



Welcome

Sunday, September 22, 2024

Wednesday Evening Activities

September 25, 2024

2:30 — Wonderful Wednesday After School Program

5:15 p.m.—Family Night Meal

Menu: BBQ, mac & cheese, baked beans

Cost: \$6.00/adult & \$4.00/child

No reservation needed

6:00 p.m.— Children’s Music & Missions, Youth on Mission, Budget Discussion & Adult Bible Study

7:00 p.m.—Sanctuary Choir

FBC Women of Faith—Juana Mikels

Thursday, September 26, 2024—6:30 p.m.

Make plans to attend a meaningful evening complete with a delicious meal, good music, inspirational message and wonderful fellowship with other ladies. After knowing something was missing in her marriage, Juana goes in search for peace and happiness. She leaves behind her husband, home, and friends. Juana became a Christ follower during her two year separation. Her marriage was reconciled with her husband coming to faith in Christ seven years later. She was encouraged to write her story after an interview on Elisabeth Elliott’s radio program. Elisabeth Elliott wrote the forward for Juana’s first book, *Choosing Him All Over Again: A Story of Romance and Redemption*. Juana’s daughter, Mary, who was born blind, will sing following the message. Mary was selected by the North Carolina Master Chorale, official chorus of the NC Symphony. She was also selected by American Idol in the first round.

This event is sold out. You may add your name to a waitlist.

Trunk or Treat

Wednesday, October 30, 2024 - 5:30—6:30 p.m.

We are preparing to host Trunk or Treat with a hot dog meal on Wednesday, October 30. You may sign up to decorate your car and pass out candy at the Welcome Center. We are also collecting candy for this event.

Upcoming Events

World Communion Day
October 6

Christmas Cantata
December 15

All Saints Day
November 3

150th Anniversary Celebration
November 16, 2025



Be Wise

Part of the Series: James: A Faith that Works

Dr. Nelson Granade

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¹³ Who is wise and understanding among you? Let them show it by their good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom. ¹⁴ But if you harbor bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast about it or deny the truth. ¹⁵ Such “wisdom” does not come down from heaven but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. ¹⁶ For where you have envy and selfish ambition, there you find disorder and every evil practice.

¹⁷ But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere. ¹⁸ Peacemakers who sow in peace reap a harvest of righteousness.

James 3:13-18

How Much Brain Power Do You Use?

James Tells Us There Are Two Types of Wisdom

Divine Wisdom

Real wisdom, God's wisdom, begins with a holy life and is characterized by getting along with others. It is gentle and reasonable, overflowing with mercy and blessings, not hot one day and cold the next, not two-faced. You can develop a healthy, robust community that lives right with God, and enjoy its results only if you do the hard work of getting along with each other, treating each other with dignity and honor.

Eugene Peterson, *The Message*, James 3:17-18

Demonic Wisdom

True Wisdom Recognizes Mutuality and Promotes Community

Mean-spirited ambition isn't wisdom. Boasting that you are wise isn't wisdom. Twisting the truth to make yourselves sound wise isn't wisdom. It's the furthest thing from wisdom—it's animal cunning, devilish plotting. Whenever you're trying to look better than others or get the better of others, things fall apart, and everyone ends up at the others' throats.

The Message, James 3:13-16

The Choice is Ours