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# Reflections

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## Updated Sunday Schedule

Beginning June 21

**9:00 a.m.**

**BIBLE STUDY FELLOWSHIP (ADULTS ONLY)**

*(At this time there will be no nursery or Sunday school for kids at 9am)*

- MEN meet in the Chapel
- LADIES meet in the Choir Room
- CO-ED meet in the Crosswalk

*Example: Do you normally attend a Co-Ed Class? Then you will meet in the Crosswalk.*

**10:15 a.m.**

**MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE**

Nursery provided for birth through 3-year-olds in the CDC.

*Worship KidStyle*, provided for 4-year-olds through grade 5, will begin in the main Worship Service and then move to the Senior Adult Building. We are asking one parent or older sibling to attend with the child in order to help maintain social distancing, etc.

**NEW Wednesday Night Bible Study**

## THE CHURCH *and the* RACIAL DIVIDE

Trevor Atwood

GENERAL EDITORS

Daniel Darling and Trillia Newbell

**Beginning June 17 | 6:30 pm | In the Sanctuary**

*Books are available on Amazon*

## Maintaining A Safe Environment

As we look forward to being in one service again on the 21<sup>st</sup>, it is important to remember that the pandemic is still ongoing. As you have probably heard, there has been a recent uptick in COVID-19 cases. With this in mind, we are still working to maintain a sanitary environment for all those who are comfortable attending Sunday Bible study groups and worship. We will continue to keep every other pew roped off for the time being. Also, we continue to recommend attendees sit together as household units when possible.

The information on wearing masks seems to change frequently. With the recent uptick in cases, DHEC has recommended mask-wearing as a means of reducing the number of new cases. If you feel more comfortable wearing a mask while at church, we certainly encourage you to do so. DHEC also mentioned the continuing need for social distancing. We encourage everyone to keep that recommendation in mind as you enter and exit the auditorium.

We are very thankful to be able to meet again, but let's all do our part to help promote a safe environment for everyone who attends our services.

### Ordinance of Baptism

Sunday, June 21  
10:15 a.m.

## In Need of Prayer?

- Call 246-9182, ext. 1 and leave a message
- Send an email to [prayerrequest@bereafbc.org](mailto:prayerrequest@bereafbc.org)

Our faithful prayer servants work throughout the week lifting up the requests/needs of our church and beyond. We pray for all types of needs that are brought to the attention of our intercessors.

## The Reaching Center

Items needed in June: **Peanut Butter**

Our Reaching Center continues to help those in need in our community every Tuesday morning. Please help us keep the shelves stocked by purchasing a few extra items as you grocery shop each week.

## Financial Report

Sunday, June 7

Total Annual Budget.....\$1,429,626.76  
Budgeted Gifts Rec'd 6-7.....\$32,610.50  
Legacy Gifts.....\$159.00  
Designated/Reimbursement.....\$1,105.89  
Total Deposit.....\$33,875.39

## Sympathy

*Sympathy is extended to:*

Von and Janice Hallman in the death of their son, Todd Hallman.

Joe Lemons in the death of his mother, Shirley Lemons.

## Memorials

*Gifts have been given in memory of :*

Lilly Phillips by:

Ernest and Betty Reece

Doris League by:

Ernest and Betty Reece

Jeff Raymer by:

Women of Faith Sunday School Class



at BERA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

**Thursday mornings 7am**

**in the Senior Adult Building**

You'll be out the door by 8am for work or you can join us for breakfast.



As you know, we had to postpone DNow and cancel our overnight summer trips due to the COVID-19 crisis. However, as our state continues to open back up, we are cautiously planning at this time to have a modified version of DNow this summer with proper social distancing measures in place. In order to accommodate these social distancing measures, the event will not be a weekend/overnight event this year; instead, it is going to take place for two hours on three individual Wednesday evenings: June 24, July 1, and July 8 from 6:30-8:30. Each Wednesday session will build on the week before and will consist of a socially distanced worship gathering, a socially distanced small group discussion, and an individually boxed dinner. Here's the good news: because of this adjusted format, DNow will not cost as much this year, which means that everyone who registered last spring will be receiving a partial refund. If your student was not registered for DNow in March but would like to attend these summer gatherings, we would love for him/her to do so! As long as supplies last, your student will have access to the same merchandise as the rest of the group.

While we've had to make some adjustments and modifications to make this event happen, we believe God has something very special planned for us over these weeks—and our prayer is that in the midst of all the chaos around us, God will speak into each of our students' hearts, drawing students into a relationship with Himself and spurring them on to the next step in their walk with Jesus. We believe God has something glorious in store for us this summer, and we want your student to be a part of it.

**Please let us know by June 21 if your student plans to attend any or all of the Wednesday sessions by visiting the student page at [bereafbc.org/students](http://bereafbc.org/students) and clicking on the registration link there.**