

## DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS?

Do you have questions about CFBC or any of its many ministries? Call us at 281.440.3800 and we will be glad to help you!

### Assimilation & Maturity

For the following:

Kids	ext. 6736
Students	ext. 6764
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For the following:

Counseling • Funerals  
Illness/Hospital • Weddings

### Mission Ministry • ext. 6705

For the following:

Baptism • Mission Trips

### Worship Ministry • ext. 6708

For the following:

Choir • Drama • Media • Orchestra

### Administration

For the following:

Contributions	ext. 6759
Change of Address	ext. 6753

### Prayer Request • 281.537.PRAY

### Library • 281.885.6726

## LIFE UNIVERSITY

Another exciting semester of Life U is just around the corner. Whether you are looking to grow as a parent, blossom as a teacher, or even pick up some conversational Spanish, Life U is the place for you. Please join us February 18th as classes begin. To sign up and see a full listing of classes you can visit our website: [www.championforest.org/lifeu](http://www.championforest.org/lifeu)

## MEMBERSHIP CLASS

Join us at our next Membership Class on February 22nd at 9:30am in the Choir Room. To register, sign up in the worship folder, on the website, or call Amanda at 281.440.3800. LIFE Groups are available for your children, birth-5th grade during this time. Everyone middle school aged and up is encouraged to attend. Pastor Wade Liberator will lead the class. For additional information and details about the class go to [www.championforest.org](http://www.championforest.org).

## LIVE LOVE

### FREEDOM WEEKEND

It's coming! February 20-22. A weekend of amazing communicators of God's Word, cutting edge music led by Kristian Stanfill and small groups meeting in host homes for relevant talks with students just like you. And, oh yeah, don't forget, the fierce junior/senior girl Powderpuff game plus opportunities to impact Houston through service projects. Today's the last day to sign up for the early bird price of \$60! Middle and high school students - sign up online at [inyouelement.org](http://inyouelement.org) or in the Student Building. Don't you dare miss it!

### MEET YOUR HOST HOME PARENT MEETING

There will be an opportunity for you to meet your student's hosts for Freedom Weekend at the Parent Meeting this Wednesday night, February 18th. Join your students for Element or come at 8:00pm to the FLC Worship Area, to meet those who will be pouring into your students' lives during this important weekend.

## KNOWING. GROWING. GOING.

## GET ON THE ROAD TO FINANCIAL PEACE

Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University starts tonight at 5:00pm in room AD-320. This exciting, fun, interactive 13-week video and discussion series is designed to teach families to get out of debt and stay out of debt. Childcare is available. To register or for more information go to [www.championforest.org/lifeu](http://www.championforest.org/lifeu), email Ken Thompson at [kthompson56@gmail.com](mailto:kthompson56@gmail.com), or call 281.440.3800

## RESOURCE ROOM NEEDS

The Kids Ministry resource room is running low on consumable items used for craft activities. We need your help. Please, bring donations to the collection box outside the Resource Room on the 1st floor of the EA building.

Baby Food Jars and plastic fruit containers  
Small Boxes  
Egg Cartons  
Felt  
Film Containers  
Gift & Handled Bags  
Oatmeal Containers  
Paper Towel & Gift Wrap Tubes  
Pringle Cans  
Ribbon  
Yarn



### HOMEBOUND / ASSISTED LIVING MINISTRY

If you know of any CFBC members who cannot attend our Sunday Worship Services because they are Homebound (experiencing a long-term illness) or currently living in an Assisted Living Facility, please help us by providing their names and any other contact information you might have. Email Debbie at [dedgar@cfbc.org](mailto:dedgar@cfbc.org)



## WEEKLY LORD'S SUPPER SERVICE

ROOM WC-133  
9:00 TO 9:30 AM  
10:45 TO 11:15 AM



## PASTORAL CARE

### SUPPORT GROUPS

Begin Wednesday, February 18th, at 6:45pm.

### DivorceCare

A small group led by people who understand what you are going through and want to help. Room AD - 301. Cost is \$12

### DivorceCare for Kids

A special group to help children heal from the pain caused by a separation or divorce. For children grades 1st - 5th in Room EA - 90. Cost is \$12

### Griefshare

A friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. Room EA - 83/84. Cost is \$12.

### Boundaries

Designed to help guide you to healthy relationships and sound living. Room EA -82. The book costs \$13 and the Study Guide costs \$7.

### Life's Healing Choices

Find victory & freedom from life's hurts, hang-ups, and habits. Room AD - 304. The book costs \$17 and the Study Guide costs \$8.

### BeLoved

For women of all ages whose lives have left them with wounds that need healing. Room AD - 315. Cost is \$6.

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Inasmuch as many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the things that have been accomplished among us, just as those who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word have delivered them to us, it seemed good to me also, having followed all things closely for some time past, to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus, that you may have certainty concerning the things you have been taught. In the days of Herod, king of Judea, there was a priest named Zechariah, of the division of Abijah. And he had a wife from the daughters of Aaron, and her name was Elizabeth. And they were both righteous before God, walking blamelessly in all the commandments and statutes of the Lord. But they had no child, because Elizabeth was barren, and both were advanced in years. Now while he was serving as priest before God when his division was on duty, according to the custom of the priesthood, he was chosen by lot to enter the temple of the Lord and burn incense. And the whole multitude of the people were praying outside at the hour of incense. And there appeared to him an angel of the Lord standing on the right side of the altar of incense. And Zechariah was troubled when he saw him, and fear fell upon him. But the angel said to him, "Do not be afraid, Zechariah, for your prayer has been heard, and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you shall call his name John. And you will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth, for he will be great before the Lord. And he must not drink wine or strong drink, and he will be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's womb. And he will turn many of the children of Israel to the Lord their God, and he will go before him in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, to make ready for the Lord a people prepared." And Zechariah said to the angel, "How shall I know this? For I am an old man, and my wife is advanced in years." And the angel answered him, "I am Gabriel. I stand in the presence of God, and I was sent to speak to you and to bring you this good news. And behold, you will be silent and unable to speak until the day that these things take place, because you did not believe my words, which will be fulfilled in their time." And the people were waiting for Zechariah, and they were wondering at his delay in the temple. And when he came out, he was unable to speak to them, and they realized that he had seen a vision in the temple. And he kept making signs to them and remained mute. And when his time of service was ended, he went to his home. After these days his wife Elizabeth conceived, and for five months she kept herself hidden, saying, "Thus the Lord has done for me in the days when he looked on me, to take away my reproach among people." In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, O favored one, the Lord is with you!" But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and tried to discern what sort of greeting this might be. And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." And Mary said to the angel, "How will this be, since I am a virgin?" And the angel answered her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy—the Son of God. And behold, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son, and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. For nothing will be impossible with God." And Mary said, "Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her. In those days Mary arose and went with haste into the hill country, to a town in Judah, and she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. And when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the baby leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit, and she exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! And why is this granted to me that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For behold, when the sound of your greeting came to my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her from the Lord." And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked on the humble estate of his servant. For behold, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name. And his mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts, he has brought down the mighty from their thrones and exalted those of humble estate; he has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, as he spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his offspring forever." And Mary remained with her about three months and returned to her home. Now the time came for Elizabeth to give birth, and she bore a son. And her neighbors and relatives heard that the Lord had shown great mercy to her, and they rejoiced with her. And on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child. And they would have called him Zechariah after his father, but his mother answered, "No, he shall be called John." And they said to her, "None of your relatives is called by this name." And they made signs to his father, inquiring what he wanted him to be called. And he asked for a writing tablet and wrote, "His name is John." And they all wondered. And immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue loosed, and he spoke, blessing God. And fear came on all their neighbors. And all these things were talked about through all the hill country of Judea, and all who heard them laid them up in their hearts, saying, "What then will this child be?" For the hand of the Lord was with him. And his father Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and prophesied, saying, "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has visited and redeemed his people and has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David, as he spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets from of old, that we should be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us; to show the mercy promised to our fathers and to remember his holy covenant, the oath that he swore to our father Abraham, to grant us that we, being delivered from the hand of our enemies, might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him all our days. And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways, to give knowledge of salvation to his people in the forgiveness of their sins, because of the tender mercy of our God, whereby the sunrise shall visit us from on high to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace." And the child grew and became strong in spirit, and he was in the wilderness until the day of his public appearance to Israel. In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration when Quirinius was governor of Syria. And all went to be registered, each to his own town. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the town of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be registered with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with fear. And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a son for you; you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger. And suddenly there appeared with them a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." When the angels went away from them into heaven, they heard it wondered at what the shepherds told

# JESUS... THE GREATEST STORY EVER TOLD

Law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, "Every male

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