



Pike Wisner
Senior Pastor
Church Office
903.595.1021

Bible Study 9:30 am
Worship 10:45am
Church Office Hours
Closed
Until further notice

Communicator www.fbctyler.org March 31, 2020

## **TWW Updated Reporting**

Total Goal \$4.2M

Total Gifts Received \$ 1,994,498.82

Total Pledges Outstanding \$781,965.50

Total Pledges and \$ 2,776,464.32

MARCH 31, 2020

Bible Study Attendance NA

2020 Budget Giving

YTD Budget \$425,750.00

YTD Received \$378,232.82

## What Is Happening Through FBC?

I hope you have been able to join us on Facebook live over the past two weeks. We have live-streamed three Sunday morning services from our campus as well as two Wednesday night Bible studies from my home. Since we cannot physically be together for worship, fellowship and ministry, I want to keep you informed of what we ARE able to do through our church.

Streaming from Sanctuary: This past Sunday we streamed from our newly renovated Sanctuary. We utilized our new sound and camera systems to do so. While we are still learning, our viewers got to have a completely different experience with us. While this has been in the works for years, how thankful to God I am that these systems are in place, for such a time as this! If you have not been able to join us "live," you can still visit our Facebook page or website to experience the recorded services.

**Tyler Family Assistance Center:** TFAC provided emergency food boxes last week through another assistance ministry, St. Paul's. This week, we were able to provide food from the TFAC facility using a drivethrough distribution system approved by the East Texas Food Bank.

Sunday Morning Bible Studies Online: Our Student Ministry is providing online teaching throughout the week and on Sundays. Our Children's Ministry now has a designated Facebook page. And, most of our adult classes are also "meeting" electronically in an effort to stay connected.

**Sewing Hope**: No longer are the efforts of this ministry just for those in Nepal, but are now blessing our local community by producing hygiene masks. Over 20 people are involved in cutting, sewing, packaging and distributing these masks to those in need. They plan to continue and may need more help, especially as the medical community continues to have greater need.

Your Staff: We had our second Zoom staff meeting today. Previously – the ministerial staff met at the church maintaining our "social distance." We continue to hear from God's Word, pray, plan, and evaluate together. As you know – this virus has us adjusting daily to how to "be church." In fact, as I typed this article, I learned of Governor Abbott's closing of schools through May 1. Your staff is an amazing assembly of brothers and sisters. We appreciate your prayers and encouragement.

In the midst of ALL this - I'm powerfully reminded of Paul's admonition to the church at Rome: be devoted to one another in love, honor one another, keep your spiritual fervor and... "Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer." (From Romans 12:9-12)

Let's encourage one another all the more, as we see the Day approaching! (Hebrews 10:25)

Grateful to walk through this with you,

