



An Open Letter to My Church Family

To my faith family here in Tucker, it is with both deep gratitude and sadness that I write this letter to you. By the time this letter is printed, Easter Sunday will have been my final Sunday on staff here at FBC Tucker. Sparing you your time and the printer its ink, I will

be brief in my writing to you. It was announced March 24th that my family and I would be leaving Georgia to move back to Kentucky to be closer to my mother. The goal of this article is not to restate and expound the “why” of our leaving, but to instead give a charge to you.

I desire nothing more for you than that you “grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ (2 Pet. 3:18). Growth in our spiritual lives is often like it is in our physical: pain is involved. It can be difficult. However, growth will never come without obedience to what God has called you to. I wish to encourage you to be obedient to the clear and direct commands of your Lord Jesus Christ found in the authoritative, God-breathed Scriptures.

Jesus said in several places, but perhaps most clearly in John 14, that obedience to God’s word is in direct correlation with love for Him. Love for God will produce obedience. Obedience to God’s commands prove to the world around us that we are His people. Likewise, disobedience to God and yet calling Him ‘Lord’ is simply unfathomable (Lk. 6:46). It is clear: love and obedience are wed together in a union that cannot be broken. We ultimately love God, John tells us, because God first loved us (1 John 4:19).

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SERMON SCHEDULE



APRIL 7

Time

Ecclesiastes 3:1-22

APRIL 14

Injustice

Ecclesiastes 4:1-16

APRIL 21

Religion

Ecclesiastes 5:1-72

APRIL 28

God & Money

Ecclesiastes 5:8 - 6:12

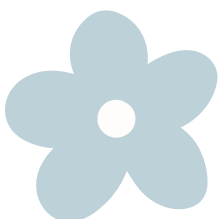


JOIN US FOR AN FBCT

TOWN HALL MEETING
April 14, 5p.m. in Sanctuary



If you call FBC Tucker your faith community, we ask that you pray about giving financially to support, and grow our ministries. You can give online by visiting www.fbctucker.org

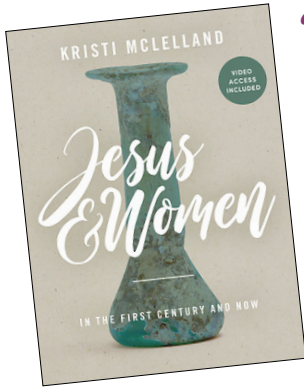


Ladies' Bible Study

Meets Wednesdays at 10AM in the FBCT Community Room

This 7-week study will meet on the following dates:

April 3, 10, 17, 24, May 1, 8, and 15



“Jesus and Women: In the First Century and Now” by Kristi McLelland

Imagine walking the dusty roads of Galilee with Jesus of Nazareth—braving jostling crowds just to touch the edge of His cloak and hear Him say, “Take heart, daughter, your faith has healed you.” Those words, once meant to comfort a hurting woman’s soul thousands of years ago, were also meant for you.

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You can also contact the church office at (770) 938-1688



Monthly Ladies' Bible Study Saturday, April 13

10AM in the Community Room

Led by Lana McNair & Jennifer Fuller

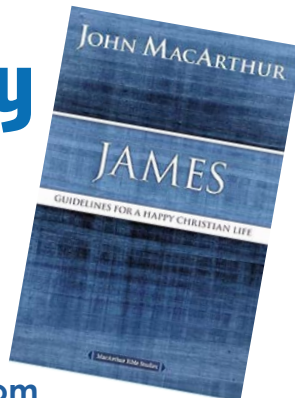


Men's Bible Study

The Study of “James” Continues
Thursdays, April 4, 11, 18, and 25
10AM in the Community Room

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

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THANK YOU

“Dear Church Family

We wanted to thank everyone at First Baptist Church Tucker for the wonderful “Celebration of Life” service for my sister, Evelyn Thomas. The speaker did an exceptional tribute speech. The music and the youth programs were two of the ministries that Evelyn spent much of her time with.

Thanks again!

With feelings of gratitude,”

— **Brenda and Sam Witherington**



WELCOME

NEW MEMBER

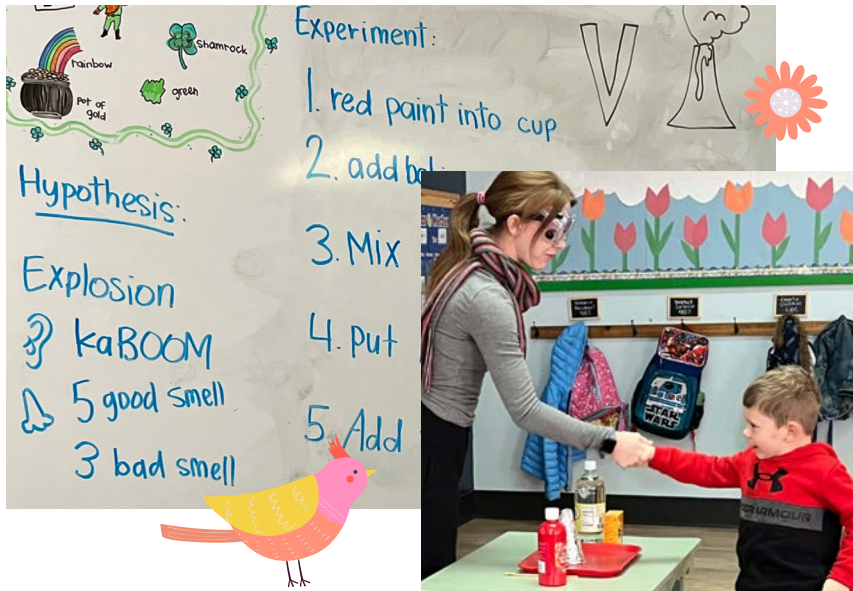
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Friday Morning Men's Fellowship (FMMF)

7:00 a.m. Fridays at the
Community Center. More
details at leadadmin.org/tucker.





With spring comes a natural gateway into exploring the world around us, and Main Street Preschool is taking full advantage! We are all about “Exploring Wonder, Wisdom, Worship:” wonder and awe for God’s creation, wisdom that comes from Him, and worship for our incredible Lord & Savior. Pictured is our **PreK teacher, Ms. Madi**, shaking hands with “fellow scientist” **Charlie**, alongside the class’s scientific method for a volcano! I would challenge all of us to pause and take a look at our world through the eyes of a child, with their overwhelming love and curiosity for nature. How can we help but worship when we take note of creation?

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SPRING BREAK IS APRIL 1 THROUGH APRIL 5



NETworks

A Cooperative Christian Ministry Serving the Northlake — Embury Hills — Tucker Area

FOOD ITEM OF THE MONTH
Canned Carrots!



Donation boxes are just inside the glass door at the office entrance and also in the Gathering Room.



IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER FOR

April 2024

Monday, April 1 - Friday, April 5
 Spring Break (MSPS and DCSS)

Tuesday, April 2
 NTO Council 1:00PM in MSFH

Tuesday, April 9
 NTO Lunch

Sunday, April 14
 FBCT Town Hall Meeting

Monday, April 15
 MSPS Board Meeting

Thursday, April 18
 Tucker Book Club

Saturday, April 20
 Tucker-Area Men's Prayer Breakfast



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Had it not been for that, our hearts are not only uninclined to love God, but incapable (Eph. 2:1-5). We love our Lord because of His great salvation He has given to us. It is out of that love that we begin to seek to glorify Him with our day-to-day living. In so doing, when difficult decisions come to us, they become easier to make when we know that the God who called us to the decision has our good and His glory in mind.



The decision to leave behind all we have here in Georgia, including a church that I believe to be on the precipice of something great, was made ultimately because above all else, Lindsey and I want to be obedient to our Lord Jesus. In my life, the biblical and present call is to the care of my widowed mother, whose faith, wisdom, and humility has been a teacher to me all my life. The honoring of parents, care of widowed parents, and service to family are high calls found from cover to cover in the Bible. This is God’s design for His people, and as Paul expounds on this topic in 1 Timothy 5, is actually “putting your religion into practice.”

So, you see, I am consumed and bound by holy writ, I cannot do differently. This is what I hope for each of you: that you recognize and cherish the Scriptures as holy, authoritative, and good, and that you joyfully obey. We cannot know what God is telling us unless we are in His word, for there we find His mind and heart. Judge every thought and action of your own by the Scriptures; in so doing, you will find yourself doing more work pleasing to God, and less of what displeases and shames Him.

Space does not allow me time to list the many ways this church has blessed my family in the short time we have been here. I have been even more blessed to have gotten to know you all and be of service to you. Thank you for investing in my family and me, for loving my kids, and allowing me the opportunity to teach and serve you these few years. As Paul said to his beloved church in Phillipi, so I say to you: “Make my joy complete by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind” (Philippians 2:2).

May the grace of God abound in your lives.



Darren Fletcher
 First Baptist Church of Tucker
 Steward of Buildings & Grounds



FBCT OFFICE HOURS

Our regular office hours are Monday through Thursday, 9 AM to 3 PM. The Main Office closes from 12 PM to 1 PM for lunch each day.

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With Our Sympathy

Travis Wilson passed away Monday, February 26. Please keep his wife, **Charlotte**, and daughter, **Tammy**, and the rest of his family and friends in your thoughts and prayers.

James “Coach Bud” Jeffrey King was found passed away Saturday, March 2. He was known and loved for his volunteer work for more than 30 years with Tucker High School athletic teams. Please keep his family and friends in your thoughts and prayers.

Kelly Cole Spratling passed away Wednesday, March 6. Please keep her husband, **Bob**, and her children, **Robin, Laura, and Jonathon**, as well as her mother, **Louise**, and the rest of her family and friends in your thoughts and prayers.

