Celebrating a Birthday

May 17	Laurann Mucha
May 20	Jason Wallace
May 21	Samuel Frantz

Serving Our Church

Sunday

<u>Ushers</u>

Tony Bragg, Mike Durkin, J. D. Dyches, Joe Jackson, Crawford Leonard, Terry Nappier, Larry Olliff, Jay Walea

Counters

J. D. Dyches, Chairman Jay Walea, Chairman Tony Bragg, Mike Durkin

Nursery

Jackie Dyches Gay Triplett

Preschool Amanda Long

Wednesday Children's TeamKid Amber Duke

VITAL SIGNS

Budget Gifts Sunday	\$4.733.00
Budget Gifts to Date	

OPPORTUNITIES

You're Invited to Join Us! Sunday, May 15, 2022

9:30am – Breakfast Served

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, May 18, 2022

7:00pm Adult and Youth Bible Study & Children's TeamKid

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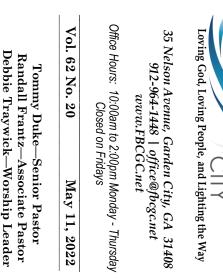
BLOCK PARTY June 5th

5:00-7:30pm

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL June 12th-15th 5:45-8:40pm

VBS FAMILY NIGHT June 16th 6:00pm

You can help FBC Garden City make a difference in the lives of children & families this Summer! Call Church Office or Sign-Up on your Connection Card at church.



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MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

If you've been around FBC over the past couple of years, you have likely heard me quote this verse:

"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." – Ephesians 2:10 (NLT)

This one verse points out a powerful Biblical truth in a concise manner. Throughout the Bible, we see that God prefers order over chaos (1 Corinthians 14:33).

He brought forth creation according to His plan. The Old and New Testaments tell the same story of God's love for us *and* the fulfillment of His plan to redeem us to Himself through Christ. In short, all of scripture informs us that our Heavenly Father is a planner who is not bound by time and space.

So, it shouldn't surprise us to know that God has pre-planned opportunities for us to do good works!

Because we've been re-created in Christ Jesus, we can cooperate with God by doing that which He has put in our path. In other words, honoring God with our lives is really just cooperating with what He's doing. He provides the opportunities... we are to be good stewards of those opportunities. That's true for us as individual Christ followers AND as a church (a gathered body of believers).

God is up to something special these days at First Baptist Church of Garden City: We are welcoming first time guests almost every week, we dedicated four baby boys and their parents to the Lord this past Sunday, and *we have had a half dozen attendees commit their lives to Christ in the past month!* We now have several great opportunities to continue to cooperate with God to see His Kingdom grow:

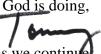
- Our Children's Ministry (GC Kids) is beginning to swell. This is an answer to prayer. Now there are multiple opportunities available for you to serve in this vital ministry area.
- In a few weeks (Sunday, June 5) we'll welcome our neighbors to the **2022 Community Block Party**. There are opportunities for you to help by inviting guests, volunteering to serve, and/or simply attending to get to know some new people.
- Vacation Bible School runs Sunday, June 12 thru Wednesday, June 15, with Family Night on Thursday, June 16. We are still on the lookout for additional volunteers to serve all the children and youth that God will send our way for this powerful ministry opportunity.

My prayer for you and for our church is that we will be good stewards of these (and all the other) opportunities. But I am reminded of this quote about why so many of us look back at missed opportunities:

"Opportunity is missed by most people because it is dressed in overalls and looks like work." – Thomas Edison

Please join me in praying that we will make the most of our God-planned opportunities and contact us at the office to sign up to serve!

Excited for what God is doing,



P.S. Join us again this Sunday, May 15, as we continue our *FEAR*<*LESS* teaching series, looking at Jesus' thoughts on worry. Join us In-Person if you can (Sunday at 11am) or Church Online (multiple service times) at <u>FBCGC.live</u> if you can't be here in-person.



Teaching Series: CHOOSING FAITH IN FRIGHTENING TIMES

Sunday, May 15 – Daily Deciding Not to Worry





As we continue to invite and as people join us, we are having more opportunities to minister to families. We have openings to minister in the nursery during the Sunday School hour. Please contact Randall or the office to be a part of this vital ministry.

<u>Thank you</u>

The family of Leigh "Bucky" Adkins would like to thank you for all the support, prayers, cards, and calls during our time of loss. We also want to thank those who prepared the food for our luncheon, that was so meaningful to our family.

Judy Adkins & family