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LEISURE TIMERS

Tuesday, February 17
10:15 AM in Chipley Hall

Come and enjoy a warm time of fellowship, a delicious lunch, and a special program with Scot Cameron and the Traditional Worship Staff. It's a wonderful opportunity to connect, laugh, and spend time together—make plans to join us for our next gathering!

Register at fbcp.org/events or call the church office at 850-433-5631.

MEN'S CLAY SHOOT

Saturday, February 21

Join us for a Men's Ministry Clay Shoot at Santa Rosa Shooting Center. Whether you come as an individual or with a team of four, all skill levels are welcome. Enjoy a great day of fellowship, friendly competition, and time outdoors. Register at fbcp.org/events.

ROYAL FAMILY KIDS

Tuesday, February 24
6 PM in the ROC

Join us for a Royal Family Kids Camp information meeting. If you are interested in serving and hearing more, we would love for you to join us!

UTAH MISSION TRIP

July 11-17, 2026

Join us for a Sports Camp at Valley Light Church in Salt Lake City. Registration deadline is May 1. If interested, sign up at fbcp.org/events. Open to high school age and older (younger participants must be accompanied by a parent).

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

Sunday, February 8

SANCTUARY – In memory of Dr. Leon Flowers, given by his wife Dolly and children; Shelly Flowers and Jeff Flowers.

KINGDOM PARTNER

Sunday, February 8

Franklin Avenue Baptist Church
8282 I-10 Service Rd South, New Orleans, LA 70126
Pastor - Dr. Fred Luther

FEBRUARY 8, 2026

TESTIFY

EXPERIENCING THE POWER, PRESENCE,
AND PURPOSE OF GOD IN ACTS



We glorify the Father by following the
Holy Spirit in sharing the story of Jesus.

"The Power in Community"
Acts 2:42-47

But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God. Acts 20:24, ESV

1. COMMUNITY IS BUILT THROUGH _____ (v. 42)

- a. "They devoted themselves..."
- b. What we commit to as a church shapes who we _____.
- c. "Believers are never told to become one; we already are one and are expected to act like it."
– Joni Eareckson Tada

Shared Practices:

- i. The Apostles' Teaching
- ii. Fellowship (life together)
- iii. The Breaking of Bread
- iv. Prayer

2. COMMUNITY IS SUSTAINED BY _____
(vv. 43–46)

- a. Who we become determines how we _____ one another.
- b. "True Holiness may begin between God and the soul, but it finds full expression in community with other people – other wonderful, glorious, frustrating, and sometimes offensive people." – Scott Hubbard

Marks of Changed Hearts:

- i. Awe (reverent fear of God)
- ii. God at work among His people
- iii. Generosity
- iv. Joyful and sincere hearts

3. COMMUNITY DISPLAYS A _____ (v. 47)

- 1. When we _____ the Holy Spirit together, God uses our community to _____ the story of Jesus.
- 2. "It is not your job to convince people that the gospel is true. It is your job to live convinced that it is."
– Unknown
- 3. "Our mission at FBCP: To glorify the Father by following the Holy Spirit in sharing the story of Jesus."

NOW WHAT?

This passage calls us to a way of life:

- 1. Shared practices
- 2. Changed hearts
- 3. A compelling witness

This is the power of community!