



The Bridge Builder

"Unconditional Love"

"Therefore be imitators of God as beloved children, and walk in

Mother-Daughter Banquet

Saturday

May 13th, 2017

In the FBC-BC
Family Life Center

12 until 2 p.m.

Cost: \$5.00 per person

Come share a little about life,
love, laughter and a meal!
To purchase tickets to this fun
event, please contact
Jennifer Caldwell, Chris Bailey,

PASTOR'S PARAGRAPH . . .

Dear Church Family,

As all the times before, FBCBC has responded to not only meet the financial goal for missions, but went above and beyond. Our Annie Armstrong goal was \$4800 and we brought in **\$5659.75**. Thank you church for your faithful giving and helping reach people across North America with the Gospel.

We continue our study of I Corinthians, "All in the Family", this Sunday with the text I Cor. 2:6-16. Paul has pointed out the spiritual immaturity and foolishness of their boasting. He has demonstrated the power of the cross even while it may seem like folly to the perishing. Paul declares there is only one message which offers salvation for sinful mankind. It is the means of reconciliation and the power to effect transformation. We are to declare this message and make it supreme above any other. The message: the person of Jesus Christ and "Christ crucified."

We did not come to understand the richness of this message by our own wisdom or clever insight. We have not obtained salvation by our competency in the knowledge of God. We could not break the mystery of God's wisdom by our cunning deciphering. We are recipients of the Spirit revealing the truth of the cross and "Christ crucified" to our corrupt and self-centered heart. The Spirit has broken the grip of the "natural person [which] does not accept the things of the Spirit of God" and has given us "the mind of Christ." (I Cor. 2:14-16) What we know and now possess is a gift, which again strips us of any right to boast. At the same time, we have been given "the mind of Christ" and the power of the Spirit enabling us to move beyond kindergarten Christianity. Do you celebrate the gift given and use it to continue to grow?

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
I Corinthians 2:10

CHILDREN'S DIRECTOR

We are beginning the story of Esther in Children's Church, and I am so excited to share her story! Queen Esther's story is truly one of my favorites, because of how God was able place her and use her where she was. She truly bloomed where she was planted. I encourage the kids to be like Esther. The journey we choose to take when we accept Christ, begins right where we are. This path may lead us around the world, or it may just lead us around the block. Where ever it leads, we should always remember to follow God's leading, turn to Him in all things, and do all things for His honor and glory!

Preparations are underway for camp!!! There is still time to sign up your kiddos for camp, even if you missed the deadline! The full balance of \$100 must be paid by May 24th. I will be sending home packing lists and more information soon! I am so excited about this year's camp. It will be a unique learning experience for the children, the students, and the leaders, too! Please encourage your child to come and be a part of this unique summer camp experience! Come and see me for more information!

A VBS sign up poster has been put up above the water fountain by the sanctuary. There are still lots of places to serve during VBS, so check out the sign up sheet and sign up as soon as possible. We will be holding another VBS meeting soon, so if you couldn't make it to the first one, please be sure to attend the next one. A date and time will be announced soon! Thank you to all those who have already signed up, and thank you to all those who will be signing up. I'm looking forward to a fun, gospel filled VBS!!!

That the next generation may know!

Chris

This Sunday Children's Church team: Team 2

YOUTH NEWS . . .

Headed North by East

One more step in the direction of completing my Master of Theology degree will be taken this week as I finish up my class on church history and head north by east to the great state of Virginia. I am excited for the privilege to walk at commencement at Liberty University on May 13th as well as represent our church at such a prestigious event! It is expected that the current President of the United States, Donald Trump, will be the key note speaker. Although I am still one semester away from completing the entire process, the university has granted me special permission to attend commencement. This is truly an exciting time for my family and I in which through their support, as well as support from all of you, I have achieved a goal which God can use in the growth of His kingdom! I'd like to also thank Ricky McClelland, who did a great job filling in for me while in my absence. It is truly a blessing to have him, as well as others, as ministry partners who can fill in for me when needed. Your prayers will be needed for our trip and continued prayers as I will finish up all requirements in August of this year!

Be Intentional,
Aaron

As a mother comforts
her child, so will I
comfort you.

Isaiah 66:13



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May 14, 2017

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Our Goal:

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Summer Camp 2017!



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2nd thru
12th Grade!

For more information see
Aaron Little or Chris Bailey



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