

### Ministry

Fellowship

## Community

#### **Updates and Events**



Ministry Women on Mission will meet Monday at 10:30 in the Ministry Center. Guest speaker will be Kelly Reeves, who with her husband served 4 years in Ecuador. Now they serve in Charlotte, NC training missionaries, helping with Trauma Healing, and much more. Please join us and be blessed by our speaker. Social distancing will be practiced.

# Build Shows,

**B**students

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Come celebrate Katelin Margard on Thursday, August 13, from 6:30-8:30pm at FBC's Ministry Center Suite C&D. Drop in at your convenience. Kindly reply to Jennifer Sanders 706.897.2038 or Lisa Cockerham 706.897.5700.

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All students are invited to join us for a cookout and drive-in style movie Wednesday, August 12, at 7:30pm. For updates about upcoming events, visit **fbcvision.com/students** 

## Bkids

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We are excited to start gathering again! Kids promotion Sunday is August 16. Wednesday evening activities are returning September 2 at 6pm. For updates, visit **fbcvision.com/kids** 

#### Connect



Sunday School Teachers, the order forms for Fall literature will be in your class folders this week. Please carefully consider the number of items you need for your class. The completed forms should be returned in the class folder by Sunday, August 16.

Thank you for your prayers and support for the FBC support staff. Please call the church office at 706-745-2469 if you have any questions or need assistance.



## Giving. What's that?

I know, I know, please don't talk about giving. The church always talks about giving. Can't we have a service without talking about giving? Giving is often a difficult topic to discuss, or is it? The following is an excerpt from an article published February 19, 2016 by "Wealth with a Purpose".

"It often surprises Christians when they discover just how much the Bible talks about money. In fact there are more than 2300 verses on money, wealth and possessions. Jesus spoke about money roughly 15% of his preaching and 11 out of 39 parables. It was his most talked about topic. But Why?

This passage in Matthew gives us a clue: "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Matthew [6:19]-21

Jesus spoke about money, not because he was obsessed with money, or that he wanted us to have lots of it, but because he knew that money was a heart issue and that it is one of the most likely reasons for someone to not follow him or to give up on him."

Therefore, let us be encouraged that Jesus cared enough for us to express the importance of making HIM our treasure. All we have is given to us from God. Giving, or returning, to Him what is already His, is a willful act of faithful obedience. Remember, God is not concerned with your money, He desires your heart. Malachi 6:10 offers the one opportunity to test God's faithfulness and it is done through giving. It states, "Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it."

At FBC we have several ways you can give: Online visit fbcvision.com/giving for more details, you can mail a check to PO 2058 Blairsville, GA 30514, you can leave your offering at the conclusion of one of our services, and you can come by and drop it at the office. Stay and chat awhile! We would love to see you! RWright

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#### Sermon Notes 8/9/20

"Surprised by Faith" "Faith on the Mountain Top" - Acts 1:4-11

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#### The Holy Spirit Promised

4 And being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, "which," He said, "you have heard from Me; 5 for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." 6 Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, "Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" 7 And He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority. 8 But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be [a]witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

#### Jesus Ascends to Heaven

9 Now when He had spoken these things, while they watched, He was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight. 10 And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as He went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel, 11 who also said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven."

#### Acts 1:4-11 NKJV