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SEE YOU AT THE POLE™

WEDNESDAY, SEP 22, 7AM

- ★ 6th Grade Campus
- ★ MS Campus
- ★ HS Campus



JAMES 4:10

JUST PRAY

STUDENT LED PRAYER BEFORE SCHOOL AT EACH CAMPUS



Have you ever walked by the sound booth and thought, "That looks interesting, I wish I knew how to run that system?" If you have, then talk to Pastor Chris. We are looking for additional individuals to help run our sound and projection systems during worship. These roles are "behind the scenes" roles that are absolutely critical to our worship services. It is also a role that looks much more difficult than it actually is. When I look at the computers and monitors with all of their blinking lights, I think there is no way I could possibly run that system. But it is job that, with a little training, all of us could do. Your willingness to serve allows others to worship our Savior.

COVID vaccines are back in the news with President Biden's recent Executive Order. I am not a medical professional, so I will not speak about the health-related issues concerning the vaccine. I have personally received a vaccine and would encourage you to speak with your doctor if you have not been vaccinated. Don't take the word of someone on the internet, no matter how many letters come after their name. Talk to the doctor that you trust. If you have ethical or religious questions about the vaccine, I would be happy to speak with you about those. One thing we do know is that COVID is a serious medical issue that will not disappear anytime soon. Set aside the politics and seek advice from medical professionals you know and trust. If you don't have a local doctor that you trust, we do have some members of the congregation with medical training who would be willing to discuss the medical issues with you. Above all, we must never allow the issue of masks and vaccines to disrupt the fellowship and God's mission for FBC Sanger. Our love for each other must outweigh any differences regarding these matters.

While COVID is an important topic, there is something much more important to discuss. Our BUILD classes started this past Sunday. Did you sign up for a class? If not, I want to encourage you to come this Sunday and get signed up. Our physical health is a concern for this life. Our spiritual health is important for eternity. Get involved in becoming a disciple for your eternal well-being!

Pastor Grant Bowles - Senior Pastor

Love One Another

Hello everyone,

Can I confess something to you? I sometimes let the news affect me more than I should. To be fair, I believe there is good cause to stay informed on current events and I often try to think through how I can or should respond to current events with the Gospel. However, sometimes as I watch the news and get involved in political discussions my mind doesn't go to the Gospel. It goes to anger, outrage, shock, excitement, and even sometimes celebration. My reaction becomes based on my political affiliation instead of my affiliation to Christ.

Can I be so bold as to ask you to consider your own reactions to current events? Think about your political leanings, your opinions about Afghanistan, how you feel about Covid masks and mandates, what your opinion is of the new Texas Heartbeat bill, even how you feel about President Biden and other politicians. Think about how you have reacted, talked about, and engaged with these issues and others that dominated the news the last few weeks. Has your reaction been based on the Gospel, or your own thoughts and emotions? I admit, there are times I have let my pride, personal preferences, political affiliations show more than my status and a representative of Christ.

Here is how I want to respond, with the love of God that surpasses right, wrong, and differences of opinion. Jesus said, "By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." John 13:35

I have been in deep thought and reflection recently thinking about how I can still engage with current events and show love to people with whom I disagree. How can I react in a way that is both honoring to God and faithful to the truth? I don't have a lot of answers right now, but I'm searching for them. I truly feel we as believers have such a great opportunity to show the love, grace, and mercy of God in the most divisive issues in our culture. Think about what it would look like for the people of God to become more known for their kindness and love instead of what issues we disagree on?

I am committed to showing the love of God more than my political opinion. I believe this will result in advancing the gospel and increased unity in the church. I think we all can agree that is a more noble pursuit than anything else. Can I be so bold as to ask you to join me in this pursuit?

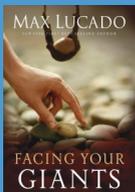
Pastor Frey Bledsoe - Youth Pastor



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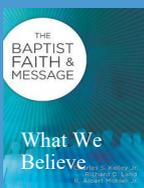
DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS

Sunday Evenings
6-7pm



Facing Your Giants
Led by John Guerra.
Location: NMR

Just Open the Door
Women's study led by
Debbie Burgett
Location: W105



What We Believe
Led by Chris Jones
Location: W106 (CR)

Intentional Parenting:
10 Ways to Be an Exceptional
Parent in a Quick Fix World
Led by Trey Bledsoe.
Location: FH



SSM

SANGER STUDENT MINISTRIES

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

- ◆ **Sunday Morning: CBS - 9:15 AM**
- ◆ **Wednesday Evening SSM: 6:00 PM**
(doors open at 3:30 PM)



SSM BUILD Class
Sundays at 6PM in FLC
Teacher: Marjan Schram

Worship Choir Rehearsal
Worship Center
Wednesday Nights 7 - 8 PM
Check us out!
New members welcome!



See You at the Pole
Tuesday, Sep 22
6th grade campus, MS campus
& HS campus



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FOOD DONATIONS FOR MOPS
We would love your help providing food for the MOPS moms and snacks for their children. To help, sign up via Connection Card or contact Susan Kimmel at fbsangermops@gmail.com

A Note from the Church Office

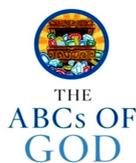
To request a reimbursement for a church expense, you must complete the reimbursement form from the church office. Thank you for your cooperation.

For the Record

Month of September

Sep 12, 2021 Receipts	\$19,094
YTD Budget Receipts	\$638,672
YTD Budget	\$648,998
Mary Hill Davis Offering	\$235

Trey Bledsoe - Youth Pastor
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The ABC's of God
Children (1st-5th).
Led by Frank Wardlow
Location: Children's Dept

GOD'S TABLE

God's Table will continue curbside serving until further notice.



UPCOMING EVENTS



Tuesday, Sep 21, 9:00 AM: Peacemakers Quilt Ministry in FH

Wednesday, Sep 22: See You at the Pole

Friday, Sep 24, 9:00 AM: MOPS in FH

OCTOBER

Saturday, Oct 2, 10:30 AM: Mobile Food Pantry in S. Parking Lot

Sunday, Oct, 3, 5:00 PM: Deacons Meeting in Jack's Shack

Tuesday, Oct 5, 9:00-11:00 AM: Peacemakers Quilt Ministry in FH

Friday, Oct 8, 9:00-11:00 AM: MOPS in FH

Saturday, Oct 9, 9:00 AM: Women's Coffee Chat at *Jus a Cup*

Monday, Oct 11, 6:00 PM: Women on Mission meets at Nelson home

Weekly Fall Schedule

Sunday Mornings

9:15 - 10:15 Connection Bible Study

10:30 - 11:30 Worship Service

Sunday Evenings

6:00 - 7:00 PM BUILD classes (all ages)

Wednesday Evenings

6:00 - 7:00

SSM [6th-12th] (Doors open at 3:30 PM)

Mission Friends [Preschool - 5th grade]

Where Moms Connect

Adult Bible Study



SUNDAY, Oct 31, 5-6:30 PM