

God has given us a gift... brand new year. How will you use it? What dreams or goals do you have? I have asked Pastor Sims to be our lead off preacher in the New Year. We are excited about a new dream we have... planting a church in the White Knoll area and I wanted you to hear from our church planter. Next week, we will begin our new message series: "The Adventures of Faith." We will be taking a look at some of Heaven's Heroes in Hebrews 11. I would also like to tell you about some other dreams that we have.

Over the holidays, Melissa (my wife) and I did the "One Word That Will Change Your Life" devotion from You Version Bible app. I would encourage you to check it out (it's only a 4 day devotion). The premise is this; instead of resolutions, choose one word for the year. This word is meant to provide direction and inspiration. Some of the words I mulled over were; clarity, ready, courage, servant... but I choose the word **grateful**. I want to be grateful for what God has done for me, is doing and I want to show gratitude to Him & those I get to serve with... I challenge you to choose your word, tell someone what it is & then go live it out.

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9:00 AM Celebration Service
 10:30 AM Contemporary Service

Please help us create an atmosphere for worship...

- Take a moment to silence your mobile devices.
- We have a safe and loving environment for your children where they can learn about God. Take advantage of our Preschool & Children's Ministry.
- For security purposes, no backpacks or large diaper bags in the Sanctuary.

New to FBLEX?

How to become a Member

Before joining FBLEX, we ask that you attend our "Discovery Class." In this class you will become familiar with our history, beliefs and different ministries.

January 20 in the Student Center Conference Room. One day class from 9:00 - 11:45 AM. Sign up at fblex.org.

Life & Home Groups - Join One Today

- Together 4 Ever - New marriage study called How We Love, by Milan and Kay Yerkovich. This series is based on discovering ones love style based on how they were raised and incorporating those different styles into one successful marriage! Sundays at 9 AM in Modular 8.
- Plugged In - Stanley Smith leads one of our newest groups. Stanley is an outstanding teacher and will be a blessing to you! Sundays at 10:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall, Room 208.
- Fitness Life Group— Start your 2019 goals off with a bang and join this group led by Jeff and Mandy Richbourg. Sundays at 9 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

Wednesday Nights at FBLEX

Menu: Chicken a la king over rice, served with peas.

Dessert | Marcos Pizza, Potato Bar, Salad Bar and Hot Dog Bar.

Prices: \$4 (ages 13 and above), \$2.50 (ages 6-12), \$1.50 (ages 3-5)

2 and under are free. (Family max of \$15.00)

Preschool - Puggles & Awana Cubbies..... 6:30 PM
 K5-4th Grade - Disciple Zone..... 6:30 PM
 5th - 6th Grade - Area 56..... 6:30 PM
 Jr./Sr. High - the Fallout (Student Center) 6:30 PM
 Adults - Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)..... 6:30 PM
 Choir & Orchestra Rehearsal (Worship Center)..... 6:30 PM

Serving God with Gladness

Serve the LORD with gladness!
 Come into his presence with singing!
 Psalm 100:2

New series Wednesdays at 10:30 AM and 6:30 PM

Rachel & Leah by Nicki Koziarz

6 week study

Two meeting options:
 Sunday evenings, 5-6 PM,
 January 13 - February 17, Choir room
 OR
 Thursday mornings, 9:30-10:30 AM,
 January 17 - February 21, Upper room

*Books are available at Lifeway

For any questions, email women@fblex.org

Study leaders are: Donna Helms, Rhonda Filiatreault, Carol Kenyon, Donna Lorick, Bev Puzia, Stephanie Hancock, Tonya Fabian, Kelly Middleton, Lisa Wallace

THE ADVENTURES OF FAITH

NEW SERMON SERIES BEGINNING JANUARY 13

Men's Weekend

MAN UP ADVENTURE WEEKEND - May 17-18, 2019 at Hickory Knob State Park. Weekend to include golf, boating, fishing, trap and skeet shooting, archery, swimming, etc.



Sign up at the MAN UP Kiosk in the Lobby any Sunday. Cost is \$155.

The Church at White Knoll

On January 20 we will host an Evening of Prayer for our newest venture, The Church At White Knoll. Those that have committed to being a part of this new project, those that are still praying about it, and those that just want to show prayer support are invited and encouraged to come. We'll begin at 5 PM.



Wednesday Bible Study

This week at 10:30 AM and 6:30 PM, we kick off our new series, "Serving God with Gladness."



Christmas Mailbox

Our Christmas card mailbox has been dismantled. Check at Connection Point for any Christmas cards you may have left behind.



Bridge of Hope Counseling Center

Construction for our Counseling Center on our new site has begun, but we want to let you know we are still here to help. If you could use help from our Counseling Center, you can find information about our counselors at fblexcounseling.com. You can also contact Paul at paul@fblex.org or one our lay counselors through our LIFT program.



Turning Your Down Into Up

Have you been struggling with being down a lot or have been dealing with a lack of motivation? Do you need tools to stay positive? Starting in the new year, Paul Bishop will be leading a depression group from the book Turning Your Down Into Up. Begins January 23. Space limited... please contact Paul at paul@fblex.org or 803-957-0686 ext 1201 to register.



SQUEAL ON A SINGER!

If you hear someone beside you that can sing, "squeal" on them and drop it in the offering plate

Choir Prospect NAME

Choir Prospect PHONE

HOW DO YOU KNOW THEM?

MANNA Goal Exceeded

We have exceeded the goal of 200 Mae Sot, Thailand children sponsored. Remember you can give all at one time \$360 or \$30 a month. Your gift will be processed and sent monthly. There will be some happy & blessed children. We thank you.

Chest of Joash

Thank you for being a generous giver; we surpassed our Chest of Joash goal of \$165,000. The total 2018 Chest (Christmas offering) ended up being \$167,816.69. We will be able to accomplish everything below plus more. Wow! Thank you!

Building fund.....	\$65,000
Campus improvements.....	\$28,500
Church plant	\$28,500
Missions.....	\$16,500
Bus Lease.....	\$ 9,000
Bridge of Hope.....	\$ 7,500
Loving Lexington.....	\$5,000
Members in crisis.....	\$5,000

Spiritual Spotters

Pick up your 2019-2020 reading schedule at the "Man UP Kiosk" in the Worship Lobby. You should have read Psalm 30-34 last week. This week: Psalm 35-39.

Connect Card

Please complete this form and place it in the offering plate or bring it to Connection Point to receive a gift of chocolate covered pecans.

I/We attended worship at:

9:00 AM 10:30 AM

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Sub-division: _____

Phone (home): _____

His: Date of Birth: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Hers: Date of Birth: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Children's Information:

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Grade: _____

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

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Date of Birth: _____

Grade: _____

Did your children attend with you today?

Yes No

Please check all that apply:

First-time Guest Returning Guest

Regular Attender FBC Member

Visiting Family/Friends

New to the Community

Looking for a New Church Home

Married Single College

How did you hear about us?

I would like information about:

Beginning a relationship with Christ

Baptism

Membership at FBC/Discovery Class

Life/Home Groups



The Daniel Plan

Ready to work on some good habits in the New Year to take care of the body God has given you? The Daniel Plan focuses on Faith, Food, Fitness, Focus & Friends to help you live a life of balance. Beginning January 13 at 5 PM in the Upper Room. Contact Susan Bishop if interested: slbishop1@earthlink.net

Upcoming Series

“The Adventures of Faith” Hebrews 11

January 13 - What is Biblical Faith? Hebrews 11:1-3,6

January 20 - Abel: The Man With the Right Heart. Hebrews 11:4

January 27 - Enoch: The Man That Pleasued God. Hebrews 11:5

February 3 - Noah: The Man Who Stood Alone. Hebrews 11:7

We will break for two weeks to do a mini series; “Love Your Neighbor,” and then we’ll resume “The Adventures of faith” series.

Your Contributions Statement

FBLEX has closed its financial records for 2018 and Contributions Statements can be obtained in two ways:

1) Realm Registered User - Statements can be printed by the member. Statements are available from the Giving section of your Realm Profile. Instructions on how to do so are on the Giving portion of our web site. Statements will not be mailed to registered Realm users.

2) Not a Realm Registered User - Contribution Statements will be mailed in January.

2018 Budget Results

Last Year's Giving:

Budget Required.....\$1,768,000.00

Giving to date\$1,803,378.55

Missions Budget Required.....\$208,000.00

Missions Budget Given to date.....\$200,176.09

Chest Total.....\$167,816.69

Weekly Update

Last Week's Attendance:

Worship AM.....541

Last Week's Giving:

General Fund\$25,725.11

Missions \$1,475.00

Today's Sermon: "Attempt Something Great for God"

Maybe God's plan for you this year isn't an exact path, but instead a direction, and the door to open is left up to you.

1 Corinthians 1:10-30

If we want to attempt something great for God, most of us are in luck!

- The message of Christ is foolishness
- The methods of God are foolishness (**Ephesians 2:8-9**)
- The messengers of God are foolishness

God's chosen messengers have always been messed up people!

- Noah
- Moses
- David
- Paul

If you're capable and worthy, you're not who God often chooses to use.

God doesn't call the qualified. He qualifies the called.

So what is it that you're unqualified, incapable, and completely scared of doing? Maybe 2019 is the year to do it anyway!

Next Week: “The Adventures of Faith,” a study of Heaven's heroes in Hebrews 11. Let's begin by defining what we mean by faith and what this might look like (Hebrews 11:1-3,6). I will describe some of the things we as a church will attempt in 2019 to accomplish by faith. This is no time for complacency; let's stretch our spiritual muscles and see what God will do.

OUR PURPOSE
LOVING AND LIVING FOR GOD



January 6, 2019

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