

*A Church that equips you to
be faithful & fruitful.*



COMING JANUARY 9...

One of my favorite Andy Griffith episodes is when an armored car on the way to the US Mint is coming through Mayberry. Deputy Barney says that the news is "Big, really big!"

Well, Jan.9th at FBCA is **BIG, REALLY BIG!**

Some old friends return -- friends like coffee...some new décor...the offering time...deacons praying over our worship service...**BIG THINGS!**

One **BIG THING** is so special that I dare not tell you what it is!!! You're just going to have to be present to experience it!!! And, believe me, it is **BIG** -- oh, **BIG's** not the word for it -- it's **REALLY BIG!!!**



Also starting Jan. 9 is our (probably year-long!) journey through the tremendously powerful and personal **gospel of John**. This zealous and faithful follower of Jesus was miraculously transformed from a "son of thunder" into "the apostle of love" by the work of the Holy Spirit within.

I wonder how God will transform our lives as we pull back the curtains on this detailed account of Jesus' life and ministry?

Don't miss a single Sunday -- catch us on Facebook Live from the church website if you have to be out of town or unable to attend.

We continue to have new faces each Sunday as folks new to the community arrive or as others look for a live Bible study class or worship to attend.

Church family, be sure that you connect with our guests...be their companion while they're with us... even find some ways to connect with them during the week.

Lk.24:15 tells us that as 2 men were walking to the nearby village of Emmaus, they were talking and discussing things when *Jesus Himself drew near and went with them.*

Would you be His hands & feet and draw near to our guests and represents Jesus to them?

Acts 8 tells us about an Ethiopian official in a chariot reading from the prophets and of Philip who *...ran to him and heard him reading...and asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" And he said to him, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. (vs.30-31) Then vs.35 says, Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told him the good news about Jesus. (vs.35)*

Would you be His heart & mouth and share the good news about Jesus with those who God brings across your path?

Let's make 2022 a year for FBCA and the Alvarado to remember for a long time!

Is.43 contain God's promises to Israel about their restoration. Is.43:19 says, *Behold, I am doing a new thing, now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?*

Our God is in the restoration business -- wants to do some new things with us, with you -- do you perceive it -- will you receive it?

Pastor Wade

CHURCH EVENTS

- Jan 1 Church Office Closed
- Jan 2 Normal Service time
Bible Study - 9:15
Worship - 10:30
- Jan 9 Come early for coffee in the foyer starting 9:00.

Remember you can scan the QR code below to access your Sunday Morning Bible study at anytime.



THE GOSPEL PROJECT FOR ADULTS



THE GOSPEL PROJECT FOR STUDENTS



THE GOSPEL PROJECT FOR KIDS

2021

END OF YEAR

GIVING STATEMENTS

Will be available starting January 16 in the foyer, you may also stop by the church office anytime after during office hours.

WOW

Women of the Word:

1, 2, 3... JOHN

Join us for a biblical study on 1, 2, 3... John

Tues - 7:00 pm at Laura Taylor's
Wed - 6:30 pm at FBCA

Call/Text Linda McCurdy for more info 682-432-4324

We look forward to seeing you!

DO YOU EVER FEEL LIKE THE HAPPY ENDING OF YOUR STORY IS A MILLION MILES AWAY?

Join us for this 7-session study!

By Jennifer Rothschild

Monday Mornings at 10:00 at FBCA starting Jan 10 Led by Kay Lynn Biggs, books are \$16.00



Copies of the 2022 proposed spending plan will be available Jan 9th. Business Session will be held Jan 16th after our morning service.

FINANCIAL UPDATE: (12/30/2021)

Current Checkbook Bal	\$41,271.24
Designated Funds Bal.	\$10,034.75
Total Available Funds	\$31,236.49

2021 Total Giving Received	\$336,347.80
2021 Total Missions Giving Distributed	\$11,211.14



Sunday Morning Bible Studies for all ages are available, classes start at 9:15.

Wednesday Nights we have Bible Studies for all ages and our Worship Center is open for prayer and a time of reflection.

Our Library is stocked full of books to supplement your discipleship, we invite you to stop by and check it out!



FBCA Student Ministry meets every Sunday Morning for Bible Study at 9:15.

Join us on Wednesday Nights at 6:30 for Worship, Bible Study & Games.

Look for future announcements about fundraisers & Camp, coming soon!



Join us on Wednesday Nights as we take a Mid-Week look at the Gospel Project.

On Wednesday night we are focusing on spiritual disciplines with lots of fun, games, crafts and activities. We invite all children to come and participate.

If you would like to volunteer to help in this area of ministry please see Scott!