

MAY BIRTHDAYS

5/1 Isaiah Davis
5/2 Joanne Capes
5/3 Jackson Williamson
5/6 Tommy Barfield
5/6 Evie Thomas
5/9 Sandra Simpson
5/9 Lonnie Smith
5/10 Rebecca Parkerson
5/10 Robin Buchanan
5/10 Hannah Lasher
5/10 Abby Simmons
5/15 Journee Williamson
5/19 Bubba Hammock
5/28 Deena Simmons
5/30 Peter Marie

ANNIVERSARIES

5/17 Billy & Christie Nestor

Deacon Rotation

May 12 Bill Forcier
May 19 Jerry Parkerson
May 26 Jacob Thomas

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FRANKLIN ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH

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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

Today is Mother's Day here in the United States. Mother's Day is celebrated in over 50 nations around the world, with some celebrating it on the 2nd Sunday of May (as we, Australia, Finland, Italy, Turkey and a few others do); some on May 10th (as in Mexico and many other Latin American countries); and one (Thailand) even celebrating this day on August 12th, which is the birthday of their current queen. Mother's Day, according to the National Restaurant Association, is now the most popular day to dine out in a restaurant in the United States. An estimated 21.2 billion dollars is expected to be spent this Mother's Day, up 5% from last year, according to a survey by the National Retail Federation. And the Greeting Card Association estimates that more than 150 million cards are exchanged in the US every year, making it the 3rd largest card-sending holiday after Christmas and Valentine's Day. Needless to say, this holiday honoring mothers is also a very profitable one for retailers, restaurants, florists, and card makers. Today, however, I would like to direct you to a story of a mother who was only concerned about the welfare of her child and was willing to risk whatever necessary to see her child made whole.

Matthew 15:21-28 tells the story of a Gentile mother who approached Jesus on behalf of her demon-possessed daughter. She pleaded with Jesus to deliver her daughter and did not stop until He granted her plea and healed her daughter. A few things to bear in mind when reading this account: she had her race (Gentile), sex (female), the disciples (see verse 23), and seemingly even Jesus Himself (v23a,24,26) against her. Yet, she persisted in her plea and grew in her faith in the face of these obstacles (v22,25,27) and was ultimately rewarded (v28). The point is this: she persevered in the face of the difficulties for the sake of her daughter. She epitomized the care and compassion and determination that a loving mother should possess.

This Mother's Day, I hope (if your Mother is still on this earth) that you will give your Mom a call, a hug, a card, some flowers or something from the heart to let her know that you love and appreciate her. I look forward to the day when I can see mine again and tell her: "I love you, Mom." In the meantime, I thank God for giving me such a loving mother who lived out her faith in front of her family and who did not care what others thought about her simple trust in Jesus Christ. I owe her more than I can ever repay. Thanks Mom.

Something to think about as we go about our week.

Love, prayers, and blessing,

Trace

this week at FRBC

SUNDAY (MAY 12)

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

GriefShare.....5:00p

WEDNESDAY (MAY 15)

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

upcoming events

JUNE 02

Graduation Recognition Sunday.....10:45a

JUNE 12-14

FRBC Summer Camp @ Big Trees Farm.....9:00a - 2:00p

ongoing events

If you have a graduating senior this semester, please submit their name, school, future plans, and their photo to the Church Office at 32hnco@gmail.com by no later than May 26th. We will be having a Graduation Recognition Sunday on June 2nd.