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SPEND 10 MINUTES - FOR 47 DAYS - EXPERIENCE 4 GOSPELS

Wednesday, February 17, 2021 - Sunday, April 4, 2021

10-47-4 is a churchwide campaign where participants will spend 10 minutes each day listening to passages in the gospels of Matthew, Luke, and John. Once a week, participants will watch a video depicting events as the text from the Book of Mark is read, then consider and answer a few questions. Participation in a weekly group meeting (either in-person or virtually) is encouraged. Each Sunday, Pastor will deliver a sermon related to the project. By Easter, participants will have saturated themselves in the Good News of Jesus!

There is a link on the main page of our web site, www.fbcf.org, with more information, along with a survey we would like for you to complete. It encompasses questions about whether or not you would like to participate, be it in-person or via Zoom, and about receiving a book. There is a short video that explains how the Bible.is app works in conjunction with this campaign.

Pastor Mike's 20 year work anniversary

February 12th will mark a milestone in our church's history as we celebrate the Clements' 20th year at FBCF. We have never had a pastor for this length of time, which calls for a big celebration. Bro. Mike has guided our congregation through his teaching, love and support. We want to appropriately show our appreciation for him and Allison. Over the next few weeks we will be taking up a Love Offering to fund a very special gift for them. There is an envelope in each of the adult Sunday School classes. Feel free to put a check or cash in those envelopes. If you prefer online giving, you can find the link [here](#). Choose the "Love Offering" fund when making donations online. Mail any checks to FBCF, 1115 B Street, Floresville, TX 78114, or you can drop a check or cash at the office during office hours. If you have not used online giving before and encounter any issues, call Penny and she can assist you. We ask that you designate "Clements Love Offering" on your check or contribution. We will take up funds through February 7th and present the gift on February 14th. Try not to mention anything to the Clements as we would like it to be somewhat of a surprise.

Thank you, Your FBCF Personnel Committee



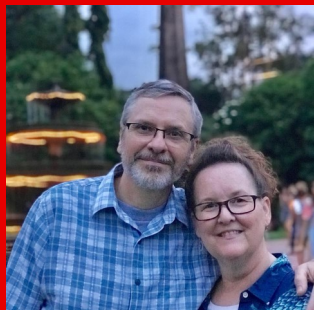
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BELIZE MINISTRY



**Aaron, Ashley,
and Caleb Coffey**

So there is no confusion on any donations made to the Belize Fund through FBC, all monies donated before March 1 will go to benefit the Coffeys. All monies donated March 1 and after will go to benefit the Sudolcans.



**Paul and Sherry
Sudolcan**

Dear supporters and ministry partners,

We want to take this time to thank you for your continued support and to let you know what God is doing in our lives. We have been praying for over three years for Belizean teachers and staff to come on board so that one day the school could be managed, and classes taught by Belizeans. We always knew God had a plan, but we were not sure what that plan would look like. We originally thought that it would take five years or longer for this to happen. But God, in his infinite wisdom, directed us away from Belize due to a worldwide virus outbreak and has begun answering the prayers we have prayed. Belize Bible College now has a school manager, two theology teachers, one English teacher, and an office manager, all of which are Belizeans. Praise the Lord!

So, what does this mean for us? We feel that we have laid a solid foundation for the college and that God is leading us to another area of ministry. We are seeking God for His direction. We plan to return to Belize in January or February, Lord willing, to finalize the transition. We want to encourage you to continue to give through the month of January. Our partners at CTEN will continue to collect our funds through January. If you support us by automatic draft, you will need to contact CTEN at (830) 896-8326 after you give your January support so that they will not draft again in February.







What will happen to the Belize Bible College? The college will continue to move forward with the new Belizean leadership. Ashley and I will continue to support and help the college where needed. What can you do to help us during this time? First and foremost, you can pray for us as we transition. It will be difficult saying goodbye to our friends and students that we have built relationships with. Secondly, you can continue to financially support us through this transition. We will have a lot of travel and shipping expenses. If God leads you to give more on top of your monthly support to help us in this way, that would be a huge blessing. We would also like to encourage you to support the Belize Bible College, if the Lord leads you to. If you would like to support the college after we have transitioned off the field, please send those funds to Flint Baptist Church, 1131 FM 2868, Flint, TX 75762. Thank you for being a faithful supporter of our ministry at Belize Bible College. Your support over the last three and a half years has been a huge blessing to us. Without your support, we would not have been able to stay on the field and do the work God called us to do. May God richly bless you for the blessing each one of you has been in our lives!

In Christ, Aaron and Ashley Coffey

After several years of ministry in Belize, Aaron and Ashley Coffey have been led to pass the baton. The Coffeys are working on securing a place of ministry here in the states. We have appreciated their efforts and service in Belize and are praying for God's leadership in their new place of ministry. Simultaneously, we have another family taking on the responsibility of the ministry in Belize. Paul and Sherry Sudolcan have made the decision to serve in Belize with Bob Farley. Paul will be serving as President, Dean of Students, and as a professor. Many of you will remember Paul serving as youth minister at FBC prior to Aaron. Paul was a tremendous asset to the ministry here in Floresville. As a result of Paul's ministry, many young people came to know the Lord and were disciplined as well. Paul and Sherry plan to arrive on the field the last part of April. Would you consider continuing your support for the Belize ministry with Paul and Sherry. Paul will be training young adults to pastor, teach and evangelize in Belize. As well, Paul will be helping Bob reach the Ketchu people group along the Sarstoon River. In a couple of weeks look for a short video from Paul and me for more details.

Serving Him, Preacher

February 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6 <small>8am</small> MEN'S BREAKFAST
7 <small>*Ronald T. Tipton</small>  LIVE <small>10:30 am</small>	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 <small>*Bob Whitley</small>  LIVE <small>10:30 am</small>	15 <small>Office Closed</small> 	16	17	18	19	20
21 <small>*David Arispe</small>  LIVE <small>10:30 am</small>	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 <small>*Ron Bluff</small>  LIVE <small>10:30 am</small>						

1 Kim Lanier O'Neal	7 Carter Thomas	11 Jerry Aldrich	19 Tim Bays
1 Emily Smith	7 Abygail Burns	12 Jewel Gleeson	19 Monroe Sickenius
2 Cara Little	8 John Kelley	12 David McKeen	20 Brook Lynne McKeen
3 Mac Gleeson	8 John Long	15 Roy Idrach	21 Terry Garza
3 Tim Lanier	8 David Lozano	15 Carolyn Sickenius	23 Karen Gulick
3 Clara Kotzur	8 Dale Yeager	15 Laura Yeager	23 Jason Guerrero
3 Pam Talley	9 Amos Garcia	16 Kimberly Posey	23 Tyler Mills
4 BrookLynn Whatley	10 August Gleeson	16 Ray Addington	24 Hulon Drewett
4 Bob Whitley	10 Carol Bagley	17 Jerry Berry	24 Kaitlin Parker
4 Esther Remling	10 Bonnie Rice	17 Sally Jenkins	24 Josie Young
5 Patty Swahn	10 Jenny Richards	18 Ricky Cox	25 Jan Browning
6 Mia Ham	11 Jerry Fewox	18 Patrick McKeen	25 Kaitlyn Keylich
6 LaShae Addington	11 Nick Nissen	18 LeeRoy Wagenfuehr	27 Kathy Hargrove

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Hello Everyone! Happy February! Happy Valentine's Day! Happy short month and one month closer of LESS Covid restrictions!!! (Sorry that's one of my prayers!)

We have definitely been enjoying a milder Winter so far. We have received good soaking rain - my garden is smiling and happy. I truly miss everyone and pray that you and your families are doing as well as we are. Thank you, LORD for all the many blessings we receive and forgive me if I don't see these blessings or don't thank You for them! Yes, look at the sunset! He paints a total-different one every day.

Many of you have been on my heart and I believe that's prompting from the Holy Spirit! So, I reached out and called my friend Barbara. She's my "green thumb go-to-girl." I have Barbara to thank for so many different plants and flowers in my yard. Thank You, Barbara! Of course, I don't remember their official names- but most are flowering type and I have to fight the deer from munching on them! (By the way, I'm losing that battle, but they were here first.) I asked Barbara for some gardening tips since I have plenty of T-I-M-E.

Here are the top three:

1. Prune - cut off especially so that it will grow better in the future. Pruning time is coming.
2. Weed - prepare the flower beds and garden by clearing the weeds.
3. Feed - fertilize your flower beds and garden. This effort will produce results.

We need to prepare our hearts for the LORD! We need to clean weeds out. We need to prune, so that our hearts grow in the LORD and we need to feed our hearts with His word! Until next month, I might be calling you! Waiting on the LORD! Donna

Schedule of Events

Sunday

- 8:00—In-person Worship
- 9:15—Bible Study for all
- 10:30—In-person Worship and online worship through Facebook LIVE

Wednesday

- 6:30—Life Groups / Prayer Meeting / Youth Bible Study / Children's Worship
- 7:45—Choir Rehearsal

Weekly Activities

Creative Hands—Quilting
Mondays at 10:00 am
Bible Study Fellowship
Kids—Monday evenings
Adults—Tues. evenings
Line Exercise Classes
Tues. & Thurs. from 9:30-10:30 am
Worship at Veterans' Home
—Wednesdays at 2:00 pm
—(except for 2nd Wed of each month)
Sr. Adult Game Day
—Thursdays from 1-4 pm

* Deacon of the Week

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Original Loan Amount:
\$ 525,000.00

December Loan Payment:
\$ 5,000.00

Current Loan Balance:
\$ 111,372.93

"Take from among you an offering to the Lord. Whoever is of a willing heart, let him bring it as an offering to the Lord."

Exodus 35:5a (NKJV)

Deepest sympathy is extended to the family of Wes Skidmore, brother of Priscilla Kincaid, who passed away January 12, 2021;

Heartfelt condolences are offered to the family of Marjorie McClure, grandmother to Kodie McClure, who passed away on January 13, 2021.

Thank you

Our family would like to say Thank You for the many Christmas blessings we received. Also, we are very grateful for the Secret Santa box. Being a part of the First Baptist Church family is a huge part of our lives! Thanks again,

Rob, Jill, Austin & Henry Coleman



Dear Church Family,

Thank you for the generous Love Offering you gave to each of us for Christmas.

You helped make the Christmas Season so special for us. It is a pleasure to serve the Lord along with each of you!

Thanks again, FBC Pastors and Staff

Floresville Food Pantry's

Suggested Donation for FEBRUARY

"Souper" Bowl

The Floresville Food Pantry is partnering with *Daily Bread* ministry of San Antonio to provide food to the needy of Floresville. The Pantry is now open on Thursdays only. Clients need to arrive at 8am to sign in and wait for food distribution. A devotional time will be at 9am. Clients are asked to bring their own bags. The Pantry is located on the corner of 4th and A Street and the phone number is 830-321-1151. Volunteers and donations are always appreciated.



With Deepest Sympathy

NEW MEMBERS

BY LETTER:

Pam Dempsey

185 Whitewing

Way

Floresville, TX

78114

Cell 325-277-4254

JP and I are so grateful for the many ways that the Lord blessed us throughout 2020.

We were able to wrap up the fall semester in our ministries and I did well in all my fall classes. For this upcoming semester, only I will continue working in ministry as part of my degree. JP will be working a regular job to provide for us. My ministry hours were also lessened so I will now only be working with Somali Adult Literacy Training (SALT). In case you haven't heard yet, I am PREGNANT! Currently, I am at 14 weeks. Only 28 more weeks to go! My first trimester was pretty rough, but I have made it through! We are so thankful for this little blessing that God is giving to us. Although I am pregnant, I will be finishing my degree this semester. I have 4 classes and my ministry requirement left. After school, we will be staying in Minnesota for the birth. JP and I were also able to move into an apartment on campus as renters to help the transition after my classes are over in May. Thank you for all your support over the past year and we pray that God continues to bless you and your family.

-Sarah and JP Canady



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BUDGET-AT-A-GLANCE	Actual Giving Receipts	Required to Meet Budget
December 2020	\$ 60,787.60	\$ 57,596.85
YTD thru December	\$ 658,544.49	\$ 699,162.14