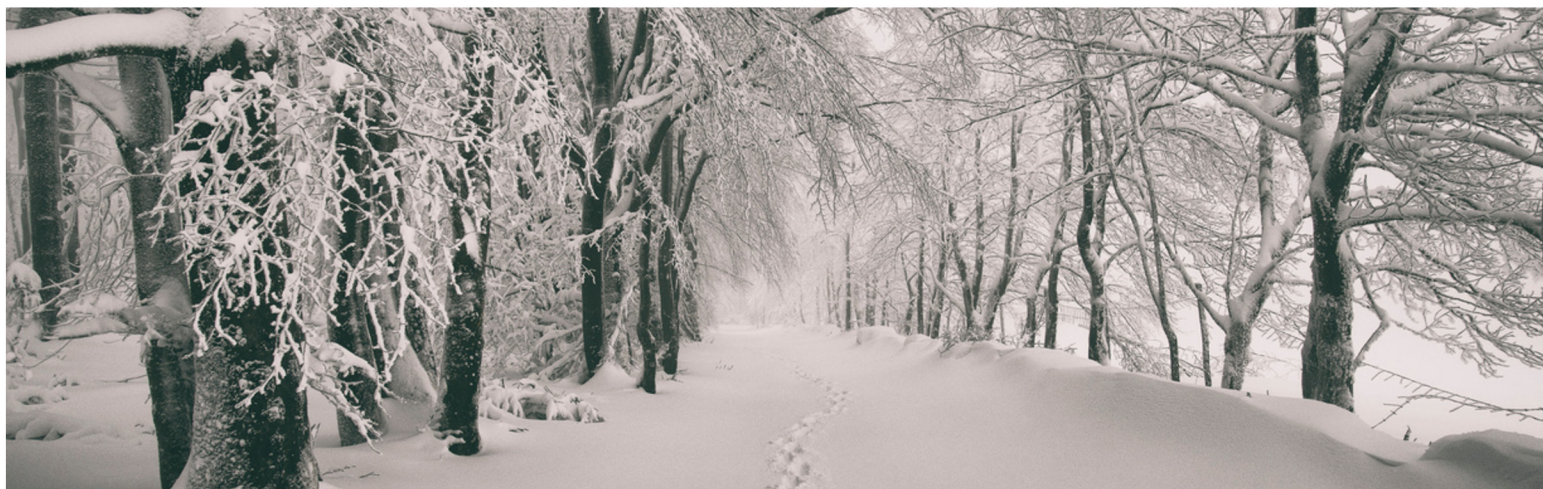


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## WEEKLY CONNECTIONS

- **TUESDAYS-**  
**11:00AM**  
**WOMEN'S PRAYER HOUR, FBC**
- **6:30-8PM - YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP, FBC**
- **WEDNESDAYS-**  
**10-11:30AM - WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY, FBC \*RESUMES 1/28**
- **6:15-8:30PM - MOVEMENT YOUTH, FBC**
- **6:30-8PM - MEN'S/WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES, FBC \*RESUMES 1/28**
- **THURSDAYS-**  
**ADULT SMALL GROUP HOME BIBLE STUDY (MEN'S/WOMEN'S) 6-8PM**
- **FRIDAYS-**  
**8:00AM - MEN'S 10:24 PRAYER HOUR AT MISSIONS COFFEE**

*"For I know the plans that I have for you," declares the Lord, 'plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope.'"*  
**Jeremiah 29:11**

At First Baptist Church of Auburn, our hope is that you'll find a place to call home and a community that becomes family. As a family of believers, we are committed to upholding biblical standards, cultivating the faith of our community, and addressing the spiritual issues of the world today. Whether you have believed in Jesus Christ all of your life or are simply seeking to find out more about Him we want to welcome you to our church. We are passionate about proclaiming the Good News, that Jesus Christ has come to seek and to save lost sinners from judgment and give them eternal life (Luke 19:10; John 3:16; Rom 5:8; 6:23; 2 Cor 5:21).



JOIN US SUNDAY MORNINGS AT  
10:15AM AS PASTOR STUART  
PREACHES THROUGH THE BOOK OF  
ROMANS.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- 11 Church Family Prayer
- 24 Youth Group Rock Climbing
- 28 Small Places Conference

Happy  
New Year  
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# FBC WOMEN'S MINISTRY

“She is clothed with strength  
and dignity...”

Proverbs 31:25

The Women's Ministry of First Baptist Church desires to share the love of Jesus through outreach and minister to the needs of women. This ministry hopes to help women develop their God-given potential as persons of value in their homes, church, and community, and aspires to encourage them in creative service under the Holy Spirit's leadership.



## Current Bible Studies:

Revelation Wrap Up + 2  
Peter. Led by Maria Paiz &  
Becky Anderson.  
Wednesday Mornings  
10:00-11:30AM, FBC

The Life Of David, Audio  
Teaching Series by R.C.  
Sproul.  
Led by Linae Calkovsky.  
Wednesday Nights  
6:30-8:00PM, FBC

Thursday Night Adult  
Small Group Home Bible  
Study (Men's/Women's)  
6:00-8:00PM  
Auburn CA  
\*Call Church office for  
more information.



# FBC MEN'S MINISTRY



“Be on the alert, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong.”

1 Corinthians 16:13

Men live in difficult times where following the Lord can be challenging and even dangerous. Our hope at First Baptist Church of Auburn is that men feel compelled to take up the mantle of leadership in their culture, community, and families. We want men to be what God has created them to be: leaders!



## Current Bible Studies:

Wednesday Nights

6:30-8:00PM, FBC

James, David Jeremiah Bible Study Series

Led by Mike Carlin

Thursday Night Adult Small Group Home Bible Study (Men's/Women's)

6:00-8:00PM

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\*Call Church office for more information.

Friday Mornings

Men's 10:24 Breakfast, Prayer & Study, 8AM

Mission's Coffee

2405 Grass Valley Hwy,  
Auburn CA

Last Saturday of the Month  
(every other month)

FBC Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

8:30AM, FBC





# FBC CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Our mission here at FBC is to see children come to know Christ, consistently grow in Christ, and develop a Biblical World-view. We count it an awesome privilege and responsibility to reach and teach these little ones for Him!

We offer child-care and children's classes during the main service for infants, preschoolers, and 1st-6th graders.

- Infants & toddlers under 3 can be checked in with our nursery staff prior to the service.
- Preschoolers 3yrs+ - Kindergarten may be checked in to their class upstairs before the service begins as well. They will have a great time singing, hearing a story from the Bible, and doing various crafts!
- Children in 1st - 6th grades begin in main service and are dismissed at 10:45AM to head upstairs for their Sunday School class. They will enjoy a worship time, Bible story, games and crafts!



**NURSERY- 10:15-11:45AM**

**PREK/K- 10:15-11:45AM**

**1ST-6TH- 10:45-11:45AM**



# FBC YOUTH JH / HS MINISTRY



## MOVEMENT YOUTH

SUNDAY MORNINGS

9-10AM

DOWNSTAIRS

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

6:15-8:30PM

DOWNSTAIRS

OUR VISION IS TO EMPOWER THE YOUNGER GENERATION WITH THE REALITY OF WHO GOD IS AND WHO HE HAS CALLED THEM TO BE, SO THEY CAN PASSIONATELY LIVE FOR HIM AND IMPACT THE WORLD AROUND THEM WITH HIS LOVE. WE BELIEVE THAT A DEEPER LOVE FOR GOD WILL LEAD TO A DEEPER LOVE FOR HIS PEOPLE. OUR GOAL IS TO PROVIDE A SAFE AND FUN ENVIRONMENT FOR STUDENTS TO PLAY GAMES, FELLOWSHIP, WORSHIP AND STUDY GOD'S WORD. WE DESIRE TO BUILD RELATIONSHIPS WITH STUDENTS THAT LAST LONG AFTER THEY HAVE LEFT OUR MINISTRY AND HOPE FOR THEM TO HAVE THEIR OWN AUTHENTIC, PERSONAL WALK WITH GOD.



## COMING EVENTS:

1.24- **ROCK  
CLIMBING**



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"LET NO ONE LOOK DOWN ON YOUR YOUTHFULNESS, BUT RATHER IN SPEECH, CONDUCT, LOVE, FAITH AND PURITY, SHOW YOURSELF AN EXAMPLE OF THOSE WHO BELIEVE." - 1 TIMOTHY 4:12





## SAMARITAN'S PURSE INTERNATIONAL RELIEF - JAMAICA

Dear Friend,

I just got back from Jamaica where our teams continue to bring relief to hurting people in the wake of Hurricane Melissa. The storm may have passed, but the damage it left is horrible. In Black River, near where the deadly Category 5 storm made landfall, we've set up an Emergency Field Hospital. The local medical facility there was destroyed by the hurricane, so people had nowhere to turn. We've treated over 2,500 patients and performed more than 100 surgeries.

Our team spent weeks caring for one patient, Latonia, who came to us with a badly infected foot that had to be amputated. She was grateful, saying, "If this hospital and the people abroad never come to help, we will be dead like dogs. Lot of people will be dying cause we don't have nowhere to go."

We also used our helicopters to conduct a mobile medical response. We cared for more than 1,200 people—all of whom were in locations isolated by blocked roads and not easily accessible in any other way. This cut down on hours of travel time and allowed us to concentrate on quickly providing medical care. Our helicopters also helped with assessments and cargo movement; in total we completed more than 150 trips. In addition, we've set up several community water filtration systems and a reverse osmosis system, while also distributing hygiene kits, solar lights, shelter tarp, Bibles, and more. Our tarps are keeping the rain off families—one man I met was so thankful to have his roof tarped and said it was the first dry night he had spent since the hurricane weeks ago! More than 300 Disaster Assistance Response Team (DART) members have been on the ground during this response, and we've helped more than 25,000 families.

I thank God for our incredible team serving in Jamaica, and it was good to spend time with them. They have come from all around the world to serve with Samaritan's Purse in Jesus' Name. Doctors, nurses, logisticians, water specialists, procurement experts, aviation team members, and more—all working hand in glove to bring help in this time of crisis.

Jamaica reports 1,600 churches on an island roughly the size of Connecticut—that's a church almost every 2.5 square miles! We have been supporting numerous congregations by providing grants for members in crisis and by offering a full range of relief supplies. The partnerships are critical as they serve as hubs of outreach in their community, a light shining on a hill.







## SAMARITAN'S PURSE OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - JAMAICA

*Since 1998, we've been working with churches across the island to distribute Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. In total, well over 1 million gifts have been given to children in need in Jesus' Name.*

*Recently, my son Edward went to Jamaica aboard our DC-8 aircraft packed with 9,000 shoebox gifts. He was joined by Pastor Jonathan Falwell, Liberty University President Dondi Costin, Liberty students, and journalist Greta Van Susteren who was filming a special for Newsmax to air on Christmas Day at 4 p.m. ET. They helped one of our church partners in Black River distribute gift-filled boxes to the delight of boys and girls who've seen much suffering this fall. Not only did the children hear the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ at these outreach events, they were also invited to join The Greatest Journey, our 12-lesson discipleship class for shoebox recipients. They will learn more about Jesus, including how to follow Him and share Him with their friends. Since 2009, more than 160,000 students have gone through the course on the island. We praise God for the tens of thousands of boys and girls who've come to know Christ as Savior in Jamaica through Operation Christmas Child.*



*Edward's trip marked the last mission of our remarkable DC-8 aircraft, revived from a "boneyard" in New Mexico about 10 years ago. The plane, which came off the assembly line on Christmas Eve in 1968, flew 219 missions for us, hauling over 9 million pounds of cargo. Some of its highlights included flying our Emergency Field Hospital to Myanmar, Sudan, Iraq, Ukraine, Ecuador, and Italy. In response to wars, earthquakes, disease, and more, this plane helped us answer the call to run to the fire to help people in Jesus' Name. A new-to-us 767 airplane has replaced it, allowing us to bring even more relief more quickly when disaster strikes. The DC-8 will be on display at Liberty's School of Aeronautics in Lynchburg, Virginia.*

*As we spend the holidays with family and friends this year, let's proclaim to everyone what Jesus said in John 8:12: "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life." This is worth celebrating!*

– Franklin Graham





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# FROM THE DESK OF YOUTH PASTOR RYAN HAASE

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## A New Year, A Higher Calling

The start of a new year always carries a sense of newness and hope. Calendars reset. Goals are rewritten. Many people step into January believing, “This year can be different.” And in many ways, it can be.

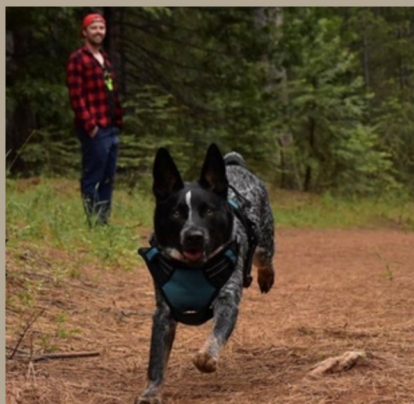
Every year, people make New Year’s resolutions: Lose weight, Eat better, Save more money, Learn a new skill, Pick up a new hobby, or any other number of things. While these goals can be good, stewarding our bodies, our time, and our resources matters. Scripture affirms wisdom, discipline, and self-control are good things. There is nothing sinful about wanting to improve areas of life. But the problem is not that these goals are bad — it’s that they are temporary.

In the grand scope of eternity, losing a few pounds or learning a new skill, while beneficial, will not ultimately define our lives. Scripture reminds us: “The world is passing away, and also its lusts; but the one who does the will of God abides forever” (1 John 2:17).

As Christians, we are called to think beyond what is temporary and fix our eyes on what is eternal. And in order to do that we must start at the beginning; acknowledging who we are. The Bible tells us something profound about who we are. “So God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him” (Genesis 1:27).

We are not accidents. We are image bearers — created to reflect God’s character. His holiness, His love, and His truth. And for those who belong to Christ, this calling becomes even more focused. Scripture says that God’s purpose for believers is not merely self-improvement, but transformation: “For those whom He foreknew, He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son” (Romans 8:2).

This is the Christian’s ultimate goal. As valuable as physical health, productivity, and personal growth can be, they pale in comparison to







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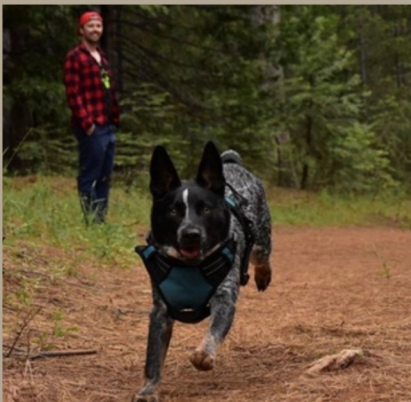
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the call placed on every believer: to be shaped into the likeness of Jesus Christ. This is not a menial resolution. It is the main purpose for your life. Christ did not live, suffer, die, and rise again so that we could simply become more successful versions of ourselves. He died to give us new life, new purpose, and freedom from sin. “If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come” (2 Corinthians 5:17).

Becoming like Christ is not just a resolution, or a goal we hope to achieve, — it should be a burning desire. Not to earn God’s love, but because we already have His love. Not to gain approval, but to glorify the Savior who gave everything for us. “For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be the glory forever. Amen” (Romans 11:36).

The question as we step into a new year is not simply: What do I want to change? But rather: Who am I becoming? Here are three ways we can answer this question.

#### 1. Be Renewed by God’s Word

Spiritual transformation begins in the mind. “Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind” (Romans 12:2). God’s Word shapes our thinking, corrects our desires, and aligns our hearts with His truth (Psalm 119:105). Regular, intentional time in Scripture is not optional for growth — it is essential.

#### 2. Walk Daily in Obedience

Christlikeness is not just learned — it is lived. “If you love Me, you will keep My commandments” (John 14:15). Obedience does not save us, but it reveals that we belong to Christ. Each choice to obey is a step toward reflecting His character more clearly.

#### 3. Depend on the Power of the Holy Spirit

We do not become like Christ through effort alone. “Walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh” (Galatians 5:16). God does not call us to transformation without also supplying the power to change. The Holy Spirit works in us to produce Christlike fruit (Galatians 5:22–23).





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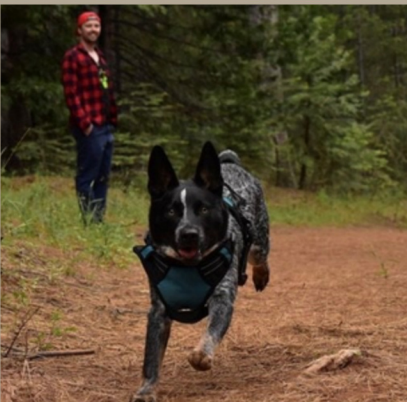
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I'm sure most of you who read this have heard all three of these examples before. But sometimes instead of setting new resolutions, for the "new you" we need to go back to the basics. And these basics are the building blocks that help shape your walk and conform your life into the image of Christ. So, as we enter this new year, set goals; Care for your body. Learn new skills. Grow in discipline. But above all, pursue Christlikeness. "Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ" (2 Peter 3:18).



Because a healthier body fades., new skills eventually become outdated. But becoming like Christ echoes into eternity. May this be the year we do not just aim for change — but for transformation, for the glory of God and the joy of walking in new life.

Yours in Christ,

Ryan Haase





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**JAN BIRTHDAYS**

**16 - Kelly Carlin**  
**19 - Rick Salaices**  
**22 - Ryan Haase**

**25 - Joel Seisa**  
**27 - Al Canfield**  
**29 - Carolyn Martello**