FAMILY ENCOURAGER



Sharing God's Word with Corpus Christi & the World

"Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord you labor is not in vain." (1 Corinthians 15:58)

SAVE
THE Upcoming
Events

Saturday, February 4
•FFC Movie Day

Sunday, February 5
•Churchwide Singing Night
•Chili Supper

Sunday, February 12
•WRYG Super Bowl Party

Tuesday, February 14
•Men's & Preacher's Lunch
•Classics Dinner at the Elam's

Wednesday, February 15
•Teens Dine Out

Fri-Sun, February 17-19
•ReCharge Youth Conference

Sunday, February 19
•Leadership Meeting

Friday, February 24
•FFC Potluck

Sunday, February 26
•Classics Banquet (Dinner)
hosted by WRYG

Sunday, March 5
•WRYG Harbor Devo

Saturday, March 11
•FFC Movie Day

Sunday, March 12
•Churchwide Singing Night

Wednesday, March 15
•Teens Dine Out

Sunday, March 19
•Leadership Meeting
•Churchwide Picnic

Tuesday, March 21
•Men's & Preacher's Lunch

Friday, March 24
•FFC Potluck

Sunday, March 26
•Timothy & Tabitha Classes Start

Fri-Sun, March 31-April 2
•WRYG Spring Retreat

Sunday, April 9
•Churchwide Singing Night

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FEBRUARY 17-19, 2023

Today's teenagers are faced with a barrage of struggles and pressures from within and without.

How do teens navigate?
Where do they turn?
Do they turn toward God
or from God?

Come join us with Dr Ryan Fraser from Freed-Hardeman as he uses scripture to help navigate these various struggles in this world.

Are you stressed? Do you struggle with the pressures of life's twists and turns? The obvious answer for each and every one of us is a resounding "yes". In recognition of this spiritual need Weber Road has invited a distinguished guest speaker to come to shed light into these areas.

Join us as Dr Ryan Fraser guides us through mental, emotional and societal hurdles in order to better be equipped to handle wordly pressures.

As much as teens will benefit from his lessons (see synopsis on page 2), young and old alike have challenges in these areas and are encouraged to attend our weekend conference.

Ryan is an Associate Professor of Bible and Pastoral Counseling at Freed-Hardeman University and has been teaching at FHU since 2006. He coordinates the M.A. in Pastoral Care and Counseling program as well as the Youth & Family Ministry undergraduate program.

Ryan holds an M.Div. from Abilene Christian University and a Ph.D. in Pastoral Theology & Pastoral Counseling from Brite Divinity School at Texas Christian University. He is a Licensed Clinical Pastoral Therapist (LCPT) in Tennessee. In addition to his private counseling practice, Ryan serves as the pulpit minister and an elder for the Bethel Springs Church of Christ.



DR RYAN FRASER FREED-HARDEMAN UNIVERISTY

RECHARGE YOUTH CONFERENCE

WEBER ROAD Church of Christ

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FEBRUARY

I-Collin Callandret
3-Andrew Charlebois
3-Pasty Reed
5-Jonizo Calloway
7-Geno Villarreal
9-Tony Robison
10-Ramon Hinojosa
10-Larry Biffle
12-Glenda Turner
13-Cory Yaws
14-Jawana Taylor
15-Cynthia Littles
17-Brittany French
19-Tiffani Robles

Thank you for all the cards, calls, text but especially the prayers during my heart surgery.

- Leroy Darrow

John Rice went forward on Sunday, January 29th and requested prayers.

Members if you need a 2022 contribution total for tax purposes, email the office to request a letter or you can sign up in the foyer. You will not get a Purpose Letter unless you request one. The \$250 receipt letters were mailed on January 31st. Your 2023 envelopes are in the foyer. You can still get a set of envelopes by contacting the office. If you have any questions, please contact Charlene Hooten.



FEBRUARY 17-19, 2023

KEYNOTE 1 | DEALING WITH AND HANDLING STRESS - FRIDAY 7 PM

We live in a world that gives us many reasons to be anxious. Anxiety is a type of fear rooted in the belief that God won't take care of us. Stress comes in many different forms for young people including family and peer relationships, academic pressures, and extracurricular activities such as sports, marching band, school club organizations, and part-time jobs. The Bible speaks significantly about how to manage our stress and anxiety through prayer, trusting in God, and casting our cares upon the Lord. The apostle Paul is a great exemplar of how to prayerfully deal with and handle stress in a godly and thankful manner, by relying upon the Lord and His promises. Practical ideas will be offered on ways to handle anxiety effectively through the avenues of Margin, Mindfulness, Management, and Moving.

KEYNOTE 2 | SHIFTING FOCUS TO SERVE - SATURDAY 9 AM

Jesus, the Son of Man, came not to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many. When it comes to depression and anxiety for young people, finding ways to serve others is a powerful antidote for

mental health and spiritual health struggles. Service is like a compass pointing teenagers back in the right direction towards the heart of God, which helps them to get back on track. Serving others has the power to accomplish the following things: (1) Refocus us of selfless discipleship; (2) Redefine us as servant leaders; (3) Remind us of our greater purpose; (4) Refine us through spiritual and personal growth; (5) Reveal us in shining our lights for the world to see; (6) Reconnect us with Christian community; and (7) Redeem us by using our lived experiences and the comfort of God to bless others.

KEYNOTE 3 DEPRESSION, SELF-HARM, AND SUICIDE - SATURDAY 10:30 AM

Christian young people are not immune to depression, self-harm, and suicidal ideation. We live in a fallen world, which is full of very real mental health struggles. This lesson will take a look at biblical characters who struggled with depression and suicidality, but navigated these emotional difficulties with the help of God. There will be a focus on three "R's": (1) Recognize God' abiding presence; (2) Respect your limitations; and (3) Reach out to others. Symptoms of suicidality will be discussed along with ways to help friends who may be battling with dark thoughts and self-harming behaviors. An emphasis will be placed on love, grace, and mercy toward others and self. Suicide and self-harm will be showed to not be viable solutions to life's difficulties. God remains in control, and we must trust in His eternal goodness and divine will for our lives.

KEYNOTE 4 | "DO NOT FEAR" - SATURDAY 6:15 PM

The Bible tells us over 300 times to "fear not." These verses are given not with the purpose of chastising believers in Christ, but to encourage them. The apostle Paul, in writing to Timothy, his son in the faith, told him that "God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control". This lesson will look at reasons why young Christians have no reason to live with fear and anxiety in light of their hope in Christ. The fear of failure, fear of the future, fear of the unknown, and fear of death will be addressed from a biblical perspective that gives courage and comfort. Joshua 1:9 will be employed as a key verse that focuses on the importance for children of God to "Be strong and courageous" as we face difficult circumstances and evil enemies of the Cross.

KEYNOTE 5 | WALKING WITH GOD THROUGH MENTAL ISSUES - SUNDAY 10 AM

Christians often feel ashamed or "less than" in their faith when facing various mental health struggles. There is still an unfortunate stigma attached to these types of difficulties that may lead Christians to question God's love and their own salvation. Believers have regrettably been led to believe the lie that the victorious life (1 John 5:4; Rom 8:37; 1 Cor 15:57) and abundant life (John 10:10) is one lived devoid of emotional and/or psychological struggles. But this is simply not the case! Many great men and women of faith have dealt with such mental issues throughout the centuries. This lesson will normalize the human difficulties associated with depression, anxiety, addiction, and grief and loss. It will also provide practical ways to seek God and remain spiritually faithful in the middle of intense sorrow and mental anguish (e.g., the story of Job). God will be shown to be the one who holds our hand and says, "My grace is sufficient for you, because my power is made perfect in weakness" (2 Cor 12:9). In that we, we along with the apostle Paul may assert, "For when I am weak, then I am strong" (2 Cor 12:10).

BREAK OUT SESSIONS | CLASS FOR TEENS AND PARENTS - SATURDAY STARTING AT 4 PM

Saturday we will have two break out seesions for our teens; "How to Handle our Emotions" and "Don't Judge me" in room 7. Adults, parents, youth workers will meet in the auditorium for a special session about parenting and question and answer period with Dr Fraser.

UPCOMING EVENTS MARK YOUR CALENDERS



Churchwide Singing Night





Chili Supper February 5 | 6:00-8:00 PM

Everyone is invited to join us! Please sign up in the foyer: Cornbread & Grated Cheese,
Green Salad with Dressing, Box of Saltine Crackers,
Large bag of Fritos, Dessert or Large pot of Chili. Bring two items unless you are bringing a pot of chili.



WRYG Super Bowl Party February 12 | Times TBA

Parents and teens are invited to watch the Super Bowl at the building. We will have pizza, drinks, and snacks. We will have a devo. Details will be announced.



Preachers & Men's Meeting

February 14 | 11 AM

Join us at Jason's Deli on Airline & SPID (Dutch treat) for lunch.

Classics Valentine's Dinner February 14 | 6 PM

The Classics are invited to the Elam's house for a Valentine's Dinner. Sign up in the foyer and see Elizabeth for details.



Leadership Meeting

February 19 | 4 PM

Elders, Deacons and Ministers will meet in room 7.







Potluck PISH

FFC Potluck & Devo February 24 | 6:00 PM

A get-together for food, fellowship, fun and study. A great way to deepen your relationship with God and his family. Menu TBD.



Classics Banquet February 26 | 5:00 PM

Members 55 years or older are invited to Dinner hosted by the Youth Group.



WRYG Harbor Devotional

March 5 | 5:00-8:00 PM

Join us for our first Safe Harbor devo.

There has been a lot prayer and thoughts poured into this ministry.

We would love for all of you to join us. Check the SSE for more details.





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worship Times Come and Worship with us

SUNDAY

Bible Class (All Ages) - 9:00 AM

Worship - 10:00 AM

WEDNESDAY

(September-May)

Ladies Bible Class - 10:00 AM

Mens's Bible Class - 10:00 AM

Bible Class (all ages) - 7:00 PM

ELDERS:

Randy Calloway, Grant Jackson, Mike Klotz

DEACONS:

Steven Bailey, Jimmy Crowe, Bruce Elam, Justin Esslinger, Gary Hannah, Daniel Honig, Russell Hooten, Manuel Mungia, Larry Sanchez

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- Sainthuber Felix (Haiti)
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- Sylionor Houpette (Jamaica)
- Wayne Jones (Bear Valley Bible Institute of Denver)
- ⇒ Fernando Madrid (Colombia)
- John Moore (Bible Land Passages)
- ⇒ Ilya Muzychenko (Russia)
- ⇒ Beaubrun Origine (Haiti)
- Augustine Tawiah (Africa)
- World Bible Study
- Weber's KIII-TV3 Program

Preaching Students:

Raoul Ferris, Jerrod Hammond, Declan McCarn, Ty McClellen, Jesse Stuart & BK York

ADULT CLASSES AND SERVICES STREAMED TO FACEBOOK LIVE AND YOUTUBE.

SUNDAY MORNING CLASSES - 9AM

Young Adults - Room 7 (Ages College, 20's & 30's) "Journey To Christlikeness" Thomas Brinn & Winslow Blow

Adults - Auditorium (Ages 40's & up) "He is Coming-A Study of 1 & II Thessalonians" Mike Klotz

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE - 10 AM

Auditorium Mark Hammitt

WEDNESDAY EVENING CLASSES - 7 PM

All Adults - Fellowship Hall Bible Land Passages Video

Ladies Class - Room 7 "What Was She Thinking?"-Randi Jackson

Devotional in Fellowship Hall after classes.