

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

- March 3—Numbers 18-20
- March 4—Numbers 21-22
- March 5—Numbers 23-25
- March 6—Numbers 26-27
- March 7—Numbers 28-30
- March 8—Numbers 31-32
- March 9—Numbers 33-34
- March 10—Numbers 35-36

Birthdays

- Miranda Bender—3/3
- Rachel Blum—3/3
- Sarah Roberts—3/3
- Ken Sandoval—3/3
- Savannah Lopez—3/4
- Aydenn Galang—3/5
- Nicolas Iedezma—3/5
- Melody Namingha—3/5
- Sarah Zamora—3/5
- Patricia Blount—3/6
- Rebecca Sandoval—3/6
- Timothy Sandoval—3/6
- Aleyamma Joseph—3/7
- Josiah Bender—3/8
- Michelle Pfeiffer-Johnson—3/8
- Mark Burritt—3/10

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!

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 Anthony or one of the other FBC Pastors?

Free sermons by Pastor Anthony 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 2024

General Giving	Last Week	YTD (02/25)
Budget Plan	\$ 23,920	\$ 191,360
Giving (Donations)	\$ 36,817	\$ 156,507
	\$ 12,897 (Overage)	\$ -34,853 (Shortage)
GF Expenses	\$ 3,846	\$ 151,464
Faith Promise	Last Week	YTD (02/25)
Budget Plan	\$ 888	\$ 7,104
Giving (Donations)	\$ 3,280	\$ 10,301
	\$ 2,392 (Overage)	\$ 3,197 (Overage)
FP Expenses	\$ 3,604	\$ 6,505

Legacy Cumulative Debt Reduction

	Last Week	Since Jan 2019
Legacy Designated	\$ 1,220	\$ 592,822

Please continue to give to help reduce our long-term Legacy debt of approximately \$308,580.00
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 contact the Church Office by calling 480-839-0926 to schedule a time to meet.



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF TEMPE

LOVE GOD PEOPLE

Accepting, loving and challenging people with God's truth

March 3, 2024

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

Welcome to Worship

9:30 am-Contemporary Worship

I Thank God
Welcome and Announcements
Graves Into Gardens
I Will Rise
Choir: Mighty Power of God
Message:
Pastor Anthony Whitlatch
Gospel of Matthew:
"Son of Abraham"
Matthew 1:1-17
Communion

11:00 am-Alternative Contemporary Worship

Praise the Lord
Welcome and Announcements
This is Our God
How Great is Your Love
Message:
Pastor Anthony Whitlatch
Gospel of Matthew:
"Son of Abraham"
Matthew 1:1-17
My Worth is Not in What I Own
Communion
Friend in Jesus



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

Scan here to enter FBC's electronic giving page.



CIRA 2024 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 February 2024.

Financial Need

Annual Budget	\$ 139,447.00
Giving-to-Date	\$ 22,945.00
Under Budget	\$ 116,502.00

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 2024 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 February 2024.

Financial Need

Annual Budget	\$ 150,000.00
Giving-to-Date	\$ 5,217.00
Under Budget	\$ 144,783.00

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 pnmolina@asu.edu.
Make out all checks to FBC earmarked "Church Plant."

This Week at FBC

Sunday, March 3

8:00 am-Adult Bible Class
9:30 am-Contemporary Worship
9:30 am-Kid City Children's Classes
9:30 am-JH & HS Classes
9:30 am-Adult Bible Classes
11:00 am-Contemporary Worship
11:00 am-Kid City Classes
11:00 am-Adult Bible Classes
12:00 pm-Lunch in the MAC

Monday, March 4

6:15 am—Men's Bible Study-Truth Project
7:00 pm-Parents of Addicted Loved Ones

Tuesday, March 5

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

Wednesday, March 6

5:30 pm-Karate
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, March 7

5:00 pm Youth Music Hangout
6:00 pm Youth Group
6:30 pm GriefShare
6:30 pm-Women's Thursday Evening Bible Study

Consider These

Consistent giving facilitates consistent ministry.

Abundant grace brings abundant blessing and spurs abundant ministry.

The work of God is to be done by the people of God giving according to the will of God.

Reflect

Happiness comes when we stop wailing about the troubles we have, and offer thanks for all the troubles we don't have.

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

Romans 8:6-8 For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the Spirit is life and peace, ⁷because the mind set on the flesh is hostile toward God; for it does not subject itself to the law of God, for it is not even able *to do so*, ⁸and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

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:

- ✓ "Faith Under Fire"
- ✓ "The Hill"

New Books in the Library:

- ✓ "The Battle for the Beginning" by John MacArthur
- ✓ "Dancing Through Sorrow" by Ben Joseph
- ✓ "The Search for Significance" by Robert McGee



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)

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

Women's Bible Study-Room 118

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)

Young Adult College Class-Room 217
(Open to ages 18-25)

Telling Yourself the Truth-Room 118

Reading and Applying the Bible
(open to all ages) Room 106

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 \$23,920.00 each week to meet our budget.

YTD Money Needed
\$191,360

YTD Money Received
\$156,507

UNDER Budget
\$34,853

2023 General Fund Giving



	Budget	Received
■ Series 1	\$191,360.00	\$156,507.00

Sunday Lunch in the MAC



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

- 3-3 Chicken parmesan cutlets with marinara, penne pasta, veggies, Caesar salad, salad bar and dessert
- 3-10 Nachos bar with taco beef, pintos, toppings, FBC salsa, salad bar And dessert
- 3-17 Pasta toss with meatballs in marinara or pesto cream sauces, Veggies, garlic toast, salad bar and dessert

KID CITY

(Birth through 6th grade)
Spiritual Growth Opportunities
Sunday's 9:30 am & 11:00 am

Today your son/daughter will learn about:

Preschool through Kindergarten

Jesus teaches about loving those who are unkind
(Matthew 5:43-45)

Memory Verse: 1 John 4:19

"We love because God loved us first."

1st through 6th Grade

Family Worship

1st through 6th Grade: Read It, Memorize It & Live It

Between services (10:30 am -11:00 am) students have the opportunity to memorize God's Word.

**WACKY
WEDNESDAY**

Kids age 3 thru 5th grade join us this summer
for **Wacky Wednesday VBS!**

Every other Wednesday night from 6-8pm

June 5 & 19

July 3 & 17

FREE but you MUST REGISTER →



Or go to fbc-tempe.org and check out
Children's Ministries



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.



Men's 2024 Alaskan Fishing Trip August 19-26

For more info, sign up at the Men's Ministry Table or scan to online register!



HELP Needed in Skylight Café!

Skylight Café is still in need of more volunteers! Come and be a part of this exceptional ministry!

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 9:00 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



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 \$308,580.00 as of February 18, 2024.

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"***



FREE PHOTOS ON EASTER!

Celebrate Resurrection Day with a professional photo!

Photographer David Foote will be in the Photo Booth in the café area on **Easter Sunday, March 31** at the following times:

8:45-9:30 am

10:30-11 am

12:00 – 12:30 pm

Make your way to the café and receive a free professional photo along with electronic photo files.

(Easter Bonnet Not Required)





GriefShare Support Group

Help and encouragement following the

death of a loved one

GriefShare Weekly Seminars – in person/online

NEW MEETING DAY! Thursdays, January 18 – April 11 6:30pm

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

MEN'S BREAKFAST

March 9

7:50am



Men Praying for FBC Tempe



Men's Doubles Cornhole Tournament

Friday, March 22

5:30 – 8:30pm



SPACE IS LIMITED! Register NOW!

(Register online or at the men's table for more info)

Men's Golf Tournament

Date and Time - Saturday, May 11, 2024, 7:00 am

Place – Springfield Golf Resort

Cost - \$65.00 per person



Includes: Two-Man Best Ball, 1 Round of Golf, Cart and Lunch

To Register – Scan the QR code or sign up at the Men's table

Women's Ministry Events

Tuesday Bible Study Connections

Tuesday's, January 9 – April 9, 2024:

9:30 am, Rooms 107-108

2 Studies Offered

1. Book of James
2. John's Letters

Thursday Evening Bible Study

Bible Study – “Life and Ministry of the Messiah” **January 11 – March 21**

6:30 pm, Room 104

SAVE THE DATE!

Women to Women Connection “Discerning the Voice of God”

Thursdays, April 4, 11, 18 and 25 – 4 messages by Charmaine Newton

6:30-8pm, in the Quad, no charge

Summer Bible Studies

Tuesdays May 7 – June 25, 9:30-11:30am in the Quad

“Making God's Faithfulness the Bedrock of Your Faith” – Study Book,
\$12

Thursdays May 2 – June 20, 6:30-8pm, Room 104

“Tell Me the Stories of Jesus” a study in the Parables, Study bk, \$11



WOMEN'S RETREAT

September 13-15, 2024

\$165 – 5 meals, 2 nights

Tonto Rim Christian Camp, Payson, AZ

“Life is Like a Box of Chocolates...taking the risk”

**All Women are Welcome – Sign up at the Women's
Ministry Table in the hallway across from the Café**



Church Action Meeting

There will be a Church Action Meeting on Sunday, March 17, 2024 during each of our Morning Worship Services at 9:30 and 11 am for the purpose of voting on church leadership.

The following men will be running for **Deacons**:

Robert Hill (1st term), Todd White (1st term), Paul Turck (1st Term), and Troy Malmin (1st term)



Robert Hill

Todd White



Paul Turck

Troy Malmin



The following women will be running for **Deaconess**:

Paulina Harner (1st term) and Joy Getz (1st term)



Paulina Harner

Joy Getz



Also included on the ballot are:
Rassamy Keoduangta-**Financial Secretary** and
Don Halver-**Church Treasurer**
serving one-year terms.



Rassamy Keoduangta



Don Halver

Thank you . . .

Thank you to David Brinn, Scott Blum and Josiah Bender for serving as a Deacon.

Thank you to Fay Bachman for serving as a Deaconess. Thank you to

Mike Roderick for serving as Financial Secretary.

Resurrection Sunday

Celebrate Easter at FBC



3/24 – 6pm: Easter Concert in the Worship Center

3/29 – 7pm: Good Friday Service in the Worship Center

“Walk In Freedom” Easter Sunday, March 31

9:30 am – Worship Service in the Worship Center

11:00 am – Worship Service in the Worship Center

**Special Children’s Program at 9:30 and 11:00 am
in Kid City for children grade 6 and younger.**

**Youth are encouraged to attend the 9:30 am
Service in the Worship Center with Pastor Scott.**

FREE BRUNCH in in the MAC

(Donations gladly accepted)

10:30am – 12:45pm

Chicken Santé Fe with Black Bean & Roasted Corn Salsa

Rosemary and Dijon Crusted Pork Loin

Herb Rice Pilaf

Garlic Roasted Potatoes

Korean BBQ Meatballs and Italian Meatballs

Fresh Roasted Vegetables

Assorted Pastries

Coffee Station and Citrus Water



EASTER HELP NEEDED!

Sunday, March 31

Resurrection Sunday

Easter Morning Worship Services
9:30am and 11:00am
Brunch served after each service

- Greeters needed for Easter morning before each worship service.
- Brunch Food Servers are needed
- Brunch Food Runners are needed
- Kitchen Cleanup Helpers needed

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I would be happy to help on Easter Sunday!

Name: _____

Email: _____

Cell: _____

I can help Greet people from 9:00-9:30am 10:30-11:00am

I can help serve food from 10:15-11:15am 11:45am-12:45pm

I can be a food runner from 10:15-11:15am 11:45am-12:45pm

I can help Clean up from 10:15-11:15am

11:45am-12:45pm

12:45-1:30pm



Tear off and place in offering plate **OR** scan and sign up on-line 

March 2024 God Stories

Pray, Pray, Pray. The Pastoral Search Committee asks that you join them in prayer for our next Senior Pastor and for us as a church family. Pray our future Senior Pastor and his family. Pray that he would be a man of God with spiritual maturity, integrity, humility, effective communication skills, and a heart for pastoral care. Pray for the Search Committee that they would have clarity and be sensitive to God's leading and effectively communicate with us. Pray for our FBC Family that we would wait patiently for God's leading. PRAY, PRAY, PRAY.

Our Kid City Kids Follow Jesus! Our younger family members are learning to follow Jesus as they study the Bible and as they bring in offerings to give to our missionaries. During our Missions Conference our kids collected over \$800. Great job!

FBC's Faithful Sacrifice to Pay Down Bank Loan! Our family continues to reduce the bank loan that was used to build the Worship Center, Music Center, and Kid City. As of February 25, 2024, the loan balance was \$308,580. Praise God! The goal is to pay off the loan by June 2026. Pray and ask God what He would have you do to help retire this loan.

Maturity in the Word causes women to desire to be trained to serve. Women's Ministry is actively helping "any willing woman to reach her fullest potential to become radically Christ-like." Director Kris Williamson is actively training women to effectively lead Bible discussions and to use their gifts to show hospitality and serve other women. Watch for new discussion leaders in the future! Would you like to be trained? Talk to Kris to sign up.

God Continues to Bless the Ministry of CIRA. CIRA shares a praise. Two ladies in United Emirates accepted the Lord in the past couple weeks. One is Emirati and the other is Moroccan. Praise God that He continues to bless CIRA's ministry.

Trust God and Grow in Your Faith. Recently, a young woman was explaining that she saw a direct correlation between her walking with God and trusting Him when she faced trials and her spiritual growth. The more she trusted God to meet a challenge/trial, the easier it was for her to trust Him in more difficult challenges/trials. All fear of trials is disappearing. Faith is growing. Trust is exploding. Praise God! You, too, can experience this type of spiritual growth. Ask to speak to a pastor or a lay leader for help.

Serving Young Couples Invests in the Futures. Praise God for Don and Tracy Harbin and Audi Ortiz. They watch the kids of the parents attending the young families' small group every other Wednesday night at FBCT. They care and love kids that are not their own. They are investing in a meaningful way in young families at our church. Thank You Don, Tracy, and Audi!!

Men's Ministry Is Helping Other Churches. Another church is wanting to be trained by our men in how to lead a Men's Alaska Fishing trip. We are multiplying men's ministry.

Four New Sunday Bible Classes Started in January. Men and women are being discipled as they learn about Jesus and study the Bible together. Deep friendships can develop as you study the Bible together. Adult Sunday Bible classes are available to anyone wanting to grow in Godly relationships, grow in the Word of God, and be challenged. Check out the bulletin for a list of current classes and their times and rooms.

Living in Christ Gives You Strength to Overcome Past. Erica writes, "I was severely abused growing up ... and had a severed relationship with my mother." Her Mother called Erica and said, "I can't die until I see you in person one more time." Erica went. During some heart-to-heart talks, Erica shared the Gospel with her mother. Not only was Erica's relationship restored with her mother but Erica led Mother in the Sinners Prayer. Her mother's last words to Erica were "I love you and will meet you in the rose garden." She passed away shortly after. God is good. He repaired a relationship and one of His children came home.

Men Are Taking the Next Step and developing godly relationships with other men. Men's Ministry is hosting its first annual Cornhole Tournament March 22nd in the Gym! Praise God for men gathering to fellowship with one another. Praise God for the outreach potential this event provides.

What Do Missionaries Do? *They duplicate their faith in Christ!* God uses ordinary people with ordinary skills to do extraordinary things. From January 21 – February 25 our FBC Family heard story after story of God's faithfulness to 19 missionaries. God uses them in different ways to duplicate their faith in Christ. Would you like to duplicate your faith? Talk to one of our pastors.

Seeking to Duplicate Their Faith as short-term missionaries. Becca Blum, Josiah Lemons, Emma Malmin and Anya Sorbo are joining others at their high school for Spring Break missions trips this month. Please pray for them as they meet new people and try new things. Pray that as they share their faith in Jesus with others that will find strength and grow in their own faith.

As You Grow in Your Faith, you will need prayer. We all need prayer. Our FBC Family Pastor-In-Training Rafael Salgado stands ready to pray for you. Just give PIT Rafael a call and make arrangements for him to pray for you. His number is 602-578-2912.

Young Couple Gets Baptized Together. Praise God for Sylvia Harsh and Caleb Swanson who got baptized in February. They are also engaged to be married right after Easter. Praise God for their commitment to Jesus Christ, their boldness, their excitement to follow Him together, and their love for one another and for Jesus.

“So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your life in Him, rooted and built up in Him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.” Colossians 2:6-7



**Video and audio services and messages are being
live streamed at 9:30 and 11:00 am 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 Morning Messages

March 3 – The Gospel of Matthew: “Son of Abraham”

(Matthew 1:1-17)

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

March 10 – The Gospel of Matthew: “Praise God for Women”

(Matthew 1:1-17)

Pastor John Heston (9:30 and 11:00 Worship Center)

March 17 – The Gospel of Matthew: “Son of David”

(Matthew 1:1-17)

Pastor John Heston (9:30 and 11:00 Worship Center)

March 24 – The Gospel of Matthew: “God Can Use You”

(Matthew 1:1-17)

Pastor Peter Molina (9:30 and 11:00 Worship Center)

***7PM FRIDAY* March 29 – Good Friday Service “Die to Sin”**

(Romans 6:1-14)

Pastor Scott Summers

March 31 – Easter Sunday “Walk in Freedom”

(Romans 6:1-14, 23)

Pastor Anthony Whitlatch

The Gospel of Matthew

“Son of Abraham”

Matthew 1:1-7

March 3, 2024
Pastor Anthony Whitlatch

Matthew 1:1-17 - The record of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham:

² Abraham was the father of Isaac, Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers. ³ Judah was the father of Perez and Zerah by Tamar, Perez was the father of Hezron, and Hezron the father of Ram. ⁴ Ram was the father of Amminadab, Amminadab the father of Nahshon, and Nahshon the father of Salmon. ⁵ Salmon was the father of Boaz by Rahab, Boaz was the father of Obed by Ruth, and Obed the father of Jesse. ⁶ Jesse was the father of David the king.

David was the father of Solomon by Bathsheba who had been the wife of Uriah. ⁷ Solomon was the father of Rehoboam, Rehoboam the father of Abijah, and Abijah the father of Asa. ⁸ Asa was the father of Jehoshaphat, Jehoshaphat the father of Joram, and Joram the father of Uzziah. ⁹ Uzziah was the father of Jotham, Jotham the father of Ahaz, and Ahaz the father of Hezekiah. ¹⁰ Hezekiah was the father of Manasseh, Manasseh the father of Amon, and Amon the father of Josiah. ¹¹ Josiah became the father of Jeconiah and his brothers, at the time of the deportation to Babylon.

¹² After the deportation to Babylon: Jeconiah became the father of Shealtiel, and Shealtiel the father of Zerubbabel. ¹³ Zerubbabel was the father of Abihud, Abihud the father of Eliakim, and Eliakim the father of Azor. ¹⁴ Azor was the father of Zadok, Zadok the father of Achim, and Achim the father of Eliud. ¹⁵ Eliud was the father of Eleazar, Eleazar the father of Matthan, and Matthan the father of Jacob. ¹⁶ Jacob was the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, by whom Jesus was born, who is called the Messiah.

¹⁷ So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations; from David to the deportation to Babylon, fourteen generations; and from the deportation to Babylon to the Messiah, fourteen generations.

Matthew 1:1 - The record of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham:

Genesis 12:1-3 - Now the LORD said to Abram,

“Go forth from your country, And from your relatives And from your father’s house, To the land which I will show you; ² And I will make you a great nation, And I will bless you, And make your name great; And so you shall be a blessing; ³ And I will bless those who bless you, And the one who curses you I will curse. And in you all the families of the earth will be blessed.”

Genesis 17:1-7 - Now when Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram and said to him, “I am God Almighty; Walk before Me, and be blameless.
² “I will establish My covenant between Me and you, And I will multiply you exceedingly.” ³ Abram fell on his face, and God talked with him, saying, ⁴ “As for Me, behold, My covenant is with you, And you will be the father of a multitude of nations.
⁵ “No longer shall your name be called Abram, But your name shall be Abraham; For I have made you the father of a multitude of nations. ⁶ I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make nations of you, and kings will come forth from you. ⁷ I will establish My covenant between Me and you and your descendants after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your descendants after you.

Genesis 22:15-18 - ¹⁵ Then the angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven, ¹⁶ and said, “By Myself I have sworn, declares the LORD, because you have done this thing and have not withheld your son, your only son, ¹⁷ indeed I will greatly bless you, and I will greatly multiply your seed as the stars of the heavens and as the sand which is on the seashore; and your seed shall possess the gate of their enemies. ¹⁸ In your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed, because you have obeyed My voice.”

Galatians 3:6-9 - ⁶ Even so Abraham BELIEVED GOD, AND IT WAS RECKONED TO HIM AS RIGHTEOUSNESS. ⁷ Therefore, be sure that it is those who are of faith who are sons of Abraham. ⁸ The Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, preached the gospel beforehand to Abraham, *saying*, “ALL THE NATIONS WILL BE BLESSED IN YOU.” ⁹ So then those who are of faith are blessed with Abraham, the believer.

Galatians 3:13-14 - ¹³ Christ redeemed us from the curse of the Law, having become a curse for us—for it is written, “CURSED IS EVERYONE WHO HANGS ON A TREE”— ¹⁴ in order that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles, so that we would receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

Galatians 3:16 - ¹⁶ Now the promises were spoken to Abraham and to his seed. He does not say, "And to seeds," as *referring* to many, but *rather* to one, "And to your seed," that is, Christ.

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