

November
2014

FBC Newsletter

November Calendar:

- 2nd Breakfast
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- 5th Men's
Basketball
Ministry
- 7th Family Game
Night
- 10th Church
Board
Meeting.
- 11th Women's
Missionary
Fellowship
- 19th Men's
Basketball
Ministry
- 21st Family
Game Night
- 23rd
Thanksgiving
Dinner

December Calendar:

- 3rd Men's
Basketball
Ministry.
- 7th J.O.Y. Café
- 8th Church
Board
Meeting.
- 9th Women's
Missionary
Fellowship
(Guest night)
- 17th Men's
Basketball
Ministry

December Event:

Our 2014-2015
season of J.O.Y. Café
will begin on
December 7th from
6:00-8:00.

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Monthly Devotional

*"Behold the Lamb of God, which
takes away the sin of the world."*

John 1:29

Nothing can make poor sinners truly happy, but that which takes away the cause of all misery - sin. The Lamb of God, by His sacrifice, has effected this - has taken away all sin by his sacrifice for us.

When we behold this Lamb, by the eye of faith, all sin is taken away out of our conscience. When a soul thinks, "Sin has condemned me before God; the law accuses me daily; it works wrath in my conscience continually; and I am often ready to cry out, 'O wretched man that I am, who will deliver me?'" Then we are reminded, and give thanks to our God for a precious Redeemer. The Lamb, which God provided, has done it forever. All our iniquities were laid upon him. *"He bore them in his own body on the tree"* (1 Pet. 2:24)...every sin of all that shall believe in him, forever.

*My sin, O, the bliss,
Of this glorious thought,
My sin not in part, but the whole;
Is nailed to the cross
And I bear it no more,
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord.
O my soul!*

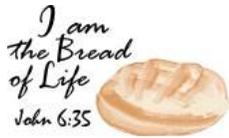
So the Father says to all his children in Christ, *"Your sins and your iniquities I will remember no more"* (Jer. 31:34). But one is often ready to say, "How can this be true? I daily see I am a sinner; the remembrance of sin is before me, in my thoughts; though, for a season, time may efface sin from my memory, yet it recurs afresh upon my conscience."

Dear child, nothing can effectually take it away but this, *"Behold the Lamb of God."* He takes sin away now - this present moment - every moment: at whatever time you behold Jesus by the eye of faith, all the sin which troubles you will be understood as laid upon him, and he takes it away from you. O, how sweet to have no more conscience of sin! Continually to behold this Lamb of God is life to our souls, and death to our sins.

May this, O my soul, be your daily occupation on earth, till you behold the Lamb in the midst of the throne in heaven. Thanks to the gracious Father, for the gift of this precious Lamb... (cf. Gal. 6:14).

Paraphrased and expanded version of
a daily devotional by W. Mason
(1719-1791)

Glorious Hymn Verses



*If sin most vile to me appears,
What must th' Omniscient see!
But, God beholds us in his Lamb,
From sin forever free.*

*This is the truth by which we live:
By faith beholding Christ.
Our consciences from guilt are freed;
Then unbelief resist.*

"If sin appears vile to us, what must it look like to He who is "Holy, Holy, Holy"?"

*"O what a steadfast hope have I,
Built on thy faithful word!
Tho' all things fail beneath the sky,
Thy truth stands fast, my Lord."*

*Then why should faith or courage fail?
Or comforts me forsake?
Let faith but look within the veil,
All's safe for Jesus' sake.*

Warning Against Idolatry



Little children, keep yourselves from idols. Amen. 1 John 5:21.

Idolatry is founded in ignorance of Jesus, the true God, and eternal life. None are spiritual worshippers of God but believers in Jesus. There are many idols in the world, suited to the pride and lusts of our corrupt nature. These we are cautioned against. But, in reading this very

exhortation, the idol of free-will is ready to present itself; as though disciples, by their own power, were to keep themselves. This notion opposes the Spirit and power of Jesus and springs from that grand idol, pride. Pride introduces the idol of self-righteousness. This blinds the eye to the glory of the righteousness of Christ, freely imputed

by God, through faith.

Thus the idols of free-will, pride, and self-righteousness, are in unity with each other. By the simple faith of Jesus, we are daily to guard our hearts against all their false pretensions...But if these are sought and enjoyed, they also become idols—they rival Jesus—they rob our hearts of the consolation of the Savior's love...

10 Pop Psychology Myths

1. People are basically good
2. You need more self-esteem
3. You can't love others until you love yourself
4. You shouldn't judge anyone
5. All guilt is bad
6. You need to think positive
7. Staying in love is the key to great relationships
8. You have unlimited power and potential
9. Your happiness is the most important thing
10. God can be anything you want Him to be.

What Used to Be Called...

What used to be called "modesty," is now called "sexual hang-ups."
 What used to be called "Christian discipline," is now called "unhealthy repression."

What used to be called "disgusting," is now called "adult."

What used to be called "moral irresponsibility," is now called "being freed up."

What used to be called "chastity," is now called "neurotic inhibition,"

What used to be called "living in sin," is now called "a meaningful relationship."

What used to be called "perversion," is now called "alternative lifestyle."

What used to be called "self-indulgence," is now called "self-fulfilled."

Modesty

I recently read the following clip and found myself both amused and convicted...

"In 1957, the American Modern Girl magazine wrote, "It is hardly necessary to waste words over the so-

called bikini since it is inconceivable that any girl with tact and decency would ever wear such a thing." Catholic countries banned the bikini fervently. To many, bikinis were an affront on an ethical scale."

We have, unfortunately, come a long way. Modesty and blushing seem to be off the radar now-a-days – even amongst the people of God.

Any challenges for you?

Pastor Tim

Carrying his own cross,
 he went out to the place
 ... called Golgotha.

John 19:17



"In forming an estimate of sins, we are often imposed upon by imagining that the more hidden the less heinous they are."

“Those who set up a fictitious worship, merely worship and adore their own delirious fancies; indeed, they would never dare so to trifle with God, had they not previously fashioned him after their own childish conceits.”

“Let us not cease to do the utmost that we may incessantly go forward in the way of the Lord; and let us not despair of the smallness of our accomplishments.”

Library News and Updates

The Lord has blessed us with the beautiful addition of a library about 5 years ago. Please take advantage of it.

We have recently removed all of the cassette tapes by John MacArthur, simply to make room for other material. All of MacArthur's sermon's are available free online at gty.org.

A few of the newest additions to the movie section are:

- Grace Unplugged
- The Grace Card

WMF News

The Women's Missionary Fellowship normally meets the second Tuesday of every month (there are a couple of exceptions), and invites all women to participate in it.

The meetings include:

- Missionary projects
- Devotional time
- Prayer time

Family Game Nights

The schedule for the Fall / Winter Family Game Nights (6:00-8:00) are as follows:

- November 7
- November 21
- December 12
- January 9
- January 23
- February 6
- February 20

JONAH TRIVIA

What happened to the ship Jonah was on?

- A great storm arose and threatened to break the ship apart.
- It was overtaken and boarded by Assyrians.
- It was overtaken and boarded by pirates.
- It was attacked by a sea monster with a lashing tail.

How did Jonah end up in the sea?

- The sailors threw him overboard.
- He was thrown off the ship by the force of the storm.
- He jumped into the sea to escape from the men trying to kill him.
- God sent a whirlwind to lift him from the ship and drop him in the sea.

How did Jonah end up back on dry land?

- He rode on the back of a giant fish which took him to shore.
- He was swallowed by a giant fish which spit him out on the shore after three days.
- He swam for three days and nights, finally reaching Tarshish.
- He clung to a piece of the destroyed ship until it drifted to shore.



Our first J.O.Y. Café of the 2014-2015 season is planned for December 7th from 6-8:00.

We are trying something new this year by holding this event on Sunday evenings. SO PLEASE NOTE THIS CHANGE.

The music for the evening will be by various members of our church family PLUS, and there will also be a devotional time.

The food menu is:

- Lasagna
- Salad
- Desserts

Men's Basketball Program

This is on the first and third Wednesdays. It starts at 7:30pm in JOY Hall. All men are welcome to come.

What would things look like if Satan actually took over a city?

The first frames in our imaginative slide show probably depict mayhem on a massive scale: Widespread violence, deviant sexualities, and pornography in every vending machine, churches closed down and worshipers dragged off to City Hall.

Over a half-century ago, Donald Grey

Barnhouse, pastor of Philadelphia's Tenth Presbyterian Church, gave his CBS radio audience a different picture of what it would look like if Satan took control of a town in America. He said that all of the bars and pool halls would be closed, pornography banished, pristine streets and sidewalks would be occupied by tidy pedestrians who

smiled at each other. There would be no swearing. The kids would answer "Yes, sir," "No, ma'am," and the churches would be full on Sunday... *where Christ is not preached.*



That God should love us miserable sinners at all, is AMAZING; but that he should love us with the very same everlasting, unchangeable love, with which He loves His own beloved Son; this surpasses all comprehension!

Thru the OT in 2 Years Reading

October 27-November 2
Ezekiel 25-33

November 3-9
Ezekiel 34-40

November 10-16
Ezekiel 41-47

November 17-23
Daniel 1-12

November 24-30
Hosea 1-14

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Our Thanksgiving Dinner

The annual Thanksgiving Dinner here at FBC is scheduled for November 23rd at 12:00 (immediately after the morning worship service).

This will be a pitch-in meal, though the meat and drinks will be provided. Everyone is encouraged to bring a side dish or two, but don't let this stop anyone from coming if bringing something doesn't work out!

God Judges His People

God judges His people by their *sincerity* and the *general bent and frame of their hearts*, and not by what they are under some pangs of passion, or in an hour of temptation. His eye is more upon His people's *inward disposition*, than it is upon their outward actions - more upon their *desires* than it is upon their work. The Lord will not forsake His people, nor cast off His people because of those failings and weaknesses that may, and do, attend them. God *pities* His people under their weakness; He will not reject them for their weakness.

Thomas Brooks (1669)

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