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N E W S L E T T E R

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Prayer Ministry Celebration Day

More than 20 years ago, a group of prayer warriors began to pray for God to transform Berea First Baptist Church into a House of Prayer. After visiting churches with established prayer ministries and continuing to seek God's heart, two rooms were dedicated close to the current Chapel for use as prayer rooms.

Now, 20 years later, the prayers of this faithful group have been answered in ways that were exceedingly abundantly more than they could have asked or imagined. BFBC is still in the process of becoming the house of prayer that we believe God intends, but today, we have not only the ministry of intercessory prayer, but ministries that focus on praying for our staff ministry team, our students, homebound and widowed members. Also, a men's prayer group meets weekly, a grandmothers in prayer group meets monthly, and our prayer-walking ministry provides multiple opportunities during the year for praying "on-site with in-sight".

In addition, we offer specific times of corporate prayer throughout the year, periodic classes focusing on a specific aspect of prayer life, and an annual prayer conference. Located in the Welcome Center is a Prayer Ministry Center with a variety of resources to help individuals grow in prayer.

On Sunday, March 24th, a portion of our morning worship service will be devoted to celebrating what God is doing as we pray, along with the opportunity for each member of the BFBC family to commit to a one-year involvement in one or more of our churchwide prayer ministries. As I reflect on those who responded to the promptings of the Holy Spirit 20 years ago, I can only imagine what the next 20 years will bring as we continue our journey toward becoming the House of Prayer God has in mind!

Rick Fisher
BFBC Prayer Ministry Coordinator

The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

100% of your gifts go to support more than 2,900 missionaries serving across the US and Canada.

OUR GOAL: \$12,000

Reflections

Vote to Call Pastor Nahun Gil As Hispanic Minister of BFBC

With the recommendation of the Personnel Committee, we will be voting to call Nahun Gil as our Hispanic Minister this **Sunday, March 17th** during our 10:15 service.

During the service, you will have the opportunity to hear Nahun share his testimony and vision for making disciples among our Hispanic population. As we have gotten to know Pastor Nahun and his family, their devotion to ministry and reaching the lost has been most evident. With an affirmative vote of our church family, Nahun will begin leading our Hispanic services and ministries immediately.



Easter at BFBC

Tenebrae Service

Good Friday, March 29, 6:30 pm

A time of somber reflection on Christ's sacrifice on the cross.

The service consists of rhythms of reading from God's Word and musical reflections, culminating in Communion together as believers.



Easter Sunday, March 31

7:30 am - Sunrise Service

8:00 am - Breakfast

(sign up for breakfast in the Welcome Center)

9:00 am - Connect Groups

10:15 am - Morning Worship Service

The Living Cross

Remember to bring flowers (real or artificial) to church Easter Sunday to cover the outside cross with life and beauty. The Living Cross is a beautiful act of celebration to share with our children and it's a great background for Easter family pictures.

Welcome New Members



Dave and Amanda Link
James and Tripp
11 Honeybee Lane
Taylors, SC 29687



Nahun and Belly Gil
Nahybell, Nahomy, Saarony
106 Saluda Ridge
Greenville, SC 29611



Genaro Reyes and Julia Amador
Said and Sofia
1 Furman St.
Greenville, SC 29617



Edwin Cammales and Evelyn Ochoa
Zoe and Adriana
2745 Anderson Rd.
Greenville, SC 29611



Victor Ramos and Genesis Barrios
Angelis, Victoria, Miranda
230 Pelham Rd., Apt. K156
Greenville, SC 29615



Cynthia Humphreys
220 Sleepy Hollow Dr.
Greenville, SC 29609

Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to Betty Barnett in the death of her sister, Peggy Cox.

Prayer Walk

Saturday, March 23rd

Meet in the Chapel at 9:00am as we take time to prayer walk the campus focusing on the Easter Hoppening and our Easter week services. We will meet briefly for prayer/instructions and then move onto the church campus to pray "on-site with in-sight".

Easter Lilies

Each year we give you the opportunity to purchase an easter lily in memory or in honor of a loved one. The cost is \$12 and they will be used to decorate the sanctuary on Easter Sunday. You may pick up your lily after the morning worship service on that day. Forms are available in the Welcome Center or church office. Deadline is Sunday, March 24.

New Men's Bible Study

Beginning April 3
Senior Adult Building
Study: The Life of Paul

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

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

Reaching Center

Items needed during March: **FRUIT**

Wednesday Menu-March 20

Baked Spaghetti, Salad, Corn, Bread
or Chick-fil-a sandwich/nuggets
with chips. Cost: \$5. Reservations or
cancellations are required by Mondays at
11:00 am, 246-1921.

Safety Team Volunteer Registration

If you would be willing to serve on our Safety Team, please register your name on the sign-up sheet in the Welcome Center. Once the registration is complete an introductory meeting will be scheduled.

DNA Ministry

Our **Disciples in Action (DNA)** ministry team is looking for church or community members who have one of the following needs but can't pay for professional services: light construction, plumbing, electrical, painting, yard work, or transportation to church services or events. Contact Ryan Pate at 246-1921 or rpate@bereafbc.org.

Register online NOW for Camp Cheraw!

To register please go to <https://bereafbc.churchcenter.com/registrations> or text the word REGISTER to 864-660-7739. You will be able to take care of all of your camp needs at this one location. There is a \$75 registration fee. The total cost of camp is \$200 for those who registered on March 13, or \$225 for those who register after March 13.

Counselor cost is \$40.

Cheraw Senior Week (Grades 6-12): June 2-7 (Sunday-Friday)

Cheraw Junior Week (Grades 2-5): June 9-13 (Sunday-Thursday)

Mark Your Calendar

Optional Parent/Camper Meeting: Sunday, April 21, 3:00-3:30 in the Crosswalk

Mandatory Counselor Meeting: Sunday, April 21, 3:45-4:15 in the Crosswalk