

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

October 1-Luke 1, John 1:1-14
October 2-Matthew 1, Luke 2:1-38
October 3-Matthew 2, Luke 2:39-52
October 4-Mark 1, Luke 3, Matt. 3
October 5-John 1:15-51, Matthew 4, Luke 4-5
October 6-John 2-4
October 7- Mark 2
October 8-John 5

Birthdays


Emily Frisbie (10/3)
Scott Morrissey (10/3)
Andrew Burkhart (10/8)
Myah Swanson (10/9)
Saylor Huver (10/10)
Emma Malmin (10/10)
Sheriss Croke (10/11)

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 (9/24)
Budget Plan	\$ 27,766	\$ 1,082,874
Giving (Donations)	\$ 12,375	\$ 883,014
	\$ -15,391 (Shortage)	\$ -199,860 (Shortage)
GF Expenses	\$ 5,677	\$ 847,346
Faith Promise	Last Week	YTD (9/24)
Budget Plan	\$ 1,078	\$ 42,042
Giving (Donations)	\$ 262	\$ 26,304
	\$ -816 (Shortage)	\$ -15,738 (Shortage)
FP Expenses	\$ 00	\$ 29,496


Legacy Cumulative Debt Reduction

	Last Week	Since Jan 2019
Legacy Designated	\$ 290	\$ 538,570

Please continue to give to help reduce our long-term Legacy debt of approximately \$429,589.00
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.





WE
LOVE
GOD
PEOPLE

Accepting, loving and challenging people with God's truth

October 1, 2023

4525 S. McClintock Drive
Tempe, AZ 85282
480-839-0926
fbc-tempe.org
Dr. Roger Ball, Managing Pastor

Welcome to Worship

8:00 am-Traditional Worship

Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus
Welcome and Announcements
Mighty Is Our God
How Great Thou Art
Prayer
Message-Al Fadi
“Wives and Husbands”

9:30 am-Contemporary Worship

Lion and the Lamb
Welcome and Announcements
You’ve Already Won
How Great Is Your Love
Choir—Forever
Prayer
Message— Al Fadi
“Wives and Husbands”

11:00 am-Alternative Contemporary Worship

Joy of the Lord
Welcome and Announcements
Made Alive
Only a Holy God
I am Not Alone
Prayer
Message-Al Fadi
“Wives and Husbands”

6:00 pm-Evening Worship

Welcome
From the Day
Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me
Prayer
Message-PIT Tom Croke
“Two Greatest Commandments”

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	\$ 89,396.00
Under Budget	\$ 50,051.00

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	\$ 34,380.00
Under Budget	\$ 115,620.00

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, October 1

8:00 am-Traditional Worship
8:00 am-Adult Bible Class
9:30 am-Contemporary FAMILY Worship
9:30 am-Adult Bible Classes
11:00 am-Alternative Contemporary Family Worship
11:00 am-Adult Bible Classes
12:00 pm-Lunch in the MAC
12:15—Men’s Ministry Leadership Team Meeting
5:00 pm—Men of Valor Class
6:00 pm-Evening Worship

Monday, October 2

7:00 pm-Parents of Addicted Loved Ones

Tuesday, October 3

9:30 am-Tuesday Women’s Ministries Bible Study

Wednesday, October 4

6:30 pm-Choir Rehearsal
6:30 pm-Orchestra Rehearsal
6:30 pm—11am Worship Team Rehearsal
7:45 pm-Choir and Orchestra Rehearsal
8:00 pm-9:30amWorship Team and Orchestra Rehearsal

Thursday, October 5

5:00 pm—Youth Music Hang Out
6:00 pm—Youth Group
6:30 pm-Women’s Thursday Evening Bible Study
7:00 pm-Finance Committee Meeting

Saturday, October 7

6:00 am-All Church Hike

Consider These

“Patience strengthens the spirit, sweetens the temper, stifles anger, subdues pride, and bridles the tongue.”

“When a man finds no peace within himself, it is useless to seek it elsewhere.”

*“There are four steps to accomplishment:
Plan purposefully; prepare prayerfully; proceed positively;
Pursue persistently.”*

Reflect

What to do when you are frantic and stressed . . .

Psalm 27:14 —“Wait for the Lord’s help. Be strong and brave, and wait for the Lord’s help.”

Romans 12:12 —“Be joyful because you have hope. Be patient when trouble comes, and pray at all times.”

Psalm 40:1 —“I waited patiently for the Lord. He turned to me and heard my cry.”

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)

Marriage Class-Room 118
(Engaged, newly wed, or Married forever, open to all.)

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

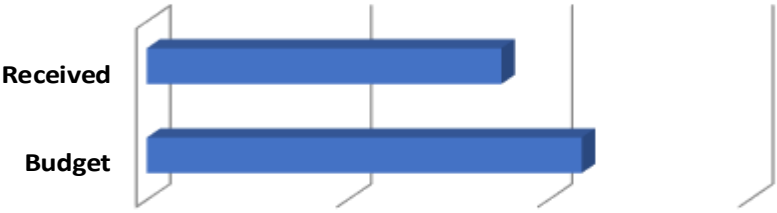
God values and blesses your faithful giving. Read Proverbs 3:5-10.

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
\$1,082,874.00
YTD Money Received
\$883,014.00
UNDER Budget
\$-199,860.00

2023 General Fund Giving



	Budget	Received
Series 1	\$1,082,874.00	\$883,014.00



Sunday Lunch in the MAC

Your donations at the food line in the wood boxes help greatly to cover the cost of each meal

October 1 – Sausage Pasta Bake, Caesar Salad, Garlic Toast, Salad Bar and Dessert.

October 8 – Baked Potato Bar with Chili, Cornbread, Toppings, Salad Bar and Dessert

October 15 – Green Chili Chicken Nacho Bar with toppings, FBC Salsa, Salad Bar and Dessert

October 22 – Compassion Lunch: Italian Chicken Cutlets w/ Fresh Tomato Sauce, Rosemary Roasted Potatoes, Vegetables, Rolls, and Dessert

October 29 – Herb Roasted Pork Loin, Wild Rice Medley, Vegetables, Salad Bar and Dessert



(Birth through 6th Grade)

Preschool and Kindergarten

Bible Story: FAMILY WORSHIP TOGETHER DAY

Bible Point:

Elementary

9:30 am Bible Story: FAMILY WORSHIP

11:00 am Bible Story: FAMILY WORSHIP

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.



“Trunk or Treat”

SATURDAY, October 29

5:45pm – 7:00pm

Join us for fun, games and prizes!

RSVP @ fbc-tempe.org/children

online
GIVING
easy. fast. effective.



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



GriefShare Support Group

Help and encouragement following the death
of a loved one

GriefShare Weekly Seminars –

Sunday, October 10, through December 17

For registration information, contact Teresa Kovac
at 732-319-5533 or visit www.Griefshare.org



Join the FBC family as an official
member! OCTOBER 8, 2023

Welcome! As a member you will be involved in approving the annual budget and voting on actions the Church Board brings to the congregation. To be a member, here's what you need to do:

- 1) *Write "membership" on an Orange Card and drop it in the offering plate or call the Church Office at 480-839-0926. You will then be contacted by one of our Pastors.*
- 2) *You need to have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and share it with one of the pastors.*

After you have shared your testimony with a pastor, you will be presented to the congregation on a Sunday morning in the future. An official friend will help you become acquainted with FBC.



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

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



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.



YOUNG ADULTS CLASS

Who: Anyone age 18-25

When: Sundays starting October 1st @ 11am

Where: Upstairs Class 217 (College & Career Room)



SCAN FOR INFO ABOUT
OUR KICKOFF EVENT!



“Re-Shaping the Home”

October 1 – “Wives and Husbands”

Al Fadi

October 8 – “Children”

Al Fadi

October 15 – “Fathers”

Al Fadi

October 22 – SPECIAL DAY – Compassion Outreach Day, One Family Service at 10am – “One Life Purpose”

Pastor Anthony Whitlatch

October 29 – “Slaves and Masters”

Pastor Anthony Whitlatch



**Put this Date on Your
Calendar for an FBC Church
Action Meeting**

Date – Sunday, October 15

Time – Following each of our three Morning
Worship Services

Action – To vote on the following Deacon Board
and Finance Committee recommendations:

- 2024 FBC Proposed Budget
- 2024 FBC Proposed Faith Promise Giving

On Sunday, October 1, you will find a copy of the 2024 FBC Proposed Budget, the 2024 FBC Proposed Faith Promise Giving and current Finance Report in our Connection Center and also at the FBC Office.



June 2026

Debt/Bank Loan
for Worship Center,
Music Center and Kid City



Originally the Loan was \$1,829,853.44 in November 2016
The Loan is now \$429,589.00 as of September 30, 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"***

Compassion Outreach Day!

OCTOBER 22
ONE FAMILY SERVICE at 10am



**1 Project
for EVERYONE**

**Pick up Boxes
starting 9/24.
EVERYONE return
boxes on 10/22**



All Church Hike – NEW LOCATION!

Date and Time – Saturday, October 7, 6:00 am to 5:00 pm

Location – Walnut Canyon via Sandy Trail - Flagstaff
(Moderate – 5 Miles – 200 Feet Elevation)

Bring: water, snacks, sunscreen, poncho – lunch at Lone Spur Café
Enjoy a peaceful hike through the southern side of Walnut Canyon,
exploring a few small caves.

For more information, contact Adam Bachman at
480-363-5570 or at ajbachman7@hotmail.com



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 \$228,000 which would include a reduction of ministry dollars, a reduction in staff salaries and adjusted job descriptions.

2. ***Praise God*** - our donations so far this year are higher than our expenses by \$35,668. Our year-to-date General Fund donations are \$883,014.00 and our year-to-date expenses are \$847,346.00. 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 \$199,860.00. Our year-to-date budget is \$1,082,874.00 and our year-to-date donations are \$883,014.00.

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



In addition to our budgeted giving to missionaries, our Faith Promise giving is trusting God to enable us to give more money to missionaries above and beyond our FBC Budget. Through Faith Promise we support more missionaries to get out the news of Jesus Christ to people worldwide. **We are trusting God to enable us to give in this way, however, our Faith Promise giving has consistently fallen 20% below in donations to our Faith Promise missionaries. In light of that, we have reduced our support by 20%.**

Please be praying about how you can support our FP missionaries. Your donation can be made out to FBCT and earmark it FP Missionaries.

Faith Promise Missionaries

Ali Abboud (CIRA)	Mark Burritt (ITMI)
Steve & Darlene Evers (ITMI)	Jim & Carolyn Fasold (GEM)
Gideons	Bob and Elena Gonzalez (GEM)
Jeff HAuse (SAM)	Kevin & Lelani Humble (WVI)
Ben & Aleyamma Joseph (MD)	Luis Matute (WO)
Bernie & Mary Miller (GEM)	Nogales Baptist Seminary (MD)
Brent & Melanie Palmer (MAF)	Nathan & Meagan Pipe
Erika Potter (Christar)	Tom & Laura Requadt (WV)
Steve & Patty Robenalt (MD)	Salvation Army
Dwight & Gwynne Shaver (Wycliffe)	Southwest CBA
Church Plant (Peter Molina)	Ryan & Shelby Webb (WO)
Cathy Wilson (Chosen People)	World Venture (JAVA)
Tempe Community Action Association	

2023 October God Stories

1. "When I follow Jesus I stay out of trouble. When I don't follow Jesus I get into all kinds of trouble." Two weeks ago, this college age man shared this with me and told me he wanted to get baptized because following Jesus would keep him out of trouble. Let's pray for this young man to follow Jesus and stay out of trouble.

2. "50 years ago I attended FBCT she said to me." I said welcome back. Glad to have you back. This lady has now attended our church the last four Sundays. Thank you Lord for your oversight and care for her. Praise God. Pray for God to bless her. Let's welcome her and any new face.

3.Our church plant Pastor says, "My wife and I, along with our two kids, Monty and Miriam, would go once or sometimes twice a week to the Guadalupe Public Library to partake in their summer activities for families. We wanted to establish familiarity with families and see what God is doing, and to have fun of course. When it came time to do outreach for the alpha/youth nights, we invited youth at the Guadalupe Library to come. This went well and the library staff had already recognized my wife and I. They were open to me passing out flyers for youth night. At first, I didn't think that the youth from the library would come to the alpha/youth group, they seemed to have rushed over from the library to the Mercado. The first youth meeting was 4 kids, then by the 3rd meeting we had 9 youth showing up. Now that school has started for some of them, they still want to continue meeting throughout the school year!

4.On the same Sunday in August three different ladies who recently started attending our church, individually, said they were struggling, lonely and searching for friends. Two weeks later each lady was involved in a small group bible study and building friendships. It is exciting to see people building friendships in the name of Jesus. Each one of us needs more friends in the name of Jesus.

5."I am renewing my faith in Jesus can I get baptized?" I said yes. Pray for this person who recently started attending our church. God is at work.

6.Grow your faith. Walk where Jesus walked. 62 people are now registered for our March 2024 trip to Israel to walk in Cana where Jesus turned the water into wine. You can visit Nazareth, the home town of Jesus. Imagine Jesus walking on water as we ride a boat on the Sea of Galilee. Walk in

Capernaum where Jesus performed miracles. Stand on the Mount of Olives and walk to the Garden of Gethsemane where Jesus was betrayed and arrested. Our next trip to Israel is March 2025. See Pastor Roger.

7. My mom came to church with me he said to me. Now my wife, my mom and I attend this church. God brought this family to our church. Pray for this new family of three to follow Jesus, find new friends and swerve Jesus.

8. Sixty years in the making. Fay Bachman was eight when God used a missionary to plant a seed in her. Memorial Day weekend 2022, a friend shared with Fay about medical mission trips to give free medical, dental, and spiritual care. Fay says, "After being excited, fearful, and praying, I felt God giving me peace to go. I was accepted to go with a medical team!" Since May 2022 Fay has been to Zanzibar (August 2022), Tanzania (January 2023), Malawi (August 2023) - all are countries in Africa. Fay says, "I realized I not only enjoy working in this type of medical environment, but it truly is a passion of my heart to help others around the world medically and spiritually." Each patient Fay works with is given the opportunity to be prayed for, have the 4 spiritual laws explained, and be connected to the local church. This 60-year-old dream would not be possible without the prayers and financial support of FBC-T, family, and friends.

9. Please pray for my husband Bob. His salvation and our marriage for deliverance from alcohol. Please LORD GOD restore my marriage. I need a miracle. Thank you. (This message came from our church website as a prayer request.)

10. "Stick with Jesus who is God. Obey Jesus because Jesus gives freedom, hope and community". Never forget these words from Pastor Tom Croke. Pray for Pastor Tom and his wife Sherice and their newborn.

11. The Grandmother (Linda) drops off a brother and sister for alpha/youth night, and Lee picks them up. Linda told our church plant Pastor that she attended my sister Naomi's funeral service this year at FBC of Tempe. Linda mentioned that she was moved by the service. A seed was planted then, and it is growing. God is at work with this family.

12. One particular youth night we showed a video that had evangelical messaging from Billy Graham that was well received by the youth. There was a part of the video that covered the 'sinner's prayer'. In that segment of the sinner's prayer, as Graham was leading the prayer we heard

whispers coming from one side of the table – a couple of the youth were saying the sinner’s prayer underneath their breath. Peter Molina our church plant Pastor says, “My wife and I are now seeing that the youth are further along in their spiritual development, there’s a harvest here that is ready - we need workers! We need a team - please pray.

13.Special. ASU just offered our military-PHD-Chaplain Rick Brennan and opportunity join ASU in research writing on moral injury. Pray for Rick.

14. “John 3:16 and the ABC’s of becoming a Christian” – In our church plant the Alpha/Youth Nights in Guadalupe are held on Fridays at 4:30pm, in the Multi-Purpose community Room. One Friday, Trish Molina wanted to teach the youth how to locate a verse in the Bible. We started with John 3:16. This seemed to be the one activity where the kids were most engaged. Through this process, they quickly learned about the Old Testament and New Testament, the 12 Disciples and why they were called Disciples, and of course how to use the ‘table of contents’. Ultimately, they read *John 3:16* aloud, and we talked about the ABC’s of becoming a Christian. They had deep questions and although none accepted Christ right then, we could tell that God was on their minds and seeds were planted. We ended that day with a water-balloon fight/games. This time, after the youth group had ended, the kids stayed to hang-out with us at the Mercado. They asked us questions about what’s next. They want to continue the group, even when they’re all back in school. Pray for our church plant.



“A Holy Moment is a single moment in which you open yourself to God. You make yourself available to Him. You set aside personal preference and self-interest, and for one moment you do what you prayerfully believe God is calling you to do.” – Matthew Kelly

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

**October 1 – “Wives and Husbands”
(Colossians 3:18-19, Colossians 3:23-25)**

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

**October 8 – “Children”
(Colossians 3:20, 23-25)**

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

**October 15 – “Fathers”
(Colossians 3:21, 23-35)**

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

**October 22 – Compassion Outreach Day – “One Life Purpose”
(Philippians 2:1-8)**

Pastor Anthony Whitlatch (ONE family service ONLY at 10am)

**October 29 – “Slaves and Masters”
(Colossians 3:22-4:1)**

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

Sunday Evening Messages

**October 1 - “Two Greatest Commandments”
(Matthew 22:36-40)** PIT Tom Croke

**October 8 – “Honor God Above All”
(Exodus 20:1-3)** PIT Tom Croke

**October 15 – “Worship God Only”
(Exodus 20:4-6)** PIT Tom Croke

“Wives and Husbands”

October 1, 2023
Al Fadi

Colossians 3:18-19 Sermon Guide – **Wives and Husbands**

Colossians 3:18-19 ¹⁸ Wives, be subject to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. ¹⁹ Husbands, love your wives and do not be embittered against them.

Marriages begin with high expectations, however, somewhere along the way marriages seem to grow either better or bitter. Either a husband and wife are growing closer in a deepening love for each other, or they are growing more distant as resentment and anger build a wall, brick by brick.

Biblical Marriage = Commitment

“Husbands, love your wives just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her...” Eph. 5:25

1. A Relationship built upon Self-Sacrifice
2. A Relationship based on Godliness

3. Leadership based on Love

4. Submission unto God's Authority

APPLICATION

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