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NEWSLETTER

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Church Conferences

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Discussion of the 2026 Budget

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Vote on the 2026 Budget
without discussion

Christmas Eve Ministry

Supporting Families in Need

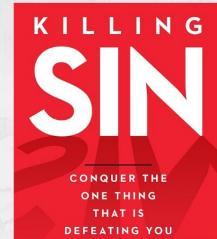
Our phones are ringing daily with requests for Christmas help from members of our community. Our mission is to help as many families as possible, but our ability to do so depends on donations and volunteers.

* The average cost to support a family is **\$300**, which includes a Christmas meal, clothing, and toys.

* We need donations and sponsors by **Sunday, November 30**, to ensure we can commit to helping families.

If you or your group would like to volunteer to shop for and deliver gifts to these families, please inform us of your commitment as well. The number of families we can assist depends on your generous support. Please label all donations as **Christmas Eve Ministry** and place them in the ushers baskets following the service or drop in the offering box in the Welcome Center. For more information, reach out to Dennis Paxton at 246-1921 or dennis@bereafbc.org.

NEW BIBLE STUDY SERIES



Wednesdays at 6:30 | In the Fellowship Center

In this study, **KILLING SIN: CONQUER THE ONE THING THAT IS DEFEATING YOU**, written by Karl Clauson, he exposes the recurring pattern that sets us up for failure: we trust God alone to save our souls, but rely on ourselves to change our lives. Clauson helps us stop trusting in ourselves to achieve what we're powerless to do. This study provides proven truths from Scripture to conquer what's defeating us. We don't need to follow the sin-shame-repent-repeat madness cycle. Our sin can be conquered by hating it, attacking it, and killing it - in God's power. This study will be led by Pastor Chad.



Annual Family Thanksgiving Dinner & Program

Traditional Thanksgiving Meal, Worship, Message, and Lord's Supper

Sunday, November 23: 5:00 pm in the Fellowship Center (full) and 6:30 pm in the Crosswalk

Cost: \$8 per person

DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16 or earlier if we reach capacity.

You can sign up in one of four ways: scan the QR code; go to bereafbc.org/register; sign up in the Welcome Center on Sunday; call the Church Office at 246-1921



Help Us Help Our Community

Each year at our Thanksgiving Dinner we collect canned goods to help support our Reaching Center.

Please bring any of the following food items when you come to dinner:

macaroni and cheese, canned vegetables, canned meat, soup, spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, peanut butter, jelly, and cereal.

Welcome New Members



Taylor Metz and Mills Walters
5553 Locust Hill Rd.
Travelers Rest, SC
29690



Tommy and Lori Stewart
607 Yearling Rd.
Greenville, SC 29617



Chris Campbell and Morgan McLunkin
15 Groovy Way
Greenville, SC 29617



Brenden Tigert
11103 High Peak Dr.
Greenville, SC 29609



Lydia Bryant
641 Nichole Place
Greer, SC 29651



Drew and Brittany Duncan
1570 Geer Hwy.
Travelers Rest, SC
29690



Melanie Boone
106 Robin Rd.
Greenville, SC
29609

Upcoming Dates to Remember

December

December 6
Student-Led Down Syndrome Christmas Party

December 7 at 4:00 pm
December 9 at 7:00 pm
Christmas at Berea presented by our
Sanctuary Choir, Kidz Praise Choir,
Band, and Orchestra

December 14
Children's Christmas Musical at 6:00 pm
followed by the Lottie Moon Bake Sale

December 17
Student & KidzLife Christmas Parties

December 21
Christmas For Kids at 10:15 am

December 24
Christmas Eve Service at 4:00 pm

Friendship Group Senior Adult Luncheon

Tuesday, November 18 at 11:00 am
In the Fellowship Center
Handbell Program by Kathy Schwartz
Menu: Turkey and Dressing, Sweet Potato
Souffle, Vegetable, Dessert
Sign up in the Welcome Center or call the
office by Thursday, Nov. 13.

Parent/Baby Dedication

Sunday, November 23, 10:15 am
REGISTER in the Welcome Center

Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to:
Charles Hall in the death of his sister,
Miriam Corley.

THE COLLEGE AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY IS GOING TO ECUADOR!

March 14-21, 2026

We are excited to partner with Steve and Carol Thompson, who have been missionaries in Ecuador since 1988. Steve and Carol have planted over 100 churches in Ecuador, built and operate a seminary training local pastors, and have founded 2 camps and training centers. The projected cost for this trip is \$1,600-\$2,100. We expect to know more on this soon! We will be fundraising as a group. Don't let the cost stop you. Reach out to Ford for more information (ford@bereafbc.org).

Register online at bereafbc.org/register.

Weekly Opportunities

SUNDAYS

8:15 am Special Time of Prayer
9:00 am Connect Groups
10:15 am Morning Worship
6:00 pm Small Group Meetings
(reach out to Pastor Chad for more info)

WEDNESDAYS

5:15-6:00 Supper
5:55-6:25 Grades 1-5 Choir
6:30-7:30 Kidzlife, Ages 3 - Grade 5
Adult Bible Study
Adult Bible Study/Spanish
ESL Class
Student Worship
Doors open at 5:45,
Pick up at 7:45.
7:30 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAYS

7:00 am Men's Prayer Time

Reaching Center

For the month of November we are
asking for food donations of
CANNED MEATS OR PEANUT BUTTER.
Donations of
NEW OR GENTLY-USED BLANKETS
would be appreciated also!

Wednesday Night Suppers

We offer three ways to sign up for supper:
Go to bereafbc.org/register; call the office
at 246-1921; or sign up on Sundays in the
Welcome Center. The cost for a meal is \$6.
You can choose from a home cooked meal
or chick-fil-sandwich or nuggets & chips.

November 19: Country Fried Steak, Rice
and Gravy, Fried Okra, Pinto Beans.

The deadline to register is noon, Mondays.

SAVE THE DATE

Lottie Moon Tea

*An annual event to support the
Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
for International Missions and Missionaries*
Saturday, January 10, 2026



It's Not Too Late!

If you forgot to bring your shoebox to
church last Sunday, don't worry! You can
still bring it this Sunday, November 16, and
it will be delivered on Monday.