



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER | FAITH CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP | NOVEMBER 2021

With Gratitude

I don't remember the last time I was writing the opening article of the newsletter on the heels of "Pastor Appreciation" month. How fortunate to be able to publicly thank you on behalf of all of us for the generous words, gifts, and kind acts!

Thank you's are ironically reproductive. No one really knows if and when you should stop saying thank you to each other. No one wants to be the last one. No one wants to be the one with whom the verbal gratitude ends.

Thank you for appreciating me.

Thank you for thanking me for appreciating you.

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...and so on

While strange, it is wonderful, too. Thankfulness is one of the beautiful expressions of spiritual maturity. In Colossians, God reminds us three times in three verses how important it is.

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body; and be thankful. Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God. Whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father.—Col 3:15-17

In other places, Paul offers thanks God because of their faith (Rom 1:4), on their behalf (1 Cor 1:4), when he remembers them (Phil 1:3), and when he speaks to God about them (Phlm 1:4). That's a lot of gratitude! Too much? It doesn't seem like it.

So...thank you for your appreciation!

Gordon



Thank you to our FCF family for your gifts, notes and prayers shared during Pastor Appreciation Month. We are honored and blessed to be part of the Faith Christian Fellowship family and look forward to what God is doing at FCF.

The Pastoral Staff of FCF



November 11, 2021

Thank you for serving our country and protecting our freedoms.



The FCF church office will be closed on November 25 in honor of Thanksgiving.

*Light
the Night*

Thank you to all who helped to make Light the Night a success!



PACK A SHOEBOX WITH US!

Return Box to FCF by November 13th



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES ARE AVAILABLE TO FILL Take a box or two—or more—to fill for children abroad. Boxes and instructions are available in the foyer. Please return boxes to the foyer at FCF by November 13. For more information or ideas on what to put in the box, visit

www.samaritanspurse.org



2021 Holiday Schedule

We are looking forward to the last two months of 2021 as we enter into a month focused on thanksgiving followed by the celebration of the birth of our Savior! We invite you to join us at the various events and services as we celebrate A Stable Foundation.

- Nov 7 - Sign up for Holiday Banquet begins
- Nov 24 No KidzLife or Switchback
- Nov 28 First Sunday of Advent & Communion
- Dec 5 - Holiday Banquet at 4pm
- Dec 10 - FCF Kid's Night at 5:30-9pm
- Dec 11 - Dress rehearsal at 9:30am
- Dec 12 Christmas Program at 10:45am
Family Sunday Worship
- Dec 22 No KidzLife or Switchback until 2022
- Dec 19 Congregational Meeting at 12noon
- Dec 24 - Christmas Eve service at 6pm
- Dec 25 - Christmas
- Dec 26 - Services as usual
- Jan 2 Services as usual
- Jan 12 KidzLife and Switchback resume

Why do we call it a Holiday Banquet and not a Christmas Banquet?

Shortly after FCF became established as a church, they began joining together at Thanksgiving for a banquet and shortly after for a Christmas banquet. While it was great getting together for these fellowships, we began to see that it was difficult to do both banquets back to back. A few years ago, we decided to join the two and call it a "Holiday Banquet." We hope you'll join us on Dec 5 at FCF for an evening of fun, fellowship and of course great food!



DECEMBER 5 AT 4PM

HOLIDAY BANQUET

**MEAL, DESSERT & DRINK PROVIDED
SUGGESTED DONATION - \$5/PERSON
RSVP'S BEGIN NOVEMBER 7**





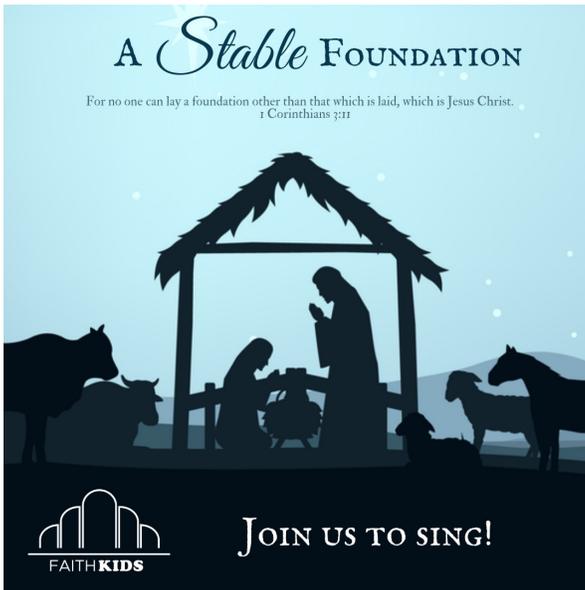
SUNDAYS

9:15AM

2 1/2 - 5th Grades

10:45AM

Nursery - 5th Grade

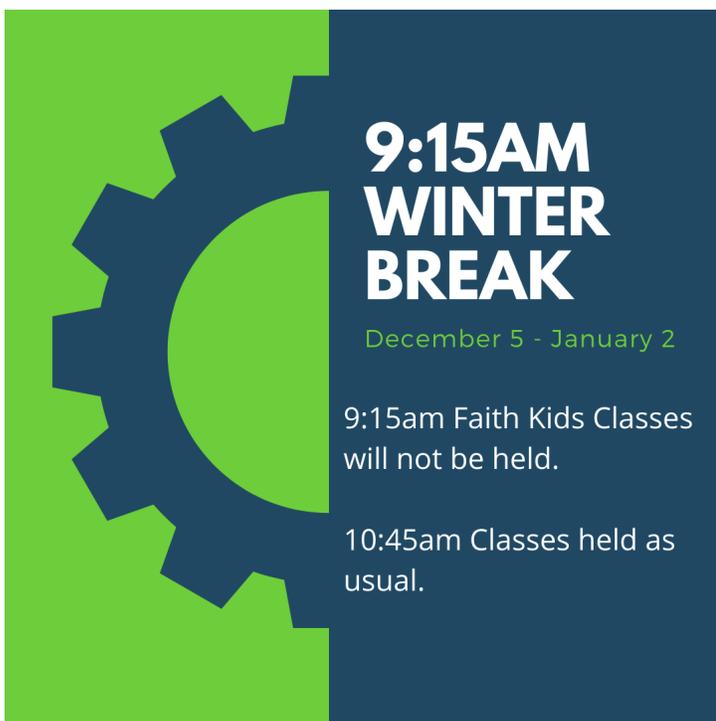


The FCF Christmas Program will be Sunday, December 12 at 10:45am. Faith Kids will be participating in the program by joining us in song. Music and more information will be coming soon.

Final Practice will be Saturday, December 11 at 9:30am.

The service on December 12 will be Family Sunday style with only nursery-preschool open.

The 9:15am service will not be held on December 12.



Kid's Christmas Party with Parent's Night Out **DECEMBER 10**

WATCH THE BULLETIN AND FOYER AT
FCF FOR MORE INFORMATION. SIGN UPS
WILL BEGIN MID-NOVEMBER



Kid's Christmas Party
DECEMBER 10 5:30-9:00
FOOD, FUN, AND
FESTIVITIES

Parent's Night Out
DECEMBER 10 5:30-9:00
SIGN YOUR KIDS UP TO
ATTEND THE CHRISTMAS
PARTY AND ENJOY A
NIGHT OUT
REGISTER CHILDREN BY
DEC 1

Mark your calendars for Sunday, December 19 following the 10:15am service as we celebrate 2021 and look forward to 2022. The meeting is open to all FCF attendees; however only members are able to vote on any matters brought before the congregation. If you are interested in becoming a member of FCF, please visit our website, explorefcf.com for more information or speak with one of our FCF Welcome Team members (look for a FCF nametag).

FCF CONGREGATIONAL BUSINESS MEETING DECEMBER 19 12 NOON



All are welcome!



August Global Impact Ministry Partner UGANDA, AFRICA

RUGANDABARA, UGANDA

- Our partnership with Uganda and Horizon International began in 2013.
- Horizon International offers child sponsorship opportunities. Horizon serves AIDS orphans throughout the continent of Africa.
- Pastor Glaze met Horizon's Missions team facilitator on one of his first trips to Nicaragua and has developed a long term relationship.
- Since 2013, a Global Impact Team from FCF went every year to the village of Rugendabara to minister to children there.
- Unfortunately, due to travel restrictions a team was not able to go in 2020 or 2021. A 2022 trip is being planned.
- In 2021, FCF donated 58 lbs of vitamins that were sent to Horizon International for the orphans in Uganda.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Child Sponsorship through Horizon International for children who are not able to attend school.
- God would build the Global Impact Team that He wants to send to Uganda in 2022.
- The 2022 Global Impact Team will be able to travel and any travel restrictions will be lifted by the time of their trip.



November-Young @ Heart
Wednesday Bible Study –10am
Potluck—November 17

How to Serve God Through Any Limitation

“But be sure to fear the LORD and serve him faithfully with all your heart; consider what great things he has done for you.” - 1 Samuel 12:24

An elderly widow was eager to serve Christ, but was severely limited in her activities. So she talked to her pastor who told her, “Find what you love to do and do it for Jesus.” The woman loved to play piano, and it didn’t require her to even leave the house.

So she came up with a plan. The next day, she took an ad out in the local newspaper that said, “Pianist will play hymns by phone daily for those who are sick and despondent – the service is free.” Then, she included her number below.

When people called, she would ask them, “What hymn would you like to hear?” Within a few months, her playing brought cheer to several hundred people. Many of them poured out their hearts to her, and she was able to help and encourage them.

God calls you to serve Him where your passions and abilities meet. Over time, those passions and abilities may change. But you can be sure God will always supply you with the abilities and Spirit-empowered drive to accomplish His will for you.

Don’t let your limits keep you from honoring God. Find the place where our gifts and passions meet and start serving the Lord!

Prayer Challenge:

Pray and ask God to show you where your abilities and passions can be best used for His Kingdom!

Questions for Thought:

What is one thing you wish you could do for God, but you’re not able?

When you think about your abilities and your passions, where do you believe they best align for the purpose of serving God?



We look forward to meeting together on Wednesdays at 10am for Bible Study and our third Wednesday Potlucks. The November potluck will be November 17 and our Bible Study will be a Q & A with Pastor Gordon.

Please take a few extra minutes to assure your vehicle is ready for winter, put an extra blanket in your car, dig out the ice scraper and keep it handy, and watch out for slippery wet leaves.

Please reach out to your FCF family if you need anything.

November 2021

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

	1	2 7pm Meal & Service at the Mission 7pm Prayer Gathering Prayer & Fasting	3	4	5	6
7 Holiday Banquet RSVP begins	8 9:30am—MOPS	9 7pm Prayer Gathering	10 10am Young at Heart 6pm Switchback 6:30pm Kidzlife	11 Veteran's Day	12	13
14 Fall Education Classes Conclude	15	16 7pm Prayer Gathering	17 10am Young at Heart/Potluck 6pm Switchback 6:30pm Kidzlife	18	19	20
21	22 9:30am—MOPS	23 7pm Prayer Gathering	24 10am Young at Heart No Kidzlife or Switchback	25 Thanksgiving	26	27
28 Communion 1st Week of Advent	29	30 7pm Prayer Gathering				