

First Words

August 11, 2024

How to...



Today:
How to...
Be Used By God
Nehemiah 1:1-4

WELCOME

We're glad you're with us!

SMALL GROUPS

Small groups meet Sundays at **8:00, 9:15 and 10:45 AM**. For help finding a small group, visit the Welcome Center, or contact darrington@fbctrussville.org.

WORSHIP

9:15 AM (Traditional) • **10:45 AM** (Contemporary)

OTHER HELPFUL INFO

Restrooms are conveniently located just outside the Worship Center.

Offering bins are located at the exits as you leave the Worship Center.

Listening devices are available by request; see an usher to inquire.

FBCT Library is located near the Events Center, and open today 8:00 AM-12:30 PM, and Tuesdays, 9:00 AM-5:00 PM. Stop in and see our Noah's Ark display!

Inquire or register for any FBCT event at the **Event Center**.

For assistance, please see an usher or visit the Welcome Center.

PRAYER

Let us pray for you. Share your prayer requests by visiting fbctrussville.org/prayer-requests, or by scanning this QR code. ▶▶▶



First-Time Guests

WE HAVE A FREE GIFT FOR YOU!

Bring your completed tear-off to the Welcome Center or visit fbctrussville.org/next-steps and let us know that you were with us today!

F260 BIBLE READING PLAN

- THIS WEEK
- Luke 9:10-62
 - Mark 9-10
 - Luke 12
 - John 3-4
 - Luke 14

Memory Verses

- Luke 14:26-27
- Luke 14:33

Missions Opportunities

Crop Drop

Saturday, August 17 • 8:00 AM

A great mission project for the whole family! Bagging 19 tons of sweet potatoes for Birmingham area charities. 8:00am until finished. Sign up to help on the Helper Helper App. QR code below.

SV Football Meal Volunteers

Starting Friday, August 23 • 5:00pm

Help us show the love of God to the Shades Valley football team. We will be transporting and serving their pre-game meal each game day. Sign up on Helper Helper for any Friday afternoon you are available.



Helper Helper ▼



How to...
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Nehemiah 1:1-4

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11, 2024

The words of Nehemiah son of Hakaliah:

In the month of Kislev in the twentieth year, while I was in the citadel of Susa, ²Hanani, one of my brothers, came from Judah with some other men, and I questioned them about the Jewish remnant that had survived the exile, and also about Jerusalem. ³They said to me, "Those who survived the exile and are back in the province are in great trouble and disgrace. The wall of Jerusalem is broken down, and its gates have been burned with fire."

⁴When I heard these things, I sat down and wept. For some days I mourned and fasted and prayed before the God of heaven. Nehemiah 1:1-4 (NIV)

Background to Nehemiah!

- _____ BC – City of Jerusalem in Israel was destroyed. Jews were deported over to Babylon (Iraq today) and kept there for 70 years
- _____ BC – First Group of Jews were allowed to return to Jerusalem
- _____ BC – Temple rebuilt
- _____ BC – Ezra led the second group of Jews back to Jerusalem
- _____ BC – Nehemiah asked permission to return to Jerusalem with a third group

Note:

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1. W_____ In W_____?
 - Reliable _____?
 - Understand _____?
 - Realistic _____?
 - C_____ the C_____?

2. Take _____ to _____

Notice: Nehemiah 1:1 and 2:1

In the month of Nisan in the twentieth year of King Artaxerxes, when wine was brought for him, I took the wine and gave it to the king. I had not been sad in his presence before. Nehemiah 2:1 (NIV)

3. Allow _____ to be _____

1. I _____
2. I _____
3. I _____
4. I _____

"Let my heart be _____ with the things that _____ the _____ of _____."

– Bob Pierce

4. Seek _____

We have _____ prayers recorded in this one experience.

Prayers: 1:4-11, 2:4, 4:4-5, 4:9, 5:19, 6:9, 13:14, 13:22, 13:29, 13:31

COMING UP...

Midweek @ First Baptist Kick-Off



THIS WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14 Fried Chicken is on the menu!

4:30-6:00pm • In The Gym (Dine-in only; no to-go meals)

- \$5 ADULTS, \$2 KIDS, \$20 IMMEDIATE FAMILY MAX
- SALAD BAR OFFERED AS AN ALTERNATIVE ENTRÉE

Discipleship University is back!

We will have seven new Discipleship University classes offered to help you live **with, like** and **for** Jesus, as well as dinner, served weekly from 4:30-6:00pm. Worship, Bible study, and activities for kids and students of all ages too! See the included insert for a list of available classes.

TRECHO TVL 3.1 Saturday, August 17 • 7:30 AM

Join us for a 5k this Saturday!
Participants will meet at Cahaba Elementary at 7:30am.



Numbers From Last Sunday - August 4, 2024

Budget Receipts:	\$ 234,288	Small Groups:	
Budget Received YTD:	\$ 4,714,149	Worship Services:	
NEXT YTD:	\$ 331,264	On Campus - 1,790	Online - 269
		→ Total: 2,059	

TODAY (8/11)

Promotion Sunday

All age-graded Sunday School classes move up!

Student Parent Meeting

12:00 • Sanctuary

Parents of 6-12 grade students, please join us for a meeting today directly after the 10:45 service. We will give an overview of weekly activities and events for this school year!

MVMT Weekend Sign-up*

Registration for MVMT Weekend (formerly D-Now) begins today! This is a weekend event for 6-12 grade students taking place Jan. 17-19

Cost is \$80 and will go up to \$100 on August 18.

THIS WEEK (8/12-17)

Midweek Kick-Off

Wednesday, August 14

Discipleship University classes as well as dinner, served weekly from 4:30-6:00pm. Worship, Bible study, and activities for kids and students of all ages too!

TRECHO - TVL 3.1

Saturday, August 17 • 7:30am

Walk, jog, or run beginning at Cahaba Elementary.

Sports & Wellness Outreach

- Pickleball - Mondays • 6:00-9:00pm
- Exercise Classes - Daily! For schedule visit: fbctrussville.org/exercise-classes
- Open Gym - Thursdays • 6:00-9:00pm
- TRECHO - Tuesdays • 6:00pm
@FBCT back parking lot
- Saturdays • 7:30am

NEXT SUNDAY (8/18)

Memory Seminar* (SAM)

Sunday, August 18 • 2:00pm

A seminar for those with loved ones suffering from memory loss.

COMING UP

Fall Conservatory Registration

Going on now! - Sign up for fall lessons at fbctconservatory.org!

Wiffle Ball Tournament*

Saturday, August 24 • 8:00am

\$40 per team, played on Magnolia Mall. For ages 14 and up!

Starting Point*

Sunday, August 25 • 5:00pm

For anyone new to our fellowship or looking for a church home!

Business Meeting

Aug. 28 • 5:00pm • Fellowship Hall

On Wednesday, August 28, we will have a business meeting followed by Bible Study.

TRECHO - Stockton

Saturday, August 31 • 7:30am

A walk, jog or run through the Stockton subdivision!

Run For One*

Saturday, September 7 • 8:45am

A 5K run in Homewood in benefit of Lifeline Children's Services.

Upward Registration*

Opens Sunday, September 8

Upward basketball registration is right around the corner! Mark your calendar and don't forget to register your child.

* Registration: fbctrussville.org/events

On Today's Tear Off:



Wednesday Night Preschool Volunteers

We are in need of Preschool Volunteers on Wednesday nights.

I will help.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Starting Point

August 25 • 5:00pm • Fellowship Hall

Please plan on me at Starting Point!

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Total # attending with me: _____

Ages of children attending: _____

Our Place Special Needs Ministry

Opportunities to serve exist for those 16 and up.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Stephen Ministry

Help through difficult times from trained, caring ministers. Please contact me:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

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Deacon Nomination

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