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*"Let the elders who rule well be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in preaching and teaching." 1 Tim 5:17*



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**Hold Fast Series**  
Hold Fast Amongst the Critics Acts 22:22-23:35

**Dr. Brian Stowe**  
February 2, 2025

To hold fast amongst the critics,

**1. Trust God's** \_\_\_\_\_ 22:22-23:10.

A. God protected Paul from the religious leaders and the Roman soldiers.

*"It is not our mistakes that do us in; it's our pride that keeps us from admitting them"*

- Ogilvie

B. To trust God's protection does not mean He will exclude us from troubles and uncertainty. Neither does trusting God's protection mean that we should not use means and methods that will benefit us.

**2. Trust God's** \_\_\_\_\_ 23:11-22.

A. God never backs away from His promises.

HOWEVER,

B. Be assured that testing will come to determine if you will trust God's promise.

**3. Trust God's** \_\_\_\_\_ 23:23-35.

A. Though God's plan may be simple to say, it's not easy to see how it will come to pass.

B. The greatest decision you will make in your life is to trust God's plan - the good, the bad; the certain and the uncertain.

*"Brian, have a soft heart and a tough hide - and don't get them confused."*

**One step further**

**In my walk with Christ I will**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Him with my soul.

2. \_\_\_\_\_ one promise from Scripture that will help me through my current struggle/dilemma.

3. \_\_\_\_\_ Him.

**In my walk with others I will**

4. Be a \_\_\_\_\_, not a hindrance in their walk with Jesus.

5. Have a \_\_\_\_\_ heart toward others as well as a tough hide.  
I will focus on ministry to anyone over church politics.

## Our Pastor



Dr. Brian Stowe came to First Baptist in 2013. He and his wife Bonnie have four children: Sarah, Hannah, Andrew, and Elizabeth. Pastor Brian earned his Doctorate in Ministry from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. He also holds a Master of Divinity from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from Georgia Institute of Technology.

February 02, 2025

# HOLD FAST

THE BOOK OF ACTS



*Leading people beyond "just good enough" to experience L.I.F.E. in Christ.*

February 9 | 11:45 AM

- FREE luncheon
- Meet the pastors
- Learn about our church
- Get all of your questions answered

Register at [fbcpc.com/starting-point](http://fbcpc.com/starting-point)



RAMSEY  
**FinancialPeace**  
UNIVERSITY

Wednesdays | Feb 5 - April 9  
6 PM | Mod 7  
Register online at [fbcpc.com](http://fbcpc.com)

Learn *God's ways*  
of handling money.

## This Week

### SUNDAY 02.02

8, 9 & 10:30 AM | Small Groups  
9 & 10:30 AM | Worship Services

### MONDAY 02.03

6 PM | REACH | The Commons

### TUESDAY 02.04

8 AM | Seniors in Motion | Mod 2  
6 PM | The Hill | The Landing

### WEDNESDAY 02.05

6 PM

Preschool

Awana | The Commons

Student Ministry | The Landing

GriefShare | Mod 6

Financial Peace | Mod 7

6:15 PM

Core Beliefs for Daily Living | 113-114

Women's Bible Study | 111-112

Men's Ministry | Mod 2

Rooted | 109

Orchestra Rehearsal | Mod 1

6:30 PM

Worship Choir Rehearsal | Worship Center

### THURSDAY 02.06

8 AM | Seniors in Motion | The Commons  
6:30 PM | English Bible Study\* | (John Foxx)

### FRIDAY 02.07

8:30 AM | Mom's Ministry | 110  
9 AM | Women's Bible Study | 111-112  
6 PM | Night to Shine | The Commons

\* = 105 E. Baker St. (El Aposento Alto)

### MINISTERIO HISPANO

105 E. Baker St. (El Aposento Alto)

### LOS DOMINGOS:

9 AM | Servicio en Español

11 AM | Escuela Dominical

### LOS MIERCOLES:

6:15 PM | Estudio Biblico en Español

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## Vitals

IN MEMORY OF:

**BECKY MCINTOSH**

Rolly Rollyson

**HAP CARSON**

Rolly Rollyson

**RUTH ANN FOSTER**

James & Karen Tinsley

**JUDY BRAY**

Bettye Jean Manee

Ivan & Dorinda Cardwell

Rolly Rollyson

**LUCILLE HALL**

Ivan & Dorinda Cardwell

Mark & Felicia McDonald

Mike & Jeannine Fisher

Bill & Diane Morrow

**BERNIE CATON**

Mike & Jeannine Fisher

Ann Venning

Rolly Rollyson

Billy & Carol Simmons

## Giving

### STATISTICS (01.26.2025)

Budget Rec'd: \$ 76,283.32  
 Budget Req'd: \$ 102,711.00  
 To Date Budget Rec'd: \$ 1,910,977.89  
 To Date Budget Req'd: \$ 1,746,087.00  
 Building Debt: \$ 590,145.22

### IT'S TIME

IT'S TIME RECEIPTS: \$ 6,865.00  
 Pledges: \$ 5,009,529.00  
 Receipts to Date: \$ 2,456,828.10



Our love for God shows in many ways, including how we use the resources He has given us. You can give in the receptacles at each Worship Center entrance, on the church website ([FBCPC.com](http://FBCPC.com)), or through the church app ([FBCPC.com/Get-App](http://FBCPC.com/Get-App)).

LUNCH &  
LEARN  
FELLOWSHIP



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13  
11 AM - 1 PM | \$5  
THE COMMONS

Join us for an engaging class led by Nancy O'Conner, RN, FCN, from St. Joseph's Hospital as we explore how to keep ourselves healthy.

Register at [fbcpc.com/events](http://fbcpc.com/events) or call 813.752.4104



## Disaster Relief Information Lunch

February 16 | 11:45 AM | The Commons  
Guest speaker: David Coggins, State Director

register online at [fbcpc.com/events](http://fbcpc.com/events)



**small groups**  
MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE

Each week we offer opportunities that encourage learning about the Bible, our beliefs and the daily difference Christ makes in our lives. Learn and grow as part of a small group.

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For more info on upcoming events,  
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