



OCTOBER 08, 2023

# FRANKLIN ROAD

## BAPTIST CHURCH

### Think on These Things

Over the next few weeks, we will be looking at what it means to be a biblical church member. I think we all have our own ideas about what membership in a local church means, but I want us to spend some time on what God's idea of church membership entails. Thus, we will be looking at various Scripture passages and we will also be using a short accompanying book by Thom Rainer called ***I Am A Church Member***. These will be made available to each one of you as we start this series.

I think all of us want to be the members of the body of Christ that He intends for us to be, yet we would also probably agree that we aren't there yet; that there is room for improvement in this area, amen? As such, I want us to enter this series prayerfully and honestly, seeking God's will in our individual lives as well as in the life of Franklin Road Baptist Church. I know that many people have given (and some still are) a lot of themselves over the years to this church, and for that we all should be extremely grateful. I also know that there have been many come and go over the years, but you are still here and you are here for a reason: God is not finished with us yet. I know that at times it can be discouraging when we look around and see so many empty places and remember how things used to

be. Well, let me encourage you to remember that God does not intend for His children to live in the past or to live defeated, joyless lives in the present. In fact, He tells us in I John 4 that there are many false prophets in the world who are filled with the spirit of the Antichrist (against Christ), but that the true church should take hope in this: "You are of God, little children, and have overcome them, because He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world." (I John 4:4) God also tells us, in several places, that the just or righteous walk by faith and not by sight. Therefore, we should not look at what we can see with our physical eyes (lest we may grow discouraged), but we should look at what can be (what God wants) through eyes of faith, trusting Him to accomplish His purposes through us here at FRBC. I hope that you will join me on this journey and that as we travel together we will grow more committed to God, His plans, and each other as His church. We can be an uncommon church by becoming biblical church members. May God help us to do so for His sake and for His glory!

Something to think about as we go about our week.

Love and blessings,

Trace

#### UPCOMING EVENT

**NEW YOUNG ADULT  
SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS**

**STARTS SUN. NOVEMBER 12TH  
AGES: 18-30  
JACOB THOMAS - TEACHER**

#### **CSI**

**Sunday School Class  
New Study:**

**The 30 Life Principals  
By Dr. Charles Stanley**

#### **GRIEFSHARE:**

***Surviving  
the Holidays***

**SATURDAY, NOV. 4TH  
10:00a - 12:00p  
IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL  
NO COST**

## October Birthdays

10/01	Stacey Elkins	10/19	Kristen Hanson
10/06	Bill Forcier	10/20	Logan Wegienka
10/11	Patricia Hanson	10/22	Ashley Lasher
10/18	Lela Kay Smith	10/23	Abby Hammock

## Anniversaries

10/10	Bill & Margaret Forcier
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## *this week at FRBC*

### **SUNDAY (OCT 08)**

Sunday School.....9:30a  
 Worship.....10:45a  
 Children's Church

GriefShare.....5:00p  
 H.O.P.E ESL (Volunteers should try to arrive @ 4:30p for set-up & interviews)

### **WEDNESDAY (OCT 11)**

Adult Bible Study.....6:30p  
 i220 Youth Bible Study  
 Journey Kids - Bible Alive!

### **SATURDAY (OCT 14)**

FRBC Thrift Store.....8:00a - 12:00p

FRBC  
**THRIFT STORE**

This Saturday  
 8:00a - 12:00p



SUNSHINE PROJECT

Check out the Sunshine Project table in the Foyer, or contact the Church Office for more information.

**October: Bernice Bannister**

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*of the week*  
**DEACON**

Oct	08	Jerry Parkerson
Oct	15	Jacob Thomas
Oct	22	Steve Thomas