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Dear First Family,

Grace and Peace in Christ our Lord today! Thanks for your kind words and your gracious congratulations for our 5th anniversary! Our journey here has been a wonderful walk even with the challenges our friend Clark Moreland discussed. Our lives aren't measured by the ease of our path but rather our response when the path isn't easy. The core question is this: Am I willing to trust God's love, wisdom and leadership when things have gone awry? It is in those moments that my faith goes to work. My prayer is that our legacy will be one that demonstrated our confidence in God and His capacity to sustain us. FBC's best days are still ahead of us!

#### **IMPACT WEEKEND THIS WEEKEND**

Led by our man John-David Culbertson, this weekend our student ministry welcomes Impact Weekend! A focused time of Christ-centered discipleship and energy, this weekend begins Friday evening and lasts until after worship on Sunday. I'd like to ask you to pray for this weekend, for our guest leaders, for our students and host homes, and most of all, for the life transforming power of the Holy Spirit to be seen in the lives of all of them. This is a significant weekend in our slow but sure return to normal. When you come to worship next Sunday, be ready to be blessed by our guest worship leaders and our friend Rev Lance Shumake who will be preaching for us.

# WATER, WATER EVERYWHERE!

Have you noticed we've been baptizing people again? For the last two weeks and for the next two weeks, we've had / will have at least one baptism! That's a sure sign God is at work! Is God working in your life that way? Perhaps you've seen it and you realized your need to be baptized! Call our church office and let's talk about it! Beginning in March, we're going to change how our baptism candidates dress for baptism! I think you'll like it!

### **OUR SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS**

If you're one who is active on our social media pages, I'd like to ask for your help. The algorithms social media uses can be used to broaden our reach with your help. Making sure you've done these two things will help us leverage our social media to maximize our impact and even spread the hope of the Gospel!

- ON FACEBOOK: Find us under "First Baptist Church Midland."
   If you haven't already done so, go to our page and click "like".
   Then, when you find a post you appreciate, "like" that post. That will connect with your friends who will see the post you liked.
- ON YOUTUBE: Find us at FBC Midland, click "subscribe". If you
  want to go to the next level, click the bell to receive notifications
  when a new video is posted.
- ON INSTAGRAM FOLLOW US @fbcmidland Instagram is another way we engage our community on social media. It is a great tool to share stories and pics of what all is going on.

These simple steps will help us increase our effectiveness and our reach in serving our social media audiences. Believe it or not, we have people who have never been here, but follow us faithfully on social media channels. Help us find more like that by "liking" and "subscribing".

Your servant,

Darin

Due to weather concerns, the date for Golden Marriage Celebration has moved from February 14th to the 21st.



# STEWARDSHIP REPORTS

February 7, 2021

Offering	Weekly	Year to Date
FBC Offering	\$ 141,308	\$ 2,797,255
Budget Requirement	\$ 127,000	\$ 2,911,382
Over/Under Budget	\$ 14,308	\$ -114,151
Hope 1:8	\$ 170	\$ 513,005



In case you missed it... watch Desert Streams for the month of January by visiting vimeo.com/505902318

# **How to Give Online**

Click the round button link located on the bottom right side of the website and follow the steps for online giving.



#### **SUNDAY, 2/14**

Blended Worship Service (extended care 8:15 only) 8:15 AM

9:30 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship Service

Contemporary (Worship Center),

Traditional (Chapel), & Family (Fellowship Hall) Español Service (Student Worship Area)

Golden Marriage Celebration \*\*\*POSTPONED\*\*\* 5 PM

Youth Choir

6 PM Youth Discipleship Classes

#### **MONDAY, 2/15**

11:45 AM - 1 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

Cost: \$6 **Must RSVP** 

Brotherhood luncheon meetings are every Monday. You must RSVP by Sunday, 2/14 at

/myfirstfamily.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/135/responses/new Call Carl Brown if questions, 432-557-6810

# WEDNESDAY, 2/17

4.45 PM Wednesday Family Meal

RSVP each week, online, at fbc-midland.org/events in the Wednesday Family Meals tab.

#### Menu for Feb. 16th

- · Parmesan Chicken over Spaghetti
- Broccoli
- · Tossed Green Salad
- · Garlic Bread
- · Coconut Cream Pie

6 PM Youth MidPoint

Orchestra

WEBS (room E114)

Women's Ministry WEBS (room E102)

Preschool & Children's Choirs

R.A.s, G.A.s, & Mission Friends 6:45 PM

7 PM Choir Rehearsal

#### THURSDAY, 2/28

10:30 AM Joyful Sound Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

#### **Events**

# D.M.A. LUNCHEON

February, 25th

11:45 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

Cost: \$6

**Guest Speakers: Chad Clark of One Hope Movement** 

RSVP in Sunday School or call the church office.



#### **WOMEN'S MINISTRY**

#### February 21st 5-6 PM in Fellowship Hall

FBC Women Get Together

All women are invited to join us as we gather together, worship together, pray together, and grow together. You can come in person or join us by zoom.

Email Katy Little at klittle@fbc-midland.org if you would like to zoom in.

March 5th - 6th

Fri: 6 PM - 9:30 PM & Sat. 8 AM - 3 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

Cost: \$20 **Must RSVP** 

#### IF: Gathering Live-stream

Even If: Even if the worst happens, we won't lose hope.

For more information or to register, contact Katy Little at klittle@fbcmidland.org.

# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

#### Save the Date! June 7-10, 2021



"Press Play" Hybrid VBS

More information coming soon.

Contact Sarah, Amy, or Allison to see how you can help!

#### MUSIC CITY CELEBRATION

# Informational meeting:

March 21 following the 11:00 service in choir room.

# **Event Information:**

October 15th - 19th, 2022 with Special Guests

David Phelps, TaRanda Greene &

Voices of Lee



#### For Musicians and Non-Musicians:

# Ministry

- PERFORM in a major concert at the world-famous GRAND OLE **OPRY HOUSE!**
- RECORD in a FAMOUS NASHVILLE STUDIO on MUSIC ROW!
- PARTNER with LOCAL CHURCHES in ministry!
- ATTEND the 53rd GMA DOVE AWARDS!

# **Highlights**

- EXPERIENCE MUSIC CITY with opportunities to see
  - MUSIC ROW
  - THE COUNTRY MUSIC HALL OF FAME
- THE PARTHENON in CENTENNIAL PARK
- THE BELMONT MANSION
- HOMES OF THE STARS. WORLD-CLASS MUSEUMS
- NASHVILLE'S FAMOUS LEGENDARY RESTAURANTS and many more!
- INDULGE in a panoramic LUNCH CRUISE along the **CUMBERLAND RIVER!**
- RELAX & REFRESH at an EXTRAORDINARY Nashville hotel!