

July 2023



From the Pastor by Pastor Danny McCubbin



God is faithful to take special note of those who serve Him. Of all the promises He has made to His servants, one stands out as my favorite:

For God is not unjust so as to forget your work and the love which you have shown toward His name, in having ministered and in still ministering to the saints. (Hebrews 6:10)

The writer is talking to Christians. The word "beloved" in the previous verse (6:9) assures us of that. And he is writing out of concern for a few of the first-century believers who had begun to cool off and drift from a close walk with God. He wants to encourage them to stay at it, to keep going, to count on the Lord their God to take notice of them and reward them accordingly.

In other words, he reminds them of that great truth all of us tend to forget when days turn into a slow grind: God is faithful! He uses eight words to convey this fact: "God is not unjust so as to forget."

What does it mean to say that God is faithful? It means He is steadfast in His allegiance to His people. He will not leave us in the lurch. It also means He is firm in His adherence to His promises. He keeps His word. Faithfulness suggests the idea of loyalty; dependability; constancy; being resolute, steady, and consistent.

Thank you, church, for serving, and God is faithful to reward your service! Keep serving!

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July 2023

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Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3	4 Independence Day Offices Closed	5	6	7	8
		FBC Youth Camp			
10	11	12 Church Picnic, 6:30pm	13 Sr. Adult Luncheon at IHOP, 11:30am	14	15 M.O.M.S. Mtg, 9-11am Elementary Volleyball Clinic
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17	18	19	20 Open House, 5-8pm	21 Women of Grace to Hamilton, MO	22
	HCS Basketball Camps				
24	25	26 Vision Casting Service, 6:30pm	27	28	29
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31] Fall Sports Practices Begin	2	3	4	5 M.O.M.S. Mtg, 9-11am Women of Grace to City
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Sunday Mornings

- July 2- Coming Back to Life (Eph, 2:1-10) God Transforms Us From Death to Life
- July 9- Make a Drawing of the Treasure (Eph. 2:8-10) We Are God's Workmanship for Good Works
- July 16- Brad Krigbaum preaching
- July 23-Cole Knowlton preaching
- July 30- On the Same Page (Eph. 2:11-16) Reconciliation of Relationships

Wednesday Nights

- June 28- VBS Be sure to support this important ministry!
- July 5- Living Above Life's Problems. (I Thess. 5:5-10)
- July 12 Church Picnic at 6:30pm
- July 19: Marlin Towery preaching
- July 26- Battle in Our Mind (II Cor. 10: 3-5)
- August 2- Vision for the Church, 6:30pm

Church Announcements by Pastor Danny McCubbin

<u>Mark Your Calendars!</u> July 12, 6:30pm—Church Picnic

Come for fellowship and fun on Wednesday, July 12! This event will take place outside the church, weather permitting. Bring yard games, board games, and/or sports equipment. The church will provide fried chicken, and sides and desserts will be potluck.

Aug. 2, 6:30pm—Vision Casting Service

We will go over new church changes for the upcoming year at this Wednesday Night Service. Join us to learn what new programs are coming.



School Calendar—Overview of Events by Pastor Danny McCubbin

August

Aug. 14—Back to School Night Aug. 16—1st Day of School (half-day) September Sept. 4—Labor Day, No School Sept. 15—Midterm **October** Oct. 13—End of 1st Quarter (half-day) Oct. 13—Grandparents' Day, 8:15-10am Oct. 13—HCS Annual Benefit Auction, 5pm Oct. 26-27—Fall Break, No School Oct. 30—Parent/Teacher Conferences, No School November Nov. 17—Midterm Nov. 20-24—Thanksgiving Break, No School

December

Dec. 20—Last Day of 2nd Quarter (half-day)

Dec. 21-Jan.2—Christmas Break, No School

January

Jan. 3—1st Day of 3rd Quarter Jan. 15—MLK, Jr. Day, No School

Jan. 22-26—Spirit Week

February

Feb. 2—Midterm

Feb. 9—Parent/Teacher Conferences, No School

Feb. 15-16—Winter Break, No School

Feb. 19—President's Day, No School

March

Mar. 15—End of 3rd Quarter

Mar. 18-22—Spring Break, No School

Mar. 29—Good Friday, No School

April

Apr. 8-12—Iowa Testing

Apr. 19—Midterm

Apr. 25-27—Spring Play

May

May 7—Spring Concert & Elementary Graduation, 7pm

May 8—Seniors' Last Day

May 16—Last day of School (half-day)

May 16—Awards Ceremony, times tbd

May 17—HS Graduation, 7pm

1 John 5:1-5- "Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and whoever loves the Father loves the child born of Him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and observe His commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments; and His commandments are not burdensome. For whatever is born of God overcomes the world; and this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. Who is the one who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?"

Overcoming the World

When I was a kid, my family had an above ground pool. We loved it! My favorite thing was to get a bunch of friends to get in and walk around the pool, close to the sides, going the same direction as the flow of the water from the filter. After we did this for a bit, we would all try to turn around and go the opposite direction of the incredible force created by our movement. It was nearly impossible! Fun times! Well, the truth is, it's always easier to go with the flow, but that is opposite of how we know we should live according to God's Word. The great truth in this is that it is not by our own strength we follow Christ! The second verse of "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" states it very well:

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing Were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing Dost ask who that may be, Christ Jesus it is He

Lord Sabaoth His name, from age to age the same, and He must win the battle Remember, His commandments are not burdensome. As Philippians 4:13 states, "I can do all things through Him who strengthens me." And to add to the "pool" illustration from above- sometimes my friends and I would try to create a flow against the current of the pool. It was difficult, but if we had enough friends working together, we could make a huge difference. May we as a church strive to go against the flow together as we depend on Christ for our strength.

In Christ, Bro. Brad

Special Music

If you are interested in sharing your musical gifts during a Sunday morning service, see Brad!



Summer is almost half over, and school will be around the corner. The school has had some improvements in the building, hired new teachers, and is welcoming new students and families. This excitement has us looking forward to a new year. If you are a new student in grades in 9-12, you will need to contact the school office to pick classes for the new year. If you are new in grades 6-8 and have not picked electives, you will need to do the same. As we finish the class schedules, we will email out a schedule to the families in July in preparation for our Back-to-School Night on August 14th. The first day of school is August 16th. If you have any questions please call the school office. Have a good rest of the summer.

In Christ,

Danny McCubbin

Teachers—Take Note:

- New Teacher Orientation—Aug. 7 & 8, 8:30am
 - All Teacher In-Service—Aug. 9-11, 8:30am

Back to School Night—Aug. 14

This is when the whole school comes together to hear announcements, sign up for various service opportunities, pick up fundraiser materials and flyers, and more! It will include a time for new parents to hear a special orientation message from Pastor McCubbin and meet with other parents after the main announcements to the whole school are done. The exact start times will be announced closer to August, but please make sure to set aside time the evening of Monday, August 14th, to come join this important assembly. Parents and students will also get the chance to meet teachers and view their classrooms.

Junior High and High School students, this is the perfect time to ask questions about your schedule and get your bearings if you are new to the school or having a schedule where you switch classrooms. You can also check out your locker—we have some new units this year.

Student drivers will need to register their vehicles.

Hello all,

Summer is in full swing, and we are excited to be back in the gym with our students for open gyms. This month, we are excited to host several sports camps for our students. You will find the current list of summer programs below, on the school calendar, and on the website.

As we look forward to the start of the new school year, the excitement is growing! I can't wait to welcome back all of our returning students and welcome all of our new students! As we continue to prepare for the new year and the new programs, we are still looking for people to help with coaching, supervision, and program support. If you are willing and able to help in any of the following areas please reach out:

ATHLETICS

Fall

Cross Country Volleyball Soccer Flag Football (potential intramural) Disc Golf Tennis

Winter

Cheerleading Basketball

Spring

Track and Field Baseball Softball Girls Soccer Boys Volleyball Golf

FINE ARTS

Orchestra Chapel Band Pep/Jazz Band Drama Choir Ensembles

ACADEMICS

Student Council Scholar Bowl - Middle School Scholar Bowl - High School Speech Debate Robotics Digital Media

OPEN GYMS:

Thursdays

4:30-6:30 p.m. Girls Basketball (6-12 grades)

6:30-8:00 p.m. JH Boys Basketball

8:00-10:00 p.m. HS Boys, Alumni, and Staff Basketball

Fridays

10:00-11:30 a.m. Volleyball (6-12 grades)

ELEMENTARY CLINICS:

Volleyball Date: Sat., July 15 Time: TBD Grades: 3-5

Basketball Date: July 17-18 & 20-21 Time: 5:00-6:00 p.m. Grades: K-5 all

CAMPS:

Volleyball Date: July 11, 13-14 Times: 5:00-6:30 p.m. Grades: 6-8

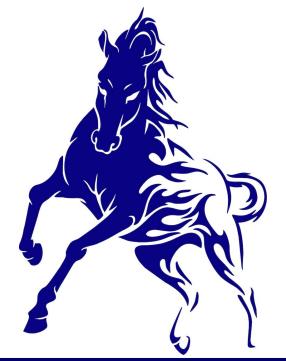
Date: July 11, 13-14 Time: 6:30-8:00 p.m. Grades 9-12

Basketball

Date: July 17-18 & 20-21 Time: 3:00-5:00 p.m. Grades: 6-12 girls

Date: July 17-18 & 20-21 Time: 6:00-7:00 p.m. Grades: 6-8 boys

Cheer Date: July 24-28 Time: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Grades: 6-12



<u>Join In!</u>

If you are interested in partnering with our teams, please contact me at tatcheson@hfministries.org

Or please consider joining our Booster Club! We have individual and corporate partnerships available. You can sign-up using the QR code below, or request a form from the school office.



First Baptist Church of Belton - Schedules

<u>Sunday</u> <u>Bible Studies, 9am</u>

Children Infants-5th Grade, Rms 32-39

Seekers 6th-12th grades, Rm 33

ReMARKable Faith Young Adults, Room 5

Minor Prophets, Major Impact Men's Class, Rm 142 Ladies' Class, Rm 133 Senior Adult Ladies' Class, Rm 141

Joy-Filled Adults' In-Depth Study of the Book of I John Rm 9

Faith in Hard Times (A Study of Job) Adults, Rm 3

New Member's Class Rm 30

<u>Sunday Worship</u> <u>10:15am</u> <u>Wednesday</u> <u>Worship Service,</u> <u>6:30pm</u>

Sermon Series: Fighting Spiritual Battles

> Children (Infants-K4) Rms 32-39

Seekers 6th-12th grades, Rm 33

Godward Heart– Having a Heart for God Young Adults, Rm 5

Evangelism

Opportunities

If you are interested in being a part of a ministry dedicated to evangelism in our surrounding communities, there is a survey on the announcements page of our website:

firstbaptistbelton.org

OR

you can contact Cullan Fritts to discuss your ideas. Other Opportunities for Fellowship, Service, and Study

Wednesdays, 5:30pm Midweek Meals

<u>Thursdays, 10:00am</u> Adults' Bible Study Personal Revival in Our Life Rm 205

<u>Special Meetings</u> TBA

Prayer Request

The FBC Youth Group will be going to their annual Youth Camp at Camp Galilee in El Dorado, MO, July 5-8, to take some special time for fellowship and studying scripture. Please, pray for travelling mercies, as well as that they will draw closer to the Lord.

