

## Storytelling Guide

Thank you for being willing to tell your story of how God and His grace has rewritten your story. Your story will encourage our church family to be a ready church. We all experience turning points, those moments when God works in our lives so that the rest of our lives are forever changed. Please use this guide to help you prepare your story.

Helpful categories for rewritten stories from Romans 5:1-11.

- Stories about absolute confidence that God has everything under control and nothing in our lives will fall outside of His grace.
- Stories of trusting the Lord through affliction, finding ourselves closer to the Lord and His love than we ever thought possible.
- Stories of being rescued by the Lord from wherever we may have wandered.

Remember the FBG Mission/Vision/Strategies as you craft your story for our church family.

Mission - To be a ready church that loves God, loves people and helps others do the same. Characteristics of a Ready Church - Focused, faithful, prepared and looking.

Vision - To rewrite stories across generations for the glory of God.

Key strategies: Biblical Literacy - to know, understand, and apply the Bible. Biblical community - following Jesus with others who truly know and love you.

Questions to help you craft your story:

- How would you describe your life before the turning point?
- What was the turning point that resulted in a rewritten story? How did you realize your need for Christ? Describe the events leading the moment your story changed because of God's grace in Jesus Christ.
- Were there any circumstances or people who God used to help create that turning point for you? How did you come to the point of no longer trusting your own strength and instead relying on Jesus Christ?
- What has happened since that turning point? How has God continued to work? How has God used the change in others around you, like your spouse, kids, co-workers, neighbors and church family?

Your next step: Simply write your story as it comes to mind. Once you have written your story, and submitted it through the online form, one of our ministry leaders will reach out to you and help you take the next step towards sharing your story with our church family. Thank you. <https://www.fbg.church/mystory/>