

Faith Bible College Fall 2023 President's Letter



Dr. Kevin Newman
President

Cellphones have become indispensable. But it is still possible to drop a call. Sometimes we move to a location where we have no signal, or maybe we hang up unintentionally. Either way, we drop the call. We are asking you to make sure that Faith Bible College does not Drop the Call because God is making connections!

Local Connections – For over 25 years God has been using Faith Bible College to connect with students in the Hampton Roads area. FBC now offers three degrees: a Certificate in Biblical Studies, an Associate of Biblical Studies, and a Bachelor of Biblical Studies and Ministry. All of our courses are Hybrid in nature meaning that students can attend in person or via Zoom. We also held our very first Faith Positions Forum last January and are planning our second forum for this coming January.

National Connections – The advantage of our hybrid classes is that they allow students anywhere in the country to attend FBC. We are also producing more online (self-paced, independent study) courses as well. Our online classes allow anyone with an internet connection to pursue a degree or take a class from anywhere in the United States.

International Connections – Perhaps the most exciting connections God is making are outside of our normal confines. God has already opened a door for FBC to minister to a number of students in Pakistan. One class has already been translated into Urdu and another is being taught live through Zoom. There are also possibilities of reaching people in Vietnam, Mexico, and the Middle East. In addition to that, FBC is now exploring how to offer classes in other languages. One course is currently being translated into Spanish, and we hope to be able to produce not only a Spanish language track, but ones in Mandarin, Tagalog (the Philippines), and other foreign languages for those here and abroad.

All of these connections depend on us not Dropping the Call. Please continue to give to Faith Bible College. We are in need of better equipment and increasing partnerships to walk through the doors that God has opened. You can help by donating to Faith Bible College now and on Giving Tuesday (November 28). We also need your prayers, and any connections that you can provide for us as well. Another way that you can keep the call from being dropped is remembering FBC in your Planned Giving and Estate Planning.

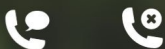


God is Making Connections!

We don't want to Drop the Call...



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God promises in Isaiah 55:11 that His Word will not return empty, but it will accomplish the purpose He desires. God is making connections for Faith Bible College to send out His Word all around the world! Please partner with us to help His Word accomplish the purpose He desires, locally, nationally and internationally.

In His Service,

Kevin

Dr. Kevin D. Newman, ThD
President

A Word from our President Emeritus



*Dr. Hap Struthers
President Emeritus*

Dear friends of FBC,

Life is filled with storms, both physical and spiritual! While in the Navy back in 1960 I was stationed aboard a ship in Yokosuka, Japan. A typhoon was rapidly approaching and our Captain moved the ship into the middle of the bay to a typhoon anchorage. We threw over four anchors, two off the bow and two off the stern of the ship so that no matter which way the wind was blowing, the ship was securely anchored. As I read Psalm 100, I noted four spiritual anchors that will securely protect us through the storms we assuredly and ultimately face in life.

1st Anchor: God is God! Vs. 3 says, *Know that the LORD is God.* The word God is Elohim in Hebrew and brings out the sovereignty of God. This means that He has absolute power, absolute control, absolute knowledge, and absolute love. I wish I had time to unpack each of these unfathomable truths but what an anchor! **God is God!** Our goal at FBC is that our students have this truth imbedded in their hearts and minds.

2nd Anchor: God is good! Vs. 5 says, *For the LORD is good!* God clearly states His goodness in Jeremiah 29:11: *'For I know the plans that I have for you,' declares the LORD, 'plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope.'* What an anchor for you and our students! **God is good!**

3rd Anchor: God is with us! The Hebrew word for LORD is Yahweh. The name Yahweh brings out two truths about God which He revealed to Moses in Exodus 3, namely, relationship and presence. For the first time, God calls the nation *My people!* Folks, we're God's kids and He is going to take care of us. Moses is asked by God to lead His people out of Egypt. Moses responds, *No way, LORD; I can't do it!* God responds, *I will be with you!* When the inevitable storms hit, just remember who is at your side, your heavenly Daddy, Abba Father! What an anchor! **God is with us!**

4th Anchor: God is our Shepherd! Vs. 3: *We are His people (relationship) and the sheep of His pasture!* WOW! Our Shepherd! Shepherds protect, guide, provide, comfort and just take care of their sheep. Jesus says in John 10:14. *I am the good Shepherd, and I know My own and My own know Me.* Jesus knows me, my weaknesses, my cares, my frustrations, and yes, my storms. **God is our Shepherd!** What an anchor!

As I stated above, our goal at FBC is to help our students and those to whom they will minister the rest of their lives, to have these four truths imbedded in their spiritual DNA. Storms, opportunities, challenges of every spectrum will be encountered in life's journey, **but these four anchors deeply rooted in our hearts and entrenched in the Holy of Holies will not only keep us from the rocks of worry and failure, but enable us to be more than conquerors** (Romans 8:37) **in every challenge we face.** *We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain.* Hebrews 6:19.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support of Faith Bible College as we continue to proclaim these amazing and life-changing anchors to both our students and to a storm tossed world so desperately needing anchors for their souls!

Because of Him,

Hap

B.H. Struthers, PhD
President Emeritus