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## The Blessing of Joint Stewardship

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It has always amazed me how much Kingdom work can be accomplished when God's people cooperate. Amazing things happen as we tithe and give to God's work here at Berea FBC. Our church family's regular and faithful giving enabled us to provide ministries such as VBS, Camp in Cheraw, and Fuge. Through these ministries, we saw more than a dozen children and students come to know Jesus as their Savior this summer. The majority expense of these ministries is provided for in our church budget, which makes these ministries more accessible to our children and their families

Through the regular and faithful tithing of our church family, food is supplied to school children who may go hungry over the weekend, food and clothing are given to people from our community who are in need, and the Gospel is carried to the children of our community through the Good News Club.

Through the regular and faithful tithing and giving of our church family, we can partner with Pioneer Community Church in Eagle Mt., Utah. The population of Utah is less than 2% Christian. We are also able to help sponsor a ministry in South West Asia. That region of the world is more than 90% Muslim. Since we began this partnership, approximately 40 new home groups have been started in that region.

Each time we give to the Lord's work through our church, children in our community are being fed, people in our community are having physical needs met, children and students are hearing the Gospel and being saved, and the Gospel is being proclaimed in some of the most non-Christian places in the world. These are just a few examples of what is happening daily and weekly because we all give to the Lord's work.

I am so thankful to be a part of a church family that prioritizes God's work in their lives and stewardship. We are moving into the time of the year when we prepare next year's budget. Please join me in praying for wisdom, faith, and an awareness of the work God wants to do through us next year. As sometimes happens, we fall behind in budget during the summer months. It will help us to prepare next year's budget better if we can erase this summer's deficit. Please prayerfully consider joining my family and me in giving an additional offering over the next few weeks to help us better prepare for next year. -Chad

# DISCOVER BEREA LUNCHEON

Sunday, September 11, 11:30 am Senior Adult Building

Whether you are new to BFBC or have attended worship a few times, we encourage you to join us for the DISCOVER BEREA LUNCH. If you are curious to know more about our church, or maybe you'd like to connect further with our staff and community of believers then this event is for you! We invite you to come, enjoy a free meal, get to know us, and give us an opportunity to know you too.

SIGN UP IN THE WELCOME CENTER

# **Get Connected**

## **ON WEDNESDAY NIGHTS**

#### Supper: 5:15-6:00 in the Senior Adult Building

Make reservations by 11:00 am on Mondays. We serve a home-cooked meal or chick-fil-a sandwich or nuggets. Call the office or sign up on Sundays in the Welcome Center, 246-1921.

### Grades 1-5 Choir: 5:55-6:25 in the Choir Room

In choir we learn songs and musicals that we present to the church family at Christmas and in the spring. We also sing in the morning worship service periodically throughout the year.

# KidzLife: 6:30-7:30, 3-5 Year Olds meet in the Dock and Grades 1-5 meet in the Gym.

In KidzLife we strive to help kids learn what the Kingdom of God is all about by knowing Jesus and His Word. We do this through creative Bible stories, songs, puppet shows, and lots of fun!

# Student Worship for Grades 6-12: Doors open at 5:45, Worship at 6:30, Open Gym at 7:45, Pick up at 8:30.

The heartbeat of our Student Ministry is connecting students to Jesus through community, worship, Bible study, and service. This year's focus is equipping students to become self-sufficient followers of Jesus Christ.

### Adult Bible Study: 6:30-7:30 in the Sanctuary

Our Bible study is led by Pastor Chad. Beginning in October, we will also offer a Men's Bible Study and a Ladies Bible Study. More details coming soon!

## Welcome New Member



Jane Kituku 401 Kingswood Dr. Greenville, S 29611

### **Church Conference**

Wednesday, September 7, 6:30 pm at the beginning of the Adult Bible Study. *Vote on new Sunday School Teachers* 

## **Deacons Meeting**

Monday, September 12, 7:00 pm Choir Room

## **BFBC Book Club**

Monday, September 12, 6:00 pm Welcome Center Book: <u>The Mothers and Daughters</u> <u>of the Bible Speak</u> by Shannon Bream.

## What's Happening in the Student Ministry

August 28<sup>th</sup>: Sunday Morning Connect Groups. Join us for age-based connect groups and breakfast every Sunday morning from 9:00-10:00.

**Upcoming Events:** We have a lot planned for the students this year. You can stay up to date by looking at our Calendar on the Band App, following us on Instagram at BereaStudentMin or the Student Ministry Roadmap. You can pick up a copy of the Roadmap in the Crosswalk.

September 11: Join us for tubing the Davidson River and a cook-out. We'll meet in the crosswalk immediately following the service, eat a quick lunch, head to the Davidson River, tube, and then cookout and hangout in the state park. Registration for the event is open! Sign up from now through September 4. \$20 per person. Register by emailing, texting, or calling Ford with the names of the students who you'll have attending.

## **Financial Report**

Sunday, August 21

Total Annual Budget	\$1,463,071.48
Budgeted Gifts	\$18,538.40
Legacy Gifts	\$133.00
Designated/Reimburseme	nt\$3,621.13
Total Deposit	\$22,292.53
*Does not include online giving	

## Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to:

The family of Felton Cox.

The family of Jean Stegall.

John Dukas in the death of his father, George Dukas.

Christine Kearney in the death of her sister, Leona Crowther.

Shirley Hester in the death of her sister, Jean Davis.

## **Memorial Gifts**

Given in memory of:

Felton Cox by: Ernest and Betty Reece Jerry and Gloria Weaver Joe Huffman by: Ernest and Betty Reece Junior Kay by: Jimmy and Brenda Sellers

## *Together With the Tatums* Fundraiser

Please join us in showing support for Zach, Taylor and Landon Tatum Saturday, September 24, 12:00-6:00 pm Berea First Baptist Church.

We will have food, a carwash (provided by BFBC youth), inflatables, and a silent auction. The Blood Connection will also be here. 100% of proceeds and donations will be given to the Tatum family.

For the Entire Church Family **20'S THROWBACK SKATING PARTY** Sunday, September 25 5:15-7:00 pm SKATELAND, USA

# WEAR YOUR BEST 20'S OUTFIT AND JOIN US FOR THIS FUN FAMILY NIGHT!

## **Opportunities**

SUNDAY	
9:00 am	Bible Study/Sunday School
10:15 am	Morning Worship Service

#### WEDNESDAY

5:15-6:00	Supper
5:55-6:25	Grades 1-5 Choir
6:30-7:30	Kidzlife
	Adult Bible Study
7:35 pm	Adult Choir

Students: Doors open at 5:45, Service at 6:30, Open Gym at 7:45, Pick up at 8:30.

#### THURSDAY 7:00 am

Men's Prayer Time

## **Reaching Center**

For the month of August we are collecting: *Spaghetti Noodles and Sauce* 

### Widows Outing

Thursday, September 22 Lunch and Apple Picking at Grandad's Orchard in Hendersonville. Call the church to sign up.

### Lifeline Screening

Tuesday, September 20 Berea First Baptist Church To register for your appointment and to receive the special discount, call 1-800-324-1852 or visit LLSA.SOCIAL/HS.



The Women's Missionary Union of Berea First Baptist has been an active organization of our church for decades. Ladies, you are invited and welcome to be a part of the Grace Lyn Shockey Circle Meeting in September. There are two meeting days and times to allow you to attend one to fit your schedule:

Monthly on the second Monday at 6 PM in the Senior Adult Building. (Refreshments provided)

Monthly on the second Tuesday at 1 PM in the Senior Adult Building. (Refreshments provided)

The first meetings are Monday, Sept. 12 or Tuesday, Sept. 13.

Being a part of an active mission program helps grow the focus on missions around the world. WMU's unwavering focus is **making disciples of Jesus who live on mission.**