



### MAKING MUCH OF JESUS - *with Pastor Jason*

*This hope is a strong and trustworthy anchor for our souls.*  
**Hebrews 6:19a**

There is a true story about an investor and philanthropist Eugene Lang who died in 2017 at the age of 98. He gave away \$150 million and assisted 16,000 students to attend college throughout his lifetime. Once Lang was speaking to a class of 59 sixth graders in East Harlem. He wanted to inspire these predominantly black and Puerto Rican kids to get a good education. But the children seem disconnected. Suddenly in the middle of his speech, Lang scrapped his notes and admonished them by saying, "Stay in school and I'll help pay the college tuition for every one of you." Immediately the lives of these students changed. One girl said, "I had something to look forward to, something waiting for me. It was a golden feeling." Nearly 90 percent of that class went on to graduate from high school. Hope has incredible impact on how we live our lives.

Too often we use the word "hope" as a synonym for wishful thinking. We might say, "I hope this works out". Others might say, "I hope nothing bad happens". That's not hope. Hope is a fervent desire plus confident expectation. Spiritual hope is founded on faith, made sweeter by divine love, and firmly anchored in Jesus Christ. William Barclay suggests that hope, "looks forward with utter conviction." FBC Family, as we step into the next year, may our desire be to HOPE FOR MORE IN 2024. More salvations, more baptisms, more disciples made, more missionaries sent and funded, more prayer meetings held, more acts of generosity that are evangelism rich, and more of what God would have for us in 2024.

The Bible connects our spiritual vision with hope.

**With faith's vision, we have the foundation for our hope.**

**With clear vision, our insight is sharpened and our hope visible through the eye of faith.**

**With salvation, our hope sustains us and preserves us.**

Our hope is anchored in the promises of God's Word.

*"Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful." — Hebrews 10:23*

***Much of Jesus,***

*Pastor Jason Teal*



#### JANUARY SCRIPTURE MEMORY

Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth.

*2 Timothy 2:15*

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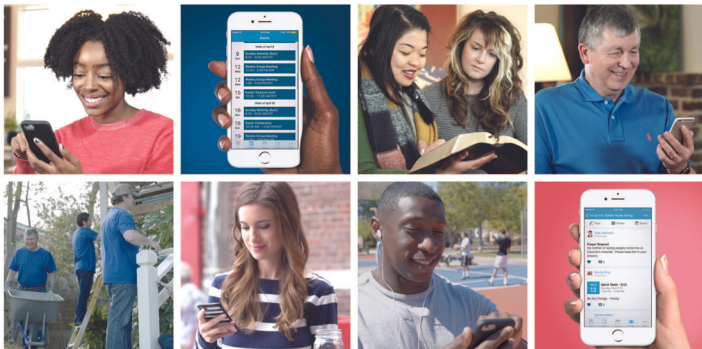
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## UPCOMING EVENTS + INFO

### Discovery101

Pursue church membership + learn about our vision, values, & vitals at this entry point into the family at First. Learn more + register by Jan. 24 at [fbcbarnesville.com/events](http://fbcbarnesville.com/events)

### Church Conference

We hold regular church conferences on the 5th Wednesday of the month (where applicable). The next scheduled conference is Jan. 31 at 6:30p in the Annex.

### GriefShare

Navigating grief can be difficult, and we aren't meant to do it alone! Since there are no neat, orderly stages of grief, GriefShare helps you learn practical ways of coping with grief, in all its unpredictability—and gain solid support each step of the way. The next 13-week class begins Sunday, Feb. 4 at 5:30p in the banquet hall in the gym.

### SendRelief Augusta Mission Trip

We are partnering with National Hills Baptist Church on Feb. 9-10 to revitalize their sanctuary and assist in their ministry to internationals in Augusta. Learn more + register by Feb. 5 at [fbcbarnesville.com/events](http://fbcbarnesville.com/events)

### Thrive Young Adult Beach Retreat

Let's go to the beach! The young adults are heading to Jekyll Island Feb. 23-25 for a multi-church spiritual retreat. The cost is \$60. Register at [forms.gle/suRvbkvrQkKnmgxu5](https://forms.gle/suRvbkvrQkKnmgxu5)

### Creative Team Meeting

Calling all creatives — photographers, painters, writers, narrators, digital designers, and more! We believe God has given His people minds full of creativity and artistry as a tool for glorifying Him and connecting people with the gospel and the local church. In an effort to intentionally cultivate that heartbeat within the family at First, we are bringing together a churchwide Creative Team! Come and learn more about your opportunities to serve on Sunday, Feb. 11 at 5p in the Student + Young Adult building. This team welcomes all ages and all creative abilities! Please contact Carrianna Simmons with any questions at [carrianna@fbcbarnesville.com](mailto:carrianna@fbcbarnesville.com) or by calling the church office at 770-358-2353.

# January 2024

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	<b>1</b> <b>New Year's Day Offices Closed</b>  10:30 AM Home Ministry-Annex  <b>LC Schools-Christmas Break</b>	<b>2</b> 10:30am WMU Coffee & Conversation Annex 7:00 AM Students Breakfast Bible Study 7:00 PM Worship Team Practice 8:00 PM Y.A. Worship Practice Student\Y/A Bldg. <b>Upward Practice</b>	<b>3</b> 5:00 PM Children Choirs; Music Makers, Young Musicians, Handbell Choir 5:30 PM Supper 6:30 PM Prayer Meeting 6:30 PM FBCKids, Driven Student Worship, Men's Bible Study, WOP, Soul Sisters	<b>4</b> 6:15 PM Jail Ministry     <b>Upward Practice</b>	<b>5</b>      <b>Upward Games</b>	<b>6</b>      																																																																																											
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