

# Welcome to Faith

May 21, 2023

## Prayer Requests

UPCOMING SURGERIES

Jessica Brown

## Church Family Night

Join us June 4, at 5pm, at Faith East for Church Family Night. New member/update photos will be in Jeremy Vegter's office from 4:15-4:45pm.

## Free to Dream Groundbreaking Ceremony

You are invited to a brief groundbreaking ceremony for the Free to Dream major projects on Sunday evening, June 4. The ceremony will begin at approximately 6pm (after a shortened Church Family Night) on the lawn of the Faith East Community Center. We will celebrate starting the new FCS High School Facility, FE Athletic Training Center, FE Church Lobby Renovation, and completion of the Restoration Sawmill & Classroom Facility.

## Host Family

Faith Church has the opportunity to host boys for a school year from a partnering orphanage in the Dominican Republic. We are in need of two host families to welcome two senior boys as a child in their home. They will likely arrive in the beginning of August and stay through the end of May for their senior year at Faith Christian School. Each host family will be provided with a stipend to cover the cost of room & board. Regular check-ins and support will be provided from Noelle Haynie. If interested in hosting, please contact Noelle at [nhaynie@faithlafayette.org](mailto:nhaynie@faithlafayette.org)

Last Week's Offering - \$73,743.23  
Weekly Budget - \$74,195  
Last Week Sunday Worship - 1,852

## Children's Ministry 2yr - 5th grade

Our children's Sunday school classes are designed to ground kids in the foundational truths of God's Word. We encourage parents to review the content of each week's lesson with their children. You can use the QR code to find helpful suggestions for continuing the discipleship process at home.



## VBS Servant Sign-Up

This year's Vacation Bible School takes place June 19-23 from 6pm to 8pm at all three Faith campuses. Please help us introduce the children of our community to Jesus this summer by volunteering to serve. To learn more or to sign up, please visit [faithlafayette.org/serve](https://faithlafayette.org/serve) or use the QR code.



## Promotion Sunday

On Sunday, June 4, many of the kids and teens involved in our children's & student ministries will promote to the next level. To learn where your child should go, please visit [faithlafayette.org/promotions](https://faithlafayette.org/promotions) or use the QR code.



## Race for Hope

Race for Hope 10K/5K run and 5K walk is Saturday, June 3, 2023. Registration starts at 7am and the race begins at 8am. Early packet pickup is June 2 from 4-7pm at VOH. Funds raised from this event will benefit VOH and FBS. Register for the Race or donate by going to [faithlafayette.org/raceforhope](https://faithlafayette.org/raceforhope). Please contact [rmiller@faithlafayette.org](mailto:rmiller@faithlafayette.org) if you have any questions.

## Your Pastors

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### Faith Church East 8:00AM

**Johnny Kjaer - Student Ministries**  
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**Trey Garner - Children's Ministries**  
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### Faith Church East 9:30AM

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### Faith Church East 11:00AM

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### Faith Church East Family 11:00AM (gym)

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### Faith Church West 9:30AM

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### Faith Church West 11:00AM

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**Hope in Everyday Suffering**  
**Hope Because of the Testing of God**  
**1 Peter 4:12-19**

4 natural expectations that every child of God should have during our time here on earth

**I. God Will Bring \_\_\_\_\_ of His Children (v. 12, 17)**

A. An expected part of life – “Do not be surprised”

“surprised” – to cause a strong psychological reaction through introduction of something new or strange, astonish

B. A part of what God has designed for His people specifically – “time for judgement to begin with the household of God”

**Genesis 22:1** - *Now it came about after these things, that God tested Abraham, and said to him, “Abraham!” And he said, “Here I am.”*

C. A “fiery” ordeal

**II. God Will \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ His Children’s True Allegiances (v. 14-16)**

**1 Peter 4:14-16** - *If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you. Make sure that none of you suffers as a murderer, or thief, or evildoer, or a troublesome meddler; but if anyone suffers as a Christian, he is not to be ashamed, but is to glorify God in this name.*

A. The primary testing or suffering that is revealing in our lives is because of a specific identity that we claim.

1. Reviled for the name of Christ
2. Suffers as a Christian
3. Glorify God in this name

**Matthew 7:21-23** - *Not everyone who says to Me, “Lord, Lord,” will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven will enter. Many will say to Me on that day, “Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in Your name, and in Your name cast out demons, and in Your name perform many miracles?” And then I will declare to them, “I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness.”*

B. The suffering because of natural consequence of sinful choices (murderer, thief, evildoer, troublesome meddler) while instructive to us is not revealing of our professed identity.

**1 Peter 2:20** - *For what credit is there if, when you sin and are harshly treated, you endure it with patience?*

**1 Peter 3:17** - *For it is better, if God should will it so, that you suffer for doing what is right rather than for doing what is wrong.*

**III. God’s Life of Faith \_\_\_\_\_ in His Children Is Part of Your Assurance (v. 13, 14, 16, 18)**

- “At the revelation of His glory you may rejoice with exultation”
- “You are blessed”
- “The Spirit of His glory and of God rests on you”

**IV. God Will Do What Is Right Through the \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 19)**

**1 Peter 4:19** - *Therefore, those also who suffer according to the will of God shall entrust their souls to a faithful Creator in doing what is right.*

**1 Peter 2:4-7** - *And coming to Him as to a living stone which has been rejected by men, but is choice and precious in the sight of God, you also, as living stones, are being built up as a spiritual house for a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For this is contained in Scripture: “Behold, I lay in Zion a choice stone, a precious corner stone, and he who believes in Him will not be disappointed.” This precious value, then, is for you who believe.*