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Pre-GIC Prayer Meeting

Sunday, August 3
6:00 PM

SEND ME!



Bible Fellowship Groups will be meeting together in homes to fellowship and pray for our upcoming **Global Impact Celebration**. GIC is one of the most important events on our church calendar. We want to pray for safe journeys for our missionary visitors, that they will bring us the stories we need to hear. Pray that GIC is a successful event: measured by attendees hearts being drawn to missions in praying, giving and going.

Family Fellowship & Game Night



Sunday, August 10

6:00 PM

Family Life Center

Come prepared to get wet! (Bring towels.) There will be inflatable water slides and games for all ages. A casual meal of barbecue chicken will be served. There will be watermelon for dessert, Come and have a great time!

SEND ME!



Schedule of Events

Wednesday, August 20

Prayer Event 5:00-8:00 PM **Auditorium**
Preschool Childcare Only (Babies - 3 years)

Thursday, August 21

Senior Adult Banquet 10:30 AM-12:30 PM **Family Life Center**

Opening Service 7:00-8:00 PM **Auditorium**
Childcare Birth - 2nd Grade

Dessert Reception 8:00-8:30 PM **Family Life Center**

Friday, August 22

International Banquet 6:30-8:00 PM **Family Life Center**
Childcare Birth - 2nd Grade

Saturday, August 23

Ladies' Missionary Brunch 10:00 AM-Noon **Chapel**

Youth/College Beach Reach 5:30-8:30 PM **Peters Point**

In-Home Briefings 6:30-8:00 PM **Various Homes**
Children's Activities Birth - 5th Grade on Campus

Sunday, August 24

BFG* Briefings 9:00-10:00 AM **Various Locations**
Regular Sunday Children's Activities

Morning Worship 10:15-11:30 AM **Auditorium**
Childcare Birth - 2nd Grade

* Bible Fellowship Groups

Meet Our GIC Missionaries

Below is a brief biography of one of the missionaries new to FBCC and attending GIC for the first time.



Raleigh Sadler

Metropolitan New York Baptist Association Justice Ministries

A native of Cocoa Beach, Florida and graduate of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Raleigh moved to New York City in October of 2012 as a NAMB Mission Service Corp Missionary.

New York City was not a place he was interested in serving, and he was never going to raise support, but God called him and despite his fears, he sold everything he had and moved there. Now he serves as College Pastor at Gallery Church, the Director of Justice Ministries for MNYBA and calls himself an abolitionist. He is a recognized speaker and human trafficking awareness advocate who is seen as an authority nationally and internationally in the field of human trafficking abolition.

He also works with *Let My People Go* which provides a unique short term mission experience for college students to learn about the nature of human trafficking and return home with concrete, Gospel-centered ways to fight it.

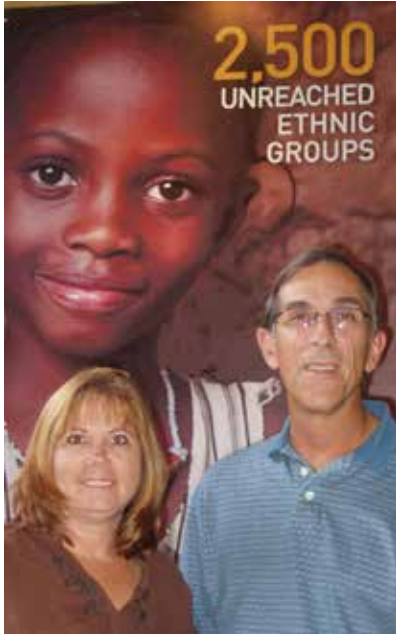
Approximately, 18,000 foreign nationals are trafficked *into the US each year. It has also been reported that at least 100,000 US children are sold into slavery annually. This global injustice has been brought to our doorstep. It is our responsibility to stand against it.*

"Southern Baptists aren't historically known as people who fight slavery," Sadler says. "I want to see that changed, for Southern Baptist churches to rise up against injustice. I want to see them adopt a lifestyle of abolition." *

* Baptist Press May 10, 2013

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David & Jill Simpson

*New Tribes Missions
Coordinator, NTM Connection Center*

Dave and Jill began their ministry as teachers of missionary children in Cote d'Ivoire, West Africa.

Dave said: "God lead us to NTM while working as educators at a Christian School. My former youth pastor was also a high school teacher and he challenged us to become more involved in missions by using our experience and training as teachers. We were already supporting and praying for missionaries who worked among the world's least reached."

God led them to take training with NTM and to serve.

Dave is the Coordinator of New Tribe Mission's Connection Center. They partner with the church to connect people with ministries that impact unreached peoples.

Dave and Jill live in Deltona, Florida.



NEW MEMBERS CLASS In Progress

Class 101: First Move (New Members)

Taught *Sunday Mornings at 9:00 AM* by our Pastor for new members of our church and adults who wish to better understand the ministries and purposes of our church. This class is required for church membership.

This class is being offered July 13 - August 3. Class is held on the main floor of the Family Life Center.



We're excited to tell you that plans are in the works to launch a new service this fall. Our goal is to target unchurched families with a different approach in worship and evangelism.

When? Saturdays at 6:30 p.m.
Where? FBC FamilyLifeCenter
Launch Date? September 13, 2014

We'll need lots of volunteers to make this service happen. If you're interested in more information about one of the teams listed below please contact the church office at 904-879-2172 and let us know where you are interested in serving.

- Hospitality Team (greeters, parking, food, security, etc.)
- Setup/Staging
- Childcare Team
- Creative Team (tech, setup, drama, vocal, band, etc.)
- Education Team
- Prayer Team



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Children's Ministries
"Reaching Kids for Christ"



Children's New Member Class September 7-28

This four week class, taught by our Children's Pastor (Bro. Tom Tyer), is for children who are questioning their relationship with Jesus or who have already made a decision to have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Topics discussed will include Salvation, Baptism, the Lord's Supper (Communion), a daily quiet time, personal evangelism and missions. ***It is open to all children from second to fifth grades.*** Children must attend all classes to complete the course. ***This class is required for church membership.***

You must register your child by August 15 to reserve a spot and so that supplies, workbooks and T-shirts for each child can be prepared. Please call Ms. Sera in the church office to reserve your child's spot at 879-2172.

Children's Discipleship Schedule

SCHEDULE CHANGE Begins September 7

Beginning September 7 the Children's Discipleship Ministry ***will be moving*** to Sunday Nights at 6:30 PM and Children's Music Ministry ***will be moving*** to Wednesday nights at 6:45 PM.

The Discipleship Ministry will be using a new curriculum providing children with a daily devotion and making a "church to home" connection. The Music Ministry will provide an option for all children, musical or not. Watch for details!



Summer Opportunities!

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Dates to Note

August 6

First Day of School - Nassau County

August 31

No Evening Service

September 5

Night of Joy Singles Event

September 7

Fall Discipleship Begins

September 11

Senior Adult Dinner

PROMOTION SUNDAY

August 3



MOVING UP!

***Babies through Youth
Make sure you're in your
Bible Fellowship Group!***