

Sermon Series: Following Jesus

Today's Sermon:
"Training Over Trying"
Ephesians 2:8-10
(Effort does not equal earning)

1. Disciples of Jesus are _____
powered! (2 Timothy 1:9)
2. Disciples of Jesus _____
to follow Him. (Luke 9:23, 1 Timothy 6:11-12)
3. Disciples of Jesus train by _____
the Spiritual disciplines. (Matthew 6:2, 5, 16)

Inward Disciplines

Prayer, fasting, and study

Outward Disciplines

Simplicity, solitude, submission, and service

Corporate Disciplines

Worship, confession, guidance, and celebration

Celebration of Discipline

Richard Foster

Kids Worship Begins @ 10:45 AM

Kid's Church (1st - 6th Grade) Room 17

Kid's Church Jr. (3 Years - Kindergarten) Room 10

Two Year Olds - Room 7

Babies - 23 Months - Room 3

First Steps

Membership is open to anyone who has 1) placed their faith in Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins and 2) has been baptized by immersion by a body of believers of like faith and practice.

We will be happy to assist you with these spiritual decisions.

Text **FIRST** to (409) 215-0332 to be contacted
or meet one of our Ministers near the platform after the service
to discuss your spiritual decision.

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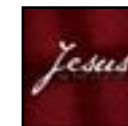
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Pursuing Christ FIRST in Life, Love and Actions

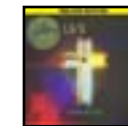
April 22, 2018



Song: Lion and the Lamb
Artist: Bethel Music



Song: I'll Praise You
Artist: Community Bible Church



Song: Cornerstone
Artist: Hillsong Live



Song: Before the Throne of God Above
Artist: Shane & Shane



Song: Death Was Arrested
Artist: North Point Insideout



Song: Come As You Are
Artist: David Crowder

Message

Dr. Robert Miller

"Training Over Trying"

Ephesians 2:8-10

Deacon of the Week

Hal Miller

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April 22 - 28

Sunday

- 8:00 a.m. Band/Tech Rehearsal
- 9:30 a.m. Bible Study
- 10:45 a.m. Worship Service

Monday

- 9:00 a.m. Ladies Cross Training Workout

Tuesday

- 12:00 p.m. Senior Adult Fellowship - Lunch with the Pastors

Wednesday

- 9:00 a.m. Ladies Cross Training Workout
- 5:00 p.m. Burgers, Etc. Bunch - Whataburger
- 5:15 p.m. Transitions - Foyer Room 2
- 5:30 p.m. Puppet Ministry - Room 3
- 6:30 p.m. Prayer, Praise & Bible Study/
Quarterly Business Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. J.A.M. - Youth - Upper Room 9
- 6:30 p.m. AWANA - Children's Building

Thursday

- 10:00 a.m. Elmcroft Senior Living Service

Friday

OFFICE CLOSED

- 9:00 a.m. Ladies Cross Training Workout

Saturday

- 9:00 a.m. Weight Watchers
- 3:00 p.m. Kickball For Christ -- Rainbow Park

Ministry Staff

Dr. Robert R. Miller, Pastor
John Talley, Associate Pastor, Worship
Dennis Johns, Associate Pastor, Families
Meschel Hara, Children's Minister

Worship services are streamed live on the internet each week from our website. Recent services are also available short term. Click on the livestream.



A message from Meschel Hara

With May quickly approaching, it seems as though summer is right around the corner. And with summer comes, Vacation Bible School. This year's theme for VBS is Shipwrecked: Rescued by Jesus. Children will learn that through every storm of life that Jesus is there with them through each storm. What a great truth to learn at an early age because it is certain that we will experience troubles in our life. In John 16:33 Jesus says, "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."

This year's curriculum is created by Group Publishing. They do a fantastic job of writing the Bible Story rotation in a way that brings the Bible to life and creates an experience that leaves a lasting impression each day. And instead of the traditional craft rotation, children participate in Imagination Station where they experiment with gadgets that connect to the Bible truth for that day as well as hands-on experiments.

For our VBS mission project, we will be collecting money to help feed kids in Haiti by providing drought-tolerant fruit and vegetable seeds that will provide food year after year for the Haitian families as well as provide education programs for farmers on updated farming techniques. In addition to the Bible Discovery and Imagination Station rotations, children also experience Worship, Recreation Games, KidVid Cinema and, of course, yummy snacks.

So far we have a little over 40 volunteers already signed up to help this year. It's not too late though to get plugged in to help with this year's VBS. You can fill out a green volunteer form and put it in the offering plate or turn it in to the church office or you can e-mail me @ mhara@fbctc.com. Don't miss out on this great opportunity to be the hands and feet of Jesus this summer. Registration is open now to 4 year olds through 6th Grade.

Attendance for April 15, 2018

Bible Study	181
Legacy Ministry Visits	11
Worship	322

Financial gifts for April 15, 2018

	Week	To Date
Financial Plan	21,021.78	63,065.34
Financial Receipt	11,328.37	67,702.58
World Missions	100.00	500.00



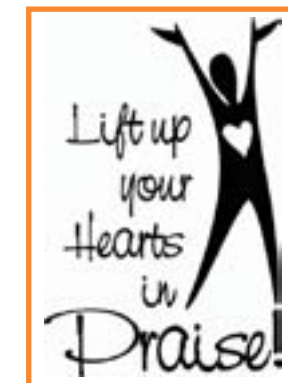
**SENIOR ADULT FELLOWSHIP
LUNCH WITH THE PASTORS
TUESDAY, APRIL 24
12:00 NOON**

**Hot dogs & hamburgers will be served.
Please bring a dessert.**

Bring your friends and introduce them to our pastors and our church. It is a beach theme so wear your Hawaiian shirt and flip flops! Please call the Church Office if you are planning to attend -- 409-986-4950.

**QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 6:30 PM**

Prayer & Praise Service
Short Business Meeting
Agendas are available in the foyer of the Worship Center



Join us as the
FBC Puppet Ministry
Presents:
"Lift Up Your Hearts in Praise!"
Sunday May 6, 6:00 pm
AWANA END OF YEAR PROGRAM
Join us for fellowship following programs

FBCTC will be collecting your old prescription glasses to donate to the *Jesse Tree* now through Sunday, May 13.



The Good and Beautiful Life
Small Group Study Book is available in the foyer - \$10.

SUMMER 2018

- JUNE 11 - 15 SUPER SUMMER CAMP @ HSU
- JUNE 18 - 21 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL & SPORTS CAMP
- JUNE 27 - 30 PRETEEN CAMP @ PINEYWOODS BAPTIST ENCAMPMENT
- JULY 9 - 13 CAMP SONSHINE
- JULY 16 - 20 YOUTH CAMP @ PINEYWOODS BAPTIST ENCAMPMENT