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My fellow disciples,

I have just completed the study, "Life Principles for Spiritual Warfare," by Eddie Rasnake. This study is one of the best approaches to Spiritual Warfare that I have found. It is very true to Scripture. It is completely Christ-centered. It is glorifying to God. It is well-thought through. There is even a lesson in which an honest look is taken at what one might call "questionable" practices of spiritual warfare.

In the words of the author, "As one reads the Gospel accounts, it doesn't take long to see that there seemed to be much more overt demonic activity in Palestine at the time of Christ than there is in Western Culture today. But that is not true for our world as a whole. Even Western culture is moving away from secular humanism with its emphasis on rationalism and the mind, toward a worldview some have called, "cosmic humanism" – a man-centered belief system with the added dimension of the supernatural. This evolving worldview is reflected in the rapid embracing and repackaging of Eastern mystic beliefs into what is called the New Age movement. It seems spiritual warfare is being discussed and taught more now than at any time in recent history. YET, much of what is being taught today about Satan and demons is erroneous and unbiblical. However, this increased attention given to the subject can be used of the LORD for good in that it can move all Christians to search out the Scriptures and determine what the Word really teaches about Satan and the Christian's response to him. It is not my heart to throw stones at particular doctrines or people. Rather it is my prayerful ambition to help believers shape convictions that are Biblical (From the Preface, "Life Principles for

Spiritual Warfare)."

I would like to invite you to be a part of this new small-group discipleship study beginning February 5, 2023. We will meet at 5:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday evenings for at least 7 weeks. Books are available in both front and back foyers of the Sanctuary. If possible, go ahead and get a book and get started. We will be discussing Lesson One on February 5. I hope to see you there.

Let me bring one more thing to your attention. The person who had been inputting weekly Sunday School attendance records is no longer doing so. Someone has now volunteered to temporarily take over the input of such records.

We will make sure that your Sunday School roll is available in your box in the Sunday School records room. Sunday School teachers, please make sure that someone in the class takes roll. Have that person place the attendance record into one of the offering boxes located in the sanctuary foyers. Thank you.

If you would like to volunteer to be the person who inputs the records on a long-term basis, please contact the church office. In the meantime, the staff and Leadership team, will continue to think and pray through possible alternatives for making sure our Sunday School records remain up to date. Thanks to every brother and sister who has volunteered or is volunteering to serve our LORD and His Church!

Serving together,

Byron

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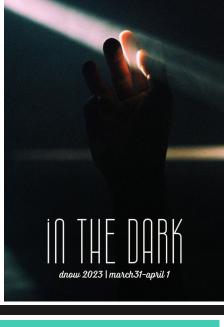
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Hey everyone!

I am so pumped for what's upcoming for our students and families. DNOW is scheduled for the end of March. The theme this year will be "In the Dark." We will do a deep dive into how not to grow stale in our faith as well as how we respond when things go wrong in our lives. And finally we will end our weekend looking at the areas of our lives that we leave in the dark. My prayer for this Disciple Now Weekend is that our students take that next step towards an independent faith that isn't reliant on parents or even me. Join me in beginning to pray for our students as DNOW weekend will be here before you know it.

Another big thing is that you don't want to miss is registration for Super Summer, Beach Camp, and Mission Arlington. You can sign up for all of these by going to our Facebook or Instagram (First Yazoo Students). I'm super excited to see an increase in our Sunday Night Bible Study attendance. We will begin our semester study through The Parables so if you're not plugged in, now would be a great time to join! As always.. if there is anything I can do, please feel free to reach out!



Tiki Broome Youth & Communications Pastor



Please don't forget about our Backpacks of Hope Ministry! Our stash is currently dwindling and we are desperate for your donations! Thanks for your continued support in this awesome ministry as we reach the community in this way.



\$1,275 was collected
from our 1/29 5th
Sunday Local
Benevolence Offering.

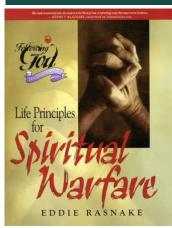
January Budget Offering

<u>Jan 1</u>	<u>Jan 8</u>	<u>Jan 15</u>	Jan 22	<u>Jan 29</u>	<u>Online Gifts</u>
\$5,536	\$8,639	\$8,698	\$10,348	\$13,111	\$13,153

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SUNDAY NIGHT STUDY WITH BYRON

Beginning Sunday, February 5th 5pm Book cost: \$12

Gifts were received for the following designated funds: Music Ministry in memory of Vernon Sikes Local Benevolence in memory of Rita Middleton Music Ministry in memory of Ruth Henley Backpacks of Hope Ministry in honor of Wendy Jordan



Joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, selfcontrol, and love. The Fruits of the Spirit.

Your kids are really missing out if you aren't getting them here on Wednesday night for our kids program, ELEVATE. We are halfway through our study on the Fruits! Get them here...come early for supper in the fellowship hall at 5:15. ELEVATE begins at 6 pm. Your kids will be through at 6:45.

I hope to see them right here!

Save the date! VBS 2023 at FBC will be the second full week of June.

June 12-16. Now, all you teachers and potential leaders and helpers, giving you the date this early is not giving you license to schedule something to do that week OTHER than VBS. No, we need you, so plan accordingly, please.

I have been asked and have accepted to serve on the MS Baptist State VBS Leadership Team and have already been to the national training conference so I can adequately train others. I guess that's why it is on my mind so early. Our teacher training is set for Monday, May 8 here at the church! Can I count on your help?





For months now, you've read my requests and encouragement to join the FBC Worship Choir. There have been a few that have obeyed God's call to do so and others who have come to me with questions and interest.

Maybe you are still thinking about it and wanting to serve but choir just isn't your thing. We

need help in our Media Ministry. What does that involve? Basically what you see and hear each Sunday...the words on the wall...the sound from the speakers...these things are crucial for each time we gather. We, at FBC, are blessed to have a gifted Sound man and a gifted Media servant but they both would be very, very, excited to show you how to do what they do each week and give you a real opportunity of service. It hurts their hearts to have to be absent knowing there are not many options to fill in for them. All you have to do is come forward and tell us. Do not think that you must possess expert knowledge in Sound engineering or ProPresenter before you can be used. These people will take the time to show you and train you as long as necessary.

Age preference would be High School and older. Please, haven't you sat on the pew and been a casual observer long enough? God's desire is to use you for His Kingdom's work. Come see me and let God do what He desires for you. John





Wednesday Night Suppers continue to be an awesome time of good food & even better fellowship! Don't forget to make your reservations and join us at 5:15 each week at \$5/plate. Also, we need your help! We are in need another team to join the rotation! If you'd be interested in helping out in this way, please contact Tiki! We'd like to see this ministry continue.

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Sunday Activities

Sunday School—9:40am Worship—10:50am PM Activities—5pm

Wednesday Activities

Men's Prayer Breakfast-6:30am Bible Studies & Prayer Meeting- 6:00 Choir Rehearsal-6:50

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 GRUNDING Day	3	4
5 Sunday Night Bible Study with Byron begins	6	7	8	9 Galentine Floral Workshop-6pm	10	11
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19	20 PRESIDENTS	21	22	23	24 Women's Mini @ Broadmoor	25 stry Conference
26	27	28		<u>of the week</u> : 5—Mike Dav 9—Roy Harris, 26—Geor <u>c</u>		

WATCH US LIVE ONLINE SUNDAYS AT 10:50!

Sunday morning services are available **LIVE** online. You can watch the service by going to www.fbcyazoo.org and clicking on the "Live Stream" on our home page. We are also Live on Facebook each week!



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