

## Financial Update 2026

GENERAL GIVING	Last Week	YTD (01/04)
Budget Plan	\$ 18,898	\$ 18,898
Giving (Donations)	\$ 15,387	\$ 15,387
	<b>(Short) \$ 3,511</b>	<b>(Short) \$ 3,511</b>
GF EXPENSES	\$ 0	\$ 0
MISSIONARY FAITH PROMISE		
Budget Plan	\$ 938	\$ 938
Giving (Donations)	\$ 705	\$ 705
	<b>(Short) \$ 233</b>	<b>(Short) \$ 233</b>
FP EXPENSES	\$ 2,048	\$ 52,426
<b>CIRA 2026:</b> Budget: \$469,500	<b>Church Plant:</b> Budget: \$	150,000
Giving: \$ 3,775	Giving: \$	620

## This Week @ FBC

- Monday, 01/12:** 6:15 am—Men's Monday AM Bible Study, rm 104
- Tuesday, 01/13:** 7:30 pm—Young Adults, rm 217
- Wednesday, 01/14:** 11:00 am—Senior Adult Lunch, rm 107/108  
 11:30 am—Mommy & Me Playdate, Kid City  
 5:30 pm — Young Families, rm 107/108  
 5:30 pm— Youth Music/Band Practice, rm 207  
 6:30 pm—Youth Group, rm 207  
 6:30 pm—FBC Choir Rehearsal
- Thursday, 01/15:** 6:00 pm—Worship Team Vocal Rehearsal  
 6:45 pm—Worship Band Rehearsal

**FBC relies on the financial support of the congregation and electronic giving offers an easy way to give once or on a recurring basis. To give electronically, visit [www.fbc-tempe.org](http://www.fbc-tempe.org) and click "Donate" OR Scan here**



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## January 11, 2026

Visit our Website for more  
info on all our ministries:  
[fbc-tempe.org](http://fbc-tempe.org)

**Sunday Morning Worship Services**  
 9:30 am  
 11:00 am

## For Our Guests . . .

**Welcome** to First Baptist Church! We are so glad you have joined us this morning.

**Guests . .** If you would like to receive information on FBC and any of its ministries, please stop by the Connections Center located in the main Lobby.

**Also, please share prayer or praises** in the space provided on one of the orange Communication Cards located in the seat pockets. Let us know how we can help you!

**Sermon Guide**  
**Mission Minded Kingdom People:**  
**"The Purpose of Parables"**  
**Matthew 13:10-17**

**January 11 , 2026**                      **Pastor Anthony Whitlatch**

Why Does Jesus Speak in Parables?

1. So \_\_\_\_\_ might be fulfilled

Numbers 23:19

You Become Like What You \_\_\_\_\_

2. To Reveal \_\_\_\_\_

a. What you are determines what you \_\_\_\_\_ and  
what you see determines what you \_\_\_\_\_

What you \_\_\_\_\_ determines what you hear and  
what you \_\_\_\_\_ determines what you do

What are you?

**The Promise of God is this, when you see with your eyes, hear  
with your ears, understand with your heart and turn to God, He  
will heal you.**

**The God of the Bible Never Lies!**

**Featured Events:**

- **Sunday Lunch:** **1/11** Beef lasagna **1/18** Roast Pork Loin
- **Young Adult Group: Young Adults 18-30, singles or couples,** meets every other Tuesday evening at **7:30 pm, rm 217.** Contact Mike McCall for info: mayhmccall@gmail.com **Next meeting: 1/13**
- **Young Family Group: Every other Wednesday.** Contact Pastor Anthony (awhitlatch@fbc-tempe.org) **5:30 pm, rm 107/108**  
**Next Meeting: 1/14**
- **Seniors Ministry: LUNCH Wednesday, January 14, at 11am.** Sign up in the lobby.
- **Women's Spring Bible Studies:** Tuesday morning, begins 1/27, 9:30-11:30 am. Thursday evening begins 1/29, 6:30-8:00 pm. "Intentional, Living Out the Eight Principles of Disciple Making" \$11
- **Women's Event; Fast Friends: Saturday, February 7, 10 am - 12 pm** with light finger foods, rm 221. This event is like speed dating only for making friends! Helping women form connections quickly and meaningfully across generations. Ages 14-30 paired with ladies that are 30 plus. Hosted by Lee Ann Williams. Sign up at the Women's Ministry table.
- **FBC 2026 Passion Play:** There is still an opportunity to be a part of this year's Passion Play. We still need choir singers and actors. Acting rehearsals are on Sunday afternoons from 1-3pm. Join us today! If you would like to sing in the choir for the Passion Play, please see or contact Julie Huver for details at thehuvers@gmail.com

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**Start Saving Now! Change the World – One Coin at a Time!**

During the month of February, Kid City will be collecting coins to support our Missionaries.

Grab your spare coins, fill up a bag, and drop it off at the Kid City Welcome Area.

Every coin counts, and together our change can change the world!

# KID CITY

(Birth through 6<sup>th</sup> grade)

## Spiritual Growth Opportunities

Sunday's 9:30 & 11:00am

**Today** your son/daughter will learn about:

### Preschool through Kindergarten

Daniel Prays 3 Times a Day

(Daniel 6:1-10)

**Memory Verse:** Psalm 69:13

"I pray to you. Answer me because you love me so much!"

### 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

Prayer

(Matthew 6:9-13)

**Memory Verse:** John 3:16 "For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life."

Our goal is to partner with parents in teaching children to see and experience the world through the lenses of our beliefs.

Our desire is for them to have a biblical worldview instead of a secular worldview. Our worldview influences everything in our lives. We want our children to know that God's Word is the foundation for our lives and is the standard we use to judge every thought and action. Our Bible is perfect and true. If we use it as our foundation, it will guide us and change our lives.

**We would like to thank the following individuals for their help in celebrating Christmas Eve here at FBC with Greeting, Ushering, Golf Carts, Candle Lighting, Food Service, Music, Worship and more:** Adam and Laura Bachman, Fay Bachman, Kelly Bachman, Ryan and Lisa Barbarisi, Thaddeus Barringer, Josiah and Miranda Bender, Linda Boisjolie, David and Laura Brinn, Erica Casanova, Mary Beth Cochran, Michelle Dugan, Ken Enfinger, Austin Erwin, Oscar Espinosa, Amanda Fones, Drew and Linda Fones, Kelko Gautier, Don and Gail Halver, Paulina Harner, Mark Hemingway, Mike Henkelman, Pastor John Heston, Ethan Heston, Wesley Heston, Robert and Larae Hill, Ron and Julie Huver, Rodney and Caroline Imhoff, Michelle Johnson, Greg and Sue Jones, Russ Kovac, Dave and Aly Lemons, Meredith Lomeli, John and Sherri Lucki, Troy Malmin, Bev Marten, Karen Mason, Mike McCall, Yusef McCall, Barbara McIntyre, Craig Merchant, Larry Meyer, Meagan Morgan, Fred and Joy Morse, Scott and Georgina Neely, Sandra Noble, Stan Osland, Jeff Patrick, Michael Potts, Teri Pretlow, Sheri Ramirez, Nancy Rawls, Mo Russell, Laura Sack, Jim and Dawn Santeford, Emma Santeford, Allison Scharr, Clayton and Brenda Schilling, James and Nina Sidabras, Bob Sopsher, Pastor Scott Summers, April Tahy, Kathy Taylor, Amy Thomas, Jermaine Thompson, Malou Tribiana, Paul Turck, Brian Valentine, Tom Verberg, Ali Warrick, Marybeth Warrick, Erlinda Wenzel, Joyce Weston, Loretta White, LeeAnn and Jonathan Jr. Williams and Pastor Anthony Whitlatch.

### FBC End-of-Year General Fund Giving Information

• Revised 2025 General Fund Budget	\$1,062,526.60
• Total Amount Received in 2025 General Fund	\$ 1,058,506.06
Difference Between Budget and Income	\$ -4,020.54

• Goal for November and December 2025 General fund:	\$230,000.00
• Amount Received in November 2025:	\$ 96,584.07
• Amount Received in December 2025:	\$ 156,967.85
Amount Received <b>OVER</b> Goal:	\$ 23,551.92

**Thank you for your faithful giving and support in 2025.**

**God has truly blessed FBC.**

## FBC 2026 Mission Conference

### "Mission Minded Kingdom People"



#### Missionary Schedule

Again, this year you will have the opportunity on each of the Sundays in February to meet, talk with and get acquainted with different missionaries and learn about their ministries.

The following missionaries will be with us in our Worship Services, our Sunday Bible Classes, our Children's Ministry, our High School and Junior High Sunday Bible Class plus you will be able to share a meal with them. Plan to be here to renew friendships and make new ones.

**Sunday, February 1** – Cathy Wilson (Chosen People Ministries)  
Dwight and Gwynne Shaver  
(Wycliffe Bible Translators)  
Ryan and Shelby Webb (World Outreach Mission)

**Sunday, February 8** – Jeff Hause (South America Mission)  
Brent and Melanie Palmer  
(Missionary Aviation Fellowship)  
Steve and Patty Robenalt (Mission Door)

**Sunday, February 15** – Al Fadi (CIRA International)  
Peter and Trisha Molina  
(FBC—Tempe Church Plant)  
Steve and Darlene Evers (In Touch Mission)

**Sunday, February 22** – Ramon and Anna Rodriguez (Mission Door)  
David and Donna Shaver  
(Wycliffe Bible Translators)  
Kevin and Leilani Humble (Venture International)

**Be watching for more information!**



## FBC 2026 Mission Conference

### "Mission Minded Kingdom People"

#### Sermon Schedule

**Sunday, Feb. 1** "Kingdom Growth"  
Matthew 13:31-33, Pastor John Heston

**Sunday, Feb. 8** "The Value of the Kingdom"  
Matthew 13:44-45, Pastor Anthony Whitlatch

**Sunday, Feb. 15** "The Job of a Kingdom Worker"  
Matthew 13:51-52, Pastor John Heston

**Sunday, Feb. 22** "Never Stop Praying"  
Pastor Anthony Whitlatch

**Join us each Sunday morning at 9:30 and 11:00**