

Offering

When you give to First Baptist Griffin, you positively impact the lives of people throughout your community and around the world. Giving can take many forms in our church — gifts of time, talents, presence, service, prayer, as well as financial resources. If you choose to give a monetary gift, we invite you to leave your gift in the offering plate, mail it to FBC Griffin, P.O. Box 908, Griffin, GA 30224, or consider giving online at our website: fbcgriffin.org/give. You may also text “fbcgriffin” to 833-245-5264 or scan the QR code below to give. Thank you for choosing to support the church and its ministries, both here and abroad.

Giving Envelopes

Envelopes are available in the back of Morgan Hall for tithes and offerings. We invite you to pick one up or ask an usher for help if you need a giving envelope.

Text “fbcgriffin” to 833-245-5264 (OR) Scan the QR Code to Give



What does an offering of service look like?

The Long Sunday School class has taken on a mission project this year to provide for the restoration of three wells in Africa. Pictured below is the second completed well restoration (the before picture on the left and the after picture on the right). Prior to restoration, the old well left drinking water open to contamination, which can cause illness. Now the water is safer and cleaner for the community.



Your Giving in Action

We regularly spotlight ministries that are supported in part (or in full) by your contributions to the regular budget at First Baptist Griffin. If you would like to read more stories like this one, please visit our website: fbcgriffin.org/your-giving-in-action.

Life Song
by Lori Harvey

Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs up: do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. (Isaiah 43:19)

A faithful FBC lady used this verse as a devotion during the last week of the spring session of Lifesong. These words certainly hold truth for what is going on within Lifesong Ministries, which meets here at FBC. For those of you who are not aware, Lifesong Ministries is a non-profit Christian Women’s Job Corp. This ministry was formed with the purpose of educating, encouraging, and empowering women. It provides no-cost training and life skills to women who desire to change their lives but lack resources.

Lifesong Ministries was begun in 2007 by Nancy Anderson. God gave her a heart and a vision for helping women who wanted to improve their lives. Originally, the classes were held at New Mercy Baptist Church, but since 2021 our church has been the ministry’s home. Although many women within our church and others from the community work together, Jenny Flowers is the chairman of the ministry, and she is a certified teacher for the Jobs for Life program. Classes are held twice a year with two eight-week sessions, one in the spring and one in the fall. Our church even has a designated Lifesong classroom and office on the third floor.

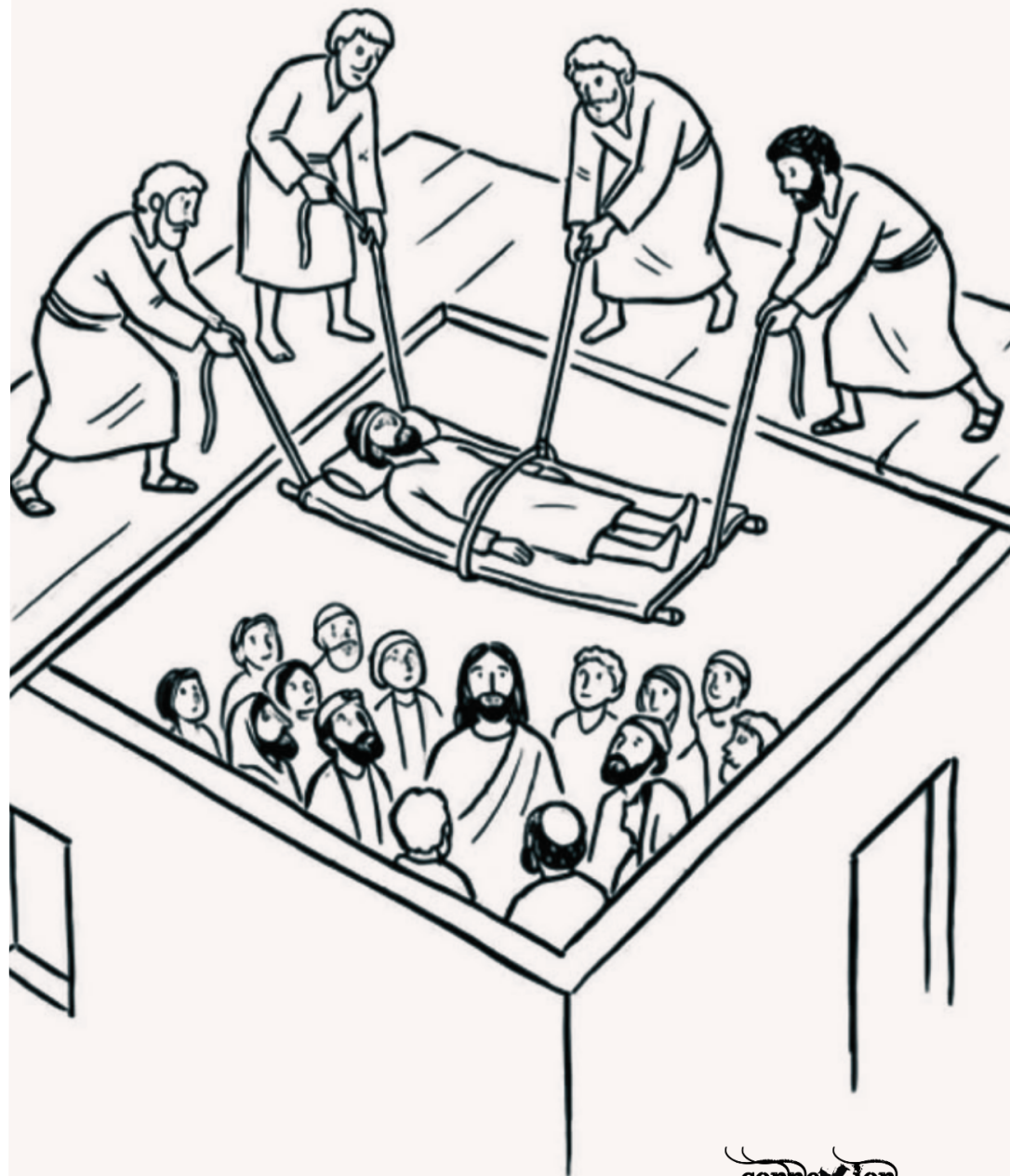
During these eight-week sessions, the women in these classes learn about jobs, resources, and opportunities within our community. They are taught computer skills, interview skills, and financial training, as well as much more. Each student takes a personality assessment to help them decide on a career goal. They also develop a resume and get advice, from numerous professionals within the community from healthcare to banking. Most importantly, biblical principles are incorporated into every aspect of training. It is truly amazing to see all that goes on over the course of eight weeks and how much these women grow and change in the process.

Vital Signs

As part of our Your Giving in Action series, at the end of each installment, we report on average attendance and financial informatino available since the last report.

The Numbers for March 2026
Budget: \$122,500
Budget received: \$108,298.38
Expenses: \$110,352.69
Difference: (\$2,054.51)

Average Attendance for March 2026
Celebration Worship: 161
Connexion Worship: 138
Sunday School: 168



Connexion Worship

May 10, 2026

Tear Off the Roof

Ellee Hilley preaching

*Great Are You Lord
Way Maker
Tear Off the Roof
Run to the Father
Jesus Paid It All*

Scripture Reading

Mark 2:1-12

Marian Sorensen

A few days later, when Jesus entered Capernaum, the people heard that he had come home. ² They gathered in such large numbers that there was no room left, not even outside the door, and he preached the word to them. ³ Some men came, bringing to him a paralyzed man, carried by four of them. ⁴ Since they could not get him to Jesus because of the crowd, they made an opening in the roof above Jesus by digging through it and then lowered the mat the man was lying on. ⁵ When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralyzed man, "Son, your sins are forgiven." ⁶ Now some teachers of the law were sitting there thinking to themselves, ⁷ "Why does this fellow talk like that? He's blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?" ⁸ Immediately Jesus knew in his spirit that this was what they were thinking in their hearts, and he said to them, "Why are you thinking these things? ⁹ Which is easier: to say to this paralyzed man, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up, take your mat and walk?' ¹⁰ But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins." So he said to the man, ¹¹ "I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home." ¹² He got up, took his mat and walked out in full view of them all. This amazed everyone and they praised God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this!"

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon Notes

Listen to hymns and worship music this week that correspond to today's sermon by going to Ellee's Spotify playlist (requires free signup) at

Shortlink: <https://qrto.org/HTO82E>

Or scan the QR code:



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What's Happening @ FBC

Childcare

Childcare for babies through age 3 is available on the preschool hall. Children in preschool through 5th grade are invited to come forward during the Time for Children. Following this time, children are invited to join the Children's Leader for a time of worship in Room 207. Parents should pick their children up immediately following worship from Room 207.

Women's Ministry Annual Women's Retreat at Callaway Gardens

Ladies, registration for the women's event of the year is open! Get away with us to Callaway Gardens from October 23-25, 2026 (with an optional day on October 22). Learn more about the retreat at our website: fbcgriffin.org/womens-retreat.

Graduate Recognition

Is someone in your household (associated with FBC) graduating this year? We want to celebrate with you! Please let us know by completing a brief questionnaire at <https://bit.ly/fbcgraduate26>.

May Mission Offering

Each year during the month of May, we encourage giving to our Church Mission Offering. This offering supports local ministries like the Spalding Samaritans who serve people in our community living on the edge of poverty — particularly senior citizens, those on fixed incomes, those who have lost their job, and those who cannot work. Please pray for the Spalding Samaritans volunteers and for the individuals they serve. You may support them financially either by giving to our Church Mission Offering, or give to the ministry directly by mailing your contribution to Spalding Samaritans, Inc., P.O. Box 2097, Griffin, GA 30224.

VBS Registration

Kingdom Quest Vacation Bible School is scheduled for June 8 through 11th from 9:00 a.m. to noon each day. Registration is open online at fbcgriffin.org/childrens-ministry.

Wednesday Nights

The Wednesday fellowship meal on May 13 — our final gathering for the spring groups — will be fried chicken, potato salad, macaroni and cheese, and cookies. Join us at 5:00 p.m. in Morgan Hall. Learn more & RSVP at fbcgriffin.org/wednesday-nights.

Sign Up to Help in the Community Garden

The Community Garden is ready for action, and we need your help to tend it through the growing season. You can sign up for a week at this link: <https://bit.ly/fbcgarden26>.

Veterans' Information

Help us celebrate our veterans this year! If you or your loved one affiliated with FBC are a veteran, then we want to recognize your service. Please complete the brief survey found at <https://bit.ly/fbcvets26>.

Floral Arrangements

If you would like to place flowers in the church in honor or memory of a loved one, please contact Alice Blake or call the church office.

Welcome

If you are a guest, please fill out the information below and drop it in the offering basket.

Name

How can we contact you? (email or phone)

Prayer Request

How can we pray for you?

Would you like for us to share this request with the congregation?

Yes No



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