



PROCLAIMER

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Everyone's a theologian because everyone has thoughts about God. The question is, are you a good theologian or a bad theologian? As we follow Jesus, we are called to grow in our knowledge of the truth so that we might love God and others more. Do you believe that? Can theology really help increase our love for God and each other? We believe it can. That's why we're incorporating a new theology class into our church rhythm. A class designed to help us both grow in and live out the truth of God.

This class will meet monthly on the second Sunday of each month at 5:00 pm. Each month we'll focus on a doctrine of Scripture and discuss its relevance to our church and daily lives. Before coming to each class, there'll be a short reading assignment— about (30 pages). Then in the class, after a short teaching, we'll discuss the practical value of the doctrine for our church, lives, and world.

If you are interested in participating in this class, you can sign up at fbcelreno.com/theologyclass21 or by contacting the church office. Our first class will be on Sunday, October 10th. During the first year of the class, reading assignments will be from the book *Bible Doctrine* by Wayne Grudem. Copies of the book can be purchased in the church office for \$20.

Chris Baker

Discipleship and Administration Pastor



Upcoming Events & Opportunities



Boards & Bunko

Attention ladies! Enjoy a night of fun and fellowship on Thursday, September 16th at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. The women's ministry will provide charcuterie boards as light snack and then the Bunko playing will commence! You won't want to miss out on all the fun!

Special Building Offering

Join us in giving to our building fund on Sunday, September 19th. All gifts received will be used to pay our building debt unless otherwise designated. We are thankful that God has provided us with this building and look forward to seeing how He continues to use it for His purposes in the days ahead.

Wednesday Nights at FBCER

Last month we began a new semester of Wednesday night ministry. At 6:30pm, Kids ministry (*babies to 6th grade*) meet at the main campus while Student ministry (*7th-12th grade*) meets at the Annex.

There are two Adult Studies that begin September 1st:

- Casey Trejo will be leading a women's Bible study through the book of Philippians using Jennie Allen's book, *Get out of Your Head: A Study in Philippians* (Room 201).
- Nick Niles will be leading an interactive men's Bible study focusing on Jesus' life and ministry using *The Chosen* video series (Room 202).

Serve Team Training

If you serve on one of our serve teams (or if you're interested in serving on one of our serve teams), join us for a special training event on September 12th at 3:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. We'll talk about changes in our teams, re-view responsibilities, and distribute the serve team schedule for 2021-2022.

Church Family Fellowship

Come out to the Knott's Farm on Sunday, September 26th for a church wide fellowship! Bring your fishing poles, outdoor games, lawn chairs, and a friend anytime after 3pm! We'll eat together at 5pm. We'll provide hot dogs, buns, and water and we ask that you bring chips, a side, or a dessert. We hope to see you there! Address: 5825 S Red Rock Rd, Calumet, OK 73014

Midweek Morning Bible Study

Every Wednesday morning at 10:00am we meet in the cafe for Bible study. We have been walking through the book of Mark.



Together. we are changing lives

Operation Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child (OCC) is just around the corner! Packing a shoebox gives us a great opportunity to become missionaries and share God with those who need Him so much. Shoeboxes will be available to pick up starting September 19th. For more information, visit www.fbcelreno.com/occ21. Also, mark your calendars for a special OCC event that will take place at FBCER in October. Our church will be hosting one of OCC's Speaker Tours at 10:00 am on Saturday, October 2nd. Come and hear Mark and Cherry Brumbelow talk about the incredible ministry of OCC, then stick around afterward for an onion burger. To register for this event, sign up at www.fbcelreno.com/



This Month's Serve Teams

9/5/2021

Nursery Team 1

Cora Newby
Tasha Steffler
Debbie Gallaway
Hope Fuell
Tasha Couch

Parking Lot Team 1

Kyle Davis
Bobby Mixon
Julio Trejo

Welcome Team 1

Jason Looper
Troy & Charity Barnes
N'Lisa Havener-
Kevin & Brandi Gibbons
Marshal Tullos
Freda Moffat

Bus Driver

TJ McCullough

9/12/2021

Nursery Team 2

Kylee Edwards
Debra Steffler
Audrey Spott
Janice Palmer
Jaimie Wardlaw
Michelle Whetstone

Parking Lot Team 2

Ronnie Ezell
Nick Niles
Chris Edwards

Welcome Team 2

Jennifer Davis
David Harris
Mary Kay Hokett
Toni Irion
Christine Orr
Amy Wells
Jerry Zucksworth

Bus Driver

Curtis Steffler

9/19/2021

Nursery Team 3

Pam Ellis
Megan Davis
Amanda Carnott
Darby Eisenhour
Lou Ann Mickle

Parking Lot Team 3

Doug Carnott
Jesse Lesperance
Harold "Pete" Petree
Aron Steffen
Will Wedman

Welcome Team 3

Angela Lesperance
Ray & Carla Apple
Kylie Koos
Bob Lee
Jessica Lee
Donna Mogg
Sheri Nelson
Jim & Sandy Rankin
Angie Steffan
Erin Tinsley

Bus Driver

Nick Niles

9/26/2021

Nursery Team 4

Kim Eisenhour
Bre Ford
Dianna Spott
Scotti Charmasson
Kristy Pepper

Parking Lot Team 4

Cory Charmasson
Andy Corwin
Ronnie Funck
Jason McClure
Darrin Pepper

Welcome Team

Cathy Knott
Karen Chadwick
Christopher & Chanda Burdine
Jackie Ogilvie
Robin Robinson
Bob & Debbie Stutler
Cleta Mullin

Bus Driver

Jose Gonzalez

Serve Teams

Please let us know how God is leading you to share your life through serving at FBCER and our community by filling out a Connect card and writing in which serve team or ministry you would like to serve in or contact a Pastor.



We believe that part of our sharing our life with God and others is evidenced in our generosity. We believe that everything we have is a gift from God and not only should we give to God with our "first fruits" (tithing) but that we should be looking to go above and beyond with our generosity. Join us on our mission by giving today. Go to FBCElreno.com/give to find out all the ways you can give!



Sunday Morning Stats

	<u>August 1st</u>	<u>August 8th</u>	<u>August 15</u>	<u>August 22</u>	<u>August 29</u>
Small Groups	175	191	228	205	206
Worship Attendance	329	314	396	385	344
Offering/Tithe	\$12,479.72	\$20,031.50	\$12,763.26	\$25,247.23	\$9,401.50
Building Fund	\$963.00	\$3,194.00	\$540.00	\$4,021.00	\$715.00



September

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 10am Midweek Mornings 6:30pm Kid's Adult Bible Studies Student Ministry	2	3 Friday Office Closed	4
5 9am Kid's New Believer class 9am & 10:30am Sm Groups & Worship	6 Church Office Closed For Labor Day	7 SH Open	8 10am Midweek Mornings 6:30pm Kid's Adult Bible Studies Student Ministry	9	10 Friday Office Closed	11
12 9am Kid's New Believer class 9am & 10:30am Sm Groups & Worship 3:30pm Serve Team Meeting	13	14 SH Open	15 10am Midweek Mornings - Sr Adult Potluck 6:30pm Kid's Adult Bible Studies Student Ministry	16 6:30pm Boards & Bunco Night	17 Friday Office Closed	18
19 Carla 's B-day Special Building Offering 9am & 10:30am Sm Groups & Worship 11:45am Finance	20	21 SH Open Dental Clinic	22 10am Midweek Mornings 6:30pm Kid's Adult Bible Studies Student Ministry	23	24 Friday Office Closed	25
26 9am & 10:30 Sm Groups & Worship Lord's Supper 3pm Knott's Farm 5:30 pm Foster Care	27	28 SH Open	29 10am Midweek Mornings 6:30pm Kid's Adult Bible Studies Students - SYATP	30		

Next Steps Campaign

As of August, \$434,194.72 has been given to the Next Steps Campaign. When you give to this campaign it goes to our monthly loan payments as well as advance principal payments. Thank you for your generosity and your continuing to help us reach our goal to be debt-free by the end of 2022.