



Lift up Jesus. Love people.

FBC FAMILIES,

About 8 summers ago, at my previous church, we took around 30 elementary school age kids down to Green River to go tubing. We had adults in the front of the group, a couple in the middle, and some in the back. In our minds, this was going to be a leisurely float down this popular river. Boy, were we wrong...

We did not realize, because of the rain we had previously that week, the river was running fast. Really fast. Like, Chevy Chase sledding down the snowy hill in Christmas Vacation fast. As soon as everyone got on their tubes in the water, they were gone. The next hour and a half was filled with rescuing kids holding on for dear life to tree limbs, tracking down rogue tubes and genuine fear in the eyes of kids and adults alike. Everyone made it out safely and all we lost was a leader's cell phone, a Croc or 2 and our dignity.

I learned a couple of things that day. 1) I probably won't ever bring a group that young tubing without more adults I probably won't ever bring a group that young tubing! 2) I like tubing but not white-water rafting.

Tubing is great because it is typically relaxing. It doesn't take much effort. You just sit on the tube, and the river does the rest. It turns out, that's how I like my life to flow as well. I prefer things that don't take much effort over difficult things that stretch me. I would rather comfort and routine.

Our core value for the month is Serving our Community. The very nature of serving is that it takes effort. Serving oftentimes stretches us and takes us out of our comfort zone. It also gives us the opportunity to impact the lives of those around us in tangible ways. When we don't serve, we miss out on ways God can grow us and shape us in our walk with Him.



Here are a few ways you can serve at FBC right now.

- You could be a volunteer leader at VBS. [Click here to register.](#)
- You could serve on our parking team. [Click here to register.](#)
- You could serve on a rotation in our PreK department as we have more and more families visiting and joining our church each week. Contact MacKenna at gilbertm@fbchnc.org
- You can park at the Curb Market, Library, or First Citizen's Bank on Sunday mornings to free up spots for new guests, elderly members, and families with young children.

Of course, these are not the only opportunities to serve at FBC or in your everyday life. But they are opportunities to take a step and make a big immediate impact.

Last thing... we are looking forward to our Father's Day montage video! Please submit any pictures/short videos of dad's and your kids [HERE](#) before June 14th to make sure we have time to add them before Father's Day.

Please let us know if there is anything we can do to serve you as a family ministry team.

Pastor Joey



Trusting God's Word
Following His Ways
Walking With Others
Serving Our Community
Reaching the Nations

