



### Family Fall Carnival: Wednesday, October 30 from 5:30-8:30pm

Sign up to help with this fun filled night of games, prizes, food and giant obstacle course. This is a great opportunity to serve the children in our community. It would be great if you also plan to wear a modest, non-scary costume!



### Come Help Serve With Metro Relief at Budget Suites

Meet at the FBC Foyer at 5:30pm any Friday Then ride the church minibus to Budget Suites to help serve and play with the kids. Get your parents to go with you too.



### High School Fall Retreat: November 15-16; Cost: \$65

Speaker: James Barfield  
Worship: Halton Pecoraro

Mt. Lebanon Camp: Friday 5pm to Saturday 10pm. We will have worship, Bible Study, Challenge Course, Rec Time. Friends are welcome to attend. Registration forms will be available soon.



### Sifford's 10th Grade Mexican Fiesta & Movie Night



This Saturday, October 12 from 6-10pm There will be games, prizes, taco time and movie night so invite a friend to come. The Sifford's Home: 2667 Greyhawk Dr., Little Elm Please bring \$5 if you can for food, etc.



### Family Night At Chick-fil-a: Tuesdays from 5:30-10pm

Put your receipt in the FBC Box or tell the server in the drive thru.



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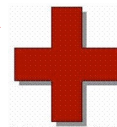


# THE HARBOR



## Vision

Wednesday  
October 9, 2019



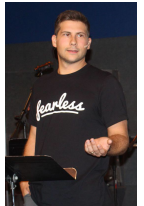
### LIFE: Wednesdays: 7-8:15pm in The Harbor! Welcome Middle School Parents!

This is a time of worship and message. Points are given for attendance, memorizing Scripture, participation & winning the games, bringing 2 food items, and inviting guest who attend.



### Middle School DCamp: October 18-20—Cost: \$65

Sign up in The Harbor!  
This is a special weekend of Bible Study, worship, recreation & ministry. You will be staying in various homes from members of FBCTC. The speaker is Hunter Pecoraro & worship is with the LIFE Band. Invite your friends to come to this awesome weekend! Registration packets are in The Harbor and online. You can register & pay online. Don't miss out on this great time!



### Youth Community Groups: 9am- The Harbor

Sunday Lesson Passage: Ephesians 4:1-10  
Worship Service in the Sanctuary at 10:30am

### Youth Choir: Wednesdays from 8:30-9:15pm in the Sanctuary

The Youth Musical will be Sunday, March 8 at 6pm.

### Pier 7 Meets on Sunday Afternoons

This is a time for recreation from 4-:45pm and then have Sermon Based Bible Study from 4:45-6pm. Bring your Bible!

## Knowing the Truth: Three Hopes of a Believer

### 1 John 3:1-3

1 John 3:1-3, "See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. 2 Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. 3 And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure."

#### 1. A believer has hope because of the love of the Father. (1)

1 John 3:1, "See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him."

Romans 5:8, "but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

- As a believer, do you realize the hope that you truly have as because of the love of your heavenly Father? \_\_\_\_\_
- Have you as a believer stopped being in "awe" of God and His love for you? \_\_\_\_\_
- What are some things you have seen in your life that show the "awe" of God as well as His love for you as a believer? \_\_\_\_\_

#### 2. A believer has hope at becoming more like Christ. (2)

1 John 3:2, "Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is."

1 Corinthians 15:49-53, "Just as we have borne the image of the earthy, we will also bear the image of the heavenly. 50 Now I say this, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. 51 Behold, I tell you a mystery; we will not all sleep, but we will all be changed, 52 in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet; for the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. 53 For this perishable must put on the imperishable, and this mortal must put on immortality."

Philippians 1:6, "And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ."

- As a believer, are you daily becoming more like Christ? If so, in what ways? \_\_\_\_\_
- In your walk with Christ are you spending time in God's Word daily so that you can be more like Christ? If not, what can you do to change that? \_\_\_\_\_

- Are you wasting time on things of the world instead of taking time to grow spiritually? If so, what can you do to have greater focus on the things of God? \_\_\_\_\_
- Do you know for sure that you are a believer and will receive this new imperishable body when Christ returns? \_\_\_\_\_

#### 3. A believer has hope that is characterized by purity. (3)

1 John 3:3, "And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure."

Romans 8:29, "For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers."

1 Corinthians 13:12, "For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known."

Romans 8:14-18, "For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. 15 For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" 16 The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, 17 and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him. 18 For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us."

- As a believer, do you have the hope of seeing Jesus? \_\_\_\_\_
- Does this hope cause you to be pure like Jesus? If not, what is keeping you from striving for purity in your life? \_\_\_\_\_
- As a believer, do you want to be more and more like Jesus every day? If not, what is hindering you? \_\_\_\_\_
- Are you flippant about sin or does the love of God move you to keep from sinning? If that love isn't there, ask God to help you with loving Him more so that you don't keep sinning. \_\_\_\_\_

#### Think About It:

As a believer it's time to move from this same stage of a worldly "spiritual walk" by allowing the Holy Spirit to put a hope in you because of the love of the Father, a desire to be more like Christ and a life that demonstrates purity. Christ Jesus is everything the children of God should want to be.

- As a believer, do you have this hope of being like Jesus? \_\_\_\_\_
- Are you allowing the Holy Spirit to move in your life or are you resisting? \_\_\_\_\_
- Ask God to show you areas of your life that you are resisting at being more like Jesus. \_\_\_\_\_