

# ecclesiastes

## HOW TO WASTE YOUR LIFE

Faith Lives Where We

# Do Not KNOW

ecclesiastes 11



*March 30, 2014*

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

APRIL 2014

30	31	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

THIS WEEK

- 1** 7-9:00 P.M. **Law Enforcement Bible Study** — Anyone involved in Law Enforcement is welcome to join this Bible Study. For more information, contact 733-3420.
- 9:00-10:30 P.M. **Men's Prayer Meeting** — Wedge
- 2** 8:45 P.M. **Deacon's Meeting** — Wedge Room
- 5** **NOTICE: Due to the Ladies Conference, there will be no men's prayer meeting.**

LOOKING AHEAD

- 6** 10:30 A.M. **Baptismal Celebration** — Call the church office or go to [fbbc.info/events](http://fbbc.info/events) if you would like to be baptized.
- 10** 7:00 P.M. **WOW Life Group** — 120 Woodmill Dr., *Gideon: Your Weakness; God's Strength*, facilitated by Kari Dutton (See the ad.)
- 13** 8:30 & 10:30 A.M. **The Lord's Supper**
- 5:00 P.M. **Reducing the Risk** — C-105 Go to [fbbc.info/events](http://fbbc.info/events) to find more information and to sign up.
- 14-18 Spring Break** — No School  
On **Friday, March 18** the Office will be closed.

Introducing Today's Sermon

*Ecclesiastes 11: How to Waste Your Life*

*Faith Lives Where We Do Not Know*

When we think of someone who was extremely wise and experienced in life, we cannot help but think of King Solomon. The Book of Proverbs is a masterfully composed book oozing with common sense written by the thoughtful and introspective King. The Proverbs are generally simple statements that strike to the heart of the most common experiences of the human condition. God's wisdom is exalted. Foolishness is condemned.



As much wisdom as Solomon possesses, he frequently and humbly shares with the reader his own lack of understanding. One thing, among others, that we learn is that there are many things, he and we, do not know or understand. God is in charge and His ways are not always ours, and vice versa.

In chapter eleven Solomon encourages us to faith, to trust in a sovereign God who has all of the answers, while we do not. As finite humans we do not know what evil shall be upon the earth (v 2). We do not know the way of the spirit (v 5). We do not know the works of God who maketh all (v 5). We do not really know what shall prosper (v 6). The declaration of these statements is found in the context of giving. "Cast thy bread. . . Give a portion to seven . . ." (vs 1,2). Knowing human nature, Solomon is dealing with man's tendency to forestall generosity. There's always a reason "not to give" something of oneself. The young are particularly in view.

SERVICE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY MORNING • 8:30 & 10:30 A.M.  
*Pastor Grace*  
**Faith Lives Where We Do Not Know**

SUNDAY EVENING • 6:00 P.M.  
*Pastor Grace*  
**NSBI Class - Genesis II**

WEDNESDAY EVENING • 7:00 P.M.  
*Pastor Grace*  
**Missionary Jeff McArdle Reporting  
NSBI- The Gospel of John**



## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

### **Sharon Chase**

She had surgery and has had some complications.

492 Bennington Drive  
Rochester, NY 14616

### **Billie Brisco**

She had surgery.

173 Hollybrook Road  
Rochester, NY 14623

### **Pastor Don Buongiorno**

He had a major heart attack and bypass surgery.

Saving Grace Ministries  
Grace House Rochester  
P.O. Box 15383  
Rochester, NY 14615

## SYMPATHY

### **Mrs. Meredith Jackson**

Her husband, Harry, passed away. Harry was one of the first Youth Pastors at FBBC.

490 Kelly Drive  
McKinney, TX 75070

### **About the Bulletin**

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## Tonight:

We will begin a series of four studies on the life of Joseph. Joseph is the greatest type of Christ in the Scriptures. Joseph, like Able, Jacob, Moses and David, was a shepherd. Each pointed forward in some way to Jesus Christ, The Good Shepherd, "The Lord is my shepherd" (Ps. 23). Join us as we continue our study of the Patriarchs in Genesis.



Register at [fbbc.info/events](http://fbbc.info/events) or visit us at the **NORTH** Welcome Center for assistance and to pay by check or cash. Descriptions of the sessions are on-line. **Jr. High, Sr. High and College students (Merge group)** may attend the Re.New Conference *free of charge*, thanks to Pastor Grace. When you register use the code word GRACE for the payment.

## TODAY IS THE LAST DAY TO SIGN UP!



## Spring Women's Life Groups

1. A study of *Gideon: Your Weakness; God's Strength* (DVD series by Priscilla Shirer) facilitator is Kari Dutton. Held Thursday evenings, April 10 through May 22, at 7:00 P.M. The group will meet at 120 Woodmill Drive, 14626 (Vitelli's home). Sign-up is necessary and a book must be purchased at the time of sign-up for \$15. You may go to the Life Group table in the commons or [fbbc.info/lifegroups](http://fbbc.info/lifegroups). No Child care provided.
2. "*Unpacking Your Spiritual Inheritance*" taught by Nancy Curran will be held Tuesdays at 10:00 A.M., April 29 through June 3, here at FBBC in D-101 (Summit Class). There is no charge and no sign-up necessary. If you need nursery care, please let us know how many and the ages of your children at [fbbc.info/lifegroups](http://fbbc.info/lifegroups).

## Welcome

The following people have completed the Membership Class and joined First Bible Baptist Church. Welcome to the membership:

**Deborah Vane**

**Jim LiVecchi**

**Nicki LiVecchi**

**Rebecca Sadwick**

**Lorne Watson**



# Little Red Book Ministry Update

## Tampa/Daytona Mission Work

### Focus on Sowing The Seed



Please pray for the seed planted in Tampa and Daytona. Ron Giannetto arrived in Florida January 3, by Amtrak and James Madison drove down January 13. They have been busy tracting the flea markets, Gaspirella Parade, Veteran's Hospital, University of South Florida and other events in Tampa. They have found people to be very receptive in some ways; more so than in past years. Thank you to Fowler Avenue Baptist Church for being a great blessing.

A Team at the State Fair in Tampa distributed 4,000 Gospel Bracelets and verbally gave the salvation message with each bracelet, 1,200 of those accepted Jesus Christ as their personal Savior! To God's glory! Please pray for them as well as those that heard and haven't responded yet.

James returned to Rochester March 18. Ron continued to Daytona. He has been busy tracting during races at the Daytona Speedway, Bike Week and different tourist areas. Ron was invited to speak at one of the colleges about the LRB tracts and answer questions from the college students. Praise the Lord! Thank you to Faith Baptist Church in Daytona for being a huge blessing. Please pray for Ron's safety as he returns to Rochester April 1.

We have sent 3,000 Gospel bracelets to Guatemala mid-March with a team, and 4,000 Gospel bracelets will be going to Moldova, May 30, with another team. They will share the salvation message verbally using translators to each person receiving a bracelet. Thanks to all of you that are praying for the seed that is being planted. Thank you to those faithful bracelet makers and those that have given financially so that the seed can be sown. If you would like more information about Little Red Book or if your heart is touched to give toward tracts and Gospel bracelets for this trip or future tracting, please visit: [www.littleredbook.org](http://www.littleredbook.org). To God be the glory great things he hath done!

*For of him, and through him, and to him, are all things: to whom be glory for ever. Amen.*

Romans 11:36

email: [lrb@fbbc.info](mailto:lrb@fbbc.info)

[www.littleredbook.org](http://www.littleredbook.org)

585-225-0715

# VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION



We want to recognize two of our leadership teams serving *This Generation Now*. Many of our leaders have served multiple years with a great heart for the students. Some are serving in their first year. Each of the leaders are involved in guiding small groups through the studies that we teach each Wednesday night, reaching out to students in various ways, along with numerous other responsibilities. Thanks for all you do!



## Our Senior High Leadership Team

Back (L to R) -  
Vinnie Tumia, Joe  
Vitelli, Ryan Grape,  
Jenn Capria, Andrea  
Demarest, Jeremy  
Demarest, Pete Far-  
rell, Jill Farrell.  
Middle (L to R) -  
Kelly Tumia, Carrie  
Waye, Laurie Hepler,  
Nelson Rivera.  
Front (L to R) -

Shawn Sloan, Rebecca Luttrell, Katelyn Tumia, Stephanie Sloan, Sarah Rivera  
Not Pictured: Tanya Gmitter, Brett Grape, Kailey Grape, Jim Gray, Ben Waye.

## Our Junior High Leadership Team

Pictured L to R -  
Ron DeFrance,  
Rena DeFrance,  
Cayce Rivera, Marco  
Rivera, Mandy  
Metzger, Darren  
Metzger, Andrea  
Brado, Oliver Cola-  
prete, Barb Brown,  
Bradley Anderson,  
Marlene Benson  
Not Pictured: Emily  
Burritt, Paul D'Ambrosio, Rachel Vitelli, Dan Archibald, Cheryl Archibald



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## CHURCH OFFICE

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**(585) 392-4050 FAX**  
**www.fbbc.info**

# How Do I Do That?

## Church Community Builder = CCB

Go online to [fbbc.info](http://fbbc.info) - click on login — Online Community. You will need to enter your email address and choose a password. Once you are a part of our **on-line community**, you can see the **church calendar**, read **prayer requests**, **contact ministry leaders**, **sign up** for events/sports, access your **personal giving statements**, **give online**, and update your contact information. If you have questions or get stuck, contact [christopher.grace@fbbc.info](mailto:christopher.grace@fbbc.info); [cyndi.moreno@fbbc.info](mailto:cyndi.moreno@fbbc.info).

### • View Our Services Online

Go to: [fbbc.info](http://fbbc.info) - click on Sunday Messages Archive. If the live stream is on there will be an orange bar to click on. If not, click on the YouTube button and make a service choice.

### • Sign Up for an Event / Class

Go to [fbbc.info/events](http://fbbc.info/events). If you are having difficulty signing up, contact [andy.hinds@fbbc.info](mailto:andy.hinds@fbbc.info).

### • WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

*If you are a 1<sup>ST</sup> time guest with us today, we consider you a gift from God to us. We have a book for you in the Guest Information room.*

*We also have a bag with information concerning First Bible and the groups that you could connect with here. Again, we thank you for joining us today and pray God's blessing on the rest of your day.*



# Thank You

## Betty Whipple

I would like to thank you for the beautiful flowers and all the kind wishes and uplifting prayers. I am doing well and looking forward to worshipping with you very soon. My prayers are with you all.

## Rich and Sharpie Bechtold

Thank you for all your prayers, cards, flowers and words of encouragement when my father went to be with Jesus. God answered many prayers. Love you all.

## Samantha Rypkema

Thank you so much for all of your prayers and encouragement. I am grateful for all the support I receive from you. God is faithful, and I see Him working in so many ways as we travel. I am humbled at the chances I get to minister.

# Prayer 777 Praise

Please hand in your prayer requests and praise reports for the April Prayer List TODAY. The forms are available at the Information Wall in the Commons; you may place them in the drop box which is also on the Information Wall. The prayer list will be available for pickup on Wednesday, April 2.

# G&T Athletics / SportsPark

## Ministry Opportunities

• The SportsPark would like to add a comfortable area specifically for referees. We are looking for donations of gently used (and still in good condition) upholstered furniture and exercise equipment (treadmill, stationary bike, etc). If you have such an item taking up space which you would like to get rid of, please contact Rik Benson; [rik.benson@fbbc.info](mailto:rik.benson@fbbc.info).

# Annual Sheriff's Appreciation

On Friday, April 11, 6:30 - 9:00 P.M., the *Good News Jail and Prison Ministry* will hold a **Banquet** in honor of the Monroe County Sheriff's department.

• **Location:** Burgundy Basin, 1361 Marsh Rd., Pittsford, 14543

• **Guest Speaker:** Paul Burress - Sr. Pastor at Victory Church

• **For Free tickets:** [ron.morse@goodnewsjail.org](mailto:ron.morse@goodnewsjail.org); or 753-4032

• **To be a Sponsor:** If you, your church or business would be willing to help sponsor our banquet, please use the contact information listed for tickets.





## Wednesday Night Dinner

### Menu:

Baked Potato Bar  
Soup / Drinks / Dessert

Serving time is 5:30 to 6:30 P.M.  
You can prepay at the South Welcome Center. We will also take sign-ups for the next week on Wednesday evenings. Payment is requested at sign up. *For your convenience, you can go to this website with your reservation [www.fbbc.info/wednesdaymeals](http://www.fbbc.info/wednesdaymeals) before 11:00 A.M. on the Tuesday of that week to sign-up and pay at the door.*

### Cost:

- Children 2& under are free
- \$3.00/child 3-9 years old
- \$5.00/person 10 and up
- Families of 5 or more \$20

If you have questions, contact Donna Cottorone at 392-8960; 490-0145.

## Ernie Haase & Signature Sound

### First Bible Baptist Church

April 25 @ 7:30 P.M.

Tickets: Online [TrinityCommunications.org](http://TrinityCommunications.org)  
260-484-1029

General: \$20 (\$25 at the door)

Artist Circle: \$25

Children 5 and under free. (Excludes Artist Circle.)

Tickets: Purchase yours here at FBBC for \$10 per ticket. They are available at the South Welcome Center on Sunday A.M. ONLY.

## COMMUNICATION CARD CONTINUED

### MISSION STATEMENT

• Love God! • Love People! • Serve Others! • Tell Everyone!

Send me more information about...

- ☐ Becoming a Christian
- ☐ Baptism
- ☐ Life Groups
- ☐ Membership at FBBC

☐ Volunteering in the Nurseries

☐ Northstar Christian Academy

☐ Volunteering for Video Production

☐ Athletes in Action / Brockport Campus Ministry

☐ G&T SportsPark

☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_



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Please give this card to the ushers as you exit the auditorium or drop it off at a WELCOME CENTER. 03/30/2014

Thank you for attending First Bible today

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE

## COMMUNICATION CARD

Guests and attenders, please print clearly in the boxes provided:

Name: Dr./Mr./Mrs./Miss/Ms.

Proceed to the back panel if you are a regular attender and your contact information has not changed recently. ➡

☐ This is my first time attending First Bible. **OR** ☐ This is my second time attending First Bible.

If this is your 1st or 2nd visit, how did you hear about First Bible?

Guests, please fill in the boxes below, OR if you are an attender whose contact information has recently changed update it below.

Email Address:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Best Contact Phone: (     ) —     —

<http://communicationscard.fbhc.info>

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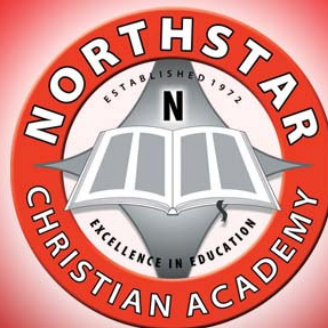
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