



# First Edition September 2014



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# End of Summer Fellowship

and Salmon Bake  
this coming Sunday,  
September 7, after worship

Bring your favorite appetizer or side dish to top off  
the meal.

Drinks will be provided.



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**FBC** WOMEN'S  
*Ministry*



FBC Women's Ministry  
Study in the Book of James

**“FAITH  
IN ACTION”**

**Begins Tuesday, Sept. 9,  
7:00 p.m.  
in the Chapel**

### Special Offerings

For the month of September will go to the  
Deacon Reserve Fund.

# WORSHIP ANEW

Fall is a great time for kicking off new ministries and new direction. This summer the Lord has had us in the worship ministry spend time together on Wednesday nights in prayer and worship, seeking the Lord's presence and direction for the ministry. Here's some things that the Lord has been showing us in anticipation for our fall launch of the worship ministry:

◆ **Our individual spiritual lives are intertwined with the movement of the worship ministry and the church.**

The strength, purpose, and vitality of the worship ministry comes from our personal relationship with God Himself. From our individual spiritual lives flows our personal worship (awe of Him and harmony with Him), and from that spills over into our corporate worship of Him. As Ravi Zacharias told us in our spring retreat, "If you are not worshipping Him individually, you cannot worship Him corporately, and if you are not worshipping Him corporately, how can we expect to lead His people authentically."

So are you spending time with Him daily in personal worship? Are you experiencing Him in all the ways that He wants you to and are possible in Him? God has really been challenging me to change and go deeper in my time with Him. If this is how you want to grow, then the worship ministry is the place for you.

◆ **He wants to have the ministry serve His purpose and leading.**

He wants control. He deserves control. And He wants the right to say and do what He wants. So are we willing to go where He says, and do what He says? God has been challenging me that I have to be ready to move when and where He wants, even in the middle of worship services. This week we've purchased a new computer and new software for the sanctuary from funds the Lord provided years ago. The new program is a full multi-media software that integrates our song database with the presentation software. It's like PowerPoint with all the songs loaded and ready to go. Now we can more easily flex and change songs when we believe God is calling us to change in our service. Each musician also now has a full binder

By Doug Andrews  
of all our songs, which will enable us to move as He wants. I'm really excited to make this change. But even as we make these changes, our hearts need to be ready and receptive to whatever He wants in our lives. Again this is not just a Sunday/Wednesday worship attitude/technique, but a lifestyle lived in Christ. If this is how you want to grow in your relationship with the Lord then the worship ministry is the place for you.

◆ **We have to be willing to forsake it all to follow Him and please Him above all others. We need to give Him a blank canvas to paint on.**

It is our goal as worship leaders to get out of the people pleasing business and become more in the God pleasing business. This has always been a struggle for me personally. But to get where He wants, things need to change. Starting with me. We need to put in the time and effort that is needed, devotionally with God and in our preparation for worship. I don't believe this is complicated or that we need to make things more technical or difficult. Most of us still can't even read music. But, we love the Lord and take His call seriously.

◆ **We are called to reflect the joy and love of the Lord.**

As we grow in our connection and love for God, this spills over into our worship together. And one of the greatest joys for us is that we get to do this together as a family. We're looking forward to a fall retreat and fellowship events as we begin this new year. And we are being called to be an open ministry to anyone who God is leading to join.

We all in the worship ministry are excited about these changes. And we pray that as we obey His word and His leading, He will move in His church! I know that together as we seek Him we will get to see Him use us to do amazing things for the Kingdom!!! Come join us and experience what God's doing in the worship ministry.

We are continuing to meet after the Wednesday night services in the choir room to pray and worship together, giving our hearts to God. These times have been powerful and bonding.

## Tech & Support Teams

Do you want to be apart of helping with our worship services?



Do you have a desire to be used by God to share the gospel in action and to bring glory to His name by serving the people who come every week to our service here at FBC?

God is bringing more and more new people every week here to FBC and there are so many opportunities to serve and love the people who come.

Below are listed some of the great opportunities to support the worship and the preaching and teaching of the gospel. These opportunities are available each week but allow you to serve on a rotating basis.

**Ushers and Greeters:** Be the first loving and Godly contact that people receive when they come through the doors. Help people with whatever their needs to find classrooms, nursery, or just how to get to the bathroom.

**Media Ministry:** Every week people want a copy of the Sunday message or one from our archives. Help us get the preaching of the word of God to people and their friends and family that need it.

**Tech Teams:** join the sound, projection, and lighting teams. We offer quarterly hands on training classes and experience. This ministry is not just for Sunday mornings but there are needs for all of our events here throughout the month.

Contact Worship Pastor Doug Andrews or Tim Dufficy for these opportunities to serve. Just call the church office 345-1965.



### Up Coming Events

#### Weekly Events

Team and Choir Rehearsals  
8:00 - 9:15 pm on Wednesday nights

#### Weekly Worship Services

##### Sundays

9:30 am – Contemporary Worship  
11:00 am – Classical Worship

##### Wednesdays

6:30 pm – Evening Worship, Study and Prayer

#### Special Events

##### Wednesday

#### **Choir NEW SEASON Kick-off**

Come and be a part of this Ministry as we start fresh with a NEW Direction and a NEW season.

Date and Time TBA

**Stay Tuned! Choir will be starting "ANEW" in September. Date yet to be determined**  
**Just call the church office 345-1965 for more info.**

# An Activity of FBC Men's Ministry



# Silver Spur

Christian Camp and Retreat Center

## 2014 Men's

## Retreat

## September 19-21

**COST:**  
\$155

A ministry of  
**NextGen**  
CHRISTIAN CAMP AND RETREAT CENTER

Sign up between services at FBC.  
Deposit \$50.00



Speaker:  
Dr. Darryl  
Delhousaye



Uncommon

"They are not of the world,  
even as I am not of the world."  
John 17:16



Worship:  
Ryan Jones

# HARVEST FEST IS COMING! HARVEST FEST IS COMING!

For the past 8 years FBC has welcomed hundreds of people to our harvest festival held on the front lawn, in the courtyard, and in the chapel. We do this to provide a Godly alternative to the increasingly evil focus the night of October 31st has come to be identified by. We hope that the people who attend the Harvest Fest will feel God's love and grace throughout their time with us.

**LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE BEFORE MEN IN SUCH  
A WAY THAT THEY MAY SEE YOUR GOOD WORKS, AND  
GLORIFY YOUR FATHER WHO IS IN HEAVEN.  
MATTHEW 5:16**

The many elements of the event are all free...which is often a big shocker to our guests...and there is something for everyone. The Harvest Festival is an all-church event that this body of believers hosts. Please let Alba Kellejian know how you would like to be involved. Remember, many hands make light work.



**FROM PONY RIDES TO A PETTING ZOO,  
HOMEMADE SOUP AND A CAKEWALK TOO.  
MIDWAY GAMES, A MAZE AND A  
VOLUNTEER CREW.  
GETTING READY FOR THIS YEAR'S  
HARVEST FEST  
TAKES PRAYER AND YOU!**



**HARVEST FESTIVAL  
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31<sup>ST</sup>  
4PM – 7PM  
SEE YOU THERE!**



## **Mission Hospice & Home Care: It's about life.**

Looking for a way to serve others? Become a Mission Hospice Volunteer. This information was received in the mail regarding an opportunity to serve. If you wish to read it in full, it's available in the church office.

An informational meeting will be held at their offices, 1670 So Amphlett Blvd, Suite 300 in San Mateo, on Tuesday, September 16, 2014. To accommodate different schedules, the times will be from Noon - 1:00 p.m. and repeated from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. for anyone interested in becoming a volunteer. For information and an application, visit their website [www.missionhospice.org](http://www.missionhospice.org) or call their volunteer Coordinator, Hank Nourse at 650-554-1000. Spanish speakers are encouraged to apply.



## **Stephen Ministry Introductory Workshop**

**Saturday, September 27, 9am - 1pm**  
(Check in and refreshments--8am.)

Cost is \$15.00 per person or \$50.00 for a group from FBC. **3 Sessions**

Ministering to those who are grieving  
An introduction to Stephen Ministry  
How to care in a Christian way

Cares & Needs Committee members have been praying about attending this conference located at the Moraga Valley Presbyterian Church in Moraga, CA, about an hour away across the Bay.

### **What exactly is a Stephen Minister?**

One way to put it is that Stephen Ministers are the "After People." They are there:

... after the phone call you hoped you'd never get.

... after the divorce papers are served.

... after the funeral, when everyone has left and the emotions you've held at bay come crashing in on you.

... after the doctor says, "I'm sorry, but there's nothing more we can do."

... after the nursing home director says, "Welcome to your new home."

... after the last child honks the horn, waves, and drives away -- and the house suddenly seems empty.

... after after the gavel goes down, the handcuffs go on, and your loved one is led away.

... after the baby arrives, demanding more of you than you ever dreamed possible.

... after you find a pink slip with your final paycheck.

... after your family and friends have heard your story one too many times, but you still need to talk it out.

**More information** can be found on their website [www.stephenministries.org](http://www.stephenministries.org) or come by the church office and see their brochure. If you are interested in attending, please talk to Doris Waddell as soon as you know for sure.

# LIFE OF THE CHURCH September 2014

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
		7pm Al-Anon 7pm C.A.D.	6:30pm Midweek Service 6:30pm AWANAS 8pm Worship Rehearsal	3pm Youth Band Reh. 7pm TNT	7pm Parents Night	8:30am Men's Breakfast 2pm Scout Eagle Court of Honor	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13	
8:45am Prayer Meeting in the Hospitality Room <b>Communion</b> End of Summer Fellowship after the service	7pm Scouts	6:30pm Women's Ministry 7pm Al-Anon 7pm C.A.D.	6:30pm Midweek Service 6:30pm AWANAS 8pm Worship Rehearsal	3pm Youth Band Reh. 7pm TNT			
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	
8:45am Prayer Meeting in the Hospitality Room 12:30 Children's Ministry Lunch	7pm Scouts	7pm Al-Anon 7pm C.A.D.	6:30pm Midweek Service 6:30pm AWANAS 6:30pm Scouts Leadership Meeting 8pm Worship	3pm Youth Band Reh. 7pm TNT		<b>Men's Retreat at Silver Spur Friday - Sunday</b>	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	
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28	29	30	<b>All Events Are Subject to Change.</b>				
8:45am Prayer Meeting in the Hospitality Room Ministry Fair After Worship	7pm Scouts	7pm Al-Anon 7pm C.A.D.	<b>SUNDAY MORNINGS:</b> 9:30am Bible Studies for Children and Adults Contemporary Style Worship 11:00am Bible Studies for Adults and All Youth Classical Style Worship				

## Daily Bible Readings - September

The following Bible reading schedule was compiled by Robert Murray McCheyne in 1842. Using this Bible reading schedule you will read four portions of Scripture each day (two in the morning with "family" or individually and two in the evening in "secret" or privately), and read through the Old Testament once and the New Testament and Psalms twice in a year.

Mon.	1	1 Sam. 25	1 Cor. 6	Ezek. 4	Ps.40,41
Tues.	2	1 Sam. 26	1 Cor. 7	Ezek. 5	Ps.42,43
Wed.	3	1 Sam. 27	1 Cor. 8	Ezek. 6	Ps.44
Thurs.	4	1 Sam. 28	1 Cor. 9	Ezek. 7	Ps.45
Fri.	5	1 Sam.29,30	1 Cor.10	Ezek. 8	Ps.46,47
Sat.	6	1 Sam. 31	1 Cor.11	Ezek. 9	Ps.48
Sun.	7	2 Sam. 1	1 Cor.12	Ezek.10	Ps.49
Mon.	8	2 Sam. 2	1 Cor.13	Ezek.11	Ps.50
Tues.	9	2 Sam. 3	1 Cor.14	Ezek.12	Ps.51
Wed.	10	2 Sam.4,5	1 Cor.15	Ezek.13	Ps.52-54
Thurs.	11	2 Sam. 6	1 Cor.16	Ezek.14	Ps.55
Fri.	12	2 Sam. 7	2 Cor. 1	Ezek.15	Ps.56,57
Sat.	13	2 Sam.8,9	2 Cor. 2	Ezek.16	Ps.58,59
Sun.	14	2 Sam. 10	2 Cor. 3	Ezek.17	Ps.60,61
Mon.	15	2 Sam. 11	2 Cor. 4	Ezek.18	Ps.62,63
Tues.	16	2 Sam. 12	2 Cor. 5	Ezek.19	Ps.64,65
Wed.	17	2 Sam. 13	2 Cor. 6	Ezek.20	Ps.66,67
Thurs.	18	2 Sam. 14	2 Cor. 7	Ezek.21	Ps.68
Fri.	19	2 Sam. 15	2 Cor. 8	Ezek.22	Ps.69
Sat.	20	2 Sam. 16	2 Cor. 9	Ezek.23	Ps.70,71
Sun.	21	2 Sam. 17	2 Cor.10	Ezek.24	Ps.72
Mon.	22	2 Sam. 18	2 Cor.11	Ezek.25	Ps.73
Tues.	23	2 Sam. 19	2 Cor.12	Ezek.26	Ps.74
Wed.	24	2 Sam. 20	2 Cor.13	Ezek.27	Ps.75,76
Thurs.	25	2 Sam. 21	Gal. 1	Ezek.28	Ps.77
Fri.	26	2 Sam. 22	Gal. 2	Ezek.29	Ps.78:1-37
Sat.	27	2 Sam. 23	Gal. 3	Ezek.30	Ps.78:38-72
Sun.	28	2 Sam. 24	Gal. 4	Ezek.31	Ps.79
Mon.	29	1 Kings 1	Gal. 5	Ezek.32	Ps.80
Tues.	30	1 Kings 2	Gal. 6	Ezek.33	Ps.81,82



### Prayer Meetings Time Change: Every Sunday morning at 8:45 in the Hospitality Room.

To make it more convenient, for any and all who will pray with us, the time has been changed to Sunday mornings at 8:45 a.m. in the Hospitality Room.

And when are better times and places to pray with the church family than just prior to the Sunday worship services?



ATTENTION ALL MEN:  
**Men's Ministry  
Monthly Breakfast**  
Saturday, Sept. 6, 8:30  
a.m. in the Chapel.

## Devotions on Prayer

Submitted by Doris Waddell

### THE PURPOSE OF PRAYER:

Prayer is not a normal part of the life of the natural man. We hear it said that a person's life will suffer if he doesn't pray, but I question that. What will suffer is the life of the Son of God in him, which is nourished not by food, but by prayer. When a person is born again from above, the life of the Son of God is born in him, and he can either starve or nourish that life. Prayer is the way the life of God is nourished. . . .

To say that "prayer changes things" is not as close to the truth as saying, "Prayer changes *me* and then I change things." God has established things so that prayer, on the basis of redemption, changes the way a person looks at things. Prayer is not a matter of changing things externally, but one of working miracles in a person's inner nature.

August 28, *My Utmost for His Highest* by Oswald Chambers  
Barbour Publishing, Inc.

### PERSISTENT PRAYER:

"And he said, I beseech thee, shew me thy glory." (Exodus 33:18 KJV) Refer [first] to the thirteenth verse of this chapter, where Moses speaks to God: "Now therefore, I pray thee, if I have found grace in your sight, shew me now your way." Moses asked a lesser favor before he requested the greater. He asked to see God's way before he prayed to see His glory.

This is the true manner of prayer. Do not be content with past answers, but double your request and ask again. Nothing pleases God as much as when a sinner comes again with twice as large a petition: "Lord, You heard me last time, and now I come again." Faith is a mighty grace and always grows upon that which it feeds. When God has heard prayer for one thing, faith comes and asks for two things, and when God has given those two things, faith asks for six.

Faith can scale the walls of heaven. She is a giant grace. She takes mountains by their roots and puts them on other mountains and so climbs to the throne in confidence with large petitions, knowing that she shall not be refused. Most of us are too slow to go to God. If we have been heard once, we go away instead of coming again and again, and each time with a larger prayer.

Make your petitions longer and longer. Ask for ten and if God gives them, then for a thousand, and keep going on until at last you will have enough faith to ask as great a favor as Moses did, "I beseech you, show me your glory."

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**AWANA** begins this Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. Registration forms are available in the church office. If parents need to contact Dave Ortman, you may email him at [awanadaveo@gmail.com](mailto:awanadaveo@gmail.com)