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N E W S L E T T E R

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DISCOVER BEREA

LUNCH
FOR VISITORS & NEW MEMBERS

Sunday, January 21, 11:30 am
Senior Adult Building

Church Conference

Wednesday, January 31
at the beginning of the 6:30 Prayer Service.
We will vote on the proposed 2024
Committee Members.

Loving Greenville Dinner

Sunday, February 18, 5:30 pm
In the Crosswalk

Cost: \$5

Sign up online by texting the word REGISTER
to 864-660-7739 or sign up in the
Welcome Center by Feb. 11.

Please help us love and support our Greenville
community by donating items that will
be given to the following organizations:

Piedmont Women's Center

Baby Lotion, Receiving Blankets, Baby Towels/
Washcloths, Bibs, Baby Wash, Baby Shampoo,
Baby Socks/Booties, Stuffed Animals (no parts
that can be pulled off), Newborn Hats and
Caps, Pacifiers, Combs and Brushes, New BPA-
free Bottles – any size, Newborn Diapers, Baby
Wipes, Crib Sheets

Miracle Hill Foster Care

Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Napkins, Cleaning
Supplies (Disinfectants, Mean Green, Laundry
Detergent)

Reaching Center

Blankets, Hygiene Products (such as tooth-
paste, toothbrushes, deodorant, soap, sham-
poo and conditioner, feminine products), Food
Items, Gently Used Children's Clothing and
Shoes, Gently Used Coats

Bring items to the Loving Greenville Dinner.



CHALLENGE 24 BEGINS THIS SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

Challenge 24 is a challenge to train yourself for Godliness through developing
one spiritual discipline. Once you accept the challenge, you will prayerfully
identify one spiritual discipline that you believe needs the most
development in your life.

We will have a Challenge 24 meeting this Sunday at 4:00
in the Senior Adult Building. You will be provided a guide that will
facilitate your training in the area that you choose.

A challenge to READ

The cornerstone of every believer's relationship with Jesus is their time spent in rela-
tionship with him through the reading of the Word. It can be daunting to read the
Bible. Where do you start? What does it mean? Where do I go next? If you want to
be stretched in your Bible reading, accept this challenge to dive into God's Word and
join us in walking through a Bible reading plan together.

A challenge to PRAY

Berea First Baptist Church has been defined by a culture of prayer. Prayer invites
God to be at work in our lives while submitting to him. Unfortunately, it's often the
first thing we cut out in our busy schedules. If you want to breathe new life and
intentionality into your prayer life, accept this challenge to pray and give God the
opportunity to cultivate your prayer life.

A challenge to WITNESS

A crucial step forward in your walk with Christ is seeking out opportunities to
witness. Witnessing is sharing the good news of what Christ accomplished on the
cross with others. If this is an area that you feel you need to grow in, but feel
unequipped for, we encourage you to accept this challenge to witness so that God
can equip and empower you in sharing your faith.

A challenge to be on MISSION

If you want to radically advance your intimacy with Christ, join him where he is at
work. As the church, we are the primary vehicle by which Christ advances his
kingdom here on earth. If you want to come alongside where God is working in our
community, nation, and the world, accept this challenge to step out in missions and
ministry and experience God using you to advance his kingdom here on earth.

WILL YOU TAKE THE CHALLENGE?

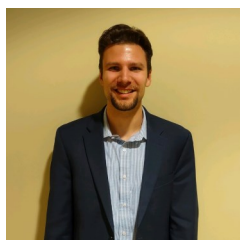
Welcome New Members



Noah Westbrooks

(Son of Josh and Kayla Westbrooks)

117 Cater Dr.
Easley, SC 29642



Joshua Balasa

105 Bailey St.
Greenville, SC 29609

BEREA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

MISSIONS FAIR

Sunday, January 28

Visit the Welcome Center before or after
Connect Groups to find out more about
the mission opportunities here at BFBC

Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to :

The family of Doug Cannon.

Jimmy Bishop in the death of his sister,
Pauline Bishop Horny.

Janice Skinner in the death of her sister,
Joan Wilson.

Book Club

Monday, February 12, 6:00 pm

Welcome Center

Book: "The Summer Kitchen"
by Lisa Wingate

Weekly Opportunities

SUNDAY

9:00 am
10:15 am
6:00 pm

Connect Groups
Morning Worship Service
Small Group Meetings
(reach out to Ryan Pate
for more info)

WEDNESDAY

5:15-6:00
5:55-6:25
6:30-7:30

Supper
Grades 1-5 Choir
Kidzlife, Ages 3-Grade 5
Adult Bible Study
Ladies Bible Study
Men's Bible Study

7:35-9:00

Adult Choir

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

THURSDAY

7:00 am

Men's Prayer Time

WEDNESDAY SUPPER JANUARY 24

Baked Spaghetti, Salad, Corn, Bread
or Chick-fil-a sandwich/nuggets
with chips. Cost: \$5.

Reservations Required by

Mondays at 11:00 am, 246-1921.

Reaching Center News

Items needed during January:
Soup and Canned Pastas

Student Ministry Winter Retreat

When: February 16-18

Cost: \$150

Registration and more information:

[https://bereafbc.churchcenter.com/
registrations/events/2011054](https://bereafbc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2011054)

(where it is, how much it costs, sample
schedule, packing list, and more)

Deadline is January 24

Everyone Is Invited!

Mackinac Island, Michigan

May 19-25, 2024. Cost: \$948

Deposit are due now! Brochures are
available in the church office or the
Welcome Center.

Life Line Screening

Tuesday, January 23 @ BFBC

Three ways to register:

Call toll-free: 1-844-591-7160

Online: <https://llsa.social/HC>

Text: the word circle to 216-279-1607
Brochures available in the Welcome Center

Ladies Spring Retreat at Edisto Beach

April 12-14

Bible Study Sessions led by Susan Paxton. Cost for 2 nights and food is \$150 plus money
for 1 meal out on Friday evening. Non-refundable payment is due by Feb. 28.

Space is limited! Transportation is not provided. Sign up in the Welcome Center or text
Shelly Haddon at 864-905-0923 or Dianne Batson at 864-270-2775.

2024
Save the Date



January 21
January 28
February 18
March 10-11

March 24
March 29
March 31

April 1-8
April 12-14

April 21

May 5

May 12

May 19

May 19

May 22

June 2-7

June 9-3

June 23-26

July 8-12

July 15-19

August 14

October 4-6

October 27

November 24

November 24

December 8-10

Challenge 24 Begins

Missions Fair - In the Welcome Center on Sunday morning

Loving Greenville Dinner - 5:30 pm

Prayer Conference with Dr. Don Wilton,

Sunday Morning, Sunday Evening and Monday Evening

Easter Hoppening - Afternoon

Tenebrae Service - 6:30 pm

Easter - Sunrise Service at 7:30, Breakfast at 8:00,

Connect Groups at 9:00, Worship at 10:15

Ecuador Mission Trip

Ladies Spring Retreat at Edisto Beach

Joint Worship Service with LaRoca - 10:15 am

Recognition for Julie Lunsford

Baby Dedication - 10:15 am

Graduate Recognition Service - 10:15 am

Children's Musical - 6:00 pm

Last Wednesday Night of Activities Before Summer Break

Grades 6-12 Camp in Cheraw

Grades 2-5 Camp in Cheraw

Vacation Bible School

Berea Mission Week

Student FUGE Camp in Tennessee

Splash Bash

Men and Boys Retreat in Cheraw

Trunk or Treat

Decorate for Christmas - 1:30 pm

Thanksgiving Dinner - 5:30 pm

Christmas Program