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## Celebrating Anniversaries

June 5 Mr. & Mrs. Johnny Hearn  
June 6 Mr. & Mrs. Robert Riley  
June 10 Mr. & Mrs. Tony Austin

## Serving Our Church on Sunday

### Ushers

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

### Counters

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Robert Riley  
Corley Zittrouer

### Nursery

Laurann Mucha  
Autumn & Summer Brinson

### Preschool

Lisa Bragg

## Wednesday, June 8<sup>th</sup> Children's TeamKid

Amber Duke

## OPPORTUNITIES

*You're Invited to Join Us!*

### Sunday, June 5, 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, June 8, 2022

7:00pm

Adult and Youth Bible Study

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Children's TeamKid

## VITAL SIGNS

Budget Gifts Sunday .....\$5,510.00  
Budget Gifts to Date .....\$27,004.40

## 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](http://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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## THE ANTIDOTE TO FEAR

As a boy, I can remember giving my parents a hard time at bedtime. I have always had an active mind and it seems that, even at a young age, my mind did not understand how to go into “sleep mode.”

Most of the time, that meant that I would lay in bed thinking about what I did that day, planning for the next day, or imagining my life when I was older. But sometimes, in the dark, my active mind would think about who or what might be just outside my door. A creaking house sparked thoughts of intruders sneaking around. A howling wind outside made me wonder if there were monsters in the backyard. *How was I supposed to sleep in my frightened state?*

My remedy usually involved getting up and finding my parents. If they were still awake, I would try to sit on one of their laps while they talked or watched television in the living room. If they were in bed, I would do my best to sneak in and lay with them. While I didn't know exactly what I was afraid of, I knew that I felt safe with Mom and Dad.

Having been a “grown-up” for a while now and raising boys of my own, I've learned that my bedtime fears were not unusual. If anything, that's the norm for many children. I've had a few uncomfortable nights' sleep because one (or both) of my children ended up in our bed when they were younger.

If I'm honest, I still have trouble sleeping sometimes because I am thinking about scary things.

However, there are 2 differences at my stage of life:

- 1) *The things I am afraid of seem much more “real” than monsters in the dark.* These days, I'm more likely to experience fear about my

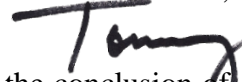
kids' futures, fear about my health, fear about leading my family and our church well, etc.

- 2) *Climbing in my parents' lap is no longer an option.* My father has gone on to be with Jesus and I couldn't put my mother through that. 😊

No, these days, as a Christ follower for over three decades now, I have matured to allow God to provide my security. *I have learned to focus on my faith in Jesus rather than the fears that race through my mind.* With physical maturity, I grew out of needing my parents for comfort. Now, with a measure of spiritual maturity, I've learned to put God in His rightful place and trust His words from Isaiah 41:10:

*“Don't be afraid, for I am with you.  
Don't be discouraged, for I am your God.  
I will strengthen you and help you.  
I will hold you up with my victorious right hand.”*

Trusting God for the Future,



P.S. Join us this Sunday, June 5, for the conclusion of our *FEAR<LESS* teaching series. We will look at what Jesus teaches us about how to live a life of significance. Join us In-Person if you can make it (Sunday at 11:00am) or Church Online (multiple service times) at [FBCGC.live](https://www.fbcgc.org/live).

P.P.S If you can possibly make it, please attend our Annual Community Block Party this Sunday, June 5, from 5 – 7pm. It's going to be a fun time of games, giveaways, food, and fellowship. Want to help out? There are still serving opportunities available. Contact Pastor Randall if you're interested.

Please pray that our church will be able to share God's love in practical ways and connect with new people from our community.



### Teaching Series: CHOOSING FAITH IN FRIGHTENING TIMES

Sunday, June 5, Choosing Significance

#### BLOCK PARTY

June 5<sup>th</sup>  
5:00-7:00pm

#### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 12<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>  
5:45-8:40pm

#### VBS FAMILY NIGHT

June 16<sup>th</sup>  
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.

