

Prayers for Wisdom

We have decisions to make every day. Some are regarding our day to day life while others may affect the trajectory of our entire life. God gives us His Word to help us make decisions that are wise and honoring to Him. Join us each day in May as we look to Him for guidance about making Wise Decisions.

Day 1: Psalm 32:8 Day 2: Philippians 4:9 Day 3: 1 Thessalonians 5:11 Day 4: Proverbs 3:11-12 Day 5: Proverbs 1:7 Day 6: Psalm 25:4 Day 7: Colossians 3:16 Day 8: Psalm 25:5 Day 9: Matthew 11:29-30 Day 10: Proverbs 4:11 Day 11: Psalm 25:8-9 Day 12: Psalm 143:10 Day 13: Proverbs 12:1 Day 14: John 14:26 Day 15: Deuteronomy 8:5 Day 16: Psalm 37:30 Day 17: Proverbs 3:7 Day 18: Proverbs 4:6-7 Day 19: Ecclesiastes 2:26 Day 20: 1 Corinthians 1:25 Day 21: Colossians 2:2-3 Day 22: James 3:17 Day 23: James 1:5 Day 24: 1 Corinthians 1:30 Day 25: Proverbs 29:11 Day 26: Ephesians 5:15-16 Day 27: 1 Corinthians 3:18 Day 28: James 3:13 Day 29: Isaiah 55:8 Day 30: Romans 11:33



LIFT UP THE WORD LIGHT UP THE WORLD

May 2, 2024 11am-1pm



Join with us at FCF anytime during 11am-1pm to pray for our nation's leaders. All are invited to join with us in prayer on May 2nd from 11am-1pm. Come anytime you are able and stay as long as you'd like during those times to pray for our nation.

A prayer guide will be provided. Light refreshments will be available.

Dear FCF Family,

Please join us on June 2 for our annual FCF picnic and Farewell Party for the McDaniels. Dinner will be provided as well as some fun activities to honor the McDaniels. To help us prepare, please RSVP on the FCF App or in the foyer at FCF beginning the first Sunday in May.

FCF ANNUAL PICNIC & FAREWELL PARTY for the McDaniels



JUNE 2, 2024 4pm at FCF

Meal Provided

RSVP on the FCF App or in the foyer at FCF





On April 7, Pastor Gordon shared that the McDaniels will be moving to Denton, TX in June. Gordon has prayerfully accepted the position of Leadership and Pastoral Training Coordinator at Denton Bible Church.



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VBS at Byron Park

VBS June 24–26, 6–8:30pm Family Night June 27

INVESTORS -Sign up to here There are many ways you can serve!!

2024 VBS Coordinator - April Faith afaithVBS24@gmail.com



CHILD Pre-REGISTRATION WILL BEGIN IN JUNE

vbs investors

Open to those who have completed 8th grade – adult







GRADUATION CELEBRATION SUNDAY MAY 19

IF YOU ATTEND FCF & ARE GRADUATING THIS YEAR, WE WANT TO HONOR THIS ACHIEVEMENT! PLEASE EMAIL THE FOLLOWING INFO TO ADMIN@EXPLOREFCF.COM BY MAY 9

- Name
- School you will graduate from
- Degree granted, if college
- Plans for the future
- Picture of the grad (hard copy or jpeg)







Parent & Child Dedication May 12 10:15am Contact the FCF Office for more information. Register on the FCF App

If you would like to take part in our May Parent & Child Dedication, please contact Christy in the FCF Office or fill out the registration form on the FCF App by May 7. (301-223-4803 or admin@explorefcf.com)

Spring Education

Groups

for Faith Kids, Switchback and Adults will conclude on May 19 and resume on September 8





Showing God's Love by Putting Others First

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another." - John 13:34

Despite his busy schedule, Abraham Lincoln often visited wounded Civil War soldiers in hospitals across the Union. On one occasion, he walked in to see a man who was near death. "Is there anything I can do for you?" asked the President.

"Please write a letter to my mother," the young man replied. Unrecognized by the soldier, the President sat down and transcribed exactly what the soldier told him to write:

"My Dearest Mother, I was badly hurt while doing my duty, and I won't recover. Don't sorrow too much for me. May God bless you and Father. Kiss Mary and John for me."

The young soldier was too weak to continue, so Lincoln signed the letter for him and then added this postscript: "Written for your son by Abraham Lincoln."

Very often in life, Christians are called to do things outside of their normal roles in order to show kindness to a person in need. Maybe that means stopping your daily routine to help a friend who is in need. Or maybe it's pulling your car over to help change a tire for a complete stranger.

Don't let you role or status limit the love you show for others. The greatest love you can give is a love that's shown even when it isn't convenient. And when you do, you'll receive the remarkable blessing that comes with following Christ's example of putting others first!

Prayer Challenge

Ask God to show you opportunities where you can step out of your daily routine to show the love of Christ to others.

The April showers have brought beautiful May flowers! It is so fun to watch the new baby animals, listen to the birds chirp, and some days it seems like you can see the grass grow.

We had a wonderful April potluck and are very grateful for all who brought food as well as those who came early to set up and stayed late to put things away. Our May potluck will be May 15. We also invited you to join us each Wednesday at 9:45am in Room 7 for an informal time of prayer before our Bible Study.

Enjoy the beautiful weather and remember to stay hydrated if you work outside.

2024 Global Impact Trips



Trip costs do not include out-of-pocket expenses such as airport meals on travel days, souvenirs, passport, and immunizations. The trip amount includes round trip airfare, seven nights' accommodations, transportation while in-country, and meals.

Contact Pastor David Glaze (missions@explorefcf.com) for more information or to sign up for a trip. There will be Global Impact Team Building Meetings announced for each trip. If you plan to go on a trip, you are asked to attend the team building meetings.

Location	Dates	Total Cost	1st Deposit	2nd Deposit	3rd Deposit		
Nicaragua ACIBEN Pastoral Training	May 17-24	Please pray for Pastor Dave while he ministers to the pastors at ACIBEN					
Costa Rica VBS/ Construction	June 28-July 5	\$1500	\$500 April1	\$500 May 1	\$500 June 1		
Nicaragua Medica Mission	Aug 16-23	\$1500	\$500 June 1	\$500 July 1	\$500 Aug 1		
Philippines Discovery Team	Sept 26-Oct 5	See David Glaze for more information					
Ecuador Evangelism	Oct 24-Nov 1	\$1800	\$600 Aug 1	\$600 Sept 1	\$600 Oct 1		
Nicaragua ACIBEN Pastoral Training/ Drug Rehab Center	Nov 15-22	\$1500	\$500 Sept 1	\$500 Oct 1	\$500 Nov 1		



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
			10am—Young at	11a-1pm	6am Faith at	
			Heart	National Day of	Work Men's Bible Study @	
			6pm Switchback	Prayer	Prayer	
			6:30pm Faith			
			Kids Mid-Week			
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
9am Education	6am Faith at	7pm Meal &	10am—Young at		6am Faith at	
Groups	Work Men's Bible Study @	Service at the Mission 7pm Prayer	Heart		Work Men's Bible Study @	
10:15am Worship Gathering	Praver		6pm Switchback		Prayer	
Cathering		Gathering	6:30pm Faith Kids Mid-Week			
			Pizza Party—Last			
			Night			
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Mother's Day	6am Faith at	7pm Prayer	10am—Young at		6am Faith at	
10:15am Worship	Work Men's Bible Study @	Gathering	Heart/Potluck		Work Men's Bible Study @	
Gathering	Prayer		6pm Switchback		Prayer	
Parent/Child Dedication						
Dedication						
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Last Day of Spring Education Hour		7pm Prayer	10am—Young at			
10:15am Worship		Gathering	Heart 6pm Switchback			
Gathering						
Graduation Sunday						
Communion	Dester	avo in Nicoragua				
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26	27	28	29	30	31	
	Memorial Day	7pm Prayer	10am—Young at			
		Gathering	Heart			
			6pm Switchback			