



# THOUGHTS ON *FAITH*

## A Message From Head of School

December 12, 2016

Dear Faith Family,

*But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God. - Galatians 4:4-7 (ESV)*

I love Christmas; I always have. And this Scripture brings the essence of the Advent season to the forefront. Jesus came as the fulfillment of God's plan at just the right time to redeem us. Praise the LORD for His unspeakable gift and Merry Christmas to you!

Now, a few important reminders:

- **Christmas Concerts!**
  - Please join us on **Tues. 12/13 for our Elementary Christmas Concert** and on **Thurs. 12/15 for the Junior High/High School Christmas Concert**. Each program begins with a prelude at 6:45 and the programs officially begin at **7 pm**. What better way to worship the Savior but through music sung by our kids!
- **Christmas Break**
  - In the unlikely event that you forget (I'm sure your kids will remind you!), FCS is closed for Christmas and New Years December 19-January 2. **Classes resume on January 3rd.**
- **State of the School and Re-enrollment Kickoff: January 30**
  - The State of the School Address from the Head of School.
  - A showcase of the value of a Christ-centered education at FCS
  - The announcement of the 2017-18 tuition rates and fees.
  - The official kick-off of the re-enrollment and open re-enrollment period for the 2017-18 school year. (Students may enroll for the 2017-18 school year and apply for Tuition Assistance only if the financial account is clear.)
  - Beginning January 30, families may submit a Tuition Assistance application through FACTS.
- **FCS Staff Gifting**
  - Would you join many other families in **blessing our teachers and staff with a monetary gift for Christmas** this year? If each family were able to give an average of \$100, our faculty and staff would truly be blessed with a generous gift before Christmas! Your gift can be in the form of a check or cash and marked FCS Staff Christmas Gift. Please turn it in to the school office no later than **Tuesday, December 13th**. Checks should be made payable to Faith Christian School.

Our vision for each and every one of our students is that they would graduate from FCS as effectively disciplined Christ-followers who are equipped to make disciples in every conceivable area of life. It is our calling and privilege to partner with you as parents. I want to encourage you [to read a brief essay by Dr. Larry Taylor, entitled \*The Road to Damascus Vs. the Road to Agora\*](#). Dr. Taylor is a leader in ACSI (the Association of Christian Schools International of which FCS is a member school) and the Headmaster of Prestonwood Christian Academy in Plano, TX (my hometown).

Again, Merry Christmas! May you and your family experience the deep joy of God's salvation as we ponder His greatest gift, Jesus Christ, the Messiah.



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Respectfully in Christ,

Jim McCormick, M.Ed.

Blessed to be Head of School



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