



The Bridge Builder

Footprints

&

Master's Men

in Concert

First Baptist Church
Bridge City

March 12th
6:00 p.m.

Join us for this wonderful time of Gospel music.

PASTOR'S PARAGRAPH . . .

Dear Church Family,

First, Amy and I want to thank you for your prayers for our daughter, Richelle. She is recovering well from a successful procedure. We are appreciative of being a part of a people of prayer. It was comforting to her when I could name all the people praying.

Sunday we are excited about having The Footprints (Chris Bailey's gospel group) leading our morning worship service. They will be a blessing and opportunity to invite friends and families. Sunday evening we will be doubly blessed with a full concert with The Footprints opening for The Master's Men. This another opportunity to invite friends and families to a gospel-centered concert and time of worship.

Sunday morning we continue our sermon series, "Faith that Moves Mountains", by looking at the life of Gideon in Judges 6-8. Gideon is no warrior, nor is he concerned with the plight of his fellow Israelites. He is in survival mode, just doing what has to be done and no more. He is trying to scratch out a living under the Midianites' oppression. Down in the darkness of a hole, normally a winepress, he is thrashing wheat to avoid detection. An angel appears and declares God's truth and promise upon him. "The Lord is with you, O mighty man of valor." (Judges 6:12) Gideon is shocked and foggy with confusion. Seeing an angel is one thing, but to hear God declaring him as a strong and brave warrior is utterly ridiculous. Gideon does not sense the Lord's presence that is why he is hiding in a hole. He is not brave, he is engulfed with fear of the Midianites.

Gideon is stuck straddling a line between to realities. One being what he sees and feels, the other being what God says. Gideon is about to have to choose whether to listen to God or his own voice. Is he what God declares? Moving forward in faith Gideon will begin to live the reality of God's words. Where are you? Are you ready to live God's words about you?

FBCBC is where the "impossible" is a living reality every day. Invite others to join with you in living out the "impossible" at FBCBC.

Your Pastor,
Douglas Shows
Genesis 1:3

CHILDREN'S DIRECTOR

I am so proud of the children of our church! They sang so beautifully on Sunday, and had fun too! We hope you were blessed by it. We have several more songs we are working on, and hope to present them to you soon!

In Children's Church, we have begun learning about Daniel, and how he obeyed God's rules. We talked about Daniel only choosing to eat healthy foods and drink water, and how God helped Daniel and his friends to become stronger and smarter. We will continue in Daniel over the next few weeks.

We are still praying about a teacher for the 4-5 grade class, but Shelley Marshall has offered to take the class if we could find a teacher for the 1-3 grade class. Please continue to pray with us about a teacher for these classes as well as for the older children's evening class.

There will be no evening children's classes this Sunday... we would like to have the children attend the concert in the Sanctuary and enjoy some good gospel music. There will be music scavenger hunt sheets available at the back and front of the Sanctuary. If they fill out the sheets, and bring them to Mr. Branden after church, they will receive a prize!

Finally, I just want to remind you we have begun collecting stuffed eggs, candy (no chocolate please) and things for the upcoming Easter Egg Hunt and Family Picnic that will be held, Sunday, April 9th at Claiborne Park. If you would like more information on this or anything else listed above, please let me know!

That the next generation may know,
Chris

Golden Harvest Birthday/Anniversary Lunch Tuesday, March 14th at The Rodair Roadhouse in Port Arthur. The church van will leave the west parking lot at 10:30am sharp.

YOUTH NEWS . . .

God allows us to suffer difficulties and hardships for a purpose. God led the children of Israel to wander through the wilderness for forty years in order to humble them and test them. When they refused to obey Him and enter the Promised Land, the Israelites revealed that they did not really know Him. If they had, they would have had more faith. God spent the next forty years testing the hearts of His people to see if they were prepared for His next assignment. Testing reveals what is in your heart and produces a robust faith. God allowed His people to hunger so they could experience His provision and develop a deeper level of trust in Him. As the people walked with God they came to understand that their lives depended upon His Word. They learned that God's Word was the most important thing they had. After depending on God for forty years while living in the desert, the people listened when God spoke, and they believed. When they finally entered the Promised Land and waged war against their enemies, the Israelites knew that God's word meant life and death. They were prepared to listen to Him, and as a result He led them to astounding victories.

Be Intentional,
Aaron

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENT

Be a part of investing in the future. Donate to the Scholarship Fund.

Thank You

Dearest Church Family,

Our sincerest thank you for the love, support, and compassion you all have shown our beloved father and husband over the last 10 years. This journey would not have been possible without our church family. Daddy loved his church family and all the people in it with all his heart. As daddy's journey came to an end, having his church family surround us made a difficult situation more bearable. Thank you for all the notes, calls, food and flowers and support. We miss him so already but thank our God for the wonderful memories we have of him. Love,

The L. D. Young Family

Thank you First Family deacons for the wonderful Christmas basket. Everything in the basket was so useful and my visit with Billy and Deanna Crull was wonderful.

I would also like to thank the "First Family" for all their prayers, visits, and phone calls during the home-going of my daughter, Rosiland Lawson.

Audry Lawson

Seeking Church Nursery Workers

First Baptist Church of Bridge City, TX is seeking to find part-time nursery workers for Sunday mornings, Sunday evenings, Wednesday evenings and special events. Responsibilities include caring for infants, toddlers and/or young pre-schoolers in a safe Christian environment. Applicants should be 18 years or older. Those wanting to apply can pick up an application at 200 West Roundbunch, Bridge City, TX or complete the application found at www.fcbcb.org. For more information, call First Baptist Church at (409)735-3581.

New Sunday Evening Classes

Starts March 19

Detours:

The Unpredictable Path to Your Destiny (Tony Evans)

Teacher: Jennifer Caldwell

Onward:

Engaging the Culture without Losing the Gospel (Russell Moore)

Teacher: Aaron Little

Gospel Revolution:

Recovering the Power of Christianity (J.D. Greear)

Teacher: Douglas Shows

