

## MAR. BIRTHDAYS

3/02 Michelle Hammock  
3/10 Steve Thomas  
3/11 Cadence Smith  
3/14 Sarah Dinardo  
3/15 Estelle Stogner  
3/16 Beverly Tarleton  
3/17 Connor Hammock  
3/24 Charlie Shirey  
3/26 Jack Thomas  
3/27 Gabby Butler  
3/28 Kim Buchanan

## ANNIVERSARIES

3/14 W.J. & Jill Webb

<b>Deacon Rotation</b>	Mar 17	Jacob Thomas
	Mar 24	Steve Thomas
	Mar 31	Ernest McCurry

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# FRANKLIN ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH

March 17, 2024

### Our Mission:

Here at FRBC we want to help people to KNOW God personally, GROW in the Lord spiritually, And SHOW God to others in word and action

# Think on These Things

Campus pastor and author Ben Patterson says that "old age has a way of whittling a person down to his or her bare essence- what is left of us is what we were all along." David Jeremiah says, "When mind and muscle leave us, what remains is who we really are." He goes on to ask: "If today were your last day on earth and the essence of your life was revealed, what would it be?" This question deserves our consideration.

If my life is driven by the things this world deems important (wealth, success, power, beauty, etc.) and today is my last day on this earth, then I would be leaving behind nothing of eternal significance and meaning. Yes, my family would be able to enjoy whatever material things I had accumulated, but if I had neglected them in order to accumulate those things, then the essence of my life would be remembered as selfish and driven by temporary things at the expense of my family ("The cat's in the cradle and the silver spoon..."). But if my life has been marked by a deep, childlike faith in God (no matter the circumstances) and today is my last day on this earth, then I would be leaving behind a legacy of eternal value to my family and friends. (Am I building a house on the sand or on the rock? re: Matthew 7:24-27)

Abraham and Sarah were really just getting started when they hit the century mark. They had their first child together, Isaac, who would be the start of a great nation that would cover the earth like sand on a seashore. They walked by faith, not by sight (2 Cor 5:7) and God blessed them abundantly. (see also Hebrews 11:8-12) "For the Christian, growing old gracefully means growing old, full of grace." (David Jeremiah) The longer we are given to walk this earth, the more by faith we should walk.

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Something to think about as we go about our week.

Love, prayers, and blessing,

Trace

## this week at FRBC

### SUNDAY (MAR 17)

Sunday School.....	9:30a
Worship.....	10:45a
Children's Church	
GriefShare.....	5:00p
H.O.P.E. ESL.....	5:00p

(Volunteers should plan to arrive at 4:30p for set-up)

### MONDAY (MAR 18)

Adult Small Group.....	6:30p
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### TUESDAY (MAR 19)

Senior Lunch @ Cracker Barrel.....	11:30a
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### WEDNESDAY (MAR 20)

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

## upcoming events

### MAR 24

Palm Sunday.....	All Day
Easter Egg Hunt @ Big Trees Farm.....	3:00p - 6:00p

### MAR 26

Food Pantry Volunteer Day.....	12:30p
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### MAR 28

Food Pantry Volunteer Day.....	12:30p
Maundy Thursday Service.....	6:30p