

**Last Sunday's Record - May 23, 2021**

Offering: \$14,617.40  
Sunday School: 203

**January 1, 2021**

Requirements: \$556,096.17  
Receipts: \$609,735.59

**Deacon of the Week**

5/30 - Tommy Cason      6/6 - Adam Foreman  
6/13 - Tommy Hurtt      6/20 - Jim Lauderdale  
6/27 - Jody Richardson

**Sermon for May 30**

*"Images of God"*  
Exodus 20:4-6

**Menu for Wednesday, June 2**

*(for Noon Lunch)*

*Pot Roast and Buttered Noodles,  
Sautéed Cabbage, Yeast Roll and  
Chocolate Cobbler  
Adult: \$5*

**VOLUNTEER MINISTRY - May 30**

**Preschool Extended Session**

Tyler and Amy Covington

**Launch**

Timothy and Candice Maloney

**Greeters**

Allan and Diane Tolleson  
John and Gaile Culpepper

**Worship Welcomers**

Landry and Fay Adkins  
Neil and Amanda Henry

**Security - Team 5**

Jim Anderson, Leslie Dunn, Brad Sykes,  
Bernie Mitchell, Allan Tolleson

**WEEKLY CALENDAR**

**SUNDAY, May 30**

9:15 - Sunday School  
10:30 - Morning Worship

**MONDAY, May 31**

*Church Office will be closed for Memorial Day*

**WEDNESDAY, June 2**

12:00 - Senior Adult Bible Study, Prayer Meeting  
and Luncheon

**FRIDAY, June 4**

YOUTH CHOIR TRIP begins



**VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

**Call Caitlin if you would like to help. We have openings for:**

- Classroom Helpers
- Rotation Leaders
- Snacks (children and teachers)

**USHERS FOR MAY**

Tommy Cason, Leonard Cobb, Chris Dean, Van Goodman,  
J.B. Griffith, Alan Lamar, Jim Lauderdale, Ben Leake,  
Joey Mabry, Davis Miller, Greg Monsour,  
Freddie Poitevent, Larry Roberts, Brad Sykes,  
Gary Wilkinson, Jim Williamson

*Dr. Nathan VanHorn, Pastor*  
*Rev. David Bishop, Associate Pastor for Music*  
*Zach DePriest, Minister of Youth    Caitlin Braud, Director of Children's Ministries*  
*Dr. Raymon Leake, Pastor Emeritus*  
*Rev. David McCubbin, Associate Pastor Emeritus*  
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**THE MESSENGER**

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*Meet a few of our  
Trinidadian  
brothers and sisters in  
Christ...*



*Fifth Sunday Offering  
for Trinidad Ministries  
Sunday, May 30*



## THE WHOLE WORLD

*“You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea, and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”*

**Acts 1:8b**

We have a way of relegating this verse to another group in another place. After all, Jesus was talking to his disciples who were present with him on a day long ago. Or was he? Actually, he was talking to all of us, in this day and this time. He left us a big job, as big as the whole world—“to the end of the earth.” If we are concerned with proclaiming the Gospel, it is usually quite a provincial understanding of the Gospel. In other words, we had just as soon not go out of our comfort zone with it. The verse implies that we are to look up and out, beyond our normal circles.

A school boy was given a problem to solve that required the use of a compass. He had lost his compass, so he went to his teacher’s desk to borrow hers. Because he was a little anxious, he could not remember the name of the instrument. He said to her, “May I take your circumference?”

The question in that setting may have been a little embarrassing, but it is an appropriate question for us today. What is our circumference? How large a circuit do we travel? What is the measure of our interest outside our backyard? No doubt, the place to begin is by having an interest in sharing the Gospel. But does that interest take us beyond our own backyard? Remember, Jesus said “to the end of the earth.” That command is for us today.

*David Bishop*



**PHOTOGRAPHY APPOINTMENTS** are available for our in-house Pictorial Directory on Wednesdays and Sundays. Please call the church office (601.484.4600) or sign up on the sheets at the Welcome Center Counter.

**The Disciple’s Study Calendar**  
**Week 23- (May 31 - June 4) John 15**  
*Sunday School Lesson for June 6*

**KIDS... Pre-K4 to SIXTH GRADE!**

**DESTINATION DGG**

**REGISTER ONLINE or in the Welcome Center!!!**

**2021 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

**June 21 through 25**

**8:30 a.m. to 12:00 Noon**

**Parents... are invited to VBS Final Rally and Lunch on**

**Friday, June 25**

**11:30 a.m.**

**HEY...SIXTH GRADERS!**

**YOU WILL HAVE A SPECIAL VBS with Zach DePriest!!!**

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Welcome to our newest members...  
**Philip and Amy Price**

### *Sympathies to...*

Gwen Brent and family  
in the death of John Brent.

George and Susan Hill  
and family  
in the death of Robert Hill.

### *Memorials...*

#### **Trinidad Mission Fund**

In memory of: Jack Jackson  
Jim Sanders

#### **Music Fund**

In memory of: Robert Hill  
Movalene Griffin  
*(Amy Presley’s grandmother)*  
Lowry Rush  
*(Jill Williams’ father)*

### **ATTENTION COLLEGE STUDENTS!**

**J. G. And Mellie T. Repsher Scholarship**  
**William B. Crooks Scholarship**  
**Brandon Scholarship**

Scholarship applications are available at the Welcome Center Desk or may be secured by e-mail. They must be completed and returned to the church office **on or before Sunday, June 13.**

**Thank you to all the faithful givers of FBC!**  
As a reminder, you can mail your offering to  
**701 26th Avenue, Meridian, MS 39301,**  
or give online through our **ShelbyNext app** or  
through our website (**[www.fbcmeridian.org](http://www.fbcmeridian.org)**).