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#### Office Hours:

M-Th 9am—3pm; F 9am—1pm

Early Celebration Service 8:30am  
 Sunday School 9:45am  
 Morning Worship 11:00am  
 Evening Worship 6:00pm  
 Wednesday 6:30pm



## DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN

### OLD TESTAMENT / NEW TESTAMENT

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|---------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-1  | Psalms 57-59; Romans 4  | <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-17 | Psalms 97-99; Romans 16          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-2  | Psalms 60-62; Romans 5  | <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-18 | Psalms 100-102; 1 Corinthians 1  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-3  | Psalms 63-65; Romans 6  | <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-19 | Psalms 103-104; 1 Corinthians 2  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-4  | Psalms 66-67; Romans 7  | <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-20 | Psalms 105-106; 1 Corinthians 3  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-5  | Psalms 68-69            | <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-21 | Psalms 107-109; 1 Corinthians 4  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-6  | Psalms 70-71; Romans 8  | <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-22 | Psalms 110-112; 1 Corinthians 5  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-7  | Psalms 72-73; Romans 9  | <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-23 | Psalms 113-115; 1 Corinthians 6  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-8  | Psalms 74-76            | <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-24 | Psalms 116-118; 1 Corinthians 7  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-9  | Psalms 77-78; Romans 10 | <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-25 | Psalms 119                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-10 | Psalms 79-80; Romans 11 | <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-26 | Psalms 120; 1 Corinthians 8      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-11 | Psalms 81-83            | <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-27 | Psalms 121-122; 1 Corinthians 9  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-12 | Psalms 84-86; Romans 12 | <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-28 | Psalms 123-125; 1 Corinthians 10 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-13 | Psalms 87-88; Romans 13 | <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-29 | Psalms 126-128                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-14 | Psalms 89-90; Romans 14 | <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-30 | Psalms 129-131; 1 Corinthians 11 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-15 | Psalms 91-93; Romans 15 | <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-31 | Psalms 132-134                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aug-16 | Psalms 94-96            |                                 |                                  |

**AUG 27 | 5PM**  
**BEACH BAPTISM**  
 Ocean Isle Beach  
 COMMUNITY CENTER  
 (NO EVENING SERVICES @ CHURCH)

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BEING BAPTIZED AT THE BEACH, CONTACT PASTOR BOB.

**SUN AUG 13**  
**8:30 & 11:00 AM**  
**LARRY HEUSTESS**  
**GIDEONS SPEAKER**

*Love offering for The Gideons International will be received.*

# How to Pick a Bible Translation, Part 2

This month I want to wrap up the three-part series I have written this summer on Bible translations by offering my opinion on specific translations.

The first thing to know is that not all so-called translations are, in fact, viable translations. For instance, the New World Translation of the Holy Scriptures was produced by the Watchtower Bible and Tract Society—that is, Jehovah’s Witnesses. It was designed to support their unique and incorrect readings of Scriptures, not to produce a Bible faithful to the text. So it is important to know that not every translation deserves even your consideration.

How do you know if you are getting a solid translation? I can offer at least one rule of thumb: If you cannot buy it at LifeWay, you probably shouldn’t buy it! LifeWay Christian Resources, the publishing and sales arm of the Southern Baptist Convention, only sells translations that are faithful to the biblical text.

As I mentioned last month, the best Bible translations, and most of those that we use and carry, were produced by a group of scholars who were born-again and faithful to the original languages of the Bible. So they were committed to accuracy and the work of God’s Spirit. So here are seven translations I would recommend and a little bit of information about them:

1. **The Authorized King James Version.** The KJV is still the standard for great translations. Its beautiful language is unsurpassed among modern translations. However, now over 400 years old, the English of the KJV is mostly out of use today. Also, many more Greek manuscripts, and the Dead Sea Scrolls, have been discovered since 1611, so more modern translations are needed as well.

2. **The New King James Version.** An update of the KJV, this translation keeps the distinctive of the KJV while updating the language where needed.

3. **The New American Standard Bible.** Still my favorite for personal study, which I explained in my June column, the NASB is a 1976 update of the 1901 American Standard Bible. It is simply one of the best, and most literal, translations available, especially for study. It was revised again in 1995 for smoother reading and to ensure accuracy to the original manuscripts in light of new discoveries, but the content basically remained the same.

4. **The New International Version.** Next to the KJV, the NIV is one of the most widely used and popular English translations in history. And, as I explained in the June column, it was a great translation for three decades. It is still a good translation, but in 2011 the NIV was updated to include more gender-neutral language. If you have the NIV and favor it, don’t give it up. But since 2011, there are better translations. The problem with changing the language in a Bible translation to be “gender-neutral” is that it ignores fidelity to the text and to history in favor of an agenda-driven decision to make people happy. Just my two cents.

5. **The English Standard Version.** The ESV is a 2001 update of the Revised Standard Version, and its follow-up, the New Revised Standard Version. The ESV has grown rapidly in popularity, especially among Christian college students. It is a strong translation that was designed to correct some problems with the NRSV, such as mistranslations of Old Testament passages. It is similar to the NASB and is a very good translation.

6. **The Holman Christian Standard Bible.** The HCSB was published first as New Testament in 1999, and then the full Bible in 2004. Published by the Southern Baptist Convention, the HCSB was produced by an interdenominational team of over 100 scholars and proofreaders who were all committed to biblical inerrancy. This translation was designed for readability and accuracy, but it also has a few unusual renderings. For instance, in places most readers are used to seeing “LORD,” the text uses the more literal “Yahweh.” And in the NT, “Messiah” was often used in place of the more familiar term “Christ.” For many readers, this hindered its use. So in 2017 an updated edition of the HCSB was issued and called---

7. **The Christian Standard Bible.** So now I have come full circle to my June column. The CSB is a strong, accurate, and readable update to the HCSB. The team of scholars who produced this translation simply returned to the HCSB and reinstated some of the wording which most evangelical readers find more familiar. I have been using the CSB in all of my preaching and teaching since May. I think it is one of the best translations now available.

So what should you do? If you are happy with your translation, and it is an accurate translation that is faithful to the original manuscripts of the Bible, there is no need to change. What matters more than anything is that you are reading and studying your Bible!

I hope this journey through Bible translations has been helpful to you. May the Lord bless you in your reading and study of His unchanging Word!

See you Sunday!

With love in Christ,

Pastor Bob



## Ministry Snapshot for August 2017

### message series

**Series:** When the Fire Falls: Experiencing the Power of God in Troubling Times  
**Sermon Podcasts Available**  
Listen or download messages preached at FBCS on our website or from iTunes™.

### leaders

**Annual Leadership Training**  
Aug 26 | 8:45 AM

All ministry leaders plan to attend as we prepare for the new church year. Light breakfast and lunch provided.

### prayer

**Prayer for Our State, Nation and Boston Mission Initiative**  
Tuesdays | 5:30 PM | Conference Rm

### youth

**Fall Retreat** | Sep 22-24  
Cost: \$125 | \$35 deposit due now

### women

**Ministry Meeting/Dinner**  
Next meeting in September  
*Jane Buffkin, Director*

**Dance for Joy**  
Mondays | 10:30 AM

### men

**Ministry Meeting/Dinner**  
August 21 | 6:30 PM  
*Larry Speakman, Director 269-3186*

### upward

**Fall Soccer Kickoff Celebration**  
Sept 2

### finance

**Building Fund Balance:** \$12, 592.28  
**2018 Budget Requests** | Due Aug 30

### worship

**Worship Care Openings**  
8:30AM & 11:00AM  
*Serve once per month. Background check required to serve in this ministry. Visit [fbcshallotte.org/iserve](http://fbcshallotte.org/iserve)*

**Beach Baptism** | Aug 27 | 5 PM

### missions

**LoveLoud Celebration**  
Aug 6 | 6 PM

**Summer Missions Celebration**  
Aug 9 | 6:30 PM (adults & youth worship together)

**Gideons International Speaker**  
Aug 13 | 8:30AM & 11 AM

**Erin Phelps Shares About Cambodia**  
Aug 30 | 6:30 PM

### SBIC

*Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms...1 Peter 4:10*

This month after 7 years of faithful assistance, our team leader, Clem Wurtz is moving on to serve wherever God is calling him. For the past 7 years Clem has gone to the food bank in Wilmington each month to pick up meat and other non-perishable food items for distribution to brothers and sisters in food distress at the food pantry.

Clem will leave an everlasting impression on those he served in the Father’s name; as well those from FBCS that he lead in service. For Clem always remembered the mission was much more than just serving food, it was to lift up the spirit of those who came to pantry to our Father in Heaven. Clem would begin by offering a devotional to those being served. From personal observation I can tell you Clem touched many in the name of God.

When he would transfer groceries to cars he would engage those whom we served, and many times he stopped instantly to pray for them. Then in following weeks those same brothers and sisters would seek Clem out to leave an update or to ask for additional prayer. He also remembered our team; each Saturday we served either he or his wife Joanie would lead us in prayer. God touched this servant in a special way, and in turn as Jesus commissioned each of us, Clem touched many in service to the Father.

I’ll miss my brother Clem, for to me he has been a mentor, a friend, and a reminder of what service to God looks like. Has he moves on to serve where God is calling him I offer this verse of thanksgiving for His service...

*Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me...John 12:26*



In His Love....  
Don Evans



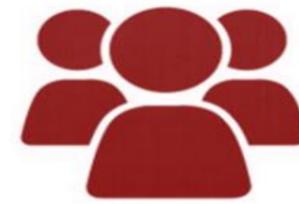
# LOVE THE WORLD

## Boston Mission Initiative

*FBCS is partnering with Milestone Church & Pastor Jay Mudd in Natick, MA!*

Milestone Church has 25 days to have their new worship space ready and they still need \$15,000 to complete the project. The funds are needed to outfit the connection area, three kids rooms and purchase chairs for the worship space.

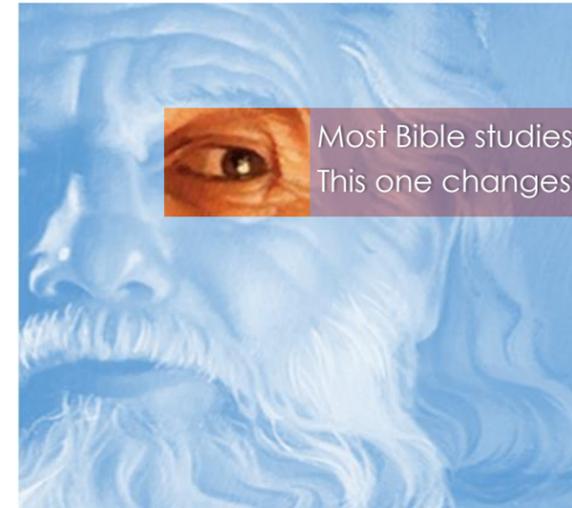
- ⇒ Pray for continued connections with people in MetroWest Boston.
- ⇒ Pray that God provides the right home at the right time for the Mudd family (Jay, Holly, Makayla, Adalynn, Louie, Zachary & Rhett). This has been a continued challenge for a large family in New England.



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## disciplelife classes

Wednesdays @ 6pm | Fellowship @ 5:30pm | [fbcshallotte.org/wed](http://fbcshallotte.org/wed)



Most Bible studies help people.  
This one changes them forever.

Sep 13—Dec 20

## EXPERIENCING GOD

Sep 13—Nov 29

READ THE BIBLE FOR **LIFE**

Your Guide to Understanding & Living God's Word

# LOVELOUD<sup>20</sup><sub>17</sub>

## Celebration Aug 6 at 6pm

Thank you FBCS for supporting LoveLOUD! God did wonderful things with 30 volunteers over five days with varied activities. We have received great responses from the Beach Reach and the Kindness Rock Project. The free lemonade and cookie give away was a hit! People were surprised it was free. Two seniors received help with their yards and were very appreciative. Thanks to Jim Hahn for his help with the bluebird houses. They were fun to work on and we still have some available for a donation to the Dominican Republic Mission trip.

Sep 13  
through  
Dec 20

## The Apostles' Creed

This is what kept Christians on the same page...  
Before the invention of the page.

**UPWARD**  
**SOCCER**  
*Games Kick-off Celebration*  
**SAT SEP 2**

FREE food & fun

Please see Pastor Mike if you would like to volunteer to help on opening day or any Saturday during the season (Sept–Oct).



# LOVE GOD

ALL MINISTRY LEADERS PLAN TO ATTEND AS WE PREPARE FOR THE NEW CHURCH YEAR. LIGHT BREAKFAST AND LUNCH PROVIDED.

**Aug 26**  
**8:45AM**

**LEADERSHIP TRAINING**

Join us for this study in the main Worship Center starting at 6:30 each Wed night.

*Zealous for God,  
Saved by*  
**grace**  
*The Life & Letters of Paul*

*through September 6*

5:30 K–4th Grade  
6:30 Mission Classes & Bible Study  
7:30 5th–12th Grade

**FUN DAY**  
**wednesday**

**Resumes**  
**Sept 13**

**Volunteers needed to supervise at 5:30 and 7:30. See Pastor Michael.**

**Sermon Series Continues in August**  
*listen online at [fbcshallotte.org/sermons](http://fbcshallotte.org/sermons)*

**WHEN THE FIRE FALLS**

Experiencing the Power of God in Troubling Times

*A Study of Elijah*

Fall Retreat Sept 22-24

**CHRISTIAN MUSIC DAY**

Christian Music Day at Carowinds  
(For King & Country, Crowder, Mac Powell from Third Day & more)  
& Whitewater Rafting

FBCS youth will stay at Flint Groves Baptist Church and join in fellowship with their youth.

Cost is \$125 (\$35 deposit due now)