

Pk's Perspectives ... Our Brother, Clyde Evans

I loved my brother Clyde Evans from the time of our first conversation some 16 years ago. My love for Clyde only grew deeper as we worked side-by-side on the FBC staff. I will very much miss our conversations in the hallways, our sit-downs in my and his office, his stories of yesteryear, the meals we shared, his nuggets of wisdom, and the riotous laughter around the staff meeting table sparked by some crazy Clydeism thrown into the flow of conversation. I appreciated Clyde's honesty and transparency in our private talks and never worried that he would repeat sensitive information. My heart was warmed by his vision for the Legacy Builders ministry. I appreciated Clyde's willingness to roll up his sleeves and get his hands dirty, and also his willingness to learn something new (he was a hoot while learning to use all the technology in the office!).

Clyde's graduation to heaven has left a void in all of our hearts, in our ministry team, and in our community; this is my first time dealing with the passing of a current staff member and in all honesty, it has felt like a gut punch that leaves me unable to draw a complete breath. Yet I trust God's holy, unerring sovereignty and have no doubt that not only will Jesus heal our grieving hearts but Jesus also has an amazing plan for sustaining the leadership of our Legacy Builders ministry. Pray for Jan, Shelli (Luke, Benjamin), and Matt (Karen, Thomas, Mackenzie); pray for one another; and let's also pray for clear direction related to our Legacy Builders ministry.

I want to remind you that we start our Christmas Season Sunday morning schedule this week: Sunday morning **small groups @ 9:15** and **combined worship in the sanctuary @ 10:30**. A bit of a new twist this year is the Praise Team will be leading worship the first two Sundays in December and the choir will be leading for the final three Sundays of the month. Also mark your calendar to join us in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday evening, December 10 @ 6:30, as the combined choirs of FBC and Mt. Calvary present their Christmas musical (including handbells and children's choir!).

ATTENTION ALL ORDAINED DEACONS: we will be convening an Ordination Council on December 7th @ 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall for the purpose of affirming Daniel Mullis in his calling to serve FBC through the Deacon ministry. Since a meal will be served, we need you to call the office to sign-up so we'll know how much food to order. Thanks in advance for your participation!

Our FBC Advent Devotional will be available for pick-up this Sunday morning...each daily devotion was written by a member of our church! Grace & peace, love you. PK