

“You cannot out-give God. I challenge you to try it and see.”

– Billy Graham

Many years ago, as the church he served was engaged in a building expansion, Dr. Charles F. Stanley asked the Lord how much he should personally commit to the project. After making a financial commitment, he began to sense more was being asked of him. He writes,

“It wasn’t long before He began to impress upon me to give my camera equipment to the building fund. I love photography. It is my favorite hobby. However, God’s conviction was strong and to the point. There was no way I wanted to avoid making the right decision. I knew that my obedience would lead to blessing. If He wanted my cameras, I wanted to give them to Him. After all, He owned them anyway.

A few days later, I sold my equipment and gave the money to the building fund. Many of the other members of our congregation also gave personal possessions and treasures. It was a great time in our fellowship for seeking God’s will with our finances and allowing Him to prove His faithfulness to each one of us.

Several months later, a woman rang my doorbell. When I opened it, I noticed she had two very large shopping bags. She asked, ‘Are you Charles Stanley?’ I didn’t know what to think but I replied, ‘Yes, I am.’ She said, ‘This is for you.’ She set the bags down and turned and walked away. I looked inside of one of them and immediately recognized my camera equipment. God had returned every lens and every camera body to me. Is this the way He works? I believe it is. Many times, He tests us to see where our true devotion is located. Is it in ‘things’ or is it in Him?

God will protect our finances as we contribute to His work in obedience to Him. We have His Word on this: Leviticus 27:30; Proverbs 3:9-10; Psalm 116:12; Luke 6:38; Philippians 4:19.

Partners in ministry, Pastor Kent

This Week At FBC

Sunday’s Sermon

Change the World, Part 1

Acts 2:22-41

Pastor Kent Hinkel

October 19 - 25

Sunday	11:00a 4:00p	Discovery Class Missions Committee
Monday	9:00a 6:30p	Sew What Care Group Deaconess Committee Meeting
Thursday	1:00p	First Baptist Seniors
Friday	7:00p	Celebrate Recovery

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WEEKLY ENCOURAGEMENT

To be “in Christ Jesus” means the perfect righteousness of Jesus Christ has been credited to you (See 2 Corinthians 5:21). It means, “The old is gone, the new has come” (2 Corinthians 5:17). It means you are now a participant in divine nature (See 2 Peter 1:4-7). It also means nothing “in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord” (Romans 8:38-39). Rejoice in the honor of being called to be a son or a daughter of the King (See Galatians 3:26). “Glorify the Lord with me; let us exalt His name together” (Psalm 34:3).





What principles will motivate joyful giving to God's work? We can think of several. One, deep within each of us is the need to live for a cause greater than ourselves. Giving to God's work is a contribution to eternal causes that makes your life count for those eternal causes. Two, joyful giving is a perfect way to say "Thanks" to God for His immeasurable gifts to you. Third, joyful giving grows our ability to trust in God's promises to meet our needs as we meet the needs of others. "My God will supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:19).

Pastor Kent & Trish Hinkel

Missionary of the Week: Kiersten Hutchinson-TEAM Zimbabwe

The next three months she will be doing rounds and be on call to cover the doctors who are going on vacation. Please pray for her as this is a challenging time where she must deal with severe sickness and death on a more regular basis. It also highlights the need to speak the Gospel because it may literally be the last chance for some to hear it.

NCA Ministry of the Week

NCA Meetings, Immanuel Baptist Church, Beulah, ND, October 25 2025

Prayer

It's a sign of our times: many people have "a form of godliness but deny its power" (2 Timothy 3:1-5). Such religion, if it is that, is appearance-based, not inward and authentic. Today, even within evangelical churches, many believe a person can be a Christian without also being engaged in practical obedience to Christ. Let us pray to no longer be children, "tossed here and there by waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of people" (Ephesians 4:14). Let us pray to "become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ" (Ephesians 4:13) and to "be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus . . . qualified to teach others" (2 Timothy 2:1-2).

Giving Thanks

October is Clergy Appreciation Month: Thank you to our Pastoral Staff. You are a blessing to this congregation! We continually remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. We extend our sincere appreciation for dedicated service to Pastor Kent and Trish Hinkel, Pastor Brandon and Melanie Smith, Pastor Chris and Jess Eaton, and Elaine Carlson.

THIS MORNING AT FBC

Nursery
Staffed for kids through 36 months
9:50a and 11:05a

Pre-school/Kindergarten
Sunday School - 9:45a

Children's Ministry
Sunday School - 9:45a

Adult Ministry
Sunday School - 9:45a

From the Ground Up Coffee Ministry: Specialty coffee is served on Sunday mornings in the Upstairs Lounge. 100% of the donations is gifted to our Missionaries at Christmas.

Children's Church - Ages 3 - 5
Room 101/102 - 11:00a

Middle/High School Ministry
Downstairs Lounge - 9:45a

Young Adult Ministry S.A.L.T.
Room 106 - 9:45a

Find details for each ministry at the Information Booth in the Foyer, at fbcminot.org, or at the Church Office.

WHAT'S COMING UP AT FBC

Clean-up Day for FBC Widows and Elderly: Unfortunately this event has been **canceled**.

New Members Class: If you would like to become a member of FBC, join us on Sun., Oct. 19, at 11:00a, in the Downstairs Lounge. A sign-up sheet is located at the Information Desk.

Sew What Care Group will be meeting on Monday, Oct. 20, from 9a-5p. RSVP at Jkreddig@srt.com or 720-2224 if you plan to attend.

2025 North Central Association Annual Meeting: Join us at Immanuel Baptist Church in Beulah, ND, on Saturday, October 25. Guest speaker Merv Budd will address this year's theme: "Rethinking Evangelism: Preparing for Evangelism in a Post-Christian Culture." Consider serving as a delegate! Contact Pastor Kent or stop by the Information Desk for additional details.

Capital Campaign Videos: Every week we feature a new video for the Campaign. If you would like to rewatch any of these videos, logon to fbcminot.org, select Campaign Information, and scroll to the bottom of the page.

October 26, 2025, is Missions Sunday: We look forward to this yearly opportunity to appreciate Mission work and celebrate the important role Missionaries play in today's world. We will be having a potluck after the 3rd service at 12:15p; chicken will be provided, and everyone is encouraged to bring a side or a desert to share.

It's SHE Time! Ladies, join us as we learn to decorate Christmas cookies. Missy Rohrbeck, owner of The Cookie Cutter, will teach us simple Christmas cookie decorating skills that are sure to wow your friends and family. The event is being held Thurs., Nov. 13, at 6:30p, in the Gym. The cost is \$10 per person which includes all supplies and cookies. Snacks and the coffee cart will be available. Please RSVP on the Church Center app or sign up in the Church Lobby by Nov. 7.

Operation Christmas Child: People across the country fill shoeboxes with small toys, school supplies, and other little gifts. Please bring in your boxes only during the week of November 17. Brochures and boxes are available in the Church Foyer.

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