

ANCHOR REID

securing hope for the future

We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure.
It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain
Hebrews 6:19

WHAT'S NEXT FOR FBC COVINGTON?

For the past 118 years, First Baptist Church has been sharing the Gospel and ministering to our community. As our congregation has grown and our campus expanded, God has given us opportunities to fulfill His mission by inviting people from across the Gulf Coast to know and accept Jesus Christ and through Him experience life-changing relationships.

Since 2001, this campus has allowed us to share the Gospel in ways that were unforeseen just a few decades ago. God again has opened doors and will be providing resources for us to improve facilities and acquire land so that we can strategically advance His Kingdom here in our community. Each of us is individually anchored to God through Christ and as we faithfully gather on this campus for worship, Bible study, prayer, and fellowship, we ask that God will allow us to continue telling His story for generations to come.

Let us be anchored to the unchanging Truth of God's Word as we move forward into the next chapter of ministry at First Baptist Church Covington.


Waylon Bailey
Senior Pastor



IMPROVING OUR SPACES

Our former worship space - Central Hall - is still utilized frequently for Bible studies, Young at Heart gatherings, and special meetings. Yet, it lacks the updates that make the rest of our facility feel so inviting and efficient. Additional funding will allow us to make overdue improvements to the lighting and sound system and revamp the flooring and paint in this space. Another space that needs a refresh is the ROC. Connect Groups are the primary way that we help people to experience life-changing relationships, and many of these classrooms are at capacity!



PROVIDING FOR THE FUTURE

God blessed us with a prominent and visible location in our community. At a time when land is scarce, he opened the door for us to secure an additional 15 acres adjacent to our church - the only remaining property in the area! This space could provide us with recreational fields for Upward Sports or meet the demand for additional parking, or possibly even be the home of a future Family Life Center. We are leaving the door open for dreams not yet conceived - perhaps it will be the site of a new vision that God will usher in with the next generation!

EXPANDING OUR VISION

A step toward expanding the vision is assisting our sister campuses! The most urgent need is to help Metairie Church secure a more permanent space for ministry. The final piece is to take steps toward paying down what we owe on our most recent expansion. Ministry is happening daily and our finances are secure, but as faithful stewards of God's resources we want to be wise and become debt free as soon as possible!

