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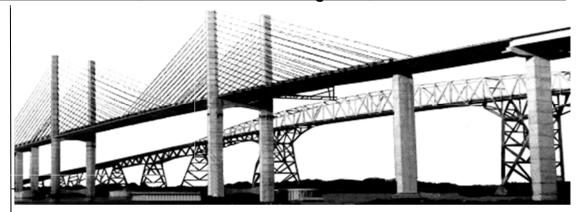
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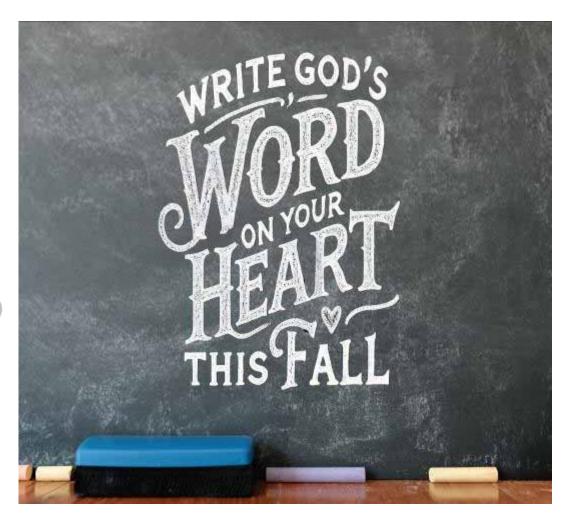
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Glorify Go Gather Grow





#### **BK'S KORNER**

You know who is better than a mighty warrior? One who is better than a conquering hero? Proverbs tells us. "He who is slow to anger is better than mighty, and he who rules his spirit than he who takes a city." Proverbs 16:32.

The man who can control his anger is better than a mighty warrior. In other words, "flying off the handle" is wrong. Waiting a long time and then finally boiling over is sinful. Just walking around mad all the time is wicked. You get the picture. Anger is wrong and it is sinful.

How about ruling our spirit? The man who can control his emotions better than the man who takes a city. In other words, it not just about controlling our anger it is about ruling all of our emotions.

Only in Christ can we begin to control our spirit and keep lid on our anger. We have to want to be like him. That becomes our righteousness. Our righteousness determines whether not God eyes are upon us. It is our determining factor in whether or not His ears are open to our prayers. I want to have that kind or righteousness. The kind where I am on praying ground!

Be slow to anger. Control your spirit. Pray. Love and Blessings.

BK ><>

#### YOUTH MINISTER

#### **God Is Doing a New Thing**

"See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland."—Isaiah 43:19

We're stepping into a new season of youth ministry at FBC, and we believe God is going before us to do something fresh and exciting. Last week, we relaunched our youth Bible study with a great evening of food, fun, and fellowship — and it's just the beginning of what we believe will be a powerful move of God in the lives of our students.

Isaiah 43:19 reminds us that God is always at work — even when we don't see it yet. He's preparing the way, renewing what's dry, and calling His people to trust in His leading. That's exactly our prayer for this new chapter: that students will encounter the living God in a personal way and experience growth that lasts far beyond Wednesday nights.

As we look ahead, we're praying for hearts to be transformed, relationships to deepen, and for our students to build a strong, lasting foundation in their faith. We're also praying for more students to come—those who are searching for truth.

To help us serve them well, we're looking for volunteers who feel called to invest in the next generation. Whether you can help serve snacks, greet students, lead small groups, or simply show up and encourage, there's a place for you. If you're interested in being part of what God is doing in our youth ministry, we'd love to talk with you.

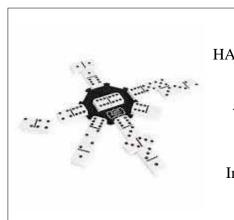
Thank you for your continued prayers, encouragement, and support. We truly believe the best is yet to come!

Cody Dowden

#### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

By Letter:

Steven & Nancy Wall



#### GOLDEN HARVEST GAMES

Thursday August 7 & 21

1:00 p.m.

In the East Wing Game Room

#### **MUSIC MOMENTS**

Dearest FBCBC Family and Friends,

I know that y'all may think we are peculiar for singing a Christmas Song in August. But, in looking for Christmas musicals, plays, and skits for three days, our minds were in Christmas Mode. The last couple of weeks it's been bearing on our hearts to select a program that would bless our church and bring honor to the Birth of Christ.

So, in preparing for the Worship Service, we read Bro. Keith's text for this past Sunday's Sermon from Acts 12. Immediately, my mind went to "I wonder how Peter felt when the angel smote him on the side, then told him to get dressed and led him away from the prison. What did Peter see as he journeyed to the House of Mary, mother of John? Did he know the church was praying for him at the same time he was on his way there? In my mind, I was thinking:

#### "What a Holy Night!"

(Oh by the way, "O Holy Night" is not in our Christmas Musical)

Don't get the MullyGrubs if a Christmas song or two happens to show up in the Worship Guide. ...

Love y'all, Billy & Pam

#### GOLDEN HARVEST MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday, August 12 at noon!

Chris Bailey will be the entertainment.

All food is provided so please just come and enjoy some great music.

#### Thank You

To the Intercessory Prayer Group:

Thank y'all for all the Prayers lifted up for Ruth and our family. May God bless you all for this ministry.

With Prayers Randy, Will, Tommy & Brad Wallace



### PRAYER Changes Things

Men's Prayer Group meets on Mondays in the Office Meeting room at 5:30 a.m.

Join our Ladies Prayer Group. The ladies meet on Mondays at 10:00 a.m. in the Prayer Room.

#### **SOUP KITCHEN**



TUESDAY, August 26

Van leaves the church at 8:45 a.m.

If you are interested in participating in this opportunity to serve others please let Bro. Keith know.

#### LOOK AT THE RECORDS

#### August 3, 2025

Projected Budget Need YTD: 347,565.18 Weekly Receipts: 19,608.00 Actual Budget Receipt to Date: 322,867.74 Actual Budget Spending to Date: 292,111.44

#### ATTENDANCE:

Sunday School 140

**WORSHIP SERVICE:** 

131 Worship Nursery

TOTAL WORSHIP ATTENDANCE





#### DEACON OF THE WEEK

August 10 — 16, 2025

Hiram Clark Deacon

Philip Clark Visiting Partner

#### OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

#### Sunday, August 10, 2025

9:15 Bible Study

10:30 Morning Worship Service

Deacon's Meeting 4:00

5:30 Church-wide Prayer Meeting

#### Monday, August 11, 2025

5:30 Men's Priority Prayer 10:00 Ladies Prayer Group

#### Tuesday, August 12, 2025

Golden Harvest Monthly Meeting

#### Wednesday, August 13, 2025

9:00 Buckner's Quilting

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6:30 Church Conference, Prayer Meeting Youth, Preteen Bible Study & Children's Choir

Mission Kids (3rd — 6th Graders)



#### "Come Sit By Me"

Is there an empty chair in your class?

Is there unused space on your pew?

We are beginning a campaign to fill those spaces. Your department is being given a fresh class roster that you might begin making personal contacts. Who have you been missing?

"Who is your one?"

Who do you know that needs a church home?

We will be excited to hear reports from each department as we work together to reach our community.

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> CHURCH OFFICE HOURS 7:30 - 5:30MONDAY — THURSDAY

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