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## OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, June 19, 2022

### *HAPPY FATHER'S DAY*

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 22, 2022

7:00pm

Adult and Youth Bible Study

&

Children's TeamKid

### VITAL SIGNS

Budget Gifts Sunday .....\$8,684.00

Budget Gifts to Date .....\$17,275.00

### 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](http://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:  
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## Celebrating a Birthday

June 19  
June 24

DeeDee Linton  
Catherine Calhoun

## Celebrating Anniversaries

July 19  
July 23

Mr. & Mrs. David Traywick  
Mr. & Mrs. Jason Wallace

## Serving Our Church on Sunday

### Ushers

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

### Counters

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

### Nursery

Patricia Frantz

### Preschool

Amanda Long

## Wednesday, June 22

### Children's TeamKid

Amber Duke

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## CHARACTER COUNTS

This past Sunday we opened our summer teaching series called *Character Builder* by looking at Joseph, the son of Jacob, and learning about the trait of *perseverance*. Each weekend this month and next we will continue to examine and learn about several character traits that were evident in men and women throughout the Old Testament.

The goal of this series is to help you and I recognize God as the great builder of our character, and – *here's the hard part* – do our part to cooperate with Him to develop and shape our character.

I mentioned on Sunday that a good working definition of “character” is *the mental and moral qualities distinctive to an individual*. In other words, as the evangelist D.L. Moody said:

“Character is what you are in the dark.”

As a pastor and in my ministry training church and business leaders, we often discuss the criteria for hiring staff members. There are several “C” words that are vital to hire the right people for an organization:

- **Competence:** Can they do the job we are hiring them to do?
- **Chemistry:** Will they be able to get along with others and work well on our team?
- **Culture:** Can they fit in with the culture of our community, our church, and our staff team?

On occasion, an organization will find someone that checks the “yes” box on all of these elements, but should still never be hired... because they don't meet the 4<sup>th</sup> “C”:

- **Character:** Do they have the integrity and moral fortitude for our organization to build on as we look to the future?

We live in a world where we are led to believe that the most important thing we have is our *reputation*. But what matters even more than that is our *character*. Here's a quote to help with the distinction between the two:

“Character is like a tree and reputation its shadow. The shadow is what we think it is and the tree is the real thing.”

– Abraham Lincoln

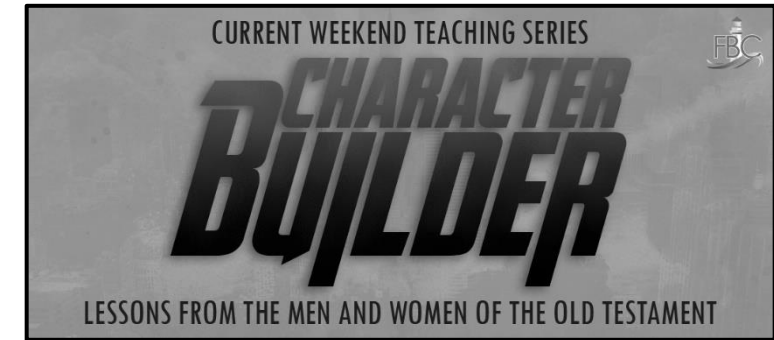
Whether in politics, business, or even ministry, we can all think of prominent people who were successful at managing and manipulating their reputation but didn't cooperate with God to actually build their character. When difficulties arise, their shadow (reputation) is revealed to be without substance (character).

In our *Character Builder* series, we aim to be more concerned with doing our part to let God shape, strengthen, and secure that which makes us who we really are... our character. I'm excited to see how He works in us and through each of us as individual Christ followers and together as His church!

Asking God to Build our Character,



P.S. Join us this Sunday, June 19, as we continue our new *Character Builder* teaching series, looking at Caleb to learn about commitment. Join us In-Person if possible (Sunday at 11:00am) or Church Online (multiple service times) at [FBCGC.live](https://www.fbcgc.live). *Who can you invite to attend with you?*



- JUNE 19 – CALEB: LESSONS ON COMMITMENT
- JUNE 26 – RAHAB: LESSONS ON AUDACITY
- JULY 3 – HANNAH: LESSONS ON FAITHFULNESS
- JULY 10 – RUTH: LESSONS ON RESPONSIBILITY
- JULY 17 – BOAZ: LESSONS ON JUSTICE
- JULY 24 – JONATHAN: LESSONS ON LOYALTY

### Encourage-O-Grams for World Changers

This is your opportunity to encourage our youth group who will be traveling on June 24 thru July 2 to work in Gallup, New Mexico. We will have forms available to send encouragement notes and prayers to all our participants in the foyers of the church. ***We will also send forms out by email to you per your request if you prefer to fill out online.***

**The deadline to turn them in is June 22nd.**