

Dr. Kelly Burton pastor

Easter Sunday Preparations: Easter and Christmas are the two most attended Sundays on the church calendar. For that reason, please help me with a couple of things regarding seating on Easter. If you normally sit in the back, please consider moving up towards the front in order to free up seats in the back for our guests. Trust me here, no guest wants to be the center of attention on Easter Sunday. Help them feel more comfortable by giving them your seat in the back. It also helps if you will move to the center of the pew and leave the ends available so the guests do not have to crawl all over you to sit down. I am thankful that

you are the best church in Alba. Lets' show them why on Easter Sunday.

Congratulations Bo Culp and Slade Dougharty: After much prayer, the Pastor and your deacons are excited to present to you our two newest deacons. As our church continues to grow we felt like it was time to add two more qualified men to the deacon fellowship. Please notice my choice of words. We do not have a Board of Deacons. Boards are for businesses. The church is for Gospel ministry. These two men have giant hearts for ministry. As we prayed, I asked the deacons to consider two men whom they could picture making hospital visits. Bo and Slade rose to the top. They are full of the Holy Spirit, teachable and ready to serve. Please pray for them on April 13 while they are examined at their Ordination Council. I will preach their Ordination Service on April 16.

Congratulations Chad Lennon and Jason Spangenberg:

We also want to congratulate Chad Lennon and Jason Spangenberg for being licensed into the Gospel Ministry. Chad is an ordained deacon at FBCA and shares his faith often with everyone. Through meaningful conversations Chad has earned the trust of many people. Recently Chad helped a lady to pray and receive Christ for the first time. She was so grateful, she asked Chad to officiate her wedding! In order to perform those kinds of ministerial duties, Chad will need to be licensed. Jason is also very active in sharing his faith *and distributing Bibles* especially in prisons. Jason recently became a Gideon. I feel like this is the right time in Jason's life to license him as well. Jason wants to give out Bibles in hospitals as a volunteer Protestant Chaplain. A license in the Christian Ministry will help to open more doors for Jason to share his faith and distribute Bibles. Please put these four men in your prayer books and ask God to protect them from the evil one.

Verse of the Month: "These are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name." John 20:31.

This is the purpose statement of the entire book of John. It has been such a joy to preach through John. For five months we went with John to discover the depths of spiritual things unseen by many. Your endurance has paid off. You are a deeper Christian because of your discipline. Your disciplined attendance, listening, and obedience to live out what you heard will be noticed by those around you. I hope you have learned to read John better than before. I hope you learned to appreciate his metaphors, like darkness and light for sin and salvation. Like the dualism between the two worlds, the one up there and the one down here where we live. I hope you saw the way John describes how Jesus "went out" to bear His cross the same way Judas "went out" to double cross Jesus. Jesus went out to where people living in darkness are and deliberately took their sin upon Himself. Finally, I hope you better appreciate the death of Jesus more and know the benefits of His death better. I have enjoyed teaching you the Gospel of John.

We love you all, Pastor Kelly, Karen, and Camden!

Richard Osborn 1 Donald Kruse 14 Max Robinson 2 Kason Trimble 15 Ashton Tullos 2 Kaden Trimble 16 Rylee Allen 3 Stephanie Tennery 16 Camden Burton 6 Cash McGee 18 Christopher Reynolds 7 Corey Raymond 20 Glenda Bradshaw 7 Gary Morris 21 Skylar Wallace 8 Haleigh Littleton 22 Linda Culp 9 George Hayes 26 Hunter Kennedy 11 Julia Robinson 27 Kim Lane 13 Libbie Black 27 Kylie Kleam 13 Delores Slagle 28

Dear FBCA Family,

Our Silent Sunday Fundraiser raised over \$1,800 this year, which was a major success. Thank you for your support and generosity. We have one more fundraiser approaching on Easter Sunday, April 9th. We will be having our annual Silent Dessert Auction where you can pick up some delicious goodies made by our youth (or most likely their better baker parents). This dessert auction will be ongoing throughout Sunday School and briefly following Sunday Morning Service. We do not plan to keep you long from your families on Easter Sunday so we will be calling the auction at about 10 minutes after service. Make sure you get your fat pants and fat wallets ready because some of these desserts go for more than a few arms and legs.

I also want to share with you the new study that the youth have begun on Sunday mornings. We are studying through the letters of John and learning what John's pastoral heart has to teach us today. This study will help us understand how to love God and one another better while standing firm against the crashing of the world against the church. My hope is that our students will feel confident as they stand against the teachings and ideas that are opposed to Jesus as well as comforted as they find community and belonging in the church. Please pray for us as we study these much needed letters.

Thank you for all your support,
Zachary Littleton & FBCA's Youth

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
APRIL	Sunday Service online https:// www.fbcalba.com/					1
2 Palm Sunday	3	Exercise/Stretch Class 10:00 a.m. in FLC	5 Wednesday Night Meal - 5:00-5:30 p.m. Open Gym 5:30 - 6:00 p.m. Classes 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.	6 GriefShare 4:00 p.m.	7 Good Friday	8 No Ladies Brunch for April
Easter Sunday Youth Dessert Auction	t Rai	11 Exercise/Stretch Class 10:00 a.m. in FLC	12 Wednesday Night Meal - 5:00-5:30 p.m. Open Gym 5:30 - 6:00 p.m. Classes 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.	13 GriefShare 4:00 p.m.	Λlha	15 Men's Breakfast 8:00
16 Ordination Service Annie Armstrong Luncheon		18 Exercise/Stretch Class 10:00 a.m. in FLC	19 Wednesday Night Meal - 5:00-5:30 p.m. Open Gym 5:30 - 6:00 p.m. Classes	20 Tried & True 11:30—2:00 GriefShare 4:00 p.m.	ther	22
30	24	25 Exercise/Stretch Class 10:00 a.m. in FLC	26 Wednesday Night Meal - 5:00-5:30 p.m. Open Gym 5:30 - 6:00 p.m. Classes 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.	27 GriefShare 4:00 p.m.	28	29

SUNDAY

9:00am PRAYER 9:30am SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:45am WORSHIP

WEDNESDAY

5:00 pm - 5:30pm MEAL TIME 5:30pm - 6:00pm OPEN GYM 6:00 - 7:00pm PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY Sanctuary MISSION FRIENDS RAS - ROYAL AMBASSADORS GAS - GIRLS IN ACTION FBC ABLAZE - Youth - FLC

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Growing Youth Groups
Mission Trips
Ladies'/Men's Bible Studies
Discipleship Groups / Retreats
Men's Breakfast-Workday
Vacation Bible School
Family Ministry Center
Single Adults
Sunday School Socials
First Seekers - Outreach
Biblical Counseling
Tried & True - Sr. Adults
GriefShare

FAMILY LIFE CENTER

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