

Our Ministries @FIRST connect you to God's word, His work and His people. @FIRST you have opportunities to grow in your relationship with Christ and make a true difference. I pray that you take advantage of the opportunities that God has provided you @FIRST.



Let me hear from you! I would love to hear your stories or ideas... tcaffery@fccabq.org

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Service Times

Traditional Worship
9:00am

Contemporary Worship
10:30am

Classes
9:00am & 10:30am

Kidz Ministry
9:00am & 10:30am

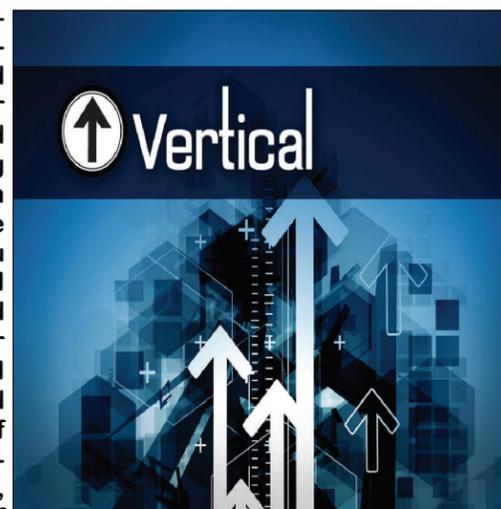
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NEWS & VIEWS

FEBRUARY 2012

2012 is going to be a great year of opportunities @FIRST!

I look forward to seeing God move in our lives and watching you grow in Him. I write this with you in mind. I have prayed over your name. I have prayed for some of your specific needs, prayers of blessing, but especially for your spiritual growth. I am praying that each of you will go Vertical.



Jesus teaches us to go Vertical.

Our current teaching series is focusing on this very fact. Jesus teaches us a pattern of prayer which lifts us to spend time with Our Father. The Proverbs teach that without a clear word from God, people will perish. In these times of economic challenges, political patronizing, family, social and cultural imbalances we need a clear word from God.

Jesus says to hear His voice.

God has spoken to us through the Scripture. His Word gives us the provision to help us discern and the promises which nurture our relationship with Him. We cannot grow in our relationship with our Father without hearing His voice.

Jesus says to use our voice.

He teaches the radical idea of intimacy with the Father. Once we go vertical we are now in the realm of His kingdom. We worship Him, we are open to hearing His voice, and we are moved to engage in His kingdom work as He cares for our every need.

My prayer for you is to stop wandering and go Vertical. ...Continued on page 4

Kidz Act

Kidz Act Begins February 12th @ 4:30

The kids will be working on a musical "Everyday Heroes." It has the stories of Gideon, Esther and Nehemiah. Performance is scheduled for Sunday morning May 6. So plan to attend now and don't be left out of all the fun of singing, dancing and acting like some pretty cool Bible characters.



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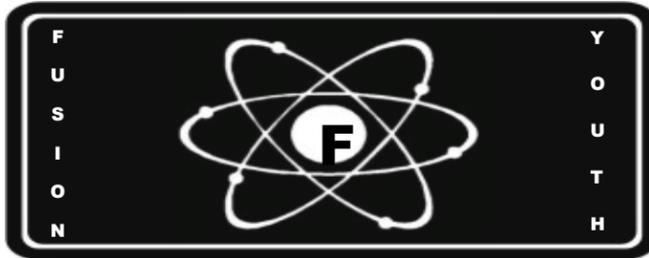
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FATHER Daughter



Dance

FEBRUARY 11
7:00PM-9:00PM



Growing up I used to love to play outside. We would ride bikes, play hide and seek, build forts, etc. We had some established rules for playing outside. My outside rules were: If a car is coming, get out of the street. Don't go onto another street, stay on ours. Don't talk to strangers. Don't go into anyone else's house without coming home and telling mom first. We could play for hours outside, but we had to keep the rules in mind. Today kids don't play outside very much, much of their "play time" is spent online. With that in mind, Fusion would like to remind parents to set "online rules" with the young people. Here are some good starting points built by a panel of teachers and teens working together:

Think before you post or text -- a bad reputation could be just a click away. Before you press the "send" button, imagine the last person in the world that you'd want seeing what you post.

What goes around comes around. If you want your privacy respected, respect others' privacy. Posting an embarrassing photo or forwarding a friend's private text without asking can cause unintended hurt or damage to others.

Spread heart, not hurt. If you wouldn't say it in person, don't say it online. Stand up for those who are bullied or harassed and let them know that you're there for them.

Don't take candy from strangers. This rule still applies today. If you don't know them, don't accept gifts, downloads, or plan to meet them. Be very careful who you talk to and don't give out your private information to people you don't know.

Give and get credit. We're all proud of what we create. Illegal downloading, digital cheating, and cutting and pasting other people's stuff may be easy, but that doesn't make it right. You have the responsibility to respect other people's creative work -- and the right to have your own work respected.

Make this a world you want to live in. Spread the good stuff. Create, share, tag, comment, and contribute to the online world in positive ways.



Wednesday Nights 7:00pm / Sunday Nights 6:00pm

UPCOMING

February 5th : Youth Super Bowl Party
 March 16th-18th : CIY Believe *

* Youth going to Believe need to have their \$150 in by February 8th

Nepali Gospel Program



Bikash Darjee, our Nepali Ministry Leader, his brother Prakash and all the members of the Darjee family hosted a Gospel Program on January 14th. Nepali guests from Atlanta and Denver traveled to our campus @FIRST to participate with song, dance, testimony and Gospel preaching.

Local Nepalese, Indian and Bhutanese were in attendance and heard an evangelistic message from God's Word. It is estimated that only 15% of Nepali/Bhutanese families in Albuquerque know Jesus as Savior. The message was given in Nepalese and translated into English for our FCC guests.

Our Nepali Christian youth beautifully danced to the Lord using cultural and contemporary pieces. The entire Darjee family, which is made up of three families, provided and prepared the food for cooking. The evening ended with a delightful dinner of Nepali and Bhutanese cuisine.

Our Nepalese service meets on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. in the Chapel.

Senior Saints

FEBRUARY OUTINGS

February 2nd : Lunch at The Owl
 Van leaves for Bosque del Apache At 8:00
 February 16th: Vic's on Osuna at 9:00

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come! wednesday night dinner enjoy!

WND is Back!

Starting February 1st

Women's

BOOK CLUB

February 23rd The Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins
 March 29th Stiff by Mary Roach (non-fiction)
 April 26th The Serpent's Tale by Ariana Franklin
 May 31st Princess by Jean Sasson (non-fiction)

Contact Church Office for locations

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Spring Calendar

February 4th :7am @ First
 February 18th: 7am @ First
 February 24th: 7pm Guys Night Out
 1st Annual Mancathalon @ First
 March 3rd: 7am @ First / Service Project
 March 17th : 7am @ First
 April 7th: 7am @ First / Help with Egg Hunt
 April 21st: 7am @ First / Hike at Petroglyphs
 May 5th: 7am @ First
 May 19th: 7am @ First

Next New Members Class

February 26th @ 6:00 pm in the chapel

Join Pastors Tom & Mike as they answer the most frequent questions asked by guests @ First

*What kind of church are you @ First?

*How do you become a Christian?

*What is baptism?

*What is communion?

*Why become a member of a church?

-Register at the Connect counter or e-mail Pastor Mike mdean@fccabq.org -

Want a Partner in Prayer?

Our spiritual leaders are ready to pray with you and partner with you in seeking God for your needs. They have set aside the last Sunday evening of every month to pray with and for you. James 5:13-20 teaches to seek out our spiritual leaders for prayer, confessions, petitions and intercessions. The prayer time is a come and go format which allows for you to share your need, pray and then be on your way.

Elders' Prayer Time

Sunday, February 26, 6PM

FIRSTFruits
February 5th

Loose Change

Lose Hunger

Bring in your loose change the first Sunday of each month.