.

If you would like for us to keep a record of your contributions, please take a box of **offering envelopes**. Be sure to sign the sheet with your name and the box number. When using envelopes, it is important to fill in **your name and amount given on each envelope**. This way we can keep a record throughout the year, contact the church office if you have any questions.



Hey! Youth

It's time to start thinking about summer camp for those youth that will have completed the 6th grade thru 12th grade. We will attend Centrifuge Camp at Ridgecrest, NC. on June 11th. A **deposit of \$75.00 to reserve your spot is due February 1st**. See Randall for more details.