Praise & Prayer

(If you would like a Praise or Prayer Request put on our list, or if you know in advance of a scheduled surgery or extended hospital stay. please let the church office know by filling out a blue Prayer Card and placing it in the offering plate. Please remember to keep us updated.)

ONGOING PRAYER CONCERNS:

*Pray for the Gospel to continue to be spread throughout the world. Pray for the Lord's soon return.

*Pray for the Global Church to be faithful to God and His Word. *Pray for Persecuted Christians, Missionaries, SBFN, our Church Staff, our Elected Leaders, our Courts, and our Country.

*Pray for Hannah's House, and other Crisis Pregnancy Centers that are helping mothers who keep their children from abortion. *Pray for an end to legal abortion in the U.S.

*Pray for conflicts to end in Ukraine.

*Pray for U.S. Soldiers (A.J. Braun), Police, First Responders, and the families.

*Pray for those who have lost loved ones.

SPECIFIC PRAYER CONCERNS: (New ones in bold) *Bruce Thompson - UPDATE/PRAISE - his most recent doctor's scans confirmed he is cancer free. He is still healing and is still asking to have visitor's.

*Rev. Jerry Harris - PRAISE - cancer is in remission *Cathie Radlein - UPDATE/PRAISE - prayers were answered. She went to the doctor and the infection is gone. Continued prayer as she will have the cancerous lesion behind her ear removed tomorrow.

*Julie Brown - had a stroke on 2/16 and is in St. Joseph hospital. Prayers for Julie and for the family at this time.. *Todd - (Kim Hengert's friend) - son died in a car accident. Pray for strength, and that he would turn to God to take this burdens for him.

* Lexi Gleason - was diagnosed with Crohn's on 2/15. Prayers she can learn her way through this diagnosis. *Nathan & Family - (Connie and Len Holt son) they're in New Zealand representing the Salvation Army. They are in the middle of the cyclones. They have lost electricity with a danger of contaminated water supplies. Pray for their safety, and an end to the storms. Also, a fast return to power, and pray for emergency services for aid, repair and cleanup.

*Jacob - (Lisa Hite's nephew) heart ablation went well. He is home and recovering. They will know in the next few weeks if the procedure worked.

*Toby Braun - recovering from drug additions. Continued prayers please.

*Eddie Jones - (Carolyne Wallace & Darilyne Tingle's brother) hernia surgery was cancelled due to some other medical concerns. Please continue to pray for him during this time. He has several medical concerns to address. *Tom Zigler - admitted to St. Joe hospital on 2/16 with some kind of new virus, and he has a lot of fluid in his lungs. Those need to be addressed now. He is also having a hard time with a bad cough.

SBFN INFORMATION

UPCOMING CHURCH ACTIVITIES

February Sermon Series - "GET WISDOM"

15 - Come to the Water Begins (6:00pm)

18 - South Bend Classic National Bible Quiz

26 - SBFN Youth Worship Service **SBFN Church Board Elections**

March

4 - Celebrate Life & NYI Con @ Valpo. Nazarene 10 & 11 - Youth Quiz Finals @ Lafayette Nazarene 26 - Youth Family Roller Skate @ Galaxy Rink

SBFN ONLINE GIVING IS AVAILABLE

You can give from anywhere using your desktop, laptop, or smart phone. You have options to make a one-time gift, or a recurring gift such as weekly, monthly, every two weeks, or twice a month. You can also link the online giving account to your bank account, or debit or credit card. From your smartphone camera, focus it on the QR Code

provided on the front of this bulletin, and it will take you straight to the online giving website. From your laptop or desktop you can simply go to

> the online giving option on our church's webpage and sign up there. Go to: www.sbfnaz.org, choose About SBFN, Online Giving from the scroll down box, then proceed from there.



SBFN WEBSITE

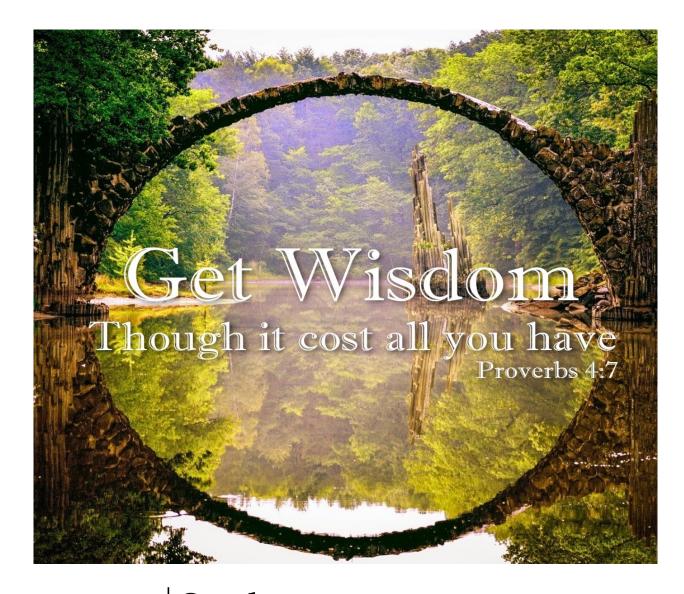
Have you visited the SBFN website since it has been redone? It's a great resource for you, your family, and your friends to discover more about our church, our beliefs, and what's going on weekly. You can find it at www.sbfnaz.org. Check it out, and share it with your

SBFN CONNECTION BOXES

family and friends.



We want to hear from you. In order to better do that, we have Connection boxes throughout the building. Please place your Connection Cards/Prayer Cards in these boxes.





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WELCOME!

February 19, 2023

ALABASTER AWARENESS MONTH

Our prayer is that you would discover and experience the love of God through Jesus Christ today!

We're so glad you worshiped with us today! A staffed nursery is available during this

morning's worship gathering.

Aid for the hearing impaired is available. Please see an usher for assistance.

> Need Internet? SBFN Guest Password: SBFNet10!

TODAY'S WORSHIP GATHERING

God So Loves

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENT/OFFERING

Whom Shall I Fear Great Are You Lord Amazing Grace

MORNING SERMON

"Get Wisdom: Healthy Relationships" Proverbs chpts. 5-9 and other selections Lead Pastor, Andy Lauer

LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS

Sunday a.m. Discipleship	108
Sunday a.m. Worship	138
Midweek Activities	96
On-Line Views	15

SBFN MINISTRY TEAM

Lead Pastor - Andy Lauer Children's Pastor - Brenda El-Talabani Youth Pastor - Christina Fischer Worship Pastor - Rebekah Gilbert Missions Director - Sue Harris Office Administrator - Carole Snyder ***SBFN OFFICE HOURS***

Monday & Thursday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

THIS WEEK AT SBFN

Sunday

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8-11:15 a.m.	Prayer Room is Open
8:00 a.m.	Band & Singers Practice
9:00 a.m.	S.S./Discipleship: Children,
	Youth, Adult
10:15 a.m.	Morning Worship Gathering
12:30 p.m.	Youth Quiz Practice

Wednesday

All Day	Prayer & Fasting
12:00 p.m.	Women's Sewing
5:30 p.m.	Children's Bible Quizzing
6:00 p.m.	Youth Group
	Mid-Week Worship
	Mommy & Me
6:30 p.m.	Worship Team Rehearsa

Thursday

6:00 p.m.	Women's Quilting
7:00 p.m.	Men's Basketball

Next Sunday

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Thank you for your faithful & generous giving!

Tithes & Offering

Received week of	(2/12/23)	\$4,424.29
Needed Weekly	,	\$6,824.55
Average Giving YTD		\$6,342.77

January Missional Giving

WEF	\$1,677.07
Child Sponsorship	\$30.00
World Mission Broadcast	\$896.28

Church Building & Facilities

Mortgage Balance \$659.216.34

UPCOMING EVENTS & INFORMATION

"GET WISDOM" - SERMON SERIES

The Bible proclaims that we should get wisdom, though it cost us all we have (Prov. 4:7). However, wisdom is a commodity in short supply in our world today. Join us the next few weeks as we discover biblical wisdom with regards to important issues in our lives - relationships, speech, emotions, money, work, faith, and more. Bring a friend!

MOMMY & ME - This Wednesday, February 22nd

Our Mommy & Me Bible Study is a great time of studying the Bible together and building community and



fellowship for moms of infants and school aged children. The Bible Study will now meet every Wednesday from 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. If you have any questions contact Sarah Fischer at 574-549-0727 for information.

MID - WEEK SERVICE - "BEYOND THE CHURCH"

Our Mid - Week Services "Beyond the Church Walls," this Wednesday, February 22nd will begin at 6:00 p.m. Reminder that every Wednesday is also our Prayer & Fasting time. The devotional will be led by Carolyne Wallace this week. This is a great opportunity to invite a friend or family member who doesn't attend regularly.

ANNUAL LEADERSHIP ELECTION FEBRUARY 26th

If you are a **SBFN member** and are at least 15 years old we will be having our Annual Leadership Elections on Sunday, February 26th, during our morning worship hour. If you are asked to serve on the Church Board this year or as a Delegate to the District Assembly please take this next couple of weeks to be in prayer that you would be able to

answer with certainty what God would wish for you to do. We encourage all members to vote on this year's upcoming delegates for District Assembly and also for our new Church Board members.



ATTENTION: PRESCHOOL TEACHER NEEDED

We need your help! We are needing Preschool Teacher, for the 9 a.m. & 10:15 a.m. times. We want to make sure your children are hearing God's word when they are in our care. Currently they do not have a teacher, maybe you can help? Maybe for a month? 2 months? Or even one week a month? Whatever you are able to do is appreciated. Please contact Pastor Brenda for more information at 904-625-2121. All

materials are provided and will be ready for you when you arrive on your Sunday to teach! Please pray about serving in this ministry, and let Pastor know what week works best for you. You are needed!



NEW AT SBFN? VISIT THE CONNECTION CENTER TODAY!

In order to better connect with those who are relative newcomers to SBFN, we're inviting anyone who has started worshiping with us in the past year to visit our new Connection Center in the lobby to meet and get to know the pastoral staff better. We have a few special gifts for you and an opportunity for you to choose a free discipleship resource. We will be having the **Connection Center** for new quests on the 4th Sunday of each month. We hope to see you

ATTENTION SBFNAZ KIDZ FAMILIES

Parents, as you know we are always needing to restructure to provide the best opportunities for children to hear and apply God's Word. So starting Sunday, February 26th and on, the children will now be dismissed every Sunday from the sanctuary after prayer to go back upstairs and have a Children's message shared with them.

PICK UP YOUR ALABASTER BOX TODAY

Every year, the Church of the Nazarene receives a special offering called the Alabaster Offering. It's based on Luke 7:36-50 and speaks to offering something of precious value to the Lord. 100% of Alabaster offerings received go directly toward building churches,

hospitals, orphanages, parsonages and other missional buildings around the world. You can participate in the Alabaster offering by collecting your change in the box provided or simply giving what God lays on your heart. Our Alabaster Offering will be collected in September.



INTERESTED IN MAKING A QUILT?

Ever thought you might want to learn how to make a quilt, or maybe even a blanket? If so...make plans to come on a Thursday evening and join JoEllen Meuninck, Judie Ruffner, and others in the BASIC ABF classroom in the corner of the gym. They begin at 6:00 p.m., and anyone is welcome to join the fun. Anyone in the class that is able would be happy to help you learn. If you plan to come, please contact JoEllen or Judie after the morning worship hour for more information. Or you can call the church office.