



# Reflections

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NEWSLETTER

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## Mark Your Calendar for Upcoming Events at Berea First Baptist in May!

*Mother's Day*  
**SUNDAY, MAY 10, 10:15 AM**

We hope you will join us for a special service on Mother's Day.

- Every lady will receive a beautiful flower
- Baby Dedication
- Special music by the Preschool Choir
- Message from Pastor Chad



**CLASS OF 2026**

Dinner for High School Graduates/Families  
Saturday, May 16 at 6:00 pm

Recognition of High School & College Graduates  
Sunday, May 17 at 10:15 am

**Register at [bereafbc.org/register](http://bereafbc.org/register)**



**BACK TO THE CROSS**

**Children's Spring Musical**  
Sunday, May 17, 6:00 pm



**SUMMER KICK-OFF POOL PARTY**

**FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20  
OTTER CREEK WATER PARK

5:30-6:00 – Pizza Dinner at the Pavilion  
6:00-8:00 – Pool Party

**Register to attend at [bereafbc.org/register](http://bereafbc.org/register)**

*No Supper, Service, or Activities at church on this night!*



## National Day of Prayer Service & Lunch

Thursday, May 7 | 12:00 noon | Fellowship Center

Come join us as we pray for our nation!  
The theme this year is "Praying for the Nation for Generations" and we would love for your whole family to be part of it.

On Thursday, May 7 at 12:00 noon, we will gather for a 30-minute prayer service in the Fellowship Center, followed by a Chick-fil-A sandwich box lunch for just \$5. If you're coming on your lunch break you're welcome to grab your lunch and go or stay and eat with friends.

**Deadline to register for CFA lunch is Monday, May 4.**  
Go to [bereafbc.org/register](http://bereafbc.org/register) or sign up in the Welcome Center.

## DEADLINE TO REGISTER FOR CAMP

**Thursday, April 30**  
[Bereafbc.org/register](http://Bereafbc.org/register)

**June 15-19: CentriKid @ Gardner-Webb**  
For children who have completed 2nd-5th grade

**June 8-12: CentriFuge @ Ridgecrest**  
For students who have completed 6th-12th grade



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2026

*Shining a Light On Who Jesus Really Is!*  
**June 28—July 1**

**6:00-8:15 pm (dinner begins at 5:15 for those registered)**

We invite you to join us for Vacation Bible School at Berea First Baptist Church as we discover that Jesus is the Light of the World! This is a FREE event for ages K2-5th grade. Dinner is included before the nightly programming begins for those who pre-register by June 14.

**You must register to attend or to volunteer!**

**[Bereafbc.org/register](http://Bereafbc.org/register)**

## Welcome New Members



**Steve and Donna Key**  
319 Sandalwood Dr.  
Easley, SC 29640

## Grandmothers In Prayer

Sunday, May 3, 4:00 pm  
Fellowship Center

## Deacons Meeting

Monday, May 4, 7:00 pm  
Chapel

## Grace Lyn Shockey Circle Meeting

Annual Covered Dish Luncheon,  
Food, Prayer, and Fellowship  
Tuesday, May 12 at 12:30  
Fellowship Center

## Friendship Group

### Senior Adult Luncheon

Tuesday, May 19, 11:00 am  
Fellowship Center

Program: Barber Shop Quartet/Steve Pace

Menu: BBQ, Baked Beans, Slaw,  
Brownie with Ice Cream

Reservation Deadline: May 14  
Call 246-1921 or sign up in the  
Welcome Center

## Faith and Support Ministry

### Sewing Day

Creating pillows and other items to support  
women recovering from breast cancer.

**Saturday, May 23, 9:00 am – 12:00 noon**

Senior Adult Building

Please sign up in the Welcome Center if  
you would like to participate.



## May Collection Items

# Flip Flops



Collection bins are located throughout the church. Please help us reach our monthly goal of **1000** items!

# GriefShare®

## New Class

May 6—July 29, 6:00-7:30 pm

Conference Room

Facilitated by

Carol Beckham and Sandy Lathem

At Grief Share, you'll find a safe, comforting place where you can talk with others about your grief. You'll find support, direction, and guidance on how to make it through.

During this 13-week journey you will:

- Hear insights from grief recovery experts
- Meet others who understand what you're going through
- Receive comfort and support
- Learn practical tips for navigating your grief
- Discover the six signs of healing

If you're interested in signing up for this group, call the office or sign up in the Welcome Center.

## The Summer Reset Event

Billy Graham Training Center at The Cove  
May 29-31

Special guests for the weekend include: Kenn Kington, Michael O'Brian, Brett Varvel, and Jenn Lilley. The cost is \$249 for double occupancy. This includes 2 nights, all meals, beverages, and on-site parking. If you would like to attend with a group from our church please contact Jennifer Kauffman at 864-238-7307.

## The Very Newest

Congratulations to Carter and Kaylie Myers on the birth of a daughter, Mary Karter, born April 22. MK is the granddaughter of Brana Myers.

## Stay Informed!

Make sure you register for text messages and/or emails to stay informed about important church announcements. Simply text the keyword UPDATE to 864-660-7739.

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

6:30-7:45 pm

7:30-8:30 pm

7:35-9:00 pm

### THURSDAYS

7:00 am Men's Prayer Time

## Wednesday Night Suppers

We offer three ways to sign up for supper: Go to [bereafbc.org/register](http://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.

**May 6:** Country-Fried Steak, Rice and Gravy, Steamed Broccoli, Pinto Beans or Chick-fil-a Nuggets/Sandwich and chips.

**May 13:** Hamburgers, Fries, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw or Chick-fil-a Nuggets/Sandwich and chips.

## Reaching Center

For the month of May we are asking for donations of  
**PEANUT BUTTER or JELLY**

## How Can We Pray for You?

Our Intercessory Prayer Ministry is confidential and staffed by trained volunteers. To request prayer: send an email to [prayerrequest@bereafbc.org](mailto:prayerrequest@bereafbc.org) or leave a voicemail at 864-246-9182, Ext. 1.

## Wednesday Night Activities

- May 13 is our last week for Wednesday night supper and activities.
- May 20 everyone is invited to Otter Creek Water Park for our summer kick-off party.
- Beginning May 27 our Adult Bible Study will meet every Wednesday at 6:30 during the summer months.
- We will resume our regular Wednesday schedule on August 12.