

Connect Card

At the end of every worship service, people are given the opportunity to respond to the message they have heard and make public commitments for Christ. We encourage you to respond as God touches your heart.

Your Decision Today:

- ☐ I prayed to receive Christ as my Savior.
☐ I want to renew my commitment to Christ.
☐ I want to get connected at FBS.

Prayer Requests

Your name:

Daytime Phone:

Please Pray For:

Pray For My Friends Far From God:

THE STORY *of Christmas* MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

DECEMBER 1 - KEYBOARDS & CAROLS - 7:00 PM

DECEMBER 8 - CHILDREN'S PROGRAM - 6:00 PM

DECEMBER 9 - YESTERDAY'S TEENS PROGRAM - 6:00 PM

DECEMBER 15 - CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT - 7:00 PM

DECEMBER 22 - CHRISTMAS ON MAIN STREET - 7:00 PM

DECEMBER 31 - NEW YEAR'S EVE SERVICE - 7:00 PM

Our 4-Fold Mission Strategy *For our church, for your life*



/ **WORSHIP** /

Have you met with God today personally?



/ **PREPARE** /

Do you have any 2 a.m. friends?



/ **SERVE** /

Have you discovered your sweet spot of service?



/ **ENGAGE** /

Are you close to someone who is far from God?

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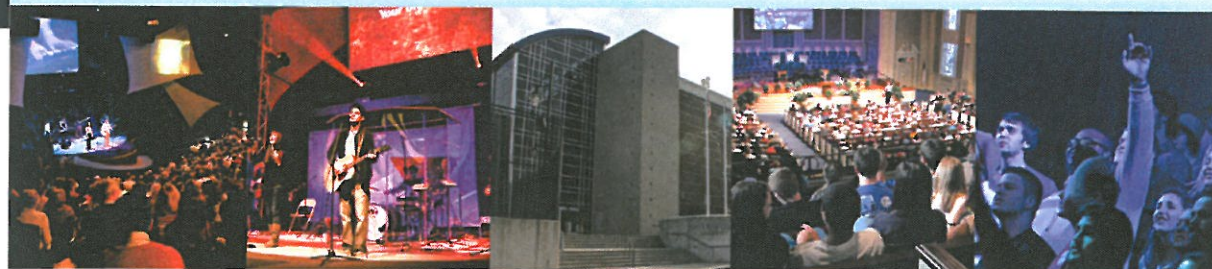


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In Christ, more is possible than you can ever imagine!



864.583.7245

Dear Church Family,

I love you all so very much. And what an impact for Christ your faithfulness is making. So many lives will never be the same again because so many of you care! You care about your family. You really care about your friends and neighbors and you really care because God really cares. My Hope with Billy Graham has simply been an instrument for all of us to use. In many ways just a voice – just a visible picture of the love of God through Christ Jesus.

And look what has happened. The response has been very wonderful indeed. Just last Sunday alone, there were over 63 public decisions for Christ. 49 people stepped out making their public profession of faith and wanting to follow the Lord Jesus in believer's baptism!! On December 1st I will preach a message entitled: "THE GREAT CO-MISSION" and we will witness the baptism of possibly over 60 to 100 people in all four of our worship services. You can be part of this and if you need to be baptized please call the church office at 864-583-7245 or just simply tell any one of us and we will get alongside you with all the exciting details. Get ready to invite your friends and family to witness this great happening in our church family on December 1st.

This is what God's Story is all about!! This is His Story and is designed by a loving God to be our story. As you read this I am in China and I thank you for praying for me and the Billy Graham team as I preach and teach and connect with Chinese people. And while I am telling Chinese people about God's Story you are in Life Groups and Sunday School classes being taught by a wonderful group of committed men and women. How much we love and appreciate them all.

In fact, this Sunday I have asked four of our Life Group teachers to stand in the pulpit (in all four services in the sanctuary and in Genesis) and share God's Story with you all. This is very exciting and I am so very grateful to David, Chuck, Dave and Al for agreeing to make this Sunday an incredible day of worship for all.

With all my heart I love you all.

Your friend and pastor,



Pray for those who are willing to share the love of the Father locally, nationally, and globally, such as J.B. and Liz B. Bundrick who are serving in Lesotho and currently in language school in the lowlands of a country completely surrounded by South Africa. Please pray that they will master the language and then relocate to the mountainous region of Lesotho where they will plant churches and minister to the Basotho people. Pray that the people they minister to will be receptive of the gospel and come to know Him. Pray that the believers in that country will be able to share their faith openly and unashamed and draw others to the Lord. "Follow J.B. and Liz on their blog site by contacting them at jonathan.liz.bundrick@gmail.com.

UPCOMING AT FBS

Feed The Community

Thanksgiving Outreach is just around the corner and we need your help as we prepare to serve 10,000 meals to families in need right here in Spartanburg County. Sign up online at www.feedthecommunity.com or call **699.4456** today to volunteer!

Merge: Passion 2014 January 17-18 / Atlanta, GA

Call Misty in the College Ministry ASAP at **699.4261** for more information.

Student Ministry Alumni Cookout November 27 with Seth and Robin

For more information, call **699.4224**.

Ladies' First Thursday December 5 / 6:30 p.m. / Dining Hall

Guest speakers Adair and Ali Rogers. Ali was Miss SC 2012. They are a mother and daughter musical duo. Tickets are \$12 (no refund) and will be available before and after both services in the Welcome Center and Hangar on Sunday, November 24 and December 1, and on November 20 at the North Entrance from 5:30-6:30 p.m. For ticket information call 864.357.1209.

Christmas for Others December 14

Sign up now with a partner in C-Life and Crossfire or call the Student Office at 699.4224.

WMU meeting November 18 / 10:45 a.m. / Room 160

Cameron Liner will be sharing about her time in West Africa.

Women's Ministry Mentoring 'Heart to Heart' Program

Profile sheets are available at www.fbs.org.

Hangar 10th Anniversary November 20 / 6:45 - 7:59 p.m. / Hangar

Come celebrate ten years in the Hangar as we welcome Scotty Hoover from Charleston who will join the Crossfire band that night. The evening will feature special music, pictures, and videos from 2003 and will be highlighted by the testimonies of Mickey and Debbie Sobeski in the sharing of the life-changing story of Hannah Sobeski.

Men's Power Luncheon—Last Day! November 21 / 11:45 a.m. / Hangar

Catered lunch cost \$7. Phil Vander Ploeg will lead this time of Bible Study and is teaching a series titled Learning About Godly Manhood. Call Kathy Hurry at **864.699.4207** to RSVP by November 20.

Christmas at FBS Sunday Nights in the Sanctuary December 1 - Keyboards & Carols - 7:00 p.m. December 8 - Children's Program - 6:00 p.m. December 15 - Carols by Candlelight - 7:00 p.m. December 22 - Christmas on Main Street - 7:00 p.m.

New Year's Eve Service

December 31 / 7:00 p.m. / Sanctuary

Join us as we have a Candlelight Communion together.

Yesterday's Teens Christmas Program December 9 / 6:00 p.m. / Dining Hall

Yesterday's Teens present "God With Us, Emmanuel".

Parent's Night Out December 14 / 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

\$10 per child or \$25 max per family. Sign-up at www.fbs.org/kids/tkd-events.

CONTRIBUTIONS REPORT					
So Far This...	Operating Budget		Global Mission Offering		
	November	Fiscal YTD*	November	Fiscal YTD*	
	Budget	278,300	4,434,400	15,262	244,185
	Actual	267,597	3,699,696	16,224	187,562
* Fiscal YTD (year-to-date) April thru March					

WELCOME

Please tear off this Connect Card and an usher will collect the card at the end of the service or hand it to any one of our greeters at the Welcome Center.

Service Attended:

☐ 9:00 Celebration ☐ 10:30 Classic

☐ 9:00 Genesis ☐ 10:30 Genesis

☐ First Time Guest

☐ Second Time Guest

☐ Member of FBS

☐ Returning Guest

☐ Single

☐ Married

Name _____

Address _____

Apt. # _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Home/Cell Phone _____

Work Phone _____

E-mail _____

Birth Date ____ / ____ / ____

☐ Please have someone contact me

Nov. 17, 2013