

NEW TO BIBLE CENTER?

Welcome!

You're invited to meet Jane Jackson-Fowler at the Connect Table in the Gathering Space after the 9 or 10:30 AM services to answer questions or to help you get more connected.



We'd Love to Pray With You!

Men and women are available in the prayer room, located on the back right of the Worship Center, after the 9 and 10:30 AM services for anyone wanting prayer and counsel.

The Bible Center App

For details on upcoming events and links to sign up, download our app, and tap on [Media & Resources](#) or [Events & Sign-Up](#).

Get Updates with the Weekly Newsletter

Enter your email at the bottom of our website, [BibleCenterChurch.com](#).

WORSHIP

8 AM Hymn Service (Rm. 3105/06)

9 AM & Worship Services

10:30 AM Early Childhood
Children's Ministry

10:30 AM Student Ministry (6th-12th)

BELONG

Find your fit in a group!

- For prayer, study, or just doing life together!

[BibleCenterChurch.com/groups](#)

SERVE

Find your fit on a volunteer team!

- Opportunities for people of all ages to make an impact for eternity!

[BibleCenterChurch.com/serve](#)

Connect

Visiting or need info? Fill out our Guest/Connection Card.



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Don't Throw Out the Baby with the Bathwater

1 TIMOTHY 1:1-7

First in an 11-part series titled: *Blueprints of a Healthy Church*

Pastor Matt Friend — September 9, 2018

Healthy churches *prevent* two things:

1. Any teaching that adds to the Bible.

(vv. 3-4, 7; cf. 1 Timothy 4:1-7; Colossians 2:16-17; 20-23)

2. Any teaching that subtracts from God's mission.

(vv. 4, 6; cf. Matthew 28:18-20)

Healthy churches *promote* two things:

1. Loving people.

(v. 5; cf. Hebrews 10:19-25)

2. Learning truth.

(vv. 1-7; cf. 1 Timothy 3:14-16)

The more we learn about Jesus, the more we'll love like Jesus.

The new Core Class starts this Thursday! Choose the time that best fits your schedule each week. Purchase your books today in the Gathering Space.

6:15 am • 9 am • Noon • 6:15 pm



BLUEPRINTS
OF A HEALTHY CHURCH

 Bible Center

GLORIFYING GOD BY PRODUCING
MORE MATURING FOLLOWERS OF JESUS

Dear Friends,

Welcome to Bible Center! We've prayed all week for today's service to inspire and strengthen your faith. Please make yourself at home.

Our vision is to be *for the gospel and for the city*. What does that kind of church look like? What's it known for in the community? How does it pray for its community? What impact does it make on leadership, government, culture, business, family life, and recreation?

Thankfully, Jesus has given us a detailed blueprint in the book of 1st Timothy. Through the Apostle Paul almost 2,000 years ago, God wrote this letter to Timothy, the young pastor of the church in Ephesus. Paul believed that the city of Ephesus was a strategic crossroads for reaching the entire region, so he gave detailed instructions for how to construct a tactical outpost for heaven.

Likewise, I'm convinced Charleston is a strategic crossroads for our state, and perhaps, for the entire region of Appalachia. Half of America's population is within a day's drive! Imagine what God could do with a church like ours, should we fully understand the gospel and its ethical implications for our lives, our church, and our city.

Today we begin an 11-week, verse-by-verse series through the book of 1st Timothy, *Blueprints of a Healthy Church*. Be inspired by Jesus' good news, the gospel, and its power to transform us from the inside out!

With you for the gospel and for the city,

Pastor Matt



Matt Friend, Senior Pastor

Register for an Event

- Go to BibleCenterChurch.com/register
- Call (304) 346-0431
- Use the Bible Center app. Download it now for free!



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CHURCH on the LEVEE

September 23 | 10 AM

Invite friends for a special morning at the Levee. The service is designed with all generations in mind, and there's something for everyone afterward: children's grab bags, inflatables, sidewalk chalk, ice cream, food trucks, fun music, and more.

Volunteers

Help us love our city on this special day! Sign up on the app or website to get involved with parking, handing out goodies, ushering, manning tables, and more.

Free Parking

- Municipal Garage (enter from Virginia St.; directly across from the Levee)
- Courthouse Employee parking
- Nearby street parking
- Four Points Hotel garage off Laidley St.

Outdoor Baptism Today

2:30 PM • At the home of Chuck & Rachel Kinder in Davis Creek (1012 Middlefork Dr., Charleston, 304-552-1719). **Everyone's invited!**

Blueprints Going Deeper Books

Books will be available in the Gathering Space with a suggested donation of \$3 to cover the cost.

New Member Applicants

Travis Bowman; Meredith Perry; Phil & Brenda Shields; and Sara Walker.

Cards for College Students

The Care Ministry would love to send cards to our students! Fill out a Connection Card or email Wanda Casto (wandawv@frontier.com). Include the student's name, school, address, cell #, major, year, email, and birthday.

Core Class: The Gospel

Thursdays, Sept. 13 - Nov. 15 • Same class will be offered at 6:15 AM, 9 AM, Noon, and 6:15 PM. • For all present and future leaders and everyone else, Bible Center is offering quality, in-depth classes for the spiritual growth. Purchase your 3 books for \$25 in the Gathering Space today or at the beginning of class. Questions? Contact Pastor Mike Graham (mgraham@BibleCenterChurch.com).

Women's Fall Event: Relationship Renovation

It's almost here! This is the last Sunday to purchase your tickets for this weekend's epic event. Stop by the table in the Gathering Space and reserve your spot.

NEW SERVICE TIMES

Beginning September 30

- 9 AM Multigenerational Service
- 11 AM Modern Service

See full service descriptions at BibleCenterChurch.com.

STUDENTS

High School Missions Trip to Jamaica

Apr. 13-20 • Cost: TBD • Students will assist a church with 2 VBS programs.

BELONG

Celebrate Recovery Small Group Step-Study

Tuesdays, beginning Sept. 11 • 6 PM • Celebrate Recovery is a Bible-based recovery program designed to help people address a variety of hurts, habits, and hang-ups. A Step Study is a personal journey through 12 steps in a confidential, gender-specific group setting. Register today or contact Sheri Skidmore (sskidmore@BibleCenterChurch.com) for more info.

SERVE

City Ministries

- **Faith in Action Volunteer Training** • Monday, Sept. 17 • 6-7:30 PM • BCC is partnering with Faith in Action, an organization that ministers to the elderly in our community by driving them to appointments and grocery stores, doing minor in-home repairs, and visiting with the lonely. Volunteer training and a background check are required.
- **West Side Neighborhood Clean-Up** • Saturday, Sept. 29 • 8:30 AM-Noon • Join us as we love our neighbors by serving shoulder-to-shoulder with them. All supplies are provided.
- **Habitat for Humanity - One Day Build** • Saturday, Oct. 27 • 8 AM-4 PM • Come and help us work on a home for a local family. We'll need individuals (16+ years old) to work—no experience needed—and volunteers to help make and serve lunch.
- **Change a Life—Teach Someone to Read** • Literacy Volunteers of America

Sign up, visit BibleCenterChurch.com/city or contact Michelle Thompson (mthompson@BibleCenterChurch.com).

GO Team Bolivia

Oct. 19-29 • Use your skills to serve Jesus! Help us with a construction project in Bolivia! We're looking for people skilled in construction, plumbing, and electrical work. Cost is \$2,000 (incl. airfare, lodging and ministry costs). Contact Pastor Richard Thompson (rthompson@BibleCenterChurch.com) as soon as possible.