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Chase Dowdy Pastor **Joel Davis** Students/Sr. Adults

Garrett Booth Music/Education Angela Woods Int. Children/Preschool Coordinator

Ministry Assistants: Madison Booth and Angie Tidwell Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 8:30 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

OCTOBER 1, 2023 Number 10



# RFBC

## **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1**

Coffee Fellowship 9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. Sunday School & Bible Study

10:30 a.m. Worship ~ Bro. Chase Dowdy

## **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3**

Women's Bible Study "Trustworthy" 9:30 a.m.

## **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4**

Wed. Night Meal ~ Sloppy Joes 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. Bible Study ~ Bro. Chase Dowdy Men's Bible Study ~ Hugh Plott Women's Bible Study ~ Sheryl Plott Elevate Students; First Kids

#### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5

Feeding the Belgreen Football Team 3:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. FCBA Annual Dinner / Meeting

#### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8 ~ STAFF APPRECIATION**

Staff Appreciation Breakfast 9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. Sunday School & Bible Study 10:30 a.m. Worship ~ Bro. Joel Davis 12:45 p.m. FirstKids: Pumpkin Patch Trip

#### MONDAY, OCTOBER 9

10:30 a.m. Hymn Sing TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10

Women's Bible Study "Trustworthy" 9:30 a.m.

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11

No Services (Fall Break)

#### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15**

Coffee Fellowship 9:00 a.m.

9:30 a.m. Sunday School & Bible Study Worship ~ Dr. Gene Balding 10:30 a.m.

# **UPCOMING**

PrimeTimers: 43 Grill 11:30 a.m. October 19

October 22 Elevate Fall Festival: Camp McMurray 3 p.m.

October 29 FirstKids Fall Festival 3-5 p.m.

<b>Budget Giving</b>		
Weekly Requirements 2023	\$13,405.23	
Budget Receipts ~ Sept. 17	\$12,454.51	
Budget Receipts ~ Sept. 24	\$13,405.23 \$12,454.51 \$14,948.75	
Budget Requirements thru Sept. 24	\$522,803.97	
Budget Receipts thru Sept. 24	\$521.584.26	





# Chase's Chat

One of my favorite scriptures in the entire Bible is John chapter 13. In John 13, Jesus knows that His time on earth is coming to an end. He knows that one of His own will betray Him, His remaining disciples will flee from Him, and He knows that the Cross and the weight of the world's sin awaits Him. What has always struck me is how Jesus responds in light of this.

John tells us in John 13:3-5, "Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God, rose from supper. He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around his waist. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and wiped them with the towel that was wrapped around him."

In His final moments on this earth, Jesus didn't whine, gripe, or complain about the fate that awaited Him. Nor did He curse His Father or mope and focus solely on Himself. Instead, He bent down and washed the feet of His disciples. In the greatest challenge of His earthly life, He used the opportunity given to Him by God to glorify God and serve others. May we heed Christ's example, church! May we grasp that in our greatest challenges in life, God gives us our greatest opportunities to serve others and to give Him glory through it all!

#### **Bro. Chase**

# **Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study**

Starting October 3, at 9:30 a.m. "Trustworthy" by Lysa Terkeurst

#### **Memorials**

In memory of **Dorothy Taylor** by: Mike & Elaine Vaughn, Royce & Rebecca Massey, Wade & Judy Baker, Michael & Mary Lynn Botts, Neal Allen

In memory of **Sue Hammack** by: Larry & Beth Gilmer, Wade & Judy Baker, Jack Brewer

In memory of **Jerry Kimbrough** by: Michael & Mary Lynn Botts In memory of **Turner Wakefield** by: Calvin & Linda Parmer, Andy & Deborah Gault, Gene & Freida Ellison

In memory of Clara Berry by: Andy & Deborah Gault

# Music / Education

We have some exciting opportunities that God has opened up for us as a music ministry/education and we would love for you to be a part!

#### **Announcements:**

- Adult Choir: Wednesday nights at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary!
- Hymn Singing!!! October 9 at Terrace Manor & October 23 TBA, both at 10:30 a.m.
- October 22- We will have an Education Ministry Team meeting in the Green Room after the service.
- December 10- "The King is Here" Christmas Cantata at 10:30 a.m.
- January 14- D-Life Leaders Meeting at 5:00 p.m. in the Green Room.
- If you play an instrument or are interested in being a part of our tech team, feel free to contact me at garrett@rfbclife.com.
- D-Life groups are going well! If you would like to be a part of a group, please feel free to contact me at garrett@rfbclife.com.

A couple of weeks ago, I read the story of Mary anointing Jesus with the alabaster perfume vial. Something that stuck out to me was that this nard oil was worth 300 denarii; that is almost a year's wage! Mary willingly gave a precious resource in her life so that, ultimately, God would receive the glory. Living a life of worship is going to cost us something. Following Jesus is never going to be an easy life. We must sacrifice for the Lord, and there may be hardships. However, no matter what we may lose in this life, nothing compares to the treasure and gift of knowing Jesus! Let Jesus be your treasure, and take every opportunity to share the Gospel's good news with others!

May The Lord bless you, keep you, and shine His face upon you. Madison and I love you all, and we are always here for you if you need anything.

#### Deacon for the Week

October 1-7	Bill Allen	256-810-6298
October 8-14	Reese Bailey	256-443-0317
October 15-21	Wade Baker	256-577-1475
October 22-28	Gene Balding	256-627-4143
October 29-Nov. 4	Jeff Barksdale	256-324-5975

# **PrimeTimers / Elevate Students**

Because of your generous love and support, it was the happiest of birthdays for Bradin Beam! Wednesday night's party was filled with people laughing with him, encouraging him, and serving him! The cake was delicious too. At the end of the night, Bradin opened a huge pile of cards packed with over \$4,500 in cash!!!!

Because of your generosity, Bradin will soon have a vehicle that will get him to church, work, and whatever path God places him on from here! Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

#### **Bro. Joel**

#### **PrimeTimer's Lunch**

Thursday, October 19. at 43 Grill at 11:30 a.m.
Think of someone who hasn't attended lately and offer to pick them up.

#### **Elevate Students Fall Festival**

October 22, at Camp McMurray at 3 p.m. Students are encouraged to bring their families.

### **Staff Appreciation Breakfast**

Sunday, October 8, at 9 a.m.



## First Kids: Pumpkin Patch Trip

October 8, Leaving the church at 12:45 p.m. FBC will pay for each child's admission. See Angela Woods to sign up.

#### **Fall Festival**

Sunday, October 29, from 3-5 p.m. We need volunteers to help with activities. Please see Angela Woods to sign up.