



NEXT STEPS CLASS

Discover Your Place At FBC Rincon

A PERSONAL WELCOME

I am glad you are here.

A note from Pastor Deek

Walking into a new church can be a little uncomfortable. You may not know where to go, who to talk to, or what everyone expects from you and coming to a class like this may feel like an even bigger step. So thank you for giving us part of your Sunday morning and allowing us to tell you a little more about our church.

People come to FBC Rincon for all kinds of reasons. Maybe a friend invited you. Maybe you recently moved to the area. Maybe you are looking for a church where your family can put down roots. You may be confident in what you believe, or you may still have plenty of questions. Maybe you have been out of church for a while and are now trying to find your way back. Wherever you are coming from, you are welcome here.

This class is not meant to be a sales pitch. We want to get to know you. We want to hear some of your story, answer your questions honestly, and help you understand what life at FBC Rincon is really like.

Our mission as a church is to make a difference in the world around us by making disciples of Jesus Christ.

That sentence is more than a slogan to us. It is what we believe Jesus has called us to do. We want to help people know and follow Christ. We want to teach the Bible faithfully, care for one another well, raise up the next generation, serve our community, and carry the good news of Jesus beyond the walls of our church.

We are not a perfect church. I am not a perfect pastor. The people you meet here are not perfect people. But we love Jesus, we love one another, and we are serious about becoming the kind of church He has called us to be.

My hope is that you will leave today knowing more than our worship times, ministries, and membership process. I hope you will begin to see what your life might look like here. I hope you can picture yourself as a meaningful part of our life together. I hope you can envision people who would know your name and care about what is happening in your life. I hope you can see places where you and your family could grow. I hope you can imagine using the gifts God has given you to serve someone else. Most of all, I hope you can see how being part of a church family can help you follow Jesus and join Him in making a real difference in the lives of others.

You do not have to make any decisions today. But if you have any questions, ask them! Take your time. Get to know us and give us a chance to get to know you.

I love this church, and I am thankful God has allowed me to serve as its pastor. I believe He has important work ahead for us, and I would be grateful to have you be part of it.

Welcome to Next Steps.

Deek Dubberly
Lead Pastor



YOUR STORY

We want to know who you are.

This class begins with conversation, not presentation.

There is no perfect answer. Use this space to share what brought you here and what you hope to discover today.

What brought you to FBC Rincon?

How long have you been attending?

What are you hoping to find in a church?

Anything you especially hope we address today?

OUR MISSION

Why We Are Here.

One sentence that gives everything else a center.

We exist to make a difference in the world around us by making disciples of Jesus Christ.

1

Make a Difference

Jesus has called us to make a difference in the world.

He said, "You are the light of the world . . . let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven" (Matthew 5:14, 16).

At FBC Rincon, we want to follow Jesus' plan for making a difference in the world by building His Church!

Jesus said, "I will build my church" (Matthew 16:18).

OUR PATHWAY

Follow Jesus | Find Your People | Use Your Gifts | Make a Difference

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Make Disciples

Jesus has commissioned us to help build His church.

He said, "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age" (Matthew 28:18-20).

How do you make disciples?

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Follow Jesus. Find Your People.

Two movements that shape life together.

1 Follow Jesus

Everything begins with Jesus. We want to help people know Him, trust Him, understand His Word, and become more like Him in every area of life.

"Follow me." — Matthew 4:19

This may include worship, baptism, Bible study, prayer, and learning to obey Jesus.

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2 Find Your People

Following Jesus was never meant to be done alone. We grow through genuine relationships where we are known, encouraged, cared for, and challenged.

"Encourage one another and build each other up." - 1 Thessalonians 5:11

This may include a Sunday School class, a small group, friendships, and pastoral care.

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Scan the QR code to explore available groups and find a place to connect, grow, and build community.



Use Your Gifts. Make A Difference.

Discipleship moves outward in service and mission.



3 Use Your Gifts

God has given every believer gifts, experiences, and opportunities that can be used for the good of others. We want to help you discover where you can serve with joy and purpose.

"Serve one another through the gift each of you has received." — 1 Peter 4:10

This may include serving children, welcoming guests, making music, teaching, caring for others, or working behind the scenes.

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4 Make a Difference

Jesus sends His followers into the world to share the gospel, meet needs, serve our community, strengthen families, and carry Christ's love beyond ourselves.

"Go, therefore, and make disciples." - Matthew 28:19

This may include inviting a neighbor, serving locally, giving generously, or participating in missions.

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At FBC Rincon, we want to help you follow Jesus, find your people, use your gifts, and make a difference.

Faithful convictions, clearly stated.

A brief introduction to what anchors our church.

OUR COMPLETE DOCTRINAL CONFESSION

The Baptist Faith and Message (2000), including supporting Scripture references.



THE BIBLE

We believe the Bible is God's inspired Word. It is completely true and trustworthy and is our highest authority for what we believe and how we live.

GOD

We believe there is one living and true God who eternally exists as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. God created all things, rules over all things, and is worthy of our love, worship, and obedience.

HUMANITY

We believe every person is created in the image of God and possesses dignity and value. Humanity has rebelled against God, however, and every person is separated from Him by sin and in need of salvation.

JESUS CHRIST

We believe Jesus Christ is fully God and fully man. He lived without sin, died on the cross in the place of sinners, rose bodily from the grave, ascended into heaven, and will return in power and glory.

SALVATION

We believe salvation is God's gift of grace and is received through repentance and personal faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. There is no salvation apart from Him.

THE CHURCH

We believe every follower of Jesus should belong to and participate in a local church. Together, the church worships, grows through God's Word, cares for one another, and carries the gospel into the world.

THE FAMILY

We believe God designed marriage as a lifelong covenant between one man and one woman. The family is a foundational institution of human society, and parents are responsible for teaching their children to know and follow the Lord.

Belonging with purpose.

A committed relationship between a believer and a local church.

Church membership is a committed relationship in which a believer and a local church recognize one another, accept responsibilities toward one another, and share the rewards of following Jesus together.

1 Mutual Recognition

Membership begins with a public “yes” in both directions. The church recognizes you as a faithful Christian person. You recognize the church as a faithful Christian church. You are no longer simply someone who attends FBC Rincon. You are choosing to belong, and the church is joyfully receiving you as one of its own.

“Now you are the body of Christ, and individual members of it.” - 1 Cor. 12:27

2 Mutual Responsibilities

Membership includes real commitments on both sides. These responsibilities are not a way of earning a place in the church. They are how members care for one another and share life together. (Page 11)

*Let us consider one another in order to provoke love and good works.
- Hebrews 10:24*

3 Mutual Rewards

The commitments of membership lead to blessings that we experience together. Through meaningful membership, we experience the blessings of being known and loved, supported through life, strengthened in faith, equipped to serve, and united in making a difference by making disciples of Jesus Christ.

Membership does not promise a trouble-free life or a perfect church. It gives us a church family with whom we can celebrate, grieve, grow, serve, and make a difference.

“If one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it.” —1 Cor. 12:26

MEMBERSHIP

What We Can Expect from One Another.

Membership is reciprocal, relational, and mission-shaped.

WHAT MEMBERS CAN EXPECT

● Faithful biblical teaching

● Prayer & pastoral care

● Meaningful community

● Spiritual leadership

● Opportunities to grow

● Help using their gifts

HOW MEMBERS PARTICIPATE

● Follow Christ faithfully

● Participate in worship & community

● Protect the church's unity

● Serve others

● Give faithfully

● Join the church in its mission

A FAMILY, NOT A FINISH LINE

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There's a place for you.

Ministries for every age and stage of life.

KIDZ MIN

From birth through 5th grade, Kidz Ministry creates a safe, fun environment where children can learn about Jesus and build friendships. Age-appropriate environments help kids understand that God loves them and has a plan for their lives. Our trained volunteers are ready to welcome families and help kids get connected.



STUDENTS

Student Ministry is a place for middle and high school students to discover and deepen their relationship with Jesus. Through worship, biblical teaching, discussion, and authentic relationships, students are encouraged to grow in their faith and find community. Whether they have grown up in church or are just getting started, there is a place for them here.

ADULTS

There are many ways for adults to grow, build relationships, and become part of church life at FBC Rincon. Sunday School classes, small groups, Bible studies, and other gatherings provide opportunities to study God's Word and walk through life with others. Finding a group is one of the best ways to move from simply attending to being truly connected.



Grow. Serve. Belong.

There are many ways to be part of church life.



WORSHIP & SERVING

Serving is one of the best ways to get involved and use the gifts God has given you. Opportunities include worship, tech, hosting, Kidz, Students, security, special events, and other areas throughout the church. Whether you enjoy being out front or working behind the scenes, there is a place for you to make a difference.

MISSIONS & OUTREACH

Following Jesus moves us beyond ourselves and into our community and world. FBC Rincon provides opportunities to serve locally, support Great Commission ministries, and invest in the lives of others. Wherever God has gifted you, there are ways to help make a difference outside the walls of the church.



RECOVERY MINISTRY

Recovery is a Bible-based discipleship community for adults seeking help, healing, and hope. It provides a safe place to walk honestly through life's difficulties while receiving biblical truth, encouragement, and support from others. Weekly gatherings include worship, teaching, and facilitated groups designed to build honest relationships and accountability.

MEMBERSHIP

A Clear Path To Belonging.

Your questions are welcome at every step.

1

Attend Next Steps

Learn the heart, mission, beliefs, and shared life of FBC Rincon.

2

Complete a Membership Form

Share your testimony, baptism information, and contact details.

3

Meet with a Pastor or Leader

Talk through your story, questions, and readiness for membership.

4

Be Presented for Membership

The church joyfully recognizes and receives new members.

5

Begin Serving and Connecting

Membership is lived out through worship, community, service, and mission.

READY TO EXPLORE MEMBERSHIP?

**Scan the code for current forms, dates, and contact information,
or speak with a pastor today.**



RESOURCES

Stay Connected

Simple ways to stay informed and involved.

1 Church Center App

Your easiest way to stay connected to life at FBC Rincon. Find groups, register for events, access sermon notes, manage your information, and more.



2 Weekly Newsletter

Stay up to date on what's happening at FBC Rincon. Our weekly email includes upcoming events, important announcements, ministry updates, and ways to get involved.



3 Follow Along

Follow FBC Rincon on social media for reminders, photos, church updates, encouragement, and a look at what's happening throughout the week.





You do not have to take every step today.

*We would simply be glad
to help you take the next one.*

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