



— the Chapel at Seaside —

# FROM THE TOWER

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## Bible Study Begins

**EVERY WEDNESDAY**  
**9/7-11/16**

**Men 8:30, Women 10:30**  
**Meet at the Chapel**

This fall we are going to open our Bibles together to study Genesis. We believe there is always more to learn. As we learn, we grow deeper in our relationships with Jesus. We pray you will consider joining us!

If you are not a part of our men's or women's Bible study groups and would like to join, you are always welcome to just show up. All are welcome!

## Outreach Partners

In the month of August we highlighted our partnership with Food For Thought. The mission at FFT is to remove the negative impacts of hunger, and empower a child to get the most out of their education and development by providing them weekly access to healthy, easy to prepare meals.

We are grateful for our partnership with FFT. We get to go and serve by filling backpacks with nutritious food and delivering them to schools, and we get to help support them financially. This summer we formed a team for the annual "Stock The Pantry" event and we not only raised over \$8,000, but as a team we won 3rd place! It is great to compete to do good in our own neighborhood. If you are interested in Food For Thought, you can follow the links below to learn more about them. If you want to physically serve along side of The Chapel at Seaside, join our outreach group by following the links below!

FOOD FOR THOUGHT  
<https://fftfi.org>

[Chapel at Seaside Outreach](#)



## Night of Worship

We are so excited to be hosting our first Night of Worship! We will be led by Daniel Pratt and a small team. There will be no outside overflow, so you will want to get there early and be ready to experience an incredible night of music and worship. 7pm Sunday, September 18th.

## Did You Know?

Did you know that the Chapel at Seaside is 100% independently funded through revenue from weddings and the tithes & offerings from people who attend the Chapel? The Chapel operates autonomously and receives no financial support from Seaside or any other organization. The Chapel's resources are used to support the staff, maintain the beautiful facility, and to respond to the needs in the South Walton community and beyond. The Chapel is governed by a Board of Directors. You will learn more about them in articles to come.



## What are you reading?

If you have sat at a table with our Pastor, Andrew Beard, there is a good chance that at some point he asked you the question "Are you reading anything good?"

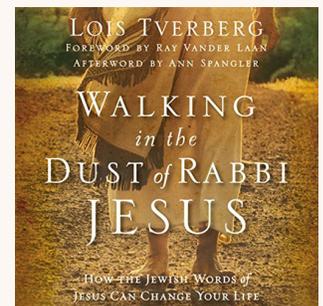
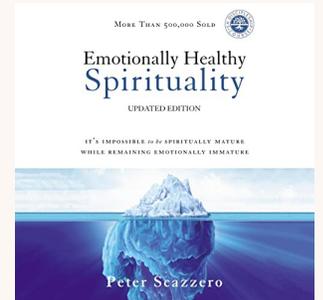
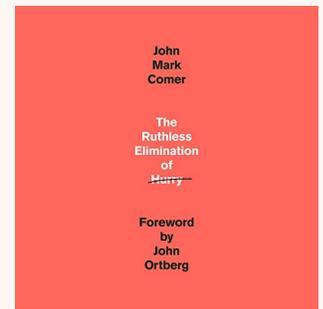
As the people who are leading the Chapel, we try to read a lot. We are always looking for a good recommendation, and we imagine that there are some of you who are looking for a few good reads too! It is important to know that we try to be thinkers, and as we read we pray for wisdom and teachable spirits. We absolutely do not agree 100% with everything we read, but what we read informs our thinking and our way of interacting with the world and culture around us as we work to follow Jesus. We hope we can inspire you to pick up a book and have some good conversations with some friends! Each newsletter you can look to this section for a new list!

All of these books are available on Amazon or you can order through our local bookstore, [Sundog Books!](#)

-The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry by John Mark Comer. This man and this book were very helpful to us in 2020. JMC has become one of our go-to teachers of today. This is one of our most recommended books.

-Emotionally Healthy Spirituality by Pete Scazzero. If you keep having the same relationship with Jesus year after year, maybe its time to look at why your relationship with Jesus is what it is. This book is a great place to start that exploration.

-Walking in the Dust of Rabbi Jesus by Lois Tverberg. Context is everything when it comes to engaging with Jesus on his turf. This book is a great way to take a trip to Israel with Jesus without actually going there.



## TEAM WORK

It was almost two years ago now when Andrew and Sarah Beard (and Foster and Keating) were introduced to the Chapel at Seaside. Andrew and Sarah had both served on staff at Highland Park UMC in Dallas, TX for the previous decade. As well as Andrew being an Associate Pastor, together they led the college ministry of HPUMC, called Wesley House. They have been working and serving together in the ministry of the local church since they first met 20 years ago. We are excited to share they will continue to serve together officially here. We have officially added Sarah to our staff as the Director of Communication and Programs. Her passion for faith, hospitality, and helping create spaces and experiences where people feel welcome to encounter Jesus, will serve us well in this position, and this position will serve our community well. We will continue to share more about others on our team in future newsletters.



## PODCAST

We know you aren't always in town, you can't worship online, or you want to listen to a sermon again or share it with someone else. No worries, you can still be a part of our weekly gathering any day of the week. Check out the latest sermons from the Chapel at Seaside on Apple Podcasts or most places where podcasts are streamed. Just search, "The Chapel at Seaside".