



Reflections

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NEWSLETTER

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Prayer Ministry

What an incredible Prayer Conference and Prayer Ministry Celebration Day we had in March! Our hearts were hungry for all God taught us through Dr. Richard Blackaby. We also had one of the best ever responses to be a part of the praying life of BFBC through 8 different prayer ministries. It is becoming more and more evident that God is answering our prayers of many years to make us a people devoted to prayer and BFBC a house of prayer. As our prayers become conduits of His power and purposes, we are experiencing true worship, numerical and spiritual growth through revival and spiritual awakening, and even people coming to the Reaching Center for prayer instead of food and clothes. As Pastor Chad has been saying for weeks now, be watching expectantly for all God is doing through our prayers and be ready to join Him in His Kingdom work on earth!

We are so grateful for 43 hours of prayer per week in Intercessory Prayer Ministry prayer room. If you were not able to attend Prayer Ministry Celebration Day and would like to join the IPM team as a weekly or substitute intercessor, please contact the church office or Debbie Fisher at rfisher@bellsouth.net to set up your orientation and begin serving. You may see the Prayer Room schedule at the Prayer Ministry Table in the Welcome Center to find an hour you would like to pray in the Intercessory Prayer Room. Sunday School classes may also sign up to cover one hour with SS members praying on a rotating basis. If you would like to learn more about the IPM and see the prayer room, please contact Debbie. May God continue to grow us as a House of Prayer!

Grandmothers in Prayer

Sunday, May 7, 4:00 pm, Senior Adult Building

Baptism | Sunday, May 21 | 10:15 AM

If you are interested in baptism, contact Pastor Chad.

HEARING DEVICES

We have several people who need our hearing devices on Sunday mornings and we are missing a few. If you've taken one home, please return it so that it can be serviced and used on Sundays.

THIS SUNDAY AT Berea First Baptist Church

Sunday Morning Connect Groups at 9:00 am

There is a group for everyone! Please call the office or visit the Welcome Center on Sunday morning if you need help finding a group that's right for you.

Worship Service at 10:15 am

Communion and Message by Dr. Chad Rickenbaker

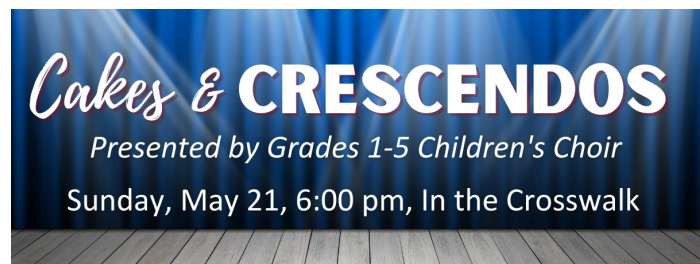
DISCOVER BEREALUNCHEON

SUNDAY, MAY 21, 11:45 AM

SIGN UP IN THE WELCOME CENTER

FOR ALL NEW MEMBERS & VISITORS

Join us for lunch on Sunday, May 21 in the Senior Adult Building. You'll be able to meet our staff, learn more about our church, and discover ways that you can get connected! Sign up in the Welcome Center or call the office, 246-1921.



The Entire Church is Invited!

Our Children's Choir will host "Cakes & Crescendos" on May 21. The choir will present special music as a group and some of the children will share their personal talents and abilities such as dance, gymnastics, etc. During the program, cakes or other desserts will be served at the table for you to enjoy. Please sign up in the Welcome Center or call the church office so that we will know how many desserts to prepare.

Welcome New Members



**Greg and Magda Somers
Gregory, Guy and Grady**
8 Cardona Ct.
Greenville, SC 29611

FUGECAMPS

MFUGE for GRADES 6-12

July 17-21 | Tennessee | \$275

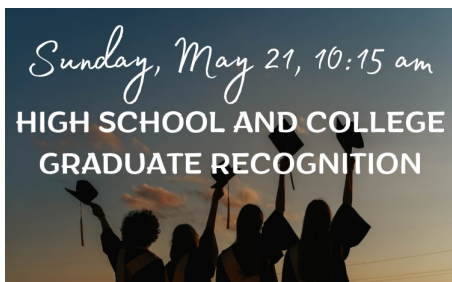
We are going back to FUGE! Will Snipes will be our host and pastor for the week. Register ASAP by contacting Ford at 828-773-3028.

God's Mission, Our Passion Grace Lyn Shockey Meeting

Tuesday, May 9 at 1:00 pm
In the Senior Adult Building
(No Monday meeting so everyone can attend together)

A covered dish lunch; bring your favorite food to share.

Ladies, be a part of WMU to support missions at home and around the world.



8:30 am - Rehearsal

9:05 - Breakfast for Graduates/Families

10:15 am - Graduate Recognition

In order to participate, please email the following to temory@bereafbc.org no later than May 7:

- Number of family members attending the breakfast.
- Digital copies of the graduate's senior picture and childhood picture
- Name of the graduate's high school or college and what they plan to do next.
- Graduate's favorite Bible verse.

Financial Report

FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL

Total Annual Budget.....\$1,540,168.53
Budgeted Gifts\$112,351.60
Legacy Gifts.....\$736.00
Designated/Reimbursement.....\$40,941.77
Total Deposit.....\$154,029.37

Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to:

The family of Emmaline Pearson.

The family of Diane Cagle Holcombe.

Opportunities

SUNDAY

9:00 am Connect Groups
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
Adult Choir
7:35-9:00
Students: Doors open at 5:45, Service at 6:30, Pick up at 7:45.

THURSDAY

7:00 am Men's Prayer Time

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MENU 5/10

Baked Spaghetti, Corn, Salad, Bread or Chick-fil-a Nuggets or Sandwich.
Reservations due by noon, Monday.
Sign up in the Welcome Center or call 246-1921.

The Reaching Center

For the month of May we are asking for donations of **PEANUT BUTTER OR CANNED FRUIT.**

WE ARE UPDATING HOW WE COMMUNICATE!

Text the keyword UPDATES to (864) 660-7739 to sign up for emails and text alerts.



Ladies Ministry

Coffee & Conversations

May 15, 10:30-11:00 am

Join us in the Welcome Center for coffee and conversations, a laid-back atmosphere to connect and enjoy the company of others.

Meet Us at Unity Park

Tuesday, May 23, 4:00

Unity Park - 320 S. Hudson Street

Join us for a leisurely walk along the river on the Swamp Rabbit Trail into downtown to see the Reedy River Falls, followed by a picnic and playtime for your children/grandchildren at the Unity Park playground. Come for the walk or playtime, or both! It's a 3 mile roundtrip walk on a flat, paved path. Grab a drink in the Ocha Tea Bar before walking back to the park. Picnic and playground afterwards.

Also, pick up your inaugural edition of our Ladies Ministry newsletter in the Welcome Center!



KIDS Summer VBS

JUNE 4-7, 6:00-7:30

Berea First Baptist Church

VBS is provided for children ages 3 through grade 5 (current school year). Must have turned 3 by 9/1/22.

Register at Bereafbc.org