

The Purpose of FBC . . .

Accept, love and challenge people with God's truth. We help any willing person reach his or her fullest potential to become radically Christ-like.

Bible Reading for the Week

August 27-Ezekiel 1-4
August 28-Ezekiel 5-8
August 29-Ezekiel 9-12
August 30-Ezekiel 13-15
August 31-Ezekiel 16-17
September 1-Ezekiel 18-19
September 2-Ezekiel 20-21
September 3-Ezekiel 22-23

Birthdays

Anne Meyers (8/26)
Fred Morse (8/26)
Jackson Steil (8/26)
Don Halver (8/28)
Ruth Jonas (8/28)
Jim Robenalt (8/28)
Cavene Robinson (8/28)
Susan Miller (8/30)
Vicki Dunlap (9/2)
Teri Pretlow (9/3)

For Our Guests . . .

Welcome to First Baptist Church! We are so glad you have joined us this morning.

Guests . . If you would like to receive information or a brochure on FBC and any of its ministries, please stop by the Connections Center.

Also, please share any prayer or praises in the space provided on one of the orange Communication Cards located in the pew racks. Let us know how we can help you!



By giving to Faith Promise you help our missionaries spread the Gospel of Jesus around the world!

Visit our Website for more information on all our ministries:
<http://fbc-tempe.org>

For a complete listing of our Pastoral Staff and contact information, please visit our website at fbc-tempe.org.

You may also contact the Church Office at 480-839-0926.

Free Sermons

Want to listen to one of the sermons by Pastor Roger or one of the other FBC Pastors?

Free sermons by Pastor Roger and the other FBC Pastors are available to you on the FBC webpage at www.fbc-tempe.org.

Volunteer House Cleaners Needed at FBC

We are looking for a few good men and women who could help with some important tasks on our campus. We need help with:

- ✓ Vacuuming
- ✓ Cleaning windows,
- ✓ Landscape projects,
- ✓ Clean tables and chairs,
- ✓ Dusting for cob webs and
- ✓ Organizing several storage rooms.



If you would give a few hours to help with one or more of these projects, contact the Church Office at 480-839-0926.

Financial Update 2023

General Giving	Last Week	YTD (8/20)
Budget Plan	\$ 27,766	\$ 944,044
Giving (Donations)	\$ 16,780	\$ 758,526
	\$ -10,986 (Shortage)	\$ -185,518 (Shortage)
GF Expenses	\$ 42,163	\$ 748,770
Faith Promise	Last Week	YTD (8/20)
Budget Plan	\$ 1,078	\$ 36,652
Giving (Donations)	\$ 987	\$ 24,243
	\$ -91 (Shortage)	\$ -12,409 (Shortage)
FP Expenses	\$ 00	\$ 26,054

Legacy Cumulative Debt Reduction

	Last Week	Since Jan 2019
Legacy Designated	\$ 220	\$ 536,778

Please continue to give to help reduce our long-term Legacy debt of approximately \$613,281.84
On February 6, 2018, our debt was \$1,829,853.40.

How Do I Get Connected?

Do you want to meet and get to know the full-time Pastors, Children's Director, Women's Ministry Director and others? If so, you are invited to attend one of our "Welcome Lunches" as a guest of Pastor Roger and Di-anna. If you would like to attend our next Welcome Lunch please contact the Church Office by calling 480-839-0926.



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August 27, 2023

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Dr. Roger Ball, Managing Pastor

Welcome to Worship

8:00 am-Traditional Worship

Rejoice the Lord is King
Welcome and Announcements
There Is Power in the Blood
Majesty
Prayer
Message-Al Fadi
“Heart Transplant”

9:30 am-Contemporary Worship

I thank God
Welcome and Announcements
You’ve Already Won
This Is Our God
Prayer
Choir
Message-Al Fadi
“Heart Transplant”

11:00 am-Alternative Contemporary Worship

Swallowed Up in Death
Welcome and Announcements
Holy Forever
I Surrender All
Praise to the Lord
Prayer
Message-Al Fadi
“Heart Transplant”

6:00 pm-Evening Worship “Summer Celebration Concert”

Special Guest Conductor -
Daniel Semsen
Ice Cream Social to Follow

CIRA 2023 Update

The Center for Islamic Research and Awareness (CIRA-a full-time ministry of FBC) is excited to provide you with this financial update for the period of January-February 2022.

Financial Need

Annual Budget	\$ 139,447.00
Giving-to-Date	\$ 82,735.00
Under Budget	\$ 56,712.00

On behalf of Al Fadi, Hanane and the CIRA ministry thank you for your kindness and your continued support. Your contributions enable them to serve HIM to advance the Gospel to Muslims here and throughout the world. For more information contact Al Fadi at alfadi@CIRAIInternational.com.
Make out all checks to FBC earmarked “CIRA.”

Church Plant 2023 Update

The FBC Church Plant (10 minutes from FBC-Tempe) in Guadalupe (a ministry of FBC) is pleased to provide you a financial update for the period of January-February 2022.

Financial Need

Annual Budget	\$ 150,000.00
Giving-to-Date	\$ 29,075.00
Under Budget	\$ 120,925.00

The FBC Church Plant in Guadalupe along with Peter and Trisha Molina, would like to say thank you for your support and contributions which enable them to serve HIM and share the Gospel with the people of Guadalupe. For more information regarding the Church Plant, you can contact Peter Molina at pmolina@fbc-tempe.org.
Make out all checks to FBC earmarked “Church Plant.”

This Week at FBC

Sunday, August 27

8:00 am-Traditional Worship
8:00 am-Adult Bible Class
9:30 am-Contemporary Worship
9:30 am-Kid City Children’s Classes
9:30 am-Teen Bible Class
9:30 am-Adult Bible Classes
11:00 am-Alternative Contemporary Worship
11:00 am-Kid City Children’s Classes
11:00 am-Adult Bible Classes
6:00 pm-Evening Worship

Monday, August 28

7:00 pm-Parents of Addicted Loved Ones

Tuesday, August 29

9:30 am-Summer Tuesday Women’s Ministries Bible Study
7:00 pm-Young Singles Small Group

Wednesday, August 30

5:30 pm—Young Families Group
6:30 pm-Choir Rehearsal
6:30 pm-Orchestra Rehearsal
7:45 pm-Choir and Orchestra Rehearsal
8:00 pm-Worship Team and Orchestra Rehearsal

Thursday, August 31

5:00 pm-Teen Music Hangout
6:00 pm-Junior High and High School Youth Group
6:30 pm-Women’s Thursday Evening Bible Study

Saturday, September 2

8:00 am-Indoor Soccer

Consider These

“With the price of everything else going up these days, aren’t you glad the Lord hasn’t increased the tithe to 15%?”

“Real charity does not care if it is tax deductible or not.”

“The Dead Sea is the dead sea because it continually receives and never gives.”

Thank the Lord that you can give instead of depending on others to give to you.”

Reflect

God is the Owner of Everything . . .

Leviticus 25:23— (God says) *“The land is mine and you are but aliens and my tenants.”*

Psalms 24:1— *“The earth is the Lord’s, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it.”*

If we belong to Christ, it is logical that everything we have truly belongs to Him. When we give to God, we are just taking our hands off what already belongs to Him.

Safety and Security



For the safety and security of everyone, your backpack or bag may be inspected. Thanks for your cooperation!

FBC Window Decals

FBC car window decals are still available for purchase. All proceeds from these go to Faith Promise to support our FBC Missionaries and Short-Term Mission Trips. If you have any questions regarding these, contact David Brinn.



Visit our Website for more information on all our ministries:
<http://fbc-tempe.org>

Library News

New DVD’s in the Library:

- ✓ “The Chosen Season 3”
- ✓ “Ben Hur”
- ✓ “Journey Toward Creation”
- ✓ “Is Genesis History?”
- ✓ “Jesus Revolution”

New Books in the Library:

- ✓ 10 Mystery Books by Robin Patchen



Stop by and check them out!

FBC Bible Classes

8:00 am

Messenger Class-Room 107/108
(Couples and Singles, 50’s-70’s)

9:30 am

**Nursery-
Birth through 23 Months Old
Children’s Classes-Kid City**
(2 Years through 6th Grade)

Ladies Class-Room 118
(Ladies Only)

Truth Seekers-Room 106
(Couples and Singles All Ages)

JHM (Junior High)-Room 207
(Junior High Ages 12-14)

HSM (High School)-Room 207
(High School Ages 14-18)

11:00 am

**Nursery-
Birth through 23 Months Old
Children’s Classes-Kid City**
(2 Years through 6th Grade)

The Hood-Room 107/108
(Couples and Singles All Ages)

The Cure-Room 106
(Men Only)

Telling Yourself the Truth-Room 118
(Couples and Singles All Ages)

Online Donation

Why not consider signing up for electronic giving. FBC relies on the financial support of the congregation and electronic giving offers an easy way to give once or on a recurring basis. To give electronically, visit www.fbc-tempe.org and locate the link to the electronic giving page.

Every Donation Helps

God values and blesses your faithful giving. Read Proverbs 3:5-10.

God is doing many good things at our church. Thanks for your offerings to God.

We need \$27,766.00 each week to meet our budget.

YTD Money Needed
\$944,044.00
YTD Money Received
\$758,526.00
UNDER Budget
\$-185,518.00

2023 General Fund Giving



	Budget	Received
Series 1	\$944,044.00	\$758,526.00

Men’s Breakfast

Saturday, September 9, 2023
7:50 to 10:00 am

Pastor Scott Summers will Reflect on
Fatherhood and What God Revealed to Him
on His Retreat



All dads are invited to come and be encouraged and all single men who want to learn how to become spiritual fathers.

You will get to:

- Meet – Know – Pray for Other Men
- Enjoy an Excellent Breakfast
- Join Other Men in Lifting Up Jesus
- Develop New and Lasting Friendships
- Worship and Discover Special Events for men



(Birth through 6th Grade)

Preschool and Kindergarten

Bible Story: The Transfiguration

Bible Point: God's Kid

Elementary

9:30 am Bible Story: How Do We Know God Exists?"

11:00 am Bible Story: How Do We Know God Exists?"

Extraordinary Blessings / Special Needs

Bible Story:

The first Sunday of each month during the 9:30 and 11:00 am services, our 1st – 6th graders will worship with their families. These worship services are purposefully designed to introduce our 1st – 6th graders to worship with their families. An age appropriate Sermon Guide will be provided to help your son or daughter navigate and follow along with Pastor Anthony's sermon.

Our goal is to partner with parents in teaching children to see and experience the world through the lenses of our beliefs.

Our desire is for them to have a biblical worldview instead of a secular worldview. Our worldview influences everything in our lives. We want our children to know that God's Word is the foundation for our lives and is the standard we use to judge every thought and action. Our Bible is perfect and true. If we use it as our foundation, it will guide us and change our lives.

Kid City Prayer Request for the Week:

Pray for our Kid City Students . . .

That they would follow Your plan for their lives and use their talents, abilities and spiritual gifts.

“TOT TOWN”



FREE New Indoor Play Area in Kid City!

Ages – Birth to 5 years old with attending parent

When – See you in September

Where – FBC Kid City Preschool

Call your friends, bring your tots and meet up with new friends for some great play time. This is an amazing community space, which includes bounce houses, imagination play, doll houses, an indoor playground and more! Contact the Church Office for more information.



Online Giving

Have you ever considered using online donations to make your contributions to FBC?

Online Giving . . .

- Helps you plan your offerings as a percentage of your income (I Corinthians 16:2).
- Is easy, convenient and secure.
- Supports the ministry program at FBC, just like your plate offerings do.

Would you like to give online? Go to the FBC webpage at www.fbc-tempe.org and click on “Donations” and follow the directions. If you need assistance contact Pam Rosendale at 480-839-0926.



HELP Needed in Skylight Café!

Skylight Café will be closed on the 5th Sunday of each month until we can find a team to run the Café for that Sunday.

☐ **I would like more information on working in Skylight Café!**

Name _____

Cell Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

Please tear off and place in Offering Plate!



Serving Helpers and Cooking Helpers Needed

- ***Serving Help is needed in Skylight Café*** on Sundays at 8:00 am, 9:30 am and 11:00 am – Contact Pastor Anthony at 480-766-2394 or at the Church Office at 480-839-0926
- ***Serving Help is needed at Lunch in the MAC*** on Sundays at 12:00 pm – Contact Pastor Anthony at 480-766-2394 or at the Church Office at 480-839-0926
- ***A Cooking Assistance is needed on Sundays for Lunch Preparation*** – Contact Pastor Anthony at 480-766-2394 or at the Church Office at 480-839-0926
- ***Individuals are needed to help Wash Dishes on Sundays following Lunch*** – Contact Pastor Anthony at 480-766-2394 or at the Church Office at 480-839-0926



Summer Celebration Concert

Date and Time – Sunday, August 27, 6:00 pm

Location – First Baptist Church

Join us for a great night of music as the FBC Choir and Orchestra join together with the Choir and Orchestra of First Southern Baptist Church of Scottsdale. An amazing concert is planned, including a special guest conductor and arranger, Daniel Semsen.

An “Ice Cream Fellowship” will follow the concert.
We look forward to seeing you as we prepare for a great Fall Season!

**True repentance has a
double aspect. It looks upon
things past with a weeping
eye, and upon the future
with a watchful eye.**



Women's Ministry Events

Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study Connections

Bible Study – "Ephesians-Spiritual Inheritance in Christ"

Date, Time, Location – August 22 – November 14, 9:30 am, Rooms 107-108
Study Book - \$13.00

Thursday Evening Women's Bible Study

Bible Study – "Philippians-A Clash of Kingdoms"

Apostle Paul Proclaims Jesus as Lord

Date, Time and Location – August 31 – October 26, 6:30 pm, Room 104
Study Book - \$8.00

Fall Celebration Luncheon – "Joy to the World"

Date, Time and Location – Saturday, November 4, 10:00 am, held in the beautiful lobby of the church

Doors open at 9:15 am

Enjoy Messianic Dancers in Prelude Dancing

Refreshments

Program Promptly Begins at 10:00 am

Ticket Sales Being August 6 - \$12.00 per person

Sign-Up to Reserve a Table for 5 for \$50.00, for 7 for \$70.00

Special Guests – Cathy Wilson, Speaker and Messianic Dancers

For more information and to sign-up for any of these events, stop by the Women's Ministry Table!



Upcoming Marriage Class



Dates – September 24, October 1, 8, 15 and October 29 Plus November 5, 12 and 19

Time – 11:00 am

Location – Room 118 (Near Skylight Café)

Facilitators – Don and Tracy Harbin

This class is for couples of all ages
to refine their friendship skills with one another.



Our Information is Incomplete Without YOU!

***It is time to update the information in our
FBC Data Base and we want to include you.
Please fill out the information below and drop
it in the offering plate.***

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

E-mail address _____

Birthdate _____

Children's Names and Birth Dates _____

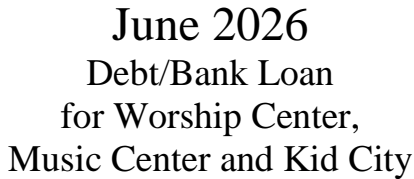
Wedding Anniversary _____

Are you a:

____ Visitor

____ Regular Attender

____ Member



Originally the Loan was \$1,829,853.44 in November 2016
The Loan is now \$503,281.84 as of July 31, 2023.

FBC Endowment, a support organization of First Baptist Church of Tempe, services the National Bank of Arizona loan out of \$13,500.00 monthly payment from the church. With an additional \$24,000.00 of contributions each year, that loan would be fully paid off in May 2026. (And by the end of that year, a secondary loan of \$110,000.00 would also be paid off.) Payments of \$13,500 per month (\$162,000.00) can then be used to support other ministries of the church!

***Amazing! Help Pay down the debt.
Make your donation to FBC, earmarked "Legacy"***

The deepest level of worship
is praising God through the pain.
Thanking God through the trials.
Trusting Him when we're tempted to lose hope.
And loving Him, even when He seems distant.

At my lowest, God is my hope.
At my darkest, God is my light.
At my weakest, God is my strength.
At my saddest, God is my comforter.



Compassion Day Sunday, October 22



Praise God!

FBC Expenses, Donations and Budgets

1. *Pray for the planning of our 2024 Church Budget.*

With our current donation shortfall unless donations significantly go up we likely will reduce the budget by around \$200,000 which would include a reduction of ministry dollars and a reduction in staff salaries.

2. ***Praise God*** - our donations so far this year are higher than our expenses by \$9,756.00. Our year-to-date General Fund donations are \$758,526.00 and our year-to-date expenses are \$748,770.00. Thank you!!!!!!

3. ***Every donation dollar is appreciated and protected.*** We receive many positive comments about the ministries of FBCT.

4. ***Every donation dollar goes to meet the basic needs of FBC*** not extravagant wants.

5. We never deficit spend - ***We keep our expenses in line with our donations.***

6. Our ***budgeted missionaries are being paid 100 percent*** of their budgeted amount. Our ***Faith Promise missionaries are being paid at 80 percent*** of our Faith Promise amount due to decreased donations.

7. ***Our 2023 donations are below the 2023 budget by 20 percent*** or \$185,518.00. Our year-to-date budget is \$944,044.00 and our year-to-date donations are \$758,526.00.

8. ***Pray for wisdom in planning the 2024 Proposed Budget and Faith Promise giving.*** We are not able to hire new staff members out of the budget unless donations increase. We will continue budgeting four full-time pastors, one full-time administrative staff member, a hand full of part-time staff members and welcome and celebrate a host of volunteers.

9. ***Pray as we continue to reduce the bank debt on our building through the Support Organization, FBC Endowment.*** It is possible to pay off the bank debt in June 2026 through budgeted funds and extra annual giving of \$24,000.00. Thank you for making extra donations for debt reduction to FBC Tempe Legacy.

10. ***Pray for donations to exceed our budget*** in order to continue advancing the gospel of Jesus Chris

2023 August God Stories

1. Our Guadalupe Church Plant. A couple weeks ago Pastor Peter and Trisha assisted one of the individuals that attends our gatherings (prayer gatherings from the summer) and church plant activities and events. She is a single mom of three. We were able to assist her family with nearly a month's worth of groceries. When our son was speaking to one of the children, the child had mentioned that they hadn't eaten anything that day. God calls us to be compassionate in moments like these. Without hesitation my wife and I knew "we gotta help." We prayed for the family, and the family is doing better now.

2. I'm mad, frustrated and someone must stop the slandering and lying. I replied to this person, "I join in your frustration. Be patience. Everyone fully trusts you. No one trusts that person. God is actively removing him. Did you think a few months ago God would take this person out? Everyone highly values you. Everything he says makes him look worse in the eyes of everyone. Stay humble. Only speak the truth in kindness. Justice and correction are occurring on this person by God."

3. Wow. Big turn-out for new Truth Class. Thank you, teacher Lee Henkleman for creating and teaching the new class on Stop Negative Thinking. Lee writes, "I had thought about teaching a class on how to change negative thinking for about two years but the time never seemed right. The Holy Spirit nudged me hard this past spring so I mentioned the idea to Dianna and she talked to Roger. Well, the time was right! A class agenda was formed, room located and we were off. The class started Sunday, July 9, with 12 people formally registered but class count that first week was 24! The response has been terrific, and new attendees came the second week. I am grateful to God for leading me to offer the knowledge I have to people who have responded."

4. Laura said, "I can't thank all of you enough. I started going to this church thanks to a neighbor! You wonder how the Lord works? I had not gone to church in years! I said where? I told her I never looked forward to church every Sunday as I feel with this church. As a kid my brother and I would be quiet on Sundays so my parents would over sleep and we would miss Mass! I can't thank you all enough for making me feel welcomed and realize no matter what my week entails I have Sunday to look forward to! Thank you so so much!"

5. "Help me," he said. "How do I know if God is 'prompting me' to do something? Should I listening and go with my gut as the saying goes?" I responded with, "The Bible says take every thought captive. (II Corinthians

10:5 and Colossians 2:8). This means evaluate every thought BEFORE you follow it. Mystical feelings may or may not be from the Holy Spirit. Mystical feelings are often ideas which randomly pop into the mind. Always evaluate gut feelings by the holiness of biblical truth. You can listen to your gut (random thoughts and ideas) but they must fully agree with the intel from the Bible. Use intel from the Bible before you go with a 'prompting'. Much wiser to evaluate all mystical feelings by the Bible. The Holy Spirit would never ask you to disobey the Bible. Sometimes mystical feelings are irrational, sinful and not from God."

6. From a grateful FBC friend. She said, "We are blessed to have servant-leaders as Pastors at FBC. A last-minute need arose. It was not a big task but one that needed to be accomplished shortly. After several attempts to find help I called Julie in the FBC church office for suggested youth names I might call. Within 15 minutes Pastor Rob and Pastor Anthony showed up!! Task accomplished very quickly and they were on their way back to the church. What a heart-warming experience that two busy young Pastors would stop "just like that" to meet an immediate need. Thank you, Pastor Rob and Pastor Anthony."

7. The Bible says angels in camouflage can show up in our lives. On an extremely hot July Sunday morning around 7:45 am Ryan said to me, "I'm homeless and I have been walking for a couple hours. Can I sit in the church lobby?" I said, "Yes and would you like a cold coke?" Ryan's eyes and voice said "YES." I took Ryan to the cafe and we gave him a cold Pepsi and bottle of water. Ryan stayed for the 8:00 am Worship Service and graciously told me thank you. I don't know if Ryan was an angel but I do know our church treated Ryan with much respect. Never forget Hebrews 13:2 which says, "Be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby some have entertained angels unawares".

8. Praise God, 13 men are headed to Alaska on August 21, for a fishing trip of a lifetime. Men from FBC, friends, family, and one excited stranger (who won't be a stranger by the end of the trip), will meet from four different states and travel together to see God's beautiful creation. Pray these men grow closer to God and closer to each other.

9. Pray and trust God to provide a way. Women's Ministry Director Kris Williamson writes, "Women's Ministry faced not having a retreat this year because all the camps were full. I prayed God would open the way for us. Six days after praying, a camp facility called. Five cabins were available for September 15-17. Forty-two women joyfully signed up for camp, "Where Friends Gather." The women have met together to sign-up for all

the retreat teams. Standing together at camp worshiping, praying and learning about Jesus builds stronger relationships.

10. Guadalupe Church Plant. Recently we began an Alpha Course for youth in the Town of Guadalupe. Two kids specifically, a brother and sister, kept coming back and asking really great questions about faith and God. I met their father (Lee) one day when he came to pick up his children. I recognized him to be my childhood friend. We briefly caught up and asked about our families. Lee had a rough life and he was very thankful and grateful for the “work we are doing for the kids” is what he said sincerely. It was amazing to see what God is doing generationally, that it would be his children that we would be pouring into.

11. Thank you to our helpful Skylight Café workers. (More help is still needed.) Our point leaders Paulina Harner and Joy Getz create sweet refreshments and sweet hospitality each Sunday morning in our church cafe. Thank you, Aly Lemons, Josiah Lemons (teen), Gloria Webber, Georgina and Scott Neely, Sarvia Ortiz, Cynthia and Ken Enfinger, Fay Bachman, Jerry Paquette, Doris Wood, Chase Reynolds, Melissa Smith, Ken and Rebecca Sandoval, Emma Malmin (teen), David Woodley, Jennifer Williams, Linda Savage, Carolyn Cooper, Ceclia Hughes, Ian Jeffer, Sandra Lesnick, Stuart Lange, Suzy Glendy, Tom Verburg, Grant Getz and Rebecca Getz for volunteering in this ministry.

12. Pray for me they asked. They said, “We just spoke the truth in love to our adult child who hatefully rejects the morality advanced by Jesus in the Bible. It is hard to watch your adult children rebel against God.” I replied, “My heart breaks for all of you. I fully believe God and the Bible supports you. Keep following the Bible. Love in the Bible includes saying No”.

13. Celebrate. Let’s thank God for our many volunteers who joyfully serve God several hours EVERY week in our church. Mega blessings on servants like Adam and Laura Bachman, Sally Compton, Ryan and Lisa Barbarisi, James and Nina Sidabras, Greg Jones, Don and Gail Halver, Mike Roderick, John and Sheri Lucki, Sue Godwin, Tom Verburg, Ken Enfinger, Patt Mitchell, Aaron Will, Grant and Joy Getz, Bev Marten and many others.

14. God uses the little things like kindness. You never know how God is using your kindness to minister to others. Recently, I received a card from a friend. It said, “I want to say a big Thank You to you. Your support and friendship over the many years has been such an encouragement. Women’s Camp, Bible studies, coffees, chats, prayers and si friendship have

made a lovely difference in my life. Thank you, my friend!" So be kind and see how God blesses those around you.

15. Jesus constantly seeks out new friends. Thank you for welcoming strangers to our church. Recently a young couple visited our church on Sunday night. The husband writes, "My wife and I just recently tried your church out on your Sunday night service at 6:00 pm and we both loved it. We are looking forward to getting connected and involved."

16. Goliath was once a baby. Jim Denison, PhD, says, "Goliath in the Bible was once a baby. Then, of course, over time he grew up to become a giant. Sometimes, our 'giants' start out pretty small. You might be dealing with a little thing in your life, or at work, or within your marriage. Maybe you've taken some small liberties you shouldn't have taken. Then you nurture the little thing. You feed it. A curiosity turns into a fascination. A fascination turns into a habit. A habit becomes an addiction. And one day, you discover that your 'little liberty' has turned into a full-blown giant. Are there 'baby giants' in your life today? Make this commitment: 'Do not give the devil a foothold' - Ephesians 4:27. Right now."

17. Years ago, Milt Winterberg served in our church as a wonderful, gracious and sacrificial Worship Pastor and AWANA Leader. Our church is honored to have Pastor Milt's grandson, Steve Curtis, and his wife, Brenda, attending our church. May each one of us pass along our love for Jesus to our friends and relatives. Please look for Steve and Brenda in the 9:30 am Worship Service to welcome them to FBCT.

18. Listening in church should motivate you to advance Jesus. Recently a person in our church heard the story of our Chaplain Rick Brennon and privately reached out to the ASU President to introduce Chaplain Rick who also graduated from ASU. One week later, Rick received an email from the Executive Director of the **Pat Tillman** Veterans Center at ASU which exists for veteran, military and dependent students stating that the President at ASU wanted him to contact Chaplain Rick to determine how Rick could best support ASU's outreach to veterans. The mission of the Pat Tillman center is to empower and engage the ASU military and veteran community with academic and personal success. Pray for Chaplain Rick to have a great opportunity to advance Jesus in this area.

Video and audio services and messages are being live streamed at 9:30 and 11:00 am and 6:00 pm Sundays at <https://www.facebook.com/FirstBaptistChurchTempe>



Pastor Roger's sermons and other FBC Pastors can be heard for free on our website at www.fbc-tempe.org.

Sunday Mornings Messages

September 3 – “Forgiveness” (Colossians 3:13)

Pastor Anthony Whitlatch (8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 Worship Center)

September 10 – “Love” (Colossians 3:14)

Pastor Anthony Whitlatch (8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 Worship Center)

September 17 – “Peace” (Colossians 3:15)

Al Fadi (8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 Worship Center)

September 24 – “Build Up Others” (Colossians 3:16-17)

Pastor Anthony Whitlatch (8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 Worship Center)

October 1 – “Wives and Husbands” (Colossians 3:18-19)

Al Fadi (8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 Worship Center)

Sunday Evening Messages

August 27 – Spring Celebration Concert

September 3 – “Strong and Weak – Help the Weak” (Romans 15:1-6) PIT Tom Croke

September 10 – “Strong and Weak – Accept Each Other” (Romans 15:7-14) PIT Tom Croke

“Heart Transplant”

August 27, 2023
Al Fadi

One of the most powerful and supernatural effects of salvation is the transformation of our life and the fruits that are produced by it. Even more than that, the scripture gives us a vivid picture not only on who we are NOW in Christ but also what is EXPECTED from us as His followers.

Colossians 3:12 - So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience; (NASB)

Being Saved (Outcome) by God Means:

1. YOU are Holy

2. YOU are Beloved

Being Saved by God Should Result In:

3. A Heart of Compassion and Kindness

4. A Heart of Humility and Gentleness

5. A Heart of Patience