At CFBC, we exist to:

Worship the Lord

Walk with Believers

Work in the Church

Witness to the World

Verse of the Month: Ezekiel 36:27

And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.

YOU CAN HELP! - Product Needs May

As always, product donations can be made at the Love INC box in the church lobby.

Product (listed in order of priority need): Toilet Bowl Cleaner, Gallon Zip Bags, Foil Wrap, Kitchen Trash Bags, Yard Trash Bags, Sandwich Bags, Pancake Mix, Honey, Jam, Tomato Paste, Peanut Butter, Spaghetti Sauce, Syrup, Canned Fruit (Pineapple, Pears, Fruit Cocktail), Rice, Ramen Soup, Laundry Soap, Canned Tuna, White Granulated Sugar, Ritz and Soda Crackers, Applesauce (Jars and Cans), Kleenex, Canned Chicken



Foster Care Kits: Hair Brushes and Combs, Trial-size Toothpaste, Individually packaged Toothbrushes, Journals for Teens, Nightlights, Coloring Books, Crayons or Markers

Financial: Checks designated for "Pantry" or "Gas Vouchers" are especially welcome.

Undesignated giving on Sundays will go to the general fund.

May Birthdays					May Anniversaries
4	Dale Rozeboom	20	Margie Fairweather	4	Ed & Linda McConnell
6	Kaye Flaming		Edith Hemmert	10	Doug & Judy Sweaney
	Joel Walden		Bill Yuhre	11	Richard & Jan Bishop
7	Linda McConnell	21	Kelsey Pitney	13	Ron & Twyla Webster
9	Ann Henderson	23	Debbie Buxton	20	Kim & Laurie Higer
10	Kara Parkin		Nathan Davis	25	Luke & Marla Hutton
11	Jan Bishop	24	Charlotte Bass	30	Larry & Lynette Edgerton
12	Wanda Barnett	28	Bridgett Davis		
	Betty Johnson		Alice May Williams		
13	Veronica Kelley	30 31	Abbey Zaklan		
14	Teagan Sears		Pat Schank		
17	Judy Davis				



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FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

By Senior Pastor Brett Siegalkoff

As Flexible as a Reed in the Wind

There is intense pressure to be tolerant today. We as Christians often bow our backs to such pressure because we believe that God's truth is ultimate truth and therefore is exclusive. Since it is exclusive, contrasting views are deemed incorrect. This



perspective is perceived by those outside of Christianity as intolerant. In this setting, how exclusive should a Christian be? Addressing this issue is a passage in 1 Corinthians chapter 9. Verses 19-23 say, "Though I am free and belong to no man, I make myself a slave to everyone, to win as many as possible. To the Jews I became like a Jew, to win the Jews. To those under the law I became like one under the law (though I myself am not under the law), so as to win those under the law. To those not having the law I became like one not having the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law), so as to win those not having the law. To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all men so that by all possible means I might save some."

Is this passage indicating tolerance of different beliefs? No. What we see here is Paul embracing both the flexibility of the man and the inflexibility of the message. He states that he is under the law of Christ. That is the thing that is inflexible. But as a man he has learned to be flexible in different cultural and religious settings. He can fit into different contexts so he can preach truth's contents. Though we embrace exclusive truth, it does not



mean that we refuse to engage others. We can both hold on to ultimate truth and seek out relationships with unbelievers for the purpose of preaching the gospel. May our love for people allow us to be able to move out of our comfort zone while holding tightly to the truth of the Gospel.

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Weekly at First Baptist

9:30am Worship Service - Communion is the first Sunday of every month. Sunday:

11:15am Sunday School for all ages

Monday: Office open 8:00am-2:00pm; Pastor Nate's day off

Choir Rehearsal 7:00PM

Office open 8:00am-2:00pm Tuesday:

Ladies' Bible Study in Library 10:00 am - currently studying the book "Foundations" by Rob and Kandi

Office open 8:00am-2:00pm Wednesday:

> Youth Bible Study at 5:30pm followed by Youth Group at 6:30pm VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL "THE GREAT JUNGLE JOURNEY" at 6:20pm.

Office open 8:00am-2:00pm Thursday:

Friday:

The Elder Board meets the second Thursday of each month at 7:00pm.

Office closed; Pastor Brett's day off

Growth Groups (home Bible Studies) are available throughout the week in various locations.

May is such a wonderful month! Warming up, spring is here, summer prep, and of course M the Memorial Picnic at the end of the month. The teens are working through 1st and 2nd VSYOuth Ministry Peter during our Bible study sessions on Wednesday night from 5:30 till 6:20 and then studying discipleship during our Wednesday evening youth time. May 2nd finds the teens ministering at Love INC's New Hope program. Teens and parents are welcome to join us when we pull out of the parking lot at 6:15pm and return around 9pm following an evening of caring for the children of the families that are attending the New Hope financial and marriage counseling sessions.



If you are planning on helping in any way at Warm Lake camp this summer, the final training session will be held at 10:30am on Saturday May 4th. Take a look at Warm Lake Camp.org for all registration and schedule information.

Please be praying for our seniors as we celebrate their graduation and encourage them as they step out this summer and fall into the adventure with God leading them on to the next chapter in their lives.

Pastor Nate Pickens

OFF OUR ROCKERS

Senior Potluck Lunch

May 2nd at 11:30am OFF OUR ROCKERS Our quest speaker will be

Carson Spear, Executive



Saturday, May 4, 10:30-Noon

Work Camp May 31-June 2

Warm Lake Camp

Staff Training

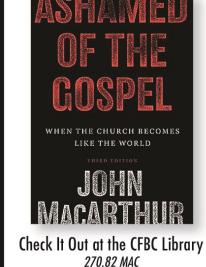


Saturday, May 11th 9:00am Matt Nevers will be speaking on the topic "Living Authentically."

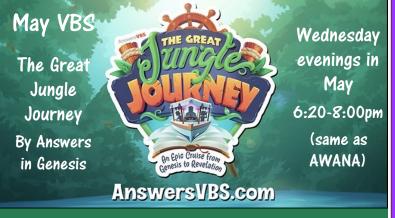


From the Library

Recommended Reading



Ministry/Missions Spotlight - May Events and Opportunities



Kids - Climb abord for an epic cruise from Genesis to Revelation.

Parents - Register beginning this week at the KidMin table downstairs. If your child is already a part of AWANA or Children's Ministries, all you have to do is sign up.

HELPERS ARE NEEDED! See Meghan Conant for details.

Ladies!

New Life Bible Fellowship has invited CFBC to join them for "TEA TIME!"



Saturday, May 4th, 10:00-11:30am 1219 S Kimball in Caldwell

Please sign up at the Information Booth.



Women's Coppee Connection

May 21st at 5:30pm At Miracle Grounds in Caldwell - Join us!

Babies! Showers and Gift Baskets

Jessecca Nevers

Saturday, May 4th at 2:00pm 3451 Dorman Avenue, Caldwell RSVP to Diane 505-507-6495 Jessecca is registered at Amazon.

Bethany Decker Saturday, May 11th at 2:00pm In the Fellowship Hall Bethany is registered at Babylist.com

We will also be making gift baskets for Devyn and Vivian Ashley and Joy Hultgren (girl). Please bring diapers or gift cards to the church office by Sunday, May 12th.



Women's Retreat 2024 May 17-19

Memorial Day Picnic

Sunday, May 26th at 10:00am Enjoy an outdoor worship service

followed by a potluck lunch. Meat and drinks will be provided.

Stay around after lunch for family

games including a bounce house, egg toss, corn hole, and pickle spitting. Sign up to bring sides and desserts at perfectpotluck.com.



Baby Bottle Boomerang



To benefit Lifeline Pregnancy Care Center

Coming Mother's Day, May 12th Through Father's Day, June 16th

Pick up your bottle at the Information Booth May 12th.