



A Note From Pastor Troy

As the days of 2020 wind down, I don't know if I have ever been more excited to see a new year come. 2020 has been unique to say the least. We have faced challenges in our world, nation, city, and church that we never have in our lifetime. While our natural tendency is to focus on the difficulties we have faced, the challenges that arose, or the hardship endured, instead, I want to encourage you to see the faithfulness of God and the determination of His people. In this year, I have seen our church rise to every challenge it faced. Our staff used creativity and innovation to ensure that our major outreach events and camps continued on, even if they were a little different than normal. In this season, we have observed the Lord do a great work among college students through our college ministry. Above all, we have rediscovered the joy of worshipping together in person. I am proud to pastor this church. We have learned some great lessons over the past nine months that will help propel us forward as the new year dawns. I am excited about what the future holds for FBC, but I am more excited to know the one who holds that future.

I believe that 2021 will be a landmark year for FBC. We are taking aim at undertaking the implementation of the first phase of our master plan by building a family ministries building. Not only will this new building provide us much needed secure space for children and their families, the project as a whole promises to positively impact several areas of our church campus. In this new year, it is our desire to see new small groups form for the purpose of intentional discipleship, service, and ministry. Additionally, we hope to continue utilizing unique and creative outlets for ministry for children, youth, college, and adults. I want to encourage you to join me in praying for these areas and the ways that you will be involved in them.

I never would have thought that this past year would have turned out the way it did. To that end, I really do not fully know what this next year holds in store. Nevertheless, I find great comfort in knowing that the Lord is in control. I was reminded earlier this week about God's goodness and loving kindness. The psalm begins by reminding us to give thanks to the Lord because He is good. YES! He is so good to us. The psalm then has this familiar refrain - His steadfast love endures forever. What a great reminder! No matter what you have faced, are facing, or will face, there is great comfort in knowing that God's love is steadfast and enduring. It knows no ends. It knows no bounds. It is forever. Let's carry that word of encouragement with us into the new year.

Grace and Peace,

Please Be Praying For...

Steve Aldrich & Family; Ephraim Alvarez;
Jim Anderson; Cynthia Armstrong; **Alan Backof & Family;** Paulo Barretto; Emaline Clark; Olivia Deslatte; Elizabeth Elkins; Martha Nell Evans; Pat Fagan; Abigail Franklin; Mary Lou Franklin; LouAnn Gaulding; Linda Grant; Billy & Vicki Hamilton; Austin Hodge; Billy Hodge; Bill Hyer; Leonor Johnson; Glen Lewis; Barbara Lewis & Family; Luke Llewellyn; Julie Livingston; Eddie Lockett; Edward Lutfy; LaNelle McCulley; Mark Mills; **Family of Deanna Moyes;** One Hope; Carol Painter; Joe Poe; Marilyn Radke; Norma Rowland; Bob Smith; The Family of Elvin Smith; Karen Steele; Ide Trotter; Steve Tucker; Betty Wallace; Beverly Watson; Steve Watson; Pat Whittacker; Helen Whittington & Family; David Williams; Hung Chi & Jeanne Yu; Linda Zajac;

Our Ministers & their Families; Office & Building Staff & their Families; FBC Worship Services, Ministries & Activities; Law Enforcement, First Responders, Our Military & their Families; Our Country & Leadership

Questions or comments about the prayer list?
Please contact the office at 979-696-7000 or email info@fbccollegestation.com.

Budget Report

Financial Stats	Month	Year
Budget Needs	\$154,933	\$1,974,516
Budget Receipts	\$166,844	\$1,697,651
Over/Under	\$11,911	(\$276,865)



Female College Associate



Tyler Batts

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This semester has been interesting. We have all seen the world change due to Covid and have had to learn to live in this new normal. This is my first year working with college ministry, and instead of focusing on all of the things we could not do, I would like to focus on what we did get to experience this semester. Going into this semester we did not know what church involvement would look like. Freshmen were coming into town and we did not know how to reach them with events cancelling left and right.

But God provided. We were able to go on campus and personally invite students to our church. God surprised us all with small groups filling up to the brim and students seeking community like we had never seen before. Our college group was able to have our Fall Retreat and even in the midst of this crazy semester, God moved and changed lives that weekend. We have seen students recognizing how important Christian community really is and pushing for more time to dive into the Word together. Overall, this semester has been a testament to who God really is. He is powerful and is not held back by anything. We are excited to see what next semester holds!



Associate Pastor

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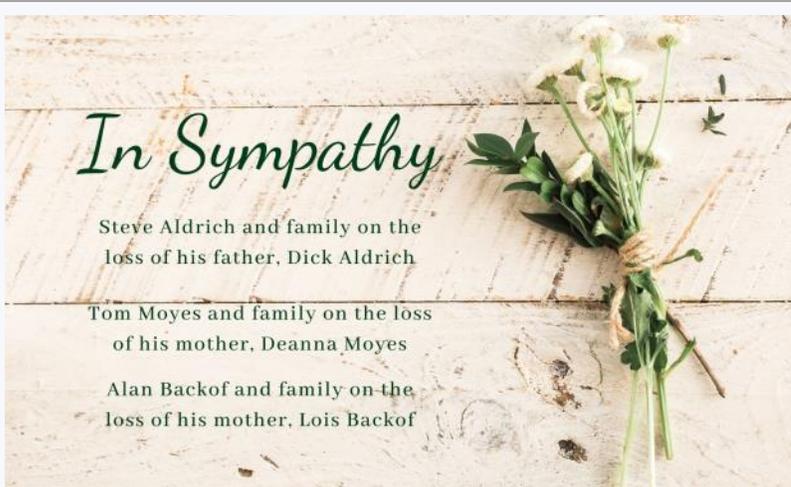
First Baptist Family,

It has truly been a privilege to serve alongside you these past five years. By now, most of you are aware that I have accepted a position at Rollingbrook Fellowship in Baytown, Texas. I begin my time there on January 10. Please pray for us during this time of transition in our lives.

I am so excited about what God has done for FBC during this season of ministry. I pray that discipleship will continue to be a key part of ongoing ministry for years to come. It is encouraging to see so many involved in one on one discipling with our college students. I am encouraged by the number of men and women involved in peer-to-peer discipling. And, I am confident that our Sunday groups will continue to provide opportunities for you to increase in your knowledge of God's word, but also be challenged to live and love like Jesus more and more! Know that you will continue to be in my prayers in the days ahead, and please don't hesitate to look us up if you're heading east on I-10 out of Houston. We would love to meet for a quick visit and catch up!

Connect With Us!

<p>Church Pages</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Baptist Church College Station FBC College Station @fbccollegestation @FBC_CS <p>College Ministry</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> First College @firstcollegefbc 	<p>Youth Ministry</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Student Ministry FSM College Station @firststudents2300 <p>Children's Ministry</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> FBC First Kids @fbcfirstkids @fbccfirstkids
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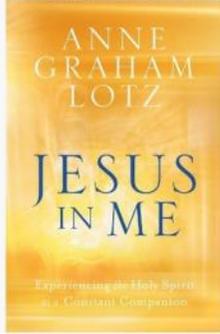
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Winter Bible Studies

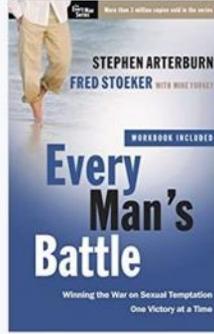
Sundays Starting January 10 | 6:00pm

Hosted by: Kathy Strawn



In *Jesus in Me: Experiencing the Holy Spirit as a Constant Companion*, Anne Graham Lotz draws on her rich biblical knowledge as well as her personal story to help us understand that the Holy Spirit is not a magic genie, a flame of fire, a force, or a vague feeling. In this simple yet profound teaching, she explores seven key aspects of the Holy Spirit that will revolutionize how you understand and relate to this vital member of the Trinity.

Hosted by: Don Stanley



From movies and television to print media and the Internet, men are continually bombarded with sensual images and content. It is impossible to avoid temptation, but this book offers a clear and tested strategy for victory. This phenomenal bestseller shares the stories of dozens who have escaped the trap of sexual immorality and presents a practical, detailed plan for any man who desires sexual integrity.

Hosted by: David Strawn



This class will study John 14-17, known as Jesus' Farewell Discourse. These are the last words Jesus spoke to his disciples before his arrest and trial and crucifixion, and the chapters emphasize assurance and comfort in the face of two difficulties coming upon the disciples, Jesus' death and their own persecution. The words of Jesus encouraged the disciples, and can continue to encourage us today.



Minister to Children

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Happy New Year from the Children's Ministry team! Our spring Wednesday kick-off is January 6. On that night we will resume our Mission Friends, Bible Buddies, and Bible Drill programs. Sunday evening WAM will resume on January 10. If you have questions about any of our children's programs, please let us know.

In February we will celebrate Children at Worship month. Our children will each receive a workbook to help them as we study the act of worship. If you are still worshipping from home and would like a workbook, please contact Angela in the church office (angela@fbccollegestation.com). The month long study will culminate with Children at Worship Sunday where the children will take leadership roles in our Sunday morning worship time. This is always an exciting time for the children's ministry as we learn more about worshipping our awesome God and what worship really means.

I would like to say a big "thank you" to some people who have worked very hard lately. Our praise team has worked so hard to help lead us in worship and help us sing both new and familiar songs as an expression of that worship. The sanctuary choir has learned to sing spaced out across the choir loft and still sound like one voice even though it feels like you're singing a solo when you're so far apart! The WAM children's directors worked hard to make sure classes were as safe as we know how to be and that the children could still learn AND have fun! (How about that ugly sweater they made?!) We have all come together to share our love of music and, through our music, our love of God with you. If you have any questions about joining us in the new year, please let me know. We would love to have you join us.

Minister of Music

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FBC UPCOMING EVENTS

Sign up for our weekly email updates at FBCCollegeStation.com



January 6 @ 6:30pm

CONTINUING

our big

ADVENTURES

Bible Buddies
BIBLE DRILL
Mission Friends

Upcoming Sunday Information

JANUARY 3 | We will have only one service at 10am and no Sunday School.



If you would like to donate non-perishable food items to our Food Pantry, you may come by during normal business hours. There will be a basket in the foyer by the church office for you to place any donations.

DO YOU NEED TO UPDATE YOUR ADDRESS? PHONE NUMBER? EMAIL? Please contact korey@fbccollegestation.com

OUR WEEKLY SCHEDULE | ALSO ON REALM

SUNDAYS

Early Worship..... 8:30am
 Youth Praise Band Rehearsal 9:15
 Sunday School for All Ages..... 9:45
 Brown Memorial Library Open..... 9:45 & 10:40
 Late Worship.....11:00am
 Youth Bible Drill..... 4:30pm
 Pray for Spiritual Awakening 5:30
 W.A.M. for Kids & Preschool Activities 6:00
 Adult Bible Study..... 6:00

MONDAYS

Deacon-led Prayer Time (open to all)..... 6:30am

TUESDAYS

Ladies Exercise Class.....9:15am
 Quilt-n-Peace.....9:30am
 Food Pantry..... (volunteers @ 9am) 10:00am
 Praise Team Rehearsal..... 6:30pm
 Ladies Evening Prayer Group..... 7:00pm

WEDNESDAYS

Youth Praise Band Rehearsal.....5:00pm
 Adult Sunday School Teachers Mtg.....5:45
 Refuge Meal (Youth)6:30
 FSM (First Student Ministry).....6:30
 Adult Bible Study.....6:30
 Mission Friends (Birth-K).....6:30
 Bible Buddies (1st-3rd).....6:30
 Bible Drill (4th-6th).....6:30
 Sanctuary Choir (adults).....6:30

THURSDAYS

Ladies Exercise Class..... 9:15am
 Tender Warriors Day (Men's Bible Study)..... Noon
 Men's Evening Bible Study (Chick-Fil-A)..... 8:00pm

**UPCOMING FIRST LIGHT DEADLINE:
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2020 @
5:00PM**

(covers Feb. 1 through Feb. 28, 2020)

Please bring information to the office or email info@fbccollegestation.com

WEEKDAY CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: Mother's Day Out (696-7035) Birth - 5: M/T/TH/F 9:30am - 1:30pm