

First Words
November 5, 2023

ROMANS VIII

HIS ENCOURAGEMENT
ROMANS 8:26-30

MEMORY VERSE:

AND WE KNOW THAT IN ALL THINGS GOD WORKS
FOR THE GOOD OF THOSE WHO LOVE HIM,
WHO HAVE BEEN CALLED ACCORDING TO HIS PURPOSE.
ROMANS 8:28 (NIV)

WELCOME

Glad you're with us!

SMALL GROUPS

Sundays at 8:00, 9:15 & 10:45am.
For help finding a small group,
contact: darrington@fbctrussville.org

WORSHIP

- **9:15am** (Traditional)
- **10:45am** (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: Today** 8:00am-12:30pm **Tuesday** 9:00am-5:00pm **Wednesday** 4:00-7:30pm **Come see our veterans 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. Go to fbctrussville.org/prayer-requests or use today's tear off, and share you prayer requests with us today.



1st Time Guests

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

A
*Free
Gift*
For You!

Upcoming Service Opportunities

WED
NOV
8 WMU Christmas Backpack Project

SAT
NOV
11 Threads of Love project for infants

SUN
NOV
12 Volunteering at Serving You Ministries

SUN
NOV
12 Serving a meal at Changed Lives Christian Ctr.

For details on these and other opportunities to help, scan the QR code at right, or visit: fbctrussville.org/helper



Life can be hard.
We're here to help.

Contact:
stephenministry@fbctrussville.org



HIS ENCOURAGEMENT

Romans 8:26-30



Sunday, November 5, 2023

Don't you know that you yourselves are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in your midst? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that person; for God's temple is sacred, and you together are that temple.

1 Corinthians 3:16 (NIV)

THE SPIRIT _____ FOR US

In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit Himself *intercedes* for us through wordless groans.

Romans 8:26 (NIV)

WHY? _____

I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed.

Romans 8:18-19 (NIV)

THE SPIRIT IS _____ FOR US

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Romans 8:26 (NIV)

THREE INSTANCES

1. C _____ (18-22)
2. B _____ (23-25)
3. H _____ S _____ (26-27)

THE SPIRIT WORKS _____ FOR US

And He who *searches our hearts* knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit *intercedes* for God's people in accordance with the *will of God*.

Romans 8:27 (NIV)

I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do I do not do, but what I hate I do.

Romans 7:15 (NIV)

THE SPIRIT KNOWS WHAT IS _____ FOR US

And we know that in all things God *works for the good* of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose.

Romans 8:28 (NIV)

"I believe the Christian Gospel not because it offers the best explanation of _____, but because it gives us the strength we need to _____."

David Read

HE DEVELOPS _____ IN US

For those God foreknew He also predestined to be *conformed to the image* of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. And those He predestined, He also called; those He called, He also justified; those He justified, He also glorified.

Romans 8:29-30 (NIV)

"But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you."

John 14:26 (NIV)

"ADVOCATE" - _____

"In prayer it is better to have a _____ without _____ than _____ without a _____."

John Bunyan

ministry plan

This Wednesday, November 8
6:00pm • Fellowship Hall

2024

A look ahead at our plan for ministry for next year, presented during this Wednesday's Quarterly Business Meeting.



**This Wednesday,
November 8th**
9:30am • Worship Center

Veterans, please do us the honor of letting us honor you as our kids pay tribute to the men and women who've served our country!

The Shoeboxes Are Here!

Stop by the Missions Wall today and impact the life of a child somewhere in the world through **Operation Christmas Child!** Filled boxes requested by November 15th.



Help needed once a quarter getting our Sunday School literature into the classrooms. For more details contact Debbie Arrington at (205) 228-1006, or email darrington@fbctrussville.org

Volunteer to help using today's tear off

Numbers From Last Sunday - October 29, 2023

Budget Receipts:	\$ 96,685	Small Groups:	1,449
Budget Received YTD:	\$ 6,497,523	Worship Services:	
NEXT YTD:	\$ 550,601	On Campus - 1,674	Online - 284
		→ Total: 1,958	

THIS WEEK (11/06-11)

Sports & Rec This Week

Exercise Classes - Get (or stay) in shape here at FBCT! See schedules at: fbctrussville.org/exercise-classes

Veterans Day Chapel (WEE Center)

Wednesday, November 8 • 9:30am
Our WEE Center kids honor the men and women who've served our country!

Midweek @FBCT

Wednesday, November 8

Taco Salad served 4:30-6:00pm (Gym).



At 6:00pm: Quarter Business Meeting, with discussion of the 2024 Ministry Plan. Plus Bible study/activities for kids and students of all ages!

For more info visit:
fbctrussville.org/midweek

6:11 (Men)

Thursday, November 9 • 6:11am
This will be our final 6:11 of 2023. Come hungry and bring a friend as we're challenged from God's Word!

JELLO (Preschool)

Thursday, November 9
9:00 & 10:30am • D203
It's our weekly playdate for preschool kids and their moms!

Edible Education (Wellness)

Thursday, Nov. 9 • 11:30am • FH
Abby McMurry Smith from UAB Dermatology joins us, talking about skin cancer and prevention.

COMING UP

- **Honoring Our Veterans** (Library) Ongoing, in the FBCT Library
Stop in and see the display for veterans within our church family!
- **Thanksgiving Fellowship Meal** Wednesday, Nov. 15 • 4:30-6:00pm
Our annual traditional Thanksgiving feast, followed by a time of devotion and communion at the tables.
- **Conservatory Fall Recitals** November 17-19 - Our students show off what they've learned this semester! For a full schedule visit: fbctConservatory.org
- **Missions Night** (Missions) Wednesday, Nov. 29 • 6:00pm • FH
After dinner we'll have a special time for families, honoring the work of SBC international missions.
- **Lottie Moon Brunch** (Missions) Saturday, December 2 • 10:00am A200 • \$10 - Tickets available at the Event Center and Church Office. And, if you have a nativity from your travels you'd let us display, contact: jamiec@fbctrussville.org
- **SAM Christmas Banquet*** (SAM) Sunday, December 10 11:30am & 4:00pm • Gym • \$25
Special guests, Williamson Bluegrass Family! Get your tickets today!
- **Red Mountain Theatre's Holiday Spectacular** (Events) Thursday, December 14 7:30pm • \$28 - FBCT group tickets on sale now, available at the Event Center and in the Church Office.

*REGISTER: FBCTRUSVILLE.ORG/EVENTS

On Today's Tear Off:



Thanksgiving Fellowship Meal Volunteers

Help with table set-up, 11/15, 9:00am-Noon

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Christmas Poinsettias

Placed in the Worship Center in
honor or memory of your loved one!



Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Placed in Honor Memory

of: _____

*Poinsettias are \$10 each. Place cash/checks in a
giving envelope with this form and drop it in a
giving bin as you exit the Worship Center today.
If paying by check, indicate "poinsettia" on your check.*

Stephen Ministry

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

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

stephenministry@fbctrussville.org

Sunday School Help

Yes! Contact me about helping distribute literature.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

For Thanksgiving Fellowship Meal volunteers, email
jamiec@fbctrussville.org

Christmas Poinsettia orders, email
rebeccap@fbctrussville.org

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