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FBC Ministry Update

My friends at SCA International, I trust that you are all well and enjoying the grace of Jesus Christ. I am thankful to have you as partners in the work of God's Kingdom.

In Jeremiah 31:3, we read, "I have loved you with an everlasting love." Although these are words we have heard before, they are profound. God's love for us has no beginning or end. In ups and downs, in sickness and health, in success and failure, and in victory or sin, God loves us with an everlasting love. What a glorious thought!

April was a month where we saw God's love poured out. We saw it both in Easter and in some of his blessings. There were so many good, positive, and encouraging things that happened. I am excited to share some of them with you.



Ongoing Ministry

The biggest thing in April, as I am sure is true for you, was holy week and the celebration of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection. At FBC, we had a blessed time with visitors, unique fellowship opportunities (Ice Cream!), and communion.

I had the privilege to preach both Palm Sunday and Easter. On Palm Sunday, we looked at Psalm 3 and saw how the Psalmist reflects our own hearts as we cry out for help and salvation (hosanna). On Easter, we considered the implications of the resurrection for us from 1 Corinthians 15. There, we saw that since Jesus was raised, we can be sure of the hope, truth, and life he offers.

Following Easter, I preached on baptism from Matthew 28. After the service, two men came and expressed interest in being baptized. Praise God!

At the beginning of April, we also started up Alpha. It has been a challenge with sicknesses and busy schedules, but we have had quite a few consistently coming out. It has been great to share the gospel with several who do not know Jesus.



*Above and left:
Easter Crosses
Palm Sunday
Setup for Alpha*

Exciting times

Last year we put in a concrete pad to help our community. Afterwards, a couple from the community generously donated two basketball nets. With spring and warmer weather, we have finally been able to begin installing them.

We are looking forward to seeing many community kids out playing basketball soon!

I have also been planning and preparing for our summer camps at work. We anticipate a great time with many kids. It is an excellent opportunity to share the gospel with the people around us.

On a personal note, it was an honour and blessing for me to have my graduation ceremony on April 30. It was a long road with lots of work, but I am thankful for every moment I had at Heritage Seminary as I worked on my Master of Divinity. I was also humbled to be this year's valedictorian. It was a joyous and humbling weekend.

Right: Graduation!

Prayer Requests

There are several things that we have on our hearts for FBC. We would appreciate your prayers:

- God would lead us as we plan the big events of the year.
- For more leaders to be raised out of our congregation. We see a immediate need for more Godly leaders within the church.
- Those in Alpha would hear the gospel and respond.
- For those who are planning on being baptized
- That we would be effective in the mission that God called us
- We have several people connected to the church that are struggling physically. Pray that there would be healing and encouragement.

