

# FBC ALBA NEWS

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pastor

**Welcome More New Members:** *Curtis and Suzy Keller, Tina Clower, and Miss. Helen Crampton* are new members at the best church in Alba. Helen is a student who faithfully attends Wednesday nights and Sundays. Tina made a first-time profession of faith in Christ along with Helen who are now new Christians! Please make it a point to introduce yourselves.

**I've Seen Angels!** Nine strong angels right out of heaven came to my house! That's right, I saw angels. They are *Richard Osborn, Gary Morris, Mike Humphries, Bo Culp, Shane Reynolds, Barry Emerson, Doug Hill, Tom Evans, and Pep Pepmiller*. These tireless servants spent six, long, hot hours erecting a storage building for me that would have taken me until June 2024 to finish! Every drop of sweat was spotted by the Savior.



Doug Hill and Gary Morris putting the final touches on the new shed.

**The Study of Acts:** By studying a book of the Bible Sunday to Sunday, the listeners have the opportunity to prepare weekly for the coming Sunday. I hope you are experiencing the deep and intimate touch from the Holy Spirit like I am working through Acts. We notice that the Holy Spirit was busy as the church continued to grow. In order to show the bias Jews like Peter that non-Jews were welcome to God as well, they spoke in tongues when they received Him. It was not gibberish, but an understandable language to those within earshot. This phenomenon proved without question they too were full of the Spirit and going to heaven. Another worthy item for us to see is that when a person became a Christ-follower, they were immediately baptized by immersion. Sprinkling or pouring is simply not in the Bible. Finally, when they became Christians in Acts, they immediately plugged in to a local church with other believers. This should be the paradigm for all new believers. Salvation, Baptism, Church Membership.

**12 Years!** July marks year number twelve for the Burton family at the best church in Alba! Thank you for allowing me to be your pastor.


*Keeping On Together, Pastor Kelly, Karen, and Camden!*

## July Birthdays

Ann Wright	02	Connie Young	17
Dianne Haisten	03	Ashley Lewis	18
Sheila Jackson	06	Addison Crutchfield	20
Lois Osborn	11	Vicki Atherton	20
Barrett Morris	12	Travis Littlejohn	23
Jameson Boyd	12	Thomas Galyean	26
Lisa Tapp	12	Joyce Rude	28
Michele Osborn	12	Rayla Swoape	28
Megan Wallace	14	Joe Arrington	29
Pep Pepmiller	15		

### Colton Raymond

Utah was a beautiful place, but a very different place for sure. Provo rested in the middle of the most densely populated area of Latter-Day Saints in the world. Provo is know as the heart of the Mormon church with 98% of its population being LDS. It's mostly a college town with Brigham Young University and Utah Valley University being the largest public and private universities in the state. I was in charge of the college/young adults group for Mosaic Church, so I spent most of my time at UVU interacting and meeting students. I had to learn how to effectively share the gospel in a way that Latter-Day Saints could see the differences in what we believe. That caused me and Pastor Ben to create an evangelism tool pointed towards sharing with LDS. We chose to focus on God's standard and the righteousness that comes through Jesus. As I reflect on my time in Utah, I think about all the people I met and the times we shared together. I will miss the people of Mosaic Church above anything else. The beauty of the mountains and landscape of Utah had nothing on the beauty of the believers that call Provo home. With so few born-again Christians in Utah, the ones that are there share a close bond and unity that I've never seen in the Bible belt. Who knew that being in the minority would be such a blessing? My friends at Mosaic Church displayed such love and charity that I felt at home right away. They helped me and encouraged me in my ministry and also carried out their own personal ministries. In such a lost city, Mosaic Church had a culture of evangelism and discipleship that I couldn't help but praise God for. Halfway through the summer after I got there, we met a guy named Jordan. He was new to Provo, a new convert to the LDS church, and he was a student at Utah Valley University. Jordan started looking into Christianity after his grandma passed away a few years ago. He came into contact with LDS missionaries and decided to join their church. After meeting us, though, he was naturally drawn to us. We were new to Provo, not too familiar with the culture, and we knew the bible. He started hanging out with us as we helped him understand the bible better. Jordan started to see how different the biblical gospel was from the LDS gospel. After the GenSend team left, Jordan and I continued to hangout, but it seemed like he was diving deeper and deeper into the LDS church. He was accepted into BYU and planned to enroll in December for the Winter semester, and I knew Jordan would most likely stay in the church once he enrolled. We prayed really hard for Jordan during this time, and God surely answered. One day he came to the house and began talking about some concerns he had about the LDS temple. After that, I saw Jordan every single day. The Spirit was truly working on his heart, showing him the truth behind grace and bringing to light the lies of the LDS church. On November 7th, after reading through Galatians 1 and 2, Jordan prayed to receive Christ. He had counted the cost, and he found that Jesus was worth it! This was two weeks before he would have enrolled at BYU. Praise God for our new brother in Christ and my good friend Jordan. What joy it has been to witness the Holy Spirit work in someone's life.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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2 Sunday School - 9:30 Coffee & Donuts 10:30 Worship 10:45	3 Happy 12th Anniversary to Pastor Kelly for his service at FBCA	4 Office Closed	5 Building Foundations 3:00p.m. Wednesday evening services 6:00 p.m.	6	7	8 Ladies Brunch 10-12 in FLC
9 Deacon's Meeting Explore FBC Alba	10 VBS	11 VBS	12 VBS	13 VBS	14 VBS	15 Men's Breakfast @ 8:00 am in FLC
16 Explore FBC Alba	17	18	19 Building Foundations 3:00p.m. Wednesday evening services 6:00 p.m.	20 Tried & True	21	22
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SUNDAY

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

WEDNESDAY

5:00pm - 5:30pm Meals  
5:30—6:00 OPEN GYM

6:00pm - 7:00pm

PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY

Sanctuary

FBC ABLAZE - Youth - FLC

MISSION FRIENDS RM#01

RAs - ROYAL AMBASSADORS

FLC BANQUIT ROOM

GAs - GIRLS IN ACTION

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  
SOS - Sobriety Over Substances  
GriefShare

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