

Last Week's Attendance Report

	Sunday School	Morning Service	Evening Service
Goal	92	189	50
10/22	48	156	—

Nursery Schedule

9:15 AM	C. Feiler		
10:30 AM	M. Pendurthy	L. Oneida	D. Reyes

Pray for God's man, in God's time, to do God's work, God's way for God's glory here at FBC.

September 2017

Tithes & Offerings: \$33,411.14

Budget: \$35,860

Shortfall: \$2,448.86

Last Week's Offering : \$10,077.48

**Please Pray
for Bergen
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Christian
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**Bergen County
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Current enrollment for 2017—2018 School Year: 128



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October 29, 2017

TODAY

Sunday School Staff Prayer Meeting 8:45 AM

Sunday School 9:15 AM

Morning Worship Service 10:30 AM

Guest Speaker: Pastor Larry Ross

** No Evening Worship Service until generator is fixed **

LATER THIS WEEK

Youth Group Wed, 6:30 PM

Prayer Meetings (English & Spanish) Wed, 7 PM

Baby Shower for Jane Cook Sat, 9:30 AM

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

BCCA Gala & Silent Auction Nov 10, 7 PM

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Seasons of Ups and Downs

“A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance.” —Ecclesiastes 3:4

Most of us would agree that life has its ups and downs. Wise King Solomon believed this and reflected on our responses to fluctuating circumstances. In Ecclesiastes, he wrote: “To everything there is a season, a time for every purpose under heaven: . . . a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance” (3:1-4).

Solomon’s father, David, was called “a man after [God’s] own heart” (1 Sam. 13:14; Acts 13:22). Yet David’s life illustrates how life is filled with seasons of ups and downs. David wept over his and Bathsheba’s first child who was fatally ill (2 Sam. 12:22). Yet he also wrote songs of praise and joyous laughter (Ps. 126:1-3). With the death of his rebellious son Absalom, David experienced a time of deep mourning (2 Sam. 18:33). And when the ark was brought to Jerusalem, David, in spiritual ecstasy, danced before the Lord (2 Sam. 6:12-15).

We do a disservice to ourselves and others when we portray the Christian life as peaceful and happy all the time. Instead, the Bible portrays the believer’s life as consisting of seasons of ups and downs. In what season are you? Whether a time of joy or sadness, each season should motivate us to seek the Lord and trust Him.

Every season needs faith to get us through it.

From *Our Daily Bread* by Dennis Fisher