

MISSIONS: LOCAL AND GLOBAL PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for our **Awana** program as we end the year.

- ~ praise for all the verses stored up in the hearts of the children over the course of the year
- ~ praise for our volunteers, who continued to show up to minister and serve the children
- ~ pray that during the summer, the children's memorized verses will come back to them at needed times and that they will know God's love
- ~ pray for the children who don't regularly attend church outside of Awana to be able to connect with believers
- ~ pray the summer months will provide renewal for the volunteers
- ~ pray that the Holy Spirit would stir in the hearts of adults to feel the call to serve at Awana

YOUR CHURCH and its FINANCES

Monthly General Fund Budget Target for 2025	\$82,993.00
Average General Fund Giving for 2025	\$84,721.07
March 2025 General Fund Giving	\$100,032.18
March 2025 Missions Giving (not part of General Fund).....	\$37,021.62
If the Lord lays on your heart a desire to support the ministries of Faith Bible Church financially, you may place your offering in one of the offering boxes (located in the foyer and in the sanctuary) or you can give online at faithb.org .	

Stay connected with us!

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Church Office Hours: M 8:30 AM - 1:30 PM,
Tu-F 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

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CHURCH CALENDAR &
MORE INFORMATION,
INCLUDING STAFF AND
CHURCH OFFICERS,
VISIT **FAITHB.ORG**.

Welcome to FAITH BIBLE CHURCH

APRIL 27, 2025



MAKING DISCIPLES AND EQUIPPING
THEM TO BECOME FULLY DEVOTED
FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST

WORSHIP SERVICES

9:00 & 10:45 AM

TODAY'S SERMON

Steve Benton Speaking

"The Humble Enter the Kingdom"

Luke 14:1-24

NEXT WEEK

Steve Benton Speaking

Luke 14:25-35

EACH WEEK

**9:00 Service Livestream
on Facebook & Faithb.org**

TODAY AT FBC

AMP (AM Prayer Adult Bible Fellowship)
8:00 - 8:45 AM, Room 103

Breakfast Fellowship

8:15 - 8:55 AM in the gym

First Hour | 9:00 -10:15 AM

Sunday School (2 years old through 5th grade)

Sunday Crossroads (6th grade -12th grade)

Adult Bible Fellowships

Walking in the Truth (Bible literacy, Chapel)

The Builders (Adults with kids, Room 143)

Second Hour | 10:45 -11:55 AM

Children's Church (PK- 2nd grade, Room 107)

By Design (PK - 6th grade, Room 125)

Adult Bible Fellowship

Edge (College & career, Room 128)

Evening | Community Groups 6:00 PM

STUDENT MINISTRY UPDATES:

May 21 & 28: NO Crossroads

June 4: Summer Kickoff

Graduating Seniors: Complete the form by April 27th found through the link below or QR code to be spotlighted in the 2025 FBC Graduates Brochure!

Get more info for student ministry activities & events at:

<https://linktr.ee/fbccrossroads>



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY UPDATES:

"Wonder Junction" VBS will be June 16-20! Register online at faithb.org.

CONNECTION POINTS:

Adult Bible Fellowship Information

Walking in the Truth (Bible Literacy) - 9:00 AM, Chapel

Join us as we look at what deconstruction is, where it comes from, and how to answer in love based on a study called "The Deconstruction of Christianity" from Alisa Childers (author of "Another Gospel?") and Tim Barnett (creator of Red Pen Logic). Whether you have a loved one who has "deconstructed" or have never heard the word, this study will help Christians respond with truth to this growing movement.

The Builders ABF (Parents with kids in the home) - 9:00 AM, Room 143

We are starting a new series called "Male & Female He Created Them" which looks at what the Bible says about gender, sexuality, and marriage. In a world where these topics are constantly on spotlight, learn how to navigate them in a Christlike way. Questions? Contact Andrew Laird (andrewjlaird@gmail.com).

AMP Sunday AM Prayer Group - 8:00 AM, Room 103

Whether you feel comfortable praying out loud or not, everyone is welcome for this intentional time of Scripture-based prayer as we praise and petition God through prayer for our church and our world.

Edge (College & Career) - 10:45 AM, Room 128

We are in a theology study based on Paul Tripp's book called *Do You Believe?* What we believe directly influences how we live. Join us as we focus on this aspect in particular, the practical side of theology.

MOSAIC | Thursdays, 6:00 – 8:00 PM at FBC for singles: college to age 29.

Mosaic is a ministry for young singles (typically in their 20s) to be able to connect and grow in their Christian walk. There is a time of fellowship over food, and a study.

Women's LIFT Bible Study | Tuesdays @ 9:30-11:30 AM | FBC Gym

Men's Bible Study | Wednesdays @ 6:30 AM | FBC Chapel


Women's Evening Bible Study | Wednesdays @ 7:00-8:15 PM | FBC Chapel

CONTINUED ANNOUNCEMENTS:

MEN'S RETREAT
AT EAST IOWA BIBLE CAMP
MAY 16-17, 2025
REGISTER BY MAY 7

WUNDER JUNCTION
JUNE 16-20
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
9AM - NOON
& THURSDAY EVENING

volunteers & participants
register online at faithb.org
or visit the CM desk
All kids entering K-6th
(fall 2025) are welcome!

 **Faith Friends** The women of FBC are invited to a Faith Friends gathering on Monday, April 28 at 1 pm in the gym!

Special Business Meeting

Faith Bible Church will have a Special Business Meeting on Sunday morning, May 11, 2025, at the beginning of each worship service to vote on the calling of Joe Pelling as our Pastor of Student Ministries. Ballots for both members and non-members will be available. Absentee ballots will be available in the church office May 6 - 9, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm.

Meet the Pellings!

Friday, May 2 - MS / HS Student Hangout

@ Steve & Amy Neighbor's (4304 Alice Rd., Center Point) | 7-9 PM
bonfire + food

Saturday, May 3 - Parent Q & A

@ FBC Gym | 8:30- 10:30 AM | continental breakfast served | for all parents with children in the home

Sunday, May 4 - Church Potluck

@ FBC Gym | 12:00 noon | church will be providing chicken | bring a couple of dishes to share

“The Humble Enter the Kingdom”

Luke 14:1-24

April 27, 2025

Message by: Steve Benton

- I. Jesus heals the man swollen with fluid to rebuke the religious establishment for their rejection (Luke 14:1-6).

- II. Lack of humility before God shows itself in how someone treats people (Luke 14:7-14).

- II. Many will exclude themselves from the Kingdom even while Jesus invites those who think they could never enter (Luke 14:15-24).

Main Idea: Those who humbly respond to Jesus' invitation enter the Kingdom.

Applications:

CANDIDATE FOR PASTOR OF STUDENT MINISTRIES

INTRODUCING

Joe Pelling

Joe will be candidating at Faith Bible Church May 2-4 with his wife, Hannah. Information will be in the church bulletin soon for opportunities to get to know Joe.



Personal Information:

Raised: Smithville, MO
Spouse: Hannah (Mason City, NE)
Married: June 1, 2019

Education:

Joe | BA in Youth Ministry from Moody Bible Institute (2018)
Certifications: Child Evangelism Fellowship Instructors of Teachers
Level 1 Certificate & Master Teacher Certificate

Hannah | BA in Elementary Education from Moody Bible Institute (2020)

Ministry Experience:

- Local Director of Child Evangelism Fellowship of Lincoln, NE (2021-Present)
- Student Ministries Intern at Faith Bible Church, CR (2018)

Volunteer

- Faith Bible Church Student Ministries Volunteer (2020-2021)
- Youth Worker at Cornerstone Christian Academy, Chicago, IL (2018)
- Camp Counselor at Youth World, Dallas, TX (2015-2017)

CANDIDATE FOR PASTOR OF STUDENT MINISTRIES

Tell us about your testimony and call to ministry:

When I was a kid, I decided to follow Jesus. I was in the kitchen with my mom, and she led me to Jesus. Over the next several years, I learned more about the Bible, and when I was in middle school, I was baptized at our youth camp. That's when I started to want to share my faith and grow in my relationship with Him. As a senior, I felt God calling me to work with youth, and I began helping in my youth group with the middle school. When I finished community college, I felt God calling me into ministry, and I gave my life to Him, trusting Him to guide me into ministry. Throughout that time, I have seen God consistently push me back to ministry to work with teens and give me a heart for it. I would love to be in a church for 20 years, watching teens grow up to know God, study His word, and live it out every day.

My vision for student ministry...

...is to be one that makes disciples. I want them to have a heart for studying God's Word, be confident in sharing the gospel, and have excitement for Jesus, living it out in their everyday lives. I intend to inspire others through prayer, Bible studies, and encouraging them to get involved in evangelism in their own neighborhoods, as well as possible mission trips to share and develop their gifts.

Tell us about your approach to developing volunteer leaders in a student ministry setting:

Luke 10:2 tells us to pray for laborers. My approach is to pray for laborers consistently, and I have found that God provides the right people at the right time for me. I retain them by building relationships, showing appreciation, and visiting with them to get their opinions. I also like to engage people in areas they are passionate about so they will want to remain a part of the ministry and take ownership.

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