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# Reflections

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NEWSLETTER

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## Utah Missions

This week, a nine-member team from our church is serving Pioneer Community Church, located in beautiful Eagle Mountain, Utah. The church is led by Pastor Barry Smith. The church is a relatively young church, and by BFBC standards, it is still a church plant. For the last several years, we have been privileged to partner with Pastor Barry as he leads Pioneer Community Church to engage their community with the Gospel. The evangelical Christian population of Utah is estimated at approximated 2%.

Our ministry partnership with Pioneer Community Church is a part of the *Calling* segment of our overall discipleship process. Our church exists to help people Connect with Christ (Matthew 28:19-20). The process that we utilize to help us fulfill our purpose includes three segments: Connecting in Celebratory Worship, Connecting in Biblical Community, and Connecting in Calling. Within the Calling segment, we seek to utilize an Acts 1:8 Strategy. In Acts 1:8, Jesus tells His disciples, "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

Our *Jerusalem* is Berea and the surrounding area. *Judea* would be areas of ministry and missions within South Carolina. Utah would represent reaching into Samaria. *To the ends of the earth* represents our missions work in an overseas context such as Uganda and Nicaragua. This week's trip to Utah is an integral part of fulfilling our God-given purpose and fits within the Calling segment of our discipleship process.

Please pray for our Team as they serve and especially remember Pastor Barry, his wife Jennifer, and the members of Pioneer Community Church as they seek to reach their community with the Gospel.

### Team Members:

Martha Hodge, Deanna Johnson, Heather and George Miller, Darrell Reese, Chad Rickenbaker, Shep and Debbie Tallon, Tim Williams.

Prayer guides are available in the Welcome Center.

**THIS SUNDAY AT**  
*Berea First Baptist Church*  
9:00 am - Sunday School/Bible Study  
10:15 am - Morning Worship  
Message by Rev. Fred Stone

## Welcome New Staff Members



**DENNIS PAXTON will serve as our new Church Administrator.**

Dennis will begin serving on June 20<sup>th</sup>. He and his wife, Susan, have been members of BFBC for several years.



**RICK FISHER will serve as our part-time, interim Missions and Discipleship Pastor.**

Rick will be helping create a missions team and developing discipleship opportunities for this coming fall as our Missions and Worship Pastor Search Team begin their work.

**New Search Team**  
Please commit to praying for our Missions and Discipleship Pastor Search Team. The members of the Team are: Heather Miller, Olivia Simmons, Deanna Johnson, Jim Morgan, and Jim Southerland.

## Wednesday Night Adult Bible Study

Continues through the Summer  
Wednesdays | 6:30 pm | Sanctuary



## MEN'S PRAYER GATHERING

### 7am on Thursdays In the Welcome Center

Our group continues to join together around God's Word, reading and then responding in prayer. If your work schedule allows you to join us, we will have you out the door by 8am and on to work or you can join us for breakfast at a local restaurant.

### Coming up in July

#### Baptism

Sunday, July 3

#### Lord's Supper

Sunday, July 10

### Summer Stewardship

Please remember that the summer months are the busiest and most expensive months of the year for our church as we offer special mission and ministry opportunities. Keep our church strong through the summer with your faithful support.

Online giving is a great option when you're on vacation. It can be done from anywhere, 24 hours a day. Just go to our website, [www.bereafbc.org](http://www.bereafbc.org).

### Financial Report

Sunday, June 5

Total Annual Budget.....\$1,463,071.48  
Budgeted Gifts Rec'd 6/5.....\$19,227.00\*  
Legacy Gifts.....\$200.00  
Designated/Reimbursement.....\$1,070.60  
Total Deposit.....\$20,497.60  
*\*Does not include online giving*

### Sympathy

*Sympathy is extended to:*

The family of Myra Stone.

Janice Horton in the death of her mother, Evelyn Cantrell.

Ernest and Betty Reece in the death of their granddaughter, Ellen Scott.

### Memorial Gifts

*Given in Memory of:*

Gennelle Combs by:

John and Chere Edwards

Billie Farr by:

Alvin and Diane Henson

Ernest and Betty Reece

Herman Lambert by:

Anne Linder

Ernest and Betty Reece

### ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A WAY TO SERVE?

#### GREETERS NEEDED

For Sunday Mornings

For more details, see Tracy in the Welcome Center or call the church office at 246-1921

### Opportunities

#### SUNDAY

9:00 am  
10:15 am

Bible Study/Sunday School  
Morning Worship Service

#### WEDNESDAY

6:30-7:30

Adult Bible Study

#### THURSDAY

7:00 am

Men's Prayer Time



Continue to pray for these upcoming events. Also, plan on staying connected to church throughout the summer season by being at Sunday School and Worship each week. Pray that God does a mighty work in our lives as we remain connected in our commitment to glorifying Him and making disciples.

#### Pray For These Upcoming Events:

Utah Mission Trip: June 8-14  
Grades 6-12 Camp: June 19-24  
Grades 2-5 Camp: June 26-30  
FUGE: July 8-12

### The Reaching Center

Thank you for helping us keep our shelves stocked so that we can continue to help those in our community each week. For the month of June we are collecting:  
**CANNED FRUIT**

## Church Camp Begins June 19

### Grades 6-12 Camp: June 19-24

Leave the church at 1:30 on Sunday and return around 1:00 on Friday

### Grades 2-5 Camp: June 26-30

Leave the church at 1:30 on Sunday and return around 1:00 on Thursday

- Remember to bring a bagged dinner for Sunday evening. Dinner will not be provided. Drinks will be provided.
- The camp will be closed during the weekend between camps. Do not plan to go early on Sunday or stay over for the weekend.
- Visitors (parents, friends, etc.) are not allowed at camp. The only people allowed are those who have registered and plan to attend camp for the duration of camp.